

# Our Lady OF THE Hills

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ADAMS AND HIGHLAND COUNTIES

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### Masses:

Sat. 5:30 p.m. Sun. 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.  
Tues. 9:15 a.m. Thurs. 7:00 p.m.

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### Masses:

Sat. 5:00 p.m. Sun. 11:00 a.m.  
Mon. 7:00 p.m. Wed. 9:00 a.m.  
Fri 12:00 p.m.

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Sat. 3:30 p.m. Sun. 12:00 p.m.  
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**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**OCTOBER 20, 2024**

**CONFESSION (RECONCILIATION): CONFESSION IS AVAILABLE BEFORE THE MASSES OR BY APPOINTMENT.**

**ROSARY EVERY SUNDAY AT 7:40 A.M. AT ST. MARY CHURCH**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024**

**8:00 a.m.** St. Mary – Chellie Dietrich (Ann Schlater)  
**10:00 a.m.** St. Mary – Sally Frydryk (Giwier Family)  
**11:30 a.m.** St. Benignus – Bob Corwin (Bob Dye)  
Fr. Mike Paraniuk

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024**

**9:15 a.m.** St. Mary – Rita Blankenship (Bill & Judy Breeze)  
**11:30 a.m.** St. Benignus – Marieta Fernandez Hundley (Bob Dye & Mary Ann McNichols)  
Fr. Matthew Lee  
**7:00 pm.** St. Mary – Confirmation Mass – Fr. Bernie Weldishofer

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2024**

**3RD THURSDAY MASS EVERY MONTH IS DEDICATED TO PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR EVERY THURSDAY AT ST. MARY CHURCH**

**6:00 p.m.** Exposition at St. Mary  
**6:30 p.m.** Recitation of the Rosary at St. Mary  
**6:50 p.m.** Benediction at St. Mary  
**7:00 p.m.** St. Mary – Suzie Johnson (Mary Tamborski)  
Fr. Mike Paraniuk

**Friday, October 25, 2024**

**Noon** St. Benignus – Regina Jeffers (Ann Marie Gunderman)  
Fr. Matthew Lee

**Saturday, October 26, 2024**

**3:30 p.m.** St. Benignus – Pat Givens (Eric & Cathy Givens)  
**5:30 p.m.** St. Mary – Raphael “Whitey” Maher (Paul & Connie Holden)  
Fr. Matthew Lee

*Divine Mercy Chaplet before Mass at 9:45 a.m. at St. Mary Church*

**Sunday, October 27, 2024**

**8:00 a.m.** St. Mary – Zachery Schmidt (Bob & Joyce Wendell)  
**10:00 a.m.** St. Mary – Tom Moran (Jon & Michelle Vanzant-Salyer)  
**Noon** St. Benignus – McNichols Family (Bob Dye)  
Fr. Matthew Lee

**FAMILY WEBSITE!!** <http://www.ourladyofthehillsoh.com>

**ST. MARY COLLECTION – OCTOBER 13, 2024**

Weekly Need .....	\$	7,200.00
Weekly Collection .....	\$	4,440.00
Variance .....	\$	-2,760.00
<b>FISCAL YEAR NEED .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>105,200.00</b>
<b>FISCAL YEAR COLLECTED .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>72,987.00</b>
<b>VARIANCE .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-32,213.00</b>

**ST. BENIGNUS COLLECTION – OCTOBER 13, 2024**

Weekly Need .....	\$	2,900.00
Weekly Collection .....	\$	1,782.00
Variance .....	\$	-1,118.00
<b>FISCAL YEAR NEED .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>39,500.00</b>
<b>FISCAL YEAR COLLECTED .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>27,295.00</b>
<b>VARIANCE .....</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>-12,205.00</b>



Our Lady of The Hills Family Facebook Page  
Please Like and Share!  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61565871562111>

Thank You for your Generosity!  
St. Mary Online Giving Link & QR Code  
[osvhub.com/stmaryhillsoh/giving/funds](https://osvhub.com/stmaryhillsoh/giving/funds)  
You can give Online to (SOPC, SVdP, Building Fund, Church) by using the link above or by scanning the QR Code to the right.



**OLOTH VISION STATEMENT**

The OLOTH Family is committed to live out this Vision – At Our Lady of the Hills Catholic Family, our vision is to be a vibrant community that radiates love and compassion, grounded in prayer, and guided by the Holy Spirit. We strive to be a beacon of hope and refuge for all who seek God’s Grace, welcoming all with open hearts and unwavering faith in Jesus.

*“Realize it, my brethren; – everyone who breathes, high and low, educated and ignorant, young and old, man and woman, has a mission, has a work. We are not sent into this world for nothing; we are not born at random; . . . God sees every one of us; He creates every soul, He lodges it in the body, one by one, for a purpose. He needs, He designs to need, every one of us. He has an end for each of us; we are all equal in His sight, and we are placed in our different ranks and stations, not to get what we can out of them for ourselves, but to labor in them for Him. As Christ has His work, we too have ours; as He rejoiced to do His work, we must rejoice in ours also.” – St. John Henry Newman*

**ST. MARY CHURCH BINGO**

**\*\* Volunteers Needed for Bingo** – Bingo teams are short a few people. **We really need help!** Even if you can only work before Bingo starts (5:30-7:00 p.m.) that would be great. All teams could use extra hands to help with this ministry. If you could work on a team or just work a few hours, all help is welcome! Contact Michelle Salyer at 937-840-8655 for more information.

**Bingo Team 3 (November 1, 2024)** – Brandon F., David S., Courtney G., JoAnn M., Mary W.

**WEEK 3 Option for the Poor and Vulnerable For the poor:** may they know, they too, are heirs to the treasures of heaven... For leaders of cities, states, and nations: may they work for the common good, upholding the dignity of the poor and vulnerable... For our faith community: may we work to serve the poor and most vulnerable people in our midst... **www.iVoteCatholic.org**

Contact Andrew Musgrave at [amusgrave@catholicaoc.org](mailto:amusgrave@catholicaoc.org) with any questions.



**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024**

- 8:45-9:50 a.m. St. Mary Hall/Classrooms-PSR – **St. Mary**
- 10:30 a.m. Snacks and class 10:45-11:45 a.m. – PSR – **St. Benignus**
- 4:00 p.m. Confirmation Practice – **St. Mary**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024**

- 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Mass** Fr. Bernie Weldishofer, our Dean from St. Columbkille, will be the celebrant. – **St. Mary**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024**

- 8:45-9:50 a.m. St. Mary Hall/Classrooms – PSR – **St. Mary**
- 10:30 a.m. Snacks and class 10:45 -11:45 a.m.- PSR – **St. Benignus**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024**

- 8:45-9:50 a.m. St. Mary Hall/Classrooms – PSR – **St. Mary**
- 10:30 a.m. Snacks and class 10:45-11:45 a.m. – PSR – **St. Benignus**
- 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Youth Group Meeting Grades 6-12th – **St. Mary**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2024**

- 6:00 p.m. Our Lady of The Hills Family Carry in Dinner for Fr. Lee at Mary Queen of Heaven Church (Please bring a side dish to share)**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2024**

- 8:45-9:50 a.m. St. Mary Hall/Classrooms – PSR – **St. Mary**
- 10:30 a.m. Snacks and class 10:45-11:45 a.m. – PSR – **St. Benignus**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024**

- 6:30 p.m. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting- Religious Ed Bldg. – **St Benignus**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024**

- 10:00 a.m. Stewardship & Evangelization Teams Meeting – All are welcome to attend – **Mary Queen of Heaven**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024**

- 8:45-9:50 a.m. St. Mary Hall/Classrooms – PSR – **St. Mary**
- 10:30 a.m. Snacks and class 10:45-11:45 a.m. – PSR – **St. Benignus**

*“No one can make excuses, because anyone can love God; and he does not ask the soul for more than to love him, because he loves the soul, and it is his love.” – Blessed Angela of Foligno*

**FAMILY PICNIC COMMITTEE HELP NEEDED**

Volunteers are needed to help, prepare and plan the annual Our Lady of The Hills Family Picnic for 2025 – Sign Up by Email to [justleahatstmary@gmail.com](mailto:justleahatstmary@gmail.com) or Call 937-840-9932.

**Meeting Reminder: Stewardship & Evangelization Teams:** Meeting Reminder on **November 16, 2024**, at **10:00 a.m.** at **MQH Church – Peebles.**

**ST. MARY CHURCH, HILLSBORO – CONFIRMATION MASS**

**October 22, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.** Fr. Bernie Weldishofer, our Dean from St. Columbkille, will be the celebrant.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Remember in your prayers those parishioners or their family or friends who are sick, in a hospital, nursing home, are homebound or in need of prayers...

**ST. BENIGNUS & ST. MARY PRAYER LIST**

Archbishop Schnurr, Bonnie Hammons, Joe Carson, Agnes Volk, Bob Dye, Joe Turley, Jeff Thoroman, Judy Hagerty, Matt Scheeler, David Tolle, Brittany Kinzer, Eric Arrington, Paula Miller, Claudia Frank, Jeff Hadley, Becky Hiser, Theresa Shackelford, Cathy Thompson, Teresa Staten, Edna Maxwell, Jean Smith, Howard Smith, Ron Speakman, Linda Strahler, Dick Lester, Linda Bradford, Joe Wright, Jake Burns, Dr. Monica Salido, Tina Hudson, Lori Drake, Thomas Hovan, Emily Konerman, Kirk Wuellner

**\*\* To Add/Remove from Parish Prayer List, please inform the office (937-840-9932 St. Mary) or leave a note in the collection basket. (St. Benignus Church Office, 937-981-2785) \*\***

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

**\*\*Please submit by Monday 10:00 a.m.** in writing or e-mail [justleahatstmary@gmail.com](mailto:justleahatstmary@gmail.com) or submit in my mailbox located at the front of the school or call the office at 937-840-9932. \*\*

**FR. LUEHRMANN HALL**

**\$55,070.35** Debt on Fr. Luehrmann Hall

*“Make friends with the angels, who though invisible are always with you. Often invoke them, constantly praise them, and make good use of their help and assistance in all your temporal and spiritual affairs.”*

– St. Francis de Sales

**BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS**

- October 19** – Bob Wendell, Charles Volk
- October 21** – Rose Brubaker, Jane Cadwallader
- October 22** – Daniel Hurley
- October 23** – Diana Greene
- October 24** – Jody Knolle, Anne Worley
- October 25** – Colleen Bolten, Mary Braun, Andrew Gunderman, Margaret Hudson, Patrick Shanahan
- October 26** – Frankie Fouch, Craig Turner
- October 27** – Andrew Madison, Riley Pence
- October 28** – Rose Craycraft
- October 29** – Mike Bick, Dominic Kelner
- October 30** – Bryn Karnes, Shawn Thomsen, Jim Winner
- November 3** – Kim King, Nancy Schultheis, Jackie Soards



**Wednesday, November 13, 2024**

6:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus – St. Benignus – Meeting in  
 Father Lay Hall. Grand Knight: Bruce Bennett, Sr.  
 Contact: 740-463-3406

Knights of Columbus St. Benignus are going to sell fish sandwiches at the  
**Greenfield Halloween Parade/Trick or Treat night on Tuesday, October  
 29 at City Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m.**

**Fundraiser**

Big Ernie's PIZZA & St. Vincent de Paul Society of Neighbors Helping Neighbors

**Tuesday, November 12, 2024  
 4 p.m. until closing  
 Dunlap Road, Hillsboro  
 Ph. 937-393-8500**

Big Ernie's and St. Vincent de Paul (S.V.d.P.) are teaming up together to help families in need. Eat at Big Ernie's, and part of the sales on November 12th (4 p.m. until closing) will be donated to S.V.d.P. a non-profit organization (501(c)3).  
**Dine-in - Carry-out - Drive-thru**  
 S.V.d.P. gives back to the community. They help pay utility bills, groceries, rent, and more.

**C.S. LEWIS' THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS**

C.S. Lewis' THE SCREWTAPE LETTERS is coming to a theater in Indianapolis!  
 Kristy Bockrath wants to invite anyone to join her in going on November 16. One show only at Butler Arts & Events Center in Indianapolis. Planning in its early stages. 937-361-6590

**C.S. LEWIS  
 THE  
 Screwtape  
 LETTERS**

INDIANAPOLIS, IN • NOV 16  
 CLOWES MEMORIAL HALL,  
 BUTLER ARTS & EVENTS CENTER

**Our Lady of The Hills**

**Family Welcoming  
 Carry In Dinner for Fr. Lee**

**Please bring a side dish to share!**

**Table Service, Meat (Sloppy Joe's & Hot  
 Dogs) & Bottled Water Provided**

**Friday  
 Nov 8th 6 PM**

**Welcome Fr Lee**

**Mary Queen of Heaven Church  
 205 Wendell Ave.  
 Peebles, Ohio 45660**

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

**October 20, 2024**

*World Mission Sunday Collection*

Please support our fellow Catholics in 1,200 mission dioceses worldwide through the Holy Father's Pontifical Mission Societies. Your support helps to educate seminarians, novices, and catechists as well as to maintain hospitals, clinics, and schools to build their self-sustainability. Thank you for your generous gift that enables God's love and hope to come alive. If you wish more information about supporting missionary work or about becoming a missionary yourself, please visit the website for Archdiocese of Cincinnati Mission Office: [www.catholicaoc.org/offices/mission-and-pontifical-mission-societies](http://www.catholicaoc.org/offices/mission-and-pontifical-mission-societies).

**World Mission  
 Sunday 2024  
 October 20th**

**GO AND INVITE  
 EVERYONE  
 to the banquet  
 (MT 22:9)**

YOUR GIFT HELPS SUPPORT:

- 38,140 seminarians
- 8,750 shelters and orphanages
- 12,000 health centers
- 844,000 catechists
- 258,540 religious sisters

TEXT "MISSIONS24" TO 44384

SHARE THE FEAST: *Give now*

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This year, we as a parish community are going to make a special effort to invite Catholics who do not attend church regularly to come back to Mass. We have designated Sunday, November 24, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, as Together Sunday. We ask each of you to assist! Please prayerfully consider one person who you can personally invite back to Mass, pray for that person, and then invite him or her to join us for Mass on Sunday, November 24.

We all have Catholic friends, family members, neighbors, or coworkers who have become disengaged from the practice of their faith. Many of them may just be waiting for a personal invitation back to regular attendance at Mass. Invite one Catholic back to Mass on Sunday, November 24, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

Worship is better together, and a simple invitation could be life-changing.

**OUR LADY OF THE HILLS FAMILY PUBLIC ROSARY - OCTOBER 12TH**



**OCTOBER CLERGY COMMUNICATIONS**

**NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 3-9, 2024 – A CALL TO SUPPORT AND NURTURE SPIRITUAL JOURNEYS** – We share a collective responsibility to encourage and nurture vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life. Each Catholic should ask themselves: What is my role in promoting vocations? Witness to my own vocation? Share my story? You could invite a consecrated religious to dinner to give their testimony to your family; attend a holy hour to pray for vocations; or nurture young people on their spiritual journey and invite them to reflect: Have you ever felt a gentle tug at your heart, a quiet whisper calling you to a life of deeper service? As we observe National Vocations Awareness Week 2024, let us embrace our role in this divine tapestry. By encouraging and supporting vocations, we not only contribute to the future vitality of the Church but also contribute to a world imbued with greater faith, hope, and love. If you or someone you know is discerning a call to the priesthood or consecrated religious life, reach out for guidance. For more information about Catholic vocations, contact Maria Reinagel, Office for Consecrated Life, at [mreinagel@catholicaoc.org](mailto:mreinagel@catholicaoc.org).

**BEHOLD – NOVEMBER 22, 2024 & MARCH 21, 2025** – Behold is an evening of Adoration, worship, and fellowship for the entire young adult community, hosted in partnership with Mount St. Mary’s Seminary & School of Theology seminarians. Behold will next be held 7:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. at Our Lady of the Valley Parish (1109 Church Street, Reading, OH 45215) on November 22, 2024, and at St. Monica-St. George Parish (328 West McMillian, Cincinnati, OH 45219) on March 21, 2025. See more information and download the flyer at [queencitycatholic.org/behold-event](http://queencitycatholic.org/behold-event).

**OUR EUCHARISTIC MISSION IN A POLARIZED WORLD SERIES – FINAL PRESENTATION** – Join us on **Thursday, October 24, 7:00 p.m.** at St. Maximilian Kolbe in Hamilton Township in person or on Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/99177580089> | Meeting ID: 991 7758 0089 | Dial in: 312-626-6799. We are living in a polarized and divided nation, especially along political lines. The Eucharist can offer healing in our families and communities. Based on his book *The Church’s Mission in a Polarized World*, Fr. Aaron Wessman, Glenmary Home Missioner, will give the last presentation in his Polarization and the Eucharist series called *Polarized Despair or Eucharistic Hope*. This series occurs once a month from May-October at different parishes around Cincinnati and Dayton. For more information, contact Jillian Foster at [jfoster@catholicaoc.org](mailto:jfoster@catholicaoc.org) or check out [www.catholicaoc.org/faithfulcitizenship](http://www.catholicaoc.org/faithfulcitizenship).

**FORMATION & TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** - Are you interested in becoming an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion to serve at Mass or to the sick, hospitalized, or homebound? Formation and training will be offered by the archdiocese in the coming months in Cincinnati, Dayton, and online. Learn more and sign up at [www.catholicaoc.org/worship](http://www.catholicaoc.org/worship).

**MEN INQUIRING ABOUT THE PERMANENT DIACONATE** - Any man who may be discerning a possible vocation to serve the Church as a Permanent Deacon should contact Deacon Mark Machuga, Director of the Office of the Diaconate, to discuss the discernment process, prerequisites and the formation cycle. Deacon Mark can be reached at 513-263-6641 or [deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org](mailto:deaconoffice@catholicaoc.org).







# LIVE THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

"to imitate Christ and follow in his footsteps"

*The Gospel of Life 51*

Twenty-five years ago, Pope St. John Paul II wrote that the Gospel of life is at the *heart* of Jesus' saving message to the world (*Evangelium vitae* 1). In taking on human flesh, dwelling among us, and sacrificing his very life for our redemption, Christ reveals the profound dignity of *every* human person. This God-given dignity does not change with our stage of life, abilities, level of independence, or any other varying circumstance.

Rather, it is rooted in the permanent fact that each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, created to share in the very life of God himself. The human person is a "manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory" (EV 34). And we must reflect this truth in how we act and how we treat one another.

The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt. 25:40).

Jesus calls each of us to "care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible" (EV 87). The Gospel of life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For, "the Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and

the Gospel of life are a *single and indivisible* Gospel" (EV 2, emphasis added).

In his encyclical on the Gospel of life, Pope St. John Paul II recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. He places particular emphasis, however, on threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers' wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the "least of these" in our world's estimation. Practices such as abortion and assisted suicide tragically reject the truth that human life is always to be cherished and defended with loving concern.

As the Church celebrates the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pope St. John Paul II's prophetic encyclical, let us reflect on how we personally live out the Gospel: *Do I talk about and act towards others as I would talk about and treat Jesus himself? Do I inform myself of the Church's teachings and engage in the civic arena as first a follower of Christ? Do I support and advocate for laws and policies that protect and defend human life? Do I help pregnant and parenting mothers in need? Am I ready to support a loved one nearing death?*

Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may Our Lord grant us the grace to truly and courageously live his Gospel of life.

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Questions/Requests: Call Kristy Bockrath at 937-361-6590 or email krbockr@icloud.com. If you cannot attend as scheduled, please find a substitute.

ST. BENIGNUS CHURCH	SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH – 3:30 P.M. MASS	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH – NOON MASS
SACRISTANS	<i>Needed</i>	<i>Needed</i>
MINISTERS OF THE WORD	Eric Givens	Gary Frank
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Debbie Kennedy Cathy Givens Eric Givens	Dan Allison Teresa Allison Vicki Brock
SERVERS	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Dan Allison
COUNTERS		Susan S. / Vicki B.



St. Mary will hand out candy on the corner of High Street and Walnut on Thursday, October 31 during the local BooFest uptown 5:00-7:00 p.m. If you would like to hand out candy, we have the space to set up. If you would like to donate money for candy or pick up a bag, both would be greatly appreciated. Contact the church office for details, 937-840-9932.

## READINGS



### FIRST READING

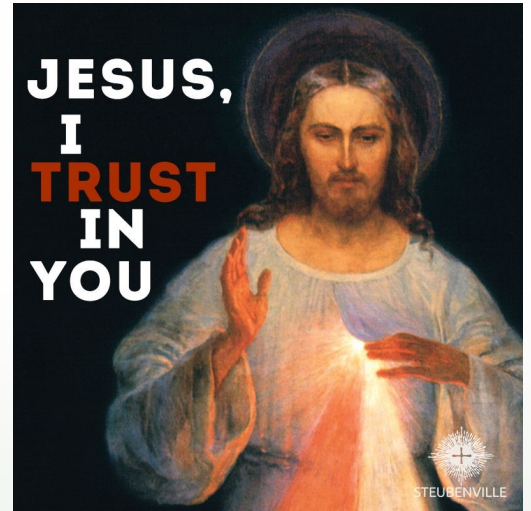
**A reading from the Book from the Prophet Isaiah**

The LORD was pleased  
to crush him in infirmity.  
If he gives his life as an offering for sin,  
he shall see his descendants in a long life,  
and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him.  
Because of his affliction  
he shall see the light in fullness of days;  
Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many,  
and their guilt he shall bear.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 27

- R. (22) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**  
Upright is the word of the LORD,  
and all his works are trustworthy.  
He loves justice and right;  
of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.
- R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**  
See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him,  
upon those who hope for his kindness,  
to deliver them from death  
and preserve them in spite of famine.
- R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**  
Our soul waits for the LORD,  
who is our help and our shield.  
May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us  
who have put our hope in you.
- R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**



### SECOND READING

Heb 4:14-16

Let us confidently approach the throne of grace.

**A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews**

Brothers and sisters:

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens,  
Jesus, the Son of God,  
let us hold fast to our confession.  
For we do not have a high priest  
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,  
but one who has similarly been tested in every way,  
yet without sin.  
So let us confidently approach the throne of grace  
to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.



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