

**INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK****SUNDAY, June 20, 2021**

- 9:00 am** Michael Blessinger (d)  
**11:00 am** Frank Sheppard (d)  
**7:00 pm** For the Parishioners

**MONDAY, June 21, 2021**

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

- 8:30 am** Lucina Beck Kane (d)

**TUESDAY, June 22, 2021***Saints John Fisher and Thomas More, martyrs*

- 8:30 am** Joseph Bonno (d)

**WEDNESDAY, June 23, 2021**

- 8:30 am** Pilgrims (d)

**THURSDAY, June 24, 2021**

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

- 8:30 am** Mark Scahill (d)

**3:00 pm-5:00 pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION****FRIDAY, June 25, 2021**

- 8:30 am** Jim Weismann (d)

**SATURDAY, June 26, 2021**

- 8:30 am** Janet Baird  
**4:30 pm** Mary Jo Westendorf (d)

**SUNDAY, June 27, 2021**

- 9:00 am** Jim Dugan (d)  
**11:00 am** Georgetta "Babe" Kinnemeyer (d)  
**7:00 pm** For the Parishioners

**Eagle Savings Bank**  
**6415 Bridgetown Road**  
**574-0700**  
**5681 Rapid Run Road**  
**347-3700**

**PLEASE NOTIFY US AT THE RECTORY** when a family member is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of Penance.

**SERVERS****June 26/27**

No Servers Scheduled

**LECTORS****June 26/27**

No Lectors Scheduled

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS****June 26/27**

To Be Determined

June 13, 2021	\$ 7,144.81
Total Second Collection	\$ 37,655.50
Other Donations	\$ 74,462.50
Lead Gifts (estimated)	\$104,202.77
Total Tile Floor Fund	\$216,320.77

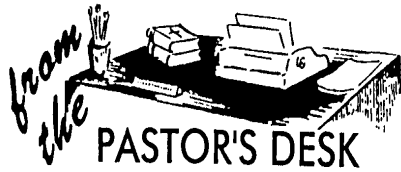
*Thank You for your Generosity!*

**Vocation View** "Why are you terrified? Why are you lacking in faith?" If God is calling you, don't let fear stop you. (Mark 4:35-41)  
 To talk about your discernment, please contact Fr. Dan Schmitmeyer, Director of Vocations at [dschmitmeyer@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:dschmitmeyer@catholiccincinnati.org).

**Thought for the Day:** I desire neither death nor life. Were the Lord to offer me a choice, I would not choose. I will only do what He wills, and I am pleased with whatever He does.

*-St. Therese of Lisieux*

## The Laurentian



**Summer Study Series:** You have a great opportunity to learn the solid foundations for your Catholic faith. I want you to plan to attend the summer study series on Faith and Reason beginning June 22<sup>nd</sup> thru August. The sessions will be held each Tuesday evening from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. The parish study series is especially designed for inquirers into the Catholic faith and anyone who is struggling to harmonize the Catholic faith with reason and science. You will be walked through proofs demonstrating the existence of God.

Everyone is welcome to attend any or all sessions. And, I ask that you invite any non-Catholic family members or friends to come with you.

The series will be facilitated by our own Deacon Tracy Jamison, PhD, Professor of Philosophy at Mount St. Mary's Seminary and School of Theology. I would really like many of you to attend these sessions. Our Catholic Faith is under attack in the culture. This will strengthen your ability to defend the Catholic Faith.

**Holy Communion:** I have changed the approach to receive Holy Communion. The Deacon and I will distribute in the center aisle and an extraordinary Eucharistic minister will distribute at each of the side aisles. When approaching the front to receive Holy Communion, please come up pew by pew beginning with the first and then moving on back. On the side aisles, we will start from the back and move forward.

Holy Communion will be taken to those seated at the break and are unable to walk up front. Please see the insert in today's bulletin.

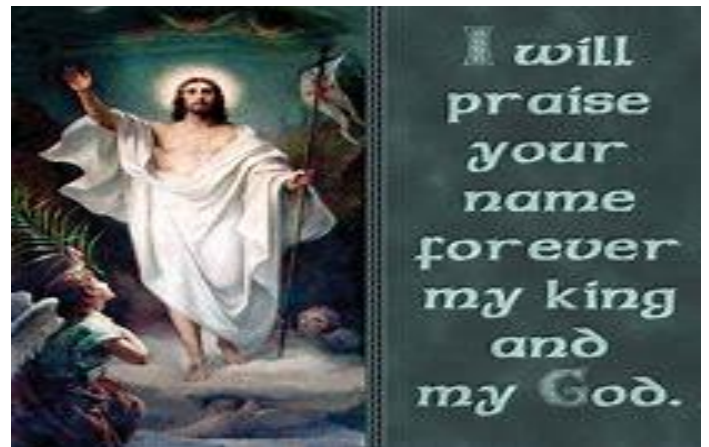
### Pastor's Desk Continued **Major Church Beautification**

The estimated cost of tile, its installation, and the refurbishing of the pews is \$330,000. To help finance this project we are taking up a second collection and we did a mailing.

The stone tile floor will be installed in sections. And, while this is being done, the pews will be refurbished. So, there will be some changes in seating arrangements throughout the project. I will keep you advised. This project is scheduled to be completed this summer. As soon as we have a start date I will let you know.

### Pastor's Desk Continued **St. Lawrence Event News:**

You may have been wondering if we were going to have a festival this year. Well, we will forego the festival and instead, the Festival Committee is planning a "St. Lawrence Parish Reunion" for Saturday evening September 18, after the 4:30pm Mass. The Reunion will be held in the Parish Center. It will be a great time to celebrate getting back together after Covid. Save the date! Details will follow soon.



*From a treatise on the Lord's Prayer*

By Saint Cyprian, bishop and martyr

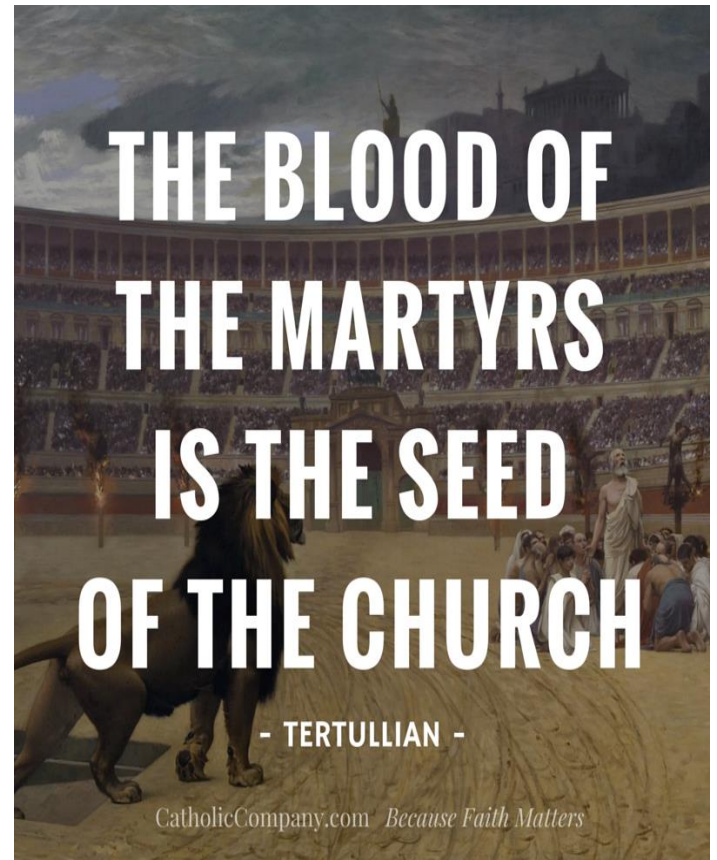
How merciful the Lord is to us, how kind and richly compassionate! He wished us to repeat this prayer in God's sight, to call the Lord our Father and, as Christ is God's Son, be called in turn sons of God! None of us would ever have dared to utter this name unless he himself had allowed us to pray in this way. And therefore, dear friends, we should bear in mind and realize that when we call God our Father, we ought also to act like sons. If we are pleased to call him Father, let him in turn be pleased to call us sons.

We should live like the temples of God we are, so that it can be seen that God lives in us. No act of ours should be unworthy of the spirit. Now that we have begun to live in heaven and in the spirit, all our thoughts and actions should be heavenly and spiritual; for, as the Lord God himself has said: *Those who honor me I will honor, and those who despise me shall be despised.* And the blessed Apostle wrote in his letter: *You are not your own; you were bought with great price. So glorify and bear God in your body.* We go on to say, *May your name be hallowed.* It is not that we think to make God holy by our prayers; rather we are asking God that his name may be made holy in us. Indeed, how could God be made holy, he who is the source of holiness? Still, because he himself said: *Be holy, for I am holy,* we pray and beseech him that we who have been hallowed in baptism may persevere in what we have begun. And we pray for this every day, we cleanse our faults again and again by constant sanctification.

The apostle Paul instructs us in these words concerning the sanctification, which God's loving kindness confers on us: *Neither the immortal, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor robbers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such you were. But you have been washed, you have been sanctified, you have been justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God. We were sanctified, he says, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.* Hence, we make our prayer that this sanctification may remain in us. But further, our Lord who is also our judge warns those who have been cured and brought back to

life by him to sin no more lest something worse happen to them. Thus, we offer constant prayers and beg night and day that this sanctification and new life which is ours by God's favor may be preserved by his protection.

by St. Cyprian, bishop and martyr



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The prayer continues: *Your kingdom come.* We pray that God's kingdom will become present for us in the same way that we ask for his name to be hallowed among us. For when does God not reign, when could there be in him a beginning of what always was and what will never cease to be? What we pray for is that the kingdom promised to us by God will come, the kingdom won by Christ's blood and passion. Then we who formerly were slaves in this world will reign from now on under the dominion of Christ, in accordance with his promise; *Come, O blessed of my Father, receive the kingdom, which was prepared for you from the foundation of the world.*

However, my dear friends, it could also be that the kingdom of God whose coming we daily wish for is Christ himself, since it is his coming that we long for. He is our resurrection, since we rise again in him; so too he can be thought of as the kingdom of God because we are to reign in him. And it is good that we pray for God's kingdom; for though it is a heavenly kingdom, it is also an earthly one. But those who have already renounced the world are made greater by holding positions of authority in that kingdom.

After this we add: *Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven;* we pray not that God should do his will, but that we may carry out his will. How could anyone prevent the Lord from doing what he wills? But in our prayer we ask that God's will be done in us, because the devil throws up obstacles to prevent our mind and our conduct from obeying God in all things. So if his will is to be done in us we have need of his will, that is, his help and protection. No one can be strong by his own strength or secure save by God's mercy and forgiveness. Even the Lord, to show the weakness of the human nature which he bore, said *Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me,* and then, by way of giving example to his disciples that they should do God's will and not their own, he added: *Nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will.*

All Christ did, all he taught, was the will of God. Humility in our daily lives, an unwavering faith, a moral sense of modesty in conversation, justice in acts, mercy in deed, discipline, refusal to harm others, a readiness to suffer harm, peaceableness with our brothers, a wholehearted love

of the Lord, loving in him what is of the Father, fearing him because he is God, preferring nothing to him who preferred nothing to us, clinging tenaciously to his Love, standing by his cross with loyalty and courage whenever there is any conflict involving his honor and his name, manifesting in our speech the constancy of our profession and under torture confidence for the fight, and in dying the endurance for which we will be crowned—this is what it means to wish to be a coheir with Christ, to keep God's command; this is what it means to do the will of the Father.

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