

Saints Cosmas and Damian

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Parish Liturgy Schedule:

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-Thursday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm

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, April 4 – Weekday Mass
8:30am Michael Kennedy
Tuesday, April 5 – Weekday Mass
8:30am Sally Chernick
Wednesday, April 6 – Weekday Mass
8:30am The Souls of All Parishioners
Thursday, April 7 – Weekday Mass
8:30am Jack Benak
Friday, April 8 – Weekday Mass
8:30am Robert Flinchbaugh
Saturday, April 9 – Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (Vigil)
4:00pm John Blust
Sunday, April 10 – Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
9:00am Rosalie & Red Flynn; Mary & Bill Ganito
11:00am Walter Kenneth Beuck

Scripture Readings April 4 – April 10

Monday Saint Isidore, bishop and doctor of the Church
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6, R. v.4ab;
Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday Saint Vincent Ferrer, priest
Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21, R. v.2; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56, R. v.52b;
Jn 8:31-42

Thursday Saint John Baptist de la Salle, priest
Gen 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9, R. v.8a; Jn 8:51-59

Friday Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7, R. see v.7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent
Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13, R. see v.10d; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24. R. v.2a; Phil 2:6-11;
Lk 22:14–23:56

Blessed is the Fruit of Thy Womb

March 25 was the feast of the Annunciation, when Mary gave her consent to the Angel Gabriel and “the Word was made flesh.” By April 4, the unborn Jesus would have been living 11 days after conception and would have already implanted in Mary’s womb. His bodily form, a fluid-filled ball, would have contained about 500 cells. The placenta would also have begun to develop. For the first eight weeks of His life, He would have been an “embryo,” a word which signifies the initial stage of human development. *Let us pray that human embryos receive full legal protection against embryonic stem cell research, which destroys them*

Dear Parishioners,

We are quickly approaching the holiest week of our year. Our Lenten journey is meant to be a little depressing as we deny ourselves earthly pleasures. We reflect on the suffering and passion of our Lord. We pay special attention to the poor, the hurting, the refugees, the orphans. We must endure this time if we are to truly appreciate the joys of the resurrection.



We are focusing on the pain of Jesus, but Christ has always been focused on the people who struggle every day. He draws our gaze toward those that we prefer to look past. Christ challenges us to see His nail marks in the woundedness of our brothers and sisters.

When St. Paul was knocked to the ground by a blazing light, he heard a voice that said, “Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me.” He asked who this was that was speaking. The voice said, “It is I, Jesus, whom you are persecuting.” St. Paul was not part of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, yet, Paul had been persecuting Christians. Jesus identifies Himself with the persecuted, thus, “what we have done to the least of His people, we have done to Him.”

As we draw toward the end of Lent, do not close your hearts to those in need. May this time of prayer and penance give us a deeper sense of the spirituality of compassion and mutual responsibility for each other. May we see past the shallow smiles and pleasantries and bring comfort to the heart of our Lord hidden in the poor and suffering. May the Great Teacher give us new eyes, shaping us anew, like Adam from the clay.

In Christ,

Father Michael J. Stalla

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

Thursdays 4am

Friday 4am

Saturdays 8pm, 9pm

Sundays 12am, 1am, 2pm, 3pm, 5pm

Please contact Carol Twigger at 330-425-7688



Fifth Sunday in Lent



One of the positives to come out of Covid was the increase in traffic, use, and accessibility to our parish Facebook page. It allowed all of us to stay connected in a truly beautiful way, and we are so grateful to have that technology. It is important to us to continue to provide streamed Masses, prayers, etc each day. However, because of the amount of videos that are posted, any information that we post on this page, announcements, upcoming events, and parish news, gets flooded quickly and easily missed. Therefore we have decided to create a new page dedicated entirely to those videos. Beginning April 1, streaming will occur on our new Facebook page: **"Ss Cosmas and Damian - Virtual Chapel."** You can search on FB or scan the QR code above to go directly to it. Our original page will continue to function with traditional posts. If you need any assistance with this transition, please do not hesitate to reach out to the parish office.

Hope Blooms

A Virtual Retreat for Catholic Women
Healing from Betrayal Trauma

April 22-23, 2022



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This virtual retreat is for women seeking healing from betrayal trauma, that is, discovering a spouse's or significant other's pornography use, infidelity, and/or sex addiction. Gather with us this Divine Mercy weekend as we lay our pain, our sorrow and our betrayals at the Lord's feet. With expectant faith, let us open our hands and our hearts to receive His merciful outpouring. Join us for this powerful virtual retreat experience. Talk topics include: Uprooting Shame and Guilt, Understanding Trauma and its impacts on body, mind and spirit, Freedom through Forgiveness and more. Retreat also includes small group healing prayer and Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Retreat leaders are Father Allen Hoffa, Laura Ercolino of Hope's Garden, De Yarrison of You Are Made New Ministry, Bonnie West and Marian West Veilleux.

Find the full schedule and register at: hopesgarden.com/hope-blooms-virtual-healing-retreats
or email De: de@youaremadenew.com

Hope is always blooming!

Offertory (includes EFT):

March 26 & 27 **Numbers not available at time of printing**

Capital Campaign:

Capital Campaign Pledges \$ 1,502,310.00
Capital Campaign Money Received \$ 1,328,106.47

Capital Projects:

Mortgage Balance \$ 324,449.00



Caron Soltis	Bill Soltis
Linda Braun	Bonnie Withers
Leo Roble	Ron Withers
Jonathan Sedor	Pearl Rubino
Lisa Weiler	George Malaczewski
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Deacon Ed Chernick	Ava Anne House
Kenn Sikora	Charles Stankivcz
Jenna Nightingale	Donna Withers Randolph
Dorothy Harper	Nicole Miller
Chuck Piazza	Fred Friend
Karen Boyle	Lucy Louis
Mike Milano	Joan Skalak
Larry Harris	

We Pray to the Lord...

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

Joseph Francis Nunney Sr.

Our Love & Prayers
ARE WITH
You & Your Family

This Week in the Parish

Sunday, April 3: Fifth Sunday in Lent

9:00am—**Mass**
9:30am—Faith Formation in the Parish Center
11:00am—**Mass**
6:30pm—Deacon Scott's Practice Mass

Monday, April 4:

8:30am—**Morning Mass**
9:15am—TEA Bible Study in Twinhaven
7:00pm—Men's Lenten Formation in Twinhaven
7:30pm—Feminine Genuis Book Study in 114

Tuesday, April 5:

8:30am—**Morning Mass**
5:30pm—Girl Scouts in 212, 213

Wednesday, April 6:

8:30am—**Mass**
9:00am—Pro-Life Rosary in Church
6:30pm—Cub Scouts in Parish Center Upstairs
7:00pm—Journey of Faith in 114
7:00pm—K of C in MPR

Thursday, April 7:

8:30am—**Morning Mass**
9:30am—Book Club in Twinhaven
9:30am—Mom's Group in 214
7:00pm—Choir Practice in Church

Friday, April 8:

8:30am—**Morning Mass**
5:00pm—Fish Fry in Twinhaven
7:00pm—Stations of the Cross in Church

Saturday, April 9: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (Vigil)

9:00am—Jesus Day
3:00pm—Confessions in Church
4:00pm—**Mass**
6:00pm—Community of the Risen Lord in Church

Sunday, April 10: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

9:00am—**Mass**
9:30am—Faith Formation in the Parish Center
11:00am—**Mass**
7:00pm—Charismatics in Church

Easter Lily Sale

Order potted Easter Lilies at Mass March 26 and 27 or April 2 and 3. Lilies are \$15 each and will be available for pickup at Mass April 9 and 10.

Proceeds benefit Ss. Cosmas and Damian Youth

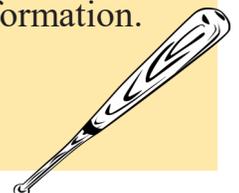
Co-ed Softball League
Looking for Teams

Co-ed teams will compete with other local church teams on Sunday afternoons. Start times range from 2-5pm.

12 game season
May 15th—August 14th.

Each team will need a coach and 15-18 players.

Call John Clague (859)816-3440 of Holy Angels Church for more information.



Fifth Sunday in Lent



This 6-week transformational event will lead you to a new way to see yourself, God, Christianity, and the whole world. Includes discussion and prayer led by Jen Ricard, Director of TOB CLE & Fr. Michael Stalla, Pastor of Ss. Cosmas & Damian

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS
APRIL 20TH – MAY 25TH
7:00 TO 8:30 PM**

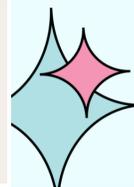
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\$25/person includes book & refreshments.
Registration required by April 15th at
www.tobcle.org

Practice Mass for Deacon Scott
All are invited. On **Sunday April 3, at 6:30pm** in the church Deacon Scott will be fulfilling a requirement for one of his classes as part of his preparation for his ordination to the priesthood. As part of this requirement, he needs to preside at a “practice Mass” and play the role of priest. This practice Mass will not fulfill your Sunday obligation for Mass, nor will Communion be distributed, but a congregation is still needed. After “Mass”, there will be an opportunity to provide feedback to Deacon Scott’s instructors who will grade him on his role as presider during “Mass”. Please consider coming and showing your support for Deacon Scott as he prepares for ordination to the priesthood in May. Thank you for your continued prayers and encouragement towards his priestly vocation!

Mark Your Calendars For:

June 3rd!



**50's
Night!**



Liturgical Minsters—April 9 & 10 Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion

	Lectors	E.M.H.C.	Altar Servers
Saturday April 9, 4:00pm	Elizabeth Innocenzi	Judy Brown, Laura Leonard, Jim Szymanski, Carolyn Szymanski	Zach Witkiewicz, Paul Posedly
Sunday April 10, 9:00am	John DePiore	Eileen Toth, Cathy Latza, Karen Taylor, Millie Prebel	Olivia DePiore, Maria Thomas
Sunday April 10, 11:00am	Micaela Udovich	Susan Bard, Joni Smith, Bill Furey, Linda Chernick	Devan Perera, Kelsey Clune

Ss. Cosmas & Damian—Fifth Sunday in Lent; April 3, 2022

First Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the Lord, who opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters, who leads our chariots and horsemen, a powerful army, till they lie prostrate together, never to rise, snuffed out and quenched like a wick. Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new! Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? In the desert I make a way, in the wasteland, rivers. Wild beasts honor me, jackals and ostriches, for I put water in the desert and rivers in the wasteland for my chosen people to drink, the people whom I formed for myself, that they might announce my praise.

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

Gospel

John 8:1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. But early in the morning he arrived again in the temple area, and all the people started coming to him, and he sat down and taught them. Then the scribes and Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle. They said to him, “Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of adultery. Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?” they said this to test him, so that they could have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, “Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.” Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders. So he was left alone with the woman before him. Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, “Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?” She replied, “No one, sir.” then Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore.”

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

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the Lord brought back the captives of Zion,
we were like men dreaming.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter,
and our tongue with rejoicing.—*Refrain*

Then they said among the nations,
“The Lord has done great things for them.”

The Lord has done great things for us;
we are glad indeed.—*Refrain*

Restore our fortunes, O Lord,
like the torrents in the southern desert.

Those that sow in tears
shall reap rejoicing.—*Refrain*

Although they go forth weeping
carrying the seed to be sown,
they shall come back rejoicing,
carrying their sheaves. — *Refrain*

Second Reading

Philippians 3:8-14

Brothers and sisters: I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having any righteousness of my own based on the law but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God, depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by being conformed to his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. It is not that I have already taken hold of it or have already attained perfect maturity, but I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it, since I have indeed been taken possession of by Christ Jesus. Brothers and sister, I for my part do not consider myself to have taken possession. Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God’s upward calling, in Christ Jesus.

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

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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Music for 11am Mass on April 3rd; Fifth Sunday in Lent

Opening: Alive Again

Verse 1

I woke up in darkness
Surrounded by silence oh where
Where have I gone
I woke to reality
Losing its grip on me oh where
Where have I gone
'Cause I can see the light
Before I see the sunrise

Chorus

You called and You shouted
Broke through my deafness
Now I'm breathing in
and breathing out
I'm alive again
You shattered my darkness
Washed away my blindness
Now I'm breathing in
and breathing out
I'm alive again

Verse 2

Late have I loved You
You waited for me
I searched for You
What took me so long
I was looking outside
As if love would ever want to hide
I'm finding I was wrong
'Cause I feel the wind
before it hits my skin

Bridge

I'm alive again
'Cause I want You
Yes I want You
I need You and
I'll do whatever I have to
Just to get through
'Cause I love You
Yeah I love You

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Offertory: 40 Days

Verse 1

Forty days to wander
Forty days to die to self
Forty days to grow stronger
As faith breaks open the gates of hell
The jubilee is over
But grace is far from gone
In the hearts of the faithful
Broken on the wheels of love

Chorus

'Cause in the desert of temptation
Lies the storm of true conversion
Where springs of living water
Drown and refresh you
And as the Jordan pours out change
Your true self is all that remains
Where springs of living water
Bind and break you

Verse 2

Forty days to remember
The Paschal sacrifice
Forty days to discover
His passion calls us to new life
The jubilee is over
But mercy's far from gone
In the arms of the Father
As the wayward child comes home

Ending

Bind and break you

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Closing: Better Is One Day

Verse 1

How lovely is Your dwelling place
O Lord almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

Chorus

Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere

Verse 2

One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place
Your glory dwells

Bridge

My heart and flesh cry out
For You the living God
Your Spirit's water to my soul
I've tasted and I've seen
Come once again to me
I will draw near to You (x2)

Bridge

Better is one day better is one day
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere
Better is one day better is one day
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere

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Reflection: Build My Life

Verse 1

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Verse 2

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You (x2)

Chorus

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

Bridge

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

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Communion: I am the Bread of Life

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