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**COLD DOESN'T STOP
PRO-LIFE MARCHERS**

The Editor's Notebook

Standing for Life

By David Garick, Editor



The cold winds continue to sweep across the land as we endure one of the coldest winters in years. It is certainly uncomfortable. But it is somehow appropriately symbolic, as marches and prayer vigils took place in Columbus, in Washington, and across the nation last week to stand up for the warm hope of the sanctity of life in the midst of a cold, dark culture of death that grips our nation and much of our world.

It is a stern reminder that Christ calls us to stand against the culture of a world that abandons the ways of God and seeks convenient answers in service to its own selfish needs and desires. It is an idolatry that offers each person the option to be his or her own god, to the detriment of creation and in defiance of the true God who created all of us. It is the same lie that the serpent presented in the Garden of Eden, promising that in defiance of God, humans could have full knowledge and be gods themselves. But it is a rejection not only of God, but of life itself. Life is a gift of God, and only God has the right to terminate it – not the woman who wishes she were not pregnant, not the abortionist who portrays this evil service as women's medical care, not the executioner who seeks to rid society of a seemingly irredeemable criminal, not the doctor who offers a simple solution for the unproductive elderly, not the legislators, presidents, and judges who twist our laws to turn these evils into rights and even obligations.

This defiance has continued over the centuries. Christ had to come to Earth because people had turned away from God. He called us to reject "the way things are." He called us to counter the culture: "Behold, I am sending you like sheep in the midst of wolves... beware of people, for they will hand you over

to courts and scourge you in their synagogues, and you will be led before governors and kings for my sake as a witness before them and the pagans. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say. You will be given at that moment what you are to say. For it will not be you who speak but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. ... You will be hated by all because of my name, but whoever endures to the end will be saved." Standing up for life was not easy in the First Century, and it is not easy today.

So we stand up against those in this culture who have created a sick and fictitious "right" to slaughter an "inconvenient" baby in the womb. We stand up and say "No" to a ruler who insists that we facilitate access to these abominable acts. We say "We will endure" to those who tell us that there is no place in their state for people who demand a right to life. We stand firm in the recent words of Pope Francis: "Recognize, in the fragile human being, the face of the Lord. ... Each child that is unborn, but is unjustly condemned to be aborted, bears the face of Jesus Christ. ... And each old person, even if infirm or at the end of his days, bears the face of Christ. They cannot be discarded, as the 'culture of waste' proposes!"

Our task is not easy. But just as the marchers in last week's rallies bundled themselves against the cold, bleak January winds, we all wrap ourselves in the life-affirming love of God and know that we are continuing in a struggle that has gone on for generations, but ultimately will end with the victory of eternal life.

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Members of the youth group from Pickerington St. Elizabeth Parish are bundled up against the cold at the March for Life in Washington on Wednesday, Jan. 22.

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MICHAEL STICKLE IS CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR

Michael A. Stickle of Newark Blessed Sacrament Church has been selected as the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club's 2014 diocesan Catholic Man of the Year. Bishop Frederick Campbell will present him the award at the club's meeting Friday, Feb. 7, following the 11:45 a.m. Mass at Columbus St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave. A \$10 donation is requested to cover the cost of the luncheon.

In a letter nominating him for the honor, Mother Margaret Mary, founder of the Children of Mary religious community in rural Licking County, described Stickle as "an extraordinary man with an extraordinary love for God, His church, and His people."

Stickle, 59, serves his parish in a number of ways, perhaps most visibly as the church handyman, doing jobs which have included painting the steeple and makeshift plaster work. He does similar work for the Children of Mary and helped them build their cha-

pel and retreat center.

He also is an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist, Holy Name Society member, RCIA sponsor, "That Man Is You!" program participant, liturgy committee member, recruiter and crew leader for Christmas church decorating, and supporter of the parish's high school youth group, helping group members make trips to Steubenville youth conferences and the March for Life in Washington. He also has provided his services plowing snow at no charge for all three parishes in the Newark-Heath area and has helped with work at Newark's two Catholic cemeteries.

"When Mike isn't helping at church, he can be found at a local nursing home visiting those who are less fortunate," Mother Margaret Mary said. "If not there, he can be found in a hay field on the family farm, leaving the field in time to make it to Saturday Mass and rising early to make it to Sunday morning Mass."

In the community, he is a member of the Madison Grange and a past member of the Goodwill Industries board, has been an auxiliary state patrolman for the last two decades, and has donated nearly 20 gallons of blood to the American Red Cross. As a young man, he was valedictorian of the 1972 graduating class of Heath High School, was a participant at Camp Enterprise, went to Buckeye Boys State, and helped start one of the first recycling programs in Heath.

Soon after graduating from high school, he began working for the B.F.

Goodrich Co. He retired from Tire Centers Inc./B.F. Goodrich in 2007, and currently is employed by Harrison Township. Stickle and his wife, Sharon, have been married for 33 years and have raised three children.

The Man of the Year award was established in 1957. The 2013 recipient was Joe Buttress of Columbus St. Christopher Church. The recipient is chosen by members of the men's luncheon club, the diocesan Catholic men's ministry, the Catholic Men's Retreat League, the Knights of Columbus, and the Serra Club.

Support for life is gaining ground in Ohio

By Katie McCann

Public Relations Manager, Ohio Right to Life

After much insistence from the national pro-life community, the story of Philadelphia abortionist Kermit Gosnell grabbed the country's attention last spring as the inhumanities committed in his house of horrors were brought to light.

As the nation's collective shock registered, Ohio Right to Life made a point of reminding the state that Gosnell's atrocities were not isolated incidents.

Last year, we spent many months exposing the houses of horrors across our state – and watching them collapse.

In 2013, pro-life Ohioans saw nearly half the abortion clinics in their state closed or slated to close.

The demise of Ohio's abortion clinics began last March when Ohio Right to Life revealed that the University of Toledo – a taxpayer-funded institution – was keeping open one of the largest abortion clinics in northwest Ohio, Capital Care Network of Toledo, which was responsible for 1,033 abortions while in contract with the university. A little more than a week after this revelation, the university terminated its contract with Capital Care, slating the abortion mill for closure.

At the end of April, the Center for Choice of Toledo was caught breaking Ohio law. According to Ohio Department of Health documents, this abortion clinic operated without a transfer agreement since 2010, resulting in a recommended closure and a \$25,000 fine.

According to Ohio law, the Center for Choice existed as an ambulatory surgical facility. Because of this legal status, the clinic was not a full-service medical facility. To operate legally, the clinic had to have a transfer agreement with a

full-service hospital to handle all cases of abortion complications against the mother. Yet for two years, it performed illegal abortions, jeopardizing women and taking babies' lives, demonstrating the abortion industry's ruthlessness.

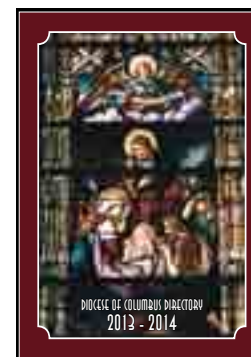
Also in April, the Ohio Department of Health announced its intent to shut down a second abortion clinic, Capital Care Network of Cuyahoga Falls, for multiple health and safety violations. Through an investigation of public records, Ohio Right to Life identified those violations, including failures to meet sanitary standards, use of untrained and unqualified staff, and dozens of other operational and medical failures.

In October, Ohio Right to Life confirmed that a third abortion mill, the Cleveland Center for Women's Health, owned by late-term abortionist Martin Ruddock, officially closed its doors. Sources cite Ohio Right to Life's late-term abortion ban law as the main reason for the clinic's closure and for Ruddock leaving Ohio. It appears Ruddock had a consistent track record for disregarding health standards and putting women's lives in danger. His clinic was cited by the Ohio Department of Health in 2006 for failing to meet basic health standards, such as checking a patient's vitals before performing a late-term abortion.

Less than 48 hours after confirming the closure of Ruddock's clinic, Ohio Right to Life obtained the Ohio Department of Health's report and recommendation regarding the revocation of the license of Lebanon Road Surgery Center, an abortion clinic near Cincinnati. A state health examiner affirmed the health department's order to revoke the license after this abortion clinic failed to obtain either a transfer agreement or a variance.

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PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric

Turtledoves

Did you consider treating important life issues and social justice issues like a good risotto this past week? The image of ladling our faith, hope, and love on all those who turn away from what is right and just is a deliberate, positive, and gradual process with eventual good results. We know that good will win out over evil in the end. We know that God's love can never fail. We know that all people are created good. What we do not always know is how to best live the Gospel and influence those around us. We know what is right, but we also know how to fail and sin. We are human. That ladle of grace and love works for us, too. Our pilgrimage to eternal life in Heaven is a marathon, and not a sprint. As good and faithful stewards, we never give up, and we never despair. Sometimes we do the ladling of stock to be absorbed by others, and at other times, we are the grains of rice hungering and thirsting for that stock. Both are critical to the sustainability of the Body of Christ. We are patient, we run the race, and we covet the prize.

A traditional Christmas song goes, "On the second day of Christmas my true love gave to me, two turtledoves and a partridge in a pear tree." The second chapter of the Song of Songs, 12th verse, goes, "The flowers appear on the earth, the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land." In this Sunday's Gospel, in the second chapter of Luke, we hear, "Every male shall be consecrated to the Lord, and to offer the sacrifice of a pair of turtledoves in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord." For many centuries, turtledoves have been symbols of true, devoted love. Maybe your "true love" gives two of them to you on the second day of Christmas, in between a partridge in a pear tree and three French hens. In the Song of Songs, or Song of Solomon, the voice of the turtledove helps signal the arrival of spring, and love seems to be in the air. But in Luke's Gospel, two turtledoves are sacrificed to the Lord as the baby Jesus is presented in the temple. Certainly a sense of duty and fulfillment of the law, but also a sign of devotion and love of God. This Sunday is the celebration of the Presentation of the Lord. Joseph and Mary follow their custom and law, Anna praises God, and Simeon can finally die in peace, knowing he has seen and held the Messiah.

This past Christmas, Pope Francis celebrated Midnight Mass in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Throughout the procession at the start of Mass, the pope carried the baby Jesus — a large statue — to the crèche, to be placed in the manger. This was another example of our pope's humility and connection with the poor. The poor? Yes. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph lived in a stable that night. They could not even afford to buy their way into an inn. If you are like me, we struggle with living simply and connecting with the poor. But Jesus grew up very simply and continued to live that way. And what about those turtledoves? They were a substitute. The law really preferred that you bring a lamb to sacrifice. Turtledoves were considered a poor person's substitution for a lamb. Jesus never forgot the value of a gift. He took the time to point out the woman giving her last coins to the temple treasury. Pope Francis takes the time to lead by example and show us how to live simply and humbly. Our practical challenge this week is to listen for the voice of the turtledove. Connect with the poor, and live as Jesus did.

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



Religious liberty talk scheduled at PCJ

The Pontifical College Josephinum's annual lecture series continues at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13 as Dr. Robert George, McCormick professor of jurisprudence and director of the James Madison program in American ideals and institutions at Princeton University, presents a talk on "Religious Liberty and the Human Good" in the Jessing Center, 7625 N. High St.

George is a member of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom and has served on the President's Council on Bioethics and as a presidential appointee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. He was a judicial fellow at the U.S. Supreme Court, where he received the Justice Tom C. Clark Award.

A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Swarthmore College, he holds degrees in law and theology from Harvard University and a doctorate in philosophy of law from Oxford University, in addition to



many honorary degrees. He is the author or editor of many books on constitutional law, ethics, and legal and political philosophy. His articles have appeared in the *Harvard Law Review*, the *Yale Law Journal*, the *Columbia Law Review*, and other leading journals in law, philosophy, and political science.

George is a recipient of the U.S. Presidential Citizens Medal and the Honorific Medal for the Defense of Human Rights of the Republic of Poland. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, and is part of the law firm of Robinson & McElwee. In 1994, he was counsel of record to Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta in her submission to the U.S. Supreme Court requesting the reversal of the *Roe v. Wade* decision and the "declaration of the inalienable right to life of the unborn child."

For more information, call the Josephinum academic dean's office at (614) 985-2497.

SVDP project provides tables for families

The Knox County chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, located at Mount Vernon St. Vincent de Paul Church, joined forces with Habitat for Humanity, the Knights of Columbus, and the students and staff of St. Vincent de Paul School to build tables and accessories for six disadvantaged families and individuals during the Christmas season.

Funds for the Table for Plenty project were donated by the Knights and raised at a garage sale which took place last summer. The local Habitat for Humanity office donated old doors to be transformed into six new tables.

The eighth-grade class of St. Vincent de Paul School built and painted the tables on Dec. 16 and 17 under the guidance of master craftsman Mike McAlprin,

St. Vincent de Paul Society member Pat Kent, and other volunteers from the parish and Habitat for Humanity.

Students from the school's other classes made a variety of accessories for the tables, including centerpieces, placemats, and table runners, plus additional gifts such as games and puzzles.

The tables and accessories were picked up in time for Christmas by HOPE NOW, a Knox County organization dedicated to providing furnishings for the disadvantaged.

The Table for Plenty project will run annually, beginning with a fundraising campaign each August.

For more information, contact Deacon Tim Birie at (740) 392-4711, ex. 2.

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- FEB 17** Second Joyful—The Visitation
- MAR 3** Third Joyful—The Nativity
- MAR 17** **Canceled** Solemnity of St. Patrick (6:30 p.m. Mass)
- MAR 24** Fourth Joyful—The Presentation
- APR 7** Fifth Joyful—The Finding in the Temple
- APR 21** First Luminous—The Baptism of the Lord
- MAY 5** Second Luminous—The Wedding at Cana [Memorial St. Vincent Ferrer, OP]
- MAY 19** Third Luminous—The Proclamation of the Kingdom
- JUN 2** Fourth Luminous—The Transfiguration
- JUN 16** Fifth Luminous—The Institution of the Eucharist
- JUL 7** **Canceled** U.S. Rosary Pilgrimage to Lourdes
- JUL 21** First Sorrowful—The Agony in the Garden
- AUG 4** Second Sorrowful—The Scourging [Memorial of St. Jean Marie Vianney]
- AUG 18** Third Sorrowful—The Crowning with Thorns
- SEP 1** **Canceled** Labor Day
- SEP 15** Fourth Sorrowful—The Carrying of the Cross [Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows]
- OCT 6** Fifth Sorrowful—The Crucifixion
- OCT 20** First Glorious—The Resurrection
- NOV 3** Second Glorious—The Ascension [Feast of St. Martin de Porres, O.P.]
- NOV 17** Third Glorious—The Descent of the Holy Spirit [Memorial of St. Elizabeth of Hungary]
- DEC 1** Fourth Glorious—The Assumption
- DEC 15** Fifth Glorious—The Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth

All Masses preached by Fr. Michael Mary Dosch, O.P., or one of the Dominican Fathers. If there is an emergency cancellation (such as snow), the Mysteries may move. The Marian Cenacle will begin shortly after Mass ends; all are invited to stay. Please evangelize and consider inviting a friend!

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THIEL BROTHERS ADVANCE TO EAGLE SCOUT RANK



John and Mark Thiel each advanced to the rank of Eagle Scout at a ceremony conducted by Scout Troop 399 of Pickerington. The brothers joined the Boy Scouts in 2008. With their troop, they participated in camporees and winter Klondike events at Camp Lazarus, attended yearly summer camps, and participated in many service activities to meet the requirements for the highest honor a Boy Scout can earn.

Two of their notable service activities included clearing portions of the Buckeye Trail at Burr Oak State Park and standing guard from midnight to 6 a.m. at the traveling Vietnam memorial wall when it came to Pickerington in 2010.

For his Eagle project, Mark, a ju-

nior at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, led a group which tore down an old and broken playset at Faith Lutheran Church in Whitehall and replaced it with a new playset, installed new chains and seats on a swing set, and laid new mulch over the play area. John, a senior at Bishop Hartley, led an Eagle project which involved organizing the repair and repainting of 15 benches and four bridges at Sycamore Park in Pickerington and laying new mulch around the benches and around a gazebo at the park.

Pictured at the Eagle Scout court of honor for brothers John and Mark Thiel are (from left) Troop 399 Scoutmaster Burt Krieger; Mark Thiel; Troop 399 charter organization representative John Doski; and John Thiel. Photo courtesy Bishop Hartley High School

THOMAS MANNING EARNS RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

Thomas Manning, a member of Boy Scout Troop 310, sponsored by Columbus St. Matthias Church, has earned the rank of Eagle Scout.



Manning, a senior at Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School and a parishioner at Columbus St. Elizabeth Church, also is a member of the Scouts' Order of the Arrow honorary organization, holds a fifth-year pipestone from the Buckeye Council, and was awarded the Red Sash of Merit as one of the outstanding Catholic Boy Scouts in the Diocese of Columbus in 2012.

He has three older brothers, David, Patrick and Joseph, who also are Eagle Scouts.

His Eagle leadership project was to design and manage the construction of two storage units for the children's ministry area of Heritage Christian Church in Westerville. This allowed for the organization and storage of the children's play props and wardrobe. More than \$1,000 in cash and material donations were secured, and more than 200 volunteer hours were used to complete the project.

Photo courtesy St. Francis DeSales High School

LENGTH OF PRE-CANA; ACT OF THANKSGIVING



QUESTION & ANSWER

by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE
Catholic News Service

Q. I am involved in a long-distance relationship and would appreciate your advice. My girlfriend is a Filipina living and working in Hong Kong. (I was a Peace Corps volunteer in the Philippines.) We have been corresponding for four years and have now decided on marriage.

I intend to fly to the Philippines to ask her parents for their daughter's hand in marriage. (This is important in the culture of the Philippines.) If they accept, we will try to fly them to the (United) States for our wedding.

Our problem is this. We are both devout Catholics, and we want to do things properly. Our understanding is that the church requires six months of pre-Cana counseling. However, a fiance visa requires that we marry within three months of her arrival in the (U.S.). Also, she would like to get married on her birthday, which is Dec. 15, and I am not sure how appropriate it is to get married during Advent. Please let me know your thoughts. (Columbia, S.C.)

A. I support your desire "to do things properly" and your focus on the pre-Cana sessions. I have found the pre-Cana program to be an important aid to couples as they approach marriage. It helps them assess their readiness for marriage, to identify areas of their relationship that might need extra work, and to reflect on how they can bring God into their marriage as their hidden strength and "silent partner."

I believe, though, that you may be overstating the rig-

or of the requirement. True, many parishes require couples to register for their marriage at least six months before their wedding date. This ensures that there will be adequate time to fill out the necessary paperwork, to register for and complete the required counseling, and to select the prayers, readings, and music for the ceremony.

Each bishop approves a pre-Cana program for his diocese, but typically the sessions take nowhere near six months. In our diocese, a number of parishes conduct their own pre-Cana sessions, but couples also are free to choose one of the two diocesan-sponsored programs of pre-Cana.

One is an all-day Saturday program; the other has two sessions that can each last two to three hours and is offered at various times during the week. (This second option begins with the completion of a Myers-Briggs personality profile and highlights how people of different personality types can blend harmoniously.)

I believe that if you present your situation to your local pastor, you can craft a workable plan of marriage preparation.

As for your other concern, be assured that a Catholic wedding can indeed take place during the season of Advent. Some parishes do not schedule marriages on Saturday evenings or on Sundays, so that the priest can give adequate attention to the parish's week-end Masses.

If a wedding is allowed on an Advent Sunday, the liturgy (prayers and readings) for the

Sunday Mass is used, with the vows and blessings for marriage inserted.

But there is no liturgical prohibition of weddings during Advent. (Couples may be asked to keep in mind the penitential nature of the season and to tone down the flowers and other decorations.) Again, talk with your pastor, and a suitable arrangement should be easy.

Q. I have often wondered why we don't teach our children an act of thanksgiving. I believe we often forget to thank God for all we have. As children, we learned the acts of faith, hope, charity, and contrition, and I still try to say each of them daily. Why not an act of thanksgiving? (Cumming, Iowa)

A. I think you're on to something. Of the four main types of prayer (adoration, contrition, petition, and thanksgiving), probably the one that is most neglected is thanksgiving. That may be because children don't learn a short and simple way to say "thank you" to God.

Grace at meals, of course, expresses our gratitude for food, but what about thanking the Lord also for family, friends, teachers, fun, etc.? (I'm not forgetting that the word "Eucharist" means "thanksgiving" and the Mass thanks God for the greatest gift of all, our redemption -- but we need a shorter prayer, too.)

Many parents have their kids kneel at their bedside at night and thank God for the blessings of the day, which, I think, goes a long way in helping them to live with an attitude of gratitude.

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

Black Catholic Ministries Memorabilia Fair — 2014

Black Catholic Ministries of Columbus is sponsoring the eighth annual Black History Collectors and Memorabilia Fair from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. Admission is free.

During previous fairs, collectors have presented such things as antique quilts, handmade dolls, slave freedom papers (issued prior to the Emancipation Proclamation), handmade jewelry, personal family histories that date back to George Washington and the Continental Army, old family pictures, a Tuskegee Airmen collection, Buffalo Soldier cards and memorabilia, record album collections, early editions of *Jet* and *Ebony* magazines, and much more.

All are invited to display, sell, trade, donate, and buy heirlooms, artifacts, books, photos, and other treasures and memorabilia related to African and/or African American heritage.

Display tables are available to presenters for \$25 per table. If you are interested in sharing your treasures, contact Black Catholic Ministries at (614) 228-0024 to reserve your table, or email blkcathministries@sb-cglobal.net.

Lenten Morning of Reflection

Sts. Peter and Paul Retreat Center, 2734 Seminary Road S.E., Newark, will host a Lenten morning of reflection from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 15. The facilitator will be Sister Janice Bachman, OP, and her theme will be "Standing in the Presence of God."

God calls each one of us to holiness, to participate in God's own life. Jesus reveals himself to us during our Lenten journey. Come pray with others and take time to enter into God's presence during this holy season. The cost for the event is \$15 and includes a continental breakfast.

For more information, visit www.stspeterpaulretreatcenter.com, email the retreat center at info@stspeterandpaulretreatcenter.org, or call (740) 928-4246.

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Ohio Dominican University Students Named to President's Society

Ohio Dominican University has announced the selection of 12 juniors and seniors to its President's Society. These students will serve as ambassadors of the university's president, Dr. Peter Cimbalic, during special events on campus and at his home, including board of trustees meetings, major donor functions, the Black & Gold Club fundraiser, homecoming, and alumni events.

President's Society members are chosen on the basis of their consistently high academic performance, engagement in a variety of activities impacting student and campus life, and embodiment of the core values and mission of the university.

This year's members, who will serve until May 2015, include: Jamilah Anderson (majoring in chemistry), Kyle Burgess (sport management), Kacee Hockenberry (exercise science), Lauren Kyre (public rela-

tions), Mia McGee (early childhood education), Erin Messlerly (biology), Ethan Miller (biology and chemistry), Emily Pearson (mathematics), Brianna Reder (accounting), Katie Rini (biology), Hank Schaab (integrated social studies education), and Raven Smith (finance).

They join three returning members for 2014-15: Rachel Collins (accounting), Clarissa Harris (middle childhood education), and Mark Miller (middle childhood education).

Seven of the members are student-athletes, four are admissions ambassadors, five are resident assistants, five are tutors, three are in ODU's honors program, and one is in the Dominican scholars program.

All of the members are involved in multiple student organizations and participate in community service efforts and mission-related activities.

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Sister Nadine Buchanan Honored for Human Trafficking Work

Dominican Sister of Peace Sister Nadine Buchanan, OP, was honored with an Ohio Liberators Award at a ceremony on Monday, Jan. 20.

The awards are presented in eight categories to recognize the efforts of Ohioans in the fight against human trafficking, with winners determined by popular vote through online polls. Sister Nadine won in the "outstanding volunteer" category.

She has worked tirelessly on the issue of human trafficking for about one year volunteering many hours with a number of organizations that serve human trafficking victims and educate the public about the issue. She works with TraffickFree on various SOAP (Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution) outreach projects; Doma, a Columbus-based organization working with human trafficking survivors; the local Salvation Army chapter and its anti-human trafficking efforts, particularly The Well program; and the Central Ohio Rescue and Restore Coalition (CORRC).

Much of Sister Nadine's work has been with SOAP, which has brought her and other volunteers around the nation to distribute bars of soap with victim hotline numbers to hotels, in an effort to reach victims with a message of help in the very places where many sexual slavery situations take place.

She notes that sexual trafficking is



more prevalent surrounding large sporting events, and so SOAP goes where the events are scheduled. This week, Sister Nadine is headed to New Jersey to work with hotels before the Super Bowl. At the end of the March, she will be in Texas preceding a national NASCAR event and the NCAA basketball Final Four.

Sister Nadine joins her efforts with others in her congregation who are working for an end to human trafficking. After much

study, discussion, and prayer, the Dominican Sisters of Peace adopted a corporate stance against human trafficking in February 2013, pledging to dedicate resources and efforts to the cause. A growing number of voices, particularly in the Catholic Church, are speaking out against human trafficking, including the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, which characterizes it as "a horrific crime against the fundamental rights and dignity of the human person."

"So many people have no idea that this modern-day slavery is happening all around us in this country. I was once in a similar state of ignorance, but now my eyes have been opened, particularly through witnessing the pain and suffering of human trafficking victims I've come to know," said Sister Nadine. "I hope my efforts and those of so many others will help to raise awareness and eventually help stop this atrocity."

Trinity Elementary picture-search

Columbus Trinity Elementary School is looking for eighth-grade graduation pictures from the old St. Christopher and Our Lady of Victory schools to put on its walls as a way of showcasing the history of Catholic education in the Tri-Village area of Upper Arlington, Grandview Heights, and Marble Cliff since 1922.

The school will make copies and return pictures in a timely fashion. If you have such a picture, contact Jim Silcott, principal at Trinity, at (614) 488-7650 or jsilcott@cdeeducation.org. Silcott also is looking for sports team pictures, pictures of faculty and administrators at the schools, or other historical photographs.

VIOLINIST VIOLENCE



MAKING SENSE
Out of Bioethics
Father Tad Pacholczyk

In her still-widely-read 1971 article, A Defense of Abortion, Judith Jarvis Thomson sets up a thought experiment known as “The Famous Violinist Problem” to argue that abortion ought to be morally justified when a pregnancy arises out of sexual assault:

“You wake up in the morning and find yourself back to back in bed with a...famous unconscious violinist. He has been found to have a fatal kidney ailment, and the Society of Music Lovers has canvassed all the available medical records and found that you alone have the right blood type to help. They have therefore kidnapped you, and last night the violinist’s circulatory system was plugged into yours, so that your kidneys can be used to extract poisons from his blood as well as your own....To unplug you would be to kill him. But never mind, it’s only for nine months. By then he will have recovered from his ailment, and can safely be unplugged from you.”

Most people would share the intuition that they should be able to unplug themselves from the violinist, since they didn’t consent to being hooked up in the first place. Others would suggest an analogy with becoming pregnant from rape, so the mother could “unplug” herself from the child by abortion.

At least two serious problems, however, exist with this analogy.

First, the famous violinist is not a good parallel for the child conceived by sexual assault. The violinist in Thomson’s thought experiment is basically a stranger to us. But the child conceived in rape is not, properly speaking, a stranger at all, and the analogy should probably be corrected to indicate this: “When the woman wakes up, she finds herself connected to a prodigy violinist who also happens to be her 12-year-old son.” In such a scenario, she would far more easily admit an obligation to remain attached to him, even for an extended period of time. Following a rape that results in pregnancy, a woman likewise finds herself connected to her own progeny, her own child in utero, with similar natural moral obligations to nurture and care for her own flesh and blood.

The second problem with Thomson’s analogy is that abortion is not like “unplugging” a tube connecting one person to another and allowing the dependent individual to expire from a condition like kidney failure. Instead, abortion invokes various surgical and obstetrical procedures that directly end the life of, and even dismember, the in utero child.

Norma McCorvey, the former “Jane Roe” of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision, herself once

worked in an abortion clinic and later described what happened there:

“When a later abortion was performed, workers had to piece the baby back together, and every major part – head, torso, two legs, and two arms – had to be accounted for. One of our little jokes at the clinic was, ‘If you ever want to humble a doctor, hide a leg so he thinks he has to go back in.’ Please understand, these were not abnormal, uncaring women working with me at the clinic. We were just involved in a bloody, dehumanizing business, all of us for our own reasons. Whether we were justifying our past advocacy (as I was), justifying a previous abortion (as many were) or whatever, we were just trying to cope – and if we couldn’t laugh at what was going on, I think our minds would have snapped.”

McCorvey’s comments remind us that abortion is essentially a violent and deadly act, not a euphemistic “unhooking” or “separating” of mother and child. Thus we might wish to modify Thomson’s analogy once again in order to maintain parallelism: “A woman wakes up in the morning and finds herself attached to a violinist. To free herself from any further involvement with him, she asks a doctor to come in with a knife and to dismember the renowned musician.” The absolute wrongness of such direct killing would remain beyond dispute, as would the wrongness of any direct killing actions by a raped woman directed against her unborn son because of the sins of his father.

In reflecting on the specifics of “The Famous Violinist Problem,” we begin to appreciate the importance of never subjecting an innocent third party, whether a musician or an in utero child, to direct lethal harm simply because they find themselves in a state of radical dependence upon another human being. Although we aren’t obligated to use extreme or extraordinary measures to try to save the violinist in Thomson’s thought experiment, we shouldn’t make the error of supposing that the state of pregnancy itself is somehow extraordinary or extreme, even in the tragic case of sexual assault, given that it objectively embodies the natural and familial line of duty to care for our own offspring.

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A rough day, redeemed by God’s grace

It was a day preceded by a rough night. The kids tag-teamed and seemed to sleep in shifts, so that I never quite got fully asleep before someone small was demanding my awake attention.

Maybe it was thanks to my guardian angel that I got any continuous sleep at all. “Angel dear?!?” I pleaded. “HELP! I just need TWO HOURS. Please help me!” (I got two-and-a-half, and I needed every minute!)

All the same, I was running close to empty in the morning when my oldest-at-the-time started pushing back with all of her newly discovered three-year-old will. She pushed all the right buttons – and how well she did it! – and it’s by the grace of God and possibly HER guardian angel that I didn’t just strangle her.

Instead, I planted my feet and screamed.

From my very depths, I let it rip. All my frustrations poured out.

And then I was a little better.

But there was a mess on my hands. Both of my daughters had paused during Mommy’s eruption, but quickly found their own voices. The oldest took off



running upstairs. I picked up the baby and went to my inner sanctum – the bathroom – closed the door, and started praying to clear my head.

What follows is my prayer (and perhaps the prayer of every mother who has had this sort of morning). Amazingly, I walked out of the bathroom feeling better, letting God carry the burden that I just couldn’t.

Our Father ...

Hello??? Are you listening?

... Who art in Heaven ...

Is that even close enough for you to hear me?

... Hallowed be Thy name ...

Do you even care?

... Thy kingdom come ...

Why not NOW? Your kingdom can come NOW!

... Thy will be done ...

Wait a minute. THY will? Just what is THY will?

... On Earth as it is in Heaven ...

Does that include the fussy kids, the messy house, the frazzled wife, the flaming inbox, the work concerns, the ... the ... the ...?

... Give us this day our daily bread ...

With the day I’ve had, Father, I don’t need more

than one at a time.

... And forgive us our trespasses ...

In the midst of my turmoil today, Lord, I’m pretty sure there was some sinning. And then more sinning.

... As we forgive those who trespass against us ...

Wait a minute (again). FORGIVE? As in “that’s OK, no harm done”? Even when there WAS some harm done? Even when I’m not so OK with it? Even when my hair’s on fire and I can’t turn to anyone else but you? Even when ... even when ... even when ...?

... And lead us not into temptation ...

Yeah, because we’re FULL. In case you hadn’t noticed.

... But deliver us from evil ...

Including, but not limited to, the kids, the dog, the laundry, the housework, the work, the people who irritate me, the house, the yard, the weeds, the endless to-do, the bad hair days, the low self-esteem days, the ADD days, the exhaustion, the whining, the screaming, the raining on days when there’s laundry out, the ... the ... the ...

... For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.*

Amen.

Thanks. I needed that. AMEN!

*I wasn’t raised Catholic, so when I say the Our Father, I sometimes, even still, forget to leave this line off. But there’s nothing wrong with saying it (unless, of course, you’re at Mass, and the whole place is quiet, and you’re trucking along at the top of your voice the one thing you recognize ... but that’s not wrong, it’s just a mite bit embarrassing ... and, yes, I speak from some experience.)

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May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us; St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us; St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Thank you Jesus and St. Jude. (this prayer should be said 9 times a day, for 9 days) - CM/SM

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PRO-LIFE SUPPORTERS NOT DETERRED BY COLD

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

The success achieved by pro-life forces in the Ohio Legislature last year should be only the beginning of an intensified effort by supporters of the cause, the president of Greater Columbus Right to Life said at the annual Respect Life rally in the Ohio Statehouse.

“We cannot depend on our legislators and the law alone to fix this plague,” Mike Keebaugh said. “Each one of us has to do our part. It’s not OK to stand in silence. You must respond to God’s call. Educate yourself. Have at the ready answers to those that are pro-choice among your family and friends.

“Be ambassadors of life every moment of every day for the rest of your life – on the bus, in the lunchroom, in the coffee room, at church, in the ballot box, every minute of every day, be pro-life,” he said. Keebaugh noted that some of the ways to get more actively involved in pro-life programs included sidewalk counseling, peaceful prayer through events such as the upcoming 40 Days for Life, and making a petition for life to God part of a person’s daily prayers.

Keebaugh noted that since 2000, the number of abortions performed in Ohio had been on a steady decline, averaging about 900 less per year, until 2012. In that year, the total of 25,473 abortions statewide was 709 higher than it had been in 2011. He expressed confidence that this figure was an anomaly, noting that a local abortion clinic had closed in 2013 and that 79 women who had been considering abortion changed



Bishop Frederick Campbell gives the homily and Columbus St. Andrew School eighth-graders pray at the Respect Life Mass. CT photos by Ken Snow



their minds last year as a result of the efforts of sidewalk counseling activities near clinics in Columbus.

Also speaking at the rally on Wednesday, Jan. 22, which marked the 41st anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court’s *Roe v. Wade* decision legalizing abortion nationwide, were Rep. Cheryl Grossman, R-Grove City, local attorney Donald Brey, and Beth Vanderkooi, executive director of Greater Columbus Right to Life.

Grossman reviewed the accomplishments pro-life forces achieved in the Legislature in 2013, primarily through passage of five amendments to the state budget.

One amendment changed priorities for granting family planning funds to

ensure that the first groups to receive such money are the 180 community health centers throughout the state and that abortion provider Planned Parenthood is the last to receive them.

Other amendments provide funds for crisis pregnancy centers, reimbursing them on a fee-for-service basis for nonmedical services; ensure that abortion clinics are being held accountable for standards of cleanliness; ban public hospitals from entering into transfer agreements with abortion clinics; and require abortion providers to make the heartbeat of an unborn child visible and audible to its mother as part of the informed consent process required before an abortion.

Bills being considered this year by the Legislature would increase the waiting

period involved in this process from 24 to 48 hours, create a joint legislative committee on adoption promotion and support, and generally prohibit abortion of an unborn baby with a detectable heartbeat.

“As the mother of two sons and a brand-new grandmother, nothing to me is more important than life,” Grossman said. “Remaining pro-life is at the center of my core values.”

Brey talked about various post-*Roe v. Wade* attacks on religious liberty by lawmakers throughout the nation. He said legislators need to adhere to a pair of basic theological principles essential to holding public office – “one, there is

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At the Jan. 22 Respect Life rally in the Ohio Statehouse, attorney Don Brey discusses religious liberty and Powell St. Joan of Arc students recite the Pledge of Allegiance. CT photos by Jack Kustron



Thousands of young people gather for a pro-life youth rally and Mass at the Verizon Center in Washington on Jan. 22 before taking part in the annual March for Life. CNS photo/Leslie Kossoff

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a God; two, they’re not him.”

Noting that lawmakers and jurists all take an oath calling on God to help them uphold the law, he said that “if you think you’re God, you’re binding yourself to yourself” in that oath. “Some people in government act that way, like some justices of the Supreme Court,” referring to the majority in the *Roe v. Wade* case, he said.

Brey quoted Dr. Martin Luther King’s “Letter from Birmingham Jail,” which said “An unjust law is no law at all and has no authority at all.” “That causes a problem for supporters of the culture of death,” Brey said, referring to the *Roe* decision as “a raw exercise of power by those in judicial authority.”

He said opponents of pro-life efforts believe that morality has no objective validity. If this is true, he said, “then the most important things in life are money, power, pleasure, honor, and friendship.

If those things are true, we shouldn’t be surprised the culture of death uses the money, power, and reputation they have and the pleasures they choose to have to fight us.

“We don’t need to use the same tools against them that they use against us,” Brey said. “We are committed to the vision of Christ on the cross, where he had no power, he had no wealth, he wasn’t having a physically pleasant time, and he was held in contempt.” He urged his listeners to follow the inscription on the Medal of St. Benedict which reads “The holy cross is my light. The serpent (Satan) is not my God.”

Vanderkooi discussed the sidewalk counseling program, noting that although its counselors had persuaded 79 women not to have an abortion last year, it still has a long way to go. State statistics show that nearly 5,700 abortions took place in Franklin County in

2012, the most recent year for which figures are available.

She noted that the majority of women who have abortions are women of faith who come from a background that teaches abortion is wrong. “I look like the picture of a typical woman who has an abortion,” she said, noting that she is single, like 83 percent of the women who have abortions nationwide, and white, like the majority of women who choose abortion.

She also noted that 42 percent of the abortions in Franklin County in 2012 involved African American mothers – a figure double that of the county’s 21 percent African American population. “We are not going to break the cycle of poverty and violence through abortion,” she said. “If we were, they would already be gone.”

She said the next 40 Days for Life campaign of prayer vigils near an abor-

tion clinic, combined with fasting, will take place from Ash Wednesday, March 5, to Palm Sunday, April 13. The first such activity took place in 2007, and Vanderkooi noted that in the following year, the number of abortions in Franklin County declined by 21 percent. Results haven’t been as dramatic since then, but have been similar to the statewide decline, and she believes the 40 Days campaign is responsible for some of that.

“Tomorrow we may not be able to go out and save every baby, but we can do something to save one,” she said. “Remember that we are fighting evil, and that is hard. But we already know that this is a battle that already has been won.”

About 300 people, half of them youths, attended the rally in the Statehouse

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atrium, where it was moved because of cold weather. Vanderkooi said this was the largest crowd in the past 10 years for the local event. She expressed hope that the atrium might be the site for future rallies.

The mid-January date of the *Roe* decision and its subsequent anniversaries has meant the rally has taken place in some of the year's coldest weather in Columbus. The outside temperature at the time of the event was nine degrees, with a wind chill of minus-3.

Similar numbers for the 2013 rally, which was outdoors at the Statehouse, were 11 and minus-4, forcing the speaking program to be cut short. In 2011, weather led to a postponement of the event until Feb. 1.

Before the rally, Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral was filled by worshipers attending the annual Diocese of Columbus Respect Life Mass, with Bishop Frederick Campbell as principal celebrant.

In his homily, the bishop said that part of our moral responsibility on life questions involves not misleading others.

"We can mislead by silence as well as by action," he said. "Therefore, we must speak out and be fearless in our insistence that human life exists from the moment of conception and must be respected to the

moment of natural death. We speak this truth boldly and consistently, yet never in anger, hatred, or violence.

"We want others to know our steadfast devotion to human life, rooted in the love of the Creator who gave us the life and love to which Our Lord calls us," the bishop said. "We also remain committed to speaking the truth because of what abortion and euthanasia do to our society — children become a commodity and the elderly a social weight."

"Our culture is becoming coarse, vulgar, and self-regarding, with a disregard of human life that is not worthy of our nation," Bishop Campbell said. "When one forgets God, one forgets what it means to be a human being made in his image."

The event in Columbus was one of many similar activities taking place nationwide on Jan. 22. The largest was in Washington, where tens of thousands of people gathered for a rally at the National Mall and a march to the U.S. Supreme Court building despite a temperature of 8 degrees.

Patrick Kelly, chairman of the national March for Life, told participants that they were "freezing for the best cause in the world." Jeanne Monahan, March for Life president, thanked the crowd for "braving the extreme elements today." "No sacrifice is too great for this cause," she added.

A few times during the hourlong rally, she also advised participants suffering in the cold to visit one of the first-aid warming tents.

Kelly and Monahan stressed a new aspect of this year's march: tweeting about it with the hashtag #marchforlife or #whywemarch.

Marchers cheered as Monahan read a tweet from Pope Francis: "I join the March for Life in Washington with my prayers. May God help us respect all life, especially the most vulnerable." She urged the crowd to retweet his message.

The theme of this year's march was "Adoption: A Noble Decision." "When a woman makes a choice to be a birth mother, she embraces motherhood in its most heroic sense," said Monahan, who also offered support for women who have not chosen life in the past.

"For any woman who has had an abortion, you have to know there is hope and healing," she said.

Kelly noted that the March for Life has a new staff, logo, and website and also

aims to have a vital social media presence on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. The goal, he said, is not just for participants to gather once a year but to be in touch with one another "365 days a year to build culture of life in America."

House Majority Leader Eric Cantor, R-Va., said the marchers' endurance not only gives "voice to the cause of protecting life" but also shows that they are the "strongest weapon" of the pro-life movement.

He said he was confident pro-lifers would win the culture war, because the right to life "is a moral truth written at the hands of our Creator."

He also echoed a theme of the day, telling youths in the crowd: "Never quit or grow discouraged. Your generation will end abortion."

Rep. Vicki Hartzler, R-Mo., encouraged leaders to support alternatives to abortion. "Our society must stop upholding abortion and start encouraging adoption..." she said.

That message resonated with Nicole Peck, president of Silent No More. Speaking about her abortion, Peck said, "They took my money, my baby, and my self-respect." She even lost her opportunity to experience childbirth: "I would never conceive another child." Peck and her husband later adopted two children. "Their mothers are our heroes," she said.

Jennifer Camilleri, a freshman at Franciscan University of Steubenville, came with hundreds of other Franciscan students. She said that she believed that the Holy Spirit was working through people to encourage them to support life.

Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton Parish brought a busload of participants from Pickerington, Reynoldsburg, and nearby communities, as it has for a number of years.

"I have been to the March for Life many times, and I always come home filled with hope for our country and for life because of the amazing numbers of grade school, high school, and college youth gathered to honor the sanctity of life," said Vicki Chinnock, one of the organizers of the trip. "We are creating a pro-life country in the midst of abortion chaos."

Doreen Amoaka, a 15-year-old Seton parishioner, said, "This is my third year on the march, and every year it gets better. The huge crowd is simply astonishing. I get chills every time knowing that

the people surrounding you believe everything you do. It is reassurance that you are not alone in this fight. One day, the march will no longer be needed because we are making a difference. But until then, I will continue to march."

Tara Bowie, an eighth-grader from Seton and a first-time march participant, said, "It was super cold, but that's a very small sacrifice compared to the billions of lives lost to abortion. I can't wait to go back next year."

"I continue to be inspired and encouraged by the sheer numbers of our young people who make the sacrifice to be the voice and legs and arms for those that cannot," said Seton adult chaperone Glen Williams. "The future of our Catholic Church looms very bright."

(Material from Catholic News Service was used in this story.)



Participants at the March for Life in Washington on Jan. 22 included (clockwise from upper left): students from Franciscan University of Steubenville; a contingent from Chillicothe St. Peter and St. Mary and Waverly St. Mary churches; and Nancy Hammett (left) and Vicki Chinnock of Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton Parish. A view of some of the tens of thousands of people who gathered at the National Mall for speeches, then marched to the U.S. Supreme Court building, is at lower left. A temperature of 8 degrees did not dampen the spirit of the marchers, who heard from House Majority Leader Eric Cantor, R-Va.; Rep. Vicki Hartzler, R-Mo.; and Rep. Chris Smith, R-N.J., among others, on the 41st anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's *Roe v. Wade* decision. Photos courtesy Franciscan University of Steubenville, St. Peter Church, Edd and Vicki Chinnock, and Ohio Right to Life





Annual FINANCIAL Report



My Dear Friends in Christ,

I am pleased to present to you the financial reports of the Diocese of Columbus for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.

As Bishop, I have a responsibility to provide all Catholics in the Diocese of Columbus with an annual view of our financial position and activity. I am pleased to inform you that our independent accounting firm has completed their procedures on our reports

and have issued unqualified opinions thereon.

2013 was a year of positive financial progress. The improving stock market and overall investment environment resulted in a higher return in our investment and endowment accounts than in the prior fiscal year. The favorable market conditions also resulted in a significant decrease in our pension liability and liability for post retirement benefits for our priests which provided a corresponding increase in Net Assets.

Overall, both our High Schools and Parishes recorded positive results for the year.

The overall economic environment is still a challenge for many and it is encouraging to see the continued generous stewardship of the faithful, giving their time, talent and treasure, for the benefit of others. I continue to pray for those who continue to be negatively impacted by the economy, and for those who so selflessly serve them.

As we look to the future, we can only continue the good works of the Church with the assistance of those in the community, like yourselves, who possess the talents required to meet the challenges that will present themselves.

I am grateful for the generosity of all those who support the work of the Church, and I greatly appreciate as well the many volunteers and committee members, both at the parish and diocesan levels, who assist in this work.

With every best wish, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Frederick F. Campbell, D.D., Ph.D.

Bishop of Columbus

DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION FINANCIAL REVIEW FOR FYE JUNE 30, 2013 & 2012

The financial statements entitled Catholic Diocese of Columbus – Diocesan Organization, represent the combined financial position and activity for the Chancery, the Diocesan Offices and funds managed at a diocesan level (i.e. Parish Aid, Self Insurance and Varia Trust Funds). The information presented was extracted from audited financial statements. These statements do not include the financial position or activity of our parishes or schools, or agencies that are governed by their own boards, as each reports their financial information separately to their communities.

The financial statements for the Diocesan Organization are audited by the independent CPA firm of Schneider Downs & Co., Inc. The audit was conducted according to auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2013 and June 30, 2012, the auditors provided an unqualified opinion.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, Net Assets increased significantly from the previous fiscal year. Our financial position and results were positively impacted by three significant factors.

First, in accordance with current accounting principles, our defined

benefit pension liability and liability for post retirement benefits for our priests must be determined using the current discount rate. The higher interest rate environment at June 30, 2013 compared to the previous year resulted in a significant decrease in our pension liability and liability for post retirement benefits and a corresponding increase in Net Assets in the Statement of Activity.

The second positive impact on Net Assets occurred due to more favorable market conditions. For the year ended June 30, 2013, the return on our endowments and our internally managed investments was \$3.7 million greater than for the year ended June 30, 2012.

The final positive impact on Net Assets was a 5.9% decrease in Operating Expenses, primarily due to an improvement in the net cost of Self Insurance.

These positive impacts offset an \$11 million increase in Net Periodic Pension Cost. As of December 31, 2013, the Diocese will freeze its defined benefit pension plans for lay employees and teachers. Consequently, Periodic Pension Cost includes a curtailment charge to reflect the immediate recognition of all outstanding prior service costs under the plans.

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS - DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION

Combined Statements of Financial Position
June 30, 2013 and 2012

ASSETS	As of 6/30/2013	As of 6/30/2012
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 12,609,929	\$ 10,837,191
Accounts Receivable, net	2,203,780	2,015,416
Pledges Receivable, net	1,730,194	1,741,584
Inventory	761,515	799,632
Prepaid Expenses	476,238	573,206
Loans and advances receivable, net	26,347,995	27,857,251
Investment - custodial	24,161	23,561
Property and equipment, net	24,173,835	24,728,049
Beneficial Interest in perpetual trusts Investments	34,756,542 74,697,224	32,919,687 73,344,010
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 177,781,413	\$ 174,839,587
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,201,840	\$ 657,105
Agency Funds	63,617	43,972
Deposits Payable	61,165,475	58,742,426
Accrued Expenses	1,283,660	1,250,730
Deferred Revenue	446,642	333,137
Retired Priests Accrued Costs	11,622,689	12,474,362
Liability for Pension Benefits	52,689,481	70,579,712
Self Insurance Reserve	2,228,000	1,686,000
Amount Due - Custodial	24,161	23,561
TOTAL LIABILITIES	130,725,565	145,791,005
Net Assets	47,055,848	29,048,582
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 177,781,413	\$ 174,839,587

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS - DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION

Combined Statements of Activities
For the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012

	Year Ended 6/30/2013	Year Ended 6/30/2012
REVENUES:		
Bishop's Annual Appeal, net	\$ 5,327,066	\$ 5,339,254
Investment income, net	2,781,946	2,891,001
Realized/unrealized gain (loss) on investments	612,024	146,957
Change in FMV of Beneficial Interests	3,066,977	(227,017)
Operating revenue	2,584,200	2,708,453
Diocesan assessment	3,276,696	3,263,792
Other revenue	379,299	67,914
Contributions	1,321,908	1,079,823
Total Revenues, Gifts, Grants and Support	19,350,116	15,270,177
EXPENSES:		
Operating expenses	15,412,935	16,381,540
Net periodic pension cost	17,751,515	6,759,794
Diocesan support	3,174,604	3,416,966
Interest	645,542	588,485
Total Expenses	36,984,596	27,146,785
Change in Net Assets prior to pension-related changes other than periodic pension cost	(17,634,480)	(11,876,608)
Pension-related changes other than periodic pension cost	35,641,746	(24,529,095)
Changes In Net Assets	18,007,266	(36,405,703)
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	29,048,582	65,454,285
End of year	\$ 47,055,848	\$ 29,048,582

DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOLS FINANCIAL REVIEW FOR FYE JUNE 30, 2013 & 2012

The financial statements entitled Catholic Diocese of Columbus – High Schools, represent the combined financial position and activity for the Diocesan High Schools.

The financial statements for the High Schools are reviewed by the independent CPA firm of Schneider Downs & Co., Inc. The review was conducted according to Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, enrollment continued to decrease, but at a rate of less than 1%, which is consistent with the prior year's rate of decrease. Our ability to increase tuition to offset rising costs continues to be tempered by the reality of the economic challenges being faced by our families.

Marion Catholic Jr/Sr High School ceased operation as of the end of fiscal 2013 and, accordingly, all related assets and liabilities have been removed from the financial statements. The effect of the closure is included in the Combined Statements of Activity.

Cristo Rey Columbus High School is a new Catholic High School serving students in the Columbus area using a work/study model in support of tuition costs. Cristo Rey began forming in 2011 with the first class beginning school in August, 2013. The assets, liabilities and activity have been included in the Combined Statements of Financial Position and Combined Statements of Activity.

Net Assets for the high schools increased \$6.4 million (11.0%). The most significant factors were:

- \$2.1 million improvement in investment return on endowments;
- \$1.1 million increase in Contributions & Grants;
- \$1.1 million net effect of closing Marion Catholic Jr/Sr High School and including Cristo Rey Columbus High School.

Tuition income increased by a modest 1.7%. The increases in non-tuition income sources were required to offset a 5.0% increase in Salaries and a 7.8% increase in Benefit costs.

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS - HIGH SCHOOLS

Combined Statements of Financial Position
June 30, 2013 and 2012

ASSETS	As of 6/30/2013	As of 6/30/2012
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 18,502,598	\$ 20,262,126
Accounts Receivable, net	610,468	564,169
Accounts Receivable - Foundation	6,314	105,573
Note Receivable - unrestricted	1,758,139	2,507,514
Pledges Receivable, net	1,922,866	988,954
Leaseholds and equipment (net of accumulated depreciation)	40,338,402	35,352,327
Beneficial Interest in perpetual trust	19,701,770	16,438,890
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 82,840,557	\$ 76,219,553
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,823,981	\$ 1,384,534
Note Payable - permanently restricted	1,758,139	2,507,514
Accrued Liabilities	2,498,656	2,511,877
Deferred Revenue	28,758	-
Prepaid Tuition & Fees	5,641,556	5,495,141
Notes Payable - related party	6,476,024	6,123,303
TOTAL LIABILITIES	18,227,114	18,022,369
Net Assets	64,613,443	58,197,184
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 82,840,557	\$ 76,219,553

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS - HIGH SCHOOLS

Combined Statements of Activities
For the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012

	Year Ended 6/30/2013	Year Ended 6/30/2012
REVENUES AND SUPPORT:		
Tuition	\$ 29,742,935	\$ 29,237,689
Diocese Support Rent	8,619,432	8,525,688
Extracurricular activities and cafeteria	8,032,428	7,914,439
Contributions & grants	4,954,318	3,851,128
State reimbursement	1,496,144	1,457,932
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	2,019,093	(80,213)
Parish Support	1,288,347	1,290,068
Other school income	461,741	432,821
Fundraising, net	1,244,188	1,024,994
Gift and grants - Diocese	644,883	481,076
Investment income, net	347,206	258,202
Interest income	161,420	140,846
Total Revenues and Support	59,012,135	54,534,670
EXPENSES:		
Salaries	21,653,206	20,626,433
Extracurricular activities and cafeteria	8,854,925	8,797,178
Rent expense	8,619,432	8,525,688
Benefits	6,680,778	6,197,019
Depreciation and amortization	2,859,939	2,773,841
Utilities	1,347,958	1,296,789
Maintenance	888,930	840,143
Other expenses	721,243	680,612
Departmental costs	687,750	765,390
Office supplies	569,193	538,790
Interest	351,337	289,770
Insurance	265,009	285,682
Bad debt expense	112,432	627,776
Central administration fees	83,454	80,578
Total Expenses	53,695,586	52,325,689
Other operating (loss) income	1,099,710	-
Change in Net Assets	6,416,259	2,208,981
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of year	58,197,184	55,988,203
End of year	\$ 64,613,443	\$ 58,197,184



DIOCESAN PARISHES FINANCIAL REVIEW FOR FYE JUNE 30, 2013 & 2012

The financial statement entitled Catholic Diocese of Columbus – Parishes, represents the consolidation of the receipts and disbursements for the parishes and associated elementary schools of the Catholic Diocese of Columbus. This statement was compiled from the unaudited financial reports submitted by those organizations.

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, Offertory rose 2.0% compared to the prior year. Fund Drive receipts increased 21.5% with several parishes undertaking significant fund drives for major construction. School Income rose 3.5% with net school costs (+ School Income – School Salary & Benefits – Other School Costs) decreasing 1.5%.

Total parish expenses remained fairly consistent year to year. Increases in Parish Operating Expenses (2.9%) and School Salary & Benefits (2.2%) were offset by decreases in Capital Expenditures & Depreciation (-22.6%) and Debt Principal & Interest Payments (-15.0%) due to our on-going shift to accrual accounting for capital expenditures and debt.

For those interested in the financial results for a particular parish, please contact that parish directly.

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS - PARISHES

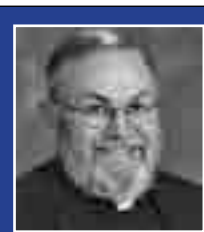
Combined Statements of Activities
For the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012

	Year Ended 6/30/2013	Year Ended 6/30/2012
RECEIPTS:		
Offertory	\$ 52,066,670	\$ 51,052,879
Fund Drives	7,933,270	6,530,441
Gifts & Bequests	2,999,431	3,099,363
Diocesan Support	2,412,627	2,234,047
Other Parish Income	4,905,147	5,790,051
Religious Education Income	1,827,061	2,290,614
School Income	42,181,261	40,751,808
Total Receipts	114,325,467	111,749,202
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Parish Salary & Benefits	20,619,143	20,547,343
Parish Operating Expenses	19,388,942	18,843,036
Diocesan Assessment	3,228,598	3,227,200
Capital Expenditures & Depreciation	3,405,468	4,399,306
Debt Principal & Interest Payments	1,648,659	1,940,575
Religious Education Salary & Benefits	3,961,592	4,035,389
Other Religious Education Costs	2,065,084	2,213,432
School Salary & Benefits	42,485,301	41,562,473
Other School Costs	6,014,401	5,952,590
Total Disbursements	102,817,188	102,721,345
Excess Receipts over Disbursements	\$ 11,508,279	\$ 9,027,857



The Presentation of the Lord (Cycle A)

Gospel scene reveals Jesus as the Messiah



Father
Lawrence L. Hummer

Malachi 3:1-4
Hebrews 2:14-18
Luke 2:22-40

Catholic Bibles place the prophet Malachi as the last book of the Old Testament. In Hebrew Bibles, Malachi comes immediately before the Book of Psalms. Many Protestant Bibles follow the arrangement in the Hebrew. So what?

By placing the prophets last in the Old Testament, and Malachi in particular, Catholics saw in Malachi 3:1: "And suddenly there will come to the temple the Lord whom you seek," a prophetic fulfillment when Jesus came to be presented in the Temple in Jerusalem (only in Luke's infancy narrative). Moreover, the mention of "My messenger" is easily seen as a reference either to Jesus or to John the Baptist, who prepared the way for Jesus. Either way, Malachi was thought a perfect lead-in to the New Testament. The Greek translation of the Old Testament (the Septuagint) ended with the prophet Malachi, and since the early Church relied heavily on the Septuagint, we have the most likely explanation for the arrangement of the books.

The arrangement in the end is the work of sages who carefully considered many things before arranging the books as they did. The books, in any case, are not arranged in chronological order. They had different stories to tell and they told them in different ways, sometimes over centuries of additions, deletions, and corrections.

The Presentation occurs 40 days after the birth of Jesus, which required that the mother (Mary) be puri-

fied. Leviticus 12:2-8 required a woman bearing a male child to stay out of circulation for 40 days. Had Jesus been a female, Mary would have had to hide for 66 days. We should also note that the Presentation is found only in Luke's Gospel.

The law that is cited as the Holy Family comes up to Jerusalem is a combination of Exodus 13:2 and Leviticus 12:8. The only way to approach Jerusalem from any direction is by "going up." They still joke in Jerusalem today that leaving Jerusalem is always a step down.

Simeon is the first prophet-like figure to appear on the scene. He comes into the Temple at this time, directed by the Spirit, and "blesses God," which was a prayer of praise to God for allowing him to see in the child the beginning of Israel's salvation, and that of the Gentiles as well.

Simeon's "blessing" sounds more like a curse when he speaks to Mary. He anticipates what the rest of the Gospel will reveal about Jesus, "a sign that will be contradicted." He also announces to Mary that she will be troubled by her son, too (as in the visit to the Temple when he was 12), not that she will be injured – "and you yourself (literally your psyche or spirit) a sword will pierce." The thoughts of many hearts being laid bare seems to refer to the deliberations people will go through in assessing and reassessing their own thoughts about Jesus as Messiah.

Finally, Anna, who must have been very old indeed if she was a widow for 84 years, comes by. Assuming she was married at the age of 12, adding seven years of marriage and 84 years as a widow, that would make her at least 103. Her prophecy connected the child with Israel's redemption (probably meant to be from all her enemies). This was anticipated when the Messiah would come. This Presentation scene is thus much more about the revelation of Jesus as Messiah than it is about his being presented in the Temple to fulfill prescriptions of Jewish law regarding firstborn sons.

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

Contemplation is theme of events at Corpus Christi

Contemplation in two different forms will be the subject of two coming events at the Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus: an introduction to centering prayer on Saturday, Feb. 1 from 9 a.m. to noon and a retreat weekend for knitters and crocheters from 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28 to noon Sunday, March 2.

Father Vinny McKiernan, CSP, of the Columbus St. Thomas More Newman Center will facilitate the introduction to centering prayer, which is a simple contemplative way of being with God. With much wisdom from his many years of practicing centering prayer, Father McKiernan will describe the process and lead participants through the basics. A \$10 fee includes all materials.

"Stitching into Mystery: Yarncraft as Contemplative Practice" will be the theme for the retreat weekend.

By their very nature, knitting and crocheting are contemplative practices. From the repetitive movements of the needles and hooks to the gradual emergence of a pattern created from a single strand, yarncrafters have the opportunity to use their hobby as a way to see all of life differently. Retreat participants are invited to come together with others who share their passion for yarncraft, to explore the holy dimensions of this art, and to work on their latest projects.

The cost of \$100 includes overnight accommodations and four meals (breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, and lunch and supper on Saturday.) The charge for commuters is \$50, including lunch and supper.

For more information, call (614) 512-3731 or send an email to corpuschristicenterofpeace@gmail.com.

The Weekday Bible Readings

MONDAY
2 Samuel 15:13-14,30;16:5-13
Psalm 3:2-7
Mark 5:1-20

TUESDAY
2 Samuel 18:9-10,14b,24-25a,30-19:3
Psalm 86:1-6
Mark 5:21-43

WEDNESDAY
2 Samuel 24:2,9-17
Psalm 32:1-2,5-7
Mark 6:1-6

THURSDAY
1 Kings 2:1-4,10-12
1 Chronicles 29:10-12 (Ps)
Mark 6:7-13

FRIDAY
Sirach 47:2-11
Psalm 18:31,47,50-51
Mark 6:14-29

SATURDAY
1 Kings 3:4-13
Psalm 119:9-14
Mark 6:30-34

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 2, 2014

SUNDAY MASS
10:30 a.m. Mass from Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral on St. Gabriel Radio (820 AM), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.
Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7:30 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); 8 p.m., St. Gabriel Radio (820 AM), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.

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

2014: A TIME TO REFLECT, RENEW, AND ADVOCATE FOR LIFE

By Jim Tobin/Associate Director, Catholic Conference of Ohio

The Catholic Conference of Ohio serves as the official representative of all the Catholic bishops in Ohio in matters of public policy. In my 26 years as associate director of social concerns for this conference, I have experienced both the joys and the frustrations of legislative advocacy.

Pursuing legislative responses that defend all human life, emphasize care for the poor and vulnerable, support marriage and family, promote better stewardship of God's creation, and protect human rights and religious freedom is always challenging. At times, it is very challenging!

Social policy issues are often complex and divisive. While there is frequently a general agreement among elected officials that certain issues should be addressed, great division – and, unfortunately, growing acrimony – remains regarding specific approaches.

To complicate matters, many of these approaches involve prudential judgments where people of good will may, and often do, differ as to the better political response.

Through it all, our conference's approach to such challenges is to strive for positive relationships with elected officials, offer cogent arguments for our concerns, and faithfully communicate our concerns in ways that reflect God's great love for all, especially those who are poor and vulnerable.

Building a Better World

Pope Francis, in his apostolic exhortation titled *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel), had this reflection regarding the need for social justice and political involvement:

"... An authentic faith – which is never comfortable or completely personal – always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better than we found it. We love this magnificent planet on which God has put us, and we love the human family which dwells here, with all its tragedies and struggles, its hopes and aspirations, its strengths and weaknesses. The earth is our common home and all of us are brothers and sisters. If indeed 'the just ordering of society and of the state is a central responsibility of politics,' the Church 'cannot and must not remain on the sidelines in the fight for justice' (Benedict XVI, encyclical letter *Deus Caritas Est*). All Christians,

their pastors included, are called to show concern for the building of a better world." (EG 183)

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' document titled *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* offers further insight regarding political participation, saying "Unfortunately, politics in our country often can be a contest of powerful interests, partisan attacks, sound bites, and media hype. The Church calls for a different kind of political engagement: one shaped by the moral convictions of well-formed consciences and focused on the dignity of every human being, the pursuit of the common good, and the protection of the weak and the vulnerable.

"The Catholic call to faithful citizenship affirms the importance of political participation and insists that public service is a worthy vocation. ... We are called to bring together our principles and our political choices, our values and our votes, to help build a better world."

Prayer and Awareness

During January, the Church has encouraged our participation in many important life issues. I list several of these to illustrate the scope of our Church's social ministry. I also list them because prayer, awareness, and education are indispensable components of social justice advocacy.

Specific details of these events, as well as further background on legislative issues, can be found on the Catholic Conference of Ohio's web site, www.ohio-cathconf.org.

- New Year's Day was World Peace Day. Pope Francis challenged us to better understand fraternity – the awareness to look upon and treat each person as a true sister or brother – as the foundation and pathway to peace.

- January was Poverty Awareness Month. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development offers a calendar with prayers and resources for use in our schools, parishes, and homes.

- National Migration Week was Jan 5-11. Church focus was given to the most vulnerable migrants: children, the undocumented, refugees, and victims of human trafficking.

- Special attention also was called throughout the month to the plight of unborn children. On Jan. 22, the annual March for Life took place in Washington, with additional events in Columbus and throughout Ohio. The USCCB sponsored

a Nine Days of Prayer, Penance, and Pilgrimage Novena from Jan. 18-26.

- January also continued the worldwide One Human Family, Food for All movement. Pope Francis encourages us to participate in this campaign by praying for the needs of the poor and vulnerable and acting to end hunger.

Ohio Legislative Issues

The Ohio General Assembly has just returned for an anticipated five-month session prior to the November election. Legislators are expected to enact a mid-biennium budget in which the Catholic Conference of Ohio has several education requests pending.

We are hopeful that Ohio will enact legislation that further promotes protections for the unborn; provides helpful incentives for adoptions; offers helpful Medicaid reforms; mitigates recent cuts to food programs; provides further protections for victims of human trafficking; prohibits cloning; and addresses the ongoing need for religious liberty protections.

In addition, we are following legislation related to immigration, gun safety, the environment, and the death penalty.

Defense of Marriage

The conference is closely monitoring the status of a possible statewide ballot initiative that would repeal Ohio's Defense of Marriage Act. The act provides that the state will only recognize a marriage between a male and female. It is not clear at this time if sufficient petitions will be submitted to place this repeal on the November ballot.

Unborn Children

Protecting unborn children remains a high priority. We are pleased that significant abortion-related restrictions were enacted earlier in this legislative session. These included a modified "heartbeat bill" that requires the external testing for a heartbeat as part of Ohio's informed consent provisions before an abortion; reprioritization of family planning funds away from Planned Parenthood; establishment of new funding for pregnancy centers; a ban on public hospitals entering into transfer agreements with abortion clinics; and strengthening of abortion clinic regulations. To date, five Ohio abortion clinics have shut down or are scheduled to close.

Catholic Education

The recent state budget included provisions that benefit Catholic schools and

students. Among the changes were significant increases in funding for auxiliary and administrative services, and the establishment of a new income based scholarship program. The conference is currently pursuing an increase in the EdChoice scholarship for high school students and a way for non-poverty parents to share in the cost of educating their children. Some schools are struggling under the widening gap between the actual cost of education and the amount of the EdChoice scholarship.

Adoption

The conference supported recently signed legislation that allows additional access to birth records. This legislation enables all individuals adopted from 1964 through 1996 to access their original birth certificates, as well as their social and medical history records. As outlined in the law, these records will be available to adult adoptees after a 15-month grace period to allow birth parents who wish to remain anonymous to have their names redacted from these files.

Death Penalty

We anticipate the release of the Ohio Supreme Court's death penalty commission report sometime in March. It is expected to include at least two significant reform proposals: elimination of the death penalty for persons with serious mental illness, and elimination of felony murder (killing during a robbery or felony) as a death penalty specification. We remain hopeful that such changes can be enacted before the end of this legislative year.

Pope Francis sent a message to the Americas on the recent feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe. His message was brief, powerful and challenging:

"When the image of the Virgin appeared on the tilma of Juan Diego, it was the prophecy of an embrace: Mary's embrace of all the peoples of the vast expanses of America – the peoples who already lived there, and those who were yet to come. Mary's embrace showed what America – North and South – is called to be: a land where different peoples come together; a land prepared to accept human life at every stage, from the mother's womb to old age; a land which welcomes immigrants, and the poor and the marginalized, in every age. A land of generosity. That is the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and it is also my message, the message of the Church. I ask all the people of the Americas to open wide their arms, like the Virgin, with love and tenderness."

Pray for our dead

BOGGIANI, Lillian, 70, Jan. 20
Immaculate Conception Church, Dennison

BROWN, Arthur E., 72, Jan. 19
St. Michael Church, Worthington

CLOUSE, Joseph P., 88, Jan. 21
Holy Trinity Church, Somerset

CONLON, James J. Jr., 84, Jan. 21
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

DAVIS, Virginia R., 87, Jan. 24
Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Marysville

DUNN, Marie E., 97, Jan. 19
St. Rose Church, New Lexington

FOX, Harold F., 88, Jan. 16
St. Mary Church, Lancaster

GARRETT, Dean J., 62, Jan. 23
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

GEORGE, Dorothy, 83, Jan. 13
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

GOOKINS, Dr. Elmer F. "Bud," 73, Jan. 21
St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Zanesville

GUARACINI, Joann, formerly of Columbus, Jan. 21
Our Lady of Pompeii Church, Vineland, N.J.

JARVIS, Jean, 86, Jan. 20
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

KISTNER, Ronald A., 76, Jan. 22
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

KUEHNLE, Edward V., 62, Jan. 23
St. Michael Church, Worthington

LAIHR, Adeline P., 96, Jan. 23
Christ the King Church, Columbus

LEOGRANDE, Betty J., 80, Jan. 20
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

LIDDIL, Wilbur A., 87, Jan. 23
Corpus Christi Church, Columbus

MEINKEN, Louella, 88, Jan. 25
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

MICHEL, Marjorie A., 89, Jan. 17
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

MONSOUR, Odessa, 97, Jan. 24
St. Agnes Church, Columbus

NOONE, John P., 85, Jan. 12
St. Elizabeth Church, Columbus

O'BRIEN, Helen E., 82, Jan. 18
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

RATHGEB, Martha M., 86, Jan. 12
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

ROWE, Eileen C., 84, Jan. 23
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

SANTO, John M., 91, Jan. 24
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

SAWYERS, Patricia M., 86, Jan. 15
St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Zanesville

SPAETH, Robert, 87, Jan. 21
St. Mary Church, Marion

SPRINGER-KEFFER, Katie, 26, Jan. 23
St. Margaret of Cortona Church, Columbus

STASEL, Patrick W., 74, Jan. 13
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

WEBEL, Barbara A., 73, Jan. 22
St. Mary Church, Groveport

WHITE, Jack A., 85, Jan. 19
St. Matthias Church, Columbus

Entries taken for Face Forward service awards

The diocesan Office of Vocations is kicking off 2014 with its second annual Face Forward service awards contest for all eighth- to 12th-grade students in the Diocese of Columbus.

Two \$500 awards will be given, based on three criteria: a 300-word essay on the importance of service and giving back to the community; level of parish involvement; and service to the community.

Entries can be submitted until Wednesday, April 30 by going to www.faceforwardcolumbusblog.com or to Facebook.com/FaceForwardColumbus.

Father Paul Noble, diocesan vocations director, will present the awards at the end of the school year. Last year's winners were Reynoldsburg St. Pius X School eighth-grader Jacob McFeeters and Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School sopho-

more Will Eichel.

"We are pleased to offer this opportunity for all of the young people in the diocese. This year, the awards are available to all students, whether public, private, or home-schooled; therefore, we are anticipating an even higher number of applicants," Father Noble said.

The Face Forward program allows for interaction between the vocations office and young people in the diocese and provides platforms for communication, events, and opportunities to learn more about the Catholic faith and a life in vocations. There are more than 10,000 people within the Face Forward community.

For more information about the Face Forward service awards, contact Anne Harkin at (614) 787-2377 or anne.harkin@mj2marketing.com.

St. Brigid of Kildare Open House Rescheduled

The open house scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 26 at Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare School, 7179 Avery Road, was postponed because of the weather and rescheduled for Sunday, Feb. 2 from noon to 2:30 p.m. There will be a preschool information session at 12:30 p.m. and a kindergarten information session at 1:15.

Prospective students and their families

are invited to stop by to take a parent-and student-guided tour to learn about the school's integration of academic excellence and Catholic faith, and to tour its new 21st-century learning environments and see firsthand how it provides a quality Catholic education in a warm environment that gives support to every student.

Send obituaries to: tpuet@colsdio.org

NEW PROGRAM SCHEDULE

LOCAL PROGRAMS

WEEKDAYS AT NOON

ST GABRIEL
CATHOLIC RADIO
AM 820

	12:00 PM	12:30 PM
MONDAY	St. Gabriel's Trumpet with Chip Stalter	Family Sanctuary with Mary Ann Jepsen and Peggy Hartshorn
TUESDAY	The Seminarians	Answering the Call with Elizabeth Ficocelli
WEDNESDAY	The Catholic Doctors with Drs. Parker and Turek	Bishop Frederick Campbell
THURSDAY	Msgr. Eugene Morris	Raising Saints with Katy Wyatt
FRIDAY	Treasures of Our Faith with Local Priests	Foundations in Faith with Msgr. Frank Lane

TUNE IN ON AM820 OR ONLINE AT STGABRIELRADIO.COM

CLASSIFIED

St. Charles Preparatory School ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER
Sunday, Feb 9 - Noon -7 pm
Spaghetti w/ meatball, salad, rolls, dessert & drink
Adults \$10; Seniors \$7; ages 4-12 \$5; kids under 43 are FREE
Carry out orders will be available

St Catharine's K of C K of C SPAGHETTI DINNER
500 S Gould Rd. (undercroft), Columbus Sat., FEB 1st, 5- 8pm
All you can eat: Dine-in or Carry-out
Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad, Roll, Punch and Coffee.
Available for sale: Beer, Wine & Soft Drinks
Adults \$10; Seniors (65+) \$8; Children(under 12) \$5; Children under 5 Free
Family Special \$40 (immediate family - parents and all kids)

JANUARY

30, THURSDAY
Holy Hour for Immigration Reform at St. Stephen
7 p.m., St. Stephen Church, 4131 Clime Road, Columbus.
Holy Hour for immigration reform, sponsored by diocesan Office for Social Concerns and Catholic Latino Ministry.
614-241-2540 or 614-262-7992

31, FRIDAY
'Clergy Who Cook' at Josephinum
7 p.m., Jessing Center, Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625

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H A P P E N I N G S

FEBRUARY

N. High St., Columbus. "Clergy Who Cook" fundraiser for seminarians.
614-985-2234

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

Introduction to Centering Prayer at Corpus Christi
9 a.m. to noon, Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Introduction to centering prayer with Father Vinny McKiernan, CSP.
614-512-3731

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

NFP Class at Newman Center
10 a.m. to noon, St. Thomas More Newman Center, 64 W. Lane Ave., Columbus. First of five Natural Family Planning classes taught by diocesan-trained teachers in the sympto-thermal method. Cost \$85 per couple; preregistration required. Other class dates: Feb. 15, March 15, April 12.
614-241-2560

Bosco Bash at St. Paul
3:30 to 9 p.m., St. Paul Church, 313 N. State St., Westerville. Annual Bosco Bash for sixth- to eighth-graders, sponsored by diocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, featuring keynote speaker Mike Patin, main presenter at 2013 diocesan youth rally. Theme: "Glory Revealed." Mass, food included. Registration required through parish youth ministry leaders.
614-241-2565

Candlemas Service at Columbus St. Patrick
5 to 6:30 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Mass for the Vigil of the Feast of Our Lord's Presentation at the Temple, followed by blessing of candles and candlelight procession through church, with traditional Dominican chant and oblatio candelabrum, a special Dominican custom.
614-224-9522

Discussion on Hunger and Housing for the Working Poor
6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. Discussion on hunger and housing for the working poor, sponsored by parish social concerns ministry, featuring representatives from several area agencies. Preceded by 5 p.m. praise Mass and complimentary pasta meal.
614-855-1400

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

2, SUNDAY
St. Agatha Adult Religious Education
9:40 to 10:40 a.m., St. Agatha Church, 1860 Northam Road, Columbus. "Canonization: How Do We Make Saints?" with Father Edmund Hussey.
614-488-1971

St. Christopher Adult Religious Education
10 to 11:15 a.m., St. Christopher Parish Center, 1420 Grandview Ave., Columbus. "Religious Liberty: The Right to Believe, the Right to Worship, and the Right to Witness" with Mark Huddy, director, diocesan Office for Social Concerns.
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

Open House at St. Brigid of Kildare School
Noon to 2:30 p.m., St. Brigid of Kildare School, 7179 Avery Road, Dublin. Open house for parents of prospective students, with preschool information session at 12:30 p.m. and kindergarten session at 1:15.
614-718-5825

Scout Day With the Bishop
3 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. Annual Scout Day with the Bishop program, with Bishop Frederick Campbell honoring diocesan Scouts who have received religious awards.

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

Bible Study With Bishop Campbell for Young Adults
6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Undercroft, St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Second of six Bible study programs with Bishop Frederick Campbell for young adults ages 22 to 40. Refreshments provided.
614-221-4640

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

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

2-4, SUNDAY-TUESDAY
St. Pius X Parish Mission
2 p.m. Sunday, 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Parish mission with international Catholic speaker Jon Leonetti. Theme: "Surge of the Heart."
614-866-2859

3, MONDAY
Immigration Presentation at Ohio Dominican
3:30 to 4:30 and 7 to 8:30 p.m., Colonial Room, Sansbury Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Center for Dominican Studies sponsors presentation with immigrant advocates Anton Flores and Eduardo Samaniego.
614-251-4722

Marian Movement for Priests Cenacle
7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Mass for Catholic family life. Homily: "The First Joyful Mystery: The Annunciation." Throats will be blessed.
614-235-7435

4, TUESDAY
NFP Class at Mount Carmel East
7 to 9 p.m., Siegel Center, Mount Carmel East Hospital, 5975 E. Broad St., Columbus. First of four Natural Family Planning classes taught by diocesan-trained teachers in the sympto-thermal method. Cost \$85 per couple; preregistration required. Other class dates: Feb. 18, March 18, April 15.
614-241-2560

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

Abortion Recovery Network Group
7 p.m., Pregnancy Decision Health Center, 665 E. Dublin-

Granville Road, Columbus. Abortion recovery network group meeting for anyone interested in recovering from abortion or who has been through a recovery program and wants to stay connected.
614-444-4411

Prayer Group Meeting at St. Mark
7:30 p.m., St. Raymond Room, St. Mark Center, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Light of Life Prayer Group meeting.
740-653-4919

6, THURSDAY
'Digital Danger' Talk at St. Andrew
7 to 8:30 p.m., Bryce Eck Center, 3880 Reed Road, Columbus. Columbus St. Andrew School parent speaker series presents talk on "Digital Danger: Keeping Your Kids on Track" with Dr. Tim Conrad and Upper Arlington police officer Don Stanko.
614-205-9430

6-9, THURSDAY-SUNDAY
Bishop Hartley Presents 'Spamalot'
7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Shedd Theater, 549 Franklin Ave., Columbus. Columbus Bishop Hartley High School drama department presents "Monty Python's Spamalot."
614-237-5421

7, 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.

Catholic Men's Luncheon Club Meeting
12:15 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Catholic Men's Luncheon Club meeting. Bishop Frederick Campbell presents Catholic Man of the Year award to Mike Stickle. Details at www.columbuscatholicmen.com.

St. John Chrysostom First Friday Sale
4 to 6 p.m., St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church, 5858 Cleveland Ave., Columbus. First Friday sale of pirogi, stuffed cabbage, noodles, baked goods.
614-882-7578

Angelic Warfare Confraternity at Columbus St. Patrick
7 to 9 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Monthly meeting of Angelic Warfare Confraternity, 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.

7-9, FRIDAY-SUNDAY
Retrouville Weekend at St. Therese's
St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. Retrouville weekend to help heal and renew the relationship of couples in troubled marriages.
614-288-0597

8, 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.
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MOVIE REVIEW

Pro-life film highlights crisis pregnancy centers

By Hillary Senour

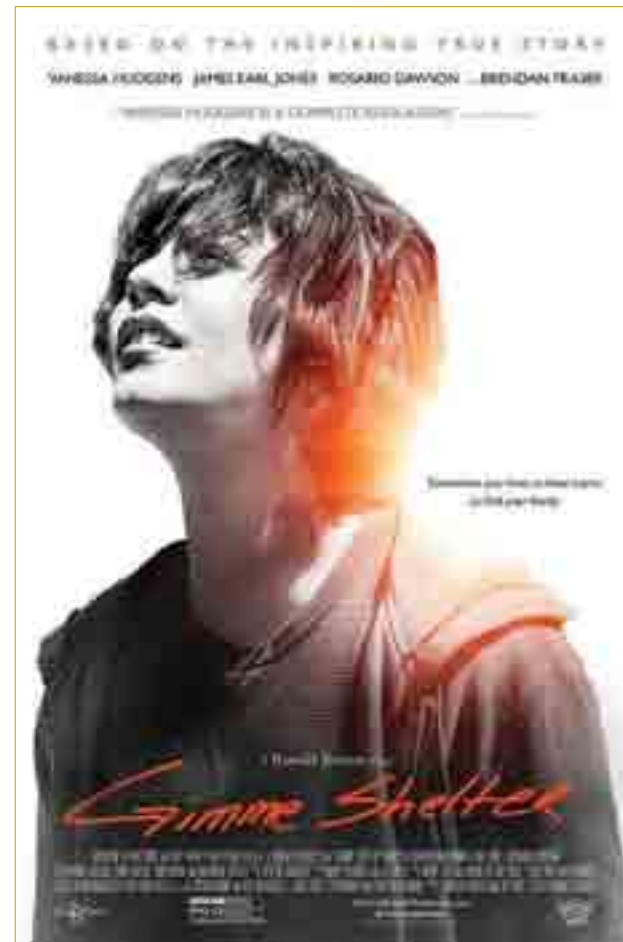
A just-released film chronicling a pregnant teen's struggle for survival is not so much a story about abortion, the director says, even though the mother chooses life for her child despite difficult circumstances.

"This isn't a film about abortion," writer and director Ron Krauss of the film *Gimme Shelter* told Catholic News Agency in a recent interview.

He affirmed that although the film is undoubtedly pro-life, the story does not so much center around the teen's choice to have her child as it does her struggle to become a young mother.

"This young girl made her decision to have that child and when we get into the film, that decision is made already," Krauss said.

The film was inspired by Kathy DiFiore's decades of work with her Several Sources Shelters, which offer a variety of means of assistance to the poor and marginalized, especially at-risk pregnant women who need a safe place to prepare for motherhood and to raise their children.



finds hope, security, and sisterhood in preparing to become a mother.

After first learning of DiFiore's work, Krauss visited one of her shelters, where he would eventually shoot the film. When he saw the work that was being carried out there and got to know the young mothers and their children, he worked on transforming what he saw into a movie for a broad audience.

"The audience is everybody, because anybody who sees this and has a heart – their heart is going to start ticking. Human compassion and love, they transcend everybody. It crosses all dividing lines," he said.

When he approached DiFiore with the screenplay, she was initially reluctant, but approved of it when it was changed to focus more on the girls and the work being carried out in her shelters rather than on her.

"Kathy felt that perhaps if the movie were more about the work and not about her, it would be more inspiring to people," Krauss said.

DiFiore stressed that the most important element of the film is that it serves to let women know that help exists when they find themselves in need during an unplanned or difficult pregnancy.

She encouraged anyone who sees the film and needs help to visit lifecall.org, which lists pregnancy resources, as well as more than 550 homes and more than 2,000 crisis pregnancy shelters nationwide.

If viewers know of shelters that are not listed on the site, she urged them to get in touch with her directly. Alternatively, if there is no shelter in a viewer's area, she encouraged the viewer to get in touch with her for resources on opening a shelter.

THE MARCH FOR LIFE AROUND THE NATION

Tens of thousands of people rally in front of San Francisco City Hall at the 10th annual Walk for Life West Coast on Jan. 25. CNS photo/Jose Aguirre, Catholic San Francisco



Women hold signs during Chicago's March for Life on Jan. 19. Marches and rallies were held across the U.S. last week to mark the 41st anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions, which together struck down the nation's abortion laws. CNS photo/Karen Callaway, Catholic New World



Ashley Steffes, a student at Franciscan University of Steubenville, kneels to pray during the closing Mass for the National Prayer Vigil for Life on Jan. 22 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington. CNS photo/ Mike Crupi, Catholic Courier



A young man receives Communion during a pro-life youth Mass at the Washington, D.C., Armory on Jan. 22. More than 6,000 young people gathered at the arena to rally and pray before taking part in the annual March for Life in the nation's capital. CNS photo/Gregory A. Shemitz, Long Island Catholic

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2014 Columbus Catholic Men's Conference Speakers

The 17th annual Columbus Catholic Men's Conference, with the theme "Be a Man of Courage!" will take place Saturday, March 1, in Columbus. Conference organizers are pleased to announce that this year's conference will relocate to the Voinovich Exposition Building at the state fairgrounds because it has outgrown the space at the Lausche Building where men's conferences had taken place since 2010.

A dynamic lineup of speakers is scheduled, including **Damon Owens**, **Brad Burchfield**, **Father Bill Casey**, **CPM**, and **Father Tony Stephens**.



Owens is executive director of the Theology of the Body Institute, whose mission is to educate and train men and women to understand, live, and promote the Theology of the Body. He is the founder of Joy-Filled Marriage New Jersey and the New Jersey Natural Family Planning Association -- nonprofit organizations dedicated to building a marriage culture through training, seminars, and conferences.

Owens has published several articles, appeared on many radio and television programs (EWTN, Relevant Radio, ABC World News Tonight, CBS News 48 Hours, BET Evening News, National Public Radio), and has hosted and produced three 13-part series for EWTN. He was raised with his two sisters in New Jersey, where, among his academic and athletic honors, he achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Owens earned his bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Brown University in 1988 and a master of science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of California- Berkeley in 1990. Following 13 years as manager with a major technology firm, he founded a technology startup in 2001

before moving into full-time support of marriage and the family. Owens lives outside Philadelphia with his wife, Melanie, and their eight children.



In six seasons as head football coach at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, **Burchfield** has guided the Hawks to a 64-13 record, two undefeated regular seasons, five league titles, three regional championships, two state championship games, and the 2010 Division IV state championship. A four-time Central District coach of the year, Burchfield was also Associated Press Division VI Ohio coach of the year at Centerburg in 2003.

Burchfield is a graduate of Reynoldsburg High School and Marietta College. He and his wife, Christy, are parishioners at Columbus St. Catharine Church, and their eight-year old twins, Benjamin and Brooke, are third-graders at St. Catharine School.



Father Casey is a native of Philadelphia and a 1979 graduate of Temple University. After college,

he served as an officer in the Army. Upon leaving the Army, he entered the Congregation of the Fathers of Mercy. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1991. In 1997, he was elected superior general of the Fathers of Mercy. Father Casey is a nationally renowned speaker and a frequent guest on EWTN.



Father Stephens is a native of Angelus, Kansas. After discerning a call to religious life and the priesthood, he joined the Fathers of

Mercy in 2000.

He began studies for the priesthood at the Pontifical College Josephinum and graduated from Christendom College in Front Royal, Va. Father Stephens was ordained a priest in 2005.


The men's conference will begin at 6 a.m. with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, led by Father Ty Tomson of Powell St. Joan of Arc Church.

Registration and breakfast will start at 7 a.m., with the conference beginning at 8 a.m.

Sportscaster Doug Lessells will serve as master of ceremonies, and conference music will be directed by Ross Williams with participation by the men's choir from Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School.

The day will conclude with Mass celebrated by Bishop Frederick Campbell and will end at around 2:45 p.m.

Visit www.columbuscatholicmen.com for registration information.



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Ohio Dominican University will host College Goal Sunday, the free statewide college financial aid event designed to help students and parents complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Join us at 2 p.m., Feb. 9, 2014. The event will take place on the second floor of Erskine Hall on ODU's main campus.

Register for the free event at www.ohiocollegegoalsunday.org. For more information, contact ODU's Financial Aid Office at 614-251-4778 or finaid@ohiodominican.edu.

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