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The Editor's Notebook

Why are you looking up at the sky?

By David Garick, Editor

This week, the Church celebrates the great feast of the Ascension of Our Lord. St. Luke writes in the Book of Acts: "He was lifted up, and a cloud took Him out of their sight and an angel said to the disciples: 'Men of Galilee, why are you staring at the sky? This Jesus, who was taken up from among you and assumed into heaven, shall one day return in the same way in which you saw him go to heaven.'"

I have stood on that very spot on the Mount of Olives and looked up into the clear blue sky over Jerusalem. I knew that I was no more likely to see Jesus that day than the disciples were two millennia ago. But I still had to look.

I think it is hard-wired into us as Christians to seek visual contact with God. Formless in nature prior to all creation, God could not have possessed a physical body, since the physical world did not exist as of yet. Nor could He have a spiritual body, since the spiritual world had not been created. So how could God manifest Himself to the physical world after creation? It was by His incarnation through Jesus Christ. Jesus was true God and true man, and He walked among us and gave us assurance of God's love and hope of eternal joy in the presence of God. As Jesus said, "I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will realize that I am in my Father and you are in me and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him" (John 14:9-11).

No wonder that after the Ascension, the disciples continued to look for the sight of Jesus. We still wish to see Him. So how do we see Him? We see Him in the Church, the living body of which Christ is the Head. We see Him in the mystery of the Eucharist, where the real body, blood, soul, and divinity of Jesus is placed before us to venerate and to take into our own bodies so that He becomes one with us and we with Him.

And we see Him in the person of the priest standing at the altar, making the sacrifice of the Mass. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI wrote: "The priest, who acts *in persona Christi capitis* and representing the Lord, never acts in the name of someone who is absent but, rather, in the very Person of the Risen Christ, who makes himself present with his truly effective action. He really acts today and brings about what the priest would be incapable of: the consecration of the wine and the bread so that they may really be the Lord's presence, the absolution of sins. The Lord makes his own action present in the person who carries out these gestures."

This week, two more men in the Diocese of Columbus were ordained to the priesthood. You can read about them in this edition of *Catholic Times* and rejoice that these men have been called to bring Christ into our lives and be present among us.

"Men of Galilee, why are you staring at the sky?" Jesus has gone to heaven, but without leaving the earth. Indeed, in the Gospel He assures us: "Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the world."



FATHER RICHARD J. PENDOLPHI PASSED AWAY ON MAY 23, 2014



Funeral Mass for Father Richard J. Pendolphi, 64, priest moderator of Columbus St. Agnes and St. Aloysius churches, who died Friday, May 23, will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 30, at Worthington St. Michael Church. Bishop Frederick Campbell will be the principal celebrant. Retired Bishop James Griffin will concelebrate, as will priests of the Diocese of Columbus. Father Kevin Lutz will deliver the homily. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery, Lockbourne. Visitation will be at the church from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, May 29, and from 9 a.m. until just before Mass on the day of the funeral.

Father Pendolphi was born on Oct. 10, 1949, in New York City to the late Liveo and Jean (Biscontini) Pendolphi and grew up in Brooklyn, N.Y., and Hackettstown, N.J. He earned a bachelor's degree in philosophy from Maryglade College Seminary in Memphis, Mich., and a master's degree in theology from Seton Hall University in West Orange, N.J., and studied at the Maryknoll Missionary Institute in Ossining, N.Y.

He was ordained a priest of the Pontifical Institute for Foreign Missions (PIME) by Bishop Lawrence Casey on Oct. 9, 1976, at St. Joseph Church in Newton, N.J. During his years of service with the PIME missionaries, he ministered in the Philippines, did youth, vocation, and retreat work in Oakland, N.J., served as a vocations director and was an associate pastor in Detroit, and taught high school in Queens, N.Y.

He became a priest of the Diocese of Columbus in 1987. During his years of service to the diocese, he served as associate pastor of Columbus Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church (1986-90), taught at Columbus Father Wehrle High School (1986-87), and was pastor at Logan St. John Church (1990-2002) and Worthington St. Michael Church (2002-12) before being appointed priest moderator at St. Agnes and St. Aloysius in September 2012.

Local seminarian is part of "The American Bible Challenge"

A seminarian from Portsmouth and two of his colleagues will be on national television later this month as the only Catholic team on this year's edition of *The American Bible Challenge*, presented by the Game Show Network.

Chad VanHoose, who attended the Portsmouth Notre Dame elementary and high schools for 13 years until his graduation in 2001, and fellow seminarians Deacon Mark Paveglio and Mark Pavlak, competing as the "Sons of Thunder," will be featured on the fifth episode of the program, which will be shown at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 19. If they are victorious there, they will advance to the semifinals, which will be seen at a later date.

The programs were taped last November in California, but participants are contractually obligated to remain silent about the results until after the telecast.

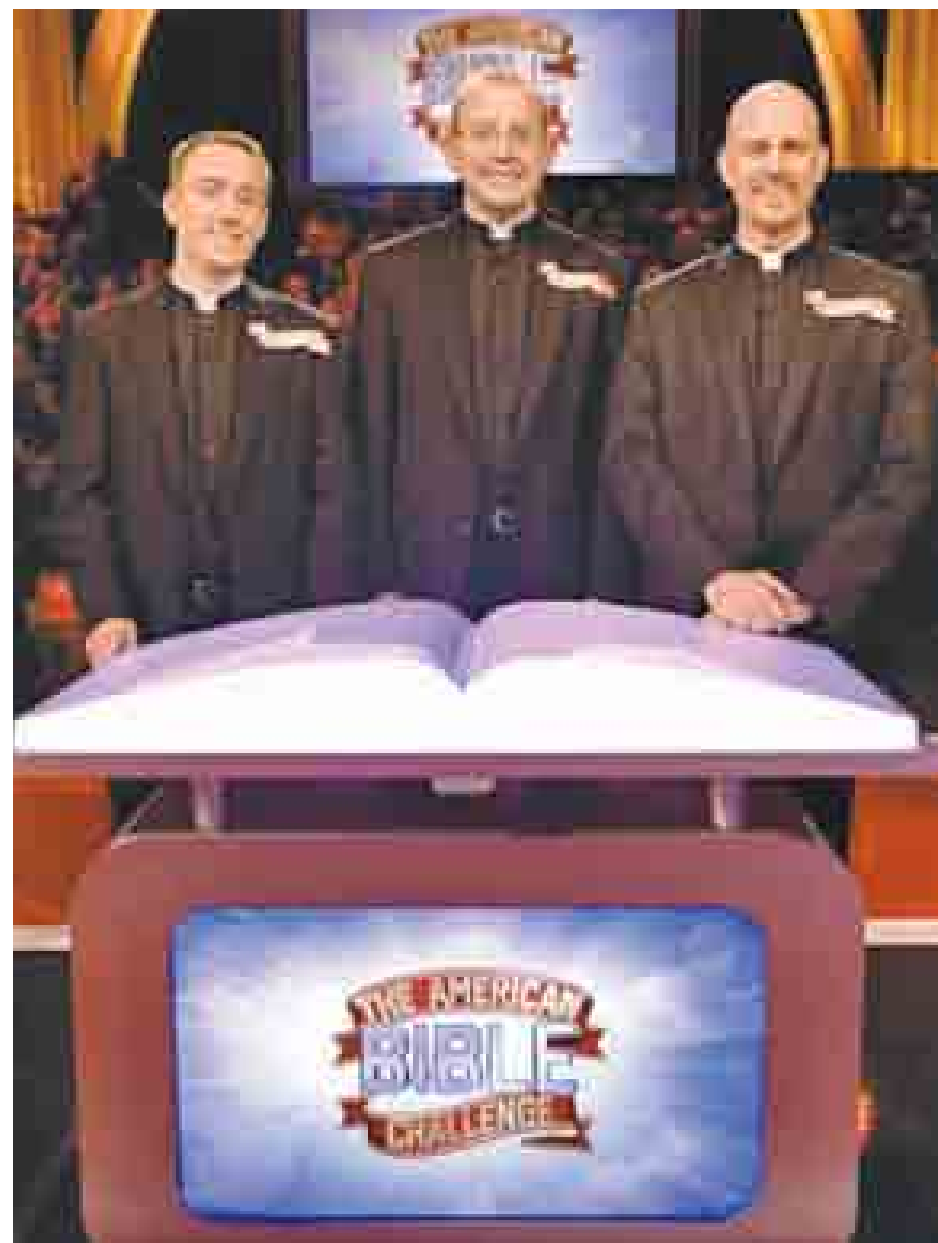
VanHoose has been studying at the St. Paul Seminary in the Minnesota city of the same name since 2011. He is in formation for possible ordination as a priest of the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis.

He has lived in Minnesota since joining the National Evangelization Team (NET) Ministries, a West St. Paul-based group of young adult volunteers who lead retreats for Catholic youths and their families. He moved to Minnesota in 2005 following his graduation from Eastern Kentucky University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing.

The three seminarians decided to form a team for the show last September after VanHoose was encouraged to do so during a phone call from a friend employed by the show's casting agency. They prepared for three months, enlisting the help of Jeff Cavins, director of the Minnesota archdiocese's evangelization office. Cavins also is the author of the *Great Adventure Bible Study* series used by many parishes in central Ohio and throughout the nation.

Two of the event's 18 teams – the "Bible Belts" from Otway and "Lift Your Voice" from Hilliard – are from the area covered by the Diocese of Columbus, and a third team is from Akron.

Of the 54 contestants taking part in



Minnesota seminarians (from left) Deacon Marc Paveglio, Mark Pavlak, and Chad VanHoose, a Portsmouth native, on the set of the Game Show Network's "The American Bible Challenge."

Photo courtesy Game Show Network

want to pray. We'll bring them (the breviaries) in, watch you pray, then you can hand them back," VanHoose said.

The American Bible Challenge, recently nominated for two Emmy awards, draws millions of viewers each season. "No other show represents faith and Christian values in as entertaining a format," said David Schiff, Game Show Network senior vice president of programming and development.

The show, hosted by comedian Jeff Foxworthy and musician Kirk Franklin, has a charity component. Teams don't play for themselves, but donate all the prize money they earn to a charity they designate. For the seminarians, that charity is NET Ministries.

"The teams have great stories," Schiff said. "You get to know the teams and their charities. You get to know who they are and what Christianity and faith means to them."

After three seasons, the Game Show Network has donated more than \$1 million to various charities on behalf of *Bible Challenge* teams.

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the program, the seminarians stood out because they were the only Catholics. When time allowed, they invited questions about the Catholic faith.

"It was a really great opportunity to give a good, positive image of the faith and to show that we are happy, authentically Catholic, and study Scripture," VanHoose said.

To limit constant interaction and maintain secrecy, producers sequestered contestants in small rooms by team. To prevent cheating, contestants were forbidden from bringing books into the rooms.

But to pray the Liturgy of the Hours during the long days on set, the seminarians needed the breviaries containing the prayers, hymns, psalms, and readings that are part of the liturgy. Producers accommodated them by

supervising their prayer time with the breviary. "They said 'Let us know when you

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We will return to our regular weekly publication schedule in September



Front Page photo:

Bishop Frederick Campbell reads from the Roman Missal during the ordination ceremony for (from left) Father Vincent Nguyen and Father Cyrus Haddad on Saturday, May 24.

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PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric

Rain



Did you make a challenging and sacrificial gift to the Sacred Hearts New Church Fund during the past two weeks? If you did, then there are many blessings and thanks already coming your way. And as generous donors to so many good causes over the years, I am sure you know the return that is involved. Return? We know that the more we give, the more we get in return. God loves a good and cheerful giver, and a good and faithful steward. Those who give beyond their means and with sincerity are rewarded in so many other ways throughout their lives. It is not some sort of "magical equation," where the net result is something to which we are entitled. Our lives, and the lives of our family members, become a reflection of our generosity. That is what discipleship is all about. We give with joy, and we share the gifts that are not our own, but of our God. It is no accident if we have a growing and loving marriage, a growing and loving vocation as a priest or religious, or a growing and loving life as a single person. It is no accident if we have good, successful, loving, and Christian children. They become good people because we, as parents, guided them along the way and showed them what real generosity can produce. If you have not yet had the chance to help our brothers and sisters in Cardington rebuild their church, please do so right now, and be generous beyond your means. Make your check payable to "Sacred Hearts New Church Fund." Mail the check to Sacred Hearts Catholic Church, 4680 U.S. Highway 42, Cardington OH 43315.

We have certainly received our share and abundance of rain so far this spring. Unfortunately, some of the real hard rains and downpours have knocked the flowers right off many of the trees. As it is raining steadily as I write this, I am reminded of how symbolic rain can be. Aside from the natural beauty and lifegiving nature of rain, it reminds me of both sadness and joy. So often, our lives are affected by the same event or occurrence that has us experiencing sadness and joy concurrently. Rain reminds us of the waters of our baptism. The sadness of original sin and a lifetime of human weakness and sinfulness are washed away, bringing the ongoing joy of forgiveness and reconciliation. Rain can remind us of the sadness of stormy parts of our lives in the past, while recalling the joy of love, determination, and overcoming that which seemed insurmountable. Rain also can remind us of the deaths of family members or loved ones, which brings sadness and mourning. With time, we smile with joy in knowing that they are at home with the Lord. And this past Memorial Day weekend, we remembered the sadness of war and so many lives lost, while humbly living in the joy of independence and freedom, thanks to those who selflessly gave their lives for us. Yes, this is God's love, God's embrace, God's forgiveness, and God's rain.

Our practical challenge for the next two weeks is to offer a special, brief prayer each day for those who have gone before us. Pray for your family members, loved ones, and especially the members of our military who have brought us sadness, but also certain joy. Pray whether it is raining or not, but the next time it rains, remember to attach your prayer to each drop of rain that day, and ask God to shed His grace on all our beloved dead as they are raised to new life.

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

Teacher Honored

Lenore Taylor, fourth- and fifth-grade math and religion teacher at Delaware St. Mary School, has received the Delaware Rotary Club's excellence in teaching award for the 2013-2014 school year. She is pictured with David Gilliam, intervention specialist at the Delaware Area Career Center.



Photo courtesy St. Mary School

St. Charles Athletic Camps

Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, 2010 E. Broad St., will host several athletic camps this summer.

Camps will be for baseball (June 9-12, ages seven to 14), lacrosse (June 9, 11, 16, and 18, grades four to eight), football (June 16-19, grades one to six), soccer (June 23-26, grades four to nine), basketball shooting (July 1 and 2, separate daily sessions, grades five to nine), bas-

ketball (July 8-11, grades five to seven, and July 14-17, grades eight and nine), football skills (July 24-25, grades six to eight), and volleyball (July 28-31, boys and girls, separate sessions for grades four to six and seven to nine).

Information on costs and contacts is available by going to the school's website, www.stcharlesprep.org, and clicking on the link to athletic camps.

Pentecost Mass

The diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal's Mass for the Feast of Pentecost will be celebrated by Father Dean Mathewson on Saturday, June 7 at Sunbury St. John Neumann Church, 9633 State Route 37.

Mass will be preceded by praise and

worship at 6 p.m., when prayer teams will be available for individual prayer needs. A fellowship period will follow the Mass.

For more information, call the Catholic Charismatic Renewal at (614) 914-8556.

Class Reunion

Columbus Corpus Christi School's class of 1954 will celebrate its 60th anniversary Sunday, June 22, at 4 p.m. in the TAT Ristorante di Famiglia, 1210

S. James Road, Columbus. For information and reservations, call Judy Weis Britt at (614) 237-9108 or Ann Schwochow Seipel at (614) 834-0927.

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The ideal candidate will hold a Bachelor's degree with at least two years' experience in work with children. The Diocesan *Protecting God's Children* certification and background check are required. Experience in managing and organizing volunteers is also required. Diocesan Catechetical Certification is highly desired.

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Sister Wanda Scherer, OSF, celebrates her 60th anniversary



Sister Wanda Scherer, OSF, celebrated her 60th anniversary as a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of Rochester, Minnesota, on Thursday, May 22.

Sister Wanda, formerly known as Sister Viterbo, entered the Sisters of St. Francis from Ironton St. Joseph Church, professing first vows in 1954. She has received a bachelor's degree in economics from the College of St. Teresa in Winona, Minnesota, and a master of arts degree in education from The Ohio State University. She also studied canon law at the Catholic University of America.

She spent 25 years as a high school teacher at Columbus Bishop Ready High School (1977-79), in Ironton, and

in communities in Minnesota, North Dakota, and Nebraska. After her teaching career, she served as defender of the bond on annulment cases with the Tribunal of the Diocese of Columbus until she retired in 2010. She now volunteers on the Tribunal as a procurator/advocate for annulment cases. She has been a member of Columbus St. Philip Church for 37 years and was in its choir for 32 years.

Sister Wanda is a recipient of the diocesan service award presented by Bishop James Griffin. She also is a member of the Council for Religious, where she served on the board and was president, and of the Canon Law Society of America.

Sister Mary Ann Sullivan celebrates 50-year jubilee



Sister Mary Ann Sullivan, CSJ, will celebrate her 50th anniversary as a member of the Congregation of St. Joseph on Sunday, June 22, at the 9 a.m. Mass at Sugar Grove St. Joseph Church, 306 Elm St., followed by a reception.

She was originally a member of the Columbus Diocesan Sisters of St. Joseph, founded in 1956 by Bishop Michael Ready with the assistance of Father Raymond Bauschard.

The daughter of the late Frank J. and

Mary Ellen O'Leary Sullivan of Sugar Grove served from 1964-88 in the Diocese of Columbus at Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Hilliard St. Brendan, and Columbus Trinity schools and Columbus Villa Madonna pre-school and kindergarten.

Through various mergers, the Columbus sisters became part of congregations based first in Cincinnati and currently in Cleveland. Sister Mary Ann now serves in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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Communion by intinction? Sponsors and validity of baptism



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

Q. What is the church's official position on the practice of the communicant's dipping the host into the chalice of precious blood before receiving Communion? It would seem like a good idea, especially if the communicant has a cold or other flu-like symptoms. I recently watched on EWTN a Mass at St. Peter's in Vatican City, and it looked as though several cardinals were receiving Communion this way, by intinction. (Terre Haute, Indiana)

A. The practice you describe -- with the communicants themselves dipping the host into the precious blood -- is not allowed in the Latin rite of the Catholic Church. When the practice of intinction is used, it is governed by strict conditions.

As the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* provides, in No. 287, "each communicant, holding a Communion plate under the mouth, approaches the priest who holds a vessel with the sacred particles, with a minister standing at his side and holding the chalice. The priest takes a host, intincts it partly in the chalice and, showing it, says 'The body and blood of Christ.' The communicant replies 'Amen,' receives the sacrament in the mouth from the priest and then withdraws."

The reasons for these careful conditions are twofold: first, reverence for the sacred species in safeguarding against spillage, and, second, to honor the fact that the communicants are in fact receiving the Eucharist rather than administering it to themselves.

As for the cardinals you saw on television receiving by intinction, as concelebrants, they were permitted to self-communicate.

Q. My daughter is now 17 years old. When she was baptized as an infant, I asked my brother and his wife to be her godparents. My brother was a practicing Catholic, but it never occurred to me at the time that he had never received the sacrament of confirmation, which -- I have learned since then

-- is required of a baptismal sponsor.

His wife is a convert to Catholicism and entered the church during the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) ceremony, at which she would have been confirmed. But I'm not sure whether that took place before or after my daughter's baptism.

So my concern -- and I know it's pretty late to be thinking about it now -- is whether my daughter was truly baptized, since it may be that neither one of her godparents had been confirmed at the time. (Virginia)

A. The church's *Code of Canon Law* (in No. 874, Section 3) stipulates that a sponsor for baptism must "be a Catholic who has been confirmed and has already received the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist and who leads a life of faith in keeping with the function to be taken on."

But your question really is, how does that requirement affect the validity of the sacrament, and here's a clue to the answer: When an adult convert is being received into full communion with the Catholic Church, how do we determine whether he or she may have been already validly baptized?

The essential requirements are three: water must have been used (by pouring or immersion); the correct formula must have been used by the minister ("I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"); and the minister must have had the proper intention (to baptize the person into full communion with the church).

In an emergency situation, when a mother, for example, baptizes a newborn who is in danger of death, that baptism "counts," even without a sponsor.

So you needn't worry: Your daughter is validly baptized, fully a member of the Catholic Church. And here's a rule of thumb when such anxieties occur: Until you can get an "official" answer, relax and ask yourself this question: "What does God think?"

Seventeen years ago, you wanted your daughter baptized, and the priest did, too. That was probably good enough for God.

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

St. Anthony Feast Celebration

Columbus St. Christopher Church, 1420 Grandview Ave., will host its annual celebration of the Feast of St. Anthony of Padua on Friday, June 13, with Mass at 6 p.m., and food and refreshments in Trinity Elementary School available after Mass. Small loaves of bread which are traditional for the feast also will be distributed at this time.

A procession led by fourth-degree Knights of Columbus will form at the school at 5:45. There will be a cash raffle benefiting the church's scholarship fund for students desiring a Catholic high school education.

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EDITING OUR OWN GENES?

A number of serious diseases are known to occur because of defects or mutations in our DNA. Curing such diseases could in principle be carried out by rewriting the DNA to fix the mutated base pairs. Yet, until recently, scientists have remained largely stymied in their attempts to directly modify genes in a living animal.

Findings described in the March 30 issue of *Nature Biotechnology*, however, reveal that a novel gene-editing technique known as CRISPR (Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats) can be used successfully in mice to reverse disease symptoms for a liver defect known as type I tyrosinemia. In humans, this potentially fatal ailment affects about one in 100,000 people. CRISPR, which enables researchers to snip out the mutated piece of DNA and replace it with the correct sequence, holds the potential for treating other genetic disorders, as well. As the MIT Technology Review explains, the recently developed CRISPR technique is proving to be remarkably versatile in the hands of biomedical researchers:

"This technology could allow researchers to perform microsurgery on genes, precisely and easily changing a DNA sequence at exact locations on a chromosome. ... CRISPR could make gene therapies more broadly applicable, providing remedies for simple genetic disorders like sickle-cell anemia and eventually even leading to cures for more complex diseases involving multiple genes. Most conventional gene therapies crudely place new genetic material at a random location in the cell and can only add a gene. In contrast, CRISPR and the other new tools also give scientists a precise way to delete and edit specific bits of DNA—even by changing a single base pair. This means they can rewrite the human genome at will."

Correcting mutations in the DNA to remedy a serious medi-

cal defect would certainly be desirable and permissible. In 2008, in a document titled "Dignitas Personae," the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (CDF) agreed that trying to restore "the normal genetic configuration of the patient or to counter damage caused by genetic anomalies" would be morally acceptable as long as the person being treated will not "be exposed to risks to his health or physical integrity which are excessive."

Our ability to rewrite the human genome at will through precise DNA editing techniques, however, does raise substantial concerns about misusing the technology. In fact, researchers are already discussing the possibility of going beyond therapies and treatments and, instead, using CRISPR and other gene-alteration technologies to enhance human characteristics. For example, one possible direction would be to engineer changes in the genes of human muscles so that they could be worked harder and longer, thereby enhancing the performance of athletes and soldiers.

This kind of human re-engineering would cross an important line: Instead of helping human beings who are struggling against serious diseases, scientists would now begin manipulating human beings for ulterior motives. As "Dignitas Personae" puts it, "such manipulation would promote a eugenic mentality and would lead to indirect social stigma with regard to people who lack certain qualities, while privileging (others)." The document also notes how attempting to create a new type of human being could unmask a dark and troubling ideology "in which man tries to take the place of his Creator," resulting in an "unjust domination of man over man."

Yet the line separating a therapy from an enhancement is not always an obvious one. Some researchers have claimed that the most common versions of genes that many people carry are not necessarily the ideal versions from the stand-



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Out of Bioethics
Father Tad Pacholczyk

point of health. Thus, researchers might be able subtly to improve matters, for example, by rewriting normal genes so that people could better fight off infectious diseases. Would such a step be enhancement or therapy?

Even as scientists move forward with the project of rewriting our own genes to cure grave diseases, some will be tempted to go further and use techniques such as CRISPR to engineer designer human embryos during in vitro fertilization. Genetically modified monkeys already have been produced using this method in China. A prior CDF document titled "Donum Vitae" unequivocally describes the grave problems with subjugating embryonic human beings for research purposes: "To use human embryos or fetuses as the object or instrument of experimentation constitutes a crime against their dignity as human beings having a right to the same respect that is due to the child already born and to every human person."

The remarkable tools becoming available not only for genetic therapies, but also for human enhancement projects and embryonic manipulation, raise daunting ethical concerns about the subjugation of man to his own technology, and call for thoughtful measures and vigilance to ensure the proper use of these techniques now and in the future.

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Ordained to the Priesthood May 24, 2014

Ad Multos Annos!

MANOR RESIDENTS CELEBRATE ALOHA SPIRIT

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

Residents of Mother Angeline McCrory Manor celebrated National Nursing Home Week in May with a variety of events, all tied to the theme of “Living the Aloha Spirit.”

The week started with a Monday morning Mass in the facility’s chapel, after which the residents and staff were presented with Hawaiian-style floral wreaths and had a special luncheon (pictured at right), which included a visit from Mike Elston of Knights of Columbus Fourth-Degree Assembly 2900. Elvis interpreter Michael Rose provided entertainment on Tuesday, there was an ice cream social on Wednesday, and the week concluded with a May crowning of the Virgin Mary in the chapel on Friday.

National Nursing Home Week, the second week of May, evolved from National Nurses Week, which began in 1953. The week’s “Aloha” theme was the same for nursing homes throughout the nation.

McCrory Manor is a comprehensive



skilled nursing center providing both long-term nursing care and short-term post-acute care, including physical, occupational, and speech therapy. It is operated by the Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm. Its design reflects the Carmelites’ philosophy of providing person-centered care in a home setting. Each care plan is developed by an integrative medical team to provide quality health and wellness care for all aspects of a person’s life.

“Aloha’ is a term of both greeting and

farewell in Hawaii, but it has a deeper cultural significance than that,” said Sister Pauline Ross, OCarm, McCrory Manor administrator. “It is mostly a concept of treating each other with kindness and respect, to interact with love and joyfully share life. Key concepts of the aloha spirit include unity, kindness, truthfulness, humility, and patience.

“This is the kind of individually focused philosophy the Carmelites have practiced for more than 65 years in Columbus and for 83 years since Mother McCrory founded the order in 1931. It’s a unified effort by nurses, doctors, dietitians, social workers, nursing assistants, and other staff members to provide the best and most personalized care for each of our residents.

“Our residential population and our staff are more diverse than we’ve ever been since McCrory Manor opened in 2005. What we’ve learned from our diversity has enhanced the mutual respect we have for each other as we try to integrate medical and spiritual care in a well-rounded approach.”

The Carmelites have served the Dio-

cese of Columbus since St. Raphael’s and St. Rita’s homes for the aged were opened in 1948 and 1949 respectively. McCrory Manor was built at 5199 E. Broad St. in Columbus to replace those facilities.

It provides care for 147 residents in two residential towers, divided into seven neighborhoods of 21 residents each, and has a staff of 250 full- and part-time employees. It consistently has scored in the 90s, out of a maximum of 100, in the Ohio Department of Aging’s surveys of nursing home residents and their family members, which take place in alternating years.

In addition, it recently received an overall rating of five stars for excellence in care in the annual *U.S. News & World Report* “best nursing homes” listing. The report covers nearly 16,000 nursing homes nationwide. This past March, the Ohio Department of Health’s annual survey gave it a “deficiency free” review for health and medical care.

For information about McCrory Manor visit its website, www.mangelinemanor.org, or call (614) 751-5700.



Mother Angeline McCrory Manor staff members (from left): first row, Vilma Pettet, Bridgett Williams, Thu Nguyen, Sharon Ryan, Helena Franklin, and Aicha Camara; back row, Amy Speakmon, John Grote, Pat Silk, Pam Seib, and Susan Capan. CT photos by Tim Puet



Mary, the Homemaker of My Soul

I imagine my soul as a house that Mary makes into a home for her Son. It’s drafty and dirty and in need of a fresh coat of paint.

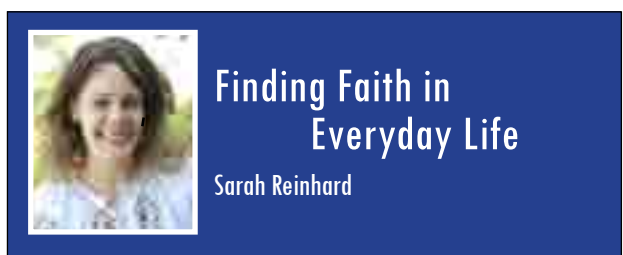
Sometimes there’s a recurring sin that gnaws away like termites – slow and steady, almost invisible. Sometimes there’s a dilemma that requires a huge investment of money and lots of time to repair. Sometimes there’s a strange smell that means something died under the floorboards.

In this house of my soul, Mary’s the one bringing in daisies and peonies. Since I don’t have any fancy vases, she puts them in plastic cups, but the humble cups are transformed by the simple act of putting flowers in them. They’re changed into something beautiful.

She inspires me with that little act of beauty. She gives me the courage to look past the dust bunnies and piles of junk, to see the beauty that’s possible, even in me.

When I let Mary into the house of my soul, she comes in with the same energy my mother-in-law does when she comes to help me clean. They both arrive ready to get to work, and their smiles are contagious. I can’t help but join them, even though housework is on the top of my procrastination list.

Homemaking is either popular or despised, depending on your circle. Either way, it’s necessary. Maybe you call it cleaning your house, doing your dishes, hugging your children, dating your husband. For you, it might involve crafts and scheduling, laundry binges and meal plan-



ning, gritting your teeth and getting through it.

Whatever homemaking involves for you—whether you’re at home for most of your days or only on the weekends—your goal is the same as Mary’s goal is with my soul: to make it a home for those you love.


As you tackle the tasks and duties that go into making your house a home and you begin to consider those spiritual challenges that you’ve been avoiding, don’t forget to bring the Blessed Mother with you. Don’t hesitate to let her join you as you do the most mundane chore.


Picture her beside you, humming a song and urging you to bless your efforts by praying and praising God as you work. Don’t think twice about letting Mary guide you to the next level of spiritual maturity. Picture her holding your hand as you wince at the pain, hugging you in your struggle.

She’s waiting just outside the door to your soul, ready to pitch in and help you tackle the really big job. Maybe it’s going to confession. Or could it be a journey to forgiving that person who wounded you years ago?

Go ahead, you can do it! Let go of your hangups and plunge in!

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St. Pius X Church & School ~ Reynoldsburg, Ohio


Rite of Christian Initiation Director

St. Pius X Church & School in Reynoldsburg, Ohio is seeking a full time Rite of Christian Initiation Of Adults Director/Coordinator. The position begins August 1, 2014.

Responsibilities include adult catechesis to prepare catechumens and candidates for initiation into the Catholic Church. Director schedules sessions, retreats, interviews Inquirers and Candidates provides Sponsor formation, prepares various rituals, session plans, obtains speakers for weekly sessions. Throughout the year the RCIA Coordinator works with other staff members to assess parish adult faith formation needs. Position reports to Pastor David Funk.

Qualifications: Master’s Degree with studies in theology, scripture, religious education, ministry and spirituality is preferred. Full knowledge of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Standards and a minimum of two years’ experience leading an RCIA team and/or participating in the RCIA process is required. A minimum of two years-working in/experience in the RCIA process is required. Excellent oral and written communication skills and the ability to work in a Christian environment are essential to the position. The candidate must be a Catholic in good standing. The candidate must complete a Background Criminal Investigation screening prior to starting employment and complete a mandatory Protecting God’s Children.

For further details and to express interest in the position please e-mail a resume with references to Deacon Charlie Miller at dcncharliemiller@spxreynoldsburg.com or mail to the rectory office at St. Pius X Church & School, 1051 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068 to the attention of Deacon Charles J. Miller. Deadline for applications is June 11th.



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May God and good St. Edward smile upon him and his family



Story by **TIM PUET**, *Catholic Times Reporter* Photos by **KEN SNOW**

TWO NEW DIOCESAN PRIESTS ARE ORDAINED

Bishop Frederick Campbell, speaking to the two newest priests of the Diocese of Columbus moments before their ordination, urged them to set an example by always striving for holiness, leading the people they serve to become holy themselves.

The Catholic Church entrusts the message of the Gospel to priests as a sacred obligation, Bishop Campbell said to Fathers Cyrus Haddad and Vincent Nguyen in his homily at their ordination Mass on Saturday, May 24, at Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral.

“It is not his personal possession or of his own making,” the bishop said. “He is to proclaim it widely and

to share it abundantly. The priest proclaims this Gospel not only by words, but by his very life, for if he wants to call others to holiness of life, he must manifest a desire for holiness.

“United to this thirst for holiness is also a love for being among the faithful, sharing their joys and sorrows, helping to dispel confusion and doubt, touching their lives with the solid hope of the victory of Jesus Christ. The priest’s habits of life should manifest the simplicity of Christ’s life and not cause wonderment,” he said.

Bishop Campbell told the new priests to expect struggle. “I have diligently searched the Gospels and have

never found the verse where Jesus says ‘Come, follow me; it’s real easy,’” he said. He then advised the two men to “understand that Christ is your companion as well as your Lord.”

“God has called you to this particular way of life to give him glory and to promote the good of the people,” the bishop said. “By your devotion and faithfulness, you will help others to discern their call and embrace it with joy and generosity. Do not be afraid.

“Our Lord, praying to his heavenly father at the Last Supper, indicated that you no longer belong to the world, but Jesus does not call you out of the world. He prays,

rather, that you be protected from the evil one, for he has consecrated you in the truth. It will be through your words that the word of God will touch the ears, minds, and hearts of the people.

“Make your preaching thoughtful and compelling, caring for the power of words, for we live in a time when language is often abused and the meaning of words forgotten. The human heart longs for a word of truth which comes both as challenge and consolation. Understand that through your hands, the lifegiving mystery of the body and blood of Jesus Christ will be offered to God and given to the people.

“Do this with a humble faithfulness and care, for you are servants and guardians of the liturgy and not its masters. In such a fashion, you will invite the people into a deeper participation in the sacraments, from which they will draw a greater willingness to evangelize the world about them,” the bishop said.

Family members and friends of Fathers Haddad and Nguyen filled the cathedral for the two-hour Mass. The rite of ordination began after the reading of the Gospel, with the men being called from the congregation and presented to the bishop by Father Paul Noble, diocesan vocations director, who declared them ready for the

priesthood.

Following the bishop’s homily, the men promised obedience to the bishop and his successors and prostrated themselves in humility on the altar as the congregation chanted the Litany of the Saints. The bishop then laid his hands on the heads of the men in the traditional sign of ordination, with the priests of the diocese who were in attendance then repeating that gesture individually.

This was followed by the bishop’s prayer of ordination, investiture of the newly ordained priests with stoles and chasubles, the anointing of their hands, and the sign of peace from each of the priests.

Photos, from left:

Bishop Frederick Campbell lays his hands on the head of Father Cyrus Haddad, the traditional sign of ordination as a priest, on Saturday, May 24 at Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral.

Bishop Campbell reads from the rite of ordination to Deacons Vincent Nguyen and Haddad (standing left and right) just before ordaining them.

Newly ordained Father Nguyen reads a portion of the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Bishop Campbell with Father Nguyen and Father Haddad following their ordination Mass.

By **Anne Harkin**

Father Cyrus Haddad

As an 11-year-old boy, God planted a notion in Cyrus Moore Haddad’s mind that he should one day become a priest. It wasn’t until his junior year of high school that this notion became more of a possibility.

“My teacher, Msgr. (Thomas) Bennett, called me up in front of the class,” said Father Haddad, who was ordained to the priesthood this past Saturday. “At first, I thought I was in trouble, but instead, he reached out and grabbed my tie. ‘Have you ever thought about becoming a priest?’ he asked. Well, I was stunned.

“He didn’t know me from Adam, and yet, inexplicably, he had asked a question so meaningful to me. I answered, ‘I had thought about it, Father, but I decided against it.’ To this, he said, ‘Well, think about it again.’ He then shoved me away and pointed to my seat to indicate that I should sit.”

After this interaction, he indeed thought about it, so much so that he opted to enter the seminary at the Pontifical College Josephinum instead of going to college to play Division III football. However, once he arrived

at the seminary, he found it hard to integrate into the life of a seminarian.

“I had not developed a relationship with Our Lord. I took this to mean that I did not have a vocation to the priesthood. This caused me to leave the seminary before the conclusion of my first year,” he said.

He enrolled at Ohio Dominican University, where he earned a degree in philosophy, while always having seminary and the priesthood in the back of his mind. After graduating, he attended the University of Dallas with the intention of earning a doctorate in philosophy. During his time there, he developed a more active prayer life, and the priesthood as a possibility entered into his thinking once again.

“I realized that I was not actually asking myself the question ‘Should I go back to seminary?’ but I was asking, ‘When should I go back to seminary?’” he said.

In the end, Our Lord had planted a notion in an 11-year-old boy’s mind. He nurtured this notion and let it grow so that, without fantastic revelation, it would

blossom into a mature and earnest desire for the priesthood. Father Haddad eventually re-enrolled at the Josephinum, where he finished his studies and discernment process.

His years at the PCJ provided many enriching opportunities, but the experience of prayer in the liturgy had the greatest impact in the development of his relationship with Our Lord.

“Worship is a gift from God, and when carried out reverently, beautifully, and prayerfully, it is our greatest gift to Him, especially the Holy Sacrifice,” Father Hadad said. “This has had an enormous transformative impact on my life, forming the person I have become.”

This person is one to be admired and supported as he embarks on the next chapter in his life, beginning with his ordination.



By **Anne Harkin**

Father Vincent Nguyen

As a young boy, Father Vincent Nguyen helped his father clean Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral before the start of Sunday Mass. As he sat through Mass afterward, he noticed something special happening.

“I would be amazed at how everyone in the church was focused on the priest and what was going on in the sanctuary,” he said. “I realized there is something more to the Mass than I can ever fully know.”

It was at that moment that he began his discernment toward a life in the priesthood. On Saturday, May 24, he was ordained to the priesthood in that very church, coming full circle from his days cleaning the cathedral.

Hearing the call to become a priest can be a hard concept for people to grasp. Father Nguyen explained it this way:

“I continue to hear the call to the priesthood through many different acts in my life – through prayer, reading of Sacred Scripture and the Mass, service to the

people of God in the diocese, family and friends, and priestly fraternity. The Holy Spirit works in many different ways, and I’m truly blessed to continue to hear the call.”

Life as a seminarian until the time a man is ordained can be challenging, to say the least. Questions, doubts, and even a lack of faith can worry and distract a candidate for the priesthood.

For Father Nguyen, his biggest obstacle was not relying on the graces of God to get him through the daily grind of seminary life.

“I often try to do things on my own, but I realize I could not have gone through seminary formation without relying on the graces of God that He gives me every day,” he said.

Father Nguyen knows that he will need to rely on these graces even more as a priest, with the demands that will be placed on him by his new congregation. Becoming a priest is not like choosing any other ca-

reer. It is a calling from the Lord.

“I cannot forget that I have been called by God to continue to do His work, both in good times and in bad,” he said.

“One of the challenges I will need to face is achieving a true balance in my daily schedule for everything that a priest does – a great challenge not only for a priest, but for anyone.”

After ordination, Father Nguyen will be assigned to a parish as a parochial vicar, the position formerly known as associate pastor.

When asked what will happen next, he replied, “I do not know where I will be headed, but I will continue to say this: ‘Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit.’”



115th Commencement at the Pontifical College Josephinum

The second Saturday of May was a joyful day at the Pontifical College Josephinum, as the seminary conducted its 115th baccalaureate Mass and commencement exercises. The Class of 2014, consisting of 40 students from 14 dioceses, was awarded degrees and certificates from the college of liberal arts, pre-theology program, or school of theology of the only pontifical seminary outside of Italy.

The Baccalaureate Mass in St. Turibius Chapel was celebrated by Msgr. Christopher Schreck, STD, the Josephinum's rector-president. "This is the day the Lord has made," he said, quoting Psalm 118. "Those words expressed by the psalmist are often repeated and prayed throughout the Easter season. Truly this day, today, is the day the Lord has made. We gather together to celebrate this Mass of thanksgiving and baccalaureate, to honor our graduates, and we give thanks today for all that they have accomplished and achieved."

Msgr. Schreck was joined at the altar by the priest faculty of the Josephinum, as well as many visiting priests, including Father Paul Noble, vocations director for the Diocese of Columbus, and Father Justin Braun, vocations director for the Diocese of Tyler, Texas.

The homily during Mass was given by Father Kyle Schnippel, a priest of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and a Josephinum alumnus, who 15 years ago celebrated his own graduation from the college of liberal arts. This year, Father Schnippel will conclude eight years as the archdiocese's vocations director.

"Priests exist to be witnesses to Christ and to call the world to conversion," he said. "Our desire for our people should be their deeper conversion of heart." He encouraged the graduates to "strive always to preach the truth with love, to be good and worthy servants of the Lord, and to be worthwhile ministers of the Gospel, so that your faith and the faithful entrusted to you might know that deep and profound love of the Lord, through your ministry and your witness to the Gospel at all times and

Corpus Christi Mass

Columbus Corpus Christi Church, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., will host its annual Mass celebrating the Feast of Corpus Christi at 10 a.m. Sunday, June 22. The Mass will be followed by a pan-



Nine seminarians from the Diocese of Columbus received degrees at the Pontifical College Josephinum's 115th commencement exercises on Saturday, May 10. They are (from left): first row, Christopher Tuttle, Todd Lehigh, Thomas Herge, Edward Shikina, and Brett Garland; second row, Max Hall, Robert Johnson, Msgr. Christopher Schreck, STD, Josephinum rector-president, Deacon Cyrus Haddad, and Deacon Vincent Nguyen. The two deacons, who received master of divinity degrees, were ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, May 24. The others were awarded bachelor's degrees.

Photo by seminarian Josh Altanji

in all places."

Mass was followed by a reception for graduates and guests. More than 200 parents, family members, and friends of the graduates joined the seminary community for the day's festivities.

During the commencement exercises, a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy, history, or classical studies was awarded to 21 graduates of the college of liberal arts. Eight undergraduate seminarians earned a bachelor of philosophy degree or a certificate of achievement in philosophical and theological studies, indicating their successful completion of the pre-theology program.

The degree of master of divinity, which signifies fulfillment of the requirements for priestly ordination, was awarded to 11 graduates of the school of theology, two of whom completed the additional academic requirements of a master of

cake breakfast and gathering of Corpus Christi School alumni.

For more information, contact Robbie Banks at (614) 323-9394 or banks.rob-bie@gmail.com.

study. Graduates of the school of theology return home to their respective dioceses for ordination to the priesthood this spring. The ordination class of 2014 will join more than 800 ordained Josephinum alumni who serve the universal Church in nearly every state and in 18 other nations.

Among those who offered remarks during commencement was senior class representative Mitchell Brown, a seminarian from the Diocese of Gallup, New Mexico. "Each one of us has memories of our time at the Josephinum," but "they are not simply memories of people and places, but ultimately of a lived experience of our faith in Christ Jesus," he said. Mitchell encouraged his brother seminarians to "reflect deeply upon the memories of our time here, for in doing so, we will see the work of God in our lives. For we cannot leave the Josephinum unchanged – to do so would be to deny the work and grace of God in our lives, and to refuse to accept and give witness to the love and mercy of God, which has been shown to us here innumerable times."

"It is an honor for me and for all the members of our faculty and staff to serve this extraordinary institution and the seminarians who live, work, and study here," said Msgr. Schreck. "It is an honor to support them on their path of discernment and preparation and to be inspired by their stories of vocation and mission. Each of us – faculty, staff, and seminarians of the past, present, and future – shares the privilege of being members of the Josephinum family."

arts in dogmatic theology, moral theology, biblical studies, or evangelization. The baccalaureate in sacred theology, a pontifical degree conferred by the Josephinum in affiliation with the Pontifical Lateran University in Rome, was awarded to four of the deacons.

A majority of college and pre-theology graduates and certificate recipients will continue their vocational discernment as they undertake graduate theological

Institute for Maturing Spirituality

The Martin de Porres Center's Institute for Maturing Spirituality will present "Caregiving: A Gift in Disguise," with guest speaker Connie Goldman, the third webcast program in its spring series, from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, June 12.

Formerly on the staff of National Public Radio, Goldman was an award-winning radio producer and reporter. She has written extensively on the changes and challenges of aging in America and is the author of several books.

The Institute for Maturing Spirituality provides series of four webcasts each, available by subscription to par-

ishes, senior residences, and health care centers.

The current series has been made available to parishes in the Diocese of Columbus by a grant from The Catholic Foundation.

Register for this presentation by June 11 by calling the center at (614) 416-1910, or register online at www.martindeporrescenter.net.

The program also will be shown at the same time at the Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 Stewart Ave., Columbus. The de Porres Center, a ministry of the Dominican Sisters of Peace, is at 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus.



ADMINISTRATORS RECOGNIZED

The diocesan Schools Office honored three administrators during the annual diocesan principals meeting at Columbus Immaculate Conception School. Pictured are (from left): Yvonne Schwab, principal, Columbus St. James the Less School, 10 years of service; Joan Mastell, principal, Columbus St. Agatha, 20 years; Lucia McQuaide, diocesan school superintendent; and Jim Jones, assistant principal, Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School, 10 years.

Photo courtesy diocesan Schools Office

Editor/Writer position available

Heartbeat International, a nonprofit Christian pro-life organization, seeks Editor/Writer.

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St. Brigid of Kildare Director of Music Position

St Brigid of Kildare parish in Dublin, Ohio is seeking a full time Director of Music for their large suburban parish of 3,200 families. The candidate will begin this position on September 1, 2014.

The director will be in charge of music selection and preparation for the five weekend liturgies, and training and coordination of Cantors, as well as several choirs that assist at the liturgies. In addition, the director will be responsible for preparation of wedding and funeral liturgies as well as parish special liturgies and Advent and Lenten services.

Qualifications include experience as Music Director, bachelor's degree in music related field, and experience playing the piano and organ during Mass.

Candidates are asked to submit their qualifications by July 15, 2014 to:

Attn: Director of Music Search Committee, St. Brigid of Kildare Church, 7179 Avery Road, Dublin, Ohio 43017

Salary and diocesan benefits are commensurate with experience.

JIM RALEIGH RETIRES AFTER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE



Something familiar will be missing from the Catholic Center after Friday, May 30. The smiling face and pleasant greeting associated with building superintendent Jim Raleigh no longer will be part of the atmosphere around the diocesan offices.

Raleigh will be retiring at the end of the month for health reasons after 25

years with the diocese. "It's the people I'll miss the most," he said. "I got the chance to become familiar with a lot of folks over 25 years, and it will be hard not to be talking with them and hearing about their lives.

"But I think this is a good time to leave. It's been a very satisfying career. I know I'll be able to do a lot more fishing, and beyond that, I don't have any immediate plans. I'm so geared to getting up at 4 a.m. to come to work that it's going to be strange not to be doing it. That's one thing I don't think I'll miss."

Raleigh was hired to work for the diocese by former diocesan buildings and grounds director Bob Deibel, his former employer when Deibel was with Fire Services, a company specializing in helping homes and businesses recover from fire and water damage.

larily and made me feel good because I could help them in times of loss," he said. "I've been fortunate throughout my life to be able to be of service in some way."

Raleigh was born in Roanoke, Va., but came to Columbus with the rest of his family soon after his birth, living first on the south side and later on the east side near downtown. He graduated from Columbus Mohawk High School in 1969.

He and his wife, Martha, have been married for 36 years and have three grown children – two sons, Maurice and Irving, and a daughter, Secquoia – as well as 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. "At least I think those last two numbers are right," Raleigh said. "It's hard to keep track. One great thing about retirement is that I'll be able to spend time with all of them."

MOTHER'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION
SATURDAY, JUNE 7th, 2014

Led by Father Ignatius, Franciscan Friar of the Immaculate
Open to all women of the Diocese

at
Holy Family Church
584 West Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215



9:00 a.m. – Holy Mass
Followed by the Holy Rosary

10:00 a.m. – Breakfast/ Conference

10:45 a.m. – Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Confessions

11:45 a.m. – Benediction

The Ascension of the Lord (Cycle A)

Readings are inconsistent, but bring closure to Gospel



Father Lawrence L. Hummer

June 1

**Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23
Matthew 28:16-20**

The Ascension marks the end of the appearances and sightings of the risen Jesus by the apostles (excluding Saul/Paul's experience in Acts 9). If the heavens were filled with the Lord's glory at the birth of Jesus (Luke 2:8-14), marked by the appearance of an angel to the shepherds, now the risen Jesus ascends into heaven to share in the glory of the Father. In the Acts reading, two men dressed in white robes announce to the apostles that Jesus will return in the same way. They do not say when, only that it will happen. Thus the story of Jesus is completed.

Other events in the Acts passage which bring closure to the Gospel include the mention of John the Baptist, whose birth was announced before the birth announcement of Jesus. The adult John the Baptist had also mentioned a coming baptism with the Holy Spirit, as does this farewell account of the risen Jesus. We might also note that this departure takes place **in and around Jerusalem**, just as the birth narrative included events in and around Jerusalem. Luke was nothing if not careful in arranging Acts to mesh well with his Gospel.

The only slight problem to interrupt this peaceful and serene presentation of the departure of Jesus on a cloud into heaven is the Gospel for today's feast, which this year comes from Matthew. In Matthew's Gospel, the departure takes place **in Galilee** at "the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them." Of course, Matthew does not mention a departure, but he does mention the

command to "teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you."

This presents us with a problem for those who expect consistent information which agrees on every detail found in the New Testament. Such information simply does not exist. Those who think we are meant to read the New Testament like we would a newspaper become greatly frustrated when they discover that individual evangelists rarely agree on anything. The disagreements range from small word changes or the order of words, to the unbridgeable gap that exists between Luke and Matthew on the ascension.

We have already seen how Luke arranged things in Acts to fit with his Gospel. Matthew presents this scene at the end of the Gospel, to connect with what the angel had told the women who had come to the tomb earlier in the chapter: "Go quickly and tell his disciples 'He has been raised from the dead, and he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him.'" After this, Jesus himself met the women and told them the same thing. Thus it is to Galilee they go, and there they see him in Sunday's scene.

The mountain to which they went might have been the mountain of the Transfiguration account in Matthew 17, but there is no way to verify that, other than that it was in Galilee. Others think it was the mountain of the great sermon. The faith they have ("they worshipped him"), mixed with doubt, probably reflects the disciples' experience throughout the Gospel.

In the end, we cannot say for certain what happened to mark this feast of the Ascension. It is clear that at some point the risen Christ stopped appearing to the disciples and other witnesses. From that time on, the disciples relied on the Holy Spirit of Jesus to guide them in proclaiming the gospel to all nations, as we still do today.

Father Hummer, pastor at Chillicothe St. Mary Church, may be reached at hummerl@stmarychillicothe.com.

Bishop Hartley, Watterson valedictorians

Evan Feeney and Nicole Weldon are the valedictorians for this year's graduating class at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School. Allison Willis is the salutatorian. The school announced the honorees after the May 18 issue of *Catholic Times*, which featured the names of valedictorians and salutatorians at other diocesan high schools, went to press.

In addition, Columbus Bishop Watterson High

School has added Emily Aman to its previously published list of valedictorians

The Weekday Bible Readings

6/2-6/7	6/9-6/14
MONDAY Acts 19:1-8 Psalm 68:2-5acd,6-7b John 16:29-33	MONDAY 1 Kings 17:1-6 Psalm 121:1b-8 Matthew 5:1-12
TUESDAY Acts 20:17-27 Psalm 68:10-11,20-21 John 17:1-11a	TUESDAY 1 Kings 17:7-16 Psalm 4:2-5,7b-8 Matthew 5:13-16
WEDNESDAY Acts 20:28-38 Psalm 68:29-30,33-36a,35bc-36b John 17:11b-19	WEDNESDAY Acts 11:21b-26;13:1-3 Psalm 98:1-6 Matthew 5:17-19
THURSDAY Acts 22:30-23:6-11 Psalm 16:1-2a,5,7-11 John 17:20-26	THURSDAY 1 Kings 18:41-46 Psalm 65:10-13 Matthew 5:20-26
FRIDAY Acts 25:13b-21 Psalm 103:1-2,11-12,19-20b John 21:15-19	FRIDAY 1 Kings 19:9a,11-16 Psalm 27:7-9c,13-14 Matthew 5:27-32
SATURDAY Acts 28:16-20,30-31 Psalm 11:4-5,7 John 21:20-25	SATURDAY 1 Kings 19:19-21 Psalm 16:1-2a,5,7-10 Matthew 5:33-37

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEKS OF JUNE 1 AND 8, 2014

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

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

We pray Weeks III and II, Seasonal Proper of the Liturgy of the Hours

The Anglican Wanna-Be Fallacy



THE CATHOLIC DIFFERENCE
George Weigel

Before the April 27 canonization doubleheader, I taped a lengthy interview with the Australian Broadcasting Corp., discussing both John XXIII and John Paul II. The ABC was kind enough to send transcripts of the programs it did on these giants of modern Catholicism, so I was able to read what others had to say about the Church's two newest saints. Much of it was interesting, but some comments verged on the bizarre.

Dr. Lavinia Byrne (for those unfamiliar with the higher echelons of the British Catholic commentariat) is a former nun whose refusal to concede that the question of ordaining women to the ministerial priesthood was definitively settled by John Paul II in 1994 led to difficulties with the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, and to her eventual departure from religious life. Byrne was one of those interviewed for the ABC program on John Paul II, and while her animus toward the Polish pope was entirely predictable, what struck me was the following statement, which she made toward the end of the program:

"If, in the 1990s, the (Catholic) Church had followed the example of the Anglican communion and had accepted the ordination of women, it would look very different nowadays. ... Had there been ordination of women, we would not have had parishes that are starved of the sacraments because there simply aren't enough young men coming forward who are prepared to be celibate and prepared to labor on their own."

There, in brief, is the fallacy of Wanna-Be Anglicanism.

If the experience of Anglicanism in Great Britain is the measure Byrne proposes, then it is certainly true that "the Catholic Church ... would look very different

nowadays" if "in the 1990s (it) had followed the example of the Anglican communion and had accepted the ordination of women"—it would look empty. For that is how most Anglican churches in Britain today look on Sunday: empty. There are, of course, many reasons for the collapse of Anglican faith and practice in the U.K., but there isn't the slightest shred of evidence that the collapse has been slowed, much less reversed, by the Church of England's decision to admit women to its ordained ministry.

On the contrary, that decision was of a piece with the general doctrinal meltdown of the Anglican leadership in the so-called First World, which began in earnest when the 1930 Lambeth Conference (a meeting of Anglican bishops conducted once every 10 years) accepted the morality of contraceptive sex, and has continued apace ever since. Thus, when the head of the Anglican Communion, Robert Runcie (the archbishop of Canterbury at the time), engaged in an extended correspondence with John Paul II and Cardinal Johannes Willebrands (the Vatican's chief ecumenist) in the 1980s, Runcie leaned heavily on sociological arguments about changing gender patterns of leader-

ship in society to buttress his attempt at a theological explanation of why the Church of England was moving toward ordaining women to its ministry. John Paul and Willebrands had warned that this was a "radical innovation" that would do grave damage to what was once the most promising of the bilateral ecumenical dialogues.

The Church of England went ahead with the "radical innovation," the quest for full communion between Canterbury and Rome suffered a grave blow, and North Atlantic Anglicanism continued to hemorrhage active congregants.

Hard experience should have taught us by now that there is an iron law built into the relationship between Christianity and modernity. Christian communities that know and defend their doctrinal and moral boundaries (while extending the compassion of Christ when we fail to live within those boundaries, as we all do) survive in modernity; some actually flourish and become robustly evangelical. Conversely, Christian communities whose doctrinal and moral boundaries are eroded by the new orthodoxy of political correctness, and become so porous that it becomes impossible to know if one is "in" or "out," wither and die.

That is the sad state of Anglicanism in the North Atlantic world today: even splendid liturgical smells-and-bells can't save an Anglicanism hollowed out by the shibboleths of secular modernity. Why British Catholics like Lavinia Byrne can't see this is one of the mysteries of the 21st-century Church.

George Weigel is Distinguished Senior Fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, D.C.

St. Vincent Family Center to Expand



St. Vincent Family Center, a behavioral health care center that serves children and families, broke ground earlier this month for a new wing of its building on Columbus' east side.

The 21,000-square-foot facility will have 17 classrooms for children who receive treatment while attending school at the center. The classrooms will have natural light and space that is more conducive to learning. Additionally, the rooms will have technical equipment that will enhance learning for children with behavioral issues.

The new wing will enable the center to serve 44 percent more children each day. Additionally, it will naturally create a safe courtyard with an outdoor therapeutic play area for children three to five years of age.

Although the center is still raising funds for the expansion, the need to build and help children as soon as possible is a driving factor. The new

wing will take approximately 12 to 14 months to build. If all goes as planned, it will be ready in the summer of 2015.

Individuals and families wanting to support the project may contact Debra Huff at (614) 252-0731, extension 1132, or make donations to St. Vincent

Family Center, 1490 E. Main St., Columbus OH 43205.

"We embarked on a \$5 million capital campaign because we had maximized our building and had no room to grow," said Shawn Holt, the center's president and chief executive officer. "Because

of our unique and unmatched services, we had a waiting list for many of our programs that we couldn't ignore. The reality is that we make good kids better through our programs, and turning children away was not an option we could feel good about."

Pray for our dead

ADKINSON, Army Chief Warrant Officer 5 (Ret.) Charles A. III, 66, May 17
Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Marysville

BADURINA, Lawrence L., 76, May 21
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

CAPUANO, Nalina, 86, May 12
St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

CARIFA, Gloria A., 88, May 19
St. Elizabeth Church, Columbus

CONKLE, Martha "Jean," 92, of Columbus, May 13
Gesu Church, Toledo

CUMMINS, Christien P., 43, April 30
St. Thomas More Newman Center, Columbus

DECKER, Dorothy E., 87, May 18
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

DUTY, Lorinda M., 45, May 18
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington

FINKEL, Robert J., 90, May 12
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

FRAZIER, Kristi M., 35, May 16
St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

GALMISH, Cyril M., 82, May 11
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

GOODWIN, Martha M., 90, May 13
St. Mary Church, Columbus

GOSLIN, William L., 60, May 14
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

HENNESSEY, Emily A., 89, May 17
St. Agatha Church, Columbus

HINES, John G., 74, May 14
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

HONAKER, Jonathan D., 62, May 8
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

HORN, William D., 85, May 22
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

HOSEY, Mary A., 90, formerly of Columbus, Feb. 2
St. Patrick Church, Wellington

HOSTETTLER, Don, 83, April 29
Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

KRIVICICH, Daniel W., 87, May 21
St. Catharine Church, Columbus

LANG, Joseph F. Jr., 75, May 14
St. Paul Church, Westerville

LEITE, Joann L., 76, May 16
St. Paul Church, Westerville

MACK, Shirley, 54, May 13
St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Zanesville

MARSH, Vera A., 104, May 16
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

MARTIN, Jan, 72, May 15
St. Brendan Church, Hilliard

NEARY, Vronica A. "Bonnie," 90, May 20
St. Elizabeth Church, Columbus

NIST, Walter L., 89, of Columbus, May 7
St. Peter Church, Canton

NOWAK, Nichola V., 65, May 11
St. Elizabeth Church, Columbus

OBERT, Mike V., 48, May 9
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington

RALEIGH, Catherine N., 90, of Columbus, May 17
St. Raphael Church, Naperville, Ill.

SAGONE, Judith M., 74, May 11
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

SARTORI, Violet R., 85, May 20
Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

SCHMELTZER, David L., 73, March 31
St. Mary Church, Lancaster

SIDNER, Linda J., 61, May 16
St. Cecilia Church, Columbus

SPADA, Donald P., 85, May 15
St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

STOVER, Charity-Jo "Dody," 63, May 5
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City

STYBORSKI, Catherine L., 54, May 21
Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus

THOMAS, Alvin, 76, May 12
St. Mary Church, Marion

WALLACE, Harold J. "Wally," 79, May 12
St. Mary Church, Lancaster

WEAVER, Anthony, 74, May 10
Immaculate Conception Church, Dennison

WELLS, Donald J., 85, May 13
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, Columbus

WHITE, Robert D. "Buttons," 60, May 5
St. Dominic Church, Columbus

WIEMELS, Mary L., May 16
St. Elizabeth Church, Columbus

WILLIAMS, E. Earl, 90, May 12
St. Paul Church, Westerville

ZIMMERMAN, Allison M., May 18
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

Sister Bettina Mollica, OP

Funeral Mass for Sister Bettina Mollica, OP, 74, who died Friday, May 16, was held Tuesday, May 20, in the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Adrian, Mich. Burial was in the sisters' cemetery.

She was born in Mansfield to the late Anthony and Rosina (Vilella) Mollica. She is a graduate of Mansfield St. Peter High School and received a bachelor of arts degree in history from St. Francis College in Joliet Ill., and master's degrees in American history from Wayne State University in Detroit and in ongoing formation from Duquesne Uni-

Beverlee D. May

Funeral Mass for Beverlee D. May, 59, who died Monday, May 19, was held Friday, May 23, at Gahanna St. Matthew Church. Burial was at the Mifflin Township Cemetery.

She was born and raised in Columbus and received a master's degree in education from Ohio Dominican University. For more than 20 years, she was

versity in Pittsburgh.

She was in her 50th year in the Adrian Dominican congregation and formerly was known as Sister Mary Cabrini. In the Diocese of Columbus, she was campus minister at Ohio Dominican College from 1983-86. She also was a campus minister in the Diocese of Cleveland and at colleges in Illinois and Connecticut and a teacher at secondary schools in Michigan. She became a resident of the Dominican Life Center at Adrian earlier this year.

Survivors include brothers, Gerald and Lewis, and a sister, Antonia Reese.

a fourth- and fifth-grade teacher at St. Matthew School.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Sandra Galik. Survivors include her parents, Fred and Sue Rutherford; children, Geoff (Heather) Richmond, Deanna (Daniel Losoncy) May, and Kelly May; brother, Mike; and two grandchildren.

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29, THURSDAY
Holy Hour of Reparation at Columbus Sacred Heart
7 to 8 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Eucharistic Holy Hour following Holy Hour of Reparation prayer format, concluding with Benediction and social period. Prayers for intention of deepened holiness and an increase in the virtue of fortitude for bishops and priests. **614-372-5249**

30, FRIDAY
Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center Open House
11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Center, a ministry of the Dominican Sisters of Peace, will be open, weather permitting, for tours. Also on June 6. **614-866-4302**

31, SATURDAY
Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City
9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Saturday Life and Mercy Mass. followed by rosary and confession. Also on June 7. **614-565-8654**

All fund-raising events (festivals, bazaars, spaghetti dinners, fish fries, bake sales, pizza/sub sales, candy sales, etc.) will be placed in the "Fund-Raising Guide." An entry into the Guide will be \$18.50 for the first six lines, and \$2.65 for each additional line. For more information, call David Garick at 614-224-5195.

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H A P P E N I N G S

JUNE

1, SUNDAY
Exposition at Church of the Resurrection
Our Lady of the Resurrection Chapel, Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, beginning with procession into chapel following 11 a.m. Mass and continuing to 5 p.m. **614-933-9318**
Our Lady of Peace Honors Retiring Principal
11:30 a.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 20 E. Dominion Blvd., Columbus. Mass honoring Carol Folian on her retirement as principal of parish school after 22 years, followed by reception in gym from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. **614-267-4535**

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. Also on June 8. **614-886-8266**
Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. Also on June 8. **706-761-4054**
Compline at Cathedral
9 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Chanting of Compline. **614-241-2526**

2, MONDAY
Prayer Shawl Ministry at Corpus Christi Center of Peace
10 to 11:30 a.m., Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Prayer shawl ministry for all knitters, crocheters, and quilters, regardless of experience level. **614-512-3731**
Marian Movement for Priests Cenacle
7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Mass for Catholic family life. Homily: "The Fourth Luminous Mystery: The Transfiguration." **614-225-7435**

3, TUESDAY
Diocesan Senior Citizens Day
10:30 a.m., Immaculate Conception Church, 414 E. North Broadway, Columbus. 37th annual Diocesan Senior Citizens Day Mass, celebrated by Bishop Frederick Campbell, followed by luncheon. Registration deadline May 30. **614-241-2540**

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

Abortion Recovery Network Group
7 p.m., Pregnancy Decision Health Center, 665 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus. Abortion recovery network group meeting for anyone interested in recovering from abortion or who has been through a recovery program and wants to stay connected. **614-444-4411**
Prayer Group Meeting at St. Mark
7:30 p.m., St. Raymond Room, St. Mark Center, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Light of Life Prayer Group meeting. Also on June 10. **740-653-4919**

5, THURSDAY
Holy Hour at Holy Family
6 to 7 p.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by meeting of parish Holy Name and Junior Holy Name societies, with refreshments. **614-221-4323**
'Dying to Live: A Migrant's Journey' at Corpus Christi

6:30 p.m., Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. "Dying to Live: A Migrant's Journey," a documentary on the human face of immigration, produced by the University of Notre Dame, followed by conversation with Angela Johnston, diocesan Latino ministry director. **614-512-3731**

Lancaster St. Mary 150th Anniversary Mass
7 p.m., St. Mary Church, 132 S. High St., Lancaster. Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrates Mass for the 150th anniversary of the church building's consecration, followed by reception in parish courtyard. **740-653-0997**

6, FRIDAY
St. Cecilia Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
St. Cecilia Church, 434 Norton Road, Columbus. Begins after 8:15 a.m. Mass; continues to 5 p.m. Saturday.
Monthly Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Begins after 9 a.m. Mass; continues through 6 p.m. Holy Hour.
Assertiveness Workshop at Corpus Christi
11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Workshop on building assertiveness skills, with John Moore, center's counselor in residence, followed by soup and conversation. \$10 per person. Group limited to 25 people. Registration required; financial assistance available. **614-512-3731**

Catholic Men's Luncheon Club Meeting
12:15 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Catholic Men's Luncheon Club meeting, with Jeff Bernard, local leader of the Militia Immaculata, speaking on "The Holy Rosary and the Mysteries of the Christian Life." Details at www.columbuscatholicmen.com.
St. John Chrysostom First Friday Sale
4 to 6 p.m., St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church, 5858 Cleveland Ave., Columbus. First Friday sale of pirogi, stuffed cabbage, noodles, baked goods. **614-882-7578**

Angelic Warfare Confraternity at Columbus St. Patrick
7 to 9 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Monthly meeting of Angelic Warfare Confraternity, with talk on chastity-related issues followed by Holy Hour. **614-224-9522**

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

7, SATURDAY
Mary's Little Children Prayer Group
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. 8:30 a.m., confessions, 9 a.m., Mass, followed by Fatima prayers and Rosary (Shepherds of Christ format); 10 a.m., meeting. **614-861-4888**
Lay Missionaries of Charity Day of Prayer
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Monthly day of prayer for Columbus chapter of Lay Missionaries of Charity. Includes Mass, prayers of thanksgiving, studies of the LMC statutes and related literature of Mother Teresa, lunch, Eucharistic Holy Hour, and Benediction. **614-372-5249**
Blossom Workshop at Shepherd's Corner
10 to 11:30 a.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Workshop with Sister Diane

Kozlowski, OP, on making a rose, daffodil, and tulip blossom set in a decorated pot. \$11 fee. Registration deadline June 3. **614-866-4302**

Centering Prayer Group Meeting at Corpus Christi
10:30 a.m. to noon, Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Centering prayer group meeting, beginning with silent prayer, followed by Contemplative Outreach DVD and discussion. **614-512-3731**

Diocesan Charismatic Renewal Pentecost Mass
7 p.m., St. John Neumann Church, 9633 State Route 37, Sunbury. Mass for the Feast of Pentecost, celebrated by Father Dean Mathewson, sponsored by diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal. Preceded by praise and worship at 6, with prayer teams available, and followed by fellowship. **614-914-8556**

Filipino Mass at Holy Cross
7:30 p.m., Holy Cross Church, 204 S. 5th St., Columbus. Monthly Mass in the Tagalog language for members of the Filipino Catholic community. **614-224-3416**

8, SUNDAY
Mother's Day of Recollection at Holy Family
9 a.m. to noon, Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Mother's Day of recollection, led by Father Ignatius of the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate. Begins with Mass, followed by rosary, with breakfast and conference at 10, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and confessions at 10:45, and Benediction at 11:45. **614-221-4323**

Mass for Those Who Recently Joined the Church
10:30 a.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrates annual diocesan Pentecost Mass for neophytes (those who recently joined the Catholic Church, mainly at the Easter Vigil).
Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic Meeting
1:30 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Meeting of St. Catherine of Siena chapter, Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic, featuring presentation on the sacraments at 3 p.m.

St. John XXIII Statue Dedication in Canal Winchester
4 p.m., St. John XXII Church, 5170 Winchester Southern Road, Canal Winchester. Dedication of bronze statue of parish's newly canonized patron saint, crafted in Italy by sculptor Carl Moroder, followed by open house. **614-920-1563**

9, 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**

10, TUESDAY
Bread of Life Cooking Club at St. Joan of Arc
6:30 p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Bread of Life Cooking Club meeting. Theme: "Backyard Fare," with demonstration by chef Justin Hernandez and food and wine pairing. \$15 per person. **740-548-6211**



BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

Lancaster St. Mary Church, 132 S. High St., will celebrate the 150th anniversary of the consecration of the current church building (pictured at bottom of page) with several events during the rest of the year.

The principal celebration will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 5, with Bishop Frederick Campbell as principal celebrant and other priests of the diocese as concelebrants. A reception will follow in the parish courtyard.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on Sunday, June 22, the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, beginning after the 11:15 a.m. Mass and ending in the evening with Vespers and a Eucharistic procession to the courtyard for Benediction.

The parish picnic will take place on the courtyard after the 11:15 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Sept. 14.

The Extraordinary Form of the 1962 Roman Rite, popularly known as the traditional Latin Mass, will be offered at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26. The Mass will be in celebration of



LANCASTER ST. MARY CELEBRATION



the Kingship of Christ, on the date when the Feast of Christ the King had been celebrated before being transferred to the last Sunday in Ordinary Time in 1970.

Other sesquicentennial events include the eight-part Bible study *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* by Dr. Edward Sri on Mondays at 7 p.m. from June 23 to Aug. 18 (with the exception of July 14), as well as church tours and a display of religious goods and vessels connected with the anniversary, which will take place during the summer.

More information on the celebration, as it becomes available, will be found on the parish website, www.stmarylanca.org.

As part of the sesquicentennial celebration, a parish crest

has been designed. The Latin text *Assumpta est Maria* at the top is Latin for "Mary is assumed," professing the dogma of the Assumption, which was defined officially in 1950 but has been held as an article of belief from the Catholic Church's earliest days. The official name of the Lancaster parish is "St. Mary of the Assumption."

The crest is in the Marian colors of white and blue. White is a sign of Mary's perpetual purity, necessary for her to give a human nature to God, and her perpetual virginity, fitting for the womb that served as a vessel for God Incarnate. Blue was commonly used in art to symbolize divinity, so it is fitting that Mary be clothed in blue to symbolize her fidelity to and intimacy with God.

The blue is also a reference to an ancient title of Mary as Ark of the New Covenant. The original Ark of the Covenant was covered with a blue veil whenever it was being moved among the Jewish people in the Old Testament.

Above the Marian "M" in the center of the shield is a crown with stars and a fleur-de-lis, as Mary is queen of heaven. The fleur-de-lis, a stylized lily, again symbolizes Mary's purity. The crown and stars are Marian symbols from the Book of Revelation.

The history of St. Mary

Church goes back to 1820, making it one of the four oldest churches in the diocese. Parishes in Junction City and Danville also were formed that year, two years after the founding of Ohio's oldest Catholic church, Somerset St. Joseph.

The first Catholic church in the Fairfield County seat was built by Father Nicholas Young, OP, nephew of Ohio's first Catholic priest, Father (later Bishop) Edward Fenwick. It was served by Dominicans from Somerset until 1839, when it began to be staffed by priests of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. It has been staffed by diocesan priests ever since, becoming a part of the Diocese of Columbus upon formation of the diocese in 1868.

The original church building served the parish for 20 years. The second church (pictured above), on the site of the current rectory, was built in 1840. Its basement began being used as a school in 1847. The entire building was used as a school from the time the current church was completed until 1907, when the first of the two buildings now housing St. Mary School was built.

Plans for the current church began being made in 1854. The stone, brick, and wood used in its construction all came from local sources. Archbishop John



Purcell of Cincinnati laid the cornerstone on Aug. 28, 1859, but work on the church came almost to a standstill because of the Civil War.

Archbishop Purcell presided over the church's dedication on June 5, 1864, assisted by Bishop Joshua Young of Erie, Pennsylvania, the first diocesan pastor of the parish, who served there from 1839 until being consecrated a bishop in 1854.

The church is on the National Register of Historic Places. Extensive renovation of the church, its two school buildings, and rectory took place for the parish's 175th anniversary in 1995. Updates have continued since then to ensure its structural soundness.

More than 20 priests, including longtime Columbus Auxiliary Bishop Edward Hettinger, and 80 sisters have come from the parish. Its most recently ordained priest is Father Matthew Morris, parochial vicar at Worthington St. Michael Church, whose ordination took place last year. Deacon Nicola Ventura, a parishioner, anticipates being ordained a priest next year.

The church's current spiritual leader, Father Craig Eilerman, has served the parish since 2011 and is the 20th pastor in its history.

NEWS IN PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



Pope Francis celebrates Mass with the ordinaries of the Holy Land and the papal delegation in the Cenacle in Jerusalem May 26. The pope dedicated his final hours in Jerusalem to time with local Catholics, reminding them that despite difficulties, God is always by their side. CNS photo/Paul Haring



Pope Francis prays at the Western Wall in Jerusalem May 26. The pope stood for more than a minute and a half with his right hand against the wall, most of the time in silent prayer, before reciting the Our Father. Then he followed custom by leaving a written message inside a crack between two blocks. CNS photo/Paul Haring



Pope Francis and Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople attend an ecumenical celebration in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem May 25. CNS photo/Paul Haring



A large crowd is seen as Pope Francis celebrates Mass in Manger Square outside the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, West Bank, May 25. CNS photo/Debbie Hill



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has designated one weekend each year for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. In the Diocese of Columbus, we will observe it on May 31 and June 1.

The funds collected during this event are distributed to the mission dioceses in the United States. These dioceses are commonly called "Mission Land USA."

These dioceses cannot continue to exist without the help of Catholics elsewhere. In these areas where the Church is small and fragile, the proceeds of the collection help expand and strengthen its Catholic presence.

Contrary to what many people think, the missions are not only in Africa, Asia, India, and Latin America. The missions are also in the vast wilderness of Alaska, in the deep South, in the Rocky Mountain states, in the Appalachian regions, in the Southwest, in Puerto Rico, in the Virgin Islands such as American Samoa and the Marshalls.

Your support for the collection helps meet faith needs in these areas. The collection has supported religious education, evangelization, youth ministry, seminarian education, and ministry training in these mission dioceses. Helping to satisfy the spiritual needs of our neighbors across the country unites all of us as a Catholic family.

I invite you to respond generously to the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. May the Lord bless us in our efforts to help expand and strengthen the presence of the Church at home.

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

That all may know the unsearchable riches of Christ and be transformed by the light of his face

By **Leandro Tapay**/Diocesan Missions Office

Catholics are few and the Church is fragile in many parts of the United States and its territories, especially in Alaska, the Appalachian region, the South, the Southwest, the Rocky Mountain States, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin and Marshall Islands. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has designated these areas as "Catholic Home Missions," popularly known as "Mission Land USA." The Church in these areas cannot continue to exist without help from elsewhere.

The USCCB has designated one weekend each year for a Catholic Home Missions Collection. In the Diocese of Columbus, this collection will be on the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, May 31 and June 1.

This annual appeal is the primary source of funding for grants from the USCCB subcommittee on Catholic home missions. Forty-four percent of dioceses and eparchies in the United States and its territories receive support from the appeal for basic and essential pastoral programs, such as evangelization, training of catechists, education of priests, and training of lay leaders, preserving or strengthening the presence of the Church here at home.

The Ohio dioceses of Steubenville and Youngstown, the Romanian Eparchy in Canton, and the Ukrainian Eparchy of Parma all receive grants from the subcommittee.

Other dioceses that receive such grants include:

- The Diocese of Anchorage, Alaska: It has 29 parishes and mission centers covering 138,000 square miles — mostly rural areas, accessible only by air or by water. Roads are nonexistent or are in

poor condition. Few parishes have a resident pastor.

- The Diocese of Baker, Oregon: It has 25 priests who cover 63 parishes and mission centers in 65,000 mountainous square miles.

- The Diocese of Carolyn Islands in the Central Pacific: It covers one million square miles of open ocean. It serves 135,000 Catholics speaking in four different languages. The 13 priests travel by motorboat or plane among the 100 or so inhabited islands.

- The Diocese of Knoxville, Tennessee: It covers the eastern third of the state, with a Catholic population totaling 2.4 percent, the smallest such percentage in the nation. There are people in eastern Tennessee who have never met a Catholic priest.

- The Diocese of Lexington, Kentucky: It serves 50 counties, 39 of which are in the Appalachian region — one of the most economically depressed areas in the United States. Many of these parishes have a congregation of fewer than 100 parishioners. Parish priests travel as many as 50 miles between churches to minister in 44 parishes and 26 mission stations. Part of this diocese is just across the Ohio River from the Diocese of Columbus.

- The Chaldean Eparchy of St. Peter Apostle in San Diego, California, serves 40,000 Arabic-speaking Catholics in 19 states — Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, Oklahoma, New Mexico, North Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

Missionaries from our diocese serving the mission Church in the United States are Sister Maria Giovanni Paulo dell' Eucharistia, of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity, serving in the state of Washington; Father Robert Goodyear, of the Missionary Servants of the Holy Trinity, serving in Mississippi; Glenmary Father David Glockner, serving in West Virginia; and Brother David Henley, serving as vocations director for the Glenmary missionary group.

May God grant us grace to do our part to spread the Gospel, that all may know the unsearchable riches of Christ and be transformed in the light of His face.

Holy Week on the Choctaw Reservation

By **Father Bob Goodyear, ST**

*Holy Rosary Indian Mission
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I was asked to write something about what I do on the Choctaw Reservation. How does one describe ministering to three churches that require a 98-mile drive to celebrate Mass on Sundays? The reservation is not one large area. It is made up of eight "communities" in several different counties in Mississippi.

On Palm Sunday, a young Choctaw girl received her first holy Communion at St. Therese Mission on the reservation. That evening, I had the wake for a 21-year-old Choctaw man who died of alcohol poisoning. On Monday, I celebrated his funeral Mass at St. Therese. On Tuesday, I celebrated a funeral at St. Catherine Mission in the Conehatta Community for a 38-year-old Choctaw man who died of complications from

pneumonia. I had known him since he was a child. On Wednesday, I celebrated another funeral in Conehatta. This one was for an 80-year-old Choctaw woman who died after a long life. I have been taking her Communion for the last two years as the years took a toll on her body.

Celebrating funerals for three Choctaws during the first three days of Holy Week was difficult, especially at a time when we are preparing to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus. We had record rain this month and the grass was out of control, so I spent Thursday afternoon pushing my lawn mower around the church so it would like nice for Easter.

Holy Thursday's Mass is always special for me, as we remember the Last Supper and Christ's institution of the priesthood. This month marks the 39th anniversary of my ordination. I've spent 23 years on the Choctaw Reservation.

On Good Friday, I visited the nursing home to distribute Communion. There was a new woman who had just come to the home. She has Alzheimer's, but it seems to have affected her strength more than her mind. She lives about 30 miles from the reservation and had not been able to come to church for some time. She was a blessing, and I knew the Lord had sent me to see her.

I am writing this on Holy Saturday. I spent the morning going over my sermon for tonight and setting up the church for the Easter Vigil service. This afternoon, I met with a young couple for their second marriage preparation class. And now it is time to head over to church for the Easter Vigil Service of Light. Tomorrow is Easter Sunday, and I will be driving to each of my three churches to celebrate. We will have an Easter egg hunt, and then Holy Week will be done.



It has been a very busy, very blessed Holy Week on the reservation. I pray it has been so for you as well.