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Ecce sacerdos magnus

By David Garick, Editor



Ecce sacerdos magnus – “Behold a great high priest” – With these words of Latin chant echoing through the majesty of St. Joseph Cathedral, three sons of our diocese stepped forward to take on the enormous responsibility of the priesthood.

Last Saturday, May 28, was a very memorable day. If you have never attended an ordination, you are missing a special insight into the workings of our faith. When Christ founded the Church, he created her around the sacraments which he instituted to comfort us and strengthen us though all the days of our lives. Those sacraments were entrusted to the men he called to follow him into a life of sacrifice, devotion, and love. In the sacrament of Holy Orders, we see all of the other sacraments illuminated in the light of his love, reflected in the men who are being called to stand in the place of Christ in our lives and to provide those sacraments to each of us.

The priesthood is so much more than just a career choice. The priest continues the eternal sacrifice Christ made for us on the Cross and his glorious resurrection by providing us with the incredible opportunity to partake of the real body and blood of our Savior. He is there to welcome us into the Church through the act of Baptism. For those of us who choose the vocation of married life, he is there to preside at that mystical union. When our flawed human nature leads us astray, the priest is there to hear our sorrow for our sins and to comfort us with God's forgiveness. When we are suffering, the priest is there to provide healing. When God calls us home, the priest is there to aid us in that final journey and to comfort those we leave behind. These are no ordinary job duties. This requires a level

of commitment that can only come from one who has been called by Christ and strengthened through his enduring love.

This is why vocations are so important to the Church. This is why events such as last Saturday's ordination are a cause for such joy. The men who have just taken on this great responsibility are just like the rest of us in many ways. They came out of our parishes from lives much like our own. Just as Christ called fishermen, a tax collector, and other simple workers to become his first apostles, people like us continue to be called to the sacred priesthood.

It is a long, arduous journey to become a priest. But while it is a life that involves significant sacrifice and hard work, every priest I know speaks of how much that sacrifice is overcome by the love the priest feels in his relationship to Christ and to the Church. We will always need more priests. The good news is that more men are hearing the call and stepping forward to take on this responsibility. Our diocese now has 31 men in various stages of preparation for the priesthood. That bodes well for the future of our Church. We must all be open to the call of whatever vocation – married life, consecrated life, or ordination – God is calling us to. He will provide us with the grace to live out that vocation.

That Latin chant at the beginning of the ordination Mass goes on to say, “Behold a great high priest, who in his days pleased God. Therefore by an oath the Lord made him increase among his people. He gave him a blessing of all nations and confirmed his covenant upon his head.” Amen.

SCRIPTURE AND LITURGY PROGRAM

WITH FATHER MITCH PACWA

Nationally known speaker and author Father Mitch Pacwa, SJ, will be in Columbus on Saturday, June 25 for a day of prayer and talks sponsored by the Office of Divine Worship of the Diocese of Columbus.

The program will take place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Msgr. Kennedy Center of Columbus St. Agatha Church, 1860 Northam Road. The theme for the day will be “Sacred Scripture in Worship: Understanding God's Word in the Life of the Church.”

Father Pacwa will speak about the roots of the Mass in the Old and New Testaments, look at the *Lectionary* and explain how it differs from reading the Bible, and lead participants in learning how to use Sacred Scripture in personal prayer. The day will conclude with a Holy Hour and Mass.

Father Pacwa, 66, is celebrating his 40th anniversary as a Jesuit priest this year. He has been host or a guest for many EWTN television and radio programs, has written several books, and has led more than 50 pilgrimages to the Holy Land. He has taught at the University of Dallas and at Loyola University of Chicago, and is a senior fellow for the Steubenville-based St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology.

In 2000, he established Ignatius Productions, a Catholic media production apostolate whose mission is to teach people the Scriptures, educate Catholics about their faith, and promote unity and understanding within the Mystical Body of Christ.

The cost for Father Pacwa's program is \$20 per person, including continental breakfast, lunch, and snacks. To register online, go to Event Brite or contact the Office of Divine Worship by phone at (614) 221-4640 or by email at litmailbox@colsdio.org.

Catholic Times is on summer schedule!

Things slow down during the summer, and that includes the *Catholic Times*. During June, July, and August, we will only be publishing every other week. Look for the *Catholic Times* in your mailbox just prior to:

June 19; July 3, 17, & 31; August 14 & 28

We will return to our regular weekly publication schedule in September

**Front Page photo:**

Three men ordained to the diocesan priesthood on Saturday, May 28 lay prostrate moments before their ordination as the congregation chants the Litany of Supplication.
CT photo by Ken Snow

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New parish life center planned for Mattingly Settlement

The loss of an old building to make way for a new one often results in a public outcry about the destruction of a community's heritage.

Mattingly Settlement St. Mary Church is about to lose a structure that's been part of its property since it was dedicated 160 years ago. The building performed a necessary function, but it's likely that few will mourn its loss.

The building that will disappear from behind the church is an old outhouse (pictured below). It's a bit fancier than most of its counterparts, for it has separate men's and women's facilities, with doors whimsically marked "Adam" and "Eve."

"It's basically two holes in the ground. Talk about being 'holy' and 'humble,'" said Father Don Franks, pastor of both the Mattingly Settlement church and Dresden St. Ann Church.

The building is no longer in use because, as Father Franks explained, "Adam and Eve have two large ground-hogs that live underneath, with plenty of healthy termites in the facility."

A rented portable toilet next to the old building has taken over its functions.

The building is to be replaced by a parish life center and chapel (see drawing at top right).

Father Franks said the combined parish will use the center for retreats, pilgrimages, conferences, education, evangelization, praise, and worship.

Perhaps most significantly, it will have three bathrooms.

He hopes the old building can be preserved at another location. "We will donate this antique heirloom to anyone for \$150,000," the amount which needs to be raised before ground is broken for the center to ensure that the parish will not go beyond its means by building it,

Father Franks said.

The Mattingly Settlement church has a distinguished heritage related to the descendants of John and Ann Mattingly and their four children.

The Mattingly family settled the area in the 1830s and was visited in the 1840s by Father Jean-Baptiste Lamy, the pioneer priest who was pastor of Danville St. Luke and Newark St. Francis de Sales churches during that period.

He ultimately became the first archbishop of Santa Fe, New Mexico, and was the subject of Willa Cather's novel *Death Comes for the Archbishop*.

John Mattingly donated the land for St. Mary Church in 1856. From the Mattingly family came six priests with that last name, plus a seventh, Father Charles Finan.

One of those priests, Msgr. Herman Mattingly, was the founding editor of both the *Catholic Times* in 1951 and its predecessor, *The Columbus Register*, in 1940. He is buried next to St. Mary Church, and was pastor at Newark St. Francis de Sales Church while Father Franks grew up there, assisting him as an altar server for seven years.

Several Mattingly descendants are involved in work for the new center. Larry Mattingly Smieltzer, former chief landscaper for the Longaberger Co., has offered to do the landscaping. Steve Mattingly Smeltzer is providing the technology enabling Masses and other events at the two churches to be streamed online. Parishioner Jim Walton, who works for the Lepi Enterprises construction firm in Zanesville, has volunteered to oversee construction of the center, with others volunteering to do excavation.

Father Franks estimated the total cost of the center at more than \$800,000, but said donated goods, services, and labor will cut the actual cost to about \$400,000.

The Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity donated all the sacred objects in the chapel of the former Good Samaritan Hospital in Zanesville to the center.

Those items, worth more than \$250,000, include stained-glass windows, a tabernacle, stations of the cross, statues, a vigil lamp, a crucifix, and antique furniture.

The hospital is to be torn down this



Artist rendering of the new building

summer and is being replaced by a larger hospital.

The Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative offered to bury power lines for \$5,000, a considerable savings from the anticipated \$100,000 cost.

Father Franks and his family have donated \$24,000 in cash and items, included handcrafted furniture, a weed trimmer, and a grass blower.

The church in Mattingly Settlement is the smallest in the diocese, with about 50 registered families. The Dresden church, dedicated in 1892 to replace an earlier building, has about 90 families.

Father Franks said the Mattingly Settlement church, which holds about 160 people, is filled for its weekly Saturday evening Mass by parishioners and by people from nearby areas of Muskingum and Coshocton counties.

Special events, including most portions of the parish's annual Divine Mercy novena, also draw large crowds.

Father Joshua Wagner, pastor of Columbus St. Dominic and Holy Rosary-St. John churches, led two tours to the two northern Muskingum County church buildings during the past Easter season, with a total of 212 pilgrims attending Mass, which was in Dresden because of the limited facilities at Mattingly Settlement. He said he would lead a pilgrimage to the new center after it is built.

Father Franks said his parishioners actively participated in many activities during the past year.

A Thanksgiving dinner in Dresden attracted 840 people and 130 volunteers. First Communion and Christmas Eve Masses drew 212 and 280 people re-

spectively.

The parish women's club hosted 65 retired Muskingum County teachers in Dresden, with about 25 volunteers assisting, and Knights of Columbus Council 10820 sponsored a Mother's Day first Communion breakfast, also in Dresden. Twelve young people from the two parishes recently were confirmed and are active as altar servers.

Father Franks said one of the Mattinglys who became a priest, Father Theodore Mattingly, believed St. Mary Church one day would be "a place of miracles and pilgrimage," a prediction the proposed new center will help fulfill.

He said the spirit of the Mattinglys and of his predecessor as pastor, the late Father Jack Maynard, who donated the *Gloria in Excelsis Deo* painted in gold leaf over the church's altar, "is always a profound presence."

Their memory provides the driving force behind the vision of the new parish center, which Father Franks said will give a physical presence to parishioners' desire to be "intentional disciples of Jesus Christ, filled with the Holy Spirit and the embrace of our Father."

He is offering to name the center, the floor, rooms, and windows for donors in return for donations of specific amounts.

More information about the two parishes is available on a Facebook page titled "St. Mary's Mattingly Settlement- St. Ann Dresden."

The phone number for the parishes is (740) 754-2221, and the mailing address is Post Office Box 107, Dresden OH 43821-0107.



The old "Adam and Eve" outhouse

PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric

Board

Did you make the sign of the cross a more meditative prayer these past two weeks? To pause just a moment and make such a mechanical and common gesture a prayer takes some extra effort. We celebrated the feast of the Most Holy Trinity – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Our God is all about mercy and love. We do not intentionally take God for granted, but some things like a simple sign of the cross can be so much more helpful to us if we make it a simple prayer. We want and we need God's love and grace with us every step of the way each day. To start and end each day with a prayerful sign of the cross can make a nice difference in setting the tone for our day. Worrying about what we will wear, agonizing over our coffee, stressing about the known challenges we will face for the day, and dreading the traffic and the things we like least about the workplace will never set a positive tone for our day. Be sure to begin each day with that beautiful but simple prayer, and it will be easy to remember to end each day in the same way.

A few weeks ago, I completed five years as board chair for the International Catholic Stewardship Council. At the close of its quarterly meeting in May, I passed the gavel to Father Andrew Kemberling of Denver. He will be an excellent asset to the organization, helping to promote stewardship as a way of life throughout the world. I will miss this service, especially the wonderful people on the board. I mention this not for myself, but for the great impact of good and faithful (and practical) stewardship on our Local Church, the Diocese of Columbus. We know that we are all stewards of God's generous gifts. We own nothing, and we work very hard to not allow anything to own us. Stewardship is a way of life. Each of us, as members of our parishes, communities, and households, makes up the Body of Christ. As good and faithful stewards, we accept with gratitude the great gifts and talents with which we are blessed. We cultivate and cherish those gifts, share them with others, and then ultimately return those gifts to God with good measure. The Diocese of Columbus remains the most generous and caring diocese with which I have been associated. Time and again, we come through to support one another, especially our brothers and sisters in great need. Through parish offertory collections, second collections, special requests, and the Bishop's Annual Appeal, we support and sustain many services and ministries. Our generosity promotes and strengthens family life through marriage enrichment opportunities and family programs. We provide the financial support necessary for our seminarians in priestly formation. We do the same for the ministry of the diaconate in the diocese. We help provide tuition assistance grants to families in need. Catechetical teachers and leaders are supported in our parishes. We offer a common vision and direction for our youth and young adults. We also support the special needs of our Latino and African American Catholics.

Our practical challenge for the next two weeks is to take some time to pray and discern how much of our time, talent, and treasure we sacrifice and give to our parish. It could be time for us to reassess how and what we give. Challenge yourself to preach the Gospel as a catechist, a lector, an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, or otherwise. Go outside your comfort level. Take a look at your weekly offertory gift. When was the last time you increased your support? Maybe now is a good time to do so. Pray and discern, but also commit to action. Good and faithful stewardship is faith in action. Let us be practical and dynamic, not content and static.

Jeric is director of development and planning for the Columbus Diocese.



LIM INFORMATION NIGHT

Are you seeking to increase your knowledge of the faith? Would you like a master's degree or a certificate in religious education or pastoral ministry?

The diocesan Office of Religious Education and Catechesis, in partnership with Loyola University of New Orleans, is preparing to sponsor another Loyola Institute of Ministry Extension Program (LIMEX) beginning this fall. Information nights for anyone interested in learning more about this program will take place Monday, June 6 and Wednesday, June 22 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Catholic Center, 197 E. Gay St., Columbus. If you are interested, contact Barbara Romanello-Wichtman or Jenny Berryhill at (614) 221-4633 to RSVP for your preferred date.

The LIMEX program develops the theological and ministerial competencies of participants by integrating academic study and participants' knowledge of the Catholic faith with their own lived adult experiences as people of faith. In addition, participants develop specific competencies in a focus area of their choice.

Focus areas include religious education, pastoral life and administration, Christian spirituality for ministry, youth ministry, small Christian community formation, marketplace ministry, religion and ecology, Hispanic ministry, and pastoral care.

Core courses are taken with a group and a facilitator, using adult faith formation methods.

Chastity Education

Family Honor of Ohio, a nonprofit organization providing a family-centered, Catholic approach to chastity education, is sponsoring a "come and see" event from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 9 at The Catholic Foundation, 257 E. Broad St., Columbus.

Guests will have an opportunity to find out more about family-based chastity programs, training, and resources available to parents in central Ohio. Information also will be available on how to bring a chastity program to your parish

or get involved with the local Family Honor team. In addition, guests will hear from parents and teens who have been positively impacted by Family Honor programs and will have time to meet some of the parents involved with Family Honor. There also will be a presentation by the Catholic Foundation.

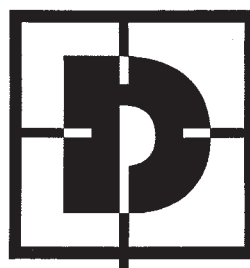
The event is free, and light appetizers will be served. Participants need to pre-register by email to Tim Madrid at tim.familyhonor@gmail.com by Wednesday, June 8.

Feast of St. Anthony of Padua

The Feast of St. Anthony of Padua will be celebrated at a 4 p.m. Mass in Columbus St. Christopher Church, 1420 Grandview Ave., on Monday, June 13. Msgr. John Cody will be the celebrant, and blessed bread will be handed out after Mass. There also will be a gathering in the school cafeteria at which pizza

will be served. All are invited to march in the procession, led by the Knights of Columbus, which will form at 5:45 p.m. at the school. All first communicants are welcomed to march in their First Communion attire, and there will be friars' robes for all the boys to wear, in honor of St. Anthony.

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In the marriage case styled ARING - ESCOBAR, 2016-0125, the Tribunal of the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio, is currently unaware of the present address of MARIA GISELA ESCOBAR. The Tribunal herewith informs her of the case and invites her to contact REV MSGR JOHN CODY JCL, Presiding and sole Judge, no later than 09 JUNE 2016. Phone: 614-241-2500. Anyone who knows of the whereabouts of MARIA GISELA ESCOBAR is herewith asked to make this Citation known to her or to inform the Tribunal of her current address. Given this 05 day of JUNE, 2016. REV MSGR JOHN CODY JCL, Presiding Judge.

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Cristo Rey Columbus High School offers eighth-grade graduates professional work-study jobs for 2016-17 school year

Do you know a 2016 eighth-grade graduate dreaming of going to Catholic high school? Is there a talented student, full of aspirations and determination, in your life? Their opportunity is here.

Cristo Rey Columbus High School is a Catholic, college-prep high school for families in search of an affordable option for Catholic education. Every family at Cristo Rey pays a different amount – one that will work with the family's budget. Costs range from \$200 to \$2,500 per school year, and the EdChoice scholarship is accepted. Admission applications for incoming freshman are being accepted now for the 2016-17 school year.

The signature component of Cristo Rey Columbus is its innovative professional work-study program (PWSP), in which students work five full days per month in the professional offices of local businesses to fund a significant portion of the cost of their education, gain job experience, and realize the relevance of their education. "We are the school that

works," said school president Jim Foley. "Our students are working to learn, and learning to work."

Cristo Rey Columbus is the only central Ohio high school offering the PWSP. "We hear from students that one of the primary factors in their decision to come to Cristo Rey Columbus is our work-study program," said school admissions director Meghan Devring. "The chance to get hands-on experience in a professional work environment and learn about possible career paths is a one-of-a-kind opportunity."

Every Cristo Rey Columbus student takes a full course load of college prep classes, in addition to working for business sponsors which represent diverse industries. Students work in entry-level jobs in the offices of law firms, insurance companies, banks, hospitals, public relations firms, universities, utility and energy companies, government offices, churches, the Diocese of Columbus, and other sponsors.

Sophomore Kayla Erb supports the employee benefits and records

departments at the BakerHostetler law firm, where she updates benefit plan files, maintains databases, processes records, and participates in day-to-day administrative duties.

Sophomore Nathan Manion is a valued team member in the IT department of his assigned work-site, IGS Energy. His supervisor has trained him to handle various tasks ranging from a simple desk setup to the more complicated machine imaging, hardware upgrades, software installation, and configurations.

Jarrod Peckham is a freshman working in the photography studio at Kreber Columbus. He helps with cleaning up sets, preparing sets for shoots, handling merchandise, and organizing props.

These students are developing confidence in their abilities and learning to actively participate in team environments. "The mentorship and professional experience our students gain reinforces the value of education and inspires them to follow their dreams," Devring said.

Cristo Rey Columbus accepting applications

Cristo Rey Columbus offers exceptional extracurricular activities designed to foster teamwork, responsibility, and leadership. Students have the opportunity to participate in sports and serve in a variety of extracurricular clubs. "Cristo Rey Columbus is looking for students who are motivated and committed to academic, spiritual, emotional, and professional growth," Devring said. "Reservations for student slots are filling quickly, so interested candidates should apply today."

The school's admissions department reviews academic, standardized test scores, disciplinary, and attendance records of potential student candidates. Each applicant is required to submit three letters of recommendation, participate in an entrance exam and admissions interview, and complete a financial application

Devring has put out the call: "If you are determined to be successful in both the classroom and the workplace, let's talk!" Information sessions and shadow days are available for families interested in exploring the Cristo Rey Co-

lumbus experience further. See the school's website, www.cristoreycolumbus.org, for details.

For enrollment information, contact Admissions@CristoRey-Columbus.org or call (614) 223-9261, extension 12008.

Carey shrine trip scheduled for Aug. 14

The Columbus Holy Family Church Confraternity of Christian Mothers and Ladies Guild is sponsoring a bus trip to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey for the shrine's annual candlelight procession and Mass on Sunday, Aug. 14, the Vigil of the Feast of the Assumption.

The bus will leave the parking lot of the church, 584 W. Broad St., at 6:15 p.m. and return after midnight. The Mass is at 9 p.m. Those attending are asked to bring a lawn chair, snack, and

water, as no food will be served at the shrine or on the bus. The movies *Miracle of the Sun* and *The Song of Bernadette* will be shown on the bus. Holy Family's pastor, Father Stash Dailey, and members of local religious communities will be on the trip.

The cost of the trip is \$20. The registration deadline is Friday, July 1. For more information or to register, contact Anita Van Order at (614) 674-1716 or anita-v53@att.net, or Rita Martinez at (614) 562-6173 or ritamar2022@yahoo.com.

Assisted suicide; Traditional but non-church wedding



QUESTION & ANSWER
by: **FATHER KENNETH DOYLE**
Catholic News Service

Q. Two years ago, my daughter was diagnosed with stage 4 breast cancer. We understand that the disease is considered terminal, but pray for a healing. Two of her friends died of cancer, so she has witnessed firsthand the stages of dying and the profound sadness which that leaves in its wake. Based on those experiences, my daughter has said more than once that, when her own death draws near, assisted suicide is her wish. (And her husband has promised her that he will comply.)

I have prayed about this, but don't know how to approach my daughter without alienating her. (She believes in God but doesn't worship formally.) Please give me your thoughts. (Upstate New York)

A. Life comes to us as a gift from God, and God alone has the right to decide when it is time for us to return that gift. This is the fundamental reason why I, along with the church, oppose assisted suicide. It violates the sacredness of human life.

But even without that theological basis, there are many who find the notion discomfoting. Among them are a host of physician groups, including the American Medical Association, because it violates a doctor's oath, which is to heal and to do no harm.

Disability advocates also are strongly opposed because it seems to equate human worth with social utility. (One danger is that people who are seriously ill might feel "obliged to die" because they have become a burden to their family, either emotionally or financially.)

Palliative care and, in the final stages, the merciful ministry of hospice can do much to relieve a patient's pain, while also providing emotional and spiritual support. You might assure your daughter of that, along with the pledge that you will be with her all the way through, helping to ease her burden.

I can only imagine how difficult it must be for you to speak with her about this matter. The New York State Catholic Conference in Albany has some helpful material that you might want to pass on to her, perhaps with the comment that you have come across this information and wondered what she might think of it.

Be sure that she understands, too, that the church does not require burdensome treatment that offers little benefit and would simply pro-

long the agony of dying.

Please know that I will pray for your daughter and for the healing you so fervently desire.

Q. I was married to my husband in a traditional (tribal) ceremony. He is not a Catholic, but has allowed me to practice my Catholic faith. All of our children have been baptized in the Catholic faith, and two years ago my husband and I went through the Catholic course of marriage preparation with the plan of marrying in the Catholic Church. But we never went through with that ceremony because my husband feels strongly that the ancestral wedding ceremony was sufficient.

I suffer greatly because I cannot receive holy Communion. I would even like to leave my husband because of this. (I would not be able to return to my hometown because everyone there thinks that I am married and would not accept me back as a single woman.) I still love my husband but cannot continue living in sin. Please help me, because I do not want to do anything that is against God's will. (Mpumalanga Province, South Africa)

A. Fortunately, there is a ready-made solution already provided for in the church's *Code of Canon Law* (Nos. 1161-65). The technical name for the process is "radical sanation" (which means "healing in the root"), and it can be applied when the non-Catholic party is unwilling to have the marriage "blessed" in a Catholic ceremony.

It involves a retroactive validation, i.e., a decree by the diocesan bishop that the church accepts the original consent as valid, without having to go through a new marriage ceremony.

There are some conditions that must be fulfilled, including: There is no previous marriage by either party that needs to be annulled; the consent of the parties to the marriage still exists, along with the essential requirements for a valid marriage: the intent of monogamy, fidelity, permanence, and openness to children; and, the Catholic party intends to remain a Catholic and to do all that he or she can to see that any children of the marriage are baptized and brought up as Catholics.

There is also a provision that "for a grave cause," the non-Catholic partner need not even be informed of the church's decision. (For example, if the non-Catholic were likely to have an extremely negative reaction to the sanation process.) In your situation, you would best be advised to consult with your local diocese. If your circumstances qualify you and the decree of sanation were to be granted, you would be able to receive the Eucharist.

Questions may be sent to Father Kenneth Doyle at askfatherdoyle@gmail.com and 40 Hopewell St., Albany NY 12208.

Corpus Christi Summer Camp

The Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus, is looking for donations of items needed for activities and bag suppers for participants in its annual summer day camp from Monday, June 27 to Friday, July 1. The camp is for children ages six to 10 who live in the 43206 or 43207 ZIP codes. The week will include crafts, games, and educational programs including one afternoon meeting farm animals and another experiencing rescued wild animals.

About 50 suppers will be made for the campers to take home at the end of each day. Items needed which can be brought in at any time include large paper lunch bags (250 total), zipper sandwich bags, zipper snack bags, paper napkins, peanut butter, jelly, and gift cards for Costco, GFS, Kroger, or Giant Eagle.

Craft items needed are paper towel or wrapping paper tubes, buttons of any size or shape, soup cans (washed, with labels removed), leftover yarn, books for children ages six to 10, potting soil, beads, scrapbooking paper, sidewalk chalk, beans or seeds of any kind, ribbon, balls, water balloons, bottles of acrylic paint, and gift cards for Michael's, Hobby Lobby, or Jo-Ann Fabrics.

Perishable items needed beginning Friday, June 24 include Halos or Cuties, grapes, fruit cups, baby carrots, celery sticks, cookies, sandwich bread, cheese slices, sandwich meat, ice cream cups, and Popsicles, Fudgsicles, and similar iced treats.

Center coordinator Anita Davidson said the need for items is greater than expected because one of the organizations which supports the camp with grant money was unable to provide the full amount requested.

Volunteers age 15 and older are needed throughout the week to work with the campers, make sandwiches, and assemble suppers. The event is a particularly good opportunity for high-school students to earn volunteer hours. All volunteers must have completed Protecting God's Children training and a background check before the start of camp. All fees will be paid for by the Corpus Christi center. Davidson asks that people interested in helping let her know when they are available, so a schedule can be set up.

In addition, monetary donations are requested so that each camper will be able to receive a new book bag and school supplies for the next school year at the end of camp. Donations of all kinds may be sent or delivered to the center, or call and the items will be picked up.

For more information, call the center at (614) 512-3731, go to www.cccenterofpeace.org, or send an email message to corpuschristicenterofpeace@gmail.com.

Discovery Camp at Flaget

Chillicothe Bishop Flaget School again will offer its Fitness, Fun, and Discovery summer camp for children from age three through third grade. The camp, which focuses on fitness, health, science, and nature, will take place from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, June 20 to 24.

The cost is \$20 per student and includes a T-shirt. Children who attend must be potty trained. The program is run by members of the school's primary teaching team. For more information, contact Michele Goshorn at (740) 656-0516 or Hillery Kennedy at (740) 649-0985.

Nehemiah Action Assembly Talk

Father David Schalk, pastor of Columbus Christ the King Church (*pictured*), was the opening speaker for the annual Nehemiah Action Assembly of the BREAD social action organization.



“The world has developed what Pope Francis calls a throwaway culture. In this culture, individuals are seen as commodities rather than children of God,” he told more than 3,000 people last month at the Celeste Center on the State Fairgrounds.

“Hire and Better Pay!” was the theme for the assembly. It was noted that a 2015 study by the Martin Prosperity Institute at the University of Toronto’s Rotman School of Management ranked Columbus as the nation’s second most economically segregated large city.

BREAD, which stands for Building Responsibility, Equality, and Dignity, is an ecumenical organization of 39 central Ohio congregations and synagogues which share a commitment to pursuing justice in God’s name. For the past two decades, it has used a four-step process of listening, researching, gathering, and following up to focus the attention of civic leaders and the general public on specific problems. The Nehemiah Assembly is its largest annual gathering.

This year, one of the issues it is spotlighting is the lack of jobs which can provide stability for people with criminal backgrounds who have been released from prison. Columbus City Council member Elizabeth Brown told the assembly that by November, she will draft an ordinance which, if it receives council approval, will give priority in application for city contracts to companies which hire people with criminal backgrounds.

Other speakers told the assembly about BREAD’s work in decreasing gang violence and its work on a program to create a municipal identification card for immigrants, the homeless, and others who might have trouble obtaining identification. Possible uses for the card would be for business discounts, debit services, and as identification for a library card.

Columbus Catholic churches which are part of the BREAD organization include Christ the King, Immaculate Conception, St. Christopher, St. Dominic, St. Elizabeth, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Thomas the Apostle, and the St. Thomas More Newman Center.

Bishop Hartley Valedictorians

The valedictorians for the Class of 2016 at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School are Talia Caridi, Jonathan Kluczynski, and Rachel McFadden. That information was unavailable before the May 22 *Catholic Times* went to press.

EMBRYOS AND THE “14-DAY RULE”



MAKING SENSE Out of Bioethics

Father Tad Pacholczyk

Arguments in favor of research on human embryos typically play off our unfamiliarity with the way that we ourselves once appeared and existed as embryos. Humans in their tiniest stages are indeed unfamiliar to us, and they hardly look anything like “one of us.” Yet the undeniable conclusion, that every one of us was once an embryo, remains an indisputable scientific dogma, causing a “fingernails on the chalkboard” phenomenon for researchers every time they choose to experiment on embryos or destroy them for research.

To enable scientists to get beyond the knowledge that they’re experimenting on or destroying fellow humans, clever stratagems and justifications have been devised. Among the more successful of these approaches has been the well-known “14-day rule.” This rule, as noted in a recent article in the journal “Nature,” represents

“a legal and regulatory line in the sand that has for decades limited in vitro human-embryo research to the period before the ‘primitive streak’ appears. This is a faint band of cells marking the beginning of an embryo’s head-to-tail axis. ... The formation of the primitive streak is significant because it represents the earliest point at which an embryo’s biological individuation is assured. Before this point, embryos can split in two or fuse together. So some people reason that at this stage a morally significant individual comes into being.”

Most people have an instinctive moral awareness when they reflect on the reality that adults come from embryos. A particular conclusion organically follows; namely, that any decision to interrupt an embryo’s growth and development involves a willingness to destroy a prospective infant, child, teenager, and adult. Even the natural potential for the splitting and fusing of embryos does not substantively alter the fact that adults arise from embryonic origins when traced back far enough along their particular developmental trajectories. If anything, the possibility that an early embryo might divide and make twins means that a decision to destroy such an embryo might involve “double” the evil, since two future adults are being exploited and exterminated, rather than just one.

It is also worth emphasizing that the 14-day rule, despite protestations to the contrary, has not actually restricted real-world human embryo research to any appreciable degree, because scientists have lacked the ability, until quite recently, to culture human embryos in the lab for any length of time beyond about a week. In fact, it was only in 2016 that several studies figured out how to grow human embryos beyond what the 14-day rule might forbid. The rule, thus, was an agreed-upon convention of no practical significance for any researchers who may have

been carrying out experiments on embryonic humans in recent decades. Considering the fact that the rule may now actually begin to hamper what some of them are interested in doing, they are pushing, unsurprisingly, to “revisit” and “recalibrate” the rule.

Historically speaking, the 14-day rule arose largely as a mechanism for justifying what previously had been considered immoral, even unthinkable, research. The rule enabled serious human rights violations to proceed apace under the pretext of providing restrictions and regulatory limitations. By feigning that the 14-day rule was somehow an ethical tenet grounded in biological facts, its promoters devised a clever way of offering lip service to the moral status of the human embryo. They implied that one could show respect for the human embryo through the establishment of such a rule, even though the rule objectively demonstrated no more respect for vulnerable humanity than German researchers during World War II would have, had they declared a “14-year rule”; namely, that only concentration camp inmates below the age of 14 would be experimented upon. Whether 14 days or 14 years, such rules at root constitute mere contrivances to justify unethical science. As bioethicist Daniel Callahan observed in 1995: “I have always felt a nagging uneasiness at trying to rationalize the killing of something for which I claim to have a ‘profound respect.’ What in the world can that kind of respect mean? An odd form of esteem -- at once high-minded and altogether lethal.”

Hence, the broader strategic goal of conventions such as the 14 day-rule has been not to identify or set in place any objective moral lines, nor to acknowledge authentic moral concerns, but to circumnavigate those very concerns by means of the convention, and achieve particular pragmatic outcomes, most notably the continued expansion of the research, the minimization of “public outcry and backlash,” the continued availability of research funding, and the avoidance of legally restrictive embryo-protective measures that might be debated by justly concerned legislatures. The ultimate goal of a convention such as the 14-day rule has been to establish the idea, erroneous at its core, that before a certain arbitrarily determined time point, developing human beings can be deemed sufficiently different from us that an “us and them” chasm can be used to justify their violent exploitation.

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Christ Child Society of Columbus awards high school scholarships

During its annual Founder's Day event, the Christ Child Society of Columbus awarded partial scholarships to students who will attend Central Ohio Catholic high schools next year.

The Liz O'Brien Scholarship was awarded to Kyle Caisaguano, a student at Columbus St. Mary Magdalene School who plans to attend Columbus Bishop Ready High School.

The Louise Zink Scholarship was given to Nicole Miller, a student at Columbus St. Matthias School who plans to attend Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School.

Carole Ann Green received the Christ Child Society Scholarship. She attends Columbus St. James the Less School and plans to attend DeSales.

Two scholarships were awarded to Abigail Rhodes: the Christ Child Society Scholarship and the SMA Scholarship. She attends Christ the King School and plans to attend Columbus Bishop Hartley High School.

This is the first year that the SMA Scholarship was awarded. It is offered by members of the St. Mary of the Springs Academy Alumnae Association. St. Mary's was an all-girls school which was founded in the 19th century and closed in 1966.

The Cathie Hayes Memorial Grant was given to Isabella Hoffman, a Columbus Holy Spirit School student who

Graduating high-school seniors who were Christ Child Society scholarship recipients are (from left) Theresa Jacobs, Ivra Bass, Karlie Horn, and Brenna Kilbarger, with Bishop Campbell. Recipient Jillian Rhodes is not pictured. Photos courtesy Christ Child Society

plans to attend Bishop Hartley.

Seniors graduating from Hartley this spring who were recipients of Christ Child scholarships for the last four years are Ivra Bass and Karlie Horn from Columbus St. Mary Church, Theresa Jacobs from Columbus Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, Brenna Kilbarger from Canal Winchester Pope St. John XXIII Church, and Jillian Rhodes from Christ the King.

The Christ Child Society of Columbus is a nonprofit organization of members dedicated to making a difference in the lives of central Ohio children. Volunteers donate more than 10,000 hours in direct service and fundraising for at-risk children. In addition to presenting scholarships, the society provides new mothers with essential baby items, and offers infant supplies to mothers attending parenting classes, child care tuition assistance and pre-school learning opportunities, hot meals in an after-school program, and tutoring for elementary-school students.

For more information on the society, visit www.christchildsocty.org.



Incoming high-school seniors awarded Christ Child Society scholarships, pictured with Bishop Frederick Campbell, are (from left) Carole Ann Green, Nicole Miller, Kyle Caisaguano, and Abigail Rhodes.



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Growing Closer to Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Light streamed in through the stained-glass windows, creating halos around everyone's heads. The smell of lilies and hyacinths mingled among the crowded pews. Everyone seemed to be smiling.

I was attending my first Easter Mass with the man who later would become my husband.

In a nook in the ceiling at Sacred Heart Church, there was a stained-glass window that I always assumed was of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It captured my attention, because it seemed weird. It was unlike anything I had ever seen. There was a crown over the heart, with thorns around it. If it was daylight, that window seemed to glow, and on that Easter morning when I was overwhelmed by my experience, it seemed on fire.

As it turns out, the window was *supposed* to be of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I learned, by virtue of working with the parish priest and hearing the lore of the parish, that the wrong window was shipped all those years ago. The window that was shipped was of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. It was installed and beyond easy replacement when someone must have looked up and pointed out the difference.



If you think about it, there was also something appropriate about having Mary's Immaculate Heart looking down from a pinnacle in the roof, in a church named Sacred Heart.

Devotion to Mary's Immaculate Heart always leads us to consider her Son in the most intimate way, at those times when His mother was grieved and in pain. When we find ourselves there, with Jesus, we can pause to reflect on His Sacred Heart, which explodes with love for us.

In Christian tradition, the heart is symbolic of the state of the soul. The heart is the seat of our emotions; we describe hearts as broken and sorrowful, kind and

generous, hard and bitter. From the heart, we have the origin of love, the source of our passions. Hearts are on fire with love, yet tender and gentle.

When we consider the Immaculate Heart of Mary, we find ourselves led back to Jesus again and again. As we hug her, we see that our arms are touching Someone on the other side of her. As we cry to her for help, we find that Jesus is with her, unable to ignore His mother's requests. As we deepen in our love for God and Jesus, we find her encouraging us -- though we may not have seen her beside us.

In Mary's Immaculate Heart, I see a world I couldn't have hoped for, a love I wouldn't have believed, a faith I can't help but want to imitate. From the woman who held her innocent Son after His crucifixion, I see a tender glance. Within her open arms, her heart, crowned with thorns and pierced with a sword, shows me that my pain is not my own, is not the end of the road. She has felt my pain and is waiting to carry me, so gently, to her Son, who will heal me.

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117th Commencement at the Pontifical College Josephinum

The Pontifical College Josephinum conducted its 117th commencement exercises on Saturday, May 14, with 49 students from 23 dioceses in the United States being awarded degrees from the school's college of liberal arts, pre-theology program, or school of theology.

The program was preceded by a baccalaureate Mass in St. Turibius Chapel. The principal celebrant was Msgr. Christopher Schreck, the college's rector-president. He was joined at the altar by the priest faculty of the Josephinum and many visiting priests.

Father Paul Sullivan, vocations director for the Diocese of Phoenix, delivered the homily for the baccalaureate Mass. He said graduation "is a time of going forth, of being sent out. ...It is a day of wonder and dreams, yes, but the dreams of the man of God are the will of God. In a seminary graduation, we do not celebrate our plans. This is not a celebration of self-will. With gratitude, we can glory in the plans God has for each one of us, which are far greater, far

more glorious than we could imagine."

Mass was followed by a reception for graduates and guests. More than 200 parents, family members, and friends of the graduates joined the seminary community for the day's festivities.

During the commencement exercises, a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy or humanities was awarded to 21 graduates of the college of liberal arts. Twelve seminarians earned a bachelor of philosophy degree, indicating successful completion of the pre-theology program. The master of divinity degree, which signifies fulfillment of the requirements for priestly ordination, was awarded to 16 graduates of the school of theology, four of whom completed the additional academic requirements of a master of arts degree in dogmatic theology, moral theology, Biblical studies, or evangelization. The baccalaureate in sacred theology (STB), a pontifical degree conferred by the Josephinum in affiliation with the Pontifical Lateran University in Rome, was awarded to



Seminarians from the Diocese of Columbus who received academic degrees at the Pontifical College Josephinum last month are (from left): first row, Frank Brown, Father Daniel Swartz, Tyler Wittenmyer, and Austin Hill; second row, Michael Fulton, Father Stephen Smith, Father Timothy Lynch, Gordon Mott, and Seth Keller. Photo courtesy Pontifical College Josephinum

seven of the graduates.

Among those who offered remarks during commencement was college senior class representative Joseph Mominnee, a seminarian from the Diocese

of Toledo. "No man who is graduating today entered the Josephinum in the hope of becoming a master of Latin, a

THREE NEW PRIESTS ORDAINED FOR THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS



By **Tim Puet**
Catholic Times

Bishop Frederick Campbell told the three newest priests of the Diocese of Columbus at their ordination ceremony that “priests are the servants of the liturgy. ... They are celebrants, not celebrities.”

Fathers Timothy Lynch, Stephen Smith, and Daniel Swartz were ordained by the bishop on Saturday, May 28, at Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral, in front of a congregation which filled the pews and all the temporary seating and most of the standing-room space available.

Also present were Bishop Emeritus James Griffin, 60 priests of the di-

ocese, and Archbishop Timothy Broglio, archbishop for the military services of the United States. He took part in the ceremony because Bishop Campbell has given Father Swartz permission to become a chaplain in the Navy after completing at least three years of service as a diocesan priest. Father Swartz, an ensign in the Navy, will remain a priest of the diocese while on active military duty and is subject to recall by the bishop at any time.

“The risen Lord is powerfully present through the word and the sacraments, as powerfully as he was to Peter, James, and John after the resurrection,” the bishop said in his ordination homily. “It is the sacred responsibility

of the priest to keep this reality before the faithful and before the world. In fulfilling this responsibility, there will be times of great joy. At other times, there will be challenges. After all, grace is free, but it is not cheap.

“The center of this sacred responsibility is the Eucharist, celebrated as the church has instructed her apostolic ministers to celebrate it – clearly and distinctly, so that the people may be drawn fully into its mystery and be nourished by its influence. Allow the inherent beauty of the liturgy to draw others into its mystery,” the bishop said.

He instructed the new priests to “Proclaim the mercy of God in the prayer-

ful celebration of the sacrament of penance. Remind the people of their baptismal call. Comfort and assure the sick and the sorrowful. Teach the faith of Christ’s church accurately and persuasively. Love the people to whom you are assigned. Consecrate them in the truth. Know Christ. Live Christ. Share Christ.”

“We celebrate the sacraments until the coming of the Lord again,” the bishop said. “We remember the past, commemorate the present, and look forward to the fulfillment of the kingdom.

“Every celebration of the Mass should increase the longing for the coming of the Lord Jesus and fix in our minds and hearts a vision of the king-

dom. Yes, the kingdom is present now in sign and symbol, flashes of light lurking in darkness, present in moments of peace and joy, yet only in the coming of Christ will all things fulfill their promises and fruits.

“So often one hears talk that this or that group, this or that program is the future of the church,” Bishop Campbell continued. “Actually, Jesus Christ, the sovereign priest, is the future of the church. The more we cling to his word, fulfilling his commandments and imitating his Trinitarian love, the more the glorious vision of the future coming of the Lord will light our way.

“We all are on a pilgrimage of grace. My brothers, be a shepherd for the

people on their way. Be a companion to them on the journey.”

Following the reading of the Gospel at Saturday’s Mass, the rite of ordination began as the three candidates for the priesthood, who until then were seated with their families, were called from the congregation and presented to the bishop by Father Paul Noble, diocesan vocations director, who declared them ready for the priesthood.

Each man answered “Present” as his name was called, then walked to the altar and was seated in front of the bishop, who addressed the remarks in his homily specifically to them and deliv-

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Father Timothy Lynch

Father Timothy Lynch describes the story of his call to the priesthood as a textbook example of the saying, “If ever you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans.”

When he was in his mid-20s, he thought he had it all. “I was sure I was called to marriage and family and a career.”

Father Lynch, 36, said. “I ended up in Houston with a dream sales job selling industrial automation in the gas and oil industry. But “through all the ups and downs of early adult life after college, my plans began to feel less fulfilling,” he said. “I began feeling called to more, to something greater. It was a familiar call, one that I may have experienced early in life, back in grade school, but I wasn’t sure what it was.”

He spoke with his pastor and with the vocations director of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, went on a weekend vocations retreat, and a year later, at age 28, began studying for the priesthood at the Pontifical College Josephinum in his hometown of Columbus.

“I wasn’t sure if God wanted me to be a priest, but I was confident that he was calling me to seminary for a reason I could not explain,” he said. He described his years at the Josephinum as



“a most special time, where I have been able to clearly see that God is calling me to be a priest.”

Father Lynch grew up as the oldest of two brothers and two sisters and attended Columbus St. Mary Church. One of his most vivid memories of his grade school years at the former Our Lady of Fatima Acad-

emy was shaking the hand of Pope St. John Paul II during a visit to Rome when he was 12 years old.

He graduated from Whitehall-Yearling High School in 1998. While in high school, he was involved in missionary activities including re-evangelization work on an Indian reservation in the Canadian province of Manitoba. He had a second, less-intimate encounter with John Paul at World Youth Day 1997 in Paris, when he led a decade of the rosary at the Eiffel Tower on a stage where the pope was present.

He received a bachelor’s degree in communications in 2002 from Franciscan University of Steubenville, where he had an active social life and played intramural basketball and other sports. “During college, being a priest really wasn’t on my radar, but looking back, I clearly see that it was on God’s radar for me,” he said. His college years included a

semester in Austria, which allowed him to visit several Marian shrines in Europe.

During his summers away from the Josephinum, he has worked at New Philadelphia Sacred Heart, Plain City St. Joseph, and Westerville St. Paul churches, and his home parish.

Father Lynch recommends that any man in the position he found himself in his mid-20s take a year and go to a seminary. “It is a win-win situation,” he said. “Either you are called and you are in the right place, or the experience will definitely help shape your life to be a better adult Catholic man.”

He said some of the most influential people in his life have been Fathers Kevin Lutz, James Coleman, and Jeff Coning, Msgr. John Cody, the late Father Robert Harwick, his former boss in Houston, Pat Burns, and his mother, Franklin County Common Pleas Judge Julie Lynch.

“I am filled with a peace that I have never experienced before,” he said shortly before his ordination. “When I was ordained a deacon, I was a bit nervous, but as I am preparing for ordination to the priesthood, it just feels right, like the next natural progression that God has planned for me in life. I am thankful for all of the prayers which have truly carried me and got me to where I am today. The grace of God is an amazing thing.”

Father Stephen Smith said the path which led him to the priesthood began at a Confirmation retreat at Marion St. Mary Church.

“I was baptized, grew up Catholic, and wanted to be confirmed, but had no strong feelings toward religion at that point,” he said. “What I began learning during the retreat from Mark Starrs, the youth minister at the parish at the time, changed all that. With Mark’s help, I learned how to pray and to meditate, and I fell in love with the Catholic Church.”

After being confirmed, he became a leader in his parish’s youth group, took part in Holy Hours of Eucharistic Adoration, attended conferences at Franciscan University of Steubenville and the University of Notre Dame, and went on mission trips to Baltimore, Memphis, and Chicago while still in high school.

“I know many young Catholics feel the same indifference to the Church I once did,” he said. “I’d like to tell them two things – first, our relationship to the Lord in the Eucharist is paramount to a life of fulfillment and happiness. He loves you unconditionally. His word is the truth, while the culture we live in today is based on lies. However, there is

Father Stephen Smith



good in it, and that good is Christ.

“As St. Augustine said, we are oriented to the good, to God, and we can’t be happy without him. I’m convinced that if any young person, or anyone at all, truly knows and understands the truth, he or she can’t turn away from it.

“The second thing is that the Church was founded by Our Lord, is guided by the Holy Spirit, and its goal is to get us to heaven. We need to accept what has been given to us through the Church, because it’s here to help us.”

Father Smith, 27, is the son of Stephen and Linda Smith, who moved from Marion to Hilliard St. Brendan Church in 2011. He has three sisters – two older and one younger – and graduated from River Valley High School in Caledonia 2007. His increasing involvement in spiritual activities led him to talk with Father Jeff Coning, who was diocesan vocations director at the time, about the discernment process for the priesthood, and to his decision to attend the Pontifical College Josephinum after high school. He said some of the most influential people on his road to the priesthood were Father Coning; Father Bob Penhallurick, pastor at St. Brendan; and Marion St. Mary

parishioners Jim and Marie Marske.

He received a bachelor’s degree in history from the Josephinum in 2011 and recently completed his priestly studies there. He did summer maintenance work at Marion St. Mary from 2008-11 and had summer assignments as a seminarian in subsequent years at Newark St. Francis de Sales, Wheelersburg St. Peter in Chains, New Boston St. Monica, and Columbus St. Margaret of Cortona churches.

Bishop Frederick Campbell assigned him to an extended placement of seven months at St. Brendan as part of his training. “Thanks to Father Bob’s help, I was able to learn a lot” in that time, he said. “I visited people at nursing homes and their residences, conducted marriage and baptismal preparation, helped with the parish budget, did many other things I will be doing as a priest, and did it for long enough to get used to some of the rhythm of a priest’s life.

“I was able to look into the faces of the people of God I’m called to serve and to see how what I do affects them. You can’t do that living with the same group of guys learning the same things. But I will miss the daily contact with my classmates and the other seminarians and faculty at the Josephinum. We’re all seeking the same thing. I’ll be praying for them and they’ll be praying for me.”

Father Daniel Swartz



Father Daniel Swartz is anticipating a military career, but not the one he originally expected.

After graduating from Columbus Bishop Waterson High School in 2007, attending St. Vincent College in Latrobe, Pennsylvania, for two years, and spending his high-school and college summers as a lifeguard, house painter, stonemason’s apprentice, demolition worker, and Canadian trail guide at various times, he was just about set to enter Officer Candidate School for the Marine Corps.

“I kept seeking adventure,” he said. “Becoming a Marine seemed like the ultimate opportunity and was a step I was anxious to take. But before I was going to start military training, I began thinking I might be called to the priesthood, and the thought felt like an iceball in my stomach.

“I knew I was on the threshold of an important decision, and that everyone gets all kinds of ideas when they reach this point where what they choose will determine the state of the rest of their lives. So I began praying, asking God to help me determine which path to take.

“About two weeks before I was to join the Marines, I dislocated my left elbow. That meant I would be un-

able to enter the military when I expected. Looking back, it also seems that it was God’s answer to my prayers, though it certainly wasn’t the answer I expected.”

Father Swartz went back to St. Vincent for his junior year, spent a year as a missionary in Europe and India, and returned to St.

Vincent for his senior year, receiving degrees in political science, philosophy, and theology in 2012. He attended the Pontifical College Josephinum for theological studies, receiving master of arts and master of divinity degrees and a baccalaureate degree in theology last month.

He will serve in the diocese for three years, then will become a chaplain in the Navy, where he will remain on active military duty. He was commissioned into the Navy as an ensign in 2015. Under the rules of the co-sponsored seminarian program of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, he will remain a Columbus diocesan priest and be subject to recall by Bishop Frederick Campbell or the bishop’s successors at any time. Another Josephinum seminarian from the diocese, Chris Yakkel, also plans to become a chaplain, serving with the Air Force.

The time he spent recuperating from

his injury and as a missionary allowed Father Swartz time to reflect on his vocation and determine that he was being called to service both in the priesthood and in the military through chaplaincy. “My discernment period made me realize that my call to the chaplaincy is something that goes beyond being an interest or a hobby. It’s a call to a way of life,” he said. “It also is a chance to fill a role for which there is a great need. The Navy currently has around 52 or 53 Catholic chaplains, and has 300 chaplain positions available for priests.”

Father Swartz, 27, is the son of John and Donna Swartz. He grew up as a member of Columbus St. Agatha Church and has two older brothers and one younger sister. While studying for the priesthood, he spent summers working at Newark St. Francis de Sales, Columbus St. Catharine, Chilli-cothe St. Peter, and Westerville St. Paul churches, and at his home parish.

“I’ll miss the camaraderie of the Josephinum,” he said. “You eat with, pray with, play with and share a life with these guys, so there will always be a bond between us,” he said. “At the same time, especially in the last year, I’ve felt a kind of growing spiritual momentum as I realize I’m about to start full-time service to God and my country. Anytime God reveals himself, he gives a mission, and I’m ready to find out what that mission will be.”

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livered it from his chair, rather than from the pulpit.

Following the homily, each candidate declared he would undertake the office of priesthood and promised obedience to the bishop and to his successors. The men had made similar promises when the bishop had ordained them as deacons one year ago. They have been serving at various parishes and completing their final year of priestly studies at the Pontifical College Josephinum since then. The bishop soon will assign them to various parishes as parochial vicars

After their declaration came the congregational chanting of the Litany of the Saints, during which the soon-to-be priests prostrated themselves on the floor around the altar in a gesture of supplication symbolizing their unworthiness. Following completion of the litany, each man knelt before the bishop, who laid his hands on their heads one by one in the traditional sign

of ordination, with the priests of the diocese who were in attendance repeating that gesture individually.



This was followed by the bishop's prayer of ordination, investiture of the three with stoles and chasubles, the anointing of their hands by the bishop, and the sign of peace from each of the priests on hand. The new priests then joined the other priests at the altar to continue celebrating the Liturgy of the Eucharist and to pronounce the words of consecration for the first time.


After his final blessing at the end of the ordination Mass, the bishop invited the newly ordained priests to give him a blessing. Each approached and blessed him, and he kissed their hands before the assembled clergy left the church in procession. The new priests then returned to the altar to pose for pictures and give individual blessings to family and friends, with a re-

ception following.

The day after their ordination, they celebrated Masses of Thanksgiving and delivered their first homilies as priests at their home parishes. They join about 550 men nationwide who have been or are to be ordained this year.



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physician, a theologian, or a humanitarian," he said. "Every man who is graduating today chose to become a seminarian because of the person of Jesus Christ, in the hope of being conformed to him in order to bring him to those who need him most in this world."

In his closing remarks, Msgr. Schreck offered words of acknowledgement and gratitude to departing members of the faculty and welcomed new professors who

recently joined the seminary community. In particular, he spoke of the retirement of Archbishop Carlo Maria Vigano, apostolic nuncio to the United States, who also is chancellor of the Josephinum because of its status as the only pontifical seminary outside of Italy.

"To say that he has faithfully been the Josephinum's always actively committed advocate, supporter, and guide is to be guilty of understatement," he said.

"We thank him for having led and stewarded the Josephinum during these years of abundant blessing and growth. We likewise look forward to welcoming our Holy Father's new ambassador and personal representative to the United States, and our new chancellor," Archbishop Christophe Pierre, former apostolic nuncio to Mexico.

Commencement marked a defining moment in the vocational journey of the seminarians who received degrees. A majority of college and pre-theology graduates will continue their discernment as they undertake graduate theological study. Graduates of the school of theology, including three from the Dio-

cese of Columbus, have returned to their dioceses for ordination to the priesthood. The ordination class of 2016 will join nearly 1,200 ordained Josephinum alumni who serve the Catholic Church in nearly every state and in 18 nations.

"This is not just a regular graduation," said Father Sullivan. "This is not just about your efforts, your achievements. It's not only about human choices, human effort, for human ends. We celebrate something more today. This is a divine adventure. Divine choice, divine assistance, for divine ends. May a life of true holiness be lived in you, and may it leave its mark not only in these halls, but in the halls of heaven."

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Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle B)

Two similar, but different healing stories



Father
Lawrence L. Hummer

June 5 -- 1 Kings 17:17-24
Galatians 1:11-19; Luke 7:11-17

The return to Ordinary Time brings some extraordinary readings from 1 Kings and Galatians. Elijah emerged suddenly in ninth-century (BC) Israel and promptly announced a drought would take over. Not only that: "... during these years there shall be no dew or rain, except at my word." According to tradition, the famine lasted three years.

This is a direct threat to Ahab, Israel's king, who had married Jezebel, a foreigner who brought with her into Israel the worship of the Canaanite god *Ba'al* and his female consort Astarte. *Ba'al* was the storm god, whose rains fertilized Astarte, bringing fertility to the earth. By declaring a drought, Elijah was challenging the authority of the queen's gods, showing that the Lord, Israel's God, exercised power over *Ba'al*. We

St. Charles Reunion

Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School's annual platinum reunion will take place at the school, 2010 E. Broad St., on Tuesday, June 14. The event is in honor of the school's graduates from the classes of 1927 to 1965 and in remembrance of deceased alumni and teachers.

It is open to all graduates, former students, and family members from both the school and St. Charles Borromeo College. Surviving spouses are especially encouraged to attend in tribute to their husbands.

A special Mass will be celebrated in the Mother of Mercy Chapel at 10:30 a.m. Alumni priests are highly encouraged to concelebrate. It will be followed by lunch afterward in the campus theater's Cavello Center. Tours of the main campus, school museum, and west campus athletic facilities will be given.

Lunch is complimentary, but participants are asked to reserve a spot by June 10 with alumni director Louis J. Fabro. He may be reached by phone at (614) 252-9288, extension 21, or by email at lfabro@cdeducation.org.

can expect the plot to thicken.

Sunday's reading finds Elijah in Zarephath of Sidon (actually near Sidon rather than of Sidon). Sidon was non-Israelite territory. Elijah had fled and lived with a widow and her son for a long time. One day, the son got sick and the woman blamed Elijah: "Why have you done this to me, O man of God?" The text never actually says that the boy was dead, but it implies that he was at death's door. Elijah heals the boy in a bizarre ritual and returns the boy to his mother, who then is convinced that "you are a man of God. The word of the Lord comes truly from your mouth." She thereby acknowledged that the Lord was active outside of Israel proper.

The Gospel story of the restoration to life of the widow of Nain is unique to Luke. It causes the townsfolk to acknowledge Jesus as a "great prophet." Like the first reading, the "great prophet" comes to the aid of a widow who has lost her son. Jesus is literally "moved to his innards" for the woman.

What Elijah had to do with repeated actions tending to the bizarre, Jesus did with the command of his voice. This shows the intended similarity with the Elijah story, but, at the same time, the profound difference.

The other noteworthy thing, which happens elsewhere in some of the miracle stories, is that faith is not the determining factor in the resuscitation. There was no appeal by the woman for her deceased son. It was all based on Jesus being "moved with pity" for the woman. We see that in Mark's story of the healing of the paralytic (Mark 2:1-12). There, Jesus is showing his ability to forgive sins, which he does first, before restoring mobility to the man.

The other claim, that "God has visited his people," recalls Luke's Infancy Narrative (Luke 1:68), where Zechariah prays: "For (the Lord) has visited his people" (also see Luke 1:78). There is no doubt that this story is related to the Elijah tale in the first reading.

In the Galatians reading, Paul argues for the validity of the Gospel he has preached. It is "not of human origin" because Paul did not receive it from a human being, nor was he taught it, but "it came through a direct revelation from Jesus Christ." It was written in 54 or 55 AD.

The letter was written in response to the attempts of others to subvert what Paul was teaching after he had left Galatia. Word of this had gotten back to him. Paul then admitted that he was a persecutor of Christians until he was called by Christ to proclaim him to the

Gentiles. His trip to "Arabia" is otherwise unknown, as was his private consultation with Cephas (Peter) and James in Jerusalem. In the weeks ahead, sadly, we will have only snippets of the letter to consider.

Father Hummer, pastor at Chillicothe St. Mary, may be reached at hummerl@stmarychillicothe.com.

The Weekday Bible Readings

6/6-6/11

MONDAY
1 Kings 17:1-6
Psalm 121:1b-8
Matthew 5:1-12

TUESDAY
1 Kings 17:7-16
Psalm 4:2-5,7b-8
Matthew 5:13-16

WEDNESDAY
1 Kings 18:20-39
Psalm 16:1b-2b,4-5b,8,11
Matthew 5:17-19

THURSDAY
1 Kings 18:41-46
Psalm 65:10-13
Matthew 5:20-26

FRIDAY
1 Kings 19:9a,11-16
Psalm 27:7-9c,13-14
Matthew 5:27-32

SATURDAY
Acts 11:21b-26;13:1-3
Psalm 98:1-6
Matthew 5:33-37

6/13-6/18

MONDAY
1 Kings 21:1-16
Psalm 5:2-3b,4b-7
Matthew 5:38-42

TUESDAY
1 Kings 21:17-29
Psalm 51:3-6b,11.16
Matthew 5:43-48

WEDNESDAY
2 Kings 2:1,6-14
Psalm 31:20-21,24
Matthew 6:1-6,16-18

THURSDAY
Sirach 48:1-14
Psalm 97:1-7
Matthew 6:7-15

FRIDAY
2 Kings 11:1-4,9-18,20
Psalm 132:11-14,17-18
Matthew 6:19-23

SATURDAY
2 Chronicles 24:17-25
Psalm 89:4-5,29-34
Matthew 6:24-34

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEKS OF JUNE 5 AND 12, 2016

SUNDAY MASS

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

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

Mass from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Birmingham, Ala., at 8 a.m. on EWTN (Time Warner Channel 385, Insight Channel 382, or WOW Channel 378)

(Encores at noon, 7 p.m., and midnight).

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

DAILY MASS

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

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Intolerance and Evangelization

Cardinal Robert Sarah is one of the adornments of the Catholic Church, although it's very unlikely that this man of faith, humor, intelligence, and profound humility would appreciate my putting it that way. His 2015 book *God or Nothing* is selling all over the world, currently available in 12 languages with more to come. The book tells his story, that of a contemporary confessor of the faith who accepted episcopal ordination, knowing that he might well be killed for his witness to Christ by the madcap Marxist dictator who then ran his west African nation, Guinea. But the point of *God or Nothing* is not to advertise the virtues of Robert Sarah: the book is an invitation to faith, addressed to everyone, but with special urgency to those parts of the world dying from a suffocating indifference to the things of the spirit.

The cardinal, who was appointed by Pope Francis as prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, with the mandate to continue the reform of the liturgical reform accelerated by Benedict XVI, was in Washington recently to address the National Catholic Prayer Breakfast. Cardinal Sarah is not a showman, but he made a deep impression on the 1,300 people in attendance by the depth of his faith and the lucidity of his presentation. He spoke movingly of the solidarity of which human beings are capable because we're made in the likeness of the original communion of solidarity – the Holy Trinity. And in that context, he defended the weakest and most vulnerable among us, in all stages of life, calling his American audience to live the truths on which the nascent nation staked its independence.

He then warned, quite rightly, that the “death of



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DIFFERENCE**
George Weigel

God” too often results, not in God's burial, but in the “burial of good, beauty, love, and truth” through their inversion: “Good becomes evil, beauty is ugly, love becomes the satisfaction of sexual primal instincts, and truths are all relative.”

This accurate description of one root of today's culture wars earned Cardinal Sarah the usual rebukes in the left-leaning Catholic blogosphere, where that shopworn parade of horrors – Manichaeism, culture-warrior, not-with-the-Pope-Francis-program, etc. – was dusted off and trotted out yet again. Ironically, however, Cardinal Sarah's address and his portside critics' predictable response more or less coincided with a striking blog post by Harvard Law School professor Mark Tushnet, who seems not to have gotten the memo from the Catholic left that we should all just get along. Thus, Professor Tushnet, writing in a post entitled “Abandoning Defensive Crouch Liberal Constitutionalism:”

“The culture wars are over; they lost, we won. ... For liberals, the question now is how to deal with the losers in the culture wars. That's mostly a question of tactics. My own judgment is that taking a hard line (‘You lost, live with it’) is better than trying to accom-

modate the losers who – remember – defended, and are defending, positions that liberals regard as having no normative pull at all. Trying to be nice to the losers didn't work well after the Civil War. ... And taking a hard line seemed to work reasonably well in Germany and Japan after 1945.”

This post is intolerant, aggressive, God-burying secularism in a nutshell, saying, in effect, that those of us who believe in marriage as it's been understood for millennia, the right to life of the unborn and the elderly, men using men's bathrooms, and religious freedom in full are the equivalents of post-Civil War lynch mobs, Nazis, and kamikaze-inducing Japanese militarists. Instead of berating Cardinal Sarah for speaking truth to dominant cultural and political power, might it not behoove his carping critics in the progressive Catholic blogosphere to challenge those in their political camp, like Mark Tushnet, who commit such calumnies – as some of us on the other side of the aisle, so to speak, have challenged the calumnies of Donald Trump? Is there no courage to be different left on the Catholic left?

Leon Trotsky, the old Bolshevik eventually liquidated by Stalin, famously said that “you may not be interested in the dialectic, but the dialectic is interested in you.” Change “dialectic” to “culture war” and you've got the truth of our situation, as Cardinal Sarah understands. Recognizing that truth is the beginning of any serious effort to follow Pope Francis and to heal, evangelize, and convert the culture today.

George Weigel is Distinguished Senior Fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, D.C.

Notre Dame principal to retire

Kathy Milligan has retired as principal at Portsmouth Notre Dame High School after 36 years at the school, the last 21 of them as principal.

She joined the Notre Dame staff in 1980 as a teacher of seventh-and eighth-grade math and religion and high-school home economics. She was appointed principal in 1995.

She earned a bachelor's degree in math with a minor in education from the College of Mount St. Joseph in Cincinnati and went on to earn a master's degree in education from The Ohio State University.

During her tenure as principal, the school has added several advanced-placement courses to its curriculum. Changes in the building have included a new innovation center equipped with iPads and iMacs.

There also have been improvements to the gym, including a new floor and bleachers, and a new field house has been built.

During her retirement, Milligan looks forward to staying involved with the school and attending its sports events.

Photo courtesy Notre Dame Schools



Father Richard Metzger retires

Father Richard L. Metzger, pastor of Groveport St. Elizabeth Church, is retiring after 49 years of active parish ministry. His 75th birthday was April 21.

A combined retirement and birthday celebration will take place from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 12 at the church, 5684 Groveport Road.

Father Metzger was born in Junction City to Robert and Elizabeth (Haug) Metzger. Three of his brothers also became priests of the Diocese of Columbus: Msgr. Robert Metzger and Father Stephen Metzger are both retired and living in the Junction City area, and Father William J. Metzger died in 2014. Two other brothers, Michael and Charles, also reside in the Junction City area; a sister, Mary Anne, lives in Westerville; and a foster sister, Nida Riley, is a Kentucky resident. A cousin, Father John Metzger, who died in 2015, also was a priest of the diocese.

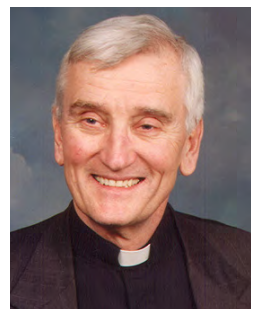
Father Richard Metzger attended Junction City public elementary schools and graduated from St. Aloysius Academy in New Lex-

ington in 1959, St. Charles Seminary in Columbus in 1963, and Mount St. Mary Seminary of the West in Cincinnati in 1967.

He was ordained on May 27, 1967, in Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral by Bishop Edward Hettinger. He has been the pastor of St. Mary Church since 2003.

He served as an associate pastor at Columbus St. Matthias and Newark St. Francis de Sales churches, and became pastor of Corning St. Bernard Church and its former missions of Murray City St. Philip Neri and New Straitsville St. Augustine in 1975. He served as pastor at Zanesville St. Nicholas from 1980-91 and at the Church of the Ascension in Johnstown from 1991 until being assigned to Groveport.

He also taught at Columbus St. Francis De-Sales and Newark Catholic high schools.



Pray for our dead

ARBAUGH, Elizabeth, 97, May 22
St. Leonard Church, Heath

BAUMER, Elmer F., 92, May 25
St. Agatha Church, Columbus

BETTAC, Louise J., 94, May 24
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

BINKLEY, Ruth A., 79, May 24
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

BLANEY, Beverly J., 81, May 25
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

BRENNAN, William J., 88, May 16
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

BRESOCK, Mary R., 52, May 26
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

CAPOCCIAMA, Dominic L., 90, May 26
St. Ladislav Church, Columbus

COSTA, Louis A., 91, May 19
St. Paul Church, Westerville

De SANTIS, Frank, 93, May 16
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

EATON, Charlene A., 71, May 21
St. Michael Church, Worthington

ECOS, Paul J., 54, May 17
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove City

FIX, Michael R., 75, May 16
St. Philip Church, Columbus

GASPER, Bernice M., 85, May 1
St. Peter in Chains Church, Wheelersburg

HAGE, Mary L., 67, May 20
St. Paul Church, Westerville

HANDLEY, Linda, 57, May 13
St. Joseph Church, Dover

KILBARGER, James H., 74, May 15
St. John Church, Logan

McLOUGHLIN, William J., 97, May 24
Christ the King Church, Columbus

MEHRLE, Martha L., 80, May 22
St. Stephen Church, Columbus

O'DONNELL, Evelyn B., 95, May 29
St. Leo Church, Columbus

PALLAY, Rose, 94, May 24
St. Thomas Church, Columbus

PASTORE, Ralph L. Jr., 87, May 26
St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

PATCHEN, Debra, 62, May 20
Church of the Resurrection, New Albany

PENA, Elizabeth, 56, May 27
St. Peter Church, Columbus

RHYAN, Jane M., May 10
Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

RYBACZYK, Leszek A., 36, May 28
St. Matthew Church, Columbus

SCHWARTZ, Helen C., 95, May 17
St. Timothy Church, Columbus

SEIKEL, Mildred, 90, May 15
St. Joseph Church, Dover

SHANKS, John C., 82, May 21
St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

SKINNER, Jeanne M., 86, May 19
St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

SZOLOSI, Michael R., 71, May 26
St. Agatha Church, Columbus

THIEKEN, Francis J., 88, May 16
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

TOMEI, Sylvia, 94, May 20
St. Elizabeth Church, Columbus

TRUSTDORG, Florence, 92, May 15
St. Joseph Church, Dover

URSE, Cherie, 87, May 20
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

VAUGHN, Deborah, 53, May 19
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

VISCONTI, James A., 77, May 23
St. Peter Church, Columbus

WANGLER, Thomas P., 78, May 17
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

WENGER, David C., 73, May 22
Church of the Resurrection, New Albany

Sean R. Johnson

Funeral Mass for Hilliard Police Officer Sean R. Johnson, 46, who died Thursday, May 19, was held Wednesday, May 25 at Westerville St. Paul Church. Burial was at Resurrection Cemetery, Lewis Center.

Johnson died when his motorcycle crashed on a ramp from Interstate 270 South to Ohio 161 East in Blendon Township during a training exercise. His death was the first for a Hilliard police officer in the line of duty since the department was formed in 1960.

He was a 16-year veteran of the Hilliard police force, and previously had

served with the investigative unit of the Ohio attorney general's office and was a Fairfield County sheriff's deputy. He also served six years with the Air Force. He was a graduate of Brownsville (Pennsylvania) High School and received an associate degree from Columbus State Community College.

He was preceded in death by his father, Louis. Survivors include his mother, Rebecca Dulik; son, Nicholas; daughter, Olivia; brother, Mark (Holly); sister, Lou Ann (Mike) Johnson-Lee; half-brother, Dennis (Penny); and half-sister, Kathy (George) Milne.

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Holy Hour at Holy Family

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

Matsiko World Orphan Choir Concert at St. Paul

7 p.m., St. Paul Church, 313 N. State St., Westerville. Concert by the Matsiko World Orphan Choir of orphaned or at-risk children from Liberia, Peru, and India.

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3, FRIDAY

St. Cecilia Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

St. Cecilia Church, 434 Norton Road, Columbus. Begins

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Monthly Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

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

Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center Open House

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

Catholic Men's Luncheon Club

12:15 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Catholic Men's Luncheon Club meeting. Talk by Columbus police commander Mike Springer of Gahanna St. Matthew Church on sharing his faith in the workplace.

St. John Chrysostom First Friday Sale

4 to 6 p.m., St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church, 5858 Cleveland Ave., Columbus. First Friday sale of pirogi, stuffed cabbage, noodles, baked goods.

Eucharistic Vigil at Holy Cross

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

All-Night Exposition at Our Lady of Victory

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

4, SATURDAY

Mary's Little Children Prayer Group

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

Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City

9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and confession. Also on June 11.

Lay Missionaries of Charity Day of Prayer

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

First Saturday Mass at Holy Family

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

Cum Christo Retreat at Church of the Resurrection

9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. "Blessed, Broken and Scarred" retreat led by Catholic author and speaker Brian Pusateri, sponsored by diocesan Cum Christo movement. Doughnuts, coffee, light lunch available. 614-395-1739

Centering Prayer Group Meeting at Corpus Christi

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

Filipino Mass at Holy Cross

7:30 p.m., Holy Cross Church, 204 S. 5th St., Columbus. Mass in the Tagalog language for members of the Filipino Catholic community. 614-224-3416

5, SUNDAY

Exposition at Church of the Resurrection

Our Lady of the Resurrection Chapel, Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, beginning with exposition following 11 a.m. Mass and continuing to 5 p.m. Watterson Open House Honoring Marian Hutson

4 to 7 p.m., Dominican Hall, Bishop Watterson High School, 99 E. Cooke Road, Columbus. Open house honoring retiring principal Marian Hutson. 614-268-8671

Prayer Group Meeting at Christ the King

5 to 7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus (enter at daily Mass entrance). Weekly parish prayer group meets for praise, worship, ministry, and teaching. Also on June 12. 614-886-8266

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter

7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. Also on June 12. 706-761-4054

Compline at Cathedral

9 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Chanting of Compline. 614-241-2526

6, MONDAY

Diocesan Senior Citizens Celebration

10:30 a.m., St. Edward Church, 785 Newark-Granville Road, Granville. 39th annual diocesan senior citizens celebration, sponsored by diocesan Office for Social Concerns, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Frederick Campbell, followed by luncheon. \$10 per person. 614-241-2540

Aquinas Alumni Luncheon

11 a.m., Jubilee Museum and Catholic Cultural Center, 57 S. Grubb St., Columbus. Monthly Columbus Aquinas High School alumni luncheon.

LIMEX Information Night at Catholic Center

7 to 8:30 p.m., Catholic Center, 197 E. Gay St., Columbus. Information night for Loyola Institute of Ministry Extension (LIMEX) master's degree program for religious educators, sponsored by diocesan Office of Religious Education and Catechesis. 614-221-4633

7, TUESDAY

Catholic War Veterans Monthly Meeting

7 p.m., Red Room, St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Catholic War Veterans Post 1936 meeting. For those who served three months, were honorably discharged, or are on active duty. 614-221-7601

Abortion Recovery Network Group

7 p.m., Pregnancy Decision Health Center, 665 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus. Abortion recovery network group meeting for anyone recovering from abortion or who has been through a recovery program and wants to stay connected. 614-721-2100

Prayer Group Meeting at St. Mark

7:30 p.m., St. Raymond Room, St. Mark Center, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Light of Life prayer group meeting. Also on June 14. 740-654-6928

9, THURSDAY

Women to Women Listening Circle at Corpus Christi

11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Women to Women program for women of all ages and life circumstances. Begins with soup lunch until noon, followed by listening circle. No child care available on-site. 614-512-3731

Family Honor 'Come and See' Event

6:30 to 8:30 p.m., The Catholic Foundation, 257 E. Broad St., Columbus. "Come and see" event introducing Family Honor family-centered chastity education program to interested parishes. Contact tim.familyhonor@gmail.com.

Holy Hour of Reparation at Columbus Sacred Heart

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

11, SATURDAY

Farm Fresh 5K Race and Walk at Shepherd's Corner

9 a.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. 10th annual Farm Fresh five-kilometer race and walk over an all-terrain course. Proceeds go to center programs. 614-866-4302

12, SUNDAY

Kateri Prayer Circle at St. Mark

1 p.m., Aranda Center, St. Mark Church, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Kateri Prayer Circle meeting to honor St. Kateri Tekakwitha and promote Native Catholic spirituality.

Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic Meeting

1:30 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Meeting of St. Catherine of Siena chapter, Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic.

Retirement Celebration for Father Cotton

2 to 5 p.m., Pastor's Hall, St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Retirement celebration for Father Charles Cotton, pastor, who retires on June 30.

614-891-0150

Retirement Celebration for Father Richard Metzger

2 to 5 p.m., St. Mary Church, 5684 Groveport Road, Groveport. Celebration honoring Father Richard Metzger, pastor, who is retiring after 49 years of active ministry and recently turned 75.

614-497-1324

Taize Evening Prayer at Corpus Christi

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

13, MONDAY

Greater Columbus Right to Life Banquet

6:30 p.m., Lausche Building, State Fairgrounds, 717 E. 17th Ave., Columbus. Greater Columbus Right to Life annual banquet, featuring writer and blogger Matt Walsh. Free-will offering; \$5 parking fee. 614-445-8508

Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry

6:30 p.m., support group meeting, 2744 Dover Road, Columbus (Christ the King convent, first building west of the church). 614-718-0277, 614-309-2651, 614-309-0157

Our Lady of Peace Men's Bible Study

7 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 20 E. Dominion Blvd., Columbus. Bible study of Sunday Scripture readings.

14, TUESDAY

St. Charles Platinum Reunion

10:30 a.m., St. Charles Preparatory School, 2010 E. Broad St., Columbus. School's annual platinum reunion to honor graduates from classes of 1927 to 1965 and remember deceased alumni and teachers. 614-445-8508

Serra Club of North Columbus Meeting

Noon, Jessing Center, Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 N. High St., Columbus. Serra Club of North Columbus meeting. Speaker: Newly ordained Father Daniel Swartz. Reservations required.

Calix Society Meeting

6 p.m., Panera restaurant, 4519 N. High St., Columbus. Monthly meeting of the Calix Society, an association of Catholic alcoholics. Preceded by 5:30 p.m. Mass at Our Lady of Peace Church, across street from meeting site.

Holy Hour at Columbus St. Francis of Assisi

St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttles Ave., Columbus. Monthly Holy Hour following 6 p.m. Mass. 614-299-5781

EnCourage Ministry Monthly Meeting

6:30 p.m., EnCourage, an approved diocesan ministry dedicated to families and friends of persons who experience same-sex attraction. Call for site. 614-296-7404



BOOK REVIEW

Mother Angelica's Grand Silence

In 2005, Mother Angelica's authorized biographer, Raymond Arroyo, published the *New York Times* best-selling book *Mother Angelica: The Remarkable Story of a Nun, Her Nerve, and a Network of Miracles*, which traced her tortured rise to success and exposed the fierce opposition she faced outside and inside of her church.

Arroyo was a close friend and colleague who maintained a powerful relationship with Mother Angelica until her recent death on Easter Sunday, March 27, at age 92 in Hanceville, Alabama.

Arroyo intimately completes the saga of her life in *Mother Angelica: Her Grand Silence* (Image Books, \$23) and writes candidly about his 20-year relationship with Mother Angelica, which was at times inspir-

ing, vexing, and tender.

He even shares an early titanic battle that almost ended their friendship before it began.

Mother Angelica experienced a series of strokes in 2001 which led to a severe physical disability.

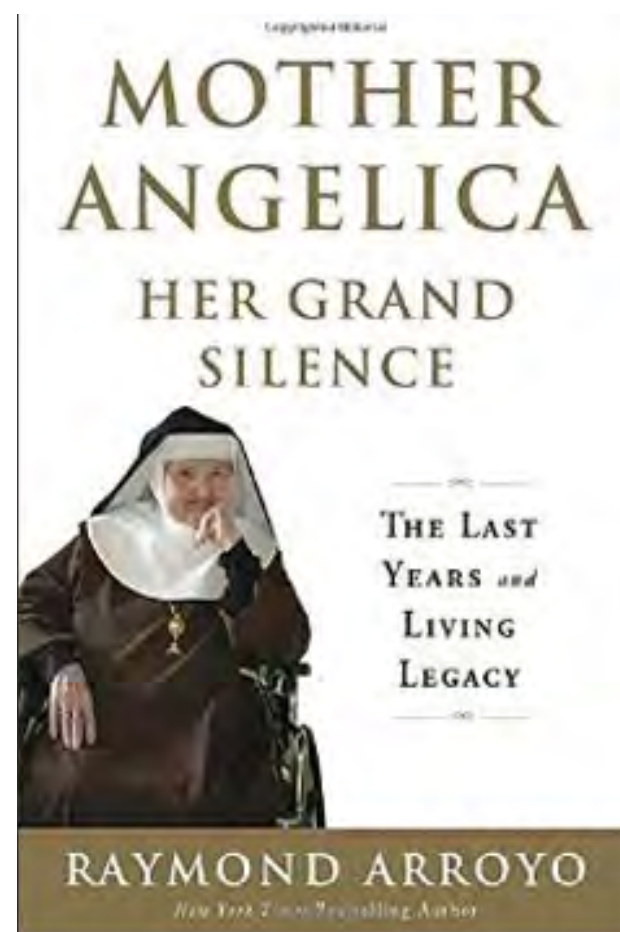
Retired from the Eternal World Television Network, the global Catholic television and radio empire that she founded in a monastery garage in 1981, Mother Angelica returned to her life as a cloistered nun, continuing her mission to reach the masses with a message of hope in ways she never expected.

Mother Angelica: Her Grand Silence lays bare the events of the last 15 years of Mother Angelica's life:

- Supernatural attacks were prevalent during Mother Angelica's last days. The book offers readers a firsthand glimpse of the mystical and diabolic phenomena surrounding her, including multiple encounters with dark forces.

- For the first time, Arroyo reveals Mother Angelica's final bargain with God, which she shared with him exclusively. Though Mother Angelica would not foresee the consequences of her request—intense suffering and a protracted silence—this revelation sheds new light on the final years.

- Arroyo reveals details of Mother Angelica's 2004 secret journey to the Far East, a trip that would physically cost her and became a turning point in her life. The journey included unforeseen events that would severely impact Mother Angelica un-



til her last breath.

- Arroyo offers intimate stories of Mother Angelica's early years never seen before in print, including her memories of her parents' devastating divorce and tense relationship.

- Arroyo reports on Mother Angelica's fight to preserve her religious community in spite of her physical limitations. Included here are the formal Vatican investigation of her monastery and the fulfillment of her desire to build new monasteries around the world.

- Paradoxically, during her 15 years out of the public eye, she reached more people, because of the growth of her network and her best-selling books, and changed more lives than at any point in her 20 years of active broadcasting. Personal testimonies and letters from people whom she reached spiritually from her monastery, including those lost to addictions and battling devastating diseases, are chronicled here for the first time.

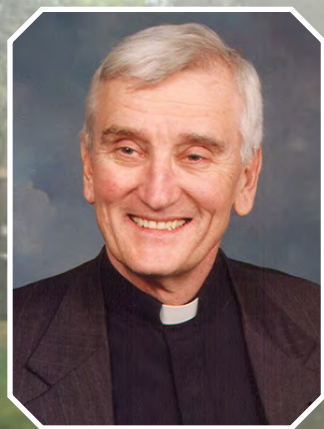
This is the final chapter to Mother Angelica's life, and a universal story for anyone caring for a loved one.

In *Mother Angelica: Her Grand Silence*, readers will discover the tremendous value of every life, even that of an invalid, and an epic tale of perseverance, faith, and hope to be found on the far side of suffering.

Raymond Arroyo will be in Columbus on Tuesday Sept. 6 as the featured speaker at the annual Cradling Christianity dinner. Reservations for that event may be made by contacting Charles Mers at cmers@columbus.rr.com or by phone at (614) 890-6996.

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By Leandro M. Tapay

Diocesan Missions Director

Approximately 43 percent of the dioceses in the United States and its territories are designated as Catholic home missions by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. This means these churches lack the resources to provide for basic pastoral services to the faithful. They cannot exist without help from elsewhere. Throughout the United States, a collection is taken on one weekend each year to help these churches. The collection in the Diocese of Columbus will be taken on the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, June 4 and 5. Please be generous!

In Ohio, the dioceses of Steubenville and Youngstown, the Romanian Eparchy of Canton, and the Ukrainian Eparchy of Parma are considered mission dioceses. All receive a grant from the USCCB subcommittee for home missions.

To give you an idea of the obstacles domestic mission churches face, here are a few examples of dioceses supported by the USCCB department of Catholic home missions.

The Archdiocese of Anchorage, Alaska, serves 29 parishes and mission centers in an area covering about 139,000 square miles. It faces two major challenges: the vastness of the area, and poor road conditions. Many parishes and mission centers are in rural areas accessible only by air or water. The few roads that exist are in poor condition. Only a few parishes have resident pastors. Parishes without resident pastors are served by trained pastoral ministers, who have been granted permission to officiate at baptisms, weddings, and funerals.

The Diocese of Knoxville, Tennessee, covers the eastern third of the state. It has a

Catholic population of only 2.4 percent. Even today, there are people in east Tennessee who never have met a Catholic. The diocese's major challenge is to establish a Catholic presence in each of its 36 counties. Another challenge is dramatic growth in the area's population of Hispanics, who come from Mexico and Central America to work on farms and in the construction industry. The need for Spanish-speaking priests is urgent.

The Diocese of Cheyenne, Wyoming, is the largest, geographically speaking, in the continental United States. It covers the state of Wyoming and Yellowstone National Park. The diocese has 47 priests who serve 50,000 Catholics scattered across 100,000 square miles.

The Diocese of Lexington, Kentucky, part of which is just across the Ohio River from the Portsmouth area of the Diocese of Columbus, serves 50 counties, 39 of which are in the Appalachian region, which is one of the nation's most economically depressed areas.

The Diocese of Amarillo, Texas, serves 48 parishes and missions. About half of these parishes do not have a resident pastor.

The Diocese of Baker, Oregon, has 25 priests to cover 63 parishes and missions in an area that spans 65,000 square miles. Most parishes do not have a resident pastor.

The Diocese of the Caroline Islands, Central Pacific, covers more than one million square miles of open ocean, and serves 135,000 Catholics speaking four different lan-



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has designated one weekend for a Catholic home missions appeal. In the Diocese of Columbus, we will observe it on the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, June 4 and 5.

Funds collected during this event are distributed to the mission dioceses in the United States. These dioceses are commonly called "Mission Land USA."

These dioceses cannot continue to exist without the help of Catholics elsewhere. In these areas where the Church is small and fragile, the proceeds of the collection help expand and strengthen its Catholic presence.

Contrary to what many people think, missions are not only in Africa, Asia, India, and Latin America. The missions are also in the vast wilderness of Alaska, in the Deep South, in the Rocky Mountain states, in the Appalachian region, in the Southwest, in Puerto Rico, in the Virgin Islands, and in islands such as American Samoa and the Marshalls.

Your support for the collection helps meet faith needs in these areas. The collection has supported religious education, evangelization, youth ministry, seminarian education, and ministry training in these mission dioceses. Helping satisfy the spiritual needs of our neighbors across the nation unites all of us as a Catholic family.

I invite you to respond generously to the Catholic home missions appeal. May the Lord bless us in our efforts to help expand and strengthen the presence of the Church at home.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Frederick F. Campbell, DD, PhD

Bishop of Columbus

guages. The diocese has 13 priests, who travel by motorboat or plane among the 100 or so inhabited islands.

The Chaldean Eparchy of St. Peter the Apostle, based in San Diego, serves 40,000 Arabic-speaking Catholics in 17 states

– Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, Oklahoma, New Mexico, North Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

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