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## MISSION SUNDAY



The Editor's Notebook

On a Mission from God

By David Garick, Editor



I've always thought that the apostles showed incredible faith when Our Lord gave them their first commission to go out in his name as missionaries, as recorded in Mark, chapter 6: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. Wear sandals but not an extra tunic. Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town."

It is pretty hard to imagine walking into town with nothing but a stick and approaching a stranger and saying, "Hi there! I'm on a mission from God. I'd like to move into your guest room until I'm ready to leave town. By the way, I've been on the road a long time and I'm famished. What's for dinner?" I imagine it is even harder in Spanish, Swahili, or Tagalog.

We do equip our missionaries with a bit more today than in the First Century. But there still is much in common with that first mission. They leave behind the comforts and support systems of home and place themselves in the service of strangers in a very different culture and under very meager living conditions. While their first concern remains to spread the gospel, they also carry a responsibility to help feed, clothe, educate, and heal the people they come into contact with. And while they may come with more supplies than the original apostles, most of those supplies are not for their own use, but rather to help improve the lives of those they minister.

It takes a special person to have the faith to take on an assignment like that. Not all of us are cut out for a calling to missionary work. But we all are called to help in the support of that work. And that support calls for more than just an anonymous check sent off to some mission society

that we know little about.

One thing that I hope you will take away from reading this issue is that mission work is not some distant thing done by people we don't know. Our diocese has its own missionaries working in nine nations around the world and here in the United States. These are our friends and neighbors, people who went to school with us, celebrated Mass with us. We have sent them out to do God's work on our behalf. They need our financial support, of course. But they also need our friendship, our emotional and spiritual support. Many schools and parishes take that extra step in making personal connection to a foreign parish or school served by one of our missionaries. When these dedicated men and women feel this outpouring of love and support, they are given the spiritual strength to continue to minister to these impoverished souls.

Why should we do this at all? Why this emphasis on spreading the faith? Were it not for the dedication of the original apostles and their successors, the faith would never have spread beyond Galilee, and the Church would never have developed and guided the growth of Western civilization. Today, the Church is struggling in Europe. But because of the work of these missionaries, these modern apostles, the Church is strong and growing rapidly in South America, Africa, and Asia. While vocations to the priesthood have recently lagged in Europe and North America, vocations are soaring in the Third World. That is because of the work of our missionaries. That is the future of the Church. That is our mission from God.



HOLY HOUR FOR IMMIGRATION REFORM

Hundreds of faithful from around the diocese gathered at Westerville St. Paul Church on Tuesday, Oct. 1 to stand in solidarity with our immigrant brothers and sisters and to pray for comprehensive immigration reform as articulated by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. A Holy Hour led by Father Charles Klinger concluded with a candlelight procession to the parish's shrine of Mary and a serenade to her. After the final prayer, participants filled out postcards urging members of Congress to enact immigration reform measures this year.

Photo by Jerry Freewalt, diocesan Office for Social Concerns

Master of the Dominican Order Visits Columbus

Father Bruno Cadore, OP, master of the Order of Preachers, celebrated the Eucharist with the Dominican Sisters of Peace, their Associates, and members of other Dominican congregations in the Columbus area on Saturday, Sept. 28. More than 150 members of the Dominican family gathered at the Martin de Porres Center in Columbus for the liturgical celebration, united by webcast with sisters from the other five Motherhouses of the congregation and from local communities in 37 states and

several overseas missions.

The master's visit to Columbus was officially for the visitation of the friars of St. Joseph Province, some of whom minister at Ohio Dominican University, the Mohun Health Care Center, and the Columbus Motherhouse; others are residents at Mohun. He took time from this schedule to take part in the liturgy, a brief question-and-answer session which was also webcast, and a celebratory meal at the Motherhouse.



OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT~ Clergy Assignment

Confirming the appointment of the Provincial Director of the Dominican Fathers and Brothers, Father Joseph Peter Fegan, OP, from service outside the diocese to Pastor, St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Zanesville, effective immediately.



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Front Page photo: Catholic missionaries with a family outside a typical Mayan home in the Central American nation of Belize, where Sister Beverly Hoffman, SCN, of Columbus, has served for 11 years.

Photo courtesy Diocese of Columbus Missions Office

FAITH IS A GIFT THAT ONE CANNOT KEEP TO ONESELF, BUT MUST BE SHARED

By Leandro M. Tapay

World Mission Sunday, which is organized by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, will be celebrated next Sunday, Oct. 20. It is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice.

As described by Pope John Paul II, World Mission Sunday is "an important day in the life of the Church because it teaches how to give: as an offering made to God in the Eucharistic Celebration for all the missions in the world."

John Paul II also has spoken of the society's general fund, calling it a "central fund of solidarity."

The needs of the Church in the missions grow every day as new dioceses are being created. Mission dioceses – about 1,100 of them at this time – receive regular annual assistance from the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

In his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis writes that faith in Christ "is a gift, not reserved for a few but offered with generosity."

"Everyone should be able to experience the joy of being loved by God, the joy of salvation!" the pope writes. "It is a gift that one cannot keep to oneself, but it is to be shared. If we want to keep it only to ourselves, we will become isolated, sterile and sick Christians."

The pope stresses that every Christian is obliged to play a role in spreading the faith. "The Second Vatican Council emphasized in a special way how the missionary task, that of broadening the boundaries of faith, belongs to every baptized person and all Christian communities," he notes.

"The work of evangelization often finds obstacles, not only externally, but also from within the ecclesial community," Pope Francis writes. "Sometimes there is lack of fervor, joy, courage and hope in proclaiming the Message of Christ to all and in helping the people of our time to have an encounter with him." He balances the demand for energetic apostolic work with an insistence that evangelization



Mass is celebrated by the Tembe people of Brazil in their chapel. The Gospel helped them regain their dignity after they lost use of their own language. Photo/Sister Rebecca Spires, SNDdeN

should never involve pressure or force.

Evangelization necessarily involves leading people to the Church, the Pope continues, saying, evangelization "is not an isolated individual or private act; it is always ecclesial."

The Pope's message provides a simple explanation of the need for the New Evangelization:

"More and more, in large areas of what were traditionally Christian regions, the number of those who are unacquainted with the faith, or indifferent to the religious dimension or animated by other beliefs, is increasing. Therefore it is not infrequent that some of the baptized make lifestyle choices that lead them away from faith, thus making

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On Sunday, Oct. 20, we join with Catholic communities from around the world to celebrate World Mission Sunday, a Eucharistic celebration for all the missions of the world. Organized by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, it offers each of us the opportunity to demonstrate our solidarity in support of missions and the missionaries who serve them.

The proceeds of the special collection taken will be distributed – in the pope's name – among the missions and missionaries worldwide. Our donations help fund missionary activities such as catechetical programs, seminaries, the work of religious communities, communication and transformation needs, and the construction of much-needed chapels, churches, orphanages, and schools.

The needs of our missions grow every day. With the creation of new dioceses in third-world countries, vocations to the priesthood and religious life are

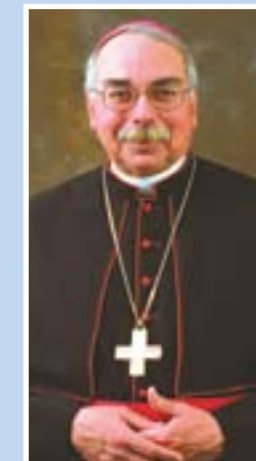
them need a new evangelization."

While the New Evangelization proceeds in areas that were once predominantly Catholic, the Pope reminds readers that many parts of the world still have not heard the Gospel message. They, too, need evangelizing, he says – as do the "young churches" where the faith has only recently taken root.

Yet the pope also observes that in many cases "these same young churches are engaging generously in sending missionaries to the Churches that are in difficulty – not infrequently churches of ancient Christian tradition – and thus bring the freshness and enthusiasm with which they live the faith."

Before closing his message, Pope Francis directs attention to Christians who live in societies where religious freedom is restricted and who often suffer for their faith. "They are our brothers and sisters," he notes, describing them as "courageous witnesses – even more numerous than the martyrs of the early centuries – who endure with apostolic perseverance many contemporary forms of persecution."

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increasing, thereby increasing the need for new seminaries and houses of formation. In some areas where the Church was persecuted or suppressed, it is now welcomed, increasing the need for chapels and churches. The involvement and commitment of us all is needed to foster and support this important work.

Let us unite with Catholics across the globe to pray and offer sacrifices and gifts for the missionary work of the Church. Most grateful to you for your continuing generosity and support, I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
 Most Reverend Frederick F. Campbell, DD, PhD  
 Bishop of Columbus



## PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric

### Respectful

Did you pray the rosary at least once this past week? We have a great challenge to actually set aside time each day for a five-decade rosary. As we discussed, it takes less time than a 30-minute television show or one-half of a lunch hour. The grace and intercession of our Blessed Mother are well worth the small amount of time. But it is really difficult. And then we have the extra "super challenge" of praying one family rosary per week together. What a tremendous way to connect as a family! If we can do it just before or after dinner, that is a real bonus. As we all know, family time is at the top of the priority list, right alongside God. This activity takes care of both. Of course, be careful of the family size bag of M & Ms if you pray before dinner. Strong families make up everything that is good about society and our Catholic Faith. October is not only the month of the rosary, but it is Respect Life month. The most basic way we can respect life at all levels is by working hard to maintain strong, moral, holy, loving, and close families.

Once again, we are in the midst of Respect Life month. We are reading and hearing much about pro-life initiatives and a general respect for life at all levels. I have written many columns over the years on this topic, particularly calling for an end to abortion and asking people to care for mothers and babies in any situation. For our prayer and consideration, I want to approach the topic this time from a respectful angle, rather than just respect. One of the most basic moral principles we must embrace, support, and live as Catholics is the respect for human life at all levels from conception to natural death. This can never change, for the fact that all human life is sacred can never change. No matter what any politician, group, health care provider, doctor, or other expert tells us, all human beings are to be respected 100 percent, especially the unborn and the elderly, with or without mental and physical challenges. I believe that we establish that respect in ourselves and our children by first learning to be respectful. It does not have to be labeled "old-fashioned," but basic. We are respectful when we greet the day with prayer. We tell our spouse and children "good morning" and that we love them. We pat the dog or cat on the head. We drive cautiously and let others merge in front of us. We hold the door for one another. We hold the elevator. We smile at those who are familiar, and at strangers. We treat our co-workers as equals, and we remain humble. We never talk about others behind their backs and we reject meaningless gossip. We address clergy as "Father," "Sister," or "Deacon." We enjoy food and drink, especially alcohol, in moderation. We help the poor with time, talent, and treasure whenever we can. We support our parish financially as a challenge, and not at a minimum. We fast before we receive Our Lord in the Eucharist, including chewing gum. Most importantly, we treat everyone in the same way in which we would like to be treated.

Our practical challenge this week is to seriously and consciously think about being respectful. I have offered some ideas, and we can all come up with many others. We cannot expect the world to respect life when we are not respectful of one another. Pray, live with love, hold the door, smile, and pray again. Be respectful and all life will be respected.

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## ST. ANDREW STUDENTS FOCUS ON SERVICE DURING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



Fifth-grade students at Columbus St. Andrew School spent part of Catholic Schools Week making Rice Krispies treats that will go with other food items into 150 bag lunches being prepared by the school's seventh-graders for residents of the YMCA Family Shelter. Photo courtesy St. Andrew School

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## TO YOU, O LORD, I WILL MAKE MUSIC (PSALM 101:1)

Great things are happening in music classrooms across the diocese. This has always been true, but now the word is getting out and the news is spreading.

Through the collaborative efforts of several music teachers, the Diocese of Columbus Catholic Schools Honor Choir has been developed. What began in 2008 as a showcase concert for Columbus Bishop Hartley High School and its feeder schools has grown to include singers from all corners of the

diocese in a one-day choral event.

The initial goal was to offer young singers an opportunity to experience large choral ensemble singing. "The DCCSHC is such a great event," said Kathy Smith, music teacher at Hilliard St. Brendan School. "While the St. Brendan School liturgical choir is a fantastic group of singers, we are small. There is just nothing that compares with the experience of joining your voice with literally hundreds of others. Sometimes in a small choir,



intimidation sets in, causing young students to hold back, but when singing as part of a large ensemble, surrounded by the best of the best singers, a student can let his voice soar!"

The choir's most recent concert occurred in April at Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare Church and included students from 11 grade schools, three high schools, and Ohio Dominican University. More than 300 singers participated.

Size isn't the only thing that matters. The music performed by the DCCSHC is carefully selected by a team of teachers. The repertoire chosen honors Catholic tradition, challenges the students, and exposes them to a variety of musical genres and historical time periods. "Because all of the music is sacred, my choir is able to focus on preparing one piece for each school liturgy throughout the year," Smith said. "This allowed us to learn the music gradually and sing it for several occasions prior to the DCCSHC event, giving the singers confidence."

On the day of the event, singers rehearse in sections led by volunteer music teachers and as a combined ensemble directed by a clinician. The skills that each music teacher addresses throughout the school year are reinforced during these rehearsals, becoming a permanent part of each singer's musical vocabulary. "My choir and I look forward to preparing and singing in the DCCSHC every year," says Karen Sinagra, music teacher at Reynoldsburg St. Pius X School. "It has become a fun tradition for our junior high choir. The choir really enjoys

performing the same repertoire with kids their age from other schools. As a choir director preparing my choir students for singing at a high-school level, I love that they get to hear so many great high-school choirs from our diocese. It gives them something to look forward to!"

"I have had the unique pleasure of planning, participating, and conducting these events from their inception," says Sheila Cafmeyer, DCCSHC clinician and conductor of the Ohio Dominican University chorus. "We are blessed to have so many talented, professional musicians teaching our young singers. I am the lucky one. I get to work with the combined groups of singers, and, in a few short hours, mold their months of hard work and preparation into a seamless expression of praise through song."

**The seventh annual Diocese of Columbus Catholic Schools Honor Choir concert is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, 2014 at the Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany.**

**All are welcome to come and hear the young voices of our Church.**

**Diocesan music teachers who are interested in participating should plan to attend informational reading sessions at the OCEA convention at 2:15 and 3:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 7.**

**The 2014 music packets will be available for review and purchase at that time.**

**If you have further questions, email Sheila Cafmeyer at dccshc@ceducation.org.**

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## LET US PRAY

by: MICHELLE LEMIESZ

Director, Office for Divine Worship

This year, the Church celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Vatican II document *Sacrosanctum Concilium* (The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy), which was promulgated in 1963. This document issued a call to reform and reinvigorate the liturgical life of the Church. And while all of the documents issued by the council impacted the Church and its relationship with the world, no other document affected every Catholic as much as this one did, for it spoke to the very heart of the Church, its liturgy. Even today, 50 years later, passionate debate and dissent remain about the true intention of the Second Vatican Council, and mixed feelings linger about the implementation of the changes which occurred. There are some people who feel that it was taken too far, while there are others who feel that it has not been fully realized.

As someone who is deeply interested in history, I believe it is important to go back and revisit the past, to read the documents, to speak with people who lived at that particular period (if possible), and to look at the way they interpreted issues, practices, and behaviors so we can, as much as possible, understand the things we have inherited. It is also important, I believe, to be able to understand the signs of their time, their culture, societal values, etc. Reconstructing history is a bit like working through a recipe. Individually, every ingredient in itself serves a purpose and can be dissected on its own, but if you put them all together, they interact and work together to produce an end product — a delicious cake, stew or whatever. Everything compliments each other and one can get a fuller understanding of each ingredient's purpose.

My delving into the history of *Sacrosanctum Concilium* all began a couple of months ago as I was organizing and going through books and resources in the library section of our office. If you've ever had the fortune (or misfortune ... depends on how you look at it!) of engaging in such an activity, you know that it can be a tedious process, but a necessary one, and that it is not uncommon to find both junk and gems. While I have found plenty of the former, every now and then I came across valuable information that I would file or place back on the shelves. As I progressed, I came across six rows of black ring binders, each full of information. While the majority were filled with less-than-useful materials, two in particular stood out. One contained typed pages on fragile paper, and another included old mimeographed copies of a newsletter. I placed those aside to look at later, and, as I began to look through them, I found, much to my delight, that one binder contained clarification statements to the diocese from Rome regarding the council, while the other had copies of a newsletter called *The Liturgical Apostolate* which dated back to 1962. Put these two things together with the document *Sacrosanctum Concilium* and you have a pretty good view of how the Diocese of Columbus responded to the changes coming forth from Rome. Sound interesting? I hope so, because in the weeks to come, we will delve into this information in true Sherlock Holmes style to uncover the great mystery of the implementation of a Vatican II document from words to practice. It is my hope that all of us may learn more about this great document, our Church, and our diocese, and come to understand and love ever more the ultimate act of worshipping our God — the Eucharistic Liturgy.

Coming ... Letters to home from Rome

## IS ORGAN DONATION MORALLY ACCEPTABLE?



## QUESTION &amp; ANSWER

by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE

Catholic News Service

Q. Isn't organ donation murder? Just because you are brain-dead doesn't make your whole body dead, especially if your heart and lungs are still functioning. Doctors try to keep a patient alive until the last organ is "harvested," which I think is wrong; they can't even guarantee that the patient won't experience pain during the process. (Stanley, Wis.)

A. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* in No. 2296 says that "organ donation after death is a noble and meritorious act and is to be encouraged as an expression of genuine solidarity."

One of the strongest advocates of organ transplants was Pope John Paul II, who in a talk to a medical conference in Rome in 2000, said: "Transplants are a great step forward in science's service of man, and not a few people today owe their lives to an organ transplant. Increasingly, the technique of transplants has proven to be a valid means of attaining the primary goal of all medicine -- the service of human life."

Brain death is the criterion used to determine that death has occurred in the great majority of cases of organ donation in the United States. It was a standard developed by Harvard researchers in the late 1960s.

In the allocation referred to above, Pope

John Paul II said that "the complete and irreversible cessation of all brain activity, if rigorously applied, does not seem to conflict with the essential elements of a sound anthropology."

In recent years, a few Catholic ethicists have suggested that the current neurological standard for determining death through lack of brain function needs to be rethought. But Dr. John Haas, head of the National Catholic Bioethics Center, said in a 2011 essay:

"Catholics may in good conscience offer the gift of life through the donation of their organs after death based on neurological or cardiopulmonary criteria according to current church teaching. This does not mean that the teaching is irreformable. It may be modified on the basis of future scientific discoveries. However, it does mean that, at this point in time, the teaching can be followed with a clear conscience."

As to the possibility of pain to the patient in the process of harvesting organs, that seems unlikely, since response to external stimuli is one of the tests done in determining brain death. Much has been made of a 2009 case in New York where a woman woke up on the operating table as surgeons were preparing to harvest her organs.

But the case drew attention precisely because it was so out of the ordinary. The state health department found that doctors had wrongly determined brain death by ignoring signs that the woman was still alive.

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

## The Year of Faith: Moving Forward

Throughout the month of November, Bishop Frederick Campbell will be giving a presentation at four locations around the diocese titled "The Year of Faith: Moving Forward," an overview of the Second Vatican Council and its influence for the Catholic Church today.

In preparation for Bishop Campbell's talk, Delaware St. Mary Church parishioner Jake Tawney will be offering a series of presentations on the documents of Vatican II. The presentations will be at the church, 82 E. William St., at 7 p.m. on the following Thursdays: Oct. 17, The Word of God; Oct. 24, The Dogmatic Constitution; Nov.

7, The Church in the Modern World; and Nov. 14, The Sacred Liturgy.

Tawney is an educator who writes for the blogs *Roma Locuta Est* and *The American Catholic*. He wrote a series of articles in the *Catholic Times* in 2011 on the changes in the Roman Missal and also has written for the publications *Homiletic and Pastoral Review* and *Communio*. Additionally, he has been a guest contributor on *The Chant Cafe* and *New Liturgical Movement*.

His interests include the sacred liturgy, the Theology of the Body, Catholic moral teaching, and faith in the public square.

## The Year of Faith and the Second Vatican Council - The Importance of Words

By Jake Tawney

Words are important. This is true both in general, but also in the life of the Church. We are, after all, a Faith that professes belief in a God who is revealed as Logos, or Word. We are also a Faith that professes belief in written Scriptures. The written word continues to be an integral part of our faith, and thus it is not a surprise to find that the Church continues to write down her teachings in the form of magisterial documents. She does so for the benefit of all. The Church writes so that people will read. The Church teaches so that people will learn. The Second Vatican Council, like its twenty-one predecessors, codified its teachings in a series of documents. Long after the Council Fathers will have passed, it is the documents that will survive. In fact, one could even go so far as to say that the Council is its documents.

We spoke last week about the need to understand the Second Vatican Council using a "hermeneutic of continuity" rather than one of rupture.

Vatican II needs to be seen in light of the entire history of the Church and the Deposit of Faith. If continuity is the "what," then a clarification call back to the documents is the "how." Just as we would read the Constitution of the United States to determine if something is "constitutional" or "unconstitutional," if we want to know what Vatican II taught, we should read what Vatican II wrote. Reading through the documents can bring an end to much of the confusion that surrounds the Council. For instance, the most common answer to "What did Vatican



II do?" is something along these lines: "It removed Latin from the Mass and turned the priest around." People are often surprised to find out that the documents of the Council mention nothing about re-orienting the priest and specifically call for the retention of Latin in the Mass, not its removal.

What often replaces the Council documents is a false "spirit of Vatican II." Pope Benedict XVI, in one of his last papal events, gave an impromptu speech to the priests and the clergy of Rome. He spoke of two parallel councils. "There was the Council of the Fathers — the real Council — but there was also the Council of the media." The pope went on to say that the media, and consequently many laity, viewed Vatican II through a political lens, as a power struggle between different political camps, rather than through the lens of faith. Yet in his typical fashion, Pope Benedict looked forward with great hope. "It seems to me that, fifty years after the Council, we see that this virtual Council is broken, is lost, and there now appears the true Council with all its spiritual force."

This "true Council" is the Council of the documents, the only thing that will survive the test of time. After all, Pope Benedict will be the last pope to have actually been at Vatican II. Decades in the future the only memory of the Council will be that which is preserved in its writings. In his promulgation of the Year of Faith, Pope Benedict wrote that the year should "provide a good opportunity to help people understand that the texts bequeathed by the Council Fathers have lost nothing of their brilliance. They need to be read correctly, to be widely known and taken to heart as important."

Yet as laity, where do we begin? Are the documents accessible to us? What are the most important ones? In answer to the question of accessibility, the answer is emphatically, "Yes." These writings were not produced with an audience of professional theologians in mind, but rather for the average Catholic. While the documents are packed full of great information, they are written at a level that is quite understandable.

The Council officially produced sixteen documents. These sixteen pieces are organized into three categories: constitutions, declarations, and decrees. There are three declarations:



Pope John XXIII signs *Humanae Salutis*, formally convoking the Second Vatican Council.

on Christian education, non-Christian religions, and religious freedom. The decrees number nine: on social communications, Eastern Rite Churches, ecumenism, the office of Bishop, religious life, priestly training, the laity, the missionary activity of the Church, and the ministry and life of the priest.

At the top of the hierarchy of Council documents are the four constitutions. Because of their importance, this is where one should start reading. The first constitution issued was *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy. The second one was *Lumen Gentium*, the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church. Issued third was *Dei Verbum*, the Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation. Finally came *Gaudium et Spes*, the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World. While the two constitutions on the Church are lengthy, the other two are readable in one sitting, with *Dei Verbum* weighing in at less than 6000 words.

If we are to separate the "Council of the media," governed by the so-called "spirit of Vatican II," from the real Council, it is to the documents we must turn. Do not wait for a secondary source to tell you what the documents say. Read them for yourselves. Where to begin? My suggestion is with the shortest constitution: *Dei Verbum*. If we know what the Council says about the Word of God, then we are off to a pretty good start. It is to this document that we turn next week.

*Jake Tawney is a husband and father of six from Delaware St. Mary Church. He has served in public education for more than a decade.*

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**"I AM HAVING FUN . . . THAT MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE"**



**Father Pete Gideon**

by Tim Puet

Father Pete Gideon's enjoyment of priestly life was apparent from the moment he sat down to be interviewed by the Catholic Times.

"I'm having fun and I'm in good health" was the first thing the pastor of Lancaster St. Mark Church said. "That makes a huge difference. If there comes a time when I have to acknowledge that I don't have the energy a pastor should have, I'll let the bishop know right away. But as long as I'm healthy, I wouldn't mind following the example of Msgr. (James) Geiger," who was pastor at Sugar Grove St. Joseph for 17 years until retiring in 2009 at age 84.

Father Gideon, 63, was born in Omaha, Neb., where his father was a professor at Creighton University, and is the third child in a family of five brothers and three sisters. His parents met and married in Columbus when his father was on the faculty of The Ohio State University, then moved to South Bend, Ind., where his father taught at the University of Notre Dame, and to Omaha. The family returned to settle in Columbus when his father took a position as a nuclear physicist for Battelle Memorial Institute.

Father Gideon attended Worthington St. Michael School and Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School and Seminary. After the seminary portion of St. Charles closed in 1969, he went to the University of Dayton, where his uncle, Father Frank Maloney, SM, was a Marianist priest, to complete his bachelor's degree work, followed by four years at Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West in Norwood.

He was ordained at his home parish, St. Michael, by Bishop Edward Herrmann on June 13, 1976, and has been pastor at St. Mark since 2004. He previously was pastor at New Boston St. Monica and Wheelersburg St. Peter in Chains, serving at New Boston from 1988-92 and at both parishes from 1992 until being given his current assignment.

"I was familiar with the religious life from my early childhood because I had aunts, uncles, and cousins who were priests and sisters," he said. "Uncle Frank was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Columbus, then woke up one day (when the new diocese was created in 1945) to find himself a priest of the Diocese of Steubenville. He hurt his back and Bishop (John) Mussio of Steubenville got him a job at the (Pontifical College) Josephinum as a teacher, and from there, he became a Marianist."

Father Gideon said the strongest influence in his decision to become a priest came from the example set at St. Michael's by the Joliet Franciscan sisters who taught there and especially by Father John Byrne, pastor of the church from its founding in 1946 until his retirement 30 years later.

"Father Byrne was a cheerful older gentleman who inspired me by his whole personality and demeanor," he said. He also cited several of his teachers at St. Charles as influences, including Msgr. Thomas Bennett ("a profound example, spiritual and highly disciplined"), Msgr. Paul O'Dea, Father Charles Jackson, Msgr. Thomas Gallen, Msgr. John Wolf (all now deceased), Msgr. William Dunn, and Msgr. Geiger.

Father Gideon's first priestly assignment was at New Lexington St. Rose in 1976. "Father (now Msgr.) Mario (Serraglio) was pastor there at the time," he said. "He's a naturally cheerful priest and I learned much from him. He had a great way of encouraging people to take part in the Sacrament of Penance and was doing the current RCIA process long before many pastors had picked up on it."

After a year in New Lexington, Father Gideon was an associate at Lancaster St. Mary for four years, Newark St. Francis de Sales for five years, and Columbus St. Christopher for two years before becoming pastor in New Boston. At various times during those years, he also taught at Lancaster Fisher Catholic and Newark Catholic high schools and was a chaplain at The Ohio State University Hospital.

"I made a lot of good friends and spent a lot of time rehabilitating buildings" at New Boston and Wheelersburg, he said. "I also got several couples interested in Marriage Encounter who continue to be involved in the program, and am grateful that my encouragement helped Deacons Jim Sturgeon and Terry Acox (both of whom serve the two Scioto County parishes) in their studies.

"At St. Mark's, one of the things I'm most pleased about is that we've been able to perform several energy upgrades in the past nine years, so that this corner of creation can be as green or greener than it was before a church was built here. Msgr. (Robert) Noon has a great saying about that. He says 'I used to call St. Mark's the jewel of Fairfield County, but it's so green I now consider it the emerald of the county.'"

Father Gideon has been involved with Marriage Encounter since 1979 and said he tries to be part of three Marriage Encounter weekends within the diocese each year. He's also a consultant to the national Marriage Encounter board for the next two years. "I think marriage enrichment is something every parish and diocese needs," he said. "But I know not every priest is capable of doing that kind of work, so I try to give it as much time as I'm comfortable with."

He's also chaplain of Knights of Columbus Council 15447, which has 60 members and was established at St. Mark's last year as the city's second K of C council. He had remained a member of Lancaster Council 1016 at St. Mary Church through all his moves until then. The new council's recent activities installing a new pea gravel surface and making a number of other improvements at the former St. Mark School, now being leased by a school for autistic children.

Father Gideon's hobbies include woodworking and beekeeping. He said one led to the other when some beekeeping seminarians asked him to use his woodworking talents to build a hive. His biggest accomplishment as a woodworker came about 40 years ago when he built a 16-foot wooden fishing boat, which he used on occasion until it deteriorated during his first pastorate.

"I have 12 beehives at St. Mark," he said. "Most people are amazed when they see bee colonies at a church." He said he collected 100 pounds of honey last fall and 65 pounds this spring from the hives and donated them to the parish food pantry, but expects minimal results this year because of a syndrome called colony collapse disorder which is affecting hives worldwide.

"At one time about 20 years ago, I had 30 hives and collected 1,100 pounds of honey in the hives' best year," he said. "Back then, I sold it a pound at a time for maybe a dollar a pound. Now it's six dollars, going up to seven, making me wish I had the time to set up that many hives again."

Father Gideon also has completed the Columbus Marathon and the bicycle Tour of the Scioto River Valley seven times each. He says he's no longer a long-distance runner or cyclist, but still uses his bike and his running shoes for shorter excursions.

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## A Person of Privilege

The thought came suddenly: "I am a person of privilege." I don't know where it came from or why. I had just turned onto the Interstate 670 ramp driving to work. The day was beautiful. Sunny. Cool. But there it was. A reminder that most in the world do not share my position.

Thoughts kept spinning: I live in a place where roads are drivable. Our infrastructure could use a shot of public funds for upkeep, but, all in all, I'm usually able to drive where I need to go. And there's the matter of a car. I have one. Eleven years old, my little Civic keeps humming along. And I have a job that helps make ends meet.

I live in relative safety, not fearing that a bomb will go off in a parking lot or that a terrorist group will target a mall or movie theater nearby. It could happen, of course, but not as likely here as somewhere else on our troubled planet.

I'm white in a country still plagued with racism. In other categories, I fall in the "normal" range. I have an education, health care, a pleasant place to live, and food in my refrigerator. What percentage of the human race has so much? Sobering thoughts on a beautiful fall morning.

An article by Jim Wallis of Sojourners reflected on the message of love and service Pope Francis speaks with his words and actions. A quote from his homily during the Mass he celebrated at Lampedusa, Sicily, on July 8 spoke to my sense of privilege:

"The culture of comfort, which makes us think only

of ourselves, makes us insensitive to the cries of other people, makes us live in soap bubbles which, however lovely, are insubstantial. They offer a fleeting and empty illusion which results in indifference to others; indeed, it even leads to the globalization of indifference. In this globalized world, we have fallen into globalized indifference. We have become used to the suffering of others: it doesn't affect me; it doesn't concern me; it's none of my business!"

That's the thing about privilege. It's like Pope Francis' soap bubbles, separating those on the inside from those on the outside. Bubbles are invisible to those living within. Privilege is usually invisible, too. It's an accident of birth, something so ingrained that those who have it don't know they do.

That was me, that lovely morning, until a voice sounded within.

Then came the readings a couple of Sundays ago. The prophet Amos finds fault more with the complacency of those living in luxury than with the lifestyle itself. They were wrapped up in their own lives and didn't notice what was happening around them. Luke's gospel story strikes a similar theme. Maybe the rich man didn't notice Lazarus at his doorstep. If he did, the poor man's plight didn't concern him. Until, of course, they both died and Lazarus enjoyed the embrace of Abraham, while the rich man suffered the torments of hell.

What are people of privilege asked to do? First, we are called to notice. To become aware of our special place on this planet and realize this place is gift. To



**GRACE IN THE MOMENT**

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become aware of the suffering around us in our cities, our country, and across the oceans. What comes next, I don't know. It must be different for each of us. I heard a woman speak at a convention last month. She felt called to walk the streets of Chicago and eventually opened a home for prostitutes. Inspiring, but not for everyone.

Pope Francis responded to Father Spadaro's question "What does the church need most at this historic moment?" in this way in the pope's first official interview:

"I see clearly that the thing the church needs most today is the ability to heal wounds and to warm the hearts of the faithful; it needs nearness, proximity. I see the church as a field hospital after battle. It is useless to ask a seriously injured person if he has high cholesterol and about the level of his blood sugars! You have to heal his wounds. Then we can talk about everything else. Heal the wounds, heal the wounds . . . and you have to start from the ground up."

Nearness and proximity. Leave our bubbles and walk with others. That's what the woman in Chicago did. Then listen and have the courage to respond, trusting God to speak and to guide each of us along our way.

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## Thank You, Sister Karen

By Charlene Saunders Saul

I have very fond memories of my school years at St. Aloysius Academy in New Lexington. I started school in September 1948. I was five years old, and actually anxious to go to school. Blessings from God come in many forms. Mine for first grade was Sister Karen Allen, OSF. She was a petite nun with a friendly smile and a caring demeanor, and I fell in love with her right away.

Sister Karen was like a second mother who looked out for all our needs and primarily for our start on the path to education. She taught reading, writing, arithmetic, spelling, and catechism. She also taught us to have confidence in ourselves, always praising our achieve-

ments. When we needed a little extra help, she took the time to make sure we got it. As a result, I believe everyone in her class got off to an excellent start with not only the curriculum, but also a desire to learn.

I remember the extra steps she took to give us confidence in reading. She put together what resembled a stand microphone and let each student read in front of it. That made us anxious to read in front of our classmates, and taking our turn was a much anticipated event. She taught phonics and made sure we knew not only spelling and reading, but the different sounds of letter combinations.

While teaching arithmetic, she exhibited the patience of a saint. If a mistake

was made, she corrected us, and followed the correction with more explanation and direction. Making a mistake in her class was not looked upon as anything other than perhaps needing a little extra help.

Sister Karen was also my second-grade teacher. We were fortunate to have small classes, and once again, we all got whatever attention we needed to learn and excel. I remember my first holy Communion, and how careful she was to teach us all that was required of second graders who would be embracing the Holy Eucharist for the first time. Second grade was also our introduction to cursive writing. Once again, Sister Karen came through with all the help needed to form perfect letters. She

was very careful to instruct on the size, shape, and curvature of letters.

In those days, we were also graded on courtesy, deportment, attendance, obedience, and other characteristics that are formed in the primary stages of education. We learned discipline, how to obey rules, the consequences of being disobedient, and a deep respect for our teachers and fellow students.

It was not always all work and no play. We had art and music also. She let us be creative and taught us the primary colors and the correct way to use scissors, paste, and glue. She taught little songs that made us happy to sing and poems that we could happily recite.

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## MISSIONARIES FROM COLUMBUS SERVE IN BRAZIL AND BELIZE

Since the start of his papacy, Pope Francis has emphasized the Church's role of assisting those on the margins of society who have nowhere else to turn. In their work in Brazil and Belize, two women from Columbus who serve in religious orders as missionaries provide a daily example of this type of service.

Sister Rebecca Spires, SNDdeN, has worked with Indians in the Amazon rainforest in Brazil since 1970. Sister Beverly Hoffman, SCN, has been in Belize (the former British Honduras) in Central America since 2002 in a variety of roles. She currently is assisting



**Top: A typical home of the Karipuna people of Brazil, built on stilts. Bottom: Children in Belize on their First Communion day.** Photos/Sister Rebecca Spires, SNDdeN, and diocesan Missions Office

a team which plans to open a pediatric rehabilitation center early next year and is working as an advocate for the rights of disabled people.

"In the Amazon forest, I have regular contact with thousands of Brazilian Indians belonging to many different peoples, with different languages and customs. My mission is to serve these people as a bearer of the Gospel – the good news," Sister Rebecca said in an email message to the *Catholic Times*.

"When people are being pushed off the land where they were born, where their ancestors are buried, where their umbilical cord is buried, then good news means being able to stay on the land. When a project to build a mega dam in your territory comes along, good news is stopping it before the ecological disaster happens. Therefore, we bearers of good news stand by and with our people in defense of their land and water rights, their right to be taught in their own language, to practice their unique customs.

"Together with these indigenous peoples, we strive for a future which is good for all of us – Indians and others – and for all of God's creatures who live in Mother Nature's embrace. This aspect of mission is universal, to all and for all, no matter the religious belief or expression. It is not without conflict. But then Jesus told us about conflict a long time ago and dealt with it himself," Sister Rebecca said.



**Sister Beverly Hoffman, SCN, uses a special book to help children with disabilities in the Cebntral American nation of Belize in learning dressing skills.** Photo courtesy Sister Beverly Hoffman, SCN

In Belize, Sister Beverly's work with the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth has taken on many forms. She has been a physical therapist for a nongovernmental agency known as CARE Belize, acting director of the agency for a year, student, volunteer, researcher, and consultant. This May, she received a master's degree in adult education from St. Francis Xavier University in the Canadian province of Nova Scotia, completing all her requirements online.

"Most of my time currently is being spent on helping to get the rehabilitation center open next year," she wrote to the *Catholic Times*. "It will be known as The Inspiration Center and will be a first for Belize. It will provide social, recreational, and leisure activities for children who are disadvantaged and for children with disabilities. Specialized therapy (physical, occupational, and speech, as well as medical interventions) will also be available at the center."

Her physical therapy work involves many children with disabilities. She said one of her most helpful tools in that work is an interactive book that allows a child to practice dressing skills such as buttoning buttons, closing and opening zippers, fastening belts, and tying shoelaces.

On Dec. 3 last year, she was part of a parade and a rally in Belize City, the capital of Belize, for International Disabilities Day. "I work with the only disabled persons organization that advocates for the rights of persons with disabilities here in Belize," she said. "This group is made up of adults who run their own nongovernmental organization to champion the

rights of the disabled.

"Overall, I have enjoyed my ministry in Belize and my service to the people of God who have disabilities and are on the margins of society in regards to inclusion and basic rights. I have received

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## HOLY ROSARY INDIAN MISSION

**By Father Bob Goodyear, ST**

Holy Rosary Indian Mission was founded in 1884. The Choctaw Indians had been removed to Oklahoma on the Trail of Tears, but some had remained. They were mostly unseen, working as sharecroppers or struggling to make a living.

Father B.J. Bekkers arrived from Belgium and began the mission, which was the first of three mission churches established in central Mississippi to serve the Choctaws.

In 1927, the federal government recognized those who remained behind as the "Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians." The Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, who were founded in the same year the tribe was officially recognized, came to Holy Rosary Indian Mission in 1944.

The Missionary Servants work by preference with those who are poor and abandoned. The Choctaw people are both. I have worked on the Choctaw reservation for 22 years. The work is both exciting and exhausting. On some days, the poverty and problems



**Candidates for princess at the annual fair on the Choctaw Indian reservation in central Mississippi, where Father Bob Goodyear, ST, of the Columbus area has worked for 22 years.**

the Choctaws face are overwhelming, but there are also days when they are inspiring and hope endures.

Once each year in the middle of the hot Mississippi summer, the seven reservation communities that are spread out in four rural Mississippi counties gather for the Choctaw Indian Fair. They come to dance the traditional tribal dances that speak of their history and their close relationship with Mother Earth.

The colorful Choctaw dresses and shirts are decorated with x's and o's, the symbol of stickball, the brutal game unique to the Choctaws. The diamonds that decorate traditional Choctaw dress represent the diamondback rattlesnake. One of the Choctaw dances is the "snake dance," representing the role the snake has played in their lives.

You may have seen Native American

dances in movies or television. The dances of the western tribes are loud and fast. Choctaw dances are not like that. They do not jump or stomp on the ground, for the earth is their mother and they tread respectfully on her.

Weeks before the Choctaw Fair, the stickball tournament begins, as each community vies for the title of world stickball champions. The game is very physical and only for the brave of heart. Each team has 30 players armed with two "stickball sticks" that are similar to lacrosse sticks, only smaller.

The goal is to capture a leather ball the size of a golf ball in the sticks, run down the field, and throw the ball so it hits a 4x4 pole. While you are trying to do that, the 30 players on the other team are trying to stop you by any means.

The game is played with no protection and often in bare feet. The game is so



**Stickball, an extremely physical game unique to the Choctaws.** Photos by Father Bob Goodyear, ST



violent that the Choctaws call it "the little brother of war." In earlier times, only Choctaw warriors played stickball, but today, children and Choctaw women also play.

The Choctaws are known for their beadwork and basket weaving. During the Choctaw Fair, Choctaws exhibit and sell their crafts and show off their skills. Also during the fair, the tribe chooses the young woman who will serve as the Choctaw princess for the next year. It is a great honor. This year, three of the candidates were from the three reservation churches.

Lanena John (pictured above) was chosen as princess. You can see the traditional Choctaw basket she is carrying and the beautiful beadwork adorning her Choctaw dress.

As I watched the tribal dances, I smiled, seeing very small children dancing with their elders and learning the dances that will teach them who they are. As I walked around, I noticed so many young children with stickball sticks sticking out of their backpacks.

The Choctaws cherish their history and culture. They are one of a very few Native American tribes who speak their

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## HELPING THE MISSIONS IS OUR MISSION FROM GOD

**By Leandro M. Tapay/Diocesan Mission Director**

The Diocese of Columbus has nine missionaries working in nine nations of the world and has four missionaries working in mission areas in the United States designated as home missions by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

They are our friends and neighbors, people who went to school with us and celebrated the Holy Eucharist with us. We have sent them out to do God's work on our behalf.

It takes a special person to be a missionary. Not all of us are cut out for the calling to missionary work. But we are all called to help in the support of missionary work.

Why this emphasis on spreading the faith? Were it not for the dedication of the early apostles and their successors, the faith would never have spread beyond Galilee and the Church would never have developed and guided the growth of Western civilization.

Because of the work of missionaries, these modern apostles, the Church is strong and growing rapidly in South America, Africa, and Asia. Vocations to the priesthood and religious life are soaring in the Third World. That is because of the work of mis-

sionaries. Mission is the future of the Church, and helping the missions is our mission from God.

*Here is a list of missionaries from our diocese spreading the Gospel even to the ends of the earth on our behalf.*

- Brother Michael Cochran, SM, Kenya
- Sister Beverly Hoffman, SCN, Belize
- Sister Susan Leslie, OP, Peru
- Sister Doris Regan, OP, Honduras
- Brother Raymond Ronan, OFM Cap, Papua New Guinea
- Father Robert Schmidt, SJ, India
- Sister Rebecca Spires, SNDdeN, Brazil
- Father Richard Stout, CSC, Uganda
- Father Terence Tobin, OFM Conv, Zambia
- Father David Glockner, Charleston, W. Va. – Glenmary Home Missions
- Father Robert Goodyear, ST, Philadelphia, Miss. – Home Missions
- Brother David Henley, Cincinnati – Glenmary Home Missions
- Sister Maria Giovanni Paolo Orsini, SOLT, Seattle – Home Missions



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and learned so much from the people I have been in ministry with. I am grateful for the many opportunities and blessings my work as a missionary in Belize has given me over the years.”

Perhaps the most quoted statement by Pope Francis to date was his remark that priests should be “shepherds living with the smell of the sheep” – that is, they should be close to the people. Sister Rebecca said that’s what she has tried to do throughout her 43 years in the Amazon with the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

“Jesus’ message is for all peoples, for all cultures,” she said. “It must find its expression in each culture, as Paul VI explains so well in *Evangelii Nuntiandi*. In this process, the people have to be the protagonists. We are the servants, the helpers. To be effective, we must learn the culture of the people, we must listen – listen to their words and especially to their hearts.

“Sharing simple daily tasks such as peeling manioc roots or washing clothes, just sitting around chatting, or the more formal moments of ritual dance and chant, or participating in the xaman’s curing ritual are oppor-

tunities to absorb the people’s way of perceiving the world and knowing and experiencing God. This is extremely important in order to share the Gospel on their terms – as Jesus did, as St. Paul exhorts in his letters. Inculturation is an ongoing process of mutuality. Sharing the faith with those who are so different expands the soul, presents new God experiences, broadens vision, deepens prayer.

“It is also extremely important that the people carry this process forward with their own religious leaders, that they become their own missionaries. To that end, we are presently engaged in a course of formation for indigenous apostles and missionaries. Since there are so many groups in places of difficult access, we do it in modules. We visit a group, present the subject and materials and leave them to work it through for the next three months, then go back for revision and presenting a new subject.

“Before beginning the course, each participant had been a disciple, which included a half-hour of personal prayer daily and a weekly meeting with other disciples. Now as apostles and missionaries, they add an hour of study daily. There is great enthusiasm and effort. Some who take the course cannot read, so they do their assignments with their spouse or children.”

Sister Rebecca said that although she is in her fifth decade as a missionary, she has never forgotten her local roots and still catches her breath at the beauty of the Hocking Hills whenever she comes back to Ohio.

In expressing her gratitude to the people of the Diocese of Columbus for their continued support, she said, “You are my home diocese. My missionary vocation was born in Columbus St. Leo Church. I humbly ask you to continue to pray for me and for the wonderful people I serve in mission.”

**Top: Adults serve the children during the Feast of the Holy Spirit between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost among the Karipuna people of Brazil.**

**Center: A missionary priest and children celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Belize.**

**Bottom: Children of the Tembe people of Brazil and their parents at a Mass in their chapel, dedicated in honor of St. Francis of Assisi.** Photos courtesy Sister Rebecca Spires, SNDdeN (top, bottom) and diocesan Missions Office



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traditional language, with English as a second language. One tribal elder once told me, “Our language is one thing that could not take from us.” For four days, there is a spirit of pride and joy that fills every tribal member, but then the fair is over until next year and reservation life goes back to the way it is.

The Catholic Church has played an important role in the lives of the Choctaw Indians. We serve as advocates as they try to deal with the world outside the reservation. The church is a sacred place, a safe place, a place where they are important, a place that offers them hope of a better future.

Holy Rosary is a mission – actually, three missions – and it depends on donations from outside for more than half the money it needs to be here and minister among the Choctaws. Twenty to 30 times a day, families come to the church, needing help to buy food or pay utility bills, gas to go to the hospital, or school supplies. It often surprises Choctaws that people who are not Choctaw care enough to help them.



**STUDENTS DONATE TO “BABY SHOWER”**

Lancaster St. Bernadette School students helped organize the donation of “baby shower” gifts to the Lancaster Pregnancy Decision Health Center. The PDHC provides life-affirming choices for women in unplanned pregnancies. The school completed the mock baby shower service project as part of its Catholic Schools Week celebration. Students donated diapers, wipes, baby toiletries, and gently used infant and maternity clothing.

Photo courtesy St. Bernadette School

**Part-Time Youth Ministry Coordinator**

St. Joseph Church in Dover Ohio is currently accepting resumes for a part-time Coordinator of Youth Ministry position for students grades nine through twelve and an introductory program for students grades six through eight.

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With more than 800 students from grades five through eight from seven partner schools in attendance, the Catholic Schools Week liturgy and celebration at Bishop Ready High School provided a glimpse into the future of Catholic education.

Bishop Frederick Campbell was the celebrant, assisted by six priests from Ready’s feeder parishes – Msgr. John Cody of Columbus St. Christopher and Fathers Leo Connolly of Columbus St. Cecilia, Daniel Millisor of Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Robert Penhallurick of Hilliard St. Brendan, Patrick Toner of Plain City St. Joseph, and Eduardo Velasquez, MSP, of Columbus St. Stephen.

Before celebrating the liturgy, Bishop Campbell presided over the dedication of the Robert and Suzanne Wehinger Peace Courtyard, an outside area for seniors and faculty that is dedicated to quiet contemplation and meditation. The center of the area is a peace rock inscribed with words from St. Francis of

Assisi. The surrounding area has been landscaped and fitted with benches to allow for quiet time in the equivalent of an outdoor “chapel.”

The courtyard was a gift from Mark and Michael Wehinger, owners of Environmental Management, Inc. of Columbus and friends of the school, to honor their parents. Their father, Robert, is deceased and their mother, Suzanne, is a retired Catholic elementary school principal and current organist at Columbus St. Thomas Church.

After consulting with Ready principal Celene Seamen, the brothers determined that the best way to honor their parents was to provide a tranquil outdoor spot for the Ready community -- a peaceful place amid a busy urban neighborhood.

**Photo: Wehinger family members pictured with Bishop Campbell at the dedication are (from left): Michael’s family – Joe (son), Michael (husband), Beth (daughter), and Margaret (wife); Suzanne; and Mark and his wife, Patti.**

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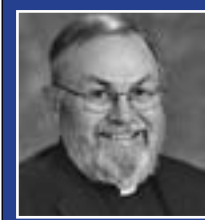
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## Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle C)

## A story of healing, thanksgiving, and some confusion



Father  
Lawrence L. Hummer

**2 Kings 5:14-17**  
**2 Timothy 2:8-13**  
**Luke 17:11-19**

Naaman was a Syrian general who developed a skin disease which was called leprosy. It would not have been “Hansen’s disease,” which is what we commonly think of leprosy today. His slave girl, a Hebrew, had told him he could be cured by a man of God in Israel, who turns out to be Elisha.

He is at first reluctant to wash in the Jordan River, which didn’t compare with rivers he knew of back in Syria. His servants convinced him it’s worth a try. This is where Sunday’s reading picks up. Naaman’s reaction is one of thankfulness for his cleansing, so he returns to Elisha to give him a gift. Elisha refuses to take it, but never says why.

Naaman then asks for two mule loads of dirt to take back with him to Syria in order to celebrate the presence of the Lord, the God of Israel, by having some of its land with him at all times. Naaman from then on would offer sacrifice only to Israel’s God, the Lord. And to do it right, he had to have the soil of the land with him.

I once did a Bible study at Columbus Immaculate Conception Church when the late Father Jim Smith (May he rest in peace!) was the pastor there. This vignette from 2 Kings had become part of the discussion. In thanking me for the study, he gave me a jar of dirt to take back with me to Millersburg, so I would never forget my home parish and the grace it brought to me. It was the same kind of holy ground which Naaman sought to take back with him to Syria.

#### SISTER KAREN, *continued from Page 9*

Imagine my delight when I discovered that Sister Karen was alive and well, living at Stella Niagara in New York. I wrote to her, wondering if she would remember a student from so long ago. I enclosed an old grade-school picture, hoping it would jog her memory. She wrote back that she did indeed remember me, and invited me to come for a visit.

With the accompaniment of a very good friend, I made the trip to New York in August. I discovered that Sister Karen is still a vibrant person and a doer. She assists the other sisters whose health isn’t as good as hers. She tends to a lot of the landscape at the facility. She helps with the upkeep of the cemetery, which is quite a distance from her residence. When I asked her how she got out there, she told me she drove a golf

cart. That response made me chuckle, but I was not the least bit surprised. She gave us a tour of the sisters’ beautiful chapel, school, and home. She also disclosed that my class was her first right out of college. We ate lunch with her and the other sisters. There was a lot of reminiscing to do over a very tasty lunch. We had a wonderful visit, and I was able to say “thank you” in person to a woman who holds my highest esteem.

There is no way I could ever repay Sister Karen for all she did to start me in the right direction. I am sure that many others feel the same about their first-grade teacher. But I would argue with them that Sister Karen was best of the best!

God bless you, Sister Karen. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

It is solely the theme of leprosy which joins the first reading with the Gospel, which mentions **ten** lepers. Because they had been excluded from the city, they “kept their distance” from Jesus. There is every indication that Jesus kept his distance from them, too (as Elisha had done with Naaman!). His response is curt: “Go show yourselves to the priests.” Leviticus 13 and 14 deal with all kinds of skin diseases. It was left to the priest to determine when a person was rid of the disease. Only Luke records this incident, so we have nothing to compare it with. This has led some commentators to question its veracity. Not all scholars share this view. Some think it is an embellished version of Mark 1:40-45.

One curious detail mentions that the entourage was passing between Galilee and Samaria. Since the end of chapter nine, they have been in Samaria, intent on reaching Jerusalem. So either they were meandering about or Luke’s geography is fouled up. Nor does the story focus on the cleansing.

The punch line comes when all ten are made clean, but only one (a Samaritan!) returns to give thanks. Many authors think the others who were cleansed were “Jews,” so that the contrast with the grateful Samaritan and the “ungrateful” others is pronounced. The problem with that is that the text only identifies the Samaritan. The other nine could just as easily have been other Samaritans.

It is also curious that Jesus does nothing overtly to effect their cleansing, although he does mention the Samaritan’s faith, which he says has saved him. The fact that all ten were cleansed, with only one of them believing, adds more confusion to an already confusing story. So we don’t know where this took place, or who the ten were, or whether they all had faith, or why and how all ten were cleansed. Other than that, preachers of the Word should have a field day.

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

## The Weekday Bible Readings

MONDAY  
Romans 1:1-7  
Psalm 98:1-4  
Luke 11:29-32

TUESDAY  
Romans 1:16-25  
Psalm 19:2-5  
Luke 11:37-41

WEDNESDAY  
Romans 2:1-11  
Psalm 62:2-3,6-7,9  
Luke 11:42-46

THURSDAY  
Romans 3:21-30  
Psalm 130:1-6  
Luke 11:47-54

FRIDAY  
2 Timothy 4:10-17b  
Psalm 145:10-13ab,17-18  
Luke 10:1-9

SATURDAY  
Romans 4:13,16-18  
Psalm 105:6-9,42-43  
Luke 12:8-12

#### DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEK OF OCTOBER 13, 2013

**SUNDAY MASS**  
10:30 a.m. Mass from Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral on St. Gabriel Radio (820 AM), Columbus, and at [www.stgabrielradio.com](http://www.stgabrielradio.com).  
Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7:30 a.m. on WWHO-TV (the CW), Channel 53, Columbus. Check local cable system for WWHO’s cable channel listing.  
Mass from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Birmingham, Ala., at 8 a.m. on EWTN (Time Warner Channel 385, Insight Channel 382, or WOW Channel 378)  
(Encores at noon, 7 p.m., and midnight).  
Mass from Kenton Immaculate Conception Church at 10 a.m. on Time Warner Cable Channel 6 (Hardin County).  
Mass from Portsmouth St. Mary Church at noon on Time Warner Channel 24 in Scioto County.

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

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

## October: A Month of Signs and Wonders

October is a month of signs and wonders. We have many saints and miracle workers, such as St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Teresa of Avila, and St. Francis of Assisi, whose feast days are celebrated in October. In addition, we also recall the miraculous events surrounding the feast days of Our Lady of Victory and Our Lady of Fatima. Jesus told us that we must recognize the signs and symbols around us, but how many of us are too busy to notice because we are too busy with “the things of this world?”

Pope Francis is keeping us all on our toes with his thought-provoking comments, including one in which he talked about Catholic mystics. The Holy Father said, “Religion without mysticism is simply philosophy.” Too many people in our modern world want quick and simple answers. The signs and wonders God has given us through the many holy and mystical men and women he has given us through the centuries should be a cause for joy. However, too many people in our modern world recoil at mystery and sacrifice; they want it now. This is not how God works.

Love and truth is something we all have to work on. Any successful business, sports team, theatrical production, etc., requires lots of hard work and research. The same goes for faith, though we must add one very important ingredient -- prayer. For some people, prayer is very hard because it involves humility. In prayer, we admit who we really are and ask for God’s help. Sadly, this is too much, for some because



THE TIDE IS TURNING  
TOWARD CATHOLICISM  
David Hartline

it would strip away the facade they have created for themselves.

A story is told of a priest who helped a couple through a dreadful time. The husband had engaged in all sorts of immoral activities and the wife had just about had it. Fortunately, the husband became a changed man, not only living a morally upright life but also becoming less preoccupied with the things of this world.

The wife, on the other hand, grateful that her husband wasn’t embarrassing the family with his behavior resumed her busy lifestyle. A few years later, she again became distraught after her now 20-something daughters rarely spent any time with her. She was told by her daughters that while their father had become a changed man and a person of many interests, she had become just a busy person with very little personality or time. The daughters told her that the lights were on, but nobody was home.

The husband had stripped away the facade, and he began to realize the horrible person he really was. He

certainly was not the man God had intended him to be. However, the wife had not stripped away her facade. She continued to be busy with the things of this world, and, though it kept her occupied with many activities, it still made her very shallow. Her daughters could see this, but she refused to do so.

We probably know many people similar to the husband and wife mentioned above. Perhaps we are one of them. However, God always gives us opportunities to change. Sometimes he does so through the mystical experiences of saints and holy people whose hard life is something we couldn’t handle for a day, let alone years. Perhaps we could better acquaint ourselves with some of those mystical people from the Bible and our rich Catholic history and Tradition. It certainly would be beneficial for us to read about the saints of the Church, especially those mystical ones that seem so prominent in October. Also, this weekend Pope Francis will officially consecrate his papacy to Our Lady of Fatima. We might want to familiarize ourselves with the miraculous events that happened in Fatima, Portugal, from May to October 1917 -- less than 100 years ago.

As Jesus reminded us, we should be careful to pay attention to the signs and wonders around us, for we know not which day will be our last.

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## Our Lady of Perpetual Help Celebrates Catholic Schools Week

Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help School brought the heroic virtues to life during Catholic Schools Week, from Sept. 23-27, with activities including building a rain garden, planting trees, a movie and theater show, Mass with Bishop Frederick Campbell, and class collages.

Fr. Jack Collins, CSP, a Paulist priest from New York City, led a parish mission during the same week, offering a series of reflections on how people can draw closer to God in everyday life and can discover how personal and communal stories reflect the story of Jesus. “It was pure grace that the parish mission converged with Catholic Schools Week, as Father Jack was able to spend some time directing mini-retreats for school faculty and staff,” said Father Dan Millisor, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church pastor.

At the same time, students in fifth through eighth grade participated in a Heroic Virtues retreat facilitated by parish youth ministry, family life, and adult faith formation director Karen Cook and Life Teen youth minister Maggie Weeks. They were assisted by 20 parent volunteers with presentations on the cardinal virtues of prudence, temperance, fortitude, and justice, and the theo-

logical virtues of faith, hope, and love.

Fifth- through eighth-grade students attended Mass with Bishop Campbell at Columbus Bishop Ready High School, while students in kindergarten through fourth grade attended a mini-retreat under the guidance of parish religious education director Camille Kopczewski.

As part of a stewardship project, all students participated in collection of food for the Mid-Ohio Foodbank and collected tooth brushes and paste for the Smiles program.

A new rain garden was installed during the week, with students working with Sara Ernst of the Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District and Grove City environmental specialist Linda Rosine to study the benefits of capturing rain runoff in ecologically sound ways. Further exploration of erosion, pollution, and other environmental impacts was led by the school’s science department, a winner of the Governor’s Thomas Edison Award.

Trees were planted throughout campus by the school’s landscape committee and funded by Saints Night Out, the school’s annual fund raising dinner and auction.



### Sportsmanship award

The Ohio High School Athletic Association has announced that Columbus Bishop Watterson High School is one of 16 schools statewide to receive its Harold A. Meyer Award. The award, named for a former OHSAA commissioner and presented every year since 1992, is presented to schools that demonstrate sportsmanship, ethics, and integrity through completion of a multifaceted program. The program includes development campaigns to nurture those values in a school’s student body, student-athletes, coaches, parents, fans, and public address announcers. Watterson has received the honor every year since 2004. Pictured are (from left) Watterson senior and boys basketball manager RJ Boehman, junior softball player Katherine Manahan, principal Marian Hutson, and athletic director Mike Roark. Photo courtesy Bishop Watterson High School



# Pray for our dead

**ARMSTRONG, Robert L., 70, Oct. 3**  
St. Michael Church, Worthington

**AXE, Gordon, 86, Oct. 2**  
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

**BERRIDGE, John A., 85, Oct. 2**  
St. Mary Church, Marion

**BRANUM, Madeleine S., 71, Sept. 28**  
St. Mary Church, Waverly

**BROWN, William C., 83, Sept. 30**  
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

**COLASURD, Christopher P., 55, Oct. 4**  
St. Timothy Church, Columbus

**COOPER, Paul J., 86, Sept. 27**  
St. Vincent de Paul Church, Mount Vernon

**CURRY, Edna P., 95, Sept. 23**  
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

**DOERSAM, Henry F., 80, formerly of Columbus, Sept. 26**  
St. Angela Merici Church, Fairview Park

**ESSELSTEIN, Mary F., 96, Oct. 5**  
St. Matthias Church, Columbus

**FOWLER, Viva R., 95, Oct. 3**  
St. Francis of Assisi Church, Columbus

**FULLWILER, Hildred, 88, of Hilliard, Sept. 30**  
St. Benignus Church, Greenfield

**GARABIS, Maureen D., 65, Oct. 1**  
St. Agatha Church, Columbus

**JONES, Glenn, 83, Sept. 30**  
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

**KELLEHER, Kevin M., 64, Oct. 3**  
St. Mary Church, Marion

**KLEINMAN, Martha J., Oct. 7**  
St. John the Baptist Church, Columbus

**KUSKOWSKI, Lawrence V."Bud," 78, Sept. 30**  
St. Elizabeth Church, Columbus

**MANGIA, Salvatore J. "Ted," 87, Oct. 6**  
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

**McCABE, Charles P., 93, Oct. 2**  
St. Michael Church, Worthington

**McDOWELL, Patricia A., 87, Sept. 30**  
St. Peter Church, Columbus

**MORAN, John, 87, Sept. 21**  
Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

**NOVAK, John F., 67, Sept. 26**  
St. Vincent de Paul Church, Mount Vernon

**O'BRIEN, Maureen, 77, Sept. 28**  
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

**OWENS, Dave, 64, Oct. 6**  
St. Joseph Cathedral, Columbus

**PRIDDLE, Nancy A., 81, formerly of Columbus, Oct. 2**  
St. John Church, Summersville, S.C.

**REID, Jerry T., 78, Oct. 3**  
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

**TAKACS, Robert S., 87, Oct. 6**  
St. Paul Church, Westerville

**TAYLOR, Frank L., 82, Sept. 15**  
St. Rose Church, New Lexington

**TINDALL, Donald, 75, Sept. 11**  
St. Vincent de Paul Church, Mount Vernon

**VOLPE, Evaldo C., 82, Sept. 30**  
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

**WADE, Richard T., 81, Oct. 3**  
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

## Sister Wilhelmina Frohnapfel, OP

Funeral Mass for Sister Wilhelmina Frohnapfel, OP, 94, who died Sunday, Oct. 6, was held Tuesday, Oct. 8, at the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

She was born Sept. 11, 1919, in St. Joseph, W.Va., to the late Henry and Katherine (Haid) Frohnapfel.

She earned a bachelor of science degree in health education from the College of St. Mary of the Springs (now Ohio Dominican University) and a master of science degree from The Ohio State University. She entered the novitiate of the former Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs in Columbus in 1937 and made her profession of vows in 1939.

All of her teaching years were spent in the Diocese of Columbus at Lancaster St. Mary Elementary School

and High School (1939-44, 1962-65), Newark St. Francis de Sales High School (1944-49, 1956-58), Zanesville St. Thomas Aquinas High School (1949-51), Somerset Holy Trinity High School (1951-56), and Newark Catholic High School (1958-62).

She served as food service director of the diocesan Department of Education from 1965-92, receiving commendations from President George H.W. Bush, Gov. Richard Celeste, and Bishop James Griffin for her work. She also served her congregation as general treasurer (1974-83) and coordinator of health insurance (1992-1999). She was a resident volunteer at the Motherhouse before entering the Mohun Health Care Center in Columbus in 2006.

She is survived by a sister, Sister Agnes Imelda Frohnapfel, OP.

Correction: A picture caption in the Sept. 29 Catholic Times listed an incorrect first name for Ryan Meder, a National Merit Scholarship semifinalist from Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School.

## Simone E. Burnett

Funeral Mass for Simone E. Burnett, 88, who died Monday, Sept. 30, was held Friday, Oct. 4, at Columbus St. Elizabeth Church.

She was born April 28, 1925, in Lorain to Howard and Mavis (Farrell) Burnett.

After graduating from Bellevue High School, she moved to Columbus, where she was a lab technician at St. Francis Hospital and graduated with a bachelor of science degree in education from St.

Mary of the Springs College (now Ohio Dominican University).

She began her teaching career in 1953 at Columbus Holy Spirit School, and for the next 37 years taught at Catholic schools in Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Michigan, retiring in 1990 after 16 years at Columbus St. Catharine School.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Edward. Survivors include two nephews.

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**THROUGH NOV. 3, SUNDAY**  
40 Days for Life  
7 a.m. to 7 p.m., sidewalk in front of Founder's Center, 1243 E. Broad St., Columbus. 40 Days for Life campaign of daily vigils. Individuals may sign up for one- or two-hour shifts. Churches, schools, and other organizations may select one day in which their representatives will cover all shifts. 614-445-8508

**10, THURSDAY**  
Ohio Dominican Spirituality Series  
3:30 to 5 p.m., Sansbury Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Spirituality Series lecture on "Spirituality Only on Sunday: Is That All There Is?" with Sister Louis Mary Passeri, OP. 614-251-4722  
**'Catholicism' Series at St. Pius X**  
7 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. "New Expressions," Part 3 of Father Robert Barron's "Catholicism: The New Evangelization" series. 614-866-2859

**12, SATURDAY**  
DCCW Convention at Chillicothe St. Mary  
St. Mary Church, 61 S. Paint St., Chillicothe. 68th annual Diocesan Council of Catholic Women convention, with Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrating Mass at 10:30 a.m. 614-228-8601

**Sacred Heart Congress at St. Andrew**  
8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., St. Andrew Church, 1899 McCoy Road, Columbus. Second annual Sacred Heart Congress sponsored by Columbus Catholic Men's and Catholic Women's conferences. Speakers: Sister Margaret Mary, OSF, of the Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration; Msgr. Eugene Morris of the Pontifical College Josephinum; and Father Stash Dailey, Columbus diocesan priest.

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

**Catholic Social Services Service Saturday**  
9 a.m., St. Margaret of Cortona Church, 1600 N. Hague Ave., Columbus. Service Saturday, sponsored by Catholic Social Services. Volunteers will help older adults and disabled individuals in Franklin County who need assistance with home repairs, painting, yardwork or other projects. 614-857-1238

**DeSales Dance and Majorette Camp**  
9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. Francis DeSales High School, 4212

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at Holy Cross**  
7:30 p.m., Holy Cross Church, 204 S. 5th St., Columbus. Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help with Father Ramon Ower, CFIC. 614-531-3682

**10-12, THURSDAY-SATURDAY**  
**Three Bags Full Consignment Sale**  
9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Delaware County Fairgrounds, 236 Pennsylvania Ave., Delaware. Three Bags Full consignment sale of children's items, benefiting Catholic and pro-life charities including JOIN, Joseph's Coat clothing ministry, and Knights of Columbus. 614-561-5300

**11, FRIDAY**  
**Bishop Campbell Blesses Statue at St. Ann's Hospital**  
6:30 p.m., Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital, 500 S. Cleveland Ave., Westerville. Bishop Frederick Campbell blesses statue of St. Ann and the Virgin Mary at hospital's new main entrance.  
**Tajci Concert at Christ the King**  
7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus. "Let It Be -- Mary," a concert with internationally known Christian singer Tajci Cameron and her husband, Matthew. 513-374-4524

**11-13, FRIDAY-SUNDAY**  
Columbus Italian Festival at St. John the Baptist  
5 to 11 p.m. Friday, noon to 11 p.m. Saturday, noon to 8 p.m. Sunday, St. John the Baptist Church, 720 Hamlet St., Columbus. Annual Columbus Italian Festival, featuring live entertainment, Italian food, children's area, rides, and Sunday parade. 614-294-5319  
**Women's Charismatic Retreat at St. Therese's**  
St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. 27th annual retreat sponsored by Columbus Catholic Charismatic Renewal, directed by Sister Mary Ann Schnaezer, SSND. 614-237-7080

Karl Road, Columbus. Dance and majorette camp for girls in kindergarten through eighth grade, sponsored by DeSales dance team. 614-267-7808 or 614-325-8551  
**Bishop Watterson Eagle Auction**  
6 p.m., South addition, Bishop Watterson High School, 99 E. Cooke Road, Columbus. 20th annual Eagle Auction, featuring music, dancing, food, and live and silent bidding. 614-268-8671  
**DeSales Class of 1988 Reunion**  
6 p.m. to midnight. Brazenhead Pub, 1027 W. 5th Ave., Columbus. Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School Class of 1988 25th anniversary reunion. Contact Julie Barber at barber@desales.co.  
**DeSales Class of 1993 Reunion**  
7 p.m., Gordy's, 6150 S. Sunbury Road, Westerville. Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School Class of 1993 20th anniversary reunion. 614-313-7135

**13, SUNDAY**  
**St. Christopher Adult Religious Education**  
10 to 11:15 a.m., St. Christopher Parish Center, 1420 Grandview Ave., Columbus. Deacon Gregg Eiden speaks on "Justification and Salvation." 614-488-1971  
**Dedication of Monument to the Unborn in Circleville**  
1 p.m., St. Joseph Cemetery, 1151 N. Court St., Columbus. Dedication of monument to the unborn victims of abortion, sponsored by parish Respect for Life Group, followed by Stations of the Cross. 740-477-2549  
**'Catholicism' Series at St. Pius X**  
1:30 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Part 1 of Father Robert Barron's "Catholicism: The New Evangelization" series. 614-866-2859

**Family Rosary Day at Christ the King**  
3 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus. Annual diocesan Family Rosary Day, with homilist Father W. Becket Soule, OP, Pontifical College Josephinum theology professor, and Bishop Frederick Campbell presiding at Benediction.  
**Holy Rosary-St. John Gospel Choir Concert**  
5 p.m., Holy Rosary-St. John Church, 660 S. Ohio Ave., Columbus. "Souled Out! An Evening of Music and Praise" with parish Gospel choir, youth choir, and praise dancers. 614-252-5926, extension 7

**Prayer Group Meeting at Christ the King**  
5 to 7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston Ave., Columbus (enter at daily Mass entrance). Weekly parish prayer group meets for praise, worship, ministry, and teaching. 614-886-8266  
**Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter**  
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. 706-761-4054

**14, MONDAY**  
**Calix Society Meeting at Columbus St. Patrick**  
6:30 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Monthly meeting of the Calix Society, an association of Catholic alcoholics. Business meeting followed by 7 p.m. Mass. 614-406-2939  
**Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry**  
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. 614-459-2766

**15, 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 Nick Droell, parochial vicar, Columbus St. Andrew Church. Reservations required.  
**Rosary for Life at St. Joan of Arc**  
Following 6:15 p.m. Mass, St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Recital of Rosary for Life, sponsored by church's respect life committee.  
**Prayer Group Meeting at St. Mark**  
7:30 p.m., St. Raymond Room, St. Mark Center, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Light of Life Prayer Group meeting. 740-653-4919

**16, WEDNESDAY**  
**Christ Child Society Red Wagon Fare**  
Noon, Villa Milano, 1630 Schrock Road, Columbus. Christ Child Society of Columbus annual Red Wagon Fare luncheon and style show, with boutique open at 9:30 a.m. featuring local vendors. Contact Andrea Walton at andrea42361@sbglobal.net.  
**Shepherd's Corner 'Reconnect with Earth' Study Group**  
7 to 8:30 p.m., Shepherd's Corner, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Meeting of "Reconnect with Earth" study group, exploring how values and beliefs affect the way we treat the earth. 614-866-4302  
**Vatican II Lecture at Josephinum**  
7 p.m., Jessing Center, Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 N. High St., Columbus. Lecture with Father Jared Wicks, SJ, scholar in residence, on "Vatican II's Turn in 1963: Toward Renewing Catholic Ecclesiology and Validating Catholic Ecumenical Engagement." 614-985-2274

**17, THURSDAY**  
**Maturing Spirituality Series at de Porres Center**  
2 to 3:30 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. "Ten Practices for the Spiritual Journey of Aging" with the Rev. Nancy Gordon, director of California Lutheran Homes Center for Spirituality. Begins with 30-minute webinar, followed by small-group discussion. 614-416-1910

**Ohio Dominican Spirituality Series**  
3:30 to 5 p.m., Sansbury Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Spirituality Series lecture on "Dominican Spirituality: How Is It Unique?" with Jay Jackson, ODU theology professor. 614-251-4722  
**'Catholicism' Series at St. Pius X**  
7 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. "New Expressions II," Part 4 of Father Robert Barron's "Catholicism: The New Evangelization" series. 614-866-2859

**Vatican II Talk at Delaware St. Mary**  
7 p.m., St. Mary Church, 82 E. William St., Delaware. First of four talks by teacher and author Jake Tawney on the documents of Vatican II. Subject: "The Word of God." 740-363-4641  
**Year of Faith Speaker at Cols. Immaculate Conception**  
7 p.m., Marian Hall, Immaculate Conception Church, 414 E. North Broadway, Columbus. Talk on "Vatican II and the Signs of the Times in 2013" with University of Notre Dame theology and social concerns professor Dr. Margaret Pfeil. 614-267-9241





# IT'S ALL ABOUT MARY

It started with the gift of a single book in 1943. In the 70 years since, the University of Dayton's Marian Library/International Marian Research Institute (IMRI) has grown into the world's largest repository of books and artifacts devoted to Mary, the mother of Christ, and a pontifical center of research and scholarship with a vast presence in cyberspace. The Marian Library will commemorate that anniversary with an exhibit celebrating the library's past, present, and future. "It's All about Mary" includes three exhibits and will be on display from Friday, Oct. 18 to Friday, Nov. 15 on the first, second, and seventh floors of the university's Roesch Library. The exhibits on the first and second floors are open when the library is open; for hours, call (937) 229-4221. Marian Library gallery hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through

## EXHIBIT



Friday, and Saturday and Sunday by appointment by calling (937) 229-4214. "The Marian Library was founded not only as a symbol of devotion to the Virgin Mary, but also in response to the needs of the time," said Father Thomas Thompson, SM, who has directed the library for more than a quarter-century. "In its earliest days, the library proposed simply to identify the location of Marian books and gradually has developed its own collection, now recognized as the world's largest collection of Marian materials.

"The educational dimension began with workshops and summer institutes and has developed into a pontifical theological faculty granting advanced degrees in theology — all in response to the needs of the Church," he said.

The current collection includes an estimated 80,000 books, 70,000 clippings, 20,000 holy cards, 12,000 postcards, more than 3,000 Nativity sets, and hundreds of rosaries, statues, badges, souvenirs, film, and other items related in some way to Mary.

Materials can be found in more than 50 languages, not including one holding that offers versions of the Hail Mary in more than 150 languages, ranging from the historic (ancient Assyrian) and obscure (Belanda Viri) to the ubiquitous (Chinese, Arabic, English).

The library's website, The Mary Page, was established in 1996 and is one of the earliest religious studies resources on the Internet. Last year, an estimated 137,500 visitors accessed 470,000 page views in seven languages.

Within its 7,000 pages of content, visitors can explore Marian apparitions throughout history, make a personal request for prayer through the Prayer Corner, learn how to plant a Mary garden, or discover anything about any aspect of Mary.

The exhibit on the Roesch Library's second floor will explore the Marian Library's past and include items such as *Devotion to Mary in the Twentieth Century*, a book donated to the library in 1943 by Father John Elbert, SM, who was the university's president at the time. That donation started the library and led the way to major acquisitions of books, artwork, and artifacts, as well as the founding of the International Marian Research Institute in 1975.

The exhibit on the seventh floor, "Beauty Given by Grace: The Biblical Prints of Sadao Watanabe," high-



lights the Marian Library's special strength in exploring the intersection of faith and culture through the work of a Japanese Christian artist.

Coinciding with this exhibit, three volumes of the *St. John's Bible* will be on display, along with enlarged reproductions of some of the hand-illuminated illustrations. *The St. John's Bible* is the first handwritten illuminated Bible commissioned by a Benedictine abbey in more than 500 years.

The university has established a fund to support the purchase of the *St. John's Bible* heritage edition, a seven-volume fine-art reproduction.

"The history and the beauty of the volumes can convey a message about the centrality of prayer in the monastic tradition and in the lives of religious people. The exquisite beauty of the calligraphy and the illustrations places the biblical message within a context of human achievement, aspiration and identity," said Kathy Webb, dean of University of Dayton libraries.

The library will have several special events in conjunction with the exhibit. A reception and talk by Father Thompson, director of the Marian Library since 1987, will take place from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 22.

"The Word of God Alive on Page: The Making of the *St. John's Bible*" will be the subject of a lecture by Father Eric Hollas, OSB, a monk and priest of St. John's Abbey in Collegeville, Minn., who was instrumental in initiating the 15-year project to create the handwritten, illuminated Bible. The talk is scheduled for 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 3.

"The Calligraphy of the St. John's Bible," a lecture by Dayton artist, designer, and calligrapher John Emery, will take place from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8.

For more information on the events, including parking, visit the exhibit website at [http://www.udayton.edu/libraries/events/all\\_about\\_mary.php](http://www.udayton.edu/libraries/events/all_about_mary.php).

## CONCERT

### Organist Paul Tegels at St. Joseph Cathedral



Sunday October 20 at 3 p.m.

Paul Tegels is professor of organ at Pacific Lutheran University, where he plays the monumental Paul Fritts *Opus 18*.

He grew up in the Netherlands and has played recitals throughout the United States and Europe and frequently performs for the American Guild of Organists and the Organ Historical Society.

Hear him perform on St. Joseph Cathedral's own magnificent Fritts organ.

## NEWS IN PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



Pope Francis celebrates Mass in the piazza outside the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, Italy, on Oct. 4. The pontiff was making his first pilgrimage as pope to the birthplace of his papal namesake. CNS photo/Paul Haring



Cardinal Donald W. Wuerl of Washington, bottom row, left, speaks with U.S. Chief Justice John Roberts following the annual Red Mass on Oct. 6 at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle in Washington. Also pictured are (top left) Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio of the U.S. Archdiocese for the Military Services and Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas (in the red tie). Below them are Cardinal Theodore E. McCarrick, retired archbishop of Washington, with Roberts' wife, Jane Sullivan Roberts. CNS photo/ Jonathan Ernst, Reuters



People carry signs during a pilgrimage and immigration rally sponsored by the Archdiocese of St. Louis on Oct. 5. The rally was one of many held in major cities across the United States to pressure Congress to act on a comprehensive overhaul of the immigration system. CNS photo/Lisa Johnston, St. Louis Review





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 a Pontifical Mission Society

**Summary of Receipts**

**Society for the Propagation of the Faith (SPOF)**

World Mission Sunday Offerings	77,160
Membership Offerings	60,601
Monthly Donors	1,781
Legacies	53,141
Other Gifts	65,551
<b>Total SPOF:</b>	<b>\$258,234</b>

**Other Mission Collections**

Missionary Cooperation Plan	297,082
Mass Offerings	2,595
Missionary Childhood Association	4,308
Latin American Collection	49,961
Home Missions	65,579
Black/Indian Missions	61,214
Peter's Pence	66,404
<b>Total Other Mission Collections:</b>	<b>\$547,143</b>

**Grand Total Missions Office Receipts: \$805,377**

**October 20<sup>th</sup>**



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