

SPIRITUS WEEKLY UPDATE

WEEK OF OCTOBER 23RD, 2025

NEXT GATHERING 11/02

SPIRITUS FAMILY GATHERING

SUNDAY 11/02

3:00PM

CHAMINADE CENTER MADELEINE ROOM



November 2nd All Souls Day

Our next gathering is on Sunday November 2nd. That is also All Souls Day otherwise known as Dia de los Muertos or Day of the Dead. It is traditional to gather photos, mementos, or little offerings that represent, remind, and lift up those who have gone before us. We place those items on a table in our home (ofrenda) to honor those we love.

We ask that you please bring a photo, or small memento with you to our next Spiritus gathering so that we may all honor together those whom we love and carry close to our hearts.



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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 Pam Brown who is experiencing difficult physical challenges. If you would like to send a card, it can be sent to **3218 Indian Ripple, Apt 87, Beavercreek, OH 45440.**

Pam was one of the two people who used to decorate the Altar every Sunday. For Katie Metzmaier she will be having her tonsils out on October 27th. Prayers for a successful surgery & a short recovery time.

For Lisa Nordmeyer and their family as they grieve the passing of Lisa's Uncle John on Sunday. Lisa wants to thank everyone for their prayers for her and her family.

Sharing the Loaves and Fishes

Sharing the loaves and fishes, You gave us an image of solidarity with the hungry, O Lord.

Sharing yourself in the bread and wine, You called all to the table, O Lord. Give me the hunger to be a part of the feeding And the healing of this world. Nourish me with your Grace, So I may work with joy to serve your children.

Open my eyes and my heart To recognize those in poverty
And increase my awareness Of the structures and systems
That need to be changed So we may all break bread together.

In your name we pray for the end of hunger.

- Education for Justice



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.



DON POTTER HAS MOVED TO FRIENDS NURSING HOME IN YELLOW SPRINGS. IF ANYONE IS IN THAT PART OF TOWN THEY ARE WELCOME TO STOP BY TO VISIT HIM IN ROOM 218.

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

- 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 8th: Memorial Service for Dennis Folmar
 - 11:00 AM Queen of Apostles Chapel
 - light lunch to follow in the Madeleine
- 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



“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/>

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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