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Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday – 9:30 am-4:30 pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays:

9:30 am – Traditional Music

11:30 am – Contemporary Ensemble

Cindy Duesing, Director

(ASL Interpreted)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday – 12:05 pm

PARISH SCHOOL

Prince of Peace Catholic Montessori

625 Pike Street, Covington, KY – 859.431.5153

Please call the Parish Office (859.291.2288) to Register, to inform us of changes in your contact information, to let us know how our parish can serve you, or to inquire about volunteering in the parish.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism of Infants:

Contact
Ellen Habermehl
(M, TU, F)

Reconciliation:

Tuesday at 11:00 am
Saturday at 11:00 am
in Church

Marriages:

Contact Ellen Habermehl
at least 9 to 12 months prior
to the desired wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick:

Communion
and other home visits:
Contact Parish Office

Sacraments of Initiation:

For Adults:
Baptism, Confirmation,
and First Communion:
Contact Parish Office

For Children:
Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist,
and Confirmation:
Contact Parish Office

OCTOBER 19, 2025
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MOTHER OF GOD CHURCH

PURPOSE STATEMENT

We, the people of Mother of God Church, aspire to be instruments of the peace of Jesus Christ by:

- Worshipping God with joy and reverence
- Welcoming the stranger with love and compassion
- Serving those in need with humility and respect.

FROM THE PASTOR

ALL SCRIPTURE IS INSPIRED BY GOD

Saint Timothy was a young man who converted to Christianity under the guidance of Saint Paul. He became a student of Saint Paul who ordained him to the priesthood and to the Order of Bishop. When Saint Paul left Ephesus, he left Timothy in charge. He wrote letters back to Timothy to give him advice about various matters.

In his Second Letter, which we read from today, he addresses the importance of Scripture. He reminds Timothy that he grew up in a Jewish household where he was immersed in Scripture. Then he says that the Scriptures are “capable of giving wisdom for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that one who belongs to God may be competent, equipped for every good work.”

If you were wondering why you should read the Bible, this is the best reason you will ever find. The Scriptures are the Word of God. As we read them, we become aware that God is speaking directly to us. This is particularly true when we read the Gospels, which tell us of the words and actions of Jesus Himself.

Saint Jerome, whose feast we celebrated a few week ago, wrote that ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ. The Catechism teaches us that we are to know, love and serve God. This begins with knowing God. How can we know God? It begins with reading Scripture and meditating and reflecting on what God has to tell us about Himself.

SAINT POPE JOHN PAUL II

Most of us recall Saint Pope John Paul II, as he died just 20 years ago. His was a remarkable papacy, that left a tremendous impact on the Church. He was elected Pope in 1978, which is known as the Year of the Three Popes. Pope Paul VI died on August 6, 1978, and Pope John Paul I was elected on August 26 to follow him. He died just 33 days into his papacy. The second conclave in two months was called, and on October 13, Pope John Paul II was elected.

John Paul's election was a shock to the whole Church, for he was the first non-Italian pope in 455 years. That was just the beginning of shocks that he would bring about. He traveled more than all of the previous popes in history, visiting countries all over the world. In 1983, Pope John Paul promulgated a new Code of Canon Law and in 1992 he promulgated the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

On May 13, 1981, there was an assassination attempt on Pope John Paul's life that left him in critical condition for a number of days. He did recover, but was never physically the same. He attributed his recovery to Our Lady of Fatima, on whose feast day, May 13, the attempt was made.

Pope John Paul II died on April 2, 2005, having served the Church as pope for 27 years, one of the longest papacies in the history of the Church.

Wednesday, October 22, is the Feast of Saint Pope John Paul II.

SAINT JOHN OF CAPISTRANO

This Thursday, October 23, is the Feast of Saint John of Capistrano. John was born in Naples to a military family. He studied law and practiced as a lawyer for a few years. Naples was attacked, and John was imprisoned. During his imprisonment, he began to study theology, and when he was released, he decided to become a Franciscan priest.

PARISH NEWS

Today, coffee and donuts are available for you downstairs in the undercroft after both Masses.

Next Sunday, Oct. 26, coffee and donuts will **Not** be available after the Masses due to our Annual Oktoberfest Celebration.



The Year of Jubilee 2025 Theme
Pilgrims of Hope

Next Sunday – Oct. 26

SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND COLLECTION

The Seminarians for our Diocese are preparing, through prayer, education, and service to others, to become the future priests of our Diocese. They have dedicated themselves to follow the Lord and have the heart of the Good Shepherd. As the Lord has called them, so too are we called to support them on their journey.

Please be generous in your gift and in your prayer for them.



CARE NET BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Today, Sunday, Oct. 19 –

Care Net Representative Lee Ann Ernst will speak briefly at both Masses about their ministry.

We will continue our Annual Baby Bottle Campaign this month to support Care Net Pregnancy Services of Northern Kentucky. If you still want to participate and need a Baby Bottle, they are available by the Pieta statue in the back of church.

Please return the Bottles with coins, bills or checks made payable to Care Net by Sunday, Nov. 2.

Thank you so much for your support.

Next Sunday - Oct. 26

ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST 2025

After the 11:30 am Mass in the Undercroft

Come one and all to our Annual Oktoberfest on Sunday, Oct. 26, following the 11:30 am Mass. Join fellow parishioners in celebrating the German history of our parish, while enjoying delicious food and festive music.

Suggested donation is \$10.00 per person / \$20.00 per family. No RSVP required. We will see you there - **Prost!**

It's Time to Order! 2026 St. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS

We are taking orders for St. Joseph Sunday Missals for 2026. The cost per Missal is \$4.00. These books have the readings for each Sunday of the year and also contain the Stations of the Cross, the Mysteries of the Rosary, and a treasury of other prayers.

To place your order – Sheets are available in the back of the church by the Pieta statue for you to fill out.

We will be placing the order very soon.

Questions? Call Andrea Lonneman at 859-835-7087.

AL-ANON has their Wednesday Noon Meetings at Mother of God Church. Enter through the courtyard and go down the steps to the undercroft of the church. Al-Anon has but one purpose: to help families and friends of alcoholics and addicted ones. Please come for you are welcome.

VIRTUS

A big **Thank-You** to all of the Mother of God Volunteers who stay current on their Virtus training bulletins. If you would like to volunteer and need to become VIRTUS-trained, please email Mary Ann Kelly.

If you have any questions regarding this process, call or email Mary Ann at any time! She can be reached by phone at 859-291-2288, ext. 16, or send an email to her at mkelly@mogcov.org.

THE CHOSEN – Season 5

Thursday, Oct. 23, 10:00 am and 6:30 pm

Join us this Thursday as we watch the final episode of The Chosen, Season 5, Upper Room Part 2.

The morning showing is at 10:00 am and the evening showing is at 6:30 pm. You are invited to stay for a short discussion after each episode. **Come and bring a friend!**

FORMED

Available on FORMED – Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession. This series, Forgiven: The Transforming Power of Confession, explores the grace and healing offered in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and shows how this sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty of God's love.



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Sacramental Preparation for Children

Parents, if you have a school-age child who is seeking First Reconciliation and / or First Communion, we would love to hear from you! You must be a registered parishioner for your child to participate.

To register your child / children for the classes, please call the parish office at 859-291-2288 or email mkelly@mogcov.org. Preparation will begin in January.

If your child / children have not been baptized, we can help with that, too. Please call or send us an email.

Congratulations on their recent Wedding!

Matthew and Emma (Neiheisel) McKinney



Congratulations on his recent Baptism to the Family of Cooper James Geisen

He is the Son of
Beaumont and Sarah (Hoarston) Geisen



Scan this QR Code
to view a video about the
Mother of God Church building!

Notice: If you are giving online or through a bank draft to our church and are still receiving budget envelopes, please let us know if you wish to cancel receiving budget envelopes.

Sunday Collection	October 12, 2025
Total Collection	TBD

Mother of God Memorial Trust Fund

In your kindness, please consider making bequests or financial donations to the Mother of God Memorial Trust Fund. These funds are used only for the preservation of the church.



Holy Cross High School Open House
Sunday, Oct. 26, 1:00 pm in the Gym
3617 Church Street, Covington, KY

Meet teachers, explore athletic and extra-curricular opportunities and enjoy student-led tours. See what makes Holy Cross the Best fit for your high school experience.

For more information, visit our website at www.hchscov.com or call 859-431-1335.

Catholics Embracing ALL God's Children Meeting

St. Joseph Parish, Cold Spring, KY

Note: There will be No meeting in October.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, Nov. 5. – Scheduled earlier in the month due to the Thanksgiving holidays.

MEN'S RETREAT – Saturday, Nov. 1
WOMEN'S RETREAT – Saturday, Nov. 22
9:00 am-5:00 pm

St. Joseph Church & Memorial Hall, Cold Spring, KY

For more information and to register, go to
2025 Retreats from the top menu bar at the website
www.stjosephcoldspring.com.
Registration Fee \$25.00



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<https://covdio.org/mercy>

Pregnancy Care Network Community Baby Shower

Thursday, Oct. 23, 5:00-7:00 pm
Holy Spirit Parish, Newport

The Northern Kentucky Pregnancy Care Network will host a Community Baby Shower at Holy Spirit Parish, Newport, from 5:00-7:00 pm. Over the last two years, we estimate that we have served almost 700 new moms and families by providing resources to help them become successful parents. Items provided include free items such as diapers, wipes, blankets, clothing, the opportunity to win raffle items such as strollers, car seats, stroller wagons, and more.

Without the generosity of our community – both time and treasure – we would not be able to assist these moms and families. **For those who are interested in becoming involved** with Community Baby Showers, please contact the **Pro-Life Office at 859-392-1500**, or visit the **Amazon wish list** at:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/21FDYXYWXACQI?ref=list_d_wl_lfu_nav_2.

Thank you!

OCIA/OCIC Workshop on Updates and Resources

Saturday, Nov. 8, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

TMU's Ziegler Auditorium, Academic Center.

An informative workshop on updates and resources on the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults/Children (OCIA/OCIC) will be presented by Dr. William Keimig, the Deputy Director of the Catechetical Institute at Franciscan University.

Register for the Free Workshop by Oct. 29 at covdio.org/register/.

Questions? Contact Isaak Abraham Isaak at iisaak@covdio.org or 859-392-1529.

Pope Leo's Monthly Intention for October
For collaboration between different religious traditions. Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

To help you prepare for next Sunday's Mass – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18 Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

Daily Mass readings are available for you at
<https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading>

Please join us this **Tuesday, 11:00-11:45 am**, for **Eucharistic Adoration**. The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available during this time.

HOME COMMUNION VISITS

Do you know a parishioner who is confined to home or a nursing home and would like to receive the Eucharist? We can make a visit!

For more information: Call or email Mary Ann Kelly at 859-291-2288 / mkelly@mogcov.org



Wherever we go from here Lord,
let us be strong in faith and poor in spirit.
Make us your disciples With One Heart. Amen.
Bishop John C. Iffert



Mass Intentions

Oct. 19	9:30 am	Parishioners and Benefactors
	11:30 am	Goodhew Family
Oct. 20	12:05 pm	Bill Hambly
Oct. 21	12:05 pm	Mary Burge
Oct. 22	No Mass	
Oct. 23	12:05 pm	Lori Nurre
Oct. 24	12:05 pm	Jeanne Feldhues
Oct. 25	12:05 pm	Mary Lou Nunner
Oct. 26	9:30 am	Parishioners and Benefactors
	11:30 am	The Lueke Family

Remember in Prayer

Hannah Donoghue ♦ Lois Knochelmann ♦ Chris Haddix ♦ Frank Sutthoff ♦ David Verkamp ♦ Kenneth Schuler ♦ Nancy Correll ♦ Debbie Prior ♦ Lauri Boggs ♦ Joe Legner ♦ Faye Gosney ♦ Rita & Ron Hopper ♦ Kathleen Stevens Cox ♦ Freda Legner ♦ Jan Stahlheber ♦ Joan Miley ♦ Rob Feldman ♦ Gerri Losey ♦ Pat Landrum ♦ Bruce Hummel ♦ D.B. ♦ Amy Stiens ♦ Mary Estelle Roesel ♦ Amy Bates ♦ Joan and Kelse Murphy ♦ Eileen Concannon ♦ Greg Scanlon ♦ Keith Bosshart ♦ Frank Hlebak ♦ Joy Rolfsen ♦ Greg ♦ Mary Beth Ryan ♦ Charles Kania ♦ Justin Reeves ♦ Mary Ann Grimm ♦ Jack Hicks ♦ Ben Wolff ♦ Mickey Penman ♦ Marine Sgt. Edward M. Burke ♦ G.S. ♦ Ruthie ♦ Greg Dahlenberg ♦ Jennifer T. ♦ Anna F. ♦ Hannah Harris ♦ Renee Seward ♦ Meg Anne O'Brien ♦ The Barrett Family ♦ Debbie Klein ♦ Plymesser Family ♦ Mary Lou Wilson ♦ Katie Tignor ♦ Oliver Derrick ♦ Meg H. ♦ Steve Oberjohn ♦ NR ♦ John Kalker ♦ Charlotte McDermott ♦ Mary Kohorst ♦ Anne Halpin ♦ Mary Kelley ♦ Jerry Turner ♦ Cliff Wagner ♦ Cindy Losey ♦ John Phillip Pugh ♦ Connie Braedon ♦ Teresa Bowman ♦ Jenny Vellon ♦ Jim Skridulis ♦ Beverly Henn ♦ Susan Byrley ♦ Jean Byrley ♦ Bill Hambley ♦ Kathy Thamann ♦ Ben and Natalie Thamann ♦ Suzy Sneary ♦ David Wise ♦ Nikki ♦ Jamie ♦ Evie Sullivan ♦ Joyce Hamberg ♦ Staci Earls ♦ Peggy Bess Kratz ♦ Linda Wesley ♦ Jessica ♦ Damien Herold ♦ Melissa ♦ Karen Jansen ♦ Dorothy Willett ♦ Zadah Edmonds ♦ Bertha Neltner ♦ Karn Fields ♦ Caroline Olberding ♦ Rick Bronner ♦ Susan ♦ Tom Schneider ♦ Caroline Raymond ♦ Jill Bland ♦ Janet Hatter ♦ Olivia Hollihan ♦ Mary Beth Lynch ♦ Theresa Lynch ♦ Stephen Dery ♦ Trudy ♦ K. T. ♦ Karen ♦ Fred B. ♦ John K. ♦ Jeanne Bitter ♦ Tabitha Frye Family ♦ Greg Benning ♦ Edward Weeden ♦ Anisha Meyer ♦ Elizabeth King ♦ Richard Jones and Family ♦ S. M.

To add or remove a name on this list, please contact the parish office.


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