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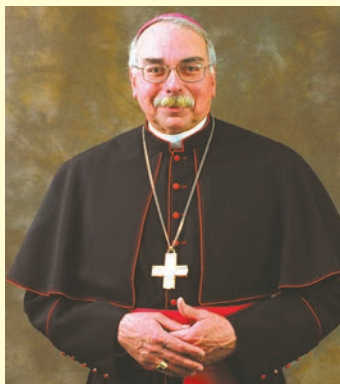
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A Letter from Bishop Campbell



My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I am deeply disturbed by the recent allegations brought forth against ex-Cardinal McCarrick, and the information released last week by the Pennsylvania Attorney General, following a Grand Jury investigation, that determined that over many decades some 300 diocesan and religious order priests in the Catholic dioceses of Pennsylvania abused 1,000 young persons.

I feel great sorrow for the pain and anguish suffered by the victims of this abuse.

We had all hoped that these tragic events

were becoming part of our past, that those suffering could find healing and grace, that those responsible would be held accountable for their despicable acts, and the confidence of our faithful in their Church and its clergy could begin to be restored. While it is a disheartening fact that this tragedy is not behind us, we must also note that since the adoption of the "Dallas Charter" by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) in 2002, significant reforms have been implemented. These recent challenges serve as an important reminder that we must stay mindful and vigilant to eradicate permanently these tragic and painful events from our Church.

I want to assure every member of our Diocese that during my tenure as your bishop that I have maintained a full commitment to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" - with zero tolerance for any form of abuse. We will continue to report immediately to law enforcement and children service agencies when made aware of any abuse, either now or anytime in the past. We will continue to labor diligently to seek out only those men who are worthy of your confidence and trust to serve in our parishes as future good and faithful priests and deacons. And we will continue to be as proactive as possible in ensuring that all who come in contact with young people within our community are in compliance with our "Protecting God's Children" program to ensure that we maintain a safe and protective atmosphere for our youth.

We encourage anyone who is a victim or aware of any form of abuse to contact local law enforcement immediately and contact the Diocesan Victims' Assistance Coordinator at 1-866-448-0217 or helpisavailable@columbuscatholic.org.

In light of these developments, I also wish to share with you a web link to the recent statement by Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo, USCCB president, (<http://www.usccb.org/news/2018/18-139.cfm>). Cardinal DiNardo has announced an initial framework to provide reporting and investigative processes for claims against U.S. bishops. This is an important and necessary step to ensure accountability for the leaders of our Church, whom we all rely on for spiritual direction and Church governance.

I encourage all to join me in offering prayers of healing for all of those who have been the victims of abuse, and pray that children and young people within our Church, through our faith, leadership and diligence, will be spared and protected from such abuse in the future. I also ask you remember our faithful priests, those dedicated men who serve our Church, our parishes, and ministries, and continue to offer them your prayers and support.

*Most Reverend Frederick F. Campbell
Bishop of Columbus*

CORRECTION

A story in the Aug. 26 Catholic Times gave an incorrect name for the former diocesan parish in Shawnee. The correct name is Shawnee St. Mary Church.

Pope asks entire Church to pray, fast after clerical sex abuse revelations

Catholic News Agency

VATICAN CITY - Pope Francis called Monday for every member of the Catholic Church to pray and fast in penance for the evil of clerical sex abuse, and to be involved in needed change within the Church.

"The only way that we have to respond to this evil that has darkened so many lives is to experience it as a task regarding all of us as the People of God," Francis wrote on Aug. 20.

In a letter to the entire Church following widespread revelations of clerical sex abuse in the Church in the United States, the pope invited "the entire holy faithful People of God to a penitential exercise of prayer and fasting, following the Lord's command."

"This can awaken our conscience and arouse our solidarity and commitment to a culture of care that says 'never again' to every form of abuse," he said. "Every one of the baptized should feel involved in the ecclesial and social change that we so greatly need."

In the letter, Francis acknowledged the recent publication of a report detailing abuse in six Pennsylvania dioceses, which included more than 300 priests and 1,000 victims, over a period of around 70 years.

Recognizing the deep pain and suffering endured by many minors who have experienced sexual abuse, or the abuse of power or conscience, at the hands of clerics, he said no effort to seek pardon or to repair the harm will ever be enough.

"Looking ahead to the future, no effort must be spared to create a culture able to prevent such situations from happening, but also to prevent the possibility of their being covered up and perpetuated," he stated.

He said the words of St. Paul, that "If one member suffers, all suffer together with it'... forcefully echo" in his heart.

The pope also emphasized that he thinks a conversion of the Church is "impossible" if it does not include the "active participation" of all the members of the Church, and he criticized the silencing or ignoring of some Catholics through the creation of elitist groups or projects.

In particular, all forms of clericalism should be rejected, he said, because clericalism undervalues baptismal grace and can lead to abuses by Church authority.

Clericalism causes "an excision in the ecclesial body that supports and helps to perpetuate many of the evils that we are condemning today," the pope said.

Voicing strong support for all the victims of clerical sex abuse and for their families, he said that although most of the cases that have recently come to light "belong to the past," the pain of the victims has come to be more known as time goes on.

He said the gravity and extent to which clerical sexual abuse of minors and other abuse has occurred takes "coming to grips ... in a comprehensive and communal way," and while conversion requires acknowledgment of the truth, it is "not enough."

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DIOCESE FORMS NEW CATHOLIC ETHNIC MINISTRIES OFFICE

By Tim Puet
Catholic Times Reporter

iversity that represents more than 30 active Catholic communities of non-European origin.

To celebrate this diversity as a gift and a source of strength for the whole Church, the diocese has created a new Office of Catholic Ethnic Ministries, which will combine the work of the existing Black Catholic Ministries and Catholic Latino Ministry offices and will expand the diocese's outreach to the local African/Haitian and Asian/Pacific Catholic communities.

The director of the new office is Pamela Harris, who since 2008 has been employed by the Diocese of Richmond, Virginia, as director of its ministries for people of African descent and the Asian-Pacific community. She will be aided by an assistant director and by four consultants – one each for the Latino, African-American, African/Haitian, and Asian/Pacific communities.

The mission statement for the new office says, "The Diocesan Office of Catholic Ethnic Ministries supports the Church's work of building the Kingdom of God in the Diocese of Columbus through education and support of parish and school efforts at growth in their specific ethnic ministries, as well as support for clergy assigned to care for ethnic communities and those communities' lay leadership.

"The office also reviews and monitors the conditions and situations of multiethnic Catholic ministries and populations across the diocese in order to help identify needed actions at the local and diocesan levels, working collaboratively with other diocesan offices to assure this."

Deacon Tom Berg Jr., diocesan chancellor, said the idea of creating an ethnic ministries office had been considered for some time, with an active effort toward its formation getting underway in early February.

"Over the years, we have worked with many parishes and diocesan offices and encountered a lot of people asking for help in their attempts to minister with our brothers and sisters from various ethnic communities," he said. "Their requests impelled us to move forward, with Bishop (Frederick) Campbell's approval, with creation of a full-fledged ethnic ministries office. Formation of this office will allow us to take a cohesive approach in helping parishes foster growth in their service to the ethnic communities in their particular parts of the diocese."

The Diocese of Columbus has a rich ethnic di-



Pamela Harris

Harris said she learned through a colleague that the Diocese of Columbus was looking for someone to direct the new office and, after going through a discernment period, decided to apply for the position. She accepted an offer to become the director in June. Her first day on the job was July 23.

"I'm delighted about this opportunity because it gives me a chance to expand on the duties I had in Richmond, to help form a new ministry that's inclusive and celebrates the uniqueness of a variety of ethnic groups, and to get to know more people and expand my own knowledge of the faith. It also isn't too far from home," said Harris. She is a native of Richmond, but describes herself as an "Army brat" who lived in Germany and several East Coast locations before her family settled back in Richmond when her father retired from the military in 1982.

Before being employed by the Richmond diocese, she was involved in the banking business for several years. She has a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Strayer University in Richmond and a master of arts degree in theology from St. Leo University in Florida. Besides being part of diocesan activities in Richmond, she also was involved in community programs, including Meals on Wheels, Junior Achievement, and Habitat for Humanity.

"Part of my enthusiasm for this job comes from talking with Deacon Berg about the vision of inclusiveness and of broadening the diocese's commitment to ethnic ministries," Harris said. "That vision is related to the Second Vatican Council's document on divine revelation, *Dei Verbum*, which talks about how we need to be joined together, each in his or her own way, under the Holy Spirit.

"We hope to embrace the spirit of subsidiarity (the principle that the Church's ministry best occurs at the most local level possible) as much as we can, with the goals of doing direct diocesan programming only when it is not feasible to do so at the local level and of treating each ethnic and parish community as unique, rather than lumping them together in a 'one size fits all' approach," she said.

"All of this embraces a spirit of transformation of hearts and minds so we can live out our Catholic faith to the fullest extent possible, as brothers and sisters in Christ who are equal in the eyes of the Lord and of one another."

A tentative budget has been set for the new office that will increase the diocese's financial commitment to ethnic ministries by 75 percent. Some of the activities to be overseen by the office include the many

ethnic and national Masses offered in the diocese on either a weekly or an occasional basis. These include Masses either all or partly in Spanish at 14 parishes, plus Masses in the Lebanese (in the Maronite Catholic tradition), Ghanaian, Creole French (Haitian), Italian, Korean, Nigerian, Portuguese, and Vietnamese languages, as well as the local Filipino Catholic community's annual *Simbang Gabi* celebration in the days before Christmas.

The office will continue the work with Hispanic and Latino cultures that was performed by the late Angela Johnston, who was director of the diocesan Latino ministry for 16 years until her death on Jan. 15. This includes assistance with immigration problems, conducting parish and community outreach activities, and completing the *V Encuentro* process that is being used to establish a long-term Latino ministry plan for the diocese.

The Catholic Ethnic Ministries office will continue to implement the pastoral plan of action established by the National Black Catholic Congress, which meets every five years, and to promote and offer the Bridging the Racial Divide program, as well as a number of other initiatives. The office also is planning later this year to present a play on the life of Father Augustus Tolton, the first recognized American diocesan priest of African descent. Profits from the play will be used to sponsor scholarships to the congress, which is scheduled to meet next in 2022.

Harris said that once additional staff members are hired and the Catholic Ethnic Ministries office becomes more established, it may host a multicultural fair at which the various diocesan ethnic communities will gather in one place to share their faith traditions.

"I'm looking forward to many one-on-one and group conversations with priests and parish leaders over the next few months, with the hope that this will develop lots of collaborative efforts embracing the spirit of missionary discipleship," she said. "The diocese has a beautiful diversity of communities, and I hope this new office will be a source which will help those communities evangelize each other."

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Faith in Action

By Mark Huddy

Death be not proud



Someone asked me recently about my favorite movies. I shared the titles of a number of them, including one called *The Scarlet and the Black*. My friend had not heard of it, so I gave him a brief synopsis. It is the story of Msgr. Hugh O'Flaherty, a Catholic priest working in the Vatican during World War II. Out of compassion and necessity, he develops an underground network to move Jews and Allied soldiers to safety after the German Army occupies Rome. A battle of wits takes place between Msgr. O'Flaherty (played by Gregory Peck) and the SS commandant of Rome, Col. Kappler, (Christopher Plummer). By the end of the movie, many people have been saved by O'Flaherty's underground organization, but many innocent people have been ruthlessly killed by Kappler. In the closing scenes, the Allies are poised to liberate Rome, and the two antagonists meet at the Colosseum at night. Kappler wants O'Flaherty to get his wife and children out of Rome before the Allies arrive. O'Flaherty is outraged and walks away while the captain shouts, "No, you're no different from anyone else. All your talk means nothing. Charity. Forgiveness. Mercy. It's all lies." The movie closes with Kappler in prison, being interrogated about the network that allowed his family to escape — an event about which he knows nothing but which O'Flaherty must have arranged. In the epilogue, we learn that O'Flaherty was the only visitor to Kappler's cell in prison and that Kappler was received into the Catholic Church by O'Flaherty. Conversion happens only when people have a tangible experience of God's love and mercy, usually through other believers.

Recently, Pope Francis announced a change in the portion of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* which addresses the death penalty. The revised version states that "Church teaches, in the light of the Gospel, that 'the death penalty is inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person' and she works with determination for its abolition worldwide." That change has sparked a debate between different groups in the Church as to whether this change exists in continuity with past teaching or is a new teaching unsupported by Catholic tradition.

In 1995, Pope John Paul II made some important statements in his encyclical *Evangelium Vitae* which resulted in the first change of this section of the *Catechism*. He noted the growing tendency in the Church and in civil society to insist that the death penalty be used in a very limited way.

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Stewardship Employment Ministry
celebrates 10th anniversary

The Stewardship Employment Ministry (SEM) based at Westerville St. Paul Church is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year and has placed nearly 1,000 people in jobs.

Its founder, Tom Nann, said he knows through email and other contacts that the ministry is responsible for 982 job placements. He estimates that the total number of people employed as a result of SEM's efforts is probably more than 1,000.

"That represents not just 982 people, but about the same number of families," he said. "That doesn't include others affected by the employment situation of these individuals in some way. I'm sure everyone knows someone who is unemployed or underemployed."

Nann established the ministry to provide a faith-based solution to guide job-seekers through the hiring process. For the first five years of his ministry, SEM conducted meetings at several Columbus-area parishes and sponsored job fairs twice a year at St. Paul Church. Those events attracted an average of more than 30 companies and resulted in more than 400 job placements.

Since mid-2013, more than 500 placements have been made through one-on-one contact initiated by Nann or SEM participants. Nann makes monthly visits to representatives of 13 large central Ohio companies to see what their employment needs are. This allows him to help the people attending SEM's weekly meetings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the St. Paul Church administration building, 313 N. State St.

The meetings look at subjects related to a job search and the impact of unemployment or underemploy-

ment on families. Nann said he personally benefited from SEM last year when he found himself out of a job because of cutbacks made by a previous employer in late 2016. He now is employed as warehouse and logistics manager for the thyssenkrupp elevator company in Westerville, which is providing financial support for SEM's efforts.

SEM relies heavily on contributions from parishes and individuals. People wishing to help the ministry may go to its website and donate through PayPal. Nann said 89 percent of what is donated to SEM goes to programs directly related to the ministry's mission, with 11 percent for expenses.

Nann is particularly grateful for the strong support provided by Father Charles Klinger, pastor of St. Paul Church. SEM also received a responsive grant from The Catholic Foundation in 2016. Father Klinger will be the namesake of an award that SEM plans to present every year to people or organizations who have been of assistance to the ministry.

Nann said the first Father Klinger Award will be presented to Solazzo Marble and Granite at the annual SEM golf outing on Monday, Sept. 10, at Blackhawk Golf Club, 8830 Dustin Road, Galena.

There will be an 11 a.m. shotgun start. The \$95 fee will include use of a cart and the driving range, a box lunch, and a dinner catered by Carfagna's at the Everal Barn in Westerville. Other awards also will be given at the dinner.

Sponsorship packages are available. For more information on the packages or SEM, contact Frank Fullin at frank.fullin@gmail.com or Nann at (614) 306-4487.

Parker to speak to men's luncheon club

The September meeting of the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club will feature a talk by Dr. Michael Parker, who will speak on Friday, Sept. 7 at Columbus St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., about challenges to Catholic health care. The luncheon is sponsored by St. Gabriel Radio.

Lunch will be served after the par-

ish's 11:45 a.m. Mass. The meeting will end by 1 p.m. No reservations are necessary. A \$10 donation is requested to cover the cost of the lunch and meeting. For information on the club, visit www.catholicmens-ministry.com/cmlc or contact club president George Harvey at GLHarvey56@gmail.com.

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OUR LADY OF PEACE RESPONDS TO “LAUDATO SI”

In his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis challenges everyone to take better care of God's creation. Columbus Our Lady of Peace Church has responded to that challenge with efforts to reduce energy consumption in ways that will save a considerable amount in utility charges.

The church was built 50 years ago, when there was less concern about energy use. The high-wattage lighting and oversized boilers with pneumatic controls that had been part of the building since then had become out-

dated, consuming much more energy than more modern systems.

A team of parishioners identified new equipment that could be used to produce significant savings and determined that several hundred thousand dollars would be needed to pay for the equipment. Utility rebates were available, but only for a limited period, in a time frame that did not align with the traditional parish capital campaign.

With the help of a \$135,000 grant from The Catholic Foundation, and work by the facilities team of the Dio-

cese of Columbus and by Dynamix Energy, a solution was found that resulted in \$40,000 in possible rebates from AEP and Columbia Gas, with work done on an accelerated basis. The grant and rebates allowed costs of the new installation to be paid back in about five years through expected savings.

The parish's pastor, Msgr. John Johnson, along with the parish finance council and Parish Council, approved moving forward with the project. As a result, the parish is saving about \$1,500 a month in utility charges.

The building is much more comfortable and the lighting has improved. Additionally, the parking lot lights are much brighter, leading to a safer environment, and the parish's carbon footprint was made smaller.

Our Lady of Peace Church wishes to thank the Diocese of Columbus, The Catholic Foundation, Dynamix Energy Services, Columbia Gas, American Electric Power, Spectrum LED Solutions, ESP Electric, and Columbus Building Solutions for delivering superior results and service.

Jubilee Museum celebrates 20th anniversary

The Jubilee Museum in Columbus will mark its 20th anniversary at a banquet on Sunday, Sept. 9 at the Renaissance Columbus-Westerville Hotel, 409 Altair Parkway.

The museum was founded in 1998 in the former Holy Family School building in Columbus' Franklinton neighborhood by Father Kevin Lutz, who at the time was pastor of Holy Family Church. Its name honors the Jubilee year celebrated throughout the Catholic Church in 2000 to mark the beginning of the third millennium of Christianity.

In the two decades since its founding, the museum has acquired hundreds of paintings, statues, altars, vestments, books, and various other liturgical items, to the extent that the Vatican recognizes it as having the largest diversified collection of Catholic art in the United States. It attracts

visitors from throughout the United States and the world and consistently has ranked highly on the TripAdvisor travel site.

Its mission of preserving beautiful and sacred things, restoring them to their proper place in the Church, and using the power of their beauty to educate and evangelize is made possible solely through freewill offerings.

Events for the evening will begin at 5 p.m. and include a silent and a live auction, raffles, and awarding of door prizes. Dinner is at 6:30. Tickets are \$60 for individuals and \$1,000 for a table of 10. Each reservation includes two drink tickets. Table reservations also include two bottles of wine.

The deadline for reservations is Wednesday, Aug. 29. For more information, send an email to info@jubileemuseum.org or call (614) 600-0054.

Turban project looking for 'bling'

The Turban Project at Sts. Peter and Paul Retreat Center in Newark is looking for “bling” – items such as costume jewelry, pins, and brooches – so its participants can make turbans, courage caps, beanies, scarves, knit and crocheted hats, and face masks for people who have lost their hair because of cancer treatment.

In six years, the project has supplied 20,270 items, said its founder, Kathy Braidich. It supplies 25 hospitals or treatment centers in central and southern Ohio and parts of Kentucky and West Virginia. It also has

independently run satellite projects in Ohio, three other states, and five other nations.

The ministry runs totally on donations. Its website is www.turbanproject.com. Donations also may be made through the Licking County Foundation or The Columbus Foundation, or by mail to The Turban Project, 7871 Ridge Road, Frazesburg OH 43822. For more information, send an email message to turbanproject@outlook.com or contact Braidich at (704) 504-6133 or Sally Oldham at (614) 403-9706. All donations are tax-deductible.

Circleville parish plants tree for diocese



The cemetery board of Circleville St. Joseph Church planted a honey locust tree in the parish cemetery in honor of the 150th anniversary of the Diocese of Columbus. The diocese has asked each of its parishes to consider planting at least one tree to mark the occasion. The parish's pastor, Father Theodore Machnik, dedicated and blessed the tree, and everyone present at the dedication took turns blessing the tree with holy water. Pictured are (from left) Chuck Estel, Ron McMullen, Matt Forquer, Andy Vance, Father Machnik, Ed Kottenstette, and Russ Kamler.

Photo courtesy St. Joseph Church

Hilltop parishes come together for cookout

The three parishes of Columbus' Hilltop neighborhood – St. Aloysius, St. Mary Magdalene and St. Agnes – came together in late July to serve the needs of their neighbors and to share fellowship at a community cookout. About 250 people attended. They ate picnic food, desserts, and ice cream, and listened to live Christian music by the Living Stones. In addition, The Ohio State University's mobile kitchen demonstrated healthy food recipes and provided samples; a

nurse was present to take blood pressure screenings; the St. Mary Magdalene St. Vincent de Paul conference handed out free bags of nonperishable foods; the Run the Race Club mobile center and RTR Farm provided children's activities and a petting zoo; Ginger West hosted a prayer table; Bea Murphy was in charge of a Hilltop history table; and the Columbus police K-9 unit and a Columbus Fire Department hook-and-ladder unit shared information.

Patron saint for purgatory?



QUESTION & ANSWER Father Kenneth Doyle Catholic News Service

Q Is there a patron saint for the souls in purgatory? (Columbus, Ohio)

A Two saints in particular are often invoked on behalf of the souls in purgatory. One is St. Nicholas of Tolentino, a 13th-century Augustinian priest, and the other is St. Gertrude the Great, a 13th-century Benedictine nun.

Not long after his ordination, Nicholas had a striking dream in which a deceased Augustinian appeared to him and begged his prayers to be released from the “purifying torments” that he was undergoing. Nicholas spent that night in prayer and then offered his Masses during the following week for the suffering priest.

A short time later, that same priest appeared again and assured Nicholas that he had been released from purgatory. As a result, prayers for the departed souls became a distinguishing feature of Nicholas’ spirituality and ministry.

Gertrude the Great was one of the earliest mystics to whom Jesus encouraged devotion to his Sacred Heart. According to tradition, Gertrude was told by the Lord that the recitation of a particular short prayer would result in the immediate release of 1,000 souls from purgatory.

That supposed promise, however, appears nowhere in the recorded writings of Gertrude; and in the late 1890s, the Holy See challenged a rash of holy cards then being released with false promises and indulgences. The Vatican declared that any prayers guaranteeing the automatic release of a specific number of souls from purgatory were “apocryphal” and should be rejected by the faithful.

The Feast of All Souls is celebrated by the universal church on Nov. 2, and countless Catholics pray for them regularly, especially during the month of November.

Q I am not a Christian, but I enjoy reading your column and learn a lot from it. I am hoping that you can explain why St. Michael the Arch-

angel is regarded as a saint. I have always been under the impression that a saint is a deceased believer who is recognized by the Catholic Church after the process of canonization. But Archangel Michael has never been human, right? (Jefferson City, Missouri)

A In the contemporary church, what you have said is true: A saint is a believer who, after a lengthy investigation, is formally declared by the Vatican to have reached heaven and to be worthy of veneration. But in the early centuries, there was no such formal process.

The first saints were martyred for their faith during the Roman persecutions, and Christians began spontaneously to honor their memory and to commemorate annually the dates on which they had died. It was only in the 12th century, under Pope Alexander III, that the process of canonization became centralized in Rome.

St. Michael, as you point out, was never a human being. Like the other angels, he was created by God as a pure spirit -- with intellect and will, but no physical body. The word “saint,” though, is derived from the Latin meaning “one who is holy,” and the holiness of Michael has long been recognized by the church.

Michael is one of the three angels mentioned by name in the Scriptures -- the others being Raphael and Gabriel. In Chapter 12 of the Book of Revelation, Michael is portrayed as leading the faithful angels in defeating the hosts of evil and driving them out of paradise. He has thus been revered in Catholic tradition as the protector of the church. As early as the fourth century, Christian churches were dedicated to St. Michael, and since the ninth century his feast day has been celebrated in the church’s liturgy on Sept. 29.

Questions may be sent to Father Kenneth Doyle at askfatherdoyle@gmail.com and 30 Columbia Circle Drive, Albany NY 12203.

Birthright plans annual fundraiser

The Birthright of Columbus pregnancy support service will host its annual luncheon and style show at noon Saturday, Sept. 22 at Mozart’s Cafe, 4784 N. High St., Columbus.

Fashions from Dress Barn will be modeled. A handmade afghan, a handmade Ohio State quilt, a 32-inch flat-screen television, and a \$50 Meijer gift card will be raffled off. There also will be a silent auction.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$35 for adults and \$15 for children and will benefit the Birthright offices at 2453 W. Mound St. and 4768 N. High St., Columbus, where pregnant women are helped with free and confidential services.

Birthright has moved its West Side office from Skidmore Street to 2453 W. Mound St. As the needs of the community grow, so does the scope of Birthright’s services. But the fundamental basis of Birthright involves providing unconditional love, hope, and assistance to pregnant women

Birthright also operates the In Review thrift store at 4768 N. High St. The store

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He then taught about the purpose of punishment – “to redress the disorder caused by the offense” – by imposing on the offender an adequate punishment for the crime as a condition for the offender to regain his or her freedom. Thus, public order and safety can be assured while giving the offender an opportunity to be rehabilitated. Since the death penalty cuts off rehabilitation and acts against the inviolable dignity of the person, the pope taught that in virtually all cases, bloodless means are sufficient to defend human lives against an aggressor and protect public order and public safety. Pope Benedict XVI also called on political leaders to eliminate the death penalty.

It seems clear to me that the new teaching on the death penalty exists in continuity with the Church’s recent teaching that the death penalty should not be used because of our increased understanding of inalienable human dignity, our increased capability to protect society with an organized penal system, and the penultimate restorative goal of punishment prior to reintegration with the larger society. God has revealed to us in sacred Scripture that He takes no pleasure in the death of a sinner, but rejoices in his conversion (Ezekiel 33:11).



Pictured with an Ohio State quilt to be raffled off at the annual Birthright of Columbus luncheon and style show are (from left): Peggy Mackessy, Birthright president; Mary Jo Mayhan, and Emma Mackessy. Photo courtesy Birthright

accepts contributions of clothing, household items, books, jewelry, games, and other items. The store is always in need of volunteers who would like to give a few hours to provide help.

For information about the event or tickets, call Marge Kilanowicz at (614) 888-0917 or Mary Jo Mayhan at (614) 235-7465. The reservation deadline for the luncheon is Monday, Sept. 17.

Jesus shows us this fact in deeds in his forgiveness of the adulterous woman and in the parables of Luke Chapter 15 – the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son. Jesus reminds the religious leaders of His day that God desires mercy, not sacrifice. In forming the Church, Jesus gives it the power to forgive sins and makes it a sacrament of mercy in the world.

If there is any flaw in the revision of the Catechism about the death penalty being inadmissible, it is that it does not connect for us Catholics, as clearly as it could, the responsibility to make the bloodless means of punishment – incarceration – rehabilitative enough for reintegration. The only way that can occur is for God’s people to show God’s mercy (as Msgr. O’Flaherty did) to those who need it inside the prison walls and when they return. Then real rehabilitation, real conversion occurs. Then there will be rejoicing in heaven and earth.

To learn more about prison ministry and reentry opportunities, call ARCH at (614) 643-2149 or email arch@svdpcolumbus.org.

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THE EVERYDAY CATHOLIC



By Rick Jeric

Education Wisdom

For some, the new academic year has already begun. For others, it will begin this coming week. When I was in school, I could not wait to get out and be an adult in the working world. Now I look forward to retirement, grandchildren, and more time with my wife. School and education at each

level was always a big challenge for me. That daily struggle, coupled with me being very lazy and always wanting to be elsewhere, made for a very tough combination. I did fine in grade school, and even finished sixth in my high-school class. Sounds pretty good, but there were only 11 of us. And in college, I finished 223rd in my class of 222. I am still trying to figure out how that was possible. I married a wonderful CPA, who was valedictorian of her high-school class and did very well in college, so I can be pretty smart at times. I do feel that I learned a lot of lessons throughout my academic years. Part of my career has been as a high-school teacher, so I have experience on both sides in the classroom. I thought I would offer some education wisdom to any students who might happen to read this.

For those in kindergarten, my advice is to be kind to your classmates. Start being nice right now. Share the toys and materials, and especially vegetable snacks. Never make fun of the kid who still wets himself. His grandchild may be changing you someday. First graders, things are more structured now. Remember to pray grace before your lunch, and even before snacks. Share the crayons, but covet the burnt sienna, which is the coolest color in the box of 64. And always stand up for yourself. Do not let the bullies establish themselves, or you are stuck with them for years. Second graders, do your absolute best to be mesmerized and in awe of the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Your life is forever changed and your salvation assured by regularly and consistently taking advantage of the sacraments of Penance and Eucharist. Third through sixth grade boys, do not fight the growing realization that girls are indeed very different. They do not have cooties, and they do blossom into beautiful, talented people. They are equal and deserve our respect, but in very interesting ways, they are different. And girls, do not fight the growing realization that not all boys are pigs. They will begin to smile at you, ask if you need help with something, and may even hold a door open for you. Do not fight it, and appreciate the kindness and respect that shows you are worth the effort and not weak. Seventh and eighth graders, take a deep breath. Not only are your bodies and hormones changing, but so should your minds, your hearts, and your spirits. This is the time to absorb as much knowledge as you can. The discipline and study habits you establish now will serve you well throughout high school and college. The ways in which you learn to love one another and maintain peace will serve our world well when you are running it. And the gifts of the Holy Spirit you receive with Confirmation are always there for the rest of your life. What could be better to take on this world than wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and wonder and awe of our Lord? And we adults should remember to call upon these gifts often. High school and college I will lump together. Recall all the things you learned in all your prior years of education, but especially what you learned at home from your parents. It will serve you very well. Guys, remember that every woman is special and is someone's daughter and sister. Ladies, remember the guys need love and respect, too. Most of all, pray and love each day in a world that is in dire need of both. Then go out the next day and pray and love some more.



HOLY AND HEALTHY

Lori Crock

Efficiency

One of the things I am learning from Pope Francis is to focus more on people and less on efficiency. What that means is that in our quest for efficiency, we can miss Jesus in the face of our neighbor when we are solely focused on completing a task, even if it's a good work. A right and just activity should not be forged at the expense of kindness and care for others.

"We must grow in passion for evangelizing," the pope said. "If we must sacrifice something, let's sacrifice organization and move forward with the mysticism of saints."

As the pope exhorts us to be witnesses to the Gospel in our work and play, we might ask ourselves how we can live the "mysticism of the saints" in our daily lives. This is an immense topic to take to prayer as we attempt to become more holy and healthy.

I'll share an example from my life. I'm part of a spiritual book group with some women from my parish. We meet weekly — and at first, we efficiently marched through the books, sharing our thoughts, but staying on track with the topic at hand. Over time, we started sharing more personal stories and experiences (which related to the book most of the time), but now it can take us months to finish a book. We might get through only a few paragraphs in one meeting.

When I look at how our meetings have changed, we are definitely less efficient, but I see in our approach the pope's call to us to live with the "mysticism of the saints." Sharing, learning, loving, praying, and caring for each other has profoundly affected each

of us. We leave our time together feeling that God has touched us and that we have shared the Gospel with each other in new, personal, substantial ways. We've learned that it's not how efficiently we can review a book that matters, but that it's the listening, loving, and moving forward under the guidance of the Holy Spirit that really impacts us.

Pope Francis said, "Mission is never the fruit of a perfectly planned program or a well-organized manual. Mission is always the fruit of a life which knows what it is to be found and healed."

Being "found and healed" is such a powerful sentiment. These words remind me that efficiency isn't solely about slowing down, but it's also about truly tuning in to each other. The beauty of this practice is that when we pause to care, God softens our hearts, and amazing changes can unfold in both the giver and the receiver.

Here is another personal example. One day, I was taking Communion to the hospital and I really wanted to make it to daily Mass afterward. I hurriedly visited patients, but it quickly became clear that this was not being a good witness to the Gospel. Desiring Communion for myself is a good thing, but not at the expense of taking Communion to the sick. So I slowed down and took more time to converse and be present to the patients. An amazing peace came over me, and I left the hospital feeling Christ's presence in a way that was quite honestly akin to receiving him in holy Communion. What a powerful lesson in efficiency that was for me!

So I urge you to prayerfully consider the pope's call in your own life and ask the Holy Spirit to show you how you can be a "wave of missionary passion" to others.

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Men's retreat to take place Septmeber 7-9

The Catholic Men's Retreat League will sponsor a silent retreat for men from Friday, Sept. 7 to Sunday, Sept. 9 at St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. Father Denis G. Wilde, OSA, a member of the Augustinian order and associate director of Priests for Life, will be the presenter. His theme will be "To Have a Relationship With the Holy Spirit." To register, go to www.retreatleague.org or call James Allen at (614) or Mark Hasson at (614) 425-5422.

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COLUMBUS ST. FRANCIS DESALES STALLIONS

It's not often that St. Francis DeSales ends up watching the state playoffs from the sidelines, but that's what happened in 2017.

Despite playing a rugged schedule and finishing with a 6-4 record, the Stallions failed to accumulate enough computer points to qualify for the postseason for the first time since 2013. At a school that has made 25 playoff appearances, won three state titles, and finished second five times, that didn't sit well with the coaches or the players.

"We fell short," coach Ryan Wiggins said. "It's not as if we were a bad team or things were terribly wrong. We didn't have enough points. Every team we lost to was very, very good. We play a tough schedule, and it's just the way it goes."

DeSales hopes to make that just a one-year absence and keep playing well into November this year. But, as always, its schedule isn't for the meek and humble of heart. It includes



St. Francis DeSales seniors. Photo by Barb Dougherty

a defending state champion, a state runner-up, a regional finalist, and other 2017 playoff qualifiers.

"The goal is not just to make it to the playoffs, but to make a run in the playoffs," senior defensive back and wide receiver Anthony Sciarroni said.

The Stallions return several key seniors expected to be driving forces on offense and defense. One of those is Joey Velazquez, a running back and linebacker who has committed to play football and baseball at Michigan.

DeSales does have some holes to

fill, particularly at linebacker after losing all three starters to graduation and at quarterback. Senior Vince Thompson and junior Reno Godfrey battled during the preseason to win the QB job.

Returning lettermen: 22

Top players: WR/DB Carter Hilleary, sr.; WR/DB Anthony Sciarroni, sr.; RB/LB Joey Velazquez, sr.; OL/DL Rodas Johnson, sr.; OL/DL Cole

Potts, jr.

Coach speaks: "The one thing about last year is it's a little bit humbling. Many years you play a tough schedule and 6-4 is good enough to get you in. But you walk a very fine line. You only get so many opportunities, and you have to make good on them. That's a long offseason." Nobody is happy with missing the playoffs. Maybe it re-creates a little bit of hunger. It's not a given, and so you have to make good on your opportunities."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 25 – at Dayton Dunbar
- Aug. 31 – at Lancaster
- Sept. 7 – at Youngstown Mooney
- Sept. 14 – Dayton Belmont
- Sept. 21 – Covington Catholic
- Sept. 28 – St. Charles
- Oct. 5 – Terre Haute (Ind.) North (at Earlham College, Richmond, Ind.)
- Oct. 12 – Bishop Hartley
- Oct. 19 – at Winton Woods
- Oct. 26 – at Watterson

2017 RESULTS (6-4)

- DeSales 50, Royal Imperial Collegiate (Canada) 0
- DeSales 34, Lancaster 14
- DeSales 28, Youngstown Mooney 7
- Indianapolis Chatard 42, DeSales 7
- Covington Catholic 35, DeSales 7
- DeSales 31, St. Charles 0
- DeSales 28, Trenton Edgewood 3
- Hartley 23, DeSales 21
- Cincinnati Winton Woods 42, DeSales 7
- DeSales 41, Watterson 7

Conference: Central Catholic League

Coach: Ryan Wiggins (97-35 in 11 seasons at DeSales, 101-41 overall)

COLUMBUS BISHOP HARTLEY HAWKS

Coach Brad Burchfield has built Bishop Hartley into such a perennial power that last year seemed like a disappointment when the Hawks were ousted from the state playoffs in a regional final.

Burchfield's success has created expectations that rival those at Ohio State. And he may be the winningest football coach in central Ohio not named Urban Meyer. In 10 years at the school, Burchfield has guided the Hawks to three state titles, one runner-up finish, six regional titles, and nine playoff appearances.

"The expectation is always to compete for state championships," senior lineman Payton Collins said.

Hartley expects nothing less than more success again. But the schedule, as always, will be challenging. The Hawks open at Division III state semifinalist Toledo Central Catholic and return home to face defending Division V state champion Wheelersburg, which hasn't lost a



Payton Collins



Walter Carreker

regular-season game in four years. In Week 5, the Hawks play at 2017 Division IV state runner-up Clinton-Massie.

"We've got a formidable challenge week one," Burchfield said. "We're excited about it to see where we are and where we need to be."

Talent is never in short supply at Hartley. Senior Jordan Kirkbride is a highly recruited tight end and defensive lineman. The offense should be potent, with senior back Phillip

Cole, junior quarterback Miles Flemming, and junior tailback Jalen January.

"When you've got Phillip Cole, you've got to get the ball in his hands," Burchfield said. "We'd be silly not to. I don't know that I've had anyone like Phillip. He's a dynamic player. People know he's getting the ball, and it's hard to stop him."

Returning lettermen: 22

Top players: OL/DL Payton Collins, sr.; OL/DL Walter Carreker, sr.; WR/DB Phillip Cole, sr.; RB/LB Jalen January, jr.; TE/LB Jordan Kirkbride, sr.; K Matteo Agresti, sr.; QB/DB Miles Flemming, jr

Coach speaks: "We always have really high expectations. When you've (won a state title), every year you don't do it there's a mild sense of disappointment, which is unfortunate because we have great years, and sometimes the scoreboard doesn't go our way. Those are the expectations, and we certainly embrace them."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 24 – at Toledo Central Catholic
- Aug. 31 – Wheelersburg
- Sept. 7 – Columbus Bishop Ready
- Sept. 14 – Chillicothe
- Sept. 21 – at Clinton-Massie
- Sept. 28 – Watterson
- Oct. 5 – at Belmont
- Oct. 12 – at DeSales
- Oct. 19 – North Canton Hoover
- Oct. 26 – at Columbus St. Charles

2017 RESULTS (11-2)

- Toledo Central Catholic 35, Hartley 16
- Hartley 31, Central Crossing 6
- Hartley 56, E. Cleveland Shaw 0
- Hartley 44, Chillicothe 7
- Hartley 45, Worthington Killbourn 17
- Hartley 34, Watterson 0
- Hartley 42, Ready 10
- Hartley 23, DeSales 21
- Hartley 24, North Canton Hoover 19
- Hartley 46, St. Charles 7
- Hartley 62, New Philadelphia 21 (OHSAA playoffs)
- Hartley 44, Columbus Independence 14 (OHSAA playoffs)
- Tri-Valley 13, Hartley 9 (OHSAA playoffs)

Conference: Central Catholic League

Coach: Brad Burchfield (111-23 in 10 seasons at Hartley, 142-48 overall)

COLUMBUS BISHOP WATTERSON EAGLES

Bishop Watterson's Brian Kennedy begins his second year as the head coach of a tradition-rich football program that he's trying to restore to its former glory.

The Eagles, who have made 23 playoff appearances and won a state title in 2010, struggled to a 2-8 record last year. Since 2013, Watterson has been in postseason play and finished with a winning record only once.

"The first year is always a learning experience," Kennedy said. "Going 2-8 is humbling. It makes you look back on some things. Going into the season, we thought we had some real good ideas, and about halfway through the season you scrap them because they're just not working. We've certainly learned in terms of last year. We've narrowed the focus a little bit on offense and defense."

Kennedy faces another difficult challenge, compounded by a rugged schedule and a smaller roster of 35 players.



Watterson captains include (from left) Grant Holsinger, Grant Horvath and Drew Davis.

Watterson, a Division III school, opens with two Division I opponents (Dublin Jerome, Olentangy Orange), and faces some of the state's traditional powers before closing with rival Columbus St. Francis DeSales.

The Eagles played a competitive game against Jerome last year in a 28-27 loss.

"We certainly have our work cut out for us," Kennedy said. "Last year,

that game was really close. Our kids have some confidence that we can compete with them, but certainly, it will be a challenge."

Watterson graduated a large senior class and returns only six starters. Kennedy will lean on this year's seniors to provide leadership.

Returning starters: 6

Top players: OL/DL Grant Holsinger, sr.; QB/LB Grant Horvath, sr.; OL/DL Mason Graney, jr.; WR/DB Anthony Auddino, sr.; OL/DL Drew Davis, sr.; WR/DB Nathan Best, sr.

Coach speaks: "When you're trying to change the culture of a program, it's going to take time. You have to have some patience. I think we learned from mistakes. It's always a challenge. You want to put the kids in the best position to be successful as a team. Sometimes it takes a little longer with that than maybe you were hoping for or expecting."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 24 – Dublin Jerome
- Aug. 31 – at Olentangy Orange
- Sept. 7 – Cuyahoga Falls Walsh Jesuit (at Ohio Dominican)
- Sept. 14 – Wheelersburg (at Hilliard Darby)
- Sept. 21 – Cleveland Benedictine (at ODU)
- Sept. 28 – at Bishop Hartley
- Oct. 5 – at Youngstown Ursuline
- Oct. 12 – St. Charles
- Oct. 19 – at Logan
- Oct. 26 – DeSales

2017 RESULTS (2-8)

- Watterson 41, Whitehall 6
- Olentangy Orange 22, Watterson 0
- Cuyahoga Falls Walsh Jesuit 37, Watterson 34 (2OT)
- Wheelersburg 47, Watterson 17
- Cleveland Benedictine 35, Watterson 16
- Hartley 34, Watterson 0
- Hilliard Bradley 42, Watterson 0
- Watterson 31, St. Charles 7
- Dublin Jerome 28, Watterson 27
- DeSales 41, Watterson 7

Conference: Central Catholic League

Coach: Brian Kennedy (2-8 in one season at school and overall)

COLUMBUS ST. CHARLES CARDINALS

This year's senior class at St. Charles Preparatory School is playing for its third head coach in four years and hopes to be part of a turnaround.

The Cardinals enter the 2018 season with Deke Hocker taking over for Bob Jacoby, who resigned in January. St. Charles finished 1-9 overall and 0-3 in the Central Catholic League in 2017 and was 4-16 overall and 1-4 in the CCL under Jacoby in his two seasons.

This will be Hocker's first head coaching job. He most recently served as assistant principal at Westerville St. Paul School and was offensive coordinator for five years at Buckeye Valley High School. He played college football at Otterbein, then went into coaching as an assistant at Western Kentucky before returning to Otterbein.

St. Charles ran the triple option under Jacoby, but Hocker's offense will be more balanced, with the defense



Three returning seniors for St. Charles are (from left) Pete Griffith, Taylor Bryant and Jake Moore.

predominantly a 4-3 alignment.

Learning new offensive and defensive systems can be challenging, but the players are adjusting.

"I would say for the most part it's been a really good transition," senior lineman Ray Duffy said. "It's been a smooth install for the most part. From my experience as an offensive lineman, it's just doing the same stuff in a

different order."

On defense, the Cardinals return senior Jake Moore, the leading tackler from last year with 137 stops. On offense, senior Taylor Bryant is the top returning rusher with 600 yards last season.

One of the key position battles leading up to the opener at Dublin Scioto was at quarterback. Dan DiNapoli, a 6-foot-4 senior, was vying with 6-6 junior Hank Kern and junior Andy Mason.

Returning lettermen: 15

Top players: OLB/WR Pete Griffith, sr.; RB/LB Taylor Bryant, sr.; DB/RB Jake Moore, sr.; OL/DL Ray Duffy, sr.; OL/DL Connor Carretta, jr.; WR/DB Cameron O'Neil, jr.; WR/DB Roland Rowe, jr.

Coach speaks: "I think the guys have picked up what we've tried to install really, really well, probably quicker than I expected. They've done great."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 24 – at Dublin Scioto
- Aug. 31 – at Columbus Eastmoor Academy
- Sept. 7 – at Columbus Independence
- Sept. 14 – New Philadelphia
- Sept. 21 – Fayette Christian
- Sept. 28 – at DeSales
- Oct. 5 – at Mansfield Madison
- Oct. 12 – at Bishop Watterson
- Oct. 19 – KIPP Academy
- Oct. 26 – at Hartley

2017 RESULTS (1-9)

- Upper Arlington 53, St. Charles 0
- Reynoldsburg 34, St. Charles 0
- Columbus Independence 24, St. Charles 23
- New Philadelphia 29, St. Charles 28
- Washington Court House 1, St. Charles 0 (forfeit)
- DeSales 31, St. Charles 0
- St. Charles 45, Mansfield Madison 13
- Watterson 31, St. Charles 7
- Cincinnati LaSalle 38, St. Charles 10
- Hartley 46, St. Charles 7

Conference: Central Catholic League

Coach: Deke Hocker (first year at school and as a head coach)

COLUMBUS BISHOP READY SILVER KNIGHTS

As Brian Cross enters his fifth season as Bishop Ready's head coach, with at least six starters returning on both sides of the football, there's a positive vibe heading into the 2018 season.

The Silver Knights qualified for the state playoffs last year, losing to eventual Division V state champion Wheelersburg in the first round, and finished 7-4. Starting quarterback Austin Aiello and 5-foot-5, 140-pound Jack Foley, a 1,400-yard rusher, are among the returnees.

For the second straight year, Ready will play a Mid-State League Ohio Division schedule as a provisional member. The Silver Knights will not be eligible for the title, but that could change in the future if they become a permanent member. In the meantime, playing central Ohio teams provides scheduling stability and eliminates long road trips.

"I told our kids that if we beat everybody in the league, in our minds



Bishop Ready seniors include (from left) Sam Hardenbergh, Cade Canter, Cade Dent and Austin Aiello.

we're the champions, and I'd buy them a trophy if that meant something to them," Cross said.

Ready also has a stadium to call home this season. The Silver Knights will play at 6,500-seat Fortress Field, built on the site of the former Columbus Motor Speedway in Obetz, starting with the Aug. 24 opener against Genoa, a 2018 playoff qualifier.

"It's great for us – the fact that we're going to go the same stadium each week for home games," Cross said. "It will actually feel like a home game this year because we're going to the same place."

The schedule includes two other playoff teams – West Jefferson and Bishop Hartley – in Weeks 2 and 3. Six of Ready's 10 opponents were postseason participants a year ago.

Returning lettermen: 11

Top players: QB/CB Austin Aiello, sr.; TE/DL Cade Canter, sr.; DT/FB Sam Hardenbergh, sr.; RB/DB Jack Foley; DB Cade Dent, sr.; K A.J. Craddock, jr.

Coach speaks: "Every time we handed the ball off (to Foley), it scared me. He carried the ball about 25 times last year. That's a little too much for one back, especially for someone his size, but he's a tough, physical kid. But we plan on spreading the ball around a little bit more."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 24 – Genoa
- Aug. 31 – at West Jefferson
- Sept. 7 – at Hartley
- Sept. 14 – at Grandview Heights
- Sept. 21 – Liberty Union
- Sept. 28 – at Amanda-Clearcreek
- Oct. 5 – Columbus Academy
- Oct. 12 – at London
- Oct. 19 – Whitehall
- Oct. 26 – at Bexley

2017 RESULTS (7-4)

- Columbus Academy 31, Ready 0
- Ready 49, Lakewood 13
- Ready 27, Centerburg 6
- Ready 24, Grandview Heights 22
- Ready 20, Liberty Union 13
- Ready 28, Amanda-Clearcreek 0
- Hartley 42, Ready 10
- Ready 27, London 23
- Whitehall 32, Ready 2
- Ready 35, Bexley 7
- Wheelersburg 34, Ready 0 (OHSAA playoffs)

Conference: Central Catholic League and Mid-State League (auxiliary member)

Coach: Brian Cross (25-16 in four years at Bishop Ready, 239-140 overall)

NEWARK CATHOLIC GREEN WAVE

Newark Catholic enters the 2018 season with a new coach and the same expectations that have made the program one of the most successful in Ohio history.

Ryan Aiello takes over for longtime coach Bill Franks, who left after last season to take the head coaching job at New Lexington.

Aiello spent the last three seasons as an assistant under coach Brian Cross at Bishop Ready. Before coming to Columbus, the Indiana native played defensive back at Ball State, then served as an assistant coach at Ball State, Anderson University, and St. Joseph's (Indiana) College.

"I've been very blessed. It's been a smooth transition," he said. "It's a tremendous culture at Newark Catholic."

He inherits a Newark Catholic team that finished an uncharacteristic 3-7 a year ago and missed the playoffs. The Green Wave want to change those results in 2018 and build upon a proud tradition that includes 35 postseason



Newark Catholic seniors.

appearances, eight state championships, and six runner-up finishes.

"Newark Catholic takes great pride in what they accomplish and what they represent from a faith standpoint, from an athletic standpoint, and from an academic standpoint," Aiello said. "3-7 is not an expectation for anybody, especially not Newark Catholic. We've taken the approach of 'Let's learn from this and move forward.'"

The Green Wave have 51 players on the roster and return a strong senior

class and as many as eight returning starters on each side of the ball who Aiello will lean heavily upon.

Returning lettermen: 20

Top players: WR/DB Granger Evans, sr.; RB/DB Connor Roelskin, jr.; RB/DB Grant Myers, sr.; WR/DB Avery Stutz, sr.; OL/DL Liam Kirkpatrick, sr.; QB/DB Matt Carlisle, jr.; OL/DL Trey Tigner, sr.; WR/DL Lucas Pierce, sr.; OL/DL Alex Lupton, sr.; RB/LB Mikey Canning, sr.; OL/DL Nate Williams, jr.; RB/DB Derek Hawk, jr.

Coach speaks: "We have very good balance. We're going to put out the players we trust and are doing the right things on and off the field. We've moved some kids around to different positions, and lots of guys are going both ways, but it has increased our depth. We're trying to put kids in positions to be successful. We're not stuck to a certain system. ... We've just got to focus on (the opener against) Maysville. We've got a long road ahead of us."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 23 – at Maysville
- Aug. 31 – at Seneca East
- Sept. 8 – Columbus Academy
- Sept. 14 – Watkins Memorial
- Sept. 21 – at Licking Heights
- Sept. 28 – Utica
- Oct. 5 – at Johnstown
- Oct. 12 – Licking Valley
- Oct. 19 – at Heath
- Oct. 26 – Northridge

2017 RESULTS (3-7)

- Maysville 27, Newark Catholic 16
- Nelsonville-York 21, Newark Catholic 14
- Columbus Academy 38, Newark Catholic 0
- Newark Catholic 15, Watkins Memorial 14
- Licking Heights 55, Newark Catholic 13
- Newark Catholic 32, Utica 14
- Johnstown-Monroe 33, Newark Catholic 13
- Licking Valley 48, Newark Catholic 27
- Newark Catholic 6, Heath 3
- Northridge 26, Newark Catholic 22

Conference: Licking County League

Coach: Ryan Aiello (first season at Newark Catholic and as a head coach)

ZANESVILLE BISHOP ROSECRANS BISHOPS

Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans hopes to make school history this year by being in the state playoffs for a third straight year, following seasons of 7-4 and 8-3 under fourth-year coach Mark Johnston.

"It won't be easy, but we have two strong senior running backs returning in Carter Dosch at tailback and Austin Church at tailback," Johnston said. Those two are among seven starters returning on offense and six on defense.

Dosch ran for 1,180 yards and 22 touchdowns last year. "I expect him to have the same type of year or a better year rushing the ball," the coach said. "Both he and Church are capable of good years in our I-formation setup."

Dosch was one of four All-Ohio players on last year's team. Receiver Hudson Moore, who caught 58 passes for 1,038 yards, and lineman



Nick Losco



Cam Hagy



Austin Church

Derek Kunkler were first-team selections, and quarterback Jack Nash, with more than 2,000 yards in total offense, joined Dosch on the third team.

Johnston is anxious to see what junior Marcus Browning can do at wide receiver and linebacker after spending three years out of football and concentrating on soccer, a sport he still plays as the Bishops' goaltender. "In practice, he has been what I thought he would be," Johnston said. "He could be our best defender by the end of the year."

"Cam Hagy, who was the starting fullback last year, is our quarterback. The key for him is limiting mistakes. Defensively, we've bounced around with different formations over the years, depending on the type of players we had. This year, we'll play a 4-4."

Returning lettermen: 13

Top players: RB/LB Carter Dosch, sr.; WR/DB Nick Losco, jr.; QB/LB Cam Hagy, jr.; OT/DE Matt Applegate, sr.; G/DT Dalton Proctor, jr.; RB/LB Austin Church, sr.; WR/LB Marcus Browning, jr.

Coach speaks: "Last year, we had more of a balanced attack, with plenty of running and passing. This year, we'll run first and pass when we have to, probably 10 or 12 times a game. With an 18-man roster, our biggest challenge, as with most small schools, is getting ready every week."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 24 – at Beallsville
- Aug. 31 – at Portsmouth Notre Dame
- Sept. 7 – Grandview Heights
- Sept. 14 – at Fairfield Christian
- Sept. 21 – at Harvest Prep
- Sept. 28 – at Worthington Christian
- Oct. 5 – KIPP Academy
- Oct. 12 – Berne Union
- Oct. 19 – at Grove City Christian
- Oct. 27 – at Fisher Catholic

2017 RESULTS (8-3)

- Rosecrans 82, Beallsville 8
- Rosecrans 41, Malvern 34
- Rosecrans 34, Caldwell 0
- Rosecrans 49, Fairfield Christian 0
- Harvest Prep 50, Rosecrans 14
- Worthington Christian 16, Rosecrans 10
- Rosecrans 49, Millersport 16
- Rosecrans 41, Berne Union 13
- Rosecrans 54, Grove City Christian 20
- Rosecrans 46, Fisher Catholic 7
- Danville 35, Rosecrans 14 (OHSAA playoffs)

Conference: Mid-State League Cardinal Division

Coach: Mark Johnston (18-14 in three years at school and overall)

TUSCARAWAS CENTRAL CATHOLIC SAINTS

Casey Cummings didn't expect to be back as coach at New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic, but stepped in when his appointed successor resigned in late December, not long after being selected for the position.

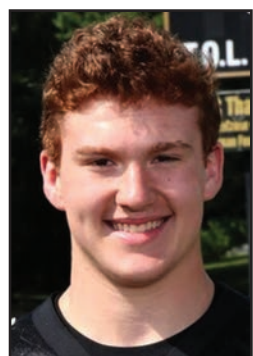
"I didn't want to see them in a difficult situation, so I agreed to coach again. I just wanted to do what's right for the program," Cummings said in explaining the reasons for his return.

He had one playoff team in six seasons, when his 2014 squad went 8-2.

Only Art Teynor, for whom the Saints' athletic complex is named, had a longer football coaching tenure at the school.

He guided the team from 1970 to 1993 and finished with a record of 222-109-12.

Cummings said he's looking forward to another big year from wide receiver and strong safety Ryan Dick,



Ryan Dick



Alex Price



Paul Buss

who made the honorable mention list of the state scholastic sports writers' All-Ohio team as a freshman last year.

Other key returnees are seniors Cordell Tingler, Antony Fragasse, Anthony Fredericks, and John Clore, juniors Alex Price, Jake Miller, and Paul Buss, and sophomore Cade Renicker.

Bradyn Nussbaum, a junior transfer from Strasburg, also is likely to have an impact.

Returning lettermen: 9

Top players:

RB/DB Ryan Dick, soph.; T/NG/LB Cordell Tingler, sr.; C/LB Paul Buss, jr.; WR/LB/DE Anthony Fredericks, sr.; WR/DB Antony Fragasse, sr.; QB/DB Alex Price, jr.; G/LB John Clore, sr.; WR/

LB Jake Miller, jr.; WR-DB Bradyn Nussbaum, jr.

Coach speaks: "We expect to compete week in and week out. As usual, we're very solid in the skill areas and we're likely to produce a lot of yards and a lot of points, as we have for most of the last six years. It's a small roster, as we're accustomed to, with 20 kids, so everybody plays. We play in a good league, it's a battle every week, and who knows how things are going to break?"

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 24 – at Greensburg (Pa.) Central Catholic
- Sept. 1 – Grove City Christian
- Sept. 7 – at Caldwell
- Sept. 14 – Sugarcreek Garaway
- Sept. 21 – at Newcomerstown
- Sept. 29 – Sandy Valley
- Oct. 5 – East Canton
- Oct. 13 – Buckeye Trail
- Oct. 20 – Malvern
- Oct. 26 – at Strasburg-Franklin

2017 RESULTS (2-8)

- Greensburg (Pa.) Central Catholic 26, Central Catholic 13
- Weirton (W.Va.) Madonna 34, Central Catholic 0
- Central Catholic 13, Worthington Christian 10
- Garaway 42, Central Catholic 6
- Central Catholic 41, Newcomerstown 8
- Sandy Valley 35, Central Catholic 0
- East Canton 34, Central Catholic 0
- Buckeye Trail 41, Central Catholic 13
- Malvern 38, Central Catholic 17
- Strasburg-Franklin 40, Central Catholic 14

Conference: Inter-Valley

Coach: Casey Cummings (28-32 in six years at school and overall)

LANCASTER FISHER CATHOLIC IRISH

Fisher Catholic returns a veteran team, with 14 seniors on a roster of 31 players returning from a season in which the Irish were 4-6 on the field, but were officially 0-10. They had to forfeit their victories as a result of using an ineligible player.

Defensive back Logan Loy from that team was selected as a first-team All-Ohioan by the state's scholastic sports writers. Offensive lineman Keegan Christie made the second team.

Doug Miller returns for his second year as coach. He's a veteran of 27 years of coaching, including four as head coach at Richmond Heights. He was an assistant at Warren Harding, Niles, Groveport, Newton Falls, and Hiram College.

Defensive coordinator Luke Thimmes has put together a 3-5 package with the linebackers moving in and out, creating multiple looks. The



Fisher Catholic seniors.

team's new offensive coordinator, Jerry Canfield, was at Lancaster High School for five years.

Miller said senior slot receiver and safety Daniel Turner, a four-sport athlete, is probably the team's most outstanding player. He will get help from linemen Aiden Coughlin and Bailey Francis, wide receiver Jayden Boyden, and kicker Colin McCrady, all of whom Miller said are being

looked at by NCAA Football Championship Subdivision and Division III schools.

Senior Drew Faulkner is the quarterback. Also expected to play key roles are seniors Ryan Gundelfinger, Luke Maynard, Chris Lamp, and Mason Ortiz, and junior Ben Janita.

Returning lettermen: 22

Top players: WR/S Daniel Turner, sr.; OL/LB Aiden Coughlin, sr.; OL/DL Bailey Francis, sr.; WR/CB Jayden Boyden, sr.; K Colin McCrady, sr.; WR/LB Ben Janita, jr.; TE/OL Ryan Gundelfinger, sr.; C/LB Luke Maynard, sr.; OL/DL Chris Lamp, sr.; QB/DB Drew Faulkner, sr.; WR/CB Mason Ortiz, sr.

Coach speaks: "We had a very young team last year. This year we're a little older, with plenty of lettermen. Our energy is real high. The kids are focused and appear to be in shape to execute well. We're getting better every day, so I'm very optimistic."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 24 – at Crooksville
- Aug. 31 – at Crestline
- Sept. 8 – Reigning Thunder Sports
- Sept. 14 – at Morral Ridgedale
- Sept. 21 – at Berne Union
- Sept. 28 – Grove City Christian
- Oct. 5 – at Worthington Christian
- Oct. 13 – Fairfield Christian
- Oct. 19 – at Harvest Prep
- Oct. 27 – Bishop Rosecrans

2017 RESULTS (0-10)

- Crooksville 38, Fisher Catholic 28
- Fairbanks 42, Fisher Catholic 7
- Northridge 51, Fisher Catholic 7
- Millersport 1, Fisher Catholic 0 (forfeit)
- Berne Union 21, Fisher Catholic 10
- Grove City Christian 1, Fisher Catholic 0 (forfeit)
- Worthington Christian 1, Fisher Catholic 0 (forfeit)
- Fairfield Christian 1, Fisher Catholic 0 (forfeit)
- Harvest Prep 72, Fisher Catholic 24
- Bishop Rosecrans 46, Fisher Catholic 7

Conference: Mid-State League Cardinal Division

Coach: Doug Miller (0-10 in one year at school, "about .500" overall)

PORTSMOUTH NOTRE DAME TITANS

Coach Bob Ashley naturally looks forward to improving on last year's 2-8 record and has good reason to be optimistic.

Remarkably for a school as small as Notre Dame, two of the 26 players on the team's roster gained All-Ohio recognition last year – senior Ben Mader as a third-team defensive back with the Titans, and junior Braiden Haney as a second-team defensive lineman with Sciotoville East.

Mader ran for 1,495 yards and 13 touchdowns last year and was credited with more than 100 tackles from the safety position.

Haney's All-Ohio honor was his second in two seasons. After recording 20 sacks in his freshman year, he was a marked man, but even with constant double-teaming, he had 82 tackles, 24 tackles for loss, and 12 sacks last year. His two-season totals are 136 tackles, 45 tackles for loss, and 33 sacks.



Ben Mader



Braiden Haney

That led to invitations to a pair of combines for elite-level players – one at Paul Brown Stadium in Cincinnati and one at the Philadelphia Eagles' training facility.

Last year's team had 16 underclassmen among its roster of only 17 players. All are coming back, said Ashley, entering his 14th season in charge of the Titans.

Numbers are up this year, with a total of 26 players – seven fresh-

men, nine sophomores, six juniors, and four seniors.

The two all-stars are full of confidence. "The sky's the limit," Haney told the *Portsmouth Daily Times* when asked his expectations. He and Mader both predicted an undefeated regular season and a Southern Ohio Conference Division I title. "That's what everybody wants," Mader said.

Returning lettermen: 16

Top players: RB/LB/DL Braidan Haney, jr.; RB/DB Ben Mader, sr.; OL/LB/DL Sam Mays, sr.; OL/DL/LB Bryson Arnett, sr.; TE/LB Ethan Kammer, soph.; RB/LB Logan Emmett, soph.

Coach speaks: "We'll be running the shotgun and a wing-T on offense this year and a 4-3 defense. With all that we have coming back and the addition of Braidan Haney, we hope that translates to a lot more success."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 24 – at Racine Southern
- Aug. 31 – Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans
- Sept. 7 – at Fayetteville-Perry
- Sept. 14 – at Beaver Eastern
- Sept. 21 – at Oak Hill
- Sept. 28 – Franklin Furnace Green
- Oct. 5 – Symmes Valley
- Oct. 12 – at Northwest
- Oct. 19 – Manchester
- Oct. 26 – at Sciotoville East

2017 RESULTS (2-8)

- Racine Southern 41, Notre Dame 6
- Notre Dame 20, Millersport 18 (OT)
- Fayetteville 36, Notre Dame 6
- Beaver Eastern 40, Notre Dame 6
- Oak Hill 49, Notre Dame 14
- Notre Dame 24, Franklin Furnace Green 22
- Symmes Valley 51, Notre Dame 20
- Northwest 48, Notre Dame 12
- Manchester 21, Notre Dame 14
- Sciotoville East 48, Notre Dame 14

Conference: Southern Ohio Conference Division I

Coach: Bob Ashley (63-59 in 13 years at school, 87-87 overall)

OHIO DOMINICAN PANTHERS

Ohio Dominican begins its second year in the Great Midwest Athletic Conference as the defending champion after finishing the 2017 season with an unblemished league record.

The Panthers (7-3) faced a difficult nonconference schedule a year ago that accounted for their three losses, but the tough competition prepared them to dominate the Great Midwest.

And based on last year's success and 15 all-conference players returning, Ohio Dominican was picked in a conference preseason poll to win the title again.

The Panthers would like to go a step farther and qualify for the NCAA Division II playoffs after being passed over a year ago, despite winning seven straight games to close out the season.

A similar challenge awaits ODU this year. The nonconference schedule re-



Columbus Bishop Hartley graduate Jacob Mercier.

mains daunting, starting with the opener at home against California (Pennsylvania) at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30. ODU lost a 36-34 heartbreaker in the 2017 opener at Cal.

The Panthers remain at home to face Ashland on Sept. 8, then open conference play against Hillsdale at home and Findlay on the road.

"Our big thing is we want to win our opener," ODU coach Kelly Cummings said. "If you win that, it gives you an opportunity to do well the rest of the season. We've got to get that one."

That opening stretch will go a long way toward defining ODU's season. So will a veteran roster led by senior wide receiver Cory Contini and senior defensive tackle Tristan Kehres. Contini ranked sixth in Division II in receiving yards per game (118.6) and touchdowns (14) in 2017 and had 72 catches.

The big question is who will get Contini the ball. The leading candidates to replace departed quarterback Grant Russell, the 2017 Great Midwest Player of the Year, are junior Shane Bucenell, a dual-threat transfer from FCS school Charleston Southern, and Evan Ernst, a redshirt freshman from Cincinnati Moeller.

Returning lettermen: 47

Top players: WR Cory Contini, sr.; WR David Turner, jr.; WR Cedric Washington, jr.; WR Devanire Conliffe, soph.; OL Jake Garrison, soph.; RB EJ Colson, jr.; TE Wyatt McLeod, jr.; DT Tristan Kehres, sr.; DE Brian Hunter, sr.; DB Gus Dimmerling, jr.; DB Tawain Gordon, sr.; DB Shyoun Petteway, soph.; LB Camren Moore, jr.; LB Jalen M. Christian, jr.; P Logen Neidhardt, soph.

Coach speaks: "You always talk about winning your conference championship. The quality of our conference has gotten so much better (in one year). You could sneak two teams into the playoffs this year from our conference. I think there's a very good possibility."

2018 SCHEDULE

- Aug. 30 – California (Pa.)
- Sept. 8 – Ashland
- Sept. 15 – Hillsdale
- Sept. 22 – at Findlay
- Sept. 29 – Alderson Broaddus
- Oct. 6 – at Walsh
- Oct. 13 – Malone
- Oct. 20 – at Tiffin
- Oct. 27 – at East Stroudsburg
- Nov. 3 – Kentucky Wesleyan
- Nov. 10 – at Lake Erie

2017 RESULTS (7-3)

- California (Pa.) 36, Ohio Dominican 34
- Ashland 47, Ohio Dominican 21
- Penn 42, Ohio Dominican 24
- Ohio Dominican 51, Lake Erie 0
- Ohio Dominican 20, Malone 3
- Ohio Dominican 41, Hillsdale 27
- Ohio Dominican 53, Alderson Broaddus 13
- Ohio Dominican 39, Walsh 21
- Ohio Dominican 63, Kentucky Wesleyan 7
- Ohio Dominican 49, Findlay 24

Conference: Great Midwest Athletic

Coach: Kelly Cummings (14-7 in two seasons at Ohio Dominican and overall)

OHIO STATE BUCKEYES

Off the field, there's an air of uncertainty surrounding the Ohio State football program ahead of the 2018 season because of the issues that have dominated the headlines for the past month.

On the field, there's little doubt the Buckeyes have the talent to compete for a Big Ten championship and a spot in the College Football Playoff.

How the players are affected by the turmoil surrounding former assistant coach Zach Smith and his former wife, Courtney, that led to coach Urban Meyer being placed on administrative leave remains to be seen.

Some of the questions about how the Buckeyes perform will begin to be answered on Sept. 1 in the season opener against Oregon State at Ohio Stadium.

Once the players hit the field, the attention will shift from who's coaching the team to Ohio State's new starting quarterback.



Ohio State center Brady Taylor (79) is a Columbus Bishop Ready graduate.

Photo courtesy OSU athletics communications

Sophomore Dwayne Haskins replaces four-year starter J.T. Barrett behind center, and big things are expected from the strong-armed Potomac, Maryland, native who came in for an injured Barrett last year at Michigan and helped Ohio State to a 31-20 victory in the annual rivalry game.

One of the other key starters on offense who graduated last year was center Billy Price, a first-round draft pick by the Cincinnati Bengals in April. Fifth-year senior Brady Taylor of Columbus Bishop Ready has waited for his opportunity to fill the spot as a starter. The 6-foot-5, 295-pound Taylor has played in 29 career games, including 13 of 14 last season.

A second graduate of a diocesan high school, kicker Dominic DiMaccio of Columbus St. Francis DeSales, joined the Buckeyes in the spring as a freshman transfer from the University of Missouri.

Ohio State returns two experienced kickers this season, with senior Sean Neurnberger and sophomore Blake Haubeil.

Defensively, Ohio State is expected to be strong up front, led by pass-rushing standout Nick Bosa, a preseason All-American.

2018 SCHEDULE

- Sept. 1 – Oregon State
- Sept. 8 – Rutgers
- Sept. 15 – at TCU (Arlington, Texas)
- Sept. 22 – Tulane
- Sept. 29 – at Penn State
- Oct. 6 – Indiana
- Oct. 13 – Minnesota
- Oct. 20 – at Purdue
- Nov. 3 – Nebraska
- Nov. 10 – at Michigan State
- Nov. 17 – at Maryland
- Nov. 24 – Michigan

2017 RESULTS (12-2)

- Ohio State 49, Indiana 21
- Oklahoma 31, Ohio State 16
- Ohio State 37, Army 7
- Ohio State 54, UNLV 21
- Ohio State 56, Rutgers 0
- Ohio State 62, Maryland 14
- Ohio State 56, Nebraska 14
- Ohio State 39, Penn State 38
- Iowa 55, Ohio State 24
- Ohio State 48, Michigan State 3
- Ohio State 52, Illinois 14
- Ohio State 31, Michigan 20
- Ohio State 27, Wisconsin 21 (Big Ten Championship Game)
- Ohio State 24, USC 7 (Cotton Bowl)

Conference: Big Ten

Coach: Urban Meyer (73-8 in seven seasons at Ohio State, 177-31 overall)

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B

Choosing God

By Jem Sullivan
Catholic News Service

Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18

Psalms 34:2-3, 16-21

Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2, 25-32

Gospel: John 6:60-69

It might surprise us to learn that we live in an age of Christian martyrdom. Some have claimed that more Christians have been martyred in the 20th century than in the first four centuries of the church's history.

Around the world, Christians are persecuted in subtle and not so subtle forms. And when Christians face the possibility of martyrdom, they are threatened with the choice between renouncing their faith in Jesus Christ or violence and death. The threat of martyrdom forces the ultimate test of courage and witness to Christ as they choose to persevere in faith.

"Decide today whom you will serve," Joshua said to the tribes of Israel at Shechem in today's first reading. As in various moments of their history, the Israelites were faced with a radical choice -- to live in covenant relationship with God or to fall back into the idolatry of multiple pagan gods.

And as the Israelites considered this fundamental choice of life, they began to recall the good works of God. "For it was the Lord, our God, who brought us and our fathers up out of the land of Egypt. ... He performed those great miracles before our very eyes," said the Israelites.

In today's Gospel, the disciples of Jesus are faced with a similar decision -- to follow the Lord or to follow a life of their own making in the illusion of self-sufficiency. This

was a moment to face life's most profound and life-changing decision. This decision is ours to make as well.

Jesus reminds his disciples that his way will not be an easy path. But to persevere in friendship with Jesus, who is the way, the truth and the life, opens us to the peace, joy, and love of God that surpasses understanding.

To choose God is to choose life, love, and genuine happiness. For only God, who created us in love, satisfies the deepest desires of our heart and our longing for unconditional love. This knowledge strengthens martyrs as they choose to persevere to the point of death for faith in Jesus. It can strengthen us as we resolve to persevere in faith each day.

St. John recounts that Jesus tells his disciples that the path of faith is a gift of God: "No one can come to me unless it is granted him by my Father." Faith is a human act in response to God, who reveals his loving mercy. But faith is also a gift of God, freely and generously poured out on those who believe that Jesus alone has words of eternal life.

God's word invites us today to renew our faith in Jesus with the courage of the martyrs. May our faith, like that of Peter, be strengthened in the face of trials and difficulties both within and outside the church, as we pray in faith, "speak to me, Lord."

Reflection Question:

Whom do I choose to serve today -- God or myself?

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

Sacred Music Institute captures parish musical needs

What does the parish music program need in today's changing world? How can those needs be met without the need for a music degree or for a large financial investment?

Jason Keefer, director and assistant professor of sacred music at the Pontifical College Josephinum, has formed the Sacred Music Institute of America in response to these concerns.

Through experience working with priests, seminarians, and part-time musicians, he recognized a need for competent musicians and quality sacred music in every church.

Keefer's vision began shortly after his conversion to Catholicism and after beginning work at St. Vincent College and Seminary in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. Based on what he heard in most parishes, he came to realize a chasm between the directives of the church and the practice of liturgical music in parishes.

In eight years at the Josephinum, Keefer has been part of a priestly formation program that fosters music that is in line with the directives of the church. He has found that there is music composed on every level that makes it possible for every parish to have a dignified, quality music program.

Keefer said church documents on

the subject are clear in relaying that the purpose of sacred music is the glorification of God and the sanctification of the faithful, as a reflection of Jesus' commandment to love God and love one's neighbor.

Many part-time and some full-time church music directors do not have either a degree in music, organ training, vocal training, knowledge of documents on sacred music, or understanding of the resources that can help them create a quality music program.

The Sacred Music Institute of America aims to bridge this gap by offering certification tracts in organ music, choral/vocal music, and cantoring. It also can assist in preparation for national certification examinations through the American Guild of Organists/National Association of Pastoral Musicians.

In addition, the institute's specialized course *Liturgical Music of the Catholic Tradition* focuses on Catholic documents related to sacred music, the history of sacred music, and music selection.

The institute's courses start Oct. 1. For information on how it may help meet the musical needs of your parish, visit www.sacredmusicinstitute.org, or contact Keefer at (724) 317-5618 or sacredmusicia@gmail.com.

THE WEEKDAY BIBLE READINGS

MONDAY

2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12
Psalm 96:1-5
Matthew 23:13-22

TUESDAY

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17
Psalm 96:10-13
Matthew 23:23-26

WEDNESDAY

2 Thessalonians 3:6-10, 16-18
Psalm 128:1-2, 4-5
Mark 6:17-29

THURSDAY

1 Corinthians 1:1-9
Psalm 145:2-7
Matthew 24:42-51

FRIDAY

1 Corinthians 1:17-25
Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11
Matthew 25:1-13

SATURDAY

1 Corinthians 1:26-31
Psalm 33:12-13, 18-21
Matthew 25:14-30

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE: AUG. 26, 2018

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.

Living 'I Do' - Weekly Marriage Tips

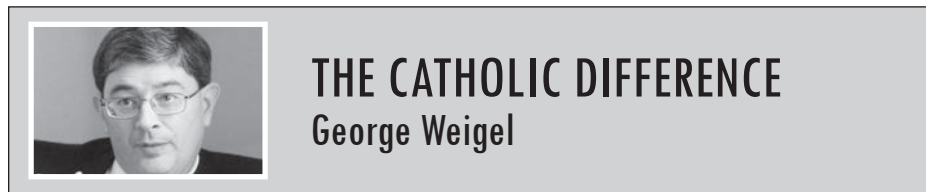
Find a reason to thank your spouse every day, no matter how small. As you do this, also thank God for those qualities in your spouse that spark gratitude. The words "thank you" will change how you interpret your spouse's actions. As St. Paul says in 1 Thessalonians 5:18: "In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

Diocese of Columbus Marriage and Family Life Office

Fackenheim's Law and the current Catholic crisis

The medieval Jewish sage Maimonides counted 613 commandments, or *mitzvot*, in the Law that God gave his people, Israel. The 20th-century Jewish philosopher Emil Fackenheim, who escaped the Nazis' genocidal clutches and devoted part of his scholarly life to pondering the moral meaning of the Holocaust, formulated what he called the 614th commandment: Give Hitler no posthumous victories. And how would Jews violate that "commandment?" By religious Jews denying the providential role of Israel's God in Jewish life; by secular Jews abandoning the notion of Israel as a unique people with a distinctive historical destiny; by Jews acting toward other Jews in ways that tore at the spiritual and moral bonds that bound the people of Israel together.

Don't give Hitler what he wanted, the utter destruction of the Jewish people, for that would be giving him a posthumous victory: This was one great lesson Fackenheim drew from his reflections on the profound evil of his time and its effects on his people. Catholics filled with righteous anger over the vile behavior of the former archbishop of Washington, Theodore McCarrick, and Catholics determined to help reform the Church in order to cleanse the Church and prevent similar wickedness in the future have something



THE CATHOLIC DIFFERENCE George Weigel

to learn from Rabbi Fackenheim. In our case the lesson must be: Don't give the Evil One victories.

Long before the McCarrick story broke, it was clear that the Church in the United States faced many challenges. It was also clear to those familiar with the international Catholic scene that the Church in the United States had a better chance of living the New Evangelization than any other local Church in the developed world. That may well be why the Evil One has focused such attention on the Church in America: There is something living here, something to be wounded — even killed.

The depth of the challenges facing U.S. Catholicism is coming into painfully clear focus; but in facing those challenges, we must not give Satan cheap victories by denying how we think and who we are as a Church.

Sixteen years ago, in *The Courage To Be Catholic: Crisis, Reform, and the Future of the Church*, I argued that clerical sexual abuse had been facilitated in part

by the breakdown of doctrinal discipline following Paul VI's 1968 encyclical on responsible family planning, *Humanae Vitae*. That breakdown involved rejecting what Paul VI taught about the reality of intrinsically evil acts: Acts wrong in themselves, which can't be justified by a calculus of intentions and consequences. That rejection is now ricocheting around the world Church again, and those involved should be asked a straightforward question: Is the attempted seduction of an 11-year old boy by a trusted priest and family friend an intrinsically evil act? Yes or no?

Denying the reality of intrinsically evil acts helped create a dynamic of license in which abusive clergy gave themselves passes on other issues. Authentic reform now means restoring the moral foundations of Catholicism. Thus it is imperative that both Rome and the U.S. bishops reaffirm the reality of intrinsically evil acts as taught by the 1993 encyclical *Veritatis Splendor*.

More than five years ago, in *Evangelical Catholicism: Deep Reform in*

the 21st-Century Church, I wrote that authentic Catholic reform is always "reform": it's not rupture; it's not paradigm shifts; it's reaching back and reclaiming a part of the Church's Christ-given constitution that got misplaced because of historical contingency. The governance of the Church by bishops is part of that Christ-given Catholic "form," so the serious reform of clerical life at all levels of Holy Orders must be accomplished with the bishops. That will almost certainly mean responsible laity helping good bishops call their less-than-effective or less-than-honest brother bishops to their duty when necessary. Bishops should welcome such help, not resist it; lay Catholics must understand that bishops are the bottom line of Church governance.

Responding responsibly to today's crisis also means not fouling our own nest by denying all the good things that are underway in U.S. Catholicism, the living parts of which have embraced the New Evangelization and rejected Catholic Lite as an evangelical strategy. Shrill voices venting ideological spleen by decrying the entire American Catholic scene are demoralizing; they may unwittingly give the Evil One cheap victories. Truly righteous anger is focused anger, not online click-bait.

In the marriage case styled TASHA M TAYLOR -- CODY TAYLOR, 2018-0117, the Tribunal of the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio is currently unaware of the present address of MR CODY TAYLOR. The Tribunal herewith informs him of the case and invites him to contact REV MR JOHN R CRERAND, JCL, Presiding and sole Judge, no later than 07 September 2018 -- Phone 241-2500 Ext 1. Anyone who knows of the whereabouts of MR CODY TAYLOR is herewith asked to make the Citation known to him or to inform the Tribunal of his current address. Given this 17 AUGUST 2018. REVEREND MR. JOHN CRERAND, JCL, Presiding Judge Patricia Smith, Notary

In the marriage case styled JEREMY LEE MAXIE -- HEATHER JO LAMBLIN, 2018-0100, the Tribunal of the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio is currently unaware of the present address of MS. HEATHER JO LAMBLIN. The Tribunal herewith informs her of the case and invites her to contact REVEREND MR. JOHN CRERAND, JCL, Presiding and sole Judge, no later than 10 SEPTEMBER 2018 - Phone 241-2500 Extension 3. Anyone who knows of the whereabouts of MS. HEATHER JO LAMBLIN, is herewith asked to make this Citation known to her or to inform the Tribunal of her current address. Given this 13 AUGUST 2018. REVEREND MR. JOHN CRERAND, JCL Presiding Judge Sue Ulmer, Notary

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Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus

BACIN, Donald P., 92, June 26
St. Michael Church, Worthington

BAKER, Maybelle (Addams), 90, July 20
St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

BAUMANN, Thomas A., 77, Aug. 5
Corpus Christi Church, Columbus

BELFIORE, Mary H., 97, Aug. 6
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

BISCIOTTI, Richard J., 87, Aug. 3
Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

BREHL, Elizabeth (Aiello), 90, Aug. 13
Church of Our Lady, Columbus

CANINI, Felix, 83, Aug. 19
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

CARR, James A., 66, Aug. 9
St. Patrick Church, Columbus

CONLEY, David W. Jr., 87, formerly of Chillicothe, Aug. 6
St. Mary Church, Hillsboro

CORBETT, Pauline A., 83, Aug. 9
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

COYNE, Richard B., 88, Aug. 5
St. Brendan Church, Hilliard

DEBROSSE, Betty, 84, Aug. 7
Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus

DOULIN, Mary E. (Elliott), 93, July 31
St. Thomas More Newman Center, Columbus

FOWLE, Michael, 32, Aug. 13
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

KLINE, Dusty, 70, Aug. 16
St. Joseph Church, Sugar Grove

KIRWAN, James R., 86, Aug. 13
Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus

MALONE, Marianne (Grundey), 88, Aug. 8
St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

MAXWELL, Gloria (Cavalli), 89, Aug. 10
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

McGREEVY, Roberta J. (Hakes), 91, Aug. 11
St. Rose Church, New Lexington

McNAMARA, Mary L. (Brown), 83, Aug. 18
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

MELZER, Linda M., 78, Aug. 13
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

MORAN, Brian P., 60, Aug. 12
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

NOTTURNIANO, Ruth M. (Watts), 89, Aug. 15
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

NOVOTNY, David J., July 28
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

OLESNANIK, Andrew, 88, Aug. 6
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

O'ROURKE, Mary L. (Snyder), 84, formerly of Columbus, Aug. 13
St. Robert Bellarmine Church, Cortland

ORTLIEB, Martha (Hohman), 93, Aug. 9
St. Anthony Church, Columbus

PARKS, Harold E., 87, July 28
St. Vincent de Paul Church, Mount Vernon

PENZONE, Lillian (Quaranto), 97, Aug. 17
St. John the Baptist Church, Columbus

POLITE, Phillip J., 85, Aug. 2
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

REINHARD, Leona F. (Mahan), 77, Aug. 7
St. Timothy Church, Columbus

ROESCH, Harriette (Bernhard), 93, Aug. 18
Christ the King Church, Columbus

SCHOLL, Paul B., 82, Aug. 17
Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

SQUILLACE, Catherine L. (Dickinson), 69, Aug. 12
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

STEBELTON, Agnes M. (Schieser), 89, Aug. 7
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

SULLIVAN, Joseph P., 78, Aug. 14
St. John XXIII Church, Canal Winchester

TENNYSON, Helen J. (Lichwarcik), 74, Aug. 5
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

VARGO, Sharon K., 59, Aug. 13
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

VATTEL, Irene (Waller), 90, Aug. 1
Christ the King Church, Columbus

VETERE, Helen (Slota), 98, July 20
Resurrection Cemetery Chapel, Lewis Center

WAGNER, John T., 75, Aug. 5
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington

WALLENFELSZ, Francis, 87, Aug. 5
St. Michael Church, Worthington

WIRTHMAN, James L., 67, Aug. 10
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

Sierra Club picnic for priests and seminarians



The Downtown Columbus Serra Club hosted its 28th annual picnic for the priests and seminarians of the Diocese of Columbus (pictured with Bishop Frederick Campbell) on Wednesday, Aug. 8 at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School. After Vespers in the chapel, the bishop joined members of the clergy, seminarians, and the Serra Club for fellowship and food provided by Mustard Seed Catering. The picnic for the priests and seminarians is one of several annual activities the Downtown Serra Club sponsors to show support and appreciation for the clergy.

Sister Corinne Staub, OP

Funeral Mass for Sister Corinne Staub, OP, 90, who died Thursday, Aug. 9, was held Tuesday, Aug. 14 at the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

She was born June Marie Staub in Detroit on April 29, 1928 to Charles and Edith (Collins) Staub and entered the congregation of the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs (now the Dominican Sisters of Peace) in 1948, professing her vows on July 9, 1950.

She received a bachelor of science degree in music education in 1953 from the College of St. Mary of the Springs (now Ohio Dominican University) and a master of science degree in music education in 1961 from the University of Notre Dame. She received licensure as a nursing home administrator and retirement housing professional from The Ohio State University in 1996.

In the Diocese of Columbus, she

taught music at Lancaster St. Mary elementary and high schools (1955-58) and Columbus St. James the Less School (1979-81), was administrator of the Mohun Health Care Center (1982-87), was chair of the building planning committee for the Motherhouse (1999-2002), and was its administrator (2002-04). She later was a volunteer in the congregation's administrative offices (2006-10) and finance office (2017), and was sacristan at the Mohun center (2010-17) before entering into a ministry of prayer in 2017.

She also taught music at schools in Pennsylvania New York, Michigan, and the Diocese of Steubenville, and was music coordinator at a Michigan parish and administrator of the Precious Blood Sisters' Motherhouse in Dayton.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Charles and Donald; and sisters, Sister Dolores Staub, OP, and Carol Degen. She is survived by nieces and nephews.

Sue S. Muguruza

Funeral Mass for Sue S. Muguruza, 72, who died Wednesday, Aug. 15, was celebrated Monday, Aug. 20 at Columbus Our Lady of Victory Church.

She was born on Sept. 21, 1945, in Charleston, West Virginia, and was employed for several years as a teachers aide at Grove City Our Lady

of Perpetual Help Church, following an earlier career as an elementary school teacher. She also worked for her husband's business, Cisco Electrical Supply Co.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Francisco. Survivors include son, Michael; daughter, Melissa (Brendan) Kelley; and three grandchildren.

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AUGUST

24, FRIDAY

Frasatti Society Board Game Night

6:30 p.m., Tabletop Game Cafe, 4316 N. High St., Columbus. St. Patrick Church Frassati Society for young adults sponsors evening of board games.

24-26, FRIDAY-SUNDAY

Good News! Book Fair at St. Bernadette School

7:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m. Friday and before 4 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. Sunday Masses, St. Bernadette School, 1325 Wheeling Road, Lancaster. Good News! Book Fair featuring books and movies with values-related messages in multiple genres, as well as religious gift items. Jean Schoonover-Egolf, author of the "Molly McBride" book series, will sign books Sunday.

25, 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.

26, SUNDAY

Homecoming Mass at Ss. Augustine & Gabriel

10 a.m., Ss. Augustine & Gabriel Church, 1550 E. Hudson St., Columbus. Homecoming Mass, followed by potluck lunch. 614-268-3123

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

Watterson Athletic Hall of Fame Induction

1 p.m., Dominican Hall, Bishop Watterson High School, 99 E. Cooke Road, Columbus. Brunch and induction ceremony honoring seven new members of school's Athletic Hall of Fame. 614-268-8671

Meeting for Catechetical, Youth Leaders

1:30 to 6 p.m., Jessing Center, Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 N. High St., Columbus.

Annual diocesan leadership meeting for parish catechetical, youth ministry, and faith formation leaders. Speaker: Terri Baldwin, evangelization director, Diocese of Cleveland, on "Living As Missionary Disciples." Cost \$10, includes dinner. St. Catherine of Bologna Secular Franciscans 2 to 4:30 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttles Ave., Columbus. Meet in church for prayer, followed by general meeting, ongoing formation, and fellowship. Visitors welcome. 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

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter

7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. 706-761-4054

27, 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.

28, 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.

Frasatti Society Swing Dance Night

7:30 to 10:15 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Evangelical Church, 404 S. 3rd St., Columbus. St. Patrick Church Frassati Society for young adults attends weekly dance sponsored by Swing Columbus. Cost \$10. 614-327-5956

30, 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

31-SEPT. 1, FRIDAY-SATURDAY

St. Charles Combined Reunion

St. Charles Preparatory School, 2010 E. Broad St., Columbus. Combined reunion for school's classes of 1958 and every five years from 1973 to 2013. Begins with "beer and brats" gathering, State of the School presentation, and group photos at 6 p.m. Friday. Continues Saturday with bike ride along the Alum Creek Trail at 9 a.m., campus tour at 3 p.m., and all-classes Mass for alumni, spouses, and guests at 4:30. 614-252-9288

SEPTEMBER

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

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.

First Saturday Mass at Holy Family

9 a.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. First Saturday Mass for world peace and in reparation for blasphemies against the

Virgin Mary. 614-221-4323, extension 329

Lay Missionaries of Charity Day of Prayer 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Monthly day of prayer for Columbus chapter of Lay Missionaries of Charity. 614-372-5249

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

Filipino Mass at St. Elizabeth

7:30 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Mass in the Tagalog language for members of the Filipino Catholic community.

2, SUNDAY

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

Compline at Cathedral

9 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Chanting of Compline, the Catholic Church's official night prayer. 614-241-2526

3, MONDAY

Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Victory

7 to 8 a.m., Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559 Roxbury Road, Columbus. First Monday Eucharistic Adoration, beginning with Morning Prayer, concluding with Mass.

Marian Prayer Group at Holy Spirit

7 p.m., Day chapel, Holy Spirit Church, 4383 E. Broad St., Columbus, Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle prayer group for Catholic family life. 614-235-7435

4, TUESDAY

Serra Club of North Columbus Pilgrimage

7:30 a.m., St. Margaret of Cortona Church, 1600 N. Hague Ave., Columbus. Bus leaves for Serra Club of North Columbus pilgrimage to Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption in Marietta. Trip includes Mass, basilica tour, and lunch on Valley Gem sternwheeler with ride on the Muskingum River. Cost \$60. Reservations limited. 614-325-4308

Our Lady of Good Success Study Group

11 a.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Monthly meeting of Our Lady of Good Success study group. Eucharistic Holy Hour in church, followed by catechesis study and discussion. 614-372-5249

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.

Abortion Recovery Network Group

7 p.m., Pregnancy Decision Health Center, 665 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus. 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

5, WEDNESDAY

Marian Devotion at St. Elizabeth

7 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Marian devotion with Scriptural rosary, followed by Mass and monthly novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, with Father Ramon Ower, CFIC.

6, THURSDAY

St. Paul Middle School Dedication

9:45 a.m., St. Paul School, 61 Moss Road, Westerville. Mass, followed by dedication of middle-school addition, and lunch. 614-882-2710

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

7, FRIDAY

Catholic Social Services Breakfast

7 to 9 a.m., Renaissance Columbus Hotel, 50 N. 3rd St., Columbus. Catholic Social Services yearly fundraising breakfast. Speaker: Sam Quinones, author of "Dreamland: The True Tale of America's Opiate Epidemic." Tickets \$55. 614-221-5891

St. Cecilia Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

St. Cecilia Church, 434 Norton Road, Columbus. Begins after 8:15 a.m. Mass; continues to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Eucharistic Adoration at Columbus St. Peter

9 a.m. to 8 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. First Friday Eucharistic Adoration in the day chapel.

First Friday Masses at Holy Family

9 a.m., 12:15 and 7 p.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. First Friday Masses in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. 614-221-4323

Monthly Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Begins after 9 a.m. Mass; continues through 6 p.m. Holy Hour.

Catholic Men's Luncheon Club

12:15 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Catholic Men's Luncheon Club meeting, with Dr. Michael Parker speaking on challenges to Catholic health care.

Eucharistic Vigil at Holy Cross

Holy Cross Church, 205 S. 5th St., Columbus. 7:30 p.m. Mass, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with various prayers, ending with Benediction around 11.

All-Night Exposition at Our Lady of Victory

Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559 Roxbury Road, Columbus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8 p.m. until Mass at 8 a.m. Saturday.

7-9, FRIDAY-SUNDAY

Men's Silent Retreat at St. Therese's

St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. Men's silent retreat sponsored by Catholic Laymen's Retreat League and directed by Father Denis G. Wilde, OSA. Theme: "To Have a Relationship with the Holy Spirit." 614-949-5905

Dominican Sisters' 'Come and See' Weekend

St. Catharine Motherhouse and Farm, 2645 Bardstown Road, St. Catharine, Ky. Dominican Sisters of Peace "Come and See" weekend, giving single Catholic women ages 18 to 45 a chance to experience the sisters' daily life. Lodging and meals provided. 614-416-1020

8, 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.

Catholic Social Services travels to Texas border to lend a hand

For the past four years, Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley, a sister agency of Catholic Social Services (CSS) of Columbus, has provided assistance to tens of thousands of refugees and immigrants at its humanitarian respite center 10 miles from the Mexican border. The center acts as a starting point for families, providing them with food, shelter, and emergency assistance.

Last month, there was a massive increase in the number of families the center needed to serve. Catholic Charities USA called on Columbus CSS to provide assistance to the center's staff. On Tuesday, July 17, three CSS staff members traveled to the Texas border to help.

CSS discovered that, regardless of politics or policy, the situation was simple: Families needed help in the form of receiving basic necessities and support, getting connected with family members, and navigating a complicated system.

When families are reunited and released from detention centers, they get

on buses after learning their court dates and receiving approval to travel. The first bus station is in McAllen, Texas, just two blocks from the humanitarian respite center, which strives to help newly released families who are hungry, tired, and affected by recent trauma and are trying to determine what to



A team from Catholic Social Services of Columbus went to Texas in July to assist at the U.S.-Mexico border.

do next and how to contact their support in the United States.

Ramona Reyes, director of CSS' Our Lady of Guadalupe Center in Columbus, said, "The right intervention, whether a bus pass or a hot meal, can be a source of hope when done with compassion. I'm honored to have this

opportunity to be of some comfort to these children and their parents in their time of need."

While Reyes and the rest of the CSS team were there, the center processed nearly 300 families a day, with the number on some days totaling around 1,000. The CSS team welcomed families with smiles and greetings, attended to their immediate needs, and helped them determine how to get to their next destination. About 98 percent of the families had a supporter in the United States, such as a family member or friend who could make travel arrangements for the family to reach its destination.

Contacting the supporters could be challenging, though. With the help of a generous cell phone provider, the CSS team gave each family a phone with a plan that would last six months. After helping families get in touch with their supporters to arrange travel, the team assisted with paperwork related to changes in addresses and court dates.

The immigrant families served were mainly from El Salvador, Honduras,

and Guatemala, but the team also assisted Brazilians, Ukrainians, and Romanians. Most families were fleeing poverty, crime, or gang-related violence.

Children and their parents who had been separated from each other for two weeks to two months would not let go of each other's hands. Those who had been wearing the same set of detention-center clothes for days or weeks wanted a shower and fresh clothes. One eight-year-old boy wanted nothing more than a cup of coffee with milk and sugar for his birthday.

As families waited for their departure dates, they pitched in with sorting donations, moving heavy boxes, and cleaning. One night, as Father Jorge, pastor of the San Juan Basilica in McAllen, said "Good night" to the families, they told him, "This is the first night in months we can rest in peace."

The most difficult part for the Columbus CSS team was seeing families leave. One team member said, "We had worked tirelessly with the same couple of families for a few days, and once they left, we had no way of knowing what would happen to them, whether they'll be able to stay in the U.S. or not. We could only hope for the best."



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School News

Former DeSales coach takes boys basketball job at Ready

Tony Bisutti not only is getting back into coaching basketball, but he's also returning to his Central Catholic League roots.

Bisutti accepted the boys head coaching job at Columbus Bishop Ready High School in July, replacing Dan DeCrane, who left in June after four years at the school to become the coach at Gilmour Academy in the Cleveland suburb of Gates Mills.

Bisutti, a 1979 Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School graduate, began his coaching career under the legendary Vince Chickerella at his alma mater and was an assistant for three years during a run that included the 1987 Class AA state championship.

Bisutti replaced Chickarella in 1987-88 and coached the Stallions for six years, compiling an 84-49 record, before moving on to New Philadelphia for two years. He returned to the Columbus area in 1995, when he became the first head coach at Dublin Scioto. He led the Irish to a 270-136 record that included two district championships and six conference titles in 18 seasons.

After the 2012-13 season, he stepped away from coaching with a 368-214 career record, but stayed on at Scioto as a business education teacher. He will continue to teach at Scioto while coaching at Bishop Ready.

Bisutti has a connection to Bishop Ready. Two daughters, Stephanie and Christina, graduated from the school. He also has a son, Antonio, who played on his teams at Scioto and then at Ohio University.

"We've kind of come full circle in 30-plus years," Bisutti said. "When I was contacted initially, the idea of going into something I was familiar with and people I was familiar with (was appealing). It's definitely a 'roll up your sleeves' attitude. I think it's a good fit."

Bisutti inherits a Silver Knights team that finished with a 20-5 record in 2017-18, won a share of the CCL championship for the first time since 2002, and reached the Division III district final.

Bishop Ready loses two 1,000-point scorers from last year's team, but Bisutti is excited about competing in the CCL.

"It's a great coaches league," he said.

"I have a lot of respect for all of the coaches. I'm looking forward to it."

Youth ministry director honored

Michael Hall, director of the diocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, will be honored by the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry at its national conference in Tampa, Florida, on Thursday, Dec. 6.

Hall will receive the national youth ministry award in the category of diocesan leadership. The federation's board of directors said it gives the award every two years "to an adult who exhibits behaviors and practices that serve as a model to others involved in ministry with young people."

Hall has been employed at his current position since 2009. He served in a similar position with the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, West Virginia, for more than 20 years.

St. Charles hosts reunion weekend on Aug. 31-Sept. 1

The annual Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School combined class reunion will take place on Friday,

Aug. 31 and Saturday, Sept. 1 for graduates in the classes of 1958, '73, '78, '83, '88, '93, and '98, and 2003, '08, and '13.

Activities include a beer-and-brats gathering, with a "state of the school" presentation and group photos, at 6 p.m. Friday. On Saturday, there will be a bike ride along the Alum Creek Trail at 9 a.m., a campus tour at 3 p.m., and an all-classes Mass in the Mother of Mercy Chapel at 4:30 p.m. for alumni and their spouses and guests. Afterward, classes have organized their own private dinner gatherings.

To view plans and sign up securely online, visit www.stcharlesprep.org/event/2018-combined-class-reunion-weekend-online-reservation-form.

There are no activities planned for Sunday, Sept. 2. Instead, the 2018 alumni golf outing is scheduled for Sunday, September 23 at the Safari Golf Club, 4850 Powell Road, Powell.

Contact St. Charles alumni director Louis J. Fabro at lfabro@cdueducation.org or (614) 252-9288, extension 21, for more information or to sign up for any of these activities.

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Mattingly Settlement sanctuary to be dedicated

Formal dedication ceremonies for the St. Francis Abbey Monastery Sanctuary at Mattingly Settlement St. Mary Church will take place Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 3 and 4. The latter date is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

Father Donald Franks, pastor of St. Mary and Dresden St. Mary churches, said a vigil Mass will be celebrated for the feast day at 7 p.m. Oct. 3, together with Transitus, an annual celebration of the moment when St. Francis passed from this life to life with God. This event traditionally is celebrated by members of the various Franciscan orders and by many people with a devotion to the saint.

Father Franks said Bishop Frederick Campbell will be the principal celebrant of a dedication and consecration ceremony for the sanctuary at 3 p.m. Oct. 4. All priests and deacons of the diocese have been invited to attend.

Other participants will include Father Franks; Deacon David Lozowski,

who currently serves the two parishes, and Deacon Bob Ghiloni, their former administrator. Also present will be members of the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, also known as the



The sanctuary at the Mattingly Settlement St. Mary Church as it neared completion. CT file photo

Manitowoc Franciscans because their motherhouse is in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. Franciscan priests from nearby counties also have been invited.

The sanctuary is part of a two-story parish life center that the parish built next to the church building in 2016 and 2017 on what had been the site of

an outhouse for most of the 162-year-old church's history.

The two-story, 3,600-square-foot center also includes two sacristies, a gathering hall, a kitchen, three classrooms, a utility room, rest rooms, increased seating for the church, and expanded parking, as well as a garden, bonfire circle, flagpole, and walkway. It can be used for conferences, retreats, pilgrimages, education, outreach, praise, and worship, with technology that will be able to feature live liturgies and conference DVDs.

The Franciscan sisters donated many of the sacred items in the sanctuary, including stained-glass windows and a tabernacle. These came from the chapel of the former Good Samaritan Hospital in Zanesville, which was closed in 2016 because it was replaced by a larger hospital. The sisters continue to serve Muskingum County at the Genesis HealthCare hospital in

Zanesville. Father Franks said Bishop Campbell would share a meal at the hospital on Oct. 4 with Franciscan sisters and priests.

Other liturgical items in the sanctuary come from the former Church of the Nativity in Utica, which was razed in 2016 because of structural issues.

Father Franks said the total cost of the family life center was about \$800,000, but donations of goods, services, and labor cut that amount nearly in half. "The whole project is a miracle because it seemed to be an impossible feat to come up with resources and funding for such a project. God's hand was in this whole thing," he said.

The parish's heritage began with pioneer Catholics John and Ann Mattingly, who settled the area in the 1830s. The Mattingly family has provided many priests to the diocese, and descendants continue to live in the vicinity.

Father Franks invites anyone interested in donating to the project to contact him at fatherdonfranks@gmail.com or call (740) 754-2221.

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Haydcoy Automotive
Anonymous

Denig Jewelers
Hot Spot Tavern
The Maher Family

St Charles Preparatory School
Dr. John Phillips & Family,
OhioHealth Heart & Vascular
Physicians
MAC Construction
Rutherford Corbin Funeral Homes

Villa Nova Ristorante
Perdue's Taekwondo
Mark Abbati Living Statue
Tom & Maureen Preston
Kristen Leigh Acrobatics
Cottage of Tailoring

Liberty Awards and Engraving - Proud Parish Members
St. Gabriel Catholic Radio AM 820
Resolute Athletic Complex
Kroger Marketplace - Sawmill Rd.
Next Home Experience - Jim Van Paepghem
Velvet Ice Cream
The Krajnak Family
Bill Kaye
Boehm, Inc
Jeff Daniels/Merrill Lynch
Collage Salons

Corporate Caterers - In Memory of Tony Petrozzi
Anonymous
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In Memory of Michael F. Tatz
Northstar Family Dental
Trish Budd

Support the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry by bringing canned goods. Receive free game tokens. (1 token per can, up to 20 tokens per family.)