

Dear Members of the Diocese of the Central States,

Trinity Church in Mason, Ohio, is looking forward to welcoming you once again to Greater Cincinnati for our annual synod (**October 16-18, 2024**). All business meetings and worship services will be held at the church. As you know, we will be conducting an election for diocesan coadjutor during the synod. Delegates must be registered for the synod and present to vote. Details regarding the election are forthcoming.

We have reserved a block of rooms at the **AC Hotel** which is about five minutes away from Trinity Church. Our special room rates for this hotel start at **\$209** per night. This special rate **expires at the end of the day on September 16, 2024**. Please book your room using the following link to receive the special group rate: [Book your group rate room for DCS Synod](#).

Bring the family! Mason and adjoining West Chester Township are prominent suburbs about 30 minutes north of downtown Cincinnati. There are many restaurants and shops in the area. If you would like to see downtown Cincinnati, I suggest arriving at least a day early. Cincinnati is a beautiful city with many family-oriented venues. We are happy to provide suggestions; let us know if we can help. Also, the Ark Encounter, Williamstown, Kentucky, and the Creation Museum, Petersburg, Kentucky, are about an hour drive from Mason and close to Cincinnati's airport.

Registration for the synod is **\$75** per person. Our Thursday evening **banquet** will be held at the **AC Hotel** where many are staying. The cost for the **banquet** is **\$80** per person. There will be a cash bar at the reception and banquet. All full registrants will receive a couple drink tickets upon registration check-in for the synod that can be used at the AC hotel. These tickets can be redeemed for free alcoholic beverages at the reception or banquet. The **combined cost** for the synod and banquet is **\$155** per person. All fees will be collected during registration check-in. We are not able to accept credit cards, only cash or checks for registration. Checks must be made payable to **Trinity REC**. The **registration table** will be open near the bar area at the AC Hotel from **3pm to 7pm on Wednesday October 16, 2024** along with a light hors d'oeuvres reception for registrants. **Registration will reopen at Trinity at 8am on Thursday** in the **narthex**. **Everyone attending the synod must register in advance using the link to the online form. [REGISTER NOW](#)**. Please submit all registrations by **September 16, 2024**.

You may register up to two different individuals on a single form. If you need to register more than two people, please submit multiple forms.

Anticipating our time together,

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Contact and Helpful Information:

Synod Coordinator: Dss. Michelle Caldwell, caldwellmichelle365@gmail.com; 513-602-0499

Registrar: Jodi Hubbard, jodirhubbard@gmail.com (wife of Fr. Jeff Hubbard, Rector of Trinity REC)

Church address: Trinity REC, 5920 Butler-Warren Road, Mason, OH 45040; 513-573-0509.

Transportation: Mason is easily accessible by car. Both Cincinnati/N. Kentucky International (CVG) and Dayton International (DAY) airports are about 45 minutes from the church.

Accommodations: AC Hotel Cincinnati at Liberty Center (Marriott property), 7505 Gibson Street, Liberty Township, OH 45069; 513-759-6500.

Planning Schedule

Wednesday, October 16, synod check-in and payment of fees, and welcome reception at AC Hotel begins at 3 pm.

Thursday, October 17, late registration at Trinity Church begins at 8am followed by Service of Holy Communion, morning business sessions, luncheon catered by [Izzy's Delicatessen](#) complete with their famous potato cakes in Fellowship Hall, then afternoon sessions. The banquet begins at 6 pm at the AC Hotel.

Friday, October 18, final business session followed by closing Eucharist.

Water, coffee, tea, and lemonade along with light snacks will be available throughout the synod in the Fellowship Hall at Trinity.

Noon dismissal. A synod agenda will be sent to all attending.

As you register each person will need to make the following selections:

For lunch choose one for each attendee: **Izzy's Reuben (corned beef), Pastrami Reuben, Turkey Reuben, Veggie Reuben, Corned Beef & Swiss; Pastrami & Swiss; Turkey & Swiss.** (Selected on the on-line registration form.)

For the dinner buffet each attendee needs to choose their main course: **Grilled Prime Rib or Grilled Lime Pepper Roasted Salmon.** (Selected on the on-line registration form.)

Please make all selections prior to September 16, 2024.

If you have special dietary needs or questions about anything associated with the synod, please contact the synod coordinator, and note it on the on-line registration form.