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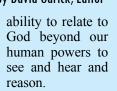
By David Garick, Editor

We have reached that time of year when ability to relate to everything becomes a blur of activity. Despite all of the over-commercialization of the season, it still gives me great joy. After all, "the holidays" still begin with a feast of thanks to God for all his gifts over the past year and conclude with a celebration of the greatest gift of all, the birth of Our Lord, who came to live among us and to bring us everlasting life. Between those two events, we spend a lot of time concentrating on those who are most important to us -- our families and friends -- and we tend to be more charitable in an effort to share our good fortune with those around us who are in need. That's a good thing.

presses, this is a time for giving thanks. I certainly have a lot to be thankful for this year. I'm sure that most of you also have a great many things in your life that you will give thanks for, as well. It is wonderful that Thanksgiving always arrives at about the same time as the Advent season in the Church. It is a nice reminder that in addition to the many blessings we have in our worldly lives, we also are blessed with the coming celebration of the Incarnation of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

But I hope you also will join me in taking a moment to thank God for a gift that is invisible, but that is so central to our salvation. I am speaking of the gift of grace. We refer to it every Thanksgiving, and hopefully at meals throughout the year, when we speak of saying grace before eating. We think of it as thanking God for providing for us. But grace is so much more than that. Grace is, first and foremost, the gift of the Spirit who justifies and sanctifies us. It is the gift that connects us to God and allows us to be part of our own salvation and that of others and the growth of the Body Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowof Christ, the Church. Grace gives us the ship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all."

God beyond our



God's eternal

power and love for us -- not just mankind as a whole, but every one of us as individuals -- is a concept that is above anything we can understand through rational thought. God's wish to come to us in human form and to suffer, die, and then conquer death for us goes beyond our comprehension. God's willingness to send his Holy Spirit to be our companion and guide through life is hardly a concept that can be logically explained. Left to our own devices, As the name of the coming holiday ex- we would reject all of these things as illogical superstition. Sadly, many in our highly secularized society do just that. But through the gift of God's grace, we see them in truth, and through them we live in God's love. And we know that we will continue to do so through all eternity. All the worldly gifts we give thanks for this week are more meaningful when viewed in the context of the part they play in our larger role of living a life that is centered not on ourselves, but on Christ. In the darkest hours of our life, it is this grace that sustains us and draws us closer to our God. His grace does not spare us from all pain and suffering. But by giving us strength to offer that suffering up to God and to join that pain with the pain of Christ, we have the knowledge that in the end, we will find eternal joy with Christ. Grace gives us all of this through faith that is not a product of our own making but, rather, a wonderful

> And so, my wish for you this Thanksgiving echoes the words of St. Paul to the Corinthians: "The grace of the Lord Jesus

gift of God.

Christ the King

This Sunday's celebration of the Feast of Christ the King may seem a little out of place in a nation which formed its identity by declaring itself free of kingship and adopting a democratic form of government. But as Catholic authors David and Jonathan Bennett point out on their website www. churchyear.net, "The Kingdom of Heaven is not a democracy.

"God does not take opinion polls, nor can he be recalled or voted out of office" they continue. "This is actually a good thing. We are not dealing with an unjust and petty dictator, but a loving and just king, who is both God and man. ... Better a perfect God ruling the Kingdom of Heaven than imperfect man.

Describing Christ as a king may sound like a negative thing, since there have been many oppressive kings and other absolute rulers throughout history. But none of them understood how Jesus radically defined the nature of kingship when he said "Whoever wishes to become great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mark 10:42-45).

Pope Pius XI had both politics and religion in mind when he initiated the feast in his encyclical "Quas Primas" in 1925. He connected the denial of Christ as king with the rise of the philosophy of secularism, which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and organizes his life as if God does not exist. He said the feast also was a response to the desire of many in the clergy and laity who were lookof Christ in the life of mankind in response to world developments.

At the time. Benito Mussolini's Fascist dictatorship was in firm control of Italy and the pope was four years away from reaching the agreement which made the Vatican an independent over in Russia, and Germany was in Christ.



the midst of unrest which eventually brought Hitler and the Nazis to power. That year also was a Holy Year celebrating the 1600th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea.

The date for the feast was set for the last Sunday in October. Pope Pius said this was a convenient date "because it is at the end of the liturgical year, and thus the feast of the Kingship of Christ sets the crowning glory upon the mysteries of the life of Christ already commemorated during the year."

The feast was moved to the final Sunday in Ordinary Time in 1969 as part of a revision of the Church's calendar. In his encyclical, Pius also said, "Nations will be reminded by the annual celebration of this feast that not only private individuals but also rulers and princes are bound to give public honor and obedience to Christ.

"The faithful, moreover, by meditating on these truths, will gain much strength and courage, enabling them to form their lives after the true Christian ideal," he wrote in conclusion.

"If to Christ our Lord is given all power in heaven and on earth; if all men, purchased by his precious blood, are by a new right subjected to his dominion, if this power embraces all men, it must be clear that not one of our faculties is exempt from his empire."

The encyclical did not mention the United States or any other specific naing for a reaffirmation of the primacy tion. But it said the "nature and meaning of this lordship of Christ ... consists ... in a threefold power" identical to the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of government.

In the U.S., that power is divided among the president, Congress, and the Supreme Court, while in the city-state. Communism had taken heavenly kingdom, it is reserved to

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Cardington has a new Sacred Hearts Church two years after fire

BY TIM PUET Reporter, Catholic Times

Thanksgiving Day two years ago was a day of devastation for Cardington Sacred Hearts Church. This year, it will be a day of celebration.

A new sanctuary for Morrow County's only Catholic parish will be consecrated at a Mass celebrated by Bishop Frederick Campbell, and an attached social hall will be blessed and dedicated at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 26, Thanksgiving Day, with a reception to follow. The new building replaces a combined church and hall which was destroyed by fire on the morning of Nov. 28, Thanksgiving Day, in 2013.

State fire marshal's investigators ruled the cause of the fire as undetermined, but it is suspected to have started in the church's electrical room. The definite cause.

Construction of the new church began on March 13 of this year, following a 16-month planning process which began almost immediately following

Bishop Campbell came to Cardington three days after the fire to celebrate Mass in the hall of Trinity United Methodist Church in Mount Gilead, which offered its facilities to the Sacred Heart congregation. The bishop pledged the support of the Diocese of Columbus in getting the process of building a new church started as soon as possible.

Columbus architect William Heyer designed the new church, with Corna Kokosing Construction of Columbus as general contractor. "The building is a simple, classical Roman-style church which we wanted to serve as 'a beacon on a hill,' as befits our location" on busy U.S. Route 42, Heyer said.





Earlier this month, workers were preparing the new Cardington Sacred Hearts Church for its dedication on Thursday, Nov. 26. (T photos by Tim Puet

That's important, because it seating for 120. Religious in- wanted in the new church," he building codes but was not re-

symbolizes the dialogue we struction will take place for the said. The hall is named after quired for the former church want the parish to have with time being in partitioned areas Msgr. Foeller, who continued all of its neighbors as part of of the hall. The building's size to live at the parish until short-parishioner Andy Ware. Code the New Evangelization," he is 12,044 square feet – 6,445 ly before his death in 2010. said. This is the first church for the church and 5,599 for Heyer has designed from the the hall. ground up for the Diocese of extent of the destruction made Columbus, but he has worked it impossible to determine a on restoration projects or Columbus St. Stephen Church and parishes in Washington Court House. Kenton, and Sugar Grove and is involved in renovation at Newark Blessed Sacrament and Marion St. Mary churches. He also is adjunct professor of sacred architecture at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

> "One of the great things about planning the church is that it didn't involve just a small group," said parish building commission member Kim Janick. "We went through an extensive design process, with active involvement from people at every level of the parish and dozens of open meetings. It was a true collaborative effort."

The new church, unlike its predecessor, will have a dedicated sanctuary area and sacristy and a separate space for social events, a commercial kitchen, parish offices, a choir area on the main floor, confessionals, devotional shrines, a baptistry, and ample space. It has a church seating capacity

"The old church was mostly of tradition, permanence, and wood, with Masses and so-durability, and to be built of cial functions all occurring in the same space," said Father centuries," Father Bakle said. John Bakle, SM, administrator The new structure has a brick of the parish since 2008, who exterior over metal framing, was dealing with the effects of open-heart surgery for much of the time he was coordinating the rebuilding process.

"It was the dream of Msgr. (Charles) Foeller (Sacred Hearts pastor from 1980-2004) to have a separate hall, so that also have a sprinkler system.

"After the fire, we wanted the new building to convey a sense materials that would last for with cement-board siding and asphalt roof tile, and concrete exterior landings and plaza. Its trusses are made of wood treated with a fire retardant to be stable in high temperatures.

The parish hall and offices

when it was built in 1973, said requirements also included a new sewage system and a stormwater retention pond. Father Bakle said the pond took away some farmland on the parish's 15-acre property which had provided a source of income. "All this made the cost of construction more expensive, but the building is safer," Ware said.

Janick said construction costs totaled about \$2.6 million, pending diocesan review. Insurance covered about \$1.2 million, and an ongoing campaign has raised a little less than \$1 million to date, includwas one thing we definitely which is required by today's ing a significant amount from people living beyond the parish boundaries who donated to the church in response to requests in the Catholic Times and other sources. In addition to continuing the campaign, the parish has applied for grants to help it raise the remaining amount needed to pay for the work.

"The most difficult part of the rebuilding process wasn't determining what we wanted to do, but hearing from people who were skeptical about the plan and convincing them that it could be done." Father Ba-



At the door of the church are (from left): Kim Janick, building commission "The church faces the road. of 242 and multipurpose space member; Father John Bakle, SM, pastor; and William Heyer, architect.

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PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric

Enroll

Did you think about your greatest accomplishment this past week? Of course, our spouse and children are at the top. Even though they are not accomplishments as such, they are among those of whom we are most proud. For me, it is an accomplishment that I have not been thrown out



the door yet after 33 years of marriage. And the great blessing of three children who are just tremendous and who keep their faith first is a precious accomplishment on their part. My wife and I are very proud. Aside from them, when we look at the things that really make us "tick," we need to remember to take a step back every once in a while and be sure our faith and professed love of God permeates all that we do. We cannot lead dual lives. While we may not wear our faith on our sleeves, we dare not hide it or be embarrassed by it. That is the grace we need to model it and witness it. Any "greatness" that causes us great joy and pride is a good thing, but we make it a great thing when we thank God and attribute all our success to His plan and grace. When we both win and lose with grace, it is commendable. When we live all these things with faith-filled grace, it is saving.

November is the month of Thanksgiving, among other things. We also have the recent memories of All Saints and All Souls days, and Veterans Day. Advent and a new Church calendar will begin before the end of the month. We have so much for which to be thankful, and we must thank God for all our good gifts. Remember, as good and faithful stewards, we accept God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, and return them with good measure. Gratitude must be a big part of how we live our lives. And at Thanksgiving, our gratitude is expressed willingly, selflessly, and joyfully. November is also the time for open enrollment. This is the time when full-time employees are offered benefits from their employer, ranging from medical coverage to flexible savings accounts. Let me say that I am very grateful for these benefits. It is not a bad idea for all of us to consider these benefits as we enroll again for another year. We should be grateful and mindful, in the spirit of good stewardship. This is also the time when full-time, part-time, and hardlyever-time Catholics are offered open enrollment in a new liturgical year. Advent begins on Sunday, Nov. 29, and we will have nearly four full weeks of preparation for our Savior's Nativity. As a part of the new year, we enroll in our faith. We enroll in the Eucharist. We enroll in the sacraments. We enroll in the Word of God. We enroll in one another. We enroll in our families. We enroll in God's mercy and forgiveness, while doing the same for one another. We enroll in the sanctity of marriage. We enroll in the love of God that has no end. Enroll now.

Our practical challenge this week is to faithfully and confidently enroll in our Catholic faith. What better time than now? It is open enrollment for practical benefits that supplement our livelihood and provide for our families. Why not do the same for our own spirituality and faith? Our gratitude must go beyond what sustains us in the world. It must transcend all and go to what sustains us in the heavens. Gratefully and openly enroll in living your faith. Start with Advent, be strong and full of the Holy Spirit, hunger for the Eucharist, and accept the faith, hope, and love of lesus Christ, our King of the Universe.

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

RECORD SOCIETY MEETING

N. High St.

Sister Margaret, a member of the sisof Joliet, Illinois, will speak on the history of her congregation, which is celebrating its 150th anniversary this year. Since 1873, a total of 926 Joliet Franciscan sisters have served in the Diocese of Columbus. Forty-six of them. 21 of whom are still living, have come from Columbus St. Mary, Mother of God Church. The congregation has served 13 diocesan schools.

Sister Margaret Hoffman, OSF, will Sister Margaret is a graduate of Cobe the featured speaker at the Catholic lumbus St. Thomas School and St. Record Society's quarterly meeting at 2 Mary of the Springs Academy and p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6 in the undercroft of earned a bachelor of arts degree in Worthington St. Michael Church, 5750 English from St. Francis Academy in Joliet and a master of arts degree in English from The Ohio State Univerters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate sity. She teaches ninth- and 12th-grade English at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School and is liturgical coordinator for Columbus Immaculate Conception Church.

> The meeting also will include a silent auction of extra copies of printed material from the society's archives. For more information, contact Michael Finn at fcoolavin@aol.com or (614) 268-4166.

Men's Luncheon Club Session

The next Catholic Men's Luncheon lowing the 11:45 a.m. Mass at Colum-Club session will feature a talk titled bus St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant "Path to the Priesthood" with Father Mi- Ave., with the meeting ending no later chael Hartge, parochial vicar for Chillithan 1 p.m. No reservations are necescothe St. Peter, Washington Court House sary. A donation of \$10 is requested for St. Colman of Cloyne, Waverly St. Peter, the lunch and meeting. and Zaleski St. Sylvester churches.

Father Hartge will be talking about his call to the priesthood and his experiences since his ordination earlier this year. The club will meet Friday, Dec. 4, fol-sbcglobal.net.

For information on Catholic men's luncheons, visit www.ColumbusCatholic-Men.com or contact John Schechter. luncheon club president at ischechter@

Advent Morning of Reflection

reflection from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. Dec. 12 at the Sts. Peter and Paul Retreat Center in Newark. The theme will be "Waiting in Darkness."

The retreat will be led by Sister Louis Mary Passeri, OP.

There will be an Advent morning of Come and pray, listen, reflect and share with others in celebrating the presence of our God within and around us.

> The cost is \$20. To register, visit www. stspeterpaulretreatcenter.com, send an email message to info@stspeterandpaulretreatcenter.org, or call (740) 928-4246.

ODU Named Military-Friendly School

For the seventh consecutive year, Vic-bachelor's, or master's degree. tory Media has selected Ohio Dominican University as a military-friendly school.

"Ohio Dominican University is committed to serving our nation's military (the Post-9/11 GI Bill). veterans, active-duty service members, and their families," said ODU's PATRI-OTS program director, retired Army Maj. Gen. Dennis Laich. "This third-party recognition affirms this long-standing expenses, with allowances for monthly commitment."

ODU first launched the PATRIOTS meet the educational needs of returning years) of assistance. Vietnam veterans. Through PATRIOTS, veterans can achieve their academic goals by pursuing either an associate,

The university reintroduced the program in response to the Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008

Depending on the number of activeduty months they have served, post-9/11 veterans in Ohio may qualify for as much as 100 percent of their schooling living expenses, books, and student activity fees. Veterans may receive a program more than 20 years ago to maximum of 36 months (four academic

> For more information, visit www.odupatriots.com, call (614) 251-4500, or go to laichd@ohiodominican.edu.

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kle said. "The diocese was concerned about our ability to raise the money to would have cost new. pay off the debt. Issues had to be resolved, and they were."

The fire destroyed the church, a newly purchased organ, and nearly all the ones. church's interior furnishings and liturgical items. Father Bakle said the only items which survived were the altar stone, which has been cleaned and will be in the new altar; a statue of St. Joseph, which has been restored; and the wooden cross, encased in metal. which had stood atop the old church and was found in the yard after the fire. The metal has been removed and redone, and the cross now sits on top of the new structure. The rectory and garage on the church grounds were untouched by the fire.

Donors provided replacements for many of the destroyed items. Janick said that when looking for larger items, the building commission was costconscious, searching warehouses and online auction sites to find used ma-

was purchased for one-third of what it the combined parish was taken from

Janick added that it somewhat surprisingly turned out to be less expensive to buy new statues than to purchase old

"We saved about \$2,000 per statue by going to a company named ALBL in Oberammergau, Germany (home of the famed passion play) and buying five new statues," she said. Depicted by the statues are the sacred hearts of Jesus and of Mary; St. Damien De Veuster; and Jesus on the cross in small and large versions.

The smaller corpus of Jesus was damaged in shipping and is being restored by Bruce Horner of Grove City. St. Damien, better known as Father Damien, is best-known for his work with lepers on the Hawaiian island of Molokai. Father Damien was a member of the order known as the Picpus Fathers, which served the Cardington parish's predecessors, Mount Gilead St. Matthew and Cardington St. Joseph terials such as a set of Stations of the churches, from 1948 to 1971, when because of a drop in enrollment caused Cross from an East Coast parish, which they were consolidated. The name of by a plant closing.

the order's logo depicting the two sacred hearts.

Father Bakle said the parish benefited considerably from the expertise of diocesan finance director Bill Davis and development director Rick Jeric and their respective departments, with Davis taking on the role of overseeing the project which diocesan buildings superintendent Pat Davis had performed before his death in late 2013. (The two Davises are unrelated.) He also expressed gratitude to all the neighboring congregations of Morrow County for their assistance in a variety of ways since the fire and to Corna Kokosing for donating material for the project and soliciting other donations.

Since the second weekend after the fire, Masses and Parish School of Religion classes for Sacred Hearts have taken place in the Cardington-Lincoln School District's intermediate school building. The school, built in 2012, had been closed after only one year of use

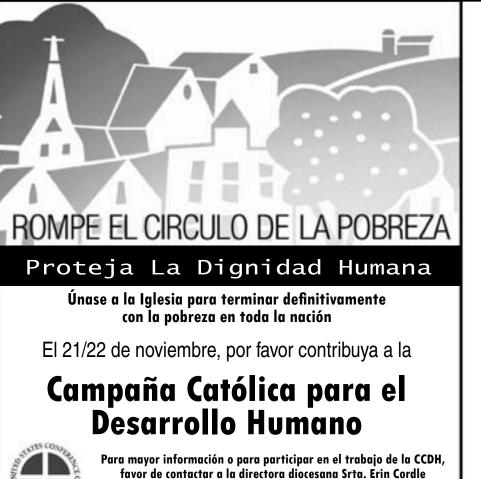
"Having a use for the building turned out to be a blessing for the school district." Ware said.

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"Keeping it open made it easier for other tenants to discover," Father Bakle said. "Now it's being used as an opportunity school and a dance studio. Because of that, we've been restricted since summer in what we can do there. The timing of getting the new church built has been great, because the other tenants are ready for us to leave so they can make more use of the building."

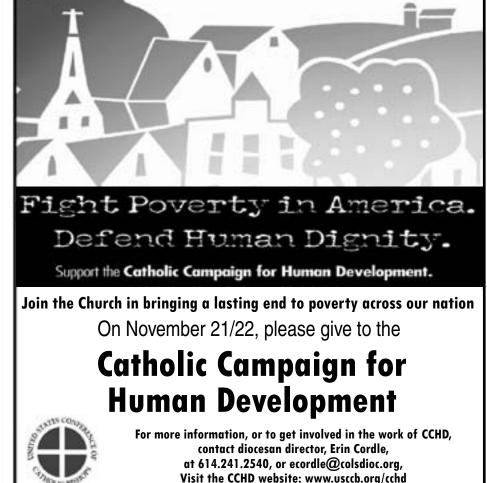
During the last two years, about 10 percent of the 220 families who had been members of the parish at the time of the fire have been attending parishes in Delaware, Marion, Sunbury, Mount Vernon, or Galion, "That's understandable," Father Bakle said. ""But now Sacred Hearts has a beautiful new home of its own once again, and we would like to invite them back home."

Anyone interested in contributing to the parish's ongoing capital campaign may send donations to Sacred Hearts Rebuilding Fund, 4680 U.S. Route 42. Cardington OH 43315-9512.



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Explaining Eucharist to child; Anger and holy Communion



QUESTION & ANSWER y: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE Catholic News Service

At Mass recently, after listening intently to the words of consecration, our four-year-old granddaughter whispered to my wife, "Is wine really blood?" How would you answer her question? Also, would your answer be different for a sevenyear-old, a teenager, or an adult taking RCIA classes? (Florence, South Carolina)

First of all, I credit your granddaughter for Her attentiveness and only wish that many of the grown-ups at Mass were so sharply focused. Next, the short and completely truthful answer to her question is. "Yes."

At Mass, following the consecration, what started as wine has now been changed into the blood of Christ. That is the "mystery of faith" that the church has taught for 2,000 years. (St. Aguinas, in his 13thcentury "Summa Theologica" noted that the priest, in repeating the words of Jesus, does not say, "This bread is my body"; he says, instead, "Hoc est enim corpus meum," which is simply, "This is my body.")

This is the "hard saying" referred to in the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. Jesus had said. "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him "

Even though many disciples would not accept that teaching and walked away, Jesus made no attempt to call them back by saying that he had only been um" that the Eucharist is "not a prize for the perfect speaking symbolically.

Now, having said this, I don't think your granddaughter needs to know all of that right now. Little I hope your continued reception of the Eucharist children think in pictures, so I'm not sure that I would mention "body and blood" at all

I might say something like, "It still tastes like wine, but it's different now and special; it's Jesus coming at askfatherdoyle@gmail.com and 40 Hopewell St., into our souls to help us to be good."

I'm not even sure that a teenager is ready for a philosophical explanation of transubstantiation, but in fairness I think that I would try -- as I certainly would with an adult Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults catechumen. (I would explain that the "accidents" of bread and wine remain -- the taste, smell, texture -- but that, in the Mass, the "substance" is changed into the body and blood of Christ.)

. I have very deep feelings of anger toward Imy parents. I won't go into the details, except to say that I have caused many hard feelings in the past, but can't seem to admit my guilt and take the

My parents, I know, have made many sacrifices on my behalf and helped me to become a successful adult -- but I still can't seem to free myself of my historic grudge against them. Now this is bothering me a lot and I'm wondering if it is a sign that I should stop receiving holy Communion until I can resolve this resentment. (New Orleans)

. Without knowing the basis for your "grudge," it's hard to decide whether it might be helpful for you to talk it out directly with your parents or perhaps with a counselor.

But I don't think that you should stop receiving holy Communion. Feelings are rarely within our total control; what we can manage, though, is what we say or do against the background of those feelings.

I'm guessing that your behavior toward your parents is decent and your conversations with them kind -- and your own preference would clearly be to free yourself of the angry feelings.

Moreover, Pope Francis said in "Evangelii Gaudibut a powerful medicine and nourishment for the

will sustain you in your goodwill and guide you in reducing your anger.

Ouestions may be sent to Father Kenneth Doyle Albany NY 12208.

March for Life Bus Trip

Danville St. Luke Church again is sponsoring a bus trip to the annual March for Life in Washington.

The trip from Danville will be for four days and three nights, from Wednesday to Saturday, Jan. 20 to 23. The cost is \$320 for a double room and \$280 each for three or more persons in a room. This covers the ride on a 54-passenger bus, three nights at the Hampton Inn in Alexandria, Virginia, and visits to various sites in Washington, with former St. Luke federal government, as tour guide.

The bus will depart Danville at 7:30 a.m. Jan. 20. The group will have dinner in the Washington area bie Thomas at (740) 398-9710 or (740) 427-4044.

that evening, tour the area on Thursday, Jan. 21, and attend a vigil Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception at 6 p.m. On Friday, Jan. 22, there will be more touring in the morning, the march itself at noon, and dinner that evening, with departure at 9 a.m. Saturday, a stop at the Flight 93 Memorial in Pennsylvania on the way home, and arrival in Danville on Saturday night.

A \$50 deposit is due by Thursday, Dec. 10. Final parishioner John Durbin, a career courier with the payment is due by Sunday, Jan. 10. Make checks payable to St. Luke Church. For more information. contact the church office at (740) 599-6362 or Bob-



ANNUAL SOMERSET OCTOBERFEST

The Somerset Holy Trinity School Home and School Association sponsored its annual Octoberfest on Saturday, Oct. 24. A special DJ led the children in dances and organized a costume contest. Participants pictured are student Margaret Selegue and her mother, Barbara.

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Answering God's Call

"I AM VERY PROUD TO SERVE THE SISTERS, AND WITH THEM, THE PEOPLE OF GOD"



Sister Pat Twohill, OP

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God's call to be a member of the Dominican Order didn't come easily to Sister Pat Twohill, OP, prioress of the Dominican Sisters of Peace.

"I kept fighting God," she said. "I first thought about the possibility of being a sister when I was in second grade in New Haven, Connecticut, making my first Communion. I didn't think about it much for the next few years, but the thought popped up again in seventh grade when I was preparing for Confirmation.

"It kept entering my mind and I didn't like it." she said. "I said to God, 'How is it you don't know I want to get married and have a large family? Find someone else."

But the thought wouldn't go away. Sister Pat said that when she graduated from high school, "I really felt called, bur didn't want to do it. I decided I'd go to college and get the idea out of my head."

She spent four years at Southern Connecticut State College in her hometown and stayed away during that time from the Dominican sisters who had taught her. During that period, she came to realize that despite her resistance, "the desire to serve God through consecrated life was too strong."

She came to Columbus soon after her college graduation in 1974 to begin formation with the congregation then known as the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs. She said it didn't take long after her arrival for her to say to God, "You knew I would be happy here, and here I am."

Forty-one years later, she was selected to lead the congregation, now known as the Dominican Sisters of Peace, a union the St. Mary of the Springs Dominicans and seven other congregations formed in 2009.

As prioress, she serves 528 sisters who minister in 38 dioceses in 25 states, and in the nations of Honduras, Nigeria, and Peru. She will hold that position for the next six years.

She became prioress through a discernment process that took place at the congregation's General Chapter in April in St. Louis.

"This was our second General Chapter, the first since the congregation was formed six years ago," she said. "General Chapters take place every six years, and there, we set our agenda and elect leaders. A prioress is first among equals on a leadership team which includes four other sisters.

"When the time for the Chapter was approaching, the sisters were asked to raise up names of potential leaders among them. Those who were chosen were invited to a weekend of prayer with members of the outgoing leadership team, who shared highlights of the previous six years and looked at the needs of the congregation. Throughout the weekend, we were praying to discern if God was calling us to allow our names to be in nomination.

"The process continued at the General Chapter, attended by more than 300 sisters, assembled around 30 tables. Each table had a chance to ask two questions of those being considered for leadership. We received 64 questions each and had a short time to orally respond to them.'

The sisters then cast ballots and Sister Pat was chosen prioress. "I was a bit stunned at first," she said. "Since then, I've been overwhelmed by the love and support I've received from the congregation. It's a wonderful opportunity to offer leadership

for our mission in the Church, and I'm very proud to serve the sisters, and with them, the people of God."

SisterPat, 63, is the youngest in a family of five girls and two boys who grew up attending St. Aedan Church in New Haven. Her familv also had close ties to St. Marv's Church, which has been served by Dominican priests since 1886, four years after Father Michael McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus there.

Her first assignment as a Dominican was as a teacher at Columbus Holy Spirit School in 1974. Between then and 1985, she also taught at Zanesville St. Thomas Aguinas and Columbus St. James the Less schools and in Flushing, New York.

"I worked with two wonderful priests in Columbus in my first vear in the convent - Msgr. John Dreese and Msgr. Anthony Missimi," both now retired, she said. "They were completely committed to their parish's mission and set a wonderful example for me as a new candidate. Two sisters who also have been influential in my life are (the late) Sister Francis Gabriel Mahoney, my novice director, and Sister Margaret Ormond, who preceded me as prioress and directed my candidacy (postulancy).

"I still stay in touch with many of my Columbus students. They were just delightful. One thing I still remember from my early teaching days is my first tornado drill. We never experienced this in Connecticut and I didn't know what to do, but the children very calmly told me. 'Miss Twohill, open the windows,' then everyone marched in orderly fashion to the basement."

Sister Pat has served the congregation in Columbus, primarily as a vocations minister and in other roles, since 1986, except for a pair of four-year periods as a campus minister in Charlottesville, Virginia. From 2002-09, she was on the leadership team of the St. Mary of the Springs congregation.

"I've had the privilege of being a vocations minister for 20 years and helping many women discern their calling from God," she said. "After a while, it becomes apparent if a woman is being called to be a sister. If she is, I try to help her find the right religious community.

"If one is called to be a Dominican, that realization also becomes apparent, and then individuals are invited to explore the life by beginning formation. We don't want to push people into becoming sisters because this life is not for everyone. That's why the discernment process takes several years, with steps of temporary and then full commitment. The church wants to give women ample time to be sure of their calling."

Sister Pat said she and her colleagues recognize that congregations of sisters are never likely to again be as large as they were in the first half of the 20th century, but added, "I am happy to say the state of sisterhood in our congregation is excellent. We have five women in formation, one of whom is expected to make her temporary vows in December, and we have a new candidate entering in February. We are in communication with several others who are interested in becoming Dominicans, and this makes us very happy."

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Hartley Model United Nations

Eighteen students from the Columbus Bishop Hartley High School Model United Nations traveled to the University of Dayton for a conference allowing students from the Midwest to simulate the processes of the U.N. Students examined international issues including combating ISIS, nuclear weapons control, and promoting gender equality through education. Hartley students represented France, Libya, and Mali. Participants from the school included (from left): first row, Shane Donaghy, Ivey Walker, Claudia Shockley-Mixon, Yeats McDonald, Dyamond Hill, Arianna McPheters, Paige Rees, Jerusha Perry, and Ginika Nwokolo; second row, Esmeralda Ibanez, Tyler Davis-Viau, Marty Gillies, Ingrid Gillies, Azaria Williams, and Katie Price. Photo courtesy Bishop Hartley High School



Veterans Appreciation Dinner

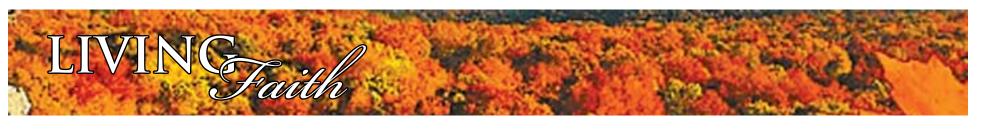
The Chillicothe St. Peter Church military ministry sponsored its annual veterans appreciation dinner on Sunday, Nov. 8. This year's speaker was Darlene Hemmingsen, first woman electrician in the Army. Parishioner Carolyn Phillips spoke about her recent trip to Washington as part of the first all-woman Honor Flight. The event also included photo displays of the war memorials in Washington and of some of the parish's deceased and living veterans and active military personnel. Boy Scout Troop 14 provided the color guard and aided in the serving and cleanup. Photo courtesy St. Peter Church



"In God's Service" program draws high school students

The diocesan Office of Black Catholic Ministries hosted its third annual "In God's Service" program on Thursday, Nov. 5 at Columbus Christ the King Church. Pictured are some of the 80 students from Columbus Cristo Rey, Bishop Hartley, St. Francis DeSales, Bishop Watterson, and Bishop Ready high schools who attended this program. Speakers were Sister Kendra Bottoms, SND, of Cleveland and Father Sylvester Onyeachonam of Nigeria, who is in residence at Christ the King Church.





A History of Mercy

By Mary McClusky

Sometimes the media doesn't quite get it right. When Pope Francis recently wrote on the topic of women who have had abortions, headlines suggested that the Catholic Church's outreach to those suffering after abortion is a new phenomenon. But nothing could be further from the truth. From Jesus himself to our current pontiff, the Church has a long history of emphasizing forgiveness and healing for all who repent and seek help.

Throughout salvation history, God has welcomed those who repent from wrongdoing with special joy. Jesus concludes the parable of the lost sheep by saying "there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over

no need of repentance" (Luke 15:7). When Simon and other Pharisees were scandalized that Jesus allowed a "sinful woman" to bathe his feet with her tears while dining at Simon's house, Jesus held her up as an example of humility. gratitude, and love: "I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven, hence she has shown great love" (Luke 7:47). Not even once does Jesus reject a humble, contrite man or woman

And because reconciliation and healing are at the heart of the Church's mission, the Church has been on the forefront of post-abortion healing ministry for decades. Just after the Supreme Court legalized abortion nationwide, the nation's Catholic bishops recognized

ninety-nine righteous people who have that those involved in abortion would have special sacramental and pastoral needs. In their 1975 Pastoral Plan for *Pro-Life Activities*, the blueprint for the Catholic Church's pro-life efforts in our country, U.S. Catholic bishops formally committed "the pastoral resources of the Church" to "the specific needs of ... those who have had or have taken part in an abortion" (no. 6). In line with this commitment, the nation's bishops long ago affirmed the authority for priests in the United States that Pope Francis has affirmed worldwide.

> Over the years, the bishops have continued carrying out this commitment forgiveness and healing by establishing and strengthening diocesanbased post-abortion healing ministries. most often known as Project Rachel. This ministry gathers together the of mercy. resources of the Church in the ongoing healing mission of Jesus. In dioceses and parishes throughout the nation, Project Rachel helps provide opportunities for God's mercy to transform the hearts of those wounded from abortion.

Echoing earlier statements of Pope St. John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI. Pope Francis gave confidence in God's love and mercy to women who suffer from abortion, urging them to seek forgiveness and healing:

"I have met so many women who bear in their heart the scar of this agonizing and painful decision. What has happened is profoundly unjust; yet only understanding the truth of it

can enable one not to lose hope. The forgiveness of God cannot be denied to one who has repented, especially when that person approaches the Sacrament of Confession with a sincere heart in order to obtain reconciliation with the Father" (Letter of Pope Francis to Archbishop Rino Fisichella, president of the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization, Sept. 1, 2015).

During the Jubilee Year of Mercy beginning on Tuesday, Dec. 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, Pope Francis is calling special attention to Christ's mercy and the mission of the Church to bring the Gospel of mercy to all people. Pope Francis continues to shine light on Christ's coming for all, since everyone is a sinner in need

If someone you know suffers because of involvement with abortion, please encourage him or her to talk to a priest or contact the nearest Project Rachel ministry by visiting the "Find Help" map at www.hopeafterabortion.com or www.esperanzaposaborto.com. And please pray that many will seek and receive the gift of God's infinite mercy.

Mary McClusky is assistant director for Project Rachel ministry development at the secretariat of prolife Activities of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. For confidential help after abortion, visit www. hopeafterabortion.com or www. esperanzaposaborto.com.



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Volunteers at the annual Thanksgiving dinner sponsored by Columbus St. Aloysius Church pray before serving the first of more than 500 meals at the event. Photos courtesy St. Aloysius Church

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

For most of the past 40 years, Thanksgiving Day has been the busiest day of the year at Columbus St. Aloysius Church, and this year should be no exception.

In 1975, the church, which is a landmark on West Broad Street in the city's Hilltop neighborhood, has been serving a free Thanksgiving dinner to anyone who comes to its family center after the day's 9 a.m. Mass.

More than 50 volunteers from St. Alovsius, St. Agnes, and St. Mary Magdalene churches will prepare and serve a traditional holiday meal.

St. Mary Magdalene parishioner Sandy Bonneville, her husband, and her son have volunteered at the dinner for the past 17 years. She describes the dinner as a fitting example of Pope Francis' message to meet people where they are.

"People may not think of a turkey dinner



The dessert table at the St. Aloysius Thanksgiving dinner includes plenty of homemade pie.

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not only a hot meal for the stomach, but also feeds the whole person, serving each December meeting.

"No guests wait in lines. Folks are welcomed and seated, and dinner is brought out and served to them. We as volunteers agree that our primary mission is to show that we care for each man, woman, and child that enters the building."

Bonneville, a Dominican Sisters of Peace Associate and St. Vincent de Paul Society participant, became dinner coordinator eight years ago, succeeding Steve Joyce, one of the event's founders, who died four years ago on Thanksgiving Day.

She and other volunteers will be feeding people non-stop from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Bonneville said that last year, more than 500 meals were served. About 300 people were fed in the church's family center and given to-go dinners and turkey sandwiches for another meal.

"The Thanksgiving Day community dinner has grown in the past 40 years," Bonneville said. "It started out serving about half as many folks as the number outreach, serving dinner and providing adthings as good as most of us do."

In addition to the hot meal and turkey sandwiches, as supplies last, the takeproducts (provided by the Mid-Ohio Foodbank), coats (provided by St. Mary Magdalene Church), winter clothing, source information.

"Live music is provided. Sing-alongs ille said. Members of the Columbus Folk Music Society offered again this year to play and sing with those attending the dinner. Activities for children, include coloring, face painting, and an appearance by a magician, will be available.

There is also a prayer table, where people can write personal prayer requests.

as evangelization, but, yes, it most defi- St. Mary Magdalene St Vincent de Paul keys and \$2,460 in cash. nitely is," she said. "This outreach serves

Conference members pray for all the prayer requests during the conference's

> "Many unchurched people will wander over to the prayer table and look around. There are volunteers that will listen to their concerns and pray with them," religious materials will be available for year, every day except Sunday, at the St. people to take with them.

Many of the same people attend each year, making the dinner a reunion for guests and volunteers alike. Many people depend on it for their holiday meal. Some people would not only be hungry, but also would be alone on the holiday if it weren't for this dinner. For them, St. Aloysius has become a "beacon on the Hilltop" on Thanksgiving Day.

"Thanksgiving is a difficult day for many of these people because it falls at the end of the month," Bonneville said. "Our Thanksgiving celebration provides In addition, Catholic Social Services a true lifeline. On Thanksgiving Day at delivered about 200 meals to the home- St. Al's, there are no haves and have- "Turkey Toss." This coming Monday, nots. Dinner is the bridge."

"People are so good," she said. "We are very grateful to receive donations from so many generous, compassionate hearts that help support this holiday dinner." In who presently attend. It's evolved into an recent years, funds for the dinner have come from the three Hilltop churches, St. ditional necessities and resources to assist Mary Magdalene's St. Vincent de Paul those in need. We are always seeking more Society, several Knights of Columbus and businesses and individuals.

While the St. Aloysius dinner takes place aways include bags of assorted food on the west side of Columbus, volunteers on the city's east side will be serving hundreds of meals and take-home packages in the Community Kitchen at the blankets, toiletries, and community re- St. John Center of Holy Rosary-St. John Church from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. M.J. Muldrow of the center staff said she anare a great community builder," Bonnev-ticipates a jazz band will be on hand to entertain the diners.

> Many of the turkeys will be from Westerville St. Paul Church's "Bring a Turkey to Church" weekend, which took place Nov. 14 and 15. This is the 17th year for the program, which began in 1998, collecting 32 frozen turkeys and one \$20 gift certificate. Last year, it collected 390 tur-

The Community Kitchen received requests from several other human service organizations for turkeys for their Thanksgiving meals, and the generosity of St. Paul parishioners is allowing their needs and those of the kitchen to be met. More than 110,000 breakfasts and Bonneville said. Holy cards and other lunches will be served by the kitchen this John Center and Columbus St. Dominic

> The kitchen also prepares 100 meals three times per week for homeless families served by the YMCA Family Center on Columbus' east side and hosts a weekly family dinner for parents and a summer lunch program.

About 60 miles southeast of Columbus in Vinton County, nearly 500 families who probably would not otherwise get to eniov a traditional Thanksgiving celebration will be sitting down to a meal of turkey and all the fixings provided through the diocesan St. Francis Center's annual Nov. 23, volunteers from Columbus will visit the economically disadvantaged county, which lacks a full-size grocery store, to distribute the food and other items at five locations to families who have received vouchers from the center.

Since starting this mission in 2008, Jim and Liz Noe of the New Albany Church of the Resurrection have raised \$56,000 assistance to benefit those who don't have councils, the Blessed Mother Sodality of donated by friends and neighbors for the Columbus St. John the Baptist Church, event. The number of donors has grown nearly every year, with 96 people donating \$9,510 last year. The Noes also

caster who bring items which also are baskets which will be distributed this offertory of its Thanksgiving Day Mass, donated through the center during the Sunday, Nov. 22. Thanksgiving event.

Several other parishes in the diocese are sharing their blessings with others in various ways as part of the holiday. Parishioners at Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral and Holy Cross Church donated to the Byron Saunders Foundation. which since 1997 has provided Thanksgiving meals to approximately 2,000 needy families in Franklin County and surrounding counties.

Circleville St. Joseph Church will serve

Columbus St. Matthias Church parishioners placed nonperishable food around the altar during the week of Thanksgiving and joined Columbus St. Francis De-Sales High School students in donating to St. Stephen's Community House and the Mid-Ohio Foodbank. In addition, Knights of Columbus Council 3727 delivered food to families.

The St, Vincent de Paul pantry at Granville St. Edward Church anticipated, based on last year's figures, that it would be providing a turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, cranberry sauce, and pumpkin pie to about 200 families. The parish's IGNITE vouth group baked pies for the St. Vincent Haven shelter for homeless men in Newark as part of an ecumenical service event.

Sunbury St. John Neumann Church is part of a Christmas box drive sponsored by Big Walnut Friends Who Share, an outreach organization of churches from in about 150 boxes for people in need. will provide music.

parishioners will bring up food items, instead of cash, to give to the poor through Friends Who Share.

Students in grades five, six, and seven at Marion St. Mary School collected items for two Latino families. The families received baskets including canned and boxed food, paper products, fruit, vegetables, bread, turkey, and milk.

West Jefferson Ss. Simon and Jude Church put together 200 containers including instant mashed potatoes, gravy, and stuffing for the community's Good Samaritan Food Pantry.

The Mount Carmel College of Nursing is collecting gifts of warm clothing, bedding, and tents to be distributed by Mount Carmel Health's street medicine program to people who live in homeless camps, on the streets, and under the bridges of Columbus. The program will receive the gifts during the college's Thanksgiving service at noon Monday, Nov. 23. Leading prayers at the service will be Father throughout the Sunbury and Galena ar- Joseph Ciccone, CSP, director of the eas. It is accepting donations of flash- Columbus St. Thomas More Newman lights with batteries and one-pound bags Center, along with a Methodist pastor, a of candy. Other churches are collecting rabbi, and a representative of the Noor Isother items, which will be put together lamic Cultural Center. The college choir



The St. Aloysius family center is filled for three hours with people enjoying a Thanksgiving meal.



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BUCKEYE CATHOLIC ON A MISSION

Ohio State University senior Bryce Haynes uses football as a platform for his faith

By Trent Beattie

(This article originally appeared in the National Catholic Register)

The Ohio State University football team has been unstoppable this season. The Buckeyes have a 10-0 record heading into this weekend's game with Michigan State, and many people expect them to repeat as national champions. Regardless of whether that happens, redshirt senior long snapper Bryce Haynes has been pleased with his tenure at Ohio State.

In addition to being part of teams with a combined record of 52-10 to date, Haynes also has done well in the classroom. He completed his undergraduate degree work in biology during the last school year, was a three-time Big Ten Conference All-Academic honoree, and plans on attending medical school next fall.

Caring for the sick and injured is nothing new to Haynes, who has been on several medical missions with his father, Dr. William Haynes Jr., an ortho-

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pedic surgeon. Interest in medicine has accompanied interest in football since his childhood. His father, who worked with high school football teams, would take his son to Friday night games all over his home state of Georgia.

Havnes recently spoke of his longtime I did have fun interest in football and medicine, in the context of his Catholic faith, with National Catholic Register correspondent but football was

Were you as surprised as most people at the Buckeyes' national championship last season?

Last season was very unusual in that we lost two starting quarterbacks. That's rare for any football team, but even rarer is winning a national championship after that. It's safe to say that we were a little surprised by the whole thing, but looking back, I can see how it happened. We were struck with adversity, but instead of letting it get us down, we used it to get even better. We grew closer as a team and really surprised a lot of people with our great play.

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sports to play, what was it that caught your attention about football?

playing sports as a kid, something that I grew up absolutely loving to be a part of. My father, who is an orthopedic surgeon, helped out high school football teams, so he would take me with him on Friday nights to countless games. We would throw the football back and forth on the

sidelines, and I just loved it. Because of that interaction with my father, football was all I really wanted to do as far as sports go. It was a part of me, something I lived and breathed.

I grew up following the Atlanta Falcons closely, so I'm excited about their play this year. Under new head coach Dan Ouinn, the team has been playing much better than in 2014 and 2013. I'm looking forward to the rest of their season, because I think they can go really far.

Since you grew up in Georgia, how did you decide to attend Ohio State?

As a senior in high school, I was recruited by some schools and got scholarship offers from a few. My top schools — not just for football, but overall were Notre Dame, Michigan State, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and Harvard.

At first, I didn't give Ohio State enough credit for academics, so despite the fact that I really liked the football program, I didn't consider the school at the top of my list. I prayed about it, and then looked into it more and realized Ohio State did have phenomenal academics, in addition to its first-class football program. That's what led me here, and I'm happy with that choice.



Ohio State's Bryce Haynes (41) heads downfield after a punt in a game against Virginia Tech. Photo courtesy The Ohio State University

In July, you participated in the Rosary rally sponsored by SportsLeader. Did you find that to be an effective faith-sharing experience?

It was a fantastic experience. We had 400 to 500 high-school football students from Ohio come together in Columbus for confession, Mass, Rosary, and testimonials. I spoke about being a Catholic football player, and so did my buddy Joe Burger, who is a linebacker on our team. It was cool to see so many young men actively participating in the sacraments and praying the powerful collection of prayers found in the rosary. The prayers are so basic, but I think lots of students still aren't familiar with how they come together in the rosary, so it was enjoyable to help make those prayers better known and used.

I had been a part of SportsLeader since my high-school days at Pinecrest Academy in Georgia. Our basketball coach. Andres Montana, who was also our dean, was more interested in forming us as young men than as great athletes. Having character matter more than results is a great way to give kids confidence. Then you just try to do the right things, rather than strain for a specific result that might be out of your reach.

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It's a strong mindset, instead of one that's grasping and off-center.

Do you find that prayer helps to keep you centered on Christ?

No question. I think the most important thing in keeping the faith is daily prayer. Spending at least 30 minutes in prayer every day is so important. Some people might think 30 minutes is a long time, but it's really not. It's only 15 minutes in the morning and 15 in the evening. That's nothing compared to the many hours that can be spent on school or football.

Prayer helped me make the right decision as far as attending Ohio State, and it helps me make other decisions, too. Prayer is indispensable, and it helps us receive the sacraments better. Prayer and the sacraments are an unbeatable combination for gaining strength to live the lives we should. Almost everyone knows, at least in a general way, what's right and wrong, but having the will to do the right thing is not as easy as knowing the right thing. That's why prayer and the sacraments are so important.

I think everyone can look back and see that the times they slid in their faith were also the times they were not praying as they should have been. The opposite of this is also true — when we pray well, we live well.

One way you've lived well is by going on mission trips. What did you learn from them?

I've been to Nicaragua and Peru once each, and then to Ghana three different times. In Nicaragua, we were in a very rural, poor area. To give you an idea of how poor it was, there was a house made of one wall and a tarp coming from the top of the wall down to the ground at an angle. That was it. The school there was not spectacular either, so we built a new one. It was a worthwhile thing to leave behind something that will last.

In Ghana, the missions were medically oriented. Their health care, while improving, is not the best. We saw and helped people with problems. some of which they had gotten from other medical personnel. There was a

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13-year-old boy walking with a cane because of an injection someone had given him improperly. Seeing him and others like him makes you grateful for what you have. You stop seeing things as automatic. You see that they're gifts from God.

Another good thing about the mission trips is seeing that the Catholic Church is all over the world. The Mass might be in a language you don't know, but vou do know the Eucharist. That's common to all of us

Do you plan on becoming a doctor like your father?

I do. I might be able to play in the NFL, but what's more likely is starting medical school next fall. I was made very comfortable with football because of my father, and the same can be said of medicine. It's a skill you can take anywhere and help people with.

You could also say that what my father has done for my outlook on football and medicine, both he and my mother have done for my outlook on religion. My mother is a lifelong Catholic, and my father converted when I was in second or third grade. They would openly talk about being Catholic, so it was something I (and my two sisters and brothers) was made comfortable with.

When I first came to Ohio State, there was a family I knew nearby that drove me to Mass at St. Patrick Church in Columbus. Now that I'm in my fifth year. I've been to a lot of nice Catholic churches in the area, and Joe Burger and I go to Mass two or three times a week. Staying an active Catholic in college would not have happened

without the upbringing I had

Do you have a patron saint?

Staying strong in the faith is one reason I chose St. John the Apostle as my confirmation saint. Unlike almost evervone else, St. John staved by Jesus, even when things were not going well. That's an admirable standard that any of us can use as motivation. It's easy to be good when things are pleasant, but when there are setbacks, it takes conscious acts of the will to persevere.

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My paternal grandfather is a super example of this. He has been battling cancer, but you wouldn't know it by his conduct. He's always very friendly. He will talk to anybody and go out of his way to help people. He was at our game against Maryland this year, which was very special, considering his condition. One of my best high school memories was when we had a SportsLeader-sponsored jersey

Each player's father was supposed to talk briefly about his son and then give him a football jersey. I thought my father was going to do that, but my grandfather surprised me by arriving and doing it. That was a great moment. and I started tearing up.

My grandfather shows how illness or any suffering can be made into something good. The saints have spoken of this and done it themselves. That's what the cross is all about taking something bad and making the

Trent Beattie writes from Seattle. His latest book, "Fit for Heaven" (Beacon, 2015), is a collection of his sports interviews.



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Father Lawrence L. Hummer

Daniel 7:13-14; **Revelation 1:5-8:** John 18:33b-37

We have seen elsewhere that Daniel is a work written in apocalyptic style sometime during the second century BC. It was written as an encouragement to Jews who were being persecuted under the Greek ruler Antiochus IV from 167-164 BC. They were encouraged to remain faithful until the Lord would act with vengeance on their enemies.

Sunday's reading speaks of the mysterious "Son of Man" figure (or literally "one like a son of Man"). This guilty of treason. one, in Daniel's vision, received power from the "Ancient One," which means God. This one like a son of man is in contrast with four beasts which arose from the depths of the sea earlier in this chapter. The one like a son of man comes on a cloud – from heaven, in other words. Gradually, this humanlike figure came to be thought of as Israel's Messiah, and it was so interpreted in the Gospels.

In the Gospels, the expression is at best "confusing," according to Father John Meier, America's foremost Catholic Biblical scholar. People question whether Jesus spoke about himself as the "Son of Man" or whether the early church applied the title to him. Some even suggest that when Jesus used the term, he was referring to some other end-time figure. Meier suggests that Jesus may have used the title in a limited way, but that the primitive church adapted wider uses for the term. It remains a complicated issue for interpretation.

In Daniel, it is meant to spur hope for a future ruler who would be given power to rule over Israel's ene-

mies. One can never say for certain what a visionary thought of a vision received. The visionary says "This is what I saw." About all we can say is "Is that so?"

The Gospel raises another issue – the use of the title "the King of the Jews." It is actually the charge for which Jesus was condemned to die by Pilate. It was a charge of insurrection because only Caesar could appoint local kings, as with Herod. From all that Jesus said about the Kingdom of God, it was only a small step to accuse him of claiming to be a king.

When Pilate questions Jesus about the charges he refuses to answer, at least directly. However, John's presentation of Jesus is like that throughout this Gospel. Jesus never answers a question directly. He is always in charge of every scene and redirects questioners to

As Pilate asks Jesus "Are you the king of the Jews?". we probably have the historical kernel which explains why Jesus was eventually executed. Claiming to be a king would make him an enemy of Rome and thereby

All four Gospels have Pilate pose the same question, using the exact same wording in Greek. In answer, all four have Jesus responding "You say (so)." In John, the answer only comes in verse 37. That strongly suggests that the question and answer were firmly planted in the collective memory of the church from a very early period, certainly before the Gospels were written.

Even after Jesus says that his kingdom is not of this world, he rejects Pilate's question "Then you are a king?" by indicating the reason for his coming "into the world," to testify to the truth. In the end, Pilate refuses to heed the truth and orders his crucifixion.

The New Testament never envisions Jesus as a king (other than of a kingdom not of this world). King or not. Christ is "the Alpha and the Omega, the one who is, and who was and who is to come, the almighty."

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HOLY SPIRIT STUDENTS PRAYING THE ROSARY

During October, the 250 students at Columbus Holy Spirit School all gathered in the school's hallway, praying a decade of the rosary and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance each morning before school began. Pictured are kindergarten and first-grade students.

Photo courtesy Holy Spirit School



The Weekday Bible Readings

MONDAY Daniel 1:1-6,8-20 Daniel 3:52-56 (Ps) Luke 21:1-4

TUESDAY Daniel 2:31-45 Daniel 3:57-61 (Ps) Luke 21:5-11

WEDNESDAY Daniel 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28 Daniel 3:62-67 (Ps) Luke 21:12-19

> THURSDAY Daniel 6:12-28 Daniel 3:68-74 (Ps) Luke 21:20-28

FRIDAY Daniel 7:2-14 Daniel 3:75-81 (Ps) Luke 21:29-33

SATURDAY Daniel 7:15-27 Daniel 3:82-87 (Ps) Luke 21:34-36

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22, 2015

SUNDAY MASS

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

Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7:30 a.m. on WWHO-TV (the CW), Channel 53, Columbus. and 10:30 a.m. on WHIZ-TV, Channel 18, Zanesville. Check local cable system for 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 the Archdiocese of Milwaukee at 6:30 a.m. on ION TV (AT&T U-verse Channel 195, Dish Network Channel 250, or DirecTV Channel 305).

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 (AM 820), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.

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

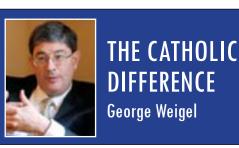
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The grittiness of Christian faith

JERUSALEM. Walking through the narrow, winding streets of Jerusalem's Old City on my first visit here in fifteen years, I was powerfully struck once again by the grittiness of Christianity, the palpable connection between the faith and the quotidian realities of life. For here, as in no other place, the believer, the skeptic, and the "searcher" are confronted with a fact: Christianity began, not with a pious story or "narrative," but with the reality of transformed lives. Real things happened to real people at real places in real time – and the transformation wrought in those real people by those "real things" transformed the world.

The most transformative of those "real things" was the encounter with the Risen Lord Jesus, the one those real people had first known in this real place as the young rabbi Jesus from Nazareth. That encounter, and the radical transformation of lives that to which it led, remains, today, the greatest "proof" of the Resurrection. For how else would a ragtag bunch of men and women from the bleachers of civilization have found the commitment and courage to go out and change the world, had not something utterly unprecedented happened to them: something that shattered the boundaries of their expectations of the possible; something that demanded to be shared?

All that happened, just as the pre-Passion ministry of Jesus happened, amidst the daily give-and-take of life in the bazaar that the Middle East was, is, and probably always will be. There's nothing ethereal-Gothic about Jerusalem's Old City or its Christian focal point, the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher: it's all



grit all the way down, as you walk past stall after stall of souvenir and curio stalls, their sameness broken by the occasional spice shop with its distinctive aromas of cinnamon and cloves, en route to the places where, according to ancient tradition, the events that changed the world and the cosmos took place - Calvary and the Empty Tomb. And the basilica itself is the very embodiment of grittiness, for there is no aesthetically pleasing symmetry here, but rather a hodgepodge of architectural and decorative styles, ranging from classic Byzantine to delirious-modern-Italian.

Yet none of that matters, really. For if the Son of God came into the world, not to fetch us out of our humanity but to redeem and glorify us in it, then the places most closely associated with the redemption should reflect the grubby diversity of the human condition. And so it is here, as pilgrims from all over the world hustle, bustle, and jostle their way toward the Twelfth Station, the site of the crucifixion, and the Aedicule that surrounds the Empty Tomb. The distractions don't distract, though; the Twelfth Station remains

the easiest place in the world to pray, in Brother Lawrence's sense of prayer as "practicing the presence."

Today, when the basic institutions of civilization are being deconstructed in the name of personal willfulness and "autonomy," the Old City of Jerusalem is a powerful reminder that there are Things As They Are, and that the road to human happiness (which the Gospels call "beatitude") lies through. not around, those givens in the human condition. At a parallel moment in history, when the newlyrecognized Christian Church was threatened by a Gnostic heresy that denied the goodness of creation and imagined the spiritual life to be an escape from grittiness, the Dowager Empress Helena, mother of Constantine, came here to find the True Cross – the hard, tangible fact of the redemption; the emblem of Christianity's utter groundedness in reality. What you find in the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher in 2015 has little to do with what Helena found here, in the sense that what you see here hasn't much to do with what she saw here; it takes an extraordinary act of imagination to conjure up Golgotha and the rocky tomb in today's ramshackle church. But the basilica is here because she came here and became a special witness to the fact that Christianity begins – and continues – with lives transformed by an encounter with the Risen One, who makes all things new.

And that makes all the difference.

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World Meeting of Families: Going Forward

By Dan Thimons

Director, Diocesan Office of Marriage & Family Life

To begin my reflections on the World Meeting of Families, I would like to share something that struck me on a very personal level: the words of our Holy Father Pope Francis during the Festival of Families.

My wife, Megan, and I have been married 10 years and have five children – a girl and four boys. These past 10 years have not been an easy road. Having small children requires an abundant amount of work on little sleep. We live in a never-ending cycle of laundry, dishes, and noise. A wise person once accurately described it as "girls bring drama, and boys, destruction." Yes, they destroy pretty much everything we own!

Sometimes after visiting one of our parishes, I say to my wife that we should invite Father So-and-So to our house for dinner. Her response is always the same: "Are you crazy? Then he will see what we are really like." Our house is often messy, our children misbehave, and we lose our patience.

Pope Francis spoke these words at the Festival of Families that really affected me: "Certainly in the family there are difficulties. In families, we argue. In families, sometimes we throw dishes. In families, children cause headaches. I'm not going to say anything about mothers-in-law! Families always, al-



follow him along this way."

headed and hard-hearted that I never realized that the central message of Christianity, the cross, is always present in our lives as a family, and also is our means to salvation.

In my misguided efforts to find efficient ways to handle our family's problems of continual laundry, dishes, noise, drama, and destruction, I have sought for years to do away with the cross the Lord gave to us to heal and sanctify us. In the pope's words, something so basic became real for me. I realized for the first time that it is not in an absence of hard work, toil, noise, and suffering that the Lord wishes to save us, but precisely through those things. These difficulties of family life are a school of love, a powerful lesson that can't be taught in a book, to become like the grain of wheat, daily losing oneself in order to find it.

I have heard it hundreds of times, but for the first time, it really struck me that Jesus requires that we take up our daily cross in order to be his disciples. There is no detour around the cross, because the Dede Shine, ODU's director of international education.

ways, have crosses. Always. cross is our salvation. As Pope Francis said: "Fami-Because the love of God, the lies always, always, have crosses. Always, Because Son of God, also asked us to the love of God, the Son of God, also asked us to follow him along this way." I hope to reflect with I guess I am just so thick- you next week on some of these crosses in marriage and family life

Annual Holiday Art Market

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 "Hope is the Thing with Feathers" at 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 4 in the Wehrle Gallery of Wehrle Hall. The exhibit will continue through Sunday, Jan. 31, 2016. It will be open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

The exhibit will feature works created by ODU faculty, staff, and friends inspired by the avian world. A range of media will be featured, from the stained glass of Dr. John Mascasine, associate professor of education, to the watercolor cranes of 16 Catholic Times November 22, 2015

Pray for our dead

ABRAHAM, Army Brig. Gen. (Ret.) James M., 92. Nov. 8

St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

CAMPBELL, James E., 80, Nov. 12 St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

DATTALO, Anthony C., 85, Sept. 29 St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

DEARRING, Mary V. "Ginny," 80, Nov. 10 St. Anthony Church, Columbus

GLIER, Janice T., 59, Nov. 8 St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

LOGAN, Albert R., Nov. 8 St. Joseph Church, Circleville

LONG, James, 65, Nov. 7 St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

LORENZ, Thomas R., 86, Nov. 12 Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

MASSENELLI, Violet J., 90, Nov. 5 St. Brendan Church, Dublin

McGOWAN, John J. Jr., 65, Nov. 2 Holy Family Church, Columbus

NYESTE, Michael J., 88, Nov. 11 St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

Teresa M. Gelonese

Funeral Mass for Teresa M. Gelonese, 63, who died Friday, Oct. 30, was held Friday, Nov. 6 at Columbus Our Lady of Peace Church. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

and Dora Gelonese.

She was a 1970 graduate of Columbus Bishop Watterson High School and received a bachelor of science degree in special education and elementary education from Bowling Green State University and a master of sciaunt, an uncle, and many cousins.

Mary Jane Kuhn

Kuhn, 82, who died Wednesday, Nov. 4, was held Monday, Nov. 9 at Mount Camping Club. Calvary Cemetery, Zanesville.

She was born April 23, 1933 in Zanesville to William Starner and Emma (Norman) Starner-Smith.

She was a member of Zanesville St. Thomas Aguinas Church and served the Dominican friars there as a housekeeper and cook in the was a member of the American great-great-grandchildren.

PITCHFORD, Margaret C. "Peggy," 84, Nov. 2 St. Joseph Church, Plain City

RAYMOND, Shirlee J., 83, Nov. 9 St. James the Less Church. Columbus

REID. Donald H., 84, Nov. 2 St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

RUGG, Terry L., 65, Nov. 7 St. Rose Church, New Lexington

SCHMITZ, Barbara S., 74, formerly of Powell,

St. Charles Borromeo Church, Kettering

STARKEY, William M., 77, Nov. 12 St. Patrick Church, Columbus

SUTTER, John P., 75, Nov. 13 St. Joseph Church, Sugar Grove

SWEENEY, Charles G., 88, Nov. 9

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, Columbus

WHEELER, Helen B., 89, Oct. 31 St. Mary Church, Chillicothe

WISE, Stacey L., 47, Nov. 3 St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

ence degree in science education from The Ohio State University.

She was a science teacher for 40 years at Columbus Holy Name and Our Lady of Peace schools, and re-She was born Oct. 1, 1952, to Mario ceived an alumni award from Columbus St. Timothy School and the Romana Hemmelgarn award from the diocesan Schools Office for her dedication to Catholic education.

She was preceded in death by her father. Survivors include her mother, an

A funeral service for Mary Jane Legion, Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 302, and the Good Sam

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Hubert; son, William; brother, William Starner; and sister, Donna Rittberger. Survivors include sons, Roger (Donna) and John; daughters, Beverly Cone, Shirley (Mark) Dobbins, and Pamela (James) Applegate; 16 grandchildren; rectory for many years. She also 32 great-grandchildren; and three

Sister M. Paula Fox, OSF

Funeral Mass for Sister M. Paula her first vows on Aug. 18, 1941, and Fox. OSF. 94. who died Wednesday. Nov. 11. was held Saturday. Nov. 14 at of Penance and Christian Charity in Stella Niagara, New York. Burial was at the sisters' cemetery.

She was born Dolores Fox in Buffalo, New York, on Oct. 9, 1921 to Cletus and Anna (Crowley) Fox.

She was a graduate of the Academy of the Sacred Heart in Buffalo, re-University of Notre Dame in 1953, and did additional graduate studies at Columbia University and The Ohio State University.

She entered the Stella Niagara Franciscans on Sept. 7, 1939, and professed Fox; and several nieces and nephews.

final vows on Aug. 19, 1944.

She taught at Columbus Rosary High the chapel of the Sisters of St. Francis School from 1952-55 and spent most of the rest of a 50-year career as a high school and college educator in the Diocese of Buffalo. She was provincial minister of her congregation's Holy Name Province from 1977-83 and was a teacher in Puerto Rico in 1983-85. She was special assistant to the president of D'Youville College ceived a bachelor of arts degree from from 1995 to 2010, retired from ac-Canisius College in Buffalo in 1948 tive ministry in 2011, and became a and a master of arts degree from the resident of the Stella Niagara health center in 2012.

> She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Edward; and sister, Rita Scherer. She is survived by sisters, Lorraine (Jim) Zeller and Eleanor



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Labyrinth Walk at Shepherd's Corner

Open House at Bishop Hartley

19-21, THURSDAY-SATURDAY

19-22, THURSDAY-SUNDAY

St. Charles Presents 'Good 'N' Plenty'

Plenty." \$10 adults, \$5 students.

Mike Aguilina Talk at Josephinum

mitting, for tours.

ets \$50.

Mercy."

21. SATURDAY

confession

22. SUNDAY

20-22, FRIDAY-SUNDAY

Three Bags Full Consignment Sale

7 to 8:30 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N.

Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Labyrinth walk, preceded by

yoga exercises, led by Joy Lawrence. Suggested donation

7 to 9 p.m., Bishop Hartley High School, 1285 Zettler

Road. Columbus. Open house for prospective students.

10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m.

Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday (selected items half-

price Friday evening and Saturday), Community Wesleyan

Church, 161 Myrtle Ave., Newark. Three Bags Full consign-

ment sale of children's items. Unsold and unclaimed

items are donated to Catholic and pro-life charities.

paratory School, 2010 E. Broad St., Columbus. School's

theater department presents the comedy "Good 'N'

N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick, Center, a ministry of the

Dominican Sisters of Peace, will be open, weather per-

7 p.m., Jessing Center, Pontifical College Josephi-

num, 7625 N. High St., Columbus. Talk by author

and EWTN network host Mike Aquilina on "How

Christianity Changed the World and Can Change

It Again." Benefit for Dominican Sisters of Mary,

Mother of the Eucharist, who teach at Worthington

St. Michael School. Begins with hors d'oeuvres at 6. Tick-

St. Therese's Retreat Center. 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus.

Weekend retreat for women sponsored by women of

Columbus St. Andrew Church, led by Father Thomas Blau.

OP. Theme: "Embracing the Year of Mercy: Living in God's

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

Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and

beginning with silent prayer, followed by Contemplative

10 to 11:20 a.m., Library, Trinity Catholic School, 1440

Grandview Ave., Columbus. "A Saint Becomes Blessed," a

reflection on the spirituality of Blessed Archbishop Os-

car Romero, with Angela Johnston, director of the dioc-

Centering Prayer Group Meeting at Corpus Christi

St. Andrew Women's Retreat at St. Therese's

Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City

Outreach DVD and discussion.

esan Latino Ministry Office.

St. Christopher Adult Religious Education

Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center Open House

HAPPENINGS

CLASSIFIED

HOLY FAMILY CHRISTIAN MOTHERS BAZAAR

584 W. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 Nov. 22nd 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Multiple Vendors! Great Food! Masses at 9 & 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR & BAKE SALE Saturday, November 21, 9-3pm Our Lady of Lourdes **Catholic Community Center** 1033 W. 5thSt., Marysville 66 Tables of Holiday Crafts Free Admission -Door Prizes

NOVEMBER

19, THURSDAY

Cenacle at Holy Name

6 p.m., Holy Name Church, 154 E. Patterson Ave., Columbus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with prayers in the Cenacle format of the Marian Movement of Priests. Holy Hour of Reparation at Columbus Sacred Heart

7 to 8 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Eucharistic Holy Hour following Holy Hour of Reparation prayer format, concluding with Benediction and social period Prayers for intention of deepened holiness and an increase in the virtue of fortitude for bishops and

All fund-raising events (festivals, bazaars, spaghetti dinners, fish fries, bake sales, pizza/sub sales, candy sales, etc.) will be placed in the "Fund-Raising Guide."

An entry into the Guide will be \$18.50 for the first six lines, and \$2.65 for each additional line. For more information,

call David Garick at 614-224-5195.

'Happenings' submissions

Notices for items of Catholic interest must be received at least 12 days before expected publication date. We will print them as space permits. Items not received before this deadline may not be published. Listings cannot be taken by phone. Mail to: The Catholic Times Happenings, 197 East Gay St., Columbus, OH 43215 Fax to: 614-241-2518

10:30 a.m. to noon. Corpus Christi Center of Peace. 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Centering prayer group meeting,

E-mail as text to tpuet@colsdioc.org

Open House at Bishop Watterson

1 to 3:30 p.m., Bishop Watterson High School, 99 E. Cooke Road, Columbus. Open house for all prospective students and their parents.

Open House at Bishop Ready

1 to 3:30 p.m., Bishop Ready High School, 707 Salisbury Road, Columbus. 99 E. Cooke Road, Columbus. Open house for students in grades five to eight, potential high school transfer students, and their parents.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Paul

1:15 to 4:30 p.m., St. Paul Church, 313 N. State St., Wester ville. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in honor of the Feast of Christ the King.

St. Catherine of Bologna Secular Franciscans

2:30 to 5 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttles Ave., Columbus. Rosary, Meet in church for prayer, followed by general meeting, ongoing formation, and social. 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, 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, St. Charles Pre-614-886-8266 and teaching. Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter

7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Colum-614-252-6714 bus. Mass in Spanish.

614-866-4302

Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987

6:30 p.m., support group meeting, 2744 Dover Road, Columbus (Christ the King convent, first building west of the church). 614-718-0277, 614-309-2651, 614-309-0157 Our Lady of Peace Men's Bible Study

7 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 20 E. Dominion Blvd., Columbus. Bible study of Sunday Scripture readings.

24, TUESDAY

Serra Club of North Columbus Meeting

Noon, Jessing Center, Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 N. High St., Columbus. Serra Club of North Columbus meeting. Speaker: Father Ted Sill, pastor of Gahanna St. Matthew Church. Reservations required.

Padre Pio Prayer Group at St. John the Baptist

12:30 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 168 E. Lincoln Ave., Columbus. Padre Pio Prayer Group meeting, including rosary, devotions, and 1 p.m. Mass.

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.

28. SATURDAY

Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City

9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and confession

614-512-3731

Exposition at Buckeye Lake Our Lady of Mount Carmel 9:15 to 10:15 a.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 5133 Walnut Road S.E., Buckeye Lake. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Sunday during Advent.

Praise Mass at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

11 a.m., Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Praise Mass with upbeat con-

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, 614-886-8266

Living Water at Church of the Resurrection

6 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. Christian band Living Water presents its Advent-themed concert narrative "On a Night 614-855-1400

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter

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

Advent Reflection Sessions at Corpus Christi

10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus, Advent reflection sessions led by center coordinator Anita Davidson. Morning and evening programs are identical. 614-512-3731

Adoration, Evening Prayer at New Philadelphia

5 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 139 3rd St. N.E., New Philadelphia. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, with Sacrament of Reconciliation available, concluding with Evening Prayer at 6:30 on all Advent Mondays. 330-343-6976

DECEMBER

1. TUESDAY

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 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. 740-654-6928

Christmas Tour of Newark Churches

St. Francis de Sales Church, 40 Granville St., Newark, will be the last stop of the evening "Sights and Sounds of Christmas Tour" of churches in and around downtown Newark. \$5 donation for Licking County food pantry net-740-345-9874

Cenacle at Holy Name

6 p.m., Holy Name Church, 154 E. Patterson Ave., Columbus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with prayers in the Cenacle format of the Marian Movement of Priests. Holy Hour at Holy Family

6 to 7 p.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by meeting of parish Holy Name and Junior Holy Name societies, with refreshments. 614-221-4323

Back in His Arms Again Meeting

7 p.m., Panera restaurant, 782 N. State St., Westerville. Monthly meeting of Back in His Arms Again group for mothers who have experienced the loss of a child.

Advent Evening of Reflection at St. Pius X

7 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Advent evening of reflection. 614-866-2859 18 Catholic Times Catholic Times 19 November 22, 2015 November 22, 2015



BALLET

The Nutcracker from Friday, Dec. 11 55 E. State St., Columbus.

Thirteen of those dancers are from Catholic churches in the Diocese of Columbus. They are (from left): first row, Katie Bartlett; second row, Melody

More than 150 children will perform M. Crigger, Elizabeth Bruening, Matt alongside professional dancers in Bal-Rees, Isabelle Lapierre, Allyson Fries, letMet's annual holiday production of Alana Savat, and Kaitlyn Hanna: third row, Sidney Flynn, Lily Rosati Yoos, to Sunday, Dec. 27 at the Ohio Theater, Elizabeth Hudelson, Katie Alexander, and Katherine O'Sullivan.

> Playing roles such as young Clara, mice, and angels, the children will have the unique opportunity to be a part of the company's rehearsal process from

CONCERT

On a Night Like This



The New Albany Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, will present central Ohio Christian band Living Water presenting its concert narrative On a Night Like This at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 29.

Living Water has shared its unique brand of musical ministry with central Ohio since 2003, appearing at a variety of venues. The band has produced two live, full-length CDs, with a third one to debut at this concert. In the concert nar-

rative On a Night Like This, the band uses Scripture, narration, and song to tell the story of the Advent journey to Christmas from the perspectives of the persons who experienced the original event. This provides a deeply emotional experience of that Scripture story.

On a Night Like This will be presented in New Albany on the First Sunday of Advent, providing a perfect start preparing for the spiritual basis of Christmas.



start to finish, with some even taking on company roles and traveling to Detroit to perform the ballet.

"The Nutcracker is a wonderful introduction to classical ballet that has become a holiday tradition for many families," said BalletMet Academy director Timothy Lynch. "I am thrilled that so many of our academy students have the opportunity to be a part of the production this year and dance beside the company members they aspire to be one day."

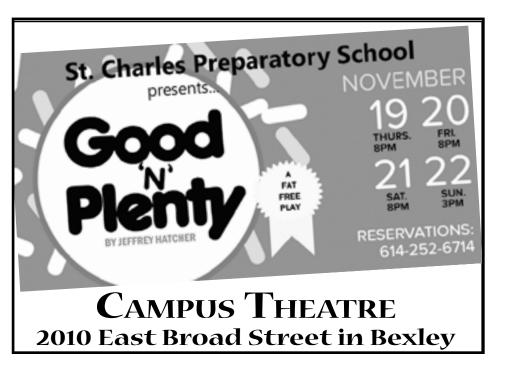
The Nutcracker was choreographed by former BalletMet artistic director Gerard Charles, who, along with Robert Post, are co-creators of the BalletMet production. With help from exquisite costumes and scenery and music from the Columbus Symphony, the ballet weaves the timeless story of Clara's

journey with her nutcracker prince. The Nutcracker will run for 16 performances in Columbus and seven performances at the Detroit Opera House

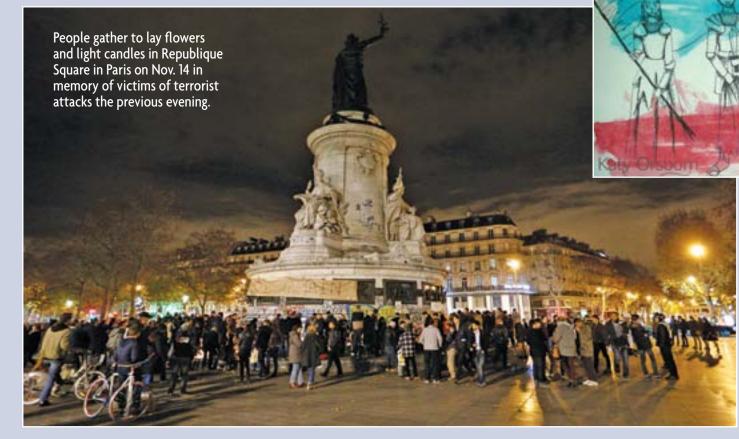
The schedule of Columbus performances is: 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11; 1 and 5:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 12 and 13; 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Dec. 17 and 18; 2 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19; noon and 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20; 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 22 and 23; 2 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26; and 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 27.

Ticket prices range from \$32 to \$89. Tickets may be purchased at the CAPA ticket center next to the Ohio Theater. all Ticketmaster outlets, and ticketmaster.com. To purchase tickets by phone, call (614) 469-0939.

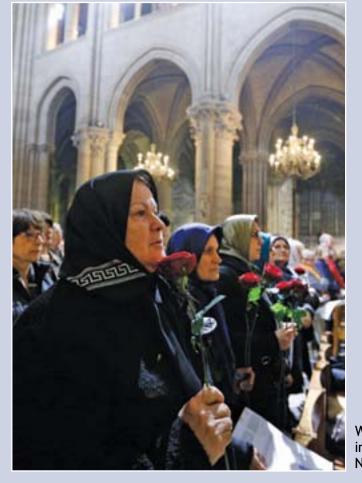
Photo by Jennifer Zmuda



PRAY FOR PARIS



The drawing above, depicting St. Joan of Arc, St. Martin of tours, and St. Therese of Lisieux, was done by 15year-old Katy Orsborn of Columbus St. Patrick Church. She had attended a Mass and rosary following the tragedy in Paris and was moved by the power of prayer and our need to invoke the great array of saints to aid us in our earthly struggles.





A man lights a candle in Republique Square in Paris on Nov. 14 in memory of victims of terrorist attacks. CNS photos/Paul Haring

Women hold roses as Cardinal Andre Vingt-Trois of Paris celebrates a Mass in Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris on Nov. 15 to pray for those killed in terrorist attacks. Coordinated attacks on the evening of Nov. 13 claimed the lives of 129 people. The Islamic State claimed responsibility.

Happy Chanksgiving!

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Dear Friends,

Thanksgiving . . . A time to thank God for all that he has done for us and all he has allowed us to do. It is also a time to thank those friends who have helped us throughout the year. We at your Catholic Cemeteries wish to give special recognition and thanks to those who participated in our Memorial Day and Cemetery Sunday Services.

Sincerely, Your Catholic Cemeteries

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Msgr. Anthony Missimi, Fr. Charles Cotton, Fr. Kevin Lutz, Msgr. David Funk, Fr. Stash Dailey, Fr. William DeVille, Fr. James Klima, **Deacon Chris Campbell**, Shawn Kenney, Lisa Leonard Ron Barrett **Melanie Day** St. Pius X Choir John Pottkotter St. Michael Knights of Columbus **Southway American Legion Post 144 Worthington VFW Post 2398 American Legion Post 430** Reynoldsburg VFW Post 9473

Poinsettias for Christmas

Potted Poinsettias are being purchased to decorate Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel at St. Joseph Cemetery, the Chapel Mausoleum at Resurrection Cemetery and the Chapel Mausoleum at Holy Cross Cemetery. These brilliant scarlet plants are available in the 6 1/2" pot which contains two plants consisting of 4-8 blooms. To donate a poinsettia in memory of your special loved ones, see the coupon below. We will tag your plant with your loved one's name. You may then pick up your poinsettia any time after January 1st, should you wish to take it home.

OFFICE HOURS: M-F 8AM - 4:30 PM, Sat 8 AM - Noon CEMETERY HOURS: 8AM - Sunset



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6440 S. High St./Lockbourne, OH 43137/614-491-2751

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- ☐ Chapel Mausoleum/Holy Cross Cemetery 11539 Nat. Rd. S.W./Pataskala, OH 43062/740-927-4442

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