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BISHOP GRIFFIN RESOURCE CENTER LOOKS TO EXPAND ITS OUTREACH

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT **Clergy Assignment**

Deacon Frank lannarino, to Administrator, St. John the Baptist Church, Columbus, continuing as Director of the Office of the Permanent Diaconate for the Diocese of Columbus; part-time diaconal ministry, St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin; and Chaplain, Bishop Watterson High School, effective August 5, 2019.

Reverend Stash Dailey, to Vicar for Religious for the Diocese of Columbus, continuing as Pastor, Holy Family Church, Columbus, effective immediately.

Reverend Robert Kitsmiller, from Administrator, St. John the Baptist Church, Columbus and Sacred Heart Church, Columbus, to Rector of Saint Joseph Cathedral, continuing as Judicial Vicar, Diocese of Columbus, effective August 5, 2019.

Reverend Michael J. Lumpe, from Rector, St. Joseph Cathedral, released for service at the Pontifical College Josephinum, Columbus, as Vice-Rector for the College of Liberal Arts, continuing as Vicar for Priests, Diocese of Columbus, effective August 5, 2019.

Reverend Adam Streitenberger, to Coordinator of Evangelization for the Diocese of Columbus, effective immediately, and Administrator, Sacred Heart Church, Columbus, continuing as Parochial Vicar, St. Joseph Cathedral, effective August 5, 2019.

Confirming the appointment of the Superior Delegate of the Apostles of Jesus, Reverend Patrick Wathika, AJ, from service outside the diocese, to residence, St. Cecilia Church, Columbus, effective July 1, 2019.

Cathedral rector named to Josephinum post

By Doug Bean

Catholic Times Editor

After six years as the rector at St. Joseph Cathedral, Father Michael Lumpe will be moving to a new assignment in a few days.

Bishop Robert Brennan announced last week that Father Lumpe, who has served at the diocese's flagship cathedral since 2013, will become the vice rector of the College of Liberal Arts at the Pontifical College Josephinum in north Columbus.

'When I joyfully accepted my appointment as bishop of the Diocese of Columbus, the nuncio asked me to give particular attention to the needs of the Pontifical College Josephinum," Bishop Brennan said last week. "As a result, in addition to my role as vice chancellor, I felt I needed more 'skin in the game' in order to make that a reality.

Father Lumpe, a Columbus native,

will begin his new duties at the Josephinum on Aug. 5. He also will continue as the vicar for priests in the diocese.

"There is great joy in the Gospel by embracing it and living it," Father Lumpe said. "I look forward to working with the young men to help them discover the great and authentic joy that can be found in the Gospel.

Father Lumpe will be replaced by Father Robert Kitsmiller as the cathedral rector. Father Kitsmiller will transition from his current duties as administrator of Columbus St. John the Baptist and Sacred Heart churches while continuing as the judicial vicar for the diocesan Tribunal.

Father Adam Streitenberger, a parochial vicar at the cathedral, will take on additional responsibilities as the parish administrator at Sacred Heart Church and begin serving as the Bishop's Coordinator for Evangelization,

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Day of Reflection to focus on holy African Americans

The can American Ministry of the Catholic Ethnic Ministries Office will host a Day of Reflection: Walking with the Saints featuring Most Rev. Joseph N. Perry, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago, and



Perry

Bishop Joseph N. Father A. Gerard

Father A. Gerard Jordan, O. Praem., on Saturday, Aug. 3 at New Albany Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road.

The sainthood candidates from the African American community who will be the focus of the reflection include Venerable Pierre Toussaint; Servant of God Mother Mary Lange, OSP; Venerable Sr. Henriette DeLille, SSF; Venerable Fr. Augusts Tolton; Servant of God Julia Greeley; and Servant of God Sr. Thea Bowman.

"We are excited to bring the faithful together for a day of fellowship, reflec-



Jordan, O. Praem.

tion and education concerning the current six open causes of sainthood in the black Catholic community," said Pamela Harris, director of the Ethnic Ministries "This Office. is a wonderful opportunity for the faithful of

the diocese to come together and learn more about the six candidates, the process of canonization, and various ways in supporting the cause."

Registration begins at 8 a.m. The program starts at 9. Lunch will be provided.

Register online at columbuscatholic.org/cem, email ethnicministries@ columbuscatholic.org or call (614) 221-7990. This is a free event, but donations are welcome.

If you have any questions or would like additional information about this or other programs/events, please contact Harris in the Ethnic Ministries Office.

Catholic Times is on summer schedule!

Things slow down during the summer, and that includes the Catholic Times. In August, we are publishing every other week. Look for the Catholic Times in your mailbox just prior to Aug. 25. We will return to weekly publication in September.



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A food pantry is one of the services provided by the Bishop Griffin Resource Center, located on the Christ the King Church campus, to those in need on Columbus' east side. (CT photo by Ken Snow)

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A congregation estimated at more than 325 people from throughout Ohio and surrounding states attended a special Dominican Rite Latin Mass on Sunday, July 14 at Zanesville St. Thomas Aquinas Church. The first Mass in Zanesville was celebrated 200 years ago in 1819 at a tavern by Dominican Father Dominic Young, OP.



Father Peter Totleben, OP, elevates the chalice during the consecration at the 200th anniversary Mass while assisted by Father Charles Shonk, OP (second from left) and altar servers from Columbus St. Patrick Church. Dominican friars served at St. Thomas Aquinas from 1822 until 2017. (CT photos by Doug Bean)

Latin Rite marks 200 years since Zanesville's first Mass

By Doug Bean

Catholic Times Editor

ZANESVILLE, Ohio – Two hundred years ago, a Dominican priest celebrated the first Mass in the then-frontier town of Zanesville.

On Sunday, July 14, Zanesville's St. Thomas Aquinas Church commemorated that significant moment in the state's Catholic history with a Dominican Rite Latin Mass at Zanesville's St. Thomas Aquinas Church attended by more than 325 parishioners and visitors from at least three states.

Sunday's Mass was celebrated by Dominican Fathers Charles Shonk, OP, and Peter Totleben, OP, in much the same manner as Dominican Father Dominic Young, OP, did in the spring of 1819 in an upper room at the Green Tree Tavern owned by John Dugan, an early benefactor to the Catholic community.

"Folks told me they were from Erie, Pennsylvania; Akron; Wheeling; Pittsburgh; and Columbus," said Father Jan Sullivan, the parish's current pastor. "I would even say that a great number of those attending the Mass were actually not parishioners."

Father Young was the nephew of Bishop Edward Fenwick, the first bishop of Ohio and of the vast territory west of the Ohio River as settlers moved farther inland from the East Coast in the late 1700s and early 1800s.

"People get a chuckle about Mass being celebrated in a tavern then," Father Sullivan said. "But it would have been like a Motel 6 or Howard Johnson's in its day. People would be lodging there."

Fast forward to 2019, and Fathers Shonk and Totleben certainly didn't need horses to reach Zanesville from Columbus St. Patrick Church, the residence (or priory) for the order in the Diocese of Columbus. Dominicans staffed St. Thomas Aquinas Church from 1822 until 2017, when they decided to leave the parish in the hands of the diocese.

The friars, as Dominican priests are called, were assisted Sunday by the combined choirs from St. Patrick and St. Thomas Aquinas churches under the direction St. Patrick music director Kathleen Tully. The organist was Christopher Urbiel, who is also director of liturgy and music at St. Thomas Aquinas.

"I don't know when the parish has had a celebration like this," Father Sullivan said.

Dominican Rite Latin Masses are not celebrated regularly today. Catholics have become more accustomed to the Novus Ordo liturgy, the current ordinary form of the Mass that was adopted after the Second Vatican Council concluded in 1965. The Dominicans gave up their Rite in 1968 to adopt the new Mass.

In 2007, Pope Benedict XVI issued a motu proprio, an order allowing the old Rite to be used again with the Church's blessing, and so it had been more than 50 years since the Solemn High Dominican Rite returned to St. Thomas Aquinas.

"Attending the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday after having celebrated the 8 a.m. Mass in the same space at the same altar gave me a new appreciation of the strengths and weaknesses of both the Rites," Father Sullivan said. "Perhaps better appreciating the strengths of both and applying those to each was what Pope Benedict was thinking when he lifted the former restrictions placed upon the celebration of the former liturgies.

"Maybe what happened at Saint Thomas Aquinas this weekend, celebrating the 200th anniversary of the first Mass in Zanesville, was another step forward in accomplishing his insight into the 'spirit of the liturgy."

The history of Catholicism in Ohio is intertwined with the Dominican order. Bishop Fenwick, a Dominican, offered the first Mass in the state in 1808 in Somerset, which is south of Zanesville. The Dominicans still maintain a presence there at St. Joseph and Holy Trinity parishes.

Because priests were few and far between in the early 1800s, Masses were rarely celebrated in this part of the country.

Eleven years after that first Mass in Somerset, Dugan purchased a brick warehouse in 1819 in Zanesville for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass to be conducted there. By 1822, the property where St. Thomas Aquinas stands was purchased to erect a church and

a cemetery.

In 1825, Dugan and Father Young traveled east to bring Bishop Fenwick back to Ohio. But while making their way through the Cumberland Gap, something scared their horses, and all three men were injured in a fall. Dugan died in the arms of Bishop Fenwick and was buried in the St. Thomas Aquinas parish cemetery.

In 1842, the area had grown as a result of an increase in Irish and German immigration to Zanesville as a result of the expanding railroad system, the presence of the National Road, the canals, and an uptick in transportation and commerce on the Muskingum River. At that time, St. Thomas Aquinas served as the Irish parish in town. St. Nicholas Church was built the same year to accommodate the German natives in the area.

Rather than focus on the parish history in Sunday's homily, Father Totleben preached on the Dominican scholar, St. Thomas Aquinas. Bishop Robert Brennan granted permission to celebrate a special Votive Mass that included the preface, chants, prayers and readings focused on the parish patron.

"Thomas Aquinas is mostly remembered for being a brain. He's one of the smartest people in Church history," Father Totleben said. "But Thomas Aquinas was much more than a brain. Thomas Aquinas was a lover,

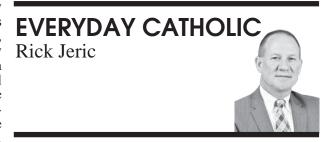
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Whatever happened to...

It is the end of July already. Seven months into the calendar year, one month into many a fiscal year, less than one month until school starts again, about one month until football season, and less than five months until Christmas. As of the date of this is-

sue, there are only 149 shopping days left. Especially these days, everything happens so quickly, some things seem as if they happen faster than real time. Then, before we know it, we forget or dismiss so much from our memories. There really is just too much information out there these days. I wonder if it is all good. I do not think it is good to forget or completely dismiss the past. History teaches us a lot, and we are all at least in part products of our environment and upbringing. I also do not think it is good to fully wish that things were "like they used to be" or to loathe all things contemporary. The world seems to constantly struggle with it, and yet strives to find the right mix of both. And then there is the Church. No matter where we turn, with our faith, our family, and our livelihood, we are challenged by the past, the present, and the future. They are healthy challenges.

So, whatever happened to civility? We hear that word a lot these days, especially regarding politicians and elected officials. Be careful – do not go there – it is severely lacking on all sides. Whatever happened to manners and etiquette? Driving is a free for all, and there is never anything wrong with opening or holding a door for a woman or an elderly person. Whatever happened to conversation? I am guilty of texting, but face-to-face or over the phone discussion is still the best. Whatever happened to spelling? I am so tired of seeing misspellings on television news, in published materials, and in the newspaper. The Columbus Dispatch is looking for citizen readers to join or apply for a board to review and offer suggestions.



While I might enjoy that, they would likely tire of me correcting all their typos. Whatever happened to a smile? The world needs a whole lot more love right now, and it can start with a smile. Look around you next time you are at Sunday Mass. How many people, if any, are smiling. Eucharist means thanksgiving, but it just seems so sullen and almost sad at Sunday Mass most of the time. Yes, we are in awe of the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. But is that really a reason to nearly frown the entire Mass? I would like to think that Jesus would be smiling and exuding the love and joy that is Him. Whatever happened to the Latin Mass? If you have a great experience from it, that is great. But for me, I say good riddance. As a Church, we are suffering and putting up with 30 percent, at the most, attendance at Sunday Mass. It is about time we did what we need to do as a Church. Open the window and let some fresh air in, and welcome new members. They need to be happy, loved, excited, smiling, and welcomed. And so do we. Whatever happened to the Second Vatican Council? See previous comments. Whatever happened to the new evangelization? See previous comments, and shame on us for continuing to let our own estranged Catholics go by the wayside. It almost seems easier to get new members to join the Church than it does to get fallen away or lapsed members to come back. There is no better way than for us to invite them back, and to lead by example. Whatever happened to Mass and Eucharist because we want to and need to, not because we are required?

Mommies Matter director to speak to YCP group

The featured speaker at the next diocesan Young Catholic Professionals meeting will be Monica Flynn, executive director of Mommies Matter, an organization dedicated to removing barriers facing single mothers, empowering them to choose life.

The event will take place from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 21 at the Jubilee Museum, 57 S. Grubb St., Columbus.

For more information about YCP, go to www.ycpcolumbus.org or send an email to info@ycpcolumbus.org.

Stewardship of self

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Matthew 25:14-16 NABRE)

As Christian steward-

ship leaders, sacrificial giving of our time, talents, and treasures in service to others is something we preach and we teach consistently. Loving God and neighbor become central themes to our stewardship efforts and the "as yourself" portion of the commandment is often times neglected. How we love and care for "self" directly influences our stewardship journey.

The stewardship of self has two major components, self-care and self-devotion. Father Steve Bell, who is a Paulist priest and good friend, shares a great message on self-care. He speaks to how, while flying to various preaching mission events, the flight attendants ministered to him during their preflight announcements. For those of us who have taken to the friendly skies for our travels, we are very familiar with the flight attendants' safety demonstration. Reminded that cabin pressure is always monitored, we are assured that in the event of a loss in cabin pressure, oxygen masks will appear. The attendants go on to demonstrate how to use the oxygen mask and warn us to secure our own masks before any attempts are made to help or save anyone else, including your own children. He decided to ask why this was so important, and the attendant explained to him that a lack of oxygen to the brain could cause memory loss and problems with controlling motor function. You can cause unwanted harm to yourself and even to the person you are attempting to help. Much like a lack of oxygen to the brain, a lack of self-care will hinder your ability to serve God well. It can be harmful not only to your own, but

STEWARDSHIP, LIVING OUR FAITH

Andrea Pannell

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to the body, mind, and spirit of others. This is why our self-care is so important. However, as good stewards, we cannot limit our stewardship of self to only self-care. Our self-devotion matters greatly.

In the preface of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishop's Pastoral Letter on Stewardship, we are reminded that following Christ as His disciple entails 'committing one's very self to the Lord," and being "open to the movement of the Holy Spirit towards a gracious generosity of the heart." This reminds us of three very important truths that can influence our self-devotion. First, our life is not our own. As Christian stewards, we believe Christ is with us and in us, and that the Spirit rests in our hearts and guides us in all ways. Our lives represent a sacred communion that we seek to honor. This union confirms, secondly, that we are gifts from God. Our stewardship cannot be limited to gratitude for the material gifts around us, but should also be for the true gift of our lives. You and I both are gifts to this world and God has entrusted to us the life we live, which must also be cared for and supported. Third, we must seek to know God. Believing in possibilities however strong they may be cannot substitute the experience of an encounter with the living one true God. One's participation in the sacramental life of the Church and the Eucharist are essential to our stewardship of self. A great affirmation that speaks to stewardship of self is "I rest in the truth that I am a gift uniquely and perfectly handcrafted by God." It really does say it all.

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and that's what made him a saint.

"Our readings today use scripture to portray St. Thomas as the quintessential wise man. But according to the Bible, a wise man isn't a brain. A wise man is a lover. In our reading today, and in the Bible as a whole, wisdom has beauty to it. It has an allure. As

our reading says, for men, wisdom is an unfailing treasure.

"Why is wisdom such as treasure? Why is wisdom so beautiful? Why is it so alluring? Because the wiser you are – when you're really wise – the wiser you are, the more you are drawn into God's own world."

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The journey

We all have a need, every now and then, for a break from the daily struggles of life. It is what keeps our minds clear and ready for another day. Our problem is that we try to compartmentalize and treat this time off like just another day at the office.

What we tend to forget is that we are on God's time and not our own. He decides when and where we are to be. Sure, He gives us choices, but ultimately it is God who sets the standard.

I, too, wrestle with letting go. I am so used to being regimented that I lose sight of the bigger picture. It is a scary thing to release yourself to the care of someone else. What will happen? What will the outcome be? How will this affect my life as it is now? Will it change me beyond all recognition or reinforce those beliefs and strengths that I already possess?

That is why, I believe, we are commanded to live in the present and to appreciate what God gives us on a moment-to-moment basis. Life is precious and should be savored, a minute and brilliant flash of light in the eternity of creation. Think about young sea turtles being born so helpless, stretching for the open water as they fight to survive. Most will never see the life that was expected, but instinct tells them that they must fight on anyway despite the incredible odds.

Our limitations are built into our

LIGHTING THE WAY

Joseph Thomas

Joseph Thomas, a member of Gahanna St. Matthew Church, is a Third Order Franciscan and freelance writer who is active in many diocesan and church activities.



minds in much the same way. We set out to accomplish whatever the challenge that lies ahead. It does not matter that we may never see our destination or succeed in our task. What is important is the experience and the enjoyment of making the trip, especially if it is with someone we love.

St. Junipero Serra, a wonderful Franciscan priest, was quoted as saying we must "always go forward and never turn back." That can mean different things to many people, but to me it is to keep you eyes focused on what is right in front of you. It is there that we usually find what we are looking for in the simplest of places and in the realm of the human heart.

Above all else, do not be discouraged if the expectations do not match the wish, but rather, allow your special sense of style, idiosyncrasy and intrepidity match what God has in store for you and in the love, you have for your family and your life.

May you find what you seek. May His precious blood flow though you and make you better for the experience. May His peace be with you, always.

Do what you are doing

Liturgically speaking, summer is all "ordinary time." It's a break after the Lent/Triduum/ Easter seasons, recently concluded with the feat of Pentecost. That's fine with me. Summer is full enough without more events and expectations.

Besides, I love "ordinary" time. It gives us breathing room to discover just how extraordinary ordinary is.

There is a Latin phrase that could be a perfect motto for living and praying the "ordinary time" moments in our lives: Age quod agis or "Do what you're doing." Finding its origin was impossible; finding its use was easier. It appears in things as diverse as the old western movie, Tombstone, Pope John XXIII's Journey of a Soul, St. Ignatius and Jesuit spirituality, and school mottos to name just a few.

Whatever it is you're doing, do it with attention. Throw your whole self into it. It's tempting to idealize that and apply it to individual tasks. You know, if you're folding laundry, well, concentrate on the laundry. Enjoy the smell and fell of clean clothes. Be grateful you have that stack.

On the other hand, such single-mindedness isn't always possible and isn't always what age quod agis is saying at the moment anyway. The family scene in the living room of my nephew and his young family comes to mind.

He and his wife were busy folding loads of laundry and sorting it into piles for each of their four children. They were preparing for a monthlong trip to visit both sets of grandparents and then, after three weeks of that, camping for a week. In the midst of all that preparation, they offered their hospitality to a visiting aunt, which would be me. And, of course, all four children were around, talking to their visitor and taking care of their own preparations — which may have included cleaning rooms and gathering books to take. I leave it to your imagination. Not a lot of time there to sniff the laundry.

Life and prayer are a communal endeavor. "What you're doing" can be one thing or a number of things. Those young parents were taking care of laundry while answering questions, directing activity, and making me feel

GRACE IN THE MOMENT

Mary van Balen

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welcome. Their "What you are doing" was being good parents while welcoming the visitor. They were giving it their all.

Same with us. We might be students, teachers, employees, parents, or members of a community (vowed or not). We might be children, arranging care for an aging parent. And while it would be nice to give ourselves completely to a solitary walk on the beach, listening uninterrupted to a symphony, or gardening quietly in our yard, life doesn't always happen that way. It's more likely a hodgepodge of activity.

What ordinary time says to me is, that's OK. Better, that's the path to holiness. "Do what you're doing." No matter what that is in the present moment, it's where we meet God.

We celebrate feast days of a number of saints in July, and while the lives of all these holy predecessors can speak to the holiness of living fully the ordinary, everyday life, Benedict (July 11), Mary Magdalene (July 22), Joachim and Anne (July 26), and Martha (July 29), hold a special place in my heart.

Benedict for his great rule written with emphasis on community as a way to holiness and his understanding of humility, compassion, and care for one another as spiritual disciplines. Flexibility was key then as it is now. Mary Magdalene for her courage and deep love of Jesus. Hers was the woman's voice that first proclaimed the resurrection to others disinclined to believe her. Joachim and Anne (or if those aren't their actual names, the parents of Mary) for being good parents. Enough said! Martha, who often gets a bad rap for hanging out in the kitchen when she could have joined the others at the feet of the teacher. She took care of the nitty-gritty and, as one who has spent countless hours like that, surely heard most of what was said!

Happy summer. Courage! Age quod agis!

POSITION AVAILABLE

The Catholic War Veterans, Department of Ohio is seeking a responsible, self-starter to serve as the Office Manager at our Department Headquarters in Columbus. Job Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Act as first contact of the Department for those contacting our Headquarters individuals or
 organizations seeking information about the CWV or in need of assistance. Directs these to
 the appropriate Officer.
- Monitor and process incoming mail and forward to appropriate Officers
- Keep communication lines flowing among the Department (Board, members, Officers)
- Procure supplies and services, maintain office inventory, under direction of the Executive Director
- Maintain and prepare vouchers for Accounts Payable and Receivable, report these to the appropriate Officers.
- Maintains the Department database and daily work logs.
- Assists in preparation of awards and other items for Board Meetings and Convention
- Maintains good relations with other Veterans Service Organizations
- Promote the CWV and its mission in a positive manner

Skills needed include, but are not limited to:

- Proficient in MS Office (Word, Excel)
- Able to work office machines copier, scanner, PC
- Able to work with multiple individuals to accomplish a task

If this sounds like work that you would like to do, contact Larry Wulf at this email address: lwulf52@bex.net. Deadline to apply is August 9.

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Mary during ministry of Jesus; Catholics and prenuptial agreements

I am wondering what Mary did and where she lived during the three years of Jesus' ministry. Did she travel with the "women who ministered to him"? (Wichita, Kansas)

In the Gospels, once the public ministry of Jesus has begun, Mary is mentioned in only a few scenes. We can assume that his mother did not accompany him throughout the course of that 2 1/2-year period but continued to reside at Nazareth.

At a general audience in March 1997, Pope John Paul II said, "The beginning of Jesus' mission also meant separation from his mother, who did not always follow her son in his travels on the roads of Palestine. Jesus deliberately chose separation from his mother and from family affection, as can be inferred from the conditions he gave his disciples for following him and for dedicating themselves to proclaiming God's kingdom."

Mary was present, of course, at the wedding feast of Cana (Jn 2:1-11), where Jesus saved the hosts from embarrassment by providing more wine at his mother's request. Also, on one occasion during the course of Christ's preaching journeys, we learn (Lk 8:19) that Mary and Jesus' "brothers" came to hear him but could not enter because of the crowd.

It was then that Jesus explained, "My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and act on it" (Lk 8:21). Mary was pres-

QUESTION & ANSWER

Father Kenneth Doyle *Catholic News Service*

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ent, of course, at the foot of the cross during Christ's passion, and it was there that Jesus committed his mother (Jn 19:26-27) to the care of his beloved disciple John.

These days, people are entering into marriage at a later age. Many bring with them considerable financial assets and, seeking ways to protect those assets, are drawing up prenuptial agreements by which they attempt to exclude their spouse's claim on this wealth should a divorce occur.

I have always understood that this type of agreement is an impediment to a Catholic marriage; it calls into question the total commitment required for a marriage, since the agreement is predicated on the marriage's dissolution.

Recently, a relative of mine and her fiancé, who are in a similar situation, met with their parish priest, who never brought up this issue in their pre-Cana counseling. So my questions are these: Is this type of prenuptial agreement, in fact, an impediment? If so,

are priests as part of their premarital counseling instructed to bring this issue up? If not, should they be? (Slingerlands, New York)

The church does not have a blanket prohibition against prenuptial agreements, and so such an agree-

ment does not in itself constitute an impediment to a Catholic marriage. In certain specific circumstances, a "prenup" can be warranted.

Let's say, for example, that a widow marries a widower and they both have children from their previous marriages; a prenup is a legitimate way of clarifying what is common property and what is separate, as a basis for determining the inheritance rights of each spouse's children.

In most cases, though, the mention of a prenup should raise concerns in a priest's mind. The clear teaching of the Catholic Church is that marriage is permanent and requires an unconditional commitment.

(In a wedding ceremony, before they take the vows, I ask the couple, "Have you come here freely and without reservation to give yourselves to each other in marriage?")

Apart from the sort of situation I indicated above, it would make me nervous for a couple to raise the issue of a prenup, and I would always question them about their understanding of indissolubility and their pledge to permanence. I certainly would not marry a couple if I thought they were simply trying to create an "escape hatch."

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a new position. Deacon Frank Iannarino was appointed by Bishop Brennan to serve as deacon administrator at St. John the Baptist beginning Aug. 5 while maintaining his current duties and assignments.

Bishop Brennan also named Father Stash Dailey, pastor at Columbus Holy Family Church, as the Vicar for Religious, another new role in the diocese. He will be responsible for reaching out to various men's and women's religious orders and congregations to increase their presence in the diocese, which is an important part of the fabric of the Church.

Father Lumpe will become part of the Josephinum administration under the new rector-president, Father Steven Beseau, who assumed his new position on July 1 after serving as a professor of moral theology at the Athenaeum of Ohio in Cincinnati.

"Father Mike will be working very closely with Father Beseau, along

with the PCJ faculty and staff," Bishop Brennan said. "Father Beseau's formation team share fresh insights, with the goal of creating a proper and conducive environment, providing required resources, and doing all that is necessary for the quality formation of the next generation of priests."

"Father Lumpe is an exemplary priest and dedicated alumnus of the Josephinum who will bring many years of pastoral, practical, and administrative experience to the seminary," Father Beseau said in a communique to the Josephinum community. "I am grateful to Father Lumpe and Bishop Robert Brennan for their generosity and look forward with great joy to welcoming Father Lumpe to the seminary community."

Father Lumpe, a graduate of St. Charles Preparatory School and John Carroll University, worked in the pri-



It is the goal of the Diocese of Columbus to make the Church a place of safety: a place of prayer, ministry and comfort. Everyone who enters our churches, schools, or facilities must be confident in this. Not one child or young person should suffer from abuse while at Church. In order to assure the safety of our youth, the Diocese of Columbus has enacted a complete program of protection. As part of this program, the Diocese of Columbus will provide appropriate, just, and pastoral care for anyone who has suffered the crime of sexual abuse of a minor at the hands of diocesan clergy or church employees or volunteers. The Diocese of Columbus will report any and all allegations of abuse reported to it to the authorities and will cooperate fully with those authorities.

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Baseball, illness and God

My husband and I enjoy watching professional baseball. This year, we were blessed to attend spring training in Goodyear, Arizona, and we met one of our favorite pitchers. He was staying at our hotel and we met his wife and youngest son relaxing in an outdoor area. This pitcher is a father of five children and is an active Catholic. It was fun to see him interact with his wife and youngest son in a casual setting. He spoke with my husband at length and I was impressed with his kindness and humility. We are so used to seeing him on television that it's easy to forget that he is a regular guy

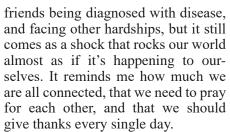
Recently, this same pitcher, at the age of 32, announced that he was diagnosed with leukemia. His version of this disease is treatable with oral medication, but he'll be out of baseball for a while. We all deal with family and

just like the rest of us.

HOLY AND HEALTHY

Lori Crock

Lori Crock is a parishioner at Plain City St. Joseph Church. Lori leads SoulCore Rosary prayer and exercise at parishes, teaches physical strength classes and writes about faith and fitness at holyandhealthycatholic.com.



This pitcher makes millions, but money can't cure this disease for him. Just like the rest of us, he'll pray, do what his doctors advise, and rely on faith, family and friends to persevere in this challenging time.

I'm sharing this story with you because I think sometimes, even for those of us with strong faith, we can get drawn into things of this world in a way that can separate us from God. I'm not saying the pitcher

did this, but his situation really made me think about how money, fame and comfort (at any level) are fleeting, and that we should give thanks to God because it all comes from him.

I am also struck by the fact that this pitcher is a professional athlete who is in top physical condition, spends hours every day addressing his physical health by eating right, training, practicing and doing everything a multitude of coaches tell him to do, but he has no control over his body when it comes to this disease. Our culture places more emphasis on caring for the body than caring for the

soul, so when a physical hardship hits, I consider it a blessing that if, by God's grace, we are made humble and seek a greater reliance on God.

This pitcher has the potential to be an amazing example for us with his public platform. Surrounded by his teammates at the 2019 All-Star Game, he was crying and I was too. Our adult son texted us that he watched and he was moved to tears. It is easy to take our good fortune for granted — whatever it might be — but it can change in an instant. Perhaps God is using this man's situation to soften our hearts, to harken us to pray more, to move us forward in our mission, and to remind us to let go of material concerns that can drive us away from God.

May we never forget that we are here to live out our God-given mission, to care for those people God has placed in our path, and with great detachment, to enjoy some of what God has created on our journey home to him. The material comforts are a gift, but they do not define us; let us give thanks that we are all children of God.

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vate sector as a governmental affairs and corporate communications professional before entering the seminary at the Josephinum at age 38. He was ordained to the priesthood in 2004 and served as associate pastor at Gahanna St. Matthew Church; pastor at Columbus Christ the King, St. Catharine of Siena and Holy Cross churches; and rector at the cathedral.

"From the day it was announced I was coming to Columbus, my respect for Father Mike's judgment and wise counsel has done nothing but grow, and I am deeply appreciative of his kindness and assistance," Bishop Brennan said. "These are the very reasons I have asked him to take on this new challenge. I have no doubt that his generosity, skill, and love for priests will prove to be a tremendous asset at the Josephinum. I am confident he will be a solid role model for the seminarians, helping them on their journey to become good and diligent priests."

Father Lumpe will be in charge of all aspects of the college formation program for seminarians. He replaces Father John Heisler.

"I'll be working with Father Tom Kessler (retired priest in the Diocese of Columbus), who is going to be in charge of spiritual formation for the collegians, and working with the entire staff of the Josephinum to make sure that our college program is top notch and that the seminarians are getting the formation they need in these very challenging times" Father Lumpe said.

The seminary is essentially divided into three areas of focus: the college, which is made up of men who primarily work toward an undergraduate degree in philosophy; the pre-theology program for those who enter with a college degree but need philosophy courses before beginning the graduate theology program; and the theology program in which the candidates study theology for four years before, God willing, they are ordained.

"I want to get to know the young men and find out what they find most challenging and how can we best address their needs, in addition to the education component with philosophy and the other coursework in humanities and the sciences that they need to take," Father Lumpe said. "What human formation needs can we help them with, what are their needs, what do we as their formators see as their areas of focus and improvement and how we can best address those needs. One's spiritual formation is integral to

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Chillicothe Corpus Christi procession



Neighbors of Chillicothe St. Peter Church witnessed many faithful parishioners take part in a procession through the streets led by Father Thomas Herge, who was carrying the Eucharist. Each year, the parish has a Eucharistic procession for the Feast of Corpus Christi, which this year was on Sunday, June 23. The procession was led by girls spreading rose petals in front of the Blessed Sacrament and accompanied by hymns praising God. It concluded with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. (Photo by Sean Sims)



St. Cecilia staff members attend conference



Members of the Columbus St. Cecilia School staff attended the Latino Enrollment Institute (LEI) at the University of Notre Dame in June. Pictured in the "O-H-I-O" formation in front of Hesburgh Library are (from left): school principal Lori Smith, cultural diversity specialist Laura Kreber, administrative assistant Amy McBride and third-grade teacher Sally Hall. Father Leo Connolly, St. Cecilia Church pastor, also was at the conference. Kreber said staff members attended the conference because they want "to provide a warm, welcoming and inclusive environment at St. Cecilia, not only for our Latino families but for all cultures represented in our community." (Photo courtesy St. Cecilia School)

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the life of a priest, and so in these early years of formation it is important that the college seminarian be introduced to particular ways of reading, meditating and contemplating sacred scripture, such as lectio divina; solid spiritual reading, different forms of prayer and developing a prayer life to sustain them, an introduction to the Church's many devotional practices, the Liturgy of the Hours, making a daily Holy Hour, daily Mass to be nourished by both 'the Word' and the Eucharist, and certainly the sacraments," Father Lumpe said. "How does one achieve all of this work, study, prayer and all of the formational and developmental aspects of seminary life, and attain and overall balance? This is what a solid seminary formation program is all about.

When classes begin at the Josephinum in August, Father Lumpe will welcome students from not only the Diocese of Columbus but also other dioceses throughout the United States and several other countries.

"I want to engage in dialogue with the seminarians individually and collectively as a seminary community," Father Lumpe said. "I want to reach out to directors of vocations (from other dioceses) and their vicars for clergy to find out if there is something we need to address or emphasize in these very important seminary formation years so that our shared goal of forming good, solid, faithful, holy, well-rounded, diligent, pastoral and experiential priests is achieved."

Father Lumpe's 15 years in parish ministry will help provide the seminaries with a real-work perspective to their preparations for the priesthood.

"I'm happy to bring that experience to them and share with them my experiences and, quite frankly, those of other priests who have had pastoral experience," Father Lumpe said.

"I'd like to work with collegians to get them out a little bit more to our parishes and other locations where they will be involved in pastoral ministry, but to show them as early as possible what priestly ministry is all about ... to do whatever is required of them when they are ordained, to be ready to hit the ground running, and understand what it means to be good, pastoral, hard-working priests, rooted in Christ, rooted in the Gospel, rooted in the teachings of the Church."

In preparing for a life of service to the Lord, Father Lumpe wants the students to understand the meaning of James 1:22, "Be doers of the Word and not hearers only."

"But before you can be a 'doer of the Word' you need to know what 'the Word' is, what 'the Word' means in its proper context, how to be challenged by 'the Word' so that ultimately you embrace and live 'the Word' 24/7/365 as a priest and share the meaning of 'the Word' with others so that they, too, can be 'doers of the Word' and in doing so build up God's Kingdom here on earth."

Local news and events

Diocesan Council of Catholic Women welcomes new priests with gifts

Members of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be traveling throughout the Diocese of Columbus to welcome and present gifts to newly ordained Fathers Brian Beal, P.J. Brandmarti, Kyle Tennant and Christopher Yakkel as part of the group's First Mass Project.

The project was started 29 years ago by Nancy Jo Esper, chairwoman of the DCCW's church commission, to show support to newly ordained priests in the diocese. During the last 29 years, the council has recognized 96 priests.

Details of the program have been presented twice at the National Council of Catholic Women's convention, published in *Catholic Woman* magazine and shared with diocesan women's councils across Ohio and throughout the United States. The DCCW also sends anniversary cards to all members of the diocesan clergy during the year.

"We pray the Lord gives them a deep faith, a bright and firm hope and a burning love, which will ever increase in the course of their priestly life," DCCW president Kathleen Boesch said. "Mary, take to your heart your sons who are close to you. Be their comfort, be their joy and be their strength. Our Lady of Good Counsel, pray for them."

Foundation awards scholarships

This year, 28 students in the Diocese of Columbus will receive awards totaling more than \$225,000 from 23 scholarship funds at The Catholic Foundation. The scholarships support promising and deserving students by assisting them with the costs of their education.

Donors often establish a scholarship to honor or memorialize friends, teachers, family members or other loved ones. Since 2007, the Foundation has awarded more than \$825,000 in scholarships, empowering more than 150 young people to continue their academic and vocational studies. With continued generosity of donors who share this dedication to education, the Foundation will continue to support students.

The Foundation has made it easier to apply for scholarships by providing a complete listing of available scholarships, qualifications and applications on its website. Scholarship recipients were selected based on criteria established by the donor who created each scholarship.

For more information on tuition assistance, contact the diocesan Office of Catholic Schools or your local school. For more information on the Foundation's scholarship funds, visit www.catholic-foundation.org.

St. Mary High School class to celebrate 70 years

The Columbus St. Mary High School Class of 1949 will celebrate its 70th anniversary at the 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, Aug. 10 at St. Mary Church, 672 S. 3rd St. in German Village. There will be reserved seating for class members at the Mass and at the parish festival.



Knights donate ultrasound machine



Members of Knights of Columbus Council 5386 of Washington Court House St. Colman of Cloyne Church led a local campaign that resulted in a \$58,000 4-D sonogram machine being placed at the Life Pregnancy Center in Washington Court House. The machine was blessed by Father Sean Dooley, council chaplain and St. Colman parochial vicar. The photo depicts the initial St. Colman fundraiser for the project. The Knights of Columbus have donated more than 1,000 ultrasound machines to pregnancy centers around the world in the past 10 years, giving millions of babies a chance at life.

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Need spurs Griffin Center to launch expansion campaign

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The Bishop Griffin Resource Center, a "special work" of the diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society, has provided food, clothing and household goods to residents of Columbus' east side for the past dozen years and continues to grow, both in the number of people served and the types of services provided.

As the center's board members and pastors of parishes in the city's East Columbus Deanery have learned more about their neighbors, they have wanted to do more to respond to people's needs. But they have been limited by the size of the center's 2,500-square-foot building at 2875 E. Livingston Ave. on the Columbus Christ the King Church campus.

"We are compelled to act on behalf of our neighbors in need," said Father David Schalk, Christ the King pastor. "With this mission in our hearts, the board and the deanery's pastors are embarking on an ambitious campaign to build a new Bishop Griffin Resource Center."

This year, based on figures for the first six months of 2019, the center anticipates serving nearly 8,500 people in more than 2,300 households. Those numbers represent individual people or households, and are much larger when people or households served multiple times are included. The totals represent a nearly 60 percent increase over three years ago, when the center was serving about 5,000 individuals from 1,500 households. With the increasing need in mind, the goal of the Griffin Center's Lift Up Your Neighbor building campaign is to construct a 15,000-square-foot center that will be six times the size of the current building, which originally was the Christ the King rectory.

"With the new building, we will not only meet the basic needs of the people we serve, but we also will endeavor to elevate them out of poverty and give them hope," said center board member Marge Telerski.

"The new building will enable us to offer the wraparound support services that determine whether a family barely survives or whether a family prospers. It also will allow our (food) pantry to be open every weekday instead of the current two days a week."

The building will be at the same site as the current center, which will remain standing during the opening phase of construction of the larger facility, then will be torn down once there is room to move into the completed part of the new building.

"The expanded center will serve people in a more holistic way, first by providing food, but also by offering opportunities for education and helping them attain economic mobility," said Warren Wright, president of the diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The expansion will include the addition of four classrooms, private offices and a teaching kitchen. There also will be a larger area for the food pantry and for food and clothing storage. Center board member JoEllen Gohr said this will allow the center to potentially double the number of people it serves each year.

Construction of the new classrooms will allow the Dominican Learning Center (DLC), operated by the Dominican Sisters of Peace, to expand its offerings at the Griffin Center. DLC tutors come to the center each Thursday morning and evening to teach classes in English as a Second Language (ESL).

Through the use of its tutors, the DLC has provided adult basic education, General Educational Development (GED) courses in English and Spanish, math, reading and writing refreshers, computer classes and citizenship preparation for more than 6,000 people since it opened on Columbus' south side 25 years ago.

Besides providing ESL classes, the Griffin Center also refers new mothers to parenting classes sponsored by Franklin County Public Health's CelebrateOne initiative and hosts quarterly visits by The Breathing Association's van, which provides complete physicals for work, school and sports activities and helps people with breathing problems to obtain needed medication and equipment and set up doctor visits.

Center staff members also work with Ohio's Home Energy Assistance Program and Percentage of Income Payment Plan Plus, both of which assist people who are struggling to pay their utility bills. Through the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, the center helps people find



The Campaign for the Bishop Griffin Resource Center



The Bishop Griffin Resource Center, located on Columbus' east side on the Christ the King Church campus, is a "special work" of the diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society. The center served nearly 8,500 people in more than 2,300 households in the first six months of 2019. The center is hoping to expand its outreach through a "Lift Up Your Neighbor" campaign.

(CT photos by Ken Snow)

resources related to voter registration, food stamps, child care and other social services.

Father Schalk said the Griffin Center board plans to invite human services agencies such as Catholic Social Services, Mount Carmel Health and the county health department to use space in the new center to make it easier for individuals and families to access the services they need. Job placement assistance also is part of the vision for the new center.

The board hopes the center can become a service hub similar to the Our Lady of Guadalupe Center on Columbus' west side, the Reeb Avenue Center on the south side and St. Stephen's Community House in the Linden area.

With the expanded pantry and teaching kitchen, the Griffin Center can host classes in food preparation and other health-related topics. "We have been taking care of more and more senior citizens with diabetes and heart issues. More of our customers are realizing the importance of knowing their health histories," Gohr said.

"The Mid-Ohio Foodbank is our biggest food provider, and they see food as medicine. They want to send us more produce, and we want to distribute more fresh food to encourage healthy eating."

The center is open 9 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays and 2 to 4:30 p.m. Fridays. Because food is provided on a first-come, first-served basis, pantry customers begin lining up about 6:30 a.m. Wednesdays or noon Fridays. There's a steady stream of customers throughout the period the pantry

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Clothing is available free of charge to clients at the Bishop Griffin Resource Center, which distributes approximately 20,000 items each month. Customers are allowed to take one large bag of clothing per month. In addition to clothing, food and housewares, toys and books are also available for children. The center is staffed by volunteers and open on Wednesday mornings and Friday afternoons.



Marge Telerski is a board member and a gardener at the Bishop Griffin Resource Center. The garden is located behind the center, which is housed in the former rectory at Christ the King Church on Columbus' East Side. The garden provides produce for the center's clients during the summer. Students from Columbus Bishop Hartley High School and All Saints Academy also help with the garden.

is open. It's a choice pantry, meaning people can choose among a variety of items, rather than being handed a bag of groceries.

The pantry can handle a maximum of about 70 families each day. It has about 25 regular workers, all of whom are volunteers, as are the center's 10 board members.

"Once we are able to be open five days a week, we will have varied hours, some of them in the evening, to allow more people to come to the pantry at convenient times," Telerski said. "Many people in the areas we serve are third-shift workers who can't come to the pantry when it is open. A Mid-Ohio Foodbank study indicated that 39 percent of the people on the far east side who are eligible to use a pantry aren't doing so because pantries aren't open when people need them to be."

People can come to the pantry once a month for a three-day emergency supply of food, along with donated clothing and housewares from the center's free store. A three-day food supply for a family of four is approximately 20 items consisting of meat, eggs, canned goods and boxed goods. Customers also receive produce and



The former Christ the King rectory living room houses the Dominican Learning Center and provides extra storage space for the Bishop Griffin Resource Center's food pantry. The Dominican Learning Center is operated by the Dominican Sisters of Peace and offers tutoring, English as a Second Language classes, basic adult education and GED courses in English, Spanish, math, reading, writing, computers and citizenship preparation.

bread. In addition, they can take a large sack of clothing (approximately 25 pounds) monthly. The center distributes about 20,000 articles of clothing each month.

In addition to providing household goods and clothing, the center has a room full of donated toys and books for children. A child can take home one toy and an unlimited number of books per visit.

Most of the pantry's food is purchased at a discount from the Mid-Ohio Foodbank. The discount enables the center to purchase three days' worth of food for a family of two – worth about \$40 if purchased at a grocery store – for \$11. Mid-Ohio also supplies bread and produce at no cost. A typical family of four will receive about \$65 worth of groceries.

During the summer, a community garden on the Griffin Center property provides additional produce. During the summer, vegetables raised in the garden's 35 beds are provided to customers of the pantry. Students from Columbus Bishop Hartley High School and Columbus All Saints Academy visit regularly throughout the year to tend the garden and for lessons related to the plants' growing cycle.

"We're also a hub garden for the Franklin Park Conservatory, with our own greenhouse passing out hundreds of plants so people can start gardening at home," Telerski said. "We eventually hope to do a garden-to-table program, teaching people how to grow

things, then how to cook them."

Gently used clothing and house-wares are donated to the center primarily by parishes within and bordering eastern Franklin County. There is a constant need for personal care items such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant and feminine products because Mid-Ohio does not supply these.

"Parishes and individuals have been very generous with their donations to the free store, and we are grateful for their participation in our ministry," Gohr said.

Checks may be sent to the Bishop Griffin Resource Center, 2875 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus OH 43209. Credit card donations may be made through the center's secure donation portal at www.bishopgriffinresourcecenter.com.The center partners with the Columbus Diaper Coalition and Bottoms Up organizations, which distribute disposable diapers to those in need. "Families with infants and toddlers can spend a significant amount on diapers during their children's early years, and these partners help us help them with this necessary expense," Gohr said.

The center does not accept furniture donations, referring them to Joseph's Coat in eastern Franklin County or the Furniture Bank.

The idea for the Griffin Center began in the early 1990s in discussions

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among members of Christ the King's peace and justice committee. It was named in honor of Bishop Emeritus James Griffin, who retired as bishop in 2005 and encouraged planning for the center in its early stages.

It is supported by Christ the King, Columbus St. Catharine, Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton, Reynoldsburg St. Pius X, Columbus Holy Spirit and Gahanna St. Matthew churches and Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral and serves residents of the 43209, 43213, 43219, 43227 and 43232 ZIP codes.

More information about the Griffin Center can be found at www.bish-opgriffinresourcecenter.com, or on Facebook at Bishop Griffin Resource Center.

Besides the center, the diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society is working on another major project on the far

east side. Later this year, it will open a large thrift store in the former T.J. Maxx building at 5971 E. Main St. It is accepting clothing donations and looking for volunteers to sort and tag items at this time and to work at the store once it opens.

Hours for donations are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, 7 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays, 5 to 8 p.m. Thursdays and 8 to 11 a.m. Saturdays.

"The St. Vincent de Paul Society is based in individual parishes, but the Bishop Griffin Resource Center and the thrift store are part of its larger service to all of the Diocese of Columbus," Wright said.

"All of what we do is rooted in the charism of St. Vincent de Paul to build a more just world through personal relationships with, and service to, people in need."



Most of the food and produce available to clients of the Bishop Griffin Resource Center is purchased through the Mid-Ohio Foodbank. (Photo courtesy Bishop Griffin Center)



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My House aims to break porn's addictive grip

By Doug Bean

Catholic Times Editor

At work or at home, in schools or literally anywhere, pornography is readily available and so pervasive that it has reached epidemic proportions.

"Everybody is at risk," said Kevin McNamara, a licensed counselor and therapist who is a volunteer co-director of My House Columbus, a collaborative effort with the Columbus Catholic Men's and Women's Ministries and the Diocese of Columbus to provide awareness and assistance to anyone ensnared in the grips of addictive sexual behavior.

My House, a lay apostolate that started in the Archdiocese of Kansas City, Kansas, promotes sexual integrity through pornography prevention, family protection, accountability resources and healing networks. Its initiatives include technology filtering resources, professional counseling and support groups, a 12-step Catholic recovery program, and clergy and professional training.

"We want people to know we're a resource," McNamara said.

Just how prevalent is pornography today? It's massive, and it continues to wrap its ugly tentacles around hundreds of thousands of people throughout the world. Smart devices literally put inappropriate content at users' fingertips anytime, anywhere.

Porn does not discriminate. Catholics and people of faith are just as vulnerable as anyone. It's a topic that mainstream society finds uncomfortable to address, particularly in today's sexually permissive culture, but one the Church in particular can no longer avoid.

Some U.S. dioceses have staff members dedicated to sexual integrity and anti-pornography efforts. Columbus and other dioceses rely on lay partners. My House Columbus meets periodically with the diocesan Marriage and Family Life Office and the Office for Social Concerns.

Estimates indicate 40 million adults view pornography in the United States alone. Of those, 20 percent of men admit to viewing inappropriate websites at work. Only God knows how many more men fail to acknowledge this habit.

To think porn plagues only men would be naïve. More women are falling prey as well.

Priests will attest to the fact that sins

related to such behavior are among the most widely confessed today.

"The broad range on the research is, 50 percent of guys are at the addicted level, which means a persistent level, and that means the other 50 percent could be at the afflicted level, which means they could be challenged with it intermittently," McNamara explained. "And the research is showing that among gals, 25 percent of them are at the addicted level."

If those statistics sound alarming, the exposure rates among children and young adults provide even more cause for concern.

Statistics place the number of children ages 8-16 who have viewed porn at 90 percent. In that group, 12- to 17-year-old boys make up the largest group.

"There's a different culture with the kids," McNamara said. "At the high schools, it's entertainment. They'll sit around in the lunch room talking about what they're looking at, but then it's almost like they're fishing and they're having fun, and then they're hooked. And then, when they get into their 20s, it's not cool to talk about.

"The other thing about kids is that the brain is still developing, and it's like dripping arsenic into it."

The residual effects of the so-called "New Drug" can include neurological and cognitive damage, shame to the individual and his or her family, and a potentially devastating impact on the soul.

"Pornography has a degenerative impact," McNamara said. "When you look at addictions outside of social media addiction, it's the No. 1 addiction out there. An incredible amount of the internet is driven toward pornography. Every major development in the internet has been driven by pornography. It points to kind of the satanic element that it's so pervasive that (the devil) wants to show a shame element so people won't bond together to fight against it."

But while someone with a drug or alcohol addiction might feel a sense of pride in seeking help with their problem, "this one is more of a sticky wicket because there's so much shame associated with it – not when they're doing it, but when there's a realization of what it does and the devastation of families," said Tim Lott, a co-director of My House Columbus.

"People aren't going to raise their



Sexual purity resources

My House Columbus www.MyHouseColumbus.net (614) 214-6124

The Castus Society www.CastusSociety.org (614) 918-8299 info@castussociety.org

That Man is You www.paradisusdei.org/that-man-is-you (281) 974-3541 info@paradisusdei.org

> Exodus 90 www.Exodus90.com support@exodus90.com

Angelic Warfare Confraternity www.angelicwarfareconfraternity.org director@angelicwarfare.org

hands when someone asks who has a problem with pornography."

Reaching out for help can be difficult. McNamara found that those who email usually don't follow through, prompting him to remove the email address from the My House website and leave a phone number as the point of contact. He responds to callers and assesses how to provide assistance.

"It's interesting that some of the research for counseling shows that it isn't what therapeutic approach or style you use, it's that person making the phone call that's most powerful," he said.

Lott also formed The Castus Society, which now has three groups in the diocese. Castus, which encourages and supports chastity according to the teachings of the Catholic Church, follows a 12-step approach similar to the Alcoholics Anonymous recovery program, but emphasizing sexual integrity, chastity, charity and virtue.

"The whole point in what we do is, we're depriving people of something they find dear and we find something to replace it with," Lott said. "We require a daily examination of conscience, but we don't sit around and dwell on what we do wrong. The focus is: What do we do with our lives to make them better? It's more uplifting

to give them an opportunity to sit and discuss what they can do to amend their lives.

"There are other groups with the 12-step style, but they are not Catholic centered. The Catholic Church is the only group that hasn't changed its guidelines on sexual integrity in 2,000 years."

In addition to My House and Castus, there are other avenues for help.

The That Man is You program for men has proved to be impactful in several diocesan parishes. And Mc-Namara recommends Exodus 90, a 90-day spiritual exercise that focuses on prayer, fasting, sacrifice and purification. "It will bring out whatever vices you have or idolatries and bring them to the forefront," he said.

"Obviously, we hands down encourage regular use of the sacrament of reconciliation and an examination of conscience," he added.

The Angelic Warfare Confraternity, an apostolate of the Dominican order's Province of St. Joseph, strengthens men and women for spiritual battle through a fellowship dedicated to pursuing chastity. Columbus St. Patrick Church enrolls new members.

"We know we're just scratching the surface of the problem," McNamara said.

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Be a follower and a leader

Genesis 18:20–32 Psalm 138:1–2, 2–3, 6–7, 7–8 Colossians 2:12–14 Luke 11:1–13

Father Timothy Hayes

Father Timothy M. Hayes is pastor

of Columbus St. Timothy Church.



The world has it troubles. God knows this. And He is waiting for

us to do something about it. How do we respond? For most of us, if we are honest, we find ourselves waiting for God to do something about it.

A priest and a seminarian were once walking together in Rome. They were walking along happily. Both of them knew where they were headed. There were many different routes they could choose to take. As they walked along, the seminarian suddenly noticed that they were not taking any of the routes he knew. In fact, it seemed to him, they were adding distance and time, just about going in circles. He asked the priest what route he was taking. The priest in a surprised tone said, "I was following you!" Sometimes we know where we are headed and we know many ways we could go, but someone has to lead!

Note how Abraham takes the lead with God. It is a pity for us that he stopped at ten just persons, but at least he gave it a try. If only someone in the towns destined for destruction had taken the lead that way, or at least had joined with Lot, Abraham's nephew. There might have been a different story.

We have to see the world for what

it is and to be honest about the fact that it is not getting where it wants to go. It is time for us to take the lead. God wants to do something about the state of the world, but He has set up the rules of the game such that He will only do so if we choose to cooperate. He wants to be a part of our world, and to bring us to share in His world, but only if we invite Him and follow through on our invitation. ... We do have to call for help. Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. Jesus invites us to share in His own intimacy with God: When you pray, say: Father.

God wants good things for us. When what we experience as bad happens, there is a message in it. We need to be listening with our hearts. We can discover God's plan, but only if we are sincerely searching for it and only if we are present to Him.

God takes the lead. He knows where we are headed, what He has in store for us. He will give us good things along the way, if we ask, that is, if we are open to Him. In that way, we will be able to discover how much more the Father in heaven will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask!

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Faith, hope and love last forever

Ecclesiastes 1:2;2:21–23 Psalm 90:3–4, 5–6, 12–13, 14, 17 Colossians 3:1–5, 9–11 Luke 12:13–21

Qoheleth, the preacher, is skeptical of all human experience. He reminds us that nothing in this world satisfies; nothing is permanent. It is all havel havalim, vapor of vapors, smoke of smokes, breath that passes and is gone. We can share this skepticism. In fact, the invitation of scripture and the invitation of our faith is to realize that nothing in this world can satisfy. It is all vanity.

Once we come to this realization, we are free to open our hearts to the truth, to what will endure. Pain and suffering are difficult in any life, but in some lives more than others. But they will not have the last word. Delight and joy in the things of this earth are wonderful human experiences. But they too are destined to fail. They are vanity of vanities.

In vain do we attach ourselves to anything we experience in this world. It may seem to be permanent, but it is not. All that we have is the present moment and our last moment. If we keep these in view, then everything else

THE WEEKDAY BIBLE READINGS 7/29-8/3

MONDAY Exodus 32:15-24,30-3-Psalm 106:19-23 John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42

TUESDAY Exodus 33:7-11;34:5b-9,28 Psalm 103:6-13 Matthew 13:36-43

> WEDNESDAY Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99:5-7,9 Matthew 13:44-46

THURSDAY Exodus 40:16-21,34-38 Psalm 84:3-6a,8a,11 Matthew 13:47-53 FRIDAY Leviticus 23:1,4-11, 15-16, 27,34b-37 Psalm 81:3-6,10-11b Matthew 13:54-58

SATURDAY Leviticus 25:1,8-17 Psalm 67:2-3,5,7-8

THE WEEKDAY BIBLE READINGS

MONDAY Numbers 11:4b-15 Psalm 81:12-17 Matthew 14:13-21

TUESDAY Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 Psalm 97:1-2,5-6,9 2 Peter 1:16-19 Luke 9:28b-36

WEDNESDAY Numbers 13:1-2,25-14:1,26-29a,34-35 Psalm 106:6-7b, 13-14,21-23 Matthew 15:21-28

THURSDAY Numbers 20:1-13 Psalm 95:1-2,6-9 Matthew 16:13-23

FRIDAY Deuteronomy 4:32-40 Psalm 77:12-16,21 Matthew 16:24-28

SATURDAY Corinthians 9:6-10 Psalm 112:1-2,5-9 John 12:24-26

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASSES: WEEKS OF JULY 28 & AUG. 4, 2019

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

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

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

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

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

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

8 p.m., St. Gabriel Radio (AM 820), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.

We pray Weeks I and II, Seasonal Proper, Liturgy of the Hours.

PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN

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

takes on a greater depth of meaning.

Look at the persons you encounter every day. You have been with them so many times. And yet one day, you will not see one another anymore. Look at your children. They are this age just once, and then those children disappear forever into grownups just like you. Look at your parents, your brothers and sisters and cousins, your friends, companions and co-workers. Speak to them now, because tomor-

On the new "nationalism"

Thanks to President Trump's "America First" rhetoric and the rise of populist-nationalist parties in Europe, there's a lot of debate about "nationalism" these days. On that subject, as on so many others, it's worth listening to Pope St. John Paul II, not least because last month marked the

40th anniversary of his epochal Nine Days in Poland in June 1979 — days on which the history of the 20th century pivoted in a more humane direction.

To revisit John Paul II's homilies and addresses during the Nine Days, and especially his homily in Gniezno on June 3, is to learn important lessons for today about nation, nationalism, and patriotism. Karol Wojtyla was surely a Polish patriot; he had, after all, deliberately celebrated his first three Masses in the St. Leonard's Crypt of Krakow's Wawel Cathedral, surrounded by Polish heroes like King Jan III Sobieski and Tadeusz Kosciuszko. At the same time, Wojtyla's Polish and Krakovian roots, experience, and loyalties led him to an appreciation of the spiritual unity of the Slavic peoples, and indeed of the cultural unity of Europe.

John Paul II was not a "European" in some theoretical sense. As he made clear at Gniezno on June 3, 1979, he had come to a vision of Europe — whole and free, breathing with both its lungs, East and West — through his Krakovian and Polish experience, not despite that experience. Thus, his Polish patriotism was not chauvinistic or xenophobic; it was open to those who were "other." Poland, sometimes betrayed and too often ignored by the West, was, he insisted, woven into the tapestry of Europe. So were many other national experiences and stories. In that sense, it's not hard to imagine John Paul II being sympathetic to contemporary critiques of the European Union's tendency to level out national and cultural differences.

Yet in his later musings on history, John Paul raised some important cautions about nationalism; here is what he wrote in his last published book, Memory and Identity:

"... nation and native land, like the family, are permanent realities ... (Yet) one thing must be avoided at all costs (—) ... an unhealthy nationalism. Of this, the 20th century has supplied some all too eloquent examples, with disastrous consequences. How can we be delivered from such a danger? I think the right way is through patriotism. Whereas nationalism involves recognizing and

THE CATHOLIC DIFFERENCE

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pursuing the good of one's own nation alone, without regard for the rights of others, patriotism ... is a love of one's own native land that accords rights to all other nations equal to those claimed for one's own. Patriotism, in other words, leads to a properly ordered social love."

Can we find instances of a national patriotism that reaches out in support of others, for the sake of both national interest and a broad sense of national purpose? Two examples come immediately to mind; they should be pondered by today's new nationalists, in America, Europe, and elsewhere.

The first involved U.S. recognition of the State of Israel, which declared its independence as of midnight, May 14, 1948. That very same day, President Harry Truman recognized the Jewish state, against the fierce opposition of a lot of the State Department and his own Secretary of State, the great George C. Marshall. Marshall, who believed that recognition of a Jewish state opposed by the Arabs of the Middle East was geopolitical madness, even told Truman that he wouldn't vote for him later that year if Truman insisted on accepting an Israeli declaration of independence and recognizing the provisional government led by David Ben-Gurion. Yet Truman believed that recognition of Israel was the right thing to do, irrespective of the friction it would cause; so he did it, in an act of statesmanship that far transcended national interest.

The second example also involved Mr. Truman: the creation of NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. On this, its 70th birthday, NATO is history's most successful defensive alliance. When NATO was first bruited, however, the idea of the United States binding itself to defend European democracies was opposed by many who had gathered under the banner of "America First" in the 1930s and during the 1940 presidential campaign. No one doubts the patriotism of those men and women; but their concept of national interest was too narrow for the times.

A similar myopia should be avoided in 2019. John Paul II's idea of patriotism might help point a way.

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row, they will be on their way somewhere else.

God's invitation comes to us through the experiences we have in our daily lives. But nothing that happens is the full story. Yet there is something that

will last – a living relationship with the living God. In that relationship, we have the power to build up treasures that will last.

How can we discover a way to hold on to what does last? Through faith. The just one will live by faith. We are called to put faith into practice and that leads to a hope

that opens to the love that lasts forever. Seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts.

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ARTER, Mary C. (Beiter), 81, July 19 St. Mary Church, Lancaster

BAMBECK, Carol (Moore), 89, July 2 St. Joseph Church, Dover

BARRY, Emma M., 17, July 20 St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

BOELTER, Lorraine (Ferrell), 86, July 14 Corpus Christi Church, Columbus

CAMBONI, Mario, 92, July 13 St. Paul Church, Westerville

CONROY, John T., 82, July 13 St. Agatha Church, Columbus

CORBIN, Anna (Ferguson), 94, July 10 Holy Family Church, Columbus

CRON, John, 94, July 9 Ss. Simon and Jude, West Jefferson

DETTY, Dr. Paul E., 72, July 19 St. Mary Church, Lancaster

DiBLASIO, Theresa A., 87, July 13 St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

DUNN, William D., 88, formerly of Columbus, July 16
Holy Spirit Church, Louisville, Ky.

ELLIS, Anna C. (McEvoy), 93, July 13 Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Marysville

FAIRBANKS, Mary (Ritter), 91, July 14 Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

FARMER, Josephine L. (Hallarn), 88, July 11 St. Joseph Church, Circleville

FOELLER, George R., 99, July 10 St. Anthony Church, Columbus

FRIEL, Lawrence W. Jr., 87, July 8 St. Mark Church, Lancaster

GREENZALIS, Thomas J., 60, July 6 St. Patrick Church, Columbus

HASSEY, George J., 82, July 20 St. Peter Church, Chillicothe

HUGHES, James B. Jr., 83, July 18 St. Catharine Church, Columbus

IACOVETTA, Anthony M., 62, July 14 St. Agatha Church, Columbus

JEFFERSON, Gloria (Pullom), 85, July 13 St. Joseph Cathedral, Columbus

KHOURIE, Joanne B., 88, July 10 St. Timothy Church, Columbus

KIEP, Philip, 80, July 17 St. Peter Church, Columbus KING, John H., 79, July 10 St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

KOSTA, Nancy A., 63, July 21 St. Paul Church, Westerville

MAHNEN, Maureen (Higgins), 79, July 17 St. Philip Church, Columbus

McCLEARY, Florence (Tristano), 94, July 6 St. Joseph Church, Dover

McDONALD, Mary S. (Shaul), July 15 Holy Spirit Church, Columbus

MILLER, Frances B. (Durbin), 97, July 7 St. Vincent de Paul Church, Mount Vernon

MOHRE, Sandra H. (Amos), 83, July 9 Church of the Resurrection, New Albany

MULLEN, James F., 84, July 15 St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

PETERS, Frances I. (Snyder), 95, July 9 St. Thomas Church, Columbus

PFEIFFER, Sharon V. (Giles), 83, July 15 St. Mary Church, Marion

PIZZUTI, Pasquale, 80, July 9 St. Michael Church, Worthington

POLIZZI, Larry W., 60, July 5 Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City

PULSINELLI, Joanne (Noe), 91, July 15 Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City

QUALLS, Gene, 81, July 5 St. Mary Church, Bremen

RAIMONDO, Domenico A., 95, July 10 St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

SANSBURY, Hugh P., 61, July 12 St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

SEDLACKO, Cyril, 95, July 10 St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

SHIMP, Daniel W., 60, July 3 St. Agatha Church, Columbus

SMITH, Daniel E., 64, July 9 St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

SMITH, Harry V., 75, July 11 Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

STEINER (FARRISH), Gail A. "Gigi" (Grantonic), 52, July 7 St. Cecilia Church, Columbus

TESTAGUZZA, Vito, 92, July 9Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

ULRICH, Roberta (Verdone), 78, July 13 St. Catharine Church, Columbus

Elaine R. Bonacci

Funeral Mass for Elaine R. Bonacci, 75, who died on Sunday, July 14, was celebrated on Thursday, July 18 at Plain City St. Joseph Church. Burial was in Buffalo, New York.

She was born in Buffalo on May 23, 1944 to the late Herman and Margaret (Campangnano) Ridder. She was a 1962 graduate of Mount Mercy Academy in Buffalo and received a bachelor of science degree in elementary education in 1996 from Ohio State University.

She was a teacher for 10 years at Monroe Elementary School in the Madison County community of Plumwood and received the Martha Holden Jennings Scholar Award for excellence in teaching in 2001.

She also was a religious education

teacher at West Jefferson Ss. Simon and Jude Church and Plain City St. Joseph Church for more than 30 years. At Plain City, she served as religious education director, coordinator of the children's liturgy of the word and of the Adoration program, and was a lector and extraordinary minister of the Eucharist. She also was a pastoral care volunteer at Dublin Methodist Hospital for eight years and was a Girl Scout leader and school room mother.

Survivors include her husband of 53 years, Deacon Anthony Bonacci of Plain City St. Joseph Church; son, Anthony (Andrea); daughters, Lynn (Joseph) Chapman, Tina (Rus) Hardin and Maria (Michael) Lentz; brother, Vernon (Joanne) Ridder; and eight grandchildren.

Julianne Burke

Funeral Mass for Julianne "Julie" Burke, 77, who died on Saturday, July 13, was celebrated on Wednesday, July 17 at the Johnstown Church of the Ascension. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

She was born on July 24, 1941 to Paul and Elona (Staso) Radich, was a Columbus Eastmoor High School graduate, and earned a bachelor's degree in education in 1964 from St. Mary of the Springs College (now Ohio Dominican University).

She was a second-grade teacher at Columbus Christ the King School and in the Johnstown-Monroe school system, then worked as a dietary technician.

She also was a liturgy committee member at her parish and belonged to the Red Hat Society.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Carolyn Levandowski. Survivors include her husband, Richard; son, Tim (Alita); daughter, Kathy; a grandson and a granddaughter.

Barbara E. Koch

Funeral Mass for Barbara E. Koch, 87, who died on Thursday, July 11, was celebrated on Monday, July 15 at Columbus St. Patrick Church. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

She was born on Oct. 20, 1931 in Columbus to J. Grant and Blanche Siebold and was a longtime employee of

Columbus Our Lady of Peace Church. She was preceded in death by her

She was preceded in death by her parents and an infant son. Survivors include her husband, Edward; sons, Mike (Linda) and Dave (Jeanne); daughters, Sue (Dan) Fowler, Karen (Tim) Steffy and Sheri; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



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and Adoration, followed by dinner at a restaurant.

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27, SATURDAY Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City 9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and confession. Also on Aug. 3. Back in His Arms Again Memorial Mass

1 p.m., Resurrection Cemetery Chapel
Mausoleum, 9751 N. High St., Lewis Center,
Memorial Mass sponsored by Back in His Arms Again ministry for families who are experiencing the loss of a child. 614-906-3115

Praise Mass at Church of Our Lady
11 a.m., Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church,
5225 Refugee Road, Columbus, Praise Mass with upbeat contemporary music. 614-861-1242 St. Catherine of Bologna Secular Franciscans 2 to 4:30 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttles Ave., Columbus. Prayer followed by ongoing formation, general meeting and fellowship. Visitors welcome. 614-895-7792 Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry 2 to 4 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 20 E. Dominion Blvd., Columbus. Fifth meeting of six-week support group sponsored by Seasons of Hope bereavement ministry for those who have lost a loved one, sponsored by North High Deanery. Contact rose.daiga@gmail.com. Also on

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. Also on Aug. 4. 614-886-8266

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter 7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. Also on Aug. 4. 706-

28-31, SUNDAY-WEDNESDAY Quo Vadis Retreat at Sts. Peter and Paul Sts. Peter and Paul Retreat Center, 2734 Seminary Road S.E., Newark. Annual Quo Vadis retreat sponsored by diocesan Vocations Office for young men entering grades nine to 12, with diocesan priests and seminarians speaking on the priesthood, virtue and fatherhood. Cost \$40; scholarships available. Register at www. faceforwardcolumbus.com/quo-vadis. 29, MONDAY

Rosary at St. Pius X 6:30 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Recital of Rosary for the sick of the parish and all who are ill. Also on Aug. 5. 614-866-2859

30. TUESDAY

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

Frassati Society Kickball at Commons
Columbus Commons, 160 S. High St., Columbus.
Columbus St. Patrick Church Frassati Society kickball game. Minimum four men and four women needed. Maximum 10 total players for game. Cost \$5. **614-224-9522**

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. Also on Aug. 6.

31, WEDNESDAY Divine Mercy Chaplet at St. Pius X 6 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner

Road, Reynoldsburg. Recital of Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Also on Aug. 7. 614-866-2859

ODU One-Stop Admission Day

10 a.m. to noon, Bishop Griffin Center, Ohio Dominican University, 1215 Sunbury Road, Columbus. One-stop admission day, allowing students enrolling at or transferring to ODU to complete the admissions process and register for fall classes in as few as 60 minutes. 614-251-4453 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. Also on Aug. 8. Eucharistic Holy Hour at St. John the Baptist 7 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 720 Hamlet St., Columbus. Eucharistic Holy Hour with the intention of deepened holiness and an increase in the virtue of fortitude for the Holy Father, bishops and priests, concluding with Benediction, social period and refreshments. 614-294-7702

St. Cecilia Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament St. Cecilia Church, 434 Norton Road, Columbus.

Begins after 8:15 a.m. Mass; continues to 5 p.m.

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

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

Monthly Adoration of the 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. Labyrinth Walk at Shepherd's Corner 7 to 8:30 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Labyrinth walk led by Shawn Scott and Nancy Cameron. Theme:

"First Fruits." Suggested donation \$5. Minimum five participants. 614-866-4302

Eucharistic Vigil at Holy Cross
Holy Cross Church, 205 S. 5th St., Columbus. 7:30
p.m. Mass, including May crowning, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with various prayers, ending with Benediction around 11.
Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available 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.

3, SATURDAY

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

First Saturday Devotion at St. Joan of Arc 8:30 a.m., St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Mass, followed by rosary in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, concluding with Fatima prayers.

Mary's Little Children Prayers.

Mary's Little Children Prayer Group

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225

Refugee Road, Columbus. 8:30 a.m., confessions,

9 a.m., Mass, followed by Fatima prayers and

Rosary (Shepherds of Christ format); 10 a.m.,

mosting, 414,914,4999 meeting. 614-861-4888

'Walking With the Saints' Day of Reflection 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. "Walking With the Saints" day of reflection sponsored by diocesan Catholic Ethnic Ministries office, featuring Auxiliary Bishop Joseph Perry of Chicago and highlighting the six open African American sainthood causes. 614-221-7990

Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic Day of Reflection 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. St. Catherine of Siena chapter, Lay Fraternity of St. Dominic day of reflection with Father Stephen Alcott, OP, pastor of Columbus St. Patrick Church. Includes Mass, lunch. Reservations \$15 at dominicanthirdordercolumbus@gmail.com. First Saturday Mass at Holy Family 9 a.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. First Saturday Mass for world peace and in reparation for blasphemies against the Virgin Mary. 614-221-4323, extension 329
Lay Missionaries of Charity Day of Prayer 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 720 Hamlet St., Columbus. Monthly day of prayer for Columbus chapter of Lay Missionaries of Charity. 614-294-7702

Citywide Praise at Church of Our Lady 9 a.m. to noon, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Citywide praise adoration program sponsored by Columbus Catholic Renewal, beginning with Mass celebrated by Father Dean Mathewson, followed by potluck breakfast and talk on the qualities of St. Joseph by investment adviser Matt Palmer, former Catholic Foundation board chair. Worship music by the Living Stones. Child care available on request. 614-980-3021

Centering Prayer Group Meeting
10:30 a.m. to noon, Corpus Christi Center of

Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Centering prayer group meeting, beginning with silent prayer, followed by Contemplative Outreach DVD and discussion. 614-512-3731

Filipino Mass at St. Elizabeth

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

Friends, Family Mass at Ss. Augustine-Gabriel 10 a.m., Ss. Augustine & Gabriel Church, 1550 E. Hudson St., Columbus. Parish Friends and Family Day Mass, followed by potluck lunch and raffles. 614-268-3123

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

Afternoon Tea at de Porres Center 2 to 4 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. Center's seventh annual "Afternoon Tea With a Twist" fundraiser, featuring a look at the 100th anniversary of Prohibition from the Anti-Saloon League Museum in Westerville and entertainment by the High Street Stompers, with a raffle and prizes. Registration \$35; deadline July 26. 614-416-1910

Prayer for the Nation at St. Matthew 3 p.m., St. Matthew Church, 807 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna. Monthly Holy Hour of prayer for the nation, including the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the rosary. 614-471-0212

Dominican Mass at Columbus St. Patrick 3 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Missa Cantata (Dominican Rite Mass) for the Solemnity of St. Dominic.

5, MONDAY

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

Aquinas Alumni Luncheon

11 a.m., TAT Ristorante di Famiglia, 1210 S. James Road, Columbus. Monthly Columbus Aquinas High School alumni luncheon. St. Mary Home-Again Celebration 5:30 p.m., Ohio Theater, 39 E. State St. Columbus. Home-Again celebration honoring benefactors and friends of Columbus St. Mary, Mother of God Church's restoration. Begins with reception and refreshments, followed by program at 6:30 and film at 7. Free-will offering. Marian Prayer Group at Holy Spirit 7 p.m., Day chapel, Holy Spirit Church, 4383 E. Broad St., Columbus. Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle prayer group for Catholic family life. 614-235-7435

6, TUESDAY

Our Lady of Good Success Study Group
Noon to 2 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet
St., Columbus. Monthly meeting of Our Lady of
Good Success study group. Social period, followed
by remedial catechesis study and discussion. 614-294-7702

The religious identity of Latin America is shifting

By Leandro (Lany) M. Tapay

Director, Diocesan Missions Office

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has designated one collection a year to help the Church in Latin America. The funds help support its pastoral programs, the training of seminarians and religious leaders and other activities. The collection is a sign of solidarity between the Church in the United States and the Church in the Latin American region. In our diocese, the collection is on Aug. 3-4.

From the 1900s to the 1960s, at least 90 percent of the population of the Latin American region were Catholics. Today, the Pew Research Center survey showed that only 69 percent of adults identified themselves as Catholics.

The Pew Research Center conducted 30,000 face-to-face interviews across 18 Latin American countries and Puerto Rico. The survey encompassed nearly all Spanish and Portuguese speaking countries and territories stretching from Mexico through Central America to the southern tip of South America. Cuba was not included because of political restrictions.

In every country surveyed, the Catholic Church has experience net

loss from religious switching. Many Latin Americans have joined evangelical Protestant churches, or have rejected organized religion all together.

Overall, 84 percent of adults reported that they were raised Catholics. While the Catholic Church is losing membership, Protestant churches are gaining. When Catholics were asked why they left, the most frequent answer cited was that "they were seeking more personal relationship with God." Many ex- Catholics also said they left because "they wanted a different style of worship" or "they wanted a church that helps its members more."

According to survey, some Catholics have thought that for the Catholics to be more welcoming, the Church may have to water down its doctrine. But the survey indicated the opposite. People are more interested in sharpening the sense of right and wrong. They wanted to go back to the roots of emphasizing the need to live a righteous life in front of God.

The evangelization efforts of Protestants seem to be having an impact. More than half of ex-Catholics who became Protestants said the Protestants reached out to them. The Protestants are more likely than Catholics

share their faith with people outside of their own group.

The survey indicated that Protestants tend to be more religiously observant than Catholics. Protestants go to church more frequently and pray more often than Catholics. Protestants are more likely than Catholics to read the Scripture outside of religious services. Protestant services often involve experiences of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, such as healing, speaking in tongues, and receiving direct revelations from God.

Although many Catholics in Latin America also say they have witnessed divine healing of other gifts of the Holy Spirit, these experiences are much less common in the Catholic Church than in Protestant congregations.

The survey indicated that even though the Catholic Church opposes abortion and same-sex marriage, Catholics in Latin America tend to be less conservative than Protestants on these kinds of social issues. On the average, Catholics are less morally opposed to abortion, homosexuality, and artificial means of birth control,

sex outside of marriage, divorce, and drinking alcohol than Protestants.

Both Catholics and Protestants say it is incumbent for Christians to help the poor in their societies. But they gave somewhat different answers on how to achieve this goal. Asked what is an important way Christians can help the poor and needy, Protestants are more likely than Catholics to point toward bringing the poor to Christ, and Catholics are more inclined to say that performing charity work for the poor is most important.

The survey indicated that a considerably higher share of Protestants than Catholics say they themselves, or the church they attend, engage in charity work – helping people find jobs, providing food and clothing for those in need, organizing community initiatives to help the poor.

In 2018, the Diocese of Columbus contributed \$58,262.75 to the collection. On behalf of Bishop Brennan and the USCCB committee in charge of the collection for the Church in Latin America, I would like to thank you for your generosity.

2019 collection for the Church in Latin America

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has designated the weekend of August 3 and August 4 as the Collection for the Church in Latin America. The collection is a tangible demonstration of our solidarity with the Church throughout our hemisphere.

Although approximately half of the world's Catholic population lives in Latin America, the Church in the region is losing its members at an alarming rate. They are drawn away from the Church by other faiths, and others migrate in pursuit of a better life elsewhere. Losing its members in large numbers, along with a low priest to parishioner ratio, the faith and the family structures in the region are weakened. Much help is needed to strengthen the faith of the people and to train pastoral leaders to take care of the flock.

The proceeds of this collection support catechesis, formation, evangelization and other pastoral programs, which are designed to strengthen and renew the faith of the people in the region.

I invite you to give generously to this collection, and I ask the Lord to continue to bless our efforts to bring the Good News to all. I am most grateful for your loving response to God's call to build His Kingdom on earth.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan, DD Bishop of Columbus



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The name "Foresters" refers to being called to care for the Catholic community, just as a forester cares for the forests and its animals.

Today, the COF is a Catholic life insurance society helping members achieve financial security while supporting the Catholic community. Approximately 114,000 adult and youth members are in the order. (A member is insured by a COF life insurance certificate or is the named annuitant of a COF annuity certificate.).

The COF is licensed in 32 states and Washington, D.C. Its product portfolio includes term life, whole life, universal life and annuities.

James Hahn is a COF agent and a member of The Catholic Foundation's Professional Advisors Group. The PAG is composed of trusted professionals, including estate planning lawyers, financial planners, insurance professionals, accountants, funeral directors and trust officers.

He enjoys networking and getting to know more people who serve the Catholic community through the PAG.

"It has helped me make connections, and I am then able to refer my clients to other professionals for help," Hahn said. "Even if it doesn't result in a direct sale, it builds credibility on my side so that I can refer people to trusted professionals."

Such a connection involved Tom and Rebecca Gjostein.

The Gjosteins have been friends of Hahn's since 2000, when Hahn was director of religious education at Worthington St. Michael Church.

When Hahn started working for the COF, he asked the Gjosteins if they wanted information about the group's offerings. Hahn initially offered a policy for the Gjostein children. Then it snowballed to other services.

The Gjosteins purchased a Pathways policy for each of their children. The Pathways policies are \$10,000 of life insurance for \$25 a year. Once the policies were issued, the COF donated \$25 to the school, parish or charity of the Gjosteins choosing.

The Gjosteins wanted their \$75 donated to the Family Honor Fund at The Catholic Foundation. Additionally, Rebecca Gjostein named the fund

as the beneficiary of additional death benefit monies through the COF Fraternal Legacy Rider program. Should something happen to her, Tom Gjostein would receive the full death benefit. An additional \$29,000 would be donated to the Family Honor Fund.

Tom Gjostein said, "The Catholic Foundation does a lot of great work. After hearing about Jim's involvement as a PAG member and the resources available to me, I am ready and wanting to get more involved."

"Working with Tom and Rebecca was great," Hahn said. "It's all about relationships and how we can support one another in the work we do. The Catholic Foundation is a perfect fit for COF because as a Catholic organization, we can only sell to other Catholics. Knowing that The Catholic Foundation is in alignment with Catholic teachings and beliefs takes a load off my mind."

To contact Hahn, email him at jhahn@catholicforester.org. To learn about The Catholic Foundation's PAG, email Scott Hartman at shartman@catholic-foundation.org or visit www.catholic-foundation.org/pag.







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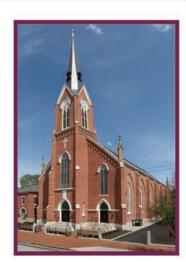
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Father: "No, but St. Mary's is."

Sister: "Patsy has been in the 8th grade for 74 years.

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Father: "Really, Sister, don't be hasty."

Sister: Father, I'm being transferrd to Casablanca."

Father: Sister, I'm also being transferred - to High Society. Do you think we've exhausted the Bells of St.

Mary's theme?

Sister: "A trifle"



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