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GIFT, HIS SON IN THE EUCHARIST**

Editor's reflections by Doug Bean

Thanks(giving) be to God

"Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love endures forever" – Psalm 118:1.

Thanksgiving is a day to count our blessings. Some individuals are more blessed than others. We remember those who don't have the means to live comfortably, those who are struggling with health issues, and those who have died.

The *Catholic Times* annually publishes a Thanksgiving issue on the week preceding the holiday to include a feature on diocesan ministries and organizations that provide meals and support to those in need. Their dedication is inspiring and a blessing.

How do you give thanks?

Thanksgiving has become synonymous with feasts, football, a day off work for most folks, and also the eve of the consumer holiday, Black Friday. But it also seems like Thanksgiving is the one day of the year when everyone pauses to give thanks for something. And that's good.

But does that thanks include God? Without the Lord, we have absolutely nothing.

As Catholics, we're richly blessed with the great gift of the holy Eucharist, which means thanksgiving.

On Thanksgiving Day, it's fitting then that we give thanks first and foremost to Our Lord for his suffering and death for us and the spiritual food that sustains us – His body and blood that we're privileged to receive at Holy Mass.

Because Eucharist means thanksgiving, doesn't it make sense that Mass should be part of our celebration on Thursday (which falls this year on the Feast of St. Cecilia)? It's

not a holy day of obligation, but shouldn't we try to spend time with Our Lord to show our gratitude for all He has given us?

At some parishes, families bring their meal to church to be blessed. Some parishes offer a communal meal. Others serve the poor.

There's also the opportunity to adore the Lord, either in a church or at one of the adoration chapels around the diocese that are open on Thanksgiving and every other day. The holiday offers a wonderful opportunity to spend a few minutes or an hour in quiet prayer, paying homage to the One who gives His people the promise of eternal life.

Let's pray in thanksgiving not only for our own needs, but for those of others.

This week, the U.S. bishops wrapped up their annual fall general assembly in Baltimore, where their plan of action to address the current crisis in the Church was rather stunningly put on hold by the Vatican at the last hour. They need our prayers.

We must continue to pray for the victims of abuse in all forms, that their faith will be restored, and especially for a spiritual cleansing of the Church. Pray that the Holy See will grasp the gravity of the situation, recognize the problems, act accordingly and not continue to delay.

As the holy season of Advent approaches, may each one of our readers be richly blessed with graces.

Let's end with the final words recited at every Mass and continue to say: "Thanks be to God!"



Staff of the Diocesan Office of Catholic Ethnic Ministries (from left): Pam Harris, director; Alma Ciriello, associate director; Devin Jones, administrative assistant. CT/Tim Puet

Ethnic ministries office adds staff members, plans activities

The diocesan Office of Catholic Ethnic Ministries has added two staff members and is making plans for several activities in the coming months.

Alma Ciriello will be the office's associate director, serving as a liaison to all the diocese's ethnic communities and particularly to ministries serving the Hispanic population. The office's director, Pam Harris, said Ciriello's focus will be mainly on the pastoral aspects of those ministries. The office also will continue to work with immigration issues, but will concentrate on pastoral programs because other organizations have a principal focus on immigration.

Ciriello has been employed by the Diocese of Youngstown since January 2012, most recently as intake specialist for legal immigration services. The diocese hired her originally as a contract worker tutoring priests and deacons in Hispanic culture. After 10 months, she went to work full-time for the diocese's Catholic Charities office as Hispanic outreach coordina-

tor for Stark County. She was in that position until becoming an immigration intake specialist in March 2015. She also was employed by St. Elizabeth Hospital in Youngstown as Hispanic health liaison from 2010-12.

Devin Jones will be the office's administrative assistant. He previously had been administrator of the Office for Black Catholics and Asian Ministry of the Diocese of Richmond, Virginia, and served as religious education director and Latin instructor at Holy Angels School on Chicago's south side. He also was in the Navy for three years, reaching the rank of petty officer second class with a rating of master at arms.

He worked in Richmond with Harris, who was that diocese's director of ministries for people of African descent and the Native American and Asian-Pacific communities for 10 years until coming to Columbus in July to serve as this diocese's first director of Catholic ethnic ministries.

Her office combines the work of

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Front Page photo:

Thanksgiving

A stained glass window at Worthington St. Michael Church depicts an angel carrying the Eucharist, which means thanksgiving.

CT photo by Ken Snow

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Sacred Heart Congress draws record crowd of 500

By Doug Bean, *Catholic Times* Editor

A record crowd of approximately 500 people filled Worthington St. Michael Church for Mass, devotions and spiritual encouragement at the seventh annual Sacred Heart Congress on Saturday, Nov. 10.

The Congress takes place each year at a parish in the Diocese of Columbus to promote devotion to the Sacred Heart through its enthronement in homes, parishes, schools, organizations and businesses. Additionally, the yearly gathering provides catechesis about the Lord, His Sacred Heart and God's love for all human persons.

"Something special is taking place in Columbus, Ohio," said one of the Congress speakers, local Catholic author and mother Emily Jaminet.

Father Stash Dailey, pastor of Columbus Holy Family Church, presided at a Mass at which he delivered a homily titled "The Heart of Jesus is a Source of Reform, Hope and Conviction."

Father Dailey is spiritual director and a board member of Sacred Heart Columbus, which organizes the Congress, and of the Sacred Heart Enthronement Network. He has assisted in enthronements at more than 300 homes, schools and businesses.

The day began with a rosary led by the Dominican Sisters of Mary Mother of the Eucharist, who teach at St. Michael School. After Mass, Father Dailey led a Litany of the Sacred Heart, which was followed by reflections from Jaminet and Columbus entrepreneur J. David Karam.

Many of the attendees availed themselves to the Sacrament of Reconciliation provided by five priests on hand and spent time before the Blessed Sacrament in the St. Michael adoration chapel.

Jaminet, evangelization outreach director for the national Sacred Heart Enthronement Network, spoke in her presentation, "Living the Life Transformed by the Sacred Heart," of being open to a "heart transplant" and related the impact of the devotion on her family of seven children.

"Jesus offered a heart transplant so we can get through each day," she said. "I really believe the Sacred Heart movement is how we can rebuild our Church."

She described the transforming effect the enthronement had on her family after her husband placed the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the mantle of their home's fireplace.

"He was no longer knocking on the outside of our door," she said. "He came in."

Jaminet also attributed a miracle that involved her family to the Sacred Heart. Not long after the enthronement, some of her children were feeling the

effects of what later was determined to be a faulty furnace that could have led to carbon monoxide poisoning.

When the repair technician told her how lucky they were, she said, "No, I'm not lucky. I just enthroned our home to the Sacred Heart. We gave Jesus our

the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary were also revealed to her.

Karam mentioned other saints associated with the Sacred Heart, including St. John Eudes and St. Claude de Colombiere, who was St. Margaret Mary's spiritual adviser. He also referenced Pope Pius XII's encyclical *Haurietis Aquas* (On Devotion to the Sacred Heart, which was promulgated in 1956.

"Devotion to the Sacred Heart in homes leads to greater devotion in our parishes," Karam said.

He went on to explain the various symbols in the Sacred Heart image, some of the prayers associated with it, and the tireless work of Peruvian-born Father Mateo Crawley-Boevey, called the Apostle of the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart, to promote the devotion. Father Mateo was healed of a health condition while praying before the Shrine of the Apparitions of the Sacred Heart in France.

Karam said Mass, frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament, and holy hours play an important role in the sanctification of the culture.

"God is love," he said. "That's the basis to the devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus."

Father Dailey closed the program by asking those present to "adore the Lord, because if you're not adoring the Lord, you're adoring someone or something else."

The priest offers additional reflections on the Sacred Heart during the First Friday *Sacred Heart Hour* on St. Gabriel Radio 820 AM, hosted by Chuck and Jo Ann Wilson.

In addition to Father Dailey's work, Missionaries of the Sacred Heart teams, composed of laypeople throughout the diocese, help promote devotion to the Sacred Heart.

For their names and for more information on Sacred Heart Columbus, the process of enthronement of the Sacred Heart, scheduling an enthronement, and future events, visit www.sacredheartcolumbus.org.



Father Stash Dailey celebrates Mass during the Sacred Heart Congress at Worthington St. Michael Church on Saturday, Nov. 10. CT photos by Ken Snow



Emily Jaminet, outreach director, Sacred Heart Enthronement Network.



J. David Karam, chief executive officer of the Sbarro restaurant company.

home. That's a dramatic story, but it's important to know that you give Jesus everything."

Karam's presentation focused on "The History of the Sacred Heart of Jesus."

Karam, the chief executive officer of Sbarro restaurants and a former president of Wendy's International, serves on the board of directors of The Catholic Foundation and the Pontifical College Josephinum. He explained the significance of St. Margaret Mary of Alacoque to the Sacred Heart devotion.

The cloistered nun experienced as many as 40 revelations between 1673 and 1675 in France. From those holy visions of the Sacred Heart came the First Friday devotions, the feast day of the Sacred Heart, and Holy Hours of Reparation. The 12 Promises of

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TWENTY SOMETHING

Christina Capecchi

Roxanne Loper was almost home.

Her journey had begun 15 months ago when she spotted a picture of a baby girl on the World Partners website and sensed something special.

She and her husband, Clark, ranchers in Alto, Texas, had not been able to conceive a child naturally. They inquired online about the girl, whose name was Alexandria, scraped together their savings and started the adoption process.

On Aug. 18, 2001, they flew out of Dallas to Frankfurt and then Russia. Next came a six-hour car ride across the Ural Mountains into Kazakhstan. Their destination was an orphanage known as Baby House Number Two. Located on a dirt field, it housed 80 young orphans, including their 2-year-old daughter.

For the next 14 days, they would visit the orphanage for two hours in the morning and two hours in the afternoon so Alexandria could get to know her new parents.

The Lopers finalized their adoption at a Sept. 5 court hearing and embarked on a protracted flight home. On the morning of Sept. 11, they were on their last leg, hours from Texas, when the pilot rerouted them to a town they had never heard of: Gander, Newfoundland. They were told something vague about U.S. airspace being closed.

Soon, they became one of 38 planes redirected to the Canadian island's northeastern edge. About 6,600 weary travelers descended upon Gander, population 10,300. And at the worst of times, they experienced the best of humanity. Their fear and fatigue were met with comfort and compassion.

For the next four days, Gander locals embraced "the plane people," as they were dubbed – Britons, Germans, Americans, Arabs, Dutch, Chinese, Germans, Russian, Pakistanis, Italians. Volunteers greeted them at the airport, smiling warmly. Bus drivers on strike got behind the wheel again to take them to schools, shelters and churches. They sang together, told stories and played chess.

Locals invited "the plane people" into their homes for hot tea, hot showers and computer access, charming them with Gander's unique lilt, their sentences ending with "me dear" and "me lovely."

Donations of every kind poured in: diapers, a stroller, toothbrushes, underwear. Pharmacists filled more than 1,000 prescriptions in 24 hours at no cost. A military general walking to a store was invited to a 7-year-old's backyard birthday party, where she momentarily forgot how dangerous the world had become.

The members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church welcomed Hannah O'Rourke, whose son, a New York City firefighter, was missing. She felt sustained by the Eucharist and, for the next hour, at home in the church universal.

The president of the Lions Club took special care of the Lopers throughout the week and rushed to their rescue when they almost boarded a plane headed back to Frankfurt.

Eventually, they made arrangements for a ferry and car ride into the States. By then, Roxanne had the flu, but her heart was doubled over with gratitude: for her new daughter and for the strangers who had treated them like family. To know that a place like Gander existed offset the horror of terrorism.

"It made me feel that people are mostly good," Roxane told me when I called her recently.

She is now 46. She and Clark were surprised by three healthy pregnancies after adopting Alexandria, who is 19.

The Christian couple is still inspired by Gander, where divine intervention was unmistakable.

"We try to help whenever and however we can," she said. "Little things. We pull over every time we see someone with car trouble."

In this season of gratitude, we too must "look for the helpers," to quote Mister Rogers, and be the helpers, remembering that one act of kindness begets another, believing in God and Gander and each other.

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Secular Franciscans statement on abuse

In response to the crisis surrounding allegations of sexual abuse by members of the Catholic clergy, the National Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order – USA, has developed a position statement. It was approved at the order's national chapter meeting last month in St. Louis. Approximately 90 leaders and observers were present, representing more than 12,000 members throughout the United States and Guam.

The statement reads as follows:

"The recent Grand Jury report in Pennsylvania is a cause of sorrow, pain and agonizing self-scrutiny for the Catholic Church in the United States. We recognize the tragic reality of sinful abuse perpetrated on the most vulnerable. It deeply saddens all of us. We stand firm and make no excuses. The brothers and sisters of the Secular Franciscan Order extend mercy and compassion to the victims of abuse and to their abusers. Trusting in God who allows the good seed and the weeds to grow together (Matthew 13:24-30), we pray for healing,

forgiveness, reconciliation and peace.

"More than 800 years ago, our Lord asked St. Francis of Assisi to 'rebuild my Church which is falling into ruin.' Francis accomplished this by living a life of penance and sacrifice according to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As followers of St. Francis, we commit ourselves to do the same. We call the members of our Order and invite all people of faith to be vigilant for the sake of the vulnerable and to foster strong relationships throughout the Body of Christ. We support the clergy and religious who serve Christ Jesus and His Church. Let us go forth in the Light of Christ to rebuild our Church, that it may be renewed as a beacon of hope and safe refuge, grace and truth."

The Secular Franciscan Order is a community of Catholic men and women who seek to pattern their lives after Jesus in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi. Secular Franciscans are tertiaries, or members of the Third Order of St. Francis, founded by Francis of Assisi 800 years ago.

ST. JUDE NOVENA

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us; St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us; St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day, for 9 days, and your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you Jesus and St. Jude. J.D.M.

PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN

(Never known to fail)

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of heaven, blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in necessity. Oh, star of the sea, help me and show me herein, you are my Heaven and Earth. I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to secure me in this necessity. There are none who can withstand your powers. Oh, show me herein you are my Mother. Oh, Mary conceived without sin, pray for us, who have recourse to thee. (Repeat three times) Oh, Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hand. (Repeat three times) Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads that I can obtain my goals. You gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me, and in all instances in my life, you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. The person must say this prayer three consecutive days, after three days, the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor has been granted. RCR

Many diocesan organizations to take part in #iGive Catholic

By Tim Puet
Catholic Times Reporter

Nearly 160 organizations affiliated with the Diocese of Columbus are taking part in the #iGive Catholic program, a nationwide crowdfunding effort designed to bring the Catholic community together to give thanks and give back.

Wendy Piper of the diocesan Office of Development and Planning said 91 parishes, 44 schools and 23 nonprofit ministries are accepting contributions in connection with the event, which will take place on #Giving Tuesday, Nov. 27, the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. Advance gifts are being accepted through 1 a.m. on that date.

"The response has been really exciting, especially since this is the first year for diocesan involvement in #iGive Catholic," Piper said. "The number of participants represents a majority of diocesan organizations. This year, we're setting the bar in terms of future involvement with the program. It's fairly new, but based on the response locally and on how it has worked for other dioceses, it really seems to appeal to people's generosity. We don't know how it will work out, but we're eager to find out."

Each participant in the program has a separate listing on the website columbus.igivecatholic.org. Funds designated for a particular organization will be used for needs specific to that parish, school or nonprofit.

For example, Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral will use the funds it collects through #iGive Catholic for two pur-



poses – for its "back door ministry," which distributes food and other basic needs such as hats, gloves, socks and hygiene products twice a day, every day to people who line up at its back entrance, and for improvements which will make the handicap entrance to the 140-year-old building more accessible through new, motorized doors and related upgrades.

Columbus St. Andrew Church said anything it collects through #iGive Catholic will be used for Phase 2 of a renovation program at its school. The upgrade of hallways and classrooms for the school and the Parish School of Religion "will make the space a more inviting space and tie it in cohesively with our already updated second floor," said parish business administrator Ann Whiteman.

Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church will use some of the money raised through its page on the #iGive Catholic site to purchase an additional candle stand. The current stand frequently has all its votive candles lit. Some of the money also will

be used to support the parish school's STEM, robotics and arts programs.

Funds raised on the Sunbury St. John Neumann Church page will go to outreach efforts sponsored by the outreach ministry of the parish St. Vincent de Paul Society, which provides for the poor and needy in the community and beyond. The page suggests donations ranging from \$25 to buy a Bible for a Guatemalan child, to \$150 to send a child to a Confirmation retreat in Perry County, to \$500 to fill the personal needs pantry at the St. Francis Center in Vinton County.

Office manager Andrea Randel of Columbus St. Francis of Assisi Church said the money her parish collects "will replace our rickety outside stairs to the sacristy. They are rusted metal and becoming unsafe."

Piper said people can give to as many of the listed organizations as they wish. The minimum gift is \$25.

The diocese is providing seven cash prizes to participants. A \$1,000 prize

will be awarded to the parish, school or nonprofit with the most donors in the advance giving phase. Prizes of \$1,000 for first and \$500 for second will go to the two churches, two schools and two nonprofits with the most donors on #Giving Tuesday.

Last fall, 17 participating archdioceses and dioceses raised more than \$3.6 million for more than 600 organizations through #iGive Catholic. The *National Catholic Register* described it as "the most successful Catholic crowdfunding event to date."

#iGive Catholic started in 2015 in the Archdiocese of New Orleans and spread to a few more dioceses in Louisiana and nearby states the following year. It is part of the larger #Giving Tuesday program which began in 2012 in New York City and has spread nationwide, raising \$274 million in all 50 states last year.

For more information, go to the website or contact Piper at (614) 241-2550.

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Is annual confession mandated? Can't understand priest



QUESTION & ANSWER
Father Kenneth Doyle
Catholic News Service

Q Could a person go to daily Mass and receive Communion without having gone to confession in four years? (Batesville, Indiana)

A The answer, technically, is "Yes." If the person had committed no serious (mortal) sins over that four-year period, he or she could go to Mass and receive Communion every day. Strictly speaking, the obligation of annual confession applies only to those in serious sin.

The church's *Code of Canon Law* reads this way: "After having reached the age of discretion, each member of the faithful is obliged to confess faithfully his or her grave sins at least once a year" (Canon 989). (Canon 916 explains that anyone who is conscious of grave sin may not receive the Eucharist without first having gone to confession.)

But is it a good idea for Catholics to stay away from confession for four years, even if they have no mortal sins to confess? Of course not. Over and over, spiritual writers encourage the faithful to use the sacrament of penance regularly, perhaps even monthly, as a path not only to pardon, but to spiritual progress and inner peace.

Canon 988.2 says, "It is recommended to the Christian faithful that they also confess venial sins," and the introduction to the church's rite of penance says, "Frequent and careful celebration of this sacrament is also very useful as a remedy for venial sins. This is not a mere ritual repetition or psychological exercise, but a serious striving to perfect the grace of baptism so that ... his (Christ's) life may be seen in us ever more clearly" (No. 7b).

Shortly after he was elected pope, at a weekly audience in November 2013, Pope Francis revealed that he himself receives the sacrament of penance every two weeks and considers it to be the best path to spiritual healing and health. "We all need this," the pope said.

Q We have a very small congregation that has lost numerous families over the past few years. Our problem is this: Our priest is from Uganda; he is a good person, but it is nearly impossible to understand his English. He has been offered diction training but has refused.

The bits and pieces of his homily that I do understand seem to have little continuity or message. Yet he speaks for 20 or 25 minutes, while the congregation just looks around at one another. (He is nearing retirement age, but I fear we will have lost still more families by then.)

How can the church continue to mandate Sunday Mass attendance when good Catholics come away wondering and confused? (I realize there is a shortage of priests, but couldn't a deacon or a visiting priest throw us a lifeline to keep our parish afloat?) (Virginia)

A One course of action might be to present your concerns to a member of your parish council. If that doesn't work, an alternative would be to round up a couple of other parishioners who feel the way you do and to seek an appointment with your diocesan bishop or his representative (perhaps the vicar general).

Explain to him the sharp drop in Mass attendance, the result being that some Catholics might be going to other parishes, if at all. Come to that meeting with a solution to propose – perhaps the assignment of a deacon to share some of the preaching.

But meanwhile, be grateful that, with the priest shortage in America, many clergy from other countries have stepped in to help. Without them, there would almost certainly be more parishes in the U.S. without the celebration of the Eucharist every weekend. And as regards the Sunday Mass obligation, thankfully the homily is not your only source of spiritual nourishment. Even more, your strength for daily living comes from receiving Christ in Communion.

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the existing Black Catholic Ministries and Catholic Latino Ministry offices and expands the diocese's outreach to the area's African/Haitian and Asian/Pacific Catholic communities.

It sponsored the recent presentation at Ohio Dominican University of *Tolton: From Slave to Priest*, a one-man dramatization of the life of Servant of God Father Augustus Tolton, the first recognized African American priest in the United States.

It has hired Maria Trinidad of Columbus St. Andrew Church as one of four consultants who will serve various ethnic communities. She will work primarily with Asian Catholics, and this year hopes to expand Simbang Gabi celebrations in the diocese.

Simbang Gabi is a Filipino Christmas tradition featuring the celebration of Mass for nine consecutive nights from Dec. 15-23, with the concluding Mass followed by a holiday meal. It has been celebrated in the Diocese of Columbus for the past several years, first at Columbus Holy Cross Church and currently at Columbus St. Elizabeth Church, which offers a number of activities for Filipino Catholics. Harris is working on having other parishes join in Simbang Gabi activities in this and future years.

The ethnic ministries office also has created an evangelizing program known as Theology Talks, which will begin during the coming Advent season. "The program is dedicated to spiritual growth through collaboration with other ministries of the diocese," Harris said. "This tool will have a yearly theme that will include workshops, lectures, retreats and other activities. The theme for the first year is community.

"Our church is rich in diversity, and the programs offered will provide opportunities for the faithful to share their spirituality, culture and experiences with one another. Theology will be the foundation of each program. Theology Talks is a resource relevant to the personal, communal and spiritual growth of the faithful of the Diocese of Columbus."

She said the program invites anyone desiring to grow spiritually to take part, with the hope that participants will take what they have learned back to their parishes and

will serve as resources to help spread the focus on theology as the basis of everything the church does.

The ethnic ministries office is taking part in a regional meeting this coming Tuesday, Nov. 20 to discuss how to respond to the challenges presented at the fifth Encuentro, a nationwide gathering of Hispanic Catholics which occurs periodically. The most recent Encuentro took place in September in Grapevine, Texas.

The three main goals it identified involved development of pastoral plans for Hispanic ministry, tailored according to the needs of each parish and diocese; creation of programs within parish communities to help strengthen families; and hiring more Hispanic young adults in paid positions of leadership.

Harris said her office will be collaborating with other diocesan ministries to determine concrete ways to respond to those challenges.

She said that on Saturday, Aug. 3, 2019, at the New Albany Church of the Resurrection, the office will sponsor "Walking With the Saints," a program on the causes for canonization of several candidates for sainthood from the African American, Filipino and other communities. The featured speaker will be Bishop Joseph Perry, an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago, who is the principal promoter of Father Tolton's canonization cause.

Harris hopes several parishes will respond to letters she has written introducing herself and her new office and asking parishes to host town hall meetings so she can explain its work. Sites for those events will be listed in the *Catholic Times* as they are scheduled.

This past September, Harris was elected for the second time as president of the National Association of Black Catholic Administrators, which consists of her colleagues in leadership of diocesan ethnic ministry offices around the nation. She fills an unexpired term which concludes next September. She previously was president of the organization from 2013-16.

For more information on the ethnic ministries office, go to www.columbuscatholic.org/cem or call (614) 221-7990. To join its mailing list, text "CEM" to 22828 or sign up via the website.

What are you really hungry for?



LIGHTING THE WAY

J. P. Leo Thomas

Have you ever read the ingredients on the side of a box of cereal or soup can? It is amazing to me what we risk in our own health just to be fully satisfied, without really knowing what it is that we are truly eating. It surprises me to this day that I am consuming this stuff, not because of its nutritional value, but simply because it tastes so good.

We all forget that sometimes we can be hungry for all the wrong reasons, and what we are hungry for eludes us. We know we need nourishment to survive, but what to take to satisfy that hunger or thirst is of little or no consequence. We look at each other as if the answers are so easy, but the more we think about it, the more complicated it becomes. The human body is an amazing thing, but it cannot predict the actions of our thoughts. We crave without realizing that what we are wanting is not the physical gratification of a solid object, but the filling up of our soul.

In our hectic daily lives, we do not take the time to rest our minds or our hearts. What we need is staring us in the face right now. Jesus gives us the answer – the Eucharist. The meal is both physical and spiritual. It combines the two and makes them a part of something really special. If we slow down our pace of life for a just a little while, we begin to see that what we crave is not as important as why we crave it.

We all have to gird our loins a bit on occasion, just to get a glimpse of what so many are suffering from and are going without on a daily basis. There is a problem that cannot be solved for that day and stays with them long

after we leave their sight. There is a continued life of circumstance. If we think about it long enough, I am sure we can find someone whose situation in life is far more similar to our own, or even more troubling. Just a small turn, here and there. Just a little tug in the right direction can change a life, can change a soul longing for affection and for spiritual food.

I think it is important to mention here that we do not lose sight of what could be a moving and awesome experience. When Jesus sat down with the Apostles around that table in the Upper Room, they did not know it at the time, but they would become a part of the most important event in their and our lifetimes. St. Mother Teresa said that “the hunger for love was more difficult to remove than the hunger for bread.” It can attach itself to us and become a physical part of what the Holy Spirit wants us to be.

Eventually, you bring yourself to realize that you are not the most important thing in this world, and that only through a practiced life of self-sacrifice can you ever reach the fullness of life. It is there, in that remarkable set of circumstances, that you are elevated to the role of partner in the sharing of so much more than just our daily bread. But the question still remains, “What are you really hungry for?” In this life of faith and fiction, it is up to you to find that answer.

May we be always thankful for the bounties presented to us. May we share what we have with those who need it so much more, and may His peace be with you always.

Prison ministry gathering set for Nov. 30

All Catholics involved in jail, prison, and re-entry ministry are invited to gather on Friday, Nov. 30, at West Jefferson Ss. Simon and Jude Church, 9350 High Free Pike, for an event sponsored by the diocesan Office for Social Concerns.

Bishop Frederick Campbell will

celebrate Mass at 6 p.m. and extend his sincere appreciation to all involved in the ministry. The Mass will be followed by dinner and a talk.

Anyone interested in attending is asked to RSVP by Tuesday, Nov. 20 to the social concerns office at (614) 241-2540 or socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org.

November is Black Catholic History Month

By Diocesan Office of Catholic Ethnic Ministries

November was established by the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus as Black Catholic History Month on July 24, 1990. This month was chosen because of several significant dates: the Solemnity of All Saints, Nov. 1; All Souls Day, Nov. 2; the Feast of St. Martin de Porres, Nov. 3; the birth of St. Augustine of Hippo, Nov. 13; and the death of Zumbi of Palmares, a Brazilian leader who resisted slavery, Nov. 20.

Many might ask the purpose of having a month specifically dedicated to Black Catholic history. In the United States, Catholic members of the African diaspora make up less than four percent of the overall Catholic population, and often are minimized while other ethnic groups present in the Church have their celebrations, such as the Irish and St. Patrick's Day, Italians and St. Joseph's Day, or Hispanics/Latinos and the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

November affords all Catholics the opportunity to pause and remember Black Catholics who went before them – pioneers, innovators and trailblazers, such as Augustine, who lived from 354 to 430, is one of the most important theologians of the Catholic Church, and was African. He is one of the fathers of the Biblical canon, which was formalized in Africa.

Through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, St. Augustine helped to develop

and expand Christian teachings on original sin, free will, the resurrection of the body, and a host of other doctrines and dogmas. That is why he is a doctor of the Church.

Examples such as those of St. Augustine and Servant of God Father Augustus Tolton, the first recognized African American priest in the United States, provide inspiration to those who continue to contribute to the life of the Church so that Jesus' prayer “that they may all be one (John 17:21)” is made manifest. This month also affords Catholics of all ethnicities an opportunity to learn the heritage and diversity of culture in the Church, so that they may celebrate and promote that diversity.

Let us use this month as a tool of evangelization. In this time in which cultural diversity and awareness are at the forefront of our national conversation as Americans, all Catholics can use the month to promote the salvific message of Jesus Christ in the Church.

Let us use November to be intentional about sharing our one, holy, Catholic and apostolic faith with our brothers and sisters of the African diaspora and to learn about the dynamic contributions this diverse community has offered to the Church. Let us continue to live out Jesus' command and commission to “go and make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:19-20).” God bless you and may Mary, mother of Christ and mother of the Church, continue to point the way to her Son.



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ST. CHARLES OPENS ROBOTICS CENTER, ANNOUNCES CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School has unveiled the newest addition to its campus, the St. Charles Robotics and Mentoring Center, and announced the launch of a five-year, \$20 million capital campaign.

Both events took place on Thursday, Nov. 1, the Feast of All Saints, at an early celebration of the Feast of St. Charles Borromeo, the school's patron, which was on Nov. 4 – a Sunday this year.

The 14,000-square-foot robotics and mentoring center, on Long Street just

“We are extremely proud of this facility,” said school principal Jim Lower. “The center allows St. Charles to offer new and innovative learning opportunities to our students, better preparing them for collegiate studies and cutting-edge careers.”

The capital campaign, with the theme, “The Vision for the Future,” has received strong support during an eight-month “silent phase” and will be the largest fundraising effort in the school's history. It is focused on three areas: building the school's endow-



The entrance to the recently opened 14,000-square-foot robotics and mentoring center at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School.



A laboratory area in the robotics and mentoring center at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School. The building also includes space for athletic training, meeting rooms, and outreach areas.

west of St. Charles' Robert D. Walter West Campus facility, extends the school's footprint and includes state-of-the-art areas for the study of engineering and robotics, dedicated space for indoor athletic training, meeting rooms to facilitate student education, and areas for community outreach.

ments, enhancing its facilities (including the construction of a building to house new labs, a classroom and a gymnasium) and preparing for future growth and expansion.

“For nearly a century, St. Charles has provided an exceptional college preparatory experience for any young man

who was willing to accept the challenge, regardless of his background,” Lower said. “Our ‘Vision for the Future’ will help us remain the distinctive leader in Catholic education in central Ohio.”

St. Charles Preparatory School, located at 2010 E. Broad St., is devoted to providing young men sound preparation for Catholic/Christian life, specifically for their college or university years. The administration and faculty

are committed to modeling and making clear the importance of a personal relationship with God, accurate learning, and an ethic of disciplined work.

To learn more about the robotics and mentoring center or The Vision for the Future campaign, contact St. Charles development director Mike Duffy at (614) 252-9288 or miduffy@scprep.org. Additional detail and photos are available online at: www.TheVisionForTheFuture.org.



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London students donate for books



London St. Patrick School conducted a book fair and incorporated the All for Books program into the event. The students donated \$725 in loose change for books that were donated to the Madison County HELP House Community Outreach, which will give them to children at Christmas. Pictured are (from left): Elizabeth Zamara, St. Patrick language arts teacher and school liaison with HELP House; BJ Bryant, HELP House representative; Patti Carpenter, school parent and book fair co-chair; and Jenny Sweet, school librarian and book fair co-chair.

Photo courtesy St. Patrick School

Young 'saints' in Portsmouth



Father Nicholas Droll greeted the 'saints' as they came marching in to Portsmouth Notre Dame High School, where these Notre Dame Elementary School students attended an All Saints Day Mass with their older counterparts.

Photo courtesy Notre Dame Schools

Deputy talks about Street Smarts



Franklin County Sheriff's Deputy Cora Day (back row, with star on T-shirt) visits Columbus St. Anthony School once a week on behalf of the Street Smarts program sponsored by the sheriff's department. Operation Street Smart Youth Education began in 2012 specifically to address needs of parents and children in the county. Day frequently talks about the abuse of illegal substances and how they affect health. Other topics she has discussed include choices and consequences; Internet safety and bullying; the role of law enforcement; over-the-counter medications and beyond; and peer pressure and goals.

Photo courtesy St. Anthony School

St. Bernadette servers at Benediction



Lancaster St. Bernadette School students and staff attend Benediction every Wednesday afternoon. Some of the student altar servers have received special instruction from Father Ty Tomson, St. Bernadette Church pastor, in serving special liturgies, such as Benediction. Pictured with Father Tomson are fourth-grade servers (from left) Deaglan Neighbor, Sam Tencza and Ethan Schmelzer, in new Benediction robes.

Photo courtesy St. Bernadette Church

DIOCESAN PARISHES REACH OUT TO THEIR COMMUNITIES FOR THANKSGIVING

By Tim Puet, *Catholic Times Reporter*

Parishes throughout the Diocese of Columbus will be sharing their blessings with others in various ways on Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, Nov. 22 – and the days surrounding it.

One of the diocese's longest-running Thanksgiving traditions is the holiday meal at Columbus St. Aloysius Church, 2165 W. Broad St., which has been served for more than 40 years. It annually involves more than 50 volunteers from St. Aloysius and its neighboring parishes of St. Agnes and St. Mary Magdalene, all located in the Hilltop area on Columbus' west side.

This year's dinner will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the St. Aloysius family center. Dinner coordinator Sandy Bonneville said the start and finish times both are a half-hour later than in the past to give the volunteers more time to prepare the meals. She expects to again serve around 600 meals, with most of those attending also receiving carryout dinners and turkey sandwiches for another meal or two.

"This year, we're adding healthy snacks, including cereal and protein shakes," Bonneville said. "People are taking a closer look at what they eat and have been asking for this, so we're responding."

She said about 300 meals will be served at St. Aloysius and another 300 will be taken to the homebound by Catholic Social Services. "Over the years, we've had the number of take-outs grow and have served fewer people on-site, until now the numbers are almost even," she said, citing the aging of the neighborhood's population as one reason for the shift.

Besides the food donated by area individuals and businesses, coats donated during a drive at St. Mary Magdalene will be available, along with winter clothing, blankets, toiletries and community information.

The dinner will include entertainment by the Columbus Folk Music Society, plus children's activities. A prayer table will be set up, with the St. Mary Magdalene conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society accepting written requests for prayers.

Dinners also will be provided for residents of homeless camps in the area and for people living on the streets. "We traditionally have a dinner guest who goes to the camps," Bonneville said. "We want to be sure no one is left without dinner on this day, and we

– have become like a family. The volunteers just get a coffee, sit down and talk to people, sometimes sing *Happy Birthday* if it's someone's special day, and we learn people's needs. That helps us all year as we try to provide for the neighborhood.

"It's real evangelization that makes

"After losing him, I could relate so much more to the lonely seniors and the homeless who come here every year. On that day and that hour, everyone is welcome and everyone belongs. That is the face of Christ right there."

The Bonneville's son, Rusty, has assisted at the dinner for many years and is continuing his involvement while working as a biomedical sciences researcher at The Ohio State University. Bonneville said Jimmy Cerminara was another volunteer whose efforts over the years have been particularly helpful.

On the other side of town from the Hilltop, volunteers will serve hundreds of meals and take-home packages from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day in the Community Kitchen at the St. John Center, 640 S. Ohio Ave., next to Holy Rosary-St. John Church, said M.J. Muldrow of the center staff.

The Community Kitchen will serve holiday meals at the same times on Wednesday, Nov. 21 at its other location, St. Dominic Church, 453 N. 20th St.

Many of the turkeys for the dinners come from Westerville St. Paul Church's "Bring a Turkey to Church" weekend, which took place on Nov. 10 and 11. The program began in 1998, when it collected 32 turkeys and a \$20 gift certificate. Last year, 434 turkeys and \$2,103 in cash were donated.

Additionally, the Community Kitchen received several requests from other human service organizations last year for turkeys for Thanksgiving meals. Because of the generosity of St. Paul parishioners, those requests were granted.

The Church of the Resurrection in New Albany also has a longstanding turkey distribution program, which works through St. Dominic and Columbus St. James the Less churches. The program is in its 11th year and collected 400 turkeys and more than \$3,000 last year. Its goal for the second and third weekends of November this year was to collect 445 turkeys.

The St. Francis Center at 404 W. South St. in McArthur doesn't host a



Kitchen crew members and dinner servers pray before the 2017 Thanksgiving dinner at St. Aloysius Church in Columbus' Hilltop area.

Photos courtesy Sandy Bonneville



Joanne Davis of the Columbus St. Mary Magdalene Church St. Vincent de Paul Society, Sister Gemma Doll, OP, and Sandy Bonneville at the St. Aloysius Thanksgiving dinner.

will accommodate everyone. I've often wondered whether we could feed everybody, but God always provides."

The dinner is "more than a meal. It's a bridge to the community," said Bonneville, who has been volunteering for the dinner for the last two decades. "Those of us who have become regulars – both the volunteers and the people who come each year for a meal

a practical difference. My biggest reward is seeing all those dinners going out and seeing people's smiling faces.

"Getting the dinner ready and serving it was more meaningful last year because of the death of my husband, Russell," who died in July, Bonneville said. The couple had been married for 32 years and were jointly involved with the dinner.

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Thanksgiving Day dinner because it lacks the room, but it gives about 500 Vinton County families a chance to have a holiday dinner at home through its annual Turkey Toss program.

Eligible families come to the center, receive \$40 vouchers for food, and use them at Campbell's Supermarket in McArthur. The center's operations manager, Ashley Riegel, said the opening of the market last year filled a tremendous need in the county, which had been without a full-service grocery store since 2013.

The center's initial goal this year was to raise enough money to provide \$10 vouchers for each family, but a partnership with the CARE United Methodist Outreach and the generosity of the center's supporters enabled the amount to be boosted to \$40. A similar outpouring occurred last year.

Families who have received vouchers from the center but are unable to or do not wish to travel there will receive food and other items on Monday, Nov. 19 at sites in Ratcliffburg, New Plymouth, Wilkesville and Zaleski from volunteers led by Ed Yingling of Columbus.

Circleville St. Joseph Church, 134 W. Mound St., will serve dinner from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day and will deliver dinners to the homebound. Knights of Columbus Council 5297 collected nonperishable food items for Thanksgiving baskets which will be distributed this Sunday, Nov. 18.

Parishioners of Columbus St. Matthias Church, 1582 Ferris Road, brought nonperishable food to church for the week of Thanksgiving, placing it near the sanctuary as a visual reminder to pray for and to feed the hungry. The donations were combined with similar gifts from students of Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School, which is next door to the church, and were delivered to St. Stephen's Community House.

St. Matthias also referred eight families to the Westerville-based MoMM (Miracle of Mom's Memory) Foundation for its annual Holiday Blessings program, which provides support for families not just at Thanksgiving and Christmas, but on other holidays throughout the year and at back-to-school time. Knights of Columbus Council 3727 delivered holiday groceries to five families, with individ-

uals from the parish also distributing food to struggling families.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society food pantry in Newark is providing turkey and other Thanksgiving fixings to the people that depend on it for their food



Left: Volunteers (from left) Susie and Terry Yeager and Rusty Bonneville box up hundreds of pieces of pie for the Columbus St. Aloysius Church Thanksgiving dinner. Right: Dinners are ready for guests. About 600 dinners are expected to be served this year.



needs. Each family also will receive a \$10 food coupon to be used at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store before the end of the year. This is a joint effort of the six Licking County parishes – Newark St. Francis de Sales and Blessed Sacrament, Granville St. Edward, Heath St. Leonard, Buckeye Lake Our Lady of Mount Carmel and the Johnstown Church of the Ascension.

The SENT youth group of Granville St. Edward Church, 785 Newark-Granville Road, will join its counterparts from other Granville churches in baking pies and making pasta for the St. Vincent de Paul men's shelter in Newark on the evening of the Granville ecumenical thanksgiving service, which will take place at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18 at First Presbyterian Church, 110 W. Broadway.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of Logan St. John Church, 351 N. Market St., distributes Thanksgiving baskets including turkey and other food to the needy on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. The parish's Knights of Columbus, Columbian Squires and youth group help by obtaining food donations from parishioners and others.

Sunbury St. John Neumann Church, 9633 E. State Route 37, is part of a Christmas box drive sponsored by Big Walnut Friends Who Share, an outreach organization of churches from throughout the Sunbury and Galena

which provides Thanksgiving meals annually to more than 3,000 families in need.

The activity center of Portsmouth Holy Redeemer Church, 1325 Gallia St., will be the site of a community

areas. The St. Vincent de Paul Society and Knights of Columbus Council 14458 are collecting 100 six-ounce boxes of stuffing for a Christmas meal that includes a ham. Other churches are collecting other items for the meal.

The parish also will participate in the Big Walnut Ministerial Association's Thanksgiving service and collection for the poor on Tuesday, Nov. 20 at The Bridge Church, 12259 N. Old 3C Road, Sunbury. Anyone attending the Thanksgiving Vigil Mass at St. John Neumann is asked to bring canned or boxed goods for the Friends Who Share food pantry.

West Jefferson Ss. Simon and Jude Church, 9350 High Free Pike, put together 200 containers including instant mashed potatoes, gravy and stuffing for the community's Good Samaritan Food Pantry. It also is joining the pantry in collecting baby food throughout the winter months for a special 6-year-old named Caitlin.

The Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs, a diocesan agency at 578 N. Main St. in Columbus which serves the city and Franklin County, anticipated receiving 400 boxes of food from the Byron Saunders Foundation, a central Ohio organization

dinner on Thanksgiving Day, with volunteers from Holy Redeemer and Portsmouth St. Mary Church and from other congregations in the city. Wheelersburg St. Peter in Chains and New Boston St. Monica churches are supplying volunteers for the Wheelersburg ecumenical Thanksgiving meal on Saturday, Nov. 17 from noon to 2 p.m. at Wheelersburg High School.

The food pantry at Columbus St. James the Less Church, 1652 Oakland Park Ave., will be distributing more than 400 two-box food baskets for Thanksgiving.

The St. Vincent de Paul pantry at Columbus St. Philip Church, 1573 Elaine Road, is collecting new queen-size blankets beginning at Thanksgiving and continuing through the Advent season, to be distributed after Jan. 1.

Sugar Grove St. Joseph Church will be taking part in the community's annual Thanksgiving service, scheduled for 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18 at St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 213 5th St. This is the 27th year for the service, which rotates among the town's three churches.

THANKSGIVING, *continued from Page 11*

Washington Court House St. Colman of Cloyne Church, 219 S. North St., will have its Giving Tree weekend this Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 17 and 18. The parish women's group will be collecting gifts for residents of four assisted care facilities.

The Thanksgiving service for the Mount Carmel College of Nursing, 127 S. Davis Ave., Columbus, will be at noon Monday, Nov. 19. Organized by Ellen O'Shaughnessy, director of campus ministry, it will feature representatives of the Catholic, Episcopal, United Methodist, Jewish and Muslim traditions reflecting on what their faith means to them.

During the service, gifts of warm clothing, tents, batteries and gently used shoes and boots will be collected for people who live in homeless camps, on the streets and under the bridges of Columbus. The offerings will be distributed by the staff of the Mount Carmel Outreach street medicine program.

The college choir will lead those attending the service in music. It will be followed by lunch.



Students who are part of the campus ministry at the Mount Carmel College of Nursing, which will have a Thanksgiving service Monday.
Photo courtesy Mount Carmel College

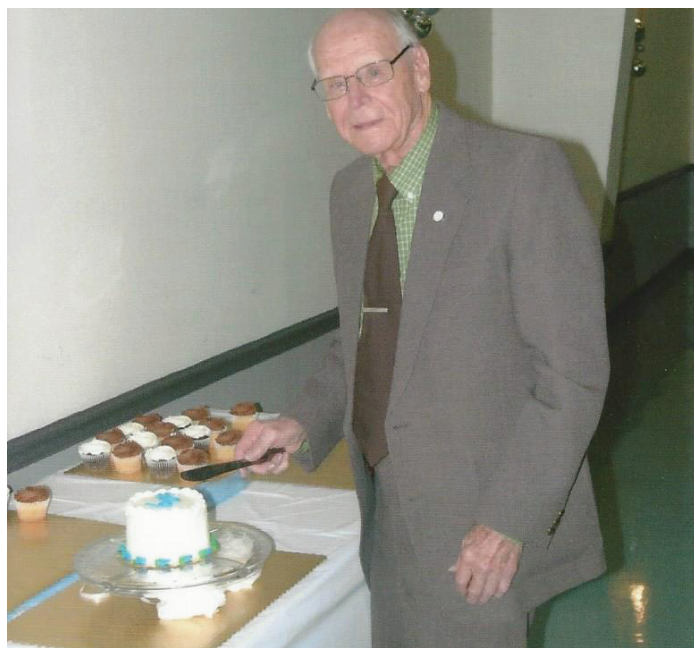
St. John XXIII parishioner plays in youth orchestra



Vincent Brausch of Canal Winchester St. John XXIII Church (right) performed with the Columbus Symphony Youth Orchestra on Sunday, Nov. 4 at the Jo Ann Davidson Theater of the Vern Riffe Center in Columbus, in a program featuring works by Copland, Dvorak and Florence Price. He is pictured with the orchestra's conductor, Andres Lopera. The youth orchestra is an education program of the Columbus Symphony and includes aspiring instrumentalists from central Ohio in grades nine to 12.

Photo courtesy Columbus Symphony

Lancaster St. Vincent de Paul marks 60th anniversary



The Lancaster conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society celebrated its 60th anniversary at a Mass at Lancaster St. Mary Church, followed by a luncheon. The main speaker was Paul Lonergan, who is 96 and the last living member of the group that founded the conference. He is shown cutting an anniversary cake. Among those at the luncheon were (from left) Marlene Clark, Dave Shonk and Father Craig Eilerman, pastor of St. Mary Church. The society operates a food pantry and a thrift store at 424 Locust St. The store, in operation for more than 40 years, makes gently used clothing available for purchase at a minimal price and is open from 9 to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. The society also provides the evening meal twice a month at a local homeless shelter. Photos/St. Vincent de Paul Society

Scholar connects Order of Malta's current work in diocese to original mission

The Order of Malta's connection to health care extends to the Middle Ages and is not just a recent initiative, a medieval scholar told a group of the Order's benefactors last week at the Pontifical College Josephinum's Jessing Center.

Dr. Thomas F. Madden, a professor of history and director of the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies at St. Louis University, gave the keynote address at the first Hospitaller's Dinner to benefit the Order of Malta Center for Care in Columbus.

The center, which opened in August 2017 at 640 S. Ohio Ave., adjacent to Columbus St. John-Holy Rosary Church, provides free health care to any patient. The clinic is funded totally from donations.

Madden drew a parallel between the Order's service today and 500 years ago.

"The Knights of Malta, known in the Middle Ages, for shorthand,

as the Knights Hospitaller, are usually studied for their military activities either in the Holy Land, Rhodes or Malta," he said. "However, their original purpose was to care for the holy poor.

"For centuries following their establishment, they built hospitals in the Holy Land, on the island of Rhodes, in southern Italy and finally on Malta."

Since the Columbus clinic opened, more than 430 patients have come through its doors for care and more than 410 homeless people have received hygiene products as part of an initiative to provide basic supplies such as toiletries, socks and gloves.

Madden described a similar scenario regarding the Order's involvement in medical care during the 16th century.

"Within three years of their arrival on Malta in 1530, they had already



Dr. Thomas F. Madden at the Hospitaller's Dinner for the Order of Malta Center of Care. CT photo by Ken Snow

opened a sacred infirmary, admitting all who needed treatment, regardless of their means or their religion," he said.

"So the hospital was at the core of their mission from the beginning, and although the times changed, they never lost their original purpose.

"And this mission of the Hospitallers has endured in an unbroken fashion to this day. From their establishment during the Middle Ages to their works in modern times, they have always been committed to the service of the poor themselves."

Madden, considered an expert on the Crusades, has written several books on the topic, including *The Crusades Controversy: Setting the Record Straight*. In it, Madden debunks a common perception that the current conflict between the Muslim Middle East and the


West stems from the Crusades – and that Christians are to blame for the tensions that exist today.

Seminarians installed as lectors, acolytes



Seminarians in their first and second years of study in the school of theology at the Pontifical College Josephinum were installed as lectors or acolytes, respectively, on Thursday, Nov. 1, the Solemnity of All Saints. Bishop W. Shawn McKnight, bishop of Jefferson City, Missouri and a member of the Josephinum Class of 1994, was the principal celebrant of the Mass in St. Turibius Chapel. Pictured are new lectors and acolytes from the Diocese of Columbus (from left): Jacob Stinnett, acolyte; Christopher Mescher, lector; Msgr. Christopher Schreck, Josephinum rector-president; Christopher Crum, lector; Bishop McKnight; Eugene Joseph, acolyte, and Andrew Wisniewski, acolyte. The newly installed lectors are commissioned to proclaim the Word of God in the liturgical assembly and to catechize the faithful. Acolytes are entrusted with the duties of attending to the altar, assisting the deacon and priest at Mass, and distributing holy Communion as extraordinary ministers.


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True inheritance

By Jem Sullivan
Catholic News Service

Deuteronomy 12:1-3

Psalms 16:5, 8-11

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

Family feuds often revolve around inheritance. Decisions on who inherits family property and possessions bring out the best and the worst in family relationships. One hears of siblings with strong family bonds who are torn apart by inheritance disputes, while other families draw closer together to make amicable decisions to share inherited family possessions.

Psalm 16, today's responsorial prayer, invites our reflection as the church's liturgical year draws to a close in coming weeks. God's word calls us to pause in the midst of the hectic pace of these days and weeks and turn to the things that are above. We are reminded that before we choose to make room for God in our busy lives, it is God who chooses us and gives us the gift of life itself.

In fact, God chooses to give us himself as an inheritance! Faith is a marvelous gift that we are given as our spiritual inheritance. To receive the gift of faith means that God looks on each of us as special in his eyes. So in faith, we join in the grateful prayer of the psalmist who says, "You are my inheritance, O Lord!"

In the Gospel, Jesus speaks of periods when great signs and wonders are to be revealed at the end of time. And to prevent his disciples from getting worried and being consumed with anxiety, Jesus reminds the disciples

that no one, not even he, knows the day or the hour of the end of time.

Only God, Father and creator of heaven and earth, who is not only the source of all that exists but is existence itself, knows. This teaching of Jesus brought the disciples peace of mind and heart. Jesus desires to give each of us that same peace today.

We turn to God's word to draw strength and wisdom for daily life. In God's word we find the consolation, comfort and peace we need for everyday situations and decisions. There is a permanence and certainty in God's word that cannot be found elsewhere.

This is the meaning of Jesus' words to his disciples and to us: "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."

I don't know about you, but I want to place my faith and hope in that which will not pass away. I want to place my trust in God's word because it will endure beyond heaven and earth.

God's word is eternal and it will surely carry us into the eternal love that God desires for each of us.

Will we remain close to God's word? For the wisdom to recognize the gift of our spiritual inheritance and for courage and perseverance to turn to God's word each day, we join the church in humble prayer, saying, "Speak to me, Lord."

Reflection Question:

What place does God's word have in my daily life? How do I make room for God's word every day?

Sullivan is secretary for Catholic education of the Archdiocese of Washington.

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THE WEEKDAY BIBLE READINGS

MONDAY

Revelation 1:1-4:2:1-5
Psalm 1:1-4,6
Luke 18:35-43

TUESDAY

Revelation 3:1-6,14-22
Psalm 15:2-5
Luke 19:1-10

WEDNESDAY

Revelation 4:1-11
Psalm 150:1-6
Luke 19:11-28

THURSDAY

Revelation 5:1-10
Psalm 149:1-6,9
Luke 19:41-44

FRIDAY

Revelation 10:8-11
Psalm 119:14,24,72,103,111,131
Luke 19:45-48

SATURDAY

Revelation 11:4-12
Psalm 144:1-2,9-10
Luke 20:27-40

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SUNDAY MASS

10:30 a.m. Mass from Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral on St. Gabriel Radio (AM 820), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.

Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7:30 a.m. on WWHO-TV (the CW), Channel 53, Columbus. and 10:30 a.m. on WHIZ-TV, Channel 18, Zanesville. Check local cable system for cable channel listing.

Mass from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Birmingham, Ala., at 8 a.m. on EWTN (Spectrum Channel 385, Insight Channel 382, or WOW Channel 378). (Encores at noon, 7 p.m., and midnight).

Mass from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee at 6:30 a.m. on ION TV (AT&T U-verse Channel 195, Dish Network Channel 250, or DirecTV Channel 305).

Mass from Massillon St. Mary Church at 10:30 a.m. on WILB radio (AM 1060, FM 94.5 and 89.5), Canton, heard in Tuscarawas, Holmes, and Coshocton counties.

DAILY MASS

8 a.m., Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Birmingham, Ala. (Encores at noon, 7 p.m. and midnight). See EWTN above; and on i-Lifetv (Channel 113 in Ada, Logan, Millersburg, Murray City and Washington C.H.; Channel 125 in Marion, Newark, Newcomerstown and New Philadelphia; and Channel 207 in Zanesville);

8 p.m., St. Gabriel Radio (AM 820), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com. We pray Week I, Seasonal Proper of the Liturgy of the Hours.

De Porres Center to sponsor Advent events

The Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus, will sponsor two special Advent events on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 8 and 9.

A special retreat will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. The day will include reflection and conversation about Mary and her importance in the Advent season. Mass with the Dominican Sisters of Peace in their chapel will be followed by discussion, prayer and blessings, led

by Sr. Louis Mary Passeri, OP. The \$20 fee includes lunch. Those interested in attending are asked to register online at <https://martindeporrescenter.net/programs/>.

The center will welcome the Columbus Women's Chorus for a seasonal concert from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 9, followed by refreshments and fellowship.

For more information, contact the center at (614) 416-1910 or martindeporres@oppeace.org.

Living 'I Do' - Weekly Marriage Tips

How do you use your Day of Rest? God gave you Sunday to remember what you were made for: relationship with God and each other. Speak with your spouse about a Sunday tradition that you could begin as a couple to take advantage of the gift of Sunday. It could be coffee together, a prayer routine, or a walk ... make next Sunday special!

Diocese of Columbus Marriage and Family Life Office

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Job Vacancy for a Pre-K to 6th Grade Principal exists at St. Peter Catholic School Transfiguration of the Lord Parish, Upper Sandusky, OH. Candidates may inquire by calling the rectory at (419) 294-1268.

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A century after the Armistice



THE CATHOLIC DIFFERENCE

George Weigel

I'm just old enough to remember when my elders still called Nov. 11 "Armistice Day": the armistice in question being that which stopped the shooting in the Great War. As a military matter, World War I may have ended a century ago, on Nov. 11, 1918, allowing my Grandfather Weigel and millions of other doughboys to be demobilized. The devastating cultural effects of the Great War are still being felt today, though.

Different nationalities remember World War I differently. Nostalgics mourn the fall of the Romanov, Hohenzollern and Hapsburg empires; Poles remember those as the imperial crackups that permitted them to regain independent statehood. France is, in some respects, still paralyzed by the memory of the Great War. (Look online at images of the inside of the Douaumont Ossuary near Verdun to understand why.) Canadians wear red poppies in their lapels to honor the dead at Vimy Ridge and elsewhere. Australians remember Gallipoli as the crucible in which their nation was formed. Satisfaction in the U.K. over a hard-won victory is severely tempered by the knowledge that virtually an entire generation of future British leaders was killed between 1914 and 1918.

No one has ever assayed the primary cause and long-term effects of the Great War better than Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn did in his 1983 Templeton Prize lecture "Men Have Forgotten God." There, he argued that the 1914-

18 war was the result of a collapse of moral imagination rooted in a practical atheism:

"The failings of human consciousness, deprived of its divine dimension, have been a determining factor in all the major crimes of this century. The first of these was World War I, and much of our present predicament can be traced back to it. That war ... took place when Europe, bursting with health and abundance, fell into a rage of self-mutilation that could not but sap its strength for a century or more, and perhaps forever. The only possible explanation for this war is a mental eclipse among the leaders of Europe due to their lost awareness of a Supreme Power over them," he said.

In a 2014 essay, "The Great War Revisited: Why It Began, Why It Continued, and What That Means for Today" (reprinted in my book *The Fragility of Order*), I surveyed the extensive literature on why World War I started, then asked an even more urgent question: Why did it continue, after it was clear that there would be no quick victory for anyone, only more industrial-strength slaughter? I ended that reflection on a note similar to Solzhenitsyn's: there is no explaining this

act of civilizational self-destruction absent a reckoning with the demise of biblical religion in the West. By 1914, Western high culture had come to think that it could organize the world without God: which was, in a sense, true. But what the Great War should have taught the West was that, without the God of the Bible, the only way the peoples of the West could organize things was against each other – and in the most sanguinary terms.

Three enduring impacts of World War I are worth flagging on this century.

The Great War destroyed Western confidence in traditional authorities and bred a deep skepticism of, and even contempt for, "the great and the good" that remains a factor in our public life.

The Great War eviscerated traditional cultural norms and boundaries, accelerated the development of the avant-garde, and stripped art in the West of its moral ballast; "art" became, in the main, a vehicle for expressing subjective feelings and passions, rather than an exploration of truths.

The Great War also deepened and intensified the secularization of the

West, as one religious leader after another joined the parade of homicidal nationalists, jingoes and social Darwinists whose bombastic appeals to base (and often racist) emotions helped preclude a negotiated settlement before the collapse of Romanov Russia and the exhaustion of imperial Germany made the Armistice inevitable.

One notable exception to this massive default in religious leadership was Pope Benedict XV, the most understudied and underrated pontiff of the 20th century. Had he been listened to by the great powers of the day, things might have been different. But Benedict was dismissed as an irrelevance, the carnage continued, and the question posed by Solzhenitsyn 35 years ago – Did World War I terminally sap the strength of Europe? – remains an open one today.

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PRAY FOR OUR DEAD

BERGER, Thomas D., 69, Nov. 8
St. Paul Church, Westerville

BRUE, Stanley J., 89, Nov. 6
Christ the King Church, Columbus

BRUNTY-RYAN, Juanita G. (Pennington), 86, Nov. 5
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

CECIL, Joseph, 76, Nov. 4
St. Joseph Church, Dover

COOMES, James W., 79, Oct. 13
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

CREPEAU, Patricia (Harrington), 96, Oct. 20
St. Thomas More Newman Center, Columbus

GALLO, Mary (Badurina), 93, Nov. 4
St. Brendan Church, Hilliard

GAUS, Dorothy A. (Lincicome), 81, Nov. 11
St. Elizabeth Church, Columbus

GROSSHOLZ, Dorothy R. (Hilsheimer), 78, Nov. 8
St. Leo Church, Columbus

HINES, Dorothy L. (Manns), 100, Nov. 7
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

MOSS, Robert B., 84, Nov. 7
St. Vincent de Paul Church, Mount Vernon

NEGRON, Sandra I. (Morales), 52, Nov. 5
St. John the Baptist Church, Columbus

PASSWATER, Rick, 50, Nov. 1
St. Timothy Church, Columbus

PETTICREW, Brad C., 34, Nov. 6
St. Edward Church, Granville

SEDLOCK, Ralph A., 88, Nov. 11
St. Matthias Church, Columbus

STONE, Robert P., 73, formerly of Columbus, Nov. 5
St. Clare Church, Cleveland

ZOOG, Carolyn J., 92, Nov. 1
St. Brendan Church, Hilliard

To have an obituary printed in the Catholic Times,
send it to: tpuet@columbuscatholic.org

Richard J. Reichert

Funeral Mass for Richard J. Reichert, 86, who died Thursday, Nov. 8, was celebrated Tuesday, Nov. 13 at Worthington St. Michael Church. Burial will be at a later date.

He was born on April 8, 1932 in Cleveland to Gilbert and Irene Reichert, and served in the Army in the Korean War. He lived in Worthington for 57 years and was an employee of the Diocese of Columbus.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Doris; and an infant girl. Survivors include sons, Rich (Jenny) and Dan; daughter, Laura (Ray) Sanders; two grandsons; and two great-grandsons.

Dominican Sisters of Peace education leaders meet

On Oct. 25 and 26, a group of leaders gathered at Ohio Dominican University from the six educational institutions sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Peace: Ohio Dominican University; Albertus Magnus College (New Haven, Connecticut); Dominican Academy

(New York City); Our Lady of the Elms School (Akron); St. Agnes-St. Dominic School (Memphis, Tennessee); and St. Mary's Dominican High School (New Orleans).

During this annual meeting, the school presidents and other board and school leaders met with the Do-

minican Sisters of Peace leadership team and three staff members of the congregation's office of founded ministries to pray, study and share.

Father Charles Bouchard, OP, addressed topics that embody the Dominican Catholic identity of the schools. He spoke about the reign of God and the common good and how to think about our institutions as ministries of the church. He also challenged the group to think of how it can put "new wine into old skins" as the educators consider how new models of sponsorship could enable the schools to remain

Dominican and Catholic into the future.

The educational leaders had opportunities to share good news and best practices from their schools, as well as challenges and learnings from their experiences. The time included Mass and a concluding missioning prayer. Participants expressed gratitude for this opportunity to deepen their bonds among one another, to learn from one another and to expand their understanding of how their schools are Dominican and Catholic ministries of the Church.



Participants in a two-day conference at Ohio Dominican University of leaders of educational institutions sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Peace.

Photo courtesy Dominican Sisters of Peace

Retreat center to honor St. Nicholas

Two events to honor St. Nicholas, whose feast day is Thursday, Dec. 6, will take place in early December at St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus.

A family celebration of the saint is scheduled from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5.

The evening will include the story of St. Nicholas, games, family discussion time, prayer and refreshments. Families of all ages and sizes are welcome. The cost is \$15 per family.

A morning of reflection for adults

will take place on Dec. 6 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. The theme will be "St. Nicholas: Model of Holiness, Zeal, and Generosity." It will be led by retreat center staff member Katie Ryzenga and will include a presentation and reflections about the life of St. Nicholas, time for private prayer and reflection, refreshments, and communal prayer. The cost is \$5 per person.

To register, call (614) 866-1611 or send an email message to sttherese@columbuscatholic.org.

H A P P E N I N G S

CLASSIFIED

ST. ALOYSIUS BAZAAR
SATURDAY, NOV. 17 2 PM - 6 P.M.
SUNDAY, NOV. 18 9 AM - 3 PM
 Educational Academy for Boys and Girls 35
 Midland Ave. Directly behind St. Aloysius Church
 Santa, raffles, hand crafted items, baked
 goods, cinnamon rolls, and soups

Corpus Christi Church
Christmas Bazaar/Fundraiser
December 1st 9 a.m.- 5 p.m.
December 2nd 8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Bake Sale/Gifts/\$1k 1st prize raffle
 1111 Stewart Ave., Columbus

HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR &
BAKE SALE
Saturday, November 17 9-3pm
Our Lady of Lourdes
Catholic Community Center
 1033 W. 5th St., Marysville
 67 Tables of Holiday Crafts
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NOVEMBER

16, FRIDAY
Catholic Foundation Estate Planning Seminar
 8 a.m. to noon, Fawcett Center for Tomorrow, The Ohio State University, 2400 Olentangy River Road, Columbus. Inaugural John L. Sauter Seminar sponsored by The Catholic Foundation, featuring four talks related to various aspects of estate planning. Cost \$50 (free for sustaining members of Foundation's professional advisers group). **614-443-8893**
Catholic Singles on Fire for Christ
 6 p.m., Chapel, Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. Monthly meeting of Catholic Singles on Fire for Christ, for anyone older than 35 who is single in the eyes of the Catholic Church and seeks to grow in faith, bring hope to others and share the love of Christ. Begins with prayer and Adoration, followed by dinner at a restaurant. **614-855-1400**

16-18, FRIDAY-SUNDAY
St. Charles Presents 'Mullen's Alley'
 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, St. Charles Preparatory School, 2010 E. Broad St., Columbus. School presents the central Ohio premiere of the drama "Mullen's Alley." Tickets \$10 adults, \$5 students. **614-252-6714**

17, SATURDAY
Citywide Adoration and Prayer Meeting
 9 a.m. to noon, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Citywide Adoration and prayer meeting sponsored by Columbus Catholic Renewal. Begins with Mass celebrated by Father Dean Mathewson, followed by potluck breakfast and testimony by Bryan

O'Donnell of Encounter Ministries. Healing and prayer teams and Sacrament of Reconciliation available during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Worship music by the Living Stones. Child care available on request. **614-886-8266**
Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City
 9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and confession.
Centering Prayer Group Meeting
 10:30 a.m. to noon, Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Centering prayer group meeting, beginning with silent prayer, followed by Contemplative Outreach DVD and discussion. **614-512-3731**

17-18, SATURDAY-SUNDAY
40 Hours Devotion at Holy Redeemer
 Midnight Saturday to 4 p.m. Sunday, Holy Redeemer Church, 1325 Gallia St., Portsmouth. 40 Hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Includes rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, and sacred music. Concludes with Benediction and Solemn Vespers, followed by meal in parish activity center. Sponsored by Scioto County chapter, Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy. **740-354-4551**

18, SUNDAY
St. Christopher Adult Religious Education
 10 to 11:20 a.m., Library, Trinity Catholic School, 1440 Grandview Ave., Columbus. Old Testament study with Scripture scholar Angela Burdge.
Frassati Society Mass at St. Michael
 10:30 a.m., St. Michael Church, 5750 N. High St., Worthington. Columbus St. Patrick Church Frassati Society for young adults attends Mass, followed by brunch at Over the Counter, 5596 N. High St. **614-224-9522**
Blessing of St. Gerard Majella at Holy Family
 After 11 a.m. Mass, Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Blessing of St. Gerard Majella, patron of expectant mothers, for all women who are pregnant or wish to become pregnant. **614-221-1890**
Angelic Warfare Confraternity at St. Patrick
 Following noon Mass, St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Monthly meeting of Angelic Warfare Confraternity, with talk on chastity-related issues followed by Holy Hour. **614-224-9522**

Open House at Bishop Ready
 1 p.m., Bishop Ready High School, 707 Salisbury Road, Columbus. Open house for prospective students in grades five to eight, potential transfer students, and their parents or guardians. **614-276-5263**

Open House at Bishop Watterson
 1 to 3:30 p.m., Bishop Watterson High School, 99 E. Cooke Road, Columbus. Open house for prospective students and their parents or guardians. Deacon Chris Campbell, school principal, will speak at 2 p.m. **614-268-8671**
Kateri Prayer Circle at St. Mark
 1 p.m., Aranda Center, St. Mark Church, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Kateri Prayer Circle meeting to honor St. Kateri Tekakwitha and promote Native Catholic spirituality.

St. Padre Pio Secular Franciscans
 1 to 5 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 720 Hamlet St., Columbus. Fellowship and ongoing formation followed by adoration and prayer, Liturgy of the Hours, and initial formation with visitors. **614-282-4676**
Polish Mass at Holy Family
 2 p.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Monthly Mass in Polish. **614-221-4323**
Art Show Reception at de Porres Center
 2 to 3:30 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. Reception for center's second biennial juried art show, "Sacred Images: Mary and Jesus." Show continues through Jan. 4. **614-416-1910**

Taize Evening Prayer at Corpus Christi
 4 to 5 p.m., Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Evening Prayer in the style and spirit of the Taize monastic community, with song, silence, and reflection. **614-512-3731**
Prayer Group Meeting at Christ the King
 5 to 7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus (enter at daily Mass entrance). Weekly parish prayer group meets for praise, worship, ministry, and teaching. **614-886-8266**
Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter
 7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. **706-761-4054**

19, MONDAY
Mass of Healing at Cathedral
 6:30 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Mass of Healing, followed by healing service including Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and veneration of relic of the True Cross. Priests will be on hand for discussion and prayer and the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be available. **614-224-1295**

20, TUESDAY
Rosary for Life at St. Joan of Arc
 Following 6:15 p.m. Mass, St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Recital of Rosary for Life, sponsored by church's respect life committee.

21, WEDNESDAY
Abortion Recovery Network Group
 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Westerville Area Resource Ministry, 150 Heatherdown Drive, Westerville. Abortion recovery network group meeting for anyone interested in recovering from abortion or who has been through a recovery program and wants to stay connected. **614-721-2100**
Labyrinth Walk at Shepherd's Corner
 7 to 8:30 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Labyrinth walk with theme of "Being Thankful, Being Grateful," led by Barbara Hamilton. Suggested donation \$5. Minimum five participants. Registration deadline Nov. 19. **614-866-4302**

22, THURSDAY
Cenacle at Holy Name
 6 p.m., Holy Name Church, 154 E. Patterson Ave., Columbus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with prayers in the Cenacle format of the Marian Movement of Priests.

24, SATURDAY
Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City
 9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and confession.

25, SUNDAY
Praise Mass at Church of Our Lady
 11 a.m., Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Praise Mass with upbeat contemporary music. **614-861-1242**
St. Catherine of Bologna Secular Franciscans
 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttes Ave., Columbus. Prayer followed by general meeting, ongoing formation, fellowship. **614-895-7792**
Prayer Group Meeting at Christ the King
 5 to 7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus (enter at daily Mass entrance). Weekly parish prayer group meets for praise, worship, ministry and teaching. **614-886-8266**
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26, MONDAY
Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry
 6:30 p.m., support group meeting, 2744 Dover Road, Columbus (Christ the King convent, first building west of church). **614-718-0227, 614-309-2651, 614-309-0157**
Our Lady of Peace Men's Bible Study
 7 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 20 E. Dominion Blvd., Columbus. Bible study of Sunday's readings.

27, TUESDAY
Padre Pio Prayer Group at St. John the Baptist
 12:30 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 168 E. Lincoln Ave., Columbus. Padre Pio Prayer Group meeting, including rosary, devotions, and 1 p.m. Mass. **614-294-5319**
Rosary for Life at St. Joan of Arc
 Following 6:15 p.m. Mass, St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Recital of Rosary for Life, sponsored by church's respect life committee.
Frassati Society Dinner and Adoration
 7 p.m., Noodles and Co., 4740 Reed Road, Upper Arlington. Columbus St. Patrick Church Frassati Society for young adults meets for dinner, then attends Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Andrew Church, 1899 McCoy Road, Columbus, from 8 to 9 p.m. **614-224-9522**

28, WEDNESDAY
Young Catholic Professionals Speaker Series
 7 to 9 p.m., The Jubilee Museum, 57 S. Grubb St., Columbus. Young Catholic Professionals monthly executive speaker series, featuring talk by Steve Bollman, founder of national lay ministry Paradisus Dei. Free appetizers and drinks. Information at www.ycpcolumbus.org.

29, THURSDAY
Cenacle at Holy Name
 6 p.m., Holy Name Church, 154 E. Patterson Ave., Columbus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with prayers in the Cenacle format of the Marian Movement of Priests.
Eucharistic Holy Hour at Sacred Heart
 7 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Eucharistic Holy Hour with the intention of deepened holiness and an increase in the virtue of fortitude for the Holy Father, bishops, and priests, concluding with Benediction, social period and refreshments. **614-372-5249**

30, FRIDAY
Jail, Prison and Re-Entry Ministry Gathering
 6 p.m., Ss. Simon and Jude Church, 9350 High Free Pike, West Jefferson. Gathering for all Catholics involved in jail, prison and re-entry ministry, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Frederick Campbell, followed by dinner and a talk. Sponsored by diocesan Office for Social Concerns. Registration deadline Nov. 20. **614-241-2540**

DECEMBER

1, SATURDAY
Fatima Devotions at Columbus St. Patrick
 7 a.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Mass, followed by devotions to Our Lady of Fatima, preceded by confessions at 6:30. **614-240-5910**
First Saturday Devotion at St. Joan of Arc
 8:30 a.m., St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Mass, followed by rosary in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, concluding with Fatima prayers.
Mary's Little Children Prayer Group
 Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. 8:30 a.m., confessions, 9 a.m., Mass, followed by Fatima prayers and Rosary (Shepherds of Christ format); 10 a.m., meeting. **614-861-4888**

Diocesan teams advance to state final, semis in volleyball, soccer

By Doug Bean, *Catholic Times* Editor

Three Central Catholic League teams and one other diocesan team reached the state high school final four in volleyball and soccer before coming up short in championship matches and state semifinals last week.

Columbus Bishop Hartley's girls volleyball team rallied in the Division II state final on Saturday at Wright State's Nutter Center after losing the first two sets but dropped a hard-fought match to Parma Heights Holy Name 25-22, 25-16, 18-25, 16-25, 15-6.

On Nov. 7 in Xenia, the Columbus St. Francis DeSales boys soccer team was denied a chance to pursue a second consecutive state championship after a 1-0 loss to Cincinnati Summit Country Day in the Division II semifinal.

A day earlier in Springfield, Bishop Watterson's girls soccer team was defeated 2-1 by eventual champion Beaver Creek in a Division I state semifinal.

On the same day, Zanesville Bishop

Rosecrans' girls soccer team ran into talented Cincinnati Country Day in the semifinals and was upended 7-0.

The Hartley girls were bidding for their first state volleyball title since 2011. The Hawks also finished as the runner-up in 2016.

"I'm proud of the girls, how they battled back," Hartley coach Mike Rahe said after the final. "A lesser team would have folded after the second set and wouldn't have taken it to a fifth set, so I'm really happy with that. We didn't execute really well the first two sets. We had our opportunities."

Hartley led 22-20 in the first set before Holy Name, which won its first state title, reeled off five points to close the match out.

After dropping the second set, Hartley opened a big lead in the third set and held off Holy Name. The Hawks pulled away in the fourth set to force the decisive fifth set, which saw Holy Name open a lead. Hartley closed to within five points before the Green Wave closed out the match.



Columbus Bishop Hartley High School state Division II runner-up volleyball team members (from left): front row, Dayna Shoulders, Ashley Tipton, Chiamaka Nwokolo, Kayla Malone, Alexa Wilson and Ashley Wagoner; back row, Maya Fleming, Katie Heuser, Andrea Bergman, Aiva Smith, Ella Coakley, Lauren Johnson, Megan Gallagher, Bea Kelley and Colleen Sweeney.
Photo courtesy Bishop Hartley High School

The anguish of losing was evident among the Hartley players after the match.

"We didn't play well the first two sets, but this is who we are," Rahe said. "We've come back all year, but today we weren't able to get it done."

Among the key contributors in the final were Chiamaka Nwokolo, Ashley Wagoner, Katie Heuser, Alexa Wilson, Colleen Sweeney, Kayla Malone and Ashley Tipton.

Hartley had advanced to the final with a 25-18, 25-23, 25-15 victory over Mentor Lake Catholic in the semifinals.

In boys soccer, DeSales gave up a second-half goal to Country Day and couldn't produce the equalizer as Country Day went on to claim the state title after winning it last year in Division III.

DeSales senior midfielder Cristian Gomez was named co-player of the year in Division II and the state's Mr. Soccer after compiling 11 goals and four assists to help lead the Stallions to an 18-4 record and the championship game.

Gomez's brother, Hector, was named the player of the year in 2016 and 2017.

Joining Cristian Gomez as a first-team all-state selection was St.

Charles midfielder Christian Buendia. DeSales forward Jack Francisco was named to the second team.

The Watterson girls ran into nationally ranked and undefeated Beaver Creek in the semifinals. The Eagles fell behind 2-0 in the first half, but scored with 1:05 left on a corner kick – only the fifth goal allowed by Beaver Creek all season – but ran out of time after a valiant effort.

Sixth-ranked Watterson had reached the semifinals for the first time since 1998 by knocking off Pickerington North 2-1 in overtime in the regional final. The Eagles finished the season with a 17-2-2 record.

Watterson midfielder Emma Schlossler, who scored the winning goal against Pickerington North, was the lone CCL player to be named to the Division I all-state first team. Eagles midfielder Isabella Ginocchi landed on the second team.

Bishop Rosecrans' girls advanced to the Division III soccer semifinals for the first time in history after winning three games in sudden death or a shootout. The Bishops finished with a 15-3-3 record.

Rosecrans made its tournament run without injured All-Ohio player Kylan Harper and senior captain Ryin Browning.

All-Central Catholic League teams

The Central Catholic League recently announced all-league teams for boys and girls soccer and volleyball:

GIRLS SOCCER

First team

Emma Schossler, Isabella Ginocchi, Audrey Shea, Annie McGraw, Watterson; Madi Rennie, Lindsay Plymale, Reese Elliot, DeSales; Caroline Leatherman, Meghan Ballinger, Grace Gill, Hartley; Hattie Person, Sydney Bennett, Columbus School for Girls; Ava Hurd, Ready.

Second team

Samantha Francis, Kelsey Gleason, Watterson; Hannah Flora, Julia Anderson, Gabby Elliot, DeSales; Karli Barringer, Helena Donaghy, Hartley; Maggie Houston, Eva Nicolosi, Blair Gilmcher, CSG; Caroline Buendia, Katelyn Paul, Lindsey Bair, Ready.

BOYS SOCCER

First team

Christian Buendia, Owen Sullivan, Ethan Marshall, Kevin Macias, St. Charles; Christian Gomez, Jack Francisco, Mikey Cockerell, DeSales; Matteo Agriesti, Diego Pena, Declan O'Brien, Hartley; Jack Nyhus, Jonathon Goodman, Watterson; Luke Bergman, Ready.

Second team

Joseph Marchionda, Will Byorth, St. Charles; Josh Conroy, Nick Fuchs, Will Shaefer, DeSales; Ryan Hawk, Carter Bjornson, Hartley; Max Hansell, Peter Ganz, Andrew Pardi, Watterson; Kyle Caisaguano, Alec Smetanko, Oliver Thimling, Ready.

VOLLEYBALL

First team

Chiamaka Nwokolo, Kayla Malone, Colleen Sweeney, Hartley; Grace Jenkins, Sydney Taylor, Watterson; Bella D'Amico, Emma Brown, DeSales.

Second team

Alexa Wilson, Hartley; Bella Illig, Ready; Olyvia Kennedy, Kari Mercer, Watterson; Haley Kuproski, CSG; Lainey McGonicle, Avery Boyd, DeSales.

TCC honors past champions at alumni banquet



Six graduates and a coach from New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School who won state championships were honored by the school's athletic boosters club at its inaugural alumni honors banquet, which also included special recognition for a parent volunteer. Honorees included the 1975 golf team, the school's first state champions; J.J. O'Rielly, 1998 state 1,600- and 3,200-meter champion; and parent Marty Vesco. Members of the golf team (right photo) are (from left) Art DeCrane, Mark Starinieri, coach Brad Cook, Judy Ren (representing Bob Ren), Mark Tomasina and Jim Tarulli. O'Rielly (left in left photo) is pictured with current TCC state cross country qualifier Jackson Triplett. Vesco (center photo) is shown with the boosters' Man of the Year award, which he received at the banquet. Photos courtesy TCC Boosters Club

Bishop Hartley football playoff run ends in regional semis

By Doug Bean, *Catholic Times* Editor

The expectations are such at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School that anything short of a state championship can seem like a failure.

Coach Brad Burchfield has built a juggernaut that has won three state titles since 2010. And so when the top-seeded Hawks came up short in a 19-14 loss to neighborhood rival Columbus Eastmoor Academy in a Division III, Region 11 regional semifinal last Friday at Columbus Hamilton Township High School, there was obvious disappointment.

The loss ended a string of eight consecutive regional final appearances for Hartley, which was the only Catholic team in the Diocese of Columbus to advance past the first round of the playoffs this year.

The final result doesn't diminish the team's accomplishments, Burchfield said. The Hawks won the Central Catholic League championship and finished with a 9-3 record.

"We are all disappointed that we lost a tight game in the playoffs," he said, "but that disappointment will fade as we look back on a great season. This was a tremendous team to coach and to be around. We loved coaching these kids. We had a lot of fun and this was a great team."

Hartley led Eastmoor 14-7 after the first quarter. Phillip Cole opened the scoring with a 9-yard run and Angelo Evans countered an Eastmoor touchdown with a 94-yard kickoff return for a touchdown.

Hartley's offense was stymied after quarterback Miles Fleming left the game with an injury in the second quarter.

The Hawks were kept off the scoreboard the rest of the way and managed only one first down in the second half. Still, the defense kept battling and preserved Hartley's lead.

Eastmoor, which overcame the loss of All-Ohio running back Savon Edwards Jr. and several other key players, closed to 14-13 early in the fourth quarter. The Wolverines then got the ball back, and went ahead with 9:16 remaining when quarterback Marquise Laster connected with Napoleon Harris on a 24-yard touchdown pass on fourth-and-6.

Hartley couldn't muster a response in the final nine minutes and its season ended prematurely.

Burchfield pointed to the team's accomplishments, which included going undefeated in the CCL and winning a home playoff game. Hartley typically plays one of the toughest schedules in the state for a school its size.

"We will always appreciate the great experiences we had with the kids and we had as a team," Burchfield said. "This team will not be forgotten. Winning the CCL is a big deal – having a home playoff game and winning it, those are all important things. This team added to an incredible culture. They did everything they could to make us the best we could be.

"This was a great group of kids, great players and better people from incredible families. We will be back better than ever."



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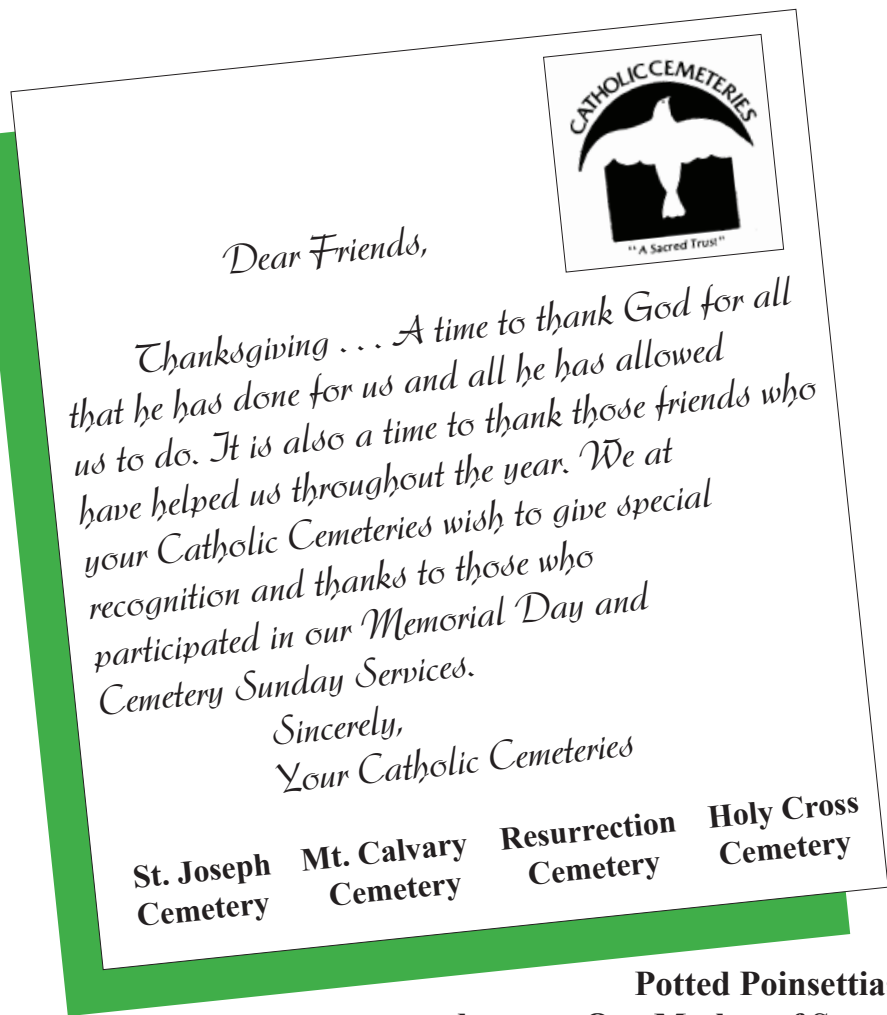
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