



Community Coordinators' Corner

Linda Folmar and Joan Ivory



As I write this, I am still basking in the great celebration of our 50-year existence as the best Community EVER! Thank you All, again and again for making QAC Day such a great success.

Of course, I have spent many hours so far in 2023 thinking about my memories of QAC. Too many to mention here (but I'd be glad to reminisce with you all over the next few months), so I want to relate to you one of my favorites. This anecdote is an example of how our Community is much more than Liturgy, music ministry, Social Justice activities and meetings (although those are all vitally important). QAC has been intertwined with all aspects of our lives. We have helped raise one another's children, socialized together, grieved with and for one another, played heartily in both large and small groups, and even hurt one another's feelings (and made up).

This example is my "women at the well" story. Back in the 1980s, there was a member of QAC named Nancy who proposed (and facilitated) a food cooperative within our Community. We (mostly, but not exclusively) women came together once a month to order nutritious foodstuffs for our families – brown rice, whole wheat flour, juices, natural peanut butter, dried fruits, nuts, to name a few. The purpose of the meeting was to collectively place orders

according to our families' needs. For instance, whole wheat flour comes in 20-pound sacks; I might have wanted only 4 pounds, someone else needed 10 pounds, we needed someone else to order 6 pounds to complete the order. (Sort of an auction, and definitely a negotiating process.) We would go through each food item until each household ordered what they wanted. (I can't tell you how many times I ordered a pound or two of banana chips just so someone else's desired amounts could go through. LOL) The next week, the foodstuffs were delivered by the various vendors to the old C Lounge and, again, QAC's ladies showed up to weigh out and pack up each person's order and prepare it for pick-up. This experience was "fellowship" on a whole other level, and I loved it.

One of my hopes for the future lay community (no matter how we "brand" it) is that the membership will be connected to one another in ways that are spiritual in nature in addition to the weekly gatherings. I have confidence that, with creativity and genuine caring for one another, it can truly be a community of love that touches each person in a special way for many years.

God bless you all!

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New Season Update:

Being in and transforming through a state of goo

By Kelly Bohrer



—It seems to me that we must not become discouraged if we encounter some obstacle in the way of the necessary change. Never has change been done, and never will it be done, without difficulty. With patience we will accomplish all. Blessed William Joseph Chaminade

--It's in the darkness, it's in the moment of crisis when you have fallen through all of your own expectations that there is the opportunity for rebirthing. —Barbara A. Holmes, "Contemplation," *The Cosmic We*

Dear Beloved QAC Community,

We stand on the threshold of a significant change that will redefine our ways of being and worshipping together as a faith community. With profound gratitude for our past and hopeful anticipation for our future, we embark on this transformative journey together. With deep grief of what we are losing and blind faith for the grace we will receive in our new season, we embark on this transformative journey together.

Beginning January 1st, 2024, we will no longer be a traditional parish. Instead, we will transition into a Lay Marianist Community. This transition brings with it not only a change from a parish to a lay community, but also a shift in the way we pray, connect, and serve.

Change, as we know, can be both exciting and daunting. It asks us to step out of our comfort zones, to leave behind what is familiar and to embrace the unknown. In many ways, this mirrors the journey of faith itself.

The Apostle Paul reminds us in Romans 6:4 that through baptism, we are buried with Christ in his death, and as Christ was raised from the dead, we too might walk in newness of life. This transition offers us a unique opportunity to "put to death" our old ways of being as a parish and to embrace new life as a Lay Marianist Community.

Nature, too, teaches us about the beauty of change and transformation. Consider the seasons - each one transitions into the next, bringing forth new life and beauty. Just as winter yields to spring's blossoms, and caterpillars dissolve and change into butterflies, so too can our church community transition from one phase to another, bearing the promise of spiritual growth and renewal.

These ways of thinking about change almost make it seem simple, but I think we all know and feel that it just isn't that simple. It isn't easy to believe in and hope in the light at the other end of the transformation when the current moment can feel dark and sad and frustrating and exhausting and disheartening, etc. I am pretty sure a caterpillar doesn't think, "yeah, I am going to be completely dissolved into goo soon." I wonder, then, what might it look like for us to be attentive to the loss, the grief, and the crisis we are experiencing and to grieve together as we also transform together. We are losing our parish. We are losing having weekly Mass together. We are losing a pastor. There is no way around this – we are in crisis, we are facing a "death", we are being dissolved into goo, and it sucks.

The QAC adult faith enrichment gatherings that I facilitate via zoom on Sundays have been using Richard Rohr's daily meditations this summer as fodder for our reflections together (Thanks Colette and Bill for the idea to follow these meditations). One week this past summer especially spoke to our group regarding the experience of our community right now – of being in crisis from losing who we have been. Week 26 provides a reflection from Rev. Dr. Barbara Holmes who proposes crisis contemplation as a communal way of journeying through a crisis. Here is what she shares:

Crisis Contemplation is that spirit that emerges when the breaking occurs. We find it in every single culture. The Chinese call this spirit chi (qi), the Egyptians call it Ma'at, and Hindus call it prana.

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Kuzipa Nalwamba writes of the concept of Mupasi, which is an African description of a spirit that dwells within all of us. [1] It's individual but also communal.... When you are all suffering, Mupasi is that vital spiritual voice that weaves the lives of all of us into an inseparable bond. It makes reality one whole. It gives kinship to all of us. When you think about it, that means that loving our neighbors is not just a little anecdote or possibility. With the moving of the Spirit, it's inherent to our being, for where the Spirit abides there's always unity.

I love this idea of communal crisis contemplation and knowing that a new spirit will emerge from our collective journey into goo. This is our QAC – we live and breathe “community” that is at the very heart of the Marianist tradition and this we will not lose, but instead this will allow us to grieve together and bring forth new life.

Our prayer life and community interactions will evolve as we become a Lay Marianist Community. We will discover new Marianist traditions and practices, drawing inspiration from the spirituality of Blessed William Joseph Chaminade and Marie Thérèse de Lamourous and the Marianist charism. These changes will deepen our connection with Mary, the Mother of God, and guide us in our mission to bring Christ's love to the world.

While this transformation may present challenges and might test our commitment to each other and the core of QAC (building a community of love and being holy people together), it also promises great blessings. Together, we will forge a new path, rooted in our faith and guided by the Holy Spirit. We will be a community of hope, renewal, and transformation, embodying the Marianist spirit in all that we do.

Already I am inspired by the commitment of time, energy, talent, and prayer, and hope to the efforts of the task forces and our change process. The new gatherings task force recently proposed a beautiful way to pray and engage in the future, the facilities community has found us a wonderful place right on Mt. St. John for our gatherings, and the other task forces (in progress) are already speaking about great new ideas! Thank you.

So, what's next? Yes, it is deciding the time and day of our gatherings (come to QAC meeting September 24th and respond to the survey being sent to your email). As WE enter into this decision together, I wonder how might we approach this with the spirit of Mupasi and crisis contemplation? How might we do this as a community of love? How can we remain open and believe in the power of the spirit to guide us? My prayer is that we will find common ground, we will remember that the sun will rise again, and that we continue to nourish our culture of care and love as we consider the needs, hopes, and fears of others.

We ask for your prayers as we continue planning our new season!

COMMUNITY PRAYER FOR GUIDANCE

Companioning God, we call upon the Spirit to move through us with power and with grace as we work to transition our beloved community to something new, and vital that will inspire others to join us. Open our hearts and minds to Your call to create with courage the community that You desire – trusting in Christ our Light who goes, beside us, behind and before us always calling us forward and attending our way. We pray this through Jesus our Brother and Teacher and the loving heart of Mary. Amen



QAC Survey for Our New Season Gathering

The New Gatherings Task Force needs your help in discerning a recommended day, time, and frequency for our non-Mass gatherings as a new Lay Marianist community. This survey asks what you think the COMMUNITY needs and what YOU need. Please be honest and open in your feedback, and ALL members of a household are encouraged to fill out their own surveys. You can take the survey online at <https://tinyurl.com/QACTimeSurvey> or fill out a paper copy from the vestibule and return it to the basket or a member of the New Gatherings Task Force. The survey will be open through Sunday, September 10.

Parish Visits

When we become a lay community in January 2024, we will not celebrate weekly Mass together. All community members wishing to attend regular Mass and participate in regular Sacraments will need to discern registering at an area parish, as well as membership in our new lay community. You can find Catholic Mass times at <https://masstimes.org/>. The New Season Committee will not recommend a single place of worship for all community members to attend; we realize and want to honor that each member and each family has discernment to do in this process. But, we are happy to share feedback from QAC members who've visited other local parishes for your consideration and discernment.

On August 19, the Skinners attended Corpus Christi Church located in the Five Oaks area of Dayton, blocks from the Dayton Art Institute. Corpus Christi is part of Our Lady Of Grace Parish. The Mass started at 4:30 PM, and lasted about 50 minutes. This is a small church and like QAC, is a mature congregation, who seem to be from the local area. Those of us that supported the Dayton Family Council Community Picnic and Wellness Fair in May 2023 may remember this church.

Fr. Francis Tandoh, who celebrated with us on Mission Sunday, is the Pastor. When we arrived, Deacon Ken greeted us and folks were very friendly saying "Hi" as we entered the sanctuary. There was a book of

petitions that has a place near the congregational candles for all to place their prayers in, similar to our book. Fr. Benoit, who is the Parochial Vicar of the Parish was the presider, and Deacon Ken gave a wonderful homily, making us laugh as he referred to the Canaanite woman as "Mama Bear."

The songs were familiar to us and included Mass of Creation as the service music. The sound was wonderful and had a gospel vibe, and included a soloist singing Amazing Grace so beautifully and with so much passion. Eucharist was offered under both species.

Once Mass ended, we noticed what looked to be a hand sanitizer dispenser on the sanctuary wall

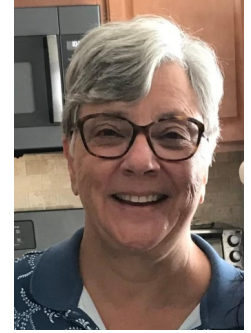
with a beautiful bowl directly beneath it. As we looked closer at the dispenser there was a sign that read "Holy Water". Of course, we were inquisitive and tried it, and out came a splash of holy water! It was so great and such an innovative way to be blessed without having to reach into a font.

As we were leaving, Fr. Benoit and Deacon Ken were there to shake hands and say good-bye, and a parishioner invited us to their parish picnic that will be held on September 10.

Overall, it was a great experience. We truly felt the Spirit throughout the Mass, working in a new way to bring radical hospitality beyond ourselves.

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

By Cathy Adler



OUR 2023 SR. DOROTHY STANG AWARD RECIPIENT IS KELLY BOHRER

This year we had well-deserving members nominated for the Spirit of the Sr. Stang Award - Kelly Bohrer, Bill Meers and our team members Chris Bohmer Stewart and Sarah Stewart. We are blessed to have these members represent the values of Sr. Stang in our community, as well as their everyday lives. All will be honored later this fall during a QAC Liturgy.

KELLY BOHRER

Kelly Bohrer finished at University of Dayton (UD) as an environmental biologist, so growing is a perfect metaphor for her life! Even as an undergraduate, she developed the “Conservation Corner” at Cox Arboretum MetroPark. In her many positions at UD since then, she has combined her love of environmental conservation with her deep faith, becoming more involved with social justice and sustainability in her work life, as well as everyday life, which includes our faith community.

When she and her husband Jeff first joined QAC, they started a teen group affectionately called *The Breakfast Club*, a religious program for our youth that focused on the Catholic Church, Catholic Social Teachings, and community involvement. Over those eight years, they engaged with the teens and our faith community to highlight many values that Sr. Stang espoused in her life. At the end of every summer, they took teens to Nazareth Farm in Appalachia West Virginia for a week-long service retreat, where they lived simply and worked alongside the underserved community there, repairing homes, listening to their stories, and helping in myriad other ways. For several years, she served on the Nazareth Farm Board.

For the past nine years, Kelly has been coordinating our Adult Faith Formation program on Sunday mornings. She facilitates discussions on selected books and topics to enhance our spiritual journeys and address social justice and environmental issues. At present, Kelly is one of the New Season team members moving us towards becoming a Lay Marianist Community, as well as being on the social justice and new gathering task forces.

Kelly’s positions at UD have included Campus Ministry, the Fitz Center for Leadership in Community, and now Executive Director of the ETHOS Center for engineering students. In these roles, she has connected faculty and students with community partners for community engaged learning. She was very involved with the City of Dayton project, “*Undesign the Redline*”, collaborated on the “*Roots of Racism*” program, and worked with community partners on social justice issues. Kelly has taught several sustainability courses at UD, had input on developing the Hanley Center for Sustainability, and with her husband, presented “Living Simply” programs to QAC and nearby parishes. Moreover, Kelly and Jeff live in an urban neighborhood with their two sons, practicing sustainability. At present, Kelly develops service opportunities for engineering students to work with people in underdeveloped countries through nonprofits using their engineering background. For example, one project was to survey and plan roads to the hospital in Karonga, Malawi to ease access to the hospital that the Change and Be Changed program, under the Hangartner’s direction, helped to build. In 2021, Kelly was named one of UD’s Women of the Year for leading with Character and Resilience during the pandemic. Kelly has demonstrated all of the values of the spirit of Sr. Dorothy Stang’s life; solidarity with the marginalized, caring for the environment and incorporating her faith in teaching and ministry to others.

BILL MEERS

Bill and Mary Lou Meers have been members of QAC since they moved here in 1999. Bill has long been active in various social justice platforms ever since, both as a member of the Social Justice Committee and in his overall life. He has arranged for some notable speakers during our Soup-Supper presentations, as in 2016 when he invited a Muslim family, as well as members of the Dayton Peace Museum, to speak about their religion at a time when interfaith understanding was not widely accepted; this interaction with the

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community was one of the largest attended Soup-Suppers at QAC. Another event Bill arranged for was with the Director of the Refugee Resettlement Program of Catholic Social Services, to promote the understanding of the needs of the refugees and how we can assist them. As a result, QAC collected many household items for the program. Through Bill's urging, several members of QAC joined the Peace Museum's first Annual Peace Heroes Walk in 2015 along the streets of downtown Dayton. The walks continued for many years with Bill as our guide! Bill has been actively involved with Adult Faith Formation too, and also led Seder meals for members of Social Justice and Adult Faith Formation during Lent.

Bill Meers has been involved with the Dayton Peace Museum virtually since its inception, including expanding and maintaining their database and creating exhibits, and has been honored as a Peacebuilder by the Peace Museum. He is a lifelong member of the NAACP, has marched with Dr. Martin Luther King, and has not missed an MLK Walk for 18 years! Bill and Mary Lou are members of the Dayton Friendship Force, they have hosted families from Iran and China, sponsored many international exchange students, and mentored a family from the Congo through the CSS Resettlement program. Bill is a committed advocate for disenfranchised people and ending gun violence and has been a leader in Dayton's Good Friday Walk for Peace and Justice for many years. He has demonstrated the values of Sr. Dorothy Stang in his life of peace, nonviolence, and an openness to all. Pope Paul VI said, *"If you want peace, work for justice"*, this describes Bill's life to the fullest.

CHRIS BOHMER STEWART AND SARAH STEWART

Chris and Sarah have been active members of our community, always stepping up when a need arose that they could help with, like Chris volunteering to be co-chair for our Social Justice Committee, even though she had never attended a Social Justice meeting before! Sarah has taken on the role of our snack hostess at all the meetings. After the passing of Tom Hudnell, Chris and Sarah stepped in to continue collecting and delivering the weekly donations of food and clothing items to St. Vincent de Paul, a mission the Hudnell's started decades before. Chris has helped with many social justice activities, such as arranging the Baby Shower project during the Easter season, making trips to Brigid's Path with donated items and purchasing extra items for the pantry that were not collected. She has helped with our religious education programs with her children for many years with daughter Anna and later Sarah as her "teaching assistants." Chris actively participates in our Adult Faith Formation program as well.

Chris promotes environmental consciousness in how she lives and cares about nature and the environment. She has been helping at MEEC, doing hands on "dirty" work by helping remove invasive species, preparing garden beds, helping during their native plant sales, and participating in various programs they offer. Chris uses nature as the inspiration for her varied artworks, photography, and the stories she writes for us to enjoy in her many Spirit articles, and she uses natural found objects in the upcycled painted shirts and jewelry created for MEEC and QAC art shows. Her monthly eco-tips encourage us to continue thinking about the ways we can "reduce, reuse and recycle." She is also on the social justice task force sharing her ideas to guide us to our new lay community coming up. Chris is one of the quiet and humble members of our QAC faith community who works for our common good and the good of her community. Sarah is her ever happy and delightful partner who is strongly dedicated to the donation projects she helps with, and brings joy to our community!

ECO-TIP from Social Justice:

The Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur's Dorothy Stang Initiative and BeyondPlastic.Org share the appalling statistic that *"the average person ingests a credit card's worth of plastic each week through food and water."* Recently the Dayton Daily News has been featuring articles on PFAS (forever chemicals), especially in our water. The best recommendation for reducing PFAS is to install a reverse osmosis filter under your sink or at the top of your sink. Some sites claim that filters such as Brita pitchers may remove up to 60%, not a great percentage for something we should have none of, but significantly better than nothing. Of course, all filters must be maintained and changed regularly to continue being helpful. Whether the plastics you use are connected to the production of PFAS or not, please join with the Dorothy Stang Initiative in caring for creation, and reduce your use of plastics!

The Seasons Are Changing...

By Chris Bohmer Stewart

The seasons are changing, despite our current blast of summer - the seasons of Mother Earth and the seasons of QAC. More and more often now, I hear a honking and look up to catch the magnificent sight of Canada geese flying across the sky in their famous V-formation. If you remember a sermon from Fr. Tom a while back, you may know that geese fly in such a pattern to reduce wind resistance for the birds behind them, with the geese taking turns being the leader - perhaps a goose version of a Marianist Lay Community! I suppose Canada geese may also be the avian version of dandelions, often considered a nuisance because of their tendency to be prolific and multiply rapidly, marching to the beat of their own drummer. Think of a parade of goose families ambling across Alex Bell at rush hour or bright yellow dandelions dotting a lawn despite efforts to keep it traditional and manicured. The beauty of dandelions and Canada geese are often unappreciated, yet their tendency to crop up everywhere and to do the unexpected is what made dandelions the symbol of QAC, spreading out faith into the community.



Below is a photo of a field of dandelions. "Huh?" you may think, "She attached the wrong picture! This is a picture of a group of tired, yet happy teenagers coming home from Nazareth Farm about 15 years ago!" But look again. Look with the eyes of your heart. There you see 15+ years of dandelion seeds that have been wafting throughout our community, across our country, wafting those seeds of joy and justice and service into their jobs, into their own children, all in their own unique ways...the outgrowth and spreading of love. Beautiful!

By the way, this doesn't mean that I am suggesting we choose a Canada goose for our new community symbol.

QAC Youth Group
from years past!



Valerie & Jerry Weisbecker 50th Anniversary Blessing



Heads up....

**Religious Education classes for
First Reconciliation will begin on
September 10 from
9:00-10:15AM in Si Lounge.
All other classes will start on
October 3.**



QAC STEWARDSHIP

A Way of Life

A New Revolution

Linda and I recently watched the movie "Jesus Revolution", which told the story of a church that was slowly withering away due to the lack of diversity, and their only hope of survival was to connect with the younger, live-free generation of hippies. The movie is based on the California Jesus movement that occurred in the 1960s and 1970s. It reminds me of how the attendance at a significant number of churches is dwindling, especially among the young unless we can connect.



Kevin Skinner

This reminds me too of how QAC originally started, with the Marianist Community of student brothers opening their doors to people wanting something more and new than they were getting at local parishes. They, like the movie, connected with their visitors and QAC was born.

Providing hospitality to strangers is a hallmark of Christian stewardship. In the Gospel of Matthew, good stewards were commended for their hospitality: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Matthew 25:35). As we transition to a Marianist Lay Community to build something new that includes radical hospitality, we can start that connection now and take special care to invite people who are not well represented among us.

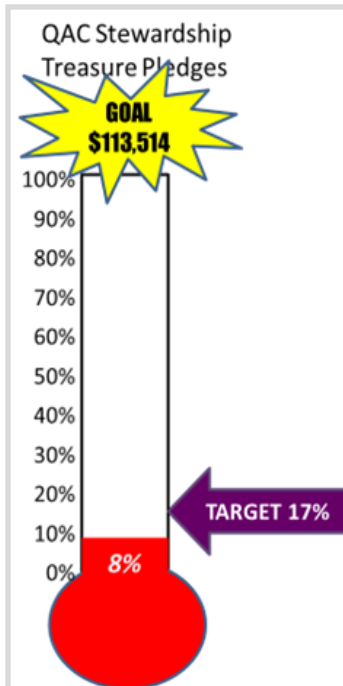


Thanks to Radical Drew Poppleton. 12-26-2001

ONE HAND BUZZER AND ONE TICKED OFF DEACON LATER, AND GEORGE WAS SERIOUSLY RETHINKING HIS DECISION TO LET LITTLE JOHNNY HELP GREET

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It will go beyond our comfort zone, but we need to be intentional and go beyond ourselves. I am excited that we are starting a new revolution in the Catholic Church.



QAC FINANCIAL SUMMARY - JULY 2023

	Monthly	Year to Date	Year to Date (Budget)
Collections	\$ 9,150	\$ 9,150	\$18,919
Other Income	\$ 7,340	\$ 7,340	
Total Operating Income	\$ 16,490	\$ 16,490	
Operating Expense	\$ 8,812	\$ 8,812	
Income Expense	\$ 7,678	\$ 7,678	

Thank you for your generosity!

This scale shows our weekly offering (Sunday collections) and our planned budget (target) to the end of 2023, which started July 1, 2023. Please remember that 10% our weekly offering goes to our Social Justice Ministry. Thank you for your support!

For those unable to attend Sunday Liturgy, please don't forget that we still need your financial support. Please mail in your weekly donations (address on front cover) or better yet, set up Online giving.

View the instructions to setting up online giving at

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dRMfgKncvhM&feature=youtu.be>

CORRECTION IN VIDEO—QAC Zip Code was changed, so please disregard the last four of the zip code



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THE REFLECTION POND

By Steve Guilfoos



An Autumn Stroll in the Park

A lazy late September's afternoon

Perfect weather for a stroll
. . . With a light soothing breeze

The squirrels scurrying about
. . . Hiding their winter stash

The leaves swirling in anticipation
. . . Of their upcoming fiery demise

The babbling brook slowly
. . . Racing on its way to a river

Dogs yapping and dancing in the
. . . Pleasure of their freedom

Dad's teaching their kids
. . . To fly their reluctant kites

And I thought of you and I
. . . Thankful for . . .



*May the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be glorified in all places
through the Immaculate Virgin Mary*

Marianist Doxology

Share your creative works with QAC!

*We would love to feature your artwork, writing, photo or other
creativity in an upcoming Spirit.*

Send your inspiration to qacspirit06@att.net by the 24th of each month.



Seniors' Corner

by Chuck Bauer

School is back in session. In several weeks, Fall will officially start and I will again be looking for the Woolly Bear Caterpillars (<https://www.almanac.com/woolly-bear-caterpillars-and-weather-prediction>) to try and predict the winter weather. Last month, I included the major Labor Day Festivals, and have included them again. Easy to navigate, the Ohio Festivals website is a great one with all of Ohio Festivals listed (<https://ohiofestivals.net/ohio-festivals/>).

- **Kettering Holiday at Home**, September 3-4, (<https://www.holidayathome.org/>) (go to Events, then Activities). There are two stages, Frazee Pavilion Archway and The Woods, with very good groups from 12:00 Noon to 6:00 PM both days. Go to events/entertainment for details and exact times.
- **Fort Rowdy Gathering**, September 2-4, Covington OH Community Park (OH 41/48 west on 36) (<https://www.facebook.com/fortrowdygathering/>). The park lot is handicapped and permit only parking, and a shuttle from the Covington school is available. This is truly a small town festival, but excellent main stage entertainment; and across the foot bridge over the Stillwater River to the 1790s encampment stage. Ruby and I have gone to this entertaining festival since 2017.
- **Beavercreek Popcorn Festival**: September 9 (10:00 AM-8:00 PM), Sep 10 (11:00 AM-6:00 PM), Dayton Xenia Rd & N Fairfield (<https://www.beavercreekpopcornfestival.org/events/entertainment>). The entertainment stage will be just east of Kroger gas station. On Saturday from 6:00-8:00 PM, Ryan Roth entertains with an Elvis Tribute and the Comeback Special. Last year he arrived in a 60's Cadillac convertible. A very good local following.
- **Troy, Ohio PorchFest**: September 9, (<https://www.troyhayner.org/porchfest.html>), 12:00 Noon-6:00 PM. Music with up to seven new groups each hour in the Southwest Historic District. Music line up, with lots of fun!! (<https://www.troyhayner.org/pf-music-2023.html>) Some very good groups.
- **Yellow Springs Porchfest**: September 16, (<https://www.ysporchfest.com/>). They have not yet published the schedule of locations or groups, but hopefully it will be posted on the above website. If the 2021 and 2022 info still displaying on the internet is any example, it will be a very enjoyable afternoon and early evening.
- **Young's Jersey Dairy Fall Farm Family Fun**: September 16 - October 29, OH 68 2 miles north of Yellow Springs, (<https://youngsdairy.com/fall-farm-festival/>). It's always a good time for the family.
- **The Greene Beavercreek Oktoberfest**: September 30, 6:00-9:00 PM. Spungewurthy Band brings you many of the Rock/Pop/Dance/Country/Rap hits 80s, 90s, 00s!

Remember keep Happy, Healthy and Safe

Thinking of You Chuck

Liturgy Planning News

The Liturgy Committee will meet on Sunday, September 3 immediately following Mass to plan the Sundays in November. Everyone is welcome to help plan a liturgy....no experience is needed, and help is always provided if needed.

Be sure to contact either Cathy Dempsey 937-671-0404), demp61@yahoo.com or Sharie McKenny (937-436-4721), sharon.mckenny@gmail.com if you have any questions!

September

Happy Birthday

- 1 Don Bigler
- 1 Mary Papp
- 3 Chris Hale
- 6 Paul Cooper
- 7 Catherine Hall
- 7 Martin Stieger
- 8 Margie Hudnell
- 10 Darlene Stout
- 10 Tom Zawodny
- 12 Chris Heider
- 12 Lindsey Ulring
- 15 Barb Evenson
- 15 Linda Folmar
- 16 Mary Lou Meers
- 22 Mary Miller
- 27 Charlotte Zawodny
- 30 Anne Keenan

Happy Anniversary

- 2 Steve & Lisa Nordmeyer
- 4 Phyllis & John Sharp
- 5 Linda & Kevin Murnane
- 15 Carmen & Bill Perry
- 22 Marie & Tony Restivo

May the
Lord Bless
You and
Protect You



Memories

The best things in life are the people we love, the places we've been, and the memories we've made along the way. And these memories are special moments that tell our story. Do you have a special memory you would like to share? If so, please send it to qacspirit06@att.net and we'll print it in an upcoming Spirit.

The memory of the first time I came to QAC in 1979 is one that I will treasure all my days. Besides, the warm welcome, the beauty of the liturgy with its incredible music and spirit-filled message, I knew I was home at last. QAC to me is the best example and definition of the word Community. The dictionary defines community thus: "a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals." Yep, that's us! Thanks for the gift you are to me!

- Marti Quakenbush

We have lived in Dayton for 28.5 years and, wow, time has flown by. We truly remember the first time we attended Mass at QAC like it was yesterday. It was so wonderful and everyone was so welcoming! We only knew one family at the time, but we knew we had found a community that we wanted to be a part of! Even our sons, who were 10 and 12 at the time, told us that they wanted to go to church at QAC! Fast forward to today...we are still excited to be part of such a wonderful family and look forward to continuing our journey in our New Season!

- Kevin and Linda Skinner

Battle of the Choirs is back!

The battle of the choirs - Women against Men - is a battle that has been going on for so many years! Who will win this year??? No telling, but you can help by participating in the battle! The schedule is below and more information will be coming! So stay tuned!!

- Men's Choir will sing on September 10
- Women's Choir will sing on September 17

Pictures shown below are from last year's battle.



Mark Your Calendars:

Marianist World Day of Prayer Celebration

October 14, 2023

5:00PM Mass

QAC Chapel

More to come!!!

Reminder...

This coming Sunday,
September 3, is

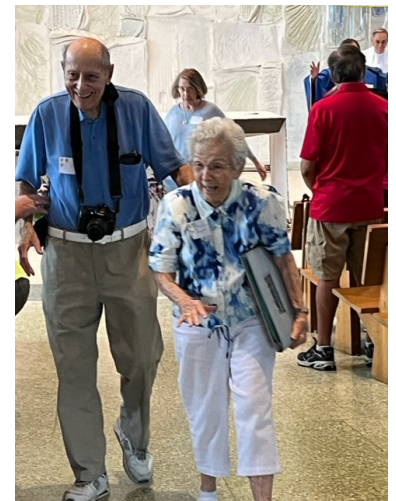
Fresh Produce Sunday



QAC 50th Celebration!



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September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Remember to bring fresh produce on Sunday, September 3 for St. Vincent de Paul					1	2
3 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:45AM QAC Adult Formation (via Zoom) 10:00 AM Praying the Rosary 10:30 AM Mass (Women's Choir) Liturgy Planning will be held immediately Mass	4 Labor Day	5	6	7 7:00 PM Leadership Team Meeting	8	9
10 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00AM First Reconciliation Class 10:00 AM Praying the Rosary 10:30 AM Mass (Men's Choir)	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:45AM QAC Adult Formation (via Zoom) 9:00AM First Reconciliation Class 10:00 AM Praying the Rosary 10:30 AM Mass (Women's Choir)	18	19	20	21 7:30PM Choir Practice	22	23
24 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time 10:00 AM Praying the Rosary 10:30 AM Mass 12:00 - Community Meeting	25	26	27	28 7:30PM Choir Practice	29	30