

SPIRITUS WEEKLY UPDATE

WEEK OF OCTOBER 15TH, 2025

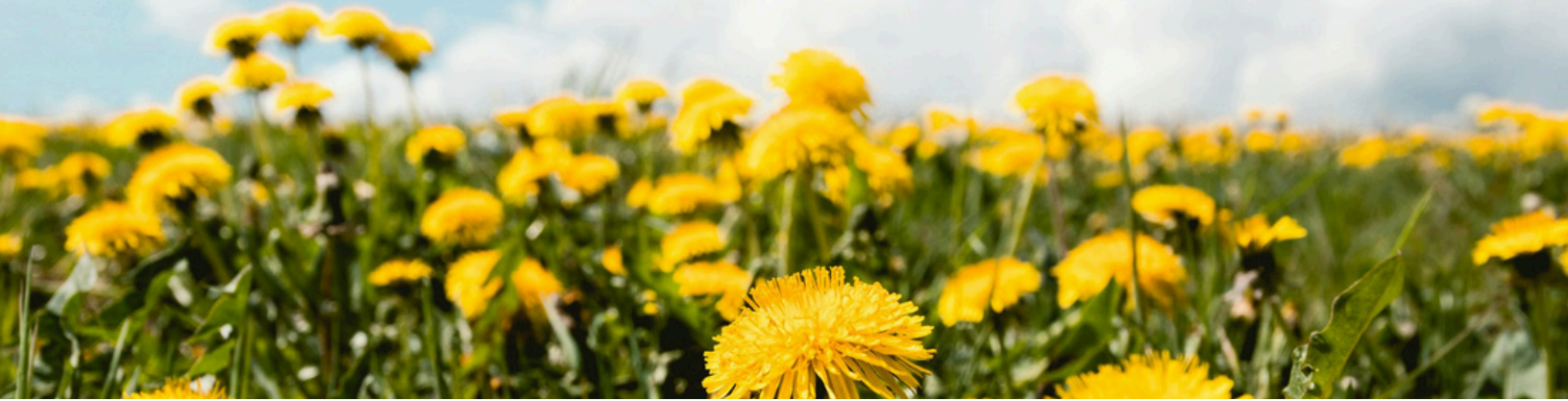
NEXT GATHERING 10/19

SPIRITUS FAMILY GATHERING

SUNDAY 10/19

3:00PM

CHAMINADE CENTER MADELEINE ROOM



Community Meeting Notes from 10/5

At our last gathering, we ended with a community meeting. Attached separately from the update is a pdf file to all the slides that were discussed during the meeting. Whether you were able to attend or not, please take a look at the information. We had a really good discussion on how to be the best stewards of the money that Deacon Greg left and what that looks like as we move forward. Many important things were brought up about how to approach it, how to spend, grow, and manage these funds.

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PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

For all those in our community, those that we love, those who are alone, those who are grieving, those in war torn areas, those without anyone to pray for them and anyone else in need of loving support, prayer, or comfort.

For all our prayers in our book of petitions.

Special Prayers

For Lisa Nordmeyer's Uncle John who was placed in the care of Hospice yesterday. Please pray for his peaceful transition.

For Katie Metzmaier she will be having her tonsils out on October 27th. Prayers for a successful surgery & a short recovery time.

For Bill Perry's nephew nephew, David Meads

For Phyllis Sharp, and her family as they grieve the loss of her former daughter-in-law.

Terri Blanken and her husband Ron as they grieve the loss of their brother Denny.

A THANK YOU FROM LINDA FOLMAR

To my friends,
I thank you all from the bottom of my heart for the many cards, texts, emails and prayers that have held and lifted me. You have helped to sustain me and my family in this most difficult time. I hold you all in my heart.

Linda



COMMUNITY INFO

Register to help setup SPIRITUS Gatherings

Please sign up online at <https://givepul.se/gw0wzw>, or use the QR code below which will take you to the Spiritus scheduling website. Once there, scroll down to see the published events, then click on the event that you would like register to help.

There are three event shifts available:

- 1) **Setup at 2:00pm:**
- 2) **Greeter at 2:40pm:**
- 3) **Last one out:**

If you have any issues signing up, please email Linda Skinner at scheduling@spiritus-mlc.org. We thank you in advance for your support.



Marianist Family Counsel is hosting listening sessions and inviting people to attend.

The Marianist Family, Church, and world are at a pivotal moment, urging us to explore and envision what it means to embody the Marianist Charism and be "Family" today. To address this need, the Marianist Family Council of North America (MFC-NA) will sponsor and commission a Marianist Family Congress in April 2026. In preparation for the Congress, listening sessions are scheduled for Fall 2025 that will provide an opportunity for all members of the Marianist Family to share their insights on the current context and their hopes for the future. The discussions from these sessions will be compiled and directly inform the visioning conversations at the Congress. Delegates from each branch of the Marianist Family in the US will be invited to participate in the congress. Please [sign-up to participate in a listening session](#) and stay tuned for further updates on this significant initiative.



UPCOMING SPIRITUS EVENTS

- October 4th: Pilgrimage of Hope for Creation 9-3 Mt. St. John
- October 5th: Spiritus Prayer Gathering, 3:00PM, Madeleine Room.
- October 19th : Spiritus Prayer Gathering, 3:00PM, Madeleine Room.
- November 2nd: Spiritus Prayer Gathering, 3:00PM, Madeleine Room
 - Please bring a memento or picture of a loved one to use in the gathering
- November 16th: Spiritus Prayer Gathering, 3:00PM, Madeleine Room
- December 7th: Spiritus Prayer Gathering, 3:00 PM, Madeleine Room

Marti Quackenbush has a request to see if anyone kept the red outfit we used to dress Tom up as the pope on our 50th QAC celebration? If so, please contact her directly. Many thanks. - Marti

Check out the Free and Nearly Free schedules at the end of the newsletter. Thank you to Chuck Bauer for compiling them for us.

REMOTE VIEWING

Thank you to all those who help with the streaming and make it possible

Viewing of all past meetings are available on the Spiritus website. Just click the banner at the bottom of the page for access.

If you are interested in being trained to stream meetings, please see Kevin Skinner or send inquiries to contact@spiritus-mlc.org

To rewatch all past meetings click on the link for our website at the bottom of the page.



SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER

Advent collections will be beginning soon. We will have more information in the upcoming weeks.

ST. VINCENT'S

Our Dayton-area St Vincent Needs:

FOOD: Cereal, items for sack lunches, and #10 cans of food
CLOTHING: As always they need new underwear and socks, hygiene items, and gently used clothing, shoes, and linens.

Look for Chris and Sarah at the gatherings to deliver them.

Thank you!

Miami Valley Immigration Coalition Needs

MVIC is in need of items:

Dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, soap, shampoo, toilet paper. Children's clothes, esp. young children-(More women and children are in families where the father has been detained or deported.

If you prefer to donate by check, put Accompaniment on the memo line and mail to 505 Riverside Dr, Dayton, OH 45405.



MARIANIST FAMILY

ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

Mission of Mary needs your support!

Mission of Mary's 13th annual Farm to Fork fundraising dinner is coming up very soon - October 24! It is a celebration that is enjoyed by a couple hundred attendees - and sells out quickly! All Spiritus members are invited to attend, but please register soon for this fun, meaningful event:

<https://www.missionofmary.org/farmtofork>

The Farm to Fork committee is also working to secure items and experiences for the event's silent auction.

Is there an experience or item you could contribute?

Contact Meghann (meghann.naveau@gmail.com/937-423-4730). Some ideas include:

- Exclusive dining experiences (chef's table, wine pairing dinners, private tastings)
- Golf at premier local courses or private lessons with a golf pro
- Travel opportunities or vacation packages (weekend getaways, Airbnb stays, or resort trips)
- Custom or luxury items (tailored clothing, handmade quilts, bedding, or jewelry)
- Professional expertise (consulting, photography, design, health/wellness sessions)
- Gift cards to high-demand restaurants, shops, or experiences

What is Mission of Mary again?

Mission of Mary Cooperative is located in the Twin Towers neighborhood and is a catalyst and a partner for sustainable urban development, with a focus on issues surrounding access to healthy food. Numerous programs at Mission of Mary occur throughout the year to provide access to fresh food and educate our neighbors about healthy and sustainable lifestyles. (We recently heard from Mike Schulz, executive director of Mission of Mary, at our early September gathering!)



MARIANIST FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS



“I AM LIKE A BROOK: LGBTQ+ AUTHENTICITY AND THE CATHOLIC CHURCH”

Guest Speaker: Dr. Ish Ruiz

This lecture by Ish Ruiz uncovers how LGBTQ+ Catholics embody authenticity and grace within the Church. The talk will offer a clear overview of Catholic teaching on gender and sexuality, highlights points of tension, shares lived stories of LGBTQ+ Catholics, and celebrates the gifts they bring to the Church today. Rooted in hope, we will explore how we can all collaborate in building a Church and a world where all are welcomed and cherished as beloved children of God.

FAITH, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY SERIES

6:00PM - 7:30PM
KU WEST BALLROOM

OCT 27TH



University of Dayton
Department of
Religious Studies

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MARIANIST FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

Check out the new edition of
Marianist Family Online!
<https://www.marianist.com/familyonline/>

STAY CONNECTED !

MARIANIST FAMILY - <https://www.marianist.com>

MARIANIST SOCIAL JUSTICE COLLABORATIVE - <https://marianistsjc.net>

MARIANIST LAY COMMUNITY OF NORTH AMERICA - <https://www.mlcna.org>

MARIANIST ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER - <https://meec.center>

NORTH AMERICAN CENTER FOR MARIANIST STUDIES - <https://www.nacms.org>

SPIRITUS CONTACT UPDATES

If there is anyone who is seriously ill or facing a significant surgery or procedure the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available.

You can call the Spiritus office and leave a message if it is something that can be scheduled in advance, or if more time sensitive, you can reach out to Fr. Tom. His telephone number is 937-903-0943.

If you need to change any contact information, please let us know by responding to this email or by writing any changes that you need to have made on the clipboard available by the nametags at each Spiritus gathering. We want to make sure that everyone is getting information in a way that is helpful and suits them.

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Solidarity Sing-Along

Raise your voice for the sake of justice!

Second and Fourth Fridays of the Month, Starting September 26, 2025

Join in for twice monthly Friday drop-in sing-alongs! Come join a community to practice the tradition of protest music for our contemporary moment. We will sing songs of solidarity and freedom and love for all humanity, build some courageous joy, and learn the music we need for this moment.

No talent or experience required! Instrumentalists of all kinds are welcome to bring instruments to add to the music experience.

**Where: Society of Friends Dayton Meeting House
345 Wyoming St, Dayton, OH 45410**

When: Begins at 6:00, lasts for no more than two hours!

**How Can We Keep
From Singing?**



Clifton Opera House

Fall 2025 Schedule

Located at 5 Clay Street, Clifton 45316. All shows have temporarily moved to the Clifton Presbyterian Church at 183 Jackson Street while the Opera House is closed for renovations. For a map and directions, scroll to the bottom of this page. Tickets \$10 unless otherwise noted.

HYPERLINK "<https://villageofclifton.com/full-coh-calendar/>"<https://villageofclifton.com/full-coh-calendar/>

Saturday, October 11 • 7:00pm

Wayward J's (Folk/Alternative)

Friday, October 17 • 7:00pm

Fast Track / Dale Perry (Bluegrass) Tickets \$20

Saturday, October 18 • 7:00pm

Daniel Dye & The Miller Road Band (Folk)

Saturday, October 25 • 7:00pm

Nine Mile Creek (Dulcimers)

Saturday, November 1 • 7:00pm

The Kevin Prater Band (Bluegrass) Tickets \$15

Saturday, November 8 • 7:00pm

Forest Hills Bluegrass Band

Saturday, November 15 • 7:00pm

New Mountain Heritage (Bluegrass)

Saturday, November 22 • 7:00pm

Hoppers (50s/60s/70s Rock & Roll)

Saturday, December 6 • 2:00-4:00 pm

Muleskinner Band 40th Anniversary Celebration (Bluegrass)

Tickets \$15 • Afternoon Matinee

Saturday, December 13 • 3:00-5:00 pm

Wild Mustangs Country Christmas Afternoon Matinee

Wright State 2025 Fall Semester Music Entertainment
Concerts and Recitals Free and Open to the Public
Schuster Hall, Creative Arts Center

- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/calendar/arts/music>"<https://www.wright.edu/calendar/arts/music>
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/wind-symphony-concert-band-concert-1>"Wind Symphony
and Concert Band Concert
Monday, October 6, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/wsu-chamber-orchestra-concert>"WSU Chamber Orchestra
Concert
Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/jazz-ensemble-concert-2>"Jazz Ensemble Concert
Thursday, October 23, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/tenor-bass-treble-chorus-concert>"Tenor Bass and Treble
Chorus Concert
Friday, October 24, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/university-symphony-orchestra-concert-6>"University
Symphony Orchestra Concert
Tuesday, October 28, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/wright-state-universitys-collegiate-chorale-concert-longing>"Wright State University's Collegiate Chorale Concert- "Longing"
Friday, November 7, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/wright-state-universitys-opera-scenes>"Wright State
University's Opera Scenes
Saturday, November 8, 2025, 7 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/chamber-orchestra-concert-17>"Chamber Orchestra Concert
Tuesday, November 18, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/wright-state-percussion-ensemble-concert>"Wright State
Percussion Ensemble Concert
Thursday, November 20, 2025, 7 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/wind-symphony-concert-band-concert-2>"Wind Symphony
and Concert Band Concert
Monday, November 24, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/jazz-ensemble-concert-3>"Jazz Ensemble Concert
Tuesday, December 2, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/samantha-kennedys-senior-trombone-recital>"Samantha
Kennedy's Senior Trombone Recital
Wednesday, December 3, 2025, 7:30 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/wright-state-percussion-ensemble-concert-0>"Wright State
Percussion Ensemble Concert
Thursday, December 4, 2025, 7 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/syerra-fierys-senior-recital>"Syerra Fiery's Senior Recital
Sunday, December 7, 2025, 2 pm
- HYPERLINK "<https://www.wright.edu/events/wren-yakes-senior-recital>"Wren Yakes' Senior Recital
Sunday, December 7, 2025, 5 pm