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The Editor's Notebook*Sic Transit Gloria Mundi*

By David Garick, Editor



Well, I hope that all of you high school and college graduates out there enjoy your moment in the spotlight. After all those years of work, you finally tromp across the stage, get that diploma, bask in the glow of being the center of attention, and then ... Wham! Don't let the schoolhouse door hit you in the rear on the way out. The real world awaits! As they say in Latin: "*Sic transit gloria mundi* (Thus passes the glory of the world)."

But you do have something more than just that piece of paper to take with you into the world -- an education that has prepared you for the challenges that are already bearing down on you. I know that I am grateful for all I learned in school, like that Latin phrase at the beginning of this column. I love to use it in any lull in the conversation at parties. Makes you sound very erudite. Two years of Latin should be worth something. Why else would you translate all of Caesar's *Gallic Wars*?" I still have a copy if you'd like to borrow it for some late-night reading.

I'm also grateful for logarithms. Actually, I have no idea what they are any more. I know I had to figure them out in math class using a slide rule. (Note to new graduates, and anyone else under 50: there have not always been computers and electronic calculators to do higher mathematics. People used to actually use these funny rulers with sliding parts and microscopic lines and numbers to figure out math problems.) I passed the course, so I guess

I actually discovered a few logarithms. Actually, I think I even stumbled onto a couple of cosines. Don't remember what those are, either, but I am richer for it.

In all seriousness, I did get a lot out of my education. I always will be grateful to my English composition teachers, who taught me how to express myself and opened the door for a career that has rewarded me for many years. I'm also grateful to all the other teachers who taught me enough about how the world works to give me something to say.

But most of all, I am grateful for an education that taught me that life is based on enduring values. I learned that throughout history, our society was shaped by people who were guided by the love of God in building a better world. These were people who understood that principles matter. They knew that there were things worth fighting for, even worth dying for.

We are all challenged to take the potential that God has given to all of us and use it to make the world better. That is something that a good education should have taught us.

One final note: With this issue, *Catholic Times* goes on our summer schedule. We will publish every other week until Labor Day. So, no newspaper next week. The next issue will be dated June 4.

Sic transit gloria mundi.

Catholic Times is on summer schedule!

Things slow down during the summer, and that includes the *Catholic Times*. During June, July and August, we will only be publishing every other week. Look for the *Catholic Times* in your mailbox just prior to: **June 4 & 18; July 2, 16, & 30; August 13 & 27**

We will return to our regular weekly publication schedule in September

Jubilee of Anniversaries: A Celebration of Enduring Love

By Stephanie Rapp/*Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Office Director*

"Few human joys are as deep and thrilling as those experienced by two people who love one another and have achieved something as the result of a great, shared effort" (*Amoris Laetitia*, 130).

When reading this quote by Pope Francis, I cannot help but think about the power of marital love and the incredible accomplishment of living out one's vocation to married life. This takes "great, shared effort" on the part of both spouses, yet is a worthwhile endeavor.

This amazing love and faithful commitment is what the Catholic community in Columbus will be celebrating at the 2017 Jubilee of Anniversaries. This traditional celebration, which began in the Diocese of Columbus in 1974, honors married couples who are celebrating special marriage anniversaries (25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th, and every year thereafter).

This year's joyous occasion will take place Sunday, June 25 at Gahanna St. Matthew Church, 807 Havens Corners Road, with Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrating Mass at 2:30 p.m. and an informal reception following.

Although the event takes place annually, it is never routine or commonplace. Rather, it is a time of great joy as families gather together to delight in married couples who have remained faithful to their marriage vows for many years.

The Church seeks to recognize couples who, although it is not always easy, have chosen to love each other despite their respective imperfections and through any trials that come their way. These couples have remained steadfast in their commitment and have cultivated their relationship.

Pope Francis said, "Just as a good wine begins to breathe with time, so, too, the daily experience of fidelity gives married life richness and body." (*Amoris Laetitia*, 231). The marriages that are honored at the Jubilee of Anniversaries have been built over time and bring with them a depth and beauty that can inspire us all.

Most importantly, the Jubilee of Anniversaries celebration begins with Mass as the community gathers to give thanks to Our Lord, Savior, and Bridegroom, Jesus Christ. He is Love incarnate, who gave himself up for his Bride, the Church, demonstrating a perfect and complete gift of himself.

At the Jubilee of Anniversaries, husbands and wives will be applauded and encouraged as they continue to give of themselves in marriage and journey together to sainthood.

Correction - A story in the May 14 Catholic Times listed an incorrect date for an upcoming Greater Columbus Right to Life banquet. The correct date is Monday, June 12, not July 12.



Front Page photo:

Vanesa Mora and Arturo Vallejo are the co-valedictorians of Cristo Rey Columbus High School's first graduating class, which will receive its diplomas on Sunday, June 11.

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COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULE FOR DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOLS

The commencement schedule for Columbus diocesan high schools:

Portsmouth Notre Dame – Sunday, May 21, 1 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 24. Valedictorian: Jiten Patel. Salutatorians: Aaron Bazler, Hagen Schaefer. Baccalaureate: Friday, May 19, 7 p.m., Portsmouth Holy Redeemer Church.

Lancaster Fisher Catholic – Sunday, May 21, 2 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 37. Valedictorians: Brock Conrad, Zachary Vogel. Salutatorian: Bailey Muckensturm. Baccalaureate: Friday, May 19, 7 p.m., Lancaster St. Bernadette Church.

Columbus St. Francis DeSales – Saturday, May 27, 9 a.m., Alumni Stadium. Graduating seniors: 197. Valedictorians: Anthony Salmeron, Hazel Antao, Eleanor Sarle, Matthew Platt, Michael Zelina, Jared Noble, Emily Kraker, Jacob Paugh, Zachary Bosco, Cleo Yeager. Baccalaureate: Thursday, May 25, 6 p.m., New Albany Church of the Resurrection.

Columbus Bishop Watterson – Saturday, May 27, 9:30 a.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 289. Valedictorians: Abigail Bressoud, Anna Brubaker, Dakota Daniel, Ann Davis, Matthew Dockman, Anna France, Emily Ganz, Ellen Geyer, Alexander Gray, Michael Grunenwald, Austin Hare, Mary Hawkins, Simon Hicks-Prieto, Brenna Kenney, Megan Kramer, Amelia Ohlin, Nicholas Paeglis, Shannon Peck, Mollie Plageman, Haley Rague, Ashley Samuelson, Emma Sapp, Marjorie Sayers, Megan Shanahan, Aaron Tayal, Abigail Valentine, Claire Voegele, Katrina Wierzbicki, Catlin Williams, Georgia Wood. Baccalaureate: Thursday, May 25, 7 p.m., Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare Church.

Columbus Bishop Ready – Saturday, May 27, 10 a.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 70. Valedictorians: Danielle Lancia, Maria Menke. Salutatorian: Katherine Perry. Baccalaureate: Friday, May 26, 7:30 p.m., Columbus St. Mary Magdalene Church.

Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans – Saturday, May 27, 2 p.m., Secrest Auditorium. Graduating seniors: 19. Valedictorian: Travis Johnston. Salutatorians: Chloe Amich, Keagan McLaughlin. Baccalaureate: Saturday, May 27, 10 a.m., Zanesville St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

Newark Catholic – Sunday, May 28, 2 p.m., Reese Center, The Ohio State University-Newark. Graduating seniors: 55. Valedictorians: Annmarie Haefs, Andrew Snider. Salutatorian: Hannah Luft. Baccalaureate: Tuesday, May 23, 6:15 p.m., Newark Blessed Sacrament Church.

Columbus St. Charles – Friday, June 2, after baccalaureate, Walter Commons. Graduating seniors: 155. Valedictorian: None. Baccalaureate: Friday, June 2, 6:30 p.m., Walter Commons.

Columbus Bishop Hartley – Saturday, June 3, 9 a.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 162. Valedictorians: To be announced later. Baccalaureate: Friday, June 2, 7:30 p.m., Columbus Christ the King Church.

New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic – Sunday, June 4, 1:30 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 20. Valedictorian: Catherine Nguyen. Salutatorian: Elizabeth Clemence. Baccalaureate: Wednesday, May 31, 6 p.m., Dover St. Joseph Church.

Columbus Cristo Rey – Sunday, June 11, 2:30 p.m., The Columbus Athenaeum. Graduating seniors: 48. Valedictorians: Vanesa Mora, Arturo Vallejo. Baccalaureate: Thursday, June 8, 4 p.m., Columbus Holy Cross Church.

GRADUATION 2017

The 11 high schools in the Diocese of Columbus will graduate 1,076 seniors during the next three weeks.

The first of the 11 graduations to take place will be on Sunday, May 21, at Portsmouth Notre Dame and Lancaster Fisher Catholic high schools. The latest will be on Sunday, June 11, when Columbus Cristo Rey, the diocese's newest high school, graduates its inaugural class, which will have 48 members. The size of the graduating classes will range from 19 at Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans to 289 at Columbus Bishop Watterson.

All the schools are graduating 100 percent of the seniors who are enrolled, except Bishop Watterson, where the figure is 99 percent. Percentages of seniors at diocesan schools going on to four-year or two-year colleges, community colleges, or technical schools in the fall range from 100 percent at Bishop Rosecrans,

Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic, and Cristo Rey to 90 percent at Notre Dame.

ACT test composite averages from those schools reporting them ranged from 21 at Notre Dame and Cristo Rey to 28.9 at St. Charles. SAT scores ranged on the verbal portion from 558 at Cristo Rey to 650 at Columbus Bishop Hartley, and on the math portion from 520 at Cristo Rey to 685 at Columbus Bishop Ready.

St. Charles led the way in National Merit Scholarship honors with 10 finalists and 10 commended students. Bishop Hartley had four finalists and four commended students, Columbus St. Francis DeSales and Bishop Watterson had four commended students each, and Bishop Ready and Newark Catholic had one commended student each.

TEACHER RECOGNITION

Sixty-seven teachers and administrators from Columbus diocesan schools who reached service milestones have received service awards from the diocesan Office of Education.

Honored educators and their schools were:

40 Years

Mike Arends, Columbus St. Charles; Diane Bogucki, Columbus St. Andrew; Cathy Henry, Lancaster Fisher Catholic; Sister Margaret Hoffman, OSF, Columbus St. Charles; Kathy Koehler, Columbus St. Joseph Montessori; Julius Palazzo, Columbus St. Mary Magdalene.

30 Years

Kristy Baum, Zanesville Bishop Fenwick; Molly Ghiloni, Columbus St. Agatha; Amy Kardos, Dennison Immaculate Conception; Sandra Matheny, Columbus St. Joseph Montessori; Patrice McCarron, Columbus St. Agatha; Matt McGowan, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Kris Pinciotti, Westerville St. Paul; Joan Roberts, Hilliard St. Brendan; Elaine Schuttinger, Columbus Trinity Catholic; Renata Thompson, Columbus St. Anthony; Jenny Westerheide, Newark Blessed Sacrament.

20 Years – Tammy Davis, Columbus Immaculate Conception; Mary DeGenova, Westerville St. Paul; Debbie Fyffe, Chillicothe Bishop Flaget; Lynn Garey, Delaware St. Mary; Kelly Grote, Westerville St. Paul; Sally Hall, Columbus St. Cecilia; Anissa Harr, Portsmouth Notre Dame High School; Tina Harrison, Dennison Immaculate Conception; Mike Haskins, Portsmouth Notre Dame High School; Mary Anne Hughes, Portsmouth Notre Dame Elementary; Jenny Johnson, Columbus St. Andrew; Cindy Miller, Columbus Immaculate Conception;

Shelley O'Neil, Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare; Beth Sheumaker, Westerville St. Paul; Michelle Slater, Zanesville Bishop Fenwick; Lenore Taylor, Delaware St. Mary; Kyle Wnek, Gahanna St. Matthew; Michelle Wright, Dennison Immaculate Conception.

10 Years

Christine Amweg, Gahanna St. Matthew; Claire Bridinger, Gahanna St. Matthew; Angie Clouse, Lancaster St. Mary; Christina Crossin, Columbus St. Timothy; Jacob Daniel, Columbus St. Charles; Pam Eitel, Columbus Holy Spirit; Bev Finkel, Columbus Trinity Catholic and St. Cecilia; John Hoelker, Columbus St. Charles; Stephanie Hopson, Columbus St. Anthony; Ashley Jones, Zanesville Bishop Fenwick; Jane Kaiser, Columbus Bishop Ready; Casey Leonard, Hilliard St. Brendan; Janie Leukart, Columbus St. Charles; Molly Maloof, Columbus Bishop Hartley; Dominic Marchi, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Mary McKee-Kobel, Coshocton Sacred Heart; Debbie Murphy, Columbus All Saints; Mike Porretta, Westerville St. Paul; Hugo Quint, London St. Patrick; Tim Schnurr, Columbus St. Anthony; Lee Schulte, Columbus St. Andrew; Sandy Shipley, Hilliard St. Brendan; Mark Stinnett, Columbus St. Anthony; Nancy Taylor, Wellston Sts. Peter and Paul; Melissa Tuffey, Delaware St. Mary; Mike Warner, Columbus St. Charles; Mandy Williams, Columbus St. Timothy; Joy Wolfel, Zanesville Bishop Fenwick; Megan Wood, Columbus Immaculate Conception; Anita Yapple, Lancaster St. Mary; Kim Zacharias, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Coleen Zetzer, Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare.



By Elise Italiano and Christopher White
Catholic News Service

Editor's Note:

Pope Francis has encouraged young people to speak up in advance of the 2018 Synod for Bishops. "By listening to young people, the church will once again hear the Lord speaking in today's world," he said.

In response to the pope's request, Catholic News Service has created a new youth/young adult column, "In Light of Faith." This column will be co-curated by Elise Italiano and Christopher White, along with being column contributors, will identify other young Catholics who can speak to the choices and challenges facing young people today. White is director of Catholic Voices USA. Italiano is executive director of communications at The Catholic University of America.

Fifty years ago, it might have seemed like an unlikely event: The head of the Catholic Church gathering bishops from around the world to listen to young people share their stories, struggles, and suggestions concerning how the church can help them discover their vocations and live meaningful lives.

Then again, within this half-century, the world experienced the pontificate of St. John Paul II, who reoriented the church's focus toward youth through World Youth Days, and that of his successor, Pope Benedict XVI, who began communicating with young people on Twitter.

So while a synod on "young people, faith, and vocational discernment" might not have been on the radar at the close of the Second Vatican Council, it's an obvious choice for Pope Francis to include in a list of priorities.

We get a good sense of the direction the synod will take from reading its preparatory document. It puts forward some important givens and presuppositions: Despite the perennial tendency of older generations to disparage the voice of young people, the church sincerely believes that we want to live purposeful lives, and that despite an increasingly secularized culture, many of us want to live "in light of faith."

As the document says, young people "show a willingness and readiness to participate and commit themselves to concrete activities" in creating a better world. The church wants to encourage us to remain passionate in this pursuit.

So why can't the church simply continue with St. John Paul's methods and message? Because the world looks a lot different than it did in 1978.

The great saint took the threat of moral relativism head-on and provided the armor and balm to face an encroaching secularism. Every gift he gave the church remains necessary, but our generation faces a different cultural and global landscape and we need new approaches, language, and ideas to appropriately respond.

What are young people facing today?

Pope Francis points to the increasingly fluid, destabilized situation of today's young people and the effect it has on our ability to discern, choose, and take actions toward living our vocations.

While millennials around the globe have particular stories and experiences, he knits together some common themes: the proliferation of young adults who are "not in education, employment or training," leaving them without the dignity that work provides; hyperconnectivity in the virtual world but a lack of authentic human connection; destabilized family structures creating restlessness; imminent persecution, resulting in the need to seek refuge; and an abundance of choices and options (from consumer goods to spouses), often resulting in paralysis.

This column will provide a platform for a range of voices and serve a two-pronged mission.

First, we hope to highlight the specific contributions young people can (and already do) offer to the church. Second, we want to examine what the church can offer young people at a time and in a culture characterized by skepticism of institutional religion, saturation with identity politics, and changes in communication and commitment.

Pope Francis' hope is that "by listening to young people, the church will once again hear the Lord speaking in today's world." We're confident that these words will prove true – and in light of faith and in the spirit of accompaniment, we're inviting you to join in the conversation.

Join the conversation. Email: inlightoffaith@catholicnews.com.



BISHOP HARTLEY SIGNEES

Columbus Bishop Hartley High School seniors who recently committed to continue their athletic careers in college and signed letters of intent are (from left): Nick Dawes, football, Duquesne; Ryan Henne, baseball, Capital; Arianna McPheters, track and field, Ohio Wesleyan; and Jaden Manley, football, Mount Union.

Photo courtesy Bishop Hartley High School

Cradling Christianity to host annual event for Holy Land Christians

The local Cradling Christianity organization has scheduled its annual fundraising dinner for Thursday, Sept. 7 at Columbus St. Agatha Church, 1860 Northam Road. The guest speaker will be Jesuit Father David Merconi (pictured), a noted scholar and author, who is a professor of theology and director of the Catholic Studies Center at Saint Louis University. He is a highly sought-after speaker in Catholic circles.



Cradling Christianity was founded in 2006 by a group of Catholics from Columbus, on their return from a pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Cradling Christianity strives to assist the Franciscan Foundation for the Holy Land in providing education, housing, and employment to Christians in the Holy Land.

In the past decade it has raised more than three-quarters of a million dollars to assist marginalized Christians in the Holy Land.

ODU students help 153 community members complete tax returns in 2017

Ohio Dominican University accounting students and faculty prepared 153 federal and state income tax returns during ODU's 11th annual Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. ODU is one of several sites around Columbus that coordinates with the United Way of Central Ohio to prepare tax returns free of charge.

This year, 13 student volunteers and accounting instructors Dawn Hill and Jack Edwards participated in the program on Wednesdays and Saturdays from Feb. 25 to April 12. ODU faculty and students have helped prepare 2,745 tax returns

since 2007.

VITA offers free tax preparation to people with low to moderate incomes (generally \$58,000 and below). Through this program, the university's accounting students offer assistance with special credits, including the earned income tax credit, child tax credit, and credit for the elderly.

The Internal Revenue Service certifies as tax preparers the participating students, who usually are juniors or seniors. Under the supervision of faculty members who are certified public accountants, students prepare federal and state income tax returns.

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Marian Foundation gives a major gift to the Dominican Learning Center

Central Ohio center receives \$5,700 to assist its adult learning programs

The end of the school year may be around the corner, but at the Dominican Learning Center in Columbus, classes are just beginning. And thanks to a \$5,700 gift from the Marian Foundation of Columbus, the center will be able to continue its work of providing education to adults across central Ohio.

Founded in 1954, the Marian Foundation is a Columbus-based charitable trust that supports service organizations for educational, scientific, religious, and charitable programs.

“We are so grateful to the Marian Foundation for this generous gift,” said Sister Barbara Kane, OP, center director. “The Marian Foundation has supported us for a number of years because we dedicate every dollar of their support to our learners.”

“This most recent gift of \$5,700 will provide our adult basic education and GED certificate learners with the digital support they need for an entire year. Our ongoing support from the Marian Foundation is a real blessing to the center and to the people that we serve.”

The center currently has more than 275 adult learners from 49 nations enrolled. One of its goals is to promote peace and nonviolence among immigrant communities in central Ohio.



Sister Robin Richard, OP (third from left), teaches a class at the Dominican Learning Center in Columbus.

Photo courtesy Dominican Learning Center

The center, located in Columbus' south side, was founded in 1994 by the Dominican Sisters of Peace. It offers personalized one-on-one education for adults who have a variety of educational needs. Learners can improve their math or literacy skills, work towards a GED certificate, learn English to prepare for citizenship, and sharpen computer skills. Center staff members and 184 volunteer tutors meet with adult learners at libraries and other public locations convenient to the learner's home or work.

Bishop Hartley summer reading program

For the second year, Columbus Bishop Hartley High School students will participate in a school-wide summer reading program. All students, faculty, and staff will read *The Hotel at the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford.

The novel is about the friendship which forms between a Chinese-American boy and a Japanese American girl during the internment of Japanese in

the United States in World War II.

The selection committee chose the book after reading several selections suggested to fit the theme of hospitality.

Last year's summer reading selection, *Outcasts United*, has been the subject of discussions and activities across the curriculum and in the Hartley house system during the 2016-17 school year.

Part-time Organist and Music Director

Serve as Principal Organist and Choir Director adhering to the Liturgical Guidelines of the Diocese of Columbus and of the Parish to provide musical accompaniment for all liturgical and Para liturgical ceremonies, including, but not limited to parish weekend liturgies, weddings, funerals, holy days, penance services, evening prayer, Confirmation, First Communion and to cooperate in providing occasional and reasonable liturgical music at other times.

The candidate should possess proven administrative skills including interpersonal relations, conflict resolution, management and supervision, visioning and planning, budget preparation and collaborative minister.

Masters Degree or equivalent is preferred with a minimum of 3 years parish or similar music experience. Compliance with BCI&I background checks and completion of Protecting God's Children program is required.

Salary commensurate with experience. Resumes should be sent to:

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St. Brigid author visit

Author Nancy Roe Pimm signed copies of her new book "Bonded By Battle" at Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare School's annual celebration of learning. She returned the following day to talk to students in grades five to eight about her writing process and her own life story.



The students had a chance to share their own non-fiction writing with her as part of a writing workshop. At lunchtime, students taking part in the Power of the Pen and Pencil competition chatted with her. Pimm is seated, surrounded by students and fifth- and sixth-grade literacy teacher Jill Cecutti.

Photo courtesy St. Brigid of Kildare School

Priest born out of wedlock? Marriage to non-Christian



QUESTION & ANSWER

by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE
Catholic News Service

Q. Is it true that men born out of wedlock cannot enter the priesthood? (Philadelphia)

A. No, that is not true. But your question does reflect a lengthy period in the church's history when illegitimacy was ruled a barrier.

The Council of Poitiers, under Pope Paschal II, determined in the late 11th century that being born out of wedlock constituted an impediment to the priesthood. That stipulation continued in force for many years and was, in fact, written into the church's *Code of Canon Law*, published in 1917 (Canon 984). The current code (as revised in 1983) eliminates that impediment entirely.

(As I understand the historical background, the chief reason for the rule was this: During the Middle Ages, a wealthy man embarrassed by the existence of an illegitimate son would sometimes try to "hide" the boy in a monastery, where he later would be ordained to sacred orders. To preclude this, the impediment of illegitimacy was put in place.)

Even in the years when the canonical prohibition was in force, a bishop who wanted to accept for ordination a

man born out of wedlock could apply to the Vatican for a dispensation to do so.

Certainly, the fact of illegitimacy was not the fault of the aspiring seminarian; yet, because a priest is the visible representative of Christ and should illustrate all that is best about the church, some bishops were not keen on ordaining men known in the community to be illegitimate or to have been born in other than a Catholic-recognized marriage.

In the case of a couple of friends of mine who fit that description and who wanted to enter the seminary in the 1950s and '60s (and I suspect this may have been a common practice then), these men were accepted for theological studies, but were ordained to minister in a diocese different from the one in which they grew up.

Q. As a baptized and confirmed Catholic and member of a parish, if I marry a non-Christian who does not want to convert to Christianity, can I be married in a Catholic church? And if we don't get married in a Catholic church, can my children be baptized as Catholics as long as I am a member and my spouse does not object? (We plan for me to bring up our children as Catholics.) (Iowa City, Iowa)

A. By all means, you are welcome to be married in a Catholic church and are encouraged to do so. Or, with the proper permissions, you are also free to be married in a different place.

With the blessing of my diocese, I have officiated at many weddings between a Catholic and a non-Christian in a setting that was "neutral": Catholic-Jewish weddings, for example, at a hotel or country club or by a lakeside (sometimes assisted by a rabbi who offered some prayers or readings of his own); a Catholic-Muslim wedding on the lawn of the groom's parents, etc.

The key is for you and your spouse to decide mutually where you will feel most comfortable — remembering that a wedding ceremony invokes the universal Lord and should highlight the love that unites the two of you and your families. Then the two of you should visit a priest of your choosing, tell him of your desires, and complete the necessary paperwork with him.

I am pleased that you are committed to raising your children as Catholic and that your fiancée has no objection. Those children may and should be baptized as Catholics, and your parish would be delighted to arrange that.

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

PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR

Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School senior Michael Weaver is one of 161 students nationwide who have been selected as 2017 U.S. Presidential Scholars.

The group consists of one young man and one young woman representing each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and U.S. families living abroad, as well as 15 chosen at-large, 20 scholars in the arts, and 20 scholars in career and technical education.

The White House Commission on Presidential Scholars selects honorees based on their academic success, artistic excellence, essays, school evaluations and transcripts, as well as evidence of community service, leadership, and demonstrated commitment to high ideals.

Of the 3.5 million students expected to graduate from high school in the United States this year, about 5,100 candidates qualified for the presidential honor, as determined by outstanding performance on the SAT and ACT exams and through nominations made by chief state school officers and other partner recognition organizations, or through a nationwide competition sponsored by the National YoungArts Foundation.

Weaver wrote his essay about his twin sister, Madison (*pictured above with him*), and how her encouragement and support helped him to deal with the effects of cerebral palsy, which is a loss or impairment of motor function caused by brain damage before, during, or just after birth.

"The scholarship is an honor for her, too," he said. "I hope it also will encourage other young people facing challenges by showing them that if you do your best, you can never underestimate what might happen."

At St. Charles, Weaver was Student Council vice president and a member of ultimate Frisbee and engineering teams that won state championships. He had a 36, the highest score attainable, on the ACT college preparatory test.

"Because I couldn't be the best athletically, I was driven to be the best academically," Weaver said. But he also had athletic success at St. Charles, where he was captain of the wrestling team and on the cross



country team.

Weaver will be attending The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill this fall. His sister, a senior at Columbus School for Girls, will be going to Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

The two were born after 28 weeks of pregnancy. Their mother was aware that their premature birth might cause complications, but Weaver's cerebral palsy didn't become apparent until he was around two or three years old. He received his elementary education at St. Joseph Montessori School and the Columbus Montessori Education Center.

"For the most part, his cerebral palsy wasn't an issue," Weaver's mother said. "We always approached things from the perspective that God makes each one of us unique."

Weaver will be honored with the other Presidential Scholars from June 18-20 in Washington.

Created in 1964, the Presidential Scholars Program has honored more than 7,000 students. It was expanded in 1979 to recognize students who demonstrate exceptional talent in the visual, literary, and performing arts. In 2015, it was extended to recognize students who demonstrate ability and accomplishment in career and technical education fields.

Since 1983, each Presidential Scholar has been offered the opportunity to select an influential teacher, who is honored with a personal letter from the secretary of the U.S. Department of Education. Weaver's choice for the honor was Scott Pharion, St. Charles assistant principal and dean of students.

History of the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club

BY TIM PUET, *Catholic Times Reporter*

The Catholic Men's Luncheon Club has been an important part of the Diocese of Columbus for more than 70 years – no one is quite sure how long. But until now, no one has compiled a history of the organization.

Ed Quickert of Columbus St. Mary Church has spent the last five years unearthing the club's history by talking to longtime members and mainly looking through the bound volumes of back issues of the *Catholic Times* and its predecessor, *The Columbus Register*, in the Times office.

"I got curious about the club's history after I started going to its meetings about five years ago," said Quickert, who also wrote a history of his parish for its recent 150th anniversary. "I asked John Schechter, who was club president at the time, what information he might have about an uncle of mine who was in the club. He said 'We don't have information on anything,' so I started working on the club history in addition to the parish history."

Quickert will talk about what he found in a presentation at the luncheon club's next meeting on Friday, June 2, following the 11:45 a.m. Mass at Columbus St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave.

"The origins of the club are somewhat lost in the mists of time," Quickert said. "Some people I've talked to say it started around 1937; others say 1941. The first brief mentions of it I found in the *Register* came in its 'Social Notes' column in 1944. By then, it had been around for a few years, perhaps even before the *Register* began publishing in 1940.

"The consensus is that it started with about five men who would gather at the former Knights of Columbus Council 400 building to talk about current affairs, and evolved from there."

That five-story structure at 80 S. 6th St. in Columbus, which still stands, was built by the Knights in the mid-1920s and has a swimming pool, bowling alley, ballroom, theater, dining and kitchen area, and sleeping rooms, which were used by visiting Knights, military personnel, and students at the Pontifical College Josephinum when the college was located downtown. The Knights in 1969 sold it to the Salesian religious order, which operated it as a youth center until the order left the diocese in 2008.

The club met there until 1944, then

moved its meeting site to various downtown hotels for most of the next four decades. Those included the Virginia Hotel (now the site of the Renaissance Columbus Hotel), 1944-57; the Neil House across from the Statehouse on South High Street (demolished in 1981, now the site of the Huntington Center), 1958-66 and 1969-76; the Seneca Hotel at 367 E. Broad St. (now converted to apartments), 1965-66; and the Beasley-Deshler Hotel, connected to the LeVeque Tower at Broad and High streets, 1967-68.

St. Patrick Church began hosting meetings in 1977. The club has met there for most of the ensuing years, except for a period from 2000-03 when the church was being renovated and club meetings took place at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School.

"The club at first was known as the Catholic Business Men's Luncheon Club, but dropped 'Business' from its title so it could expand by including a larger group of people," Quickert said. "In its first several decades, it had a formal structure, with a president, other officers, and board of directors," Quickert said. The club still has a president, assisted by a small leadership team.

"It used to be that you had to attend three consecutive meetings to become an official member, and meeting notices were sent through the mail. Things began getting more informal around the 1970s, but here again, I couldn't pinpoint a specific date," he said.

He said about 65 people generally attend its monthly meetings, which take place on the first Friday of each month from September to June (except for January and when the first Friday is on Good Friday) after the 11:45 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick's. Those attending are asked to make a \$10 offering to cover the cost of the meal.

The club solicits a sponsorship for each session. Sponsorships, typically \$250, are provided by businesses or other donors to assist with club operational expenses. They bring exposure to the donor's business, because they are listed in club promotional emails and in announcements at club luncheons. Sponsorships particularly help the club furnish honorariums to priests who occasionally address the luncheons.



The largest attendance for the club generally comes at its February meeting, when it presents its annual Catholic Man of the Year award to a layman who by his daily actions, words, and prayers exemplifies the "good and faithful servant." This year's recipient was Josef Banks of Columbus

St. Dominic Church.

Nominations for the award are solicited by the club via bulletins, email blasts and the *Catholic Times*. For the 2017 award, there were 16 nominees, representing nine diocesan parishes. The award recipient is chosen from among the nominees by a selection committee consisting of two representatives each from the Catholic Laymen's Retreat League, the Catholic Men's Ministry, the Serra Club, the Knights of Columbus, and the luncheon club. The committee is advised by a diocesan priest, and its selection receives the approval of the bishop, who is the award presenter.

This year is the 60th anniversary for the honor, which was first awarded in 1957 to John Igoe of Columbus St. Agatha Church for his work as president of the Serra Clubs of Ohio and with other Catholic organizations. The award winners have represented various fields, including medicine, business, politics, law, and education.

The parish with the largest number of awardees is Columbus St. Catharine with five, followed by Columbus St. Andrew and Columbus Christ the King with four. Most of the awardees have come from parishes in Columbus and Franklin County because most of those who attend club meetings are from that area, but there also have been two award winners from Newark Blessed Sacrament Church and one each from Dover St. Joseph, London St. Patrick, and Plain City St. Joseph churches.

Bishop Edward Herrmann began the tradition of having the bishop present the award, which has continued under his successors, Bishops James Griffin and Frederick Campbell. Those three have been the most frequent speakers at club meetings during its history. Besides presenting the Catholic Man of the Year award, Bishop Campbell usually speaks to the club on matters of general interest in October or November, and a newly ordained priest is the featured speaker

each December.

Other prominent figures who have spoken to the club over the years have been Columbus Mayors M.E. Sensenbrenner, Tom Moody, and Greg Lashutka, Gov. John Kasich (when he was a congressman), U.S. Rep. Pat Tiberi, and Ohio State football coach Jim Tressel. Speakers' topics have covered a broad range of events. Quickert said that about 30 percent have been related to religion, 10 percent each to government, family, and the media, five percent each to education, labor-management relations, history, and sports, and the rest to miscellaneous topics.

"The club's basic purposes at the beginning were to discuss current events, to inform members of basic Catholic truths, to oppose communism, and to provide community service," he said. "Like many similar clubs in cities around the nation, it actively promoted the Christopher movement."

The Christophers was an organization founded in 1945 by Maryknoll Father James Keller "to prepare individuals to be Christ-bearers" and to exert a positive influence in education, government, labor-management relations, and the media.

Father Keller and his successors produced a television program which was seen on commercial stations in Columbus and many other cities for many years and continues to be shown on cable. The Christophers also produce a weekly radio program and the *Christopher News Notes* which are sent to subscribers 10 times a year. The organization's motto, "Better to light one candle than curse the darkness," is a phrase familiar to many.

In its earlier years, the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club sponsored several events and paid for needy children to attend the former diocesan summer camps and Camp Mary Orton, which still is in operation near the Josephinum. The club's primary functions today are its monthly luncheon meetings, the Man of the Year award, and support for the annual Columbus Catholic Men's Conference. It is part of the Catholic Men's Ministry, which supports many Catholic men's organizations in and beyond the Columbus area.

For more information about the club, go to www.catholicmensministry.com and click on the "Get Plugged In" tab or contact club president Tim Merkle at htm@ejhlaw.com.



Chillicothe Bishop Flaget trip to New York

Chillicothe Bishop Flaget School seventh- and eighth-grade students toured New York City for three days, visiting the 9/11 Memorial and Museum, the American Museum of Natural History, and the Empire State Building, attending Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral (where Father Sean Dooley of Chillicothe St. Peter Church concelebrated), exploring the financial district (where they visited Wall Street's bull statue, above), Chinatown, Little Italy, Central Park, and Times Square, and learning about the culture and diversity of the city. The students also attended "The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical" and made it on the "Today" show. The trip was financed through the school's Lenten fish fry and other small fundraisers. Photo courtesy Bishop Flaget School

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Columbus St. Mary School recently conducted its annual Right to Read Week. This year's theme was "Reading Around the World." The week's activities included three illustrator and author visits, as well as a family reading festival and art show. An aerial photo of all the students traditionally has been taken as part of the week. This year, to fit the travel theme, the students formed an airplane. Parents and teachers also worked together to make child-size monuments representing various parts of the world to decorate the front yard of the school.



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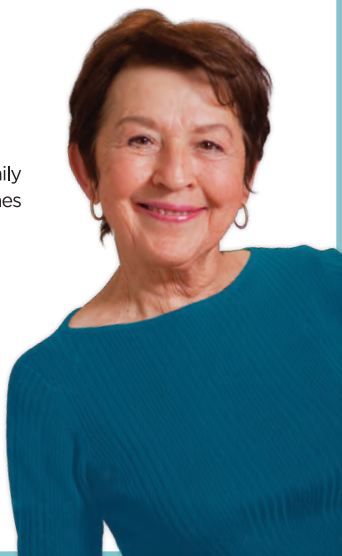
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St. John Paul II welcomed and addressed sports teams at athletic events all over the world throughout his many years as pope.

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"Every Christian is called to become a strong athlete of Christ; that is, a faithful and courageous witness to his Gospel." - St. John Paul II.

He viewed the playing field as an opportunity for educational and spiritual growth that helps to *"build a more fraternal and united world; sport which contributes to the love of life, teaches sacrifice, respect, and responsibility, leading to the full development of every human person."*

We learn a lot about ourselves in any athletic activity, whether recreational or competitive. The human person, made in the image and likeness of God, is a gift that is to be respected, body, mind, and soul.

"Every care must be taken to protect the human body from any attack on its integrity, from any exploitation and from any idolatry." - St. John Paul II.



HOLY AND HEALTHY

Lori Crock

In a 2004 address, John Paul reminds us that the playing field is a place to grow virtue, saying *"The Christian can find sports helpful for developing the cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance in the race for the wreath that is 'imperishable,' as St. Paul writes."*

His words of encouragement to athletes often center on being a joyful, virtuous, humble role model who leads others by example.

"I believe that we do not err to recognize in you this

potential for civic and Christian virtues. In a world in which we often painfully recognize the presence of youth who are lifeless, marked by sadness and negative experiences, you can be for them wise friends, expert guides and coaches, not only on the playing field, but also along those paths that lead to a finish line of the true values of life." - St. John Paul II.

By keeping the role of sport in the proper perspective, we can, as St. Paul said, *"Glorify God in your body"* (1 Corinthians 6:20).

"The body, according to Christian concept, deserves due interest, real respect, loving and wise care, invested as it is with natural dignity, capable of a mysterious sacrality and destined to ultimate victory over death itself, as our faith teaches us." - St. John Paul II.

Lori Crock is a wife, mother, Plain City St. Joseph Church parishioner, strength and movement coach, and owner of MoveStrong Kettlebells in Dublin.

Tree planting in memory of deceased teacher



Portsmouth Notre Dame High School students gathered to plant a blooming young dogwood tree as a memorial to their Spanish teacher, Michael Haskins, who died on March 14 following a brief illness. He taught psychology, as well as Spanish, and was adviser for the school's National Honor Society and Quiz Bowl team. He was employed at Notre Dame schools for nearly 20 years. Father David Young gave brief remarks and blessed the new tree, members of the Haskins family, including Matthew Haskins, a junior at Notre Dame, and the faculty and students who were present for the brief ceremony.

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BISHOP HERRMANN SERVICE AWARD

The 11 winners of the diocese's annual Bishop Herrmann Service Awards for high school students will receive the honor at their respective recognition or graduation ceremonies.

Recipients of the \$100 cash awards are chosen by school administrators and faculty members on the basis of demonstrated commitment to serving others.

The award highlights the importance of the service dimension as an integrated facet of the student's experience. It serves as a reminder of the late Bishop Edward Herrmann's call for service on the part of the community. It also provides an opportunity to recognize students who have benefited from the effort to teach students of Catholic schools the need to serve, as described through the Gospels.

When he retired in 1982, Bishop Herrmann agreed to a testimonial dinner if its proceeds would be given to serve the community. A total of \$22,500 was raised, with \$10,400 going to Operation Feed and the rest set aside as a perpetual fund for the service awards.

Criteria for the selection are based on the theme outlined in Bishop Herrmann's 1982 commencement address at Ohio Dominican College, when he said:

"We have an obligation to be concerned with one another. ... The concern is not just abstract consideration, but something put into action. ... As we look all about us, we see problems with unemployment, war, hunger, injustice, social prejudice, racial discrimination, and others all too well known. We must ask ourselves how we can work together for the advancement of our community, and, for that matter, of the whole world."



AARON BAZLER

School: *Portsmouth Notre Dame* **Parish:** *Portsmouth St. Mary*
Senior Class President; SEARCH Retreat Leader; Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Program; Boy Scouts National Youth Leadership Training and Order of the Arrow; Key Club; Red Cross Red, White, and Youth; Science Bowl; Model United Nations; Football Team; Basketball Team; John C. Maxwell Leadership Seminar; Bingo Worker; School Custodial Worker; Biddy Ball Referee.



JOSEPH BERNI

School: *New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic*
Parish: *Dennison Immaculate Conception*
Sophomore and Junior Class President; Parish Sacristan; Worker at Dennison Immaculate Conception and Dover St. Joseph Parish Festivals; Altar Server for Parish and School; Mock Trial; Parish Youth Group; Peter Clore Memorial Scholarship.



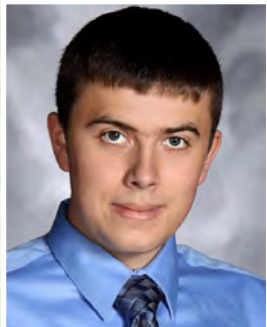
DANIELLE LANCIA

School: *Columbus Bishop Ready*
Parish: *Columbus St. Cecilia*
National Honor Society; Gifts of the Heart Service Award; Gospel Road; Student Ambassador; Girl Scouts Silver Award; Beta Club; Sign Language Club; Student Council; Environmental Club; Basketball Team; Volleyball Team; St. Vincent de Paul Society; London St. Patrick Church Youth Group.



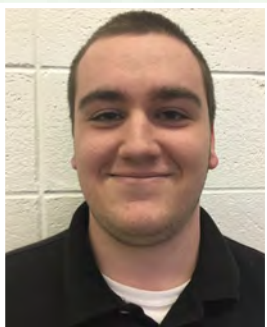
ABIGAIL MINZLER

School: *Columbus Bishop Watterson*
Parish: *Columbus Immaculate Conception*
Mission Trips to Mexico and Nicaragua; Spirit of Sophomore Service Award; YWCA Family Center Dinner Server; Immaculate Conception School Science Olympiad Coach; Parish Nursery; Vacation Bible School.



MICHAEL MOONEY

School: *Lancaster Fisher Catholic* **Parish:** *New Lexington St. Rose*
Concert Band; Marching Band; Bowling Team; Parish Youth Group; St. Vincent de Paul Society; St. Rose School Volunteer; Altar Server.



NOAH MOULTON

School: *Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans* **Parish:** *Zanesville St. Nicholas*
Life Scout; Boy Scout National Youth Leadership Training; Led Building of Outdoor Activity Areas for CASS/MIND (Creating Artists, Stimulating Success/Making Impact, Negotiating Decisions) Arts Academy; Helped Build Dillon State Park Amphitheater Screen and Big Brothers/Big Sisters Cornhole Sets; Retiling of School Swimming Pool Locker Rooms; Neighbor Helping Neighbor Program; Rotary Youth Leadership Program; Youth Leaders' Tour of Washington; National Honor Society.



KATHERINE PAGE

School: *Columbus Bishop Hartley* **Parish:** *Columbus St. Catharine*
Pelotonia Finish Line Photographer; Color Run Volunteer; Soccer Team; Football Camp Volunteer; Ronald McDonald House Volunteer; Rosary Bracelet Maker for Villas at St. Therese Assisted Living; Maker of Various Items for Thurber House Assisted Living.



MORGAN ROWAN

School: *Columbus St. Francis DeSales* **Parish:** *Columbus St. Dominic*
National Honor Society; French National Honor Society; Poetry Out Loud Finalist; Diocesan Youth Council; Teen Spirit Youth Group; Knights of Peter Claver Junior Daughters; Parish Youth Choir, Lector, Eucharistic Minister, and Cantor; Track Team; Cross Country Team; St. Vincent de Paul Society; French Club; Math Club; School Concert and Liturgical Choirs; Student Ambassador; Campus Ministry; St. Anthony Church Vacation Bible School; Peer Tutoring; Canned Food Drive Leader; Read With a Stallion; Speed and Endurance Camp Leader; Assisted Elementary Students With Reading Quizzes.



RUTH SCHMELZER

School: *Newark Catholic* **Parish:** *Newark Blessed Sacrament*
National Outdoor Leadership School in Patagonia; Fundraiser for Ugandan Orphanage; Washington March for Life; NC for Life; Kairos Retreat Leader; Confirmation Retreat Leader; Altar Server; Eucharistic Minister; Morning Prayer Selector and Leader.



PATRICK SPRIGLER

School: *Columbus St. Charles Preparatory*
Parish: *Columbus St. Andrew*
Eagle Scout With Four Palms; Order of the Arrow; Boy Scouts National Youth Leadership Training; Diocesan Catholic Scout Camporee; Student Council; Altar Server; School and Parish Eucharistic Minister; Riverside Hospital Volunteer; Crown Pointe Care Center Volunteer; National Honor Society; Track Team; Bowling Team; School Mascot; St. Michael's Book Award; Diocesan Vocations Office Face Forward Award; Syntero Catalyst for Positive Change Award; Parish Festival Volunteer.



NIKKITA TERRELL

School: *Columbus Cristo Rey* **Parish:** *Not listed*
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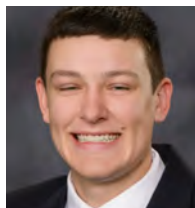


BROCK CONRAD/*Lancaster Fisher Catholic Parish: Lancaster St. Mary*

National Honor Society; Columbus Dispatch Scholarship Finalist; National Student Leadership Conference; Irish for Life Club; Quiz Team; Altar Server; Red Cross Blood Drive Coordinator; Wendy's High School Heisman Finalist; Football Team; Baseball Team; Bowling Team; Academic

All-Mid-State League.

Attending The Ohio State University.



MATTHEW DOCKMAN/*Columbus Bishop Watterson Parish: Hilliard St. Brendan*

Honda-OSU Math Medal; Rensselaer Medal; Sister Ursula Marie Wagner Math Scholarship; Meals on Wheels; Hilliard Library Homework Help Center; Baseball Team.

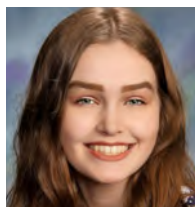
Attending Duke University.



JUSTIN HADAD/*Columbus St. Charles Preparatory Church: Columbus St. Andrew*

National Honor Society; National Merit Commended Scholar; National Latin Exam Summa Cum Laude; Williams College Book Award; Engineering Team; Reading Mentor; Student Council; Student American Chemical Society; Advanced Placement and Honors Tutor; Dublin Youth Athletics Basketball Volunteer; Eastside Mahi-Mahi Rugby Football Club; Weightlifting Club.

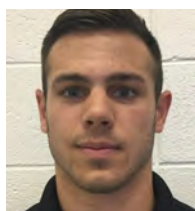
Attending The University of North Carolina.



ELIZABETH HUGGINS/*Columbus Bishop Hartley Parish: Columbus St. Catharine*

National Honor Society; National Merit Scholar; Latin III Student of the Year; Drama Club; Concert Choir; School Newspaper; Women's Care Center Volunteer; Math Tutor; Columbus City Schools Volunteer.

Attending The Ohio State University.



TRAVIS JOHNSTON/*Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans Parish: Zanesville St. Thomas Aquinas*

National Honor Society; Student Body Mentor; Starlight School Service Project; Key Club; Hugh O'Brian Youth Ambassador; Quiz Team; Robotics Team; Altar Server; Football Team; Basketball Team; Baseball Team; Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Award.

Attending Case Western Reserve University.



CATHERINE NGUYEN/*New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic Parish: Dover St. Joseph*

National Honor Society; Ohio Knights of Columbus Academic Award; Dover Kiwanis Academic Award; County and District Americanism and Government Contest Winner; Hugh O'Brian Leadership Award; Mock Trial; Power of the Pen;

Sister Doris Lally Memorial Award; Alexandra Rose Gatelero Memorial Scholarship; Vacation Bible School Group Leader; Lector at Masses; Freshman Class President; Student Council; Indoor and Outdoor Track Teams.

Attending Miami (Ohio) University.



JITEN PATEL/*Portsmouth Notre Dame Parish: None listed*

National Honor Society; OSU-Honda Math Medal; National Level Competition in Science Bowl; Key Club; Newspaper Club; Mock Trial; Southern Ohio Medical Center Service Award; Swimming Team; School Volunteer.

Attending The Ohio State University.



KATHERINE PERRY/*Columbus Bishop Ready Parish: Hilliard St. Brendan*

National Honor Society; Student Council; School Ambassador; Beta Club; Liturgical Ministries; St. Vincent de Paul Society; Kairos Retreat Leader; Prudential Spirit of Community President's Volunteer Service Award; Silver Knight Tradition of Excellence Scholarship; Rachel Carson Book Award;

Hugh O'Brian Junior Youth Ambassador; School Volunteer; Track Team; Cross Country Team.

Attending the University of Dayton.



ANTHONY SALMERON/*Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School Parish: Columbus Holy Spirit*

National Honor Society; National Hispanic Scholar; Advanced Placement Scholar with Honors; Buckeye Boys State; Columbus Dispatch Scholar-Athlete; St. Francis DeSales Merit Scholar; Student Council President; Chemistry

Club; Latin National Honor Society; Soccer Team; Track Team; Wendy's High School Heisman Finalist; American Red Cross Blood Drive Coordinator; Student Ambassador; Handshake America; Latin American Space for Enrichment and Research; Future Business Leaders of America; Community Service Volunteer.

Attending the University of Michigan or Northwestern University.



ANDREW SNIDER/*Newark Catholic Parish: Newark Blessed Sacrament*

National Honor Society; Buckeye Boys State; Boy Scouts; Latin Club; Licking County Youth Leadership Council; High School Youth Group; Altar Server; School Volunteer; Key Club; Spring Cabaret; Winter Musical; High School Liturgical Choir; Track Team; Football Team; Wrestling Team.

Attending the United States Air Force Academy.



ARTURO VALLEJO/*Columbus Cristo Rey Parish: Columbus St. Stephen*

National Honor Society; Student Council; Student Ambassador; Junior Achievement; School Newspaper; After-School Tutor; Nursing Home Volunteer; Food Pantry Volunteer; Rising Star Award; Self-Reliance Award; Mission Award of Excellence; Admissions Host of the Year; Pillars Award for Professionalism; Advanced Placement Scholar Award; Recycling Initiative Project.

Attending Brown University.

Congratulations Students!

Gertrude Kuehefuhs Music Scholarship

Four students in diocesan schools have been awarded the annual Gertrude C. Kuehefuhs music scholarships.

Outstanding instrumental and choral music students receive the \$250 awards to help them pay Catholic high school tuition or college tuition. Two scholarships are awarded to high school seniors, and the other two go to eighth-graders.

Kuehefuhs was a long-time member of the Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral choir and a teacher of music at The Ohio State University. The awards are made possible from a gift received from her estate.

The winners are:

High School Instrumental Music



Olivia George

Olivia George, a senior at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, plays the saxophone in the pep band and concert band and works with members of middle-school feeder bands to help them improve their playing skills. Outside of school, she has taken private and group lessons at Columbus Music Academy and performed as part of a youth saxophone quartet. At her parish, Reynoldsburg St. Pius X, she has volunteered at the parish festival and spaghetti dinners and is an extraordinary minister of the

Eucharist. She has assisted the Joseph's Coat clothing and furniture ministry by taking part in clothing, toiletry, and soap drives and baking cookies. She also is a member of Hartley's National Honor Society and bowling team and has received the Red Sash of Merit from the diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting.

She plans to attend Miami (Ohio) University, where she will major in biology and pre-optometry.

High School Choral Music



Katharine Croswell

Katherine Croswell, a senior at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, is a soprano who has appeared in various school musical productions and with the school concert choir. She has taken 12 years of piano and dance lessons and two years of voice lessons and is a cantor at school liturgies. At Reynoldsburg St. Pius X Church, she has been an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, parish festival volunteer, Confirmation retreat leader, youth

group member, and Vacation Bible School teacher. She was awarded the Red Sash of Merit by the diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting and has attended the National Catholic Youth Conference and the Gospel Road program. She also belongs to the National Honor Society, was on the school's tennis team, and was a lead volunteer in its summer reading program.

She plans to attend Bowling Green State University and obtain a degree in music education, specializing in choral music in hopes of becoming a high-school music teacher and choir director.

Elementary Instrumental Music



Skyla Blumenscheid

Skyla Blumenscheid, an eighth-grade student at Columbus St. Anthony School, plays the guitar, piano, trumpet, bass, ukulele, and banjo. She is a trumpeter in her own school's band and also played the trumpet during the past year with the Columbus St. Francis DeSales High school marching, concert, and jazz bands. In addition, she has been a member of the St. Anthony School choir for the past four years and was part of the diocesan schools

honor choir in 2016. As a guitarist and vocalist, she has taken part in several of the Jazz Arts Group's camps and auditioned for the Columbus Blues Alliance youth showcase, been a finalist in the talent competition at the Arnold Sports Festival, and been a member of the praise band at Northwest United Methodist Church in Columbus.

She plans to attend St. Francis DeSales High School this fall.

Elementary Choral Music

Drew Curtin



Drew Curtin, an eighth-grader at Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare School, is a bass/baritone who has been a member of his school's choir and small ensembles and the diocesan honor choir. He participated in musical at the school for the past three years, singing a lead role this year. In addition, he has performed with the Abbey Theater of Dublin and Worthington Community Theater. In school, he also has been involved with the Power of the Pen and Battle of the Books programs, the Boy

Scouts, and his parish youth group, and is an altar server.

This fall, he plans to attend Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School.

Ward Scholarship Recipients

Vanesa Mora of Columbus Cristo Rey High School and Morgan Rowan of Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School are the 2017 recipients of the Wendy O. Ward Foundation Memorial Scholarship.



Vanesa Mora



Morgan Rowan

Ward's husband, Chris, a graduate of Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, established the scholarship in 2015 in memory of his wife, a Hilliard resident, who died of breast cancer on May 18, 2012 after a 10-year career as a writer and public relations consultant.

The scholarship provides \$5,000 for first-year expenses for a graduate of a Columbus diocesan high school who has been involved in school, community, and parish activities and demonstrated academic achievement, particularly in the field of language arts. The recipient is eligible to apply for a \$1,000 renewal award for three subsequent years. The Ward foundation will pay the scholarship money directly to the institution the recipient plans to attend.

Mora is vice president of her school's National Honor Society chapter, secre-

tary of its student government, and a co-founder of its Junior State of America chapter, and has been editor of the school newspaper and yearbook. She also has been a tutor

and mentor for younger students and a school ambassador. She worked at Nationwide Children's Hospital for four years as part of the Cristo Rey work-study program and has been a volunteer at Columbus Christ the King Church and a caddy at Columbus Country Club.

She will attend Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island, and study international relations in hopes of a possible career with the State Department or the United Nations.

Rowan is a member of her school's National Honor Society and French National Honor Society and has served as captain of its girls cross country and track teams. She also has been a member of the Diocesan Youth Council and been a peer tutor and a student ambassador. In addition, she has sung in the

Sixth Sunday of Easter (Cycle A)

The Spirit of truth does not need a spin doctor



Father
Lawrence L. Hummer

May 21 -- Acts 8:5-8,14-17
1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21

Acts finally begins to turn toward the fulfillment of the Apostles' mission "in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth," as Jesus had said just before he was taken up into heaven (Acts 1:8). Philip went to Samaria to preach Christ to that city's residents, demonstrating the power of his words with exorcisms and healings. This Philip was not one of the group known as the Twelve, but was identified later as an evangelist (Acts 21:8).

Among other oddities of this whole scene is the fact that the Samaritans only accepted the Law of the Old Testament. They did not accept the Prophets or the writings, upon which much of the hope for a Messiah (or Christ) was based. They only looked for "a prophet like Moses," as opposed to a Messiah or Christ. Whether Luke knew of this and chose to overlook it, or whether he had no knowledge of it (a distinct possibility), the text ignores it.

Philip's "signs" included exorcisms and healings, mirroring acts of Jesus. These brought great joy to the local population. Given the poor relations that existed between Judaism and Samaria, it is a striking and remarkable turn of events that Samaritans would have responded so favorably to the efforts of Philip, Peter, and John.

After Philip's groundwork, the Apostles sent Peter and John, who then prayed that the Samaritans might "receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them. They had only been baptized in the name of

the Lord Jesus." This detail is quite strange, since even a baptism in the name of Jesus should have included a reception of the Holy Spirit. Apparently, this was meant to highlight Luke's contention that only the Apostles or their agents could mediate the Holy Spirit to others.

Behind this is the church's developing self-understanding, at least in Luke, that the church itself is the one which properly distributes the Spirit which had been given to it from the very beginning. As the first recipient of the Spirit (see Acts 2), the church also is the proper dispenser of the Spirit, which no one other than the immediate group of Apostles, and later their designees, can distribute. Echoes of that are preserved in the church today, with the diocesan bishop as the ordinary minister of Confirmation. The bishop may authorize his priests in some circumstances, as at the Easter Vigil, to minister Confirmation as part of the Sacraments of Initiation for adults.

The Gospel continues Jesus' Last Supper discourse, begun in last week's Gospel. The disciples' love of Jesus is realized if they "keep my commandments." He promises to ask the Father to give them "another" Advocate (in Greek, *parakletos*) "to be with you always." This also could be translated "I will give you another, an Advocate." That would mean only one Advocate. As it stands, that would mean Jesus would have been understood as the first Advocate, and the Spirit as this "other" one. This Advocate is, literally, "one who is called to one's side" to intercede on the caller's behalf.

The reason the world cannot accept the Advocate is because he also is known as "The Spirit of Truth." The world tends to flee from truth. It does not want to hear the truth because truth lays open things as they are, not as people spin them to be. The Spirit of truth does not need a spin doctor, because the truth before the Father is absolute. It cannot be disguised or reworked to appear to be something wonderful or "great." It simply is.

Father Hummer may be reached at hummerl@stmarychillicothe.com.

ODU transfer day on June 3

Students who are interested in transferring to Ohio Dominican University will have an opportunity to begin and complete the transfer admission process in one day on Saturday, June 3, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Bishop James A. Griffin Student Center, located on the ODU campus at 1215 Sunbury Road, Columbus.

Those attending will have an opportunity to complete ODU's free application, receive an on-the-spot admissions decision, learn about their transfer credits, review financial aid options, secure a spot in fall classes by paying a deposit, and register for classes.

To register for the event, students can visit ohiodominican.edu/TransferDay.

For more information, contact admissions@ohiodominican.edu or (614) 251-4500.

Learn more about the benefits of transferring to ODU at ohiodominican.edu/Transfer.

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school's Horizons liturgical choir, been a cantor, taken part in the Poetry Out Loud competition, and been a member of the school St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Teen Spirit youth group.

She plans to attend Walsh University in North Canton and obtain a degree in psychology, with a minor in French or Spanish, following that with additional studies in anticipation of a career as a school psychologist.

Ward, a graduate of Bishop Luers High School in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and of the University of Dayton, was grateful for her Catholic education and always said she counted herself lucky to have the opportunity in her career to do something not all English majors can – to use her skills and write every day for her company, Constructive Communication, Inc., where she was vice president. Her husband and children, Caroline and Jack, hope the scholarship will help provide others with the same opportunity.

The Weekday Bible Readings

5/22-5/27

MONDAY
Acts 16:11-15
Psalm 149:1-6a,9b
John 15:26-16:4a

TUESDAY
Acts 16:22-34
Psalm 138:1-3,7c-8
John 16:5-11

WEDNESDAY
Acts 17:15,22-18:1
Psalm 148:1-2,11-14
John 16:12-15

THURSDAY
Acts 18:1-8
Psalm 98:1-4
John 16:16-20

FRIDAY
Acts 18:9-18
Psalm 47:2-7
John 16:20-23

SATURDAY
Acts 18:23-28
Psalm 47:2-3,8-10
John 16:23b-28

5/29-6/3

MONDAY
Acts 19:1-8
Psalm 68:2-7
John 16:29-33

TUESDAY
Acts 20:17-27
Psalm 68:10-11,20-21
John 17:1-11a

WEDNESDAY
Zephaniah 3:14-18a
or Romans 12:9-16
Isaiah 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6 (Ps)
Luke 1:39-56

THURSDAY
Acts 22:30;23:6-11
Psalm 16:1-2a,5,7-11
John 17:20-26

FRIDAY
Acts 25:13b-21
Psalm 103:1-2,11-12,19-20b
John 21:15-19

SATURDAY
Acts 28:16-20,30-31
Psalm 11:4-5,7
John 21:20-25

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEKS OF MAY 21 AND 28, 2017

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 (Time Warner 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).

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 Weeks II and III, Seasonal Proper of the Liturgy of the Hours

After 10 Years, It's Time to Say Goodbye

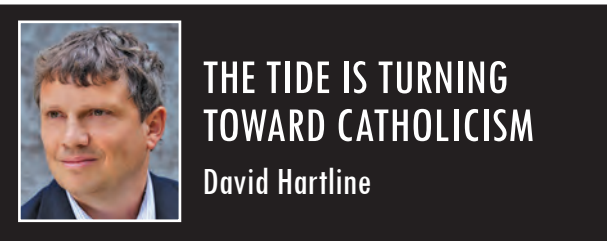
The first quarter of the New Year, specifically Lent, is a time when I focus on what God wants me to do for the rest of the year. For 10 years, I've had the privilege of writing a biweekly column for the *Catholic Times*. I'm starting a new job, and after a solid 10 years of columns that focused on the many under-reported, positive events happening in the Church, I feel it is time for me to say goodbye.

When I talked my decision over with *Catholic Times* editor David Garick, we both seemed surprised that I have been writing this column for 10 years. It doesn't seem all that long ago that Dave became the editor and we providentially met. One thing led to another, and the next thing I knew, I was writing a column.

A lot has happened in the past decade. After many prayers, my wife and I were blessed with two children via adoption. We have been able to see them become two slightly ornery, but well-meaning Catholic kids, making their way through school with a zest for life and an endless supply of energy. In that 10-year time span, there have been three presidents and two popes.

While our nation and the Western world have seen many changes, the Catholic Church still moves forward, offering truth, mercy, hope, and love to a weary world which sometimes attacks the very Church that is trying to help it. At the same time, even those who don't want to understand her merciful role in the world grudgingly accept that the Church always must be beholden to the teachings of Christ, his Apostles, and the saints, and not to whatever prevailing wind sweeps the world at any given time.

Here are 10 things I wish to convey as I complete



THE TIDE IS TURNING TOWARD CATHOLICISM

David Hartline

10 years of writing this column:

1. *The Catholic Church has come under withering attacks from time to time in her 2,000 years, and, unlike any other institution, it is still standing and preaching the Gospel.*
2. *If you want to get something out of the Church or anything else in life, you have to put something into it. In this case, it is studying what the Church believes and why, and helping those whom God has placed in your heart to help.*
3. *The sacraments are a gateway to understanding life in general and your role in it.*
4. *Confessing your sins to a priest is the first thing Jesus asked the Apostles to do when he returned to them on Easter Sunday night. Confession isn't just for the sinners you know, but for you, too.*
5. *Reading the Bible is helpful not only in providing an understanding of the ancient Israelites and the preparation for Jesus' coming (Old Testament), but also in understanding the personal side of Jesus and everyone around him (New Testament). In many ways, the Bible is the world's first self-help book. The world spends billions of dollars on self-help books, online seminars, and expensive conferences, but why not*

go to the original source of self-help?

6. *Helping those both nearby and far away whom God has placed in your heart for whatever reason probably will help you as much as it will help them.*
7. *Catholic devotions such as the Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration are ancient practices that God gave us to know our way in this life and help others in the journey.*
8. *Get involved in the life of the Catholic Church through her parishes, schools, and organizations.*
9. *Negativity, bitterness, envy, and pride really do come before the fall and take away a lot of your God-given energy and talents.*
10. *Thinking you know better than Jesus, his Apostles, and the saints because you live in 2017 is a recipe for disaster not only for you, but also for those who will listen to you.*

I want to thank my wife and children for giving me the inspiration behind this work, as well as my parents and all the Catholic school teachers, priests, and sisters who showed me a better way to live than what I would have come up with, left to my own devices. My gratitude is greatly extended to Bishop Frederick Campbell for his benevolent support and to his predecessor, Bishop James Griffin, for his advice and guidance through the years.

Finally, to all the readers, thank you for all of your kind words and prayers through the years. You're all part of the tide that is turning to Catholicism. God bless you all!

Hartline is the author of "The Tide is Turning Toward Catholicism" and a former teacher and administrator for the diocese.

Catholic Diocese of Columbus TRIBUNAL

The Tribunal of the Catholic Diocese of Columbus is searching for a CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST on a part time basis (4-6 hours a week) to perform appropriate psychological testing, conduct clinical interviews and provide a written evaluation for individuals seeking a marriage annulment.

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2017 Romana Hemmelgarn Award Recipient

Ann Brock, fourth-grade teacher at Columbus St. Mary Magdalene School, who is retiring this year, is this 2017 recipient of the Romana Hemmelgarn Award from the diocesan Office of Catholic Schools. She is shown receiving the award from school principal Rocco Fumi during a ceremony at which a dogwood tree was planted in her honor. Her retirement will end a 37-year career, which began from 1980-86 at London St. Patrick School. She has been at St. Mary Magdalene since the fall of 1986. In retirement, she will be working



at the family farm. The diocesan schools office presents the award annually to an educator who demonstrates the qualities of care, concern, and dedication Hemmelgarn exhibited during her 22 years of service to Catholic schools. Photo courtesy St. Mary Magdalene School

Pray for our dead

BLUVOL, Nina (Vizoso), 80, May 10
St. Peter Church, Columbus

BROKAMP, Virginia A. (Fleshman), 72, May 7
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove City

CANTWELL, Julia A., 53, May 11
St. Patrick Church, Columbus

CASHMAN, Kristen M. (Sauer), 73, May 8
St. Mary Church, Delaware

CIVIELLO, Rocco J., 75, May 1
Immaculate Conception Church, Dennison

DOERMAN, Alan L., 70, May 4
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Buckeye Lake

ELGIN, Beatrice H. (Hagman), 89, May 6
St. Mary Magdalene Church, Columbus

FOLLIS, Paul J., 101, May 4
Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

LATORRE, Rocco, 91, May 10
St. Cecilia Church, Columbus

LYONS, Megan, 34, May 6
St. Patrick Church, Junction City

LYSAGHT, Robert E. "Gene," 87, May 5
St. Mary Church, Marion

MASON, Christine M., 50, May 10
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

SANTILLI, Italo, 80, May 5
St. John Neumann Church, Sunbury

SUMMEROUR (THOMAS), Linda (Swain), 65, May 9
St. Matthias Church, Columbus

VILLACRES, Mary H., 50, May 7
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

VITAK, Carolyn (Zimmeth), 68, May 9
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

WANZYK, Anne F., 62, of Mount Gilead, May 11
St. Joseph Church, Danbury, Conn.

Louis D. Sharp

Funeral Mass for Louis D. Sharp, 85, who died Sunday, May 7, was held Monday, May 15 at Columbus Christ the King Church. Burial was at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Columbus.

He was born April 4, 1932 to Orlando and Alice Sharp. He was a 1950 graduate of Columbus East High School and received a bachelor of arts degree in physical education from Florida A&M University, where he played football, and a master of arts degree in education from The Ohio State University.

In 1955, he became the first African American member of the Ohio State Highway Patrol. He left that career after nine months to become an educa-

tor, and served as principal at the former Columbus Holy Rosary and John XXIII schools. He also was mayor of Urbancrest, was active in several charitable boards and civic associations, and was inducted in 2011 into the Ohio Civil Rights Hall of Fame.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Bernard, Irvin, and Otis; and sister, Lois. Survivors include his children, Dale, Darryl, Damien, Deborah, Dawn (Don) Heard, Dorcas, Derek (Allyson), and Siphon (Jennifer); brother, Lynne (Donna); sister, Wilma Mosley; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Sister Ann Carolyn Blackburn, SNDdeN

Funeral Mass for Sister Ann Carolyn Blackburn, SNDdeN, 89, who died Monday, April 10, was held Tuesday, April 18, at the Mount Notre Dame Health Center in Cincinnati.

She was born Lorraine Blackburn on May 30, 1927 in Chicago to George and Caroline (Sheehan) Blackburn and received a bachelor of science degree in education in 1962 from Our Lady of Cincinnati College and a master of arts degree in early childhood education from Michigan State University in 1972.

She entered the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur on Aug. 14, 1945, and made her first profession of vows on Aug. 13, 1948 and her final profession on the same date five years later.

Following 36 years of full-time teaching in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and in Illinois, she served from

1983-91 at the Notre Dame Reading Center in Columbus, where she tutored children who needed extra help with reading. She also worked with the Foster Grandparent Program, which placed her in schools to work with students on a one-to-one basis. Those schools included Livingston Elementary School, where she served from 1987-91.

She then returned to Cincinnati, where she continued working with the Foster Grandparent Program and with adults at an assisted-living facility until entering a ministry of community service and prayer at Mount Notre Dame in 2008. She received the President's Call to Service Award in 2005.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and sisters, Patricia and Mary. Survivors include many nieces and nephews.

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MAY

18, 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.

Holy Hour of Reparation at Columbus Sacred Heart

7 to 8 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Eucharistic Holy Hour following Holy Hour of Reparation prayer format, concluding with Benediction and social period. 614-372-5249

Abortion Recovery Network Group

7 to 8 p.m., Gateway Center, 2670 N. Columbus St., Lancaster. 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

Frassati Society Meeting at Columbus St. Patrick

7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Meeting of parish's Frassati Society for young adults, with Father Jerome Zeiler, OP, speaking on "What Is

the New Evangelization and Why Should I Care?" followed by refreshments and fellowship at a local pub. 614-224-9522

18-21, THURSDAY-SUNDAY

Dominican Sisters Mission Immersion and Retreat

5:30 p.m. Thursday to noon Sunday, Dominican Acres, 7400 Wengert Road, Blacklick. Dominican Sisters of Peace mission immersion and retreat experience for single Catholic women ages 18 to 45. Includes individual and group prayer and reflection, plus service opportunities at Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center and a soup kitchen. 614-216-7688

19, FRIDAY

Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center Open House

10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Center, a ministry of the Dominican Sisters of Peace, will be open, weather permitting. 614-866-4302

20, 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.

Singing Buckeyes Concert at Bishop Watterson

7 p.m., Bishop Watterson High School, 99 E. Cooke Road, Columbus. "Barbershop and All That Jazz" concert sponsored by Singing Buckeyes male chorus. Tickets \$15 adults, \$10 seniors and students. 614-459-0400

21, SUNDAY

Catholic Record Society Annual Meeting at St. Elizabeth

11 a.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Catholic Record Society annual meeting, beginning with Mass, followed by lunch at 12:30, talk by Msgr. Robert Noon, founding pastor, on the parish's early days, short business meeting, and Holy Hour, rosary, and benediction at 3:30. Lunch \$21. 614-268-4166

Blessing of St. Gerard Majella at Holy Family

After 11 a.m. Mass, Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Blessing of St. Gerard Majella, patron of expectant mothers, for all women who are pregnant or wish to become pregnant. 614-221-1890

Angelic Warfare Confraternity at Columbus St. Patrick

Following noon Mass, St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Monthly meeting of Angelic Warfare Confraternity, with talk on chastity-related issues followed by Holy Hour. 614-224-9522

St. Padre Pio Secular Franciscans

1:30 to 5 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 720 Hamlet St., Columbus. Fellowship and ongoing formation followed by adoration and prayer, Liturgy of the Hours, and initial formation with visitors. 614-282-4676

Polish Mass at Holy Family

2 p.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Monthly Mass in Polish. 614-221-4323

Taize Evening Prayer at Corpus Christi

4 to 5 p.m., Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Evening Prayer in the style and spirit of the Taize monastic community, with song, silence, and reflection. 614-512-3731

Prayer Group Meeting at Christ the King

5 to 7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus (enter at daily Mass entrance). Weekly parish prayer group meets for praise, worship, ministry, and teaching. 614-237-0401

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter

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

22, 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 the church). 614-718-0277, 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 Scripture readings.

23, TUESDAY

Rosary for Life at St. Joan of Arc

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

25, 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.

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26-28, FRIDAY-SUNDAY

Women's Retreat at Logan St. John

Youth center, St. John Church, 351 N. Market St., Logan. Self-led retreat for women, based on "St. Rita of Cascia: Saint of the Impossible (Wife, Mother, Widow, Nun)" by Father Joseph Sicardo, OSA. Includes meals, with informal discussion optional. Lodging in private rooms, with shared bathroom, living room, and kitchen. Linens, towels provided. Bring food, or there are grocery stores nearby. Monday is optional retreat day. Participants are asked to donate to St. Martin de Porres Place Family Retreat House project in the Hocking Hills. 614-406-3507

27, 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.

28, SUNDAY

Father Richard Metzger's Anniversary Mass at St. Pius

10:15 a.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Mass celebrating the 50th anniversary of Father Richard Metzger's ordination to the priesthood, followed by reception. 614-866-2859

Praise Mass at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

11 a.m., Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Praise Mass with upbeat contemporary music. 614-861-1242

St. Catherine of Bologna Secular Franciscans

2 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

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30, 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.

'Seedfolks' at St. Timothy

7:30 p.m., St. Timothy Church, 1088 Thomas Lane, Columbus. Parish music ministry presents "Seedfolks," stories by Paul Fleischman of a diverse neighborhood and how it is transformed by a garden, featuring parish children's bell choir. Bring a potted vegetable plant or flower to become part of the program. Plants will be returned. 614-459-0460

JUNE

1, THURSDAY

Father Linowski's Anniversary Mass at Holy Family

5 p.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Solemn High Mass celebrating the 60th anniversary of the ordination to the priesthood of Father Eugene Linowski, retired pastor of Columbus St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church. 614-882-7578

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.

Holy Hour at Holy Family

6 to 7 p.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by meeting of parish Holy Name and Junior Holy Name societies, with refreshments. 614-221-4323

Frassati Society Meeting at Columbus St. Patrick

7 p.m., Aquinas Hall, St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Meeting of parish's Frassati Society for young adults. Scripture study featuring this coming Sunday's readings and commentary. 614-224-9522

2, FRIDAY

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.

Day of Recollection at St. Therese's

9 a.m. to 3 p.m., St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. Day of recollection for women sponsored by Catholic Laywomen's Retreat League, led by Sister Louis Mary Passeri, OP. \$25, includes lunch, morning coffee and tea, and snacks. Mass will be celebrated and day will end with Chaplet of Divine Mercy. 614-882-1946

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CATHOLIC CHURCH TOUR: Land of the Cross-Tipped Churches

Earlier this month, Father Josh Wagner, pastor of Columbus St. Dominic and Holy Rosary-St. John churches, directed a tour of about 100 people from the Diocese of Columbus to the “Land of Cross-Tipped Churches,” a group of historic Catholic churches in western Ohio.

A central feature of the tour was the Shrine of the Holy Relics at Maria Stein. The shrine came into being through the efforts of Father Francis de-Sales Brunner, founder of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, who came

to Ohio from his native Switzerland in 1843, bringing with him a portion of his collection of relics. The following year, three Sisters of the Precious Blood followed him to Ohio and established a convent. The convent was named Maria Stein, after the abbey in Switzerland where Father Brunner had lived as a monk.

Father Brunner and his successors continued to accumulate relics over the years, and a special chapel was constructed to allow for public veneration.

Today, the shrine houses more than

1,100 relics and is the second largest collection of relics in the United States. It includes a piece of the True Cross and relics from the Apostles, early martyrs from the catacombs, newly canonized saints Mother Teresa and John Paul II, and approximately 800 other saints.

The relic chapel is adorned with stained-glass windows imported from Munich, Germany, and an ornate, hand-carved altar.

The adjacent Adoration chapel is where the sisters gather for Mass and perpetual Adoration. Decorated and

furnished more simply because of the sisters’ vow of poverty, the Adoration chapel is the holier space because the Blessed Sacrament is reposed there.

A heritage museum on the shrine’s second floor details the history of the Sisters of the Precious Blood and of the area.

The shrine is open to visitors from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. It is closed on major holidays.



Photos, top of page and above: Relic chapel at Shrine of the Holy Relics at Maria Stein.



Tour group of about 100 people in front of Shrine of the Holy Relics.

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CRISTO REY TO GRADUATE ITS FIRST CLASS

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

Forty-eight young men and women entered the former Diocesan Child Guidance Center on Columbus' west side in early August 2013 as pioneers of a work-study program that provided a new dimension to central Ohio education. On Sunday, June 11 at 2:30 p.m., they will walk onto the stage of The Columbus Athenaeum as members of the inaugural graduating class of Cristo Rey Columbus High School.

"It's an identity no one else will have, and one they always can be proud of," said Jim Foley, the school's president. "They set the tone for everyone who will follow them, establishing traditions throughout their four years that hopefully will be part of the school for many generations to follow." One of the last of those traditions to be established is the maroon color of the caps and gowns the graduates will be wearing, which was selected in a vote of class members.

"I've witnessed so much growth in their four years," Foley said. "Most of the students came to us as very shy, not fully

self-confident young people. Now as they leave school, you can tell in talking to them how much more professional, articulate, and confident they've become."

"I've grown out of my shell so much," said senior class co-valedictorian Vanesa Mora. "I came here four years ago as a very quiet person. I'd act professionally in the workplace, but didn't go out of my way to meet people there. But after four years at Nationwide Children's Hospital, I'm expressing myself more, and that has opened more doors for me."

Her co-valedictorian, Arturo Vallejo, said his experience was similar. "Coming to Cristo Rey, I thought of myself as kind of an ambitious guy who always would give his best effort, but my teachers pushed me to go farther than I thought I could," he said. "At times when I doubted myself, like when I wondered whether I should take honors English, the teachers said they believed I could take on any challenge. I took the class and did well and am glad I listened to them."

Vallejo spent his first three years at Cristo Rey working one day a week during school hours at Panacea Products,

which makes garden and craft items. This year, he was at R. Dorsey + Company, an information technology business which specializes in contract work serving the needs of the Navy, the Marine Corps, and many small businesses.

The cooperation of those two companies, the hospital, and more than 100 other businesses and nonprofit organizations which are partners with the school makes Cristo Rey unique. The school and its partners combine for a work-study program that has students going to classes four days a week and spending one day working at a partner, gaining business experience they otherwise might not be able to obtain as high-school students.

Cristo Rey's students are from economically disadvantaged families who live in urban communities with limited educational opportunities. Four students work as a team at each employer to fill one full-time position, with the money they earn – \$27,500 per job – being paid to the school as part of their tuition. Students pay a nominal tuition amount, depending on their economic circumstances.

The Cristo Rey program has expanded nationwide since the first Cristo Rey school opened in Chicago's Pilsen neighborhood in 1996 under the direction of Father John Foley, SJ (not related to Jim Foley), who will speak at the June 11 graduation ceremony. It now has 32 schools in 21 states and the District of Columbia, including other Ohio locations in Cincinnati and Cleveland. Those schools provided a quality Catholic college preparatory education, combined with business experience, to more than 10,000 students in 2016-17.

The Cristo Rey school in Cleveland opened in 2004 and the Cincinnati school followed in 2010. Some executives at Nationwide Insurance in Columbus who learned in 2008 about plans for the Cincinnati school began looking into the possibility of bringing Cristo Rey to Columbus, gaining the support of Bishop Frederick Campbell and former diocesan school Superintendent Lucia McQuaide.

Planning for the school got under way after a feasibility study determined there was sufficient interest in it. Foley, who had been with a Columbus law firm for 30 years, was hired in early 2012 as its first employee. Dr. Cathy Thomas, founding principal of the Cristo Rey school in Houston, took the same position in Columbus in July of that year.

After one year at its original site, the

school moved to much larger quarters in the former Ohio School for the Deaf, next to the main branch of the Columbus Metropolitan Library, at the start of the 2014-15 school year. The number of students in the building, which was built in 1899 but has been renovated to provide for the most up-to-date educational technology, has grown each year as new freshman classes were added.

The school's total enrollment was around 380 for the school year now ending. Foley said future classes are anticipated to include 130 to 140 students, meaning total enrollment will be more than 500. This year's 48 graduates come from a group of 82 students who started as freshmen in 2013.

All 48 will be going to college in the fall. Guidance counselor Margo Sheehan said they will receive about \$1.1 million in scholarships. They were accepted at about 75 colleges, including many in Ohio, plus out-of-state schools such as Northwestern, Providence, Loyola of Chicago, the University of San Diego, California College of the Arts, and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Coincidentally, both of Cristo Rey's valedictorians will be attending the same school – Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island. Both have been awarded scholarships covering all tuition and room and board costs, which Brown estimates at around \$68,000.

Mora, who is from Columbus Christ the King Church, will be studying international relations and cultural anthropology in hopes of working in the diplomatic corps or the United Nations.

"That's something I never could have imagined myself doing four years ago," she said. "When I was a freshman, I was interested in chemical engineering, but after some of my science classes, I realized I wasn't a scientist."

Vallejo, a member of Columbus St. Stephen the Martyr Church, will be concentrating on mathematics and finance courses and is thinking about a career in investment banking.

Foley said applications to Cristo Rey for the 2017-18 school year, which has an earlier start in August than that of most schools because of the work-study program, still are being accepted. An entrance exam is scheduled at 9 a.m. Saturday, June 3 at the school, 400 E. Town St. More information is available at www.cristoreycolumbus.org or by calling (614) 223-9261.



MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

At your Catholic Cemeteries of Columbus
Monday ~ May 29, 2017



Fr. Denis Kigozi
Pastor
St. John XXIII Church

ST. JOSEPH

6440 S. High Street
(Route 23) South of I-270

11:00 A.M. MASS

IN OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS CHAPEL

Flag Ceremony at 12:00 Noon
614-491-2751

MT. CALVARY

581 Mt. Calvary Avenue
at West Mound Street

11:00 A.M. MASS

ON PRIEST'S CIRCLE

614-491-2751



Fr. Nicholas Droll
Parochial Vicar
Corpus Christi Church

RESURRECTION

9571 N. High Street
(Route 23) North of I-270

1:00 P.M. MASS

IN CHAPEL MAUSOLEUM

Flag Ceremony at 12:00 Noon
614-888-1805

HOLY CROSS

11539 National Rd. S.W.
(Route 40) East of I-270

11:00 A.M. MASS

IN CHAPEL MAUSOLEUM

Flag Ceremony at 10:30 a.m.
740-927-4442



Msgr. David Funk
Pastor
St. Pius X Church



Msgr. John Cody
Judicial Vicar
Diocese/Tribunal

SPECIAL MEMORIAL WEEKEND OFFICE HOURS

SATURDAY 8:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

SUNDAY 11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

MONDAY 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Cemetery personnel will be available to answer questions and help locate family grave spaces





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Fatima seers become church's youngest non-martyred saints

By Junno Arocho Esteves

Catholic News Service

Standing before the Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary, Pope Francis canonized two shepherd children who saw Mary at Fatima, but more importantly, he said, who heeded the call to pray for sinners and trust in the Lord.

“We declare and define Blessed Francisco Marto and Blessed Jacinta Marto as saints,” the pope said on May 13 as hundreds of thousands of pilgrims broke out in applause before he finished speaking.

The relics of the young shepherd children, encased in two thin golden crosses, were placed in front of the famed statue of Our Lady of Fatima, the “lady dressed in white,” as the siblings and their cousin described her.

The Marian apparitions began on May 13, 1917, when 9-year-old Francisco and 7-year-old Jacinta, along with their 10-year-old cousin Lucia dos Santos, reported seeing the Virgin Mary. The apparitions continued once a month until Oct. 13, 1917, and later were declared worthy of belief by the Catholic Church.

After contracting influenza, Francisco died on April 4, 1919, at age 10, while Jacinta succumbed to her illness on Feb. 20, 1920, at age 9.

The children, beatified by Pope St. John Paul II in 2000, are the youngest non-martyrs to be declared saints by the Catholic Church.

Before his arrival at the shrine, the pope met privately with Portuguese Prime Minister Antonio Costa, then made his way into the sanctuary that houses the tombs of Sts. Francisco and Jacinta and their cousin Lucia, who died in 2005 at age 97. The diocesan phase of her sainthood cause concluded in February

and is under study at the Vatican.

Pope Francis stood for several minutes in front of the tombs, with his eyes closed and head bowed.

In his homily at the canonization Mass, the pope reflected on the brief lives of the young sibling saints, who often are remembered more for the apparitions rather than for their holy lives.

He said it is Mary’s message and example, rather than an apparition, which is important. Portuguese authorities estimated the crowd at about 500,000 people.

“The Virgin Mother did not come here so that we could see her. We will have all eternity for that, provided, of course, that we go to heaven,” the pope said.

Instead, he continued, Mary’s messages to the young children were a warning to all people about leading “a way of life that is godless and indeed profanes God in his creatures.”

“Such a life -- frequently proposed and imposed -- risks leading to hell. Mary came to remind us that God’s light dwells within us and protects us,” the pope said.

He said the hopeful message of Fatima is that men and women have a mother and that, like children clinging to her, “we live in the hope that rests on Jesus.”

Pope Francis called on the pilgrims to follow the example of heroic virtue lived by Sts. Francisco and Jacinta, particularly their insistent prayer for sinners and their adoration of “the hidden Jesus” in the tabernacle.

He said this continual presence of God taught to them by Mary “was the source of their strength in overcoming opposition and suffering.”

By following their example, the pope said, Chris-

tians can become “a source of hope for others” and counter “the indifference that chills the heart” and “worsens our myopia.”

“We do not want to be a stillborn hope. Life can survive only because of the generosity of other lives,” he said.

He added that it is with the light of hope that the church can radiate “the true face of Jesus” and reach out to those in need.

“Thus, may we rediscover the young and beautiful face of the church, which shines forth when she is missionary, welcoming, free, faithful, poor in means and rich in love,” he said.

Addressing the sick before concluding the Mass, Pope Francis said that Christ understands the “meaning of sorrow and pain” and, through the church, offers comfort to the afflicted, just as it did for Sts. Francisco and Jacinta in their final moments.

“That is the church’s ministry. The church asks the Lord to comfort the afflicted like yourselves, and he comforts you, even in ways you cannot see. He comforts you in the depths of your hearts and he comforts you with the gift of strength,” the pope said.

The “hidden Jesus” the young shepherds adored in the Eucharist is also present “in the wounds of our brothers and sisters” where Christians can adore, seek and recognize Christ, he said.

Pope Francis encouraged the sick who were present at Mass to “live their lives as a gift” and not to think of themselves simply “as the recipients of charitable solidarity,” but rather as “a spiritual resource, an asset to every Christian community.”

“Do not be ashamed of being a precious treasure of the church,” he said.