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ADORATION HONORS THE REAL PRESENCE  
OF JESUS CHRIST IN THE EUCHARIST

Editor's reflections by Doug Bean, Editor

## Make Eucharistic adoration a preferred destination

They come unceremoniously from everywhere at all hours of the day and night through all kinds of weather.

Families, husbands, wives, fathers, mothers, grandfathers, grandmothers, widowers, young people, seniors, handicapped, homeless, cancer patients, rich and poor, priests and religious, seminarians, Catholics, and even non-Catholics.

Some drive great distances. Some are close to their destination. The trip may be perilous on occasion, especially in the middle of a dark winter night.

Some people come every day, some once a week or once a month at a scheduled time. Others drop by unannounced for a quick visit.

There is no material reward or monetary gain. There's no earthly recognition. No one may even know they are there.

No one except Our Lord and all the angels and saints who watch over this special place with great reverence.

Who are these people? And where are they going? What's so special about this place? How do they get there?

They are average citizens like you and me who come to chapels or churches in the Diocese of Columbus to adore Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. There are also numerous orders of cloistered sisters and monks throughout the world who devote their lives to praying before the Lord each and every day.

This week's *Catholic Times* features some of the perpetual adoration chapels in our diocese and lists times for Eucharistic adoration at more than 70 parishes.

Columbus Immaculate Conception, Gahanna St. Matthew, Sunbury St. John Newman, Worthington St. Michael, and Pickerington Se-



ton parishes offer adoration around the clock, seven days a week, except during the Easter Triduum. Other parishes, such as Westerville St. Paul, provide more limited opportunities, with one holy hour per week throughout the year. Some of the diocesan high schools also set aside adoration time for students, parents, and staff.

Christ is there waiting for every person in the monstrance or tabernacle in the form of a pure white host that has been transformed into His body, blood, soul, and divinity. It is a place of tranquility, an escape from the noise of the world, a chance to not only pray but to think, discern, and listen without distraction.

The peace and the power derived from the adorers who visit Jesus can be truly remarkable. There are countless stories of physical and spiritual healings, calls to the priesthood and religious life, and prayers answered in one way or another.

Eucharistic adoration is not a new phenomenon, but a rebirth began 30-plus years ago during the pontificate of St. John Paul II, who has been called the Pope of the Real Presence. Today, [TheRealPresence.org](http://TheRealPresence.org) website lists 796

perpetual adoration locations and 7,959 sites with adoration throughout the United States. In Ohio alone, there are more than 300 parishes with adoration times.

In the Columbus diocese, Eucharistic adoration has been around since the early 1970s. It started with the Eucharistic Vigil Association and has grown and evolved into what we witness today. Columbus Holy Cross has been the home for the association's First Friday vigils for years. Columbus St. Patrick has hosted all-night adoration for the sanctity of life and vocations since the 1990s on the third and fourth Fridays.

"The Eucharist, in the Mass and outside of the Mass, is the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, and is therefore deserving of the worship that is given to the living God, and to Him alone," Pope John Paul II said early in his pontificate during a visit to Ireland in 1979.

Despite the growth of adoration and the commitment of countless men, women, and young people to spend time before the Lord, there is always a need. God always provides, but organizers welcome new adorers, particularly at perpetual adoration chapels.

If you've never spent time praying before the Blessed Sacrament, you might consider a holy hour at any of the locations in the diocese. Reach out to your parish or one nearby for times and the contact information for the organizers. Even if you can visit for only a few minutes, it will change your life and provide abundant graces. Outside of Mass, there is no better investment of your time.

Oh, come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord, now and forever.



Front Page photo:

The Blessed Sacrament in the monstrance at the St. John Paul II Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel at Columbus Immaculate Conception Church.

CT photo by Doug Bean

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## Walking Stations to take place downtown on Good Friday

Many facets of faith and justice will be the focus of the annual Good Friday Walking Stations of the Cross. The walk begins at 8 a.m., Friday, March 30, with an opening prayer led by Bishop Frederick Campbell at St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Hundreds of participants from across the diocese will walk to 14 locations throughout downtown Columbus to recognize Jesus Christ's suffering and crucifixion and reflect on current areas of social concern.

The walk is open to everyone and is sponsored by the diocesan Office for Social Concerns and the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. For more information, call (614) 241-2540.

*The stations and prayer reflections along the walk route are:*

**1. Behind St. Joseph Cathedral** – Jesus is arrested and condemned to death – the plight of the homeless;

**2. Topiary Garden in Old Deaf School Park** – Jesus is made to carry his cross – environmental stewardship;

**3. Grant Hospital** – Jesus falls for the first time – gun violence, mental health, and public health;

**4. Former abortion clinic** – Jesus meets his mother – the injustice of abortion;

**5. Nazareth Towers** – Simon carries the cross – issues of the elderly;

**6. Holy Cross Church** – Veronica wipes the face of Jesus – discrimination in society and a focus on multiculturalism;



**7. St. Lawrence Haven** – Jesus falls for the second time – hunger and poverty;

**8. Park across from Greyhound bus station** – Women of Jerusalem weep – runaways, refugees, and human trafficking;

**9. Location of Columbus Commons in view of bank buildings** – Jesus falls for the third time – economic responsibility and joblessness;

**10. Ohio Supreme Court** – Jesus is stripped of his garments – justice;

**11. Downtown WBNS-TV studio and The Columbus Dispatch** – Jesus is nailed to the cross – using media and social media responsibly;

**12. Ohio Statehouse** – Jesus is raised on the cross and dies – abolition of the death penalty;

**13. Statehouse Veterans Memorial** – Jesus is taken from the cross – peace;

**14. St. Joseph Cathedral** – Jesus is laid in the tomb – the Church and the need for Christ's presence in the world.

## Diocese to commemorate 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary

On March 3, 1868, Pope Pius IX established the Diocese of Columbus and appointed Auxiliary Bishop Sylvester Rosecrans of Cincinnati as its first bishop. Shortly thereafter, work began on the construction of St. Joseph Cathedral, which was dedicated 10 years later.

March 3, 2018, marked the sesquicentennial of the Diocese of Columbus, kicking off a yearlong celebration of its 150th anniversary. It is a tremendous blessing to commemorate this important milestone in the history of the diocese. It is always a joy to express our gratitude to those in the past and present who have contributed to our community of faith.

Correction - A story in the March 4 Catholic Times gave incorrect information on the early history of the Catholic Men's Conference. It began in 1997 at Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare Church, then moved to six other parishes, not four (it was snowed out at one other site) and Ohio Dominican University before moving to the state fairgrounds in 2010.

The official commemoration of the diocese's 150th anniversary will take place at a Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Frederick Campbell on Sunday, April 22 at 5:15 p.m. in St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St.

All parishes of the diocese are being encouraged to consider planting at least one tree on their grounds in recognition of this historic milestone. Parishes also may consider planting additional trees, such as three to celebrate the Holy Trinity, six to celebrate the days of creation, or 12 to celebrate the Apostles.

The tree planting ceremony may take place at any time that is best for the types of trees being planted. The diocese has published a list of recommended trees and the diocesan Office of Divine Worship has provided a blessing of a tree. Both may be downloaded from the 150th anniversary link on the diocesan website, [www.columbuscatholic.org](http://www.columbuscatholic.org).

Another highlight of the anniversary will be The Shepherd's Tour, conducted by Father Joshua Wagner, pastor of Columbus St. Dominic and Holy Rosary-St. John churches, who has led several tours of historic churches in the diocese and elsewhere in



Ohio in the past few years.

The Shepherd's Tour has been given this name because it will venerate the past by visiting the burial sites of six past bishops of the diocese – Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral (*pictured*), where Bishop Sylvester Rosecrans, who was the diocese's first



## St. Pius X Girl Scouts receive Silver Award

Four members of Girl Scout Troop 1187 at Reynoldsburg St. Pius X Church have received the Girl Scout Silver Award. Pictured with Deacon Christopher Reis and Bishop Frederick Campbell at the annual Scout Day with the Bishop earlier this year are (from left) Victoria Loberg, Agnes Bryan, Melanie Magin, and Pailyn Groene. The Silver Award requires Scouts to identify and provide leadership for a sustainable “take action” project that improves their community. The Scouts invest at least 50 hours each in the project. Groene and Loberg, both of Pickerington St Elizabeth Seton Parish, worked with the Reynoldsburg Parks and Recreation Department and engaged their cross country team at St Pius X School in clearing and restoring a running path in Pine Quarry Park in Reynoldsburg. Magin, a member of St Pius X Church, volunteers with the Shepherd’s Corner Ecology Center in Blacklick and developed a pamphlet for distribution at local food banks that teaches people how to grow a vegetable container garden. Bryan, of St. Pius X, earned the Silver Award in 2016 for her project of installing bookshelves at the Nationwide Children’s Hospital Orthopedic Center and the Pediatric Associates office in Pickerington. The four Scouts also received the diocesan Catholic Committee’s Red Sash of Merit at Scout Day with the Bishop.

Photo courtesy Girl Scout Troop 1187

## ODU hosts adult ed information session

Ohio Dominican University will host an information session for its adult education program from 6 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 4 in Room 274 of the Bishop Griffin Student Center, located on ODU’s campus at 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus.

To register for the session, visit [ohiodominican.edu/InfoSession](http://ohiodominican.edu/InfoSession).

Those in attendance will have an opportunity to learn about Ohio Dominican’s wide range of high-demand degrees and certificates that are available online and on campus during the evening. ODU offers pro-

grams in various fields, including business, insurance, and risk management, as well as supply chain management. Attendees also can take advantage of ODU’s on-the-spot admission review, where they can learn how many previously earned credits will transfer, and can receive an unofficial admission decision.

For more information, contact [adult@ohiodominican.edu](mailto:adult@ohiodominican.edu) or (614) 251-7400.

Explore all of ODU’s degree and certificate offerings at [ohiodominican.edu/adult](http://ohiodominican.edu/adult).

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bishop (serving from 1868-78), and Bishop Edward Herrmann (1973-82) are buried in the undercroft; Mount Calvary Cemetery in western Columbus, the gravesite for Bishop John Watterson (1880-99); and St. Joseph Cemetery in Lockbourne, where Bishops James Hartley (1904-44), Michael Ready (1944-57), and Clarence Elwell (1968-73) are interred.

The tour also will bring Christ into the present with stops at Newark St. Francis de Sales and Blessed Sacrament and Granville St. Edward the

Confessor churches, and will provide an opportunity for a hopeful look into the future of the diocese with an exclusive tour of the historic, newly renovated St. Turibius Chapel at the Pontifical College Josephinum, where most diocesan seminarians are trained.

Transportation for tour participants will be available from Chillicothe, Circleville, Coshocton, Hilliard, Lancaster, Marysville, Sunbury, and Westerville. The tour date has not been announced. To sign up for more information, go to the diocesan website.

## Prayer for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Diocese of Columbus

*Good and gracious God,  
We praise and we thank you  
for the many graces  
you have showered upon us  
over the past 150 years  
in this Diocese of  
Columbus.*


*You have brought together  
faithful men and women  
from many cultures, races,  
and ethnic groups,  
and through your Son,  
Jesus Christ, and in the  
Holy Spirit have molded  
them into one  
Catholic Church.*

*With gratitude, we  
remember those who have  
gone before us for their  
commitment, prayer, and  
work. We honor their  
inheritance with our own  
devotion to the Faith and*

*with a desire to pass it on to  
another generation. We give  
thanks as well for all those  
devoted clergy, religious  
brothers and sisters, and lay  
leaders who have served the  
diocese so well.*

*Through the continued gift  
of your love and wisdom,  
stir up in us a lively faith,  
a devotion to the worship  
of your great name, and a  
desire to serve others as we  
await in hope the great day  
of the coming again of your  
Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.  
For 150 years, you, O God,  
have been our guide and  
inspiration. We beseech you  
to remain with us on this  
journey of life and faith.*


*Through Jesus Christ Our  
Lord. Amen.*




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## Legatus 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration

The Columbus chapter of Legatus celebrated its 10th anniversary at the Scioto Country Club with Catholic evangelist Ralph Martin, president of Renewal Ministries, as the main speaker. Some of the founding members of the local group were in attendance, including (from left): back row, Jack Ruscilli, Joe Finneran, Chuck Wilson, John Hunt, Deacon Joe Knapke, and Mike D'Andrea; front row, Peggy Harts-horn, Ann Ruscilli, Rosemary Finneran, Joann Wilson, Marian Schuda, Amy Knapke (2018 president), and Faith D'Andrea. An investiture ceremony was held with: (from left) Loren Brown (2017 president), Louise Hummel, John Hummel, Father Thomas Blau, OP (chaplain), Brealie Caridi, and Jamie Caridi. Photo courtesy Legatus



## Dominican Sisters of Peace name justice promoter

The Dominican Sisters of Peace have chosen Sister Barbara Kane, OP, to be the congregation's justice promoter.

In her new position, Sister Barbara will promote justice, peace, and the integrity of creation through education, advocacy, and social action. One of her first major projects will be working with sisters and Dominican Associates to organize a congregational presence at the March for Our Lives, a student-led demonstration to urge sensible gun control, on Saturday, March 24.

"One of the central commitments of the Dominican Sisters of Peace is to 'Promote justice through solidar-



ity with those who are marginalized and work with others to identify and transform oppressive systems," Sister Barbara said. "As justice promoter, I look forward to working with partners within and outside of our congregation to be a voice

of peace for those seeking justice in our world."

Sister Barbara has served the congregation as director of the Dominican Learning Center in Columbus and principal of Dominican Academy, an all-girls high school in New York City. She also has been a teacher, business owner, telecommunications manager, and consultant.

## Morning of reflection in Plain City

A women's morning of reflection in preparation for Holy Week will take place from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 24 in the parish activity center at Plain City St. Joseph Church, 670 W. Main St.

It will begin with a presentation by Kathy Maggied titled "Speak, Lord, Your Servant Is Listening: Coming to Know the Voice of God in Our Lives," followed by *Catholic Times* columnist Lori Crock guiding

the participants through SoulCore, a prayer experience that pairs core strengthening, stretching, and movement with the prayers of the rosary, encouraging deeper meditation on the mysteries.

Participants are encouraged to come dressed comfortably for stretching and movement and to bring a mat if they have one, though it is not necessary. Light snacks will be provided.

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## Communion from the cup; Age for fast and abstinence



### QUESTION & ANSWER

by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE  
*Catholic News Service*

**Q.** My friend told me that in her parish, which is a large one, only one section of the church is offered the blood of Christ. Her pastor believes that adding more Eucharistic ministers would create a traffic jam. If they are going to distribute holy Communion from the chalice, shouldn't all be given the opportunity? (Henderson, Nevada)

**Q.** We moved recently to Texas from Georgia and found a Catholic parish near our new home. We noticed, though, that holy Communion is not received from the cup. When we asked about it, we were told that it is a "training issue" and unlikely to change.

As a retired military family, we have traveled throughout the U.S. and have never encountered a Mass where the precious blood was not offered. I know that not everyone chooses to partake, but I thought it was an integral part of the Mass. Is this something that can be decided by the individual parish? (Houston)

**A.** In 2002, the U.S. Catholic bishops issued a document titled *Norms for the Distribution and Reception of Holy Communion Under Both Kinds*.

It expresses a clear preference for the availability of the Eucharist under the forms of both bread and wine. Since both the bread and the chalice were given to the disciples at the Last Supper, "sharing in both eucharistic species reflects

more fully the sacred realities that the liturgy signifies" (No. 11).

The bishops note that Communion under both species was standard practice for at least the first thousand years of the church's history.

As to the occasions on which both species are now to be available, the norms leave that determination up to local bishops and, in the absence of any general diocesan guidelines, to the pastor of a parish.

The norms and the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* highlight that the Eucharist must always be distributed in an orderly and reverent manner and that care should be taken to ensure that "there is no danger of profanation of the sacrament or of the rite's becoming difficult because of the number of participants" (*GIRM*, No. 283).

The norms do make it clear that the distribution under both species is not a mandatory part of the Eucharistic celebration and that Christ is fully present when received under the species of the bread or of the wine alone, noting that some communicants may be able to receive one species only because of illness and that the whole church receives only the host in the Good Friday liturgy.

My own experience leads me to believe that most parishes in the U.S. make both species available at most liturgies.

As to the specific concerns expressed in the two letters

above, I would think that the "training issue" is far from insurmountable and that the necessary spiritual and practical preparation can often be handled in a single two-hour workshop, and that the opportunity to receive under both species, when offered, should in fact be made available to the entire congregation.

**Q.** My wife and I are seniors, over 70 years of age, and we abstain from eating meat on Fridays during Lent. But some of our fellow parishioners who are our contemporaries say that the rules for fast and abstinence don't apply at our age.

I checked the *Code of Canon Law* and it seems to leave it up to national conferences of bishops. So what are the rules for the United States? (Albany, New York)

**A.** You and your wife have to abstain from meat, but you don't have to fast. The norms concerning abstinence on the Fridays of Lent are binding on Latin-rite Catholics from age 14 onward.

But the laws concerning fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday -- one full meatless meal; some food at other regular meal times but, when combined, equal to less than a full meal -- govern only those from age 18 until age 59.

The U.S. bishops do note in their *Questions and Answers About Lent and Lenten Practices* that "in all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting."

**Questions may be sent to Father Kenneth Doyle at [askfatherdoyle@gmail.com](mailto:askfatherdoyle@gmail.com) and 30 Columbia Circle Drive, Albany NY 12203.**



### St. Anthony School Makerspace

Columbus St Anthony School sixth-grade students Audrey Riddle (left) and Mary Tano create string art in the school library's Makerspace. The space was created for students who have reached their accelerated reading goal for the quarter and are looking for an alternative to educational computer games. Makerspaces are used as a method for engaging students in creative problem-solving through hands-on design, construction, and iteration. Other options available in the space are Play-Doh, Makey Makey, Legos, Stikbots, sewing, and origami.

Photo courtesy St. Anthony School

## Memorial of Mary

*Catholic News Agency*

The Vatican has announced a decision by Pope Francis that the Catholic Church celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role as "Mother of the Church" every year on the Monday after Pentecost as a way to foster Marian piety and the maternal sense of the Church.

The decree establishing the memorial was published on Saturday, March 3 in a letter from Cardinal Robert Sarah, head of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments.

"This celebration will help us to remember that growth in the Christian life must be anchored to the Mystery of the Cross, to the oblation of Christ in the Eucharistic Banquet and to the Mother of the Redeemer and Mother of the Redeemed," Cardinal Sarah wrote.

He noted that the "joyous veneration given to the Mother of God by the contemporary Church, in light of reflection on the mystery of Christ and on his nature, cannot ignore the figure of a woman, the Virgin Mary, who is both the Mother of Christ and Mother of the Church."

The memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, has been added to the General Roman Calendar, the Roman Missal, and the Liturgy of the Hours. The Latin text has been published and the translations will be prepared by national bishops' conferences and approved by the Congregation for Divine Worship.

A celebration of a memorial generally means that prayers and readings specific to the day's memorial are used in the Mass.

The title of "Mother of the Church" was given to the Blessed Mother by Blessed Pope Paul VI at the Second Vatican Council. It was added to the Roman Missal after the Holy Year of Reconciliation in 1975.

Subsequently, some nations, dioceses, and religious families were granted permission by the Holy See to add this celebration to their calendars. With its addition to the General Roman Calendar, it will be celebrated by the whole Roman Catholic Church.

In 2018, the memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, will be celebrated on Monday, May 21.

## ODU to host high school visit days

Ohio Dominican University invites students from Columbus diocesan high schools to attend its Catholic visit days on Wednesday, April 18 and Thursday, May 3.

The free events will take place from 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on ODU's campus at 1215 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Those interested in attending may register at [ohiodominican.edu/VisitDay](http://ohiodominican.edu/VisitDay).

Visiting high school students will have an opportunity during those days to participate in activities including classroom experiences, campus tours, discussions on various topics, a free lunch in ODU's dining hall, Mass in Christ the King Chapel, a student panel, and an admissions presentation.

The event also will feature a group service project competition in which students will work together to identify a project that benefits a particular organization or individuals in need in the community. After presenting their ideas, a panel of judges from ODU will award funding to the top project to help turn the proposal into reality.

Students unable to attend either Catholic visit day may schedule a private visit to campus at [ohiodominican.edu/Visit](http://ohiodominican.edu/Visit) or by calling ODU's undergraduate admissions office at (614) 251-4500.

### *Answering God's Call*

**'JUST BE WITH THE PEOPLE.  
THAT'S ALL IT TAKES'**



**SISTER MARIE SHIELDS, SNDdeN**

by Tim Puet

Asked to describe her work as a pastoral associate in Columbus for the past 46 years, Sister Marie Shields, SNDdeN, says it's easy: "Just be with the people. That's all it takes. It's simple, but it means everything."

"There's so much going on in a parish, and you can't be at every event for the full time it's going on," said Sister Marie, pastoral associate at Columbus St. Matthias Church since 1991. "People realize this and say that just my presence for a while at things like fish fries and athletic contests is so important to them. And it's just as important to me. These are the people I've come to know and love. Receiving their love, support, and acceptance and giving it back to them brings all of us closer together as a parish.

"It's hard to imagine how many volunteers we have and all the hidden things they do to keep this a parish that's alive, prayerful, and a place of worship for so many different groups of Catholics," she said. St. Matthias hosts Masses in the Portuguese, creole French, and Nigerian languages on either a weekly or a monthly basis. The Masses in multiple languages began several years ago during the pastorate of Father James Smith and continue with the support of the current pastor, Father Raymond Larussa.

"Being a pastoral associate, you really become a part of so many people's lives," Sister Marie said. "I help with wake services, funerals, baptisms, confirmations, first Penance, first Communions, graduations, weddings – all these big, important events, and the little ones, too, like basketball and volleyball games. So many times, people tell me I'm a part of their extended family. I understand what that means, because I feel the same way toward them."

Sister Marie has spent most of her life in Columbus, but grew up in Chicago, "on the northwest side, 20 minutes from Wrigley Field, so it was a happy day when the Cubs finally won the World Series in 2016," she said.

She was given the birth name Mary Louise by her parents, Joseph and Bernice (Laramie) Shields. "I'm three-fourths Irish and one-fourth French Canadian," she said. "My father worked 50 years for the Illinois Bell Telephone Co., and my mother, like most mothers of the time, stayed home to care for me and my two older brothers," both of whom are deceased.

One brother, Martin, became a lay brother and a member of the Redemptorist order, serving in Michigan and the order's health center in Ligouri, Missouri. Sister Marie also had an uncle who was a priest of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

She attended Notre Dame High School for Girls in Chicago, which was operated by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, the order of which she has been a member for more than 62 years. "The sisters didn't talk much about their lives to us," she said. "They mostly led by example.

"What started me thinking about the religious life was a retreat in my junior year. Our retreat master was a Glenmary missionary priest whose message was about God's merciful, limitless, unconditional love and God's presence with each of us all the time. 'No one could ever love you like God loves you,' he said. That had a great impact on my life, which continues to this day."

That priest was Father Benedict Wolf, whose brother, Msgr. John Wolf, was a priest of the Diocese of Columbus for 67 years and was its senior priest when he died in 2012.

Besides Father Wolf, Sister Marie said another significant person in her life was Sister Anne McCarrick, SNDdeN, who died on Feb. 8. Sister Marie was religious education director at Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral and a teacher at Columbus St. Christopher School from 1968-72. Sister Anne was

Montessori director at Columbus St. Joseph Academy at the same time.

Sister Marie entered the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur on Sept. 8, 1955, and made her first profession of vows on March 12, 1958, and her final profession on Aug. 13, 1963. She received a bachelor's degree in education from Our Lady of Cincinnati College and a master's in religious studies from Mundelein College in Chicago.

Her first teaching assignment was with first-graders at St. Paul School in Cincinnati. "The children didn't keep quiet for me, but when the principal clapped her hands, they all lined up and stopped talking," she said. "I had to get help from the more experienced sisters to learn how to deal with those kids." She said Sister Pat Kinser, SNDdeN, then known as Sister Helen Patricia, was of particular assistance.

She taught third grade at Columbus St. Agnes School in 1959-60 and was a teacher in Hamilton and the Cincinnati suburb of Wyoming from 1960-68 before returning to Columbus in 1968 for a dual assignment at St. Christopher and the cathedral. She has been in Columbus ever since.

In 1972, Sister Marie began an association with Father Smith and Jesuit Father Richard Huelsman, SJ, that extended through three parishes, 27 years with Father Huelsman, and 41 years with Father Smith, who came to St. Christopher Church in 1971 as administrator and became its pastor the following year. He, Sister Marie, and Father Huelsman were at St. Christopher until 1983, Columbus Immaculate Conception Church from 1983-91, and St. Matthias from 1991 until Father Huelsman's retirement in 1999. He died in 2003. Father Smith remained at St. Matthias until his death in 2013. Sister Marie lived at St. Joseph Academy until 1991, then moved to an apartment near St. Matthias, where she continues to live today.

"Father Smith believed in having a pastoral team, with a woman as a part of it," Sister Marie said. "He knew there were certain things that he couldn't do and I could, and there were things I couldn't do and he could, and that the balance would work well for the parish. That's how it turned out. It was a great blessing for the three of us all those years, and I hope it was a blessing for the parishes we served.

"Ever since St. Julie Billiart founded our congregation of sisters, our mission has been to serve the poorest of the poor, and Father Smith lived our charism," she said. "He was known for his nationally published homilies and his work with Bread for the World, but he was always a humble man. He'd buy his clothes from the Salvation Army, kept the heat turned low and the lights off when not in use, recycled, and gave his salary to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, living off stipends. He gave so much away of what he had, and provided great inspiration to all of us," she said.

Asked to define a sister's role, Sister Marie said, "A sister is a sign that we are all brothers and sisters in Christ, that God is our creator. We are called sisters as a reminder that we are all part of God's family.

"If you are a young woman wondering what God's will is for you and whether it might involve the religious life, talk with sisters from different orders to see whether God is speaking to you, and listen in your heart to hear what he is calling you to do, whatever that may be.

"Become a woman who lives each day for God, which is what St. Julie would want for all of us. As she said in words which are on the cross that is the symbol of our order and the sisters wear every day, 'Ah! How good is the good God!'"

## HOLY SATURDAY CARRY THE CROSS HIKE

The annual Carry the Cross hike sponsored by Wilderness Outreach will take place on Holy Saturday, March 31, at Clear Creek Metro Park, just off U.S. 33 near the border of Fairfield and Hocking counties.

Carry the Cross is a 12-mile Stations of the Cross hike for men and their sons of all ages. A cross constructed of three-by-six-inch timber, approximately 10 feet long with a seven-foot cross beam, will be carried on the journey.

Those taking part in the hike should bring a day pack with two to three liters of water, snacks and rain gear if appropriate. During the hike, silent meditation on Jesus' Passion is encouraged. Spoken prayers such as the Rosary, the prayer to St. Michael, and the Angelus also are encouraged. Participants do not have to walk the entire 12 miles.

Last year, 138 laymen participated, with 106 finishing the hike. Both totals set records. They ranged in age from two-and-a-half to 84.

A replica cross was presented to Columbus St. Patrick Church for having the most men on the hike. Each year, this honor is bestowed on the parish with the most participants, and an engraved brass plate is added to the cross. Past honorees have included Lancaster St. Mary and Gahanna St. Matthew churches.

The hike provides a way for fathers and sons and parish men's groups to engage and bond with one another in a masculine, spiritual, and physical challenge.

The starting location will be in the parking lot and shelter house at the Barneby Hambleton area at the western end of the park. Men are encouraged to arrive by 7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer will start at 7:45, with the hike beginning at 8 and concluding with prayer at 3 p.m.

For more information, contact John Bradford at (614) 679-6761 or via email at [john@wilderness-outreach.net](mailto:john@wilderness-outreach.net).



## TRINITY STUDENTS VISIT ECOLOGICAL CENTER



Columbus Trinity Elementary School fourth- and fifth-grade students spent the day at the Stratford Ecological Center as part of the Messages of the Earth program. Their experience consists of two days in the fall, one day in the winter, and two days in the spring learning about and applying life science standards.

Photo courtesy Trinity Elementary School

## DCCW sponsors silent retreat

The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is sponsoring a silent retreat for women from 5 p.m. April 13 to April 15 at St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus.

The retreat will be presented by Father Sean Dooley, parochial vicar at Chillicothe St. Peter, Washington Court House St. Colman of Cloyne, Waverly St. Mary, and Zaleski St. Sylvester churches on the theme

"Being Present in the Here and Now."

The cost is \$130, and there is an optional \$15 charge for the purchase of the book *Here & Now*, by Father Henri Nouwen, on which the retreat will be based.

For more information, visit the diocesan website, [www.columbuscatholic.org](http://www.columbuscatholic.org), call the DCCW office at (614) 228-8601, or email [kboesch@columbuscatholic.org](mailto:kboesch@columbuscatholic.org).

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## Living for one another

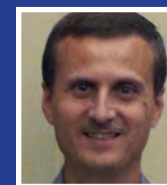
St. Clare of Assisi once said, “We become what we love, and who we love shapes what we become.” This particular kind of communion is as boundless as its appetite for such a connection. It is inspired by our love for each other, in what we all believe to be a most humbling human and spiritual experience. It doesn’t matter what our situation is, nor does the character or appearance of the individual whom we love make a difference, Love brings us together in such a fashion that we do not know we are even in the midst of its tender power. As much as we try to control it, it takes on a life of its own and becomes as real as a waking dream.

Have you ever wondered what might result if we could spend as much time on a certain activity as we do in thinking about it? Are we afraid that if we stop long enough before an emotion overtakes us, we might make an honest assumption of why we are doing something in the first place? A scary thought, isn’t it? We seem to make more time for trivial pursuits than we do in making a difficult and satisfying journey.

Sometimes, what we have done can only be seen in a mysterious light. If we take more time to become active in the conversation, we can begin to see things as they were meant to be seen, with our gift and God’s grace. But be careful. This focus can be lost as we become closer to the truth of a situation or to the awareness of the presence of a person’s heart and intentions.

We can be guilty of loving in a way that is more than our capacity for these moments of clarity allow. Parents, in particular, have an uncanny sense about them. They seem to be able to feel the emotions of their children and react in a manner that is in their child’s best interest, whether the child wants them to or not.

Responsibility is an awesome thing. It changes us in a way we cannot imagine. It happened to me the day I became godfather to two young boys. You begin to realize that you need to be there for them and not just for yourself. They are your charge and, in so being, represent your strength of faith, courage, and knowledge. You want to be there for them as they grow older.



**LIGHTING THE WAY**  
J. P. Leo Thomas

Such is the life of an uncle, aunt, mother, or father. Many of the things we come to both regret and celebrate result from those rare instances when we allow our guard to lapse just a little. Though the road seems narrow, it is almost always wide enough to hold just one more person. Come together and live not only for yourself, but for others. Let that be your guide and your ambition in this wonderful and amazing adventure in which, with both God and family, you are never, ever alone.

May God be with you and with your children, may you continue to live a life of kindness and care, and may His peace be with you always.

*Joseph Thomas, a member of Gahanna St. Matthew Church, is a freelance writer and is active in many diocesan and church activities.*

## ‘I sold them life’: learning from the Angel of The Gap

Little did he know what a noble purpose awaited him when Don Ritchie settled into a house on Old South Head Road back in 1964. The former Navy seaman and retired salesman was eager to soak in the stunning view with his wife: an ocean cliff at Watsons Bay in eastern Sydney known as The Gap.

But just as the vista attracts tourists from across the globe, it also lures in desperate souls looking to end their lives with a jump, claiming an average of 50 suicides a year.

The first time Don spotted someone on the ledge – a mere 50 yards away, visible through his living-room window – there was no question whether he would step in.

He would do so again and again for half a century: quietly approach the cliff, palms facing up, and gently ask, “Is there something I could do to help you?”

Some had laid their shoes and wallets on the rocks, poised to leap. Others had left farewell letters.

He offered them tea and a personal invitation for breakfast in his home across the street. He physically removed some people from the cliff, once lying on his stomach to reach out. But it was his smile and his listening ear that coaxed them.

Most of the time, it worked. Officials say he spared 150 lives. His family believes the number



**TWENTY SOMETHING**  
Christina Capecchi

could be 500.

One morning, Don looked out his bedroom window and saw a woman sitting on the cliff’s edge. “I quickly got dressed and went over,” he told The Associated Press. “She had already put her handbag and shoes outside the fence, which is pretty common. I said to her, ‘Why don’t you come over and have a cup of tea?’” She obliged. A few months later, she returned with a bottle of French champagne.

The thank-you gifts poured in unexpectedly, sometimes a decade later. Christmas cards. Letters. A painting of an angel and brilliant sunrays with the message, “An angel who walks among us.”

Indeed, Don came to be known as the Angel of The Gap, but he shrugged off the praise. Patrolling The Gap was his duty, a matter of fact, and he considered himself the beneficiary. “I’m 85 and even at my age, it has broadened my horizons with all the wonder-

ful people I have met,” he once told a reporter. “It’s important for troubled people to know that there are complete strangers out there like myself who are willing and able to help them get through that dark time and come out on the other side.”

From his time in the Navy during World War II to his years selling scales and bacon cutters, he had “learned to talk to all different people about all sorts of things,” his youngest daughter said after his 2012 death at age 86.

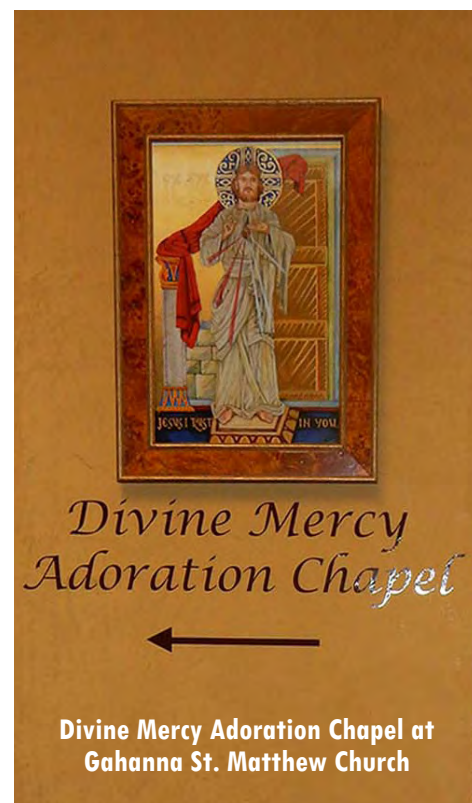
Don also had recognized his training for the cliff-side ministry, saying, “I was a salesman for most of my life, and I sold them life.”

He could draw them in and calm them down. He listened without judgment, his eyes that matched the sea piercing through bifocals.

Don lives on today, reminding us of our Christian call to prop up neighbors in need. We never know who is struggling, slogging through a long winter, desperate for Easter. A text or an Instagram “like” might lend cheer, but sometimes our physical presence is the only way. We must walk up to the gap, palms up, and ask “Is there something I could do to help you?”

*Christina Capecchi is a freelance writer from Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota.*

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION BRINGS PEOPLE CLOSER TO GOD



**BY TIM PUET**

Reporter, Catholic Times

People who desire to have a personal encounter with the Real Presence of Jesus Christ at times other than when they receive the Eucharist at Mass have ample opportunity to do so throughout the Diocese of Columbus during regularly scheduled times of Eucharistic adoration.

The scope of this devotion locally has expanded greatly in the past decade. Today, 70 of the diocese's 105 parishes offer adoration at some point each week throughout the year. A few other parishes take part in the devotion during the Lent and Easter seasons only. Ten years ago, when the *Catholic Times* began publishing a periodic list of parishes with scheduled adoration times, 38 parishes offered it.

Five parishes – Columbus Immaculate Conception, Gahanna St. Matthew, Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton, Sunbury St. John Neumann, and Worthington St. Michael – have adoration chapels open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, except when Masses are being celebrated or during the Sacred Triduum from the close of Holy Thursday services until the Easter Vigil. The Eucharist is taken away from tabernacles everywhere during that time to commemorate the period from Jesus' death until his resurrection.

Any time spent praying before the Blessed Sacrament when a sanctuary is open, whether or not the Eucharist is on pub-



lic display, can be considered a time of Eucharistic adoration. What most commonly is described as adoration is more specifically the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, in which Jesus is present in the form of a consecrated host displayed in a monstrance or a ciborium on an altar.

Most parishes offering adoration ask that one or two persons always be present during times when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed and ask people to sign up for one-hour segments of adoration, commonly known as Holy Hours.

"Every Holy Hour we make so pleases the heart of Jesus that it will be recorded in heaven and retold for all eternity," St. Teresa of Kolkata said. "The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth."

Bill Hinger of Worthington St. Michael Church quoted these words of St. Teresa as he began a talk on Eucharistic adoration at a recent meeting of the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club at Columbus St. Patrick Church. "Adoration is all about what Jesus will do for you," he said. "It's all about his Sacred Heart, providing another arrow in your quiver against the devil and a means to your holiness."

He said a personal devotion to the Eucharist outside of Mass flows naturally from an understanding of the Mass. "For adoration to make sense, the Mass must first make sense," he said.

"If you've never done it before and want to try adoration, you may wonder

at first how you're going to get through a silent hour in front of the Eucharist. The silence can be deafening. Different people adore the Eucharist in different ways. Especially at first, you may want to pray the Rosary, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, or other prayers, as many people do. As I became more involved with adoration, I found that what ultimately worked was to ditch my watch, clear my mind, quiet myself, and realize that I was in the presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and he was right there with me.

"It's the closest thing to the beatific vision (the presence of God as found in heaven) that you will get on earth, other than at Mass. Now, it seems like the hour just flies by," he said. "It's possible you might fall asleep during that hour, but don't worry. The late Archbishop Fulton Sheen, who made a Holy Hour every day, said he fell asleep during his first one and an angel told him 'It's OK. The Apostles fell asleep their first time, too.'"

Hinger led efforts to establish perpetual adoration at Columbus Immaculate Conception and said his inspiration came from Brian Beal, an Immaculate Conception parishioner who is studying for the priesthood at Pope St. John XXIII Seminary in Weston, Massachusetts.

"I met Brian (who is scheduled to be ordained a deacon on May 4) in 2002 at the men's fellowship at Immaculate Conception," Hinger said. "It was a life-changing friendship. After a while, Brian said 'the Holy Spirit told me you

are to bring perpetual Eucharistic adoration to the parish.' It was something I had been thinking about, and one thing led to another until I got in touch with Msgr. (Anthony) Missimi (then the parish's pastor) about it.

"He was skeptical, but was willing to try it. We spend three months of catechesis to get people ready for it, then on Father's Day weekend in 2003, we invited parishioners to a weekly Holy Hour, and 146 signed up. That response, and the testimony we soon received from people saying the Holy Hour was having an impact on their lives, made us realize the Holy Spirit was indeed at work."

Hours of adoration at the parish were gradually extended. At first, it took place from noon Wednesday to noon Friday in the church. A chapel in the former parish convent was converted to an adoration chapel, and the devotion became a 24/7 activity in September 2005.

"It's been a wonderful blessing for the parish," Hinger said. "We have between 450 and 500 people signed up as adorers for either a specific hour or as substitutes. And it seems that not a week goes by without someone reporting a great change in their lives, which they credit to their prayers before the Eucharist."

"One woman – a pilot with vertigo – recently said she no longer had the condition after praying before the Eucharist for about a month. She has regained her pilot's license. Someone else said she no longer needs the medications she had been taking because the ailments related to those meds disappeared after she began praying before the Eucharist for better health. This sort of thing happens all the time."

Hinger, who has been employed by Huntington Bank for 28 years, said devotion to the Eucharist and the Sacred Heart has resulted in a positive effect in his own work life.

"Because of what I profess to be, people are watching, so I know I have to provide an example of Christian life as best as I can. As a sinner like all of us, that's tough to do," he said. "I don't proselytize, but people know who I am and what I believe, so they will ask me about things related to the Catholic Church. This gives me a chance to discuss the faith openly."

Hinger said the key to starting adoration at a parish is preparation. "People need to learn what adoration is all about. This takes a minimum of two

or three months," he said. "We showed videos, talked about the history of adoration, and got people to understand the connection between adoration and the Mass. Once that groundwork was laid, people responded."

St. Matthew Church opened its perpetual adoration chapel in February 2015 after about a year-and-a-half of preparing people for adoration and obtaining necessary permits.

"It all started sometime in 2013 when I was grand knight of our Knights of Columbus council and asked Father (Ryan) Schmit, the council chaplain (who was St. Matthew's parochial vicar at the time), what he would like the Knights to do for the parish," said Bryan Gebhart, the chapel's former adoration coordinator. "He said 'I want you to build a perpetual adoration chapel.' That word 'perpetual' kept ringing in my ears, and I felt there was every reason not to build it, but Father said, 'If you build it, people will come,'" Gebhart said.

Father Schmit, now parochial vicar at Marion St. Mary Church, said he wasn't expecting anything to result from what he said. "Bryan came into my office and I told him I'd like a perpetual adoration chapel, but I have to admit I wasn't mentioning it in a serious way," Father Schmit said. "But he made a plan and put it into action, thanks be to God."

"Over and over again, it's been found that wherever adoration takes place, God bestows abundant blessings, including vocations to the priesthood. One study I have seen which stands out noted that when only 20 percent of parishes had adoration on a weekly basis,

80 percent of seminarians were coming from those parishes."

Gebhart said his work in building the chapel strengthened his own faith. "I'd say that I was about a 70 percent believer in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist when I got started with the chapel," he said. "I eventually recognized that if I was going to bow down and prostrate myself to Jesus and promote devotion to him in the Eucharist, I must fully believe in the Presence. If not, then I must not. Once I realized this, things began falling into place. My doubts disappeared and God tangibly became more involved in my life."

Today, more than 7,000 parishes, representing about 40 percent of all parishes in the United States, offer Eucharistic adoration, according to Real Presence Association Inc., an organization which promotes Eucharistic devotion.

Pope St. John Paul II is credited with igniting the interest in adoration. At the 1993 International Eucharistic Congress in Seville, Spain, he said he hoped for "the establishment of perpetual Eucharistic adoration in all parishes and Christian communities throughout the world."

In his 2003 encyclical *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, he wrote: "The worship of the Eucharist outside of the Mass is of inestimable value for the life of the Church. ... It is the responsibility of pastors to encourage, also by their personal witness, the practice of Eucharistic adoration, and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in particular, as well as prayer of adoration before Christ present under the Eucharistic species."

Eucharistic adoration has a long history in the Catholic Church, going back at least as far as the Council of Nicaea in 325. Hinger noted that St. Basil the Great in the fourth century would divide consecrated bread three ways – to be consumed by him, to be distributed to others, and to be reserved in a gold container for adoration.

Hinger said the devotion was strengthened in the 13th century when Pope Urban IV, the former archdeacon of Liege, Belgium, established the Feast of Corpus Christi as a result of a vision by St. Juliana of Liege and a Eucharistic miracle involving a bleeding host which was presented to the pope.

Pope Francis also is connected to a Eucharistic miracle. Hinger said that when the pope was archbishop of Buenos Aires in 1999, he authorized an investigation of a host which had been desecrated three years earlier, was found to have become human flesh and blood, and had not decayed in the ensuing period. Scientists who did not know the story behind it confirmed that it was part of a human heart muscle with AB-positive blood. It was compared with a similar host from 1300 years earlier, and both were found to have identical human properties.

From the 16th to the late 20th centuries, Catholic parishes worldwide observed a yearly program of 40 hours of continuous devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. For much of the 20th century, this devotion occurred in every parish of the Diocese of Columbus, with a schedule drawn up so that at least one parish was celebrating it at all times except during the Christmas and Easter seasons. The

40 Hours devotion no longer occurs on a regular basis in the diocese, but today's perpetual and weekly adoration in parishes make it easier than ever for people to visit the Blessed Sacrament.

The longest continuously running Eucharistic adoration activity in the diocese is the vigil conducted on the first Friday evening of each month at Columbus Holy Cross Church by the Eucharistic Vigil Association, a group founded in the early 1970s and directed for most of its history by Pierre Benson, who died in 2015.

It began from 9 a.m. Saturday to 6 a.m. Sunday in a different church each month, then was changed to the first Friday as more parishes celebrated Saturday evening Masses. It eventually settled at Holy Cross, where it has been for decades, except for a period at Columbus St. Patrick Church in the 1990s and a brief move to Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral during the 2014 renovation of Holy Cross.

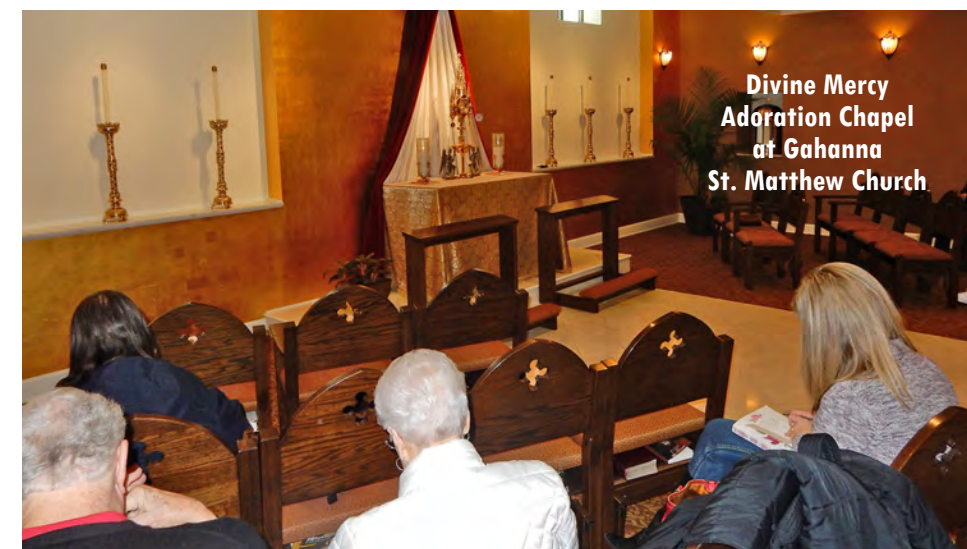
The vigil, which takes place on every first Friday except Good Friday, opens with Mass at 7:30 p.m., followed by communal prayers, litanies, recital of the Rosary, hymns, and periods of quiet time. It concludes with Benediction around 11.

The St. Joseph Cathedral Quartet sings at special events such as the association's annual commemoration of deceased members in November and the Feast of the Presentation in February. Last October, a Marian procession around the Holy Cross grounds during the vigil celebrated the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

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Pope St. John Paul II Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel at Columbus Immaculate Conception Church



Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel at Gahanna St. Matthew Church

## Eucharistic adoration sites in the Diocese of Columbus

The following is an updated list of parishes in the Diocese of Columbus where Eucharistic adoration or exposition takes place on a regular basis. It includes seasonal information for Lent. Anyone with additions or corrections to this list may contact Tim Puet at *Catholic Times*.

**Ada Our Lady of Lourdes** – Exposition: First Fridays, 10 a.m. to noon.

**Buckeye Lake Our Lady of Mount Carmel** – Exposition: Sundays of Lent, 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

**Cardington Sacred Hearts** – Exposition: First Saturdays, after 8:45 a.m. Mass until Benediction at 3:15 p.m.

**Chillicothe St. Peter** – Adoration: Tuesdays through Thursdays, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. in Infant of Prague Adoration Chapel inside convent (Also 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. through code access).

**Columbus Christ the King** – Exposition: Fridays (except March 30), 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Columbus Holy Cross** – Tuesdays, 5 to 6 p.m., followed by Mass; First Fridays, from end of 7:30 p.m. Mass to 11:30 p.m. Eucharistic vigil begins with Mass, followed by communal prayers, confession, litanies, Rosaries, hymns and quiet time between prayers, concluding with Benediction at 11.

**Columbus Holy Family** – Exposition: Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., Thursdays (except March 29 and 30), 10 a.m. continuous to 11:45 a.m. Friday, ending with Benediction. Contact church for details concerning entry.

**Columbus Holy Name** – Exposition: Thursdays (except March 29), 6 p.m., featuring prayers in the Cenacle format of the Marian Movement of Priests; Fridays (except March 30), 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Holy Hour and Benediction, followed by Mass. Adoration: Saturdays (except March 31) following 8:30 a.m. Mass.

**Columbus Immaculate Conception** – Exposition: 24 hours, seven days a week, except during the Sacred Triduum, in the children's center (former convent). Press rear entry buzzer.

**Columbus Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal** – Exposition: First Friday, from end of 9 a.m. Mass through Holy Hour at 6 p.m.

**Columbus Our Lady of Peace** – Exposition, Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 6:45 p.m.

**Columbus Our Lady of Victory** – Exposition: First Monday, 7 to 8 a.m.; First Friday, from 8 p.m. Friday to start

of 8 a.m. Saturday Mass.

**Columbus St. Agnes** – Exposition: First Sunday, 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

**Columbus St. Andrew** – Exposition: Daily (except March 30 and 31), 7 to 8:15 a.m. in chapel; Tuesdays, 6 to 9 p.m. in church, concluding with Compline and Benediction.

**Columbus St. Anthony** – Exposition: First Fridays, from end of 9 a.m. Mass to noon.

**Columbus St. Catharine** – Exposition: 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, with confession at 6:30 p.m., closing with Benediction; First Friday, after 8 a.m. Mass to 9:30 a.m.

**Columbus St. Cecilia** – Exposition: First Fridays, 9 a.m. Friday to 4 p.m. Saturday.

**Columbus St. Elizabeth** – Adoration: Tuesdays, 5 to 6 p.m.

**Columbus St. Francis of Assisi** – Eucharistic Holy Hour: second Tuesday of the month, following 6 p.m. Mass.

**Columbus St. James the Less** – Exposition: First Mondays, 6 to 7 p.m., ministry center.

**Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral** – Holy Hour with Adoration and confession: Wednesdays, following 5:15 p.m. Mass; Thursdays, 10:45 to 11:45 a.m.

**Columbus St. Ladislav** – Adoration: First Fridays from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in church, and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays (except March 30) in former convent, and from 7:30 p.m. to midnight on Holy Thursday, March 29, in the church. Call Sister Wilma Ross, SCN, at (614) 444-2598 for instructions on how to enter the convent.

**Columbus St. Margaret of Cortona** – Exposition: Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. year-round, with sung Vespers at 6:30 on March 15.

**Columbus St. Mary** – Adoration: Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., Wednesdays, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., in St. Francis of Assisi Chapel of Burkley Building next to church. The church is closed for repairs resulting from a lightning strike in August 2016.

**Columbus St. Mary Magdalene** – Exposition: Second Monday of the month, following 8:15 a.m. Mass in church; fourth Saturday of the month, 9 a.m. to noon in Bishop Campbell Hall.

**Columbus St. Matthias** – Exposition: First Fridays, end of 8:30 a.m. Mass to noon.

**Columbus St. Patrick** – Adoration: Third and fourth Fridays of the month, 8 p.m. Friday to 7 a.m. Saturday (church locked; call church office at (614) 224-9522 for access information). Exposition: 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. Fridays, except March 30 (church open).

**Columbus St. Peter** – Exposition: 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on the first Friday of the month and 9 to 10 a.m. all other Fridays, except March 30.

**Columbus St. Stephen** – Exposition: Wednesdays, 6 to 6:45 p.m. (Spanish), first Fridays, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (bilingual), other Fridays (except March 30), 6 to 9 p.m. (Spanish), first Saturdays, 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Sunday (Spanish).

**Columbus St. Thomas** – Adoration: Tuesdays, 9 to 10 a.m., Wednesdays, 7 to 8 p.m.

**Columbus St. Timothy** – Exposition: Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

**Coshocton Sacred Heart** – Exposition: first Fridays, from end of 9 a.m. Mass to 12:15 p.m., concluding with Benediction; Exposition with Evening Prayer, concluding with Benediction, Sunday, March 18, 4 to 5 p.m.

**Danville St. Luke** – Exposition: Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday, except when Danville schools are closed for inclement weather.

**Delaware St. Mary** – Exposition, Fridays (except March 30), after 8:15 a.m. Mass to 7 p.m.

**Dover St. Joseph** – Exposition: Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m. year-round. Adoration: 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 20, with the Sacrament of Reconciliation available, followed by Mass at 6.

**Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare** – Exposition: First Fridays from end of 9 a.m. Mass to 5 p.m., in Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

**Gahanna St. Matthew** – Exposition: 24 hours, seven days a week, except during the Sacred Triduum, in basement adoration chapel. Open to the general public from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. If you are interested in a weekly Holy Hour, contact Paul Koors at DivineMercy-PEA@gmail.com or (614) 209-7055.

**Granville St. Edward** – Exposition: 9:30 a.m. Monday to 9 a.m. Tuesday.

**Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help** – Exposition: First Fridays, from end of 8:30 a.m. Mass to 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

**Groveport St. Mary** – Exposition: First Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon, ending

with Benediction.

**Heath St. Leonard** – Adoration: First Fridays, from after 9 a.m. Mass to 2:30 p.m., concluding with Benediction.

**Hilliard St. Brendan** – Adoration: Monday to Saturday, 7:30 to 8 a.m. (except national holidays or solemnities); Wednesdays, 6 to 7 p.m., Holy Hour with confessions and Benediction.

**Jackson Holy Trinity** – Exposition: First Fridays, 11 a.m. to noon.

**Kenton Immaculate Conception** – Exposition: First Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., closing with Benediction.

**Lancaster St. Bernadette** – Exposition: Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Lancaster St. Mark** – Exposition: Mondays, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.

**Lancaster St. Mary** – Adoration: Thursday, March 22, following end of 9 a.m. Mass until Benediction at 1:45 p.m.

**Logan St. John** – Exposition: First Fridays, 8:30 a.m. Friday to 9 a.m. Saturday, in adoration chapel.

**London St. Patrick** – Exposition: First Fridays, from 8:30 a.m. to Benediction at noon.

**Marion St. Mary** – Adoration: Tuesdays, 5 to 6 p.m.; Exposition: First Fridays, 4 to 7 p.m.

**Marysville Our Lady of Lourdes** – Exposition: Second Friday of the month, from after 5:15 p.m. Mass Friday to Benediction at 10 a.m. Saturday.

**Mount Vernon St. Vincent de Paul** – Exposition: 5 p.m. Thursday to 5 p.m. Friday (except March 29 and 30), followed by Mass and Benediction.

**New Albany Church of the Resurrection** – Call parish office at (614) 855-1400 for times or go to parish

**New Boston St. Monica** – Adoration: Fridays (except March 30), 5 to 6 p.m.

**New Lexington St. Rose** – Exposition: First Fridays, from after 8 or 9 a.m. Mass to 4 p.m.

**New Philadelphia Sacred Heart** – Exposition: 9 a.m. Tuesday to 5:15 p.m. Wednesday. Confession and Adoration, 5 p.m. Mondays during Lent, followed by Evening Prayer service at 6:30.

**Newark Blessed Sacrament** – Exposition: Noon to 8 p.m. Mondays, 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays, and 10 a.m. to midnight Wednesdays in church.

## Rules for Eucharistic devotions

### ADORATION

Adoration refers to any time spent in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. It may take place any time the church is open to the community. Several churches have their tabernacle located in a Eucharistic chapel, with specific hours available for individuals to pray before the sacrament.

Some churches have organized their members and have given access to their Eucharistic chapel for extended periods, or even around the clock, every day of the week, with individuals committed to specific hours.

### EXPOSITION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, in contrast to adoration, refers to the public display of the

Blessed Sacrament in either a monstrance or a ciborium. This becomes a special devotion for the community and is not a private devotion for individuals.

As a communal devotion, it is a liturgical celebration and is subject to the rituals that govern the way it is conducted, as are all liturgical rituals. The *Order for the Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist* contains the instructions and the ritual. It has a beginning and a conclusion to the exposition.

Since there is a beginning and a conclusion, exposition cannot be perpetual without special permission of the bishop, usually given only to religious orders which have as one of their charisms the continuous prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Throughout the celebration of this ritual, some members of the faithful always should be present.

Throughout the public display of the Blessed Sacrament, there should be periods of music, Scripture readings, intercessory prayer, and silence for individual adoration. The ritual concludes with a special blessing of the faithful by a clergy member.

### SOLEMN EXPOSITION

Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament involves an extended period of time and takes place once a year, such as during the Feast of Corpus Christi or a parish's 40 Hours devotion. Here again, some members of the faithful always should be present.

Throughout this extended period of exposition, there should be periods of music, Scripture readings, preaching, intercessory prayer and silence. The ritual concludes with a special blessing of the faithful by a clergy member.

"The solemn exposition of the holy Eucharist offers the opportunity to the people of God for prayerful reflection on their call to a deeper devotion to the Eucharist and a more faithful living of the Christian life. It provides them with an opportunity to become more aware of Christ's presence with his people and invites them to a spiritual communion with him" (*Order for the Solemn Exposition of the Holy Eucharist* #3).

Our devotions before the Blessed Sacrament always should bring out the meaning of the Eucharist, both in its correlation with our Eucharistic liturgies and as the source and culmination of our Christian life. Christ's true presence calls us to prayer and to Christian action.

### ADORATION, continued from Page 11

Each month, Benson brought a statue of Our Lady of Fatima which had been in the original Columbus St. Peter Church to the devotion, and that tradition continues. Benson placed the statue in his home after that church was razed in 1970 and replaced by the current St. Peter Church in north Columbus.

"What makes our Eucharistic vigil unique in the diocese is the first-Friday evening Mass and the Eucharistic procession that are part of the vigil," said JP Pacis, the EVA's director. Father Ramon Owera of Columbus St. Elizabeth Church is its spiritual director.

"I do not know of any parish in the diocese that does this," Pacis said. "Processing around the church with the Blessed Sacrament brings joy to my heart. The prayers in the prayer booklets we use each month – to the

Holy Trinity, the Blessed Sacrament, the Virgin Mary, and the Sacred Heart, and the prayers taught by the angel to the children at Fatima – also mean a lot. They are like the prayer beads of the rosary to me.

"We have many longtime adorers. I believe they would like to remain anonymous, but they know who they are. Without their witness and devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, this vigil would not have lasted this long."

More information about the vigil may be found by sending an email message to [firstfridaycolumbus@gmail.com](mailto:firstfridaycolumbus@gmail.com). A list of parishes in the diocese with Eucharistic adoration may be found on Pages 12 and 13 of this week's *Catholic Times*. For a nationwide listing of parishes with Eucharistic adoration, go to [www.the-realpresence.org](http://www.the-realpresence.org).

### ADORATION LIST, continued from Page 12

**Newark St. Francis de Sales** – Exposition: 7 to 10 p.m. Sunday, 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday (except March 30), and 5 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday (except March 31) in day chapel behind sanctuary.

**Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton** – Adoration: 24 hours, seven days a week, except when Mass is being celebrated and during the Sacred Triduum, in the church's Eucharistic Chapel.

**Plain City St. Joseph** – Exposition: 6 to 11 a.m. Monday through Thursday, 6 to 8 a.m. Friday (except March 30), and 6 to 11 p.m. Monday through Friday (except March 30).

**Portsmouth St. Mary** – Adoration: Fridays (except March 30), from end of noon Mass to Benediction at 5:30 p.m.

**Powell St. Joan of Arc** – Exposition: 9 a.m. Monday to 8 a.m. Friday (except March 29, when Adoration ends before the 7:30 p.m. Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper).

**Reynoldsburg St. Pius X** – Adoration: 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

**Sunbury St. John Neumann** – Exposition: 24 hours, seven days, except for weekend Mass times and the Sacred Triduum. Chapel is locked from 4 p.m. to 9 a.m. Sunday to Thursday

and noon to midnight Friday. Saturday hours vary. If you wish to visit during those hours, contact Amy Davis at (614) 579-9874 or [amymdavis@hotmail.com](mailto:amymdavis@hotmail.com).

**Washington Court House St. Colman of Cloyne** – Exposition: 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays during the school year.

**Waverly St. Mary** – Exposition: First Wednesday, from end of 5:30 p.m. Mass to Benediction at 7 p.m.

**West Jefferson Ss. Simon and Jude** – Adoration: Holy Thursday, March 29, from conclusion of Mass of the Lord's Supper until 10 p.m.

**Westerville St. Paul** – Holy Hour: Thursdays, 6 to 7 p.m.

**Worthington St. Michael** – Exposition: 24 hours, seven days a week, except during daily and weekend Masses and during the Sacred Triduum, in the church's Adoration Chapel.

**Zaleski St. Sylvester** – Exposition: First Wednesday, from end of 5:30 p.m. Mass to Benediction at 7 p.m.

**Zanesville St. Nicholas** – Exposition: First Fridays, 8 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

**Zanesville St. Thomas Aquinas** – Exposition: Wednesdays, after 9 a.m. Mass to 7 p.m.

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## Fifth Sunday of Lent (Cycle B)

## The heart and soul of the Old Testament



Father  
Lawrence L. Hummer

**Jeremiah 31:31-34;  
Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33**

Jeremiah's reading could be considered the heart and soul of the Old Testament. Christians see in this passage an anticipation of the Christ event in which Law written on stone is replaced by law written upon the heart. Given the nature of our belief in the incarnation of Jesus as God's Son with a human heart, we find the fuller sense of Jeremiah's words in the heart of Jesus for this "new covenant."

Yet Jeremiah prophesied 600 years before Jesus, which means his words also had direct meaning for his own people. Jewish believers understand Jeremiah to be speaking of a time when the Babylonian Exile ends and the temple in Jerusalem is rebuilt. Jeremiah says, "I will place my Torah (or teaching) within them and write it upon their hearts. I will be their God and they shall be my people." This is a concise summary of the entire Old Testament: "I will be their God and they will be my people."

That original covenant was concluded at Sinai between Moses' people and the Lord: "I took them by the hand to lead them forth from the land of Egypt; for they broke my covenant (literally, when Moses broke the tablets) and I had to show myself their master." What is new about this covenant is that each one will know directly what the Lord wants, without anyone having to teach a neighbor what is required. The least to the greatest will know. Thus the content of the covenant is not changed, but how it is taught changes.

The Gospel comes as Jesus arrives for his third and final celebration of Passover in Jerusalem. Some

"Greeks" come to Philip wanting "to see" Jesus. Since they came to worship at the Passover feast, they probably were interested in Judaism, if not actual proselytes. Remembering that in John's Gospel, we have to understand his vocabulary on multiple layers, in asking "to see" Jesus it certainly means more here than simply "to look at." It means to see with the eyes of faith.

The Pharisees had said among themselves (John 12:19), "the whole world has gone after him." That paves the way for Sunday's scene where Jesus says that the time has come for him "to be glorified." That glorification *begins* with his death (like that of the grain of wheat dying in the soil). But the glorification continues through his rising and producing much fruit. Not only Jesus, but all who would be his followers must lose their own lives in him in order to preserve them for eternal life. Note the strong contrast between loving and hating and losing and preserving.

Jesus admits, "I am (literally, in Greek *my soul is*) troubled now." We tend not to think of Jesus in terms that would allow him to be troubled. Yet we tend generally not to think of the human face of Christ at all. In failing to do so, we miss the awesome reality of what "The word became flesh and dwelt among us" really means.

Jesus also readily acknowledges this: "Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour?' Father, glorify your name." In prayer, he realizes what he is here to do and commits himself to it. He also mentions being "lifted up" again, which here is interpreted as referring to "the kind of death he would die." However, being "lifted up" on the cross, without being lifted up in the resurrection, would leave us an incomplete view of the "Paschal Mystery." It comprises his death, resurrection, and ascension to the Father, which we focus on beginning next week.

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## Sisters sponsor discernment day

The Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity are sponsoring a discernment day for young adult women from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 24 in their convent, 319 N. 7th St., Cambridge. There will be an optional morning Mass at 8:35, and lunch will be provided.

Participants will hear about the sisters' experiences and there will be time for communal and individual prayer. The day will close with Evening Prayer, and there will be an optional opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and for a 5 p.m. Sunday-vigil Mass.

In the Diocese of Columbus, members of the con-

gregation serve as a mission director, chaplain, and volunteer for the Zanesville-based Genesis Healthcare System, providing care in a six-county region of southeast Ohio. Genesis was created in 1997 as an affiliation between Good Samaritan Medical Care Center and the Bethesda Care System.

In the Diocese of Steubenville, the sisters are teachers and parish ministers at Christ Our Light Parish, which has churches in Cambridge, Lore City, and Byesville.

For more information, call or text Sister Julie Ann, OSF, at (920) 323-9632 or call Sister Jan, OSF, at (740) 432-5853.

## The Weekday Bible Readings

MONDAY  
2 Samuel 7:4-5a,12-14a,16  
Psalm 89:2-5,27,29  
Romans 4:13,16-18,22  
Matthew 1:16,18-21

TUESDAY  
Numbers 21:4-9  
Psalm 102:2-3,16-21  
John 8:21-30

WEDNESDAY  
Daniel 3:14-20,91-92,95  
Daniel 3:52-56 (Ps)  
John 8:31-42

THURSDAY  
Genesis 17:3-9  
Psalm 105:4-9  
John 8:51-59

FRIDAY  
Jeremiah 20:10-13  
Psalm 18:2-7  
John 10:31-42

SATURDAY  
Ezekiel 37:21-28  
Jeremiah 31:10-13 (Ps)  
John 11:45-56

## DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEK OF MARCH 18, 2018

## SUNDAY MASS

10:30 a.m. Mass from Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral on St. Gabriel Radio (AM 820), Columbus, and at [www.stgabrielradio.com](http://www.stgabrielradio.com).  
Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7:30 a.m. on WWHO-TV (the CW), Channel 53, Columbus, and 10:30 a.m. on WHIZ-TV, Channel 18, Zanesville. Check local cable system for cable channel listing.  
Mass from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Birmingham, Alabama, at 8 a.m. on EWTN (Spectrum Channel 385, Insight Channel 382, or WOW Channel 378).  
(Encores at noon, 7 p.m., and midnight).  
Mass from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee at 6:30 a.m. on ION TV (AT&T U-verse Channel 195, Dish Network Channel 250, or DirecTV Channel 305).  
Mass from Massillon St. Mary Church at 10:30 a.m. on WILB radio (AM 1060, FM 94.5 and 89.5), Canton, heard in Tuscarawas, Holmes, and Coshocton counties.

## DAILY MASS

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

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

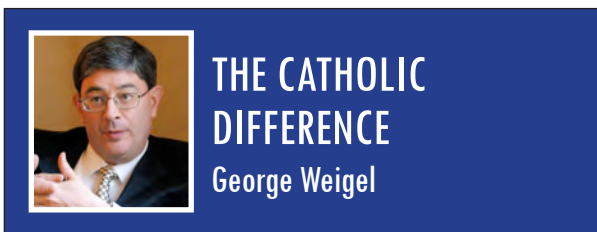
# Learning from the White Rose

Seventy-five years ago last month, Sophie and Hans Scholl and their friend Christian Probst were executed by guillotine at Munich's Stadelheim Prison for high treason. Their crime? They were the leaders of an anti-Nazi student organization, the White Rose, and had been caught distributing leaflets at their university in the Bavarian capital. The leaflets condemned the Third Reich, its genocide of the Jews, and its futile war.

How did young people once active in the Hitler Youth come to recognize the evil of the Nazi regime and risk their lives to oppose it?

The 2005 Oscar-nominated film *Sophie Scholl: The Final Days* offers a part of the answer. The garish brutality of the Nazis, not least at their Nuremberg party rallies, was a first hint to serious young people that something was wrong here. The White Rose youngsters were also thinkers and studied Socrates, Plato, and Pascal under the tutelage of Kurt Huber, a philosophy professor who despised the Hitler regime. The leaflets that were their primary resistance tool included references to Goethe, Aristotle, Schiller, and Lao Tzu – further signs of deep and broad reading.

What you won't learn from the film, however, is that the triggering inspiration for their activism was the "Lion of Muenster," Archbishop Clemens von Galen, whose anti-Nazi preaching convinced the members of the White Rose that thought and discussion must give way to action. So, between June 1942 and February 1943, the White Rose produced and distributed six leaflets urging others to nonviolent resistance against the Nazi regime. To stand by silently, they claimed, was to be complicit in "the most horrible of crimes – crimes that infinitely outdistance every human measure." To do nothing was to truckle to Hitler, and "every word that comes out of Hitler's mouth is a lie."



The fourth pamphlet made a promise: "We will not be silent. We are your bad consciences. The White Rose will not leave you in peace." And therein lies a clue to another inspiration for the Scholls and their friends: John Henry Newman and his writings on conscience.

In Britain's *Catholic Herald*, Paul Shrimpton notes that the youngsters of the White Rose were deeply influenced by St. Augustine's *Confessions* and George Bernanos's *Diary of a Country Priest*. But it was Newman's sermons, recommended to the White Rose students by a philosopher who had converted to Catholicism after reading Newman's *Grammar of Assent*, which prompted that fourth pamphlet, with its call to heed the demanding voice of conscience.

Shrimpton reports that when Sophie Scholl's boyfriend, Fritz Hartnagel, was assigned to the Russian front in 1942, Sophie gave him two volumes of Newman's sermons. He later wrote her that "we know by whom we are created, and that we stand in a relationship of moral obligation to our creator. Conscience gives us the capacity to distinguished between good and evil" – words, Shrimpton notes, that "were taken almost verbatim from a famous sermon of Newman's called *The Testimony of Conscience*."

On the witness stand before the notorious Nazi "People's Court" judge Rudolph Freisler, 21-year old Sophie Scholl testified that it was her conscience and her Christian conviction that had led her to non-violent resistance against Hitler and his gangsters. That Christian conscience, we now know, was formed in part by a serious intellectual and spiritual encounter with Blessed John Henry Newman.

There is a lot of talk in the Church these days about "conscience," and Newman is invoked by many prominent personalities in those debates. So it might be useful for all concerned, including Church leaders in the Munich where the White Rose youngsters gave their lives for the truth, to ponder Newman's influence on these contemporary martyrs.

What did the members of the White Rose learn from Newman about conscience? They learned that conscience could not be ignored or manipulated.

They learned that the voice of God speaking through our consciences sets before us what is life-giving and what is death-dealing. They learned that conscience can be stern, but that in submitting to the truths it conveys, we are liberated in the deepest meaning of human freedom.

They learned that obedience to conscience can make us courageous, and that to strive to live an ideal with the help of grace is to live a truly noble life with an undivided heart.

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## Eight Hartley seniors to continue athletic careers



Eight Columbus Bishop Hartley High School seniors recently signed letters of intent to continue their athletic careers at the collegiate level. They are (from left): Ethan Amaya, football, Ohio Dominican; Nick Cone, football, Ashland; Lindsay Dunlap, soccer, Muskingum; Rachel Hernon, lacrosse, Ohio Wesleyan; Peyton Eads, soccer, Muskingum; Alexander Blackmon, football, Walsh; James Reese III, football, Wheeling Jesuit; and Patrick Gililand, football, Ohio University.

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## Pray for our dead

- ARMSTRONG, Pete, 79, Feb. 27**  
St. Mary Church, Portsmouth
- BEHUM, Lawrence A., 67, March 6**  
St. Andrew Church, Columbus
- BRANSON, Teresa K. (Hill), 57, Feb. 25**  
St. Mary Church, Portsmouth
- CARR, Dr. Richard G., 68, March 5**  
St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg
- CLOSE, Thomas N., 72, March 6**  
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus
- De ROCHE, Stanley, 90, March 2**  
St. Agatha Church, Columbus
- DiBARI, James R., 91, March 4**  
St. Patrick Church, Junction City
- DOHERTY, Winifred (Keane), 89, Feb. 26**  
St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg
- DONOFRIO, Eugene L., 96, March 1**  
Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia
- GLASER, Richard D., 83, Feb. 18**  
St. Christopher Church, Columbus
- HAMILTON, Frances M., 83, March 5**  
St. Ladislav Church, Columbus
- HOOVER, Mary E. (Cade), 100, March 5**  
St. Mary Church, Marion
- HURST, Walter J., 72, March 6**  
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington
- ICE, Walter D., 56, Jan. 20**  
St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg
- JOHNSON, Mary L., 81, March 6**  
Holy Spirit Church, Columbus
- KENNEDY, Robert G., 89, March 6**  
St. Timothy Church, Columbus
- LAMBERT (LARNED), Therese (Garvin), 86, Feb. 24**  
St. Andrew Church, Columbus
- LOEFFLER, Carolyn A. (Miller), 79, March 10**  
St. Matthias Church, Columbus
- LONG, Margaret A., 93, March 6**  
Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus
- PEDON, Felix, 86, March 3**  
St. Catharine Church, Columbus
- PLUNKETT, Don, 94, March 6**  
St. Paul Church, Westerville
- RATHBURN, Mary A. (Long), 96, March 3**  
St. Sylvester Church, Zaleski
- RHOADES, Magdalene V. (Schwartz), 100, Feb. 19**  
St. Andrew Church, Columbus
- SCHWEIGER, Robert K., 65, Feb. 28**  
St. Mary Church, Waverly
- SIEBOLD, Dennis F., 78, March 2**  
Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus
- SMITH, Charles "Rich," 72, March 8**  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove City
- SPECHT, Joseph, 84, March 6**  
St. Joseph Church, Dover
- SULLIVAN, Juanita V., 93, Feb. 4**  
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville
- WISHNOFF, Anna M., 89, Dec. 15**  
Church of the Resurrection, New Albany
- WOLFINGER, Bettie M. (Herwick), 94, March 7**  
Blessed Sacrament Church, Newark
- WOOTEN, Dudley E., 71, March 6**  
St. Mary Church, Portsmouth

## German cardinal, theologian dies at 81

Catholic News Service

Cardinal Karl Lehmann, longtime president of the German bishops' conference and a theologian who participated in the Second Vatican Council, died on Sunday, March 11.

The 81-year-old cardinal died at his home in Mainz after declining health and a stroke in September.

Cardinal Lehmann led the German bishops' conference for 21 years, resigning in 2008 because of health issues. However, he continued to lead the Diocese of Mainz -- where he was appointed in 1983 -- until 2016, when he turned 80.

The cardinal was one of three German bishops who in 1994 allowed Communion to be given to Catholics who were divorced and remarried without their first marriages being annulled, until the Vatican stopped the practice. After

months of dialogue with the three bishops, the Vatican's Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith issued a letter to the world's bishops restating that Catholics in that situation could not receive Communion.

Cardinal Lehmann was born on May 16, 1936, in Sigmaringen, Germany, and became a priest in Rome in 1963. Before being made bishop of Mainz in 1983, he was professor of theology at the city's university.

He was a supporter of dialogue with the main Lutheran church organization in Germany and joined with its leaders in making public statements on social issues.

His death leaves the College of Cardinals with 215 members, including 117 cardinals who are under age 80 and eligible to vote in a conclave to elect a new pope.

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## MARCH

### 15, THURSDAY

**'Lent By Candlelight' Program at Delaware St. Mary**  
6 to 9 p.m., Beitel Commons, St. Mary Church, 82 E. William St., Delaware. "Lent By Candlelight" program for women with talk by Sister John Paul, OP, on "Ways of Happiness." **740-363-4641**

#### Cenacle at Holy Name

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

#### Holy Hour at Holy Family

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

#### Sung Vespers at St. Margaret of Cortona

6:30 p.m., St. Margaret of Cortona Church, 1600 N. Hague Ave., Columbus. Sung Vespers as part of parish's weekly Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7. **614-279-1690**

#### Abortion Recovery Network Group

7 to 8 p.m., Gateway Center, 2670 N. Columbus St., Lancaster. 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. **614-721-2100**

#### Eucharistic Holy Hour at Sacred Heart

7 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Eucharistic Holy Hour with the intention of deepened holiness and an increase in the virtue of fortitude for the Holy Father, bishops, and priests, concluding with Benediction, social period, and refreshments. **614-372-5249**

#### Talk on Catholic Social Teaching at St. Brigid

7 to 8:30 p.m., St. Brigid of Kildare Church, 7179 Avery Road, Dublin. Talk on Catholic social teaching with Msgr. Joseph Hendricks, parish's pastor. **614-761-3734**

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### 15-16, THURSDAY-FRIDAY

**St. Brigid of Kildare School Presents 'Peter Pan Jr.'**  
7 p.m., St. Brigid of Kildare School, 7175 Avery Road, Dublin. School performing arts program presents the musical "Peter Pan Jr." **614-718-5825**

### 16, FRIDAY

**Living Stations at Marion St. Mary**  
5:30 p.m., St. Mary Church, 251 N. Main St., Marion. Living Stations of the Cross with St. Mary School and Parish School of Religion students. **740-382-2118**

#### Columbus St. Patrick Vigil Celebration

6:30 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Parish celebration for the vigil of the Solemnity of St. Patrick. Mass, followed by torchlit procession (weather permitting), Irish tea party, and music.

#### Living Stations at Delaware St. Mary

7 p.m., St. Mary Church, 82 E. William St., Delaware. Living Stations of the Cross with St. Mary School eighth-grade students. **740-363-4641**

#### Candlelight Stations at Cols. Immaculate Conception

7 p.m., Immaculate Conception Church, 414 E. North Broadway, Columbus. Stations of the Cross by candlelight in the style of the Taize monastic community.

#### Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts at St. John Chrysostom

7 p.m., St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church, 5858 Cleveland Ave., Columbus. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, a Vespers service with Holy Eucharist. **614-882-7578**

### 16-18, FRIDAY-SUNDAY

**Columbus Catholic Renewal Retreat at St. Therese's**  
St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Newark. Columbus Catholic Renewal men's and women's retreat, led by Walter Matthews, former member of the Pontifical Council on the Laity. Theme: "Reflections on Our Journey in Faith." **614-500-8178**

### 17, 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.

#### 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**

### 18, SUNDAY

#### Exposition at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

9:15 to 10:15 a.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 5133 Walnut Road S.E., Buckeye Lake. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament each Sunday during Lent. **740-928-3266**

#### Blessing of St. Gerard Majella at Holy Family

After 11 a.m. Mass, Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Blessing of St. Gerard Majella, patron of expectant mothers, for all women who are pregnant or wish to become pregnant. **614-221-1890**

#### Mass Ad Orientem at Columbus St. Patrick

Noon, St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Celebration of Mass Ad Orientem (with priest facing the altar). **614-224-9522**

#### Angelic Warfare Confraternity at Columbus St. Patrick

Following noon Mass, 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**

#### Kateri Prayer Circle at St. Mark

1 p.m., Aranda Center, St. Mark Church, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Kateri Prayer Circle meeting to honor St. Kateri Tekakwitha and promote Native Catholic spirituality.

### St. Padre Pio Secular Franciscans

1:30 to 5 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 720 Hamlet St., Columbus. Fellowship and ongoing formation followed by adoration and prayer, Liturgy of the Hours, and initial formation with visitors. **614-282-4676**

#### Polish Mass at Holy Family

2 p.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Monthly Mass in Polish. **614-221-4323**

#### Reception for Photo Exhibit at de Porres Center

2 to 3:30 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. Opening reception for "Diversity Is Our Strength" exhibit by Lauren Pond displaying photographs of diverse central Ohio faith communities and religious celebrations. Exhibit continues through May 11. **614-416-1910**

#### Discussion on Same-Sex Attraction

3 p.m., St. Aloysius Church, 2155 W. Broad St., Columbus. Discussion with Father Pat Toner for anyone with questions about same-sex attraction and the Courage and EnCourage support groups, for people with same-sex attraction and their family and friends. **614-296-7404**

#### St. Christopher Adult Religious Education

4 p.m., Library, Trinity Catholic School, 1440 Grandview Ave., Columbus. "St. Patrick, the Light in the Darkness" with Father Stephen Dominic Hayes, OP, of Columbus St. Patrick Priory.

#### Exposition at Coshocton Sacred Heart

4 to 5 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, Walnut Street and Park Avenue, Coshocton. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, concluding with Benediction. **740-622-8817**

#### Taize Evening Prayer at Corpus Christi

4 to 5 p.m., Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Evening Prayer in the style and spirit of the Taize monastic community, with song, silence, and reflection. **614-512-3731**

#### Sung Vespers at Lancaster St. Mary

4 p.m., St. Mary Church, 132 S. High St., Lancaster. Evening Prayer featuring sung Vespers. **740-653-0997**

#### 'Awaken!' Series at St. Michael

4:30 to 5:45 p.m., St. Michael Church, 5750 N. High St., Worthington. Third talk in five-part "Awaken!" series focused on empowering parents to a renewed personal relationship with the Trinity and equipping them with the tools to spread the Good News. Topic: "Priest, Prophet, and King: Call to Abundant Life" with Father Anthony Dinovo, parish pastor. **614-888-5384**

#### Sung Vespers at Cathedral

4:45 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Singing of Vespers preceding 5:15 p.m. Mass.

#### 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. **614-237-0401**

#### Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter

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

### 19, MONDAY

#### Adoration and Reconciliation at New Philadelphia

5 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 139 3rd St. N.E., New Philadelphia. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, with Reconciliation available, and Evening Prayer at 6:30.

#### Evening Prayer at St. John Neumann

6:30 p.m., St. John Neumann Church, 9633 E. State Route 37, Sunbury. Evening Prayer led by Deacon Carl Calcara.

#### Mass of Healing and Healing Service at Cathedral

6:30 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Mass of Healing, followed by healing service including Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and veneration of relic of the True Cross. Priests will be on hand for discussion and prayer and the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be available.

### Way of the Cross for the Grieving at St. Brendan

7 p.m., St. Brendan Church, 4475 Dublin Road, Hilliard. Way of the Cross for the Grieving, pondering the perspectives of Jesus, Mary, Simon, Veronica and others.

### 19-21, MONDAY-WEDNESDAY

#### Parish Mission at Columbus St. Peter

7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Parish mission with Father Thomas Blau, OP. Theme: "Understanding God's Mercy," followed nightly by question-answer period and refreshments. Confessions each evening from 6 to 6:50. **614-889-2221**

### 20, TUESDAY

#### Adoration, Confession, Mass, Bible Study at Dover

5 p.m., St. Joseph Church, 613 N. Tuscarawas Ave., Dover. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and confessions, followed by Mass at 6 and "A Biblical Walk through the Mass" at 7 in family life center. **330-364-6661**

#### Rosary for Life at St. Joan of Arc

Following 6:15 p.m. Mass, St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Recital of Rosary for Life, sponsored by church's respect life committee.

#### Discover Ready 'Knight' at Bishop Ready

7 p.m., Bishop Ready High School, 707 Salisbury Road, Columbus. Discover Ready "Knight" for parents and guardians of students in grades five through eight.

#### 'Theology of the Common Good' Talk at ODU

7 p.m., Colonial Room, Sansbury Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1215 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Talk on "Religion, Science, and the Common Good" with Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ, director of the Vatican Observatory. **614-251-4453**

#### Labyrinth Walk at Shepherd's Corner

7 to 8:30 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Labyrinth walk led by Shawn Scott and Nancy Cameron. Theme: "The Awakening Earth." Suggested donation \$5. Registration deadline March 16. **614-866-4302**

### 21, WEDNESDAY

#### Christ Child Society Day of Reflection

8:30 a.m., Nugent Hall, St. Andrew Church, 1899 McCoy Road, Columbus. Christ Child Society day of reflection, with talk by Pam Heil on "Living a Life of Authentic Love," group discussions, and lunch, ending with Mass. Cost \$35. **614-329-8787**

#### Abortion Recovery Network Group

9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Westerville Area Resource Ministry, 1150 Heatherdown Drive, Westerville. 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. **614-721-2100**

#### Center for Dominican Studies Lecture Series

Noon to 12:30 p.m., St. Catherine of Siena Room, Erskine Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1215 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Center for Dominican Studies lecture with Sister Carol Ann Spencer, OP, speaking on "Lent: A Time to Focus Discipleship." Last of four parts. **614-251-4722**

#### Liturgy of the Hours at Newark St. Francis de Sales

6 p.m., St. Francis de Sales Church, 40 Granville St., Newark. Liturgy of the Hours every Wednesday during Lent. **740-345-9874**

#### 'A Very Mary Lent' at Delaware St. Mary

6:30 to 8 p.m., St. Mary Church, 82 E. William St., Delaware. "A Very Mary Lent" series with Deacon Todd Tucky and adult faith formation director Julie Lutz. Theme: "How to Serve and Say 'Yes' Like Mary."

#### Evening Mass at St. Matthias

7 p.m., St. Matthias Church, 1582 Ferris Road, Columbus. Celebration of Evening Mass, continuing every Wednesday during Lent. **614-267-3406**





## ST. JOSEPH GEMS offers pearls of spiritual wisdom



**By Doug Bean, Catholic Times Editor**

*St. Joseph Gems*, by Donald H. Calloway, MIC. Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception BVM. Marian Press (Stockbridge, Massachusetts, 2018). 245 pages, \$12.95.

There are many prayer books devoted to St. Joseph, but Father Donald Calloway's *St. Joseph Gems* follows a slightly different tack.

Through extensive research and translations from several different languages, Father Calloway compiled hundreds of quotes about the foster father of Jesus from popes, saints, and blessed -- some not widely known -- to provide "Daily Wisdom on Our Spiritual Father." The book is not only prayerful, but informative, inspiring, and easily digestible.

*St. Joseph Gems* is the third in a series of books from Father Calloway, the vicar provincial and vocations director for the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy Province, based in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. The first two, *Marian Gems* and *Rosary Gems*, follow the same format.

"There's a lot of great books out there on St. Joseph, but I wondered if I could do a little digging and come up with some things that maybe people were unaware of," Father Calloway said in an interview with the *Catholic Times*. "I was able to gather all of these quotes from saints, popes, and blessed, and some of them have never appeared in English before. It's really neat to see them in English for the first time."

No author could go wrong by beginning a book with a long meditation from Venerable Fulton J. Sheen, the beloved archbishop who was a spiritual and intellectual powerhouse. He wrote that depicting St. Joseph as an old man is misleading because "to make Joseph appear pure only because his flesh had aged is like glorifying a mountain stream that has dried."

"I didn't want to chop it up because it was so brilliant," Father Calloway said. "I prefer a young St. Joseph myself. He's full of strength and vitality."

The book's introduction offers a short primer on St. Joseph and includes a timeline of significant events

in the last 150 years, including Blessed Pope Pius XI in 1870 declaring St. Joseph as the "universal patron of the Church." Other historical moments are the establishment in 1955 by Venerable Pope Pius XII of the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1, St. Pope John Paul II's 1989 encyclical *Redemptoris Custos* on St. Joseph, and Pope Francis in 2013 inserting the name of St. Joseph into all Eucharistic prayers and consecrating Vatican City State to him.

From Jan. 1 to December 31, the day's short quote often coincides with the saint or blessed listed on the liturgical calendar. Each enlightening entry is quick and easy to read and concludes with a petition to a saint or blessed to pray for us.

The first and last meditation in the book comes from St. John Paul II, who inspired the Church with so much great wisdom and faith during his long pontificate. Other names are also very recognizable, including St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Teresa of Avila, St. Francis de Sales, St. Augustine, and St. Maximilian Kolbe. They are more well known than some of the authors of the quotes in other daily entries. Blessed William Joseph Chaminade, Blessed Gabriele Allegra, Blessed Januarius Maria Sarnelli, St. Joseph Marello, St. Madeline Sophie Barat, and St. Stanislaus Papczynski aren't exactly household names for many Catholics.

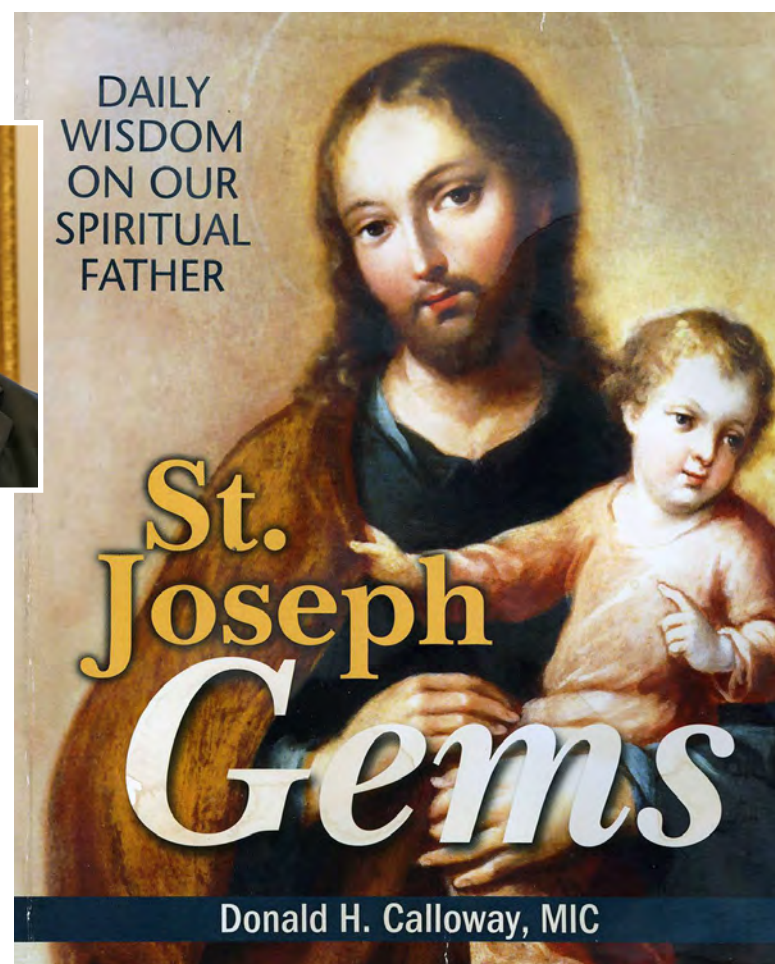
The holy men and women listed for intercessory prayer at the end of each day's meditation are similarly fascinating. Blessed Karl Leisner, Blessed Isidore Bakanja, St. Ephrem the Syrian, St. Anthony Mary Gianelli, St. Jacques Berthieu, and Blessed Caspar Sadamatsu are just a few.

"I love those obscure saints," Father Calloway said. "They appeal to me. They're little hidden gems."

The book concludes with the Litany of St. Joseph and a list of references for each quote.

Father Calloway suggests reading the day's quote and praying the litany.

"Just include St. Joseph in your prayers and ask him



for help," Father Calloway recommended. "He's more than willing to help us. It's almost like he's in heaven and is like, hey, I'm here to help. And he will."

Father Calloway's order, more commonly known as the Marian Helpers in the United States, is a popular pilgrimage destination on Divine Mercy Sunday. He also noted that St. Joseph is one of the patron saints of his religious community, which receives all the proceeds from his books.

Father Calloway's journey to the priesthood is an interesting story. A high school dropout, the priest writes in his biography that he was institutionalized twice and put in jail multiple times before undergoing a radical conversion and eventually becoming a priest. He earned an undergraduate degree from Franciscan University of Steubenville and advanced degrees from the Dominican House of Studies in Washington and the International Marian Research Institute in Dayton.

"In seminary, I turned to him (St. Joseph) a lot," said Father Calloway, who is based in Steubenville. "He's always helped me out tremendously. He tends to be somewhat neglected. It's a good time to remind us of his importance in the life of the Church. I'd love to have more people have a devotion to him."

*St. Joseph Gems* was released earlier this year in order to be widely available in time for the Solemnity of St. Joseph, which is this coming Monday, March 19. St. Joseph also is recognized as the patron of the universal church and of a happy death.

The book is available through Catholic bookstores, Amazon, or at [fathercalloway.com](http://fathercalloway.com).

## Church of Our Lady presents "AFTER THE PASSION"

Columbus Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, invites the greater community to complete the Lenten journey and kick off Holy Week with the presentation of *After the Passion* at 7 p.m. Palm Sunday, March 25. Doors open at 6.

Unlike any other Passion program, this is an interpretation of the moments following the Crucifixion, through the Resurrection, as seen through the eyes of the Apostles. It focuses less on the historical account and more on the possible emotional reaction of those who witnessed the world-changing event.

"We are so excited to look at the Passion of our Lord from completely new perspective and place in time," director Joanne Farrell said. "The entire show has been a collaborative effort – even our actors created their own scripts based on prayerful interpretation of Scripture."

The event has called upon the talents of the entire parish community. Members have contributed in ways including lighting, sound, scenery, costumes and makeup, publicity, photography, ushers, and hospitality.

Admission is free. Goodwill offerings will be gratefully accepted following the program.



## St. Francis DeSale presents "GODSPELL"

The drama department of Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School, 4212 Karl Road, will present *Godspell* at 7 p.m. Friday, March 23 and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 25 in the school's little theater.

The musical, based on the Gospel of St. Matthew, deals with the last days of Jesus' life and includes dramatized versions of several of his parables.

Featured will be Isaac Steiger as Jesus and Skyla Blumenscheid as John the Baptist and Judas.

Tickets are \$10 and go on sale on Monday, March 19 during all lunch periods (10:20 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.) outside the cafeteria. Contact the show's director, Lori Arnett, at [arnett@de-sales.co](mailto:arnett@de-sales.co) with questions or to purchase tickets before or after school.

## Way of the Cross for the Grieving

Hilliard St. Brendan Church, 4475 Dublin Road, will present the Way of the Cross for the Grieving at 7 p.m. Monday, March 19.

This is a prayerful opportunity to connect your grief experience to that of the people who made the journey to Calva-

ry with Jesus. Each Station of the Cross will be prayed using reflections that ponder the perspectives of Jesus, Mary, Simon, Veronica, and others.

For more information, contact Jennifer Rice at (614) 876-1272, extension 227 or [jrice@stbrendans.net](mailto:jrice@stbrendans.net).

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