



# MISSIONARIES OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

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Dear Parishioners:

This weekend the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will be announcing the pastoral assignments as part of the Beacons of Light process. The Archdiocese has entrusted the Missionaries of the Precious Blood with the pastoral care of our current two pastoral regions in Dayton. These two regions will become one Family of Parishes. One region is comprised of St. Joseph, Holy Trinity, and Emmanuel. The other region is Precious Blood, St. Rita, and St. Paul.

The Missionaries of the Precious Blood will commit the personnel resources needed to ensure that the parishioners are able to continue to grow closer to God, through the Precious Blood of Christ. Our plan is to have four priests assigned to the Family of Parishes. While other parishes will have a single pastor assigned beginning in July 2022, our Family of Parishes will continue to have both Fr. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S., and Fr. Gene Schnipke, C.P.P.S., serve as pastors through July 2023. During the upcoming year they will be working together, along with their staffs and parishioners, on the Beacons of Light process. In the summer of 2023 a new, single pastor will be appointed to serve the Family of Parishes and three parochial vicars.

Two new parochial vicars will be appointed to begin in July 2022. The Provincial Council of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood would like to thank Fr. Tim Knepper, C.P.P.S., and Fr. Matt Keller, C.P.P.S., for their dedication to the parishioners. They will be appointed to new assignments this summer.

The time ahead will have some challenges. But, it is also an opportunity to build the Body of Christ, strengthen our commitment to Christ and the poor, and to recognize more fully how we all have been redeemed in the Precious Blood of Christ. We ask for the intercession of St. Gaspar del Bufalo and Our Lady of the Precious Blood during this time of transition.

In the Blood of Christ,

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