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## The Editor's Notebook

## Fishers of Men

By David Garick, Editor

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves." Luke 10:2-3.

It's not easy becoming a shepherd. In this modern age the whole concept of a shepherd seems quaint and anachronistic. As our young people look at how they will build their careers, they think in terms of a host of technically innovative, academically challenging, or financially rewarding opportunities. They seldom look to hanging out in the fields looking after the sheep...literally or figuratively. I think that was probably true to an extent even in first century Galilee.

We know that several of the original apostles were successful commercial fishermen. At least one was a professional tax collector. We don't know the occupations of the others, but we do know that they gave up their former lives to set out on a vocation to be shepherds of the people of God. Their challenge was to bring people to Christ and to nourish them through the sacraments to unite them with Christ in eternal life. It was quite a career change.

And, it was dangerous work. The world was filled with evil. Saint Peter, as he was sending new priests out into the field wrote, "Be sober and vigilant. Your opponent the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion looking for [someone] to devour. Resist him, steadfast in faith, knowing that your fellow believers throughout the world undergo the same

sufferings. The God of all grace who called you to his eternal glory through Christ [Jesus] will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you after you have suffered a little." In the end, many of them were martyred, but millions of souls were still gathered for Christ, and His church endures.

Times haven't changed all that much. Those who would do the Lord's work still are choosing a life that runs counter to prevailing forces in our society. Becoming a priest is not for the faint of heart. But the rewards are eternal. In recent decades the number of young men answering the call to the priesthood had been slipping. But that is changing rapidly in the Diocese of Columbus. Prayers and generous support by the faithful are being heard as the rank of prospective shepherds again begins to swell. As you will read in this issue of Catholic Times, the number of seminarians for this diocese has reached the highest level in a generation. The Pontifical College Josephinum, which prepares most of our new priests, is bursting at the seams.

The master of the harvest is indeed touching the hearts of men who will tend to the church in the years ahead. We still do not have all the priests we need for our growing church. But the laborers are hearing the call and they are saying, "Yes, Lord. We will follow you."


**MONSIGNOR FRANCIS X. SCHWEITZER  
PASSED AWAY  
ON OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2013**


Monsignor Francis Xavier Schweitzer, 93, died Tuesday October 22nd. Funeral arrangements were incomplete when this issue of Catholic Times went to press.

He was born May 8, 1920, in Delaware, Ohio. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree at St. Charles Seminary, Columbus in 1942 and then studied Theology at Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Norwood, Ohio. He was ordained to the priesthood on October 27, 1945, by Bishop Michael Ready. He was named Prelate of Honor in September, 1992.

He was pastor at Holy Family Church in Columbus from September 1973 until his retirement in 1997. He resided at Nazareth Towers in Columbus until his death.

Previously, he served as associate pastor at Zanesville St. Nicholas Church (1945-1950), Columbus Corpus Christi Church (1950-1953), and Columbus St. Mary Church (1953-1955). He was pastor of Ada Our Lady of Lourdes Church (1955-1967) and Newark Blessed Sacrament Church (1968-1970). He became Administrator of Holy Family Church in 1970 before being named its Pastor in 1973.

He was also Regional Director for Muskingum and Perry Counties with the War Relief Services of the National Catholic Welfare Council, and the Bishop's Fund for the Victims of War from 1947-1949 and Chaplain of St. Luke Convalescent Center in Columbus in 1972. In 1967, he spent a year on leave of absence, serving in the Diocese of Brownsville, Texas and doing work in Mexico City and Guadalajara Mexico working with indigenous Indians.


**OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT  
Clergy Assignment**

Rev. John M. Reade, from service to the parishes of Fairfield-Hocking Deanery and Chaplain of William V. Fisher Catholic High School, Lancaster, to service to the parishes of the Perry County Consortium of Catholic Parishes, effective immediately.

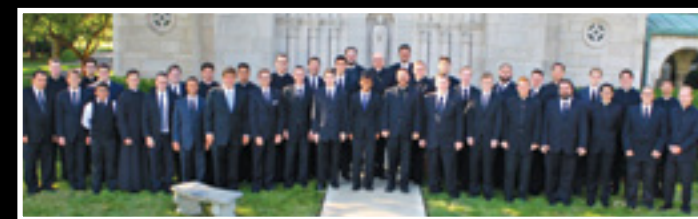
Rev. Mr. Kas Santos, to diaconal service at Christ the King Church, Columbus, effective September 30, 2013.

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Front Page photo: The seminarians of the Diocese of Columbus, with Bishop Frederick Campbell.

Photo courtesy diocesan Vocations Office

**My House Columbus program offers anti-porn resources**

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

Bishop Frederick Campbell, in a letter elsewhere on this page, has announced that this coming weekend, Oct. 26 and 27, will be an awareness weekend for the My House Columbus program and other topics that relate to sexual integrity and pornography.

My House is an initiative which started in the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, Mo., in 2006 that provides prayer and promotes several recovery programs for men and women attempting to break free from pornography and sexual addiction.

The program's co-directors for the Diocese of Columbus, Kevin McNamara and Doug Smith, said it began quietly in the diocese about a year ago. Since then, people requesting help from the program or wanting to know more about it have been calling its confidential hotline at (1-888) 989-9886 or sending contact requests to its website, www.myhousecolumbus.net.

"There has been an ebb and flow where we've had some busy weeks and others less so, but there hasn't been a week that's gone by without people getting in touch with us," said McNamara, who has been a licensed independent social worker for 25 years.

The program went public in late February and early March with an announcement by McNamara at the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference and a presentation at the Columbus Catholic Men's Conference with McNamara and Dan Spencer, one of the founders of My House in Kansas City.

My House also was the subject of a discussion at the annual convocation of diocesan priests in September. Msgr. J. Brian Bransfield, OP, of the Dominican House of Studies in Washington talked about the dangers of pornography and the role of pastors in helping the laity protect families and in assisting people attempting to heal from exposure and addiction to pornography.

McNamara and Mark Huddy, moderator of the diocesan Office for Social Concerns, discussed the My House program and presented information packets to all the priests in attendance. The Columbus Catholic Men's Ministry, the Columbus Catholic Women's Ministry, the National Fellowship of Catholic

Men, the diocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life, and the Columbus Sacred Heart Congress all are cooperating with introducing and coordinating the program locally.

"Pornography is a problem mostly among men, and most of the calls and emails we've received locally have been from men," McNamara said, "but there also have been a number from women and from younger children and families, so we know we've touched something that hits everyone."

McNamara, Smith, and other trained personnel staff the hotline on regular shifts and respond to calls within 24 hours when the line is unstaffed. Once they talk with someone to learn how severely he or she has been affected by pornography, they determine what type of treatment is likely to be most effective for that person.

That treatment may include individual counseling, often combined with the assistance of support groups such as Sex Anonymous, which is a "12-step" program similar to Alcoholics Anonymous, or with Catholic sexual integrity organizations for men and women that combine 12-step recovery methods with reading and discussion of materials related to Blessed John Paul II's Theology of the Body.

McNamara said that My House also is organizing a group for younger men and women whose ages range from the preteens to the 20s and that the local St. Paul's Outreach organization, which primarily does evangelization among college students, has a similar support group. In addition, My House is hoping to start a four- to six-session diversion group to which young people showing signs of pornography addiction can be referred by parents or school officials.

"The biggest hole we're trying to fill right now involves getting groups together to go beyond one-on-one support activities," McNamara said. "Individual counseling has its limits, and there's a point where you need a group to back you up. It's the pencil theory – the idea that one pencil is easy to snap in isolation, but trying to do the same thing with a bunch of pencils together is a lot tougher because each provides support for the other."

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**Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

The growth of technology in our world today has made lives more convenient for our work and leisure. We are able to access information in the palm of our hands or instantly connect to our friends with the help of a plethora of electronic devices. However, there is a dark shadow that accompanies this technological innovation, and one that grows every year. The assault of pornography has affected men, women, families, and society as a whole. It has wounded many people and their relationships and has left disfiguring scars.

Perhaps one of the most troubling trends of this epidemic is its targeting of young people. According to a 2010 Washington Times article, the average age of first exposure to pornography is 11 years old. There is significant research that with each view, the body and the brain release neurochemicals including dopamine, norepinephrine, and oxytocin that can create a chemical dependency which fuels ongoing use. Stated another way, pornography is highly addictive and can disrupt relationships and performance at school and at work. Yet parents and spouses are often unsure about effective ways to protect their loved ones from this threat or to find available help that can break the cycle of behavior already established.

I am pleased to announce that there is a local initiative offering resources to protect families from the onslaught of explicit Internet-based material, promote recovery from pornography use and addiction through counseling and support groups, and foster prevention through programs that illuminate the nature of the human person and the call to authentic relationships. The initiative is called "My House," taking its name from the account in the book of Joshua where Joshua calls the people to decide whom they will serve. He says, "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." The initiative is being spearheaded by Catholic Men's and Women's Ministries and is supported by the diocesan Marriage and Family Life Office and the Office for Social Concerns. It is intended to offer practical helps that cooperate with the spiritual graces that flow from the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

On the weekend of Oct. 26 and 27, I have asked parishes to host an "awareness weekend" effort. This effort includes attention to the problem and to the available local resources including filtering and accountability software, access to counseling and support groups, and resources which promote an understanding of the gift of sexuality in the context of marriage and the call to mutual spousal self-giving which mirrors the relationship of Christ with His Church. For more information, visit the "My House" website at www.MyHouseColumbus.org or call (1-888) 989-9886.

We are the people of the Resurrection, called to hope, not to fear. While this problem presents a challenge, we can prepare ourselves and our families to overcome it. Let us pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit to strengthen us and to help those struggling with this addiction. We keep our eyes on the risen Lord, for He is the one who knows us and loves us in this life and in the life to come.

**Sincerely in Christ,  
Most Rev. Frederick F. Campbell  
Bishop of Columbus**



# PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric

## Miserando

Did you put forth a great effort to be forgetful last week? We can and should continue in our forgetfulness when it comes to the sins and transgressions of others. God does so for us without any limitations. God created us as good and faithful people, needing love and naturally wanting to share love. Then why do we have to be so selfish? It is so difficult to forgive, and especially to forget. Everything matters for me first, and then everyone else; well, maybe everyone. There are always those who should not matter. They are greedy, publicly sinful, support causes that are purely legal and with no regard for Christianity, and they care about things that go directly against what I know to be right. In a small way and as a sort of microcosm of those things, is that not precisely what I do when I sin? I am no one special, except in the eyes of God. So what do those eyes see in me? Forgive us our trespasses, God our Father, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

Having been exposed to so much media attention to our Pope Francis, I cannot resist the urge to offer some commentary. In addition to the media frenzy, along with endless conjecture and interpretation of what he says, I have heard so many comments from fellow Catholics that cause me to pause, ponder, and wonder. This pontiff is simply wonderful, as he shows us the humble, loving, and human side of someone we look up to as the Vicar of Jesus Christ. He graphically practices what he preaches, he visibly shows us what Christian love means, and he says some things that make us a little uncomfortable and uneasy. Does he remind you of someone else? Jesus Christ did these things throughout His public ministry. He was consistent and remained steadfast in keeping love, kindness, and humility at the top of His list, even above the letter of the law. Maybe parallel to the law is a better way to put it, but clearly Jesus made these the most important focus of each day. Time and again, the Pharisees and those who could quote the law challenged Jesus. I wonder if they ever got tired of hearing "Woe to you, Pharisees." And so it is with us. The tenets, laws, catechism, and guidelines of our Catholic Faith are our solid backbone and cannot be compromised. But in the practice of our daily lives, what do we reflect? Do we quote the law to others or do we act with love, kindness, and humility? Miserando is a Latin word meaning "lowly". Pope Francis is showing us what that means by his humility. On his coat of arms are the words, "Miserando Atque Eligendo" meaning "Lowly and yet chosen." I believe the Holy Spirit has chosen a pontiff (Latin for "bridge") who upholds the tenets of our Faith by love, kindness, and humility. Remember this the next time he says something that makes you uncomfortable.

Our practical challenge this week is to get on the side of Jesus Christ and distance ourselves from the Pharisees. Instead of having the law shape our every move, support the law by speaking and acting as Jesus Christ did and as He still does through Pope Francis and, yes, through you and me. Be lowly and humble this week and beyond. We all have our particular vocations. Share our pope's motto, "lowly and yet chosen."

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



# The Spirituality of Movement: New Postures for Old Bodies

The Martin de Porres Center's Institute for Maturing Spirituality will host Kevin Ryan's presentation "The Spirituality of Movement: New Postures for Old Bodies" from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29.

One of the greatest challenges of the aging process is accepting and embracing our bodies' diminishing flexibility and capacities. Often, these limiting changes can so occupy and frustrate our daily living that they begin to affect our spiritual well-being. Ryan's presentation will invite us to discover a new way of seeing these challenging changes, a perspective that seeks to enhance our spiritual development while honestly facing the truth of our aging.

In his "Spirituality of Movement" program, designed especially for those faced with physical limitations, Ryan will offer encouraging approaches to seeing our limitations as God's invitation into deepening and

strengthening our spiritual and physical development.

Ryan holds a bachelor of arts degree in English from St. John's University and a master's degree in theological studies from the University of Dayton. After a 28-year career as a teacher of English and theology and an award-winning coach at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, he teaches "Spirituality: Holistic Perspectives" at The Ohio State University while working as a baker in a local family bakery and pizzeria.

Ryan, the author of *Seeing God Everywhere: Living Your Life as a Prayer*, also engages in retreat work and seminars that focus on spirituality and living life more fully.

To register by Monday, Oct. 28, call the de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus, at (614) 416-1910 or register online at [www.martindeporrescenter.net](http://www.martindeporrescenter.net). A free-will donation will be taken.

# ST. CHARLES OPEN HOUSE

Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, 2010 E. Broad St., Columbus, will conduct its annual open house for all eighth-grade boys and their parents on Sunday, Nov. 3.

The main program will begin at 1 p.m. in the Walter Student Commons, followed by an opportunity to speak with faculty members, coaches, students, alumni, and advisory board members. School and campus tours will be conducted and refreshments will be served.

For more information, contact the school's secretary at (614) 252-6714.

# KNIGHTS CELEBRATION

The Knights of St. Peter Claver, St. Cyprian Council and Court 298, will celebrate its 25th anniversary on Saturday, Nov. 9, with a Mass at 5:15 p.m. in Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., followed by a dinner from 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. in the Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus.

The dinner will feature music by local jazz great Jeannette Williams. The Knights of Peter Claver is a national Catholic fraternal society, and Council 298 serves the Diocese of Columbus.

# MARY GEIST SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Columbus Bishop Hartley High School has presented its Mary Geist Service Award for 2013 to Msgr. David Funk and Jodella Doneghy. The award is given annually during Catholic Schools Week to one or two individuals who have exhibited outstanding volunteer service to the school.

Since becoming the pastor of Reynoldsburg St. Pius X Church, Msgr. Funk has faithfully celebrated Mass at Hartley when needed, even on his days off. He especially helps on Fridays Masses where he comes to the school by 7 a.m., celebrates Mass, then returns to St. Pius for its 8:30 Mass. He has been the football team's chaplain since 2010 and has shown dedication to the team, the school, and the students through his interactions with them every Friday night. He provides spiritual guidance and inspiration to the Hawks players and coaches.

"It is no coincidence that since Msgr. Funk's interaction with the



team, the program has seen unprecedented heights," said football coach Brad Burchfield.

Doneghy is the grandmother of 2013 Hartley graduate Joshua Doneghy and provides an example of full family involvement at the school. Before she came to Hartley, the Hawks Nest Bookstore was

open only three days a week. Her volunteer work for many hours every week enabled the store to be open whenever school was in session. Her help also was invaluable at special events such as an ice cream social and the Meet the Teachers program.

"She always took the extra step to make sure you got what you were looking for. She is a great lady and we'll miss her" now that her involvement at the school has come to an end, said bookstore manager Linda Strapp.

The service award is named after Mary Geist, who was active in service to the church, her parish, and Hartley. She came to the school after retiring from Columbus Public Schools in 1971 and continued serving the community until her death in 2003.

**Pictured are (from left) Msgr. Funk; Mike Winters, school principal; and Jodella Doneghy.**

Photo courtesy Bishop Hartley High School

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## Meanings of the Beatitudes Retreat

A retreat for men, based on the eight Beatitudes, as found in the fifth chapter of the Gospel of Matthew, will take place from Friday to Sunday, Nov. 1 to 3, at St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus.

Father Reginald Lynch, OP, parochial vicar of Columbus St. Patrick Church, will be the retreat director, examining the meanings of the Beatitudes and how they can help retreat participants improve themselves and become closer to Christ. Father Lynch has titled the retreat "Branches on the Vine: Christ as the Root of Our Holiness."

The retreat will be an interactive event. Silence

is not required, but anyone present will easily be able to find a quiet area on the retreat center grounds.

Registration will begin at 4 p.m. Friday, with dinner scheduled for 6 p.m. Weekend activities will include four conferences at which Father Lynch will speak of and answer questions regarding the Beatitudes. The schedule includes various prayer services, three Masses, fellowship time, and time for confession.

A contribution of \$130 will cover the cost of the retreat, including a private room for two nights, and five meals. The retreat will conclude at 11 a.m. on Sunday after breakfast, a conference, Mass, and recital of the rosary.

For reservations, contact Dave Mignerey at (614) 392-0146.

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## ODU Offers New Students Early Acceptance into its Physician Assistant Program

A select group of Ohio Dominican University students will have a clear and assured track to ODU's master of science in physician assistant studies (MSPAS) program through a new early admission opportunity.

ODU is recruiting for the first class that will be able to take advantage of this opportunity. In the fall of 2014, the university will accept as many as 10 outstanding high school seniors annually who will be assured of acceptance by the MSPAS program as long as they meet and maintain academic standards and fulfill the required 250 clinical patient care hours. Upon completion of their bachelor's degree, qualified students will enter into the 27-month MSPAS program. For more information, visit [www.ohiodominican.edu/PAEarly](http://www.ohiodominican.edu/PAEarly).

"This unique program offers outstanding and motivated students a direct path to become highly trained and well-equipped physician assistants who will use their knowledge and experience to serve those in our community," said Dr. Peter Cimbalic, ODU president.

The Association of American Medical Colleges projects that there will be a nationwide shortage of 90,000 doctors by 2020 and 130,000 by 2025 unless steps are taken to train additional physicians. To help address that demand, the association says 200,000 new physician assistants will be needed by 2020.

"This program is designed for highly motivated students who have established their career

goals," said Shonna Riedlinger, director of the ODU physician assistant program. "ODU's PA program is the first and only program of this kind in central Ohio, and its graduates will enable the physician assistant profession to grow and meet the increased demand placed on health care providers to improve patient access to excellent medical care."

The program is available to undergraduate students who have achieved a high school grade-point average of 3.5 or higher and have received a score of at least 28 on their ACT.

To remain in the program, students must meet established criteria which include maintaining a 3.7 overall cumulative GPA and a 3.6 cumulative GPA in all undergraduate science courses. Students also must complete a minimum of 250 hours of patient care experience and take the Graduate Record Exam.

To qualify for the first class entering in the fall of 2014, high school seniors must be admitted to ODU no later than Jan. 15, 2014. Qualified applicants will be invited to apply for the PA early admission program and interviewed by ODU administrators.

The program is modeled after ODU's partnership with the Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine. The ODU-to-OU med school early acceptance program was announced on Aug. 20.

ODU's PA program was launched in July 2012 and recently welcomed its second cohort of future physician assistants.

### Retreat Center remodeling

Sts. Peter and Paul Retreat Center is remodeling and could use your help. The center is looking for donations of gently used curtains and area rugs of all sizes, as well as decorative household items.

Items may be dropped off at 2734 Seminary Road S.E., Newark, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you have a large item to be picked up, call (740) 928-4246 to make arrangements. Donations are tax-deductible.

## Doctrine of infallibility; woman's blog on scriptural readings



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

**Q.** What is the church's foundation for declaring itself to be infallible when the pope speaks *ex cathedra* and with the entire magisterium supporting him? I understand that the church made this declaration around 1870 AD, and it seems a little curious to arrive at that conclusion nearly 2,000 years after the life of Christ.

How many teachings on faith and morals have been declared infallible, and what are some of them? And if something has not been defined as infallible, are we free to question and discuss? (Hudson, Wis.)

**A.** The doctrine of infallibility, while sometimes misunderstood by Catholics and others, is clearly defined by the church's *Code of Canon Law*. Canon 749, Section 1, explains that the pope may teach infallibly when he proclaims by definitive act that a certain doctrine of faith or morals is to be believed by the faithful. He must clearly state that he intends to teach that doctrine as infallible and irreformable.

The consensus among theologians is that only twice in the church's history has the Holy Father by himself exercised this prerogative: in 1854 with the dogma of the Immaculate Conception and in 1950 with the Assumption.

But there is a second manner of infallible pronouncements (Canon 749, 2), and this happens when the college of bishops, joined in an ecumenical council, proclaim that a certain truth is to be held by all the faithful. An example would be at Nicaea in 325 AD, when it was declared that Jesus is "of the same substance" (nature) as God the Father.

The doctrine of infallibility did not suddenly appear in 1870. Rather, it is founded on Christ's promise to the apostles that he would send the Holy Spirit, who "will guide you to all truth" (John 16:13). That secure sense of protection from error on fundamental teachings was part of the early history of the church and is reflected in St. Augustine's fifth-century statement "Rome has spoken; the case is concluded."

Infallible declarations have been issued only sparsely during the church's two-millennium history and have usually been

formulated in response to particular issues that had been disputed.

But as the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* explains (No. 892), even the ordinary teachings of the bishops, as successors of the apostles and joined with the pope, are to be followed "with religious assent." So where does that leave Catholics as to their freedom "to question and discuss" non-infallible teachings?

The answer seems to depend on the particular teaching -- how fundamental it is and how solidly embedded in the history and tradition of the church.

For example, in 1994, when Pope John Paul II said in *Ordinatio Sacerdotalis* that the church lacks the authority to ordain women, the word infallible did not appear. But the pontiff did say that this teaching should be "definitively held" and suggested that further debate was pointless. But on the issue of mandatory celibacy for clergy, Archbishop Pietro Parolin, the new papal secretary of state, noted recently that this is a matter of church discipline and not dogma, that the early church had married priests, and that the matter is therefore open to discussion.

**Q.** Is there anything wrong with a woman writing a reflection on the readings for the Mass each day on her own personal blog? I am the volunteer coordinator for Catholic ministry at a local women's prison and teach an RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) class for those inquiring into the faith.

I believe that I know the basics of our faith very well, and I am loyal to the magisterium of the church. I know that only ordained clergy can give a homily in the context of a Mass, but does what I am doing violate any rules? (Indianapolis)

**A.** I applaud what you are doing and encourage you to continue it. True, Canon 767 of the church's *Code of Canon Law* says that "among the forms of preaching, the homily, which is part of the liturgy itself and is reserved to a priest or deacon, is pre-eminent."

But what you are doing is apart from the context of the Mass and is clearly not a homily. You are simply reflecting on the daily readings -- and you have every right to do that. I would think that many might benefit from a feminine perspective.

Questions may be sent to Father Kenneth Doyle at [askfatherdoyle@gmail.com](mailto:askfatherdoyle@gmail.com) and 40 Hopewell St., Albany, N.Y. 12208.

## The Year of Faith and the Second Vatican Council - The Nature of the Church

By Jake Tawney

*Lumen Gentium* (The Light of Nations) is the Second Vatican Council's dogmatic constitution on the Church. In it, the council fathers build on the unfinished work of the First Vatican Council. Vatican I, which also produced a constitution on the Church, was to continue its work after a summer hiatus. When the Franco-Prussian War broke out in 1870, the seizing of Rome caused the council to be suspended without having formally been closed. In fact, Vatican I would not be formally closed until 1960, just before the start of the Second Vatican Council.

*Lumen Gentium* uses multiple images to present the nature of the Church, all of which are valuable. Two in particular are worth examining. Each presents a unique understanding of the Church and must be read in the context

of the other. We begin with the idea of the Church as the Mystical Body of Christ. To fully understand this, we have to recall who Christ is and what he did 2,000 years ago.

Christ's sacrifice on the cross restored mankind to the friendship and loving embrace of God that was lost through sin. Our worship of God and our life in Christ is intimately bound to the sacrifice on Calvary. At this point, it is worth asking how we, as citizens of the world in the 21st century, come into contact with the Holy Sacrifice from 2,000 years ago. The answer is the Mass. The Mass is the re-presentation of Christ's sacrifice. It is through our participation in the Mass that we receive the living God. In doing so, we



become united to the Body of Christ in the Eucharist.

However, Christ has only one body. When we receive that body in the Eucharist, each of us becomes incorporated (from the Latin *in corpus*, meaning literally "in the body") into the same Jesus. Therefore,

a real communion (literally "common union") is formed. It is this common union of persons united to Christ that constitutes the Church. This is why it makes perfect sense to understand the Church as the Mystical Body of Christ. This is a profound reality. The Church is not "like Christ's Body," nor even "analogous to Christ's Body." That would only make sense if the Eucharist was merely a symbol of Christ and not actually His real presence. As Catholics, we know that the most holy Eucharist is the Body of Jesus. Because it is real and because we really receive Him, the resulting communion with Him and with all those who are united with us is a real communion. Therefore, our common union with Christ constitutes a Church that really is the Mystical Body of Christ.

From this idea, we get the other image of Church presented by *Lumen Gentium*: the people of God. When we are united to the Body of Christ, we lose nothing of who we are. We are still individual humans, but also are fully incorporated into God. Just as the Israelites were God's chosen people through divine election, we are God's adopted children through our baptism. Just as Moses led the people through the desert, Christ leads us through the sin and death to the promised land of salvation. Therefore, in addition to being the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church is also the pilgrim people of God on their way to Christ.

As you can see, each understanding of the Church flows forth from the other. We can see this in the Mass itself. After professing the Creed in the first person singular (I believe ...) we eventually arrive at the very communal prayer of the Our Father. Ask yourself what event stands in between the transition from "I" to "Our" in the Mass. It is the sacrifice of Christ found in the consecration. Once the sacrifice is re-presented and each of us as individuals

finds ourselves incorporated into the Body of Christ, the Church then achieves a full expression as a communion of persons. At that point we "dare to say, 'Our Father ...'"

The image of the pilgrim people of God is also evident during the consecration itself. The priest, together with the people, turns toward the risen Lord. This used to be more obvious when churches were built so that the congregation would face east, the direction traditionally associated with Christ's coming. In the older form of the Mass, the priest himself would be facing the same direction as the people, and the image of him leading the pilgrims on their way to Christ could not have been missed. Even now, however, we understand that both priest and people are not facing each other, but rather both facing the Lord during the consecration. So the image of the people of God, while slightly more veiled, it still very much a reality in the Mass.

As a final thought, *Lumen Gentium* also contains one of the more famous phrases from the Second Vatican Council: the "universal call to holiness." Holiness is not just the destiny of priests and religious. It is something that is necessary for all members of Christ's Body. I once heard a speaker say that every one of us has the means by which to become a saint. The only reason we fail is because we don't fully want it.

We are all called to be holy, but how? If we look as a Latin word for "holy" (*sacer*), we find the same root that gives us the word "sacrifice." To sacrifice means to give something up, but only in the sense that we give it to God. We do this in order for Him to make it holy. It is the sacrifice of Christ that makes all things holy. We come to Mass to participate in that sacrifice, and we offer ourselves along with it. It is through the Eucharist that we become that which God intends us to be: fully human, fully alive, and perfect in holiness. Perhaps now we can understand better why *Lumen Gentium* calls the Eucharist "the source and summit of the Christian life" (LG 11).

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## ON A FIRM FOUNDATION

By Loren Brown



### How do we support vocation?

Ephesians 4:1-5 says,:

*"I, then, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism..."*

When we hear the word vocation, many of us think of our Priests and Seminarians. However, the true definition of vocation is what we are called by God to do with our lives, as indicated in this verse. Religious Life and Holy Orders are vocations, and a very special part of the church. However, for many of us marriage is a vocation, as is single life.

At The Catholic Foundation we support vocations as one of our four pillars of funding (the other three are Catholic education, social services and parish life).

This year, for the first time ever, we are making vocation grants available to invited ministries, as part of the Focus grant cycle. Grants for vocations can support a wide variety of programs, such as Engaged Encounter, marriage preparation, Religious Life discernment and even Christian discipleship in college through St. Paul's Outreach.

We also support grants for vocations through many of our Endowment Funds. The Serra Clubs of Columbus, North Columbus, Fairfield-Hocking Counties and Knox-Licking Counties each have an Endowment Fund with The Catholic Foundation, as these clubs support a mission of fostering and affirming vocations to the Priesthood and vowed religious. Additionally, the Diocese of Columbus has several funds, including one for the Tribunal Office and one for Seminarian assistance. Last year we even established the Support for Vocations Fund, which also helps to fund the afore-

mentioned Focus grants.

Still, vocations is historically the area of need that is least supported by the faithful through The Catholic Foundation. Last year, only 14% of our funding was in support of vocations, primarily coming from Endowment Fund distributions. We'd like to see that number go up, as vocations are really the heart of our Church. Anyone can contribute to an existing Endowment Fund, in any amount. I encourage you to prayerfully consider making a donation to the Support for Vocations Fund to support the changing needs, or to one of our many funds for specific organizations that support vocations. Please visit our website at [www.catholic-foundation.org](http://www.catholic-foundation.org) to learn more about how can support vocations in our diocese.

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## JARED GEORGE EARNS AD ALTARE DEI SCOUT AWARD

Columbus Bishop Hartley High School junior Jared George was presented the Boy Scout Ad Altare Dei religious emblem at Reynoldsburg St. Pius X Church in a ceremony with Msgr. David Funk, St. Pius X pastor, and Troop 317 Scoutmaster Tom Liszkay.

The Ad Altare Dei program, directed by the National Catholic Committee on Scouting and its diocesan affiliate, helps Catholic Scouts develop a Christian way of life in the faith community. It is based on the seven sacraments as a means toward spiritual growth in a Scout's in his relationship to God and the church.

To receive this honor, George



attended two diocesan Catholic Scout camporees in Somerset, toured the Pontifical College Josephinum, completed workshops about the sacraments, reflected on Gospel readings and homilies for three weeks, and conducted two service projects.

The first project involved three

hours of service to help his parish community. For the changing liturgical seasons, George recycled old missals and distributed new ones throughout the pews of the church.

His second service project required using his talents to design and carry out a project helping an elderly or sick person. He visited St. Pius X parishioner Norbert Smithberger at The Villas of St. Therese residential care facility for two months. As the two developed a friendship, George decided to play a trumpet concert to entertain residents of the villas and to honor Smithberger with songs related to his life.

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## Faith and Reason

By Father Pat Toner

Faith and Reason are not conflicting ideas. Faith is reasonable and often is given expression by the use of reason. Johannes Kepler, the famous astronomer, made a model of the sun with the planets circling around it. When he showed it to a friend, the friend asked who made the model. Kepler, with tongue in cheek, replied "No one made it; it made itself." After the friend objected to that idea, Kepler pointed out that the model is an imitation of the universe. He then went on to make the point, something does not come out of nothing. Logically, there must be a creator behind everything that exists. Kepler demonstrated the use of logic to awaken faith.

While some think faith and science are at odds, reason demonstrates that is not true. While Thomas Aquinas' five proofs for the existence of God are not proofs in the sense that science defines them, they do reflect scientific notions. Take his argument for

an Unmoved Mover. A principle of physics is that a body at rest will remain at rest until it is moved. For the world to move, there must have been a "first mover" who started everything. That would include the Big Bang.

Nothing causes itself. Everything that exists resulted from something or someone that came before it. This is part of Kepler's argument. Logically, there must be a First Cause" or an "Uncaused Cause". Where did the spark that ignited the Big Bang come from? Aquinas' third argument was that everything comes from something. Nothing can not create something. Matter can not create itself. Science can not create something out of nothing.

Science does not contradict the expressions of faith in a Creator. Science can not directly observe the creator but can observe the effects of a creator. Jesus used the example of the wind. You can see it. You don't know where it comes from. You can see and feel its effects.

Science relies upon faith like acceptance of theories. When science states the edge of the universe is 200 billion light years away, we have to accept that as an interpolation of a measuring of the speed of light. How do we know it is constant at that distance? We have to have Faith in science and their theories. The average person can not prove or disprove some of the modern theories of physics. We have to put out faith in those who study things that they are not deceiving us. Everyone from Missouri is going to have a problem.

Given Aquinas' five proofs, we can say it is reasonable to believe in God. The opposite is to believe we are cosmic accidents. We would have to believe matter is eternal, where physics teaches us that all matter decays. We know that lesson from experience and reason would deny the existence of "Super-Matter" that breaks all the laws of physics.

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## God has a Peculiar Passion for the Underdogs

Leandro M. Tapay

A "lost ball", "a day late, a dollar short", "a small guy in a tall world", "one brick short of a load". You pick the phrase - the result is still the same. Get told enough times you begin to believe it. You begin to believe you are a loser.

But I can assure you that we would never hear it from God. He has a peculiar passion for the underdogs. Do you remember? Jesus touched the festered skin of lepers. He cupped his hands on the face of a prostitute. He responded to the touch of the woman with a hemorrhage. He put his arm around little Zachaeus, to mention a few.

Over and over God wants us to get the message. He has a peculiar passion for the underdogs. What society puts out, God puts in. What the world writes off, God picks up.

That must be the reason why Jesus told the story of the chosen workers. The chosen workers which He told while He was on His way to Jerusalem is a favorite story of grace.

A certain landowner needs workers. At 6:00 A.M. he picks his crew, they agree on a wage and he puts them to work. At 9:00 he is back at the employment agency and picks a few more. At noon he is back and at 3:00 in the afternoon he is back. And at 5:00, you guessed it. He is back again. (See Matthew 20:1-16)

The anger that the twelve-hour laborers felt when the other guys got the same wage is generally used as the punch line of the story.

But let's look at it from a different angle - the choosing. Look at it - it happened at 6:00. It happened at 9:00. It happened at noon. It happened at 3:00. And it happened at 5:00. Five in the afternoon! When you think about it, the best workers had been picked up at 6:00, the not so good were picked up at 9:00. The mediocre at noon and the last string went at 3:00. Can you imagine the kind of workers that were left at 5:00?

All day long they got passed by. They were unskilled, untrained and uneducated. They were hang-

ing with one hand on the bottom of the ladder. They were absolutely dependent upon a merciful boss giving them a chance they didn't deserve.

So are we. Let's not be cocky. We were chosen for the same reason the 5:00 workers were. We are the five o'clock workers!

Listen to what St. Paul says: "Consider your own calling, brothers. Not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong, and God chose the lowly and despised of the world, those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who are something, so that no human being might boast before God. It is due to Him that you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, as well as righteousness, sanctification, and redemption, so that, as it is written, 'Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord.'" (1 Cor. 1: 26)

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# SEMINARIAN SURGE:

## Diocese has largest number of seminarians since 1979

By Jeremiah Guappone

The Diocese of Columbus has welcomed eight new men to its program for priestly formation this fall. With a total of 38 seminarians, including two on their pastoral year, the Lord has abundantly blessed the diocese with a great number of future vocations to the priesthood.

**“Our faith teaches us that God calls everyone: priests, religious, husbands and wives. We need to listen for God’s call and ask for the strength to answer.”**

**“The Lord is calling. Who will have the courage to answer the call?”**

— Father Paul Noble

This large rise in seminarians is not only a local phenomenon. The Pontifical College Josephinum, located on High Street just north of Worthington, is filled to its current capacity with 215 seminarians in formation. Columbus has the largest diocesan contingent at the PCJ with 37 men. The one remaining seminarian from the diocese studies at Blessed John

XXIII Seminary near Boston. This is the largest number of seminarians in formation for the diocese in 34 years. Bishop Frederick Campbell has said publicly that his goal is to have 60 seminarians for the diocese.

Father Michael Lumpe, diocesan vicar for priests, attributes the increase to the work of the diocese’s vocations director, Father Paul Noble. “Father Noble has done a tremendous job by taking the time and making the effort to go out to meet and talk with people in parishes and schools throughout our 23-county diocese,” Father Lumpe said. “You have to go where the people are. You have to meet them where they are, meet those discerning vocations, answer their questions and those questions of family and friends, and Father Noble has done that. The results of his efforts speak for themselves with the increase in vocations.”

Upon his appointment as vocations director, Father Noble first made it clear that he planned to visit every parish in the diocese and to preach on vocations to the priesthood at every Mass he attended during those visits. That is 106 parishes, most with at least two weekend Masses, many with four or five. In his fourth year as vocations director, Father Noble has completed that goal and is be-

ginning round two, with a new homily for his second visit.

At each parish, Father Noble sets up a table with vocation resources and information, prayer cards, and spiritual adoption cards for each of the seminarians of the diocese. After Mass, he greets those in attendance and is more than happy to speak to any young man who may feel a calling to the priesthood. Father Noble’s responsibilities, in addition to promoting vocations, include the management and oversight of all the men in formation for service as priests of the Diocese of Columbus.

At the end of his first vocations homily, Father Noble made it very clear that “we are all responsible for vocations to the priesthood.” Every Catholic has the responsibility to first discern his or her own vocation, and then to offer prayerful support to others. In a way, we are all “vocations promoters.” If we know someone in our parish who strikes us as being called to the priesthood or religious life, we ought to offer them encouragement and support.

Some parishes, such as Sunbury St. John Neumann, have formed discernment groups for young men. Other parishes have a special focus on vocations in their regular youth group. Organizations such as Catholic Youth Summer Camp have at the heart of their mission the promotion of vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

However, forming young people who are ready to say “Yes” to God’s call to the priesthood or religious life is much more than a program or delivering a well-crafted homily. No amount of informative flyers will result in an increase in men studying for the diocese. The heart of a vocation is a relationship with God.

Reflecting upon his own discernment, first-year seminarian Brett Garland of Washington Court House St. Colman of Cloyne Church said, “In order to hear God’s voice, we must first learn to love silence. Silence is not merely the absence of noise; rather, it is an inner disposition which opens our soul to the promptings of the Holy Spirit. Accepting God’s will for our lives is not a one-time decision, but instead requires

a daily attentiveness, a habit of holiness that is rooted in and directed by prayer.” Every vocation is rooted in prayer. Only in forming a deep prayer life, as mentioned by Garland, is one able to hear God’s voice, and to hear what God is calling one to do.

Father Lumpe also makes it clear that prayer that is the heart of a vocation to the priesthood or religious life “I speak from my six years as pastor of (Columbus) St. Catharine of Siena. We began a weekly Holy Hour my first full week as pastor. During my six years, we had six vocations to the priesthood – four for our diocese and two for the the Congregation of Holy Cross.” The St. Catharine weekly Holy Hour has anywhere from 50 to more than 100 people in attendance, praying before the Blessed Sacrament.

“Numerous articles have been written on the correlation between parish Holy Hours and vocations to the priesthood and religious life, to which I fully attest,” Father Lumpe said. “We just began two weekly Holy Hours here at St. Joseph Cathedral (where father Lumpe has been vicar since July). I pray that we see the same thing happen here as we witnessed at St. Catharine’s.” The majority of seminarians for the diocese report that it was in prayer during Eucharistic Adoration that the Lord spoke to their hearts and brought them to more fully consider a priestly vocation.

The other major aspect of the discernment of a vocation, in addition to deep prayer, is the support of others. “The sacraments and a regular prayer life are the bare essentials for any kind of spiritual discernment,” Garland said. “Some

unexpected tools in my own vocational discernment were my friends. Friendship that is centered on a common desire for holiness is a great catalyst for growth in virtue and self-knowledge, and is therefore an unparalleled asset in the process of discernment.”

One does not discern a vocation in solitude; first and foremost, God must be involved, and second is the support and suggestions of those around us. God often speaks to us through others, and our friends often can notice within us the gifts and talents that may point to our vocation, whether that be to the priesthood, religious life, or marriage.

The Lord is doing great work in the Diocese of Columbus, calling young men to the priesthood and young women to religious life; in addition to calling many people to holy matrimony. It is important to enter any vocation to which a person is called with a spirit of prayer and humility.

Father Lumpe makes clear what needs done: “When people call the Chancery with a concern about changes or adjustments taking place in their parish due to the present priest staffing situation, I always ask ‘What have you done to promote or support vocations to the priesthood?’ Often, the response is ‘That’s not my job,’” he said. “In fact, it is everyone’s job to work for, promote, pray for, and support vocations to the priesthood and religious life. If every Catholic said a prayer just once or twice a week for vocations, if every parish had a weekly Holy Hour, if during every Sunday Mass each parish would include an intercessory prayer for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life – think of the increase in vocations we would experience here in our diocese.”

Indeed, the need for a further increase in vocations is very real. As the current clergy ages, the need for more men to enter the seminary and discern the Lord’s call, is as necessary now as ever. We all must spend time praying to support those currently discerning the Lord’s call, and to ask that more young people will have the courage to say “Yes” to the Lord.



**Clockwise from top: All but one of the seminarians of the Diocese of Columbus study at the Pontifical College Josephinum, on the far north side of Columbus.**

**Students walk across the seminary campus. Seminary students take notes during lectures.**

Photos above and right from Pontifical College Josephinum. Below by Jack Kustron.



**Father Walter Oxley, STD, teaches a Fundamental Theology class for seminarians.**

(CT photo by Jack Kustron.)

## Prayer for Vocations



O God, Father of all Mercies,  
Provider of a bountiful Harvest,  
send Your Graces upon those

You have called to gather the fruits of Your labor;  
preserve and strengthen them in their lifelong service of You.

Open the hearts of Your children  
that they may discern Your Holy Will;  
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to serving others in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ.

Teach all Your faithful to follow their respective paths in life  
guided by Your Divine Word and Truth.

Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary,  
all the Angels and Saints, humbly hear our prayers  
and grant Your Church’s needs, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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## THE HEART OF A VOCATION

### By Seminarian Sean Dooley

One of my favorite movies of all time is the 1973 George Lucas classic American Graffiti. It takes place during the final week of the summer of 1962, with a group of high-school graduates enjoying their last night of freedom and fun. One of those characters, Curt, is leaving for college the next morning, but is uncertain if he is actually going to board the plane for the next phase in his life. The comfort of a small town and the familiarity with the people are all Curt ever knew. Through the course of the night, he looks for answers.

Now I won't ruin the end of the movie for you, but I think our main character Curt is asking questions that we all have asked or are asking right now. "Who am I?" "What am I to do with my life?" Of course, we can always try to hide from them, but sooner or later, we will have to face our purpose for being.

One saint who struggled with these questions was St. Therese of Lisieux, the Little Flower. She had her whole life figured out, and she made up her mind that she was to be a missionary. As we know, that didn't work out for her. Faced with this crisis of purpose, she re-examined her conscience and began to search for God in new ways. She came to recognize that she was bypassing her most fundamental calling, the call

to love. Meditating on this call to love, she writes that love "sets off the bounds of all vocations, that love is everything, that love embraces every time and every place, that love is everlasting." It is important to remind ourselves of this. Too often, we may think our vocation will come to us with thunder and a loud voice from the clouds telling us what we are to do in life. However, we can learn from St. Therese and from others that simple words and simple actions can guide us to the joy and hope of Christ.

Another example of small actions and gestures comes from the Gospels. We usually see Christ taking notice of the outcasts and the unwanted in society. One particularly moving scene is the poor widow's contribution in Luke 21:1-4. One can just picture Jesus in the midst of the busy marketplace, watching a widow putting two coins in the poor box, then turning to His disciples and saying, "from her poverty [she] has offered her whole livelihood" (Luke 21:4). Through this sacrifice, she gave her entire life away, not by way of a big show of generosity, but by a simple act of faith and trust. Perhaps we know of people in our own lives who are unselfish toward others on a daily basis. Personally, I think of my own parents, who instilled what is at the heart of any



vocation: perseverance in the faith and service to others through the corporal works of mercy. Their love of family and the Church made me realize that faith is meant to be lived in the most ordinary circumstances of life.

All of these examples teach us that authentic faith is always rooted in love. When these questions of life come to us, we need to recognize that we must not act purely out of our own interests or just shrug our shoulders as if these questions don't matter. Rather, the call and mission of the Christian is to be love

for others, especially to those who may feel isolated and forgotten in this world. Perhaps we have trouble articulating this love in our prayers and actions, but Charles de Foucauld reminds us with this simple message: "Love is expressed with few words, always the same and always repeated." This is at the heart of every Christian life, the heart of the married life, the heart of the priesthood, and the heart of consecrated life. We need to be reminded that each and every one of us is loved and desired by our Heavenly Father. This, more than anything else, is central to the Christian vocation.

"Who am I?" "What was I made for?" "What am I supposed to do with my life?" "How can I answer such a difficult call?" As these difficult questions of life come to us, let us pray for a faith that is lively, a faith that embraces the joys and uncertainties of this world. For when we learn to face the questions of this life and are still able to respond in love, then the Holy Spirit will surely come to life in us, just as He came to life in the saints and in our loved ones who have gone before us.

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## DISCERNMENT, ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE

By Kayla Walton

As a young girl, I often heard fairy tales of princesses being loved and rescued by princes, of bravery in situations of distress, of heroism in times of trial. While these stories were exciting and enthralling, I have come to realize that these stories are absolutely nothing in comparison to the story of our faith, of how we were rescued and loved beyond all understanding by the King of Kings Himself. My time of discernment has been a time of deeper discovery and appreciation of this truth of His love.

From my perspective as a woman who is discerning, discernment involves falling so deeply in love with our Lord that we only want what He wants. As countless saints have said, prayer is nothing more than a loving conversation with Him, and this loving conversation leads to a deeper discovery of



His will. As we seek to discover His will, we become more accustomed to hearing His voice, and we realize that His will is ultimately going to make us more joyful and at peace than we could ever hope to be.

At first, discerning God's will can be intimidating or even scary for those who are afraid of what the Lord might ask to give, but as a wise friend once

told me, "The Lord is never outdone in generosity, and He returns back to us one hundredfold." On the surface, we may only be able to see that which we are sacrificing, but with His grace, we will be able to see this sacrifice as a beautiful and irreplaceable gift, regardless of the vocation we choose.

In my own journey of discernment, times spent in Eucharistic Adoration with our Lord present in the Blessed Sacrament have truly helped me to see, understand, and embrace His will. Yes, at times I feel as if I am trying to see through a clouded window, but I know and trust in the truth that He will reveal His will in His own perfect time and in His own perfect way. After all, "For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope" (Jeremiah 29:11).

The next line is just as beautiful as the first: "Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, I will let you find me, says the Lord" (Jeremiah 29: 12-14). When we turn to our Lord with our whole heart, which includes all of our dreams, hopes, desires, goals, fears, and everything in between we discover who we are and whose we are: a son or daughter of God created to love Him every moment, both here and in heaven with Him for all eternity.

*Walton is a native of Carroll. She is a 2011 graduate of Ohio Dominican University who spent a year-and-a-half discerning with the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles. She is a teacher at Columbus St. Mary School.*

## New principal bringing innovation and leadership to Our Lady of Perpetual Help School

Excellence in leadership and innovation characterize newly appointed Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help School principal Julie Freeman, who replaced Susan Donovan in that position upon Donovan's retirement in June.

Freeman (*pictured*), who has devoted her life to Catholic education, believes strongly that Our Lady of Perpetual Help School provides excellent faith-based spiritual and academic programs that will serve as stepping stones for each child's lifetime success.

"We take pride in our accomplishments and particularly in the fact that our students perform exceptionally on national standardized testing," Freeman said. In educating the whole child, the school's teachers offer a variety of opportunities for student success – from providing an environment rich in experience to building 21st-century learners through critical thinking and problem solving.

"This journey we embark on will inspire our children to lead, encourage, grow, nurture, explore, and praise. Our children have strong foundations in

Catholic faith, morality, decision-making, and service learning, accompanied by a strong academic foundation," she said.

Father Dan Millisor, pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, said, "We are thrilled that Mrs. Freeman, already an excellent teacher, was willing to take on the role of principal. Her gifts have invigorated our community with a fresh embrace of our call to make disciples and live the Gospel."

The school also is blessed by the talents of Kathy Grundy, a longtime parishioner and former principal of Reynoldsburg St. Pius X School, who has agreed to serve as assistant principal. Father Millisor said he worked with Grundy while stationed as associate pastor at St. Pius and values her deep experience and many gifts.

Freeman and Grundy have selected the theme "Journey Together" as they bridge the many parish and school communities and organizations into one that strives for Father Millisor's vision of raising the standard of a Catholic grade school to the highest academic



levels, formed in the body of Christ, guided by the Gospel, yet affordable to all parish families.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School offers a number of school activities on this journey. Keystone projects are specific learning opportunities in the individual grade levels. Among past projects are Presidents in the Round (grade three), Math Bee (grade four), Biz Town (grade five), Mohican Camp (grade six), Science Fair (grade seven), and a Washington, D.C. trip (grade eight).

A Beyond the Classroom program offers extra enrichment opportunities for students; some are offered after school. Previous areas explored include Student Council, legacy leaders, drama, choir, Ski Club, sign language, Scouts, and scrapbooking. Exploratory is a middle-school program that occurs two days a week. Students choose from a selection of instructor-led topics which encourage creative and problem-solving thinking, with new topics introduced every three months.

One of the unique bridging efforts taking form this year involves out-

sourcing the cafeteria operation to Kim and Rinzy Nocero of the local Sunny Street Cafe. This partnership provides healthy lunches at an affordable school cafeteria price.

Technology in the school will take a quantum leap forward as teachers work to incorporate a variety of leading-edge tools into their daily curriculum. This advancement from lab-based work to full immersion of technology in the classroom is supported by a vibrant technology committee.

Initial efforts have seen the creation of Google accounts for seventh- and eighth-grade students. This allows students to seamlessly move from school to home computer and back as they work on an assignment "in the cloud." Emailing between student and teacher will facilitate 21st-century approaches to education that began at the college level and have moved into high schools and grade schools.

The school has wireless access throughout all campus buildings, SMART boards in every classroom, teacher laptops and student computers in all classrooms, a fully equipped computer lab, and three mobile carts of Apple iPads and netbooks. Future projects will investigate equipping each student with a mobile device and online textbooks.

David Frea, stewardship/development director for the parish and school, said, "I firmly believe the Holy Spirit brings to each community the gifts and blessings needed at that particular time. In our case, Father Millisor has engaged leadership, parishioners, and parents alike along the road to discipleship. Something special is certainly happening here, both spiritually and academically, within our parish and school."

### Wilderness Outreach firewood fundraiser

The Wilderness Outreach organization is sponsoring a firewood fundraiser at Schmelzer's Grove, 9960 Sacred Heart Road, Bremen, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2.

The men of Wilderness Outreach are cleaning up the area, which consists of 60 acres of woods owned by Bremen St. Mary Church. The parish's original church was located there, and it remains the site of the parish cemetery

and a dance pavilion. Firewood will be cut, split and loaded into your car trunk, truck, or trailer. The suggested donation is \$60 to \$75 (75 cents to \$1 per cubic foot) for a full-sized level pickup truck load.

Fathers and sons are encouraged to attend and help cut, split, and load wood.

For more information, contact John Bradford at (614) 679-6761 or john@wildernessout.net.

## Saint Joseph Cathedral

*NEW HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE*

### Solemnity of All Saints

Thursday, October 31  
Vigil Mass ~ 5:15 p.m.

Friday, November 1  
7:30 a.m. | 12:05 p.m. | 5:15 p.m.

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle C)

## Jesus teaches us to pray in humility, not pride



Father  
Lawrence L. Hummer

**Sirach 35:12-14,16-18**  
**2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18**  
**Luke 18:9-14**

The animated description by Sirach of the lowly one's prayer piercing the clouds and not withdrawing without the Lord responding gives hope to all of us who pray. We note those characterized as the lowly: the oppressed, the orphan and the widow. They were the ones most vulnerable in ancient society. They are the ones most vulnerable in today's society.

Unfortunately, we are too often deaf to their cries. Yet the Lord promises them judgment and justice, even if we don't. Those most oppressed by government are the first victims when the government's wizards of wealth decide to trim fat from budgets.

In contrast with the musings of Sirach we have another parable from Jesus. It presents a stark contrast between the prayer of the Pharisee and that of the tax collector. The Gospels are pretty rough on the Pharisees generally, but this one is particularly odious.

The parable comes from Luke's special source so we have nothing to compare it with from the other gospels. It is an instruction on prayer, which recalls last week's instruction on the need for persistence in prayer. Today's parable is more concerned with the attitude we bring to prayer than on persistence. Of course we know from the beginning it will be interesting by the introduction: "Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else." What a timeless description that is of humanity.

## Technology upgrade at Portsmouth Notre Dame

Every classroom at Notre Dame Elementary now has a SMART board and preschool classes are using SMART tables. Notre Dame High School also has SMART boards in most of its classrooms. This enables teachers to utilize new, advanced methods of teaching to help their students learn better.

An anonymous donor provided iPad minis at the elementary school so students in the upper grades can begin to learn to utilize these new tools. Students are able to interact with each other using applications designed for different age groups, bringing a new learning experience to young minds.

The first thing we note is that the Pharisee spoke this prayer to himself. If a prayer is genuine it can only reflect the relationship of the one praying directly with God. As soon as one begins to draw comparisons, as the Pharisee did in his "prayer," he betrays his true self. True prayer takes concentration and requires blocking out all others in order to commune with God.

Our Pharisee was too busy reminding God of the wonderful things he had been doing lately and comparing himself with "the rest of people," whom he described as "greedy, dishonest, adulterous." We almost have to think Jesus was laughing at his own parable by this point. He knew humanity well. When the Pharisee compared himself to "this tax collector" it is as though he almost spat out the words, as though uncomfortable that he even had to be in the same place with such an inferior being as the tax collector. Our boy fasts twice a week and pays tithes on his whole income, but if he has to remind the all knowing God about his pious pursuits, it is easy to see why Luke says he "spoke this prayer to himself" or prayed this way about himself.

What Jesus asks of us is not the impossible. The theme of the sinner seeking forgiveness is woven throughout Luke. That forgiveness comes by the sinner admitting sin, openly, unapologetically and honestly. The tax collector in this story never raises his eyes to heaven, so ashamed is he. It is the simple and sincere plea for mercy that justifies that man. He did not dare compare himself with others. He knew his sins and admitted them. He prays literally, "Oh God, heal me of my sins."

This instruction on how to pray (and how not to!) requires of us an emptying of self, similar to the Philippian hymn in which Christ Jesus empties himself of his divinity to take on human flesh (Philippians 2:6-11). When we empty ourselves of ourselves and all of our petty attempts at being righteous, we are left with our sins for which we can only beg forgiveness.

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

Students at the high school are using 65 iPads, some of which were purchased by another anonymous donor. Storage carts are housed on the first and second floors so that teachers can wheel the carts into their rooms to disperse the iPads. The carts also have the ability to sync and charge the iPads together.

The high school recently upgraded its network to wireless throughout the entire building, which allows for new WiFi-only technology to access information found on the Internet. Teachers can use apps and interactive media in connection with textbooks to help their students learn in innovative ways.

### The Weekday Bible Readings

MONDAY  
Ephesians 2:19-22  
Psalm 19:2-5  
Luke 6:12-16

TUESDAY  
Romans 8:18-25  
Psalm 126:1-6  
Luke 13:18-21

WEDNESDAY  
Romans 8:26-30  
Psalm 13:4-6  
Luke 13:22-30

THURSDAY  
Romans 8:31b-39  
Psalm 109:21-22,26-27,30-31  
Luke 13:31-35

FRIDAY  
Revelation 7:2-4,9-14  
Psalm 24:1-4ab,5-6  
1 John 3:1-3  
Matthew 5:1-12a

SATURDAY  
Wisdom 3:1-9  
Psalm 23:1-6  
Romans 5:5-11  
John 6:37-40

### DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEK OF OCTOBER 27, 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](http://www.stgabrielradio.com). Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7:30 a.m. on WWHO-TV (the CW), Channel 53, Columbus. Check local cable system for WWHO's cable channel listing. Mass from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Birmingham, Ala., at 8 a.m. on EWTN (Time Warner Channel 385, Insight Channel 382, or WOW Channel 378) (Encores at noon, 7 p.m., and midnight). Mass from 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); Noon, St. Gabriel Radio (820 AM), Columbus, and at [www.stgabrielradio.com](http://www.stgabrielradio.com).

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

## Pope Francis and the Devil

Our new Holy Father, Pope Francis has been giving us much to think about with many thought provoking comments. One of the many themes he has been laying out for us concerns the snares of the devil. Not only has he mentioned the devil in theological terms but he has implored the faithful to avoid the evil one and his temptations on many occasions; so much so that Vatican Insiders can't remember a pontiff within anyone's memory who has mentioned the devil so often.

On one hand Pope Francis talks of being open to all and welcoming those who may not even like the Church into the Catholic Church. This is talk one might hear from those on the Church's theological left flank who were loyal to the late Italian Cardinal Carlo Martini. However, when the Holy Father delves into talk of the devil, those on the theological right who are loyal to the likes of US Cardinal Raymond Burke or Sri Lanka Cardinal Malcolm Ranjith, feel reassured. What's Pope Francis up to?

Keep in mind that Pope Francis has said he "sees the Church as an army field hospital after battle." The reason he wants to welcome all into the Church even those who don't like the Church, relish in their sins, and don't feel they need the Church is that the Holy Father sees us all suffering from various battle wounds. Some of those battle wounds are very evident while other wounds are more internal or even psychological, the after affects may not manifest themselves for years. In short everyone on



THE TIDE IS TURNING  
TOWARD CATHOLICISM  
David Hartline

this earth is wounded by sin whether we admit it or not. Thankfully, the Church has the medicine; Jesus Christ and the sacraments he gave us.

Sometimes in an e-mail or after one of my talks someone will tell me of a family member or friend who says they don't need the Church, because they don't believe in God and or scientific facts carry more weight than religious prophets and their ideas. I often tell these folks to imagine someone picking up a glass lens and being told there are all sorts of images to be seen. The person picking up the lens scoffs claiming all they see are smudges. The other person exhorts them to look under the microscope for they will see truth. However, the scoffing individual refuses to look and walks away thinking the person looking into the microscope is just making the whole thing up.

In this analogy the microscope represents Jesus Christ, his Church and the sacraments he gave us. A smudged lens does not look like a smudged lens under the microscope for we see far more than smudges when magnified 10x, 100x or 1000x. Our

world is like that doubting Thomas who refuses to look. However, we should all be like the real doubting Thomas because though he initially couldn't believe Jesus had risen, once he literally saw the error of his ways he traveled farther than any of the Apostles to spread the Good News eventually being martyred in southern India. In the days when one could only travel by foot or boat that was an almost unheard of distance to travel. Yet, in doubting Thomas we see hope for all of our doubting family members and friends.

This is exactly what Pope Francis is up to with all of his talk of welcoming sinners and speaking of the devil. Do you really think most people wake up one day and said, "I think I want to become a drug dealer, cheat on my wife, swindle my business partners or some elderly woman out of her life savings?" No all of these terrible sins were caused by ego, pride, loneliness and brokenness. The devil is always telling us there are greener pastures in the sinful life. Sadly too many people end up being stuck so far in the gutter; they think they can never get out. In essence this is the story of the Prodigal Son. We have to admit that we were duped by sin. Unfortunately, the biggest lie the devil tells us is that the only place he really exists is in the movies; Pope Francis is telling us otherwise.

*Hartline is the author of "The Catholic Tide Continues to Turn" and a former teacher and administrator for the diocese.*

## YOUNG WOMEN EXPLORE VOCATIONS

A large number of young women from the Diocese of Columbus turned out for the annual Marian dinner at Columbus St. Andrew Church on Wednesday, Oct. 9. At this event, women who may be considering a vocation to the religious life join their pastors, members of religious communities, and other people of the diocese for a meal hosted by Bishop Frederick p Campbell. Those attending have the opportunity to hear from the bishop and members of the religious community about vocations to the religious life.

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HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION ~ NOVEMBER 1 ~ ALL SAINTS DAY  
Check individual parishes for schedule of Holy Day Mass times



# Pray for our dead

BONASERA, Julie, 66, Oct. 17  
St. Joseph Cathedral, Columbus

BOREN, Isolina Rosaria, 82, Oct. 19  
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

BROWN, Barbara E., 80, Oct. 19  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove City

BRUNER, Pamela S., 57, Oct. 13  
Holy Name Church, Columbus

BURCSAK, David J., 33, Sept. 30  
St. Vincent de Paul Church, Mount Vernon

BURKE, George E., 86, Oct. 17  
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

COCCIA, Norma J., 91, Oct. 20  
St. Paul Church, Westerville

DePIRO, Raymond A., 70, Oct. 19  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove City

DILLON, Dwacka, 55, Oct. 16  
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

DOHERTY, Patricia, 89, Oct. 20  
St. Christopher Church, Columbus

DURBIN, Janet R., 76, Oct. 15  
St. Peter Church, Columbus

EMLEY, Helen M., 94, Oct. 19  
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

FINK, Donna J., 76, Oct. 23  
St. Edward Church, Granville

FOSTER, Louis R., 66, Oct. 18  
St. Mary Church, Delaware

GLICK, Luella M., 94, Oct. 17  
St. Mary Church, Columbus

GREINER, Patricia A., 83, Oct. 8  
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

HILL, LaVerne A., 90, Oct. 16  
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

HUFFMAN, Dawn Y., 46, Oct. 18  
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

IOIA, Michael A., 55, Oct. 12  
St. Christopher Church, Columbus

LANG, Gary J., 58, of Columbus, Oct. 17  
Holy Martyrs Church, Tarentum, Pa.

LIDDIL, Etta M., 87, Oct. 18  
Corpus Christi Church, Columbus

McCLINTOCK, Arthur E., 85, Oct. 15  
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

PAOLINI, Alfred P., 84, Oct. 8  
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

RUGG, Donald, 57, Oct. 14  
St. Rose Church, New Lexington

SABOL, Rosemary, 84, Oct. 13  
St. Mary Church, Lancaster

SEGOVIA, Victor C., 81, Oct. 19  
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

SHROPSHIRE, Mary S., 73, Oct. 21  
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

SHUMAKER, Juanita M., 87, Oct. 10  
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

YOUNG, Donald E., 73, Oct. 17  
St. Paul Church, Westerville

## John R. Wilhelm

A memorial service for John R. Wilhelm, 53, who died Monday, Oct. 14, was held Sunday, Oct. 20 at Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School, where he was a member of the maintenance staff for many years.

Survivors include his wife, Donna; son, Cary Madden; daughter, Melissa (Patrick Snider) Madden; several brothers and sisters; and three grandchildren.

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**St. Matthew Home & School Association**  
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**HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**  
**Saturday, Nov. 9, 9 am to 3 pm**  
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**CALICO ANGEL CRAFT SHOW**  
**Saturday, November 2nd**  
**9am-3pm**  
**ST. PETER CHURCH**  
6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus

**ST. LUKE PARISH TURKEY DINNER**  
**Sunday, November 3 — 11am-2pm**  
St. Luke Community Center  
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**Adults - \$7.50, Children 10 & under - \$4**  
**Carry-out available**  
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**St. John Neumann HOLIDAY BAZAAR**  
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**Nov 9, 2013 - 9 am-2 pm**  
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## OCTOBER

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24, THURSDAY  
Ohio Dominican Spirituality Series  
3:30 to 5 p.m., Sansbury Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Spirituality Series lecture on "Spirituality in the Marketplace: Is It Possible?" with Julie Hart and Ann Hall, ODU professors, and accounting and finance student Jonathan Beshears. 614-251-4722  
**St. Paul's Outreach Banquet**  
6 to 9 p.m., Archie Griffin Grand Ballroom, Ohio Union, The Ohio State University, 1739 N. High St., Columbus. Ninth annual banquet of St. Paul's Outreach evangelization program for college students, with Bishop Frederick Campbell as keynote speaker. 614-352-2440  
**'Catholicism' Series at St. Pius X**  
7 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. "New Methods," Part 5 of Father Robert Barron's "Catholicism: The New Evangelization" series. 614-866-2859

Vatican II Talk at Delaware St. Mary  
7 p.m., St. Mary Church, 82 E. William St., Delaware. Second of four talks by teacher and author Jake Tawney on the documents of Vatican II. Subject: "The Dogmatic Constitution." 740-363-4641  
**Talk at St. John Neumann on Proving God's Existence**  
7 to 8:30 p.m., St. John Neumann Church, 9633 East State Route 37, Sunbury. Father Thomas Blau, OP, parochial vic-

All fund-raising events (festivals, bazaars, spaghetti dinners, fish fries, bake sales, pizza/sub sales, candy sales, etc.) will be placed in the "Fund-Raising Guide." An entry into the Guide will be \$18.50 for the first six lines, and \$2.65 for each additional line. For more information, call Deacon Steve DeMers at 614-224-6530 or 800-511-0584.

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ar of Columbus St. Patrick Church, presents first of three talks on proofs from philosophy for the existence of God. 740-965-1358, extension 100  
**Josephinum Priests, Poets and Philosophers Series**  
7 p.m., Jessing Center, Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 N. High St., Columbus. Lecture with Father Walter O'Leary, STD, vice rector of the college's school of theology, on "An Examination of the Mystic Way in St. John of the Cross." Part of college's 2013-14 Priests, Poets and Philosophers series. 614-885-5585  
**'Courage' Support Group Meeting**  
7:30 p.m., A Catholic organization providing support for individuals with same-sex attractions. 614-436-8676

25, FRIDAY  
**'Youth in Crisis' Talk with Dan DeMatte at St. Andrew**  
7 to 8:30 p.m., Bryce Eck Center, St. Andrew Church, 3880 Reed Road, Columbus. National speaker and author Dan DeMatte, youth minister at Columbus St. Patrick Church, speaks on "Youth in Crisis" as part of St. Andrew parent speaker series. 614-205-9430

25-27, FRIDAY-SUNDAY  
**Retreat at Corpus Christi Center of Peace**  
Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 Stewart Ave., Columbus. Retreat led by Sister Louis Mary Passeri, OP. Theme: "Can You Hear Me Now?: How Prayer Can Change Our Lives." 614-512-3731

26, 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  
**Retreat at St. Mary Magdalene**  
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. St. Mary Magdalene Church, 473 S. Roys Ave., Columbus. Retreat with Father Josh Wagner, pastor of Columbus St. Dominic and Holy Rosary-St. John churches. Light lunch, Sacrament of Reconciliation available. Registration deadline Oct. 24. 614-274-1121, ext. 13  
**Memorial Mass for Children at Resurrection Cemetery**  
1 p.m., Chapel, Resurrection Cemetery, 9571 N. High St., Lewis Center. 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

27, SUNDAY  
**St. Christopher Adult Religious Education**  
10 to 11:15 a.m., St. Christopher Parish Center, 1420 Grandview Ave., Columbus. Jay Zenitsky, who has studied Christian and Judaic traditions for more than 40 years. speaks on the two creation stories in Genesis. 614-488-1971

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  
**St. Joseph Cathedral Open House**  
3 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Open house and guided tour to celebrate cathedral's 135th anniversary. 614-405-7770  
**Prayer Group Meeting at Christ the King**  
5 to 7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus (enter at daily Mass entrance). Weekly

parish prayer group meets for praise, worship, ministry, and teaching. 614-886-8266  
**Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter**  
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. 706-761-4054

27-30, SUNDAY-WEDNESDAY  
**Chief Administrators of Catholic Education Meeting**  
Hilton Columbus Hotel, 401 N. High St., Columbus. Annual meeting of Chief Administrators of Catholic Education department of National Catholic Educational Association, for Catholic school superintendents and catechetical leaders. Keynote presentations by Bishop Blase Cupich of Spokane, Wash., and representatives from St. Rose of Lima Church in Newtown, Conn. Opens with 5:15 p.m. Sunday Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral celebrated by Bishop Frederick Campbell.

28, MONDAY  
**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

**Bishop Celebrates Mass at Delaware St. Mary**  
7 p.m., St. Mary Church, 82 E. William St., Delaware. Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrates Mass for 125th anniversary of church's dedication and installs Father Michael Watson as pastor. 740-363-4641  
**Talk on Teaching Developmentally Disabled Children**  
7 to 8:30 p.m., St. Anthony Room, St. Matthew Church, 807 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna. Talk on "Teaching Human Sexuality to Children and Teens with Developmental Disabilities from the Catholic Perspective" with Mark Butler, religious education director, Columbus Holy Spirit Church. For parents and teachers only. Free child care with advance registration. 614-471-2067

29, TUESDAY  
**'Spirituality of Movement' at de Porres Center**  
2 to 3:30 p.m., Martin De Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. Presentation on "The Spirituality of Movement: New Postures for Old Bodies" with author, teacher and former Columbus Bishop Hartley High School cross country and track coach Kevin Ryan. Registration deadline Oct. 28. 614-416-1910  
**Nancy Beran Memorial Service at Ohio Dominican**  
3:30 p.m., Christ the King Chapel, Sansbury Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Memorial service celebrating the life of Dr. Nancy Beran, professor of sociology.

30, WEDNESDAY  
**Shepherd's Corner 'Reconnect with Earth' Study Group**  
7 to 8:30 p.m., Shepherd's Corner, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Meeting of "Reconnect with Earth" study group, exploring how values and beliefs affect the way we treat the earth. 614-866-4302

1, FRIDAY  
**St. Cecilia Adoration of Blessed Sacrament**  
St. Cecilia Church, 434 Norton Road, Columbus. Begins

after 8:15 a.m. Mass; continues to 5 p.m. Saturday.  
**Monthly Adoration of Blessed Sacrament**  
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Begins after 9 a.m. Mass; continues through 6 p.m. Holy Hour.  
**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

**Bishop Celebrates Mass at Tuscarawas Central**  
10 a.m., Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School, 777 3rd St. N.E., New Philadelphia. Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrates all-school Mass. 330-343-3302  
**Angelic Warfare Fraternity at Columbus St. Patrick**  
7 to 9 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Monthly meeting of Angelic Warfare Fraternity, with talk on chastity-related issues followed by Holy Hour. 614-224-9522

**All-Night Eucharistic Vigil**  
Holy Cross Church, 205 S. 5th St., Columbus. 7:30 p.m. Mass; Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; prayer until 11:30 p.m.; private prayer until 7:30 p.m. Saturday.  
**All-Night Exposition at Our Lady of Victory**  
Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559 Roxbury Road, Columbus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8 p.m. until Mass at 8 a.m. Saturday, sponsored by church's Knights of Columbus council and Columbus Serra Club.

1-3, FRIDAY-SUNDAY  
**Men's Retreat at St. Therese's**  
St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. Men's retreat directed by Father Reginald Lynch, OP, parochial vicar, Columbus St. Patrick Church. Topic: "The Eight Beatitudes." 614-392-0146

2, 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  
**Wilderness Outreach Firewood Fund Raiser**  
9 a.m., Schmelzer's Grove, 9960 Sacred Heart Road, Bremen. Men of Wilderness Outreach continue cleanup of 60 acres of woods owned by Bremen St. Mary Church and will have firewood available for sale. 614-679-6761  
**Centering Prayer Group Meeting at Corpus Christi**  
10:30 a.m. to noon, Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Centering prayer group meeting, beginning with silent prayer, followed by Contemplative Outreach DVD and discussion. 614-512-3731  
**Filipino Mass at Holy Cross**  
7:30 p.m., Holy Cross Church, 204 S. 5th St., Columbus. Monthly Mass in the Tagalog language for members of the Filipino Catholic community. 614-224-3416

3, SUNDAY  
**St. Christopher Adult Religious Education**  
10 to 11:15 a.m., St. Christopher Parish Center, 1420 Grandview Ave., Columbus. "Saints in the Making University" with Dr. John Wood, author of "Ordinary Lives. Extraordinary Mission: 5 Steps to Winning the War Within." 614-488-1971  
**Exposition at Church of the Resurrection**  
Our Lady of the Resurrection Chapel, Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, beginning with procession into chapel following 11 a.m. Mass and continuing to 5 p.m. 614-933-9318

## NOVEMBER





Joby Bell



James Stokes



River Brass Quintet

## Brass and Organ at St. Joseph Cathedral

Sunday, Nov. 3 ~ 3 p.m.

Several musicians from Appalachian State University in Boone, N.C., will take part in a brass and organ concert at Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 3. The program will feature longtime Columbus trumpeter James Stokes, who is now professor of trumpet at Appalachian State's Hays School of Music. He will be joined by university organist Joby Bell, Appalachian State's New River Brass Quintet, and the Cathedral Brass.

## THIRD STEM AWARD

Lancaster St. Mary School and seventh- and eighth-grade science teacher Anita Yaple have been selected to receive the **Governor's Thomas Edison Award for Excellence in STEM Education** for the 2012-2013 school year. St. Mary was one of four schools in the Diocese of Columbus and 58 statewide to receive this honor. Yaple is one of 420 teachers in the state to be selected for the award, which is sponsored by the Ohio Academy of Science.

"These schools are engaged in project-based curricula, the central element of any STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics)

education program," said Lynn Elfner, the academy's chief executive officer. "Receiving a Governor's Thomas Edison Award for Excellence sends a clear signal that these schools and teachers value student-originated, inquiry-based science education as outlined in the *Ohio Science Education Standards and in the National Science Education Standards*. Whole new worlds of opportunities open up to students when they complete research or technological design projects."

To qualify for the Governor's Award, each school conducted a local science fair with 20 or more students; sent one or more students to one of the

academy's 16 district science days; involved students in one or more youth science opportunities beyond the classroom, such as State Science Day, visits to museums, mentorship programs, and extended field trips; and convinced external professionals from STEM business and industry, government, and academic employers how and to what extent the school's program met the academy's definition of STEM education.

The academy initiated this educational partnership program in cooperation with the Office of The Governor and the technology division of the Ohio Development Services



Agency to recognize schools and teachers who stimulate student scientific research and extend science education opportunities beyond traditional classroom activities. The technology division of The Ohio Development Services Agency

has supported this program since 1985 through grants to the Ohio Academy of Science.

**Photo: Lancaster St. Mary School students Ethan Henry (left) and Logan Loy discuss their topographic map design during a science laboratory session.**

## My House: Protection and Healing for Our Families

By Dan Thimons

Director, Diocesan Office of Marriage and Family Life

Thousands of families from around the world will gather together with Pope Francis in Rome this weekend for the international pilgrimage of families. This pilgrimage will be a time to celebrate the joy of family life and to invoke the intercession of the Holy Family for the protection of all families. Pope Francis, in fact, highlighted St. Joseph's role as protector of the Holy Family and of the Universal Church during the homily of his inaugural Mass as the 266th successor of St. Peter.

In imitation of St. Joseph, protector of the Holy Family, all fathers and mothers have a particular role to serve as protectors of their own families. While we are well aware of the many threats that exist in today's world, we often overlook one of the greatest threats to our children. This threat not only comes from outside the home, but can also occur within our own homes and even in our own hearts. This threat is the widespread availability of pornography.

The scourge of pornography is quietly destroying family life, affecting parents, teens, and even young children. It is more easily accessible now

than ever before through the Internet and smart phones. As Bishop Frederick Campbell has cited, because of the prevalence of pornography today, the average age of a child's first exposure is 11 years old. Also, 90 percent of 12- to 17- year-old boys have viewed pornography. This can be especially destructive to children and teens because viewing pornography actually creates strong neural pathways in the brain that propel a cycle of behavior and causes a very strong addiction. Pornography has wreaked havoc on marriages. The wives of men who view pornography often feel abandoned and betrayed. Pornography use is very often cited as one of the chief reasons for marital discord and conflict.

Thankfully, the multibillion-dollar pornography industry doesn't have to have the last word. Jesus Christ and His Holy Church contain all the grace sufficient for breaking the vicious cycle of a pornography addiction. The first place to begin if we find ourselves caught up in the web of pornography is to repent of the sin and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Jesus Christ is waiting to pour out His abundant mercy upon us. One may also benefit from finding a good spiritual director. Also, many people have found help and healing by regu-



larly visiting Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration and praying the rosary, the St. Michael prayer, and other prayers. Many have benefited from the devout use of sacramentals such as the brown scapular or miraculous medal. And countless families have found abundant peace and healing by enthroning

their homes to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

This weekend marks the official beginning of a new ministry in the Diocese of Columbus called My House, which aims to assist people in their struggle against pornography through a threefold approach of protection, healing, and prevention.

To help protect our homes from pornography, My House has contracted with an excellent Internet filtering and accountability software known as Covenant Eyes. This program not only provides filtering, but also discourages pornography use by providing a parent, spouse, or trusted friend with a regular list of any questionable sites that have been visited.

My House also has a network of counselors and confidential support groups for people struggling to overcome pornography addiction, providing an avenue of healing and hope. These local support groups provide a place of refuge where men desiring to overcome a pornography addiction find encouragement and support for growing in the virtue of chastity.

One of the greatest resources the Church has for preventing future pornography use is the beautiful teachings of Blessed John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Study groups are meeting at various places around the diocese, providing participants with a language for correctly understanding the beauty and gift of our human sexuality.

Let us together remain prayerful and vigilant so that our homes and hearts may be protected from the devastating plague of pornography. Let us also never be afraid to run to Jesus Christ and His Holy Church for forgiveness, healing, and hope.

**To learn more about My House, visit [www.myhousecolumbus.org](http://www.myhousecolumbus.org).**

**To learn more about Covenant Eyes filtering and accountability software, visit [www.covenanteyes.com](http://www.covenanteyes.com), promo code: *myhouse*.**

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"We also stress the role of the Sacraments, particularly the Sacrament of Reconciliation, in fighting sexual temptation," he said. "It's not easy to confess a sex addiction, but the healing and absolution offered through Reconciliation can and often does give someone struggling with the problem the boost of strength that's needed to overcome it."

My House also offers a conference call support group with a licensed counselor twice a month for people who wish to remain anonymous. The program is available at 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Mondays of the month by calling (712) 775-7100 and going to access code 231723#.

Besides offering activities centered on healing, My House wants to work with schools and parishes through Smith to conduct age-appropriate programs related to the Theology of the Body. "John Paul's vision of what it means to

be human in body, soul, and spirit and how our sexuality relates to that has been out there for 30 years, but most people don't know it," McNamara said. "It's the antidote to a lot of social ills."

He said other programs which provide helpful resources related to sexual integrity include the That Man Is You! program offered by a number of parishes; the Fathers for Good website of the Knights of Columbus; the Dominican Angelic Warfare Confraternity, which meets monthly at his home church, Columbus St. Patrick; and the Courage and EnCourage programs for people and their loved ones who are struggling with same-sex attraction.

To help protect individuals and families from becoming involved with pornography, My House recommends use of an Internet accountability and filtering program known as CovenantEyes, which tracks every website a user vis-

its, rates each one for its content, and delivers a regular report to a chosen friend who serves as an accountability partner, meeting frequently with the user and asking that person specific questions. The program also can block content by age-appropriateness and is customizable and can set time limits for children.

"The problem of pornography and its effects is something most people, men in particular, don't want to talk about, so it's been hidden for too long," McNamara said. "But we've reached a point where it can't be ignored. I applaud Bishop Campbell's courage in standing up and putting the subject forward this weekend and the support he and other diocesan organizations have given to the efforts of My House to address the issue. Now it's up to the people of the diocese to say they've had enough of pornography and to fight back."



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# **CEMETERY SUNDAY**

## **November 3, 2013**



**Fr. Kevin Lutz**  
Pastor  
St. Mary/Columbus

### **ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY**

**2:00 p.m. Prayer Service**  
**Rosary & Benediction**

#### **OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS CHAPEL**

6440 S. High St./U.S. Rt. 23 S.  
Lockbourne, Ohio 43137  
**614-491-2751**



**Fr. Stanley Dailey**  
Administrator  
Holy Family/Columbus

### **MT. CALVARY CEMETERY**

**2:00 p.m. Prayer Service**

#### **PRIEST CIRCLE**

Mt. Calvary at W. Mound St.  
Columbus, Ohio 43223  
**614-491-2751**



**Msgr. David Funk**  
Pastor  
St. Pius/Reynoldsburg

### **HOLY CROSS CEMETERY**

**2:00 p.m. Prayer Service**

#### **CHAPEL MAUSOLEUM**

11539 National Rd. S.W./U.S. 40 Rt. E.  
Pataskala, Ohio 43062  
**740-927-4442**



**Fr. Michael Hinterschied**  
Parochial Vicar  
St. Paul/Westerville

### **RESURRECTION CEMETERY**

**2:00 p.m. Prayer Service**

#### **CHAPEL MAUSOLEUM**

9571 N. High St./U.S. Rt. 23 N.  
Lewis Center, Ohio 43035  
**614-888-1805**



### **Special Sunday Office Hours**

**St. Joseph Cemetery — Noon to 4 p.m.**  
**Resurrection Cemetery — Noon to 4 p.m.**  
**Holy Cross Cemetery — Noon to 4 p.m.**

