

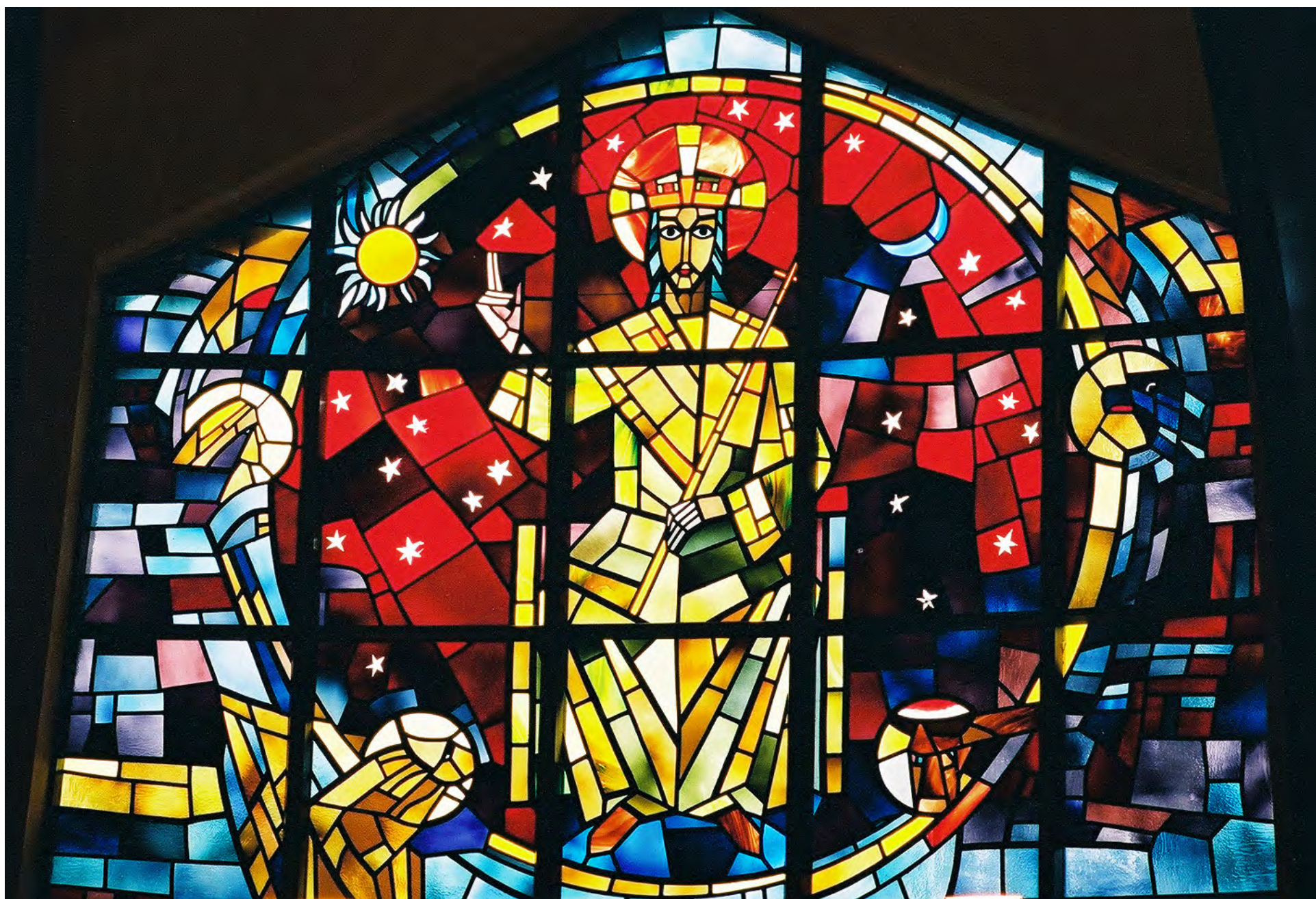


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The Editor's Notebook*New Year's Eve*

By David Garick, Editor



Well, the year is coming to a close this week. Not the calendar year that dominates our secular life. That's still a few weeks away. But this marks the final week of the church year. So there will be no champagne and party hats at midnight.

We will mark the end of the church year with the Feast of Christ the King. And that should be a very special occasion for us. We might even borrow a bit from secular tradition and recall the words that Robert Burns penned for the poem that became the traditional New Year's Eve song *Auld Lang Syne*. "Should *old* acquaintance be forgot, and never brought to mind? Should *old* acquaintance be forgot, and days of *old lang syne*?" The song asks a rhetorical question: "Should we forget the days gone by. Should we forget where we came from and how we got here?"

That question applies just as aptly to our faith life. Throughout the church year, we trace the story of our relationship to God. For the past 12 months, we have been told again of God's promise to send a messiah to save his people from their sins. We are told of the joyful story of Mary accepting God's will and bearing his son. We celebrate his birth with great joy. We hear throughout the year of his ministry to his people, explaining to a hurting world that God has a plan for them and challenging them to follow him to find salvation. We endure with him the times of temptation, fasting, doubt, and pain leading up to his crucifixion for our sins. We burst with joy at the Easter morning news of his resurrection. We wonder at the gift of the Holy Spirit and we celebrate his glorious ascension into heaven.

This is a time to go back over all of that in our minds. We do that through the

Feast of Christ the King because this is the culmination of all we have been taught about our relationship with God. This week, we acknowledge that Christ has accomplished his mission. He has come to earth and brought salvation to his people. The Good Shepherd has gathered in his flock and provided them with safety from the evil that surrounds them. Now he sits on his throne in heaven and gathers all of us around him not just for today, but forever.

We now look upon the image of the risen Christ, who rules heaven and earth. He is not a ruler to be feared or resented. He does not dominate with an iron fist. His rule is one of gentleness, love, and compassion. He has shown us the way to live, not just in this world, but in the world to come. We obey because we know that his way brings joy and everlasting life.

In these times of political turmoil, economic hardship, and social upheaval, we are understandably troubled with the responsibility of choosing leaders who can guide us through these difficult times. What a wonderful gift it is that when it comes to our spiritual well-being, we have no such quandary. It does not fall to us to elect our own leadership. Christ reigns as our king not because we chose him, but because he chose us. He came to us as a child, He suffered and died for us and he rose again to serve us as our eternal king. That is what we celebrate at the end of the church year. That is what we must not forget as we begin the cycle again with a new year that is a gift to us from our loving king.

Bishops to put together pastoral plan for marriage, family life ministry

By Carol Zimmermann
Catholic News Service



U.S. Catholic bishops acknowledged that Catholic families and married couples need more support from the church at large and hope to offer it by giving parishes plenty of resources through a pastoral plan for marriage and family life.

A proposal for such a plan was introduced to the bishops on the second day of their annual fall assembly in Baltimore on Nov. 14 and was approved by paper ballot with 232 votes in favor.

The pastoral plan was described by Bishop Richard J. Malone of Buffalo, New York, a member of the bishops' Committee on Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth, as a response to Pope Francis' 2016 apostolic exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love).

Bishop Malone, who introduced the idea to the bishops, was filling in for Philadelphia Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, the committee's chairman, who was in Rome for a preparatory meeting for the Synod of Bishops in 2018.

The bishop said he hoped the pastoral plan would encourage long-term implementation of the pope's exhortation and also encourage a broader reading of it. Several bishops who spoke from the floor echoed this sentiment, emphasizing that the document was more than just one chapter -- referring to Chapter 8's focus on the possibility of divorced and remarried Catholics receiv-

ing communion, which gained a lot of media attention.

Auxiliary Bishop Robert E. Barron of Los Angeles, founder of Word on Fire Catholic Ministries, said a pastoral plan focused on the exhortation lets the Catholic Church "seize control" of its message after the "blogosphere was forcing us to read it in another way."

Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz of Louisville, Kentucky, similarly noted that the exhortation's Chapter 8 "got all the headlines" and he hoped a new plan based on the text would get more people to read the entire document and "read it slowly."

A new pastoral plan for marriage and families would not be "the pastoral plan," as in the be-all, end-all addressing every detail, but it should provide a framework to help parishes work in this area, Bishop Malone said.

Discussion from the floor about this plan was overwhelmingly positive.

Archbishop Paul D. Etienne of Anchorage, Alaska, said the church should look for ways to lift up marriage and thank couples for all they do. Archbishop Salvatore J. Cordileone of San Francisco said the church should offer more than just marriage preparation programs and should provide something for couples after they are married.

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Front Page photo:

A stained-glass window in Columbus Christ the King Church, which was dedicated in 1968. The parish on the city's east side was founded in 1946.

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Students look at vocations during 'In God's Service' program

The annual diocesan "In God's Service" program and Mass took place on Thursday, Nov. 9 at Columbus Christ the King Church. The fifth annual event was sponsored by the diocesan Vocations Office and Black Catholic Ministries of Columbus,

The program is designed for young men and women in high school. It began with a vocations prayer by Father Paul Noble, director of the Vocations Office, and a welcome by the host pastor, Father David Schalk. It was moderated by Rachelle Martin, Black Catholic Ministries executive director.

Each year, the program honors a priest, religious sister, or deacon for outstanding devotion to his or her call and service to God's people. This year's honoree was Father Denis Kigozi, pastor of Canal Winchester St. John XXIII Church.

The students heard from a sister and a priest sharing their personal stories. Sister Patricia Dual, OP, vocations minister for the Dominican Sisters of Peace, introduced Sister Patricia Rogers, OP, director of the Dominican Center for Women in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who told of how God called her while she was teaching at a Catholic high school in Chicago. Father Schalk said that when he was a senior at Pickerington High School, he realized during weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton Parish that he was being called to be a priest.

Father Kigozi told students that God would provide them with all the tools they need when he shows them their purpose. Sister Rogers encouraged



students to strive "to be the best version of yourselves" and "stay awake to the ways God is directing your path." Father Schalk emphasized the importance of quiet and meditative time for reflecting, talking, and praying to God to show us his plan is for our lives.

The students also had the opportunity to obtain vocations literature from the Office of Vocations, the Office of the Diaconate, the Dominican Sisters of Peace, and the Missionary Servants of the Word, and to interact with the program's participants before the talks. Following the talks, Mass was celebrated, with Vernon Hairston leading the music and song, and students being altar servers, readers, and gift bearers. The program concluded with lunch and fellowship. Photos/ Black Catholic Ministries





St. Michael School honors veterans

Fourteen military veterans were honored at a Veterans Day assembly at Worthington St. Michael School. Many students displayed representations of the American flag or homemade signs as they cheered the veterans for their service. The assembly marked the end of a week of raising money so Ohio veterans can take an Honor Flight to Washington. Honor Flight flies veterans for free to the nation's capital for a day of recognition and viewing of monuments dedicated to the service and sacrifices of the military. More than \$2,000 — enough for four veterans' trips — was collected, and a check for the money was presented to members of the Knights of Columbus.

The assembly featured a talk by Mark Helms on the heroic virtue of Servant of God Father Vincent Capodanno, a naval chaplain who earned the Congressional Medal of Honor and is being considered for beatification and possible sainthood. Each school family was given a car magnet with the message "Pray for Our Troops," and the message also is on a highway billboard sponsored by the school.

Photo courtesy St. Michael School

Immaculate Conception novena at St. Elizabeth

A Novena to the Immaculate Conception will be prayed each night from Wednesday, Nov. 29 to Thursday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. in Columbus St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd.

Each night's program will be approximately 40 minutes long and include Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, song, a reflection, and closing Benediction.

At the 7 p.m. Mass on the Feast

of the Immaculate Conception, Friday, Dec. 8, the three priests of the Congregation of the Sons of the Immaculate Conception, the religious order assigned to the parish — Fathers Ramon Owera, John Matthew Vadakkettom, and Jesse Chi Chick, CFIC — will renew their vows.

Mass for the feast also will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m.

40 Hours devotion at Columbus St. Peter Church

Columbus St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, will be hosting the traditional 40 Hours devotion to the Blessed Sacrament to prepare for the season of Advent.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed continuously for 40 consecutive hours in the church's day chapel from 3 p.m. Thursday,

Nov. 30 to 8 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, with the exception of 8 to 9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 1, when Mass will be celebrated.

If you are interested in signing up to be an adorer for a specific time, email StPeterAdoration@gmail.com with your name and the hour(s) requested.

The ones who won't be home for the holidays

By Laura Kelly Fanucci

Catholic News Service

This season sparkles with joy. We open our homes to family and friends, greeting each other at wreath-decked doors under twinkling lights.

But a small moment often catches in our throat. We set one less place for Thanksgiving dinner. Or we cross a name off this year's Christmas list.

Wherever we gather around holiday tables this year, there will be holes left by those who aren't there. Relatives who have died. Loved ones lost to addiction. Babies who never got to be held. Families divided by divorce. Gaping holes left by grief.

Other changes are temporary but still weigh heavy on the heart. The kid not coming back from college this year. The family members deployed. The friends on the other side of the globe.

Holidays often set this truth in stark relief: Our families -- and our lives -- don't always look the way we expected or planned.

I learned -- after infertility and miscarriage and child loss -- that smiling faces on Christmas cards don't tell the whole story. Maybe the parents lost so many babies before they finally got to bring one home. Maybe they never wanted a huge brood, but the kids kept coming. Maybe their marriage is crumbling and no one knows.

Human nature is quick to judge what we see on the surface, quick to idealize others' lives. But the truth runs deeper.

I look at my own family, and I ache for my children who aren't here and my brother who's long gone. I want to set three more places at our table, even as I delight in those around me.

But here's a truth worth celebrating in a season of wonder: We keep going.

Suffering and grief are met by an even stronger force: that God made human hearts resilient. We do not have to despair when our reality does not match our hopes or others' ex-

pectations. We can still embrace the good work of living out our callings.

Even amid the dreams that have died and the shadows of what might have been, we can still show up and choose joy.

Think about the holiest of families. Mary and Joseph could never have imagined how parenthood would begin for them.

But both embraced the life that God set before them, even with its suffering and heartache. They must have known great joy, too. Holiness was caught up in all of it.

So do not fear this year if your heart aches for the ones who aren't here. You are not alone.

In a month that starts with All Saints and All Souls and ends in Thanksgiving, we can be grateful that our struggles are part of a greater mystery: The communion of saints in which the living and the dead are held together in the love of God.

Together we are only -- but always -- joined in this sacred wholeness: "We believe in the communion of all the faithful of Christ, those who are pilgrims on earth, the dead who are being purified, and the blessed in heaven, all together forming one church" (Pope Paul VI, "Credo of the People of God," in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, No. 962).

Look around the table at those here to celebrate with you. Remember those who are gone. When you find yourself holding them together -- the living and the dead, the lost and the found -- then you enter more deeply into this holy mystery.

Even in absence, we can love in the present tense.

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Seminarians, lay missionaries gather for Thanksgiving



Photo courtesy Eberhard family

About 65 seminarians from the Pontifical College Josephinum and young lay missionaries from NET Ministries gathered at the home of Sunbury St. John Neumann Church parishioners MaryBeth and Ryan Eberhard for a Thanksgiving party just before the holiday.

This is the second year the Eberhards have hosted the event. The couple also host two or more seminarians at least a month for a home-cooked meal.

"They love the atmosphere of a family meal because it gives them a chance for some fellowship outside of school and a touch of home that they miss, particularly those from outside the Columbus area," MaryBeth Eberhard said. "It all began when we 'adopted' Michael Fulton, a seminarian from St. John Neumann, when his family moved to Colorado. He brought a friend, Seth Keller from Columbus St. Patrick Church, and it grew from there."

About 25 seminarians showed up last year when the Eberhards hosted their first Thanksgiving dinner for them. "We have eight children, ages 15 to five, so we have a big house with plenty of room," she said.

Friends of the couple donate food for the dinners.

"This year, we had about 25 families donating 35 or 40 items," Eberhard said. She said the Reser and Ritchie families of the parish were particularly helpful with doing dishes and cleanup.

"The Knights of Columbus from St. John Neumann donate turkeys, then we get the usual things like sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes, sausage and rice, corn chowder, and fruit trays. Our kids enjoy doing Jell-O molds, chocolate cakes, and cupcakes. We have a couple big

freezers and St. John Neumann allows us to use its refrigeration equipment, so that's a big help," she said.

"Last year, there was a seminarian from Puerto Rico, and someone sent some paella, which is a rice and shrimp dish. They also sent a small ham, which is a tradition in Puerto Rico. He literally teared up.

"I have learned some of their other favorites, like who prefers canned cranberries over homemade and who loves pistachios. Chocolate milk is a particular favorite, because it's available at the Josephinum and a lot of guys there must like it. We always have a fridge full of it whenever we have the seminarians over," Eberhard said.

"We try through the year to bless them with little tokens that we are thinking of them, but this party is special for us and them.

"One of my favorite moments of the night was when a shy young seminarian, who had visited last year, quietly took a plastic take-home container from his coat pocket. He looked at me as though he wanted to ask if he could take home leftovers, and I smiled.

"Last year, we invited them all to take leftovers for themselves and other seminarians who were not able to make it. Once I said it was OK, it was like a door had opened and others took their take-home containers out. Those that did not have containers looked sad, but a few people had generously dropped off Tupperware for them, so they too had leftovers to take home. The beautiful thing is that they did not think just of themselves, but of their classmates," Eberhard said.

"The reason we open our home in this way is to model a willingness to welcome all as Christ, as well as to open our children's eyes to the reality that God has a calling for them and they need to keep their hearts and minds ready for that calling.

"Having priests, seminarians, sisters, and missionaries as part of your everyday life makes this a choice as 'normal' as that of being a teacher, doctor, electrician or entrepreneur. Not only that, it gives me the opportunity to mother all these young people that come through our door," she said.

Father Patrick Peyton and road to sainthood; Pray for Judas Iscariot?



QUESTION & ANSWER

by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE
Catholic News Service

Q. A friend told me recently that the cause of Father Patrick Peyton had been sent to the Vatican for sainthood. Do you know how it stands and when he might be declared a saint? (I hope and pray that it will be in my lifetime.) Also, what are the stages for someone to be declared a saint? (Albany, New York)

A. Father Patrick Peyton's cause for canonization rests right now with the Vatican's Congregation for Saints' Causes. In April 2015, the *positio*, or official position paper, was presented formally to that congregation. That document, a 1,300-page report that studied his life and ministry for signs of heroic virtue and sanctity, had been prepared over four years, gathering testimonies from 35 different dioceses around the world.

The congregation is now in the process of reviewing that documentation. Following a favorable review, the cause would then be presented to the Holy Father and, with the pontiff's approval, Father Peyton would be declared "Venerable." Then, evidence of miracles attributed to his intercession would be studied and subjected to rigorous medical scrutiny; one documented miracle would be needed for beatification and another one for canonization.

Father Peyton, hailed throughout the world as the "Rosary Priest," died in

1992 at age 83. He promoted family prayer and coined the oft-heard slogan, "The family that prays together stays together." He organized rosary crusades in 40 nations that drew 28 million people and was a pioneer in using modern media to advance religious values, producing 600 radio and television programs using Hollywood stars and other celebrities.

There is no way to forecast exactly when his canonization might take place, but I, too, would feel a personal thrill in witnessing it. I was honored when Father Peyton invited me to write the foreword for one of his final books, and once, when he was then in his late 70s and in failing health, I ran into him in Rome.

He asked about my mother, whom he had known when he first began the Family Rosary organization in the 1940s. I told him that she was, in fact, visiting me that very week in Rome. Though I pleaded with him not to, he insisted on climbing the steep set of stairs to my apartment to see my mother and give her a blessing. I will always remember "Father Pat" not only as a very holy man, but a kind man as well.

Q. Does it make sense to pray for salvation for Judas Iscariot, the apostle who betrayed Jesus? It seems that throughout the history of Christianity, he has been vilified and no one has mentioned

that, hopefully, he could have been forgiven for his sin. (Petersburg, Indiana)

A. It does no harm to pray for the salvation of Judas, and I admire your compassion. The church has never said definitively that any particular person is now in hell. It is possible, I suppose, that Judas repented for his sin and, in the silence of his heart, sought God's forgiveness.

Matthew's Gospel (27:3-5) says, in fact, that following the betrayal, Judas "deeply regretted what he had done" and returned the 30 pieces of silver to the chief priests, saying "I have sinned in betraying innocent blood." Of course, he then "went off and hanged himself," but even that does not translate automatically to the loss of eternal salvation.

(Note that the church now offers a funeral Mass for a suicide victim -- on the possibility that the person's desperate state of mind may have precluded full responsibility.)

The problem, though, with Judas is that Jesus did say of him (both in Matthew 26:24 and Mark 14:21) that "it would be better for that man if he had never been born" -- which suggests to me that Judas never did achieve eternal happiness. I believe, though, that prayers are never wasted -- and if the Lord cannot apply your prayers to Judas Iscariot, he will surely find someone else (who will be grateful for your efforts.)

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

Run the Racers make sandwiches



Children taking part in activities at the Run the Race Center on Columbus' west side assisted Columbus St. Mary Magdalene Church St. Vincent de Paul Conference members in preparing 375 sandwiches for St. Lawrence Haven in downtown Columbus. The center is part of the Brian Muha Foundation, formed by Rachel Muha of Columbus as a tribute to her son, Brian, a Franciscan University of Steubenville student who was killed in 1999. The center serves hundreds of young people by offering after-school hot meals, tutoring, sports, music and other activities. It is a place where at-risk children love to learn and learn to love.

Photo courtesy Sandra Bonneville

Trinity celebrates Mix It Up Day



Columbus Trinity Elementary School celebrated National Mix It Up Day, which was dedicated to promoting positive conversations with new friends during lunch periods. Students chose a colored bracelet and sat at the table with the corresponding color. Conversation starters for the students were announced as a way for them to get to know people with whom they may not previously have been acquainted. "It was very successful and a new tradition for us," said Trinity language arts teacher Sara Boyle. "We don't want any child to feel as if they are ever alone."

Photo courtesy Trinity Elementary School

THE EVERYDAY CATHOLIC



By Rick Jeric

Theology of abundance

Happy Thanksgiving! I hope we are all enjoying plenty of family, friends, and the accompanying blessings. I am so blessed, and have an endless list of people and things for which I am eternally grateful. Thank God for my family and the grace to get through the challenges of life. And we are most thankful for the Eu-

charist, which itself means thanksgiving. Especially at this time of year, we hear a lot about wealth, bounty, and abundance. This is not just about “stuff.” This is about life. Life includes gifts and what we do with them. There is a real theology of abundance that did not come from me, but from the deepest roots of our Catholic Faith. Many have written and preached on this subject. I recently attended a presentation by Archbishop Joseph Kurtz of Louisville, Kentucky. My thoughts are a product of his talk, along with others. I certainly want to credit those who have shared their wisdom.

I want to begin with the overarching spirituality, mindset, and theology. We can go through life with a theology of scarcity or a theology of abundance. I will promote abundance. A theology of scarcity tells us that there is only so much out there at our disposal, so we had better be sure to get our fair share. I have a responsibility to take care of myself and my family. So I will work hard for what is mine, and everyone else needs to do the same. A theology of abundance fills us with an attitude of gratitude. I am grateful for all my gifts, which belong to God and not to me. Can I share my gifts and my abundance? Put another way, how do I want to be remembered? My virtues cannot help but be absorbed by others. That should be a good thing. But when I am gone, will my “resumé virtues” be a good reflection of my life, or will my “eulogy virtues” be more accurate? Resumé virtues promote ourselves and show how wonderful we are for a career or new position. Eulogy virtues tell how we will be remembered. We carry those virtues with us into eternity. They are to be admired.

Let us use St. Matthew as an example. When Levi the tax collector was called by Jesus, he had a transformation and change of heart, becoming Matthew. The epitaph on Levi’s tombstone might have read “He was great at collecting from others.” The epitaph on Matthew’s tombstone might read, “He inspired others to share.” And to take a quote from the 10th chapter of Matthew’s Gospel, Jesus said, “I came so they may have life, and have it more abundantly.” A theology of abundance wants everyone to succeed. We cheer for others and share in their success. This is a real gift and charism. Yes, we all have this capability. We live mutually to build up one another and thereby build up the Body of Christ. We are saved by Jesus, not alone, but together. To argue that we are to live for prosperity can be dangerous. I do not share and give to others so that God will bless me. Abundance demands the right motivation. I share and give to others because I want to, not because I need to, and my heart expands with rewards, not riches. What is God calling me to do in thanksgiving? We hold one another up in prayer. We remain open to God’s call and His abundant blessings. Our vocation this holiday season, and forever, is to be humble, to listen to others and their prayers, and to be joyful. Live a life filled with a theology of abundance.

National STEM Day at Bishop Flaget



Chillicothe Bishop Flaget School celebrated National STEM Day with a design challenge for the whole school. The students were told that Father Sean Dooley of Chillicothe St. Peter Church, a regular visitor to the school, had lost his Lego blocks in a gutter during recent rains and needed to be able to retrieve them from the sewer. He needed the students to design something which would help him lower a bucket into the sewer to retrieve the blocks. Students were divided into groups, and each group had to design something which could be hooked to a bucket to retrieve items from a body of water. The groups were given 100 paper clips for use in a chain, then had 15 minutes to determine the strongest design for the chain and connection to the bucket. All students in pre-kindergarten through eighth grade were involved in the activity. In the right photo, science teacher Danielle McDaniel (center) helps eighth-graders Abby Wiley (left) and Carmen Corcoran test the amount of weight their chain will hold. In the left photo, Wyatt Dawson (top) and Maddux Diehl get a thumbs up from Father Dooley.

Photo courtesy Bishop Flaget School

Lancaster St. Mary science lab blessed

Lancaster St. Mary School’s science lab has been blessed by Father Craig Eilerman, pastor of St. Mary Church, and dedicated to St. Albert the Great, patron of scientists.

“The Church has always been about supporting the natural sciences,” said Brian McCauley, the church’s religious education director. “This is evident in the number of lay and religious Catholic scientists who have made landmark discoveries in their fields, but also in the large number of Catholics who carry on the daily work of scientific inquiry because they are aware that in studying creation through the natural sciences, they are coming to better know the creator.”

Famous Catholic scientists include geneticist Gregor Mendel, microbiologist Louis Pasteur, and Father Georges



Lemaitre, father of the big bang theory.

Following the dedication, a plaque was unveiled in the lab showing many of the images associated with St. Albert and his contributions to science. The dedication plaque was provided by St. Mary Church.

Father Eilerman is pictured with Anita Yaple (left), seventh- and eighth-grade science teacher, and Jodi Funk, sixth-grade science teacher. Photo/St. Mary School

Manuela Lue completes rosary mission

Nine years ago, former Columbus resident Manuela Lue set a goal of placing rosaries in the hands of all the students of the 130 Catholic schools in her homeland of Belize, the former British Honduras in Central America. She reached that goal in October at St. Viator Vocational High School in the community of Chunox.

Lue, her aunt Thomasita Azevedo, and others have distributed more than 40,000 rosaries to students since 2008. At each school they visited, they gave all teachers and principals a packet filled with rosaries, rosary-making activities, and leaflets with stories about the lives of the saints, the rosary, and the scapular of Mount Carmel.

Each principal also received a large rosary made by Azevedo, and each student was given a Divine Mercy poster to take home. The visits usually ended with prayers with the students for their families, for the benefactors of the rosary mission, and for each school and community in Belize.

During school visits, Lue and her

team also took the opportunity to learn about the needs of the schools and their students, and to form networks which have provided scholarships to needy students with high academic potential.

Lue's involvement with the rosary began when Irene Cassady of Columbus taught her how to make rosaries. The idea for the rosary mission came to her in 2002 while she was attending Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Columbus Immaculate Conception Church. The benefactors whose donations have helped provide rosaries for her work include many Columbus residents, some of whom have visited her on missionary trips to assist with her work.

"Students see the rosary as a sacred object which helps us to receive God's graces," Lue said. "They better understand the Blessed Mother's role in interceding for us. The rosary sessions enlightened the teachers with how to better motivate the students and provided a deeper insight into how to pray.

"The objective was to touch the hearts of all the participants in the rosary ses-



Manuela Lue (second from left) with teachers at one of the 130 Catholic schools she visited in her homeland of Belize, where she distributed more than 40,000 rosaries.

Photo courtesy Manuela Lue

sion, and the students asked several questions about their faith. They were engaged in the sessions and happy that a team of visitors came from outside their school to teach them. This brought a fresh perspective to the students and they enjoyed the activities during the rosary sessions.

"Overall, the sessions were fruitful

and helped the participants to grow in their faith. Words cannot describe the amazing nine-year journey that took the rosary team to every nook and cranny of Belize to teach the rosary in the Catholic schools."

Anyone interested in learning about Lue's mission may reach her at her new email address, mcjlue74@gmail.com.



Lectors, acolytes ordained at Josephinum

Eight seminarians from the Diocese of Columbus were among 18 Pontifical College Josephinum students recently installed as lectors or acolytes. Bishop Terry LaValley of the Diocese of Ogdensburg, New York, was principal celebrant of the installation Mass in St. Turibius Chapel. Seminarians installed as lectors typically are first-year theologians and are commissioned to proclaim the Word of God in the liturgical assembly and to catechize the faithful. Acolytes, traditionally second-year theologians, are entrusted with the duties of attending to the altar, assisting the deacon and priest at Mass, and distributing holy Communion as an extraordinary minister. Pictured are (from left), first row: Columbus seminarians Pushkar Baum (acolyte) and Michael Fulton (acolyte); Bishop LaValley; Msgr. Christopher Schreck, Josephinum rector-president; and seminarian Andrew Wisniewski (lector); second row, seminarians Seth Keller (acolyte), Frank Brown (acolyte), Gordon Mott (acolyte), Eugene Joseph (lector), and Jacob Stinnett (lector).
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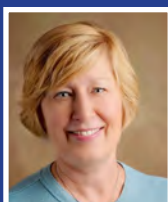


St. Catherine of Siena provides unexpected inspiration

Have you ever had a saint burst into your life and you're not sure why? St. Catherine of Siena has been pursuing me recently, so I became inspired to look more closely at her life and teachings.

I am a convert who has been Catholic for 32 years, and I continue to be amazed at the lives of the saints and how we can develop such personal relationships with them. The saints watch over us and assist us when we call on them. They are our heavenly friends, who teach us and intercede for us at different times in our lives and stand alongside us on our march toward heaven.

St. Catherine of Siena is a doctor of the Church, canonized in 1461, and is a patroness of Italy and Europe. She was a third-order Dominican who lived to the age of 33. She was a spiritual guide to many, and, in the words of Pope Benedict XVI, "guided people from every walk of life: nobles and politicians, artists and ordinary people, consecrated men and women and



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religious, including Pope Gregory XI, who was living at Avignon in that period and whom she energetically and effectively urged to return to Rome."

She had a profound "mystical marriage" to Christ, whom she loved with intimate faithfulness. She is one of a small group of saints who Pope Benedict identified as having an extraordinary devotion to the holy Eucharist.

I feel connected to St. Catherine in many ways; I admire her directness and the poignant simplicity in her words, inspired by her love of Christ and her understanding of the spiritual life: "If you are what you should be, you will set the world on fire."

It's funny how sentiments from centuries ago resonate in our times: "Proclaim the truth and do not be silent through fear."

Her words inspire me to deeper

reflection with *Lectio Divina*: "All the way to heaven is heaven, because Jesus said, 'I am the way.'"

Just as our friendships with certain people seem to start almost naturally and it can feel like we've known them forever, our friendships with saints can happen in the same way.

During this month of All Saints, St. Catherine nudged me along as she became our Walking With Purpose table name. I discovered she was the saint in a small image I had in my kitchen (who I mistakenly thought was St. Teresa of Avila until a friend cleared that up). St. Catherine's reflections jumped off the page as I was preparing SoulCore Rosary meditations for All Souls Day. And I am blessed to lead SoulCore at where else but St. Catharine of Siena Catholic Church.

I continue to pray for this amazing saint's intercession to help me stay centered on Christ, to be courageous in speaking the truth and guiding others to Christ with humility. May we all open our hearts to this saint, friend, and "coach" as we seek to discern and live out the mission Christ has in mind for each of us.

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DeSales principal reads to St. Anthony students



Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School principal Dan Garrick reads to Columbus St. Anthony School second-grade students as part of a program linking the schools. DeSales students and staff regularly come in to read to younger students at St. Anthony. Photo courtesy St. Anthony School

Columbus Christ the King Church brings many cultures together



Above: Columbus Christ the King Church parishioners (from left): first row, Paul Glauder, Lisette Mendoza, Maria Lara, and Jeff Corbin; second row, Deacon Pete Labita, Theo Mboma, and Marcelo Chacon. Below: The interior and exterior of the church, dedicated in 1968. CT photos by Tim Puet



BY TIM PUET
Reporter, Catholic Times

Father David Schalk says Christ the King Church on Columbus' east side is "one parish that speaks many languages."

It's an appropriate description for the parish, which has undergone many changes in the 71 years since its founding. Perhaps the most dramatic of these changes have taken place in the last 15 years or so as more Latino families have moved into the area.

Deacon Pete Labita, who has served at Christ the King for his entire 37-year diaconal career, said the parish started actively ministering to the Latino community in 2001, with about 25 people initially attending Masses in Spanish.

Father Schalk, the parish's pastor, said that number has grown steadily ever since, with more than 1,000 people now attending Masses he celebrates in Spanish at 6 p.m. Saturday and 12:30 p.m. Sunday. He said Masses in English at 4 p.m. Saturday and 8 and 10 a.m. Sunday have a total attendance of about 500 people.

"The parish has evolved into a multicultural mecca," said Jeff Corbin, a parishioner for 50 years. Parishioner Lisette Mendoza, who came to Columbus from California, said she visited several area parishes and found a home at Christ the King because of parishioners' welcoming attitude and Father Schalk's homilies. "I was surprised he's from this area, because he speaks perfect Spanish," she said.

"The way the Latino and English communities have been able to work together in the parish has made a big impact on me and on many other Latinos," Mendoza said. "A lot of them don't have any

other family members nearby. They come to Christ the King, and the people here become their family."

"The communities have integrated in many ways," said Father Schalk, who has spent most of his nine years as a priest at Christ the King, coming to the parish as parochial vicar in 2010 and becoming pastor the following year. "Some examples of this are our recent bilingual Mass on All Souls Day, the bilingual service we have on Holy Thursday, the annual Servants of Christ the King dinner honoring parishioners, our winter festival in February, and the parish picnic in July.

"We come together when possible, while at the same time respecting cultural differences when necessary," he said. "The Latino and Anglo Catholic cultures have different expectations and different ways we express our faith. That diversity is one of the great things about the universal nature of the Catholic Church."

The All Souls Day celebration provided an example of blending the two cultures. People were encouraged to follow the Latino tradition of the Day of the Dead by setting up remembrance altars displaying candles, flowers, photos, and other items to honor loved ones who have died. In addition, a remembrance book was available for people to inscribe the names of the dead — a custom which has become widespread in many diocesan parishes regardless of their ethnic makeup.

French recently has been added to the language mix at Christ the King. A Mass in French is celebrated once a month on a Sunday afternoon at the parish by Father Fritzner Valcin, a Haitian native who has been in Columbus since 2010 and is administra-

tor of Columbus St. Francis of Assisi Church.

"We are most grateful to Father Fritzner for coming here," said Theo Mboma, a Congolese native who helped organize the Mass. "We who attend the Mass are from various African nations that are former French colonies, including the Republic of the Congo, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (formerly Zaire), Burkina Faso, Cameroon, and Haiti.

"We're small in number, about 25 right now, but we keep finding more people who have French as a native language, some of whom are just becoming familiar with English. We find it very comfortable to be able to pray in a familiar language, and we're making plans to gather for food and conversation after Mass in early January," he said.

Besides Father Schalk and Deacon Labita, Christ the King has three other priests in residence. Father Sylvester Onyeachonam is chaplain at Nationwide Children's Hospital and Father Dennis Stevenson is a member of the diocesan Tribunal. Both say Masses at the parish. Father Joshua Wagner also lives at the parish, but serves as pastor at Columbus St. Dominic and Holy Rosary-St. John Church.

Three members of the Mexican-based Missionary Servants of the Word order — Sisters Nereida Olmedo, Rocio Hernandez Flores, and Laura Mosqueda, HMSP — have lived in the Christ the King convent since late 2013. In addition, Emma Cabrera and Bianca Valdez, two consecrated lay missionaries of the order who are discerning whether they are being called to be sisters, live in a parishioner's home.

The order's presence in the parish has significantly aided the continuing growth of its



Don Puthoff teaches an eighth-grade math class at Columbus All Saints Elementary School, the former Christ the King School, built in 1951. Photo courtesy All Saints School (left); CT photo by Tim Puet



Latino community. "The sisters help Catholics take the next step, to become more committed, more service-oriented, and better evangelizers," Father Schalk said. "Their goal is to help the laity be the laity, to give them the tools to better share their faith."

The sisters spend much of their time going door to door evangelizing and conducting Bible studies among Latino families throughout eastern and southern Franklin County and western Licking County.

"The sisters give people knowledge which opens up the Bible and explains Catholic teaching in a familiar way. I have seen the impact they have every Sunday when I come to Mass," said parish-



ioner Marcelo Chacon, who coordinates the schedules of lectors and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist for the Spanish Masses and teaches in the Parish School of Religion for elementary school students.

"The number of people coming to Mass has tripled since they've been here," he said. "Additionally, the sisters' CERS (Community Evangelizers for Reconciliation and Service) program has trained 150 families to become lay missionaries, extending the sisters' work by also going door to door."

Parishioner Maria Lara said about 500 children, teens, and adults are taking part in the sisters' Bible studies, which extend as far as Reynoldsburg

and Pataskala, about 10 miles from the parish. The sisters also are involved in prison ministry. The lay missionaries assist them with Bible studies, retreats, and youth ministry.

The Missionary Servants of the Word also have priests and sisters serving in the Diocese of Columbus at Columbus St. Stephen Church, which also has a large Latino population, and have lay missionaries in Portsmouth and Marion.

This Sunday, Nov. 26, is the Solemnity of Christ the King. The church will celebrate its patronal feast with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 2 p.m. and a bilingual rosary at 3, followed by a reception to honor Tim and Anita Foley and the Mercado family, this year's recipients of the parish's Servant of Christ the King award for service to the parish.

Tim Foley is vice president of the Parish Council and an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist. Anita Foley has been chairman for several years of a rummage sale each June which benefits the parish. The Mercado family includes parents Salvador

Mercado and Maritri Camacho and their eight children. "They were among the first Latino parishioners, and they do everything," Mendoza said. "You can find them in the choir, as altar servers, in Spanish PSR, and as extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist. A daughter is married to Saul Buitron, the parish's Hispanic ministries coordinator."

A parish mission will be conducted from Monday to Wednesday, Dec. 4 to 6, at 7 p.m. and will be led by Rachel Lustig, president and chief executive officer of Catholic Social Services, speaking on the subject "Set Your Heart on Higher Things: Faith, Hope, and Love."

The parish will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guada-

lupe on Sunday, Dec. 10, two days before the actual feast day. Activities begin with the traditional morning prayers to Mary known as *las Mananitas* at 6 a.m. and continue with breakfast at 7, a procession at 11, Mass at 12:30 p.m., and a gathering at 2 which will feature a representation of the Guadalupe apparitions, folk dances, and songs and dances dedicated to the Virgin of Guadalupe.

Christ the King Church was founded in 1946 to meet the needs of returning World War II veterans and their families who were moving to postwar housing developments in eastern Franklin County. It started with 150 families and grew to

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more than 2,000 families in the early 1970s. Membership declined after that as other parishes were created within Christ the King's original boundaries and the veterans' children moved elsewhere, but has risen again to about 1,300 families.

The current church building at 2777 E. Livingston Ave. was dedicated in 1968 and is a local landmark because of its octagonal shape, outdoor tower with four bronze bells, and marble statue of Christ the King standing in a reflecting pool. The parish's first Masses were at Montrose Elementary School in Bexley, then took place in a Quonset hut on the parish property and in the parish school, built in 1951, before the church was completed.

The parish campus includes the church and school, the convent, and a former rectory which now serves as the Bishop Griffin Center, operated by Catholic Social Services and the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The rectory is now part of the administration building attached to the church. The convent resumed its former use with the arrival of the Missionary Sisters of the Word and also is the home for the Bethesda Healing Ministry, which assists people dealing with the effects of abortion and generally meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

The Griffin Center is open from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays and 2:30 to 5 p.m. Fridays. It provides food, clothing, diapers, housewares, and personal care items to those in need. It also has a garden which provides food for clients, plus starter plants to help people establish their own gardens. On Thursdays, the Dominican Learning Center uses it for classes in English as a Second Language.

The Mid-Ohio Foodbank, which supplies food for the center's pantry, said that from October 2016 to September 2017, the facility provided food for more than 148,000 meals to nearly 16,500 individuals in 4,800 families.

The parish school combined with St. Philip and St. Thomas schools in 2004 to form All Saints Academy, which has 355 students in pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. Laura Miller, the school's principal for nine years and a Catholic educator for 30 years, said it's All Saints' largest enrollment in many years, with most grades being split among two classrooms. She said



Children at play at All Saints Elementary School on the Columbus Christ the King Church campus. The school has a diverse population of 355 students. Photo courtesy All Saints School

56 percent of the students are African American, 30 percent Latino, and 14 percent white, Asian, or multiracial.

"Much of this growth has come through word of mouth," Miller said. "Students' relatives and family members have given the school a great reputation. What's built it up is the hard work of the staff. They put in the extra hours to give the children what they need, and I have great pride in them."

The school includes an up-to-date computer lab, Smart boards, and interactive television sets in all classes, with iPads used in first- through fourth-grade classes and Chromebooks in the upper four grades.

This year's theme for the school year is "Called to Serve." Each classroom is organizing a service learning project, with some of the projects including canned food drives and activities to benefit Ronald McDonald House and Nationwide Children's Hospital. Additional academic activities include Battle of the Books, eighth-grade algebra, a choir for school Masses, and a reading club. About 20 students attend an after-school latchkey program.

The preschool, which has 21 students, has been given a five-star rating by the state's Step Up to Quality program, and is receiving assistance from an Ohio Department of Education early childhood education grant and the city of Columbus' Early Start program. Principal fundraisers for the school include fish

fries on two Fridays of Lent and a food truck festival on the Friday before Memorial Day.

The Parish School of Religion, with classes in both languages, has about 300 students in grades one to eight and meets on Sundays from 11 to 12:15 a.m.

One of the parish's longest-standing traditions is its annual summertime Appalachian project, which began in 1994. Columbus St. Catharine Church has been a partner in the program for the last nine years. Project coordinator Anne Jupinko said that during the last week of June, about 50 young people from the two parishes performed repairs and did some new construction at homes in three western Scioto County parishes.

The work is preceded by monthly meetings beginning in February in which the young people learn construction skills and discuss social justice and Appalachian culture.

Father Schalk recently started a book club, using books available through FORMED, org, a service of the Augustine Institute which provides hundreds of free Catholic videos, movies, audiotapes, and books. The current selection is *No Price Too High* by Deacon Alex Jones, a Pentecostal minister from Detroit who is now a Catholic.

Earlier this month, the parish women's club sponsored its annual fundraiser known as Aunt Hattie's Luncheon, which includes a bake sale and raffle. Proceeds provide Christmas dinners for

families in need and are used for parish projects. The club also sponsors an annual women's retreat in January, as well as monthly bridge and euchre parties, organizes the parish's Christmas Giving Tree, and supports All Saints Academy and the Bishop Griffin Center.

The parish also has a garden club taking care of the church and school grounds, which cover a full block from Dover Road to Livingston Avenue and include a rose garden west of the church and a floral rosary.

A parish men's club recently was formed and meets once a month at 7:30 a.m., with Father Schalk discussing spiritual issues and responding to questions. Knights of Columbus Council 13705 meets twice a month on Wednesday evenings. It hosts regular pancake breakfasts, organizes a yearly baby bottle campaign to support pro-life organizations, and takes part in several other state and national charitable activities sponsored by the Knights.

The parish St. Vincent de Paul Society completed its fiscal year on Sept. 30 and said that in the preceding 12 months, parishioners donated nearly \$30,000. The largest portion of that money went to the Bishop Griffin Center and to purchase gift cards from All Saints Academy, with the cards then being given to people in need in response to fulfill various requests. The society also used its funds to provide rent and utility bill payments, often in conjunction with the Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs, to give Christmas toys to children, and to assist with flood relief for people in Houston.

This summer, the parish showed several religiously themed movies in the church basement. That program will continue in 2018.

Besides the weekend Masses, the parish has Masses at 7 a.m. every weekday, 9 a.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. Wednesday, and noon Tuesday through Thursday. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at 8:15 a.m. Tuesday, 5 to 6 p.m. Friday, and 3 p.m. Saturday each week, and after the 6 p.m. Saturday and 12:30 p.m. Sunday Masses on the first Saturday and Sunday of the month. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament occurs from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. every Friday.

For more information about the parish, call (614) 237-0401 or go to its website, www.christthekingcolumbus.com.

Two centers dedicated at Bishop Ready

Columbus Bishop Ready High School's newly renovated and expanded Gus Flichia Guidance Center and the new Sharon and Mike Curtin Communication Center were dedicated at a blessing ceremony led by Deacon Joseph Knapke, a Ready faculty member.

Flichia, a 1968 Ready graduate, made possible the expansion of the school's former guidance center to incorporate a work-study area and a tutoring area for students. Flichia, who is dyslexic, recalls that dyslexia was rarely diagnosed in the 1960s and learning was a difficult challenge.

After serving with the Navy in Vietnam, he went on to own a distribution company. He said he made the donation to show his gratitude to God and to help others find and achieve success and receive help in attaining their goals.

The Curtins are parents of Ready graduates and have been involved with the school in many ways. Mike Curtin is a former editor and executive with *The Columbus Dispatch* and a former state representative. Sharon Curtin is a former director of religious education and is a substitute teacher and campus min-

istry volunteer at Bishop Ready.

The communication center was developed in the school's former industrial tech room. School principal Celene Seamen said it will enable students to learn film and sound editing, broadcast journalism, animation, robotics, software design, how to write code, and other subjects. There is also an area for 3-D printers.

The dedications follow last year's renovations and dedications of the Wiser Business Innovation Center and the Cacchio Library.

Other Ready graduates have instituted a Knight for the Future annual event, spearheaded by Hank Martensen and Don Bradley and aided this year by Jamie McAllister and Mike Mentel. Its next project is to create an environment for students interested in medical fields.

"In addition to the current curriculum of biology, anatomy and physiology, chemistry, health, and physics, we will add an opportunity for our students to get realistic practice ... including monitoring blood pressure and using stethoscopes, getting certified in CPR and first aid, and using 3-D images to



Above: From left, Columbus Bishop Ready High School senior Kelly Huber; Michelle Kelly, the school's development director; Celene Seamen, principal; Rose Flichia and her son Gus; and Ready senior Jordan Gantz. Below: From left, Ready principal Celene Seamen, Sharon and Mike Curtin, and school development director Michelle Kelly. Photos courtesy Bishop Ready High School

simulate surgeries and medical procedures," Seamen said.

"Students will hear from professionals in the field, including our own alums, as we partner with medical personnel to provide insight into the wide and growing field of medical studies."



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The Feast of Christ the King (Cycle A)

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Father
Lawrence L. Hummer

**Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17;
1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28;
Matthew 25:31-46**

Ezekiel generally prophesied just before and while the Babylonian Exile was happening (586 BC). Ezekiel was actually exiled to Babylonia in 597 BC during an earlier assault against Judah. Like others, Ezekiel explained the Exile as punishment by the Lord for sins committed by people, and largely blamed the “shepherds of Judah” (their kings) for the disaster which occurred. Many of the rabbis considered Ezekiel to have been a collective work and many modern scholars agree with that assessment. The work makes use of early apocalyptic imagery, suggesting that the origins of *apocalyptic* as a style of writing trace their early beginnings to this work.

Ezekiel 34 is addressed to “the shepherds of Israel,” a common title for kings. They are accused of having cared for themselves, rather than their flocks (the people of Israel). The Lord promises to tend the sheep instead of the shepherds: “I myself will look after and tend my sheep.” The Lord promises to do for the flock what the shepherds were supposed to have done, but failed to do. They forgot that the flock belonged to the Lord, not to them. For that, they will pay a heavy price. At the same time, the Lord says, “I will judge between one sheep and another.” Psalm 23, which acknowledges the Lord as shepherd of Israel, gives comfort to a people so often abandoned by their own shepherds.

Matthew presents the Great Judgment scene, toward which this Gospel has been building from the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5. “The coming of the Son of Man in his glory” directs our attention to the

future, as he sits upon a throne with “all the nations” gathered before him. The separation of the nations “one from another” presents the theme of him being like a shepherd who separates sheep from goats, after allowing them to graze together.

Those whom the king places on his right are those “who are blessed by my Father.” They are told, “Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.” That seems like predestination, but it simply means that those rewarded are so inclined to have done what they were supposed to that they did it from the beginning of having heard of the gospel. They are called “righteous,” but they protest: “Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and we gave you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison and visit you?” The king answers, “When you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did it for me.” Their genuine kindness is so much a part of their lives that they cannot distinguish between who they aided.

The ones on his left fail to recognize when they failed to minister to the king’s needs, and the king answers, “What you did not do for these least ones, you did not do for me.” Nearly everything Jesus said in the Sermon on the Mount is covered here, directly or indirectly. The entire judgment is based on how we dealt with the neighbor in life. It is a powerful gospel for the Feast of Christ the King, because Christ Jesus is that king, and the judgment is based on whether we loved the neighbor or not. The ones who did (and do) will go off to eternal life. Those who don’t will “go off to eternal punishment.”

In previous weeks, we have considered parables of readiness and alertness. Now we see that such readiness is determined solely by how we treat those in need. If we are not caring for them, this becomes the final warning to start before it is too late. The King has identified with all those who suffered. When will we ever understand that?

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They should know about marriage before they come to church to set up their wedding, he said, emphasizing that catechism needs to start much earlier

After Bishop Malone had stressed before the body of bishops that the program would focus on the entirety of *Amoris Laetitia*, not one part that generated so much attention, a reporter turned back to that section of the exhortation, asking the bishop in a news conference if couples living in adultery could receive Communion.

“I’m not going to answer that here,” the bishop said, re-emphasizing that the aim of the pastoral plan was to provide married couples with resources they would need to strengthen their marriages and families.

In the marriage case styled DAVID ELIOT JAMISON – JANET LEDALE YOUNG, 2017-0145, the Tribunal of the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio, is currently unaware of the present address of MS JANET LEDALE YOUNG. The Tribunal herewith informs her of the case and invites her to contact REVEREND MR JOHN CRERAND, JCL, Presiding and sole Judge, no later than 10 DECEMBER 2017. Phone: 614-241-2500 Extension 3. Anyone who knows of the whereabouts of MS JANET LEDALE YOUNG is herewith asked to make this Citation known to her or to inform the Tribunal of her current address. Given this 20 NOVEMBER 2017. REVEREND MR JOHN CRERAND, JCL, Presiding Judge.

The Weekday Bible Readings

MONDAY
Daniel 1:1-6,8-20
Daniel 3:52-56 (Ps)
Luke 21:1-4

TUESDAY
Daniel 2:31-45
Daniel 3:57-61 (Ps)
Luke 21:5-11

WEDNESDAY
Daniel 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28
Daniel 3:62-67 (Ps)
Luke 21:12-19

THURSDAY
Romans 10:9-18
Psalm 19:8-11
Matthew 4:18-22

FRIDAY
Daniel 7:2-14
Daniel 3:75-81 (Ps)
Luke 21:29-33

SATURDAY
Daniel 7:15-27
Daniel 3:82-87 (Ps)
Luke 21:34-36

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

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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, Newcomertown and New Philadelphia; and Channel 207 in Zanesville); 8 p.m., St. Gabriel Radio (AM 820), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.

We pray Week II, Seasonal Proper of the Liturgy of the Hours

A museum for which to be thankful

On Sept. 29, 1952, the publication of the complete *Revised Standard Version* of the Bible was celebrated at the National Guard Armory in Washington, and the principal speaker was the U.S. Secretary of State, Dean Acheson. The son of the Episcopal bishop of Connecticut, Acheson movingly described the ways in which the King James Bible, which the new *RSV* was to supplant, had once shaped American culture and our national life:

“In the earliest days in the Northeast, the Book was all. The settlers came here to live their own reading of it. It was the spiritual guide, the moral and legal code, the political system, the sustenance of life, whether that meant endurance of hardship, the endless struggle against nature, battle with enemies, or the inevitable processes of life and death. And it meant to those who cast the mold of this country something very specific and very clear. It meant that the purpose of man’s journey through this life was to learn and identify his life and effort with the purpose and will of God,” he said.

That biblical vision helped form the bedrock convictions of the American idea: that government stood under the judgment of divine and natural law; that government was limited in its reach into human affairs, especially the realm of conscience; that national greatness was measured by fidelity to the moral truths taught by revelation and inscribed in the world by a demanding yet merciful God; that only a virtuous people could be truly free.

“But this ... did not exhaust the teachings of this Bible,” Secretary Acheson continued. “For it taught



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also that the fear of God was the love of God and that the love of God was the love of man and the service of man.”

At this perilous moment in our national history, when contempt and hatred seem far more characteristic of our civic life than charity and solidarity, it’s worth pondering how far we have come, and why. To claim that “the Book is all” today would be risible. On the contrary: As Cardinal Donald Wuerl, archbishop of Washington, remarked at a pre-opening celebration of the splendid new Museum of the Bible in the nation’s capital, the Bible has been systematically “bleached out” of our national life over the past several decades. And that bleaching has not produced a more tolerant people, but a far more intolerant civic life, of which the recent awfulness in Charlottesville, Virginia, may stand as a vile symbol.

At Thanksgiving 2017, too many voices in America seem to suggest that some of us must hate others of us if America is to flourish, even survive. But the great Dean Acheson had an answer for that essentially totalitarian claim, too: “In order to love our country we do not have to hate anyone. There is enough

to inspire love here. ... Out of many, (Americans) are one. (Ours) is a unity (amidst a) great and vigorous diversity based on respect for man, the individual ... And this, indeed, is the source of our strength, and of the lasting power of our society. For the solidarity which is built, not upon servility, but upon the common loyalty of free men, is resilient and enduring.”

We may, and should, hope that Secretary Acheson’s confidence in the resilience of America has not been falsified by the secularist “bleaching” of which Cardinal Wuerl spoke. That hope has been strengthened by the opening of the Museum of the Bible on Nov. 17. Three blocks from the U.S. Capitol, we now have a striking witness, in architecture, art, and artifact, to the enduring power of the Word of God. The museum is thoroughly ecumenical and interreligious. All of the people of the Book, be they Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant, or Jewish, will find much to learn there, in a series of both classic and interactive displays that nourish the mind and soul. Anyone who cares about the Bible owes the donors who made this striking facility possible, and the men and women who designed it with evident care an enormous vote of thanks.

For if it succeeds in its mission, the Museum of the Bible will help reverse the bleaching out from our culture of what is arguably its deepest, noblest, and most important wellspring: the Word of God, molding the lives of the readers of the Book.

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Supreme Court to hear case on free speech and crisis pregnancy centers

By Carol Zimmermann
Catholic News Service

The Supreme Court has decided to hear a case examining freedom of speech at crisis pregnancy centers.

The case, accepted on Nov. 13, will consider if a California law that went into effect in 2016 violates the Constitution by requiring the state’s 200 crisis pregnancy centers to inform their clients, in specific detail, about the availability of free or low-cost abortion and contraceptive services and provide a referral number for them.

The law in question, called the Reproductive FACT Act, says centers must post such notices in areas where they will be clearly seen on paper that is “at least 8.5 inches by 11 inches and written in no less than 22-point type.” Centers also are required to disclose in their advertisements if they have medical personnel on staff. Some centers provide

counseling and offer supplies of diapers, formula, clothes and baby items. Centers that fail to comply are subject to fines of \$500 for a first offense and \$1,000 for subsequent offenses.

Three pregnancy centers challenged the law in court, saying it infringed on their First Amendment rights to freedom of speech and free exercise of religion.

The pregnancy center law was upheld last October by a panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit that said the state could regulate professional speech because of its interest in safeguarding public health and to ensure that “citizens have access to and adequate information about constitutionally protected medical services like abortion.”

It also said the required signs were simply to inform clients of the existence of these services and did not encourage or suggest that clients should use them.

This October, a California Superior Court judge granted a permanent injunction against the state attorney general preventing him from enforcing the Reproductive FACT Act.

“Compelled speech must be subject to reasonable limitation,” ruled Riverside County Superior Court Judge Gloria Trask in the Oct. 30 decision that provided injunctive relief statewide and prevented the law from being enforced.

“The statute compels the clinic to speak words with which it profoundly disagrees when the state has numerous alternative methods of publishing its message. ... In this case, however virtuous the state’s ends, they do not justify its means,” the judge said.

“We are thrilled with Judge Trask’s ruling, which is a huge victory for free speech,” said Scott Scharpen, founder and president of the Scharpen Foundation, which operates the Go Mobile for

Life pregnancy clinic. “The whole notion of being compelled to share information with our patients about abortion availability, which is contrary to our mission and purpose, is fundamentally wrong.”

Ned Dolejsi, executive director of the California Catholic Conference, similarly told *Catholic San Francisco*, the archdiocesan newspaper, that he applauded the judge’s ruling. He said the state’s Catholic bishops oppose the legislation for pregnancy centers, which he described as “a pure and simple violation of free speech and a violation of religious liberty.”

The case before the Supreme Court is called *National Institute of Family and Life Advocates v. Becerra*. It will be the first abortion-related case heard by the court with President Donald Trump’s

Pray for our dead

ALTIER, Fred, 90, Nov. 8

Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

BOBULSKI, Eleanor T. (Stegvilas), 93, Nov. 14

Christ the King Church, Columbus

BUTTS, Gladys, 76, Nov. 19

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove City

CARLE, Donna J. "Jeannie" (Walker), 74, Nov. 13

St. Joseph Church, Circleville

CRAWFORD, William P., 50, Nov. 1

St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Zanesville

D'ERAMO, Giacomo "Jack," 89, Nov. 14

Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

DUFFEY, Linda (Garbuglio), 69, Nov. 15

St. Agatha Church, Columbus

EGAN, Barbara A. (Bay), 81, Nov. 16

St. Bernadette Church, Lancaster

ELIAS, Joseph G., 82, Nov. 13

St. Joseph Church, Plain City

FANTINE, Jack, 82, Nov. 7

Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

GEIER, Peter E., 60, Nov. 14

St. Peter Church, Columbus

GIBBONS, William J. III, 53, Nov. 16

St. Patrick Church, Columbus

JOHNSTON, Eileen L. (Bowers), 92, Nov. 12

St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Zanesville

MARTY, John, 85, Nov. 4

Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

MAYBAUGH, Louise (D'Agnone), 80, Nov. 16

St. Joseph Church, Dover

McCORMICK-SMITH, Beulah L. (Paxson), 92, Nov. 14

St. Rose Church, New Lexington

MEEKS, David S., 53, Nov. 16

St. Brendan Church, Hilliard

MORO, Margaret A. (Thomas), 91, Nov. 18

St. Margaret of Cortona Church, Columbus

MURPHY, Frances (Delfino), 87, Nov. 19

St. Margaret Church, Columbus

PETTIT, Casper G. "Gene," 92, Nov. 15

St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

RANKIN, Arthur F., 89, Nov. 14

St. Thomas Church, Columbus

RIEGER, John, 85, Nov. 11

St. Joseph Church, Dover

SIMON, Bobetta (Born), 88, Nov. 4

St. Monica Church, New Boston

SPIES, Carolyn (Hain), 80, formerly of Worthington, Nov. 16

St. Joseph Church, Bradenton, Fla.

TURNER, Patricia A. (Cooke), 81, Nov. 18

St. Margaret of Cortona Church, Columbus

VAN WASSEN, David A., 64, Nov. 18

St. Paul Church, Westerville

Charles R. Grunewald

Funeral Mass for Charles R. "Ron" Grunewald, 71, who died Monday, Nov. 13, was held Friday, Nov. 17 at Hilliard St. Brendan Church.

He was born on Aug. 8, 1946, in Long Beach, California, to the late Charles and TwyLah Grunewald.

He graduated from Ohio University in 1970 with a bachelor of science degree in accounting and was co-founder of what is now the accounting firm of Nartker Grunewald Eschleman and Cooper, from which he retired in 2014.

He was a past board chairman of Catholic Social Services, a member of the Pontifical College Josephinum board of development, a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, an adjunct professor at Columbus State Community College, and past president of the Condominium Association of the Cove Inn in Naples, Florida.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth; son, Christopher; daughters, ReNae (Doug) Landenberger and Kimberly; brother, Richard; and six grandchildren.

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appointee, Neil Gorsuch, on the bench.

A friend-of-the-court brief filed by the National Association of Evangelicals, the Christian Legal Society and the National Legal Foundation said that "abortion remains one of the most contentious issues of our public life" and that when courts appear to "be taking sides" on the issue, it requires the Supreme Court to step in to "assure uniform standards are applied on both sides of this issue."

Another friend of the court brief filed by Carenet, an affiliation organization for pregnancy resource centers, said it was "deeply concerned about California's decision to force pregnancy resource centers in California to become spokespersons for

the abortion industry."

California's attorney general, Xavier Becerra, who will represent the state in the oral arguments, said in a statement that "information is power" and that "all women should have access to the information they need when making personal healthcare decisions."

Alliance Defending Freedom will represent the National Institute of Family and Life Advocates, a national nonprofit organization providing legal counsel, education and training for pro-life pregnancy centers. Thomas Glessner, the group's president, said in a statement that the case could have broad implications particularly on "similar unconstitutional laws in Illinois and Hawaii."

Bishop Ready sponsors basketball tournament

The Columbus Bishop Ready High School athletics department is sponsoring its second annual boys basketball holiday classic for sixth- and seventh-graders. Teams will compete to prepare for the regular season. It is a pool-play tournament with a single-elimination format.

Potential game dates are Wednesday

to Friday, Dec. 20 to 22 and 27 to 29. Registration deadline is Friday, Dec. 15.

For more information, contact Dan DeCrane at (614)-276-5263, extension 231. More information and a registration form are on the school's website, www.brhs.org. Click on "Quick Clicks," then "Don't Miss This."

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NOVEMBER

23, 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.

25, SATURDAY

Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City

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

26, SUNDAY

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

All fund-raising events (festivals, bazaars, spaghetti dinners, fish fries, bake sales, pizza/sub sales, candy sales, etc.) will be placed in the "Fund-Raising Guide."

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For more information, call David Garick at 614-224-5195.

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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

27, MONDAY

Catholic Singles Fellowship Mass, Dinner, Adoration

5:30 to 8 p.m., St. Mary Church, 82 E. William St., Delaware. Parish's Catholic singles fellowship group attends Mass, followed by dinner at a site to be determined, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7 to 8. All diocesan Catholic singles welcome. 740-362-2246

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.

28, TUESDAY

Padre Pio Prayer Group at St. John the Baptist

12:30 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 168 E. Lincoln Ave., Columbus. Padre Pio Prayer Group meeting, including rosary, devotions, and 1 p.m. Mass. 614-294-5319

Rosary for Life at St. Joan of Arc

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

29, WEDNESDAY

ODU Adult and Continuing Education Info Session

6 to 7 p.m., Room 274, Bishop Griffin Center, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Information session for university's adult and continuing education programs. 614-251-7400

Ohio Dominican Chorus Christmas Concert

7 p.m., Christ the King Chapel, Sansbury Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1215 Sunbury Road, Columbus. University chorus Christmas concert. 614-251-4453

29-DEC. 7, WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY

Immaculate Conception Novena at St. Elizabeth

7 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Nightly Novena to the Immaculate Conception, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, singing, reflection, and closing Benediction. 614-891-0150

30, THURSDAY

Cenacle at Holy Name

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

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. "Christ in the City" program with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, confessions, Taize chant, and night prayer, followed by refreshments at Claddagh Irish Pub. 614-224-9522

DECEMBER

1, FRIDAY

Deadline for St. Luke March for Life Trip Signup

Deadline for signup for Danville St. Luke Church trip to

March for Life in Washington from Jan. 18 to 20. Cost of \$240 to \$280 includes bus ride, two-night motel stay, and tour of Washington. 740-599-6362 or 740-398-9710

Deadline for Bishop Ready Registration

Deadline for 2017-18 registration for potential freshmen at Columbus Bishop Ready High School. 614-276-5263

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.

Monthly Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

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

Catholic Men's Luncheon Club

12:15 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Catholic Men's Luncheon Club meeting. Father Daniel Olvera, parochial vicar in Mount Vernon and Danville, ordained in May, talks about his journey to the priesthood. Preceded by 11:45 a.m. Mass; \$10 donation requested.

Scripture Study at Columbus St. Patrick

7 p.m., Aquinas Hall, St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Monthly study of Scott Hahn's 11-part "The Bible and the Sacraments: A Journey through Scripture" begins with Part One: "Introduction to the Mysteries." 614-224-9522

Eucharistic Vigil at Holy Cross

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

All-Night Exposition at Our Lady of Victory

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

'Midnight Magi' at Columbus St. Peter

8 p.m. to midnight, McEwan Center, St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. "Midnight Magi" program decorating Christmas cookies and delivering them to third-shift workers. 614-889-2221

1-2, FRIDAY-SATURDAY

St. Pius X Men's Retreat

7 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Men's retreat led by John Bradford of Wilderness Outreach. Theme: "The Gates of Hell Shall Not Prevail: Taking the Battle Beyond the Breach." Followed Saturday by Reconciliation at 4 p.m. and Mass at 5. Cost \$30; includes snacks and beverages Friday and two meals Saturday. 614-322-9743

2, SATURDAY

Fatima Devotions at Columbus St. Patrick

7 a.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Mass, followed by devotions to Our Lady of Fatima, preceded by confessions at 6:30. 614-240-5910

Mary's Little Children Prayer Group

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. 8:30 a.m., confessions, 9 a.m., Mass, followed by Fatima prayers and Rosary (Shepherds of Christ format); 10 a.m., meeting. 614-861-4888

First Saturday Devotion at St. Joan of Arc

8:30 a.m., St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Mass, followed by rosary in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, concluding with Fatima prayers. 614-761-0905

Bishop Ready Placement Exam

8:45 a.m. to noon. Bishop Ready High School, 707 Salisbury Road, Columbus. Placement exam for incoming freshmen. 614-276-5263

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.

Lay Missionaries of Charity Day of Prayer

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

First Saturday Mass at Holy Family

9 a.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. First Saturday Mass for world peace and in reparation for blasphemies against the Virgin Mary, as requested by Our Lady of Fatima. 614-221-1890

Centering Prayer Group Meeting at Corpus Christi

10:30 a.m. to noon, Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Centering prayer group meeting, beginning with silent prayer, followed by Contemplative Outreach DVD and discussion. 614-512-3731

Advent Wreath Craft Day at St. Thomas Aquinas

2 p.m., St. Thomas Aquinas Church, 144 N. 5th St., Zanesville. Family craft day with florist Greg Orofino showing how to make an Advent wreath. Supplies provided; bring pruning shears. 740-453-3301

Holiday Tour of Downtown Columbus Churches

2 to 5 p.m., The Great Hallelujah Holiday Tour of Downtown Columbus Churches, sponsored by the Columbus Landmarks Foundation. Stops will be First Congregational Church, St. Joseph Cathedral, Trinity Episcopal Church, and Broad Street United Methodist Church. Music at each stop will be introduced by Christopher Purdy of WOSU Network stations. Cathedral stop will include the entire cathedral choir. Tickets \$15 for foundation members, \$20 for nonmembers. 614-405-7770

Filipino Mass at St. Elizabeth

7:30 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Mass in the Tagalog language for members of the Filipino Catholic community. 614-891-0150

'A Bethlehem Carol' at St. Joan of Arc

7:30 p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. 25th annual performance of "A Bethlehem Carol," children's Christmas musical. 614-761-0905

2-3, SATURDAY-SUNDAY

Used Book Sale at Columbus St. Patrick

6 to 7 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Patrick Hall, St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Holiday used book sale presented by Knights of Columbus Council 11207. Proceeds go to support religious vocations. 614-224-9522

3, SUNDAY

Exposition at Buckeye Lake Our Lady of Mount Carmel

9:15 to 10:15 a.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 5133 Walnut Road S.E., Buckeye Lake. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Sunday during Advent. 740-928-3266

St. Christopher Adult Religious Education

10 to 11:20 a.m., Library, Trinity Catholic School, 1440 Grandview Ave., Columbus. Part 3 of seven-part video series on "Wisdom: God's Vision for Life" by Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith.

Book Discussion at Martin de Porres Center

2 to 4 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 airport Drive, Columbus. Discussion by author Patricia Sargeant of "Mayhem & Mass," first in a series of mysteries she has written (under the pen name Olivia Matthews) that are inspired by the Dominican Sisters of Peace. 614-416-1910

Rosary, Evening Prayer at Columbus St. Peter

4 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Recitation of the rosary, followed by Evening Prayer at 4:30 on all Advent Sundays. 614-889-2221



BOOK REVIEW

Mayhem & Mass

Mystery series inspired by Dominican Sisters of Peace

Award-winning Columbus author Patricia Sargeant, writing under the pseudonym Olivia Matthews, is introducing a mystery series inspired by the congregation of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. *Mayhem & Mass*, published by Kensington Publishing Co., is the first book of her Sister Lou mysteries. It will be available in bookstores and online in December.

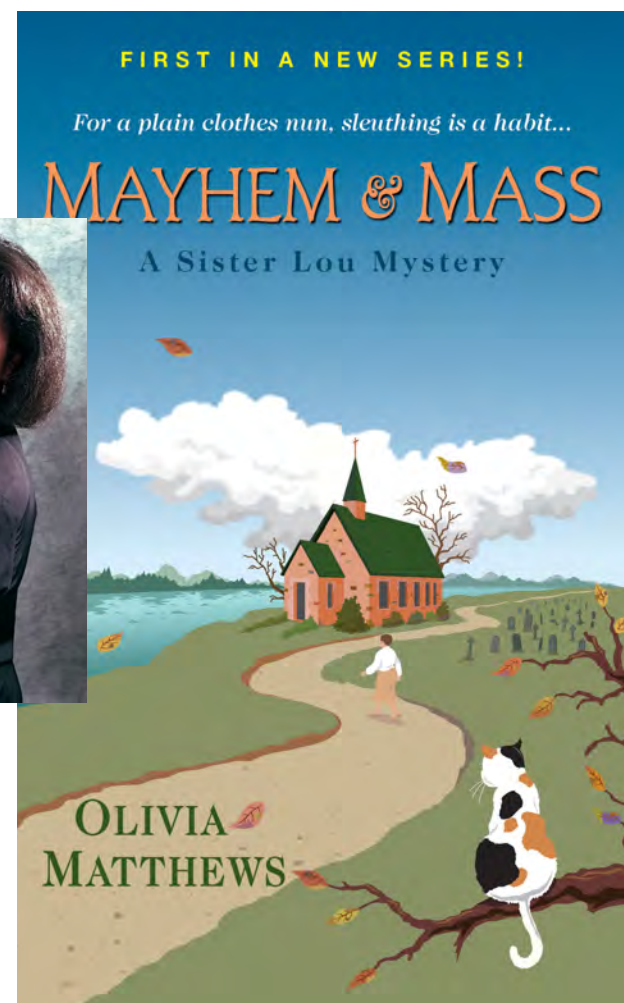
The featured amateur sleuth of the series, Sister Louise “Lou” LaSalle, is a member of the fictitious Congregation of the Sisters of St. Hermione of Ephesus, based in the equally fictitious small town of Briar Coast, New York. Sister Lou’s character was inspired by real members of the Columbus-based Dominican Sisters of Peace.

“I had the pleasure of working with and getting to know several members of the Congregation of Domini-

can Sisters of Peace,” Sargeant said. “I was impressed and inspired by their courage, determination, and great intellect. Those are the traits I hope I convey in the title character of my series.”

In *Mayhem & Mass*, a Catholic congregation is preparing to celebrate its patron saint’s feast day. Its guest speaker, Dr. Maurice Jordan, is a controversial theologian and decades-long friend of Sister Lou. When he is bludgeoned to death, sheriff’s deputies suspect a member of the congregation was involved. Frustrated, Sister Lou believes that if she’s going to learn who killed her friend – and why – she’ll have to investigate the death with the help of her socially well-connected nephew and an investigative reporter.

The author will be present for a discussion of her new book with the Dominican Sisters of Peace from 2 to 4 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 3, at the Martin de Porres



Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus.

Mayhem & Mass is available at Generations Religious Gifts and Books in Columbus and online at Amazon.com. For more information on the Sister Lou mysteries, visit AuthorOliviaMatthews.com.

STUDENTS' VIDEO CONFERENCE WITH



Akiane Kramarik

Eighth-grade students at Worthington St. Michael School took part in a video conference with Akiane Kramarik, a 23-year-old self-taught artist and poet whose talent has been recognized worldwide. She was discovered and featured by Oprah Winfrey at age nine, her *Prince of Peace* painting of Jesus was featured in the movie *Heaven Is for Real*, and her work has been viewed online by more than 450 million people.

Students prepared for the event by examining her website and coming up with questions to ask her. The conference began with her talking to the students of how she began drawing at age four as a way of expressing visions of heaven that she saw and of how she feels she is doing God’s will by glo-

rifying him through the gifts he gave her, helping others reach their dreams through art.

She then answered questions. She told one student who asked about the visions that they came most frequently when she was four to six years old. She said the colors she saw in those visions were different than anything that could be perceived in our world, and that the visions gave her a sense that everything had a soul and a unique purpose.

“Our event was a great way to integrate technology,” said art teacher Mary Stuller. “We got to know an artist far away from us and hear her speak, in a way that would not have been possible until recently. It was powerful and very educational.”

Photo by Iliia Kramarik

A virtual tour of the tomb of Jesus

CNA/EWTN News

Last week, the National Geographic Museum in Washington opened a 3-D virtual tour of the Holy Sepulchre, the site of Jesus' tomb (*pictured*).

While the exhibit will likely draw tourists from around the country, could it also be used as a type of virtual pilgrimage, perhaps for those who are unable to visit the Holy Land in person due to cost, disability, or other factors?

"Yes," says Dr. Anthony Lilles, academic dean and theology professor at St. John's Seminary in Camarillo, California.

Lilles told CNA that the intention is key in making the experience a pilgrimage. "A tourist goes because they are curious; a pilgrim goes for a sacred purpose," he explained.

"We must not, so to say, stay on the level of surface appearance, but instead allow our imaginations to be baptized by the places we are visiting virtually – thinking about the reality of Christ's historical presence and what it means for our lives now."

The three-dimensional tour opened on Nov. 15 in Washington and will continue until Aug. 15, 2018.

It will give viewers an inside look at one of the most revered

spots in Christian history.

Veneration of Christ's burial place dates back to St. Helena, who discovered and identified the tomb in the fourth century. St. Helena's son, Roman Emperor Constantine, built the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in 326 and enshrined the tomb.

The shelf on which Christ's body was laid is the central point of veneration, which has been encapsulated by a 3-by-5-foot marble structure - the Edicule - since at least 1555.

A yearlong restoration of the site was recently completed, and scientists are looking into additional restoration work on the foundation.

The virtual exhibit takes visitors through the history of the holy site and shows the new technologies used in its restoration.

Lilles said the virtual tour offers not only a lesson in history, but an opportunity for a deeper devotion to Christ.

"As beautiful as a virtual exhibit may be, we can be too passive in our engagement with holy places precisely because we are only experiencing them virtually," he cautioned.

Those who wish to attend the exhibit as a type of spiritual pilgrimage should take careful steps to prepare, he said.



He suggested reading the Gospel accounts of Christ's passion and resurrection before visiting. Going to station from station in the 3-D tour, a pilgrim might choose a prayer or scripture verse to meditate on at each stop.

Additionally, he said, the pilgrimage should be accompanied closely by Mass, confession, and a work of charity. It should culminate with firm resolutions on how to "live differently in light of the mystery of our faith."

While the spiritual pilgrimage to the Washington exhibit

would not have an indulgence attached to it as other formally recognized pilgrimages do, Lilles said virtual pilgrimages have been supported by the Vatican before.

"John Paul II once led pilgrims in the footsteps of Abraham from Ur to the Holy Land to Egypt and back to the Holy Land. He wanted to actually go to these places during the Great Jubilee of 2000, but Saddam Hussein refused permission," he recalled.

"So instead, in the Paul VI audience hall, he led us on a 'spiritual' pilgrimage where

slides of the sacred sites of Abraham were shown," and the pope led prayerful meditations.

With the right mindset and adequate spiritual preparation, Lilles said, a virtual pilgrimage can yield spiritual fruits.

"One who goes as a pilgrim goes to out of devotion to Christ who became a pilgrim for our sake, do penance for his own sins and the sins of our society, to ask for the mercy of God for forgiveness and healing, and to thank God for pouring out His loving kindness," he said.



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Get in the holiday spirit with a festive tour of downtown churches

Downtown Columbus is home to many historically and architecturally significant churches representing the finest in craftsmanship and ecclesiastical design. The Columbus Landmarks Foundation is sponsoring a walking tour of four such churches from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2.

“The Great Hallelujah Tour of Downtown Churches” will feature seasonal music at each church, with introductions from WOSU Classical 101 FM host Christopher Purdy. Participants will be able to learn the rich architectural history of each church from Columbus Landmarks experts and to understand how the churches work to meet the needs of their dynamic congregations and the greater neighborhood, while being caretakers of some of Columbus’ most important and challenging buildings.

Tickets are \$15 for foundation members and \$20 for nonmembers, and may be purchased online at columbuslandmarks.org.

Featured stops along the one-mile walking route include **First Congregational Church**, 444 E. Broad St.;



St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St.; **Trinity Episcopal Church**, 125 E. Broad St.; and **Broad Street United Methodist Church**, 501 E. Broad St.

The tour begins at First Congregational Church at 2 p.m. Cathedral parishioners may park in the rear lot and walk to the first stop. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and



dress for the weather. If the weather is inclement or you wish to drive and park at each stop for accessibility reasons, limited on-street or nearby parking is available near each site. All four sites are handicapped-accessible.

During the cathedral stop, Dr. Richard Fitzgerald will lead the entire

cathedral choir in a musical presentation. Refreshments will be served in the undercroft as the group leaves the cathedral. The tour ends at Broad Street United Methodist Church, across the street from the lighted Topiary Park and the lifesize Nativity display at the State Auto Insurance building.

DeSales wins seventh state soccer championship

The Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School boys soccer team won its third state championship in four years and seventh overall, defeating Bay Village 4-0 on Saturday, Nov. 12 at Mapfre Stadium for the Division II crown. The Stallions finished with a 22-0-1 record, outscoring opponents 38-0 in postseason play and 102-8 for the year. Team members are (from left): first row, Cristian Gomez, Fermin Lopez, Nick Fuchs, Riley Paxton, Carson Fox, Thomas Sauer, Chase Agin, Hector Gomez, Zach Garrett, Michael Cockerell, and Cesar Ramirez; second row, Jack Francisco, Alex Whalen, Bryan Roach, Josh Conroy, Dominic Julian, William Shaffer, Aaron Ritzler, Rhyse Martin, Ben Whalen, Ricci Kreuzer, and Vigo Bertolo. Not pictured are head coach Domenic Romanelli, assistants Ben Brooks, Michael DiCesare, Matt Iacobone, and Jeremy Gray, and statistician Daniel Freeman. Photo courtesy St.

Francis DeSales High School

