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PARISH WITH A STRONG FAITH LIFE**

Editor's reflections by Doug Bean

Students pray, provide witness

The secular media bombard readers and viewers with negative news these days about young people and their lack of devotion, but recent events in the diocese point to the contrary.

On Sunday night, Nov. 18, at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, high school boys and girls basketball players and coaches from Central Catholic League schools gathered for the fourth consecutive year to pray the rosary together before the season starts. CCL football teams have done the same in August ahead of their season.

Participating schools included St. Francis DeSales, Bishop Watterson, Bishop Ready, Bishop Hartley and St. Charles. Student-athletes from four boys teams and one girls team led a decade of the joyful mysteries in the school's chapel.

"This is what separates us from everyone else," CCL commissioner and St. Francis DeSales assistant principal Jim Jones told the students and coaches. "To come together like this, it makes us better, it makes us different. It makes a difference."

Indeed, prayer does make a difference. It can change the world. It can bring peace. It provides protection.

Two weeks ago, students were among the pro-lifers who gathered at the Planned Parenthood East Columbus Surgical Center, where clergy members who support abortion were supposed to show up to offer a blessing. How anyone who professes to work for God and condones the killing of unborn children can justify a blessing for an abortion clinic defies faith and reason.

Students for Life of America reported that a crowd of 75 to 150 peo-

ple – including students, 40 Days for Life participants and others – assembled to

pray and witness to the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death.

Reports indicated that the clergy "blessing," which was scheduled during 40 Days for Life closing prayers, was moved to another location and all references to the event were wiped out.

Students for Life reported that members from Columbus State Community College, Ohio State, Kent State and Akron were on hand. These are students who represent a pro-life generation that rejects the "choice" propaganda permeating the culture.

It's worth repeating the words of St. Teresa of Calcutta: "I feel the greatest destroyer of peace today is 'Abortion,' because it is a war against the child ... a direct killing of the innocent child, 'murder' by the mother herself. ... And if we can accept that a mother can kill even her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another? How do we persuade a woman not to have an abortion? As always, we must persuade her with love. ... And we remind ourselves that love means to be willing to give until it hurts ..."

It's encouraging to see young people come together to pray and to defend life. May Christ, through the intercession of His Mother, bless and protect them and deepen their faith to go forth in the world and transform the culture.



Fr. Lutz celebrates 40th anniversary Mass



Father Kevin Lutz, pastor of Columbus St. Mary, Mother of God Church, celebrated the 40th anniversary of his ordination, assisted by Deacon Roger Minner, at a Mass on Sunday, Nov. 11. Weekend Masses, which were part of the celebration, were celebrated in the St. Mary School gym as restoration of the church continues.

Program on 'Surviving Divorce' scheduled in Powell

A new 12-week "Surviving Divorce" program will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 9 at Powell St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road.

Few topics in the Church today are more challenging than divorce. Not only is the reality of divorce incredibly painful for those involved, but few people seem to realize what the Catholic Church teaches on this topic. As a result, many stop attending Mass or leave the faith altogether.

"Surviving Divorce: Hope and Healing for the Catholic Family" is a proven program of hope and healing. It offers answers and guidance to the many issues surrounding divorce, annulments, remarriage, parenting, and more. Through emotional healing and the power of forgiveness, it brings the divorced into a more vibrant relationship with Christ and the Church.

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personal healing and hope; gain wisdom and comfort from others who share their experiences; address questions of forgiveness and new family dynamics; and obtain an understanding of the annulment process.

Although the program lasts for 12 weeks, no new participants will be admitted after the first three weeks because of the program's sensitive nature and to build relationships and confidentiality.

Each session begins with a 30-minute video on a specific topic, followed by small-group discussion. Participants will receive a *Personal Survival Guide* workbook that contains all the points shared and discussed during the program.

Participants are asked to RSVP online so planners of the program will have enough books and ministries. For more information, contact Jeanne Falter at (614) 778-0736 or jeannefalt@aol.com, or Joe Scarpitti at (614) 571-6394 or scarpit@gil.com.



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Gahanna St. Matthew

Gahanna St. Matthew Church was established in 1959. The current church building was dedicated in 2004. CT photo/Tim Puet

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Vocation stories shared at 'In God's Service' event

High school students from throughout central Ohio heard the vocation stories of a diocesan priest and a member of the Religious Sisters of Mercy at the annual "In God's Service" program, sponsored by the diocesan Vocations and Catholic Ethnic Ministries offices at Columbus St. Catharine Church.

Father Vince Nguyen, parochial administrator of Columbus Corpus Christi and St. Ladislav churches, and Sister Cora Marie Billings, RSM, who serves in the Diocese of Richmond, Virginia, talked about what led them to discern that God had called them to the religious life. Father Nguyen also celebrated the Mass that was part of the program. His concelebrant was Father Paul Noble, pastor of Sunbury St. John Neumann Church and diocesan vocations director.

Father Joshua Wagner, pastor of Columbus St. Dominic and Holy Rosary churches, was honored for his service to the Catholic Church and the community. Rachele Martin was moderator for the program, with Vernon Hairston as minister of music. Participants were welcomed by Father David Schalk, pastor of Christ the King Church.

Students serving as liturgical ministers were Bailey Smith of Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, lector; Arec Igwebuikwe of Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, altar server; and Kaylyn Malinowski of Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School, gift bearer.

"In my life, God has continued to open me to his grace, even when I wondered if I could open myself to encounter Christ," Father Nguyen said. "There were many trials and tribulations along the way, but many doors with different opportunities began to open, inviting me to enter. And in stepping through them, I found Christ was always there, leading me to become a priest."

"You high school students have an opportunity to search for Christ's love in whatever you do and whoever you meet. Ask those who grew up in the faith – priests or Religious – ask them how they

have searched for Christ's love. And pray that your hearts will be open to hear his voice leading you to find him within his Sacred Heart."

Sister Cora Marie said, "From the time I was in Catholic high school in Philadelphia, it was through the Sisters of Mercy, who taught me, and through

church, and I pray for the courage to always do that to which God is calling me."

"When I was in the eighth grade in Texas, I became an altar server, assisting the parish priest, Father Joe, at Mass and other liturgical events like weddings," Father Wagner said. "I loved it and was really inspired by Father Joe. After serving my last weekend before my family relocated to Ohio, Father Joe handed me a note which read 'Consider being a priest. You'll never be left short serving God's people.'"

"As you can see, I did consider his advice and am filled with joy to have given my life to Christ as a pastor here in the Diocese of Columbus. And by the way, I still have that note. Father Joe passed away last week – he was 86 or 87 – but because he conformed himself to Jesus Christ, his ministry is still living indirectly through me."



Father Vince Nguyen and Sister Cora Marie Billings, RSM, speak at the "In God's Service" program at Columbus St. Catharine Church. CT photos by Ken Snow



Deacon Frank Sullivan and Father Paul Noble (sixth and seventh from right) talk to students.

knowing other young women who entered the order, that I felt by the graces of God this was my calling – to enter prayer life and to serve the Lord every day as a sister in the consecrated life.

"So for 62 years now, I have continued to be sustained by the graces of God and have found joy in serving him as a Sister of Mercy. The bottom line for me is that I will do whatever I can for my

Downtown Serra Club receives national recognition

The Downtown Columbus Serra Club was recognized by the USA Serra organization as one of 30 clubs nationwide to show a growth in membership in 2018. The Serra Club is an organization of Catholic laypersons which supports and encourages vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life. The downtown Columbus club sponsors the annual diocesan eighth-grade altar server awards; the annual priest's and seminarians' picnic; catered bi-weekly meetings at The Catholic Foundation with a featured speaker; First Friday nocturnal Adoration; recognition of all active and retired diocesan priests

on their ordination anniversaries; a vocations crucifix program; and spiritual adoption of Pontifical College Josephinum seminarians.

Club officers are Virginia Hardy, president; Mary Pardi, vocations officer; MarJo Angelo, trustee; Terry O'Loughlin; historian; Dan Martin, membership; Tom Murphy, president-elect; Charles Kielkopf, secretary; Bob Borton; treasurer; Mike Kreber, communications; Robert Schumacher, trustee; Jim Reinmann, trustee; and Dan Tarp, programs. For more information on the club, contact Martin at martin.32@osu.edu.

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Faith in Action

By Mark Huddy

When did we see you hungry,
Lord?

Thanksgiving Day and food have a long and happy relationship. Amid the gratitude that we express to God for his constant provision for us and for His saving help, amid the sharing with family, with neighbors and with those who are alone, there is the feast. The tradition for many of us is a roasted turkey, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, various kinds of stuffing, gravy, cranberries in some form, harvest vegetables, a plethora of fruits and nuts – and the pies, of course: pecan, pumpkin, mincemeat, apple, topped with ice cream or whipped cream, the perfect finish to a sumptuous meal.

As we celebrate the abundance that we have all received from the Lord, do we remember our brothers and sisters who struggle for their daily bread, not just on Thanksgiving Day but every day? According to Feeding America, a national network of food banks, 1,758,310 people are struggling with hunger in Ohio, and 528,960 of them are children. That translates to one in seven persons and one in five children who are hungry. Until recently, Vinton County in our diocese had no grocery store. And the Linden community in the heart of Columbus recently lost its main grocery store. Food insecurity in both areas is high.

The Mid-Ohio Foodbank, which serves 20 counties in Ohio, including 14 counties in our diocese, reports that 43 percent of its clients who receive emergency food have found it necessary to decide whether to pay their rent or mortgage or buy food. Twenty percent reported that they were late in paying their rent or mortgage in the previous month. Fifty-seven percent of clients reported choosing between utilities and food. Forty-one percent are forced to choose between paying for food and paying for medicine or medical care. In that same time period, there has been a 33 percent increase in the number of client households that include at least one person suffering with major illness.

As the Church of the Diocese of Columbus, we have an array of food pantries and soup kitchens to help ease the burden of hunger in our diocesan community. But these entities need resources to buy food from regional food banks such as Mid-Ohio or from other sources (like Costco) in order to keep enough food on hand to be distributed. In addition, hunger is often the underlying problem for a range of interrelated difficulties that fall under the larger umbrella of poverty. The Church, through its larger social services agencies, offers case management services that can offer hope to those who find themselves in the grip of poverty.

So this Thanksgiving, please consider donating to: **St. Francis Center**, Post Office Box 318, McArthur OH 45651; **St. Stephen's Community House**, 1500 E. 17th Ave., Columbus OH 43219; **Our Lady of Guadalupe Center, in care of Catholic Social Services**, 197 E. Gay St., Columbus OH 43215; **St. Lawrence Haven, in care of Society of St. Vincent de Paul**, 197 E. Gay St., Columbus OH 43215; **Holy Family Soup Kitchen**, 57 S. Grubb St., Columbus OH 43215; **Community Kitchen**, 640 S. Ohio Ave., Columbus OH 43215; **St. Francis Center in Portsmouth, in care of Catholic Social Services**, 197 E. Gay St., Columbus OH 43215, or your local parish-based feeding ministry. Help our brothers and sisters meet their need for daily bread for themselves and their families.

Mark Huddy is the episcopal moderator for Catholic Charities and the Office for Social Concerns in the Diocese of Columbus.

Stewardship of Thanksgiving

STEWARDSHIP, LIVING OUR FAITH
Andrea Pennell

As I walked into my office and continued to fuss about an inconsiderate driver I had just encountered, the view from my window (*pictured*) stopped me in my tracks. Beautiful, brilliant yellow leaves had left the trees bare and had blanketed the ground of a small courtyard across the street from the diocesan offices. It looked as if God had personally created this moment of beauty, and I was so grateful for the opportunity to pause and take a moment to enjoy it.

The hymn *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* came to mind, and I began to sing as I took a picture of the courtyard. The words to this song spoke directly to my heart: "What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and grieves to bear. What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer. Oh, what peace we often forfeit; oh, what needless pain we bear. All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer."

Here I am needlessly frustrated with people I never may see or encounter again, and the beauty of God's loving hand at work is right here in front of me, offering me an alternative of loving peace. I am so grateful for the privilege of prayer and knowing Jesus as my friend.

We are in the season of gratitude and giving. Thanksgiving Day calls our attention to our need to be grateful and reminds us that gratitude is at the heart of our relationship with God. We especially give thanks for the greatest gift of all – the gift of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a tremendous disservice to limit our understanding of Catholic stewardship to offertory collections or fund drives and campaigns.

How we spend our time in prayer

and service, offer our gifts and talents, and share our financial wealth and resources should all be done in deep appreciation for the precious gift of Our Lord Jesus. Indeed, we are grateful for dreams realized and shared among friends and family, announcements of engagements and new babies, great food, great football, and Hallmark movie marathons. However, we are also thankful for the opportunity to attend Mass on Thanksgiving morning, take a plate to someone spending this holiday alone, and take a walk with a friend in need of a listening ear.

In this season of gratitude, let us each take some time to reflect on the invaluable treasure of Our Lord's friendship and His gift to us – the Holy Spirit. Ask yourself the questions "How am I a good steward

of God's friendship and God's Love for me?" and "How can I share Jesus' gifts to me, to build up the kingdom of God and the Catholic Church?"

Let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him (Colossians 3:15-17)."

Andrea Pennell is the episcopal moderator for the Office of Development and Planning in the Diocese of Columbus.



Catholic Man of the Year nominations open

The Catholic Men's Luncheon Club is accepting nominations for the 2019 diocesan Catholic Man of the Year award, which will be presented at the club's monthly meeting on Friday, Feb. 1.

The award recognizes a layman who, through his daily actions, words and prayers exemplifies the "good and faithful servant." The recipient will have the opportunity to share his per-

sonal testimony during the ceremony.

Nominations will be accepted through Friday, Dec. 28. For details, nomination instructions and the required nomination form, go to <https://www.catholicmensministry.com/cmoy>. Email the completed nomination form and as many as five supporting testimonials to catholicmanoftheyear@gmail.com.

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Can Lutheran receive Catholic Eucharist? Is it possible to confess online?



QUESTION & ANSWER Father Kenneth Doyle Catholic News Service

Q One of my sisters who is Lutheran recently moved to an area where there is no Lutheran church, so she started attending Mass at a nearby Catholic parish. She has been receiving the Eucharist at Mass even though she is not Catholic. She says that she asked the Catholic pastor and he said that it was OK. Is it?

I find this completely wrong because when I converted to the Catholic faith 30 years ago, I was required to complete RCIA classes. Has anything changed on this? (Chesapeake, Virginia)

A As a general rule, the church's *Code of Canon Law* provides that Catholic ministers lawfully administer Catholic sacraments only to Catholics (Canon 844.1). That same canon does go on to say that there are certain situations in which believing non-Catholics might be admitted to the sacraments, but only under very specific circumstances.

Canon 844.4 explains that "if the danger of death is present or if, in the judgment of the diocesan bishop or conference of bishops, some other grave necessity urges it, Catholic ministers administer these same sacraments licitly also to other Christians not having full communion with the Catholic Church, who cannot approach a minister of their own community and who seek such on their own accord, provided that they manifest Catholic faith in respect to these sacraments and are properly disposed."

From the wording of the canon, it would seem that all of these several conditions must be satisfied; it would not be enough, for example, simply that the non-Catholic acknowledges the reality of Christ present under the symbols of bread and wine. Some typical examples of "grave necessity" I have seen mentioned include a non-Catholic soldier who is present at Mass and about to go into battle or someone gravely ill in a nursing home whose own minister rarely visits.

This same canon does give some latitude to a bishop in determining

what qualifies as a "grave necessity," so I would think that the safest course would be to contact your own diocesan office. (It may be that your diocese has already issued guidelines, and it could hinge, for example, on just how inconvenient it would be for your sister to attend the nearest Lutheran church.)

Q Is Catholic confession available online? This would be so convenient. (Baton Rouge, Louisiana)

A Certainly at this time, there is no provision in the church's sacramental practice for online confession and absolution. Implicit in the church's *Code of Canon Law* (Canon 959 ff.) is the notion that the penitent is in the personal presence of the confessor.

In fact, in 2011, when the Vatican gave qualified support to a new app designed to help people examine their consciences, then-Vatican spokesman Father Federico Lombardi was careful to tell reporters, "It is essential to understand well the sacrament of penitence requires the personal dialogue between the penitent and the confessor and the absolution by the confessor."

"This cannot in any way be substituted by a technology application. One cannot talk in any way about 'a confession via iPhone,'" he said.

The sacrament of penance is designed to be, for the penitent, an encounter with Jesus Christ through the person of the priest. It is difficult for me to see how the internet would permit that close personal contact with the Lord. The additional concern I would have is for the privacy that is so integral to the sacrament of penance, the danger that an Internet confession could be recorded or hacked.

Having said this, I do not think that the physical presence of the absolving priest is necessarily by divine mandate, so online confession could conceivably be permitted by the church sometime in the distant future, provided that the privacy concerns could be addressed – but I wouldn't wait for that to happen before confessing my sins!

Christ Child Society elects board of directors



The Christ Child Society, whose volunteers donate more than 10,000 hours in direct service and fundraising for impoverished children in the Columbus area, elected the following members to its Board of Directors for 2019 (from left): front row, Julie Smerdel, Louise Bishop, Molly Wood, Kathy Kelly, Debbie Luffy; back row, Diane Giffin, Beth LeCorgne, Susan Damopoulos, Millie Watkins, Barb Bringardner and Michelle Bianconi. For more information on the organization, visit www.christchildociety.org.

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THE EVERYDAY CATHOLIC

By Rick Jeric

Great rivalries



When we think of great rivalries, we tend to think of sports, and at this time of year, football rivalries. Especially toward the end of the college football season, great rivalries take over, as those games are typically last on the schedule.

Great for each campus, great for attendance, and greatest for the television audience. These programs are, after all, multimillion-dollar businesses. I had no great appreciation for this at the college level until I moved to Columbus 16 years ago. I knew it existed, but that actual feel you gain for it is very different when you are actually here. Living my whole life prior to this in Cleveland, the entire sports world revolved around professional sports, especially the Browns, Indians, Cavaliers, and the hockey team at a given time, and in that order. I have learned to appreciate the tremendous presence that Ohio State has in central Ohio as an employer and a health care system, in cancer research and education. As of the published date of this issue, the great rivalry game between Ohio State and that team up north will have been complete. I think we all know what the outcome should be, and hopefully is. Go Bucks!

As we continue to revel in the warmth and good feelings of Thanksgiving, we hope they will continue throughout Advent and the Christmas season. We have so much for which to be thankful, and I want to suggest some other great rivalries that all turned out positive for all of us. **St. Michael the Archangel vs. Satan.** The love of God and all that is good was sure to be victorious on this one. Adam and Eve vs. the Serpent. On the surface, it looks like Satan won this one. But as the *Exsultet* reminds us at the Easter Vigil, “O happy fault, O necessary sin of Adam, which gained for us so great a Redeemer!” We so needed the birth, passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. **David vs. Goliath.** Not only did God’s chosen people win here, but the strength, bravery, and determination of the underdog has become an inspiration to this day. **Moses vs. Pharaoh.** Once again, God and His chosen people are victorious. “Let my people go” sustained an entire race and population then, throughout the evil of the Holocaust, and it did the same for African Americans as they struggled through the evils of slavery. **King Herod vs. John the Baptist.** Once again, it seems on the surface like the jealousy and evil of Herod won in this great rivalry. The murder of John the Baptist helped focus everyone’s attention on Jesus Christ and His ministry. And I believe this public display of a tyrant’s abuse of power caused many to look directly toward the Messiah – many of His first disciples, I am sure. **Peter vs. Judas.** While not necessarily a direct rivalry, Peter was afraid and denied three times that he even knew Jesus. Judas got some pretty good money for a kiss and a betrayal. After the fact, Judas realized his awful mistake and sin, and hanged himself. After the fact, Peter realized his denial and sin, but went on to be our first pope and leader of the Church. As we look at our own lives and the personal struggles and rivalries we face, it is clear how critical the sacraments and forgiveness and support from the Church are. Today, we have broad-stroke great rivalries such as liberals vs. conservatives, Democrats vs. Republicans, pro-life vs. pro-choice, Eastern faiths and culture vs. Western, open borders vs. closed, and overall Good vs. Evil. The problem is that the world just cannot agree on defining what is good vs. what is evil. Let us remain very thankful for our solid morals, values, ethics, faith, family and the Catholic Christian example that helps us to always be victorious in the greatest and most important rivalries of life.

Astonishment



HOLY AND HEALTHY

Lori Crock

We see repeatedly in Scripture that people were astonished, amazed and surprised at the teachings of Jesus.

From Luke 5:26: “Then astonishment seized them all and they glorified God, and, struck with awe, they said, ‘We have seen incredible things today.’”

They hung on his every word, they followed him wherever he traveled, and they were in awe of his teaching, preaching, healing and forgiveness of sins. Jesus barely had time to eat or sleep, but he prayed to be filled with the Father’s love to continue to minister to the people then, and to you and me now.

Astonishment can be described as a feeling of great surprise, wonder and awe. It defined Christ’s public ministry.

We also see that whenever Jesus astonished the crowds, it angered the Pharisees, who wanted to arrest him, yet were afraid of the reaction of the astonished crowd.

Do we experience astonishment at the words of Jesus? Are we surprised when his words reveal to us exactly what we need to do to respond to a problem or to a person, or to address an area of sin in our lives? Do we give thanks, with a sense of awe, when he heals one of his beloved children physically or spiritually? Is his endless mercy something we reflect on in prayer with wonder and joy?

St. Augustine said, “In my deepest wound I saw your glory, and it dazzled me.”

I don’t want to miss moments of astonishment, and, in fact, I want to meditate on, celebrate and share these moments with others as we are called to evangelize and encourage each other on our spiritual journey.

I pray to grow in humility and childlikeness so that moments of wonder and dazzlement change me and make me more like Jesus. We pray for him to pour his grace into us, as grace can open the door for us to make real changes in our lives.

Recently, I felt called to go to confession. I wasn’t sure how to make that happen with a full schedule of family, work and ministry commitments. So I prayed for Jesus to make it possible whenever the time was right.

About a week later, I attended daily Mass at another parish and was astonished when the pastor announced that the Sacrament of Reconciliation would be offered afterward, since Reconciliation isn’t typically offered after daily Mass at this parish. Jesus led me to that place at that time, and worked out the details so that I could receive this vital sacrament.

Astonishment can take many forms. I love hearing stories about how Jesus works in peoples’ lives in astonishing ways – in suffering and in joy, in little ways and in big ways.

I pray that we cultivate a childlike openness so that we see and appreciate Jesus guiding and protecting us in our everyday affairs. May our hearts be open to an astonishing journey with Jesus.

Holy Family to host women’s retreat

A retreat for women, with the theme “To Jesus, through Mary,” will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8 at Columbus Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St.

The retreat will include three talks by Sister Joseph Andrew Bogdanowicz, OP, of the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, as well

as Eucharistic Adoration and meditation, plus breakfast and lunch. Participants also will receive a surprise gift.

All women of the diocese are invited. The registration deadline is Saturday, Dec. 1. For more information, contact the Holy Family Christian Mothers at holyfamilyccm@gmail.com.

Veterans honored at St. Michael



Worthington St. Michael School celebrated Veterans Day with an all-school assembly featuring speeches by several students. Gia Frisone discussed patriotism, Tommy Cline and Lilly Mulligan explained the meaning of the day, and Neil Patel, Mary Huber, Angelo Lamatrice, Elie Bogue and Nathan Sauer talked about the five branches of the military. Sister Maria Kolbe, OP, gave a presentation on Father Leo Craig, OP, a military chaplain who spent time in Columbus. An Army field band was on hand to play the national anthem and an armed forces medley. A collection was made for Veterans Administration hospitals, and certificates were distributed to veterans present.

Photo courtesy St. Michael School

Hartley salutes veterans



Members of the Columbus police color guard present the colors to begin a Veterans Day commemoration at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School. The keynote speaker for the event was Hartley graduate Jason Molnar, who talked about his experiences in combat in Iraq and the faith challenges he faced as a result. Other speakers were Coast Guard veteran and former Harley teacher Bill Richards; social studies teacher Shannon Howard, speaking about her experiences as a soldier's wife; and academic dean Chris Kowalski. The school has established a military ministry in its campus ministry office to serve the needs of people affected by military service. Photo courtesy Bishop Hartley High School

Veterans Day at St. Bernadette



Guest speakers at Lancaster St. Bernadette School's annual Veterans Day program were Michelle and Leo Genders (pictured behind students), who currently are on active duty, as well as David Scarpitti, a veteran who is a Columbus police officer. He and Leo Genders are St. Bernadette graduates.

Photo courtesy St. Bernadette School

Salute to veterans at Grove City



Fifth-grade students at Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help School put together a program to honor Veterans Day. More than 30 veterans attended, including state Rep. Laura Lanese, R-Grove City. Also honored was Tim York, a graduate of the school who was sworn in to the Marines and reported to basic training four days after the event. Student executive board members passed out paper poppies made by fifth-grade students as a symbol of remembrance for all veterans who have bravely fought for our nation. Pictured are (from left) student board members Quentin Gale, Brian Fitzsimmons and Dani Wuichner; Lanese; school principal Julie Freeman; and board members Dorothy Oberting, Melina Kopczewski, Harper Hicks and Lyla Hurd.

Photo courtesy Our Lady of Perpetual Help School

Students take part in 40 Days for Life



Students from Reynoldsburg St. Pius X Church were among 30 parishioners who took part in the 40 Days for Life Day prayer vigil earlier this month outside the Planned Parenthood facility on Main Street in Columbus. 40 Days for Life is a coordinated national campaign which takes place twice a year, bringing 40 days of continuous prayer for 12 hours a day to local abortion clinics in more than 500 cities worldwide. In the 10 years of 40 Days for Life campaigns, 750,000 people from 19,000 churches in 50 countries have participated. The 40 Days website says that as a result of its vigils, more than 15,000 lives have been saved from abortion, 186 abortion workers have quit their jobs and 99 abortion facilities have been closed, including some in Columbus.

Photo courtesy Mark and Elizabeth Ficocelli

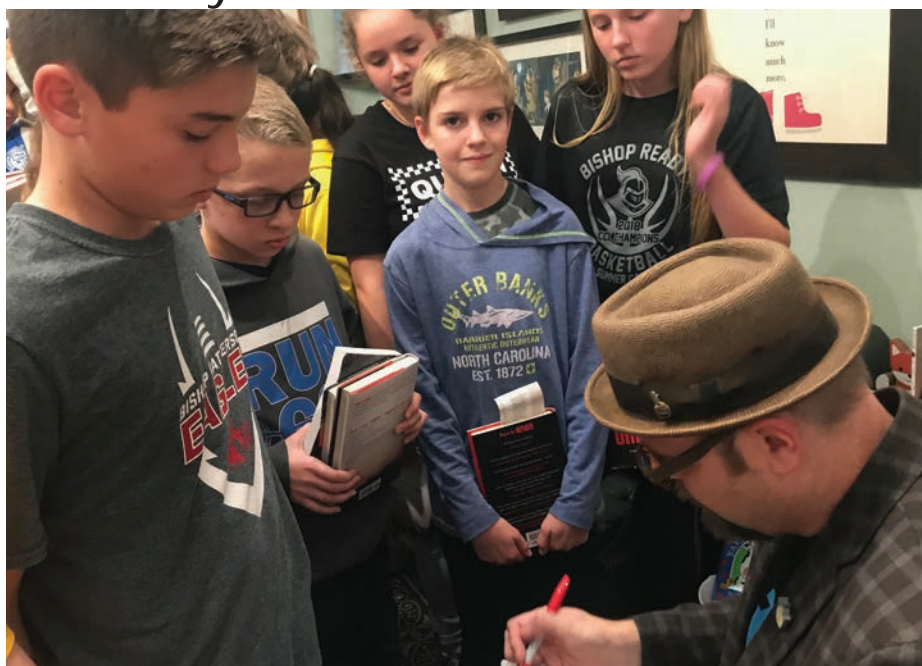
Flaget students give Energy Fair presentation



Chillicothe Bishop Flaget School eighth-grade students hosted third-graders from Chillicothe Adena Elementary School for a presentation of the Ohio Energy Project's Energy Fair. As part of the STEM curriculum at Flaget, the eighth-graders have been trained to present the hands-on learning opportunity that the Energy Fair provides. The older students learn about different types of energy, how energy travels, and the role that energy plays in their lives, then show examples of what they have learned to the younger students. This is the third year that Flaget students have trained students from other schools in this program.

Photo courtesy Bishop Flaget School

Trinity students visit bookstore



Students at Columbus Trinity Elementary School and language arts teacher Sara Boyle met after school at the Cover to Cover Bookstore to meet and hear a presentation from Alan Gratz, a New York Times best-selling author of several novels for young readers, who signed copies of his books.

Photo courtesy Trinity Elementary School

OPEN POSITION

Job Vacancy for a Pre-K to 6th Grade Principal exists at St. Peter Catholic School Transfiguration of the Lord Parish, Upper Sandusky, OH. Candidates may inquire by calling the rectory at (419) 294-1268.

*Applicants should submit a letter of interest no later than January 15, 2019 and 3 letters of reference.

*Early applications will be viewed favorably by the Search Committee

St. Andrew students fill Boxes of Joy



Columbus St. Andrew School and its preschool and Parish School of Religion program collected more than 300 boxes and \$2,200 for shipping during the annual Boxes of Joy service project. Teachers Pat Camboni and Jenni Bucher are shown loading some of the boxes, which are filled with Christmas gifts for children around the world who are affected by war, poverty, disasters, disease and famine and are sponsored by the Cross Catholic Outreach.

Photo courtesy St. Andrew School

St. Andrew Brownies donate treat bags



The second grade Brownies (Girl Scout Troop 6013) at Columbus St. Andrew School conducted a schoolwide Halloween candy collection to donate to the needy who are served lunch at St. Lawrence Haven. The Brownies, along with some siblings, then made snack-size bags of treats and included handwritten inspirational notes in the bags. Altogether, they made more than 500 bags for St. Lawrence Haven.

Photo courtesy St. Andrew Brownie Troop 6013

PERPETUAL ADORATION HAS STRONG IMPACT AT ST. MATTHEW

By Tim Puet, *Catholic Times Reporter*

Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Gahanna St. Matthew Church has helped make a good parish better.

St. Matthew already was a large, busy parish when an Adoration Chapel seating 24 people was opened on the lower level of the church in February 2015. Many parishioners had said they wanted the chance to be able to adore the exposed Blessed Sacrament at any time, day or night. Father Theodore Sill, the parish's pastor for the past eight years, had a similar desire after the idea was instigated by Father Ryan Schmit, who was the parish's parochial vicar at the time, and some members of the Knights of Columbus.

"There has been spiritual growth in the parish in many areas in the three-plus years we've offered Perpetual Adoration," Father Sill said. "Daily Mass attendance has grown. We've had increases in the number of programs we have and in participation in those programs, such as Bible studies and other adult formation activities. I'm also hearing more confessions, particularly on Wednesday mornings. I don't have specific numbers, but I can tell this growth is occurring based on what I've seen and on anecdotal experiences.

"We've also had at least one young man from the parish studying for the priesthood ever since I've been here. Deacon PJ Brandmarti is scheduled to be ordained a diocesan priest in May, and Jacob Wilson of our parish is in his first year at the Pontifical College Josephinum. He's been an adorer since the program began."

Besides Perpetual Adoration in the chapel, the parish, located at 807 Havens corners Road, also has a Holy Hour for reparation, purification and sanctification of the universal Church on the fourth Friday of each month at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary of the church building. It also recently began offering Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, with praise and worship, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the second Saturday of the month in the church sanctuary.

A lifesize image of the Sacred Heart

was enthroned in the sanctuary in 2016 and is on one side of the altar, with a complementary image depicting the Immaculate Heart of Mary on the other side. Plans are being made to add additional liturgical art above the altar in the next year or two. Last year at about this time, the church added a set of Stations of the Cross that is more than 100 years old and came from a church in the Detroit area.

Paul Koors, a parishioner who played a significant role in starting the Adoration program, said 450 to 500 people are signed up as adorers and pray in the chapel at a set time for an hour at least once a week, with many others coming in occasionally. He said 200 to 250 adorers have been part of the program since it began.

The chapel is open to the public from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. seven days a week. It is locked at other times, with access to the chapel controlled by a fingerprint reader. Those wishing to be adorers during the late night and

the chapel.

"It's been truly amazing to see how many people have gotten involved with Adoration," Koors said. "It's a beautiful thing to watch, and I give thanks to Father Sill for the way he helped make this happen. I've seen people from several other parishes coming here for Adoration, so I know it's having an impact far beyond the boundaries of St. Matthew."

"One of the parish's greatest charisms is our love for the Blessed Sacrament, and you see it from the beginning, with the way our children are growing up with it," said pastoral associate Mary Thompson. Each class from kindergarten to eighth grade in the parish school takes part in Adoration once a month, with the amount of



The current Gahanna St. Matthew Church replaces a church which was at the same site from 1969 to 2003.



Pictured in front of the sanctuary at Gahanna St. Matthew Church are (from left): first row, Dave Eldridge, Charitable Works Ministry; Katie Whitlatch, parishioner; Father Theodore Sill, pastor; Sara Crombie, festival committee; Paul Kors, Adoration coordinator; second row, Julie Ratliff, preschool coordinator; Frank Hartge, parishioner; Jenna Zins, parish mission manager; Ashley Hettinger, Parish School of Religion; Jennifer Cabe, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. CT photo by Tim Puet

early morning hours must complete a short catechesis class, then have their fingerprints registered.

Adoration occurs continuously except on the Sacred Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. In addition, the hour of 11 p.m. to midnight Friday is set aside to clean

time spent before the Blessed Sacrament varying from 10 to 30 minutes, depending on the age of the children.

The school also has all-school Masses once or twice a week, with timing for the Masses depending on the liturgical calendar, instead of Mass being on a set day or time. This allows

students to observe all holy days of obligation and other major feast days and to take part in the monthly first Friday devotion. During Advent and Lent, all-school prayer services offer the opportunity for older students to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Eighth-grade students present the Living Stations of the Cross each year during Lent.

Susan Maloy, principal at St. Matthew School for the past four years and a veteran of 18 years in Catholic education, said the school has 624 students in pre-kindergarten through eighth grade. Every student is part of a "Spirit family" which consists of students from multiple grades who are focused on learning and practicing the spiritual and temporal virtues.

"One of the things I found remarkable when I came here and that continues to amaze me is the reverence our students show," she said. "I see 600 children walking from the school to church, and I continue to marvel at how well they behave. Another thing I can't help but notice in walking through the halls is that many teachers begin their classes with prayer. Not all

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A Bible study at Gahanna St. Matthew Church uses the “Bible Timeline” by Jeff Cavins. The group meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays through early April.

do, but it’s not that uncommon.”

The school offers a rigorous curriculum including library, technology, physical education, art, music and Spanish classes; a state-of-the-art science laboratory with a full-time science teacher for all grades, starting with kindergarten; a math enrichment tutor; a Lego robotics program; an annual speech contest; a yearly spelling bee; and a latchkey program from the end of the school day until 6 p.m. It also has a SPICE (Special People in Catholic Education) program for families of special-needs children.

Maloy said the school scored in the 96th percentile overall in the national Terra Nova math, reading and English tests. It has 29 licensed teachers, averaging 14 years of experience. More than half have master’s degrees. Its full-day pre-kindergarten program is state-licensed, with Sister Paulina Porczynska, OP, of the Dominican Sisters of the Immaculate Conception recently being added as a full-time teacher. There are instructional aides in all classrooms through third grade and for all grades from fourth to eighth.



Gahanna St. Matthew School students venerate a relic of the True Cross in the St. Matthew Church sanctuary. Photos/St. Matthew Church

In addition, the school is part of the state’s Jon Peterson scholarship program for special-needs students, with three full-time intervention specialists and an intervention coordinator. Other staff members include a psychologist, a reading specialist, reading tutors, a speech therapist, a guidance counselor, and an occupational therapist.

Once a month, the school’s seventh- and eighth-grade students make 400 sandwiches for a homeless shelter. Dave Eldridge of the parish Charitable Works Ministry said, “I’m struck by the comments I hear from the students when they’re making sandwiches. They’re very serious; they’re not having a party. What they’re learn-

ing in school makes them recognize people’s needs and want to do something.”

Other service activities at the school include an annual service day for eighth-graders; the Beta Club service organization, which has more than 85 members at St. Matthew; a knitting ministry; and Friends Across Time, a program linking students and senior citizens. In addition, there are drama, ski and book clubs; Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops; and the Power of the Pen and Battle of the Books programs.

“Most of our students are Catholic, but all children are welcome here,” Maloy said. “Everyone deserves the moral and spiritual advantages of a Catholic education, today more than ever. My predecessor as principal, Dan Rotella, had Jesus’ words from Matthew’s Gospel, ‘Let the children come to me,’ placed above the entrance to the gym. That means all children, and that’s what our mission is.”

The Parish School of Religion has a new director – Ashley Hettinger, who is new to Ohio. She and Erin Upp, middle school youth minister and Confirmation coordinator, both come to the state from Minnesota, where they were with NET Ministries, a nationwide lay evangelization organization for young people.

PSR activities, for Catholic students in grades one to eight not enrolled in a Catholic school, take place from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Sundays. Two of those nights in the fall and two of the spring are family nights, with parents joining their children to look in more depth at what the students have learned.

Religious education at St. Matthew starts with Sunday School for children ages three through kindergarten during the 10 a.m. Sunday Mass. “This is not child care,” said Sunday School coordinator Julie Ratliff. “We are introducing children to the faith and to Jesus, while supporting faith formation activities at home.”

Other ministries for young people include Kids Rooted in Christ (KRIC), which meets monthly, for middle

school students, and the Together in Christ ministry, meeting from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Sundays for those in high school, all led by Maggie Smith.

KRIC offers a weeklong day camp program in July which includes service projects, community building, prayer, and excursions including an afternoon of bowling and a day at Cedar Point. The parish’s Vacation Bible School is known as Catholic Kids Camp and takes place in late June.

The parish’s largest annual event is the parish festival, which takes place in mid-July on the school grounds. Last year, it made about \$40,000, with the money going to the school and PSR program. The parish also sponsors a Christmas craft bazaar, which took place earlier this month. A doughnut social for all parishioners, with an emphasis on those new to the parish, takes place on the third Sunday of each month.

The parish Charitable Works Ministry provides support to individuals and families experiencing emergency short-term needs, mainly within the Gahanna ZIP code. It operates a food pantry, which has been located in the lower level of the parish’s former convent since 2006 and is open from 10 a.m. to noon weekdays. Eldridge, who has been with the ministry since 1972, said it provides about 140 families a month with food. It also provides clothing, transportation, and short-term financial assistance, and channels contributions to other service agencies in the diocese.

This is the ministry’s busiest time of the year, as it is putting together about 95 Thanksgiving meals to give to families this weekend. It will be doing the same thing for Christmas, when it also operates a Santa Shop at which recipients of the holiday meals can obtain gifts for family members. “I’ve seen a number of people in tears when they left the shop because it gave them their only chance to provide something for Christmas for their children,” Eldridge said.

The ministry collects money after Mass on the fourth Sunday of every month. This past weekend, it took up the collection a week early in response to a challenge which an anonymous parishioner has made for the

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last several years. Each November, the parishioner matches any donations made during the committee's collection that month, to a maximum of \$30,000.

Eldridge said that because most of the ministry's active members are in their 70s or older, its biggest need is for young people who will take their place and continue its work.

The parish is the home of St. Jude Council 5429 of the Knights of Columbus, which has nearly 300 members. Earlier this month, the council sold smoked Thanksgiving turkeys. It will be conducting a sale of religious books on Saturday, Dec. 1, and it sponsors a pancake breakfast on the second Sunday of each month, plus annual Lenten fish fries and other activities.

These events raise about \$20,000 annually, with the money going to scholarships and to causes including aid to seminarians, pro-life activities, and support for the developmentally

disabled.

"One of the groups that doesn't get the recognition it deserves is our bereavement committee," Father Sill said. "As with many parishes, we seem to have a number of funerals in a short time. That happened here recently, with three funerals in two days. Committee members served at all three in an outstanding way. They do more than just feed people; they understand ministry to the bereaved and what people need at a time of loss."

"Serving with the bereavement ministry is a humbling experience," said parishioner Katie Whitlatch. "I can testify from personal experience how much it means to have them follow up after a funeral and let people know they aren't forgotten, and how meaningful it is to receive a card from them on the anniversary of the death of a loved one." A similar parish ministry, known as Stone Soup, provides dinners as needed for families under-

going a crisis or mourning a death.

The parish works with the Spirit of Peace counseling organization to offer counseling services as needed, in an office set aside in the church's level. Once or twice a year, the parish is the site of GriefShare and DivorceCare programs for people dealing with death and divorce respectively. Parishioners also have begun a monthly dementia/Alzheimer's support group.

The parish music program includes adult, youth, funeral and handbell choirs. They will be presenting separate lessons and carols programs at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 20 and 1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 21. The Dec. 20 program will include a blessing of figures of the infant Jesus.

Other parish organizations include a knitting and crocheting ministry, which recently collected more than 17,000 handmade items from around the nation for delivery to the homeless and needy of central Ohio; a monthly euchre and potluck dinner group; a garden ministry; the Ladies of St. Jude women's organization; a men's ministry; a group for mothers of young children; That Man Is You! for

men; Walking With Purpose for women; two adult Bible studies, one just concluded on the Book of Revelation and one using Jeff Cavins' *Bible Timeline* program; a book club; a Rosary prayer group; a Respect Life group; the Legion of Mary; and the Militia of the Immaculata, which emphasizes consecration to the Blessed Virgin and was founded by St. Maximilian Kolbe.

"What St. Matthew's does well is exactly what the church is supposed to be – feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked, comforting those dealing with grief," said parish mission manager Jenna Zins. "We have a place for everyone who wants to help, and we're educating people in what it means to be Catholic."

"People who come here are challenged to be more faithful. It's a challenge many are eager to accept," said parish RCIA director Jennifer Cabe. "We don't want to just get people in the pews. We want them to know what it means to be part of the Church as the Body of Christ and to be more fulfilled because of it."

To Jesus, Through Mary Women's Retreat

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Cristo Rey student organizes fundraiser

Cristo Rey Columbus High School sophomore Tylan Floyd planned and organized a pancake breakfast and silent auction earlier this month which raised \$500 for the Combined Charitable Campaign (CCC). The campaign allows state employees to financially support charities or nonprofit organizations throughout central Ohio.

The event took place at the Jerry Hammond Center on East Broad Street, which serves as the headquarters for several Columbus city government departments. Floyd started making plans for the event in early October. She said she put about 10 hours of work into it and was assisted by about 10 co-workers. The event attracted approximately 75 people and took place from 9 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 6. The menu consisted of pancakes, toppings, and a drink. Those who attended were charged from \$1 to \$3, depending on what they ordered.



Cristo Rey Columbus High School sophomore Tylan Floyd (fourth from left) raised \$500 for the Columbus city government's Combined Charitable Campaign (CCC) by organizing a pancake breakfast and silent auction. Pictured are (from left): Jackie Taylor, Jose Shipe and Miranda Pierce of the city's Department of Neighborhoods; Floyd; Charmaine Chambers and Susan Sparks of the Department of Neighborhoods; and Steven Miller of the United Negro College Fund, an agency which benefits from the campaign. Photo courtesy Miranda Pierce

"The idea to host a pancake social came to me because I know people enjoy collaborating with their co-workers, especially for a good cause," Floyd said. "People also enjoy good food for an affordable price, so I wanted to combine both of those ideas into a fundraiser. I feel incredibly privileged to be trusted with the opportunity to be in charge of an

event that gives back to the community."

Floyd works once a week as an intern for the city's Department of Neighborhoods as part of Cristo Rey's unique professional work-study program. She sends emails, answers the phone at the reception desk, and occasionally sits in on calls.

"Tylan showed promise and interest in the CCC," said her supervisor, Miranda Pierce, administrative officer for the department. "She wants to be a social worker, and the breakfast was a great opportunity for her and for others to learn more about the organizations the campaign benefits." Representatives of

several of those organizations set up tables at the event to talk about their work.

Through the work-study program, businesses invest in student workers and make college-preparatory education possible for the students with economic need who attend Cristo Rey. This program allows business-

es to fill entry-level positions and provides students with the ability to earn a significant portion of the cost of their education and the opportunity to gain professional work experience.

"Tylan comes in every Tuesday with a smile, and we really enjoy having her here," Pierce said. "There's no task she's ever turned down. She's always willing to help out."

Carla Williams-Scott, director of the Department of Neighborhoods, has worked with Cristo Rey students every year since the school was opened in the fall of 2014. "The school's concept of having students enter the workplace is an excellent idea," she said. "Some students already have their minds made up as to what kind of work they want to go into; others don't. We assess where they are and try to give them opportunities to expose them to careers they're interested in.

"It's always a good experience working with them. Once they understand they're working with adults who want the best for them, they do really good work and become part of the team wherever they happen to be working."

For more information on Cristo Rey, go to www.cristoreycolumbus.org or call (614) 223-9261.

Wellston Sts. Peter and Paul graduate wins service award

Grant Plummer, a graduate of Wellston Sts. Peter and Paul School, was one of six recipients of a 2018 Jenco Award for community service. The award is presented annually by the Jenco Foundation Fund, part of the Foundation for Appalachian Ohio.

Since 2002, the Jenco Awards have recognized Appalachian Ohio's unsung heroes who have devoted themselves to direct, caring action that contributes to the region's quality of life. Awardees are nominated by fellow community members and are selected through a formal committee process and review. Recipients are given an individual cash award to use in the manner most appropriate to their leadership.

This is the second straight year that Plummer, a Wellston High School junior, has received significant recognition for his service. Last year at about this time, he was honored by the Ohio School Boards



Grant Plummer of Wellston Sts. Peter and Paul Church and Tami Phillips of Wellston both received 2018 Jenco Awards for their work with the Keep Wellston Beautiful organization. Photo courtesy The Telegram, Wellston Association as the outstanding male student in southeast Ohio. He is the first person younger than 18 to receive the Jenco Award.

Plummer has been involved in a variety of civic activities and organizations since he was nine years old, including Wellston Main Street, Make Wellston Beautiful and the Wellston Historical Association, which he serves as deputy secretary.

He has shared the stories of these organizations with the larger community, including working with the historical association to create its promotional slogan, regularly design brochures, attend meetings and advocate for historical preservation.

He also has helped local businesses market their storefronts on Facebook and conducted research that was instrumental in assisting the city of Wellston with a successful \$500,000 grant application through his work with Make Wellston Beautiful. The money will be used for construction of new water lines, said Mayor Connie Pelletier, who nominated him for the award.

Plummer also is active in a number of organizations at his school and is an altar server at Sts. Peter and Paul Church, where he is learning to play the organ for Masses.

The Jenco Awards are named for Father Lawrence Jenco, a priest who committed his life to serving others. Most notably, in the 1980s, he was director of Catholic Relief Services in Lebanon, where he eventually was kidnapped and spent 19 months in captivity.

Even while captive, he continued to serve, providing a necessary listening ear for other detainees, including Terry Anderson, who then was chief Middle East correspondent for the Associated Press. After Jenco's death in 1996, Anderson, who at the time was living in southeast Ohio, created the Jenco Foundation and its awards to honor Father Jenco's legacy of compassion and giving.

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Visions

By Kevin Perrotta
Catholic News Service

Deuteronomy 7:13-14

Psalm 93:1-2, 5

Revelation 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18:33-37

In an early song, Bob Dylan sketched absurdity: “We sit here stranded, though we’re all doing our best to deny it.”

With uselessness and deception all around, memories of a former lover fill his mind. The presence of his lover of the moment, he cries out, “makes it all too concise and too clear that Johanna’s not here.” After surveying his



situation, he declares, “These visions of Johanna are now all that remain.”

A great song, but it raises hard questions. Granted Johanna was genuine in a world of junk. But if she was the real thing and now she’s gone, do memories of her signify anything more than the inevitability of loss? Are visions of Johanna less absurd than anything else? What’s their cash value?

That’s the question about any vision, including the one in our first biblical reading today. In a time when

Jews were being ruthlessly persecuted, the prophet sees God enthroned in heaven. A person that looks human (“one like a son of man” – Daniel 7:13) approaches the throne and receives everlasting dominion over all nations. Through him, God will set things right for his oppressed people.

Really? Or is this picture just an imaginative way of making the afflicted feel better?

The question goes to the heart of Christianity, because Jesus claimed that he is this “one like a son of man” (see Mark 14:62). Similarly, in today’s Gospel, using different imagery, he signals his kingship over all (John 18:33-37).

Jesus made the claim at the moment when it seemed least credible. He indicated his lordship over everything while standing as prisoner before a military governor.

But then, after an excruciating death, he rose from the dead. His resurrection vindicated his claim to lordship – and authenticated the vision of Daniel.

Sometimes Jesus’ lordship may seem incredible. The circumstances of our lives and the state of the world look more like a Dylan song than a Bible story. We may all seem stranded – and it looks to some people like Christians are doing their best to deny it.

But the gift of faith opens the eyes. The Holy Spirit (see 1 Corinthians 12:3) fills the heart with the assurance of the kingship of Jesus, hidden but already present and moving toward the transformation of everything.

Perrotta is the editor and an author of the “Six Weeks with the Bible” series, teaches part time at Siena Heights University and leads Holy Land pilgrimages. He lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

THE WEEKDAY
BIBLE READINGS

MONDAY

Revelation 14:1-3,4b-5
Psalm 24:1-6
Luke 21:1-4

TUESDAY

Revelation 14:14-19
Psalm 96:10-13
Luke 21:5-11

WEDNESDAY

Revelation 15:1-4
Psalm 98:1-3,7-9
Luke 21:12-19

THURSDAY

Revelation 18:1-2,21-23;19:1-3,9a
Psalm 100:1b-5
Luke 21:20-28

FRIDAY

Romans 10:9-18
Psalm 19:2-5
Matthew 4:18-22

SATURDAY

Revelation 22:1-7
Psalm 95:1-7
Luke 21:34-36

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

Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7:30 a.m. on WWHO-TV (the CW), Channel 53, Columbus. and 10:30 a.m. on WHIZ-TV, Channel 18, Zanesville. Check local cable system for cable channel listing.

Mass from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Birmingham, Ala., at 8 a.m. on EWTN (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, Ala. (Encores at noon, 7 p.m. and midnight). See EWTN above; and on i-Lifetv (Channel 113 in Ada, Logan, Millersburg, Murray City and Washington C.H.; Channel 125 in Marion, Newark, Newcomerstown and New Philadelphia; and Channel 207 in Zanesville);

8 p.m., St. Gabriel Radio (AM 820), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.

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

Learn ‘The Truth About True Love’

Are you discouraged with dating culture? Grab a drink and join the diocesan Marriage and Family Life Office to examine “The Truth About True Love.”

That’s the title of a presentation the office is sponsoring from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3 at Seventh Son Brewing, 1101 N. 4th St., Columbus.

All young adults are invited to the program, which will look at ways of

building a joyful relationship and lasting marriage. It will include a social hour, a talk by a couple about their experiences in dating and marriage, and the opportunity for questions and answers with the couple, a priest and a marriage counselor.

For more information, send an email message to csuprenant@columbus-catholic.org or call the Marriage and Family Life Office at (614) 241-2560.



**First Friday Masses
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**9:00 am,
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Holy Family Church
584 West Broad Street
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Living ‘I Do’ – Weekly Marriage Tips

Emily Post says that “manners are a sensitive awareness of the feelings of others.” It is easy to be more aware of our own feelings, especially in reaction to our spouse. Instead of focusing on your spouse’s words, focus on the feelings that lie behind them. You may be surprised at what you find, and your manners toward your spouse may change as a result.

Diocese of Columbus Marriage and Family Life Office

Vatican autocracy and the U.S. bishops

As the U.S. bishops gathered in Baltimore on the weekend of Nov. 10-11, it seemed certain that, after a day of prayer, penance, and reflection on the Church's sexual abuse crisis, they would take two important steps toward reform. An episcopal code of conduct, holding bishops accountable to the standards applied to priests in the 2002 Dallas Charter, would be adopted. And the bishops would authorize a lay-led mechanism to receive complaints about episcopal misbehavior, malfeasance, or corruption; allegations found credible would be sent to the appropriate authorities, including those in Rome.

Then, at the last minute, Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops [USCCB], received an instruction from Rome stating that the Vatican did not want the U.S. bishops to vote on these two measures. The lame rationale given with the instruction was that any such decisions should be made after the presidents of the world's bishops' conferences meet in Rome in February, to discuss the abuse crisis in its global dimensions.

What happened to the "synodality" and "collegiality" that were supposed to characterize the Church under Pope Francis? What conceivable meaning of "synodality" or "collegiality" includes an autocratic Roman intervention in the affairs of a national bishops' conference that



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knows its own situation far better than the Roman authorities? And spare me the further excuses about Roman concerns over canon law. If there were canonical problems with the U.S. proposals, they could have been ironed out after the bishops had done what they had to do and what Rome effectively prevented them from doing — demonstrating to furious U.S. Catholics that the bishops are firmly committed to addressing the episcopal dimensions of the abuse crisis and the meltdown of episcopal credibility it had created in its wake.

(And while we're on the subject of Church law: By what legal authority did Cardinal Marc Ouellet, prefect of the Congregation for Bishops, instruct the USCCB not to vote on matters the conference membership thought of the gravest importance? A sliver of justification for that intervention might be extracted from Canon 455.1, on the authority of bishops' conferences. But given the insouciance about canon law demonstrated by Rome in recent years, not to mention a seemingly endless series of strictures against "legalism," such concerns over canon law ring

hollow. In any event, and according to Canon 455.2, any legal fine tuning could have taken place after the U.S. bishops had done what they deemed essential to restoring trust in this critical situation.)

I recently spent almost five weeks in Rome, during which I found an anti-American atmosphere worse than anything I'd experienced in 30 years of work in and around the Vatican. A false picture of the Church's life in the United States, in which wealthy Catholics in league with extreme right-wing bishops have hijacked the Church and are leading an embittered resistance to the present pontificate, has been successfully sold. And in another offense against collegiality, this grossly distorted depiction of American Catholicism has not been effectively challenged or corrected by American bishops enjoying Roman favor these days.

Honest disagreements — about, say, *Amoris Laetitia* and its implications for doctrine and pastoral practice — are one thing. A systematic distortion of reality, which tramples on the presumption of an opponent's good will that should guide any inter-nal Catholic debate, is quite another.

Those involved in this anti-American-bishops calumny might also reflect on its disturbing genealogy. For one of those who injected this toxin into the Roman bloodstream was a serial sexual predator specializing in the abuse of seminarians under his authority — Theodore McCarrick, former archbishop of Washington.

Mainstream media reporting on the bishops' recent Baltimore meeting generally got it right: the U.S. bishops tried to do the right thing and got bushwhacked by Rome, which Just Doesn't Get It on sexual abuse and episcopal malfeasance. But the story cannot be allowed to end there. Nor can the Church afford to "wait until after February."

Cardinal DiNardo and the majority of the bishops are determined to get to grips with the awfulness that has come to light, for the sake of the Church's evangelical future. The bishops' challenge now is to temper their ingrained deference to "Rome" and get on with devising responses to this crisis that are within their authority, and that address the legitimate demands of the Catholic people of the United States for reform.

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PRAY FOR OUR DEAD

ALEXANDER, Grace (Bonvechio), 86, Nov. 9
Immaculate Conception Church, Dennison

BECKER, Cleora (Coppers), 91, Nov. 9
St. John XXIII Church, Canal Winchester

BROWN, Linda M. (Arnold), 67, Nov. 14
St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville

CASTRILLO, Emilio C., 91, Nov. 13
Holy Spirit Church, Columbus

CLARK, Z. Norine (Norman), 88, Nov. 15
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

CUA, Elois D. (Lefebure), 88, Nov. 15
St. Paul Church, Westerville

EMMERT, Thomas J., 86, Nov. 3
St. Paul Church, Westerville

FISHER, Scott, 60, Nov. 13
St. Brendan Church, Hilliard

FORESTA, Joseph T., 89, Nov. 16
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church,
Buckeye Lake

FOX, Hugh O., 92, Nov. 11
St. Mary Church, Lancaster

GRAHAM, Marie T. (Karg), 87, of Columbus, Nov. 12
St. Sebastian Church, Akron

HATEM, Robert G., 87, Nov. 11
St. Stephen Church, Columbus

HETTERSCHEIDT, Nancy (Patete), 68, Nov. 8
St. Aloysius Church, Columbus

HONNOLD, James C., 89, Nov. 11
Sacred Heart Church, Columbus

HORD, Ronald E., 86, Nov. 10
Resurrection Cemetery Chapel, Lewis
Center

MARTINDALE, David E., 59, Nov. 9
St. Rose Church, New Lexington

MATYSKELLA, Patricia L., 90, Nov. 8
St. Cecilia Church, Columbus

MURPHY, Mary A. (Wright), 61, Nov. 17
St. Bernadette Church, Lancaster

RICHARDSON, John D., 90, Nov. 11
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

ROZICH, William R., 100, Nov. 13
St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

SHULER, Mary C. (Chimera), 92, Nov. 16
St. James the Less Church, Columbus

SLIEMERS, Rose A. (Wilcox), 87, Nov. 14
Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

THIMMES, Beverly J. (Wallace), 93, Nov. 10
St. Mark Church, Lancaster

UHLENHAKE, Douglas J., 54, Nov. 17
St. Timothy Church, Columbus

WALDER, Patsy A. "Nanny" (Holton), 72, Nov. 10
St. Mary Church, Waverly

WIANT, Collin L., 18, Nov. 12
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

James E. Gatterdam

Funeral Mass for James E. Gatterdam, 90, who died on Monday, Nov. 12, was celebrated on Saturday, Nov. 17 at Columbus St. Catharine Church. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

He was born on Oct. 2, 1928 to Nicholas and Eleanor (Meyer) Gatterdam and was an Army and Navy veteran.

He was employed for 30 years by the Main Federal, Freedom Federal and Equitable Federal savings and loan associations in Lancaster.

He was a member of the boards of the St. Vincent Family Center, Catholic Social Services and the George Igel Co., and of the Franklin County

Mental Health and Developmental Disability Board. He also was president of the Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School and Bexley High School booster clubs, a member of American Legion Post 430 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a volunteer at the Veterans Administration dental clinic in Columbus.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, John, Nicholas, Richard and Charles; and sister, Patricia Schwenker. Survivors include his wife, Margaret; sons, James (Lisa), Kurt and Richard (Kathy); daughter, Patty (David) Weisgerber; three grandsons; and three granddaughters.

John F. "Jack" Gibbons

Funeral Mass for John F. "Jack" Gibbons, 77, who died on Tuesday, Nov. 13, was celebrated on Monday, Nov. 19 at Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare Church. Burial was on the campus of the University of Notre Dame.

He was born on Sept. 13, 1941 in Lakewood to Thomas and Rosemary Gibbons and graduated from Cleveland St. Ignatius High School in 1959 and the University of Notre Dame in 1963.

After graduation, he served in the Marine Corps, then entered the computer industry with IBM.

He and his wife, Kathleen "Kay," were lay co-chairs of the Bishop's Annual Appeal for five years and were awarded the *Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice*

medal for extraordinary contributions to the Catholic Church by Pope St. John Paul II. He was a founding member and past chairman of the board of trustees of The Catholic Foundation, and had been a member of Notre Dame's Hesburgh Library Council since 1984. He also was a member of the Knights of Malta and the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Thomas; and daughter, Erin. Survivors include his wife; sons, Jack (Brenda), Brian (Tiffany) and Michael (Erin); daughters, Sheila (Todd Kays) and Kathleen; brother, Patrick; sister, Mary Clare Kelley; six grandsons; and four granddaughters.

Guido T. Ricevuto

Funeral Mass for Guido T. Ricevuto, 88, who died on Monday, Nov. 5, was celebrated on Friday, Nov. 9 at Columbus St. John the Baptist Church. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

He was a 1948 graduate of Columbus Linden-McKinley High School and was a meat inspector for the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He served Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School as a football and track coach from 1968-84 and from 2007-15. He also coached at Otterbein University.

He was a certified U.S. Track Asso-

ciation official, serving as chief official for field events at the Jesse Owens Classic at Ohio Stadium and many other meets. He also was a Golden Gloves boxer in his youth and was a longtime member of the St. Clair Athletic Club.

He was preceded in death by his wife, JoAnn; daughter, Linda; and brother, Roger. Survivors include a son, Christopher (Elizabeth); daughters, Sue (Allan) Ammon and Lori (Richard) Moore; sister, Amanda Greulich; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

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NOVEMBER

24, 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.

25, SUNDAY

Praise Mass at Church of Our Lady
11 a.m., Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Praise
Mass with upbeat contemporary music. **614-861-
1242**

St. Catherine of Bologna Secular Franciscans
2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Church,
386 Buttles Ave., Columbus. Prayer followed by
general meeting, ongoing formation, fellowship.
614-895-7792

Prayer Group Meeting at Christ the King
5 to 7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E.
Livingston Ave., Columbus (enter at daily Mass
entrance). Weekly parish prayer group meets for
praise, worship, ministry and teaching. **614-886-
8266**

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

26, MONDAY

Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry
6:30 p.m., support group meeting, 2744 Dover
Road, Columbus (Christ the King convent, first
building west of church). **614-718-0227, 614-309-
2651, 614-309-0157**

Our Lady of Peace Men's Bible Study
7 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 20 E.
Dominion Blvd., Columbus. Bible study of
Sunday's readings.

27, TUESDAY

Padre Pio Prayer Group at St. John the Baptist
12:30 p.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 168 E.
Lincoln Ave., Columbus. Padre Pio Prayer Group
meeting, including rosary, devotions, and 1 p.m.
Mass. **614-294-5319**

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.
Frascati Society Dinner and Adoration
7 p.m., Noodles and Co., 4740 Reed Road, Upper
Arlington. Columbus St. Patrick Church Frassati
Society for young adults meets for dinner, then
attends Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed
Sacrament at St. Andrew Church, 1899 McCoy
Road, Columbus, from 8 to 9 p.m. **614-224-9522**

28, WEDNESDAY

Program on Angels at Delaware St. Mary
6:30 to 8 p.m., Beitel Commons, St. Mary
School, 66 E. William St., Delaware. First of three
programs on "Angels: A Very Mary Advent," with
Deacon Todd Tucky and Julie Lutz. Topic: "Advent
& Angels 101." **740-513-3325**

Young Catholic Professionals Speaker Series
7 to 9 p.m., The Jubilee Museum, 57 S. Grubb St.,
Columbus. Young Catholic Professionals monthly
executive speaker series, featuring talk by Steve
Bollman, founder of national lay ministry Paradisus
Dei. Free appetizers and drinks. Information at
www.ycpcolumbus.org.

29, THURSDAY

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

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**

29-DEC. 7, THURSDAY-FRIDAY

Immaculate Conception Novena at St. Elizabeth
6 p.m., Nov. 29, 30 and Dec. 2, 3 and 6; 6:30 p.m.
Dec. 1, 5 and 7; 5:30 p.m. Dec. 4, St. Elizabeth
Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus.
Nightly Novena to the Immaculate Conception,
with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, singing,
reflection, and closing Benediction. **614-891-0150**

30, FRIDAY

Jail, Prison and Re-Entry Ministry Gathering
6 p.m., Ss. Simon and Jude Church, 9350 High
Free Pike, West Jefferson. Gathering for all
Catholics involved in jail, prison and re-entry
ministry, with Mass celebrated by Bishop Frederick
Campbell, followed by dinner and a talk. Sponsored
by diocesan Office for Social Concerns. Registration
deadline Nov. 20. **614-241-2540**

DECEMBER

1, SATURDAY

Fatima Devotions at Columbus St. Patrick
7 a.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave.,
Columbus. Mass, followed by devotions to Our
Lady of Fatima, preceded by confessions at
6:30. **614-240-5910**

First Saturday Devotion at St. Joan of Arc
8:30 a.m., St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty
Road, Powell. Mass, followed by rosary in
reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
concluding with Fatima prayers.

Mary's Little Children Prayer Group
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225
Refugee Road, Columbus. 8:30 a.m., confessions,
9 a.m., Mass, followed by Fatima prayers and
Rosary (Shepherds of Christ format); 10 a.m.,
meeting. **614-861-4888**

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

by rosary and confession.

First Saturday Mass at Holy Family
9 a.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St.,
Columbus. First Saturday Mass for world peace
and in reparation for blasphemies against the
Virgin Mary. **614-221-4323, extension 329**
Lay Missionaries of Charity Day of Prayer
9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893
Hamlet St., Columbus. Monthly day of prayer for
Columbus chapter of Lay Missionaries of Charity.
614-372-5249

Centering Prayer Group Meeting
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**

Advent Wreath Class at St. Thomas Aquinas
2:30 p.m., Rosary Hall, St. Thomas Aquinas
Church, 144 N. 5th St., Zanesville. Florist Greg
Orofino shows how to make an Advent wreath
of live greens. Supplies provided; bring pruning
shears and any berries or pine cones you may
wish to add. Wreaths will be blessed at 5 p.m.
Mass. Cost \$45 with candles, \$35 without candles.
Registration deadline Nov. 26. **740-453-3301**

Filipino Mass at St. Elizabeth
7:30 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon
Woods Blvd., Columbus. Mass in the Tagalog
language for members of the Filipino Catholic
community.

'A Bethlehem Carol' at St. Joan of Arc
7:30 p.m., St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty
Road, Powell. 26th annual performance of "A
Bethlehem Carol," children's Christmas musical.
614-761-0905

2, SUNDAY

Exposition at Our Lady of Mount Carmel
9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Church, 5133 Walnut Road S.E., Buckeye Lake.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every
Sunday during Advent.

St. Christopher Adult Religious Education
10 to 11:20 a.m., Library, Trinity Catholic School,
1440 Grandview Ave., Columbus. "A Vast
Company of Witnesses: The Communion of
Saints," Old Testament study with Scripture scholar
Angela Burdge.

Ohio Dominican Christmas Concert
3:30 p.m., Christ the King Chapel, Sansbury Hall,
Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road,
Columbus. University chorus presents its annual
Christmas concert. **614-251-4453**

Prayer Group Meeting at Christ the King
5 to 7 p.m., Christ the King Church, 2777 E.
Livingston Ave., Columbus (enter at daily Mass
entrance). Weekly parish prayer group meets.
for praise, worship, ministry, and teaching.
614-886-8266

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road,
Columbus. Mass in Spanish. **706-761-4054**
Compline at Cathedral
9 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St.,
Columbus. Chanting of Compline, the Catholic
Church's official night prayer. **614-241-2526**

3, MONDAY

Ohio Dominican Christmas Events
Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road,
Columbus. Christmas events including Santa's
Workshop, 5:30 to 7 p.m., St. Catherine of Siena
Room, Erskine Hall; sleigh rides, 5:30 to 7 p.m.,
the Oval; Christmas tree lighting and creche
blessing, 6:15 p.m., in front of Erskine Hall. **614-
251-4453**

Program on 'The Truth About True Love'
7 to 9 p.m., Seventh Son Brewing, 1101 N. 4th
St., Columbus. Program on "The Truth About True
Love," sponsored by the diocesan Marriage and

Family Life Office, featuring discussion with a
married couple, a priest and a marriage counselor.
614-241-2560

Advent Evening of Reflection at St. Pius X
7 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner
Road, Reynoldsburg. Advent evening of reflection.
614-866-2859

Healing Mass at Ss. Simon and Jude
7 p.m., Ss. Simon and Jude Church, 9350 High
Free Pike, West Jefferson. Healing Mass with
Father J.R. Hadnagy, OFM Conv. of the Basilica
and Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey.
614-879-8562

Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Victory
7 to 8 a.m., Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559
Roxbury Road, Columbus. First Monday
Eucharistic Adoration, beginning with Morning
Prayer, concluding with Mass.

Marian Prayer Group at Holy Spirit
7 p.m., Day chapel, Holy Spirit Church, 4383 E. Broad
St., Columbus. Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle
prayer group for Catholic family life. **614-235-7435**

4, TUESDAY

Ohio Dominican Holiday Art Market
10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wehrle Art Gallery, Ohio
Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road,
Columbus. Holiday art market featuring works by
students and faculty. **614-251-4453**

Our Lady of Good Success Study Group
11 a.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St.,
Columbus. Monthly meeting of Our Lady of
Good Success study group. Eucharistic Holy
Hour in church, followed by catechesis study and
discussion. **614-372-5249**

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.

Abortion Recovery Network Group
7 p.m., Pregnancy Decision Health Center, 665
E. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus. Abortion
recovery network group meeting for anyone
interested in recovering from abortion or who has
been through a recovery program, and wants to
stay connected. **614-721-2100**

5, WEDNESDAY

'Make a Joyful Noise' at Shepherd's Corner
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology
Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, blacklick. "Make
a Joyful Noise to the Lord" program of music
and creativity, led by Sister Carol Ann May, OP.
Suggested donation \$10. Registration deadline
Dec. 3. **614-866-4302**

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. Sister Carol Ann
Spencer, OP speaks on "Advent -- I Am the Light
of the World" as part of Center for Dominican
Studies series on justice. Lunch provided. **614-
251-4722**

St. Nicholas Celebration at St. Therese's
6:30 to 8:30 p.m., St. Therese's Retreat Center,
5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. St. Nicholas
celebration for families. Includes the story of St.
Nicholas, games, family discussion time, prayer,
refreshments. Cost \$15 per family. **614-866-1611**

Program on Angels at Delaware St. Mary
6:30 to 8 p.m., Beitel Commons, St. Mary School,
66 E. William St., Delaware. Second of three
programs on "Angels: A Very Mary Advent," with
Deacon Todd Tucky and Julie Lutz. Topic: "Angels
of the Old and New Testaments." **740-513-3325**
Marian Devotion at St. Elizabeth
7 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods
Blvd., Columbus. Marian devotion with Scriptural
rosary, followed by Mass and monthly novena to
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, with Father Ramon
Owera, CFC.

2018-19 Girls High School Basketball Preview

Bishop Hartley

Top players: Chiamaka Nwokolo, sr. (9.0 points, 11.0 rebounds per game in 2017-18); Israel Strickland, sr. (9.0 ppg, 2.0 assists per game); Milayna Williams, soph. (4.0 ppg); Kami Kortokrax, soph. (3.0 ppg)

Conference: Central Catholic League
2017-18 record: 19-5 overall, 6-1 CCL

Coach: Donald Dennis (52-23 in four years at school)

Coach's outlook: "Once again, we will compete in Division I. We graduated four seniors (all playing college basketball) and we will be a young and inexperienced team. This is the youngest team we've had in my four years. We will play three freshmen (Bella Parker, Julia Cashwell and Makailah Walker) on the varsity. First-team All-CCL selection Chia Nwokolo and second-team pick Israel Strickland will be our floor leaders."

Roster: Lily Lindeman, soph.; Lexi Cashwell, fr.; Bella Parker, fr.; Abby Rhodes, jr.; Chiamaka Nwokolo, sr.; Julia Cashwell, jr.; Milayna Williams, soph.; Kami Kortokrax, soph.; Sa'Haia Clark-Lee, jr.; Abby Gischel, sr.; Israel Strickland, sr.; Makailah Walker, fr.; Shania Davis, soph.

Schedule: Nov. 27, at Westerville South; Dec. 1, Ohio Trailblazers; Dec. 5, Gahanna; Dec. 8, at Lancaster; Dec. 13 Amanda-Clearcreek; Dec. 15, Canal Winchester; Dec. 19, at Columbus Independence; Dec. 28, Teays Valley; Dec. 29, at Tri-Valley; Jan. 5, at Bishop Ready; Jan. 7, at Whitehall; Jan. 10, Watterson; Jan. 17, St. Francis DeSales; Jan. 22, Mifflin; Jan. 24, Ready; Jan. 26, Pickerington North at Columbus Africentric; Jan. 29, at CSG; Jan. 31, at Bishop Watterson; Feb. 7, at St. Francis DeSales; Feb. 9, Trotwood-Madison

Bishop Ready

Top players: Derricka Bramwell, 5-11, sr. (12.1 points per game in 2017-18), Ariyhana Marshall, 5-6, sr.

Conference: Central Catholic League
2017-18 record: 15-10 overall, 2-5 CCL

Coach: Joe Lang (515-328 in 38 years overall and at Bishop Ready)

Coach's outlook: "We graduated five seniors from last year's team, including two-time All-CCL and all-district pick and District 10 Division III Player of the Year Dani Hall. We will be very young with three freshmen and three sophomores. Obviously, we are short on experience. Bramwell and Marshall will have to provide great leadership, especially early on. Bramwell is the only proven scorer, so others are going to have to step up offensively. Rebounding is a major concern with our lack of size. Defensively, we could be pretty solid. Marshall is one of the best on the ball defenders I've ever had. If we can develop some toughness and weather the storm early, we might be able to make another run to the district final. Being a Division III school, the CCL, with Watterson, DeSales and

Hartley all being Division I, will be brutal for us. A positive for us is that the girls understand the tradition and expectations of the program. With four district final appearances in the past five years, the incentive is there to make a return."

Roster: Bramwell; Marshall; Bre Heyduk, 5-5, jr.; Danielle Brown, 5-7, jr.; Cydney O'Rielly, 5-6, jr.; Ava Hurd, 5-5, soph.; Cathy Wolfe, 5-5, soph.; Jenna Ruth, 5-9, soph.; Abby Grundei, 5-6, fr.; Siera Schlosser, 5-9, fr.; Reagan Wheatley, 5-8, fr.

Schedule: Nov. 23, at Grandview; Nov. 27, Jonathan Alder; Dec. 1, at Horizon Science Academy; Dec. 8, CSG; Dec. 11, at Elgin; Dec. 12, at Bexley; Dec. 15, Worthington Christian; Dec. 18, Liberty Christian East; Dec. 21, at Buckeye Valley; Dec. 27, at Fairbanks; Dec. 28, Columbus Briggs at Westland; Dec. 29, Franklin Heights at Westland; Jan. 3, at Shekinal Christian; Jan. 5, Bishop Hartley; Jan. 10, at St. Francis DeSales; Jan. 12, Patriot Academy; Jan. 19, at Bishop Watterson; Jan. 24, at Bishop Hartley; Jan. 26, Fairfield Christian; Jan. 31, St. Francis DeSales; Feb. 7, Bishop Watterson; Feb. 14, at Newark Catholic



Boys and girls basketball teams from Central Catholic League schools St. Charles Preparatory, St. Francis DeSales, Bishop Watterson, Bishop Ready and Bishop Hartley gathered on Sunday, Nov. 18, at St. Charles for a Rosary Rally, which has been held the last four years to usher in the new season with prayer.
Photo by Doug Bean

Bishop Rosecrans

Top players: Tessa Littick, sr. (8.0 points per game in 2017-18); Claire Creeks, sr. (13.8 ppg); Carley Roberts, sr. (5.8 ppg, 12.5 rebounds per game); Kailey Zemba, jr. (8.0 ppg); Maggie Hutcheson, jr.

Conference: Mid-State League Cardinal Division
2017-18 record: 12-12 overall, 9-5 MLS Cardinal
Coach: Vince Tolson (first year)

Coach's outlook: "We got a late start in practice, almost two weeks after most teams, due to our soccer team's success. This team has a great upside with excellent guard play but is still looking to understand who we are and our strengths as a team. This team will grow as the season progresses and we will be tough against any team we play. We look to compete for a league championship and a deep run into the tournament. Anything less would be a disappointment. This team is very excited about the season and ready to start competing at a high level."

Roster: Littick; Creeks; Roberts; Hutcheson; Zemba; Allie Berry, soph.; Malaysia Simpson, soph.; Parker Farrell, fr.; Rachel Smith, fr.; Makaela McLaughlin, fr.; Jenna Carlisle, fr.; Gracie Milam, fr.; Kelly Goggins, fr.

Schedule: Nov. 26, Caldwell; Nov. 28, at Shenandoah; Dec. 1, Lakewood; Dec. 7, Millersport; Dec. 8, at Grove City Christian; Dec. 11, at Fisher Catholic; Dec. 15, Harvest Prep; Dec. 17, at West Muskingum; Dec. 19, Danville; Dec. 21, Wellington; Dec. 28-29, Undo's Tournament (Wheeling, W.Va.); Jan. 3, at Fairfield Christian; Jan. 5, Berne Union; Jan. 9, Fisher Catholic; Jan. 11, Grove City Christian; Jan. 15, at Millersport; Jan. 23, at Grandview Heights; Jan. 25, at Harvest Prep; Jan. 29, at Wellington; Feb. 2, Fairfield Christian; Feb. 8, at Berne Union

Bishop Watterson

Top players: Paige Woodford, jr. (10.4 points per game in 2017-18); Grace Jenkins, sr. (8.1 ppg); Julianna DiSabato, sr. (4.1 ppg).

Conference: Central Catholic League
2017-18 record: 16-9 overall, 5-2 CCL

Coach: Tom Woodford (371-151 overall, 287-110 at the school)

Coach's outlook: "We are very excited about this season. We have a group of self-starters, which makes every day something special."

Roster: Woodford; Jenkins; DiSabato; Elizabeth Rabold, sr.; Lauren Lucki, sr.; Emily Dixon, jr.; Kilyn McGuff, soph.; Danielle Grim, soph.

Schedule: Nov. 27, Thomas Worthington; Nov. 29, Hilliard Davidson; Dec. 1, Mount Vernon; Dec. 6, Columbus Whetstone; Dec. 8, at Olentangy Berlin; Dec. 10, Upper Arlington; Dec. 12, at Gahanna; Dec. 23, Hilliard Darby; Dec. 27, Seton; Dec. 28, Chillicothe; Jan. 3, Olentangy Orange; Jan. 5, at St. Francis DeSales; Jan. 10, at Bishop Hartley; Jan. 15, Canal Winchester; Jan. 19, Bishop Ready; Jan. 24, St. Francis DeSales; Jan. 26, at CSG; Jan. 28, at Olentangy Orange; Jan. 31, Bishop Hartley; Feb. 2, Bexley; Feb. 4, at Jonathan Alder; Feb. 7, at Bishop Ready

Columbus School for Girls

Top players: Eva Nicolosi, soph. (7.8 points, 8.2 rebounds per game in 2017-18), Veronica Ross, jr. (4.5 ppg, 7.1 rpg)

Conference: Central Catholic League
2017-18 record: 3-18 overall, 0-4 CCL

Coach: Heath Goolsby (first year at school)

Roster: Kayden Edwards, fr.; Annie Feibel, sr.; Elizabeth Johnson, sr.; Tori Johnson, fr.; Jolien Kusi, soph.; Makenna McCoy, fr.; Nicolosi; Hattie Person, sr.; Allie Renshaw, jr.; Ross; Bella Sloan, soph.; Lauren Sloan, fr.; Emma Spangler, fr.

Coaches' outlook: This being my first year as the head coach at CSG, my first order of business was to build a program. Last year, CSG had eight girls on the roster at one point, but due to injury and other commitments there were only six to seven players available on some nights. I invited girls to summer

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workouts and open gyms; and they responded. I feel we had a great summer season and currently we have a varsity and JV team. My hope is that with proper habits and the ability to give players more rest, we stay healthy. We are implementing an offense and defense that takes two years to fully comprehend. I like that we are mostly a team of underclassmen and look forward to seeing the growth in our team the next couple of years. I will know we were successful (at the end of the season) if we competed consistently throughout the season. Our team has outlined what we want to accomplish every night, no matter who the opponent is. If we are able to 'check those boxes' most nights, the wins will come.

Schedule: Nov. 27, at Horizon Science Academy; Nov. 30, at Belpre; Dec. 1 at Wellington Jaguar Invitational; Dec. 4, Madison Christian; Dec. 6, Patriot Prep Academy; Dec. 8, at Bishop Ready; Dec. 10, Grandview Heights; Dec. 13, Fisher Catholic; Jan. 8, at Village Academy; Jan. 12, at Berne Union; Jan. 15, at St. Francis DeSales; Jan. 17, Granville Christian Academy; Jan. 22, Harvest Prep; Jan. 24, New Hope Christian; Jan. 26, Bishop Watterson; Jan. 29, Bishop Hartley; Jan. 31, at Delaware Christian; Feb. 5, Columbus Academy; Feb. 7, at Northridge; Feb. 9, Bexley; Feb. 12, Cristo Rey

Cristo Rey

Top players: Nyla Williams, 5-6, jr.; Ebony Jewett, 5-10, soph.; Tylan Floyd, 5-5, soph.; Zahara Akbar, 5-6, fr.

Conference: Independent

2017-18 record: First season

Coach: John Petro (8-17 overall; first season at school)

Coach's outlook: "We are excited to have an opportunity to have a team this year and to compete against other area high schools. We are a very young team with no seniors and a large number of freshmen and sophomores. We will need all of our players to contribute in different ways and to continue to improve over the course of the season. Our expectations for the season are to learn the importance of working hard together as a team, learning to win and lose as a team, and competing during every moment of each game. Our team motto is 'together' and we feel that if we play together and compete with the toughness that we will have a successful season."

Roster: Elonga Bashombana, 5-9, fr.; Williams; Alaishya Butler, 5-9, soph.; Angie Balsler, 5-1, soph.; Anitra Blount, 5-3, soph.; Victoria Kabutey Ongor, 5-4, fr.; Keiara Glover, 5-4, jr.; Jewett; Akbar; E-Naijah Smith, 5-3, fr.; Kasie Stinson, 5-8, jr.; Floyd; India Batemon, 5-8, jr.

Schedule: Nov. 29, at Newark Catholic; Nov. 30-Dec. 1, at Grove City Christian Tip-Off Classic; Dec. 4, at KIPP; Dec. 7, at Horizon Science Academy; Dec. 8, at New Hope Christian Academy; Dec. 11, at Liberty Christian Academy; Dec. 13, at Village Academy; Jan. 10, at Focus Learning Academy East; Jan. 15, at Genoa Christian Academy; Jan. 17, at Columbus West; Jan. 22, New Hope Christian Academy; Jan. 26, at Worthington Christian; Jan. 29, at Gilead Christian; Feb. 4, at Columbus Marion-Franklin; Feb. 5, at Granville Christian Academy; Feb. 7, at Columbus North International; Feb. 12, at CSG

Lancaster Fisher Catholic

Top players: Brittany Rose, sr. (8.0 points per game in 2017-18); Sammie Kerns, sr.; Caroline Menosky, sr.; Katie Maynard, jr.; Paige Gavin, soph.

Conference: Mid-State League Cardinal Division

2017-18 record: 10-12 overall, 6-8 MLS Cardinal

Coach: Jarrod Vaughn (first year)

Coach's outlook: "We are looking to build a winning culture here and have a good mix of players from every class that will help us be successful this year."

Roster: Mallory Ortiz, soph; Kerns; Maynard; Lucy Reed, jr.; Gavin; Menosky; Makaila Moses, jr.; Rose; Maeve Boley, soph.; Clara Craaybeek, jr.; Meg Saffell, fr.

Schedule: Nov. 27, at Southern Local; Nov. 29, Northridge; Dec. 1, at Fairfield Christian; Dec. 7, at Berne Union; Dec. 11, Bishop Rosecrans; Dec. 13, at CSG; Dec. 15, at Wellington; Dec. 21, Millersport; Dec. 28, at Delaware Christian; Dec. 29, Madison Christian; Jan. 3, at Grove City Christian; Jan. 5, Harvest Prep; Jan. 7, at Liberty Union; Jan. 9, at Bishop Rosecrans; Jan. 11, at Fairfield Christian; Jan. 15, Berne Union; Jan. 21, at Crooksville; Jan. 25, Wellington; Feb. 2, Jan. 29, at Millersport; Jan. 30, Tree of Life; Feb. 2, Grove City Christian; Feb. 8, at Harvest Prep

Newark Catholic

Top players: Brynn Peddicord, soph.; Shannon Keck, jr.; Samantha Basham, sr. (12.3 points per game, first-team All-Licking County League, third-team All-Ohio); Amelia O'Neill, sr. (14.1 ppg, first-team All-LCL); Laura Nowicki, sr. (10.1 ppg);

Conference: Licking County League

2017-18 record: 20-3 overall, 12-1 LCL

Coach: Rob Smith (140-33 in eight seasons)

Coach's outlook: "We return the top eight players and expect to compete for the league title. We will try to up-tempo the game and play solid defense. Laura Nowicki returns from ACL surgery and we expect her to help us at the guard position. We play in a very competitive league, which will help us for the tournament run."

Roster: Peddicord; Anna Crumrine, soph.; Ashley Bell, jr.; O'Neill; Emma Franks, soph.; Brooklyn Smith, fr.; Nowicki; Nikki Langenbrunner, soph.; Basham; Keck; Harlei Antritt, soph.; Jordyn Creely, sr.

Schedule: Nov. 29, Cristo Rey; Dec. 5, Lakewood; Dec. 7, at Northridge; Dec. 10, Shekinah Christian; Dec. 14, at Granville; Dec.



Newark Catholic seniors (from left) Laura Nowicki, Samantha Basham, Amelia O'Neill and Jordyn Creely.

Photo courtesy Newark Catholic

15, Patriot Prep; Dec. 19, Grandview Heights; Dec. 21, Johnstown; Dec. 29, at Miller; Jan. 2, at Fairfield Christian; Jan. 4, at Heath; Jan. 7, Watkins Memorial; Jan. 11, Utica; Jan. 14, at Licking Valley; Jan. 16, Northridge; Jan. 23, Danville; Jan. 28, at Johnstown; Jan. 30, at Licking Heights; Feb. 2, Heath; Feb. 7, at Utica; Feb. 9, Linden-McKinley; Feb. 14, Bishop Ready

Portsmouth Notre Dame

Top players: Katie Dettwiller, 6-4, sr. (14.7 points per game, 10.1 rebounds, 5.0 blocks per game, district player of the year, second-team All-Ohio in 2017-18, St. Francis University signee); Taylor Schmidt, 5-6, jr. (8.4 ppg, 2.4 apg, 3.5 steals per game, all-district); Ava Hassel, 5-5, soph. (10.2 ppg, 4.12 apg, 3.4 spg, all-district)

Conference: Southern Ohio Conference

2017-18 record: 25-1 overall, 14-0 SOC; conference sectional, district champions

Coach: J.D. McKenzie (154-37 at Notre Dame and overall)

Coach's outlook: "Expectations are high for the Lady Titans coming off four straight Southern Ohio Conference championships, eight straight sectional titles and the school's first district title. The Titans will look to defend their titles and add a regional title and final four appearance to their resume this year."

Roster: Hailen Steele, 5-5, soph.; Schmidt; Hassel; Cassie Schaefer, 5-6, jr.; Baylee Webb, 5-3, sr.; Olivia Smith, 5-6, jr.; Dettwiller; Chloe Delabar, 5-9, soph.; Claire Dettwiller, 5-10, soph.; Sophia Hassel, 5-6, jr.; Isabel Cassidy, 5-6, soph.; Molly Creech, 5-5, fr.; Clara Hash, 5-10, sr.; Joyce Zheng, 5-4, jr.; Ashley Holtgrewe, 5-5, soph.; Lauren Campbell, 5-9, jr.; Paetyn Collins, 5-8, jr.

Schedule: Nov. 27, at Clay; Nov. 29, Western; Dec. 6, Symmes Valley; Dec. 8, at Portsmouth West; Dec. 10, at Eastern; Dec. 13, East; Dec. 17, at New Boston; Dec. 20, Green; Dec. 22, at Eastern Meigs; Jan. 3, at Western; Jan. 7, Greenfield McClain; Jan. 10, Clay; Jan. 17, at Symmes Valley; Jan. 19, at Huntington (W.Va.) Fairland; Jan. 21, Valley; Jan. 24, Eastern; Jan. 28, Oak Hill; Jan. 31, at East; Feb. 2, Waynesville at Ironton; Feb. 4, New Boston; Feb. 7, at Green; Feb. 9, at Belpre

St. Francis DeSales

Top players: Gabby Elliott, 5-7, sr. (10.3 points, 3.9 rebounds; 1.6 assists per game in 2017-18); Erin Burns, 5-6, jr. (6.1 ppg, 3.4 rpg, 1.2 apg)

Conference: Central Catholic League



Katie Dettwiller



Taylor Schmidt

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2017-18 record: 10-12 overall, 3-4 CCL

Coach: Brian Cromwell (113-77 at school and overall)

Coach's outlook: "Seven varsity letter winners return from the 2017-18 roster. Returning seniors Taylor Cash, Gabby Elliott and Ashley Kraker will lead an experienced and talented team throughout the course of the year. Other returning players looking to contribute to this season's success include juniors Erin Burns and Katie Schuler along with sophomores Stephanie Karras, Grace Sabo and Gracey Wilson. We play a challenging non-league schedule, including 13 games versus Division I schools throughout central Ohio. We will also be hosting our fifth annual Roosters Stallion Holiday Classic, where we will welcome a team from Australia to our tournament. Along with our non-league schedule, our team will again compete in the rigorous Central Catholic League looking to capture our fourth league title in the last eight years."

Roster: Elliott, Burns, Taylor Cash, 5-5, jr.; Gracey Wilson, 5-4, soph.; Stefanie Karras, 5-8, soph.; Nicole Miller, 5-3, jr.; Katie 5-9, jr.; Grace Sabo, 5-10, soph.; Ashley Kraker, 5-9, sr.

Schedule: Nov. 26, at Upper Arlington; Nov. 29, Lancaster; Dec. 1, at Columbus Beechcroft; Dec. 5, Zanesville; Dec. 10, Dublin Scioto; Dec.

15, Mount Vernon; Dec. 22, at Jonathan Alder; Jan. 2, at Westerville North; Jan. 5, Bishop Watterson; Jan. 10, Bishop Ready; Jan. 12, Licking Heights; Jan. 15, CSG; Jan. 17, at Bishop Hartley; Jan. 19, at Grove City; Jan. 24, at Bishop Watterson; Jan. 26, Columbus Centennial; Jan. 31, at Bishop Ready; Feb. 2, at Hilliard Bradley; Feb. 7, Bishop Hartley; Feb. 12, at Thomas Worthington

Tuscarawas Central Catholic

Top players: Reagan Triplett, 5-8, sr. (3 points, 4 rebounds per game); Annette Weston, 5-8, jr. (11 ppg, 9 rpg); Maddie Kopp, 5-7, jr. (5 ppg, 4 rpg); Maddie Lakota, 5-8, jr. (1 ppg, 2 rpg); Sage DeBois-Winnie, 5-4, soph. (7 ppg, 3 rpg); Sophia Knight, 5-7, soph. (9 ppg, 7 rpg)

Conference: Inter-Valley Conference North Division

2017-18 record: 4-19 overall

Coach: Greg Triplett (first year; boys varsity coach at TCC from 1998 to 2005)

Coach's outlook: "The Lady Saints won only a handful of games last season but return six letter winners. The potential for a winning season is certainly present. If the girls are committed to working hard every day and can overcome adversity, TCC can be a factor in the Inter-Valley Conference Northern Division. Rebounding will be a team strength. If



Reagan Triplett



Annette Weston

we can defend the paint and take better care of and share the basketball, we will be in good position to win games. Our goal is to continue to improve each week so that we are peaking as a basketball team in February."

Roster: Sami Demattio, 5-8, jr.; Andrea Garcia-Paez, 5-7, jr.; Weston; Triplett; DeBois-Winnie; Knight; Kopp; Lakota; Gina Sciarretti, 5-7, fr.; Jocelyn Abbuhl, 5-7, so.

Schedule: Nov. 23, Waynedale; Nov. 27, at Kidron Central Christian; Dec. 1, Ridgewood; Dec. 5, at Malvern; Dec. 8, at East Canton; Dec. 12, Conotton Valley; Dec. 15, Sandy Valley; Dec. 20, Kingsway Christian; Dec. 22, Strasburg; Dec. 27, at Newcomerstown; Jan. 2, Tuscarawas Valley; Jan. 5, at Berlin Hiland; Jan. 12, Malvern; Jan. 16, at Ridgewood; Jan. 19, East Canton; Jan. 23, at Conotton Valley; Jan. 26, at Sandy Valley; Jan. 30, at Bellaire St. John; Feb. 2, at Strasburg; Feb. 4, Louisville St. Thomas Aquinas; Feb. 6, at Tuscarawas Valley; Feb. 9, IVC Showcase at Berlin Hiland

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