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The Editor's Notebook

New Year's Resolution

By David Garick, Editor



We are now a couple of weeks into 2013. So how are those New Year's resolutions working out? I thought I should work on the backlog of resolutions from previous years that I didn't get done. I'm working on 1978 right now.

Let's see: Get rid of leisure suits (only one or two still left in my closet); find someone to buy those Barry Manilow albums I never wanted in the first place (30 years later, some things grow on you – not Barry Manilow); lose a few pounds. That last one is the singular New Year's resolution with an interest-bearing clause. Every year, it comes back with what you planned to lose last year and an increase of two to five percent.

Actually, losing weight is at the top of the list of American New Year's resolutions. Joining weight loss are some other health related resolutions such as eating healthy, getting fit, stopping drinking or smoking, and reducing stress. Then there are the finance-related resolutions like saving money, paying off debt, getting a better job. The only altruistic resolution on the list is volunteering to help others, and, sadly it lags far behind the others.

I got this list from the federal government (www.usa.gov) so it must be accurate. Doesn't it make you wonder how they keep track of who is resolving what? The word is that only 10 percent of resolutions are actually kept. I hope that the feds are not going to get into resolution enforcement. Imagine getting a letter from the IRS. (Intended Resolutions

Service): "Mr. Garick, it has come to our attention that you are delinquent in your resolution to clean out the collection of rare eastern European wine bottles in your basement. Unless you can demonstrate compliance within 30 days, we will be forced to penalize you by seizing your entire music collection, except for Barry Manilow records." Noooooooo!

Actually, I think we miss the point with this whole resolution thing. Most of our resolutions are pretty self-centered. We want to lose weight or get fit so that we look better. We want to save or earn more money so we can buy more toys. Instead of asking what can I do this year that will make me happier, we should be asking what can I do today to please God. And then we need to ask God for the grace to know and do his will. The beauty is that the things God wants always end up making us happier. So, in the end, we get the happiness we were seeking all along.

The best way to tap into God's grace is to go to Mass ... often. There are other ways as well. The Sacrament of Reconciliation can provide a great boost in overcoming the shortcomings in our lives. We can also devote some time in service to others through many church ministries. It's a great way to feel closer to Our Lord. And if you spend time doing God's work instead of at McDonald's, you may lose a few pounds, too.

U.S. BISHOPS CALL FOR NINE DAYS OF PRAYER, PENANCE AND PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE

On January 22nd and January 25th our nation will remember the 40th anniversary of Roe v. Wade. Since that tragic decision, more than 55 million children's lives have been lost to abortion, and the lives of millions of their parents have been shattered.

In Columbus, Bishop Frederick F. Campbell will preside at a Mass for Life January 22nd at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral. That will be followed by Rally for Life at the Ohio State House.

As part of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops recent call to prayer, "Nine Days of Prayer, Penance and Pilgrimage" will take place January 19-27, 2013. During that 9-day period, a simple novena is available with daily prayer intentions for the healing and conversion of our nation, for elected officials who support abortion, and for all people whose lives have forever been changed by an abortion, including the children whose lives were ended, their mothers and fathers, their grandparents and siblings and the spouses of those who've been involved in an abortion in the past.

The youth-friendly novena will assist both pilgrims and those participating in their parishes and homes by providing them with a variety of short, engaging and accessible resources:

- a) An intercession of the day
- b) Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be
- c) A very brief reflection on the



saint of the day or a lesson from the daily readings

- d) Daily suggestions for concrete acts of prayer, penance and charity, which would help to introduce students to traditional prayers and personal sacrifices

- e) One powerful abortion-related myth/reality fact

People can sign up to have the novena sent directly to them via emails, text messages, or social media. To subscribe to the daily emails, people should visit www.usccb.org/9days. To subscribe to the daily text messages, which will contain a link to the day's content, people can text "9days" to 99000. To access the materials through social media, visit and "like" the People of Life Facebook page.

The novena will conclude with Father Paul Noble leading the Eucharistic Holy Hour for Reparation and Healing for all those impacted by abortion at St. Joseph Cathedral beginning at 3:00 p.m.



OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT Clergy Assignment

Msgr. Anthony N. Missimi, retired, to Administrator pro-tem, St. Matthias Church, Columbus, effective immediately.

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Front Page photo: Standing under banners for Columbus Bishop Hartley High School's six houses are (from left); front row, Hannah Hostetter, Molly Mackessy, principal Mike Winters, Dory Cassidy, and Clare Kossler; back row, Caleb Lowell, Tommy Zaino, Jacob Matuska, Brooke Betts, and Dominic Pfister. CT photo by Jack Kustron

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

The Catholic Church in the United States is celebrating National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) from Sunday, Jan. 13 to Saturday, Jan. 19. The annual event marks a time for parishes to consider their role in promoting the role of priests, deacons, and religious brothers and sisters to Catholics deciding on their future.

"National Vocation Awareness Week gives dioceses and parishes across the country a chance to promote vocations through prayer and education," said Archbishop Robert Carlson of St. Louis, chairman of the committee on clergy, consecrated life, and vocations for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. "This is especially important in this Year of Faith and as the Church continues to focus on the New Evangelization. Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life are essential in the Church's mission of spreading the joy and love of Jesus Christ. Our world and culture needs the Good News of Christ more than ever."

Father Shawn McKnight, executive director of the USCCB's secretariat of clergy, consecrated life, and vocations (CCLV), said research shows more youth consider a lifetime of service to the Church than family and friends realize.

"A recent study found significant interest among never-married Catholics ages 14 to 35 in priesthood and the consecrated life," he said. "We estimate that over 600,000 youth and young adults have seriously considered a religious vocation in the Church. This is good news. The challenge is to pray for them and encourage them to take the next step as they discern God's call."

The study, "Consideration of Priesthood and Religious Life Among Never-Married U.S. Catholics," was conducted by the Georgetown University-based Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) and commissioned by the CCLV. It is available at <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/vocations/survey-of-youth-and-young-adults-on-vocations.cfm>.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

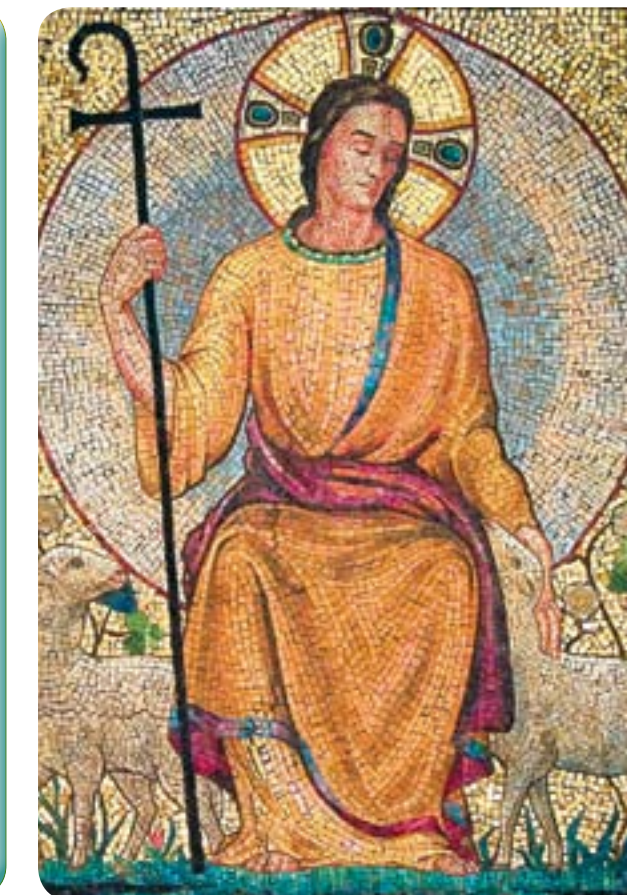
GOD OUR FATHER,
we thank you for
calling men and women
to serve in your Son's Kingdom
as priests, deacons and
consecrated persons.

Send your Holy Spirit
to help us respond
generously and courageously
to your call.

May our community of faith
support vocations of sacrificial love
in our youth and young adults.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, forever and ever.

Amen



Vocation Awareness Week reminds Catholics that they have responsibility to pray for vocations and to invite young people to consider a call to ordained ministry and consecrated life, said Father John Guthrie, CCLV associate director.

"When someone is encouraged by three or more people to consider a religious vocation in the Church, they are more than five times more likely to seriously consider it, the CARA study showed. We need to be less shy about encouraging someone with the right qualities for religious life to think about it," Father Guthrie said.

The CCLV office will provide dioceses with web resources such as prayer cards, suggested prayers of the faithful, and bulletin-ready quotes. Materials can be downloaded from the USCCB vocations page, www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/vocations/national-vocation-awareness-week.cfm.

Observance of Vocation Awareness Week began in 1976 when the U.S. bishops designated the 28th Sunday of the Year for the celebration. In 1997, it was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which this year is marked on Jan. 13. Beginning in 2014, Vocation Awareness Week will be moved to the first full week of November.

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PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric

Rediscover

Did you challenge yourself to be positive and deliberate toward re-establishing your faith this past week? What could be more important than our Catholic faith? Everything we do should flow from a deep faith in the love and Gospel of Jesus Christ. The fact that we have so much evil in the world has got to be due to despair and an overall rejection of faith. There will always be mental and psychological challenges in the world. But there are too many people out there doing evil things simply because they have chosen to reject God's embrace. We fight that evil the best way we can, and that means doing so by our faith in action and by a loving example. It also means standing up for what is right and getting in someone's face once in a while. We all know what is right and what is wrong. We make a conscious choice for one or the other. There is nothing wrong with firmly and assertively supporting what we know to be right.

As I mentioned last week, I will be focusing on some very practical recommendations for the Year of Faith, made by the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith in Rome. I will share these over the next few weeks. The recommendations are presented in four different levels: the Universal Church, Episcopal Conferences, the Diocese, and the Parish. From prayer and education, we hope to see the wealth of teaching of the Church in her 2,000 years of history. From Scripture to great theologians to saints and to our clergy and religious of today, we learn so many ways in which the Church has "meditated on the faith and made progress in doctrine so as to offer certitude to believers in their lives of faith." The Year of Faith is intended to give us a renewed conversion to Jesus Christ and to the rediscovery of faith, so that we can be credible and joyful witnesses to our Risen Lord in the world today. Credibility is so important. We must be able to intelligently defend our faith. We are called by the New Evangelization to lead people to the "door of faith." Jesus opens that door to those who seek Him in a renewed faith. We are challenged to rediscover the joy of believing, and then enthusiastically share that joy by communicating our faith. The recommendations for the Year of Faith are intended to do two things. First, they are to help us in our encounter with Jesus Christ through a real, authentic witness to our faith. There is plenty to contemplate and meditate upon just in that one sentence. How do we authentically witness our faith? There is so much we could do. Start somewhere! Let us be witnesses, right here and now, by living and sharing our faith. Second, they are to help us experience a greater understanding of the contents of our faith. What does it truly mean to be Catholic, and to live as one? These recommendations are meant to encourage us to give an energetic response to the invitation of Pope Benedict XVI to live this Year of Faith as a very special "time of grace."

Our practical challenge this week is to meditate on faith as something we know and understand, but also as something we live. These two aspects of our faith are inseparable. They are bonded together. Go to your Bible and find the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy in the New Testament. Read chapter one, verses six through 14. Meditate on the strong faith of St. Paul, both known and lived. In verse 12, Paul states, "I know him in whom I have believed." Do we? Can we confidently say the same? We must! That is our challenge. That is our revelation. It is ours to rediscover.

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



FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY READY TO "MARCH FOR LIFE"

Just after midnight on Friday, Jan. 25, hundreds of Franciscan University of Steubenville students will board buses and travel through the night to Washington to witness prayerfully at the 40th annual March for Life.

"More than ever before, it is important for Americans to see that those committed to life are not discouraged or demoralized in the fight for life," said Father Terence Henry, TOR, Franciscan University president.

"God, the source of life itself, will help us to stand up to a culture of death that seeks to undermine the foundations of our country and our Judeo-Christian heritage."

Seven buses will transport the students. Hundreds of other students and Franciscan alumni, many with their families or parish youth groups, also will participate in the march.

The students will start the day at a solemn Mass for life at 7:30 a.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. They then will join hundreds of thousands of pro-lifers in a rally at the National Mall.

The march will immediately follow, as pro-lifers walk up Constitution Avenue to the Supreme Court Building on Capitol Hill, the site of the 1973

Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion.

As he has every year since becoming university president in 2000, Father Henry will lead the Franciscan contingent, 800 strong, under the emerald Franciscan University banner that proclaims, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you ... Before you were born, I dedicated you ..." (Jeremiah 1:5).

"Franciscan students are here as role models," said Alex Swetz, a sophomore theology and pre-catechetics major, president of Franciscan University Students for Life.

"We are blessed with a university environment that fosters the Christian values needed to approach the pro-life movement with the love it needs while standing firm in the truth."

"When you see thousands of pro-life youth flooding stadiums, churches, and streets of Washington, D.C., it gives you hope," added Grace Daigler, a junior social work major and vice president of Franciscan Students for Life.

The day after the rally and march, a contingent of Franciscan students will attend the Students for Life of America national conference, where they will network with pro-life organizations and leaders.

EMILY VIGUE SELECTED FOR HUGH O'BRIAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Emily Vigue, a graduate of New Lexington St. Rose School and a sophomore at Lancaster Fisher Catholic High School, has been selected to attend the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Conference (HOBY) at Denison University in May. Founded in 1958, HOBY's mission is to inspire and develop young people and volunteers to a life dedicated to leadership, service, and innovation.



BUSINESS MANAGER Employment Opportunity

A growing suburban parish of 3,300 families, St. Joan of Arc Parish, Powell, is seeking a Parish Business Manager who serves in support of the Pastor and as a staff resource, ensuring that parish needs in administration, personnel, finance and facilities are fulfilled. This position directs and manages these efforts with technical and legal expertise within the framework of shared ministry in Catholic and Christian values. This position will: 1) Administer parish business operations, overseeing and controlling bookkeeping, payroll, employee benefits, and cash flow through management of purchasing and payments. 2) Supervise the collection, counting, recording and depositing of parish revenue from all sources. 3) Coordinate parish liability and property insurance programs. 4) Serve as a parish financial contact with financial institutions and the Diocese. 5) Attend parish committee meetings as designated by Pastor (includes some evening meetings). 6) Manage financial reporting to the Pastor, parish and Diocese

This position requires strong business management skills, flexibility, and aptitude. The position also requires frequently moving about the parish facilities to inspect for compliance. To perform this job successfully, an individual should have knowledge of MS Office (Word, Excel, Outlook), QuickBooks, and payroll systems. Excellent oral and written communication and human relation skills when dealing with co-workers, other parish or Diocesan employees, families and the general public are essential. A Bachelor's Degree or equivalent experience in Accounting or Finance experience is preferred. Significant previous business management experience required or equivalent combination of education and experience is required. Passing a background screening and completion of the VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children" course are mandatory. Salary is commensurate with experience. Benefits are according to Diocesan policy.

Send cover letter, resume, references and salary requirements by January 25, 2013 to:

Deacon Jim Rouse at: jimrousecols@sbcglobal.net.

ST. MATTHEW COUNSELING PROGRAMS

The counseling center at Gahanna St. Matthew Church, 807 Havens Corners Road, is offering four programs this winter: DivorceCare, GriefShare, DivorceCare for Kids, and Single and Parenting.

DivorceCare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. The DivorceCare support group is led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. It begins Sunday, Feb. 10, and runs through Sunday, May 5. Sessions will last from 7 to 9 p.m. in the counseling center. A one-time charge of \$30 includes a workbook. For more information, contact Mike Workman at (614) 269-7098 or Loretta Seipel at (614) 575-1507 or lseipel1947@yahoo.com.

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences, the loss of a beloved person in your life. This bereavement support group is led by people who understand what you are going through and want to help. It begins on Monday, Feb. 25, and runs through Monday, May 20. Sessions are from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the counseling center. There is a one-time charge of \$25 which includes

the workbook. For more information or to register, contact Mary Lager at mary0613@hotmail.com.

DivorceCare for Kids is a special group to help children heal from the pain caused by a separation or divorce, providing them with a safe and neutral place to recognize and learn to share their feelings. This group begins on Thursday, Jan. 31, and ends on Thursday, May 2. Sessions run from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the Spirit Room. The one-time charge of \$25 includes a workbook.

Single and Parenting offers real-world answers to important questions single parents face every day, such as maintaining order and structure in the home, dealing with disobedience, facing financial pressures, interacting with a former spouse, raising children so they can be successful adults, and whether God cares about the problems of a single parent. This group also begins on Thursday, Jan. 31, and ends on Thursday, May 2, running from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the counseling center. There is a one-time charge of \$25, which includes a workbook. For more information on both DivorceCare for Kids and Single and Parenting, contact Joe Geig at (614) 442-7650, extension 2, or at joe.sopcc@yahoo.com.

ST. EDWARD PARISH MISSION

Granville St. Edward Church, 785 Newark-Granville Road, is sponsoring a parish mission Monday through Wednesday, Feb. 4 to 6, at 7 p.m. each evening and after the daily 8 a.m. Mass.

The speaker, Paulist Father Richard Sparks, CSP, will lead a "folksy, friendly spiritual renewal" exploring the topic "Being Catholic in the 21st Century: What Really Matters."

Topics will be "Love, No Strings At-

tached: Unbelievable But True," Monday; "Life Is Hard, But Life Is Good," Tuesday; and "Fidelity Over the Long Haul: What Makes It All Worthwhile," Wednesday.

Father Sparks also will be the homilist at weekend Masses on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 2 and 3.

For more information, call (740) 587-4160 or send an email to reled@saint-edwards.org.

ST. MICHAEL REGISTRATION

Worthington St. Michael School, 64 E. Selby Blvd., will conduct registration for grades kindergarten through eight for the 2013-14 school year from Monday, Jan. 28, through Friday, Feb. 1. The school will offer five-day-a-week kindergarten classes in both the half-day and full-day formats.

Applicants must present a parish af-

filiation form, signed by the pastor, along with copies of the prospective student's birth and baptismal certificates, and immunization dates. There is a \$150 non-refundable fee, \$100 of which will go toward next year's tuition fees.

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GOD SEEKS US IN THE GARDEN

This is the third column in a 14-part series



BY CACKIE UPCHURCH

Director of Little Rock Scripture Study

“And he walks with me and he talks with me and he tells me I am his own; and the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known.” These words of the gospel standard “In the Garden” by C. Austin Miles, are familiar to many of us. They beautifully capture the longing and realized hope of simply being with God.

One way to approach the creation account in the first two chapters of Genesis is to recognize the same longing and realized hope of God’s people who crafted these stories under divine inspiration. It might be tempting to picture the authors of the Old Testament simply beginning at the beginning as they compiled the words we now know as sacred Scripture. But their “beginning” was not in Eden.

Their beginning was their experience of God’s liberating presence in Egypt and covenant presence in the desert. These events shaped the way they told the stories of their ancestors and of the world’s beginnings. They knew God already and they pondered the divine plan, as it must have unfolded at the beginning of time.

There is a certain ironic beauty when we consider that a desert people, shaped by harsh landscapes and dry conditions, pondered God’s original creative act in a verdant garden. “The Lord God planted a garden in Eden,” (Genesis 2:1) complete with lush growth, trees of all kinds to delight the eye, land animals and birds, and teeming rivers to water the land and produce food. Furthermore, they pictured God walking about in the garden “at the breezy time of the day,” (Genesis 3:8) calling out to the man and woman. It’s a bucolic picture that communicates a direct intimacy with the divine.

It’s that intimacy that was violated when God’s first human creatures ignored the tree of life at the center of the garden and instead ate from the one tree that was off-limits -- the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. It was not so much their disobedience that banished them from the garden, but their ambition to take God’s place. Seemingly not content to be in God’s presence, they grasped at the opportunity to judge as only God can between good and evil.

God’s people, however, never lost that desire to simply walk in the garden with God, to enjoy the gifts of creation and their creator. Garden imagery punctuates Scripture, reminding every generation that the intimacy of the garden experience is a very rich way to ponder the realities of our faith experience with God.

Israel’s prophets sometimes described sinful Israel and the destruction of their homeland as a ruined landscape or garden (see Isaiah 5:5-6, Jeremiah 4:22-26, and Joel 2:21-27). God’s presence had been rejected -- a reality physically captured in a ravaged landscape. Conversely, Israel’s restoration after the exile is often depicted as a return to a refreshing garden landscape, implying that God and his people are once again walking together (see Isaiah 58:11, Jeremiah 31:12-13, and Hosea 14:6-9).

The most significant event in the New Testament is surely the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. While it occurred in a number of acts, it can be viewed as one event, with a pivotal scene taking place in the Garden of Gethsemane (see Matthew 26:36-56, Mark 14:32-50, Luke 22:39-53, and John 18:1-11).

In a grove of twisting olive trees, Jesus took two of his closest disciples with him at one of the most critical times in his life. It was an opportunity to be with him, to pray with and for him, and to experience a level of intimacy intended by God from the beginning.

Sadly, the disciples missed the moment of union they were being offered in Gethsemane, and a time of peaceful encounter turned into a scene of betrayal and violence with the arrest of Jesus. But betrayal and missed opportunities never have the final word in God’s world. John 20:11-18 introduces us to the risen Lord, seeming to Mary Magdalene to be, of all things, a gardener. We’ve come full circle from the original garden, where God brings the world to life, to the garden of resurrection, where life has the final word.

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ANSWERS FOR A REBORN CHRISTIAN; PLACEMENT OF THE CRECHE



QUESTION & ANSWER

by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE
Catholic News Service

Q. I have a friend who is driving me crazy about “reborn Christians.” That’s all he ever talks about, and he says that is the one way to salvation. I think he needs to be straightened out. Would you please give me all the information you have on this topic? (Huletts Landing, N.Y.)

A. The term “reborn” (or “born again”) is widely associated with evangelical Christianity and is used to describe a “conversion experience” in which a person consciously accepts Jesus as his or her personal savior. It is often linked with moments of deep emotional satisfaction.

In his book “Born Again,” Watergate conspirator Charles Colson describes such an experience while he was incarcerated. Having asked Jesus to come into his life and having committed himself to Christ, Colson writes, “With these few words ... came a sureness of mind that matched the depth of feeling in my heart. There came something more: strength and serenity, a wonderful new assurance about life.”

The Catholic view links being “reborn” to the sacrament of baptism, referencing the words of Jesus to Nicodemus in the third chapter of John’s Gospel, where Christ equates being “born again” with “being born of water and Spirit.”

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, in No. 1265, says, “Baptism not only purifies from all sins, but also makes the neophyte ‘a new creature,’ an adopted son of God.”

Since most Catholics were baptized as infants, as far back as they can recall they have believed, trusted, and loved Jesus as savior and lord. They recognize that their baptism commits them to a gradual but lifelong deepening of their faith in Christ and holiness of life.

As to your friend’s contention that a “born-again” experience is the only route to salvation, I would refer him to the Second Vatican Council’s decree *Lumen Gentium*. In No. 16, the document explains that “those who, through no fault of their own, do not know the Gospel of

Christ or his church, but who nevertheless seek God with a sincere heart, and, moved by grace, try in their actions to do his will as they know it through the dictates of their conscience -- those too may achieve eternal salvation.”

Q. Why should a priest put the creche in the back of the church? We happen to have a small church with no side altars, and for years our pastor placed the Christmas crib in front of the church, to the side of the main altar. That way, one would be able to kneel at the altar rail to pray while viewing the crib.

But we have a new priest, and he has the crib in the back of the church. I have been a parishioner here for all but seven of my 84 years, and this is the first time this has ever happened. Why is there no room on the sanctuary floor for the Christ Child, who is the center of our lives? (Atlantic City, N.J.)

A. It’s a bit difficult to answer without knowing the exact size and proportions of your church’s sanctuary area. I can tell you, though, that the main focus of a church should always be the altar, since that is where the sacrifice of Christ is offered and where Christ becomes present.

Consistent with that, the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, in No. 299, says the altar should have ample room for the ministers of the Mass to walk around. More specifically, a document devoted to church art and architecture (“Built of Living Stones”), issued by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in 2000, explains that “the altar should remain clear and free-standing, not walled in by massive floral displays or the Christmas crib.”

At the same time, the Christmas crib is clearly a valued object of devotion and should be placed where families can draw near to it with ease. It may be that in its new position in your parish church, it is now more accessible than it was when people knelt at the Communion rail to view it.

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

FATHER MARK SUMMERS’ HOMILY AT THE FUNERAL MASS FOR FATHER JAMES T. SMITH IN COLUMBUS ST. MATTHIAS CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9

“Jesus said, ‘The poor you always have with you’ (John 12:8a). At the time, he had no reason to add, although he very well could have, ‘We have met the poor, and they are us.’ Every human being is born poor. It has always been so. It is meant to be so.

“Take the Genesis story of our origin at face value. There are Adam and Eve: created sinless, created to delight in walking with the Lord during the cool of the day, created to live in an earthly paradise (an Edenic garden), yet nonetheless denied ‘the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden’ (Genesis 3:3). Denied such fruit! Denied, literally, the fruit of the God. And denied according to the order of their being, of having been made a ‘little less than the angels’ (Psalm 8:5a), of having been made -- in short -- poor. If not everything is allotted us -- and not everything is -- then what we lack, by definition, renders us poor. We have ever run from owning our poverty, from accepting our human selves. Adam and Eve, rich in life, understood that they were poor in being, and loved that not.

“Still, the fact remains: poverty is our natural milieu; poverty is constitutive of human nature, essential for becoming fully human. Saints know this. Sainthood is not the absence of personal sin, but is, rather, the taking ownership of personal poverties. Sainthood is a firm and conscious embrace of our human condition, a firm and conscious embrace of the poor self.

“The life of St. Francis of Assisi is a paradigmatic example, of course. Becoming as ill-content in life as Adam and Eve had, Francis did not end up following their crude attempt at becoming what they are not, but instead took that road ‘less traveled by’ (Robert Frost, “The Road Not Taken”): the way of the poor. And that, as we know, ‘made all the difference.’ (Frost). Francis wed himself to Lady Poverty. In taking the downward path deeper and deeper into incarnate being, Francis became not less human, but more so.

“Take the life of Dorothy Day as another example of a person becoming more fully human, more completely herself, by accepting more fully the poverty of her being. Prior to her conversion, Dorothy had reveled in boundlessness. Grasping at fruit not meant for her, thinking herself unlimited, she

dissipated her blessings and giftedness to such an extravagant extent that her personhood had begun to disappear, had grown fuzzy around the edges. Dorothy was on the verge of disappearing. Converted, Dorothy Day chose to descend deeply into the maelstrom of human suffering and poverty, and in doing so began to grow more luminously human. Not until Dorothy Day firmly and consciously embraced poverty as constitutive of her being did she become Dorothy Day.

“Most of us in the world do not, will not, accept our poverty. To us belongs Adam and Eve’s dominant genes: fearing poverty, abhorring limits, denying and deluding the self. Most of us follow Adam and Eve into the trees and grow feral, becoming less human, devolving, not evolving.

“I need to make clear that the notion of poverty of which I am speaking is the poverty of spirit. ... The poverty of spirit is attitudinal, dispositional. It is to acknowledge in truth and in life that you have nothing of which to ‘brag about before God’ (Johannes B. Metz, *Poverty of Spirit*). ...

“Becoming a human being involves proclaiming the poverty of the human spirit in the face of the total claims of a transcendent God. ...

“A man with grace is a man who has been emptied, who stands impoverished before God. ... Grace does not erase our poverty; it transforms it totally, allowing it to share in the poverty of Jesus’ own immolated heart.’ (Metz).

“Father James Smith was a graced man. He spent his life, poured out his life, in a greater and greater embrace of poverty, entering deeper and deeper into both poverty of spirit and poverty of flesh. Father Jim embraced spiritual and material poverty, and thereby became more and more fully human, more and more holy.

“Father James Theodore Smith was a man of towering intellect, prodigious learnedness; he spent every Tuesday (his day off) of the past 30 years in the Josephinum library reading -- at least that’s what he did when he wasn’t asleep in a chair there. He was a theologian of the armchair variety, steeped and conversant in the theological wisdom of the ages and of this age. Father Jim gave, by almost all accounts, including my own, the best homilies in



Fr. James Smith had a long standing tradition that at the end of every school year, on the last day, he’d stand in the parking lot waving a white hanky at the kids as they went home for the summer -- a huge smile on his face! Above, the students of St. Francis DeSales and St. Matthias lined Karl and Ferris Rds, waving white hankies, as the hearse brought Father Smith home to St. Matthias one last time. Photo by Laura Hartman.

the diocese. He was a wise and holy man. But he was so not because of his mind, but because of his heart, because above all else, Father Smith loved.

“He loved the People of God, the Church, and he genuinely loved, in particular, his parishioners. He rejoiced and grieved with them. He grew in Holy Spirit with them. He was a parish priest, a parish priest extraordinaire. Father Smith knew exactly who he was and what a parish priest is. The parish priest belongs in the parish, belongs among his parishioners.

“My uncle loved the Mass; he called it ‘the most beautiful, powerful, vibrant ritual in the history of the world.’ He said, ‘At your beck and call at Mass is the Holy Spirit of God; at your fingertips is the Body and Blood of Christ.’ He knew that the Mass, the Eucharist, is what makes us the Church, a people, a family.

“Father Smith loved his priesthood. And he had great advice for me, advice I want to extend to all my brother priests. Father Jim said, ‘Have no other love than your priesthood. Have many acquaintances and a few friends -- but keep your vocation a thing apart. Have an interest in everything, know something about many things, be fond of a few things -- but hold them at arm’s length. The moment that a priest becomes just one of the things we are, the instant that our priestly activity is just one of the things we do -- at that moment we cease to be priests after the mind of Christ.’

“My uncle said, ‘Live simply. This is necessary not only for an effective min-

istry, but for your own humanity. Your people readily forgive all faults, but they secretly despise a worldly priest.’ He said, ‘Be a man of prayer. Make your relationship with your people a life of love.’

“That is my uncle and godfather, your brother in Christ, your pastor: a poor man; a man rich in love; a grace-filled, holy man; a conscientious, dedicated, tireless worker; a remarkable parish priest, an example for us all.

“I exhort everyone -- priest, deacon, religious, and lay -- to follow Father Jim into what he knew to be constitutive of human nature, into what he knew is essential for becoming fully human: namely, the embrace of a spirit of poverty and an indifference to all created goods. Father Jim wants us each and all to become more fully human, more incarnate, as Christ became incarnate.

“Today, we take leave of Father James Theodore Smith. My mother and my godmother have lost their last brother. I have lost both my uncle and my godfather. St. Matthias parishioners have lost their pastor. The Diocese of Columbus has lost a giant, one of its best priests.

“You know, sainthood is not the absence of personal sin, but is, rather, the taking ownership of personal poverties. Sainthood is a firm and conscious embrace of our human condition, a firm and conscious embrace of the poor self. Yes, I’ll dare to say it: Father James Theodore Smith is a saint. Pray to him for his intercession on your behalf.

“Rejoice! Father James Smith has entered the realm of glory.”

Calix Society Sponsors Talks by Father Blau

The Columbus chapter of The Calix Society, an association of Catholics who are recovering alcoholics, is sponsoring a series of three talks on "The Spiritual Care and Feeding of the Human Being" by Father Thomas Blau, OP, pastor of Columbus St. Patrick Church.

The talks are part of the society's monthly meetings at St. Patrick's on the second Monday of each month. The first talk took place earlier this month. Remaining topics are: "Sacraments: Smorgasbord of Grace," Feb. 11; and "Heavenly Cookbook: The Graceful Diet," March 11.

The meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a business and social period and an explanation of Calix for newcomers, followed by Mass at 7, and Father Blau's talk afterward.

"Calix is designed to help sober alcoholics grow spiritually in Catholic tradition and dogma," said Chris P., a cofounder, along with Brett G., of the local Calix chapter. (Calix members refer themselves by their first name and the first initial of their last name, following the tradition of Alcoholics Anonymous.)

"We knew several people we thought would be interested in setting up a Calix chapter and obtained authorization for it (from Bishop Frederick Campbell) about a year and a half ago," Chris said. "We've been meeting at St. Patrick's from the start and generally have anywhere from five to 15 people show up. Now that we've organized and have become familiar with how the society works, we hope to have talks like this series

of Father Blau's on a regular basis as part of the meetings."

Although it follows many of the practices of Alcoholics Anonymous and recommends that its members also work with AA or similar groups, Calix is not formally endorsed by AA.

However, Bill Wilson, one of AA's cofounders, wrote the society in 1962, "As you know, I always have been personally partial to all persons or organizations whose good will and helpfulness to AA is beyond question. You need not have said that you strive to keep your efforts within the framework of the traditions of Alcoholics Anonymous. I know you have tried and have succeeded."

"One criticism of Calix often expressed, but completely erroneous, is that the society is divisive and that it is a 'Catholic AA.' Nothing could be farther from the truth," Chris said. "Calix doesn't attempt to 'sober anyone up.'"

As the society's website states, "When approached to help someone still bogged down in alcohol, the first effort of a Calix member is to get the suffering man or woman into a detoxification center or a treatment facility or to an AA squad. When, and only when, the recovering person achieves some measure of sobriety is he or she ready for Calix."

"AA restores your health and keeps you from an early grave. Calix saves your soul and puts you on the road to heaven," said William Montroy, one of those who founded the society in

Minneapolis in 1947. The organization now has chapters in 21 states and in England and has an estimated 350 to 400 members, Chris said.

He also said the Catholic Church played an important role in the founding of AA in the 1930s by Wilson and Dr. Bob Smith in Akron. Sister Ignatia Gavin, CSA, of St. Thomas Hospital in Akron, worked closely with the two men, making St. Thomas the first hospital in the world to treat alcoholism as a medical condition and helping them form the 12-step program which is AA's foundation and has been adapted by many other organizations.

In its efforts to strengthen the virtue of abstinence and strive for sanctification of the whole personality, Calix follows the third and 11th of the steps. Step 3 is a decision to turn one's will and life over to the care of God, while Step 11 involves seeking to improve conscious contact with God through prayer and meditation.

The name of the society refers to "calix," the Latin word for "cup," which also is the root for the word "chalice." As stated in its motto, the organization is dedicated to "substituting the cup that stupefies (referring to alcohol) with the one that sanctifies (a reference to the Eucharist)."

Catholics and non-Catholics alike are welcome to attend local Calix meetings.

For more information about the organization, go to its website, www.calixsociety.org, or call Chris at (614) 406-2939.

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O Sanctissimi Nominis

What's in a name? Whether it smells sweet as a rose or not, our memories are often brought on by the senses we choose to enwrap ourselves in. The sights, the sounds, and the interaction with one another can change our perspective in many ways. We have all heard that we are a product of our environment. We can end up with riches or mire in poverty.

Names have a big role to play in this adventure we call life. Success often is measured in this world by the titles we hold. We think that stature is all-important, but we forget that what we call ourselves is not as important as how we live our lives and affect the people we touch along the way. I believe we are judged not by what we accomplish, but by the good we leave behind.

Many of us have riches, but no faith. Many have faith, but no riches. For most of us, rich or poor, we lie somewhere between the light and the darkness. We seek happiness, but realize that it comes with a price. Sacrifices must be met, goals must be achieved, and mountains need to be climbed to arrive at what we wish to become.

We go through life seemingly without a clue, believing in anything that makes our material life seem fulfilling. Often what we find is a feeling of wanting. Is this enough? Is this all that there is? Is there more? Is there someone or something watching out for me?



Lighting the Way

Joseph Thomas

The answers are there if we can only stop for a moment and let the rush of life catch up with us. Look up, look within. There is somebody looking back at you, waiting for you to respond. He has always resided in our hearts and our minds; we have just been too busy to listen. He awaits the day of our return like a jubilant child. His name is Jesus, His name is Savior, His name is home.

Through prayer and supplication, we find that many of the things we thought we needed in life are not as important as we originally thought. Material needs become secondary to the very nature of being with Him and the adventure of finding our true self. It can be uncomfortable, but the process of reshaping us into His image can often be fraught with the fire by which we are forged.

It is important to remember that through these trials, "It is Jesus that you seek when you dream of happiness. He is waiting for you when nothing else you find

satisfies you; He is the beauty to which you are so attracted; it is He who provoked you with that thirst for fullness that will not let you settle for compromise; it is He who urges you to shed the masks of a false life; it is He who reads in your heart your most genuine choices, the choices that others try to stifle.

"It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with your lives, the will to follow an idea, the refusal to allow yourselves to be ground down by mediocrity, the courage to commit yourselves humbly and patiently to improving yourselves and society, making the world more human and more fraternal." — Blessed Pope John Paul II.

Live your life as if today were your last here on Earth. Measure your success by what you leave behind as virtue, honor, and love. Your name is not as important as how others speak of it. But for Jesus, His is a name by which every knee should bow, by which every ember should glow, a most holy name, His and eternal, forevermore.

May you find the way, the truth, and the light. May you feel the gentle breath of the Holy Spirit, and may His peace, God's peace, be with you always.

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How to keep your resolution

By **FATHER PAT TONER**

A lot of people make New Year's resolutions and break them within the first few days. What is the sense in promising something you don't keep? Well, it is not that you intend to break those resolutions, it is that you don't have a plan to keep them.

The first step is to limit the number of resolutions to one or two. I recommend one, because we can't focus on a number of things with the intensity we need to establish the new behavior as a habit. Habit is the key word. When it comes to sin, we don't intend to sin, but we fall back into sinful habits. The way to break a habit is to create a new one.

Consider the habit of taking the Lord's name in vain. You hit your

thumb with a hammer and immediately exclaim "Oh, Jesus Christ." The use of his name in any way other than a prayer is considered "in vain." The new habit to form is to add the prayer to the use of his name. You hit your thumb with a hammer and now exclaim "Oh, Jesus Christ, forgive my stupidity for hitting my thumb." I would just use "Oh, Jesus Christ, have mercy on me."

Now you've selected the habit you wish to change. You've thought about the new good habit you would like to put in its place. The next step is to make it a daily intention. A part of Catholic prayer life is starting the day with a Morning Offering, giving the works of the day to God and asking his help with our daily intention. If

your bad habit is gossiping, then pray "Dear Lord, help me to say only good things about other people this day, especially during coffee breaks when we gossip a lot."

The 12-step programs teach us that one day at a time, with God's help, we can overcome anything. Even after some success in changing the bad habit, it is important to keep up the prayer and daily intention. By practicing virtue, we become virtuous.

It helps to develop strategies to ingrain the new habit. I am a "morning" person. Praying first thing in the day is easy. Night Prayer was the problem I needed to change. My strategy was to place a prayer book on the bedside stand where I would put my glasses at night.

When I would go to put the glasses down, the prayer book reminded me of my commitment to say Night Prayer. It works. I can't forget, because it looks me in the face and reminds me to finish the day in prayer.

Where do you start in choosing a habit to change? Every aspect of our being is important. We should always be growing spiritually, physically, emotionally, and educationally. Our spiritual health will last us for eternity.

Here are some suggestions: Go to church every Sunday; Read a passage of scripture every day; or establish a time each day for prayer. "Seven days without God makes one weak."

Father Pat Toner is pastor of Plain City St. Joseph Church.

Annual Scholarship Test for St. Charles

Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, 2010 E. Broad St., will offer its annual scholarship test to prospective students at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26, in the Robert C. Walter Student Commons.

The test results are used to help determine who will receive academically based scholarships and grants offered by the school in the 2013-2014 school year.

For the current academic year, the school is pro-

viding more than \$1.3 million in academic and financial aid to students.

The test is open to all eighth-grade boys enrolled in any parochial, public, or private elementary or middle school in Franklin and surrounding counties.

Anyone interested in taking part in the scholarship test must register by calling Laurie Berndt at (614) 252-6714 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

BISHOP HARTLEY HIGH SCHOOL: THE PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

Mike Winters sums up the mission of Columbus Bishop Hartley High School and his own vision as its principal in four words: the pursuit of excellence.

“That’s what is behind everything we do,” said Winters. “It’s first of all a spiritual goal, a call to holiness and a response to God’s blessings. It embraces academics, athletics, community service, and social activities. It results in a commitment to educating the whole child.”

Winters has been at Hartley for 16 years, the last 14 as principal, and has been a teacher and administrator at four Catholic high schools in Columbus for a total of 38 years. His experiences led him to develop an educational philosophy he describes as being based on six pillars – faith, preparation, community, service, spirit, and leadership.

“There used to be five, but as time went on, I

realized more and more the importance of developing students as leaders,” he said. “That led to adding leadership as the sixth, and to starting our house system in the fall of 2010.”

The system divides Hartley’s 710 students into six houses of approximately 120 students each. The houses, all named for former Columbus Catholic high schools, are further divided into six mentor groups of about 20 students – five freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors in most cases.

Each group has one or two mentors, who may be teachers or members of the support staff and stay with the same group every year. Except for rare instances, freshmen assigned to a group remain with it for the next four years, assuring both change and continuity within the group and giving all students small mentor group and house families within the larger school family.

The mentor groups meet for 12 minutes in the middle of the morning four days a week. Wednesdays are “House Wednesdays,” with everyone, teachers included, wearing polo shirts in the house colors and appropriate dress pants. On one Wednesday per month, each house takes part in a large-group activity, such as a Mass or prayer service, a social event, or a service project.

Points are awarded to each house based on performance and participation in activities throughout the year. Occasionally, the houses compete against each other in all-school events such as a “Jeopardy!”-type quiz, an *a cappella* Christmas carol sing-off, or a House Olympics program of outdoor games. At the end of the year, a House Cup is awarded to the house with the most points.

Chris Kowalski, the teacher in charge of the house program, said one of the most popular inter-house programs will take place next month. He describes it as a combination of “Glee” and “American Idol,” with groups of students doing routines involving lip-synching and dancing before guest judges.

“Sometimes you have groups of three to five people doing it, and sometimes you get a whole house performing as an ensemble. It’s something everybody likes and everyone seems to get involved in. Especially with some of the ones who aren’t musically inclined and may be a little shy, it seems to bring them out,” he said. “More than any of the other things the houses do, all the students get into it, and it really creates the sense of family we’re always working toward.”

Winters said that what pleases him most about the house system after two-and-a-half years is how it has encouraged older students to mentor their younger peers. “Our service learning programs are being transformed, becoming more house-based than service-based, and there are now almost triple the amount of student leaders in the building than there were in the past,” he said.

The program allows for a total of 94 leaders, all chosen by students. At the top of the leadership structure are senior captains Dory Cassidy and Caleb Lowell and vice captains Tommy Zaino and Molly Mackessy.

“I’ve always thought of Hartley as a big family. The house system holds on to the school’s family-type values, and it’s fun all year. It also makes you get to know a lot more people than you might otherwise,” Cassidy said. “People



Right: Students at one of several all-school Masses celebrated during the year in Bishop Hartley High School’s Dick Geyer Gymnasium, named for the school’s longtime former football and basketball coach.



Left: Hartley’s hallways are filled during a class change at the school on the east side of Columbus. Right: Hartley senior Octavia Anderson, a member of the school yearbook staff, works on the publication.



Above: Students take notes in a junior chemistry class at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School. Right: Teacher Pam Brauner has several responses to a question in a freshman religion class.



who might be hesitant to step up seem to be more willing to, because there’s such a variety of leadership roles.”

“The competitive aspect of the system is pretty appealing to me,” Mackessy said. “It encourages me not to let the house down. I think in general, it makes us more motivated to do well and less likely to get demerits” for violating school rules.

This year, the school hired Dr. Mike Thomson, a nationally known motivational speaker who serves as spokesman for the Better Business Bureau’s Center for Character Ethics, as its director of leadership and character development.

“Dr. Mike,” a Columbus resident who had been a consultant for Hartley for several years, works with both Hartley and its feeder elementary schools to provide education, support, and assistance with senior leadership programs and other student-level programming and to promote the message of the six pillars.

He has created a program titled “Parent University” that is available free on demand on Hartley’s website to every parent from every feeder school. “It contains secrets, strategies, and solutions to many parenting issues involving attitude, self-image, bullying, academics, and many other situations,” he said.

“Mike approached me to see if I could expand on the leadership and character issues I’ve discussed here before, and I jumped at the chance,” said Thomson, who was a teacher, coach, and counselor in Minnesota before coming to Columbus 26 years ago and has spoken to more than two million people.

“Out of all the schools in the country I’ve worked

with, this school really gets it. It provides some of the best examples of leadership and character in action that I’ve ever been around. Working at Hartley has been the best six months of my life because everything I talk about to people is already being done here,” he said.

The school’s history dates to 1957, when it was opened as the second of the consolidated Catholic high schools which replaced parish-based high schools in Columbus in the 1950s and ’60s. At its peak in the late 1960s and early ’70s, it had more than 1,000 students. That number declined with the end of the “baby boom,” falling to less than 600 at the time Winters came to the school as assistant principal in 1997. He said it has gradually increased since then, staying around 700 for the past few years.

“We could grow bigger, but where we are now is an ideal number, especially with the house system, and we’ve made the decision that this is a level where we’re comfortable,” Winters said. “The best schools are smaller. Once you get much bigger, I think you begin to lose that family sense of familiarity. We want to be the school that best nurtures your son or daughter, that best prepares them for college and career, and is a really welcoming and caring community that also develops your student’s ability to lead.”

Hartley serves parishes from throughout eastern, southeastern, and southern Franklin County. Winters said the ratio of Catholics to non-Catholics in the student body is about 80-20, about the same as the ratio of white students to those of other racial backgrounds. “Socioeconomically, we’re all over the board in terms of parent in-

come,” he said. “That makes for another great advantage to coming here, as our student body is so diverse that it mirrors the ‘real world’ students are and will be exposed to outside school.”

Tuition is \$7,740 per year for students from active Catholic families and \$8,265 for others, with discounts for additional students in a family, said Heather Rush, admissions director. More than 200 students receive some type of financial aid. The school’s main fund raisers are its annual Evening of Excellence auction, scheduled this year for Saturday, March 23, and a golf outing.

Extensive improvements have taken place at Hartley since 2002 through its Share the Vision campaign. These include addition of a science wing and renovation of other wings, the guidance center, the library, the cafeteria, the gym, and the chapel, a courtyard worship area which includes stations of the cross and a Holy Family shrine, new fencing and signage, and improvements to the football field which include addition of a track, more bleachers, and a scoreboard with video capability.

Winters said the school’s next major campaign will be strictly for tuition assistance and will attempt to raise \$3.5 million over the next few years from those on the “Hartley family tree.”

Rush said more than 200 students already have applied for next year’s freshman class, meaning most, but not all, applicants will be accepted.

“We look at their previous academic performance and placement test results,” she said. “We only accept students if they feel they’ll be successful. Because we have an advanced academic program designed mainly to prepare students for

college, we want to make sure they can handle the curriculum.”

She said that this year for the first time, incoming freshmen will be given the EXPLORE test, an assessment conducted by the company which also is responsible for the ACT testing program. The test will highlight incoming students’ strengths and weaknesses to help determine where best to place them before school starts. Rush said this will make it less likely that freshmen will find themselves in some classes they can’t handle.

Assistant principal and academic dean Barbara Recchie said the school works with Ohio Dominican University and The Ohio State University on dual enrollment programs so qualified students can attend some college classes while in high school.

Other opportunities Harley offers include the St. Thomas Aquinas program for those identified as gifted and the Notre Dame program for special-needs students with service plans or academic service plans. The latter is named for the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, who helped open the school and served it for most of its existence.

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Recchie said 98 percent of the school's 2012 graduating class went on to post-secondary education. The class had three National Merit Scholarship finalists and three commended students and earned \$12.5 million in scholarship money, \$1 million more than the previous year. She said additions to next year's academic program will include an English class for juniors titled "Composition for Career and College" which will focus on writing, and a support class for ninth-graders who need to bring their mathematics skills to the level sufficient for the school's required math classes.

Hartley has established a reputation as one of the most technologically innovative schools in central Ohio over the past decade. Beginning with the 2013-14 school year, it will provide all students with iPads they will be able to take home, said technology coordinator Kristin Collura. The devices already are available for use at home and in the classroom by juniors and seniors. Hartley was the first school in the nation to offer full-time use of tablet computers to a class of students and switched to iPads in 2011-12.

"We want to make sure everyone learns at their own pace, and the iPads are a great help with that," she said. "They're also what the real world is using and what colleges are providing students, so they'll help our students get better prepared for college."

The iPads supplied to students include technology to block objectionable sites.

Collura said students are able to put only about 30 apps that are approved by the Diocese of Columbus and the school, or are needed for a particular class, onto their iPads. However, they do have access to a wide variety of books and music through the iTunes store.

She also said the school technology department is working on placing additional restrictions on the iPads students in the younger grades will have next year. It also plans a program for parents so they can better understand what students can and can't do with the devices.

Faith is the first of Hartley's six pillars, and the school's campus ministry and religion department offer students of all faith traditions many opportunities to strengthen their relationship with God. Deacon Frank Sullivan, the school's chaplain, said these include eight all-school Masses during the year, as well as house and class Masses, penance services and the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, all-day Eucharistic exposition and adoration four times a year, and a vocations awareness day.

Dominic Dinovo, a history teacher who also serves as campus minister, said freshmen and sophomores of all faiths are required to attend a daylong retreat. The freshman retreat emphasizes the dignity of the human body, while the one for sophomores is conducted by the NET Ministries organization. Juniors take part in an overnight retreat at the Bergamo Center in Dayton, which is also the site for the Kai-



Students working on Columbus Bishop Hartley High School's yearbook listen to teacher Jennifer Cobler, yearbook adviser and chairman of the art department. CT photo by Jack Kustron

ros retreat for seniors, a four-day, three-night exploration of Catholic Christian adulthood. The senior retreat is not required, but Dinovo said nearly every senior attends.

Students also are required to perform a minimum of 25 hours of community service per year. Deacon Sullivan said most do much more than that. He said 15 to 20 organizations take part in a service fair early in the school year to give students ideas on where to volunteer. He also said the house system has been a great way to promote service activities, with many houses choosing to concentrate service efforts with a particular organization.

More than 90 percent of students par-

ticipate in extracurricular activities that are unrelated to service programs. These include clubs for art, engineering, outdoor adventure, skiing, and video editing and design, as well as a Model United Nations group. The school's drama club will present the musical "Cats," from Thursday to Sunday, Feb. 14-17, at the Columbus Performing Arts Center.

Hartley may be best-known among those who don't have a family or parish connection to the school for its athletics program. The Hawks have won 15 state team championships in football, volleyball, boys and girls track, baseball, and girls basketball, including crowns in 2010 in football, 2011 in volleyball, and 2009 and 2011 in girls track and field, as well as many individual titles.

"Some people think of us as an athletic school because we have been successful in that area, but I'm more pleased with how well-rounded we are and that

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Thousands of Catholics are discovering how to read and understand Scripture with Jeff Cavins' Great Adventure Bible Study. Cavins will be coming to central Ohio in February to present a seminar titled "Journey Through the Psalms" from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at the faith and family center of Sunbury St. John Neumann Church, 9633 East State Route 37.

"The Book of Psalms is a truly

inspirational book for me," Cavins said. "It offers us a rich school of prayer that can transform how we experience all of life's circumstances. They foretell the life and mission of Jesus and they are the centerpiece of our liturgical worship. Being able to unlock the mysteries of the Psalms is a key to understanding our Catholic faith."

For more information, contact Rosemary Halter at (740) 965-1358, extension 100, or rose@nrcengineering.com. Online reg-



istration is available at www.saintjohnsunbury.org/Cavins.

The cost of the event is \$35 until Sunday, Feb. 3, and \$40 afterward. Included in the registration fee are a continental breakfast, lunch, snack, and seminar packet. Special pricing is available for clergy and seminarians. Seating is limited.

Cavins also will be presenting a free talk titled "I'm Not Being Fed" at St. John Neumann Church from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8.

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our athletes are successful in many areas," said football coach Brad Burchfield. "This year's football team was named an academic all-Ohio team by the state football coaches association, and the boys and girls soccer teams have received similar honors through their coaches groups. We're never going to be 'the athletic school' and don't want to be just that. We want to be the best school in everything. It's part of our philosophy to be the best God created us to be."

"One of the best things about being here, besides winning a state championship, has been the Friday morning Masses the athletic teams attend throughout the year," said Jacob Matuska, an Associated Press All-State football player in 2012 who will attend Notre Dame in the fall. "It really has helped create a family atmosphere where you want everyone to do well." Ma-



Lunchtime at Bishop Hartley High on a "House Wednesday," when students wear their house colors rather than the standard school uniform. CT photo by Jack Kustron

tuska also is a program mentor and group captain in the house system and has a 3.8 grade-point average.

"It's been a very special experience here," said Brooke Betts, a member of the state championship volleyball team who has signed a letter of intent with the University of Louisville and has a 3.5 average. "Hartley has instilled great morals and a great work ethic."

As this issue of the *Catholic Times* went to press, Hartley athletes and the entire school community were mourning the death of Brian Williams, who was a maintenance employee of the school for nearly 20 years and served as an assistant basketball coach for several of those years. He had been a high school basketball star in Columbus and played in college for the University of Cincinnati. The girls basketball team wore black headbands in his honor at its game the day after his death.

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Isaiah 62:1-5
I Corinthians 12:4-11
John 2:1-11

The encouraging words of Isaiah provide a perfect backdrop for Sunday's Gospel. The words are addressed to Jerusalem, announcing that her redemption is at hand. The glorious city had been ruined when the Babylonian Exile began and the city lay desolate and looked forsaken, but the Lord says, "You shall be a crown of glory."

Here, the Hebrew word *Tifereth*, which means "the Glory (or strength or beauty) of Israel," is used. People in Columbus will recognize that word because of the Tifereth Israel synagogue on Broad Street. In Isaiah, the glorious crown will be quite the opposite of the ruined city which Jerusalem became after the Exile.

The land shall be called "Beulah" in Hebrew, which means "Espoused." Verses four and five contain various references to the root word *Baal* in Hebrew, which often referred to the Canaanite storm god. *Baal* could also mean "lord and master," as opposed to the storm god.

In modern Hebrew, *Baal* was chosen to be the word for "husband." Although in most cases the husband is not regarded as a wife's lord and master, even modern Jews chuckle about the choice of that word for husband.

The whole thrust of these verses from Isaiah conveys the return to intimacy that the Lord intends to renew with the "forsaken" and "desolate" Jerusalem. Jerusalem then becomes a symbol of the Holy Land, which will now become espoused to her real Lord (YHWH).

The wedding feast at Cana is the only time Jesus is

said to have been at a wedding, although he describes the Kingdom of God in terms of a wedding banquet in Matthew 22:1-14. Luke's version of this is simply about a man who decided to throw a great banquet.

In the parable of the 10 virgins in Matthew 25:1-13, they await the arrival of the bridegroom and fall asleep while waiting. Luke has no parallel of this account. However, describing the kingdom as being like a wedding banquet and actually being a guest at a wedding are two different things.

John will identify this action at Cana as the first of the signs that revealed Jesus' glory. It is a glory that he shares with the Father, but his disciples only "begin" to believe in him at this point in the Gospel. When reading John, we must usually understand that he often writes one thing, but means another.

Cana was a small village about 10 miles west of Capernaum. Although it is not mentioned in the Synoptic Gospels at all, Jesus works two "signs" here in John's Gospel: turning water to wine at this wedding feast, and restoring health to the royal official's son in John 4:46-54. Also, Nathanael is said in John 21:2 to have come from Cana in Galilee.

An abundance of wine and rich, choice foods was part of most views of the afterlife in ancient society. The text says literally that each jar contained two or three measures.

Opinion varies greatly about how much one measure would have been, ranging from eight to 30 gallons. The Lectionary has opted for a huge amount ("each holding 20 to 30 gallons"). John interprets this sign as a revelation of Jesus' glory.

On another level, however, Jesus replaces the waters of purification with the abundant wine of the promised glory of God. The Christian is now to be purified not by mere water, but by attachment to Jesus, who is a reflection of the Father's glory. Thus, the answer to his mother's question is a stunning reply.

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

"Real Love and Real Life"

Delaware St. Mary Church, 66 E. William St., will be hosting the "Real Love and Real Life" chastity program for families from 7 to 9:15 p.m. on four consecutive Thursdays, from Feb. 21 to March 14.

The program is designed to have parents and their eighth-grade children connect and communicate about God's gift of sexuality, chastity, dating and marriage, fertility appreciation, friendship, and lots more.

Registration is required and space is limited. For more information, contact Maria Vonada at mvonada@delawarestmary.org or (740) 369-8228, or go to www.familyhonor.org.

PRAISE & WORSHIP MASS

The diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal is sponsoring a Mass celebrated by Father Dean Mathewson at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at Columbus St. Thomas Church, 2692 E. 5th Ave.

The Mass will be preceded by recital of the rosary at 6, and praise and worship at 6:30. Prayer for individual needs with members of trained prayer teams will be available during praise and worship. For more information, call the Catholic Charismatic Renewal office at (614) 237-7080.

The Weekday Bible Readings

MONDAY
Hebrews 5:1-10
Psalm 110:1-4
Mark 2:18-22

TUESDAY
Hebrews 6:10-20
Psalm 111:1-2,4-5,9,10c
Mark 2:23-28

WEDNESDAY
Hebrews 7:1-3,15-17
Psalm 110:1-4
Mark 3:1-6

THURSDAY
Hebrews 7:25-8:6
Psalm 40:7-10,17
Mark 3:7-12

FRIDAY
Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22
Psalm 117:1-2
Mark 16:15-18

SATURDAY
2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5
Psalm 96:1-3,7-8a,10
Mark 3:20-21

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEK OF JANUARY 20, 2013

SUNDAY MASS

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

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

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 Kenton Immaculate Conception Church at 10 a.m. on Time Warner Cable Channel 6 (Hardin County).

Mass from Portsmouth St. Mary Church at noon on Time Warner Channel 24 in Scioto County.

DAILY MASS

8 a.m., Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Birmingham, Ala. (Encores at noon, 7 p.m. and midnight) See EWTN above; and on I-Lifetv (Channel 113 in Ada, Logan, Millersburg, Murray City and Washington C.H.; Channel 125 in Marion, Newark, Newcomerstown and New Philadelphia; and Channel 207 in Zanesville); 8 p.m., St. Gabriel Radio (820 AM), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.

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

What's In Store for 2013?

In answer to the title of this column: You never know what's in store, which is where our faith comes in to play. Our world is full of many people who aren't sure what to believe, which is why they often put too much faith into the wrong things. Our religious faith tells us that tomorrow is not promised to us. Yet our secular world tells us what to believe, which usually means "anything goes." Perhaps this is why G.K. Chesterton (dubbed the Apostle of Commonsense) famously said, "It's not that atheists don't believe in anything; they believe in everything." No trend, no way of living is wrong to many in our contemporary world, which is why I tell those who have a problem

with religion that their problem may lie with God instead of with the religious-minded. Sadly, some have agreed with me, as if to boldly say they are smarter than God.

How do we deal with a world that truly needs God and may not realize it? We have to show the light, which is not always easy, since we, too, are sinners. However, with God, all things are possible. One of the reasons so many people in the Roman Empire became Christians before it was legal was because of the wholesome life of the believers. Their lives were the visible example of a faith that has many invisible examples of God's love, power, and truth.

You might ask "What



THE TIDE IS TURNING
TOWARD CATHOLICISM
David Hartline

does the Roman Empire, which existed roughly between 250 BC and 410 AD, have to do with 2013?" The answer is quite simple: We may have infinitely more travel and technology options, but the wills and ways of people are pretty much the same. We have to live our faith as the early Christians did in the first centuries before Christianity was legalized in the Roman Empire in 312 AD. Cardinal Francis George of Chicago hopes his gut feeling about his successor

being a martyr isn't true. However, it may come down to that if the faith continues to be attacked.

Ten years ago, it was mostly anonymous Internet posters who mocked Christianity and/or attacked the Catholic faith. Sadly, people make such comments openly today and foul-mouthed entertainers and atheists are treated as heroes for doing it. This leads many people to ask me why I believe things are getting better in the Church if this is happening. My answer again is simple:

Society may be at the precipice, but the Church is stronger than she has been in more than 50 years because we are forced to embrace the core of our faith, which is attracting a very promising group of young seminarians and women religious.

In addition, there has been a huge increase in the number of lay-driven activities, from the apologetics movement anchored by one of our own, Patrick Madrid, to those bringing converts to the faith, like another of our own, Marcus Grodi. Unfortunately, time and space doesn't permit me to discuss the amazing success of the men's and women's conferences that are rapidly growing across the nation.

This brings us full circle back to each one of us. What are we going to do this year to help our faith? Are we going to help the poor and others in need, including the unborn? Are we going to help our schools or any number of faith-driven activities that bring the light of Christ to those who think they need Him and those who don't think they need Him? Too often, the faithful side-step thorny conversations where their witness is needed. Perhaps in 2013, we will all begin to take our role as believers even more seriously than we did in 2012.


Hartline is the author of The Tide is Turning Toward Catholicism and a former teacher and administrator for the diocese.



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BACH, Henry C., 89, Jan. 11
St. Mary Church, Delaware

BERRY, Warren E., 90, Dec. 28
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

CASEY, William T., 88, Jan. 2
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

CRAWMER, Paul E., 83, Jan. 5
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

CROWLEY, Joseph W. "Bill," 87, Jan. 7
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

EICHENLAUB, Marjorie A., 84, Jan. 10
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

EICHENLAUB, Rupert F., 83, Jan. 10
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

EMANUELE, Rita M., 88, Jan. 11
St. John the Baptist Church, Columbus

FINK, Mary J., 89, Jan. 13
St. Matthias Church, Columbus

FOREMAN, Bridget R., 91, Jan. 7
St. Ladislav Church, Columbus

GAGEN, Betty, 92, Jan. 2
St. Michael Church, Worthington

HANSEL, John E., 87, Jan. 7
Corpus Christi Church, Columbus

HARGIS, John A., 71, Jan. 5
Holy Family Church, Columbus

JUZWIAK, Stanley, 85, Dec. 31
Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Marysville

KEIFFER, Janice I., 72, Jan. 10
St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

KOZELEK, Daniel D., 81, Jan. 8
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

LAHNA, Lewis J., 64, Jan. 8
Sacred Heart Church, Coshocton

MACK, John F. Jr., 58, Jan. 13
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

MAINS, Marjorie, 82, Jan. 12
St. Timothy Church, Columbus

McGRAIL, John J. Jr., 90, Jan. 10
St. Stephen Church, Columbus

MILLER, Dortha L., 82, Jan. 6
St. Mary Church, Marion

RADICH, Kenneth L., 69, Jan. 6
St. Mary Magdalene Church, Columbus

RECCHIE, Martha, 88, Jan. 10
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

RICHARDS, Joseph R., 80, Jan. 13
Church of the Resurrection, New Albany

ROWE, Robert C., 88, Jan. 6
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

RUSS, Andy, 83, Jan. 8
St. Mary Church, Columbus

SCHANO, Margaret "Peggy," 71, Jan. 5
Christ the King Church, Columbus

WEAVER, Barbara J., Jan. 13
Sacred Heart Church, Coshocton

Joseph G. Graham

Funeral Mass for Joseph G. Graham, 88, who died Wednesday, Jan. 2, was held Monday, Jan. 7, at Columbus St. Anthony Church. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

He was a graduate of Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School and The Ohio State University and served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

He provided accounting services for the Diocese of Columbus and several parishes for many years, and was a re-

Brian A. Williams

A funeral service was held Thursday, Jan. 17, at Triedstone Baptist Church, Columbus, for Brian A. Williams, 59, who died Friday, Jan. 11. Burial was at Eastlawn Cemetery, Columbus.

He was born Nov. 3, 1953, to Ernest Harshaw and Carol Williams.

He was a 1973 graduate of Columbus South High School, leading its basketball team to the 1973 state tournament, and went on to play for the University of Cincinnati on teams that won Metro Conference championships in 1976

and 1977 and played in the NCAA tournament in 1975, 1976, and 1977. He was employed at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School for the past 18 years as an assistant basketball coach and maintenance worker.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and brothers, Keith and Paul. Survivors include sons, Shad Kimble, Richard (Kristi) Davis, Darnell Ray, and Alex Harris; brothers, Gregory Williams and Albert (Shana); sister, Marta Moore; and five grandchildren.

Sister Alvena Ryan, OP

Funeral Mass for Sister Alvena Ryan, OP, who died Sunday, Jan. 6, was held Friday, Jan. 11, at the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

She was born in Wilmerding, Pa., on Jan. 16, 1923, to Harry and Anna (Sullivan) Ryan. She earned a bachelor of science degree from the College of St. Mary of the Springs (now Ohio Dominican University) and a master's degree in education from Duquesne University.

She entered the novitiate of the former Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs in Columbus in 1942 and made her profession of vows in 1944.

She ministered in the Diocese of Columbus at Zanesville St. Thomas School (1959-61), Newark St. Francis de Sales School (1961-64), and Columbus Bishop Watterson High School (1965-68). She also was a teacher and principal in Pennsylvania, Connecticut, and New York, and served in the Motherhouse's health care insurance office for 15 years before moving to the Mohun Health Care Center in 2002.

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tired employee of the Fisher Body Division of General Motors.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Joan; brothers, Paul and Gerald; and sisters, Sister St. Julia Graham, Sister Francis Graham, SNDdeN, Ann Smurr, Mary, Martha, and Frances. Survivors include sons, Richard (Paulana), Gregory, William (Patricia), and John (Rosalie); daughters, Kathleen Marteney and Karen; brother, Edward (Betty Jo); sisters, Jane Mitchell and Julia; and 10 grandchildren.

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17, THURSDAY

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19, SATURDAY

Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City
9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and confession. **614-565-8654**

Christina Allwein Memorial Dinner
6:15 p.m., St. Catharine School, 500 S. Gould Road, Columbus. Second annual Christina Allwein Memorial Dinner, with proceeds providing scholarships for diocesan young people to attend youth conferences, camps, and retreats. Begins with hors d'oeuvres, followed by Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 7 and dinner and program at 7:15. Individual donations \$100. **614-235-6109**

Catholic Social Services Spirit of Hope Gala
6:30 p.m. to midnight, Westin Hotel, 310 S. High St., Columbus. 15th annual Catholic Social Services Spirit of Hope Gala, with cocktails, live and silent auctions, dinner, entertainment by Paradise Island band. Black tie optional. **614-221-5891**

20, SUNDAY

St. Christopher Adult Religious Education
10 to 11:15 a.m., St. Christopher Parish Center, 1420 Grandview Ave., Columbus. Roundtable reading of "Preface to Religion" by Archbishop Fulton Sheen. **614-488-9971**

Praise Mass at Seton Parish
11:15 a.m., St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, 600 Hill Road N., Pickerington. Praise Mass with contemporary music by parish's small musical groups. **614-833-0482**

St. Padre Pio Secular Franciscans
2 to 5 p.m., St. Matthew Church, 807 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna. Rosary and ongoing formation followed by social time, general meeting, Liturgy of the Hours, and initial formation with visitors. **614-282-4676**

Righteous B Concert at Delaware St. Mary
6 to 9 p.m., St. Mary Church, 82 E. William St., Delaware. Life Teen Mass for young people, followed by concert with Christian rap group Righteous B. **740-363-4041**

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. **706-761-4054**

21, MONDAY

Martin Luther King Day Mass at Holy Rosary-St. John
Noon, Community of Holy Rosary and St. John the Evangelist, 660 S. Ohio Ave., Columbus. Mass in honor of Martin Luther King Day, with parish's Gospel choir, and Father Clarence Williams, CFPs, pastor of Columbus St. James the Less Church, as guest preacher. **614-252-5926**

Vatican II Video Series at St. Pius X
7 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. "Genius of the Heart," first of five parts of "The Faithful Revolution" series of hourlong videos on the Second Vatican Council. **614-866-2859**

Holy Hour for Vocations at Columbus St. Patrick
7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Holy Hour for priestly and consecrated vocations. **614-235-7435**

Charismatic Prayer Group at St. Thomas
7 p.m., St. Thomas Church, 2692 E. 5th Ave., Columbus. Meeting of Charismatic Prayer Group. **614-832-9525**

22, TUESDAY

Respect Life Mass and Rally for Life
10:30 a.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Colum-

bus. Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrates Mass in observance of the day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through abortion, and of prayer for full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life, followed at noon by the annual Rally for Life at the Statehouse, sponsored by Greater Columbus Right to Life, to express support for pro-life activities on the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision.

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. **740-653-4919**

23, WEDNESDAY

Catholic Foundation Conversations Series
6 to 8 p.m., The Catholic Foundation, 257 E. Broad St., Columbus. Panel discussion on "Myths and Misconceptions on End of Life Decisions." Part of Foundation's continuing "Conversations" series. **614-443-8893**

24, THURSDAY

Bishop Campbell Celebrates Mass at DeSales
9:45 a.m., St. Francis DeSales High School, 4212 Karl Road, Columbus. Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrates Mass on the Feast of St. Francis DeSales. **614-267-7808**

Aquinas Day Convocation, Mass at Ohio Dominican
10:30 a.m., Matesich Theater, Erskine Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Aquinas Day convocation, sponsored by Center for Dominican Studies, with Father Thomas O'Meara. OP. Topic: "Vast Universe: Extraterrestrials and Christian Revelation." Followed by Mass at 12:15 p.m. in Christ the King Chapel. **614-251-4722**

20s Group Meeting at Columbus St. Patrick
7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Weekly meeting of parish's new 20s Group. All young adults invited. Begins with Holy Hour, followed at 8 by program. **614-406-9516**

'Courage' Support Group Meeting
7:30 p.m., A Catholic organization providing support for individuals with same-sex attractions. **614-436-8676**

26, SATURDAY

Adoration at St. James the Less
8:30 to 4:30 p.m., St. James the Less Church, 1652 Oakland Park Ave., Columbus. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in observance of 40th anniversary of Roe v. Wade decision. Begins following 8 a.m. Mass, with rosary recitation at 9 a.m., noon, and 3 p.m., and Benediction at 4 p.m. before 4:30 Mass. **614-825-6898**

Morning of Reflection at St. Mark
8:30 a.m., St. Raymond Room, St. Mark Center, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Morning of reflection with Sister Carol Spencer, OP. Sponsored by Light of Life Prayer Group. Topic: "Spirituality of Time." **740-653-6928**

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. **614-565-8654**

St. Charles Scholarship Test
9 a.m. and 1 p.m., Walter Student Commons, St. Charles Preparatory School, 2010 E. Broad St., Columbus. Scholarship test for prospective students. Open to all eighth-grade boys enrolled at public and private schools in Franklin and surrounding counties. **614-252-6714**

Memorial Mass for Children at Resurrection Cemetery
1 p.m., Chapel, Resurrection Cemetery, 9571 N. High St.,

Lewis Center. Monthly memorial Mass for all unborn babies buried in cemetery's Garden of the Holy Innocents, and any other babies whose parents want to honor their lives, sponsored by Back in His Arms Again ministry. **614-906-3115; 614-800-8888**

Labyrinth Walk at Shepherd's Corner
4 to 5:30 p.m., Shepherd's Corner, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. "Flowers in Winter" labyrinth walk facilitated by Kathy Lindsay. Registration deadline Jan. 23. **614-866-4302**

27, SUNDAY

St. Christopher Adult Religious Education
10 to 11:15 a.m., St. Christopher Parish Center, 1420 Grandview Ave., Columbus. Presentation on prayer shawl ministry by Erin Cordle of diocesan Office of Social Concerns. **614-488-9971**

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

St. Mary Magdalene School Open House
Noon to 2 p.m., St. Mary Magdalene School, 2940 Parkside Road, Columbus. Open house for prospective preschool through eighth-grade students and their parents. **614-279-9935**

St. Catherine of Bologna Secular Franciscans
2:30 to 5 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttles Ave., Columbus. Rosary, Liturgy of the Hours, followed by general meeting, ongoing formation, and social. Elizabeth Bowen, OFS **614-276-1953**

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. **706-761-4054**

28, MONDAY

St. Pius X School Open House and Art Show
6:30 to 8:30 p.m., St. Pius X School, 1061 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Open house for prospective kindergarten and first- to eighth-grade students and their parents, including tours, student artwork display, and performances by junior high choir. **614-866-6050**

Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry
6:30 p.m., support group meeting, 2744 Dover Road, (Christ the King Church campus), Columbus. **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. **614-459-2766**

Vatican II Video Series at St. Pius X
7 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. "Inspired Awakening," second of five parts of "The Faithful Revolution" series of hourlong videos on the Second Vatican Council. **614-866-2859**

28-FEB. 1, MONDAY-FRIDAY

Registration at St. Michael School
St. Michael School, 64 Selby Blvd., Worthington. Registration for kindergarten (half- and full-day) through eighth grade for the 2012-13 school year. **614-885-3149**

29, TUESDAY

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. **740-653-4919**



BOOK REVIEW

NAVIGATING THE INTERIOR LIFE

New book answers questions about spiritual direction

If your spiritual life is “stuck” and you would like it unstuck, you may find just the boost you need in Dan Burke’s new book “Navigating the Interior Life: Spiritual Direction and the Journey to God.” This rare handbook will move you to uncharted territories.

Most of us have questions about spiritual direction: “What is it? Is it for me? What if I can’t find a spiritual director?”

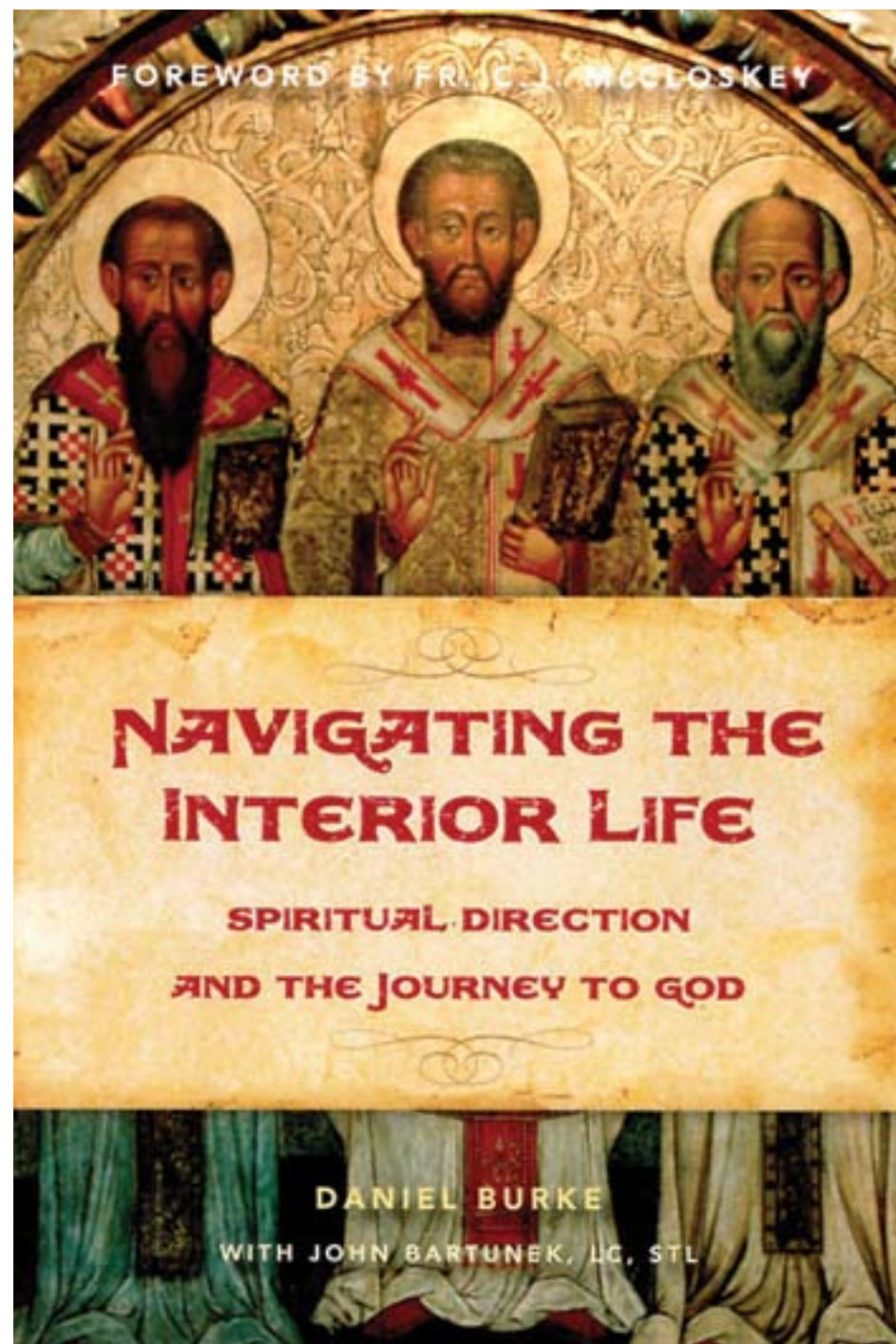
“All top athletes have personal trainers and coaches,” says Burke. “Why not get a coach for your soul?”

That concept is echoed by Archbishop Joseph Naumann of Kansas City, Kan., who writes, “Just as serious athletes would be foolish for not seeking coaches and trainers to help them learn from the experience of oth-

ers how best to develop their natural skills, so for the Christian pursuing holiness it is foolhardy not to seek the counsel and direction of wise mentors in the spiritual life. Dan Burke’s ‘Navigating the Interior Life’ is an immensely practical book to help a serious Catholic take advantage of the wealth of experience and knowledge of those who have trod the path to sanctity for the past 2,000 years.

“Just as well-intentioned athletes can waste time, injure themselves, and hurt their team by embarking on an ill-conceived training program, so Christian history is strewn with examples of well-meaning individuals who went astray harming themselves and others by following a misguided, imbalanced and imprudent spiritual path.

“Unfortunately, complicating the matter even more, not everyone who



claims the mantle of a spiritual director is actually competent to lead others to holiness. Dan Burke gives very practical advice not only on how to find a good spiritual director, but also how best to access the wealth of resources in our Catholic tradition that can assist in developing our friendship with Jesus and growing in virtue.”

Whatever we call them – spiritual directors, confessors, consultants, guides, spiritual fitness trainers – they reveal those everyday “blind spots” that threaten our spiritual health. Burke turns over every stone and shows how spiritual direction is among the most powerful tools to build our spiritual health.

You will learn how to understand the

general trajectory of your soul. It’s the most effective process in growing in holiness and deepening your relationship with God. Whether you are a beginner or a veteran of spiritual direction, or struggling outside of spiritual direction, this book will uncover a map of success for your journey.

There’s no doubt we’re destined for immortality. Are you sure of your direction? Burke, with co-author Father John Bartunek, just delivered the goods so that we don’t end up at the wrong place.

Purchase “Navigating the Interior Life” at Generations Catholic Bookstore in Columbus, or visit emmausroad.org for more details about the book.

NEWS IN PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Devotees carry the statue of the Black Nazarene during a procession in Manila, Philippines, on Jan. 7. The wooden statue, carved in Mexico and brought to the Philippine capital in the early 17th century, is cherished by Catholics, who believe that touching it can lead to a miracle.

CNS photo/Erik De Castro, Reuters



Thousands of demonstrators march in Paris on Jan. 13 to protest against France’s planned legalization of same-sex marriage.

CNS photo/Charles Platiau, Reuters

Snow falls in Manger Square outside the Church of the Nativity in the West Bank town of Bethlehem on Jan. 9 during a rare cold spell in the region. The Middle East was experiencing rare torrential rains, snowfall and cold weather for the greater part of a week.

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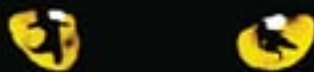
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