

Saints Cosmas and Damian

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Weekdays: Daily at 8:30 am

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Confession: Saturdays 3:00-3:30 pm

Parish Center Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Perpetual Adoration –

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 for private prayer and adoration. Listings and contacts are available in the Parish Center.

Twinhaven Reception Center 330-425-1616

Emergency Assistance 330-888-0134

For information regarding Baptisms, Marriages, Visitation of the Sick, Funerals or Registering as a Parishioner please call the Parish Center 330-425-8141

Mission Statement:

*To be disciples of Christ,
Teach the Catholic Faith,
And serve those in need.*

Mass Schedule & Intentions For The Week
All Masses will be livestreamed on the
parish's Facebook page.

Monday, October 18 – Weekday Mass
8:30am Bill & Marge Connell
Tuesday, October 19 – Weekday Mass
8:30am Maxine Barr
Wednesday, October 20 – Weekday Mass
8:30am Joe Rubino
Thursday, October 21 – Weekday Mass
8:30am The Souls of All Parishioners
Friday, October 22 – Weekday Mass
8:30am Felix & Matilda Prijatelj
Saturday, October 23 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)
4:00pm Dana Sagal
Sunday, October 24 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am John Onder
11:00am Marilyn Heinke

Dear Parishioners,



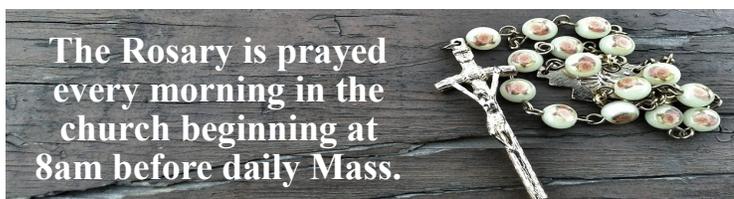
God has always existed, before Time, itself. When did I come into existence? We, mere mortal, temporal creatures have a beginning and an end. Still, Christ loves us so much that He has opened the gates of eternity to those who follow Him. Thus, we will live forever, as promised by our merciful Lord. But when did we begin to exist?

Before I was an adult, I was a developing child with my own thoughts and a unique disposition. Before that, I was an infant, unaware of even my own name; shocked at the sight of my own foot. Before that, I was a baby in the womb, kicking and stretching within the mother who loved and welcomed me. Before that, I was a single cell dividing in the darkness. Before that, I was not. I was not the egg or the sperm or even a spirit in heaven. I did not exist. My soul and body came into existence, simultaneously, in the moment of conception. It was a work of the Divine through the loving intimacy of my parents. Perhaps God knew that I would, one day, exist. But this was the first moment of my actual being. I was fully human, down to my DNA. After all, only a human can grow into a mature human adult. And no one would doubt my humanity now.

Out of respect for human life, we protect and care for people, at all stages of life. We have not always been faithful to this calling. We fall into selfish apathy when we do not care for the struggling family, the scared single mother, or the orphaned immigrant child. Christ commands us to love them. We are challenged to be creative and communal in this love so as to honor the Author of Life and love our neighbor as ourselves.

The laws of our democratic country reflect the belief of the people. How is it that abortion still continues in this, the wealthiest nation in the history of the Earth? The people remain unconvinced. Are they unconvinced that we should love people, especially the vulnerable? Is it that we cannot count on others to help us in our moment of need so we must remain independent and unburdened? Is it that some lives matter more than others? Do they think that the child in the womb is not human, despite the science that affirms this? Do they think that killing does not offend the Author of Life? Do they think that this is a minor cost compared to the benefits? Do they think that the unborn is a human child, but, so long as I don't have an abortion, I should not care if others do?

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The Rosary is prayed every morning in the church beginning at 8am before daily Mass.

Scripture Readings October 18 – October 24

Monday Saint Luke, evangelist
2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18, R. v.12; Lk 10:1-9

Tuesday Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs
Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21;
Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17, R. v.8a & 9a; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday Saint Paul of the Cross, priest
Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, R. v.8a; Lk 12:39-48

Thursday Thursday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time
Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6, R. Ps 40:5; Lk 12:49-53

Friday Saint John Paul II, pope
Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94, R. v.68b;
Lk 12:54-59

Saturday Saint John of Capistrano, priest
Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6, R. see v.6; Lk 13:1-9

Sunday Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6, R. v.3; Heb 5:1-6;
Mk 10:46-52

Our Parish Family Welcomes:



Anna Joyce Matejka

Baptized on October 15!

Jonathan Harlen Sheppard

Baptized on October 17!

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Offertory (includes EFT):

October 9 & 10 Numbers not available at time of printing

Capital Campaign:

Capital Campaign Pledges: \$ 1,502,310.00

Capital Campaign Money Received: \$ 1,271,886.00

Capital Projects:

Mortgage Balance \$ 408,798.00

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My honest belief is that it has to do with moms and dads. The Church has taught that we should wait to be intimate until marriage. The world teaches the teens that intimacy is a recreation. Their hearts, minds, bodies, and souls suffer from the abuse of others. The Church teaches that marriage is meant to bring stability through a loving commitment. The world teaches that we can mutually use one another and temporarily live with each other. Our young live in fear of abandonment and compromise so many of their personal beliefs for the sake of not being alone. In the name of "love," they renounce the path of the Author of Love. The Church teaches that married couples should express their love and discipline their bodies through properly studying Natural Family Planning and good communication. The world teaches immediate gratification, twisting the holy and beautiful into something dirty and embarrassing. The world teaches that infidelity is the fault of the victim not giving in to the demands of their mate.

I pray for our marriages, our couples, our children, our single people. I pray for a hurting, frightened, traumatized world. I pray they find forgiveness, hope, a fresh start, a sacred path. I pray they find Love that is Total, Faithful, Fruitful, and Forever. I pray they find happiness, not through the silence of the critics or the praise of the offenders; but through the calming voice that welcomes us mortal, temporal beings into eternity. I pray for you, because I love you too, my fellow human being. You exist to be loved. And I love that you exist.

In Christ,

Father Michael J. Stalla

The Emergency Assistance Ministry is currently in need of the following items:

- Canned Ham
- Corn Beef Hash
- Turkey Gravy
- Boxed Stuffing
- Jelly



Thank you for your generosity!

This Week in the Parish

Sunday, October 17: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am—Mass

9:30am—Faith Formation in the Parish Center

11:00am—Mass

7:00pm—Charismatic Prayer Group in Church

Monday, October 18:

8:30am—Morning Mass

9:15am—TEA Bible Study in Twinhaven

6:30pm—First Communion Msytalogy in Twinhaven

7:30pm—Feminine Genius Bible Study in 114

Tuesday, October 19:

8:30am—Morning Mass

6:30pm—Confirmation Team in 112B

Wednesday, October 20:

8:30am—Morning Mass

9:00am—Pro-Life Rosary in Church

6:00pm—Women's Group in Twinhaven

6:30pm—Cub Scouts in Parish Center Upstairs

7:00pm—Alpha in 114

Thursday, October 21:

8:30am—Morning Mass

9:30am—Book Club

7:00pm—Cornerstone Young Adults at Holy Angels

Friday, October 22:

8:30am—Morning Mass

Saturday, October 23: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time(vigil)

3:00pm—Confession

4:00pm—Mass

Sunday, October 24: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am—Mass

9:30am—Faith Formation Classes

11:00am—Mass

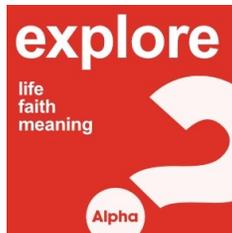
7:00pm—Charismatic Group in Church

What's the meaning of life? What's the point of church and religion? Can I really have a personal relationship with Jesus?

Do you ever find yourself pondering these questions? If so, you should join us for

Alpha, Wednesday nights at 7pm in the Parish Center.

At Alpha we discuss those topics and get to the root of Christianity. Alpha is the perfect group to invite those to who may be wondering, why be Christian? Alpha is very relaxed and low pressure. You can come and just listen. There is never any pressure to contribute to the discussions if you don't feel comfortable doing so.



Why should I be Confirmed?

God's grace enables us to live as his children in a world that sometimes loses sight of what's really important. One way that we encounter God's saving grace is through the sacraments. We are baptized into a faith-filled community, cleansed of sin, and called to live as God's beloved children. Nourished by the Body and Blood of Jesus in the Eucharist we are sent out to make God's kingdom a reality for those who suffer. Confirmation completes our Christian initiation that we began at Baptism as the Bishop places his hands on us and finally seals us in the Spirit, tapping once again into the abundant grace that God offers to us. The gifts of the Spirit, abundant in Confirmation, include wisdom, knowledge and understanding, right counsel, good judgment, piety, and wonder and awe in the presence of God. Who among us could not use a good boost of these gifts and God's grace?

Did you know? In order to serve as a godparent or sponsor, you must be fully initiated into the holy Catholic Church. This includes Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Many have been disappointed when a family member has asked them to serve in this capacity, only to find out that they do not meet the qualifications of full initiation into the Church. Adults who have not been Confirmed are invited to contact us to discuss how you might complete your initiation into the Church and perhaps be Confirmed when the Bishop comes to us next Spring! Approach our Father with open arms and accept the grace that he offers to you! ***Come, Holy Spirit!***

Contact Joni Smith X 110 for more information.

Casablanca Nite at Ss. Cosmas and Damian

Come join us at Rick's Cafe (Twinhaven)
in Casablanca on October 30, 2021
from 5pm til 9pm (adults only)



Heavy hors d'oeuvres, pastries, and Italian sliders will be served by Alesci's. Wine and beer available for sale.

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Try your luck in Rick's Casino with Black Jack,
Roulette, Craps Table, Slot Machine, and
Three Card Poker available.

Before you can enjoy Rick's Cafe and Casino you must sign up for your **Letters of Transit.**

A sign-up sheet will be in the Gathering Area before and after all Masses.

RSVP is required due to limited space in Twinhaven (200)



Cost is:
\$20/person

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

There are still three baskets from the Feast Celebration that need to be picked up at the Parish Office.

Basket 2: Handicapped Parking Spot—Chrystal Miller
Basket 15: June Cleaver—Ann Marie Spice
Print C—Tony Atala



Mark your calendars for our make up dates for photography sessions for our new Parish Directory. If you missed the dates earlier this year we are having a couple of make up dates on November 29th & 30th. More information about booking times will be available soon.

May the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.

Joe Rea*
*Brother of Geri Rea

Our Love & Prayers
ARE WITH
You & Your Family



Caron Soltis	Sandra Tomasek
Linda Braun	Jim Tausch
Leo Roble	Barbara Brough
Jonathan Sedor	Astrid Schitter
Donna Czyznski	Kenn Sikora
Ralph Sickle	Clair Dunegan
Laura Ercolino	Louise Prijatel
Mark Magda	George Tuma Jr.
Deacon Ed Chernick	Anne Herr
Rita Mills	Dan Perko
Chuck Piazza	Richard Kurowski
Ruth Unger	Larry Harris
George Malaczewski	Marjorie Kafka
Ralph Perline	Breonna Williams
Karen Winar	Philip Hepburn

We Pray to the Lord...

Women's Group Meeting

We would like to invite all the women of the parish to our monthly Women's Group meeting on **Wednesday October, 20th at 6:30pm in Twinhaven.**

We will have a guest speaker, Andrea Pollock from Next Step. This is a first in a series of community support programs we will be providing help to in our communities.

If you are interested in donating items, we will collect them in the Gathering Area thru the day of the meeting. The main items they need are: Personal Hygiene items including shampoo/conditioner, liquid & bar soap, lotion, deodorant, band-aids, antibiotic cream, toothbrush & toothpaste. Paper products: toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, napkins, laundry supplies.

We hope you can join us—meet others and enjoy some refreshments!

Help Needed

The Monday evening "Marthas" are in need of help cleaning the church. We begin at 5:30pm and we're finished by 7pm. The duties include vacuuming the carpet, dry mopping the floors, washing the door windows, and general cleaning. If you are interested in helping, please call Adrienne Radtke-Kopp at (330)425-7246.



Liturgical Minsters—October 23 & 24—30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Lectors	E.M.H.C.	Altar Servers
Saturday Oct. 23th, 4:00pm	Elizabeth Innocenzi	Joan Vitale, Darryl Innocenzi, Judi Okeson, Judy Brown	Alyssa James, Volunteer Needed
Sunday Oct. 24th, 9:00am	Andy Morean	Eileen Toth, Rita Goroncy, Eleanor Smith, Maureen Ashdown	Maria Thomas, Lisa Thomas
Sunday Oct. 24th, 11:00am	Bill Furey	Al Falcione, Mary McGrogan, Leslie Magda, Colleen Tomasek	Kelsey Clune, Zach Witkiewicz

Little Free Pantry

Ss. Cosmas and Damian

There is a new Little Free Pantry at Ss. Cosmas and Damian! The pantry was built by teens during Mission Mondays this summer, and is maintained by the SSCD youth and Emergency Assistance Center.

Anyone in need may help themselves to anything in the pantry, so please feel free to share if you know of anyone who may benefit from this.

Please note this pantry is NOT for donation drop-offs. Please contact SSCD EAC if you have donations.



October is the Month of the Rosary

Our Lady of Fatima said to the children: *“Pray the rosary every day to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war”*. Mary’s role is to bring us to Jesus—what a better way to Honor Him, than through his Mother, who asks us to say the Rosary for the problems of our world and our own intentions! In honor of Mary we have set a goal of 1000 Rosaries to be said during the month of October! We will be keeping track of the number of times the rosary is prayed during October. Keep track of the number of times you pray the Rosary.

There will be three ways you can report your number.

You can report as often as you’d like.

- There will be a log in the church by Mary’s statue
- Call or text message for Carol at 216.269.7665 or Pam at 330.840.8467
- If you do Adoration use the log in the chapel.

There will be free Rosary CDs in the gathering area.

Pray the rosary while you drive.

Help us to reach our goal of 1000 Rosaries in the Month of October.



Our total Rosaries so far is **201** at the time the bulletin was printed.

The Twinsburg Scouts will be having their annual leaf raking event in November. If you are a senior citizen or veteran in need of having your leaves raked please contact the Parish Office at (330)425-8141 or Keith Barnes at kabowlc1310@gmail.com to get your name on their list.

ADORATION OPENINGS

We are in need of a few more people to fill Adoration hours. Can you make the sacrifice and sign up for one of these hours weekly or twice a month?

No long-term commitment is necessary.

Sign up to try an hour for just 30 days!

Mondays 3am

Fridays 2am

Saturdays 8pm

Sundays 1am, 3pm, 5pm

Please contact Carol Twigger at 330-425-7688



Ss. Cosmas & Damian—29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; October 17, 2021

Gloria

Gloria to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 53:10-11

The Lord was pleased to crush him in infirmity. If he gives his life as an offering for sin, he shall see his descendants in a long life, and the will of the Lord shall be accomplished through him. Because of his affliction he shall see the light in fullness of days; through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear.

The Word of the Lord—All Reply: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Upright is the word of the Lord,
and all his works are trustworthy.

He loves justice and right;
of the kindness of the Lord the earth is full.—*Refrain*

See, the eyes of the Lord are upon those who fear him,
upon those who hope for his kindness,
to deliver them from death
and preserve them in spite of famine.—*Refrain*

Our soul waits for the Lord,
who is our help and our shield.
May your kindness, O Lord, be upon us
who have put our hope in you.—*Refrain*

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:14-16

Brothers and sisters: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.

The Word of the Lord—All Reply: Thanks be to God

Altar Flowers

Altar Flowers for this weekend were donated by
Teresa Chubbuck
In Thanksgiving for
her 90th Birthday

To find out more about and get your request on the schedule, please call Elizabeth Innocenzi at 216-533-0515



Gospel

Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be great among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

The Gospel of the Lord—Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

The Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *(At the words that follow, up to and including, 'and became man', all bow.)*

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

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