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The Editor's Notebook

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How has your Holy Week been? It is so easy to plug yourself into the mystery and spiritual bounty of this week. And the more you immerse yourself into it, the greater the fruit you receive. Like forgiveness, 70 times seven times does not even fully describe the depth in God's grace and love. Even when our Lent is a little weak, or maybe we just never seemed to get into the flow of discipline, a solid Holy Week can wash away much prayer fasting, and increased offerings to our parishes and the poor and have done through the past six weeks! Hopefully, enough to make a difference. If not, none of these are limited to Lent. We rejoice at Easter but we certainly must continue to pray each day that our faith may be alive, so may we teach our folk and those in greatest need. Daily prayer and Mass every Sunday is the bare minimum. How about fasting one day a month all year for a special intention? And probably not even as long as that. Why cannot this be too much? Not enough? Go for one day a week. And giving is a steady one. There is no reason to make it finite. Easter! Resurrection! Alakula! For the past 40 days and more, we have repented, reconciled, and strengthened our discipline with regard to our Faith. We embrace this annual period of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving because we must, and we need it. We are human, we are sinners but we are intrinsically and genuinely good people who seek to be holy. Lent prepares us and cleanses us, the Sacred Triduum of Holy Thursday: Good Friday and Holy Saturday compels us, and Easter sends us forth to share the joy of the Resurrection. Do you think Jesus made an impact? Did He reach enough people? We know that the establishment and growth of the church cannot be too much. Not enough? Go for one day a week. And giving is a steady one. There is no reason to make it finite. Easter! Resurrection! Alakula! For the past 40 days and more, we have repented, reconciled, and strengthened our discipline with regard to our Faith. We embrace this annual period of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving because we must, and we need it. We are human, we are sinners but we are intrinsically and genuinely good people who seek to be holy. Lent prepares us and cleanses us, the Sacred Triduum of Holy Thursday: Good Friday and Holy Saturday compels us, and Easter sends us forth to share the joy of the Resurrection. Do you think Jesus made an impact? Did He reach enough people? We know that the establishment and growth of the church cannot be too much. Not enough? Go for one day a week. And giving is a steady one. There is no reason to make it finite.

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**BISHOP MONFORTON**

**Franciscan University of 2014 Set to Graduate**

Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, Bishop Jeffrey Monforton, Michael Warwick receive Honorary Degrees

The featured speaker will be Michael P. War - cage, chairman of the board and chief execu - tive officer of the Ele - tron - tal Word Network. Warwick will receive the honorary degree in commen - taria - tion for his leadership in evangeli - zing and catechizing through the radio and television network in the U.S. and abroad, and his work in enabling the church to do mission work in the developing world. He will be the 2014 commencement speaker.

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The world today really needs the hope that only Easter brings. I do not mean to say that, but I often feel overwhelmed by the daily media stories of all the trials people are experiencing throughout the world. Our cycle of violence never seems to subside. There are battles being fought in many places such as Syria, where thousands of people have fled to other places and are living in wretched circumstances including an abusive political regime, and in Syria living in constant danger. People are dying of hunger in the Sudan and in other nations. Many cannot find work to support their families. Most of us can name other situations of this kind. Violence, hatred, and retribution are all around us. Suffering untapped, and mercy and compassion seem to be scarce commodities these days. I simply want to ask God where God is in all of this.

I think that part of the problem is that people have not reconciled with each other and had the courage of recognizing that many are living with less violence in our families and in the world. There would be more peace and more hope if we said together, “Yes, I accept the resurrection, which we celebrate during Easter, as a reminder that God has gone ahead of us and does, come out of suffering and that the only way to conquer sin is to love even our enemies. Jesus died out of love for us, and through his suffering came his resurrection. By his cross and resurrection, he set us free. As this season of Lent comes to a close, it would be good to reflect on our own attitudes. Do we feel that people have Judged us to be unforgivable, that we have been hated with more or less violence in our families and in the world.

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An evening featuring exquisite Latino cuisine in a fun, formal setting is in store for anyone attending the sixth annual joint Cinco de Mayo celebration sponsored by Columbus Christ the King and St. Stephen the Martyr churches on Friday, May 2 from 6 to 9 p.m.

As in past years, a third Columbus parish, Our Lady of Victory, will be helping its neighbors by providing its parish center at 1559 Roslyn Road for the event. Father Joshua Wagner, pastor of Columbus Holy Rosary - St. John and St. Dominics churches, will be master of ceremonies for the celebration, which will feature authentic Mexican food, a cash bar, live music and entertainment, and a silent auction.

Those attending also will hear from the Sisters of the Missionary Servants of the Word about their work in evangelizing the Latino communities of the two parishes. They have been at St. Stephen since 2006 and arrived at the end of November 2013 at Christ the King, where they established residence in that parish’s re- no-vention.

Three sisters are serving at each location. Sister Ne- reida Olmedo Santiago, MSP, who has made her final vows to become a permanent member of the order, moved to Christ the King from St. Stephen, where she was joined by Sister Griselda Guadalupe Villanueva, MSP, and Sister Zeltzin Cecilia Guzman, MSP (Zeltzin is an Aztec word meaning “delicate”), both of whom recently pronounced their first vows.

Sister Laura Mosqueda Moreno, MSP, replaced Sister Nereida at St. Stephen’s, where she joined Sister Maria Elena Garcia, MSP, and Sister Karina Hernandez Gomez, MSP. In addition, two priests from the Mexican-based Missionary Servants of the Word – Father Saul Alonso Garcia, MSP, administrator, and Father Eduardo Velazquez, MSP, associate administrator – are provid- ing pastoral care at the parish on Columbus’ west side, which previously was served by diocesan clergy.

The Missionary Servants order specializes in evangelizing Latino communities through a one-on-one contact. It didn’t take long for the sisters to establish themselves as an essential part of the community at St. Stephen’s, and they’ve had the same impact at Christ the King, said Father David Schalk, the church’s pastor. He had been working since April 2012 to have them come to the par- ish, which is on Columbus’ east side, where about 1,000 people attend its two Masses in Spanish at 6 p.m. Saturday and 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

“Both the English- and the Spanish-speaking popula- tions of the parish have been enthusiastic about the sisters’ arrival,” Father Schalk said. “On the English-speaking side, the people have picked up on the sisters’ sense of joy and eagerness to become a part of the parish and to share whatever they can. The sisters have been so warm and approachable that it’s quickly eliminated whatever language and cultural bar- riers that might have existed. Everybody smiles in the same language.

On the English-speaking side, the people are grateful to have the chance to give the sisters their faith formation in the Bible studies, youth and young adult groups, and especially their door-to-door work in Latino neighborhoods in connection with their Bible study program.

The program, known as Quince Dias de Mision (15 Days of Mission), is part of the Missionary Servants order’s missionary charism and consists of two weeks of nightly gatherings, preceded by two weeks of faith formation. The sisters go to individuals and invite families to pray the rosary with them and hear about the order’s missionary vision. The sisters use a missionary edition of the Bible which includes reflections written by members of their community.

A major part of their mission involves familiarizing Latinos with the importance of the Bible to Catholics, in response to the efforts of non-Catholic organizations who have tried to spread their interpretations of Scrip- ture while erroneously claiming that “Catholics don’t believe in the Bible.”

“As they talk to people about the basic doctrines of the faith, they also are empowering their listeners with the tools to be missionaries themselves and to go into the community for more evangelization,” Father Schalk said. “The sisters provide a living example of Jesus’ command: ‘As the Father has sent me, so I send you,’” and of what the New Evangelization spoken of by Pope John Paul II and Benedict XVI and now Pope Francis is about.

The priests and sisters of the Missionary Servants of the Word have been practicing their brand of everyday evangelization since the order was founded in 1978 by Father Luis Butera, MSP, who assisted Father Schalk and former St. Stephen’s pastor Father Thomas Butcher with their efforts to bring the order to their respective parishes. Beginning in Mexico, the order has expanded to several areas of the United States, as well as to the Philippines, Vietnam, and Africa.

Besides the Bible study program, the sisters also have started Latino youth high school- and young adult (18 and older) groups at Christ the King. Father Schalk said they anticipate their youth group and the parish’s English-speaking counterpart to combine this year. People of all ages at the parish have been working for the last few weeks on a presentation of the Living Sta- tions of the Cross at Spanish, which will take place at 8:30 a.m. Friday, April 18, following the Good Friday Celebration of the Lord’s Passion in Spanish at 7 p.m.

In addition, sisters from both Christ the King and St. Stephen’s regularly visit prisoners at theSoutheastern Correctional Complex in Lancaster and the Ross Cor- recational Institution in Chillicothe. “Among the many good works we try to do in the community, visiting the prisoners may be the most satisfying,” said Sister Maria Elena, who has been at St. Stephen’s since the arrival of our order there. She is the only one of the original four sisters who came to St. Stephen’s who is still stationed on Columbus.

“Many of the inmates have received the sacraments or have entered the church, and it’s wonderful to see the changes they have made in their lives,” she said. “Meanwhile, our work at St. Stephen’s has shown great results, and the addition of priests from our order allows us to enter even more into community life and to continue training people to evangelize each other.”

At St. Stephen’s, the sisters have brought more than 30 couples to the sacrament of marriage after years away from the church and have inspired three young men to begin studies for the priesthood and four people to serve as lay missionaries. In addition, Mass is offered on Columbus’ English-speaking side, the people have picked up on the sisters’ impact at Christ the King, said Father Schalk. “On the Spanish-speaking side, the people are so grateful to have the chance to give the sisters their faith formation in the Bible studies, youth and young adult groups, and especially their door-to-door work in Latino neighborhoods in connection with their Bible study program.

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“Everything the sisters have been doing has en- couraged people and made them realize the importance of their individual gifts and talents. It rounds out the life of the parish,” said Father Schalk.

“In my homily for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, I described the sisters as an icon of Our Lady. If you want to understand the message of Guadalupe, look at the life of the sisters – consecrated to Christ, serving the marginalized, bringing the Gospel to those who need it.

As Our Lady appeared to the natives in Mexico, bring- ing the Catholic faith as a gift from God, the sisters also are a gift from Heaven, brought here to share the faith.”
**2014 Tour de Diocese: Seminarian Bike Tour**

Seminarians’ Seek Holiness Bike Tour in the Columbus Diocese May 12-16

Diocesan seminarians, priests, and deacons will be riding their bikes through the Diocese of Columbus next month, starting at Columbus St. Andrew School on Monday, May 12 and finishing at the Portmouth Notre Dame Schools on Friday, May 16. This will be the sixth year for the seminarians’ Seek Holiness bike tour.

The Diocese of Columbus is blessed to be the home of the Pontifical College Josephinum, the only pontifical seminary in the United States. With enrollment at the Josephinum up and next year’s enrollment on the rise, the seminarians couldn’t be more excited to share the faith.

Since 2009, the diocese’s seminarians have marked the end of the school year by taking their bikes and hitting the road. This year, about 15 seminarians couldn’t be more excited to share the faith.

The bike tour schedule is:

- **Monday May 12**: Dublin St. Bridget of Kildare School, Hilliard St. Brendan School, Columbus St. Agata School
- **Tuesday May 13**: Columbus St. Andrew School, Columbus Crisostom Rome
- **Wednesday May 14**: Columbus St. Mary School, Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, Chillicothe St. Peter Church
- **Thursday May 15**: Chillicothe Bishop Flaget High School, Portsmouth St. Mary Church
- **Friday May 16**: Portsmouth Notre Dame elementary and high schools

**You are invited to join us at St. JOSEPH CATHEDRAL for a special presentation**

“Two Popes, Two Saints: Perspectives on John XXIII and John Paul II” presented by noted theologian Fr. Jared Wicks, S.J., and Msgr. Frank Lane

**Saturday, April 26**

5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

**FREE ADMISSION**

Huge Raffle – Five $1000 Winners

Food, Drinks & Lively Entertainment

All funds raised go to the Religious Sisters of Christ the King Church

**CHRIST THE KING SPRING FEST**

All Saints Academy Gymnasium

2855 East Livingston Avenue, Columbus, Ohio

614-237-0401

**SATURDAY, APRIL 26**

5:00 pm – 9:00 pm

**FREE ADMISSION**

**Women to Women is a safe, empowering place where there are no requirements or pre-registration. It is a place to just go, breathe and share with other women.**

Community coordinator Ani Parsons is the mother of severely wounded warriors, who need a lifetime of support. Her son is part of the program. Funding for it will serve the most severely wounded service members through two initiatives — the Independence Program and the Long-Term Support. The Independence Program helps warriors live life to the fullest, on their own terms. The Independence Program works with the warrior and his or her full support team while creating an individualized plan, focusing on goals that provide a future with purpose and at no cost to the warrior and the support team.

The Long-Term Support Team was developed to ensure that services including life-skills training, home care, transportation, and additional resources remain available to severely wounded veterans who, upon the loss of their caregiver, are at risk for institutionalization. The Independence Program empowers each warrior to live as independently as possible, with the highest quality of life and the finest, most compassionate care.

More information may be obtained at woundedwarrior-project.org.

Anyone planning to attend Parsons’ presentation in April can RSVP to eowensprojects@yahoo.com to help with accommodations.

**10 years forward, no looking back**

The Wounded Warrior Project celebrates a decade of service

Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 3730 Broadway, and Knights of Columbus Council 4601 will sponsor a presentation at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 29 by Cindy Parsons, speaker and advocate for the Wounded Warrior Project (WWP).

Parsons is the mother of highly Medal of Honor recipient SGT Shane Parsons, who was severely wounded in Iraq in 2006, he suffered a severe traumatic brain injury and two car crashes. His vision loss was earned relicarational above-the-knee amputation. Parsons advises for WWP national board of directors and is a long-time supporter, which means every dollar working on his behalf. Parsons is an advocate for a relatively new program known as “I Can’t Be.” For what’s accomplishing $30 million to help 220,000 severely injured warriors, who need a lifetime of support. Her son is part of the program. Funding for it will serve the most severely wounded service members through two initiatives — the Independence Program and the Long-Term Support. The Independence Program helps warriors live life to the fullest, on their own terms. The Independence Program works with the warrior and his or her full support team while creating an individualized plan, focusing on goals that provide a future with purpose and at no cost to the warrior and the support team.

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For more information, go to the diocesan Scouting Office, located at 768 S. High St., Columbus (43215). For information on the diocesan Scout program, call (614) 644-5228.

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**Children of Mary community expands**

The Columbus Mary Seminary is proud to announce the expansion of its Children of Mary community. The Children of Mary community of women based in rural Licking County, Ohio, was born on March 12, 2012, in Columbus (as the Mother Superior suggests) or in Jerusalem (as John 20:20 suggests). Matthew and John discuss about when and which city visit the tomb. Matthew says Mary Magdalene and “the other Mary” go to the tomb “as the day was dawning.” John mentions only Mary of Magdala, who visited the tomb on Easter morning.

**The Weekday Bible Readings**

**Mondats**

Psalm 118:10-18

**Tuesday**

Psalm 31:1-5, 16-22

**Wednesday**

Isaiah 61:10-12

**Thursday**

Psalm 118:13-20

**Friday**

Psalm 24:1-6

**Saturday**

Psalm 31:1-5, 16-22

**Acts of Thought**

Father Lawrence H. Hummer

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (Cycle A)**

One can only ‘see’ Jesus with the eyes of faith

“while it was still dark.” In Matthew, both women apparently see the angel running away from them. In Mark, we are not told if one of the women was with him, just that he had risen. In John, Mary discovers the stone removed and is told to “tell Simon and the other disciple” about it. Many other details make it impossible to decide much about the events of Easter morning.

Paul is not concerned with any of these things, because his experience is only of the risen Christ, except to ask if Christ is a different world, because with him, we are empty and the world is not full of love (1 Corinthians 15:14). There is no evidence of any other Mary. We must know that Jesus of Nazareth. His only experience was of Christ risen from the dead.

Then we have Peter’s speech in Acts, which probably represents the earliest Christian proclamation. It connects Jesus with the baptism of John and concludes with Peter and the others commissioned to carry the good news to the Gentiles. Peter and the other apostles believe in every generation of people in Jesus (we receive forgiveness of sins through baptism). Peter is the first to speak of this to the outsiders, but he is not alone in his beliefs.

For the nonbeliever – seer, an interested observer who grew up in 1980s communist East Germany or the former Soviet Union, we have no upholding to know any better – this week might serve well as a reminder of the current realities Jesus rose from the dead, and ascended into heaven, just as he foretold. These events were witnessed not only by believers, but also by those who came to believe because of what they saw. You simply can’t make this stuff up.

For decades, the Roman authorities questioned the witnesses, try as they might, using every ghastly form of torture, whether or not the body of Jesus was “not visible to all the people.” That means one can only “see” him with the eyes of faith, and that has its own implications to add to the puzzle of what we preach and what we are to reflect as we greet this Easter feast.

Paul says we should “seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not what is on earth. For you have died your life is hidden with Christ in God” (Colossians 3:3). That makes most of “the spiritual” mentioned above disappear and gives us to greet this Easter with joy. If we’re re-covered in the thought of its Christ and seen as important, namely, our union with Christ, “who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God” (v. 1). Christ is dead. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Alleluia.

The church’s pastor, Father Ignatius Harrington, will provide the homily.

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**Scout International Awareness Program April 26**

The diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting will sponsor its annual International Awareness Program on Saturday, April 26, at Holy Redeemer Melkite Catholic Church, 2010 N. High St., Columbus. The church’s pastor, Father Ignatius Harrington, will talk about the Melkite and other Eastern Catholic Churches, their liturgies, their difference and similarities to the Catholic Church, and their participation in the liturgy of the diocese and their parents are invited.

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**Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014**

**Catholic Times**

“Toward Catholicism — The Tide is Turning” and a former teacher and counselor for the diocese are the authors of “The Catholic Tide Continues to Turn” and a former teacher and counselor for the diocese. Hartline is the author of “The Catholic Tide Continues to Turn” and a former teacher and counselor for the diocese.
Mount Vernon St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church will encourage a seven-week information program titled “Catholic Returning Home” from 9 to 9 p.m. on consecutive Thursdays from May 1 to June 22 at the Pope Francis Center, 101 High St., Columbus.

The program, which will be conducted by Vocal Vocations under the direction of Fr. Patrick Kent, is designed forinactive Catholics who are being encouraged to return to the church.

Each week of the program will feature discussions and videos. Sessions will feature talks on such as “The Church Council Since Vatican II,” “The Mass,” “The Sacraments: The Creed” and “The Bible” and “The Church: Returning to the Fold.” The program will explore the state of Catholic doctrine and beliefs as they exist today. Other sessions, including a 30-minute video introduction, “Masses from Catholix Returning Home,” will invite members of the group share their experiences. Information about the program may be obtained by calling Kent at (740) 561-3411 or Deacon Tim Birt at (740) 942-4711, extension 663.

Submit obituaries to: tpcs@cdio.com

**Annual Layette Fund Drive**

In 1884, Mary Virginia Marsick be- gan the Christ Child Society by mak- ing a set of baby clothes and giving them to a mother in need and her baby. The idea grew, and today the Christ Child Society is a charity that helps mothers in need. Every year, more than 16,000 layettes are distributed as a result of this first simple act of charity. The layette gives the child the first step in the soci- ety’s “Challenging Poverty One Child at a Time” program for the family, and the commun- ity. The layette service project is developed by all chapters of the society.

The Columbus chapter of the Christ Child Society assists a gift pack- age of baby care items such as blan- kets, diapers, clothing, toilet paper, and child care information. Members purchase blankets for the layette and purchase, package, and bundle the items. They are distributed by society representatives to the vic- e agencies in Franklin, Madison, Pickaway, and Union counties.

Mother’s Day will again be the focus of the society’s annual layette drive. Last year, the Columbus chapter distributed 1,434 layettes, not only helping cloth less newborns, but also giving families the assurance that the family cares about them.

Though the focus of the layette fund drive is centered on Mother’s Day, layettes may be purchased throughout the year for any special occasion, either honoring or remembering someone who is special to the giver. The person being honored or remembered may indicate the name of the person to be notified about the gift. A card with either the full or first names of the person being honored will be enclosed in the layette.

For a layette, send a check ($35 per layette) payable to Christ Child Society of Columbus and include the name and address of the person being honored. Send your order by Friday, April 1, for layette distribution, to Christ Child Society of Columbus, Box 43401, Columbus OH 43246-0091, or visit the society’s website, www.christchild.org.

**HMH News**

**Catholic Foundation 'Conversations' Series**

Catholic Foundation 'Conversations' Series at Newman Center

23, WEDNESDAY

9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City.

11 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 134 W. Mound St., Circleville.


5 p.m., Holy Redeemer (if St. Brigid of Kildare Church, 7179 Avery Road, Coshocton, is closed due to weather). Marian Movement for Priests Cenacle Communion of Saints (_mov for Priests Cenacle Communion of Saints (mov)

7 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrates Easter Vigil Mass in Spanish.

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Licking Heights choir director Meredith handled the first performance that

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