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The Task That Lies Ahead

By David Garick, Editor

Congratulations, Class of 2012! Your big day has arrived. From this day forward, life will never be the same. I remember my graduation day very well. I put on my cap and gown and my stomach churned with excitement and no small amount of trepidation. A large section of my life was coming to a close. Childhood was ending forever. The future was a mystery. I walked up onto that commencement stage as a child and walked back to my seat as a man. The sensation of a great door closing behind me was palpable. The future that lay before me, while mysterious, was not really foreboding. The future was an empty canvas that I would begin to make indelible brushstrokes across, creating an image that even now, nearly half a century later, is still unfinished.

Graduation is certainly a time to look back at how you were prepared for the life that you will build. But it is also a time to look to the future and to gather the tools that you have been provided for the task that lies ahead. Academically, you have been given a wonderful basis of knowledge that will enable you to be successful in further education, occupations, and endeavors offered by this world. You






OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT/Clergy Assignment

Father Antonio Carvalho, to Administrator pro-tem, Parroquia Santa Cruz, Columbus, continuing in pastoral care of Brazilian Catholics in the Diocese of Columbus and Administrator pro-tem, Holy Name Church, Columbus, effective May 15.

Father José Pérez, Pastor, Parroquia Santa Cruz, Columbus, to retirement, effective May 1.

Deacon Gary Ingold, from service outside the diocese to diaconal service at St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell, effective May 1.



Front Page photo:
Graduating Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School seniors (from left) Travis Nixon, Stevyn Speas, and Adam Henderson with Dominic Cavello, who is retiring as the institution's principal at the end of the school year.

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FEDERAL LAWSUITS BY CATHOLIC DIOCESES, GROUPS SEEK TO STOP HHS MANDATE

By Nancy Frazier O'Brien

Catholic News Service

Forty-three Catholic dioceses, schools, hospitals, social service agencies, and other institutions filed suit in federal court on May 21 to stop three government agencies from implementing a mandate that would require them to cover contraceptives and sterilization in their health plans.

“Through this lawsuit, plaintiffs do not seek to impose their religious beliefs on others,” said one of the suits, filed in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana by the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Ind.; diocesan Catholic Charities; St. Anne Home and Retirement Community; the Franciscan Alliance; the University of St. Francis; and *Our Sunday Visitor*.

Bishop Frederick F. Campbell strongly supports the suits filed in Columbus and across the country by Roman Catholic institutions to challenge the unconstitutional attempt by the federal government to mandate private health plans to insure contraception and sterilization, in violation of the conscience and religious teachings of Roman Catholic individuals and institutions.

Franciscan University and the Catholic Conference of Michigan, the plaintiffs instituting suit in the Federal District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, are strong institutions which will clearly present the case against the unprecedented attack by government on religious freedom.

Bishop Campbell urges all people to recognize the violation of the fundamental right of religious liberty established by the United States Constitution, to support the petitioners in their defense of freedom of conscience, and to join in strong public opposition to the severe attack on the freedom of re-



ligious beliefs

Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan of New York, whose archdiocese is among the plaintiffs, said the lawsuits were “a compelling display of the unity of the church in defense of religious liberty” and “a great show of the diversity of the church’s ministries that serve the common good and that are jeopardized by the mandate.”


“We have tried negotiations with the administration and legislation with the Congress -- and we’ll keep at it -- but there’s still no fix,” the cardinal said. “Time is running out and our valuable ministries and fundamental rights hang in the balance, so we have to resort to the courts now.”

Cardinal Dolan also is president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, which is not a party to the lawsuits.

Catholic organizations have objected to the contraceptive mandate since it was announced last Aug. 1 by Kathleen Sebelius, secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Unless they are subject to a narrow religious exemption or have a grandfathered health plan, employers will be required to pay for sterilizations and contraceptives, including some abortion-inducing drugs, as part of their health coverage, beginning as soon as Aug. 1.

In all, 12 lawsuits were filed simultaneously on May 21 in U.S. district courts. The defendants in each case were Sebelius, Labor Secretary Hilda Solis, and Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner, along with their departments.

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GRADUATION 2012

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

The 11 high schools in the Diocese of Columbus will graduate 1,091 seniors during the next two weeks, including 14 National Merit Scholarship finalists and 30 commended scholars.

The diocesan Office of Education said about 97 percent of the graduates will be attending four-year or two-year colleges, community colleges, or technical schools in the fall. All the schools reported that they were graduating 100 percent of their seniors except Lancaster Fisher Catholic, which had a 98 percent graduation rate.

Percentages of seniors at diocesan schools going on to higher learning ranged from 90 percent at Marion Catholic to 100 percent at Newark Catholic and Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans. ACT test composite averages ranged from 20 at Marion Catholic to 28.1 at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory. SAT scores from those schools which reported them ranged from 553 on the verbal portion at Columbus Bishop Watterson and 543 on the math portion at Columbus Bishop Hartley to 646.6 (verbal) at Columbus Bishop Ready and 642 (math) at St. Charles.

As it has done for many years, St. Charles led the way in the merit scholarship commendation with seven finalists and 12 commended students. Bishop Watterson had three finalists and nine commended students; Bishop Hartley, three finalists and three commended students; Bishop Rosecrans, one finalist; Columbus St. Francis DeSales, two commended students; and Bishop Ready, Fisher Catholic, New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic and Newark Catholic, one commended student apiece.

The first of the 11 graduations to take place will be Saturday, May 26, at Marion Catholic, Portsmouth Notre Dame, and Bishop Rosecrans. The latest will be Sunday, June 3, at Bishop Hartley, Fisher Catholic, Tuscarawas Central Catholic, and Newark Catholic. Size of the graduating classes will range from 10 at Marion Catholic to 234 at Bishop Watterson.

“Like any other system of schools, the Diocese of Columbus is happy to boast about its students’ accomplish-

ments,” said diocesan schools Superintendent Lucia McQuaide.

“As you browse through this graduation issue of the *Catholic Times*, you will see plenty of evidence that demonstrates just how much we have to be proud of: students who have won scholarships or who have been recognized as National Merit Scholars; lists of valedictorians and salutatorians; recipients of academic and service awards; outstanding ACT and SAT scores; and graduation rates that are well above average.

“All of these indicators point to schools and teachers who are doing an outstanding job of educating our youth. We certainly are gratified that our students leave our schools having already accomplished so much in their young lives. But our schools are Catholic schools, and that means our graduates have been given a special gift. Throughout their school years, they have had the opportunity to be part of a Catholic culture – a culture that is integrated into every aspect of the curriculum.

“As the philosophy of the diocesan Office of Catholic Schools says: ‘A culture that exists with people and processes that track the Gospel message, provides time for worship, and is based on service is what makes Catholic schools different. It is being intentional about this difference that helps to form the students into disciples and builders of the Kingdom here on earth, which is the goal of Catholic schooling.’

“Once the end-of-the-year celebrations have ended, many of our students will head off to college, others to the military, and some will enter the workforce. No matter where their life’s journey may take them, we trust that they will witness to the world the Gospel values that have been at the foundation of their education. For in the end, the purpose of our Catholic schools is to produce good human beings who were made in the image of Christ.

“I ask you to look at the eyes of the young men and women who are pictured in this publication. There is a light burning there. That light is the light of Christ. He compels them to go forth and light up the world!

“Congratulations to all of our graduates and to their families and teachers who have guided them thus far.”

COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULE FOR COLUMBUS DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOLS:

MARION CATHOLIC – Saturday, May 26, 11 a.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 10. Valedictorian: Gabrielle Nivar. Salutatorian: Andrew Chwalik. Speaker: Phil Kelly. Baccalaureate: Friday, May 25, 9 a.m., Marion St. Mary Church.

PORTSMOUTH NOTRE DAME – Saturday, May 26, 1 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 23. Valedictorian: Weston Craig. Salutatorian: Brad Pierron. Speaker: David Owens. Baccalaureate: Saturday, May 26, 10 a.m., Portsmouth Holy Redeemer Church.

ZANESVILLE BISHOP ROSECRANS – Saturday, May 26, 2 p.m., Secrest Auditorium. Graduating seniors: 34. Valedictorians: Bryan Ricketts, Genevieve Kocoloski, Megan Nash. Speaker: Alice Mauk. Baccalaureate: Saturday, May 26, 10 a.m., Zanesville St. Nicholas.

COLUMBUS ST. CHARLES – Tuesday, May 29, after baccalaureate, Walter Commons. Graduating seniors: 143. Valedictorian: None. Speaker: None. Baccalaureate: Tuesday, May 29, 6:30 p.m., Walter Commons.

COLUMBUS BISHOP WATTERSON – Saturday, June 2, 9:30 a.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 234. Valedictorians: Mary Brahos, Kelly Griffith, Madison Guter, Derek Hesse, Adam Kaminski, Sarah Nerswick, Maria Ritchey, Isaak Satow, Margaret Wilson. Speaker: None. Baccalaureate: Thursday, May 31, 7:30 p.m., Columbus St. Agatha Church.

COLUMBUS BISHOP READY – Saturday, June 2, 10 a.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 114. Valedictorian: Joshua Colley. Salutatorians: Brittney Lancia, Marisa Ross. Speaker, Michael Curtin. Baccalaureate: Friday, June 1, 8 p.m., Columbus St. Cecilia Church.

COLUMBUS ST. FRANCIS DESALES – Saturday, June 2, 10 a.m., Alumni Stadium. Graduating seniors: 208. Valedictorians: Elisabeth Saunders, Bradley Bohus, Timothy Doone, Rachel Braun, Kyra Hess, Peter Ryan, Olivia Pina, Kelsey Albanese, Kelli Linsenmayer, Madeline Engle, Kevin Walsh, James Walsh, Sophia Nnadi, Jessica Johnson, Andrea Devakul. Speaker: Luke Fickell, Ohio State University assistant football coach. Baccalaureate: Thursday, May 31, 6 p.m., Westerville St. Paul Church.

COLUMBUS BISHOP HARTLEY – Sunday, June 3, 1 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 171. Valedictorians: Anna Baglione, Sarah Endress, Katherine O’Connor, Laura Schlagheck. Salutatorian: Megan Julia. Speakers: Students Kelly Powers and Oge Mora. Baccalaureate: Friday, June 1, 7:30 p.m., Columbus Christ the King Church.

NEW PHILADELPHIA TUSCARAWAS CENTRAL CATHOLIC – Sunday, June 3, 1:30 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 28. Valedictorian: Sarah Clore. Salutatorians: Andrew Onslow, Sarah Vinci. Speaker: None. Baccalaureate: Wednesday, May 30, 7 p.m., New Philadelphia Sacred Heart Church.

LANCASTER FISHER CATHOLIC – Sunday, June 3, 2 p.m., school gymnasium. Graduating seniors: 64. Valedictorian: Barry Miller. Salutatorian: Alyssa Wenger. Speaker: Father Donald Franks. Baccalaureate: Saturday, June 2, 11 a.m., Lancaster St. Mary Church.

NEWARK CATHOLIC – Sunday, June 3, 2 p.m., Reese Center, The Ohio State University-Newark. Graduating seniors: 62. Valedictorians: Nathaniel Ohl, Audrey Stallworth. Salutatorian: Eleanor Horton. Speaker: Tom Lusk. Baccalaureate: Wednesday, May 30, 6 p.m., Heath St. Leonard Church.

PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric



Elevate

Did you have a successful search of your soul last week? We so commonly refer to “soul searching” or having a “come to Jesus meeting”, but do we ever really do so with urgency and sincerity? It is not so much the difference between right and wrong that challenges us. It is the flawed rationale that we use to feel less guilty about choosing what is right. Time after time, sin after sin, I find myself doing the same old wrong, or putting myself in the same old wrong situation. I know better, but I always seem to feel just good enough at the time to do it once more. We focused on our attitudes last week, and God’s call to us should have a great impact on how we adjust those attitudes. The call is consistent, and always right for us. The way in which we respond is the right versus wrong challenge. The way in which we live our lives to model the response to the call is the ultimate key to living the mission. We know that we are called to be good and faithful stewards of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Part of that challenge is to show others the way by how we actually do it. We can go through the motions all we want, but the real impact is made when others truly see the love of God embodied in you and me. This week, and every day of our lives, we must ascend to a response to a higher calling.

We have embarked upon a series of great feasts in our Liturgical year. Last Sunday and the next three are all very special and unique. They help to form the very basis of our Faith as Catholics. I have written about each of them in previous columns over the years, but there are always more thoughts, lessons, and reflections that can be pondered and absorbed. Last Thursday was the Ascension of the Lord, which was celebrated this past Sunday in the Diocese of Columbus. This feast is so bittersweet, in a way. We know the story. But if we can imagine ourselves as the apostles and disciples of Jesus, we would still be in the unimaginable bliss of experiencing the real presence of the Resurrected and living Jesus. We would also be in communion with the Holy Spirit for the first time. Then, before we know it, in a mere forty days, He is gone. But the disciples who witnessed the Ascension knew why. They were able to hear the great challenge of the great commission directly from Jesus the Christ. Their bittersweet experience turned to pure joy. They were commissioned to spread the Gospel, to baptize all nations, to model the love of God, and to make disciples of all their brothers and sisters. It was up to them to communicate this to the rest of the disciples, but also the whole world. What a challenge! So, what is the first thing that happens? A couple of strangers happen to be walking by, and they ask the disciples why they are staring up at the sky. Of course, they answer their own question, and the disciples are sent on their way to teach, proclaim, witness, and evangelize. We know the rest of the story. So, who takes over now, in 2012? The answer is you and me. The reason for elevated eyes is simple. The real presence of Jesus Christ demands our awe and undivided attention. Where are our eyes when the host and chalice are elevated at Mass at the moment of consecration? Where are our minds? The real presence of Jesus Christ is exactly the same at Mass as at the Ascension. If a couple of strangers walked in and asked us why our eyes are elevated and staring at the host and chalice, how would we respond?

Our practical challenge this week is to participate fully in Sunday Mass. We should have no distractions. Listen to the readings, the prayers, and the Homily. Meditate upon our deep love and devotion to the real presence of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ, in the Eucharist. When the host and chalice are elevated, do the same with not only your eyes, but your heart, mind, and soul as well. We can joyfully, confidently, and lovingly respond as the disciples did at the first Pentecost: This Jesus who has been taken to Heaven is here and present among us – in His Word, in one another, and right now in the Eucharist. Let us be elevated with Him.

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

**LAWSUIT**, *continued from Page 2*

Erin Shields, HHS director of communications for health care, told Catholic News Service on May 21 that the department cannot comment on pending litigation.

Holy Cross Father John I. Jenkins, president of Notre Dame, said the decision to file the lawsuit "came after much deliberation, discussion, and efforts to find a solution acceptable to the various parties."

“This filing is about the freedom of a religious organization to live its mission, and its significance goes well beyond any debate about contraceptives,” he said. “For if we concede that the government can decide which religious organizations are sufficiently religious to be awarded the freedom to follow the principles that define their mission, then we have begun to walk down a path that ultimately leads to the undermining of those institutions.”

Others filing suit include a Catholic cemeteries association, an agency that serves the deaf, health care and social-services organizations, and Catholic elementary and secondary schools.

Our Sunday Visitor, a national Catholic newspaper based in Huntington, Ind., said in an editorial that it “stands proudly with our fellow Catholic apostolates and with our bishops in resisting this challenge.”

The newspaper asked readers "to stand with us -- in charity, praying first and foremost for conversions of heart; in civility, arguing the facts of this case without recourse to bitter partisanship or political rhetoric; and in solidarity, knowing that whatever sacrifices we bear and whatever challenges we endure, we are only doing what is our responsibility as American citizens practicing

ing our faith in the public square.”

Each of the lawsuits uses similar wording to make its case, and each asks for a jury trial.

Noting that the Founding Fathers agreed “that the mixture of government and religion is destructive to both institutions and divisive to the social fabric upon which the country depends,” the lawsuits contend that the U.S. Constitution and federal law “stand as bulwarks against oppressive government actions even if supported by a majority of citizens.”

“Despite repeated requests from church leaders, the government has insisted that it will not change the core principle of the U.S. government mandate -- that plaintiffs must subsidize and/or facilitate providing their employees free access to drugs and services that are contrary to plaintiffs’ religious beliefs,” the suits state. “If the government can force religious institutions to violate their beliefs in such a manner, there is no apparent limit to the government’s power.”

The suits were filed by Jones Day, an international law firm with more than 2,400 attorneys on five continents.

Jones Day said in a statement that the firm "looks forward to presenting its clients' cases in court."

The contraceptive mandate “unconstitutionally authorizes the federal government to determine which organizations are sufficiently ‘religious’ to warrant an exemption from the requirement,” the statement says. “This regulation is in violation of the religious liberties guaranteed by the First Amendment, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act and other federal laws.”



Barbara Camboni, third-grade teacher at Columbus St. Matthias School, a veteran of 30 years in education, received the Romana Hemmelgarn Award at this year's annual diocesan teacher recognition luncheon. She is shown with her school's principal, Dan Kinley. Her students honored her in their own way, as shown in the picture at right. The award is presented annually by the diocesan Office of Education to Catholic school educators who best demonstrate the qualities of care, concern, and dedication Hemmelgarn exhibited during her 22 years of service in Catholic schools. Her love of children was best encouraged through her encouragement of their dreams and potential.

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A quick note from:

THE OFFICE FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

THE NEOPHYTE MASS



Most people have no idea what is meant by the term *Neophyte Mass*. Looking up the word neophyte in the dictionary, we find it refers to a seedling or new sprout. While it is the time of year for new sprouts as we prepare to plant gardens and renew our planting beds, what does it have to do with our bishop and the Mass?

The term *neophyte* is given to those who have joined the Catholic Church through baptism at the Easter Vigil. They are “new sprouts” in terms of the faith. Through their journey of faith to join the church, they learned many aspects of the faith, from the simple gesture of signing themselves with the sign of the cross to some of the more dogmatic elements of our faith. Yet they have been given little opportunity to experience and truly live the faith in the few short weeks between the Easter Vigil and the scheduled *Neophyte Mass* on Pentecost Sunday.

Over these few weeks, these neophytes have reflected upon the sacraments they received during the Easter Vigil and how they are to live their lives as Catholics. They have continued to search for

ways in which they will best live their lives as members of the parish community – a process we all experience every day as we also reflect on our own role in the parish. Yet we are all part of a larger community as members of the Catholic Diocese of Columbus, a community that is gathered around the local bishop.

All catechumens who were preparing for the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil were sent to the Rite of Election on the First Sunday of Lent for a special celebration with the bishop. As the leader of the local church, the bishop is charged with the responsibility of overseeing the entire initiation process. The announcement of the church’s decision to accept the call of the catechumens to the sacraments of initiation falls to him.

Although the bishop does celebrate the Easter Vigil at the cathedral church, it is still very important that all the neophytes understand that they did not just become a member of a parish, but are part of a local church which is built up around its bishop. Therefore, each year, the bishop invites all the neophytes of the diocese to join him at a special Mass – the *Neophyte Mass*. Bishop Campbell has invited the neophytes to the 10:30 a.m. Pentecost Sunday Mass at Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral.

There will be a special blessing for the neophytes at this Mass. Following the Neophyte Mass, the RCIA subcommission will host a reception in the undercroft, where the neophytes will have the opportunity to personally meet Bishop Campbell.

COMMUNION FOR NON-CATHOLICS; RECONCILIATION FOR THOSE WHO CAN’T HEAR WELL



QUESTION & ANSWER

by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE

Catholic News Service

Q. I have always wondered about the Catholic practice of prohibiting non-Catholics from receiving holy Communion. If we believe that the Eucharist is Jesus, why wouldn’t we want to bring the Lord to everyone? With Christ present in non-Catholics through the Eucharist, wouldn’t that help their faith and, perhaps, lead eventually to their conversion? (Simpsonville, S.C.)

A. Your sincere and faith-filled question is an appealing argument for intercommunion. It would carry the day if the Eucharist were intended only to foster Christian unity. The theology of the Catholic Church, though, has always seen the Eucharist as being not only a source of unity, but also a sign of unity that already exists. So, ordinarily, non-Catholic Christians are not invited to receive holy Communion when attending a Catholic Mass.

The question of intercommunion is a delicate one because the policy of the church is sometimes seen as a claim of religious or moral superiority for Catholics over other Christians. It is by no means meant as such, and each of us knows many non-Catholics who are far more Christlike than some nominal Catholics.

But today’s intercommunion simply says that all those receiving the Eucharist are already of one mind and one heart in their alle-

giance to the doctrines and practices of the Catholic faith -- while the reality is that there is still a lot of hard work to do before Christ’s Last Supper plea for unity is realized.

There are, though, some exceptional circumstances under which other Christians may be permitted to receive holy Communion at a Catholic Mass.

For example, Canon 844.4 of the *Code of Canon Law* says it can happen with the permission of the diocesan bishop, when a non-Catholic Christian, in a case of grave necessity and no opportunity to approach a minister of his or her own community, asks to receive, is properly disposed, and manifests the same belief about the Eucharist as Catholics do.

Non-Catholics can also receive holy Communion with the approval of church authority, such as when members of Orthodox churches present themselves for Communion and are properly disposed.

“These churches, although separated from us,” says the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, No. 1399, “yet possess true sacraments, above all -- by apostolic succession -- the priesthood and the Eucharist, whereby they are still joined to us in closest intimacy.”

Guidelines published by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops extend this same permission to members of the Polish National Catholic Church.

Q. What should the elderly do, when they are beginning to lose their hearing, about the sacrament of [reconciliation]? I can’t always hear the priest from behind the screen, and sometimes I’m not sure what my penance is. Should I simply go face to face? (Sabin, Minn.)

A There are some parishes -- a minority, to be sure -- that have an assistive device for the hearing-impaired in the confessional. Another option, as you mention, is to walk around the screen and sit face to face with the confessor.

If you can read lips or if you and the priest are trained in sign language, you will understand each other well. But that, of course, removes the option of anonymity, a choice that must be respected.

There are other possibilities. A hearing-challenged penitent is allowed, for example, to write sins or questions on paper, pass the paper around the screen to the priest, and the priest can hand back a note with his advice and a penance. (All of the written material, of course, should be returned to the penitent or properly disposed of.)

Canon 990 of the church’s *Code of Canon Law* would even allow for a sign-language interpreter. The interpreter could stay behind the screen and sign to the penitent the words of the priest. The code specifies that the interpreter is strictly bound to secrecy by the inviolable seal of confession.

Questions may be sent to Father Kenneth Doyle, the new “Question Corner” writer, at askfatherdoyle@gmail.com and 40 Hopewell St., Albany, NY 12208

DOMINIC CAVELLO RETIRES FROM ST. CHARLES

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

As he prepares to retire after 27 years as principal of Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, Dominic Cavello says his belief in the traditional model of education that always has been a hallmark of the institution is stronger than ever.

“I’m a great believer in the classical type of education we offer,” he said. “We’re trying to create a Renaissance man. I think the traditional education we offer is a great vehicle for teaching young people how to learn in this globalized society.

“We teach our students how to learn. That’s going to be important as they become involved with jobs that don’t even exist today, but will become important in 20 or 30 years. The more you know in each area of study, whether it’s math, language, social studies, science, or matters of faith, the better the foundation you will have to create the possibility of success in your life.

“At this level, it’s better to be exposed to as much as you can than to limit yourself to the type of education that concentrates in one field. The liberal arts education St. Charles offers is essential for creating a thinking person. Once you’ve had a thorough introduction here to all areas of study, then you can branch off to the specific areas in college that interest you. It’s been an honor to work with thousands of young men and help them discover their potential.”

Cavello, 65, has been a part of St. Charles as student, teacher, or principal for 44 years – nearly half of the institution’s 89-year history. He is a 1964 graduate of the school and has been on its faculty since 1972, when he was hired to teach Latin, Greek, and religion. His hiring as principal continued a tradition that the school’s princi-

pal is also a teacher of Latin, a subject every student at the all-boys school is required to take for at least two years.

“Besides being the official language of the Catholic Church, Latin is still a very important language to study. Even though it’s not a spoken language today, it teaches us how language is constructed and how it operates,” he said. “It’s also the mother tongue for so many other languages and forms the roots for much of our English language.”

Cavello became the school’s first lay principal when he took that position in 1985. “It wasn’t a terribly difficult adjustment, since I had been here for 13 years already. There had been a decline in the number of priests on the faculty for quite some time,” he said. “At that point, the only two priests we had left on the faculty were Msgr. (Thomas) Bennett and Msgr. (F.Thomas) Gallen.”

“St. Charles has been important to me on so many levels, particularly the spiritual,” Cavello said. “Being so involved with the school has enabled me to stay closely connected to the faith. We’ve been able to maintain a culture here where we look at life through the lens of faith, and that’s important for our students to learn. It’s what Catholic education is all about in its spiritual mission.

“Academically, as our test results and college acceptance levels have shown, we’ve been able to consistently do a great job in getting our students to function and compete in post-secondary education at a certain comfort level. It’s a real challenge to do that every day, and I’ve been blessed by having great support from our parents, faculty, and students willing to accept the challenge.”

He said that although the technology used in education has changed signifi-



cantly over the last few years, “the focus here has stayed the same in the way we’re trying to create an environment where students understand the importance of accurate learning, develop a discipline of hard work, have a genuine relationship with God and a responsibility to their fellow man.”

Cavello said the biggest change in his years at the school has been its growth. “We now have about 640 students – more than double the size we were when I graduated,” he said. “The facilities have changed dramatically, too, most obviously with the completion of the Robert D. Walter Student Commons and our student services and fine arts center in 2007.”

He credits that growth to the school’s emphasis on academic excellence and achievement. “It’s the ethic that it’s OK to work hard,” he said. “We all need to learn it. What makes us successful is that we keep emphasizing that concept. Because we do have this strong tradition, it’s much easier to recruit students now than it was 35 years ago.

“We’ve reached a point where we’ve pretty much maxed out with the number of students we have and there’s no room to add many more. We’re happy with that number and aren’t looking for

more growth at this time. You reach a point where bigger isn’t always better.”

Cavello said one of the things that’s important about a St. Charles education is the sense of connection encouraged among current and former students. “We do a good job of connecting each class with the rest of the student body, so that the older and younger students feel a bond with each other,” he said.

“We also really work at staying in touch with our alumni through the work of our development office and publication of *The Cardinal*,” a quarterly alumni magazine with between 60 and 80 full-size pages. “To maintain our success, we need the help of our alumni, who have always been generous with their time, talent, and treasure.

“Students today are more needful than in the past,” Cavello said. “That’s a result of the society we live in. People in general want a quick fix, a ‘McDonald’s’ education. We have been trying to fight against this attitude and to get people to rethink how they approach school and life. We have shown it can be done.”

Cavello said St. Charles should be in good shape for years to come after his retirement. “The school is well-positioned for the future,” he said. “Education is in flux, with the state putting new common core standards into effect, but we’re ready to move into this new system of standards and evaluation. I feel very good about the future of the school as long as the right people are in teaching and administration.

“Although I’m retiring as principal, I plan to continue teaching part-time for a while. I do expect to do a lot more traveling – something that I had started to do with my wife before she died five years ago and that I have continued. But I don’t want to stop working altogether. I’ve never been afraid of work.”

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Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of heaven, blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in necessity. Oh, star of the sea, help me and show me herein, you are my Mother. Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to secure me in this necessity. There are none who can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my Mother. Oh, Mary conceived without sin, pray for us, who have recourse to thee (repeat three times). Oh, Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hand (repeat three times). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads that I can obtain my goals. You gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me, and in all instances in my life, you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. (this prayer should be said for three consecutive days) - MCD



ON A FIRM FOUNDATION

On a Mission of Love

By Loren Brown



Speaking to visiting U.S. bishops earlier this month, Pope Benedict XVI said “educating young Catholics in the faith is the most urgent internal challenge facing the Catholic Church in America.” He said that if our young people cannot articulate their Catholic faith, how will they be able to defend it against attacks by those who want to see them stop believing? Likewise, when I attended the Pontifical College Josephinum’s sixth annual rector’s dinner, the guest speaker, Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò, the apostolic nuncio to the United States, said “I have a message from the Pope to the youth of the United States. It is the youth of the United States that will bring evangelization to the Catholic Church.”

It is fitting that we reflect on the above messages from our Holy Father during May, the month dedicated to Mary, whose love for God was magnified in her life. In May we celebrate first Communions, Confirmations, and graduations, we honor our earthly mothers, and we honor the Mother of Our Lord. We witness the spirit and hope of the youth as they begin their journey into new chapters of life.

Evangelization can only come from the gifts of a single word that was recently expressed at my daughter’s high school graduation Mass. The word is “love.” In his homily, the celebrant spoke of love as “a gift from God, that as Catholics, we must continue to give to others in order for lives to be complete with Jesus Christ.” Like many high school graduates, our daughter’s class of 2012 demonstrated this foundation of love to others in its four years of Catholic high school through community service, tutoring, mentoring, and involvement in the school’s Catholic ministries. But as the celebrant explained to the class, “Loving, and continuing to give love to others, will be your connection to your Catholic faith and to Christ,” and it is through this giving that you will encounter challenges.

As Catholic parents, it is our responsibility to teach the Catholic faith to our children with love. We do this in our homes, in our example of how we live our lives, in our parishes and schools, and in our work. Giving the gift of love to our children, so they will know how to love others, is vital to our young people as they evangelize our Church.

At The Catholic Foundation, we strive to serve this mission of love. We understand the needs of providing for our youth, and it is through our calling that we are able to offer grants to schools and parishes and we have scholarship opportunities, tuition assistance funds, and grants to help lay apostolate organizations.

The Catholic Foundation is hosting a free series of events titled “Conversations on Charity.” Our next talk focuses on vocations and is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5, from 6 to 8 p.m., with Mass being offered across the street at Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral at 5:15.

We invite you to join us in this evangelization mission of love, to educate our young church, our youth, as we engage in helping, serving, and supporting the needs of our church community and as we lift up our youth, as the pope declared. Contact us to learn how you can support an organization and help sustain a mission, attend our June 5 event, or, if you just want to learn more, visit us at www.catholic-foundation.org or call (614) 443-8893. Together, we bring love to others.

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

BREAD BLESSING AND PILGRIMAGE MEETING

Father Antonio Carvalho, administrator of Columbus Holy Name Church, will bless bread for anyone wishing to bring homemade bread to the 5:30 p.m. Mass on the Feast of St. Anthony, Wednesday, June 13, at the church, 154 E. Patterson Ave.

Father Carvalho also will provide small loaves for distribution to the congregation following the blessing, as was the custom of St. Anthony, who provided bread to the poor.

After the blessing, there will be a meeting in the parish rectory for anyone interested in learning more about the Holy Land, especially in connection with a pilgrimage. Father Carvalho will be leading to that area from Feb. 17-26, 2013. St. Anthony, a Franciscan, is one of the patrons of the Holy Land, where the Franciscans have served for centuries as caretakers of all the holy sites.



Do You Trust Me?



The Great Surrender
Megan Thompson

Now, as many of you know, I am more than slightly type “A.” I am routinized. I have quirky things that I do in different situations. And flying is no exception. Generally when flying, because I have so wonderfully inherited motion sickness from my mother, my flight experience includes me with mouth wide open in a Dramamine-induced coma. But I always wake up to the sound of the pilot announcing that it is time for the flight attendants to prepare for arrival. And it is then, when the plane is about five minutes away from landing, that I go into full-on backseat-pilot mode. I assess the distance from the airport and try to judge whether the pilot has accurately determined how quickly we need to be descending. I listen to every little sound of the plane and conjure up in my mind images of me falling to my doom. I have ZERO training in being a pilot. I’ve never studied aeronautical engineering. I am not the person to be making a judgment in this field.

This need for control is so prevalent in most areas of my life. I struggle to delegate tasks at work for fear that they won’t be completed in the way that I would do it. But when it comes to my relationship with Jesus, this gripping of control takes a whole new level.

If I had my way most of the time, I would sit God down and tell him all the ways he is messing up in

my life. “God, this struggle is lasting too long. This relationship is way too complicated. These mysteries of faith are way too mysterious. This prayer isn’t being answered quickly enough. Your presence isn’t palpable and that’s not okay. God. C’mon. What are you doing?” And though this sounds so silly and juvenile, all my more intricately put together prayers could essentially be boiled down into this childishness.

This need for control comes from a heart that forgets the beautiful truth of Proverbs 3:5-6: “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.” This prideful desire for authority comes from a soul that hasn’t let the words of St. Jane Frances de Chantal sink in: “How happy the soul that freely lets herself be molded to the liking of this divine Savior.” But as I experience the anxiety of holding on to control and as I see the brokenness

that exists because of my rejection of God’s plan in the past, I see why he asks me to abandon. I see why he says time and time again “Be not afraid” as he asks his disciples AND ME to trust. And I stand with St. Teresa of Avila and confess, “O Lord! All our trouble comes to us from not having our eyes fixed on you,” from not letting ourselves trust in you.

I have flown to Houston, Seattle, Vancouver, Los Angeles, London, and countless other cities. Not once has a pilot asked me for advice on how to fly and land the plane. And I sit here today as someone who has never died in a plane crash. Though sometimes I may have wished for better handling of turbulence, for a smoother landing or a quicker takeoff, my life has been preserved by pilots who know what they are doing, who know better, who can see things I can’t.

God has never asked me for advice. He has never asked me for suggestions on the best way to accomplish his will. He has never even asked for my affirmation of the perfection of his plans. But he has asked for me and for you to trust. To trust the One who knows what he is doing, who knows better, who can see things we can’t.

Megan Thompson is youth minister at Gahanna St. Matthew Church. She posts her thoughts online at <http://surrendertothislove.blogspot.com>

“I’ll Pray for You”

By Pattie Niese

“I’ll pray for you!” These simple words are uttered many times each day. How often do we offer these words of comfort when we hear about someone struggling with a problem, either physical or emotional? How often do we take comfort in hearing these words when someone tells us they will pray for us? Many times, we don’t know what the outcome is unless we are praying for someone we are especially close to or with whom we come in regular contact. Who knows what impact our prayers have on those friends and acquaintances we pray for?

Recently, I was the recipient of many prayers from friends, family, and acquaintances. The impact was profound and incredible. We found out last spring that my oldest son would need to have

a spinal fusion to correct his scoliosis. It’s a long surgery involving straightening the spine, fusing the vertebrae together, and placing rods down the sides of the spine. As a mom, I was completely stressed out and did not hesitate to share that stress with anyone who would listen. I often heard the words “I’ll pray for you.” It provided comfort and peace each and every time I heard it. In my mind, I figured I would share with everyone and get as many people praying as possible.

We were also very fortunate to have close friends who had been through this surgery the year before and could share what we were about to experience. As we had shared that we would pray for them the year before, they not only prayed for us, but gave us insight into the experience. Thanks to them shar-

ing their experience, we were better prepared on the day of surgery. They had wonderful advice. They even comforted us by reminding us how many people would be praying for the doctor and surgery team. What a wonderful position to be in, having many people praying for your successful job!

When the day of surgery arrived, not only were we praying, but grandparents, cousins, friends, schools (St. Michael’s, Bishop Watterson, and the school where I teach), priests, deacons, and the list goes on and on. The surgery started early because everyone was ready. The plan was for it to take about five hours. At about four hours, we got the call that everything went smooth and they were starting to close up. It took another hour to finish and get him situated in the recovery room.

The first night went well and the nurse commented on how smooth things went. My son was able to head home after four nights in the hospital. What they felt would be the minimum stay. He continues to make progress, and I feel the biggest challenge will be keeping him from overdoing it. I can’t begin to thank all the people who prayed for us. The comfort and peace that can only be filled through God’s grace was in abundance on the day of surgery and throughout our son’s recovery.

The next time someone shares with you a difficult event, emotional struggle or physical problems, remember those four little words: “I’ll pray for you.” You never know just how big a difference you will make.

Pattie Niese is a parishioner at Powell St. Joan of Arc Church.



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SAMANTHA DANIELS
School: Columbus Bishop Ready Parish: Columbus St. Mary Magdalene
Parish Religious Education Program; Vacation Bible School; Parish Youth Group; St. Patrick’s Youth Group Mission Trips; Run the Race Club Volunteer; Darby Glenn Nursing Home Volunteer; Eucharistic Minister; Parish Festival; Parish Thanksgiving Dinner; Christmastime Tree, Toy, and Meal Delivery; Furniture Delivery to Needy Families.



KYRA HESS
School: Columbus St. Francis DeSales Parish: Westerville St. Paul
Meals on Wheels; Diocesan Youth Council; Gospel Road; Parish Christmas Caroling; Parish Youth Ministry Core Team; Junior Urban Plunge; Girls Tennis Team; National Honor Society; Straub Dance Center Performing Arts Company; Parish Youth Ministry; Peer Ministry; Service Teams; Eucharistic Minister; Mass Power Point Conductor; Parish Teen Choir; Math Club; French Club; French National Honor Society.



ELIZABETH HESSLER
School: Columbus Bishop Hartley Parish: Gahanna St. Matthew
Youth Empowerment Program; Shepherd’s Corner Ecology Center; Summer Lunches for Low-Income Families; Elementary School Math and Reading Tutor; National Honor Society; School Newspaper; Nationwide Children’s Hospital Volunteer.



ROBERT LA TOUR
School: Columbus St. Charles Preparatory Parish: Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare
Principal’s Service Award; National Merit Scholarship Finalist; National Honor Society; National Catholic Youth Conference; Diocesan Youth Council; Parish Core Team; Parish Steering Committee; Run the Race Club Member; Elementary and High School Tutor; Gospel Road; Servant for a Day; In the Know Team; Engineering Team; Karate Instructor; School Newspaper; Student Commons Manager; Audio-Visual Technician.



BRYAN RICKETTS
School: Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans Parish: Cambridge Christ Our Light
Student Council President; Campus Ministry; OVAC All-Academic Team; National Honor Society; National Merit Scholarship Finalist; Quiz Team; Mock Trial Outstanding Attorney; Community Club; Soccer and Track Teams; Musk- ingum Christian Athlete Leadership Award; Play Like a Champion Award; University of Dayton Honors Engineering Program; Hugh O’Brian Leadership Conference; Notre Dame Global Issues Seminar; Boy Scouts; Class Retreat Core Teams; Altar Server; Athletic Boosters Auction; School Christmas Bazaar; Christmas on the Hill; Central Presbyterian Meals Program.



ANA SABO
School: Newark Catholic Parish: Granville St. Edward
Licking County Humane Society; Stars Cat Rescue; St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store; St. Vincent de Paul Giving Tree; St. Vincent Haven; Summer Gym Assistant; St. Joseph the Worker Day Program; New Beginnings Family Shelter; National Honor Society; Drama Club.



MADELINE SIMMONDS
School: Columbus Bishop Watterson Parish: Columbus St. Christopher
Diocesan Youth Council; Fill the Truck Program; Parish Youth Ministry; Vacation Bible School; Gospel Road; Worship Band; Confirmation Retreat Leader; National Catholic Youth Conference; The Rock Youth Choir; Middle School Youth Rally; Holy Family Soup Kitchen; Special Olympics; Spirit of Sophomore Service Award; Softball Clinics; Nationwide Children’s Hospital Blanket Making.



MORGAN STILGENBAUER
School: New Philadelphia Tuscawawas Central Catholic Parish: Dover St. Joseph
National Honor Society; Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership Conference; Eucharistic Minister; Lector; Sacristan; Altar Server; PSR Aide; Vacation Bible School; Babysitter for Hispanic Mothers Bible Study Group; Cheerleader; Cross Country Team.



HANNAH STOREY
School: Portsmouth Notre Dame Parish: Portsmouth St. Mary
Volunteer for Southern Ohio Medical Center, Hillview Retirement Center, Notre Dame Elementary School, Star Workshops, and Vern Riffe School; Reach Workcamps; Portsmouth Area Arts Council Children’s Theater; Portsmouth Little Theater; Key Club; National Honor Society; Dorothy Knost Summer Workshop Musical Review; Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership Conference; Mock Trial Team; Model United Nations; Quiz Bowl; Volleyball, Tennis, and Swim Teams.



HOLLY WALTON
School: Lancaster Fisher Catholic Parish: Lancaster St. Mary
Pro-Life Club; Rosary Club; Environmental Club; Muscular Dystrophy Association Camp Adviser and Activity Director; National Honor Society.

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SARAH CLORE*/New Philadelphia Tuscarawas Central Catholic*

Parish: New Philadelphia Sacred Heart
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Attending Franciscan University of Steubenville.



WESTON CRAIG*/Portsmouth Notre Dame*

Parish: Portsmouth Holy Redeemer
Key Club; Quiz Bowl; Student Council; Model United Nations; National Honor Society; Parish Youth Group; SEARCH Retreat Leader; Altar Server; Golf, Swim, Tennis, and Track Teams; Buckeye Boys State; Southern Ohio Medical Center Volunteer; Spanish Club; Guitar Teacher.

Attending Miami University



MADISON GUTER*/Columbus Bishop Watterson*

Parish: Hilliard St. Brendan
Sister Ursula Math Award; Agnes Scott Book Award; Rensselaer Medalist; Ohio State University Eminence Scholarship; National Honor Society; St. Vincent de Paul Society; Field Hockey Team; Junior and Senior Leadership Teams; Prayer Club; Youth Group Leadership Team; Catholic Youth Summer Camp Counselor; Cranks Creek, Ky., Service Trip.

Attending The Ohio State University.



MATTHEW HADAD*/Columbus St. Charles Preparatory*

Parish: Columbus St. Andrew
Glenna Joyce Scholarship; Prater Engineering Associates AutoCAD Design Assistant; Ohio State University Medical Center Volunteer; St. Charles Nanospinner Lab Researcher; Mechanisms of Human Health and Disease Top 5 Student; National Honor Society; JETS Engineering Team; Columbus Youth Organization Basketball; Student Council; In the Know.

Attending the University of Notre Dame.



BARRY MILLER*/Lancaster Fisher Catholic*

Parish: Lancaster St. Mary
Ohio State University Provost Scholarship; OSU Honors Program; Ohio Summer Honors Institute Robotics Competition Winner; Knights of Columbus Essay Contest Winner; JETS Engineering Team; National Latin Examination Magna Cum Laude; Medusa Mythology Exam Medalist; President's Award for Educational Excellence; Academic Quiz Team; National Honor Society; Student Council; Altar Server; Fairfield County Humane Society; United Way Community Care Day; Basketball, Football, and Baseball Teams; Biddy Basketball Leagues; Baseball and Softball Umpire.

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GABRIELLE NIVAR*/Marion Catholic*

Parish: Marion St. Mary
National Honor Society Co-President; Junior Class Vice President; Freshman Class President; Key Club; Lector; Altar Server; Swimming, Volleyball, Softball, and Track Teams; Cheerleader; Yearbook; Pep Band; Concert Band; Prom Promise; Prom Committee; Homecoming Committee; Teen Board; Ohio State University Honda Math Medal; Marion Star Teen of the Month.

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NATHANAEL OHL*/Newark Catholic*

Parish: Granville St. Edward
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Math and Science Award; Latin Club; National Honor Society; 4-H Club Swine and Cattle Projects; 4-H Health and Safety Officer; USA Ohio Greco-Roman Wrestling Team Member; Wrestling and Golf Teams; Altar Server; Rotary Camp Enterprise; Rotary High School Representative; St. Joseph the Worker Day Program.

Attending the United States Military Academy.



BRYAN RICKETTS*/Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans*

Parish: Cambridge Christ Our Light
Student Council President; Campus Ministry; OVAC All-Academic Team; National Honor Society; National Merit Scholarship Finalist; Quiz Team; Mock Trial Outstanding Attorney; Community Club; Soccer and Track Teams; Muskingum Christian Athlete Leadership Award; Play Like a Champion Award; University of Dayton Honors Engineering Program; Hugh O'Brian Leadership Conference; Notre Dame Global Issues Seminar; Boy Scouts; Class Retreat Core Teams; Altar Server; Athletic Boosters Auction; School Christmas Bazaar; Christmas on the Hill; Central Presbyterian Meals Program.

Attending the University of Notre Dame.



MARISA ROSS*/Columbus Bishop Ready*

Parish: Columbus St. Christopher
Coca-Cola Johnston Legacy Scholarship; Columbus Italian Club Scholarship; Msgr. Grimes Scholarship; Student Government Executive Board Vice President; Freshman Class Vice President; National Honor Society; School Ambassador; National Beta Club; Soccer Team; PSR Teacher; Ohio State School for the Blind Marching Band Assistant; Gospel Road Mission; Freshman Retreat Leadership Team; Youth Ministry; Vacation Bible School; Confirmation Retreat Leader; Eucharistic Minister; Lector; Youth Choir; Altar Server.

Attending Duquesne University.



ELIZABETH SAUNDERS*/Columbus St. Francis DeSales*

Parish: Not listed
National Honor Society; In the Know; Marching Band; Concert Band; A Cappella Choir; Church Choir; Praise Band; School Jazz Band; Columbus Music Academy Jazz Band; Drama Club; Nationwide Children's Hospital Stage Kids; Christ in Youth Know Sweat Mission Trip; Peer Ministry; Ohio State Swim Club; Swim Team.

Attending The Ohio State University or the University of Notre Dame.



LAURA SCHLAGHECK*/Columbus Bishop Hartley*

Parish: Gahanna St. Matthew
National Merit Scholar; Parish Youth Leader; Student Council; Cross Country, Soccer, Basketball Teams; Eucharistic Minister; National Honor Society; Ultimate Frisbee; School Musical; Camp KRIC.

Attending The Ohio State University.

Gertrude Kuehefuhs Music Scholarship

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

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

Kuehefuhs was a longtime member of the Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral choir and a music teacher at The Ohio State University.

The winners are:

High School Instrumental Music



Grant Eppley

Grant Eppley, a senior at Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans High School. He is a guitarist, bass player, and singer who has been involved in bands since the fifth grade. His group, Obligated, has won "battle of the bands" competitions in the Zanesville, Thornville, and Columbus areas and has been an opening act at the Newport Music Hall in Columbus. It also has put together a music festival in Zanesville's Central Park for the past three years to benefit the Community Youth Foundation. He has been chosen best guitarist for two straight years at the Sheridan High School Battle of the Bands and received an award from the Zanesville Daybreak Rotary Club for his potential as a musician. He plans to attend Ohio University-Zanesville for one year and transfer to OU's main campus in Athens. He has not decided on a major, but

says that no matter what he chooses for a career, he plans to remain involved in music as a hobby.

High School Choral Music



Abbie Ailes

Abbie Ailes, a senior at Lancaster Fisher Catholic High School. She is a soprano who has been involved in her school's choir and in musicals and as a musician at Mass. She also plays the violin and plans to begin Suzuki violin teacher training classes this summer. She has received multiple honors at Ohio Federation of Music Clubs festivals, Ohio Music Education Association events, and fiddle contests, is a member of the Lancaster Junior Music Club, and performs with her mother, who is a pianist, at community activities and private functions. She will major in music education at Ohio Christian University in Circleville and hopes to be an elementary school music teacher and to conduct private violin and voice lessons.

Elementary Instrumental Music



Justin Doney

Justin Doney, an eighth-grader at Westerville St. Paul School. He plays the alto and tenor saxophones and has received three OMEA superior ratings. He also is a member of his school's jazz band and of the youth choir at St. Paul Church

and has played with the Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School marching band for football games. He plans to attend Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School.

Elementary Vocal Music



Kacey O'Harra

Kacey O'Harra, an eighth-grader at Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help School. She is a soprano who also plays several instruments and has received several quarterly music honors awards at her school. She sings with the school choir, is a cantor at school and weekend Masses, and had lead roles in the school's musical and end-of-the-year drama. She plans to attend Columbus Bishop Ready High School.

HARTLEY REUNION

The Columbus Bishop Hartley High School class of 1962 will gather on Saturday, June 30, at the TAT Ristorante di Famiglia, 1210 S James Road, Columbus, for a 50th anniversary reunion dinner. For reservations and more information, call Judy Mandabach Thomas at (740) 928-3225 or Donna Hinderleider Folfas at (937) 293-0166.

DIOCESE HONORS TEACHERS FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

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

Honored teachers and their schools were:

35 Years ~ Dominic Cavello, principal, Columbus St. Charles Preparatory.

30 Years ~ Cynthia Butchko, Columbus Immaculate Conception; Barbara Camboni, Columbus St. Matthias; Judith Manley, Columbus Bishop Hartley; Susan Maxwell, Zanesville Bishop Rosecrans; Donald Schaefer, Newark Catholic; Lynn Stevenson, Lancaster Fisher Catholic; Christine Wilhelm, Westerville St. Paul; Paul Yanok, Columbus Bishop Hartley.

25 Years ~William Weisner, assistant principal, Columbus Bishop Watterson.

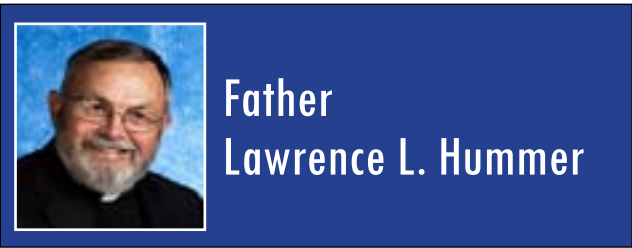
20 Years ~ Suzanne Capozella, Dover Tuscarawaws Central Catholic Elementary; Denise Davis-Henry, Columbus Bishop Watterson (22 years); Leslie Dent, Columbus St. Mary Magdalene; James Dury, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Deborah Kemper, Chillicothe Bishop Flaget; Kathleen Mangano, Reynoldsburg St. Pius X; Helen Ortlieb, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Cheryl Presutti, Columbus Bishop Watterson; Waid Radford, Columbus St. Anthony; Lori Schnegg, Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare; Celene Seamen, principal, Columbus Bishop Ready; Jim Silcott, principal, Columbus Trinity; Willa Tanner, Portsmouth Notre Dame Elementary; Kathleen VanEvra, Lancaster St. Mary; Patricia Wessels, Reynoldsburg St. Pius X (19.5 years).

10 Years ~ Faith Armstrong, Columbus Bishop Ready; Lisa Booker, Gahanna St. Matthew; Jeanette Champlin, Columbus All Saints; Richard Ey, Columbus St. Charles Preparatory; Bill Franks, Newark Catholic; Rocco Fumi, principal, Columbus St. Mary Magdalene; Richard Gardner, Gahanna St. Matthew; Mary Hannan, Somerset Holy Trinity; Deborah Harshman, Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Karen Harwell, Hilliard St. Brendan; Benjamin Hilsheimer, Columbus Bishop Ready; Kathleen Hinkelman, Columbus St. Andrew; Leslie Kraus, Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help; Nora Lewis, Hilliard St. Brendan; Julia Lombardi, Columbus St. Mary; Heather Malley, Lancaster St. Berna-

dette; Cynthia Mayo, Columbus Bishop Hartley; Russell McBride IV, Columbus St. Matthias; Rena McClain, Somerset Holy Trinity; Robert Miller, Columbus St. Charles Preparatory; Monica Murnane, Columbus Trinity; Ralph Nicolosi, Columbus Bishop Watterson (10.5 years); Mary Packham, principal, Newark Blessed Sacrament; Marie Raynes, Reynoldsburg St. Pius X; Shannon Roof, Columbus Bishop Ready; Linda Saelzler, principal, Columbus Holy Spirit; Matt Schmelzer, Newark Catholic; Nancy Stegman, Portsmouth Notre Dame Elementary; Patricia Stephas, Columbus St. Francis DeSales; Paula Villalobos, Columbus St. Andrew; Evan Wagner, Columbus Bishop Hartley; Virginia Zink, Columbus St. Andrew.

Pentecost Sunday (Cycle B)

A call to remember why we have been called



Acts 2:1-11
1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13 or
Galatians 5:16-25
John 20:19-23 or John 15:26-27;16:12-15

There is no consistent account of how the Spirit came to the church after the resurrection. Luke’s carefully crafted tale culminates a period of 40 days of appearances of the risen Jesus, followed by 10 more days of waiting before the Spirit came upon them suddenly at Pentecost. Acts is the only place where a Pentecost event is mentioned.

Luke says there was a noise “like a strong driving wind.” It is hard to tell what Luke meant by the “tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.” The point is that all received a portion of the Spirit, and it was tongue-shaped since they would begin to speak in various tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Now the Spirit will enable people to hear the wonders of God, each in a native language. The surprise of those who were stunned arose because “we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God.” What a wondrous thing! “We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites ... Cretans and Arabs. ...”

This reverses the Lord’s own act of confusing the language of the people who at the time spoke one language in Genesis 11:1-9, which is read at the Vigil Mass. We read that “the whole world spoke the same language, using the same words.” What seemed to be such a wonderful thing, the Lord determined to be otherwise. The Lord said, “If now, while they are one people, all speaking the same language, they have started to do this, nothing will later stop them from doing whatever they presume to do. Let us then go

down and confuse their language, so that one will not understand what another says.”

The only conclusion we can draw from the Babel tale is that the Lord wanted a rich diversity in languages to keep people from thinking they could make a name for themselves, lest they do “whatever they presume to do.” That offers plenty to think about.

In the usual Gospel proclaimed on Pentecost, we have a section of the same Gospel used on Divine Mercy Sunday, the Second Sunday of Easter. We note that in John’s Gospel, everything occurs on the “evening of that first day of the week,” meaning still on Easter Sunday evening. Not only did the risen Jesus greet the disciples in peace, but he also “breathed on them.” It is a symbolic recreation akin to the original creation, when God breathed into the man the breath of life and he became a living being (Genesis 2:7). Here the disciples, with the risen Christ as the head, become the church.

The church’s function is to forgive sins in cooperation with the Holy Spirit. Given how many other things the church gets bogged down with in the course of her pilgrimage, Pentecost remains a call to remember why we have been called in the first place. We are supposed to be the abiding presence in the world of an institution dedicated to reconciling sinners with the living God and the risen Christ through the work of the Holy Spirit. All else is grass, to borrow an idea from Isaiah 40:6.

In season and out of season, we preach forgiveness and the healing that goes with it. When we enter into dialogue with the world around us, we do well to remember the words of Vatican II in the *Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World*: “Nothing that is genuinely human fails to find an echo in (our) hearts.” We are “united in Christ and guided by the holy Spirit” as we press onwards “toward the kingdom of the father and (followers of Christ) are bearers of a message of salvation intended for all ...” (*Gaudium et Spes*, paragraph 1).

Father Lawrence Hummer, pastor at Chillicothe St. Mary, can be reached at hummerl@stmarychillicothe.com.

ST. CHARLES ANNUAL PLATINUM REUNION

Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, 2010 E. Broad St., will conduct its annual platinum reunion on Thursday, June 21, to honor the school’s earliest graduates and remember deceased alumni and teachers. The event is open to all graduates, former students, and faculty members



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The Weekday Bible Readings

- MONDAY
1 Peter 1:3-9
Psalm 111:1-2,5-6,9,10c
Mark 10:17-27
- TUESDAY
1 Peter 1:10-16
Psalm 98:1-4
Mark 10:28-31
- WEDNESDAY
1 Peter 1:18-25
Psalm 147:12-15,19-20
Mark 10:32-45
- THURSDAY
Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16
Isaiah 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6 (Ps)
Luke 1:39-56
- FRIDAY
1 Peter 4:7-13
Psalm 96:10-13
Mark 11:11-26
- SATURDAY
Jude 17,20b-25
Psalm 63:2-6
Mark 11:27-33

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE
WEEK OF MAY 27, 2012

SUNDAY MASS
10:30 a.m. Mass from Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral on St. Gabriel Radio (820 AM), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.
Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7 a.m. on WHIZ-TV, Channel 18, Zanesville, and 7:30 a.m. on WWHO-TV (the CW), Channel 53, Columbus. Check local cable systems for WHIZ’s and WWHO’s cable channel listing.
Mass from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Birmingham, Ala., at 8 a.m. on EWTN (Time Warner Channel 385, Insight Channel 382, or WOW Channel 378)
(Encores at noon, 7 p.m., and midnight).
Mass from Kenton Immaculate Conception Church at 10 a.m. on Time Warner Cable Channel 6 (Hardin County).
Mass from Portsmouth St. Mary Church at noon on Time Warner Channel 24 in Scioto County.

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

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

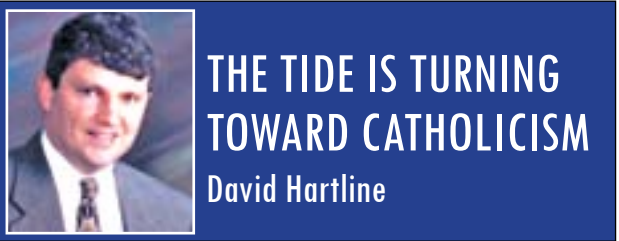
The Rhythm of Moving from the Easter Season to Ordinary Time

After celebrating Pentecost, we transition from the Easter Season to Ordinary Time in the church calendar. The Easter Season is a joyous season that lasts 50 days. Ordinary Time takes us through the summer and fall.

The phrase “Ordinary Time” comes from the Latin *Tempus Per Annum*, which loosely translated means “time throughout the year.” However, in reality, no time in the church calendar is ordinary. Just go to the internet and type in “May feast days,” or replace May with any other month, and you will find an array of saints for each day. These men and women were certainly not ordinary, though many of them came from ordinary backgrounds. Sometimes we want the saints to be superhuman to let us off the hook. However, most of them were very much like us. They just persevered in the Faith more.

Since the Ascension, the daily Mass readings have shifted, Jesus has ascended into heaven, and the personal component to Jesus meeting with the disciples following the resurrection has changed. We now revert back to life before passion, death, resurrection, and ascension.

In addition to reviewing Jesus’ life before His entry into Jerusalem, we should also take the time to review the lives of the saints. They came to Christ from a variety of backgrounds, many of them with limited education, yet they found ways to study the life of Christ and the church. To them, the church was their life.



THE TIDE IS TURNING
TOWARD CATHOLICISM
David Hartline

To the faithful of centuries ago, it was inconceivable that one’s life would not be dominated by Christ and His church, not because they were bored and had nothing better to do, but because many of them had sinned and saw the emptiness in living a life on the wild side. Sin is attracting and addictive. It leads people to think they are missing out on life by not sinning, but, in the end, it leaves them empty.

I can’t help but think of those young people I have met during my visits to Family Theater in Hollywood. Many of them are up-and-coming actors and actresses and have worked with some star power. However confident those stars may seem, it is often these young people I have met who get the 4 a.m. phone calls or texts from some of the same stars, who are in some sort of drunken or chemically induced stupor, wondering where it all went wrong.

You often don’t see this side of Hollywood in the glamour or entertainment shows. However, it exists, and the lies that the evil one has told since the time of the apple in the Garden of Eden are just that -- lies.

Sin in the high-profile world can be very ugly, damaging and lonely -- a far cry from the excitement we see on the silver screen.

Most of us will never be tempted on that sort of level, but we can live that sort of damaging life on a smaller scale. How do we avoid those temptations and live according to God’s plan? We simply have to read God’s word, in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition.

Through the Holy Spirit, God will allow us to hear His voice, but, sadly, His voice is often drown out by endless amounts of texts, Facebook. and TV shows which don’t really enrich our lives. There is a great deal of good that can be found on the internet, television, and movie screen. However, all too often we spend our time in mindless pursuits.

As we transition to summer, we, too, should realize that God makes us all extraordinary, but do we take the time to notice and thank God for His gifts? Perhaps this summer, as our lives hopefully slow down a notch, we should take the time to ponder God’s gifts and act accordingly. The church’s calendar year, much like the sacraments, fit into the rhythm of life. Let’s take the time to find out how we are currently fitting into that rhythm and see how we might adjust to follow to God’s rhythm and will.

Hartline is the author of *The Tide is Turning Toward Catholicism* and a former teacher and administrator for the diocese.



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BRIMMER, Pauline F., May 15 St. Andrew Church, Columbus	HENRY, Michael J., 66, May 13 St. Agnes Church, Columbus
CAMPFIELD, Jo Ann, 79, May 11 St. Nicholas Church, Columbus	McPEEK, Marilyn L., 64, May 14 St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg
CAPUTO, Carmella, 88, May 17 Immaculate Conception Church, Dennison	MULDOWNEY, John F., 89, May 13 St. Matthias Church, Columbus
COLLOPY, Ronald R., 62, May 15 St. Nicholas Church, Zanesville	NIGHTINGALE, Phyllis S., May 17 St. John the Baptist Church, Columbus
COREY, Marie A., 85, May 17 St. Peter Church, Columbus	PENROD, Lillian P., 84, May 15 Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia
COUGHLIN, Joseph P., 46, May 11 St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell	SAURO, Joseph P., 84, May 4 St. Anthony Church, Columbus
DEL COL, Lena F., 82, May 13 St. Matthias Church, Columbus	SCOTT, Ernestine, May 17 Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus
DEVINE, Richard B., 83, May 16 Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Marysville	STANLEY, John H., 81, May 18 Sacred Heart Church, Columbus
DIEHL, Richard L., 84, May 16 St. Mary Church, Portsmouth	THURMAN, Beverly A., 65, May 15 St. Anthony Church, Columbus
FRANTZ, Annabel "Bonnie," 89, May 15 Christ the King Church, Columbus	VAN HORNE, Robert B., 87, May 19 St. Timothy Church, Columbus
GUISINGER, Jerry L., 73, May 16 St. Mary Church, Columbus	VARGO, Rosario F. "Russ," 72, May 17 St. Joseph Church, Plain City

NOTRE DAME ASSOCIATES RENEW COMMITMENTS



Associates of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur renewed their commitments on Saturday, May 12, at Columbus St. Agnes Church. Mass was celebrated by Father Homer Blubaugh, pastor of the church. Four new associates made commitments for the first time. They are Cecilia Matyac, Glenda Humphrey, Cecilia Ries, and Patti Rothermich. An associate is committed to live the gospel message in the spirit of St. Julie Billiart, founder of the order. Through prayer, relationships, and ministries, associates commit themselves to express in our time, as St. Julie did in hers, that God is good. Pictured are (from left) Mary Ellen Logan, Columbus facilitator of the associates; Humphrey; Matyac; Rothermich; Reis; Sister Lois Ann Meyer, SNDdeN, associates coordinator, and Father Blubaugh.

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BLESSING OF "ST. ANTHONY BREAD"
Wed., June 13th following the regular 5:30 PM Mass at Holy Name Church, 154 E. Patterson Ave., Columbus. After the blessing there will be a meeting in the rectory, approximately 6:15, for anyone interested in learning more about the Holy Land and especially regarding the **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, led by Father Antonio Carvalho** from Feb. 17-26, 2013. For further information you may contact Judy Lorms at judylorms@gmail.com or by calling 614-670-8626.

26, SATURDAY
Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City
9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and confession. **614-565-8654**
Ordination of New Diocesan Priest at Cathedral
10 a.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Deacon Michael Hinterschied is ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Frederick Campbell. **614-224-5191**
Msgr. Frecker's 40th Anniversary
5 p.m., Pope John XXIII Parish, 5170 Winchester Southern Road, Canal Winchester. Mass celebrating Msgr. A. Anthony Frecker's 40th anniversary as a priest, followed by reception. **614-920-1563**
Charismatic Mass at Cathedral
8 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Mass for the Vigil of Pentecost, celebrated by Fathers Michael Gribble and David Sizemore, preceded by rosary at 6:30 and praise and worship at 7. **614-237-7080**

MAY

24, THURSDAY
Diocesan Association of Religious Educators Luncheon
11 a.m., St. Thomas More Newman Center, 64 W. Lane Ave., Columbus. Diocesan Association of Religious Educators spring luncheon and talk, with Dr. Hossfman Ospino of Boston College speaking on "Passing the Tradition: Evangelization and Culture."

26-27, SATURDAY-SUNDAY
Father Walter's 50th Anniversary
5:30 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. Sunday, St. Joseph Church, 306 Elm St., Sugar Grove. Masses celebrating Father James Walter's 50th anniversary as a priest, followed by potluck buffet Saturday and refreshments Sunday. **740-746-8302**

27, SUNDAY
Mass for Those Who Recently Joined the Church
10:30 a.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus. Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrates annual diocesan Pentecost Mass for neophytes (those who joined the Church, mainly at the Easter Vigil).
Praise Mass at Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
11 a.m., Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Praise Mass with upbeat contemporary music. **614-861-1242**
Father Eilerman's 25th Anniversary
11:15 a.m., St. Mary Church, 132 S. High St., Lancaster. Mass celebrating Father Craig Eilerman's 25th anniversary as a priest, followed by reception. **740-653-0997**
ComeUnity Congress at Veterans Memorial
1 to 9 p.m., Franklin County Veterans Memorial, 300 W. Broad St., Columbus. ComeUnity Congress sponsored by Children of Mary, featuring their new DVD on the truths of the faith, testimonies from Deacon Larry Ones of Los Angeles and Rachel Muha of the Run the Race Foundation, "Stump the Priest" with Father Joshua Wagner, praise and worship, a Divine Mercy presentation, a healing service and more. **740-323-1977**

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H A P P E N I N G S

Cultural Diversity Program at Columbus St. Peter 6:45 to 8:45 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Program with Dr. Hossfman Ospino of Boston College on developing creative evangelizing initiatives in a culturally diverse community, preceded by light supper at 6. Sponsored by diocesan Office of Religious Education and Catechesis. **614-221-4633**
20s Group Meeting at Columbus St. Patrick
7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Weekly meeting of parish's new 20s Group. All young adults invited. Begins with Holy Hour, followed at 8 by program. **614-406-9516**
'Courage' Support Group Meeting
7:30 p.m., A Catholic organization providing support for individuals with same-sex attractions. Mary Louise **614-436-8676**

28, MONDAY
Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry
6:30 p.m., support group meeting, 2744 Dover Road, (Christ the King Church campus), Columbus. **614-718-0277, 614-309-2651, 614-309-0157**
Our Lady of Peace Men's Bible Study
7 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 20 E. Dominion Blvd., Columbus. Bible study of Sunday Scripture readings. **614-459-2766**

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

31, THURSDAY
Prayer Service for Anniversary Priests at Cathedral
11 a.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, Columbus. Midmorning prayer service with Bishop Frederick Campbell, honoring diocesan priests celebrating milestone anniversaries.
20s Group Meeting at Columbus St. Patrick
7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Weekly meeting of parish's new 20s Group. All young adults invited. Begins with Holy Hour, followed at 8 by program. **614-406-9516**

JUNE

1, FRIDAY
St. Cecilia Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
St. Cecilia Church, 434 Norton Road, Columbus. Begins after 8:15 a.m. Mass; continues to 5 p.m. Saturday.
Monthly Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Begins after 9 a.m. Mass; continues through 6 p.m. Holy Hour.
Catholic Men's Luncheon Club
12:15 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Catholic Men's Luncheon Club meal, with Father James Wehner, STD, rector-president, Pontifical College Josephinum, speaking on "Spiritual Fatherhood." Details at www.columbuscatholicmen.com.
St. John Chrysostom First Friday Sale
4 to 6 p.m., St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church, 5858 Cleveland Ave., Columbus. First Friday sale of pirogi, stuffed cabbage, noodles, and baked goods. **614-882-7578**
All-Night Exposition at Our Lady of Victory
Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559 Roxbury Road, Columbus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8 p.m. until Mass at 8 a.m. Saturday, sponsored by church's Knights of Columbus council and Columbus Serra Club.

2, SATURDAY
Mary's Little Children Prayer Group

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. 8:30 a.m., confessions, 9 a.m., Mass, followed by Fatima prayers and Rosary (Shepherds of Christ format); 10 a.m., meeting. **614-861-4888**
Life and Mercy Mass in Plain City
9 a.m. Mass, St. Joseph Church, 140 West Ave., Plain City. Saturday Life and Mercy Mass, followed by rosary and confession. **614-565-8654**
Jubilee for Religious Mass at St. John the Baptist
10:30 a.m., St. John the Baptist Church, 720 Hamlet St., Columbus. Bishop Frederick Campbell celebrates annual Jubilee Mass for ordained members of Religious orders living in the Columbus Diocese and celebrating significant anniversaries of profession of vows.

3, SUNDAY
Msgr. Hendricks' 40th Anniversary
10:45 a.m., St. Brigid of Kildare Church, 7179 Avery Road, Dublin. Mass celebrating Msgr. Joseph Hendricks' 40th anniversary as a priest, followed by reception in Hendricks Hall. **614-761-3734**
Exposition at Church of the Resurrection
Our Lady of the Resurrection Chapel, Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, beginning with procession into chapel following 11 a.m. Mass and continuing to 5 p.m. **614-933-9318**
Blessing of Friary at St. James the Less
4 p.m., St. James the Less Church, 1652 Oakland Park Ave., Columbus. Bishop Frederick Campbell blesses the friary to be occupied by the Franciscan Brothers Minor who will serve the parish and surrounding area. **614-262-1179**
Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish. **706-761-4054**

4, MONDAY
Aquinas Alumni Luncheon
Noon, TAT Ristorante di Famiglia, 1210 S. James Road, Columbus. Monthly Columbus Aquinas High School alumni luncheon.
Marian Prayer Group
7 p.m., St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave., Columbus. Mass for Catholic family life. **614-235-7435**

5, TUESDAY
Catholic Foundation Conversation on Vocations
6 to 8 p.m., The Catholic Foundation, 257 E. Broad St., Columbus. Panel discussion on "Vocations in the Age of Choices," preceded by Mass at 5:15 at St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St. **614-443-8893**
Prayer Group Meeting at St. Mark
7 p.m., St. Raymond Room, St. Mark Center, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Light of Life Prayer Group meeting. **740-653-4919**
Catholic War Veterans Monthly Meeting
7 p.m., Red Room, St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Catholic War Veterans Post 1936 meeting. For those who served three months, were honorably discharged or are on active duty. **614-221-7601**

6, WEDNESDAY
Webcast for Older Adults at de Porres Center
2 to 3:30 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. 30-minute webcast on "Dedicated Suffering: A Spiritual Practice for Creating Meaning Out of Pain and Suffering" with Jane Thibault, retired clinical gerontologist, University of Louisville School of Medicine, followed by discussion. **614-416-1920**

JOYCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Two seniors attending Columbus diocesan high schools have been awarded Glenna R. Joyce Scholarships.

Karen Gilmore of Reynoldsburg St. Pius X Church, who attends Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, will attend the University of Notre Dame in the fall.

Matthew Hadad of Columbus St. Andrew Church, a student at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, also will be attending Notre Dame, where he plans to major in biochemistry with a premedical intent.

The scholarship, established in 1961, covers full tuition, room and board, book allowance, and miscellaneous expenses. It is renew-



Karen Gilmore



Matthew Hadad

able for 12 quarters, provided the student maintains at least a 3.2 grade point average by the end of the recipient's sophomore year and every year afterward.

Winners of the award are chosen based on their "anticipated superior academic performance, contribution to the University, high character, and financial need."

To be considered for the scholarship, a student must reside in one of seven central Ohio counties and generally be expected to hold a minimum 3.5 grade point average and score a 30 or higher on the ACT college scholarship test or a 1340 on the SAT in critical reading and math.

NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARS

Saba Asefa and Ian McDaniel, seniors at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, have been selected as 2011-2012 National Achievement Scholars.

They earned this distinction based on their scores in last year's Pre-Scholastic Aptitude/National Merit Qualifying Test.

Asefa received a National Achievement Scholarship, which she will use to help with her education at Vanderbilt University.



Saba Asefa



Ian McDaniel

She will major in geology.

McDaniel received a full tuition and housing scholarship to the University of Alabama (presidential scholarship) because of his National Achievement finalist status.

The National Achievement Scholarship program is an academic competition established in 1964 to provide recognition for outstanding black American high school students.

GRODESKY TO ATTEND WEST POINT

William Grodesky, a graduating senior at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School and a member of Pickerington St. Elizabeth Parish, has accepted an appointment to attend the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

He is an honor student with a 4.01 grade point average, a member of the National Honor Society, and a National Merit commended scholar and Advanced Placement scholar. He earned National Latin Club *Magna Cum Laude* distinction in his sophomore year



and was St. Charles' 2011 representative to Buckeye Boys State.

He was a varsity letter winner in swimming in all four of his years at the school, winning Ohio high school distinguished scholar-athlete honors each season. He advanced to state competition twice and also competed in Junior

Olympics and Junior Nationals events. He played football for three years, serving as captain of the freshman team and earning a varsity letter in his junior year.

AQUINAS SCHOLARSHIPS

For the 19th consecutive year, the Columbus Aquinas Alumni Association has awarded scholarships to eighth-graders to aid with their first year's tuition to diocesan high schools.

This year's recipients are Delaney Cutteridge, London St. Patrick School; Paige Anderson, Worthington St. Michael School; Teresa Crum, Newark St. Francis de Sales School; Zachary Brake, Columbus St. Agatha School; Andrew Kiger, Columbus Holy Spirit School; and Alex Brown, Gahanna St. Matthew School. Cutteridge will attend Columbus Bishop Ready High School, while Anderson will go to Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School and Crum to Newark Catholic High School. Blake, Kiger, and Brown all are heading for Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School.

Applications for this year's scholarships were received from 25 girls and 20 boys. Students are recommended by their principal or teacher. The scholarships were awarded based on academic achievement, athletic participation, community service, and extracurricular activities.

"It is always a group of high achievers that are recommended for the scholarship, and choosing just a few to interview is a challenge," said scholarship selection chair Gary Mangini. "Selecting winners is also tough, as they are all extremely bright and talented students."

The scholarship was established in 1994 to honor the memory of the former Aquinas College High School, which closed in 1965. More than 110 scholarships valued at more than \$260,000 have been awarded since the inception of the program.

Aquinas was located on what is now the campus of Columbus State Community College. From its founding in 1905 until the final class graduated in 1965, nearly 2,900 young men graduated from the school. "We saw this scholarship as a way to keep the Aquinas name alive in central Ohio while providing assistance to a scholar-athlete in financial need," said Mangini, a member of the Aquinas class of 1963. "It is very rewarding to see these young men and women have the opportunity to continue their Catholic education at the high school level."

Funds for the scholarship come mainly from the annual Aquinas alumni raffle and the annual Charlie Mentel memorial golf outing. Mentel, a 1958 Aquinas graduate and former Columbus City Council member, died in 1993.

"The golf outing is a way to celebrate his life and memory while providing educational opportunities to eighth-grade students" said Sean Mentel, golf outing chair. "My Dad started his career as a teacher and golf coach at Watterson High School. He loved to play golf, so supporting Catholic education with a golf outing is a fitting tribute."

Openings for the 2012 Mentel tournament are available. It will take place Friday, June 15, at the Mentel Memorial Golf Course, 6005 Alkire Road. To participate in the outing by playing or providing a sponsorship, go to www.mentelmemorial.com. To purchase a ticket for the raffle, which has a \$1,000 prize, call Gary Mangini at (740) 549-0980. All proceeds benefit the Aquinas Scholarship Endowment Fund.

WIDERSCHIEIN TWINS WIN CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL AWARD

Columbus Bishop Watterson High School juniors Mark and Kelly Widerschein will be honored in Washington on Wednesday, June 20, with Congress' highest award for young people, the Congressional Gold Medal.

The Widerscheins will be among 252 students honored from all 50 states, including four from Ohio. They have been working toward this award since they were eighth graders at Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare School.

The medal ceremony will take place in the Cannon House Office Building. The Widerscheins' award will be presented by Congressman Pat Tiberi.

The award program, established by Congress in 1979, recognizes initiative, achievement, and service. To earn the gold medal, the twins planned, recorded, and verified 24 months of required goal-driven activity related to volunteer public service, personal development, and physical fitness. One of their requirements for gold includes individual and independent planning and execution of a weeklong expedition or

exploration.

The gold-medal level requires service in four areas for a minimum of 400 hours. Kelly and Mark continue with their volunteer service at the Columbus Literacy Council and for the city of Dublin. In addition, Kelly volunteers her time at inner-city community centers and schools and volunteers to teach dance classes. Mark serves on the zoo advisory panel and is a region aide at the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium. He has volunteered at the Ohio Wildlife Center since he was 12 years old.

Both exceeded the gold-medal level requirement of a minimum of 200 hours in personal development and physical fitness. For personal development, Mark focused on public speaking and lifeguard-related activities, while Kelly concentrated on intensive summer training with the Cincinnati Ballet, the Orlando Ballet, and Columbus Ballet Met. The ballet audition experience was one of her personal development challenges. For fitness, both worked on distance running. Mark is a varsity

runner for the Watterson cross country and track teams. Kelly is one of the original volunteers for the Christine Wilson five-kilometer run and trained for the run. She also took part in gymnastics training and cheerleading.

The gold medal requires an in-depth exploration for at least four consecutive overnights with more than 80 hours of well-planned venture activities. Details about planning and execution are needed for the application process. Kelly completed an exploration of the San Francisco area, focusing on art (historic and current), architecture, and culture, with architectural and cultural comparisons to the Columbus area.

Mark explored the Sonoran Desert, focusing on plants, animals, and geology. A living-history portion included working with native Americans and



traveling to visit the Air Force base his grandfather served on in World War II. His exploration was via horseback, hiking, skiing, stagecoach, trolley, climbing, driving, and walking. The planning phases for this portion of the gold medal requirements took more than a year.

Photo: Columbus Bishop Watterson High School guidance counselor Charlene Ernst is shown with Mark Widerschein and Kelly Widerschein, recipients of the Congressional Gold Medal for young people.

Photo courtesy Bishop Watterson High school

Conversation on Vocations

The Catholic Foundation will offer a panel discussion that focuses on "Vocations in the Age of Choices." The discussion will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 5, in the Foundation's offices at 257 E. Broad St., Columbus. The casual evening will include a panel of speakers discussing their journey, how they discerned their vocation, and what approaches are happening in our community to foster vocations.

The discussion will include the sacrament of marriage, parenting, youth and

young adult ministry, and Holy Orders. The event is designed to provide a resource of current trends, practices, and principles, and to offer practical perspectives on the topics discussed.

Mass will be offered at St. Joseph Cathedral at 5:15 p.m. and refreshments will be served at 6 in the Foundation's offices, which are across from the cathedral. Anyone interested in attending is asked to reply to jnaporano@catholic-foundation.org or call (614) 443-8893.

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THE FOURTH ANNUAL SEMINARIAN “SEEK HOLINESS” BIKE TOUR

It is a beautiful love story.

It is a story about men discerning God's call to the priesthood and in formation at the Pontifical College Josephinum. These are men who love Our Lord Jesus Christ and their Catholic faith and have an intense desire to share this love with others.

The “Seek Holiness” Bike Tour is the tool that takes these men, who are preparing to be priests for the Diocese of Columbus, into the schools, the parishes, and the hearts of those who hear them speak about how God is working in their lives and in all of our lives.

It is about personal holiness, discerning our vocational call by listening to God, praying, and learning about our Catholic faith -- and about six seminarians, led by Father Paul Noble, diocesan vocations director, who are on a mission to make this known wherever they go: Matt Morris, Jeremiah Guapone, Ed Shikina, Patrick Welsh, Tom Gardner, and Brian O'Connor.

Ask the principals, children, pastors, deacons, teachers, parents, and Knights of Columbus at schools the seminarians visited on the tour. They will tell you they were enthralled, fascinated, and inspired by these men who, God willing, will someday be our priests.

The youth have many questions for



the seminarians ... from the serious to the curious:

How did you know God was calling you to the priesthood?

What is a typical day like in seminary?

What is your favorite color?

What does your family think of your decision to attend seminary?

What do you do for fun?

Why are you riding bikes?

How old are you?

What do you study at seminary?

The seminarians encourage young people to pray to consider whether they are called to a priestly or a religious vocation, or to marriage. For the seminarians, according to bike tour co-founder and newly ordained deacon Matt Morris, the tour is also about building brotherhood and decompressing after an intense year of seminary.

Visiting with the youth, staff, and clergy in the schools and parishes is inspiring and fun, and reminds the men that their seminary formation is centered around God's love for them and their love for God, and their belief that God may be calling them to be parish priests.

The 2012 “Seek Holiness” Bike Tour



Photos (clockwise):
The seminarians address Columbus St. Andrew School students.

Newly ordained deacon Matt Morris inspires young people at Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help School.

Father Leo Connolly lends his support at Columbus St. Cecilia School.

Photos by Lori Crock



took place, rain or shine, for four days around Franklin, Delaware, and Marion counties. Fathers James Klima, David Sizemore, and Ryan Schmit joined the seminarians on bikes for the final day of the tour, also known as “Evangelization on Wheels.”

Special thanks to the diocesan Vocations Office and The Catholic Foundation for their generous sponsorship of the fourth annual “Seek Holiness” Bike Tour.

*By Lori Crock
Bike Tour Coordinator*