



 **Stella  
Maris**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT | MARCH 15, 2026**  
Night one of the All Things New Lenten Mission

## \*Weekend Mass Schedule

### St. Bernadette

Saturday 8:15am, Sunday 9am & 11am

### St. Mary

Sunday 10:30am

### St. Peter

Saturday 5pm, Sunday 8:30am

### St. Thomas More

Saturday 4pm, Sunday 8am & 10am

## \*Daily Mass Schedule

### St. Bernadette

M, T, W, F 8:15am, Thursday 6:45pm

### St. Mary

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am

### St. Peter

Friday 8:30am

### St. Thomas More

T, W, Th, F 8:30am

## Confession Schedule

**St. Bernadette:** Thursdays from 5:30pm to 6:30pm  
& Saturdays from 9am to 10am

**St. Mary:** Thursdays from 6pm to 7pm

**St. Peter:** Mondays from 6pm to 7pm &  
Saturdays from 4:00pm to 4:45pm

**St. Thomas More:** Saturdays 3pm to 3:40pm

Confessions are also available by appointment. Please contact one of our priests by phone or email to schedule a time.

## Eucharistic Exposition

**\*\*St. Bernadette:** Tuesdays from 9am - 8pm

**St. Mary:** Thursdays from 5pm - 7pm

**St. Peter:** Mondays from 1pm - 7pm

**St. Thomas More:** Fridays from 9:30am - 3:30pm

Learn more about Eucharistic exposition and becoming a regular guardian at [stellamarisfamily.org/adoration](http://stellamarisfamily.org/adoration).



\*\*Benediction (7pm-8pm) 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday  
and 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month at St. Bernadette

\*Exceptions for Mass times will be listed separately in the bulletin.

## Mass Intentions

Key: B: Bernadette, M: Mary, P: Peter, TM: Thomas More

### Monday, March 16

8:15am (B) Monica Dinh req. by Jade Dinh

Tuesday, March 17

8:15am (B) Maria Brockman req. by Rachael Williams

8:30am (M) † Charles Pauly req. by Barb Hanlon

8:30am (TM) † Dorothy Meisman req. by Diane Meisman

### Wednesday, March 18

8:15am (B) People of the Parish Family

8:30am (TM) † Debbie Chambers req. by her co-workers

### Thursday, March 19

8:30am (TM) Purgatorial Society req. by The Parish

8:30am (M) † Linda McCarroll req. by Nick McCarroll

6:45pm (B) † Mike Brunner req. by Diane Brunner

### Friday, March 20

8:15am (B) People of the Parish Family

8:30am (P) People of the Parish Family

8:30am (TM) Marie Young req. by Dan and Sandy Verney

### Saturday, March 21

8:15am (B) Priest's Intention

4:00pm (TM) † Thomas Crawford req. by Bill Crawford

5:00pm (P) † Joe Grever req. by Mark Grever

### Sunday, March 22

8:00am (TM) † Lisa Seipelt req. by Gerry Seipelt

8:30am (P) † Carl Martineck req. by The Daniels Family

9:00am (B) Ryan Carraro req. by The Williams Family

10:00am (TM) People of the Parish Family req. by The Pastor

10:30am (M) † Thomas Schneider req. by Regina Finke

11:00am (B) † Arthur G. Williams req. by The Williams Family

## Other Sacramental Needs

For more information on weddings, baptisms, and funerals, please call the appropriate parish office. **If you or a loved one is hospitalized or ill at home and would like a pastoral visit and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call [513-549-2198](tel:513-549-2198).**

## Schedule a Mass Intention

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a special occasion, on behalf of a family member, a friend, or a deceased loved one, please submit a Mass Request using our new online program.

Visit the link below, or scan the QR code.

[tinyurl.com/MassIntentionSM](http://tinyurl.com/MassIntentionSM)



## Prayers: St. Francis and St. Patrick

I want to share a couple of prayers with you this week. These are prayers we probably have some familiarity with, but maybe aren't in the habit of praying on a regular basis. This seems a good time to highlight them anew. First, we find ourselves in a special Jubilee Year of Saint Francis, as proclaimed by Pope Leo XIV. This Jubilee began on January 10 and will continue for one full year, commemorating the 800th anniversary of the death of Saint Francis of Assisi. So, I have included the Prayer of St. Francis, also known as a Prayer for Peace.

Secondly, the Church celebrates the feast of St. Patrick on March 17th (as do many other people, perhaps not in the same way, though). So, to celebrate St. Patrick and to seek to follow his example, we also have the prayer known as St. Patrick's Breastplate.

St. Francis of Assisi and St. Patrick, pray for us!

### Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi (Prayer for Peace)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.



### St. Patrick's Breastplate

May the strength of God guide me this day, and may his power  
preserve me.

May the wisdom of God instruct me; the eye of God watch over  
me; the ear of God hear me; the word of God give sweetness to  
my speech; the hand of God defend me; and may I follow the  
way of God.

Christ be with me, Christ before me,  
Christ be after me, Christ within me,  
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ at my right hand, Christ at my left,  
Christ in the fort, Christ in the chariot,  
Christ in the ship,

Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks to me.

Christ in every eye that sees me.

Christ in every ear that hears me.



**Fr. Tim Ralston**  
Pastor of Stella Maris

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## FROM AROUND THE FAMILY

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All Things New, our 2026 Lenten Mission, took on the evenings of Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup> - Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to everyone who came to participate, and to all of those who helped make this event such a success!



Do you have photos from a recent event at Stella Maris?  
Please share them by emailing [rwilliams@stellamarisfamily.org](mailto:rwilliams@stellamarisfamily.org) for a chance to be featured in the bulletin!

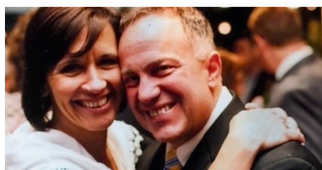
## Meet Deacon Russ and Missy Feldkamp

Thank you for the warm welcome you have given me and my wife, Missy. We are now officially part of the Stella Maris parish family and are very excited to be here. Leaving IHM Parish after 27 years there was a BIG move for us. However, we bought a farm in New Richmond last April, and in our prayer, it was clear to both of us that we were called to be part of this worshipping community.

I am a Cincinnati native, US Naval Academy graduate, and Marine Corps Veteran. After the Marines, I co-lead a marketing company for over 24 years with two brothers. I retired from my company in 2020 to focus on family and sharing the love and power of God with others. I am the director of the Encounter School of Ministry in Cincinnati, and have served as a deacon of the Archdiocese for 15 years. Missy and I have been married for 36 great years. I'm an outdoorsman and enjoy fishing, hunting, and basically anything outside. Finally, I love Jesus and his Church, and I'm grateful to get to grow in faith and holiness with you.

Missy is originally from a small town outside of Pittsburgh. She has a degree in elementary education, has been in youth ministry, a 1st grade teacher, and a catechist for 2nd grade sacramental prep. She taught Theology of the Body with me in IHM's Marriage Prep program and in OCIA. She loves being a wife, mother, and grandmother. We have two married daughters and four grandchildren. She enjoys gardening, cooking/baking, learning about her Polish heritage, and gathering women to have fun learning traditional homesteading skills. She was the initial inspiration for us to consider a farm and the lifestyle changes that come with it. We are wrapping up the renovation of our farmhouse, and are working on the fence, fields, and barns this spring — in addition to integrating into Stella Maris and discerning how the Lord is calling us to serve and grow in our new community.

As we make our way around the parishes of the family, please introduce yourselves to us!



Peace and God Bless,  
Dcn. Russ and Missy Feldkamp



## Acts of the Apostles Bible Study

Join Fr. Bill Wagner as he explores The Acts of the Apostles, Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm, in the St. Thomas More School Library, for his Wednesday Night Bible Study.

## Read about Parish Vitality and Tell Us What You Think

Curious about progress toward parish vitality and the goals of Beacons of Light in our 57 Families of Parishes? Archbishop Casey has released the 2026 Parish Vitality Report to bring everyone up to date. In addition to facts, figures, stories, and witness, there's an opportunity for you to give feedback on your experience of parish life, which will be used in future planning for our Family of Parishes.

Learn more at [catholicaoc.org/pvr](https://catholicaoc.org/pvr)



## Schedule for the Triduum and Easter Sunday

### Holy Thursday, April 2nd — no morning Masses

- St. Bernadette – Confessions at 5:30; Mass at 7 pm
- St. Mary – Mass at 7 pm (no Confessions)
- St. Peter – Mass at 7:30 pm
- St. Thomas More – Mass at 7:30 pm

### Good Friday, April 3rd — No Masses

- St. Bernadette – Liturgy at 3 pm; Confessions 4 - 6 pm
- St. Mary – Liturgy at 12 noon
- St. Peter – Liturgy at 1:30 pm
- St. Thomas More – Liturgy at 1 pm and 7 pm

### Holy Saturday, April 4th

- St. Bernadette - Confessions 9 am - 10 am and from 3 pm - 5 pm

### Easter Vigil, April 4th

- Mass at 8:45 pm at St. Bernadette

### Easter Sunday, April 5th — Normal Sunday schedule

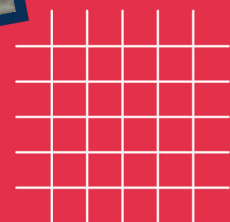


# ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL



## Weekly Updates

Grades 6 and 7 had an absolute blast at camp, diving into everything from the high ropes course and survival skills training to team-building challenges and wilderness hiking. Of course, no camp is complete without delicious food and s'mores!



# NEWS AND EVENTS


Jr. High Youth Ministry Presents


## REAL-LIFE MARIO KART RACING

ALL 6TH - 8TH GRADERS ARE INVITED!



 Friday, March 20

 6:30pm - 8:30pm

 **St. Thomas More Gym**  
800 Ohio Pike, Cincinnati, OH 45245



[stellamarisfamily.org/junior-high-youth-ministry](http://stellamarisfamily.org/junior-high-youth-ministry)







## FAMILY SUNDAYS



for families with children in preschool through high school  *Dig into Scripture!*



Each Family Sunday includes...

- a special family-focused Mass 
- complimentary brunch 
- guided, family time with Scripture 
- community with other families who have kids in grades pre-K to 12 

March 22 | 10 am | St. Thomas More  
Please RSVP by March 15!

[stellamarisfamily.org/family-sundays](http://stellamarisfamily.org/family-sundays)



## Slow Motion Mass (Teaching Mass)

Tuesday, March 24 | 7 pm | St. Bernadette Church

Mass celebrated by Fr. Tim Ralston, Pastor;

Teaching by Dave Staples, instructor at School of Faith



Looking for a deeper understanding of what's going on in the celebration of the Mass? Join us for this unique teaching Mass at St. Bernadette Church. Please note we will be celebrating Holy Mass as usual. However, there will be brief pauses within the celebration of the liturgy, and Dave Staples will provide teaching at those times. No registration needed.

[stellamarisfamily.org/institute-workshops](http://stellamarisfamily.org/institute-workshops)



## The Passion in St. John's Gospel

— A Stella Maris Institute Talk —

Monday, March 30 | 7 pm | St. Peter Church

Each year on Good Friday, the Church reads the passion narrative from the Gospel of St. John. This talk will offer attendees fresh insight into St. John's beautiful account of the passion of Christ. This event is free, and no pre-registration is required. Presented by Fr. Thomas Dorn, parochial vicar, Stella Maris



[stellamarisfamily.org/institute-talks](http://stellamarisfamily.org/institute-talks)

### Eucharistic Guardians Needed

We need Eucharistic Adoration Guardians who can commit to spending a specific hour each week in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, ensuring the Eucharist is never left alone during times of Exposition. You can register through AdorationPro as a Guardian or Substitute Guardian by visiting [stellamarisfamily.org/adoration](http://stellamarisfamily.org/adoration). Our most needed times are:

- **St. Peter — Mondays: 1 pm, 3 pm, 4 pm, 5 pm**
- **St. Bernadette — Tuesdays: 2 pm, 5 pm, 6 pm, 7 pm**

### St. Mary Altar Society Meeting Change

The St. Mary Altar Society is changing its meeting night to the first Wednesday of the month, starting in April 2026. Thursday conflicts with Adoration, and we need more women to come to our meetings, so this change is necessary. Please mark your calendars for the first Wednesday of each month at 7 pm.

### St. Thomas More Special Church Cleaning

**Saturday, March 21 | 8:30 – 11:00 am | St. Thomas More**

We will have a special church cleaning before Easter. We need lots of help preparing our beautiful church for Easter Weekend. Pews, Kneelers, doors, confessional, choir loft, etc., need to be cleaned. All help would be greatly appreciated. Come anytime during those hours and stay as long as you are able. Your help will make a big job seem small. Hope you can be there! BYOB (bucket) — all other supplies will be provided. Questions? Please call Chris Conrady at 513-943-1433.



### Stella Maris Parish Family 40 Days for Life Day

**Saturday, March 21, 2026 | pray for one hour**

Abortion Facility 2314 Auburn Ave, Cincinnati

We need your help to be a silent witness to protect life and to convert hearts in our culture. We are seeking to provide prayer coverage between the hours of 7 am and 7 pm. A sign-up sheet will be in the vestibule at St. Thomas More, or you can visit the link below. Be assured, you will not be alone. Please call Julie Scott (513)-509-4785 with questions. [tinyurl.com/ym5rp29j](http://tinyurl.com/ym5rp29j)



## Fish Fries

at Stella Maris

**St. Mary | 4:30 - 7:30 pm**

Mar. 20, & 27

**St. Peter | 5:00 - 7:30 pm**

Mar. 20, & 27

**St. Thomas More | 5 - 7 pm**

St. Thomas More Cafeteria

Mar. 20, & 27



### Putting our Love in Action through Charitable Work and Social Justice

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul in  
the Stella Maris Family of Parishes

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace, we are also transformed from not seeing to seeing, and then Jesus sends us to help others see and to believe. Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy, and kindness to the hurting hearts of the poor.

#### Stella Maris Family of Parishes St. Vincent de Paul Help Lines:

**St. Bernadette:** 513-753-5566 Ext 130

**St. Mary:** 513-734-4041

**St. Peter:** 513-525-7173

**St. Thomas More:** 513-753-2561



## NEWS AND EVENTS

### Church Bulletin Advertising

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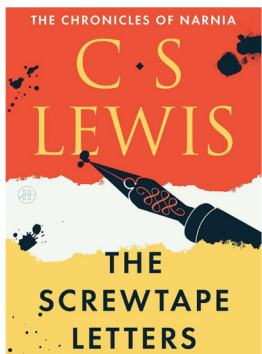
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### Novena for the Solemnity of Saint Joseph March 10-18, 2026

The USCCB has composed a novena to be prayed on March 10-18, the nine days that precede the Solemnity of Saint Joseph on March 19. Each day of the novena is accompanied by a reflection video from bishops across the US. Please use the link below to sign up to pray the Novena. [tinyurl.com/3hkhz9xx](https://tinyurl.com/3hkhz9xx)



### The Grace Ministry Book Club



**Wed. April 29, 2026**

7 pm | Stevenard Hall | St. Bernadette  
Come for fellowship, fun, and to informally share your thoughts. All are welcome, even if you haven't read or finished the book! Please bring a snack to share.

RSVP to Terri Murrell: 513-218-9535 or  
Karin Mendoza: 513-884-2653 (text only)

#### The Screwtape Letters by C. S. Lewis

C.S. Lewis's *The Screwtape Letters* is a classic novel written by the Christian author of the well-loved *The Chronicles of Narnia*. *The Screwtape Letters* has entertained and enlightened readers the world over. It is a sly and ironic portrayal of human life and foibles from the unique vantage point of Screwtape, a highly placed assistant to "Our Father Below." At once wildly comic, deadly serious, and strikingly original, C.S. Lewis gives us the correspondence of the worldly-wise devil to his nephew Wormwood, a novice demon in charge of securing the damnation of an ordinary young man. *The Screwtape Letters* is the most engaging account of temptation—and triumph over it—ever written. Come join us!

### By Golly's and The Works Restaurants Collaborating with St. Vincent de Paul Society to prevent homelessness

By Golly's and The Works restaurants are teaming with the St. Vincent dePaul Society to prevent homelessness in our district area, including Stella Maris Family Conferences. The following By Golly's and The Works restaurants will donate 10% of their sales to our district for conference grants to support homelessness prevention at the locations listed on the dates below. Please spread the word about this new opportunity to enjoy great food and help St. Vincent de Paul serve our neighbors in need!

- **The Works in Loveland on Monday, March 16.**  
20 Gear Millitzer Place, Loveland.
- **By Golly's in Covington on Monday, March 23.**  
313 Greenup Street, Covington.

### Spanish Instructor (Adjunct/Part-Time)

Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology is seeking a qualified, part-time Spanish instructor to teach two in-person semester courses (commencing August 2026) to equip seminarians with Spanish language skills. Please see the full job description at [athenaeum.edu/about/careers](https://athenaeum.edu/about/careers)

### DARE TO CARE DASH 2026 ONLINE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Preventing Homelessness, One Family at a Time



[daretocaredash.org](https://daretocaredash.org)

St. Martin District Council  
32nd Annual  
5K Run / Walk Race  
**June 13th, 2026**



**DARE TO CARE DASH**  
St. Vincent dePaul 5k Run & Fitness Walk

### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

**THE SICK & HOMEBOUND:** David Himmelstein, Jan Frazee, Bev Jung, Carroll Mayhugh, Ross Gentry, Timothy Haller, Robert Back, Julie Armbrrecht, Marge Armbruster, Kristina Deboard, Ken Ozanich, Joann Schwetschenau, Matthew Haurert, Patricia Dean, Herbert Doty, Steve & Zenia Kobylski, John Davis, Pat Crumbacher, Jim D'Aquila, Milie Blom, Mary Breving, Rose Brumfield, Pauline Young, Derek Archer, AJ Bressler, Mary Ann Fedak, Mary Anna Willacker, Denny Mulvey, Charlie Horstman, Jack Gardner, Andrea Kittel, Robert Kocher, Paul Coyne, Willie and Renee Rooks, Joe Bresser, Rita Afflaeck-Graves, Bernice Sutter, Andrew Nelson, Nicole Bussard, Kenneth Siler, Hugh Evans, Donna Merkle, Robert Rau, Ainsley Gableman, Michelle Smith, Norma Alford, David Kiefer, Barb Setty, Alice Sims, Dennis Ralph, Lori Cole, Carol Woerner, Toni Hayes Herbst, Bob Guenther, Tom Candelaresi, Jose Worrall, Stephanie Kortyka, Kathy Johnson, Dave O'Connor, Art Kareth, Beverly Cmehil, Steve Feist, Harry Horstman,

**THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:** Michael Kelly, Dominic Steelman, Donnie Lawrence, Tyler Reinhart, Jonathan Carnes, Travis Gallivan, Koray Sexton, Michael Hucker Jr., Corey Campbell, Randy Damron, Keith Deardorff, Ryan Robinson, Paul Bellonby II, Andrew Schloemer, Kimberley Brinson, Joshua A. Rettig, Travis Gallivan, Tim Czubek, Neil Lizakowski, Bill Harris, Rachel Piening, Brian Faw, Jeff Archer, Kyle Schulte, Justin Mulloney, Matthew Quitter, Paul Conrady, Emma Conrady, Kyle Broerman and Alexis Ruth, Nicholas Craig, Logan Owens, Connor Murray, Samantha Dauterman, Andrew D'Aquila-Meyers, Benjamin Watson, Fermin DeRepentigny, Robert Kidd, James Leo Seibert III, Ethan Tolliver, Crosby Luke Seibert,

To keep our prayer list up to date, please email [rwilliams@stellamarisfamily.org](mailto:rwilliams@stellamarisfamily.org) to add/remove names.

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### PRIESTS

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**Father Thomas Dorn, Parochial Vicar**  
[fatherdorn@fuse.net](mailto:fatherdorn@fuse.net)

**Father William Wagner, Parochial Vicar**  
513-753-2553 [wjwags@sttm.org](mailto:wjwags@sttm.org)

**Father David Endres, Weekend Celebrant**

For a complete listing of parish staff members, please see the individual parish websites.

### PARISH STEWARDSHIP

To view our most recent financial report, please visit the **March 1 bulletin**.



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MARCH 19, 2026

**BULLETIN ISSUE:**  
MARCH 29, 2026

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For submission guidelines, visit  
[stellamarisfamily.org/bulletin](http://stellamarisfamily.org/bulletin)

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### NEW TO STELLA MARIS?

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We are so glad you're here!  
We encourage you to register as a parishioner.  
Scan the QR code or visit  
[stellamarisfamily.org/new-parishioner-registration](http://stellamarisfamily.org/new-parishioner-registration)



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### CHURCH INFORMATION

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3398 State Route 125  
Bethel, OH 45106  
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[sccroho.org](http://sccroho.org)

**St. Peter**  
1192 Bethel-New Richmond Rd.  
New Richmond, OH 45157  
Office: (513) 553-3267  
[sccroho.org](http://sccroho.org)

**St. Thomas More**  
800 Ohio Pike  
Withamsville, OH 45245  
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**Stella Maris Family of Parishes:** [stellamarisfamily.org](http://stellamarisfamily.org)