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The Editor's Notebook

Sic Transit Gloria Mundi

By David Garick, Editor



Well, I hope that all of you high school and college graduates out there enjoy your moment in the spotlight. After all those years of work, you finally tromp across the stage, get that diploma, bask in the glow of being the center of attention, and then ... Wham! Don't let the schoolhouse door hit you in the rear on the way out. The real world awaits! As they say in Latin: "*Sic transit gloria mundi* (Thus passes the glory of the world)."

But you do have something more than just that piece of paper to take with you into the world: an education that has prepared you for the challenges that are already bearing down on you. I know that I am grateful for all I learned in school, like that Latin phrase at the beginning of this column. I love to use it in any lull in the conversation at parties. Makes you sound very erudite. Two years of Latin should be worth something. You should have seen the look on my teacher's face when I translated "*Sic transit gloria mundi*" as "Gloria got sick on the school bus last Monday." Then you should have seen the look on my face when she assigned me to translate all of Caesar's *Galic Wars*. I still have a copy, if you'd like to borrow it for some late-night reading.

I'm also grateful for logarithms. Actually, I have no idea what they are any more. I know I had to figure them out in math class using a slide rule. (Note to new graduates and anyone else under 50: There have not always been computers and electronic calculators to do higher mathematics. People used to actually use these funny rulers with sliding parts and microscopic lines and numbers to figure out math problems.) I passed the course, so I guess I actually discovered a few logarithms. Actually, I think I even stumbled onto a couple of cosines. Don't know what those are, either, but I am richer for it.

In all seriousness, I did get a lot out of my education. I will always be grate-

ful to my English composition teachers, who taught me how to express myself and opened the door for a career that has rewarded me for many years. I'm also grateful to all the other teachers who taught me enough about how the world works to give me something to say.

But most of all, I am grateful for an education that taught me that life is based on values that are enduring. I learned that throughout history, our society was shaped by people who were guided by the love of God in building a better world. These were people who understood that principles matter. They knew that there were things worth fighting for, even worth dying for.

The young people graduating from our Catholic schools this week have that kind of education — an education that takes simple knowledge and infuses it with wisdom. In the Book of Proverbs, we read, "*Happy is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gets understanding. For her good profit is better than getting silver, and her return is better than fine gold. She is more precious than rubies. None of the things you can desire are to be compared to her. Length of days is in her right hand. In her left hand are riches and honor. Her ways are ways of pleasantness. All of her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her. Happy is everyone who retains her.*"

Graduates, stand strong on principle rather than be being seduced into the easy path of compromise and accommodation. Refuse to accept that virtue must yield to the mood of the times. We are all challenged not to "go along to get along," but to build a life on truth, faith, and honor. That is something that a good education should teach all of us. *Sic transit gloria mundi.*



Seminarians from the Diocese of Columbus receiving degrees at the Pontifical College Josephinum's 114th commencement exercises are (from left) Shane Ball, Deacon Matthew Morris, Jeffrey Force, and Timothy Lynch. Photo by seminarian Josh Altanji

Commencement at the Pontifical College Josephinum

Thirty-six seminarians from 13 different dioceses were granted degrees or certificates from the Pontifical College Josephinum's college of liberal arts, pre-theology program, or school of theology in a baccalaureate Mass and commencement exercises on Sunday, May 12.

Four of those receiving degrees are from the Diocese of Columbus. Deacon Matthew Morris was the recipient of a master of arts degree in evangelization and a master of divinity degree. Receiving bachelor of philosophy degrees were Shane Ball, Jeffrey Force, and Timothy Lynch.

More than 200 parents, family members, and friends of the graduates attended the day's festivities. Baccalaureate Mass in St. Turibius Chapel was celebrated by Msgr. Christopher Schreck, STD, the Josephinum's rector-president. "It is our joy to welcome you to the Josephinum to witness this historic and formative moment in the lives of your sons and brothers, who take a major and memorable step toward the fulfillment of their vocations," he said.

Msgr. Schreck was joined at the altar by Msgr. Charles Singler and Father Paul Noble, vocations directors for the dioceses of Toledo and Columbus respectively, as well as other visiting priests and priests who are on the Josephinum's faculty.

Msgr. Sigler's homily at the Mass fo-

cused on the meaning of discipleship. "The students who are graduating from this institution today have been confronted by the very notion of Christian discipleship, the open and free consent to emulate Jesus on the cross," he said. "The seminary is not the final stretch or the end or the goal to be championed. It is really a matter of learning to be a faithful son and a witness to Christ — being a follower."

The Pontifical College Josephinum's 114th baccalaureate and commencement took place during the seminary's 125th year of forming priests for the Church. The anniversary was acknowledged by Msgr. Singler, who said, "The faithful who teach here, the faithful who study here, and those who undertake any kind of work here really are never the same as on the day they arrived. And in that sense, God's glory and our sanctification has once again been realized."

A majority of college and pre-theology graduates and certificate recipients will continue their vocational discernment as they undertake graduate theological study. Graduates of the school of theology return home to their respective dioceses for ordination to the priesthood this spring. The ordination class of 2013 will join more than 800 ordained Josephinum alumni who serve the universal Church in nearly every state and in 18 nations.

Correction: In the May 19 Catholic Times, the name of Rachel Krebs was not included in the list of President's Award winners at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School.

GRADUATION 2013

The 11 high schools in the Diocese of Columbus will graduate 1,076 seniors during the next two weeks, including 27 National Merit Scholarship finalists, one National Achievement Scholarship finalist, and 24 NMS commended scholars.

All the schools are graduating 100 percent of their seniors except Columbus Bishop Watterson and Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans, which had graduation rates of 99.2 percent and 99 percent respectively.

Percentages of seniors at diocesan schools going on to higher education in the fall ranged from 91 percent at New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central to 100 percent at Marion Catholic, Lancaster Fisher Catholic, and Columbus St. Charles Preparatory.

ACT test composite averages ranged from 21.14 at Marion Catholic to 27.2 at St. Charles. SAT scores from those schools reporting them ranged from 530 on the verbal portion and 539 on the math portion at Fisher Catholic to 640 (verbal) and 660 (math) at Columbus Bishop Ready.

Sr. Charles led the way in merit scholarship honors with 12 finalists and seven commended students. Watterson had 10 finalists and 11 commended students; Columbus

Bishop Hartley, four merit finalists, one finalist in the National Achievement Scholarship program for minority students, and four commended students; Columbus St. Francis DeSales, one finalist and one commended student; and Ready, one commended student.

The first of the 11 graduations to take place will be Saturday, May 25, at Marion Catholic and Rosecrans. The latest will be Saturday, June 8, at DeSales. Size of the graduating classes will range from eight at Marion Catholic to 274 at Bishop Watterson. This will be the final graduation at Marion Catholic, which will be closed at the end of the school year.

"Congratulations to the graduates and their families," said Lucia McQuaide, diocesan school superintendent. "These graduates from our 11 diocesan high schools reached great heights academically and won many scholarships and awards. What makes them unique is the service they have provided to their schools, parishes, and community. They have grown in their faith. As they move on and continue their faith journey, they will look back on these formative years and be thankful for the gift of a Catholic education."

NEW PRINCIPAL FOR TUSCARAWAS COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

The pastors of the Catholic churches in Tuscarawas County announce the appointment of Matt Ritzert of Dover as principal of Dennison Immaculate Conception School and Dover Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School in Dover for the 2013-14 school year. The parish-based schools offer classes from preschool through grade six and are associated with Dover St. Joseph, New Philadelphia Sacred Heart, Dennison Immaculate Conception, and Zoar Holy Trinity churches.

For the past seven years, Ritzert has been assistant principal at Newcomerstown High School. He worked in a variety of roles, including development director and athletic director at New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School from 1998-2006. Before becoming an educator, he was news and sports director at WJER radio in Dover. He is a member of Dover St. Joseph Church,

where he serves on the pastoral council and is a lector and Eucharistic minister.

"I'm excited and grateful for this opportunity to lead two great schools with proud traditions," Ritzert said. "I feel like I'm going home. I grew up in Catholic education and believe strongly in the mission of Catholic schools to provide a great academic program in a faith-filled environment."

He is looking forward to working with the staffs at the two grade schools and Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School to build enrollment and promote the schools. "The Catholic schools in Tuscarawas County have a great deal to offer in terms of an outstanding faith-based academic program. I want to work with our teachers and administrators, parish leaders, and parents to build on that tradition and spread the good news about our schools," Ritzert said.

COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULE FOR COLUMBUS DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOLS

MARION CATHOLIC — Saturday, May 25, 11 a.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 8. Valedictorian: Suzanne Blue. Salutatorian: Katie Brown. Speaker: Jane Inglis. Baccalaureate: Friday, May 24, 9 a.m., Marion St. Mary Church.

ZANESVILLE BISHOP ROSECRANS — Saturday, May 25, 2 p.m., Secrest Auditorium. Graduating seniors: 50. Valedictorian: Kaitlyn Nicholson. Salutatorian: David Cline. Speaker: Geoffrey Chatas. Baccalaureate: Saturday, May 25, 10 a.m., Zanesville St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

PORTSMOUTH NOTRE DAME — Sunday, May 26, 1 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 34. Valedictorian: Jacob Milani. Salutatorian: Katie O'Neill. Speaker: Father David Huffman. Baccalaureate: Friday, May 24, 7 p.m., Portsmouth St. Mary Church.

COLUMBUS BISHOP WATTERSON — Saturday, June 1, 9:30 a.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 274. Valedictorians: Samantha Beery, Barry Bryant, Emily Byorth, Gabrielle Byorth, Alexandra Demboski, Bryn Dougherty, Paulina Eberts, Lauren Egle, Emily Engert, Annie Gavin, Emily Geyer, Amanda Harbrecht, Abigail Hofmeister, Andrew Huber, Trevor James, Caroline Lieser, Gina Livecchi, Jordan Lucki, Peter Lyons, Nathan Majka, Alisa Noll, Talia Pangalangan, Claire Pappa, Bridget Paraskos, Katherine Pardi, Edward Passen, Rachel Riendeau, Anne Rudy, Andrew Sherman, Margaret Valachovic. Speaker: None. Baccalaureate: Thursday, May 30, 7 p.m., Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare Church.

COLUMBUS BISHOP READY — Saturday, June 1, 10 a.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 90. Valedictorian: Eric Knapke. Salutatorian: Daniel Perry. Speaker, John O'Grady. Baccalaureate: Friday, May 31, 7:30 p.m., Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church.

COLUMBUS BISHOP HARTLEY — Sunday, June 2, 1 p.m., Aladdin Shrine Temple. Graduating seniors: 163. Valedictorians: Dory Cassidy, Clare Kossler. Rachel Krebs, Thomas Zaino. Salutatorians: Victoria Portier, Melissa Serrano. Speaker: Thomas Zaino. Baccalaureate: Friday, May 31, 7:30 p.m., Gahanna St. Matthew Church.

NEW PHILADELPHIA TUSCARAWAS CENTRAL CATHOLIC — Sunday, June 2, 1:30 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 22. Valedictorians: Samantha Beamer, Lexie Haney, Anna Martinelli. Speakers: Valedictorians. Baccalaureate: Wednesday, May 29, 7 p.m., Dennison Immaculate Conception Church.

LANCASTER FISHER CATHOLIC — Sunday, June 2, 2 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 55. Valedictorian: Alixandra Fields. Salutatorian: Kathleen Sylvester. Speaker: Sean Kenney. Baccalaureate: Friday, May 31, 7 p.m., Lancaster St. Bernadette Church.

NEWARK CATHOLIC — Sunday, June 2, 2 p.m., Reese Center, The Ohio State University-Newark. Graduating seniors: 49. Valedictorians: Nate Noth, Margaret Yocum. Salutatorians: Elizabeth Painter, Bethany Patellos, Zachary Smith. Speaker: None. Baccalaureate: Tuesday, May 28, 6 p.m., Granville St. Edward Church.

COLUMBUS ST. CHARLES — Monday, June 3, after baccalaureate, Walter Commons. Graduating seniors: 145. Valedictorian: None. Speaker: James Lower. Baccalaureate: Monday, June 3, 6:30 p.m., Walter Commons.

COLUMBUS ST. FRANCIS DESALES — Saturday, June 8, 10 a.m., Alumni Stadium. Graduating seniors: 186. Valedictorians: Katherine Julian, Jordan Noble, Anthony Stranges, My Li, Meredith Lloyd, Amy Shomo, Kerry McGuire, Richard Reis, Madison Lyberger, Isabel Holgado, Abigail Svitana, Courtney Klosterman. Speaker: Dr. E. Gordon Gee. Baccalaureate: Thursday, June 6, 6 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, New Albany.



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Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School valedictorians (from left) Katie Julian, Anthony Stranges, and Jordan Noble. They will be graduating on Saturday, June 8.

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PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric

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Did you focus a bit more on your actions this past week? As we evangelize, we hope to make a positive and lasting impact on those around us. Keep in mind that the people with whom we are surrounded have an impact on us, too. We have choices when it comes to what we say, what we watch and read, how we spend our resources, and with whom we choose to do so. Some of our regular acquaintances, such as family and co-workers, do not allow us to choose. Nevertheless, we can control our impact on them, and how we allow them to impact us. In both cases, the impact can be as positive and Christian as we want it to be. On our end, we simply do our best and put forth an honest effort each day to be good and faithful stewards of the love and Gospel of Jesus Christ. Can we fail? Of course we do; we are all sinners. But we are also charged with the challenge to always strengthen our relationship with the Lord and to never give in or give up. On the part of others, we can walk away from situations that are contrary to Christian love, and, better yet, we can suggest alternatives when a group is challenged with immoral behavior or participation. Yes, that goes for individuals, too. In one of his recent homilies, Pope Francis warned us that the Devil is very real, and he makes fools out of us when we allow selfishness to rule our lives, rationalizing the things of this world that benefit "me." Let us not be fools.

As we celebrate Memorial Day this weekend, we remember those many soldiers, nurses, civilians, and others who have fought so successfully for our freedom. We are very grateful for those among us who still fight or have recently defended us. The holiday originally was called "Decoration Day" because people would honor the dead and decorate their graves in appreciation and thanksgiving. No matter the precise history, Memorial Day began sometime after the Civil War, and we hope and pray that this great nation never has to endure the horrors of citizen fighting citizen again. Will we ever, or do we now? Democrat and Republican battle fiercely for power and control. Liberal and conservative fight for what they believe to be socially and morally just. The poor and the wealthy seek what they feel is a fair distribution of financial and government resources. The religious and the secular fight exhaustively to shape our society. Christians and Muslims vehemently point fingers. Citizens and immigrants disagree on the path to citizenship. The culture of death pushes hard to overrun the natural sanctity of human life. Aggression and greed overpower meekness and humility. Inside each of us, selfishness and lust grow faster than sharing and gratitude. Are we civil?

Our practical challenge this week is to continue to stand up for what is right. No rationalization, but precisely what we know to be just and moral. No self-serving convenience, either. Go with, and remain firm in, your Catholic Christianity. Determine one thing you can do this week to achieve more civility. Yes, just one. Choose one from the preceding list, or one of your own. Take it with you each day and in everything you do. Make the world a more civil place by first making your own little world more so. Make this Memorial Day a lasting memory with a nice, personal decoration.

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

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS



The Women's Club at Columbus St. Andrew Church has awarded \$1,500 scholarships, to be applied directly to tuition at Columbus Bishop Watterson High School, to St. Andrew School eighth-graders Sara Dowler and Alexandra Bryant for their essays on "Justice." Pictured are (from left) Father Michael Watson, pastor of St. Andrew Church; Dowler, Bryan, and Joel Wichtman, St. Andrew School principal.

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ST. CHARLES MERIT FINALISTS

Ten Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School seniors have been selected as National Merit Scholarship finalists. They are (from left) Matthew Bernert, Daniel Loesing, Neil Joseph, Brandon Burdine, Brian Vetter, Michael Lutter, Tyler Redd, Joshua Imbriani, John Galden, and Conner Bowman. They were among the top 15,000 of more than 1.5 million students who took the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test at the beginning of the school year and are eligible for more than \$35 million in scholarships sponsored by the National Merit Scholarship Corp. and more than 440 independent sponsors, including businesses and colleges.

Photo courtesy St. Charles Preparatory School



Marion Catholic Memorabilia

Anyone interested in receiving a class or team trophy, plaque, class composite picture, or other memorabilia from Marion Catholic High School, which is closing at the end of the school year, is asked to contact Bob New at trickster.ren@roadrunner.com.

If more than one person is interested in an item, it will go into a lottery. The school will be open in early June

so alumni and friends can see what is available.

The school's alumni association will remain intact, the alumni newsletter will continue to be published four times a year, and the Lucky Irish Sweepstakes will continue this fall, said Leslie Slemmons, school alumni and development director, who will retain that position with Marion St. Mary School.

DeSales Summer Basketball

The 19th annual Stallion Summer Basketball League, open to all current fourth- through seventh-grade boys basketball players, will play games on Tuesday and Thursday nights from Tuesday, June 11 to Thursday, July 18 at Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School, 4212 Karl Road.

The cost for participation is \$125. League participants will be guaranteed at least eight games of equal playing time and a complete uniform. For more information, download the registration form at www.stfrancisdesaleshs.org in the "DeSales Announcements" section on the homepage.



Diocese of Columbus Child Protection Plan

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

Help is available: The Diocese of Columbus wants to hear from anyone who has suffered. If you wish to report an allegation of abuse or need pastoral and/or clinical care in order to begin or continue the process of healing from sexual abuse as a child at the hands of a member of the clergy or a church employee or volunteer, simply call the diocesan Victims' Assistance Coordinator. You can find contact information at the bottom of this notice. If you wish to receive a copy of the diocesan complaint form or any of the diocesan policies and procedures, simply call the number below or visit the diocesan web site at www.colsdioc.org

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Protestants, Catholics and tithing; RCIA and cohabitation

Q I grew up in a Protestant church, but converted to Catholicism. Sometimes it seems to me that Catholics give a lot less money to their churches than Protestants do. (The Sunday collections reported in our parish bulletin would, I think, be dwarfed by those of some Protestant congregations much smaller than our own.)

On the other hand, Catholics do seem to give a lot to charities overall. (Just in our own town, there is a Catholic hospital, several Catholic schools and many programs of human service supported by Catholic Charities.) I'm wondering what the Catholic Church's view is on tithing and whether money given to Catholic, nonparochial institutions can count as tithing. (Illinois)

A Your question brings to mind a comment I once heard from a Catholic pastor. He said, "If a Catholic couple has \$50, they go out to dinner; \$20, they go see a movie; \$10, they get fast food. But if they have \$1, they go to church."

There is some truth behind the complaint. A national study in 2003 showed that Protestants typically give 2.6 percent of their income to

their local churches, while Catholics give 1.2 percent. Some analysts speculate that, because an average Catholic parish in America numbers 3,100 people while Protestant congregations are usually one-tenth that size, Catholics have a diminished sense of personal responsibility.

As your question suggests, however, the percentages given above are only part of the story. Catholics also support the nation's largest network of private health care institutions and social service agencies. And while the thousands of dollars paid by parents for Catholic school tuitions are technically not charitable donations, they do in fact contribute to the overall religious mission of the church.

Many Catholic dioceses recommend that their members contribute five percent of their take-home pay to their parish and an additional five percent to other charities. There is, though, no strict obligation for Catholics to tithe. Tithing is based on several Old Testament passages, such as Leviticus 27:32, which says: "The tithes of the herd and the flock, every tenth animal that passes under the herdsman's rod, shall be sacred to the Lord."

Among Christian be-

lievers, Mormons are the most strict in carrying that prescription forward. A recent study by the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life showed that 79 percent of Mormons tithe to their church. The Catholic obligation is more general: As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* expresses in No. 2043, "The faithful ... have the duty of providing for the material needs of the church, each according to his abilities."

Q I'm aware of an upcoming wedding in a local Catholic parish. The bride and groom have been living together for some time, although not yet married. The bride was also enrolled in a parish Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program, although I'm not sure whether she has been received yet into the church.

I know that we're not supposed to judge, but all this puzzles me: How can she want to become a Catholic when she rejects the church's teaching by cohabiting, and how can

she now get married with the Catholic Church's blessing? (Wichita, Kan.)

A The teaching of the church on cohabitation is clear. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* expresses it this way in No. 2350: "Those who are engaged to marry are called to live chastity in continence. They should see in this time of testing a discovery of mutual respect, an apprenticeship in fidelity. ... They should reserve for marriage the expressions of affection that belong to married love." Since every priest is

acutely aware that many Catholic couples are already living together as husband and wife before being married in the church, some have seen the need to express this teaching even more forcefully.

Archbishop Michael J. Sheehan of Santa Fe, N.M., did so in 2011. In a statement titled "Pastoral Care of Couples Who Are Cohabiting," he said that "those who cohabit ... are objectively living in a state of mortal sin and may not receive holy Communion. They are in great spiritual danger. ... They should marry in the church or separate."

He also said that such couples may not be commissioned as extraordinary ministers of holy Communion, nor allowed to be sponsors for

baptism or confirmation. As applied to the RCIA, the Diocese of Colorado Springs, Colo., states concisely in its published guidelines: "No one in a situation of cohabitation may be admitted to the order of catechumens or as a candidate until that sinful situation is ended." This takes on added importance since candidates and catechumens are typically welcomed by a parish in a public rite of acceptance and the possibility of scandal is multiplied. All of this should be explained to couples with sensitivity and kindness, but without sacrificing honesty.

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



QUESTION & ANSWER

by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE
Catholic News Service

TRINITY STUDENTS FOCUS ON FITNESS



The fourth and fifth grades of Columbus Trinity Elementary School recently completed a two-week course in healthy living which included discussions and practice on physical fitness, eating right, and good grooming. Pictured are the students running at the Grandview High School track. Photo courtesy Trinity Elementary School

ROSECRANS MUSIC HONORS



The Daybreak Rotary Club of Zanesville recently honored Bishop Rosecrans High School students Greg McKnight and Theresa Varasso as outstanding student musicians. They are shown with teacher Trevor Rodenberger. Criteria used in the selection were outstanding musical talent, high standards of excellence, and leadership in the community. Each student received a framed certificate of merit, a letter of recommendation, and a cash gift. Photo courtesy Bishop Rosecrans High School

WATTERSON SIGNEES



Nine Columbus Bishop Watterson High School seniors recently announced their intent to play sports in college. They are (from left): first row, Alessandra Margello, Wittenberg, field hockey; Andrea Regrut, John Carroll, soccer; Polly Sellers, Otterbein, soccer; and Emily Green, Baldwin-Wallace, lacrosse; second row, Jon Ransone, Toledo, golf; Bryan Luckscheiter, Bellarmine, soccer; Ryan Bibo, Denison, tennis; Adam Thomas, Capital, lacrosse; and Reed Abahazie, Savannah College of Art and Design, lacrosse. Photo courtesy Bishop Watterson High School



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Remembering Those Who Showed Us Their Greatest Love

As we celebrate Memorial Day, I can't help but think of all the great memories I have of our family's celebrations when I was younger. We always had a family potluck with plenty of food, drinks, and good old-fashioned American fun. Someone in the family was responsible for bringing a good transistor radio so that we could all listen to the Indianapolis 500, and I would cheer on Johnny Rutherford. Our family also enjoyed playing volleyball, so we would set up a net with 20 people on each side, using shoes, Frisbees, or whatever we could find to mark the boundaries. And as it was long before the popularity of corn hole, we played horse-shoes instead. It was a day of fun with extended family and friends, and I always looked forward to it.

After Stacey and I married and started our own family, Memorial Day continued to bring fun family gatherings. However, we also incorporated the real meaning of the national holiday by participating in local parades alongside

our children's Scout troop or school group and by visiting cemetery services. While we continue to make family memories on Memorial Day, I think it is just as important to prayerfully remember those who served or are serving in the military, as they are showing the ultimate love for their nation. John 15:13 says, "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends."

Stacey and I often attend the solemn ceremonies at our Catholic and city cemeteries, recognizing the many men and women who sacrificed their lives for the freedom we enjoy in the United States today. In recent years, my genealogy work has made me even more appreciative, as I discover so many family members who have served, and even died, for our country. Whenever I am in a cemetery, I often find myself fixing grave markers and making sure stars are in place to indicate an American flag should be placed there for the veteran on Memorial Day, a small gesture to show my

own gratitude for their actions. Many parishes in the Diocese of Columbus are blessed to have beautiful cemeteries. Did you know that some of the funding for their maintenance and upkeep comes through The Catholic Foundation? On this Memorial Day, please consider how you can help keep our cemeteries a beautiful resting place for our veterans and family members. Parish and diocesan cemeteries are in great need of our support. There are many ways that you can help, from donating cash or other assets to planning an estate gift. Your parish cemetery might even have its own endowment fund with the Foundation that you can contribute to. Visit The Catholic Foundation website at www.catholic-foundation.org and click the "Give Now" link for parish life to view the many cemetery and other funds for needs throughout our diocese.

Brown is the president and CEO of The Catholic Foundation and a parishioner at Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral.

Diocesan Senior Citizens Day Celebration is June 4

The 36th annual Diocesan Senior Citizens Day celebration will take place Tuesday, June 4, at Columbus St. Margaret of Cortona Church, 1600 N. Hague Ave.

Bishop Frederick Campbell will celebrate Mass at 10:30 a.m. Mass will be followed by a luncheon.

Registration is \$10.

This annual event is a great opportunity to meet with seniors from around the diocese.

To register, write a check payable to the Office for Social Concerns, Catholic Diocese of Columbus, and send it to that

office in care of the Catholic Center, 197 E. Gay St., Columbus OH 43215.

For questions, call (614) 241-2540 or email socmailbox@coldsdioc.org.

Registration is requested by Thursday, May 30.

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Love Your Spouse

On Oct. 5, I will marry my second spouse. My lesser spouse. The one who will at times love me insufficiently. I don't say that to announce that I am a polygamist or to tell you of my fears about my upcoming marriage. I speak plainly, with confidence that my fiance feels the same way, in saying that he will never be able to love me perfectly. Certainly we will have a great marriage, for we have dedicated our relationship to Jesus Christ time and time again and will continue to do so. But it will never be perfect love. It will never be the fullness of what our hearts were made to receive.

The other day, I heard a homily in which the priest was speaking about Mary, the Mother of God, as the spouse of the Holy Spirit, the title that she received with her "Yes" to the overshadowing of the Spirit in Luke 1. At the end of the homily, though, he paused and then said these words: "We are not supposed to imitate Mary. We are supposed to BE Mary. We ARE the spouses of the Holy Spirit."

This isn't a new concept. Throughout the Gospels, Jesus Christ calls himself the bridegroom and describes the Church as his bride. But before that, we hear in the book of the prophet Isaiah, "He who has become your husband is your Maker" (Isaiah 54) and "as a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so shall your God

rejoice in you" (Isaiah 62). In the book of the prophet Hosea, the Lord likens his relationship to the people of Israel as that of a husband to his unfaithful wife. In the second chapter, he speaks of how he will keep her from her rebellious and adulterous ways. And to this, she declares, "I will go back to my first husband, for it was better with me then than now." With this declaration, the Lord speaks so gently to his spouse: "I will allure her; I will lead her into the desert and speak to her heart."

So the idea of us as a spouse is not new, but when I actually prayed with this concept, it changed everything. I think about Paul, my fiance, all day long. I think about how I can love him better and be more virtuous of a woman for him. I wonder what he's doing or how his prayer life is. I miss him when he's not around me. And I think about that glorious reality that when we are married, he will be the first person I see when I wake up. He will be the one I share my life with. He will know more about me than any other person on the planet.

I'm called to have that kind of relationship with the Holy Spirit? Lord, what does that even mean? What does that even look like? My friend Amber gave a talk one time on the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and she told a story about one of her friends who would wake up every morning and the first thing she would say was "Come, Holy Spirit."

To be his spouse means we think about him first. We roll over in bed and see him, feel him, welcome him into our lives and our hearts that day. Being his spouse means that throughout the day, our thoughts must travel to him. How can I love my Spouse better? How can I be more virtuous for him? It means thinking about the things that our Spouse loves—holiness, truth, goodness—and pursuing those things. It means loving our Spouse and sharing our hearts, our thoughts, our plans, our wishes, our struggles and joys with this one who loves us infinitely.

Why does this matter at all? I recently read an article from *Relevant* magazine titled "3 Things I Wish I Knew Before We Got Married." The last of the three things listed was that marriage can change the world. The article cites that a Christian biologist, John Medina, after years of research, was asked this question: "What's the most important thing I can do as a father?" And his answer was "Go home and love your wife." Tyler Ward, the author of this article, goes on to say, "The point is that marriage has a higher goal than to make two people happy or even whole. Yes, the investment we make into our marriage pays dividends for us. But, concluded by Medina and his colleagues, the same investment also has significant implications for our family, our community and eventually our culture."



The Great Surrender
Megan Thompson

If we adapt Ward's quotation, we see that the point of this love between our Spouse and us is a higher goal than just giving us happiness and love. Yes, the investment in loving the Spirit as our Spouse pays dividends for us. But the same investment also has significant implications for our family, our community, and eventually, our culture. How can you love your husband or wife better?

LOVE YOUR SPOUSE. How can you love your family, your friends, your neighbors, your enemies better? **LOVE YOUR SPOUSE.** How can we all reshape the culture for Jesus and lead to conversion of souls? **WE CAN LOVE OUR SPOUSE.**

Megan Thompson is Youth Minister at Gahanna St. Matthew Church. She posts her thoughts online at <http://surrendertohislove.blogspot.com>.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES
At your Catholic Cemeteries of Columbus
Monday - May 27, 2013

 Mgr. James Reef Judicial Vicar Diocese of Columbus 614-491-2751	ST. JOSEPH 6449 S. High Street (Route 23) South of I-270 11:00 A.M. MASS IN OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS CHAPEL Military Flag Raising and Solemn 11:30 A.M. V.V. W. Post #2398 614-491-2751	 Fr. Kevin Lutz Pastor Holy Family Church
 Fr. Kevin Kavanagh Pastor Our Lady of Peace Church	RESURRECTION 9371 N. High Street (Route 23) North of I-270 1:00 P.M. MASS IN CHAPEL MAUSOLEUM Military Flag Raising and Solemn 11:30 A.M. V.V. W. Post #2398 614-888-1805	 Mgr. David Frank Pastor St. Pius X Church

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SATURDAY 8:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.
SUNDAY 11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
MONDAY 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Cemetery personnel will be available to answer questions and help locate family grave spaces.



BISHOP HERRMANN SERVICE AWARD

The 11 winners of the diocese's annual Bishop Herrmann Service Awards for high school students will receive the honor at their respective recognition or graduation ceremonies.

Recipients of the \$100 cash awards are chosen by school administrators and faculty members on the basis of demonstrated commitment to serving others.

The award highlights the importance of the service dimension as an integrated facet of the student's experience. It serves as a reminder of the late Bishop Edward Herrmann's call for service on the part of the community. It also provides an opportunity to recognize students who have benefited from the effort to teach students of Catholic schools the need to serve, as described through the Gospels.

When he retired in 1982, Bishop Herrmann agreed to a testimonial dinner if its proceeds would be given to serve the community. A total of \$22,500 was raised, with \$10,400 going to Operation Feed and the rest set aside as a perpetual fund for the service awards.

Criteria for the selection are based on the theme outlined in Bishop Herrmann's 1982 commencement address at Ohio Dominican College, when he said:

"We have an obligation to be concerned with one another. ... The concern is not just abstract consideration, but something put into action. ... As we look all about us, we see problems with unemployment, war, hunger, injustice, social prejudice, racial discrimination, and others all too well known. We must ask ourselves how we can work together for the advancement of our community and, for that matter, of the whole world."



HANNAH LOU ANTHONY

School: Columbus Bishop Watterson **Parish:** Hilliard St. Brendan
Camp Akita Lifeguard, Team Leader, and Counselor; Mission Trips to Mexico and Dominica Orphanage; Vacation Bible School Crew Leader; Fill the Truck Program; Parish Auction and Dinner; Parish Confirmation Retreat Group Leader; Community Service Award; School Worship Band; Take It to the Streets Outreach; Spirit of Sophomore Service Award; First Community Church Outreach.



LEAH BOYDEN

School: Lancaster Fisher Catholic **Parish:** Lancaster St. Mary
Parish Council Youth Representative; Student Council Governor; Pro-Life Club President; Washington March for Life; Bishop's Radio Show Participant; United Way Community Care Day; Elementary Student Tutor; Altar Server; Volleyball Team Captain; Volleyball Camp Staff; National Honor Society; President's Award for Educational Excellence; Biology, Financial Literacy, Geography, Spanish, and Theology Awards.



MERCEDES CURREN

School: Marion Catholic **Parish:** Marion St. Mary
Meals on Wheels; Volunteer for Kiwanis Pancake Day, Marion Popcorn Festival, Seton Square, Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, School Booster Drive, United Way, Salvation Army Food Drive, Kids Day, Homeless Shelter Drive, and St. Vincent de Paul; Nursing Home Entertainer; Blood Donor; Adopt-a-Family; Volleyball, Softball, and Basketball Teams; Cheerleader Captain; Baseball Manager; Show Choir; Honors Choir; Class Treasurer; Key Club; Yearbook; Senior Service Club; Spanish Club; Life Teen; 4-H Club President; Rotary Club Workshop; Country Club Writing Workshop; Prom Committee.



WILLIAM LARIVIERE

School: Columbus Bishop Ready **Parish:** Columbus St. Christopher
Youth Empowerment Program (10 Years); YEP Camp Counselor; Catholic Youth Summer Camp; Retreats for Gahanna St. Matthew Church, New Albany Church of the Resurrection, Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School, and Bishop Ready; Parish Festival and Spaghetti Dinners; East Columbus Kiwanis Club; Voter Registration; Nationwide Children's Hospital Dinner; YWCA Family Center; Ohio State University Star House; Dowd Center; Homeless Families Foundation; Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio Conference Volunteer; St. Matthew Church Christmas Party for Homeless Youth.



BETHANY PATELLOS

School: Newark Catholic **Parish:** Heath St. Leonard
Key Club; Kairos Retreat; National Honor Society; Senior Class Vice President; Christian Witness Award; Parish School of Religion; Vacation Bible School; Eucharistic Minister; Parish Education Auction; Learning Spectrum Art Camp; School Benefit Dinner.



MARIA PINA

School: Columbus Bishop Hartley **Parish:** Church of the Resurrection
HARTS School Service Club President; Rosary House Chaplain; Campus Ministry; Buckeye Girls State Finalist; Girl Scout Silver Award; Diocesan Girl Scout Red Sash of Merit; CREED Religious Education Program; Vacation Bible School; Peer Ministry; Urban Gospel Road; Altar Server; Parish Nursery, Picnic, and Fish Fry; Homeless Families Foundation; Inn at Broad Street; Muscular Dystrophy Association Office, Summer Camp, and Stride and Ride Program; Manna Cafe; Mid-Ohio Foodbank; Heinzlerling Foundation; Nationwide Children's Hospital Fleece Blankets and Dolls.



MEGAN RIPLEY

School: New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic **Parish:** New Philadelphia Sacred Heart
LeadersNow International President; Special Olympics Volunteer; Baker for Hospice; Park Village Nursing Home Visitor; Run for Home; Youth Ministry Advisory Committee; Diocesan Youth Council; Parish School of Religion Aide.



KRISTEN SELLAN

School: Columbus St. Francis DeSales **Parish:** Westerville St. Paul
Started Cuddles from Kristen Fleece Blanket Project for Ronald McDonald House (More Than 600 Donated Since September 2008); Ronald McDonald House Volunteer; Peer Minister.



BRAEDEN SPARKS

School: Portsmouth Notre Dame **Parish:** Portsmouth St. Mary
Volunteer at Southern Ohio Medical Facility, Parish International Festival, STAR Workshop, Hillview Retirement Center, Kiwanis Chili Cookoff, Walk for Autism, Knights of Columbus Fish Fry, Athletic Association Fair and Swap Days, School Booth at Scioto County Fair, School Canned Food Drive, and "Paint it Pink" for Breast Cancer; Key Club; SEARCH Retreat; Washington March for Life; Parish Choir; Drama Club; Yearbook; Swimming, Track, and Football Teams; Baseball Team Announcer; Power Point Presentation to Catholic Foundation on Scioto County Poverty.



ELIZABETH VALENT

School: Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans **Parish:** Zanesville St. Thomas Aquinas
Volunteer at Zanesville St. Nicholas and St. Thomas Parish Festivals; Neighbor Helping Neighbor; Washington March for Life; Muskingum County Fair Pro-Life Table; Daughters of the American Revolution; Key Club; American Rabbit Breeders Association; Ohio Cavy Club; Campus Ministry; Recycling Club; Varsity Track; JV Basketball; National Catholic Youth Conferences; Washington Eucharistic Congress; Gaudeamus Music Camp; Animal Shelter Volunteer; St. Nicholas Youth Group, Choir, Cantoring, and Vacation Bible School; Team Godspeed Track Camp; Christmas on the Hill.



BRIAN VETTER

School: Columbus St. Charles Preparatory **Parish:** Columbus St. Andrew
Math GED Tutor at Dominican Learning Center; Muscular Dystrophy Association Camp Counselor; Nicaragua Service Trip; Physicians Free Clinic Volunteer; Sophomore Fundraiser for Low-Income Families; National Merit Scholarship Finalist; National Latin Exam Gold Medal; National Honor Society; Cell Research with Dr. Sarah Vandermeer; Muscle Psychology Research with Dr. Peter Reiser of The Ohio State University; Track and Cross Country Captain.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL AWARD WINNERS!

ALL - DIOCESAN ACADEMIC HONOR TEAM MEMBERS



SUZANNE BLUE/*Marion Catholic*
Parish: Marion St. Mary

National Honor Society President; Marion Star Teen of the Month; Class Secretary; Key Club; Altar Server; Lector; Cantor; Show Choir Choreographer; Spanish Club; Yearbook; Prom Committee; Homecoming Committee; Elementary School Tutor; Teen Board; Volunteer for Salvation Army, Red Cross, St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive, Kiwanis Pancake Day, and Marion Popcorn Festival; Cheerleader Captain; Volleyball, Softball, and Basketball Teams.

Attending University of Cincinnati.



DORY CASSIDY/*Columbus Bishop Hartley*
Parish: Columbus Christ the King

Ohio State University Maximus Scholarship; National Merit Commended Scholar; National Honor Society; School and House Captain; Student Council; Buckeye Girls State; Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference; Soccer and Lacrosse Team Captain; Parish Youth Group; Eucharistic Minister; School Ambassador; Girl Scouts; Atlas Butler Strength in Service Award; Appalachian Service Trip; Cookie Baking for Open Shelter; Elementary School Tutor; High School Math Tutor; Blood Drive; Homecoming Decorating Committee; Evening of Excellence; Rebecca's House Dinner Server.

Attending The Ohio State University.



ALIXANDRA FIELDS/*Lancaster Fisher Catholic*
Church: Lancaster First United Methodist

Student Council Treasurer; Basketball Team Captain; School Newspaper Editor; English Award; Latin Award; Preschool Sunday School Volunteer; Vacation Bible School Volunteer; Fairfield Medical Center Volunteer.

Attending The Ohio State University.



JOHN GALDEN/*Columbus St. Charles Preparatory*
Parish: Columbus St. Catharine

California Institute of Technology Full Tuition Scholarship; National Merit Semifinalist; National Honor Society; Ohio State University Chemical and Bioengineering Lab Internship; Ohio Dominican University Engineering Studies; JETS Engineering Team Captain; Math and Science Tutoring; Model United Nations; Baseball and Cross Country Teams; Global Gallery Fair Trade Volunteer; Summer Work Program; Altar Server.

Attending California Institute of Technology.



KATHERINE JULIAN/*Columbus St. Francis DeSales*
Parish: Westerville St. Paul

National Honor Society President; Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference; Buckeye Girls State; Mock Trial Outstanding Attorney; National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine; Volleyball Team; Cross Country Team; Latin Club; St. Vincent de Paul Society; Nationwide Children's Hospital Volunteer; Altar Server; Student Ambassadors Core Team; Franklin County Dog Shelter Volunteer.

Attending Miami University or The Ohio State University.



ANNA MARTINELLI/*New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic*

Parish: New Philadelphia Sacred Heart

National Honor Society; Class President; Yearbook Manager; VFW Voice of Democracy Winner; Prom Committee; English Award; Spanish Award; Volleyball Team; Softball Team; Church Christmas Decorating; Gospel Road Lunches; Tuscarawas Arts Center Remodeling; School and Parish Bake Sales and Spaghetti Dinners; Senior Center Volunteer; Owner of Cupcakes by Anna; Baker and Donor of Cupcakes and Cookies for Irish Extravaganza, Prom, Run for Life, and Hospice Culinary Capers.

Attending Art Institute of Pittsburgh.



JACOB MILANI/*Portsmouth Notre Dame*

Parish: Portsmouth St. Mary

Ohio State University Maximus Scholarship; Knights of Columbus Scholarship; Wendy's High School Heisman; National Honor Society; Class President; Key Club; Spanish Club President; Quiz Bowl Captain; Football, Basketball, and Baseball Team Co-Captain.

Attending The Ohio State University.



KAITLYN NICHOLSON/*Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans*

Parish: New Lexington St. Rose

National Honor Society; Science, Religion, and Spanish Awards; Pep Club President; Class Secretary; Prom Committee; Campus Ministry; Softball Team; Gymnastics Team Captain; Cheerleader Co-Captain; Play Like a Champion Award; Courageous Athlete Award; Muskingum County Christian Athlete Award; 4-H Club President; 4-H Junior Camp Counselor; East Side Community Ministry Youth Tutor; Drama Club; Zanesville Community Theater; Retreat Core Team Leader; Altar Server; Lector; Parish Festival and School Bazaar and Auction Volunteer.

Attending Bowling Green State University.



EDWARD PASSEN/*Columbus Bishop Watterson*

Parish: Columbus St. Andrew

Ohio State University Maximus Scholarship; University of South Carolina Liebers Scholar and Cooper Scholar; National Merit Finalist; National Honor Society; Honda-OSU Math Medal; Northwest Counseling All-Star Salute; Cross Country and Lacrosse Team Captain; Business Club; Spanish Club; WELL Club; Senior Leader; Parish Summer Bible Camp Helper; Altar Server; Lax for Life Volunteer; Parish Elementary School Basketball Team Assistant.

Attending The Ohio State University or University of South Carolina.



DANIEL PERRY/*Columbus Bishop Ready*

Parish: Hilliard St. Brendan

National Merit Commended Scholar; National Honor Society; Honda-OSU Math Medal; Doctors Hospital Volunteer; Broad Street Presbyterian Church Food Pantry; Mid-Ohio Foodbank; Soccer Team Captain; Track Team; St. Vincent de Paul Society; Environmental Club; School Ambassador.

Attending The Ohio State University or University of Cincinnati.



MARGARET YOCUM/*Newark Catholic*

Parish: Newark St. Francis de Sales

National Honor Society; Bausch and Lomb Science Award; Psychology, English, and Biology Awards; Spanish Club; Key Club; Eucharistic Minister; Kairos Team Director; Class Vice President; Camp Enterprise; Volleyball, Basketball, Swimming, and Softball Teams; Vacation Bible School; Church Cleaning; 4-H Club.

Attending University of Dayton.

TEACHERS HONORED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

Fifty-seven teachers from Columbus diocesan schools who reached service milestones have received service awards from the diocesan Office of Education.

Honored teachers and their schools were:

40 Years – Donna Doody, Hilliard St. Brendan; Maria Lucchin, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Nancy NgDung, Columbus St. Mary; Margaret Oxley, Westerville St. Paul; Donald Renner, Columbus All Saints Academy; Alida Sfalcin, Columbus Bishop Hartley; Carla Tortora Madigan, Worthington St. Michael.

30 Years – Michele Blasczyk, Newark St. Francis de Sales; Mary Bourke, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Roberta Braunbeck, Newark St. Francis de Sales; Helen Carpenter, Lancaster St. Mary; Kathleen Costello, Columbus Holy Spirit; Christine Cotter, Columbus St. Mary Magdalene; Diane Gates, Columbus St. Timothy; Marian Hutson, principal, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Mary Lang, principal, Hilliard St. Brendan; Vincent Lombardo, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Robert D. Montgomery, Columbus St. Charles Preparatory; John O'Neil, Columbus St. Charles Preparatory; Valerie Sharritts, Columbus St. Francis DeSales.

20 Years – Gwendolyn Barker, Portsmouth Notre Dame High School; Joby Easley, Columbus St. Mary; Pam Eltringham, principal, Lancaster St. Bernadette; Mary Kay Graessle, Columbus St. Cecilia; Margaret Griffith, Columbus St. Francis DeSales; Beth Hill, principal, Newark Catholic; Carolyn Hughes, Columbus St. Cecilia; Tom Long, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Teresa Monds, Columbus St. Mary and Columbus Bishop Hartley; Anne Ruefle, Columbus St. Mary; Laura Schneider, Westerville St. Paul; Robert J. Smith, Newark Catholic; Sharon Tharp, Mount Vernon St. Vincent de Paul; Janet Weisner, principal, Columbus St. Catharine; Teresa Zarate, Lancaster Fisher Catholic.

10 Years – Michelle Baltikauskas, Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Janet Bosche, Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare; Starla Chenault, Wellston Ss. Peter and Paul; Lisa Curry, Columbus St. Catharine; Susan Donovan, principal, Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Kathleen Durning, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Teresa Geers, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Paul Goodberlet, Columbus St. Cecilia and Columbus Trinity; Amy Ivanoff, Columbus St. Francis DeSales; Scott Jeggler, Columbus St. Andrew; Leslie Jordan, Columbus St. Timothy; Andrea Koranyi, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Molly Long, Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare; Margaret Murphy, Gahanna St. Matthew; Pierette Pena, Columbus St. Charles Preparatory; Danielle Polemeni, Columbus St. Francis DeSales; Mark Roberts, Columbus Our Lady of Peace; Stephanie Speed, Columbus St. Catharine; Cynthia Teynor, New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School; Luke Thimmes, Lancaster Fisher Catholic; Diane Warstler, Newark St. Francis de Sales; Tyson Williams, Columbus Holy Spirit.

EXCITE AWARD FOR JIM SAVINELL

Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School teacher Jim Savinell, adviser of the school's engineering club, received the Excite Award for his work at the school with the InvenTeams initiative, sponsored by the Lemelson Foundation and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The initiative is designed to excite high school students about invention, empower students to problem-solve,



and encourage an inventive culture in schools and communities. Savinell will put together a team of 12 to 15 students to work on inventing an automatic page turner for disabled persons and musicians. He and his students will be applying for a grant due in September for as much as \$10,000 to invent the machine and unveil it at a festival next June at MIT.

Gertrude Kuehefuhs Music Scholarship

Four students in diocesan schools have been awarded the annual Gertrude C. Kuehefuhs music scholarships.

Outstanding instrumental and choral music students receive the \$250 awards to help them pay Catholic high school tuition or college tuition. Two scholarships are awarded to high school seniors, and the other two go to eighth-graders.

Kuehefuhs was a long-time member of the Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral choir and a teacher of music at The Ohio State University. The awards are made possible from a gift received from her estate.

The winners are:

High School Instrumental Music



Vincent Gillotti

Vincent Gillotti, a senior at Columbus Bishop Watterson High School. He is a saxophone player who has been in the school's marching band, concert band, jazz band, and pit

orchestra. He has received excellent and superior ratings at Ohio Music Education Association solo and ensemble contests, and is the first Watterson student to be accepted by the Columbus Youth Jazz Orchestra, which he has been a part of for the past two years. He has played at the Gahanna Creekside Jazz and Blues Festival, the Columbus Jazz and Ribs Festival, and the Southern Theater, and attended summer jazz camps at The Ohio State University and the Columbus Jazz Academy. He plans to attend Ohio State University to major in music education and jazz studies and hopes to become a music teacher and performer.

High School Choral Music



Katharine Myers

Katharine Myers, a senior at Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School. She has received superior ratings at OMEA contests for each of the past three years and was honored in

each of those years for her performances in school musicals. She also has received the school's performing arts scholarship.

She has sung the national anthem for the Columbus Clippers and for the annual walk sponsored by the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation. In 2012, she participated in the Bowling Green vocal jazz camp with the New York Voices and in Berklee College of Music's vocal summit. She plans to attend Belmont University in Nashville, Tenn., majoring in commercial music with an emphasis on the business aspects of music.

Elementary Instrumental Music



Caitlyn Clarke

Caitlyn Clarke, an eighth-grader at Columbus St. Matthias School. She plays the saxophone and performed during the past school year with the marching and concert

bands and in an ensemble for the school musical at Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School, which she plans to attend in the fall. She also is a cantor and a member of the folk group at St. Matthias Church, has performed with Ballet Met, and has taken part in productions at the Palace Theater with the Nationwide Children's Hospital Pleasure Guild, and at the Abbey Theater and the Davis Performing Arts Center.

Elementary Vocal Music



Ashley Samuelson

Ashley Samuelson, an eighth-grader at Hilliard St. Brendan School. She is a soprano who also plays the clarinet, piano, and guitar. She has been in her school's liturgical

choir and the diocesan honor choir and is a cantor at St. Brendan Church. She received an excellent rating in OMEA competition, was statewide winner of a Girl Scout vocal competition, was a finalist in the Franklin County Idol contest, has performed with the Nationwide Children's Hospital Pleasure Guild, Columbus Children's Theater, CATCO Phoenix Theater, and community theaters in Worthington, Hilliard, and Dublin, and is a guitar teacher for autistic children. She plans to attend Columbus Bishop Watterson High School.

The Feast of the Most Holy Trinity (Cycle C)

We can only experience this mystery



Father
Lawrence L. Hummer

Proverbs 8:22-31
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

One thing is clear on the Feast of the Holy Trinity (even if nothing else is): the word for wisdom in Hebrew and in Greek and in Latin is feminine in gender. The Hebrew *hokmah* is the same as the Greek *sophia* and is the same as the Latin *sapientia*. Because of this, some modern scholars have opted to build on this grammatical point to reformulate the traditional language by using feminine references to describe the Trinity. The problem is that neither language nor any gender specificity can adequately capture what is contained in the mystery of God.

Some scholars have suggested that we should become comfortable with referring to the Trinity not only as the traditional “Father, Son, Spirit” but also as *Son, Spirit, Father* and *Spirit, Son, Father*, lest we think that the Son and the Spirit are in some way subordinate to the Father, who always seems to be first in speaking of the Trinity. The reality of the doctrine of the Trinity is that all three possess the fullness of divinity, which is part of the reason we call it a mystery. We cannot understand a mystery; we can only experience it.

The references of Spirit, Son, and Father emerged naturally from the Scriptures themselves. But that choice does not make God any more a father than a son or a spirit. God remains a mystery. With the fullness of divinity resting in all three “persons,” it should be easy to understand why nonbelievers look at us in disbelief when we claim that there is only one God.

God is mystery indeed.

In the Proverbs reading, personified wisdom is doing a self-description when we join her in the middle of her speech. She describes her own presence with God even before the creation of the earth, and when the creation began, Wisdom was like a child playing on God’s newly created earth. And Wisdom herself delighted in human beings. The implication is that humans should pursue wisdom because the one who is wise is close to God, who delights in wisdom.

The Gospel actually illustrates one of the problems of interpretation, because the passage seems to subordinate the Spirit to the Son (“He will glorify me because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you”). Yet so has the Son glorified the Father.

The “much more to tell you” that you “cannot bear” now should not be understood as some new revelation of divine truth. That is why the Spirit of truth will speak what he hears (or has heard) from the Son. The Son also says “everything that the Father has is mine” and the Spirit will take from that “everything” as the Spirit declares it.

Some people find this unsatisfactory and seek further revelation wherever they can find it. For the Christian, all truth resides in the Son, and learning what truth has been revealed by the Son is the work of a lifetime. There is no easy way, but there is a certain way, and that is by returning to the Son again and again, as we do in the Eucharist as Word and as Sacrament. This is not some great unrevealed mystery. This is the experience of the Church since its founding. We are **of** Christ. We are **in** Christ. We are **about** Christ. We are **with** Christ. The Spirit guides us **to** Christ. In this way, it is really the Spirit who guides us to all truth because the Spirit guides us back to Jesus, who is all truth.

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50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



New Boston St. Monica Church celebrated its 50th anniversary on Sunday, May 5. Bishop Frederick Campbell was on hand to celebrate the anniversary Mass. Pictured are (from left) Deacon Terry Acox, Bishop Campbell, Father Joseph Yokum, who is the church's pastor, and Deacon Jim Sturgeon.

Photo courtesy St. Monica Church

The Weekday Bible Readings

MONDAY
Sirach 17:20-24
Psalm 32:1-2,5-7
Mark 10:17-27

TUESDAY
Sirach 35:1-12
Psalm 50:5-8,14,23
Mark 10:28-31

WEDNESDAY
Sirach 36:1,4-5a,10-17
Psalm 79:8-9,11,13
Mark 10:32-45

THURSDAY
Sirach 42:15-25
Psalm 33:2-9
Mark 10:46-52

FRIDAY
Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16
Isaiah 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6 (Ps)
Luke 1:39-56

SATURDAY
Sirach 51:12cd-20
Psalm 19:8-11
Mark 11:27-33

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEK OF MAY 26, 2013

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

Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7 a.m. on WHIZ-TV, Channel 18, Zanesville, and 7:30 a.m. on WWHO-TV (the CW), Channel 53, Columbus. Check local cable systems for WHIZ's and WWHO's cable channel listings.

Mass from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Birmingham, Ala., at 8 a.m. on EWTN (Time Warner Channel 385, Insight Channel 382, or WOW Channel 378)

(Encores at noon, 7 p.m., and midnight).
Mass from Kenton Immaculate Conception Church at 10 a.m. on Time Warner Cable Channel 6 (Hardin County).

Mass from Portsmouth St. Mary Church at noon on Time Warner Channel 24 in Scioto County.

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

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

Tribulation compounded by blasphemy

As the Revised Standard Version renders the 14th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, Paul and Barnabas remind the proto-Christians of Antioch that it is only “through many tribulations” that we enter the Kingdom of God. The New American Bible translation drives the point home even more sharply: “It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the Kingdom of God.”

Christians in the United States who imagined that, whatever tribulations or hardships they have to endure, they would not include speeches by the president of the United States and the policies of the United States government had better reconsider, in light of President Barack Obama’s April 26 address to the annual Planned Parenthood Gala at Washington’s Marriott Wardman Park Hotel.

It was an appalling speech that had the sole benefit of clarifying the last-ditch commitment of the present administration to the most open-ended abortion license possible. And it drew a line in the sand that those committed to the biblical view of the sanctity of human life cannot ignore—and must challenge.

Planned Parenthood is a multimillion-dollar industry, funded in no small part by the federal government, that has been directly responsible for the deaths of millions of unborn children and is currently responsible for over one thousand such deaths every day; yet the president described Planned Parenthood’s work as “providing quality health care to women all



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across America.”

Pro-life advocates’ efforts to craft state laws requiring Planned Parenthood clinics and other abortionists to follow the minimal sanitation and safety standards required of true medical facilities are, according to the president, a matter of “shutting off communities that need more health care options for women, not less.”

The clinic-regulation laws that have been passed in states across the country are, the president charged, part of an “orchestrated and historic effort to roll back basic rights when it comes to women’s health”—as if abortuaries that do not meet the health and safety standards required of your local McDonald’s are contributing to anyone’s “health.”

Moreover, such laws are an attempt to mandate “government injecting itself into decisions best made between a woman and her doctor”—as if a butcher like Philadelphia’s Kermit Gosnell, who severed the spinal cords of infants born alive in botched abortions, was any woman’s personal physician.

Perhaps because the Obama speech to Planned Parenthood coincided with Gosnell’s homicide trial, the president did not utter the word “abortion” once. But the timing notwithstanding, that omission was hardly surpris-

ing in an address that may have set a new standard for deliberate misrepresentation of reality. For it requires willful moral blindness about reality to say that “what Planned Parenthood is about” is helping “a woman from Chicago named Courtney” make sure she could start a family, by providing “access to affordable contraceptive care to keep her healthy” in the face of a fertility-threatening disease. Today, President Obama noted to applause, “She’s got two beautiful kids. That’s what Planned Parenthood is about.”

About the millions of “beautiful kids” (many of them African-American) who were never born because of Planned Parenthood, the president of the United States had not a word to say. Not a word of remorse. Not a word of compassion, for either the slaughtered innocents of our time or the mothers suffering post-abortion trauma. Just a celebration of “your right to choose,” without the slightest moral pause over the question, “Choose what?”

But there was worse. For President Obama concluded his remarks as follows: “Thank you, Planned Parenthood. God bless you...”

And that is nothing short of blasphemy.

Too harsh? No. For in its discussion of this grave sin against the Second Commandment, the Catechism of the Catholic Church (No. 2148) teaches that “it is also blasphemous to make use of God’s name to ... reduce people to servitude, to torture persons or to put them to death.” That is precisely what happens in Planned Parenthood abortuaries. And on that, the president of the United States called down the divine blessing.

Pray for him. Pray for the United States, which is in very, very serious trouble.

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

APPOINTMENTS TO ATTEND MILITARY ACADEMIES

Daniel Loesing will attend the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. Marcus Ward will attend the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Ward has a 3.5 grade-point average and is a member of the JETS engineering team and a senior leader for the “My Brother’s Keeper” mentoring group. He has served the community on several projects and through groups such as the YMCA, Shepherd’s Corner, book drives, food banks, and the United Negro College Fund walkathon. He earned varsity letters with academic distinction in lacrosse (four years) and football (three years) and earned a 2013 Agonis Club athletic scholarship. He will play Division I lacrosse with the Falcons while pursuing a major in mechanical engineering.

Loesing had a 4.12 grade-point average and is a National Merit Scholarship finalist. He was the recipient of the Advanced Placement Scholar award and



earned summa cum laude distinction five times on the National Latin Examination. He participated in the school’s international service trip to Guatemala and El Salvador, is editor-in-chief of the student newspaper, and attended the Naval Academy’s summer seminar program. He was a three-time varsity letterman in basketball, twice serving as captain of the junior varsity team. He also played football for two years, serving as junior varsity captain as a sophomore.

Photo: Marcus Ward (left) and Daniel Loesing. Photo courtesy St. Charles Preparatory School

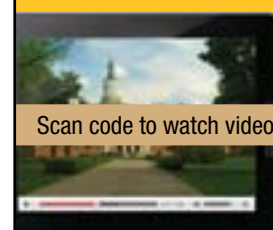


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ANDRIX, Silvana, 85, May 16
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

BABSON, Harold C., 73, May 19
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

BEACH, Darl, 83, May 10
Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

BERWANGER, Ardith A., 83, May 17
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

BOEHM, J. Thomas, 79, May 19
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newark

BORDA, James F., 65, May 15
St. Paul Church, Westerville

BRASKETT, Betty L., 88, May 16
St. Mary Magdalene Church, Columbus

BRIGGS, Sonja, 74, May 16
Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

CURRY, Catherine C., 84, May 19
St. Mary Magdalene Church, Columbus

ENGLE, Brian M., 33, May 15
St. Matthew Church, Gahanna

GATES, Patricia, 60, May 17
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

GIOFFRE, Benny, 62, May 11
St. Matthias Church, Columbus

GRIMES, Roger A., 72, May 13
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove City

JONES, J. Pauline, 86, May 12
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

KALINOSKI, Thomas A., 65, May 17
St. Michael Church, Worthington

McCARLEY, Donald R., 45, May 11
St. Paul Church, Westerville

MUIR, Mary B., 89, May 14
St. Margaret of Cortona Church, Columbus

STEIN, Paul, 75, May 16
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington

TRUEMAN, John F., 79, May 15
St. Agatha Church, Columbus

WEINBERGER, Sharon, 67, May 18
Church of the Ascension, Johnstown

Sylvia V. Mallett

Funeral Mass for Sylvia V. Mallett, 88, who died Friday, May 10, was held Monday, May 13, at Zanesville St. Nicholas Church. Burial was at Mount Olive Cemetery, Zanesville.

She was born Nov. 30, 1924, in Leicester, England, to Ernest and Winifred (Adams) Goodall, married Everett Mallett of Noble County during World War II, and came to the United States after the war.

She worked at St. Nicholas Church

and Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans High School from the early 1960s until retiring at age 75.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; brothers, Norman and Leonard; sisters, Laura, Vera, Olive, and Eva; and two grandsons. Survivors include sons, Larry (Sherri), Mark (Phillis), and Luke (Missy); daughters, Sandy Honeywell, Anne (Larry) Robson, Mary Kappes, and Susan; 13 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Coletta R. Thompson

Funeral Mass for Coletta R. Thompson, 79, who died Sunday, May 19, was held Wednesday, May 22, at Columbus St. Philip Church. Burial was at St. Margaret Cemetery, Chillicothe.

She was a graduate of Lancaster Fairfield Union High School and attended Ohio Dominican College. For more than 25 years, she was a librarian at St. Philip School.

She was preceded in death by her

parents, Herbert and Louellen Noll; husband, Charles; daughter, Coleen; brothers, Charles (Betty), James (Catherine), and Donny (Loretta); and sister, Rita (Ted) Courtright. Survivors include sons, Alex (Delores) and Timothy (Kate); daughters, Mary (Dan) Thompson, Leigh (Bruce) Yates, Maureen (Mark) Leibas, Amy, and Lori; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

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23, THURSDAY

'Courage' Support Group Meeting
7:30 p.m., A Catholic organization providing support for individuals with same-sex attractions.
Mary Louise 614-436-8676

25, SATURDAY

Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City
9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City.
Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and confession. 614-565-8654
Organ Concert at St. Leo
7 p.m., St. Leo Church, 221 Hanford St., Columbus. Concert with Columbus Holy Family Church organist Shawn Kenney. 614-459-2766

26, SUNDAY

Catholic Record Society Meeting
2 p.m., Parish hall, Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559 Roxbury Road, Columbus. Catholic Record Society quarterly meeting. "Behind Every Great Man: The Life of Ellen Ewing Sherman," with Julie O'Keefe McGhee portraying the

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H A P P E N I N G S

wife of Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman. 614-268-4166
St. Catherine of Bologna Secular Franciscans
2:30 to 5 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttles Ave., Columbus. Rosary, Liturgy of the Hours, followed by general meeting, ongoing formation, and social.
Elizabeth Bowen, OFS 614-276-1953

Father Black's 25th Anniversary Mass
3 p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Mass celebrating the 25th anniversary of Father James Black's ordination to the priesthood, followed by light reception in Lavelle Social Hall. 614-761-0905
Father Mathewson's 40th Anniversary Mass
4 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Mass celebrating the 40th anniversary of Father Dean Mathewson's ordination to the priesthood, followed by reception and dinner.

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

27, MONDAY

Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry
6:30 p.m., support group meeting, 2744 Dover Road, (Christ the King Church campus), Columbus. 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

28, TUESDAY

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

29, WEDNESDAY

'Catholicism' at St. Andrew
9:30 a.m., St. Andrew Church, 1899 McCoy Road, Columbus. Conclusion of Father Robert Barron's "Catholicism" video series, followed by small-group discussion. 614-451-4290
Jump Start Workshop for Scouts at St. Elizabeth
6:15 to 8:15 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting jump start workshop for all Cub, Boy, and Girl Scouts interested in getting an early start in fulfilling requirements for one or more Catholic religious emblems. 614-882-7806

31-JUNE 23, FRIDAY-SUNDAY

'Apostolic Visions' Exhibit at Cathedral
6 to 8 p.m., Undercroft gallery, St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Opening reception for "Apostolic visions of Paul-Henri Bourguignon" art exhibit. Gallery will be open 6:30 to 8 p.m. Saturdays and 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sundays through June 23. 614-224-1295

JUNE

1, SATURDAY

Pro-Life Training Session
8:30 to 12:30 p.m., New Wine, 4816 Indianola Ave., Columbus. Training session for young people and adults who

want to better understand the pro-life position so they can better defend their beliefs. Sponsored by Greater Columbus Right to Life and Columbus-based pro-life group Created Equal. 614-445-8508

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

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

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

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

1-2, SATURDAY-SUNDAY

Scioto County Deanery Year of Faith Conference
9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Notre Dame High School, 2220 Sunrise Ave., Portsmouth. Year of Faith conference sponsored by Scioto County Deanery. Theme: "Seeking Jesus," featuring speakers Father Larry Richards and Vinny Flynn, Mass both days, with Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrating the closing Mass, Adoration, prayer, and vocations roundtable with seminarians. Information at www.seekingjesus2013.com.

2, SUNDAY

Outdoor Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel
10 a.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 5133 Walnut road S.E., Buckeye Lake. Outdoor Mass to celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi. 740-928-3266
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
West Deanery Corpus Christi Celebration at Plain City
1 to 4 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Feast of Corpus Christi celebration for West Columbus Deanery, with Adoration from 1 to 3 p.m., vespers, procession through town, Benediction, and reception. 614-873-8850

Corpus Christi Procession at St. Mark
4 to 6:30 p.m., St. Mark Church, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Feast of Corpus Christi procession, Adoration, and Benediction, weather permitting. 740-653-1229

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

3, MONDAY

Aquinas Alumni Luncheon
11 a.m., Holy Family Jubilee Museum, 57 S. Grubb St., Columbus. Monthly Columbus Aquinas High School alumni luncheon.

Marian Prayer Group
7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Mass for Catholic family life. 614-235-7435

Digital Photography Class at DeSales
7 to 9 p.m., St. Francis DeSales High School, 4212 Karl Road, Columbus. First of six digital photography classes for adults on Mondays and Wednesdays through June 19. 614-208-9077

4, TUESDAY

Diocesan Senior Citizens Day Celebration
10:30 a.m., St. Margaret of Cortona Church, 1600 N. Hague Ave., Columbus. 36th annual Senior Citizens Day celebration sponsored by diocesan Office for Social Concerns, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Frederick Campbell, followed by luncheon. Registration deadline May 30. 614-241-2540

Serra Club of North Columbus Meeting
Noon, Jessing Center, Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 N. High St., Columbus. Serra Club of North Columbus meeting. Reservations required.

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
Catholic War Veterans Monthly Meeting
7 p.m., Red Room, St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Catholic War Veterans Post 1936 meeting. 614-221-7601

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

5, WEDNESDAY

NFP Information Session at Catholic Center
7 to 8:30 p.m., Catholic Center, 197 E. Gay St., Columbus. Information session for Natural Family Planning. 614-241-2560

6, THURSDAY

Institute for Maturing Spirituality Webcast
2 to 3:30 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. Institute for Maturing Spirituality webcast on "Are We Too Old to Dream?" with facilitator and consultant Frances Frazier. 614-416-1910

7, FRIDAY

St. Cecilia Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
St. Cecilia Church, 434 Norton Road, Columbus. Begins after 8:15 a.m. Mass; continues to 5 p.m. Saturday.
Monthly Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Begins after 9 a.m. Mass; continues through 6 p.m. Holy Hour.

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ART EXHIBIT

Apostolic Visions of Paul-Henri Bourguignon



Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., will host a special exhibition of paintings inspired by the apostles of Christ. The “Apostolic Visions” exhibit will consist of a collection of art created by Paul-Henri Bourguignon, master 20th-century painter, who was raised in Brussels, Belgium, a city saturated with churches and religious art.

The exhibit will take place in the cathedral’s undercroft gallery, beginning with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, May 31. The gallery will be open

for viewing Saturdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. and Sundays from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. through June 23.

Born in 1906, Bourguignon began his artistic career amid the backdrop of the active Belgian art scene. He studied painting at the Académie des Beaux-Arts and art history at the Université Libre de Bruxelles.

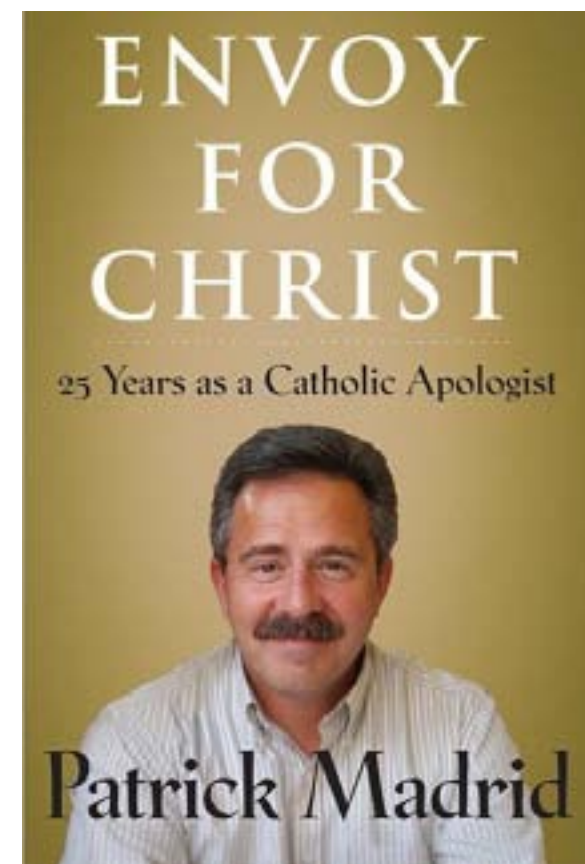
Beginning in the 1920s, Bourguignon traveled widely through France, Italy, Corsica, Spain, North Africa, and Yugoslavia. In the late 1940s, he lived in

Haiti and Peru. He settled in the United States in 1950, and, until his death in 1988, he produced paintings vividly recalling scenery and people from his decades of travel. His artwork often focused on religious themes.

Today, Bourguignon’s work is found in public and private collections throughout the United States and Eu-

rope. A major exhibition of his work is scheduled at the Columbus Museum of Art from August through December of 2014.

For more information about the artist, visit paulbourguignon.com or *Paul-Henri Bourguignon on Facebook*.



BOOK REVIEW

Envoy for Christ: 25 years as a Catholic Apologist

Reviewed by: **Allan F. Wright**
Catholic News Service

Patrick Madrid, one of the nation’s premier Catholic apologists, takes a look back over his many years defending and explaining the Catholic position on a myriad of topics to various people in *Envoy for Christ: 25 Years as a Catholic Apologist*.

Madrid, a Granville resident and host of a daily radio program on St. Gabriel Radio 820 AM in Columbus, begins by tracing the roots of his entrance into the field of Catholic apologetics early in 1988, when Karl Keating, founder and president of Catholic Answers, transitioned from “doing apologetics as a part-

time hobby to a full-time enterprise.”

This book takes excerpts from Madrid’s radio, magazine, and personal encounters with those who call into question and even attack the Catholic Church outright and gives an insider’s view of the nature of their questions and the Catholic response. One naturally becomes emboldened about the church and its fidelity to Christ through Madrid’s clear explanation of Catholic teaching, as he also dispels the misinformation so many believe about the church and Catholic teachings.

Most Catholics lack the depth of knowledge Madrid has accrued

over the years. This book provides insight to the strength and reason of the Catholic position and the authority of the Catholic Church, which Madrid makes accessible to the average person in the pew and those who no longer enter the pew.

As a defender of the Catholic faith for 25 years, Madrid exhibits courage by wading into hostile waters and witnessing to other Catholics that they have reasons to believe which are founded solidly in Scripture, tradition, and reason.

The personal way he writes makes this book much more than a resource for disputed questions focusing on Catholic belief and practice.

NEWS IN PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



A large crowd gathers during an outdoor Mass on the eve of Pentecost in Sumuleu Ciuc, Romania, on May 18. Catholic Hungarian pilgrims have been gathering yearly at the same location in the Transylvania region of Romania since 1567 to celebrate a battle won by Catholics against Protestants.
CNS photo/Bogdan Cristel, Reuters

Pope Francis launches the smartphone app Missio during an audience with national directors of pontifical mission societies on May 17 at the Vatican. Holding the iPad for the pope is Father Andrew Small, OMI, national director of the Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States. The free app features homilies from Pope Francis, as well as Catholic news from the Vatican’s missionary news agency and other providers.
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Young people carry the World Youth Day cross during its arrival in Icarai beach in Niteroi, Brazil, on May 19. Pope Francis will travel to Brazil on his first international trip as pontiff to attend the World Youth Day gathering from July 23 to 28.
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Ohio Dominican University Announces Chaplain and Campus Minister



Ohio Dominican University has appointed Father Thomas Blau, OP, as university chaplain and Sister Margie Davis, OP, as campus minister and coordinator of campus ministry. Both bring a solid Catholic foundation, strong historical background, and decades of pastoral and academic experience to ODU.

Father Blau comes to the university having spent the last four years as an associate pastor at Columbus St. Patrick Church. He also has been a campus minister at the University of Virginia and at Providence (R.I.) College.

Sister Margie comes to ODU having spent the last five years as director of social services at the Mohun Health Care Center in Columbus. Her experience also includes working as a team leader and case manager for the Southeast Community Mental Health Center, and serving for 11 years as vocations director for the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs, now the Dominican Sisters of Peace, in Columbus.

"I look forward to getting to know the students, faculty and staff at Ohio Dominican University, and together pursuing God's plan for our lives," said Father Blau.

"As an alumna, a Dominican sister, and a former employee, I am very happy to be beginning anew at Ohio Dominican University as a campus minister," said Sister Margie. "As a Dominican Sister of Peace able to join the family of Ohio Dominican University, our sponsored institution gives me a sense of pride and honor."

"I am delighted to welcome Father Thomas Blau and Sister Margie Davis to Ohio Dominican University and am eager for our students and entire campus community to have the unique opportunity to learn from

their expansive history of pastoral and academic excellence," said Dr. Peter Cimboric, ODU president.

Father Blau received his bachelor of science degree in microbiology from the University of Akron, and earned a master's degree in theology from Franciscan University of Steubenville. From there, he entered the Dominican order and, over the course of seven years, earned a number of degrees, including a licentiate of sacred theology from the Dominican House of Studies in Washington. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1999.

Sister Margie earned a bachelor of arts degree in social work from Ohio Dominican College, now ODU, and a master's degree in social work from The Ohio State University.

Father Mike Gribble and Father David Sizemore will continue to serve as assistant chaplains at ODU.

Father Gribble will retire on Tuesday, July 9 after 12 years as rector of Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral. He has served the past year as assistant chaplain and the year before that as interim chaplain. Father Sizemore has spent the past two years serving as assistant chaplain. He also joined ODU students, faculty, and staff on a service immersion trip to El Salvador in 2012. He has been pastor of Sunbury St. John Neumann Church since 2005.

Ohio Dominican University is a four-year private liberal arts and master's institution, founded in 1911 in the Catholic and Dominican tradition. The university has approximately 2,700 students and offers undergraduate degrees in 44 majors, as well as seven graduate degree programs. Ohio Dominican uses a student-centered approach, with a commitment to quality teaching and learning.