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<td><strong>Faith Formation Administrator:</strong></td>
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Dear Parishioners,

Next weekend is our parish Feast Day weekend as we celebrate our patron Saints: SS. Cosmas and Damian. Cosmas and Damian were twin brothers. They were physicians. One was a surgeon and the other was a pharmacist. Since they lived in the third century, the medical field had not been nearly as developed as it is today. There were no hospitals, x-ray machines, anesthetic, penicillin, or even knowledge about germs. The average person had very demanding manual labor and fought infections frequently.

Working primarily in modern day Syria, SS. Cosmas and Damian were often criticized for performing their medical practice free of charge. Being so early in Church history, many legends are attached to these twins Saints. It is said that Cosmas successfully amputated a man’s leg and replaced it with the leg of a cadaver. Even today, this would be considered miraculous.

Our parish owns relics of SS. Cosmas and Damian. The relics have been taken home by our daily Mass participants for forty days in anticipation of our parish Feast Day. I have asked them to pray for our parish as we struggle through our own health crisis.

Every year, we celebrate our Feast Day. This year, it may be different, but the celebration of our parish and our patron Saints continues! I am grateful to Tom Brown and his committee for helping to put together some way we can create a sense of normalcy in these trying times.

On Friday, September 25th, musicians and singers Jaime Masetta and Matt Fafrak will be coming to our parish to lead a Praise and Worship service in our parking lot (weather permitting) from 6:30PM to 7:30PM. At 7:30PM, we will celebrate an evening Mass in the parking lot. People are encouraged to bring a picnic basket of snacks to enjoy after Mass while the children paint rocks that will be set in the base of the pool for the Marian Grotto.

On Saturday, September 26th, we will celebrate the vigil Mass at 4:00PM outside (weather permitting). Immediately following the Mass, there will be tables available for parishioners to enjoy some community and music. If you would like to purchase a boxed meal, please contact the parish office beforehand so that we have enough. We will do our best to livestream the events on the parish Facebook page.

I look forward to seeing everyone. So many have not felt comfortable coming back to Mass yet. Hopefully you will feel comfortable with the arrangements we will make so that this Feast Day will be safe and refreshing.

In Christ,

Father Michael J. Stalla

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“\nThe most beautiful act of faith is the one made in darkness, in sacrifice, and with extreme effort.\n”

-St. Padre Pio (Feast Day 9/23)
Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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, 11am
Tuesdays 1am, 4am, 3pm
Wednesdays 1am, 4am
Thursdays 4am, 2pm
Fridays 2am, 11am, 4pm, 6pm, 7pm, 8pm
Saturdays 3am, 9am, 10am, 11am, noon (alt weeks), 1pm, 10pm (alt weeks), 11pm
Sundays 12am, 1am, 4am (alt weeks), 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, 5pm

Please contact Carol Twigger at 330-425-7688

The Loaves and Fishes Prayer Teams will not be praying with people after Mass at this time. If you would like to pray over the phone with someone please call Michele Poletti at (330)524-3931

Save the date! Ss. Cosmas and Damian will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, September 29 from 1pm—7pm in the Multi Purpose Room. Appointments are strongly encouraged. Visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment.

Our Parish Family Welcomes:
Tenley Rae Hasselbusch
Emily May Forristal
Baptized on September 20th!

Annual St. Francis Day Pet Blessing!
On Sunday October, 4th at 6pm we will be having our annual pet blessing. We will gather outside on the Twinhaven patio. All pets are welcome! This is a great opportunity to invite friends and neighbors with pets to come visit our church!
Christopher West and Mike Mangione are coming to St. Barnabas on October 22. SS. Cosmas & Damian and Our Lady of Guadalupe are co-hosting this event with St. Barnabas. If you have heard of the theology of the body or Christopher West, then you know the great potential of this event. Please spread the word and invite your family and friends. This is an excellent opportunity to grow deeper in our faith as a community as well as invite and welcome new people in. Also, if you are interested in helping with the event, please contact Joni Smith X 110. Tickets will be on sale in the gathering area of the church next weekend. Because of COVID safety restrictions, only a limited number of tickets will be sold, and we expect those to sell out quickly!

With current concerns regarding COVID-19, we add the following:

“Made for More will be happening on its scheduled date. We will be following CDC regulations and strictly practicing social distancing recommendations. Masks will be required. Due to these regulations, tickets are limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis. “

(If the event must be cancelled due to COVID-19, we will offer refunds.)

“Made for More: Visions of the Promised Land”

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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Why The White Crosses?
During October, which is Respect Life Month in the Church, we have a Cemetery for the Innocent placed on our church's front yard. This is a display of 105 white crosses which stand for the number of babies being aborted EVERY hour of EVERY day of the week all year in our country. The number of white crosses is down from the previous number of 140. Our work for life continues until all mothers know that choosing life for their child is the best choice. We are asked to remember all unborn children and their mothers in our prayers that they would choose life for their child. We, also, ask prayers for mothers of aborted babies and for all abortion workers that they would seek healing from God and find forgiveness for themselves.

Help is needed this year in setting up the crosses. We will put them up on Wednesday, Sept. 30th. If you are available to help, please call the office and we will let you know what time to be there.

Life Line Screenings in Twinhaven
Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event at Twinhaven Hall on 9/24/2020. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from $149 ($139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a $10 discount off any package priced above $129, please call toll-free 1-888-653-6441 or visit lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979.

Parish Feast Day Celebrations!
Friday 9/25
Starting at 6:30pm Jaime Masetta will lead us in praise and worship followed by Mass. After Mass we will have a rock painting event for the kids. The rocks that the kids paint will be used in our Marian Grotto. Feel free to bring snacks for your family to enjoy after Mass.

Saturday 9/26
Following the 4pm Mass we will have music, fellowship, and a meal together. A box meal is available for purchase in advance. These meals will be provided by Alesci’s and consist of a hoagie sandwich, chips, cookie, and a coke. All for only $10 per person. This box meal must be reserved in advance by signing up after Mass or by calling the Parish Office. The deadline for reserving a box meal is September 22.

Both nights of events will take place outside, weather permitting. Come and enjoy good music, good food, and good company. We will be following all of the social distancing guidelines, so we can come together safely! We hope to see you there!
All prayers and responses will be RECITED

Entrance Antiphon
I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

Gloria
Glory 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 55:6—9
Seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while he is hear. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the Lord for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord
All Reply: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm
The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever. Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The Lord is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.

The Lord is just in all his ways and holy in all his works. The Lord is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.

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Second Reading
Philippians 1:20c—24, 27a
Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit. Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord
All reply: thanks be to God

Altar Flowers
Altar Flowers for this weekend were donated by:
Mary Prijatel
In Memory of:
Felix Prijatel
To find out more about and get your request on the schedule, please call Elizabeth Innocenzi at 216-533-0515
Gospel

Matthew 20:1—16a

Jesus told his disciples this parable:

“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o’clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, ‘You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.’ So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o’clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o’clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, ‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’ They answered, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You too go into my vineyard.’ When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.’ When those who had started about five o’clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day’s burden and the heat.’ He said to one of them in reply, ‘My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?’ Thus, the first will be last and the last will be first.’” —The Gospel of the Lord

All Reply: 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 God 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

Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer.” —St. Padre Pio (Feast Day 9/23)