ADVENT PREPARES THE WAY FOR THE BIRTH OF JESUS
The glory of the Lord shall be revealed in light

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The video’s release will coincide with the 50th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council’s declaration on religious liberty that can be used for their faith. 

High court’s ruling prompts bishops’ pastoral plan for family, marriage

Keep Christ in Christmas, fight pressure to conform to world, pope says

By Carol Zimmermann  
Catholic News Service
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Bishop Richard J. Malone of Buffalo, New York, speaks during a news conference on Nov. 16 during the 2015 Fall assembly of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. 

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Awake

By Rick Jeric

Are we all faithfully and confidently enrolled in our Catholic faith? As we begin Advent, we want to share daily reflections based upon each day’s Gospel. With thanks to my friend and colleague in Great Britain, Teresa Keogh, I hope you find these reflections supportive of your daily prayer life. Our practical challenge is to try to spend some time sitting with Him today and to consciously look at how I spend money and time today and not be blind rageously at a blind spot in our lives and ask Jesus to help us overcome it.

To make the Day 8 beginning of the Jubilee Year of Mercy proclaimed by Pope Francis, a Year of Mercy conference will take place from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 at the Holy Family Soup Kitchen, 57 S. Grubb St., Columbus.

The keynote speaker will be Father Dermot Rouche, SMA, of Brooklyn, New York, a member of the Society of African Missions and founder of the worldwide Divine Mercy Family Apostolate. He will speak on “The Image of Divine Mercy and the Ministry of Divine Mercy in Healing Families.”

His talk at 2 p.m. will be followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament by ODU students, faculty, staff, and local artists. Items for sale will include jewelry, pottery, prints, paintings, and paper crafts. The university also will open a new exhibit titled “Healing Feathers” at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4 in the 72.

Ohio Dominican University will host its 15th annual holiday art market from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 3 in the Bishop Griffin Student Center on ODU’s main campus, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus.

This event will feature a variety of items handcrafted by ODU students, faculty, staff, and local artists. Items for sale will include jewelry, pottery, prints, paintings, and paper crafts. The university also will open a new exhibit titled “Feeling Feathers” at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4 in the

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Child Protection Plan

It is the goal of the Diocese of Columbus to make the Church a place of safety: a place of prayer, ministry and comfort. Everyone who enters our churches, schools, or facilities must be confident in this. Not one child or young person should suffer from abuse while at Church. In order to assure the safety of our youth, the Diocese of Columbus has enacted a complete program of support. As part of this, the Diocese of Columbus will provide pastoral care for anyone who has suffered the crime of sexual abuse of a minor at the hands of diocesan clergy or church employees or volunteers. The Diocese of Columbus will provide pastoral care, just, and pastoral care for anyone who has suffered the crime of sexual abuse of a minor at the hands of diocesan clergy or church employees or volunteers. The Diocese of Columbus will provide pastoral care, just, and pastoral care for anyone who has suffered the crime of sexual abuse of a minor at the hands of diocesan clergy or church employees or volunteers.

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Selling in church: Interest on loans prohibited?

A retreat for caregivers, focusing on healing the wounds of compassion fatigued and titled “Rest in Beauty,” will take place from 12:30 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 6. That date was chosen because it is close to Dec. 1, the day the first Mass was celebrated in the original church in 1940. Former pastors and associates will be on hand to delineate the story of the parish completed by Deacon Frank Doolin.

The parish grounds have been at the same location since the church was erected in 1940 on 19 acres of forest and swampland. A school was dedicated a year after the first Mass was celebrated in the original church in 1941.

The retreat is open to all, but will be focused on caregivers, volunteers, and people who work in ministry-related professions and have been involved in spiritually or emotionally burnout. It will feature a talk on “Purpose, Presence, and Focus,” a talk on “Resting in Beauty,” and a talk on “Healing the Wounds of Compassion Fatigue.”

The event is being sponsored by Greater Columbus Right to Life, with support from the diocesan Office for Social Concerns. The keynote speaker will be Sister Mary Frances Sederly, OSF, executive director of The Upper Room crisis hotline in Joliet, Illinois. She is a nationally known speaker on compassion fatigue and ministry burnout. Father Joshua Wagner, pastor of Columbus Holy Rosary-St. John and St. Dominic churches, will present a talk on “Purpose, Presence, Focus, and Moment.”

Each time we seek to right a wrong, we are coming in confrontation with evil and truth, and through that, we make it more real. Those wounds invite fatigue, burnout, and other barriers to continuing in ministry. Left unaddressed, they sometimes can lead to hurting the people we most desire to help.

As caregivers, we are called to seek to release the burdens we bear to the widows and orphans, and help the afflicted. In order to do that, we must be able to be alive in the everydayness of our lives, to see the world as it is meant to be seen, and to know in the deepest parts of our hearts that we are chosen and called to make a difference in the world in which we are currently living. The retreat is designed to help promote that condition.
The morning of Veterans Day, Wednesday, Nov. 11, was very foggy, but that didn’t prevent students at Somerset Holy Trinity School from honoring local veterans. The men talked about the history of the American flag and how to care for it, and demonstrated how to raise the flag, retire it, and fold it. Holy Trinity graduate Steve Shumaker read the poem “I Believe in America.”

By Sister Constance Veit, LSP

Each year, British retailer John Lewis creates a seasonal buzz with its creative, emotionally charged Christmas advertisements. This year, the department store chain has teamed with Age UK, Great Britain’s largest charity for senior citizens, to raise funds and awareness of the scourge of loneliness among the elderly today. The heart-wrenching commercial depicts a young girl reaching out to an elderly “Man on the Moon” and ends with a simple, yet haunting slogan: “No one should have no one at Christmas.”

What does a British ad campaign have to do with us? When I saw the ad, it struck me how much it is in synch with Pope Francis’ repeated appeals on behalf of the elderly members of our society: “It’s brutal to see how the elderly are thrown away,” he proclaimed earlier this year. “It is a brutal thing, it is a sin!” Pope Francis recreated a visit he paid to a retirement home one August. He met a woman who told him about her large family, and when he asked her about the last time her children had come to visit her, replied, “for Christmas.” “Eight months without being visited by her children — abandoned for eight months!” he exclaimed. “This is called mortality.”

Our Holy Father issued a similar plea during the Festival of Families in Philadelphia earlier this year: “We have to care in a special way for children and for grandparents…” Taking care of grandparents and taking care of children is the sign of love, “I am not sure if it is the greatest, but for the family I would say that it is the most promising — because it promises the future. A people incapable of caring for children and caring for the elderly is a people without a future, because it lacks the strength and the memory needed to move forward.”

Christmas is the perfect time to take our Holy Father’s urgings to heart. The holidays can be lonely and stressful for the elderly who have limited mobility and limited resources, who have outlived their loved ones, or who have been virtually forgotten by children and grandchildren captured in the material distractions that have come to define the Christmas season in our culture. The irony is that not only do the elderly deserve our attention and care, but spending time with them can enrich us even more than it does them.

Pope Francis suggests that cultivating meaningful family relations is not as complicated as we might think. “Love is shown by little things,” he said during his final homily in America. “Just simple gestures: put that card on all the other things we do, yet they do each day different. They are the quiet things done by mothers and grandmothers, by children, by brothers and sisters. They are little signs of tenderness, affection, and compassion. Like a little hug or a kiss, a call or a visit to the hospital. If you think of the new year dedicated to mercy, such familial love and solidarity would be a most beautiful and lasting fruit of Pope Francis’ first visit to our nation. Let’s make sure that no one has no one this Christmas!”

Sister Constance Veit is communications director for the Little Sisters of the Poor in the United States.
ADVENT ONCE AGAIN

By Father Eugene Hurich
Catholic News Service

If we are receiving Christ regu-
larly in the Eucharist, why do we need Advent? Isn’t it coming into Advent a waste of time?

To answer this, we need to ask why we celebrate birthdays. No doubt it is to revel in the first moment we entered this life. Although birth is a once-in-a-lifetime event, celebrating its precious moment calls for heartwarming repetition.

Advent is an opportunity to once again reflect on that meaningful moment when we were born and God entered our life. It is a time to appreciate the life we entered this life. Although we have imitated Christ’s unselfish love in our daily lives, Advent encourages us to retrace our steps and reflect on the wonderful support systems that have sustained us.

Advent is like a call to renew our awareness of our being and reinvigorate our soul in Christ. It is the beginning of the Eucharist, repeated, it can be con-
sumptive and lose some of its awesomeness. Special moments of gratitude, such as Advent, need to be generalized to reflect on the meaning of the moment.

Advent encourages us to go beyond Christ’s impact on our life more closely. Has our understanding of his love in your year passed you by in growing his example?

In the Busker’s Digest, the focus is on growing our love for Christ in new ways and collecting goods for those who need our love throughout the Advent and Christmas seasons. In addition to the events listed, a number of programs or scheduled penance services at various parishes are featured in this column.

The following is a sampling of events in the diocese:

Buckeye Lake Our Lady of Mount Carmel – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by prayer service, Sundays, Nov. 29 and Dec. 19, and 20, 9:15 to 10 a.m.

Chillicothe St. Peter – Gifts will be collected for nursing home residents and teenagers for the Veterans Administration hospital in Chillicothe. Parish knitting group is making gifts for homebound with Alzheimer’s.

Columbus Corpus Christi – Quiet mornings and evening reflections, led by Fr. David Anderson, Mondays, Nov. 30-Dec. 7, 14, and 21, 6 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Morning and evening sessions are identical. Holy hour benefit concert with local choir, photos, musicians, and artists, co-sponsored by The Oasis of Culture, author Joseph Papp. High- light the importance of being there in a way that distinguishes it from a regular holy hour. As a way of expressing to the par- son we are most for Christ. We can express our love to Christ and his birth and existence. No better joy exists than cultivating this intimacy.

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Eucharistic Devotion During Adoration at Diocesan Churches

For readers who may be interested in taking part in Eucharistic devotions during Advent, here is an updated list of parishes in the diocese where Eucharistic adoration or exposition takes place on a regular basis.

In addition to the activities listed, Advent penance services will be conducted at a number of parishes. Readers are advised to contact parishes for specific dates and times.

Anyone with additions or corrections to this list may contact Tim Puet at Bishop Watterson.

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Redemption springs from the well of mercy

As the Church Year Concludes, We Transition to a New Season

David Hartline

This past Sunday brought an end to the Church year with the Feast of Christ the King. It’s hard to believe we are now in Advent preparing for Christmas. For the universal Church, the Feast of Christ the King is fairly new. It was only realized in 2000, when the Synod of Bishops decided to add it to the calendar in 2005. In the United States, this is the first year we have celebrated it.

One of the most striking things about the Feast of Christ the King is the lack of any specific reference to the season of Advent. Often Advent is dismissed as a time of waiting for Christmas; a time when the Church is preparing for the birth of Jesus in an attempt to make room for Him in our hearts. But the Church is much more than that. It is a visible sign of the Kingdom of God which is already present but not yet fully realized. The Church is a foretaste of the Kingdom, a place where God’s reign is already happening.

The liturgy of the Feast of Christ the King reflects this understanding. The readings for the day focus on themes of kingship and sovereignty. Isaiah 11:1-10 speaks of a king who will come to rule with justice and righteousness. The psalmist prays, “May the whole earth fear the Lord; let all the peoples honor him.” (Psalm 96:13)

In the Gospel, Jesus says, “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on the throne of his glory. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.” (Matthew 25:31-32)

The Church is not just waiting for Christmas. It is already living in the presence of Christ, experiencing a foretaste of the Kingdom. The Feast of Christ the King is a reminder that the Kingdom is already present, even if it is not yet fully realized.

For the married couple, the cross can come as infertility for some or the loss of a loved one to cancer. For the single, the engaged, or the di-

At the Feast of Christ the King, we are reminded that the Kingdom is already present. But this does not mean that everything is perfect. There are still struggles and challenges, but the cross is necessary for the Kingdom to be realized. It is a reminder that the Kingdom is not just a continuation of our current reality, but a new creation, a new heaven and a new earth.

The Feast of Christ the King is a call to remember that the Kingdom is already present, even if it is not yet fully realized. It is a call to live as if the Kingdom is already here, to be open to the transforming power of God’s grace, and to share that grace with others. For Jesus, this was not just an abstract concept, but an experience that he and his followers lived every day. Let us strive to do the same, that the Kingdom may be revealed in us.
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FM15 November 29, 2 Philadelphia. She was born in 1910 at the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Philadelphia. Sister Catherine Platt, OP, was born on May 24, 1910, in Philadelphia to the late Addison and Catharine (Mulvey) Tobin. She was preceded in death by her parents, Brother Father Terence Tobin, MM, and Maurice, and by sisters, Sister Alice Tobin, SSF, Theresa May, AN, Kathleen McAndrew, Elise Vogel, and Anna Mae Johnstone. Survivors include a brother, Frank (Noreen); and many nieces and nephews.

Father Terence Tobin, Monastery of the Holy Dove, 1960. He was ordained a priest on May 30, 1953. After eight years in pastoral and education ministry in Ohio, he left for Africa where he served as a missionary for more than 50 years in Zambia.

It can be difficult for Catholics to find a Mass when traveling or when it is not practicable to travel to a regular parish. The website www.ourparish.org makes it much easier to search for a church by presenting all the possibilities in a geographic area on one map. On the website, churches are color-coded to indicate availability by phone (the color code is explained under ‘How do I contact this church?’).
A Christmas Carol - A Ghost Story of Christmas

The theater department of Columbus Bishop Watterson High School, 99 E. Cooke Road, will present "A Christmas Carol -- A Ghost Story of Christmas" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4, Saturday, Dec. 5, and Sunday, Dec. 6. There will be a special performance on Dec. 4 for eighth-graders from the schools that feed into Watterson. The eerie, more ghostly tone of Michael Wilson’s adaptation of Charles Dickens’ classic Christmas tale is sure to delight audiences of all ages. Director of the production, Nolan Koehler, and his cast and crew have worked overtime to bring Ebenezer Scrooge to life. Scrooge’s fiancé, Belle, and Fred’s wife, Kelly double as the young Scrooge and his ghosts of Christmases past, present, and future will be played respectively by Emma Wilson’s adaptation of Charles Dickens’ classic Christmas tale is sure to delight audiences of all ages. Director of the production, Nolan Koehler, and his cast and crew have worked overtime to bring Ebenezer Scrooge to life. Scrooge’s fiancé, Belle, and Fred’s wife, Kelly double as the young Scrooge and his ghosts of Christmases past, present, and future will be played respectively by Emma Wilson, Jillian Fountain, and Paige Carter. Fred’s nephew, Fred, while Maya Steller will play the ghost of Jacob Marley and Mrs. Dilber, and the rest of the cast and crew will include photos with Santa, crafts, and a bake sale. Admission is a suggested donation of $10 at the door.

Advent and Christmas Music

Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral ~ 211 E. Broad St.
Advent Afternoon of Music Lessons and Carols
Sunday, December 13 at 3 p.m.
The Cathedral Choir and Cathedral Brass present their annual program of music for Advent and Christmas. Scripture readings are juxtaposed with choral music to tell the story of the Christ child, from the foretelling by the prophets to the visit of the Magi. The audience also will be able to join the choir, brass, and organs in singing the traditional carols of the season. Admission is a suggested donation of $10 at the door.

Columbus Lady of Victory ~ 1509 Roxbury Road
Advent Afternoon of Music Sunday, December 13 at 3 p.m.
The parish choir, accompanied by an orchestra, will perform Advent and Christmas music, beginning with the simplicity of the 15th-century melody "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" and concluding with the joyful chorus "And the Glory of the Lord" from Handel’s Messiah. Music of various traditions and styles will be sung, including a 16th-century Advent anthem, rhythmic African and Spanish songs, and a lively arrangement of "Silent Night.

Come and experience the message of Advent and Christmas through music. A free-will offering will be taken.

Columbus Our Lady of Victory ~ 1509 Roxbury Road
Advent Afternoon of Music Sunday, December 13 at 3 p.m.
The parish choir will present a special service of Advent lessons and carols, followed by a reception. This service is a moving combination of the Scriptural prophesies of Christ’s coming and the carols of Advent, sung by choir and congregation. The service is sung by choirs of many denominations and is most famously broadcast by the choir of King’s College in Cambridge, England (where it originated a century ago), on BBC radio on Christmas Eve. Consider making this service part of your preparation for Christmas. It can be a welcome moment of prayerful rest in the busy weeks of Advent.
Celebrate the 2015 Advent Season at the Jubilee Museum!
Over 200 Nativity sets from around the world, including artist Lois Alguseva’s amazing 3-D, life-size Nativity set made entirely of carved cardboard!

Bring your children and have their pictures taken with an historically accurate St. Nicholas on the following Sundays of Advent: Nov. 29th, Dec. 6th, 13th and 20th. $10 dollars per picture (photo will be placed inside an event photo holder).

Hear live choirs and musicians thru the season. Bring your children to our Make Your Own Christmas Ornament, a children’s workshop, Dec. 6th, 1pm to 3pm. $10 per child. Enjoy hot chocolate, apple cider and cookies. Please RSVP by Saturday, December 5th by email jubileemuseum@gmail.com or phone 614-600-0054.

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