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## NEW SHEPHERD SHALL LEAD

*Diocese welcomes Bishop Brennan, expresses gratitude to Bishop Campbell*



**VESPERS AND INSTALLATION:** The evening Vespers service at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 28 and the Installation Mass at 2 p.m. Friday, March 29 at St. Joseph Cathedral for the Most Rev. Robert Brennan as the 12th bishop of Columbus will be shown live by EWTN and online through Facebook, YouTube and at columbuscatholic.org. Check with your cable provider for station information. St. Gabriel Catholic Radio (820 AM, 88.3 FM) also will broadcast both events live. Due to space restrictions at the cathedral, attendance is by invitation only.



# A brief biography of Bishop Frederick F. Campbell

Bishop Frederick F. Campbell was born on Aug. 5, 1943, in Elmira, New York, the second of six children of Edward and Dorothy Campbell.

He graduated *magna cum laude* with a bachelor of arts degree in history and foreign language from St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York, in 1965, and earned a master of arts degree in history in 1967 and a doctorate in history in 1973 from Ohio State University. Before entering the seminary, he taught history

at the Pontifical College Josephinum from 1967 to 1969 and was an assistant professor of history at California State University-San Bernardino from 1970 to 1976.

From 1976 to 1980, he studied at the St. Paul (Minnesota) Seminary. He was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis by Archbishop John R. Roach at the Cathedral of St. Paul in Minnesota on May 31, 1980.

He served as associate pastor at St. Charles Borromeo Church in St. Anthony, Minnesota, from 1980 to 1987 and as pastor at St. John the Evangelist Church in Hopkins, Minnesota (1987-94), and was canonical administrator at John Ireland

School in Hopkins (1991-94).

In 1994, he was appointed pastor of St. Joseph Church in West St. Paul,

Minnesota, where he served through 1999. On March 2, 1999, he was appointed auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis. He was consecrated a bishop by Minneapolis-St. Paul Archbishop Harry Flynn at the Cathedral of St. Paul on May 14, 1999.

In July 2002, Bishop Campbell began service as rector and vice president of the St. Paul Seminary School of Divinity of the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. He served on the seminary's board of trustees, the St. Thomas Academy board of directors, and the St. Bernard School board of directors, all in St. Paul.



**Bishop Frederick Campbell at the Marian Dinner for young women interested in a religious vocation.**

**Born:** Aug. 5, 1943 in Elmira, New York

**Parents:** Edward and Dorothy Campbell (deceased)

**Education:** B.A., History and Foreign Language, St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York, 1965; M.A., History, Ohio State University, Columbus, 1967; Ph.D., history, Ohio State University, 1973; St. Paul Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota

**Ordination:** May 31, 1980, St. Paul, Minnesota

**Episcopal ordination:** March 2, 1999, Auxiliary Bishop of Minneapolis-St. Paul

**Installed:** Jan. 13, 2005, Bishop of Columbus



**Bishop Campbell ordained Father Peter Totleben, O.P. (kneeling) at Columbus St. Patrick Church in 2016. Father Totleben, a Dominican priest, is on the faculty at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Worthington and resides at St. Patrick Priory.** CT photo by Ken Snow

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## NEW SHEPHERD

**Bishop Robert Brennan will lead the Diocese of Columbus upon the retirement of Bishop Frederick Campbell.** Photo courtesy Diocese of Rockville Centre/Office of Communications

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### CORRECTION

The listing published in the March 10 Catholic Times for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at Jackson Holy Trinity Church was incorrect. Exposition takes place there every Friday from the end of the noon Mass to 1 p.m.



# Bishop Brennan drawn to priesthood, parish life

By Tim Puet  
*Catholic Times Reporter*

Bishop Robert J. Brennan says he has felt called to the priesthood for as long as he can remember.

“It’s hard to point to a single dramatic moment when I felt being a priest was what God wanted me to do,” he said. “The desire to serve him in this way always seems to have been there.

“I remember receiving a missal for my first Communion and being fascinated by all the information it had about the many feasts of the church and the Scriptures for these feasts, and

**Born:** June 7, 1962 in The Bronx, New York

**Parents:** Robert and Patricia Brennan

**Education:** B.S., Mathematics and Computer Science, St. John’s University, Queens, New York; Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington, New York

**Ordained:** May 27, 1989

**Episcopal Ordination:** July 25, 2012, Auxiliary Bishop of Rockville Centre, New York

**Appointed:** Jan. 31, 2019, Bishop-designate of Columbus

**Installed:** March 29, 2019, Bishop of Columbus

by what it contained about the sacraments, all of the prayers that could be said for various events and so forth.

“I particularly remember that when I was pretty young, I heard a missionary speaking at Mass about his work and telling his vocation story. I can’t recall all the details, but I already had this stirring to be a priest. I think that after hearing him, it came to me with

certainly that this was the direction I wanted my life to take,” Bishop Brennan said.

“My dad worked with the FBI and the New York City police. I admired the work he did, and my two brothers both became involved with law enforcement, but I always wanted to be a priest.”

Bishop Brennan, 56, who has been auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York, since July 25, 2012, will be installed as the 12th bishop of Columbus in a ceremony that will take place at St. Joseph Cathedral beginning at 2 p.m. Friday, March 29. It was announced on Thursday, Jan. 31 that the pope had selected him to be the successor to Bishop Frederick Campbell, who has reached the age of 75, the mandatory retirement age for bishops.

Bishop Brennan’s first visit to Columbus came when his appointment was announced. He returned to the city for a few days in late February to begin getting to know the people he will serve as spiritual shepherd. He sat down with *The Catholic Times* on Tuesday, Feb. 26 for a 90-minute interview in which he talked about his life as a priest and auxiliary bishop and his thoughts on his new role.

He was born on June 7, 1962, to Robert and Patricia Brennan in the New York City borough of The Bronx and grew up in the town of Lindenhurst on Long Island. His parents met while both were working in support positions in the Manhattan office of the FBI. His father later became a detective with the New York Police Department (NYPD) for 27 years and then returned to the FBI. His mother was employed at a bank.

Bishop Brennan is the oldest of five children. One of his two brothers is an FBI agent and the other is an NYPD officer. His two sisters are educators – one an assistant principal, and the other a preschool teacher. All the siblings live close to their parents, making it easy to have family gatherings. Bishop Brennan’s appointment will change that.

“My parents are very happy for me, because, of course, they want what’s best for all their children, but moving will bring some adjustments,” he said. “All of us brothers and sisters generally get together with mom and dad at least once a week, sometimes more often, depending on our schedules. Many of those visits were on Friday nights for pizza. We won’t be able to do that

now, so having my family here when I’m installed as bishop will be a mix of many emotions.”

Bishop Brennan said practicing the Catholic faith always has been a strong part of his family’s life. “We never wore our faith on our sleeves,” he said. “It’s been more of a humble, quiet thing. We always prayed before meals; one of the first things I can remember is my parents teaching me prayers.

“We were regulars at Mass, but we

everyday life. I can see that continuing with my brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews – all with very faith-filled families.”

The bishop and his brothers all were altar servers at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Lindenhurst, which his parents continue to attend. Bishop Brennan served as the parish’s sacristan as a teenager. “I was impressed by the priests there because it seemed they really enjoyed serving parishioners,”



**Bishop Robert Brennan gestures from the pulpit during a prayer service in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York. Bishop Brennan is bilingual and has the ability to preach in English or Spanish.**

Photos courtesy Diocese of Rockville Centre/Office of Communications

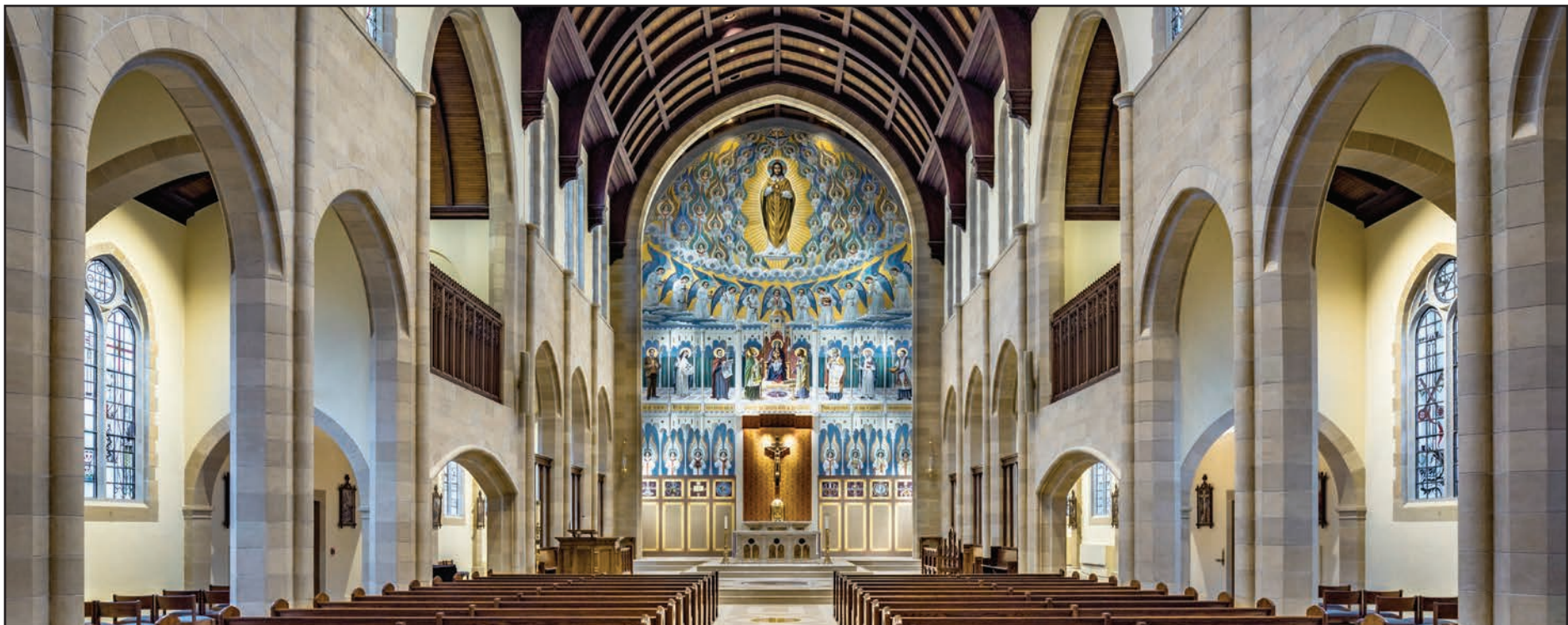


**Bishop Robert Brennan visits with inmates after a Mass. Bishop Brennan regularly celebrated Mass at the Nassau County, New York, Correctional Facility in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York.**

never put on a great display about it. What was more important was how my parents lived their religion – their example of integrity and faithfulness in

he said. “That just added to the desire I already had to become a priest.

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# Bishop Brennan 'a people person,' former colleague says

By Tim Puet

*Catholic Times Reporter*

Bishop Nelson Perez of Cleveland says his former colleague, Columbus Bishop-designate Robert Brennan, is at his core a pastor who now has the chance to serve a larger congregation.

"Bishop Brennan has an incredible pastoral heart," Bishop Perez said. "The people of Columbus will recog-

ville Centre, he was visiting priests, hospitals and sick people.

"He has a heart of gold. He never was an 'office' type of guy, but always as bishop, he saw himself as a parish priest. People will be impressed by that. His transition from auxiliary bishop to having a diocese of his own should be pretty easy."

Bishops Perez and Brennan both were consecrated as auxiliary bishops

2017, and he was installed in that position on Sept. 5 of that year. The pope's appointment of Bishop Brennan to be the 12th bishop of Columbus was announced on Thursday, Jan. 31. He will be installed on Friday, March 29.

"It's unusual to have two auxiliary bishops installed for a diocese at the same time," Bishop Perez said. "The situation in Rockville Centre at the time was that two of the auxiliaries were nearing 75 (the mandatory retirement age for bishops). Bishop Murphy requested permission to appoint two replacements, and the Vatican accepted his request."

Bishop Brennan, 56, a native of the Rockville Centre diocese, had been serving parishes there since his ordination as a priest in 1989. Bishop Perez, 61, was a priest of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia from his ordination in 1989 until his appointment as auxiliary bishop of Rockville Centre.

Bishop Brennan had been vicar general (the bishop's second-in-command for executive matters) and moderator of the curia (overseer of those who hold diocesan offices) for the Rockville Centre diocese since 2002 and continued in that role as auxiliary bishop. Bishop Perez became episcopal vicar for the Eastern Vicariate of the diocese, overseeing 66 parishes in Suffolk County on the eastern part of Long Island. He also was the diocesan vicar for Hispanic ministry.

"I think Bishop Brennan will find great joy in becoming the bishop of a diocese, as I did. It will be like becoming a pastor again, but on a different scale. It's not unlike becoming a pastor for the first time after being a parochial vicar," Bishop Perez said.

"When you're a parochial vicar, you share in the ministry of the pastor. It's the same when you're an auxiliary. In that case, you serve the bishop at his direction and guidance. As a bishop, you get to be the lead shepherd of a diocese, and you go back to that fundamental role of a pastor.

"I spent 12 years as pastor of two parishes in Philadelphia, and now I'm in effect the pastor of 185 parishes in the Cleveland diocese and a father to its priests. The pastoral role is a beautiful role, whether you're in a local church or a local diocese.

"One thing that will be very helpful for Bishop Brennan is that he already has vast experience at the diocesan level – a lot more than I had," Bish-

op Perez said. "As vicar general in Rockville Centre for many years, he was the bishop's right hand. This will fill him with a sense of wisdom and knowledge that will inform his decisions. It's not his first rodeo.

"In Rockville Centre, he had the esteem of the priests, the laity and his brother bishops, and he was a local boy. Bishop Brennan, in fact, was the first person to welcome me in the parking lot of the cathedral when I arrived from Philadelphia. We started becoming good friends right off the bat.

"We've always talked a lot with each other since becoming bishops together, on the phone and at bishops' conferences and events like the retreat the bishops had earlier this year in Chicago," he said.

At the Jan. 31 news conference introducing him to central Ohio, Bishop Brennan said he was informed of his appointment as bishop of Columbus through a phone call from the papal nuncio to the United States that came while he was driving on the Long Island Expressway. Bishop Perez had a similar experience: The nuncio's call announcing that he was to be bishop of Cleveland came while he was being driven along Interstate 595 in Florida on the way to visit his mother, who was hospitalized at the time. His parents live in the Miami area.

"Cleveland and my old diocese in Philadelphia have a lot of things alike," Bishop Perez said. "Both have a very strong Catholic culture, with many faithful, dynamic, committed parishioners.

"I'd heard about the Midwestern sense of warmth and hospitality, and I found that to be very true. The people of Cleveland have been very welcoming to me, and I think they're that way to everybody, even saying 'hello' to strangers on the street, which is something you don't see very often in Philadelphia.

"I've told Bishop Brennan to just take things one day at a time and let the local church unfold before him. That has been my joy in Cleveland – getting to know the people. That's what he will do well because that's who he is.

"I'm just thrilled to have a brother bishop whom I know living so close to me," Bishop Perez said. "He will be a blessing and a joy to the faithful of Columbus, and you'll get to recognize that quickly."



**Bishops Robert Brennan (left) and Nelson Perez served as auxiliary bishops in Rockville Centre before being appointed to lead the Columbus and Cleveland dioceses, respectively.**



**Retired Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York Bishop William Murphy (center) is flanked by now-Cleveland Bishop Nelson Perez (left) and Bishop Robert Brennan.**

Photos courtesy Diocese of Rockville Centre/Office of Communications and The Long Island Catholic

nize that he's a deeply compassionate, loving person – a people person with a special care for priests. Often in his free time as auxiliary bishop of Rock-

ville Centre, he was visiting priests, hospitals and sick people. Pope Francis appointed Bishop Perez as the 11th bishop of Cleveland on July 11,

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EST. 1928

*Saint Patrick, London*  
EST. 1865

*Saint Stephen the Martyr*  
EST. 1964

*Ss. Simon and Jude, West Jefferson*  
EST. 1866



## Parishioners sad to lose Bishop Brennan, their 'gem'

By Tim Puet

*Catholic Times Reporter*

In talking to people who have worked with Bishop Robert Brennan at the parishes he has served on Long Island, one phrase recurred:

"You're going to be blessed to have him in Columbus," Bishop Brennan's former parishioners said in those or similar words.

Bishop Brennan has been an auxiliary bishop of the diocese of Rockville Centre, New York, since 2012 and its vicar general since 2002. During that time, he always has lived in a parish and been active in parish life.

He was ordained a priest in 1989 and spent his first five years in the priesthood as associate pastor at St. Patrick Church in Smithtown, New York. From 1994 to 2010, he was at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre, acting from 1994 to 2002 as secretary for the three bishops who served the diocese during that period. He became pastor of St. Mary of the Isle Church in Long Beach, New York, in

2010, remaining there for two years until he was ordained as a bishop.

For the past five years, he has lived at Our Lady of Peace Church in Lynbrook, New York, where he celebrated Mass daily before a congregation that includes Nancy Gaetani, a catechist at the parish whose work includes involvement with special-needs and



**Bishop Robert Brennan celebrated daily Mass frequently in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York.**

Photo courtesy The Long Island Catholic

Spanish-speaking students. Gaetani's twin son and daughter, now in col-

lege, were frequently the bishop's altar servers.

"Each morning, Bishop Brennan reminded us not only of God's love and mercy, but also how we can be the best versions of ourselves that God created us to be," she said. "His humility and servant leadership has touched the lives of countless people and has inspired many to faithfully listen to Christ in their hearts.

"His humility and reverence make him very approachable. The people of Columbus will see this right away. He makes all those he encounters feel welcome, comfortable and loved. Not only does he show true kindness to all, but he is extremely attentive to the needs of all people. He makes everyone feel like they matter because, in his eyes, they really do.

"He embraces all age groups and cultures in our parish and across Long Island, especially the large Hispanic communities. His mission is simple: to bring the joy of the Gospel to all."

Gaetani said Bishop Brennan's frequent presence was a great comfort

during the illness of her husband, who died in August 2015 at age 48. "When my husband's health started deteriorating, Bishop Brennan often came to the hospital, always very quietly. Those visits often came when I wasn't there. People would tell me all the time that he had stopped by.

"And it wasn't just to see my husband. He would be visiting many other people, or calling them if he was unable to pay a visit. He also was a great source of spiritual strength for me during a period when I got sick during my husband's illness. He celebrated the funeral Mass and has stayed in close touch with the family ever since. Bishop Brennan will do great things for the church and people of Columbus," said Gaetani, who will be at St. Joseph Cathedral to witness his installation as the 12th bishop of Columbus on Friday, March 29.

"You folks in Columbus are getting a gem," said Our Lady of Peace parishioner Paul Rauch. "You're taking one of our best priests."

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# Thank you, Bishop Campbell,



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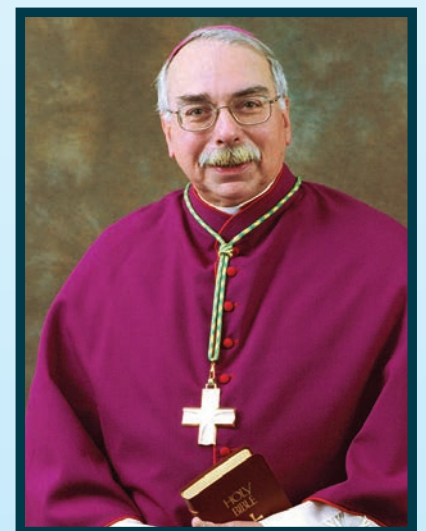
Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

Saint John XXIII • Saint Mary

Saint Matthew the Apostle

Saint Philip the Apostle • Saint Pius X

Congratulate **Bishop Frederick Campbell** on his retirement. May the Lord continue to fill you with His mercy and grace in this new chapter of your ministry.



The East Side Deanery also welcomes **Bishop Robert Brennan** to the Diocese of Columbus. May Our Heavenly Father give you a Shepherd's Heart after the Sacred Heart of His Most Beloved Son.



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Rauch recalled that about two years ago in a bad snowstorm, Bishop Brennan was out at about 5 a.m. to shovel a path for three religious sisters who live at the parish so they could walk safely from their convent to the church for Mass.

“We’re a small parish with one priest. Bishop Brennan was more like an associate pastor than a bishop,” he said. “He was around everything. He would say Mass, greet everyone after Mass, and provided a continuing presence that was welcomed everywhere.

“In the summer, he would get the grill out and was good at barbecuing. I understand you have a downtown cathedral in Columbus, so maybe he won’t have much of a chance to do outdoor cooking there, but you’ll enjoy it if he does.”

“Bishop Brennan deserves to run a diocese and will be a good shepherd for you,” said Vincent Colonna, who at 84 remains active in the Lynbrook parish as a Pastoral Council member, lector and usher. He occasionally has been asked by the bishop to be his altar server and was chosen as Lynbrook’s Man of the Year in 2015.

“It was surprising he chose to stay in residence at a parish after he became bishop, but he wanted to stay close to people,” Colonna said. “People took to him immediately, and he responded. He knows everybody by their first names. You’ll find he’s very comfortable and approachable.”

“We have a school here, and Bishop Brennan was always more than happy to come and talk with the students,” said parish stewardship director Ann Marie Cangelosi. “One time I remember in particular came on St. Nicholas Day. St. Nicholas was a bishop, so Bishop Brennan came in wearing his bishop’s vestments, including his miter – his ‘pointy hat,’ as the students call it – and carrying his crosier, the bishop’s staff.

“He talked about the things a bishop does and passed around the miter and the crosier, and one boy put the miter on his head and said he’d like to wear one someday. I almost fell over, but the bishop took it all in stride and said, ‘Maybe we have a priest in the making here.’”

“One personal memory I’ll always have of the bishop came on Good Fri-

day a couple years ago,” Cangelosi said. “I wasn’t feeling well – I think maybe I was dehydrated – so I left the sanctuary. I had come from the bathroom and was preparing to go back into church when I started to feel faint and collapsed. This was at the part of the service where people were reverencing the cross.

“There was a commotion, and the bishop immediately left the cross and came to me in the lobby. He anointed me and said it was the first use that year for the holy oil that had been blessed a day or two earlier at the Holy Week Chrism Mass. He went to the hospital with me, then came back later to visit and said to call him if I needed him. Eventually, he picked me up and took me home. There are other examples like this, for that’s the kind of man he is.”

Bishop Brennan was the priest who witnessed the marriage of Christine and Charles Kagiwada 25 years ago during his first assignment at the parish in Smithtown, and he served in that role again when the couple renewed their wedding vows this month.

“We’ve remained friends for all

these years because he’s kept in touch throughout that time,” Christine said. “He baptized and confirmed our children. They love him and feel it’s easy to talk with him. There’s never been a sense of him being different because he’s a bishop. He’s always positive and energetic. He makes people feel the love God has for them through his own love for them.”

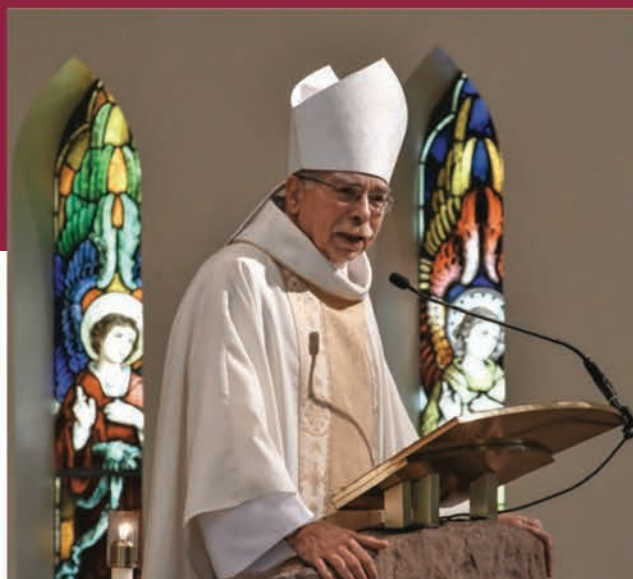
Frances Germano was cook and housekeeper at the Smithtown parish for 23 years, including the period when Bishop Brennan was associate pastor there. “I have two daughters, and he’s been like the son I never had,” she said.

“He was a wonderful young priest. When my husband was sick for five years, he was always there for me. My girls used to call him Twinkletoes because of the way he walks. He always seems light on his feet, like he’s floating on air.

“We’ve stayed in touch through all the years since he left Smithtown. The pastor when he was at St. Patrick’s was Father Paul Walsh, who also be-

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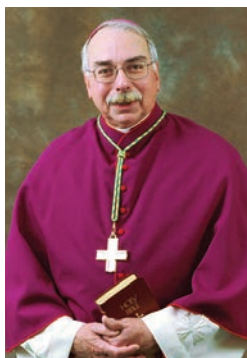
# Best Wishes Bishop Campbell



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# Welcome Bishop Brennan



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came an auxiliary bishop of the diocese. They were friends for years. When Bishop Walsh died four years ago, Bishop Brennan took me to the funeral," Germano said.

"I turn 88 on Dec. 7, and every year since he left Smithtown, Bishop Brennan has sent me presents for my birthday and for Christmas. I hope he still will remember, and I'm sure we will keep in touch. I wish I could be there for his installation, but at least it will be on TV, and I know there will be a lot of people watching it on Long Island," she said.

Alex Loveras, a parishioner at the Rockville Centre cathedral, said he has known Bishop Brennan for nearly 25 years, working often with him in connection with the cathedral's weekly Saturday-evening Mass in Spanish.

"It astonished me that when he came to live at the cathedral, he went out and learned Spanish," Loveras said. "Now he celebrates Mass and delivers homilies in Spanish, and you'd never guess that he didn't grow up with the language."

The cathedral has a large group

of parishioners from the Dominican Republic. That nation's patron saint is the Virgin Mary in her title as Our Lady of Altagracia. Her feast day is Jan. 21.

"Every year, Bishop Brennan makes sure we have everything we need for the Mass on that day," Loveras said. "We have a special relationship with a diocese in the Dominican Republic, and on several occasions, he has been able to get the bishop from that diocese to come here for the celebration.

"On a personal note, a few years ago, my 3-year-old godson passed away. I texted (Bishop Brennan), and he responded within a half-hour, asking how he could make himself available, assisting in the planning of the funeral and going to the burial. Even after he left the cathedral, we've stayed close. I'm grateful for all the help he has given me and the Spanish community," Loveras said.

Deacon Francisco Calles, evangelization director for the Rockville Centre diocese, said it has more than 500,000 Catholics who come from all the South American and Caribbean nations.

"Each nation has its own patron saint; for instance, the Dominicans have Our Lady of Altagracia; for the Salvadorans, it's Our Lady of Peace; *Nuestra Senora de Cobre* (Our Lady of Charity) is the patroness of Cuba; and the largest celebration is for Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of Mexico and the Americas," Deacon Calles said.

"Bishop Brennan has embraced all of these and has made every effort to take part in as many of the celebrations of those feast days as he can. He was one of the group of bishops who visited the Mexican border last year to say Mass, to visit detained migrant children and hear their stories, and to urge an end to the policies which separated migrant families on their arrival to the United States.

"He walked with us in the Hispanic community for the past five years as we went through the process leading up to the fifth *Encuentro*," a nationwide gathering of Hispanic Catholics that took place last year in Texas, Deacon Calles said.

"He also has been active in the diocesan young-adult ministry, giving talks

and presentations and taking part in retreats. You'll find in Columbus that he will embrace all aspects of the diocese and will become involved in all aspects of the community, for that's what he has done here. We will miss him but are happy he will have the opportunity to spiritually lead a diocese."

"He was a bishop, but it seemed like everyone called him Father Bob," said cathedral parishioner Kerry Kahn. "He took such a great interest in parish life that it was easier to think of him as a parish priest," she said.

"He helped me and some of the other men of the parish join its youth group in organizing a Giving Tree program for Christmas about 25 years ago," said Kahn's husband, Steve.

"We collected 800 or 900 gifts the first year. That's grown to more than 5,000. The items at first went to outreach organizations within the parish, and now that's been extended to groups throughout the diocese. I'm sure many other people have given you examples like this. They'd all show that Father Bob is a consummate priest."

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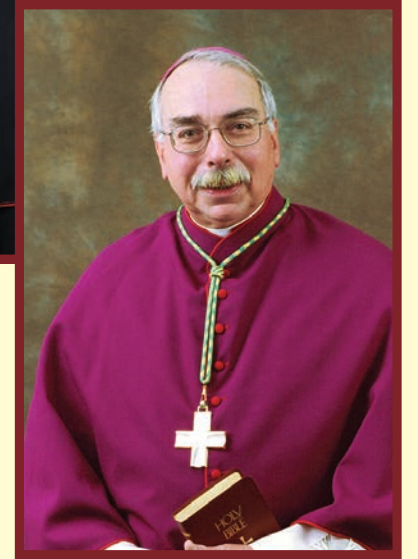
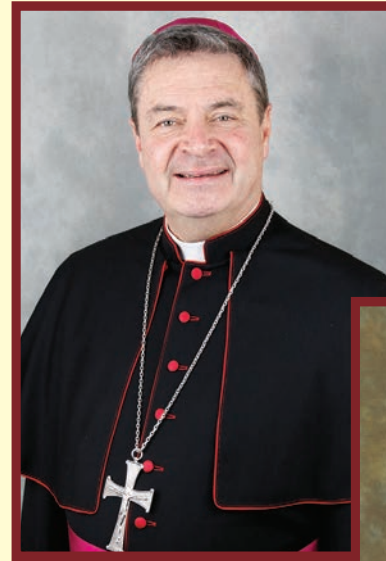
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# Bishop Brennan media savvy, longtime colleague says

By Doug Bean  
*Catholic Times Editor*

Jim Vlaun and Robert Brennan rode the bus together when they were kids, and both graduated from St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School in West Islip, New York. Little did they know then that their lives would remain intertwined well beyond their school days.

Vlaun is now Msgr. Jim Vlaun, a priest in the Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York. He is CEO and president of the diocese's own Catholic Faith Network, which is available on cable television networks primarily in the New York, New Jersey and Connecticut region, but also nationwide.

Brennan is known today as Bishop Robert J. Brennan, auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre and the next bishop to lead the Diocese of Columbus. Pope Francis appointed Brennan in January as the new shepherd in Columbus to replace Bishop Frederick Campbell, who reached the mandatory retirement age of 75 last August.

Msgr. Vlaun obviously couldn't have foreseen in high school that his longtime friend would become a bishop, but he isn't surprised that both men chose the priesthood. They discussed their vocation in high school and into their college years. Msgr. Vlaun took a slightly different path, entering a college seminary right out of high school, while Bishop Brennan went to St. John's University in Queens, New York, where he graduated with a degree in mathematics and computer science.

The two ended up together again at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, New York.

"Both of us encouraged one another in our differing paths to the seminary," Msgr. Vlaun said. "We spoke many times in college at diocesan vo-

lations gatherings as well."

Since their ordination, they've remained connected in diocesan ministry. Msgr. Vlaun not only runs the television network, but is an on-air host as well. Bishop Brennan has worked with him co-hosting shows and anchoring the network's coverage of U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops meetings.

"Now it's changed a little bit because he's a part of the conference," Msgr. Vlaun said. "But we're still down there, and he still works with us in a number of ways."

Msgr. Vlaun emphasized that Bishop Brennan is quite comfortable using media to communicate with a broad range of audiences.

One of the shows that Bishop Brennan co-hosted was *Building Bridges*,

which focused on connecting the Latino and English-speaking communities.

"That is something he's always been really dedicated to," Msgr. Vlaun said. "So that was a show he created from his own heart and desire. That's really part and parcel of who he is. That's an important part of him."

Bishop Brennan also appeared on a show with another priest and Bishop Nelson Perez, a former auxiliary bishop of Rockville Centre who is now the bishop of Cleveland. Msgr. Vlaun described the show as similar to the Fox News show *The Five*, in which each host talks about something important to him or her, and then all discuss the topic together.

"They chose a different agenda, whether it be local politics, national politics, and they would do this together," Msgr. Vlaun explained. "They would talk about their favorite superhero, or they would talk about abortion legislation in New York state. So the show had a kind of lively component to it."


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**Bishop Robert Brennan (left) and Msgr. Jim Vlaun.**

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He also served on the archdiocesan biomedical ethics commission and worked with the archdiocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life, the Respect Life program, and the Office for the Permanent Diaconate.

He served as chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on the Diaconate from 2004 to 2006, and wrote the foreword

to the USCCB's directory on the formation, ministry and life of permanent deacons.

On Oct. 14, 2004, Pope John Paul II announced Bishop Campbell's appointment as the 11th bishop of Columbus, replacing Bishop James A. Griffin, who retired for health reasons after 21 years of spiritual leadership of the diocese.

He was installed as bishop of Columbus on Jan. 13, 2005, at St. Joseph Cathedral.

He has been the spiritual shepherd of the Diocese of Columbus for the past 14 years. Details of his service as bishop appear in stories elsewhere in this edition of *The Catholic Times*.

On Jan. 31 of this year, he announced that Pope Francis had accepted the letter of resignation he was required to submit upon turning 75, and that the pope had appointed Bishop Robert J. Brennan, auxiliary bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York, to be his successor. Bishop Brennan will be installed as the 12th bishop of Columbus on Friday, March 29.

Welcome Bishop Brennan!

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“One priest in particular who had an enormous effect on me was Msgr. James McDonald, who was parochial vicar there (from 1978 to 1986). He remained a close friend until he died this past November. He was extraordinarily upbeat and generous in terms of his availability to people. He’s a role model for the kind of priest I’ve always tried to be.”

After graduating from Catholic elementary and high schools, Bishop Brennan stayed on Long Island for his college and seminary training, receiving a bachelor of science degree in mathematics and computer science from St. John’s University, and studying for the priesthood at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, New York. He was ordained a priest on May 27, 1989, by Bishop John McGann of Rockville Centre and was assigned to St. Patrick Church in Smithtown, New York.

Recalling that assignment, he said, “Those were very exciting days. St. Patrick’s was a large, family-centered parish with a very vibrant community. The kids put on a stage show twice a year, and it was great fun to be part of that. I was swallowed up by parish life,

but in a really good way. I still stay in touch with many of those young people 30 years later. It’s great to see the directions they have gone as parents, now starting to be grandparents.”

After five years at Smithville, he was appointed secretary to Bishop McGann in 1994. He continued in that role for eight years for that bishop and his successors, Bishops James McHugh and William Murphy. In 2002, he became diocesan vicar general and moderator of the curia, continuing in that role after Bishop John Barres was consecrated as Bishop Murphy’s successor in 2017.

He resided at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre from 1994-2010 and was active in parish life there while serving in diocesan positions. “Bishop McGann invited me to be his secretary, and we lived in the cathedral and I was part of the parish staff. That was my salvation, in a sense,” he said. “Pastoral life helped me do my diocesan job a little better. It gave me a sense of parish life that fed my soul and connected me to people.

“St. Agnes has a strong Hispanic community, particularly from the Dominican Republic and other Caribbean nations, and I got to know that commu-

nity well. I realized I needed to know the language, so I took a Berlitz course and traveled a little, to the point that I can say I’m comfortable, not fluent, in Spanish,” Bishop Brennan said.

“The people there were very patient and extremely welcoming with me. They helped me, and that’s been the key to whatever knowledge of Spanish I have – making mistakes and letting people help. They’ve been happy to do it because they’re pleased I’m making the effort.”

Bishop Brennan said his appointment as vicar general “came as a great surprise because I have no advanced degree or specialized training. My great strength is as a parish priest. That’s part of who I am.”

He said his desire to be pastor of a parish led to Bishop Murphy’s appointing him to that role at St. Mary of the Isle Church in Long Beach, New York, where he served from 2010 until he was consecrated as a bishop two years later.

“That was a multicultural parish, where I got to become involved with people from an even greater variety of backgrounds and expanded my knowledge of the variety of traditions

under which we are united as Catholics,” he said. “Being a pastor helped me, as a bishop, to see what pastors see on a regular basis so I could see them as pastors better. Wherever I’ve been, I feel like the parishioners have adopted me, not because of any goodness or ability on my part, but because of their generosity.”

Bishop Brennan left Long Beach about 10 days before Hurricane Sandy devastated Long Island. As a coastal community, Long Beach was one of the areas hardest hit. “The storm involved the entire parish, literally everybody,” he said. “It would have been hard for anyone to be pastor there at that time. The pastor who succeeded me did a remarkable job of rebuilding – far better than I could have done.”

Bishop Brennan has resided at Our Lady of Peace Church in Lynbrook, New York, since leaving Long Beach. “After the hurricane, people from my new parish asked how they could help in Long Beach. The answer was to just knock on doors and ask what was needed, and that’s what happened,” he said. “People doing simple things for

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others got the recovery going. The bigger things came later.”

Even though he has been a resident of the New York City metropolitan area for all of his life, “one of the best things about becoming bishop of Columbus is that I’m actually going to be living in a city for the first time,” Bishop Brennan said. The counties in his home diocese have no large central city but consist of several small towns, the largest of which has about 60,000 people.

“Long Island is pretty much all suburbs. It’s not the ‘New York’ that people from elsewhere think of. That New York is mostly Manhattan island,” he said. “Everything I’m used to – grade school, high school, college, seminary, the priesthood – all is connected to Long Island. So coming here is an exciting thing.”

Asked about the initial steps he plans to take to familiarize himself with the diocese, Bishop Brennan said, “It’s my top priority to know the priests. Being able to serve as a parish priest and do pastoral work while I was part of the diocesan staff, having that life around me, was so important. Coming here, I’ll be continuing in a pastoral role, just in a different way as bishop.

“After I’m installed, it’s going to be in the middle of Confirmation season, so I’ll be getting a chance to visit a lot of parishes quickly. I’ll be installed on a Friday, my first Confirmation is on a Saturday, and I think I have Confirmations nearly every day after that for the next month or two. I think Zanesville St. Nicholas is first, and Columbus St. Patrick is second. Father (Michael) Lumpe (diocesan vicar for priests) and Msgr. (Stephan) Moloney (vicar general) have been helping me become familiar with the diocese.”

“I want to get to know the people, not just fly by,” he said. “I’m ready to hit the ground running in the last week of March, and it can’t come too early for me.”

Bishop Brennan said in February that his duties in Rockville Centre and Bishop Campbell’s responsibilities in Columbus kept the two from being in regular contact with each other in the month following the announcement of his appointment. “That’s appropriate,” he said. “He has his job, and I have mine. The whole point after being appointed to a new diocese is to stay out of the way and allow the bishop you are succeeding to be recognized for his



**Gianna Emanuela Molla, daughter of St. Gianna Beretta Molla, kisses Bishop Robert Brennan’s ring. The Gianna of Long Island Center for Women’s Health & Fertility in the Diocese of Rockville Centre is dedicated to the saint.**

Photo courtesy The Long Island Catholic

years of service.”

Bishop Campbell plans to continue living in the Columbus area in retirement. This will give Columbus the distinction of having two retired bishops residing in the diocese for the first time in its 151-year history. Bishop Campbell’s predecessor,

Bishop Emeritus James Griffin, has been living in Powell since shortly after Bishop Campbell’s installation as his successor on Jan. 13, 2005, and has been celebrating Masses on weekends

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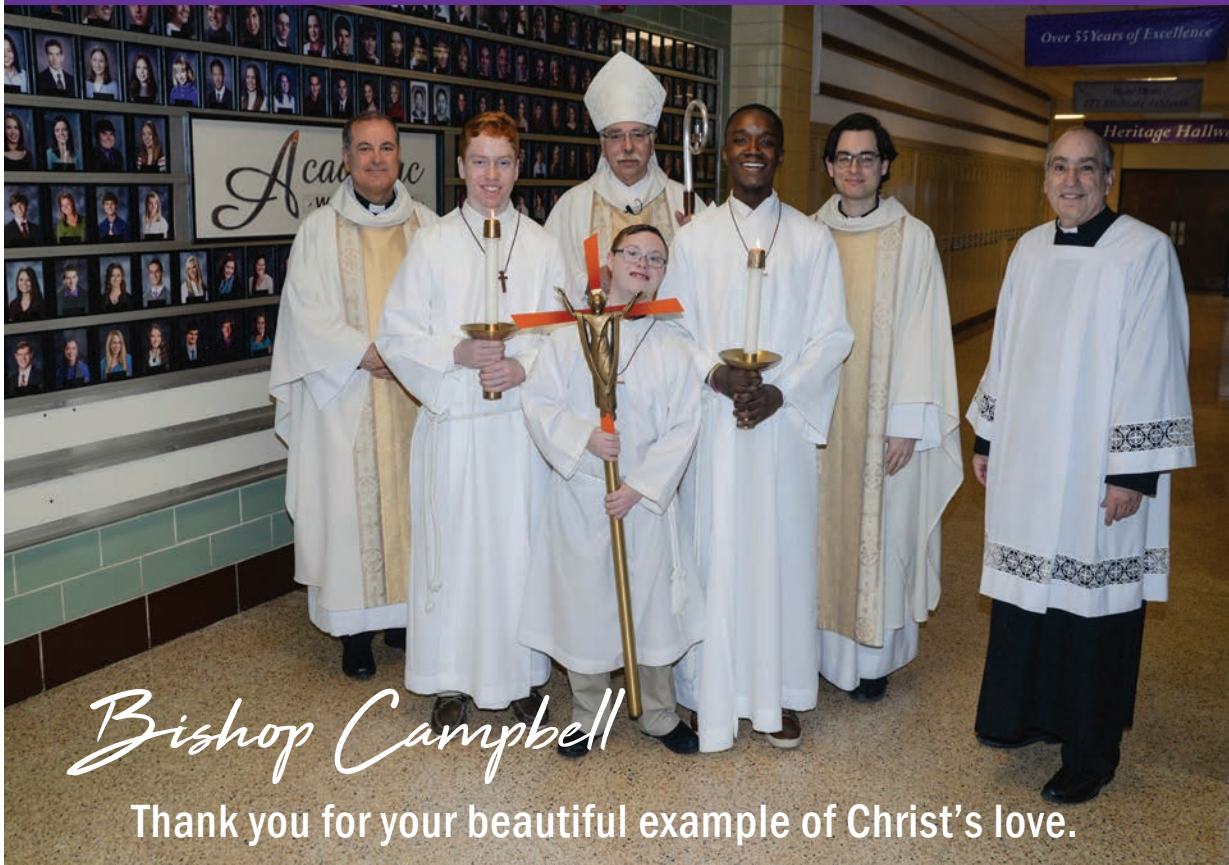
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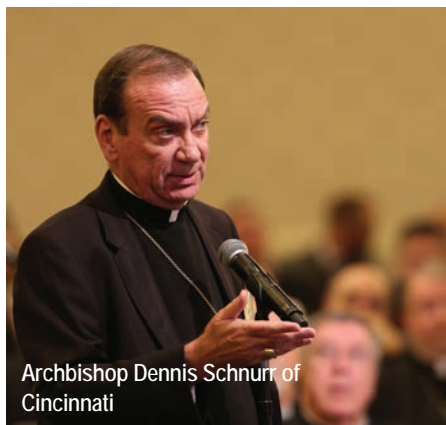
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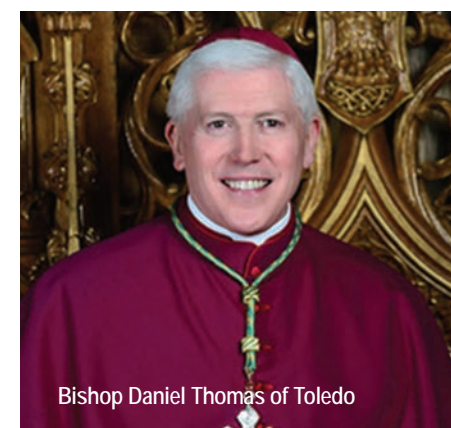
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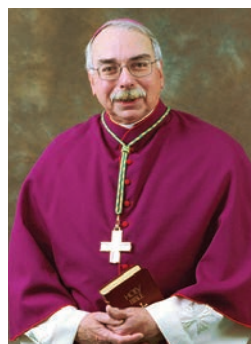
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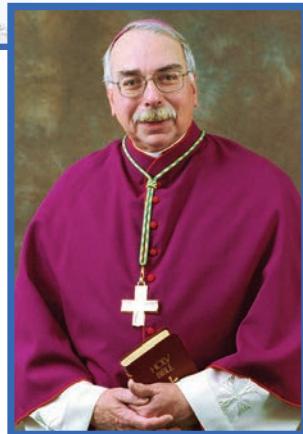
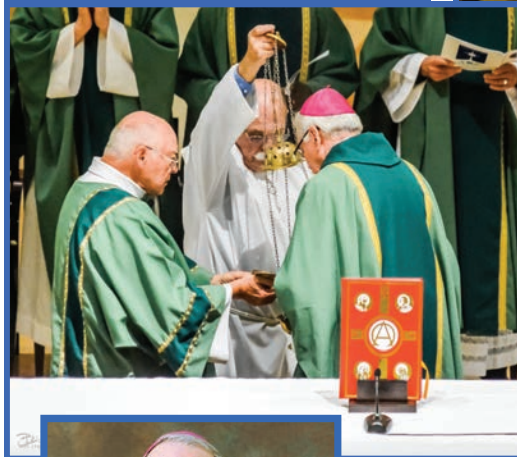




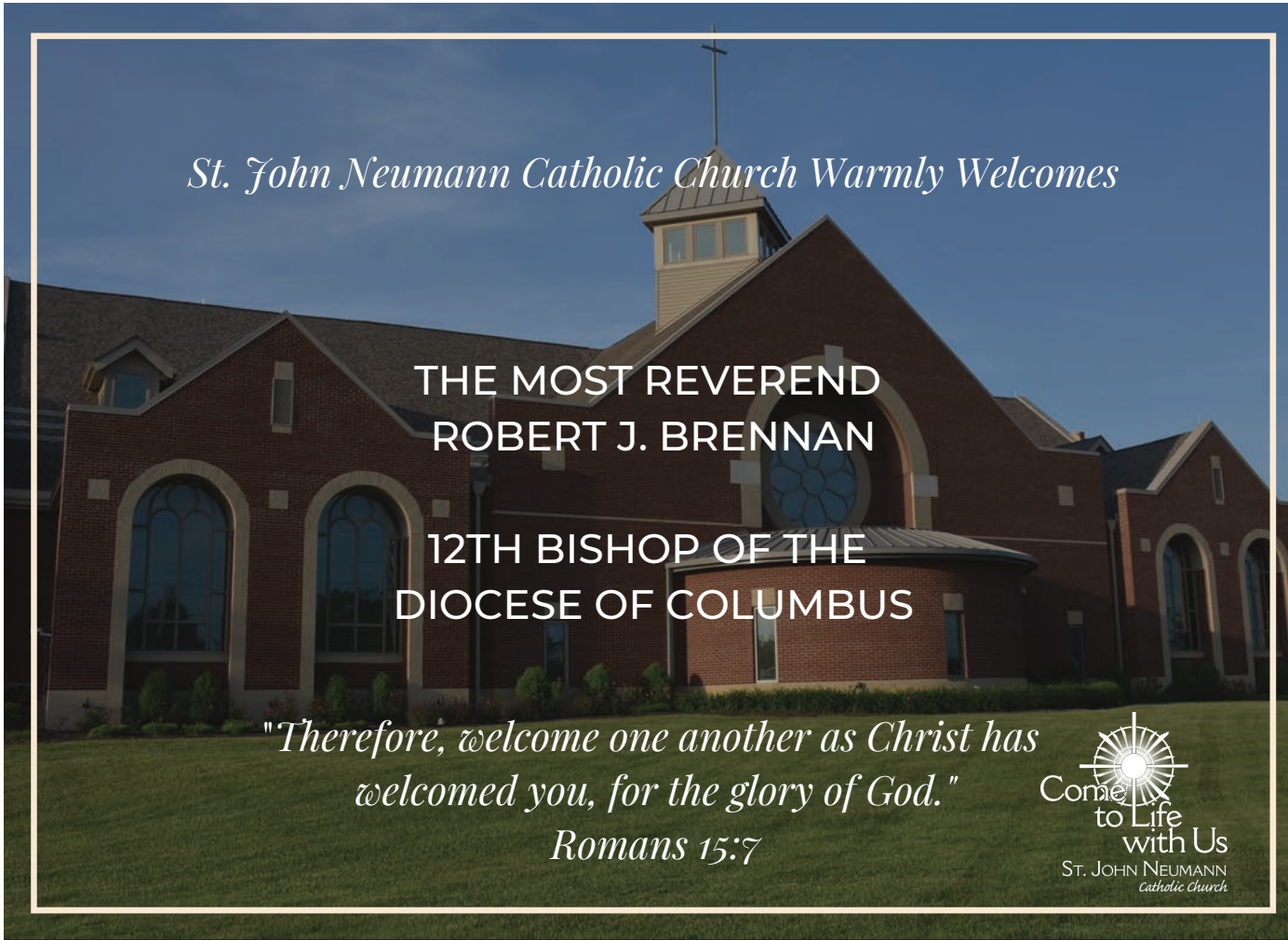
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at Powell St. Joan of Arc Church. He has been a concelebrant with Bishop Campbell at Masses, such as ordinations and the funerals of priests, which bring people together from throughout the diocese.

“I look forward to getting to know both bishops better because I need their help and perspective a lot,” Bishop Brennan said. “I count on being able to talk to them often, and feel fortunate to come to a diocese with two predecessors who will give me a good sense of history. I’d be thrilled to have them assist with Confirmations, but that’s up to them.”

In the last few years, as the number of diocesan priests has declined, the Columbus diocese has dealt with the issue by creating clusters of parishes served by one or more priests who live at a central location. Bishop Brennan said it will take some time for him to get to know the diocese before determining whether more of these combinations will be created.

“What I can say we do face here, and throughout the church, is that we have to look at creative ways of providing pastoral leadership – how it affects the priest and the individual parishes, how



**Bishop Robert Brennan, distributing Holy Communion at a youth rally, is supportive of youth ministry and Catholic education. He accompanied young adults to Panama for World Youth Day in January.** Photo courtesy Diocese of Rockville Centre/Office of Communications

the laity can serve in a particular situation so that we can make the most effective use of everyone’s talents,” he said.

“Bishop Campbell has done a wonderful job of managing the situation, but we really need more priests. Bishop Campbell and I concelebrated Mass

at the cathedral on the day of the announcement that I was coming here, and I had a chance to meet briefly afterward with the seminarians from the diocese who are studying at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

“I was impressed by that brief en-

counter and look forward to taking up my responsibilities there and being part of that life. We need to train informed priests for the future and to encourage young men to consider the satisfaction and the sense of fulfilling a purpose that comes from discerning and responding to a call to the priesthood.”

As bishop of Columbus, Bishop Brennan will serve as vice chancellor of the Josephinum, the only papal seminary outside of Italy. The Vatican’s apostolic nuncio to the United States is the chancellor.

The nuncio also is the person who calls a member of the clergy with the news that he has been appointed a bishop. For Bishop Brennan, that call came on Jan. 19 while he was driving on the Long Island Expressway.

“The next day, I was flying with a delegation from the diocese for World Youth Day,” he said. “When the call comes from the nuncio, you have to keep the news a secret from everyone, even your parents and close friends, until the announcement is made. Being away from the country made it easier to keep quiet, and there was so much

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Msgr. Vlaun expects Bishop Brennan to continue relying on various forms of media to connect with his new flock in Columbus.

“We worked together using media really for getting the message out about life in the Church, issues in the church, which was very important and well done,” Msgr. Vlaun said. “When we had something we needed to announce, or we had something that was going on which was good news or bad news, whatever was going on, we utilized media to do that. Bishop Brennan is very, very comfortable in doing that.”

When Bishop Brennan first learned of his new assignment, he immediately wanted to reach out to the people of the Columbus diocese through videos.

“One of the things he said to me right after this was announced was ‘I really want to do a video message to the priests in the diocese so they get to meet me very quickly,’” Msgr. Vlaun said. “I want them to at least see me and know who I am, and know that I’m praying for them.”

“Then he wanted a video message to the people of God in Columbus right away. It’s a very high priority to him. And I think he’s a strong be-

liever in the fact that media brings us closer together in the Church, so let’s use this to tie us together and tie the Church more closely together.”

Msgr. Vlaun noted that Bishop Brennan’s affinity for working with young people and ethnic groups will quickly become evident.

Bishop Brennan studied Spanish on his own to better connect with Latinos. He went to the Berlitz school to help him learn the language, and he’s comfortable speaking Spanish from the pulpit.

“If you ever want to see him smile, just being with young people brings him such tremendous joy,” Msgr. Vlaun said. “As a bishop, he has been so present to the Catholic high school kids and also the elementary kids, both in Catholic and public school.”

Bishop Brennan also is not afraid to laugh at himself. Asked to describe the bishop’s media acumen, Msgr. Vlaun offered this anecdote:

“One thing he didn’t master, how about that? We produce a cooking show here. So the idea of that is to just go and approach people in a place where they feel comfortable, to support families gathering around the ta-

ble and the importance of gathering together as family. That’s kind of the point of the show. So I had him on as a guest with me.

“I was chopping up something, and in my little earpiece I wear, the executive producer said to me, ‘Please take that knife away from Bishop Brennan. He’s going to hurt himself.’ Of course, I just told him that right on the show. ‘Bishop Brennan, I have to take this away from you.’”

Msgr. Vlaun couldn’t resist chuckling while retelling that story. So there likely will be no cooking shows for Bishop Brennan when he arrives in Columbus next week for his first clerical assignment outside of metropolitan New York.

“Unlike a lot of bishops, he’s born and raised in this area,” Msgr. Vlaun said. “For me to know him all these years is proof of that. We’ve all grown up together, and we’ve all been here our whole lives. So that might be an adjustment.”

But his friend and colleague isn’t worried about how the native New Yorker will adapt to the Buckeye state.

“I have to tell you, having that sense of faith that he has, sending him forth, there’s not a drop of reserva-

tion,” Msgr. Vlaun said. “I said to him, ‘Well, I’m happy for you and I’m sort of sad for us.’ He said, ‘You shouldn’t be because this is the Church growing. It’s a good thing.’”

“So he’s been excited about Ohio since the day the Holy Father appointed him. Everybody here is excited for him.”

Bishop Brennan will be reunited in Ohio with Bishop Perez, who has said he’s eager to have a brother bishop nearby with whom he’s acquainted.

“Bishop Perez couldn’t be happier,” Msgr. Vlaun said.

Bishop Perez also is excited and maybe a little envious of Bishop Brennan because he’s fond of White Castle, which has its headquarters two hours away from Cleveland in Columbus.

“Bishop Brennan will become a big fan of White Castle,” Msgr. Vlaun jokingly predicted.

Msgr. Vlaun will be in Columbus on March 29 not only because of his broadcast work with the television network, but also because Bishop Brennan has remained a close associate.

“We’ll be doing the broadcast live,” he said, “but I want to be there for my dear friend.”



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going on with the Youth Day events that for the most part, it kept my mind on what was happening in front of me.”



**Bishop Robert Brennan receives offertory gifts at a Fortnight for Freedom Mass.**

Photo courtesy Diocese of Rockville Centre

As a graduate of Catholic schools and a Catholic college, Bishop Bren-

nan said he recognizes the value of a strong Catholic education system. “Providing educational opportunities at every level is very important,” he said. “Catholic schools give us a unique opportunity for forming generations of future Catholics who will be generous in their service and faith to the church. As a pastor, I spent a good deal of time teaching religious education and visiting classrooms to encourage students to follow the ideals they were being taught.

“Students of Catholic schools tend to retain their faith into adulthood and to continue their involvement with the church at a markedly higher rate than other segments of the Catholic population. Schools provide our best shot in keeping the church strong, and I am totally committed to them.”

About a month after the announcement of Bishop Brennan’s appointment, the diocese released the names of clergy who have served in the diocese and have been credibly accused of sexual abuse of a minor. “We need to continue to be vigilant in our efforts to provide a safe environment for children,” he said. “I know the diocese has worked hard to promote such an envi-

ronment and to bring about healing.

“Any instance of abuse is just an awful tragedy. I pledge my own vigilance and want to express my appreciation for what the diocese has done already to prevent abuse in the future. I assure you this is a problem we will continue to take very, very seriously.”

Practically the first thing Bishop Brennan did upon his introduction to Columbus was to put his hands over his head in the first part of Ohio State University’s “O-H-I-O” cheer.

“I’m a casual sports follower,” he said. “I’ve been a loyal fan of the New York Mets through thick and thin – mostly thin, which made the thick more enjoyable.

“I’ve also been a longtime college basketball fan because of the great tradition of St. John’s, my alma mater. I’ve heard so much about Buckeye football since it was announced that I would be coming here, and I look forward to immersing myself in that atmosphere.”

Asked to describe the best advice he’s received as a priest, Bishop Brennan said, “Our pastor in Lindenhurst once told me to work as hard as my father did for our family. That always

stayed with me. Another great piece of advice came from Msgr. McDonald: ‘Be generous. Be available.’”

Unlike Bishop Campbell, Bishop Brennan will have a coat of arms. He already has one as an auxiliary bishop and is having it changed to include Christopher Columbus’ flagship, the Santa Maria, which is the symbol of the Diocese of Columbus. The motto at the bottom of the coat of arms will be “Thy Will Be Done” from the Lord’s Prayer. “That’s probably the first prayer most of us learned, including myself, and I can’t think of a better one,” he said.

In concluding the interview, Bishop Brennan mentioned expressions from Pope St. John Paul II and Pope Francis, respectively, that he said people would become familiar with, because he uses them often. “I look forward to knowing and loving the people of the Diocese of Columbus and sharing together ‘the splendor of truth’ and ‘the joy of the Gospel,’” he said.

“Whether through the sacraments or through other methods of encounter, my role as a bishop is to bring people to know and love Jesus Christ and to bring Jesus Christ to the people.”

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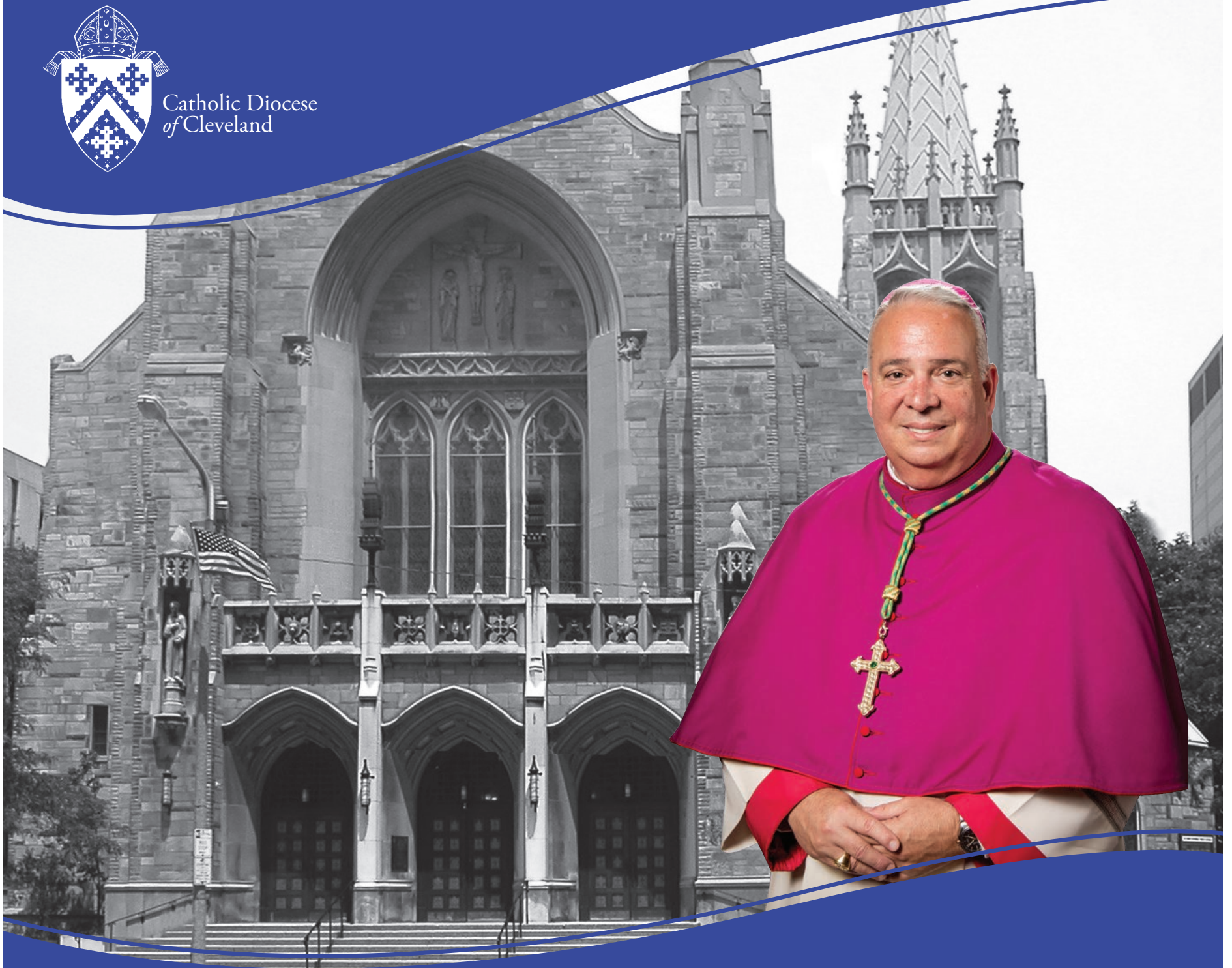
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# Bishop Brennan's coat of arms

*Per pale, azure a ford proper, a coracle argent the sail to dexter and charged with an M gules, the mast surmounted by a cross Or, impaling argent a cross flory azure throughout charged at the base point with a mullet of seven points of the field between in chief two escallop-shells gules, over all at the fess point a hurt charged with a lamb's head couped Or.*

Designing his shield – the central element in what is formally called the heraldic achievement – a bishop has an opportunity to depict symbolical aspects of his life and heritage and elements of the Catholic faith that are important to him. Every coat of arms also includes external elements that identify the rank of the bearer. The formal description of a coat of arms, known as the *blazon*, uses a technical language, derived from French and English terms, that allows the appearance and position of each element in the achievement to be recorded precisely.

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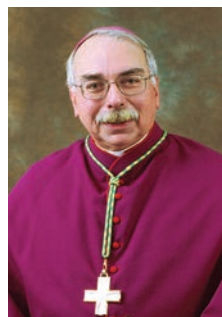
with that of the diocese in a technique known as impaling. The shield is divided in half along the *pale* or central vertical line. The arms of the diocese appear on the *dexter* side – that is, on the side of the shield to the viewer's left, which would cover the right side (in Latin, *dextera*) of the person carrying the shield. The arms of the bishop are on the *sinister* side – the bearer's left, the viewer's right.

The arms of the Diocese of Columbus, founded in 1868, allude to the namesake of the see city, Christopher Columbus, and his famous voyage to the Americas in 1492. A stylized ship sailing on waves recalls *La Santa María de la Inmaculada Concepción* (Holy Mary of the Immaculate Conception), the largest of Columbus' three ships. Its sail is charged with a capital letter "M" painted red (*gules*) as an emblem of the Virgin Mary, and the mast is topped with a gold Cross.

In Ireland, from where Bishop Brennan's ancestors emigrated to the United States, coats of arms belong to a *sept* or family, rather than to an individual. The Brennan coat of arms (*Argent, a lion rampant azure and in chief two dexter hands apaumée gules*) comprises a white shield with a blue heraldic lion, and two red hands in the top corners of the shield. Rather than use the original design – the symbolism of which is somewhat obscure – Bishop Brennan has chosen to retain the overall coloration and layout of his family coat of arms while employing charges more evocative of his own life of faith.

The main charge on the shield is the Cross, the foundation of the Christian faith. The arms of this particular Cross (called a *cross flory*) resemble a *fleur-de-lis*, a stylized lily often used as a symbol of the Virgin Mary. A *cross flory* (in black and white) also appears on the coat of arms of the Dominican Sisters whose schools the bishop attended in his youth. Moreover, the shape of the crossbeams resembles the tail of the lion rampant that appears on the original family arms.

At the bottom of the Cross appears a small white star (*mullet argent*), another symbol of Our Lady. Its position recalls the moment when, "standing by the cross of Jesus" (John 19:25),



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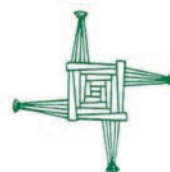
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Mary became, at her Son's command, the Mother of all his disciples (cf. John 19:27).

The star has seven points, recalling the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, and so is a fitting symbol of the one who is both "full of grace" (Luke 1:28) and who prays with the disciples of the Lord that they also may receive the promised gift of the Holy Spirit (cf. Acts 1:4, 8, 13-14).

At the center of the Cross appears a lamb's head painted gold (*Or*). The same charge figures prominently on the coat of arms of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York, which Bishop Brennan served as a priest and bishop for nearly 30 years.

Because the Latin word for lamb is *agnus*, the gentle animal has long been a symbol of St. Agnes, the 12-year-

old Roman martyr who suffered persecution and death in the early fourth century in defense of her faith and her virginity, which she had consecrated to Jesus Christ.

St. Agnes is the patroness of the Diocese of Rockville Centre and of its cathedral church, where Bishop Brennan resided for 16 years.

At the top of the shield (*in chief*) are two scallop shells painted red (*gules*). Although the charges are the same, they are used here to allude to two different saints: John the Baptist and James the Greater.

Bishop Brennan attended St. John the Baptist High School (West Islip, New York) and St. John's University, and the patron of these schools often is depicted in sacred art using a shell to baptize the Lord Jesus.

The date of Bishop Brennan's ordination as a bishop – July 25, 2012 — is the feast of St. James, the brother of St. John the Evangelist and the first of the apostles to be martyred during the persecution of the early Church (Acts 12:1-2).

Medieval pilgrims to the shrine of St. James in Compostela, on the northwest coast of Spain, would pick up scallop shells from the beaches and wear them on their cloaks or caps as a sign that they had completed the journey.

The red color of the shells recalls that both of these saints gave their lives as martyrs for the faith.

On a scroll below the shield appears the bishop's motto, "Thy will be done." This petition from the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:10) summarizes

and responds to the symbolism depicted on the shield.

Standing with Our Lady by the Cross of the Lord, and recognizing he is called to "drink the cup" of the Lord's suffering by bearing his own cross (cf. Mark 10:38-39), a disciple must rely on the Lord for strength and make his own Jesus' words in the Garden of Gethsemane: "Not my will but yours be done" (Luke 22:42).

The shield is ensigned with external elements that identify the bearer as a bishop. A gold processional cross appears behind the shield.

The *galero* or "pilgrim's hat" is used heraldically in various colors and with specific numbers of tassels to indicate the rank of a bearer of a coat of arms. A bishop uses a green *galero* with three rows of green tassels.



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# What happens at the installation of a bishop?

By Michelle Lemiesz

Director, Diocesan Office for Divine Worship

It is logical that any major event in the life of the Church takes place within the context of the Mass, especially the installation of a bishop.

And so we will gather at 2 p.m. on Friday, March 29 at St. Joseph Cathedral to welcome Bishop Robert J. Brennan as he assumes the role God has called him to – chief shepherd of the Diocese of Columbus.

Events such as this highlight the Church's universality. The Vatican's apostolic nuncio – the pope's representative to the United States – will be present, along with bishops from throughout the United States, in addition to Bishop Brennan's family and friends from the Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York. Also present will be clergy, Religious, members of the laity and ethnic groups in the diocese, as well as civic and ecumenical leaders representing a variety of faith traditions.

In 2012, Bishop Brennan was ordained to the Order of Bishops when he became auxiliary bishop of Rockville Centre. When he was chosen to

serve as the 12th bishop of Columbus, he was named bishop-designate.

According to canon law, a bishop

transferred from one diocese to another must take what is known as "canonical possession" of his new

diocese within two months of his appointment. Canonical possession means that the new bishop exercises the full power of governance in the diocese to which he has been appointed. His installation is the reception of the bishop in the cathedral church of his new diocese. Its principal element is the Eucharistic celebration at which the bishop presides for the first time.

There will be various processions before the beginning of the installation Mass, ending with the final procession as Bishop Brennan is received in the cathedral.

His reception into the cathedral will begin with him standing outside its closed inner doors while the apostolic nuncio, Archbishop Christophe Pierre; the archbishop of Cincinnati, Archbishop Dennis Schnurr; and the cathedral's rector, Father Michael Lumpe, wait inside. Bishop Brennan will knock on the doors with a mallet and be invited to pass through by Archbishop Schnurr, and the doors will open for him to walk through.

He will be greeted by the two archbishops and by Father Lumpe, who will present a crucifix that he has been

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## Installation schedule

Thursday, March 28 | 7 p.m.

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## Bishop's ceremonial dress steeped in tradition and symbolism

A bishop's ceremonial dress varies with the occasion, although he always wears a ring and pectoral cross.

The pontifical ring, usually set with a stone, is presented to a bishop at his ordination. It is a symbol of authority and is worn on the right hand on all occasions, even when the bishop is wearing street clothes. Because the bishop's office is compared to the union of Christ the bridegroom with the Church, his bride, the bishop receives the ring to signify his sacramental espousal to the diocese.

The pectoral cross is worn on a bishop's breast (*pectus* in Latin). Suspended from a cord or chain and worn over his vestments, it is made of precious metal, usually gold, and sometimes contains precious jewels or saints' relics. Most bishops, when wearing street clothes, wear a small pectoral cross and chain between their vests and suit coats.

Choir dress is worn by the bishop

when he presides at a ceremony. This outfit consists of a purple cassock, *mozzetta* and *zucchetto* and a white *rochet*. Purple is the color used in the ceremonial dress of prelates of the Western Church with the exception of abbots, who wear black; cardinals, who wear red; and the pope, who wears white.

The cassock, a close-fitted outer gown with long sleeves, is purple for ceremonial occasions; otherwise, it is black piped in purple or red. Its name originally was given to the dress of soldiers and horsemen but survives today in ecclesiastical use only.

The *mozzetta* is a short silk or wool cape reaching to the elbows and buttoned down the front. It is worn over the *rochet* and is used in the bishop's own diocese as a sign of his jurisdiction.

The *rochet* is like a shortened alb or an elongated surplice. It is made of linen or cotton, reaching to the knees, with tight-fitted sleeves. It often is

adorned with lace. The *rochet* is worn under the *mozzetta*.

The *zucchetto* is a small, round skullcap worn by ecclesiastics of various ranks. The color of the bishop's *zucchetto* is purple.

When a bishop celebrates Mass, he wears traditional Mass vestments. In addition, he wears a miter – the ancient headdress of a bishop – over his *zucchetto*, carries a crosier – a symbolic shepherd's staff – and is adorned with a pectoral cross and episcopal ring.

The miter, the liturgical headdress of bishops of the Latin rite, is worn as a sign of their special dignity. Made of linen, cloth-of-gold or silk, it is often ornamented. The front and back are stiffened, and each comes to a peak. It has two lappets – strips of cloth – hanging down the back.

While the miter's origins are unclear, there is a theory that it developed from the *camelaucum* worn by

authorities of the late Roman Empire. The emperor Constantine I allowed bishops to wear the distinctive headpiece in recognition of the role he assigned them in the imperial hierarchy.

Worn during various liturgical actions, the miter is always put aside when the bishop prays.

The crosier is a staff conferred on bishops at the time of their ordination and installation. It is a symbol of authority and is carried by the bishop mainly in his own diocese; he may use it elsewhere only with special authorization.

Among the most ancient symbols of leadership, the crosier first served as a pilgrim's staff or an itinerant preacher's walking stick. Later, it became the sign of the high priest. In Christian times, it became hooked like a shepherd's staff because of the command to "watch over the flock" the bishop receives when the crosier is presented to him.



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holding for Bishop Brennan to kiss. Bishop Brennan then will be handed an *aspergillum* (a liturgical vessel that holds holy water to be sprinkled in blessing), and the bishop will make the Sign of the Cross on himself using the water and will sprinkle those nearby with the water. He and the attending bishops then will walk in procession to the altar.

Archbishop Schnurr will play a special role in the ceremony because he is the metropolitan archbishop for the ecclesiastical province of Cincinnati. All of Ohio's Catholic dioceses are part of the province, which is based in that city because the Archdiocese of Cincinnati is the "mother diocese" from which the state's other dioceses were formed.

Once the bishops have arrived in the sanctuary, revered the altar, and arrived at their seats, Archbishop Schnurr will greet the congregation and invite the nuncio to read the letter from Pope Francis appointing Bishop Brennan as bishop of Columbus. The letter will be shown to the con-

gregation and presented to the diocesan chancellor, Deacon Thomas Berg Jr., and members of the Diocesan College of Consultors, a group of priests who serve as advisers to the bishop.

Bishop Brennan then will be escorted by Archbishops Schnurr and Pierre to the *cathedra*, the bishop's chair (from which the word "cathedral" is derived) and will be presented with a crosier which belonged to Bishop Sylvester Rosecrans, the first bishop of Columbus, and dates back to 1868, when the Diocese of Columbus was established.

Bishop Brennan will be seated in the *cathedra* and at that point will officially become the 12th bishop of the Diocese of Columbus.

After this, he will rise and go to the foot of the sanctuary to receive various members of the community who will welcome him. Once he receives their greetings, he will return to the *cathedra* and Mass will continue as normal (usually the *Gloria* is sung at this point, but this will be omitted because it is the season of Lent).



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Fr. Kevin F. Lutz, Pastor, the staff, students and good people of Saint Mary, Mother of God Church in German Village.



# Many weigh in on choice of new bishop

By Tim Puet  
*Catholic Times Reporter*

Bishop Frederick Campbell has often told the story of how in mid-October 2004, while he was auxiliary bishop of St. Paul-Minneapolis, the papal nuncio to the United States, Archbishop Christophe Pierre, called him “out of the blue” to say the pope had selected him to become bishop of Columbus.

Archbishop Montalvo immediately asked if he could convey Bishop Campbell’s acceptance to the pope. The bishop said he felt a bit over-

The process of selecting a new bishop or auxiliary bishop for a diocese ultimately rests in the hands of the pope and usually is based on the nuncio’s recommendations. But the search begins at the local level and continues through many steps until a priest or bishop receives the nuncio’s life-changing phone call.

And despite the bishop’s prominence in the church and the community, the process is bound by strict confidentiality. There’s no public speculation as to possible candidates and their merits for the position. Few if any people know with certainty who else might have been considered

a diocese. Bishop Campbell has held that position in this diocese since his resignation, mandated because of his age, was accepted in late January.

Each diocese around the world is part of a larger group of dioceses known as a metropolitan province, which has an archbishop – a title that is symbolic and does not convey authority over other bishops. The six dioceses of Ohio all are part of the Cincinnati metropolitan province.

The selection of candidates for consideration to become bishops begins at the provincial level. Any bishop in a province is invited to submit names of priests he thinks possess the matu-

of France who previously was nuncio to Mexico, Haiti, and Uganda at various times, has some familiarity with Columbus because whoever serves as nuncio to the United States automatically is chancellor of the Pontifical College Josephinum, the only papal seminary outside of Italy. The bishop of Columbus is vice chancellor.

Once the nuncio receives a list of candidates from a province, he conducts his own investigation to determine their suitability to be a bishop.

When a vacancy is created in the office of bishop for a diocese, the outgoing bishop or the administrator is asked to report to the nuncio on the



**Archbishop Christophe Pierre, the papal nuncio to the United States, contacted Bishop Robert Brennan in January with the news that he had been chosen by the Holy See to lead the Diocese of Columbus.**  
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**Bishop Robert Brennan was driving on the Long Island Expressway on Jan. 19 when he was informed of the Vatican’s decision to appoint him the new shepherd of the Diocese of Columbus.**  
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whelmed and asked for a few minutes to think about the change that would occur in his life, then gave an affirmative response when the nuncio called back to repeat his earlier question.

Bishop Robert Brennan, auxiliary bishop of Rockville Centre, New York, who will be installed as Bishop Campbell’s successor on Friday, March 29, said the current nuncio, Archbishop Christophe Pierre, called him with the news of his appointment while he was driving on the Long Island Expressway on Saturday, Jan. 19.

“The nuncio asked me, ‘Are you alone?’ and then he asked, ‘Do you think you need to pull over?’” Bishop Brennan said. “All I could think of was, ‘That happened a minute ago when you first called.’” Other bishops tell similar stories of their appointments.

to be Bishop Campbell’s successor, and those people aren’t telling.

The process for selecting a bishop for a diocese begins when a vacancy is created in that office through either a bishop’s death, his appointment to another position by the pope, his retirement at age 75 – as in Bishop Campbell’s case – or his decision to retire for other reasons. Bishop Campbell’s predecessor, Bishop James Griffin, retired for health reasons in October 2004 after serving as spiritual leader of the Diocese of Columbus for 21 years.

There is no set time frame concerning selection of a bishop. In the interim, between the departure or death of one bishop and the consecration of his successor, an apostolic administrator is appointed to be in charge of

rit, pastoral and spiritual qualities, and other characteristics needed for a bishop.

The bishops of a province usually meet at least once a year, and the provincial archbishop at that time circulates the names submitted, along with a resume of each priest named. The bishops then discuss the merits of those priests and vote to decide which of them should be recommended to the nuncio to add to his list of potential bishop candidates for dioceses anywhere in the United States. There is no lower or upper limit to the number of priests who may be recommended.

The nuncio is the pope’s personal representative to a nation – the church’s equivalent of an ambassador. Archbishop Pierre, a native

condition of the diocese, in consultation with other diocesan officials.

During this process, the nuncio can consult with priests, previous bishops and laypersons of the diocese, as well as other bishops in the province and the president and vice president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Broad consultation is encouraged with regard to the needs of the diocese but not the names of specific candidates.

From these recommendations and the candidates’ lists from the various provinces, the nuncio creates a “short list” of potential bishops for a specific diocese. He then sends a questionnaire, to be completed in strictest confidentiality, to 20 to 30 people who know each of the priests or bishops

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being considered for the position.

This material is collected and reviewed by the nuncio, who prepares a report of approximately 20 pages, concluding with his selection of three potential candidates – called a *terna* – in which the candidates are listed alphabetically with the nuncio’s preference noted.

That report is sent to the prefect of the Vatican’s Congregation for Bishops, who currently is Canadian-born Cardinal Marc Ouellet. If the appointment involves a bishop who is being promoted from auxiliary bishop or transferred to another diocese, the matter may be handled by the prefect and the staff. If the appointment is of a priest to become a bishop, the full congregation, which has about 35 members, usually is involved.

One of the congregation’s members is chosen to summarize the documentation and make a report to the full congregation, which generally meets twice a month on Thursdays and usually considers bishop candidates from four dioceses per session. After hearing the summary, the congregation discusses the appointment and usual-



**Canadian-born Cardinal Marc Ouellet is responsible for the Holy See’s episcopal appointments in the Catholic Church around the world as the prefect of the Vatican’s Congregation for Bishops.**  
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ly votes either to follow the nuncio’s recommendation or to choose another of the candidates on the *terna*. It also has the option of asking that another *terna* be prepared.

At a private audience with the pope, usually on a Saturday, the prefect presents the congregation’s recommendations to the pope, given in a

particular order with the congregation’s choice at the top. The pope then affirms the congregation’s recommendation, chooses another candidate on the *terna*, asks for a new *terna* to be submitted or, in the rarest of cases, chooses his own candidate.

The pope’s decision is then given to the congregation, the nuncio is in-

formed, and he makes the phone call. Once the nuncio’s appointment is accepted – it can be refused, but this is rare and must be for good reason – the nuncio arranges with the Vatican to make a public announcement of the appointment, usually within two to four weeks. During this period, the bishop-elect cannot tell anyone of his appointment.

Many bishops have noted the difficulty of maintaining such secrecy. Bishop Brennan had to keep the news to himself throughout a pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Panama that began the day after he got the nuncio’s phone call.

After the appointment of a new bishop is announced, plans begin for his installation, which usually takes place at the diocese’s cathedral but can be at a larger venue so more people can attend it. In Bishop Campbell’s case, his appointment was announced on Oct. 14, 2004, and he was consecrated almost exactly three months later, on Jan. 13, 2005. In the transition from Bishop Campbell to Bishop Brennan, that period will be about a month shorter.

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as he begins his ministry in the  
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and thanks for the dedicated stewardship of  
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Bishop Frederick Campbell was installed as the 11th bishop of the Diocese of Columbus on Jan. 11, 2005 at St. Joseph Cathedral after previously serving as auxiliary bishop in the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis. CT photos by Ken Snow



Bishop Campbell greets a Girl Scout during the annual Scout Day With the Bishop at the New Albany Church of the Resurrection. Seated next to him is Deacon Christopher Reis, diocesan Scout chaplain. Bishop Campbell, a former Scout, attended the event every year.

## Highlights of Bishop Campbell's 14 years in Columbus: New churches, initiatives highlight tenure

**2004** – On Oct. 14, Columbus Bishop James A. Griffin announces his retirement and the Vatican's appointment of Auxiliary Bishop Frederick Campbell of St. Paul-Minneapolis to replace him.

**2005** – Bishop Campbell is installed as the 11th bishop of Columbus on Jan. 11 at St. Joseph Cathedral. The Columbus area's first Catholic radio station, St. Gabriel Radio, goes on the air.

**2006** – West Jefferson Sts. Simon & Jude Church is dedicated.

**2007** – The National Catholic Youth Conference draws 20,000 young people from across the nation to downtown Columbus. The Johnstown Church of the Ascension is dedicated. JOIN, the Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs, moves to 578 E. Main St.

**2008** – Parishes throughout the diocese conduct self-studies to examine their needs, leading in the next decade to creation of 20 clusters of two to five parishes each, allowing for better use of parish and diocesan resources.

**2009** – The Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs unite with seven other Dominican congregations to form the Dominican Sisters of Peace. The Mexican-based Missionary Sisters, Servants of the Word come to Columbus St. Stephen Church. Four other orders of sisters join them in the diocese in the next five years.

**2010** – The Catholic Foundation relocates its offices to 257 E. Broad St., Columbus. The Newark branch of the St. Vincent de Paul Society opens St. Vincent Haven, a shelter for homeless men.

**2011** – The diocese's largest church building, Westerville St. Paul, is dedicated.

**2013** – Columbus Cristo Rey High School, featuring a work-study curriculum to benefit students from low-in-

come families, opens in the former Diocesan Child Guidance Center, before moving the following year to the former Ohio School for the Deaf.

**2014** – The Mercy House Outreach Center opens in Portsmouth, with offices for Catholic Social Services, the St. Vincent de Paul Society and other Catholic outreach services in Scioto County.

**2015** – Bishop Campbell reconsecrates the diocese to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, 142 years after Bishop Sylvester Rosecrans originally did so. Most of the skeletal remains of St. Maria Goretti are displayed at the cathedral. The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima comes to the cathedral and four Columbus churches. Cardington Sacred

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Bishop Frederick Campbell lights a paschal candle at St. Joseph Cathedral on Holy Saturday in 2008.  
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Hearts Church is dedicated two years after a fire.

2015-16 – The diocese joins the universal church in the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis. The diocese’s Holy Door for the event is at the cathedral.

2016 – The Utica Church of the Nativity is closed. Columbus St. Mary, Mother of God Church is damaged significantly by a lightning strike.

2017 – Catholic Social Services opens its expanded Our Lady of Guadalupe Center to serve the Hispanic community and other residents of Columbus’ west side. The Dominican Friars withdraw from Zanesville St Thomas Aquinas Church after nearly 200 years

and are replaced by a diocesan priest.

2018 – The Diocese of Columbus celebrates its 150th anniversary at a Mass celebrated by Bishop Campbell. The bishop writes a pastoral letter on drug addiction.

2019 – On Jan. 31, Bishop Campbell, who became 75 years old on Aug. 5, 2018, announces that Pope Francis has accepted the letter of resignation the bishop was required to submit upon reaching that age. He also announces that the pope has chosen Bishop Robert J. Brennan, auxiliary bishop of Rockville Centre, New York, to be his successor. Bishop Brennan will be installed as the 12th bishop of Columbus on Friday, March 29.

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## Diocesan leaders: 'Honor' to work with Bishop Campbell

After the announcement of Bishop Frederick Campbell's upcoming retirement, *The Catholic Times* asked leaders of diocesan departments what they will remember about working with him. Here are their responses:

– "Bishop Campbell has played a significant role in my life because of the opportunity to work with him in the Chancery Office for more than 14 years and also because he is the bishop who ordained me to the diaconate. He has embraced the diaconate warmly and graciously during his time here.

"Over these years, I have appreciated also his warm sense of humor and his vast knowledge of the church, our world's history and countless other topics. I have also appreciated his dedication to living the life of faith each day, in particular how we can live out the words of Christ expressed in the gospels." – Deacon Thomas M. Berg, Jr., diocesan chancellor

– "I've had the great opportunity to accompany Bishop Campbell in many of his encounters with prison ministers, persons with disabilities, immigrants, senior citizens, those concerned with

the opioid epidemic, environmentalists and respect-life advocates. I observed that during his role as diocesan pastor and teacher, Bishop Campbell was always genuinely gracious, thoughtful, caring and, I must say, witty. He has a healthy sense of humor. I've learned a great deal from Bishop Campbell, for which I am very grateful.

"My most memorable time with Bishop Campbell was accompanying him with Cardinal Peter Turkson, who at that time (2015) was president of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace. Cardinal Turkson delivered an address on Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si'* at the Ohio State University. It was a four-day whirlwind in Columbus, a dialogue with the president of Ohio State, scientists, Catholic school students, public officials and environmentalists.

"This work eventually led Bishop Campbell to engage in a series of talks throughout the diocese with the theme of care for our common home, highlighting teachings in *Laudato Si'* as well as addressing the opioid epidemic. His listening led to a diocesan sum-

mit and a pastoral letter addressing the opioid epidemic. He was very moved when he heard the tragic stories related to the opioid crisis. He wanted to express to the Catholic faithful of the diocese that the church cares and there's hope," – Jerry Freewalt, director, diocesan Office for Social Concerns

– "Along with his kindness and gentleness, I will always remember how he approached me about complaints about me: 'Lany, please enlighten me about the situation.' No judgment, but just wanting to know the facts. It has been an honor and a privilege to know him and to work with him. His passion for the church's mission work made my job pleasant and rewarding." – Leandro Tapay, director, diocesan Office of Missions

– "I have been delighted to be a part of Bishop Campbell's ministry here in the Diocese of Columbus. Our Catholic faith and the Diocese of Columbus for many years to come will be blessed by the legacy of Bishop Campbell to grow vocations to religious life. In Bishop Campbell's tenure, The Catholic Foundation experienced

growth in funding for those called to religious life, especially for seminarians in formation to become priests.

"Through Bishop Campbell's leadership as a trustee, granting through The Catholic Foundation increased from \$4 million to over \$14 million annually. This is only the financial impact under Bishop Campbell's leadership. What a gift he has been for the future hundreds of thousands of souls touched by this financial impact. Just imagine the positive impact on our diocese and Catholic faith who benefited from a Catholic education or may be deepened their relationship with Jesus Christ through their parish.

"Personally, I am very grateful to have worked with Bishop Campbell for the past seven years. He has always been so gracious about the work of The Catholic Foundation, and I have witnessed this with other organizations, as well as our work together on the board of Ohio Dominican University. I always looked forward

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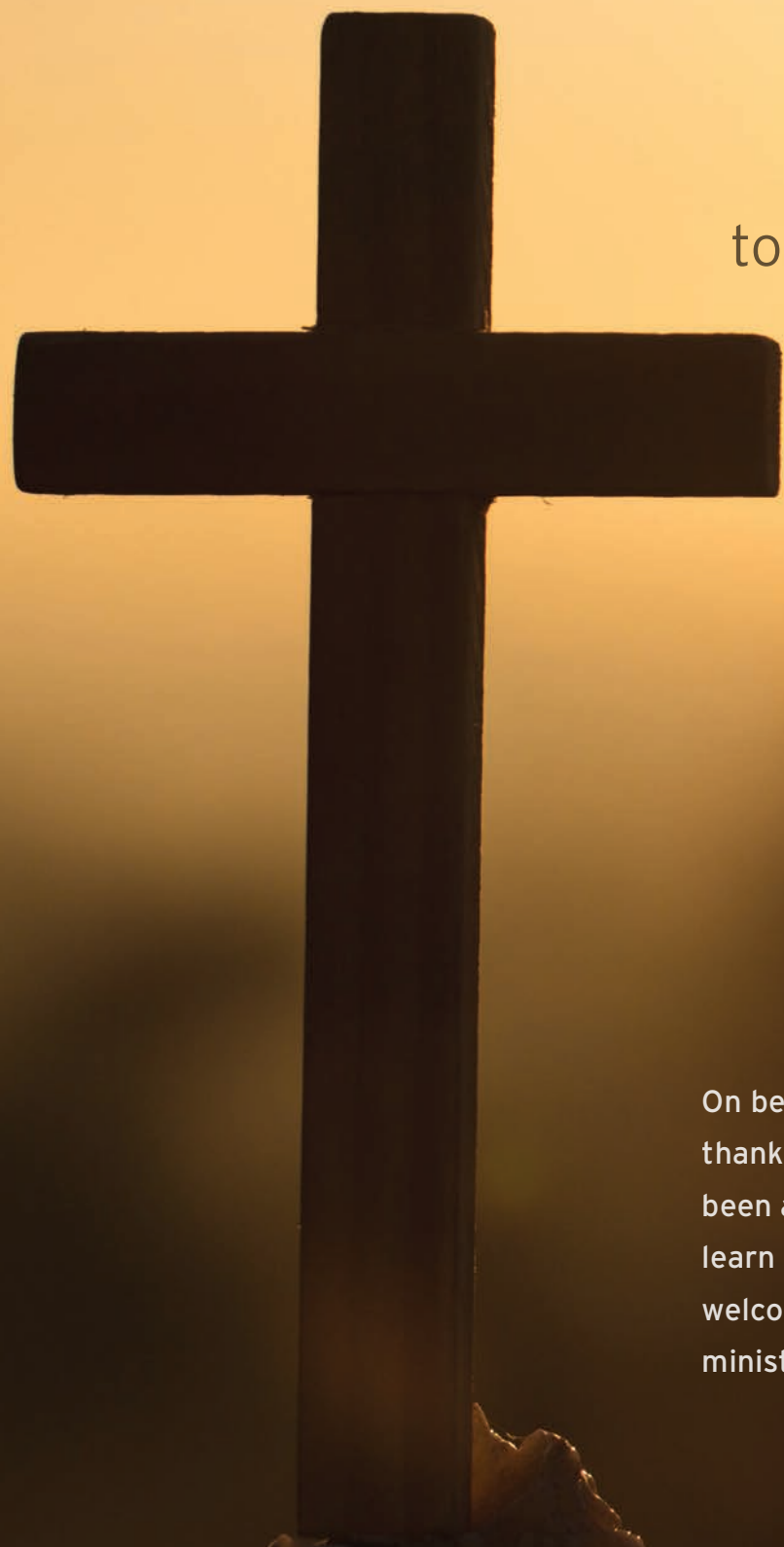
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to our conversations about business when suddenly we would be talking about families. I will miss those conversations, as I will miss working with Bishop Campbell.” – Loren Brown, president and chief executive officer, The Catholic Foundation

– “For the last nine years, it has been an honor serving in the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry under the leadership of Bishop Campbell. He is a very kind man who cares deeply about God’s people, especially the young people. I’ve been amazed at how personable he can be with people. He has a wonderful way of relating to youth and young adults in small and large group settings.

“He can give a large group presentation and it feels like a ‘fireside chat.’ He is very good at dialogue with young people, as he sincerely wants to hear their thoughts and questions. They enjoy his company because he treats them with great respect and shows personal interest in their lives. He often asks me about how certain young people are doing that he had met at a diocesan event or program

”As a diocesan staff person, I have

found Bishop Campbell to be personally concerned about his people. He takes time to get to know his staff and shows true concern when someone on staff is having a personal or work-related problem. He is a kind and caring man.” – Michael Hall, director, diocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry

– “We at the Catholic Conference of Ohio are grateful to Bishop Campbell for his direction and support during his many years on our board of directors. Bishop Campbell’s knowledge of history, current affairs and the role of the state constitution, his keen insights and his active and articulate participation in discussions of public policy in the light of church teaching have informed and guided our work of representing the Catholic Church in state government.” – Carolyn Jurkowitz, executive director, Catholic Conference of Ohio

– “When (Bishop Campbell) first arrived 13 years ago, he was the chair of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ committee on the diaconate. From the very start of his tenure as our ordinary, he was very supportive and knowledgeable about the formation and

life of the deacon in the United States. He has helped me, along with my brother deacons and priests, to always do our best to embrace the church’s ministry of Word, altar and charity.

“I always told Bishop Campbell how grateful we are that he has brought a ‘diaconal heart’ to the people of God in the Diocese of Columbus. He made it a point to remind all the clergy that we must embrace the image of Jesus the servant within our call to Holy Orders.” – Deacon Frank Iannarino, director, diocesan Office of the Diaconate

– “I’ll never forget my first meeting with Bishop Campbell. We were preparing for (Catholic Social Services’) Breakfast with the Bishop, which the bishop has graciously hosted for his entire tenure. I had just moved to Columbus and was a first-time executive director, and I was eager to make a good impression. The bishop had already selected the theme – technology – because he is passionate about encouraging his flock to not let new ways to communicate get in the way of connecting with the people right in front of you.

“We were talking about this very theme when the phone in

my purse began ringing. Mortified, I scrambled into my purse to turn it off. Sheepishly, I looked up at the bishop, hoping that he hadn’t noticed. No such luck! Bishop Campbell was sticking his tongue out at me. I have five brothers. I have been teased every day of my life. Little did Bishop Campbell know that his playful gesture had made me feel right at home in my new job and city. Thank you! God bless!” – Rachel Lustig, president and chief executive officer, Catholic Social Services

– “The first meeting I attended with Bishop Campbell as the director of the St. Francis Center, he was speaking to the Catholic Charities Commission. He encouraged us to remember to see those we serve as our brothers and sisters and neighbors. That resonated with me, and I took that back to McArthur and the staff there. We refer to those we serve as our neighbors and our brothers and sisters. It helps us stay grounded and see ourselves in those we serve, and reminds us to see Christ and be

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12th Bishop of Columbus

# Welcome Bishop Brennan

God, eternal shepherd, you tend your Church in many ways and rule us with love. You have chosen your servant, Robert Brennan, to be a shepherd of your flock. Give him a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love. By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he build your Church as a sign of salvation for the world.

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Christ in and to all of our neighbors.

“Bishop Campbell has been an advocate and supporter of the mission of JOIN and all of its staff and volunteers. As the celebrant of our annual Masses and throughout the year, he gives us encouragement. He lets us know that the relief we give to our brothers and sisters in the community is a vital piece of the diocese’s work. It is a blessing to all of us involved to have a leader who believes in the value of all life and the significance of providing aid to our brothers and sisters in need.” – Lisa Keita, director, St. Francis Evangelization Center in McArthur and the Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs in Columbus

– “Bishop Campbell has been a tireless advocate for Ohio Dominican University (ODU) over the course of his leadership of the Columbus diocese and as a revered member of the university’s board of trustees. I am particularly grateful to Bishop Campbell for his willingness to accompany me on visits to all of the diocesan high schools this past year. His influence strengthened the university’s bonds with those schools, which led to more diocesan students enrolling at ODU this fall.

“On a personal note, the bishop and I share a love for classical literature, and he is a devoted educator at heart. The entire Ohio Dominican community is deeply appreciative of Bishop Campbell’s service to the global and central Ohio Catholic community, and for his enthusiastic advocacy for Catholic higher education.” – Dr. Robert A. Gervasi, president, Ohio Dominican University

– “I have always been grateful for the real interest and direction that Bishop Campbell has given to our office in development of the religious education and catechetical curriculum. While special attention was given to the high school level when our framework for religious education was promulgated, more lately his and our attention has been on the many adult programs being developed. Assuring that the teaching is sound and has a depth that challenges us to think and grow in our faith continues to be his focus.

“Bishop Campbell teaches through storytelling. This makes it easy for people to relate to him and to remember his message.” – Dr. Barbara Romanello-Wichtman, director, diocesan Office

of Religious Education and Catechesis – “The mission of the Office for Divine Worship is to support the bishop in his role as the chief liturgist of the diocese through catechesis, liturgical preparation, and the development of resources for the Catholic community of Columbus.

“Both (liturgy consultant) Andrew (Burson) and I have had the opportunity to work with Bishop Campbell on a one-to-one basis in the preparation of liturgical celebrations and major events. Perhaps the most cherished time we have had was spending time with him prior to and after major liturgical events where we could hear his concerns, share in some laughter or verbalize frustrations on our part. We always used these opportunities to get to know his likes and dislikes, and, in turn, he got to know a bit about us.

“He has allowed us to take on major improvement projects such as the development of liturgical ministry handbooks, a handbook on Confirmation that expresses his preferences for the celebration of the sacrament, a booklet on marriage preparation in the diocese, and a forthcoming one on funerals. Whether it is dealing with vestment issues or questions

on liturgical proprieties, everything we did centered around supporting him, and we are grateful to have had the opportunity to assist him.” – Michelle Lemiesz, director, diocesan Office for Divine Worship

– “Having worked with Bishop Campbell for nearly 14 years, I will always appreciate his wisdom and guidance, but most of all his spirituality. He always empowered me to do the best job I could, and was always there for discussion and advice. Words mean something, and Bishop Campbell always seemed to have the best words at the right time.

“Through the Bishop’s Annual Appeal, he and the great staff of the Office of Development and Planning were able to raise more than \$100 million in his time here. His homilies and talks at events, especially those without notes, were simply the best. His teaching and upholding of the faith were always consistent and stalwart, just like the Catholic Church herself.

“He was a true shepherd. We all knew his voice.” – Rick Jeric, exec-

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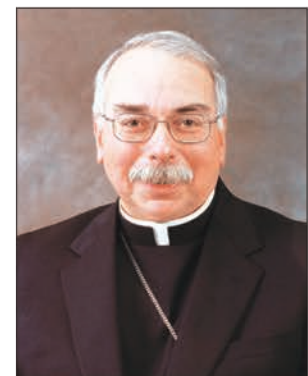
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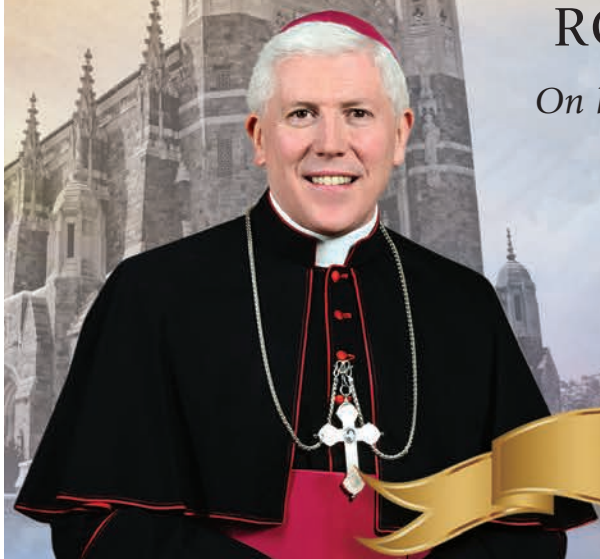
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## Bishop Campbell's retirement spurs clergy's good wishes

Several of the Ohio bishops with whom Bishop Frederick Campbell worked issued statements upon the announcement of his upcoming retirement. Here are their reactions, along with comments from some diocesan priests about the bishop:

– “I join my voice to those of countless others in congratulations to Bishop Campbell on reaching retirement. Bishop Campbell has led the church of Columbus since the first days of 2005. During his 14 years of service, he has successfully confronted a severe national economic downturn and challenging personal health issues. Retirement offers a new horizon of potentials and possibilities.

“Bishop Campbell’s many talents and rich experiences will certainly aid him in making the most of these opportunities of service to the church and to God’s people. May God fill his retirement years with grace and blessings.” – Bishop Emeritus James Griffin, Bishop Campbell’s predecessor

– “It has been my pleasure to work for the past 17 years with Bishop

Campbell, whom I have known since 2001 when he served as the auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis and I served as the bishop of Duluth (Minnesota). As the bishop of Columbus, Bishop Campbell’s collaboration with the bishops of Ohio and the Catholic Conference of Ohio has been tremendous.

“He was always well-versed in all the issues impacting the Catholic Church in the state of Ohio. In discussions, he listened closely and frequently offered insightful remarks. When the bishops of Ohio needed a spokesperson to address the state legislature, they – and the Catholic Church in the state of Ohio – were very well served by Bishop Campbell. May God continue to bless him in a well-earned retirement” – Cincinnati Archbishop Dennis Schnurr

– “I wish to offer my sincere congratulations – as well as those of the clergy, consecrated religious and laity of the Diocese of Cleveland – to my brother bishop, the Most Rev. Frederick F. Campbell, on the occasion of

his retirement as shepherd of the Diocese of Columbus.

“As we are both the 11th bishop to serve in our respective dioceses, I feel a special bond with Bishop Campbell. He is for all of us a model of faithful missionary discipleship and loving service to the church. May the Lord grant him a joyful and fruitful life in retirement as he continues to serve the church in this new phase of his ministry.” – Cleveland Bishop Nelson Perez

– “As Bishop Campbell reaches his ‘diamond birthday,’ we celebrate his shepherd’s vocation. I am most grateful to call Bishop Campbell a fellow brother here in the great state of Ohio and am most appreciative for his insightful, thoughtful and compassionate support. Truly, Bishop Campbell serves others with the compassionate integrity of Jesus Christ’s most sacred heart.

“Whenever I have sought advice from him, I received sound counsel, at times delivered by him with a certain levity. Humor in the church’s service can never be overestimated. I am honored that my apostolic ministry in the

Diocese of Steubenville has coincided these years with the apostolic service of Bishop Campbell’s apostolic ministry in the Diocese of Columbus. God bless you, my brother.” – Steubenville Bishop Jeffrey Monforton

– “It has been a pleasure working with Bishop Campbell. He always comes to meetings well-prepared and his comments are insightful. I wish him well in retirement and pray God will bless him with good health.” – Youngstown Bishop George Murry, SJ

– “I first met Bishop Campbell when I picked him up at Port Columbus Airport when he arrived in Columbus in October 2004 for the announcement of his appointment as bishop of Columbus. As we headed downtown that evening, we chatted and became acquainted. It was then that I first experienced Bishop Campbell’s wry wit and sense of humor. He has a keen sense of the ironic and a clever skill for understatement that can lighten the mood even in difficult or tense moments.

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12th Bishop of the Diocese of Columbus

*“Wherever the bishop appears, there let the people be; as wherever Jesus Christ is, there is the Catholic Church” -St. Ignatius of Antioch*





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for his loving service  
and congratulations to  
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and the people of the  
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on your retirement.

Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr

and the clergy, religious, and lay faithful of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati  
offer both of you our heartfelt and prayerful best wishes.



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“Over the last 13 years in which I have worked with Bishop Campbell in diocesan administration, I have had many occasions to experience that unique sense of humor that produces laughter in place of anxiety.” – Msgr. Stephan Moloney, pastor, Columbus St. Andrew Church and diocesan vicar general

– “As the only pontifical seminary in the world outside of Italy, the Josephinum enjoys a unique structure and governance. The apostolic nuncio to the United States serves as chancellor. The bishop of Columbus serves as vice chancellor, a role Bishop Campbell has held since he was installed as bishop of Columbus on Jan. 13, 2005.

“The Josephinum has been blessed by the administrative leadership and pastoral presence of Bishop Campbell throughout his years as bishop of Columbus. As a former professor and seminary rector himself – including service as an adjunct professor at the Josephinum during his doctoral studies at Ohio State University – Bishop Campbell’s passion for and expertise in education clearly have been evident in his commitment to the seminary as vice chancellor and in his work on the

board of trustees.

“Bishop Campbell’s dedication to his administrative role at the seminary was matched by a genuine interest in and care for the seminarians entrusted to the Josephinum for their discernment and priestly formation. Bishop Campbell has been a frequent and most welcome presence at the Josephinum; literally hundreds of seminarians have been the beneficiaries of his keen wit, deep spirituality and profound love for the priesthood.” – Msgr. Christopher Schreck, rector/president, Pontifical College Josephinum

– “(Bishop Campbell) has been thoroughly involved with all aspects of life at the Josephinum. His pastoral guidance has been an extraordinary gift. The stability and growth we have achieved have been in a large part a result of his leadership.” – Father John Allen, vice president for advancement, Pontifical College Josephinum

– “Bishop Campbell demonstrated genuine interest in the formation and well-being of the seminarians of Columbus. He met with each annually, as well as informally at liturgical celebrations. Through his leadership, he

removed financial obstacles to formation by generously sponsoring tuition and room and board, as well as other personal expenses like health care and auto repair. The seminarians knew they could count on his support.” – Father Paul Noble, pastor, Sunbury St. John Neumann Church; director, diocesan Office of Vocations

– “Bishop Campbell has wonderfully fulfilled his vocation as apostle and chief shepherd of the Diocese of Columbus. I have especially enjoyed his manner and style as presider at worship and his role as catechist during Confirmation Masses.” – Father Peter Gideon, pastor, Lancaster St. Mark Church

– “Bishop Campbell has been the minister of Confirmation at St. Brigid for over 2,000 students during his time here. Each year, the bishop would remind the students of their Christian dignity in these words: ‘You are a child of God. Never let anyone take your Christian dignity away from you, and never surrender it.’ These words were his parting gift to our students and their parents and sponsors. It is this quote that we use at graduation of our eighth-grade students each

year. This legacy is a blessing.” – Msgr. Joseph Hendricks, pastor, Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare Church

– “Members of our two small northern Muskingum County parishes have told me they were delightfully honored and surprised on several occasions when Bishop Campbell arrived to cover weekend Masses while our former pastor, the late Father Jack Maynard, was undergoing a year of health challenges. The bishop also greatly encouraged our dream of transforming both parish campuses, which enabled us to build and pay for a new family life center and chapel in Mattingly Settlement as a place of retreat, pilgrimage, education and prayer.” – Father Donald Franks, pastor, Dresden St. Ann and Mattingly Settlement St. Mary churches

– “My association with the bishop began when he arrived in Columbus, shortly after his installation. I have always found him welcoming, friendly and attentive. He was also a bit non-committal to some requests, saying, ‘Let me think about that!’ I felt this

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**Congratulations and Prayerful Best Wishes to  
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Twelfth Bishop of Columbus**

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## The Most Reverend David J. Malloy,

*and the clergy, religious and laity of the Diocese of Rockford wish to thank retiring Bishop Frederick F. Campbell for his many years of service and welcome the new shepherd Bishop Robert J. Brennan to the Diocese of Columbus.*

*Our prayers are with you both in your new roles.*



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## Congratulations and Prayerful Best Wishes

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### **Bishop Robert J. Brennan**

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On the Occasion of Your  
Installation as  
**Bishop of Columbus**



Bishop George V. Murry, S.J.  
and the  
Diocese of Youngstown





# Columbus bishops shepherded growth of diocese

By Tim Puet

*Catholic Times Reporter*

Bishop-Designate Robert J. Brennan, auxiliary bishop of the diocese of Rockville Centre, New York, will be installed as bishop of the Diocese of Columbus on Friday, March 29. He will be the 12th man to serve as the diocese's spiritual shepherd since the Vatican announced formation of the diocese on March 3, 1868, and appointed Auxiliary Bishop Sylvester Rosecrans of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati as its first bishop.

The diocese was created from territory that had been part of the Cincinnati archdiocese. It included 27 counties and parts of four others in central, south-central and southeast Ohio, roughly running from the Scioto River on the west to the Ohio River on the east. At the time of its founding, the diocese had 32 parishes and 40 missions and a Catholic population of about 41,000. Today, it has 105 parishes and three missions serving about 280,000 Catholics in 23 counties.

Bishop Rosecrans, a native of Ho-

mer in Licking County, had been living in Columbus for about a year when he was appointed as bishop. He came to the city to become pastor of St. Patrick Church in 1867.

He established many of the institutions required in the new diocese, including parishes, schools, and St. Vincent's Orphanage in Columbus (now the St. Vincent Family Center).

He also supervised the building of Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral. Plans for its construction began in 1866, work got underway in 1868, the first Masses there were celebrated on Christmas Day 1872, and the consecration ceremony was on Oct. 20, 1878. Getting the cathedral built took a great toll on Bishop Rosecrans, who frequently suffered hemorrhages. On the evening of the cathedral's consecration, he had four hemorrhages, and he died the next day at age 51. He is buried in the cathedral undercroft.

His successor, Father John Watterson, president of Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland, was consecrated as bishop on Aug. 8, 1880.

Bishop Watterson's 19 years as its spiritual leader were the greatest period of expansion in the diocese's history. Almost 60 churches were built, including 25 in places where no church had existed before. In addition, construction projects were begun at nearly 50 other parishes and institutions. A great number of these were parish schools.

In addition, St. Anthony and Mount Carmel hospitals were established, as were the college and seminary at the Pontifical College Josephinum. Bishop Watterson also was a strong believer in temperance. No saloon owner was allowed to be an officer in any Catholic organization in the diocese, and he required all the young people he confirmed to promise to abstain from liquor until they were 21 years old.

He died on April 17, 1899, at age 54, and is buried at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Columbus.

Father Henry Moeller, chancellor of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, was consecrated as the third bishop of Columbus on Aug. 25, 1900. His

tenure of less than three years was the shortest of any Columbus bishop, but it was said that he saved the diocese by eliminating most of the \$200,000 debt that had resulted from building the cathedral.

Bishop Moeller was appointed coadjutor archbishop of Cincinnati on April 27, 1903. He became archbishop the following year and remained in that position until his death in early 1925 at age 75.

His successor, Bishop James Hartley, spent the longest time as bishop of Columbus – nearly 40 years. He had been a priest in Steubenville, which then was part of the diocese, for 22 years before being consecrated as a bishop in that city on Feb. 25, 1904.

He remained bishop of Columbus until his death on Jan. 12, 1944, at age 85. He is buried at St. Joseph Cemetery. He had links to his three predecessors, for he served Bishop Rosecrans' first Mass at the cathedral, was ordained a priest by Bishop Watterson and was consecrated by Bishop Mo-

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## PRAYERS *and* CONGRATULATIONS

*Bishop*

**Robert J. Brennan**

Bishop Brennan, be assured of our prayers for your continued success in building up the Lord's Church in Columbus.

May your days there be many, fruitful and joyful, as they have been in the Diocese of Rockville Centre.



Daniel Cardinal DiNardo

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Archbishop Emeritus Joseph A. Fiorenza

Retired Auxiliary Bishop Vincent M. Rizzotto

The Clergy, Religious and Faithful of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston



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with the faithful of the Diocese of Grand Rapids, Michigan

*congratulate Bishop Robert Brennan*

on the occasion of his installation as bishop  
of the Diocese of Columbus.

May the Lord bless and guide your ministry and  
may the spirit of His wisdom strengthen you in your new journey.



**BISHOP FRANK J. DEWANE**  
**DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA**



*offers prayerful best wishes to*

**BISHOP**  
**ROBERT J. BRENNAN**

*on your appointment to the*  
**DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS**

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eller.

In less than two years as bishop, he completed the chief work of his predecessor. On Jan. 6, 1906, he announced that the cathedral's debt had been paid. He then began building in earnest. By 1910, he had begun or dedicated more than 25 churches, schools and chapels. There were 27 parishes with schools when he became bishop. At the time of his death, that number had increased to 74 elementary schools, plus 31 parish high schools.

His proudest work was establishment of a diocesan seminary known as St. Charles Borromeo College in Columbus. It existed until 1969. It added a high school in 1923, and that institution continues today as St. Charles Preparatory School. Other institutions he established included St. Joseph Cemetery, St. Ann's Hospital and St. Therese's Retreat Center, all in Columbus. (The hospital later was relocated to Westerville and is part of the Mount Carmel system.) He also had the cathedral remodeled, giving it its medieval appearance.

After Bishop Hartley died, the diocese was directed for most of 1944 by

Auxiliary Bishop Edward Hettinger, one of two priests who have become auxiliary bishop of Columbus. He was an auxiliary even longer than Bishop Hartley was a bishop – more than 54 years, from Feb. 24, 1942, to his death on Dec. 28, 1996, at age 94. He retired from active ministry on Oct. 14, 1977, his 75th birthday, and spent most of the rest of his life living quietly in a cottage in Vinton County. He is buried in St. Mary Cemetery, Lancaster.

He was pastor of Columbus Sacred Heart Church from 1945-78 and served as vicar general of the diocese and a diocesan consultor from the mid-1940s until retiring as auxiliary bishop. He was an auxiliary under six bishops and served as diocesan administrator when the bishop's position became vacant because of the death or transfer of five of them. At the time of his death, he had been a priest for more than 68 years and was the senior priest of the diocese and the senior bishop in the American hierarchy.

Msgr. Michael Ready came to Columbus to succeed Bishop Hartley after eight years as general secretary

of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, the predecessor to today's U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. In that position, he was the unofficial spokesman for the bishops of the United States and frequently was called on by congressional committees and President Franklin D. Roosevelt to represent the Catholic viewpoint on various legislative proposals.

The Diocese of Steubenville was formed in 1944 from 13 eastern Ohio counties that had been part of the Diocese of Columbus for its first 76 years. At the same time the new diocese was established, the current boundaries of the Columbus diocese were created through the addition of five counties and parts of four others that had been part of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.

Bishop Ready was consecrated in Washington in late 1944 and was installed as bishop of Columbus on Jan. 4, 1945. He is the last bishop of Columbus who had not already been serving as an auxiliary or a bishop elsewhere.

In his 12 years in Columbus, he created 18 parishes, oversaw construction of nine elementary

and five high schools, and founded two homes for the aged, the Catholic Welfare Bureau (now Catholic Social Services), the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, what is now the Columbus St. Thomas More Newman Center near Ohio State University, and the diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society. He worked with his fellow Ohio bishops to start the Ohio Catholic Welfare Conference (now the Catholic Conference of Ohio). He also had the current diocesan Chancery built next to the cathedral in 1949.

Catholic education began undergoing a significant change during Bishop Ready's tenure and continued for several years thereafter. Parishes retained their elementary schools, but Bishop Ready, presented in 1950 with several options for the future of Catholic secondary education, decided to form a system of consolidated high schools for the diocese.

Bishop Ready died in May 1957 at age 64 and is buried in St. Joseph Cemetery. He was succeeded early the

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Heartfelt congratulations  
and assurance of prayers  
to

**Bishop Frederick Campbell**

For his exemplary service of 14 years  
as bishop of the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio

and Best Wishes

to

**Bishop Robert Brennan**

on the occasion of his installation  
as 12th bishop of the Columbus See.

Bishop Richard Pates,  
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clergy, religious and faithful of the  
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## Thank You

**BISHOP CAMPBELL** – We have been blessed to have you as our shepherd in the New Evangelization.

## Welcome

**BISHOP BRENNAN** – We look forward to laboring in the Lord's vineyard together.



# Bishop Robert J. Brennan

*Congratulations and prayerful best wishes on your installation.*

*May the Diocese of Columbus grow in faith and love with your spiritual guidance.*

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**Thank you and Best Wishes, Bishop Campbell!**



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following year by Auxiliary Bishop Clarence Issenmann of Cincinnati.

Bishop Issenmann established the Diocesan Development Fund (now known as the Bishop's Annual Appeal) to provide funds for the growth of the diocese. He established eight parishes and six consolidated high schools.

His period as bishop not only was a time of continued growth within the diocese, but also saw the greatest change in centuries within the Catholic Church, coinciding with most of the period from 1962-65 when the Second Vatican Council was in session. Bishop Issenmann attended every session of the council. He also was assistant episcopal chairman of lay organizations for the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

Bishop Issenmann became bishop of Cleveland in 1966, retiring in 1974. He died in 1982 at age 75.

Bishop John Carberry had been bishop of the Diocese of Lafayette, Indiana, for eight years when he was appointed to the same position in Columbus in 1965. He also attended all four sessions of Vatican II.

As chairman of the U.S. bishops' committee on ecumenism, he was at the forefront of efforts to form closer ties between the Catholic Church and other Christian denominations. He also was a founder of the Metropolitan Area Church Board, the first organization in the United States uniting Protestants and Catholics for ecumenism and social action.

Much of his time in Columbus was devoted to putting the liturgical changes approved by the council into effect in the diocese. In addition, he and the pastors of 10 Columbus parishes established the Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs (JOIN) to help Columbus residents struggling to obtain the basic necessities of life. Today, JOIN aids about 25,000 people a year.

Bishop Carberry became archbishop of St. Louis in early 1968 and was appointed a cardinal a year later. He is the only Columbus bishop to achieve that distinction. He retired in 1979 and died in 1998 at age 93.

Succeeding him in 1968 was Auxiliary Bishop Clarence Elwell of Cleveland, who as a boy in Cleveland was

an altar server for his assistant pastor, Father (later Bishop) Ready. He continued the work of implementing the reforms of Vatican II that was started by Bishop Carberry.

Bishop Elwell took a strong interest in Catholic education and worked with his fellow bishops in Ohio to foster opportunities for families to send their children to Catholic schools. He founded Resurrection Cemetery in Lewis Center, established the Diocesan Sisters' Council and the Diocesan Pastoral Council, and moved laypersons into positions of trust. Additionally, he firmed up diocesan finances by expanding the Diocesan Development Office, the Parish Aid Fund and the diocesan self-insurance program.

He died unexpectedly on Feb. 16, 1973, at age 69, in his apartment in the Chancery. He is buried in St. Joseph Cemetery.

Auxiliary Bishop Edward Herrmann of Washington became Columbus' ninth bishop in 1973. His service in Columbus was highlighted by support for community housing and food programs and by the reorganization of the diocese into

15 geographical groups of parishes known as vicariates. The original 15 vicariates now number 12 and are known as deaneries.

In 1977, the first Seton Square housing complex for low-income senior citizens and people with mobility impairment opened in Columbus. There now are 14 Seton Squares throughout the diocese, with four in Franklin County and the others in Dover (which has two), London, Kenton, Marion, Washington Court House, Wellston, Zanesville, Lancaster and Coshocton. Both Bishop Herrmann and Auxiliary Bishop George Fulcher, who served in Columbus from 1976 to 1983, were known for their social activism. In 1981, as the nation's economy faltered, Bishop Herrmann noticed that food pantries and social service agencies could not meet people's needs and that more people were lining up every day, as they still do, at the back door of the cathedral to receive food.

This resulted in a meeting of com-

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## Ad multos Annos!

**The Latin Mass Community of Columbus offers a most sincere and hearty welcome to His Excellency, Bishop Robert Brennan, as the Ordinary of the Diocese of Columbus.**

**Know of our prayers, of our support, and of our hope for a fruitful and holy time as Bishop of the Diocese of Columbus.**

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## Welcome Bishop Brennan!



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...may God hold you in the Palm of His Hand

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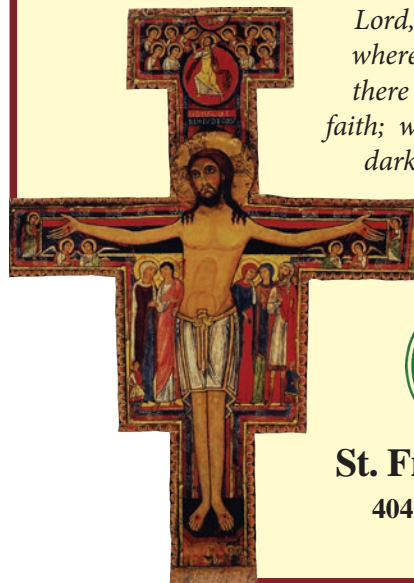


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## WELCOME Bishop Brennan!

## THANK YOU Bishop Campbell!



*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.*



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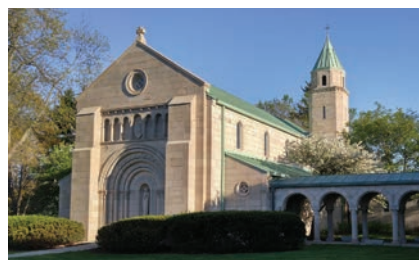
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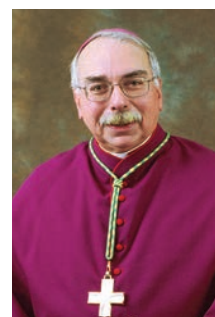
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## Bishop Campbell, with gratitude we wish you continued blessings.



## Bishop Brennan, with faith and hope we welcome you.



DIOCESE of  
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The Department for Education-Offices of Catholic Schools,  
Youth & Young Adult Ministry & Recreation,  
and Religious Education & Catechesis



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utive director, Women’s Care Center Columbus; former director, diocesan Office of Development and Planning

– “Bishop Campbell has always been a champion for marriage and family life, and he made this clear throughout the time he served as bishop for the Diocese of Columbus. It has been an honor and a privilege to work for him, and I will be forever grateful for his leadership and support for our work through the diocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life. I praise God for the gift of Bishop Campbell and wish him all the best in his retirement.” – Stephanie Rapp, director, diocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life

– “Bishop Campbell has always been a spiritual guide and gentle leader for the work of the diocese in the area of social concerns, upholding the commitment to life, fostering religious freedom, combating pornography, fighting homelessness, encouraging care for creation, responding to the opioid epidemic, bridging the racial divide and celebrating the lives of our saints.

“On the charities side, he has been exceptional in his support for our crisis outreach ministries, JOIN, Catho-

lic Social Services, the Our Lady of Guadalupe Center and the St. Francis centers in Portsmouth and McArthur. He has encouraged greater cooperation among our incorporated Catholic Charities agencies and consistently assisted them in their needs.

“We thank God for his blessings during Bishop Campbell’s tenure as bishop of Columbus and pray that he will send us what we need to continue to be witnesses to his love and saving power.” – Mark Huddy, diocesan episcopal moderator for social concerns and Catholic Charities

– “I am so thankful for having the privilege of working with Bishop Campbell. He has truly been a voice of compassion and wisdom through the years.

“He always encourages us to seek beyond the muddy waters of division, hatred, disappointment and despair to find the loving and sacred heart of Jesus that binds us all and challenges us to love. His passion for the Catholic Church and her children has been a blessing to witness.” – Andrea Pannell, diocesan episcopal moderator for development and planning

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was his gentle way of saying ‘No!’

“I appreciate that he trusted me enough to name me judicial vicar after the death of Msgr. James Ruef, and also when he called me out of retirement to administer the Johnstown Church of the Ascension after the retirement of Father Larry Reichert, its former pastor.


“I stayed in touch with the bishop throughout and was grateful to him for giving me the opportunity to do something I had never done – administer a parish outside Franklin County.

“I’ve always appreciated his kindness to me, his solicitude and willingness to be of assistance when his approval was sought. Chief in my mind was the time when I was pastor of St. Christopher. The Arlington Bank was proposing to build a bank on a small part of the church property, which


would add to the monthly income of the parish, since that part of the property was unproductive at that time.

“He willingly signed the contract, and his willingness to take my recommendation was appreciated by me. The bank’s payment still contributes significantly to the monthly income of the parish.


“I’ve been impressed at how well he mixes with parishioners in his pastoral visits. Unless he’s ill, he willingly agrees to pose with those confirmed and their families – something that is not easy after a long ceremony! He’s always impressed me with his easy and friendly manner with the laity, as well as his support and promotion of the permanent diaconate, not only in our diocese, but on a national level.” – Msgr. John Cody, retired pastor, Columbus St. Christopher Church



**Welcome  
Bishop Brennan  
and  
thank you  
Bishop Campbell  
from  
The Deacons of  
the Diocese  
of Columbus**



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Andrew Burson, M.A.,  
Liturgical Consultant

Thank you Bishop Campbell for the privilege of assisting you in your role as the Chief Liturgist of the Diocese of Columbus. We wish you all the best in your days of retirement!

Welcome Bishop Brennan, the 12th Bishop of the Diocese of Columbus and new Chief Liturgist for our Diocese. We are here to assist you in every way as you make your transition, and are honored to serve you.



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**WELCOME TO COLUMBUS  
BISHOP BRENNAN!**

THANK YOU, BISHOP CAMPBELL!

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## Dispensation from obligation to abstain

Bishop Frederick Campbell has issued a decree granting all Catholics of the Diocese of Columbus a dispensation from the obligation to abstain from meat on Friday, March 29, in honor of the very significant and

historic occasion of the installation of the Most Rev. Robert J. Brennan as Bishop Campbell's successor. Bishop Brennan will become the 12th bishop of Columbus.

### To the Diocese of Columbus

With Prayers

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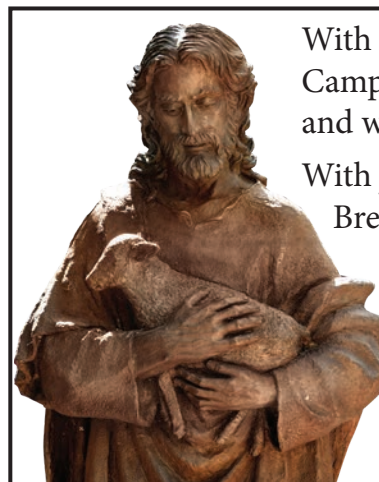
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Welcome His Excellency  
Bishop Robert Brennan  
to the Diocese of Columbus



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With heartfelt gratitude, we thank Bishop Campbell for his years of fatherly guidance and wisdom.

With joy and hope, we welcome Bishop Brennan as the new shepherd of our Diocesan family.

~ The Marriage & Family Life Office



DIOCESE of  
COLUMBUS  
MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

Dear Most Rev. Bishop  
Robert J. Brennan,

Indeed, we are highly excited to welcome You in our midst – to shepherd us, bless us and pray with us. We pray that your apostolate here in Columbus will bear fruit for eternal life. We also pray God to grant you good health of mind and body to bear further, meaningful, and effective witness to God's divine love at all times and in all places.

With an assurance of our prayerful remembrance, humbly requesting Your Excellency's blessing on our Community and its new enterprise for the Glory of God and the good of children and their families.

Respectfully yours in the Holy Family,  
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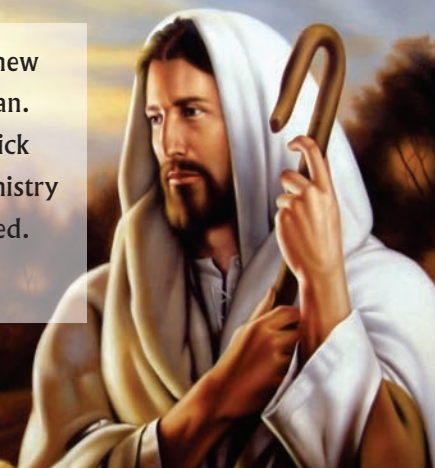
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Men Of The East Welcomes our new Shepherd - Bishop Robert Brennan. We wish to Thank Bishop Frederick Campbell for his many years of ministry and leadership, you will be missed.

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Local news and events

# Catholic Social Services awarded \$1.2 million

Catholic Social Services (CSS) was one of three human services organizations nationally to be awarded \$1.2 million to conduct Stay the Course, a case management program proven to increase persistence and degree completion rates for community college students.

The program has been funded for three years, beginning in August, and

will be a partnership with Columbus State Community College.

Stay the Course helps students address personal, economic and social barriers to college success through intensive case management and emergency financial assistance. It was developed by Catholic Charities of Fort Worth, Texas.

An evaluation by the University of

Notre Dame's Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities shows that Stay the Course participants are 25.2 percent more likely to persist in college than the comparison group, and female participants are 31.5 percent more likely to earn an associate degree than the comparison group.

CSS and Columbus State will replicate the program. CSS will add five

employees to conduct it, with three of them directly serving students at the community college's downtown campus. The grant also includes resources for emergency financial assistance to Columbus State students.

"I find it heroic how many people who are already balancing work and family responsibilities go to school to build a better future for themselves and their children," said Rachel Lustig, CSS president and chief executive officer. "There is no group fighting harder to make their lives and our community better, and CSS wants to be in their corner with Columbus State to help them be successful."

"We are excited to partner with Catholic Social Services to bring this proven solution to our students," said Columbus State president David Harrison. "We know that many students face financial challenges that can prevent them from focusing fully on their education. Connecting them to supportive resources is a critical component to overall student success."

Catholic Social Services is an anti-poverty agency whose goal is to empower people in need, regardless of background, with the tools they need to reach their full potential. Its efforts are focused on families and senior citizens. Its unique approach to helping clients, most of whom are marginalized or struggling with poverty, is designed to help them overcome barriers to success while respecting their dignity and acknowledging their value to the community. Learn more at [www.colss.org](http://www.colss.org).

## Holy Rosary-St. John to host revival

The diocesan Catholic Ethnic Ministries office is sponsoring a Lenten revival at 6:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, March 21 and 22 at Columbus Holy Rosary-St. John Church, 648 S. Ohio Ave.

Fathers Chester and Charles Smith, twins who are members of the Divine Word Order of priests and live in Indianapolis, will preach about the abundance of grace that is found in Christ. For more information visit [www.colss.org](http://www.colss.org).



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## The Catholic Men's Luncheon Club thanks Bishop Campbell for his friendship and his many years of leadership of the Diocese, and heartily welcomes Bishop Brennan to Columbus!

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*"We can do no great things; only small things with great love."*  
-Saint Teresa of Calcutta

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munity leaders that ultimately led to creation of the annual Operation Feed campaign, which now is sponsored by the Mid-Ohio Foodbank and provides millions of meals every year to the hungry of Franklin County.

Bishop Herrmann retired in 1982 and moved back to the Washington area for nine years, but returned to Columbus in 1991 to continue his ministry as a priest and bishop emeritus. He had a stroke in 1995 and moved to the former St. Raphael's Home for the Aged, where he died in late 1999. He is buried in the cathedral undercroft.

Bishop Fulcher was pastor of the cathedral when he was appointed an auxiliary bishop in 1976. He had been founding pastor of Columbus St. Anthony Church from 1963-75 and had served at several parishes in the preceding 15 years. From 1958-67, he was editor of *The Catholic Times*. He also taught theology at the Josephinum for 27 years, and, like Bishop Herrmann, regularly attended ecumenical gatherings.

He was on the committee that wrote the U.S. bishops' pastoral letter titled *The Challenge of Peace: God's Promise and Our Response*, which urged nuclear disarmament and was written in 1983. In that same year, he was appointed bishop of Lafayette, Indiana, a position he held for less than a year. He died when his car left the road,

crashed and burned in western Indiana on Jan. 25, 1984.

Auxiliary Bishop James Griffin of Cleveland was appointed as Bishop Herrmann's successor in 1983. Within a year of his installation, he had visited every parish and school in the diocese. In 1984, he formed the secretariat system to oversee diocesan departments and programs. This enabled him to focus on his role as shepherd and pastor of the diocese.

In 1984, he established The Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Columbus to provide for the diocese's long-term needs. The foundation manages more than 1,100 endowment funds, including nearly 250 donor advised funds. Nearly 90 percent of grants from these funds benefit parishes, schools and ministries throughout the diocese. Other funds managed by the foundation include charitable gift annuities, charitable remainder trusts and scholarships.

Bishop Griffin also initiated the Legacy of Catholic Learning campaign in 1989 and the Challenge in Changing Times campaign in 2000 to help meet the educational and future needs of the diocese and helped initiate a communitywide, faith-based task force that worked to reduce domestic violence.

The former St. Raphael's and St. Rita's homes for the aged were closed

during his time as bishop and were replaced by the Villas at St. Therese adjacent to St. Therese's Retreat Center on Columbus' far east side. The villas include areas for assisted living, opened in 1999, and for independent living, opened in 2001. Mother Angelina McCrory Manor, a skilled nursing care and rehabilitation facility, was opened adjacent to the villas in 2004.

Bishop Griffin was president of Catholic Relief Services from 1991 to 1995 and served on a number of committees of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. His 21 years as the diocese's spiritual leader were second in length among Columbus bishops only to Bishop Hartley's 40 years.

He announced his retirement on Oct. 14, 2004, saying limitations caused by age and arthritis detracted from the energy necessary to serve as bishop. Now 84 years old, he has lived in Powell for the past 13 years and continues to serve the diocese

as a weekend assistant at St. Joan of Arc Church. He also is a concelebrant with his successor, Bishop Frederick Campbell, at Masses, such as ordinations and the funerals of priests, which bring people together from throughout the diocese.

At his retirement announcement, Bishop Griffin said then-Auxiliary Bishop Frederick Campbell of St. Paul-Minneapolis had been appointed as his successor, a position Bishop Campbell held for more than 14 years until reaching 75, the mandatory retirement age for a bishop, on Aug. 5, 2018. Stories on his tenure as bishop appear elsewhere in this edition of *The Catholic Times*.

Bishop Campbell announced on Jan. 31 that the Vatican had accepted his letter of resignation and that Bishop Brennan had been appointed as his successor. Bishop Campbell will continue to live in the Columbus area in retirement.

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columbuscatholic.org/cem, and to receive updates from the Catholic Ethnic Ministries office, text "cem" to 22828.

Holy Rosary-St. John Church also is conducting a Lenten Bible study on the Scriptural basis for the Sacraments on Sundays through April 14 in Campion Hall of the St. John Center, next to the church.

Stations of the Cross will take place in the church from 7 to 8 p.m. on Fridays from March 29 to April 12.

**Catholic Record Society elects officers**

J. Michael Finn was re-elected as chairman of the diocesan Catholic Record Society during its quarterly meeting at St. Therese's Retreat Center in Columbus. Also re-elected were Edward Quickert as vice chairman and

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**With Gratitude**

Our deepest thanks to

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Donald Schlegel as secretary. Mark Gideon was elected treasurer.

The society was founded in 1974, just after the retirement from active ministry of the late Msgr. Herman Mattingly, who organized the current diocesan archives and was founding editor of *The Catholic Times* and its predecessor, *The Columbus Register*.

Today, the society remains dedicated to the collection, preservation and publication of the history of persons, events, organizations and places associated with the Catholic Church in the areas historically connected with the Diocese of Columbus. Its objective is to make known the works of

the Church by bringing into better light the heroism of the missionaries, priests, religious women and lay people who laid the foundation of today's Diocese of Columbus.

One of its more recent accomplishments was the writing and production of more than 35 diocesan history minutes for broadcast by St. Gabriel Catholic Radio. The Society thanks Msgr. Robert Noon, Msgr. David Sorohan, Gideon, Schlegel and the St. Gabriel Radio staff for their assistance in the production of these recordings.

In addition, the society assisted in the publication of Schlegel's new book, *Devotion to Truth: The Life of*

*Rt. Rev. Sylvester H. Rosecrans, DD, First Bishop of Columbus.*

Anyone interested in joining or learning more about the society on its website, <https://columbuscatholic.org/catholic-record-society>.

Father Bell to speak at Our Lady of Victory

Father Steven Bell, CSP, will conduct a parish mission with the theme "Healing and Hope" from Monday to Wednesday, March 25 to 27 at Columbus Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559 Roxbury Road. He will speak

each day at 10 a.m. in the parish life center and 7 p.m. in the church.

Father Bell formerly served at the Columbus St. Thomas More Newman Center and is based at the Motherhouse of the Paulist Fathers in New York City. He leads parish missions, retreats, revivals and workshops, all of which consider the importance of reconciliation and healing.

A reception with food and fellowship will follow each session. Confessions will be heard after the Wednesday sessions. Free child care will be available at the evening sessions only.

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## Third Sunday of Lent (Year C)

## The Lord is kind and merciful

Father  
Timothy  
Hayes

**Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15**  
**Ps. 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11**  
**1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12**  
**Luke 13:1-9**

God comes to meet us where we are. He hears our cry. He knows us. He loves us. He touches us in the depths of our beings. This relationship with God is the meaning of our lives.

The world tells us that meaning comes from outside us. In truth, we discover meaning through an encounter with the living God.

Moses is curious. He goes to see. And God takes him on the journey of his life. Moses went with his curiosity and became the founder of a people whom he led to freedom. God reveals Himself to Moses as *I AM. Ehyeh asher ehyeh*. Moses meets the God Who Is, the God Who reveals Himself in and through creation and through history. And he is called to bring God's people to freedom.

Jesus listens to the news of His day and He uses it as a call to repentance and to putting faith into practice. Jesus gives His life for all of us, creating a new people whose call is to witness true freedom throughout history. He reminds us that we too are called to repent, to acknowledge God's place. His parable tells us that we are to bear fruit. And He lets us know that God gives us the time to repent, if we are willing.

Paul tells us that what happens to those who came before us is an example for us. Their journey prepared them and us for the coming of Christ.

There is a longing in our hearts, a hunger, a thirst that is experienced in every experience. This comes to light, especially in our difficulties and struggles.

We live in times when the Church is often in the news. Everyone is curious about us. And everyone has an opinion as to just how we ought to be. Who has not taken part in a conversation about "Catholic things" in which we are made to look like fools? The world just doesn't get who we are.

We have to admit that often, we also fail to understand. Our own fail-

ures and scandals are there for all to see. Nonetheless, the call to be faithful goes out to all who are part of the Church, the living People of God.

The life of faith is a life of commitment and follow-through. God reveals His love and mercy through our encounters with Him in human history. We are invited to pay attention to the news, not to allow it to change us or our understanding of God or His Church, but rather to discover what we have to offer to this generation through active practice of our faith. Our lives are meant to bear fruit, leading others to faith and freedom in Christ. This is the purpose of our lives on earth. Earth is a place of journey. We have to pay attention to the burning bushes we encounter in the desert of the world.

Why do we pray? Why do we fast? Why do we give alms? To encounter God, to give Him room and to allow Him to touch others through us. God is getting us ready for eternity. God has a plan and He sends us on a mission.

The sacramental life of the Church offers us the encouragement we need to renew our commitment to live in faith. The Mass reveals where we are headed and how to get there. The Sacrament of Reconciliation calls us to repent and to open our hearts to the grace that is offered to convert us to a better way of life. Confession is good for the soul. Prepare yourself to meet your Maker. *"The Lord is kind and merciful."* Our merciful God is giving us time to repent and to bear fruit.

*Alternate Readings for the First Scrutiny (Year A):*

Exodus 17:3-7  
 Psalm 95:1-2,6-7,8-9  
 Romans 5:1-2,5-8  
 John 4:5-42

Year A readings, which are used at Masses when the First Scrutiny is prayed over members of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), invite us to discover our thirst for God and, like the woman of Samaria, to open our hearts to the grace that is offered. Transformed by grace, we then draw others to respond to Christ, seeing for themselves that He is truly "the Savior of the world."

*Father Timothy M. Hayes is pastor of Columbus St. Timothy Church.*

THE WEEKDAY  
BIBLE READINGS

MONDAY  
 Isaiah 7:10-14;8:10  
 Psalm 40:7-11  
 Hebrews 10:4-10  
 Luke 1:26-38

TUESDAY  
 Daniel 3:25,34-43  
 Psalm 25:4bc-5ab,6-7bc,8-9  
 Matthew 18:21-35

WEDNESDAY  
 Deuteronomy 4:1,5-9  
 Psalm 147:12-13,15-16,19-20  
 Matthew 5:17-19

THURSDAY  
 Jeremiah 7:23-28  
 Psalm 95:1-2,6-9  
 Luke 11:14-23

FRIDAY  
 Hosea 14:2-10  
 Psalm 81:6c-11b,14,17  
 Mark 12:28-34

SATURDAY  
 Hosea 6:1-6  
 Psalm 51:3-4,18-21b  
 Luke 18:9-14

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO  
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## SUNDAY MASS

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

We pray Week III, Seasonal Proper, Liturgy of the Hours.



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

# PRAY FOR OUR DEAD

**BASEHART, Robert A., 95, March 12**  
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

**CALANDRA, Alma V. (Vacirca), 94, March 9**  
St. Bernadette Church, Lancaster

**CROSWELL, John, 79, March 10**  
St. Patrick Church, Columbus

**DAVIS, Patricia J. (Downing), 66, Jan. 10**  
Immaculate Conception Church, Dennison

**FORREST, Leo, 92, Feb. 4**  
Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

**GINNETTI, Tony, 92, March 13**  
St. Joseph Church, Dover

**GLADMAN, Richard S., 88, March 12**  
St. Mary Church, Delaware

**KARAFFA, Joseph T., 94, of Columbus, March 13**  
St. Joseph Byzantine Catholic Church, Toronto, Ohio

**KLAUS, Bernard F., 79, March 14**  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove City

**MENTEL, Michael T., 75, March 14**  
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

**METZGER, Alice V. "Jeannie" (Gordon), 90, March 6**  
St. Michael Church, Worthington

**O'BRIEN, Dr. Richard E., 89, March 12**  
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus  
**ORSAG, Dorothy C., 80, March 11**  
St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

**O'RYAN, Thomas J., 92, March 13**  
St. Cecilia Church, Columbus

**RIDER, Sharron R. (Anderson), 71, March 13**  
St. Bernadette Church, Lancaster

**SHELL, Elvira M. (Hill), 101, March 11**  
St. Leonard Church, Heath

**SILKE, Rose M. (Alfano), 92, March 14**  
Immaculate Conception Church, Dennison

**STEELE, Barbara A. (Simpson), 91, March 10**  
St. Timothy Church, Columbus

**WERLEY, Olga, 90, March 11**  
St. Paul Church, Westerville

## Deacon Michael Ross

Funeral Mass for Deacon Michael Ross, who died Sunday, March 3 while hospitalized in Honolulu, will be celebrated on Saturday, March 30 at Worthington St. Michael Church. Calling hours will be from 9 to 10 a.m. in the church.

He held a doctorate in political science and later earned a doctorate in theology after he converted from Judaism to Catholicism in the 1980s.

He was ordained a deacon on May 14, 1994 by Bishop John Reiss in Trenton, New Jersey, and was incardinated in the Diocese of Columbus after becoming a systematic theology professor at the Pontifical College Josephinum in 2003.

Soon after arriving, he was appointed as the college's academic dean and later the provost.

He also taught ecclesiology and American Catholic experience in the Diocese of Columbus Diaconate

School of Theology, and was instrumental in the founding and implementation of the National Directory Institute as a cooperative effort between the National Association of Diaconate Directors and the Josephinum.

He served as a deacon at Columbus St. Mary, Mother of God Church (2003-07) and Powell St. Joan of Arc Church (2007-14).

After retiring from diaconal ministry in 2014, he and his wife, Betty, moved to Kona on the island of Hawaii, where he was actively serving in ministry at the time of his death.

In Hawaii, he remained involved with the Josephinum distance learning program, which he founded in 2008, and served as an instructor, adviser and coordinator of spiritual formation for the Diocese of Honolulu's deacon formation program.

He is survived by his wife and a son, Damon.

## Father John L. Bakle, SM

Funeral Mass for Father John L. Bakle, SM, 82, who died Tuesday, March 12 in Dayton, was celebrated Tuesday, March 19 at the Queen of Apostles Chapel of the Mount St. John retreat center in Dayton. Burial was in the Queen of Heaven Cemetery at Mount St. John.

He was born on Jan. 7, 1937 in Hicksville, Ohio, to the late George and Marie (Hoff) Bakle.

He received a bachelor of science degree from the University of Dayton and a master's degree and a doctorate in education administration from Ohio State University.

He professed first vows in the Society of Mary (Marianists) in 1955 and perpetual vows in 1961, and was ordained a priest on July 22, 1967.

In the Diocese of Columbus, he served as associate pastor at Columbus St. Matthias, St. Stephen the



Martyr, St. Agatha, and Christ the King churches between 1988 and 2008 and was a chaplain at Mount Carmel Medical Center from 1991 to 1996. He became administrator at Cardington Sacred Hearts Church in 2008, serving there until his retirement in 2016. He was in charge of the rebuilding effort after the former church building burned down on Thanksgiving Day in 2013. A new church was dedicated on the same holiday at the same site two years later.

Before coming to the Columbus diocese, he served parishes in Dayton, Cincinnati, Washington, D.C., and East St. Louis, Illinois. From 1971 to 1983, he was an Army chaplain, stationed in the United States, Germany and Italy.

Survivors include a brother, Walter (Carol), and nephews and nieces.

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## MARCH

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Revival at Holy Rosary-St. John  
6:30 p.m., Holy Rosary-St. John Church, 648  
S. Ohio Ave., Columbus. Revival sponsored  
by diocesan Catholic Ethnic Ministries, with  
Fathers Charles Smith and Chester Smith, SVD,  
preaching.  
33 Hours of Adoration at Resurrection  
From end of 9 a.m. Thursday Mass to 6:30  
p.m. Friday, Resurrection chapel, Church of the  
Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New  
Albany. 33 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration in honor  
of Jesus' 33 years on Earth. Also on Thursday and  
Friday, March 28 and 29. 614-390-9385

## 22, FRIDAY

**Derya Little at Otterbein**  
4 p.m., Room 112, Towers Hall, Otterbein  
University, 1 S. Grove St., Westerville. Otterbein  
Catholic Student Ministry presents talk by Catholic  
author Derya Little on her journey from Islam to  
atheism to Catholicism. 703-283-5437  
**Completion of the Sacraments of Initiation**  
7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston  
Ave., Columbus. Completion of the sacraments of  
initiation for already-baptized Catholic adults who  
have not received their first Communion or been  
confirmed, with Bishop Frederick Campbell.  
**Holy Hour at St. Matthew**  
7 p.m., St. Matthew Church, 807 Havens  
Corners Road, Gahanna. Monthly Holy Hour with  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and prayers  
for reparation, purification and sanctification of the  
universal Church. 614-471-0212  
**Praying the Stations of Mercy at St. Matthias**  
7 p.m., St. Matthias Church, 1582 Ferris Road,  
Columbus. Praying the Stations of Mercy with  
Pope Francis. 614-267-3406  
**Byzantine Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts**  
7 p.m., St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic  
Church, 5858 Cleveland Ave., Columbus. Liturgy  
of the Presanctified Gifts, a Vespers service with  
Holy Eucharist. 614-882-7578

## 22-24, FRIDAY-SUNDAY

**Run the Race Club Presents 'The Wizard of Oz'**  
7 p.m. Friday, 6 p.m. Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday,  
Run the Race Center, 880 S. Wayne Ave.,  
Columbus. Run the Race Club presents "The  
Wizard of Oz," directed by 15-year-old Charles  
Easley with a cast of young people from the Hilltop  
neighborhood. Tickets \$5; dinner after the play  
also \$5. 614-276-2171

## 23, SATURDAY

**Ohio Dominican Preview Day**  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bishop Griffin Center, Ohio  
Dominican University, 1215 Sunbury Road,  
Columbus. Preview day for prospective students,  
featuring campus tours and discussion on courses,  
activities and financial aid. 614-251-4500  
**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.  
**DCCW Estate Planning Workshop**  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Bryce Eck Activity Center, St.  
Andrew Church, 3880 Reed Road, Columbus.  
"Estate Planning and End-of-Life Issues: A Gift to  
Your Family" sponsored by Diocesan Council of  
Catholic Women. \$20 per person including lunch.  
**'No Greater Love' at Church of Our Lady**  
5 p.m., Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church,  
5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Part 3 of Edward  
Sri's six-part *No Greater Love* series, telling the

story of Christ's Passion on location, repeating at  
6:30 p.m. March 25. 614-861-1242

## 24, SUNDAY

**Exposition at Our Lady of Mount Carmel**  
9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
Church, 5133 Walnut Road S.E., Buckeye Lake.  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament each Sunday  
during Lent. 740-928-3266  
**St. Christopher Adult Religious Education**  
10 to 11:20 a.m., Cafeteria, Trinity Catholic School,  
1440 Grandview Ave., Columbus. Old Testament  
study with Scripture scholar Angela Burdge.  
**'Catholicism' Series at Holy Cross**  
Noon, Holy Cross Church, 204 S. 5th St.,  
Columbus. Parts 5 and 6 of Bishop Robert  
Barron's 10-part *Catholicism* series.  
**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  
**Sung Vespers at Cathedral**  
4:45 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St.,  
Columbus. Sung Vespers with the cathedral choir.  
**'The Wild Goose Is Loose' at Christ the King**  
5 to 7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E.  
Livingston Ave., Columbus (enter at daily Mass  
entrance). Lenten preparation program featuring  
*The Wild Goose Is Loose* DVD series on the Holy  
Spirit with Father Dave Pivonka, TOR.  
**Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter**  
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road,  
Columbus. Mass in Spanish, with confessions  
from 6 to 7. 706-761-4054 or 614-294-7702

## 24-26, SUNDAY-TUESDAY

**Parish Mission at St. Pius X**  
7 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner  
Road, Reynoldsburg. Parish mission presented  
by Father Thomas Blau, OP, with theme "Why Is  
There Still Suffering?" 614-866-2859

## 25, MONDAY

**Morning of Reflection at St. Therese's**  
9 a.m., St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E.  
Broad St., Columbus. Morning of reflection  
presented by Father William Arnold, with theme  
"Our Lenten Journey." Sponsored by Columbus  
Holy Spirit and St. Philip churches. Free to  
parishioners; others by donation. Limit of 65  
people. Reservations required.  
**Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry**  
6 p.m. dinner, 6:45 p.m. prayer service and  
support group meeting, 2744 Dover Road,  
Columbus (Christ the King convent, first building  
west of church). 614-718-0277, 614-309-2651,  
614-309-0157  
**Rosary at St. Pius X**  
6 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. 614-866-2859  
**Evening Prayer at St. John Neumann**  
6:30 p.m., St. John Neumann Church, 9633 E.  
State Route 37, Sunbury. Evening Prayer led by  
Deacon Carl Calcara. 740-965-1358  
**Our Lady of Peace Men's Bible Study**  
7 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 20 E.  
Dominion Blvd., Columbus. Bible study of  
Sunday's readings.  
**'Pivotal Players' Series at Seton**  
7 to 8:45 p.m., Herrmann Hall, St. Elizabeth  
Seton Parish, 600 Hill Road North, Pickerington.  
The story of St. Benedict, part of Bishop Robert  
Barron's *Pivotal Players* video series.

## 25-27, MONDAY-WEDNESDAY

Parish Mission at Our Lady of Victory

Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559 Roxbury Road,  
Columbus. Parish mission led by Father Steven  
Bell, CSP, with theme of "Healing and Hope." 10  
a.m. in parish life center, 7 p.m. in church.

## 26, TUESDAY

**Padre Pio Prayer Group at St. John the Baptist**  
12:30 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 168 E.  
Lincoln Ave., Columbus. Padre Pio Prayer Group  
meeting, including rosary, devotions, and 1 p.m.  
Mass. 614-294-5319  
**Rosary for Life at St. Joan of Arc**  
Following 6:15 p.m. Mass, St. Joan of Arc Church,  
10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Recital of Rosary for  
Life, sponsored by church's respect life committee.

## 27, WEDNESDAY

**Center for Dominican Studies Lecture Series**  
Noon to 12:30 p.m., St. Catherine of Siena  
Room, Erskine Hall, Ohio Dominican University,  
1215 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Sister Louis  
Mary Passeri, OP, speaks on "I Was Thirsty and  
You Gave Me to Drink" as part of Center for  
Dominican Studies series on justice.  
**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. 614-866-2859  
**Talk by Archbishop Chaput at Josephinum**  
7 p.m., Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 N.  
High St., Columbus. Archbishop Charles Chaput,  
OFM Cap, archbishop of Philadelphia, delivers the  
annual Cardinal Pio Laghi memorial lecture. Topic:  
"Facing the Future With Confidence and Joy."

## 28, THURSDAY

**'Live Lent' Program at St. Ladislav**  
1 to 2:30 p.m., Shott Hall, St. Ladislav Church, 277  
Reeb Ave., Columbus. "Live Lent" open discussion  
program on how Scriptures pertain to life today.  
**Cenacle at Holy Name**  
6 p.m., Holy Name Church, 154 E. Patterson Ave.,  
Columbus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,  
with prayers in the Cenacle format of the Marian  
Movement of Priests.  
**Eucharistic Holy Hour at 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  
**Lenten Literature Series at Cols. St. Patrick**  
7 p.m., Aquinas Hall, St. Patrick Church, 280 N.  
Grant Ave., Columbus. Series on literature related  
to Lent features Father Nicholas Ingham, OP,  
speaking on "A Twitch Upon the Thread: Appalling  
Grace and Evelyn Waugh's *Brideshead Revisited*."  
**Frassati Society Christ in the City**  
7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave.,  
Columbus. Christ in the City program sponsored  
by parish's Frassati Society for young adults, with  
Eucharistic Adoration, confessions, Taize chant  
and Dominican Compline, followed by fellowship at  
Pat and Gracie's, 340 E. Gay St. 614-224-9522  
**Vespers, Benediction at St. Margaret**  
7:30 p.m., St. Margaret of Cortona Church, 1600  
N. Hague Ave., Columbus. Sung Vespers and  
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, following  
Stations of the Cross. 614-279-1690

## 28-31, THURSDAY-SUNDAY

**Cum Christo Weekend at St. James the Less**  
Beginning 7:30 p.m. Thursday, St. James the Less  
Church, 1652 Oakland Park Ave., Columbus. Cum  
Christo weekend for men interested in setting  
aside daily activities to focus on their relationship  
with Christ. Details at <https://cumchristo.org>.



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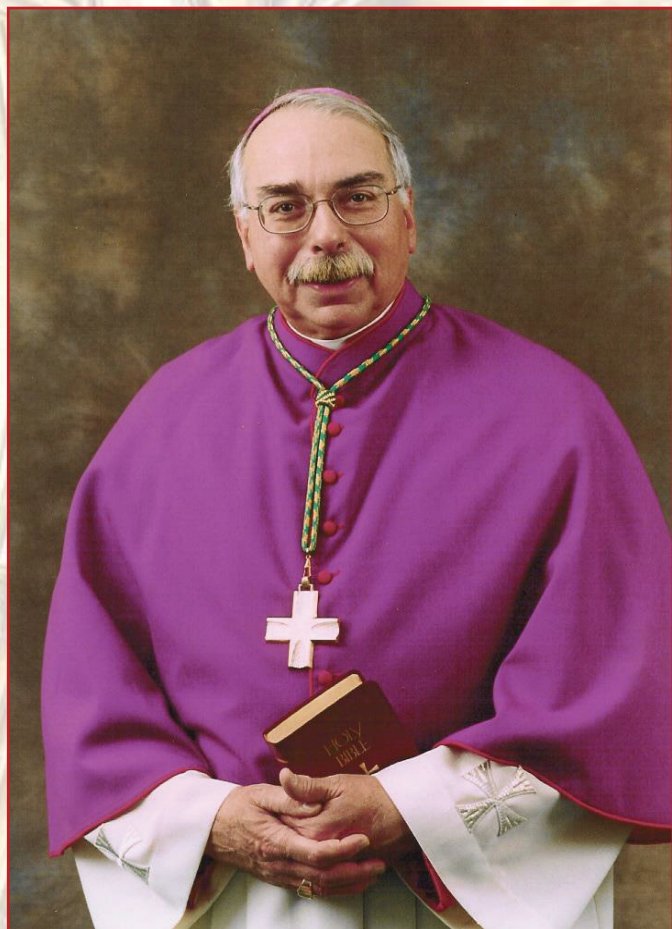
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