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The Editor's Notebook

Saints Alive

By David Garick, Editor

With All Saints Day coming up, I've schools. been thinking about how neat it is that I have real saints of the Church out there dency to get who pray for me and with me. Actually, I have lots of living people who tell his brothers, me. I really appreciate their prayers, kans. Some things never change. although sometimes it makes me wonder why I seem to be so obviously in need of heavenly assistance.

But it is nice to call on a favorite saint from time to time who seems to have a tury Rome who was hired to perform special understanding of what I need. St. Peter has always been a favorite of mine. I think that's because he is an example of what a really ordinary guy can do with the help of the Holy Spirit. When he was called, he was thing I am not is a singer. I wish I anything but a theologian. The poor were. The people seated near me durguy kept getting it wrong. I can just see Our Lord wincing and letting out a deep sigh when Peter missed the point again. But his heart was in the right place and he was steadfast. Once he received the gift of the Holy Spirit, he became the keeper of the keys of the Kingdom and the leader of our Church. I think he can understand me.

But the church has so many other saints that have special areas of patronage, and I like to call on them as well. In my job. I like to think of St. Francis DeSales. He is the patron of journalists and also the patron of the Diocese of Columbus. His portrait is on the wall in my office for those times when I have writer's block. lot to build monasteries and develop saints, and those who should be.

also had a teninto fights with

me every day that they are praying for which led to civil wars in the Bal-

I like to think I have a good sense of humor and I like to joke around. The patron saint of comedy is St. Genesius. He was an actor in fourth-cenin a play that made fun of Christian sacraments. But then he was converted and refused to perform, even at the direct order of the emperor. That cost him his head. Tough audience. One ing Mass wish that, too. That leads me to call on St. Gregory the Great. He was Pope in the sixth century and is credited with development of what we now call Gregorian chant. So far he has not helped me, though.

With football season in full swing, it would be nice to have someone to call on for the Buckeyes. Alas, there is no official patron saint of football. However I am considering St. Lawrence. He was an archdeacon in Rome who also ticked off an emperor. He was martyred by being roasted alive on a gridiron, a fate we may wish on some wolverines. He may also be helpful for tailgate parties.

Well, those are some of the folks I Sometimes it's nice to call on the paplan to have around me on All Saints tron saint of your ethnic heritage. My Days. I hope you will also take a few family came from Serbia, so I have moments to join in prayer at Mass on St. Sava. He was a son of the king of Nov. 1 with those who have gone be-Serbia in the 13th century. He did a fore us, those who have been named



More than 50 young women from the Diocese of Columbus were in attendance at Columbus St. Andrew Church on Monday, Oct. 15, for the annual Marian Dinner organized by the Diocesan Council for Religious. It was a time for them to explore a possible vocation with Bishop Frederick Campbell; Father Paul Noble, docesan vocations director; several priests and deacons, and representatives of 14 religious communities.

The featured speaker was Sister Mary Michael, OP, of the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, principal of Worthington St. Michael School.

"When you are discerning a vocation in life, God draws your heart to that vocation, and to a particular religious community," she told the yong women. "I was drawn to my

community during my early college years and realized that God was calling me to give my life to Him in this community. God is merciful and was with me throughout the journey to my vocation. I asked Him, 'If it's not your will, show me.' And all along the way, there were affirmations.

"Religious life is 'Yes' to God. It is a deeper fulfillment that depends on a commitment to surrender to God's will and His grace. I would encourage you to grow closer to Our Lord. He answers our prayers. He listens to our hearts. We need to be open to listen to His voice and find out what He is calling us to."

Photo: Lauren Myers and Katie Swigert of Columbus St. Matthias Church speak with Sister Visitacion de Maria of the Daughters of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus.





Front Page photo:

Waverly St. Mary Church was dedicated in 1953, replacing the original church ing next door, which dates to the founding of the parish in 1878 and continues in active use.

photo by Tim Puet

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HONORING ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE ON ALL SAINTS DAY

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

All Saints Day, celebrated Thursday, Nov. 1, this year, and on Nov. 1 of every year, could be described as "everyone's feast day." It honors all of God's people, known and unknown, who have gone on to eternal life, and reminds those of us on Earth that we too are part of the communion of saints.

As described by the Catholic Encyclopedia, the communion of saints represents "the spiritual solidarity which binds together the faithful on earth, the souls in purgatory, and the saints in heaven in the organic unity of the same mystical body under Christ as head."

The saints most people are familiar with are the ones who have been canonized by the church, meaning they have been officially recognized as holy men and women whose lives have been found worthy of imitation.

But they represent just a handful of the millions and perhaps billions of non-canonized saints whose ranks go back to the beginning of humanity, all of whom share in the eternal glory of God and are interceding on our behalf.

The Catholic Church from its earliest days has honored those whose faith has provided models for other believers. During its first 300 years, Christians were severely persecuted, tortured, and often made to suffer agonizing deaths because of their beliefs. These martyrs were the first to be given special honors by their fellow Christians.

One of the early martyrs was St. Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna in Greece, who was burned to death around the year 155. A contemporary account of his martyrdom says, "We afterwards took up his bones ... and deposited them in a fitting place, so that when being gathered together, ... the Lord shall grant us to celebrate the anniversary of his martyrdom, both in memory of those who have already finished their course, and for the exercising and preparation of those yet to walk in their steps."

The number of martyrs grew into the thousands, making it impractical to celebrate the death of each one, and their example strengthened their friends and families, allowing for them to overcome continued persecution and the faith to flourish.

Writings from St. Ephrem of Edessa,

who died in 373, indicated that a Feast of All Martyrs began to be celebrated sometime in the fourth century, usually on the first Sunday after Pentecost. That Sunday continues to be All Saints DavinthecalendarsofEasternCatholicchurches.

Pope Boniface IV changed the date for the feast to May 13 in the year 610. On that day, he dedicated a church at the site of the ancient Roman Pantheon. which had been built as a temple to "all gods." The church was dedicated to all martyrs, and many martyrs' bones were reburied there.

The date of May 13 also had been the date for a pagan feast known as Lemuria, on which the living were asked to appease the restless spirits of the dead.

About 125 years later, Pope Gregory III dedicated a new chapel in the basilica of St. Peter to all saints, not just to the martyrs, on Nov. 1, and fixed the anniversary of the dedication as the date of the feast

All Saints Day is usually a holy day of obligation in the Catholic Church in the United States, but an exception is made whenever the day falls on a Monday or a Saturday.

It is followed on Nov. 2 by the commemoration of all the faithful departed, more commonly known as All Souls Day.

The Catholic Encyclopedia says the theological basis for this feast is "the doctrine that souls which ... are not perfectly cleansed from sins, or have **By Collette Feldmann** not fully atoned for past transgressions. are debarred (initially) from the beatific vision" allowing them to see God.

"The faithful on earth can help them by prayers, alms deeds and especially by the sacrifice of the Mass," the encyclopedia savs.

In Latin America, All Saints and All Souls days have blended to create the colorful event known as Dia de los Muertos, the Day of the Dead, which combines religious activities with parades, costumes and other activities.

Some non-Christians believe celebrating All Saints Day is a form of idolatry. or idol worship. However, the Church has always held that worship is to be given to God alone. It also believes that the saints are constantly working on our and God's plan in our life. behalf, so asking a saint for his or her intercession is as acceptable as asking a friend or pastor to pray for someone.

"Many seem to have a great hatred of



remembering and celebrating the lives churchyear.net. "All Saints Day is simof great Christian men and women, yet ply a day to celebrate the lives of all the have no problem fervently celebrating great heroes of the Christian faith and to the lives of secular heroes like George celebrate the deep communion we have Washington," says the Web site www. with them as they intercede for us."

ST. JOHN'S HERMITAGE

St. John's Hermitage Volunteer

Over the course of a lifetime, we experience many times of joy and sorrow, momentous occasions, and times of tragedy. As Catholics, we are fortunate each of those experiences – our priests, who have been called to give their lives port of their priests. to serve God through their courageous witness of faith and love.

From celebrating the sacraments, to gatherings such as football games and graduation parties, our priests become a familiar face, bringing God's presence to our lives. Their presence becomes even more acute during times of illness, disappointment, loss, and discernment as they help us understand our purpose

But who cares for our priests? Where do they go for respite, relaxation, recreation, and fellowship in times of joy and sorrow? When these questions

were asked by the Henderson family, the dream of St. John's Hermitage was

Jonathon Henderson was 22 years old when he died of Hodgkin's lymphoma. He and his parents, Jerry and Janet Henderson, walked through that difficult time with the love, care, and sup-

In the midst of Henderson's darkest days, one of those priests, Father Stephen Virginia, faced his own struggles involving the death of his mother and his own heart attack, open-heart surgery, and prolonged recovery. Recognizing his need for a respite, the Hendersons collaborated with Father Virginia, and the idea of the hermitage was born.

> The proposed hermitage is to be built in the rolling hills and ravines around McDermott in northwestern Scioto

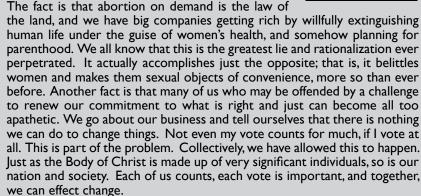
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PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP By Rick Jeric

Political

Did you renew your commitment to preserving human life from conception to natural death last week? Some of us may think that this challenge is trite, obvious, or even just assumed. We may even feel offended that anyone would ask us for renewal or commitment in this area that seems so basic and natural. But all we have to do is look around us.



We are all political. Even those of us who despise politics, candidates, issues, political ads, and those dreaded "robocalls" have opinions and are impacted each day by political decisions. Whether you currently vote or are apathetic, we all need to be educated and well-informed when it comes to laws, elected and appointed officials, issues, and the overall political process itself. It is important for us, for our children, and for succeeding generations. Recently, the Marriage and Family Life Office of the Diocese of Columbus published a brief list of excellent suggestions under the title, "Teach Your Kids About Politics." While these are all wonderful for our kids, I am sharing them because they are also perfect for us as adults. I have taken the liberty of slightly changing a few words for us as grown-ups. Here are some things we all need to think about when it comes to politics and elections: "Freedom relies on widespread participation in the political process. We need to understand that it is important to take part. Not voting and not thinking about politics is a decision to not value liberty." The next thought is regarding our Constitution. "We need to know and understand the United States Constitution. We need to be familiar with the contents and understand how it was written and why it is amended." Next: "An open mind is not a political affiliation. Party affiliation does not determine receptivity to new ideas. A closed mind can repel wisdom, irrespective of our politics." Next, "Our political preference is not a religion. Politics does not provide nurturing of our spirituality, nor does our political leaning say anything about our standing with God." Next, "Free speech should not have a higher value than courtesy. It is important that we understand the necessity of courtesy in political discourse. It is possible to disagree and maintain respect, to be wrong and maintain integrity, and to be right and maintain humility." I will share more of these in next week's column.

Our practical challenge this week is to set aside one hour – yes, one whole hour – to study our upcoming local and state issues and to learn as much as we can about our local, state, and national candidates. This one hour is only slightly longer than our average threshold of patience with the length of Sunday Mass. The important thing is to be at least minimally informed when we vote. If you are not registered and cannot vote in this election, remember that we are all individual parts of society and the Body of Christ. Whether we vote or not, we should strive to be educated, informed, and maybe someday be active in the political process. Whether we are passionate about issues like abortion, local school levies, or voting for "dog catcher," our lives are impacted by what we do, what we do not do, and especially, by what we choose to care about or not care about.

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

BISHOP HARTLEY SERVICE AWARD



Columbus Bishop Hartley High School presented the Mary Geist Service Award to Hartley graduate Mike Feeney for his decades of dedicated service to the school as a volunteer. Pictured are (from left) Mike Winters, Hartley principal; Jane Feeney, Mike's wife; Mike Feeney; and Kevin Smith, Hartley advisory board president.

Photo courtesy Bishop Hartley High School

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OUR SUNDAY LITURGY THE PREFACE DIALOGUE

The Eucharistic Prayer always begins with a preface. We start with a dialogue, which is followed with a unique prayer for the Sunday we are celebrating, and the preface ends with the "Holy, Holy, Holy," which we should always sing. The dialogue is always the same -- three statements and three replies. This dialogue is a key to the entire Eucharistic Prayer. It asks us to place ourselves beyond the present, beyond the here and now, to place ourselves in the presence of the angels and the saints, where we will sing with them.

The first of the three statements we have heard twice before, at the greeting at the beginning of Mass and before the reading of the Sunday Gospel passage. Each time, our response is "and with your spirit." At the greeting, we addressed this response to the presider, remembering that it is the presence of the Holy Spirit that empowers the presider to lead us in our worship. At the Gospel, we gave the same response, knowing that the words we hear are the words of Christ himself. This third experience of the same state- announces the purpose of our presment and our response is a reminder ence at this heavenly liturgy -- "Let that we, with the presider, are about us give thanks to the Lord our God." to offer the Church's greatest prayer. We need divine help to accomplish this prayer, and the presider, too, any other response on our part? needs our prayers and the same divine help to fulfill his central and unique role in this prayer. His focus is on the gestures, the way he handles performed for our salvation. It is the gifts and pronounces the words, the power of which it is impossible entirely to grasp. It is only through Christ that the Church can address giving which includes his joy that we itself to the Father, thus the presider, through the power of the Holy Spirit, is persona Christi.

With the second statement, the presider is already and entirely within his role as Christ at the head of the stage" for the entire Eucharistic community - his body. With a voice Prayer. It precedes every Eucharistic of authority, excitement, and love, Prayer, every Sunday. We cannot take we are commanded to "Lift up your these three statements and our rehearts." The Latin, sursum corda, lit-sponses lightly. These statements are erally means "Hearts on high!" We at the heart of our worship.



are being commanded to place ourselves in the presence of the heavenly liturgy (see Rev 4). Our response. "We lift them up to the Lord," is our confirmation in compliance to the command. We are obeying St. Paul's injunction when he said, "Since you have been raised up in company with Christ, set your heart on what pertains to higher realms where Christ is seated at God's right hand. Be intent on things above rather than on things of earth. After all, you have died! Your life is hidden now with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you shall appear with him in glory" (Col 3:1-3).

The third statement in this dialogue Our assent to this statement is that "It is right and just." Could there be We came to worship God, giving our thanks and acknowledging the many powerful and mighty deeds now that Christ himself (the assembly, with Christ the head) thanks his Father for his resurrection, a thankscan be made members of his risen body. And for this wondrous gift, we also thank the Father, together with him. It is fitting and right to do so.

This preface dialogue "sets the

ON HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION AND SACRAMENTAL SPONSORS



QUESTION & ANSWER by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE Catholic News Service

While visiting fam- of Pennsylvania is one of the exceptions, and there the weekend before the the feast continues to be Feast of the Ascension, I attended a local Catholic parish and heard the priest announce that the feast would be observed on the following Sunday.

When I got back to Pittsburgh, I went to work that Thursday unaware that it was a feast day. I was very upset to learn later that in the Pittsburgh diocese, the Ascension is still observed on Thursday, making it a holy day of obligation. My question is this: How could I have sinned in one diocese when I would not have sinned in another? I find this inconsistency quite confusing. (Pittsburgh)

First, forget about Ahaving "sinned." You didn't sin at all; you acted in good faith, on what you believed to be true. And, yes, it is confusing. In most of the dioceses of the United States, the Feast of the Ascension has been transferred to the following Sunday, which means that you get "two for one," since every Sunday is a holy day of obligation. The state baptized person to lead a *Albany, N.Y. 12208*.

celebrated on Thursday.

O. My daughter has been agonizing over a problem, and I am hoping that you can help. Twelve years ago, her twin daughters were baptized. They have since made their first Communion and are now preparing for confirmation.

In reading over the confirmation material that was sent home, my daughter started thinking back to the baptism and suddenly realized, to her great dismay, that one of the girls had baptismal sponsors who were both non-Catholics. Now she is afraid that this baptism was never valid, and she has herself sick worrying over it. Was the baptism valid, and does she have to do anything about it now? (Runnemede, N.J.)

A. Please tell your daughter that she can relax. The baptism "counted," and the girl is fine. The *Code* of Canon Law provides in No. 872 that, "insofar as possible, a person to be baptized is to be given a at askfatherdoyle@gmail. sponsor who ... helps the

Christian life."

Canon No. 874 further specifies that the sponsor be a Catholic who has been confirmed and "who leads a life of faith in keeping with the function to be taken on." But the law does not absolutely require a sponsor, and one can easily envision situations where there would be no time to find one, such as a dying newborn.

So the absence of a sponsor has no effect on the validity of baptism. In not securing a Catholic sponsor, your daughter made an honest mistake and there is no need now to recreate or to "convalidate" the baptism.

It would be wise, however, for your daughter to give added attention to the choice of a confirmation sponsor. Since the role of a sponsor is to help to assure that a child is raised and educated in the Catholic faith, and since the two non-Catholic baptismal sponsors may not be in a position to do that, all the more reason to see to it that the girl's sponsor for confirmation be someone who can act as a spiritual companion, listener, and mentor as the young person matures in Catholic faith and practice.

Ouestions may be sent to Father Kenneth Dovle com and 40 Hopewell St.,

"Faith in the Workplace" on the agenda at Catholic Men's Luncheon Club

Dan Avramovich, chairman and chief executive with the meeting to be concluded by 1 p.m. No officer of Pacer International, will speak to the reservations are needed. A donation of \$10 is re-Catholic Men's Luncheon Club on "Faith in the quested for the lunch and meeting. Workplace" on Friday, Nov. 2, at Columbus St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Ave.

Lunch will be served after the 11:45 a.m. Mass,

For more information, contact the club's president. Andrew Kebe. at andrew@spoweb.org. or visit www.columbuscatholicmen.com.

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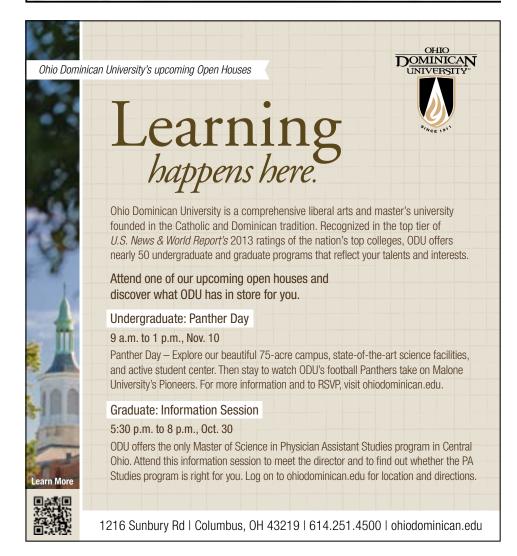
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County. The location is 10 miles from ation, while surrounded by God's nat-Shawnee Hills State Park, two hours ural beauty. On the completion of this from Columbus. 30 minutes south of dream, priests who wish to use it will Chillicothe, and 20 minutes north of have their own private retreat avail-Portsmouth

St. John's Hermitage is the convergence of two dreams, one family's desire to support and encourage priests who answer God's call, and one priest's hope to build a sanctuary where he and his fellow priests can go for ongoing pastoral care, recreation, relaxation, spiritual direction, and confraternity among brothers in Christ.

Father Kevin Lutz, pastor of Columbus Holy Family Church, describes it as, "a place where priests can refresh their soul." Father Michael Watson, pastor of Columbus St. Andrew Church, said, "Since I do not have a particular place to go when taking a day off, this seems like an appealing environment to be able to find a soul connection.'

Sunbury St. John Neumann Church, anticipates that the hermitage will be "a place that can become the destination of renewal, revitalization, and rejuvenation of our priestly life and all that it means to be a priest – a place that will nourish our soul through common or individual prayer and our love for each other through sharing in the preparation of and enjoying a meal, and will foster our physical health.'

The need for hermitages such as St. John's is clear. While the number of Catholics in America continues to rise, the number of diocesan priests has declined by 11 percent in the last 10 years. The needs of growing parishes and demands of pastoral care and vocations of the U.S. Conference and parish life are staggering.

Thanks to a generous donation by one family, the 66 acres in the rolling hills of southern Ohio set aside for the hermitage will be able to provide a perfect setting for priests to enjoy guiet prayer, fellowship, and recre- go to the website.

able 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, at no cost to them.

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The property will feature individual cabins nestled in the woods, outdoor Stations of the Cross, and beautiful hiking trails that lead to a stone chapel at the top of the hill, reminiscent of the many times Jesus retreated to a mountaintop to pray. At the center of the hermitage will be a main gathering space featuring a well-stocked and diverse library, chapel, professional kitchen, and exercise room.

"What I love about the hermitage is that it is where I will finally finish writing my book," Father Lutz said.

So what is next? The property has been purchased, paths have been cleared, the first cabin has been built. and architectural plans have been Father David Sizemore, pastor of drawn. To keep this project moving forward, additional help is needed. Visit the hermitage's website at www. stjohnshermitage.org to find out how you can help.

One possible way of providing assistance is through attendance at the hermitage's inaugural evangelization ambassador award dinner on Wednesday, Oct. 31, in the Walter Commons of Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, 2010 E. Broad St. It will begin with cocktails and fellowship at 6 p.m., dinner at 6:45, and presentation of an award to Bishop Frederick Campbell at 7:30.

The featured speaker will be Father William Shawn McKnight, executive director for clergy, consecrated life, of Catholic Bishops. Bishop Campbell will be honored "in gratitude for zealously sharing the word of God and the testimony of Jesus."

Tickets are \$50 per person. For more information, call (614) 743-9619 or



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Football has lessons for acts of charity

High school football in Ohio as Quiz Bowl, band, theater, is the best! My wife, Stacey, and I recently had a Friday date night that included watching a home victory for Newark Catholic. What a great atmosphere coaches, but after sending our of Catholic high school football in Ohio! We have attended many high school events and activities throughout our 25 years of marriage, as we really enjoy watching young people become involved with their schools. Admittedly, every time I attend a high school event. I find myself reminiscing about our days at Oregon Cardinal Stritch. Stacev was a cheerleader, which is what caught my eye, and she was involved in many other school groups and activities. I was dedicated to football, track. and basketball. We were both blessed to have these opportunities through wonderful parents and a dedicated school faculty.

possible for our young people els, together in Christ, that we possible because of the love of our coaches, teachers, and other instructors of the various extracurricular activities such

and athletics. This is especially true in our Catholic schools. Growing up, I didn't appreciate the love and commitment of the two children through Catholic schools, I have a special appreciation for the faculty who love and care for the development of our young people. Our Catholic faculty has been, and continues to be, the new evangelization to the future of our faith.

The football game also reminded me of how many people it takes to support these events and activities. I feel compelled to say "Thank you" to the many who are dedicated to Catholic education and may not always get recognized. Thank you to the coaches, concession and ticket sales workers, moderators, and many other organizers in Catholic education for caring for our young people. As I reminisce, I also think Along with our parents, you about what makes these gifts are the mentors and role modto experience. These gifts are appreciate and need in this faith-challenging world today. You augment the work of our parents to form their children in the likeness of Jesus Christ.

Catholic education throughout the Diocese of Columbus represents 28 percent of grants distributed by The Catholic Foundation. Most of the 11 Catholic high schools in our diocese have an established endowment fund with The Catholic Foundation that supports the operations of the schools, including extracurricular activities. So ask vourself "Are vou passionate about the gifts our Catholic schools provide for the development of our future faithful? Are you in a position in life where your financial blessings could grow these endowments for our Catholic education system? Have you remembered to include Catholic education in your list of bequests through the establishment of your will?" As you think about these questions, know that The Catholic Foundation is here to serve you. Give us a call at (614) 443-8893. We'd love to discuss how we can help you support Catholic education.

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

O.D.U. to Host Career Fair for Military Veterans

Ohio Dominican University In addition to training work- Hawk's office will be on-site to (ODU) is partnering with the shops, the hiring fair will in-Women of War Foundation clude private section resume and other organizations to host building, information on the "Mission: Employable," a career fair for veterans and activational guidance for veteran tive duty military members, National Guard and Reserve members, and their spouses.

The career fair will take place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, October 27, at ODU's LEAD campus, 2600 Airport Drive. Columbus.

federal hiring process, and mojob seekers. Attendees will also receive free football tickets to that day's ODU football game.

Attendees are urged to dress in business attire and bring copies of their resumes and their DD 214s, as staff from Franklin County Recorder Daphne

record them.

In addition to the Women of War Foundation, ODU has partnered with Vetrepreneur magazine, the AMVETS, Franklin County Recorder Daphne Hawk, G.I. Jobs, and the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services.

To register, visit https://www. ohiodominican.edu/oduapps/ lead/RequestInfo/leadeventrsvp.aspx or call (614) 473-9003.



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Transfixed by the Audacious Love of Christ

The other night, I was driving home from Cleveland after spending a weekend with my cousin, was praying the Novena to Mary, Undoer of Knots, and was reflecting on the Joyful Mysteries, my personal favorite. Normally, I pray these mysteries pondering the faith of Mary and asking for incredible abandonment and virtue like hers. But on this particular night, as I drove on Interstate 71 South with windows rolled down and wind whipping through my hair, the Lord granted me the grace of contemplation and allowed me to plunge deep into these mysteries through the eyes of St. Joseph.

As I began the Third Joyful Mystery, the Birth of Our Lord, I felt the familiar tugging at my heart, the Holy Spirit welcoming me to go deeper with him. I began to imagine the morning after the birth of Jesus. Our Blessed Mother is peacefully asleep next to the manger, which cradles the infant Jesus. St. Joseph approaches to behold the beauty of his wife, exhausted in body, yet invigorated in spirit from the birth of her son. Like the common experience of a father looking upon the magnificence of the mother of his child, he stands in awe. But this awe far surpasses that of any other man, as he has the supreme honor of beholding his wife, the woman he loves, who has also been chosen to bear the Son of God into the world. With eyes filling with tears of soul-penetrating gratitude, he falls weak from incredible love for this woman of such extraordinary grace and virtue. With time elansing subtly. he is startled, his concentration interrupted, by the most beautiful sound his ears have ever heard--a whimper from the infant lying close to him.

Tenderly, St. Joseph picks up the infant Jesus and carries him out into the still coolness of this Bethlehem morning. As the sun subtly rises into the sky, the Son lays delicately in the crook of his Joseph's arms. Yet again, Joseph is filled with deep gratitude as he experiences such profound silence and solitude. The angel choirs have ceased their songs of praise. The shepherds have -his aspirations, his accolades, his affections.



The Great Surrender Megan Thompson

left to sleep, with promises of returning to worship later that day. Even the voice of his angelic wife is silenced by the peacefulness of her slumber. He is alone for the first time with his son.

Unable to muster up the courage to behold the face of Jesus, Joseph counts toes. Caresses skin. Traces fingerprints. But, at last, he dares to lift his eyes to look at the face of the Son. The word "look" is simply not sufficient. GAZE is the only word that suffices. Undistracted. Indescribable. All-beauty-beholding gaze of father into the eves of Son and Savior. And it is here that a great reversal occurs. As he gazes into the eyes of the perfect child in his arms, he is the one who is held. He is the babe cradled in the arms of his provider. He is the of prayer, yearning to embrace us and draw us deeper helpless one needing nourishment and rest.

Flooded with joy spurred by so great a love, he whispers. "How far you have come to be here with me, my son, my Lord." Overcome with wonder at the audacious humility of Jesus in his great descent to earth. he turns back to look at the filth in which his Lord has been been residing. Oh, what a humble dwelling for the King of Kings! Oh. how he wishes he had riches to offer a more suitable place for so perfect a Being. Oh, how desperately he wishes to give everything to the Incarnation of Love himself. And, basking in his earthly poverty, Joseph offers Christ the riches He most desires-

I yearn to be transfixed like Joseph, motionless with astonishment and wonder at the love of our Lord. I long to know the heartbeat of Jesus, as did John the Evangelist (John 13:23). I long to be Mary, huddled on the floor in humility and worship, recognizing the royalty of the Lord (John 12:1-7). I long for this intimacy with Christ that leads to abandonment, to WORSHIP.

Worship is defined as the response to something you value most. To worship, we must value. And to value, we must know that we ARE valued. We are cherished. We are loved. We are the pearl of great price, which Jesus has sold everything to acquire (Matthew 13:44-46). He left the grandeur of heaven to descend into the filth of our humanity, not to stand aloof from us, but to remain IN us (John 15), eyes constantly fixed ON us. He sacrificed his body on the beautiful wood of the cross to "prove his love" (Romans 5:8). And he still stands, knocking at the door of our hearts, longing to enter and dine with us (Revelation 3:20).

This week, may our eyes be opened to see the way that the Lord is seeking this intimacy with us. May we meet him in the stillness of the morning, in the solitude into his Sacred Heart. May we visit our churches and sit in front of the tabernacle, a dwelling place even more humble than the manger, and allow him to reveal to us our poverty, showing us the areas of our lives in which he wishes to be enthroned. May we meet the Lord in the Eucharist, where he longs to "enter and dine with us" as we receive his Body and Blood. And in all these ways, may we be moved to deeper and more authentic worship as we come to realize the deep and authentic love of

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Where is that in the Bible?

By Father Pat Toner

This question comes up a lot, because not everything is clearly spelled out in the Bible. The first place we should check is a concordance. A concordance is a reference book that will show every occurrence of a particular word in the Bible. A concordance is specific to the translation it serves. If you have a King James Version, you will want a concordance that follows the King James Version. This is because translators may use different words to translate from the Hebrew or Greek.

Why worship on Sunday and not the Sabbath? The word "Sunday" does not appear in Cruden's Concordance. If we the Martyr. It makes sense to us that we not give us a new set of laws. St. Paul's look up "Day of the Lord,", we find many do not observe the Jewish Sabbath, beletter to the Galatians makes it clear we Joseph Church.

references that all speak of the day of judgment, but not the day of worship. If the Bible doesn't tell us to change, shouldn't we be worshipping on the Sabbath, as the of the Holy Spirit. The Bible does not tell Bible does tell us?

Our search for the answer leads us to the Acts of the Apostles, chapter 20, verse 7: "On the first day of the week when we gathered to break bread ..." St. Paul mentions this practice in 1 Corinthians, chapter 16, verse 2. The Church began gathering on the first day of the week, the day we call Sunday, in honor of the Resurrection of the Lord. This practice was recorded in the Didiache and the writing of St. Justin keep holy the Sabbath? The Bible does

cause in Christ, we have a new covenant. But the decision to make this change was made by the Church under the inspiration us that it is not the external observance us to do it. It does command keeping a day of rest in honor of what God has done.

St. Paul did instruct the Galatians in his letter, chapter 4, verses 9-11, that they are free from the old law and have become a new creation in Christ. The Church is exercising the freedom St. Paul is writing about in conforming itself to a new relationship, a new covenant.

What about the laws that explain how to

have a new freedom in this matter. The teaching of Jesus in the Gospels reminds of the Sabbath that is important, but the internal that is important. God gave us a day of rest -- a day when we can count our blessings and give thanks. God gave us a day to worship Him, from whom all good things come. It is a day that reminds us of the eternal Wedding Feast of the Lamb.

It is a sad commentary that society uses the day for other purposes. The prophets lamented "the lost Sabbaths of Israel" as a sign of how far the people had strayed

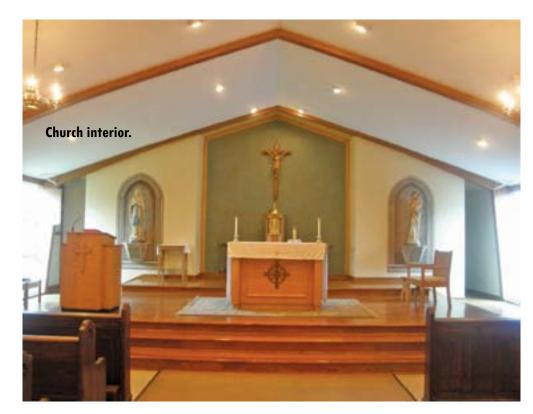
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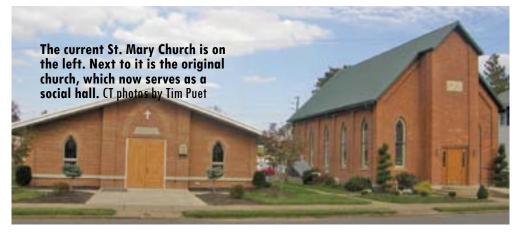
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First Holy Communion on Sunday May 27, at Waverly St. Mary Church, Father William Hahn, pastor, is shown with this year's Communion class members (from left): Drea Tannehill, Adam Pyzik, and Amelia Willis.

Photo courtesy St. Mary Church





BY TIM PUET, Catholic Times Reporter

From left: Judy Dixon, Waverly St. Mary Church outreach director; Father William Hahn, pastor; parishioner Janice Streitenberger; and Gloria Price, pastoral coordinator. CT photo by Tim Puet

WAVERLY ST. MARY PARISHIONERS RESPOND TO COMMUNITY NEEDS

The Catholic population of Pike County is small – about 300 people, or around 1 percent of the total in a county of 29,000 – but Father William Hahn says it makes up in enthusiasm for what it lacks in

much higher than it would be in a lot of larger parishes," said Father Hahn, pastor only Catholic parish.

"We don't have too many once-a-month Catholics here. I think that's because the parish and the county as a whole are so small that there's the feeling of everybody knowing everybody else. And with the economic situation here, everybody knows plenty of people who need some help, and you have that feeling of everyone wanting to pitch in."

Pike County for several years has been one of the state's high-unemployment counties. The monthly state employment totals for August, the most recent available for this story, showed the county's 12.1 percent unemployment figure was the highest in all of Ohio's 88 counties.

Jobs weren't a problem when the current church building was built in 1953, replacing the original church next door, which dates to 1878 and continues to serve as a parish hall. The 1950s were boom times for the county, with what then was known as the Goodyear atomic plant in Piketon producing enriched uranium for atomic energy and nuclear weapons programs and employing about 2,000 people at its peak.

But the plant was placed in shutdown status in 2001, with most of those jobs disappearing. Decontamination work is expected to continue there for another 10 years. A deal between the U.S. De- a permanent location." partment of Energy and the plant's current owner, USEC Inc., for a new uranium centrifuge plant which could mean as many as 450 new jobs has brought a sense of guarded optimism for the future, but the new plant still has hurdles to clear

in Congress, and if it is built, its completion is years down the road.

In addition to the job losses at the uranium plant, the county also was hurt in recent years by the closing of the Mill's Pride cabinetry plant in Waverly, which "The engagement level of the typical employed 1,200 people, by job cutbacks family in our parish of 85 families is at the Brown Corp. automobile dashboard plant in Waverly, now owned by Van-Rob Inc. and operating at a reduced of Waverly St. Mary Church, the county's level, and by plant closings and cutbacks in the bordering counties of Ross, Jackson, and Scioto.

> Pike County churches have responded to the needs of the unemployed and the underemployed through the Pike County Outreach Council of Churches, which St. Mary's has been involved with since the council's founding in 1968.

> "The need then wasn't anything like it is today, but it did exist, and we recognized that the uranium plant wasn't going to exist forever," said Judy Dixon, the parish's outreach director. "Representatives from St. Mary's, First Presbyterian, and Grace United Methodist churches got together to start the council, and those churches have been involved with it ever since.

"We recognized early on that we couldn't do much individually as a parish, and if we were going to help, it would be in cooperation with other churches. The other churches felt the same way, so we got together and have been doing everything in a real ecumenical spirit."

"The council started in donated space, which frequently changed," Dixon said. "In 1997, we acquired a home in downtown Waverly, which we converted into a homeless shelter known as Bridgehaven. Five years later, we were able to purchase the building next door to Bridgehaven as

The council operates a choice food pantry five days and one evening a week. Families may obtain a three-day supply of food every seven days, if needed. The past five years have seen a steady increase in the number of people coming to the

pantry for assistance. In 2007, it aided an average of 827 people a month. Last year, that figure had risen to 2.684 per month. a total of more than 32,000 for the year. So far in 2012, the average monthly total has grown to 3,114, reaching a record of 3,614 in August.

In addition, Bridgehaven housed 142 people for 3,436 nights last year, and the council helped 544 households with emergencies in 2011.

"We help people as much as we can with what little money we have." Dixon said. "One thing which had a big impact on us this year and enabled us to extend our resources considerably was a \$25,000 Challenge in Changing Times grant St. Mary's received from The Catholic Foundation."

Part of that grant went to the outreach council for construction of a storage shed for the pantry and for basic services. Some of the money also went to the Elizabeth's Hope Pregnancy Resources Center in Waverly to provide items for newborns, including diapers, wipes, formula, and layettes.

Elizabeth's Hope is a Christian-based, not-for-profit organization which is affiliated with Care Net, the largest network of pregnancy centers in North America. It was founded in 1993 in Circleville and also has locations in Chillicothe and Jackson. All services are free and confidential

and include pregnancy testing, accurate like country bands or talent shows, plus information on pregnancy, abortion and its alternatives, sexually transmitted diseases, and abstinence. Like the council of churches, it has volunteers from several denominations, many of whom come from St. Mary's.

"The outreach council and Elizabeth's Hope are the main focus of our community-related activities," said Gloria Price, pastoral coordinator. "Probably the biggest community event we have every year is our annual Thanksgiving dinner, on a Sunday about a week or two before the holiday itself. It fills our hall with 125 people; in fact, last year, the hall wasn't big enough and we had to find extra space.

"We split the proceeds from the dinner between the council and Elizabeth's Hope. The big draw is a silent auction, with a lot of people bringing items they've outgrown or have no use for. There always seems to be someone else ready to give agencies at the same time."

"The parish picnic in the summertime also is a big event," said Janice Streitenberger, whose son, Father Adam Streitenberger, is pastor of Portsmouth St. Mary and Holy Redeemer churches. "Nearly everyone in the parish comes. Now we set up a big tent in the parking lot because it grew too big for the hall. Last year, we roasted a pig, and we have entertainment

bingo and a lot of games for the kids. Everybody brings something."

"I know that some big parishes have a picnic every year and it seems hardly anyone comes," Price said."That's not the problem here. Maybe it's just that in a small town, there aren't so many things to do, so something like the picnic or the Thanksgiving dinner becomes more important."

"You really notice when someone's missing from Mass on Sunday, because we only have one Mass, at 9:30 a.m." Dixon said. "When someone isn't here for to establish good relationships, but I'm a couple weeks and you know they're not on vacation, people become concerned. If they need help, it doesn't take long for are about 15 miles apart, which isn't that someone to step up."

Dixon said many parishioners have formed a bond with the residents of a privately run home for developmentally disabled men in Pike County which previously was operated by the Little Brothers those things a new home and help those of the Good Shepherd and still is known as Good Shepherd Manor.

"At least 30 men come from the home for Mass every Sunday. At one time, when it was larger, there were as many as 100," she said. "We find that they're very loving, very open people who have a great love for the Eucharist. We always have them at the Thanksgiving dinner and the picnic, and when they're not here for reasons like bad weather, we feel a real loss."

Other parish activities include a men's ministry which meets twice a month on Saturday mornings, usually to discuss a book; a Parish School of Religion for young people; and an adult Bible study program, which has begun studying the beyond its quota. Book of Acts. The group recently examined the new edition of the Roman Missal tholicism" series.

Eucharistic Adoration takes place at the parish because Father Hahn also ings together."

is pastor of Chillicothe St. Peter Church The two parishes have been part of a shared pastorate since 1998. St. Mary's is involved in a number of joint activities with the two parishes in Chillicothe, including a youth group, Habitat for Humanity, and Vacation Bible School.

"There's a misperception that this is a mission of St. Peter's, as it was before 1953, but that's not at all the case." Father Hahn said. "They're two very distinct parishes with distinct personalities. I've been here six years, long enough more concerned about what will happen with the next pastor. The two churches far, but it can be, especially in the winter."

The church building has undergone much renovation since 2000 under Father Hahn and his predecessor, Father James Black. In the past couple of years, the sanctuary carpet was replaced by a hardwood floor laid by two parishioners. the building was repainted, and statues of Mary and Joseph were brought to the front of the church.

Most recently, stained glass has taken the place of all but two of the building's frosted auditorium-style windows. Those two. on either side of the altar, will be replaced by windows depicting the church's namesake, Mary, Queen of the Missions, and Jesus the Good Shepherd. Father Hahn said the windows, crafted by Bernie Evans of Chillicothe, cost between \$40,000 and \$45,000, with the money coming from donations and from funds the parish raised for the Bishop's Annual Appeal

"The original church has stained glass, and we've always wanted this church to and viewed Father Robert Barron's "Ca- have the same thing," Price said. "We used a design very similar to that of the windows in the old church, and we're Wednesday evenings after the 6:30 p.m. really pleased with the result because Mass, which is the only weekday Mass we feel the new windows tie the build-



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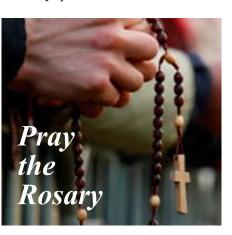
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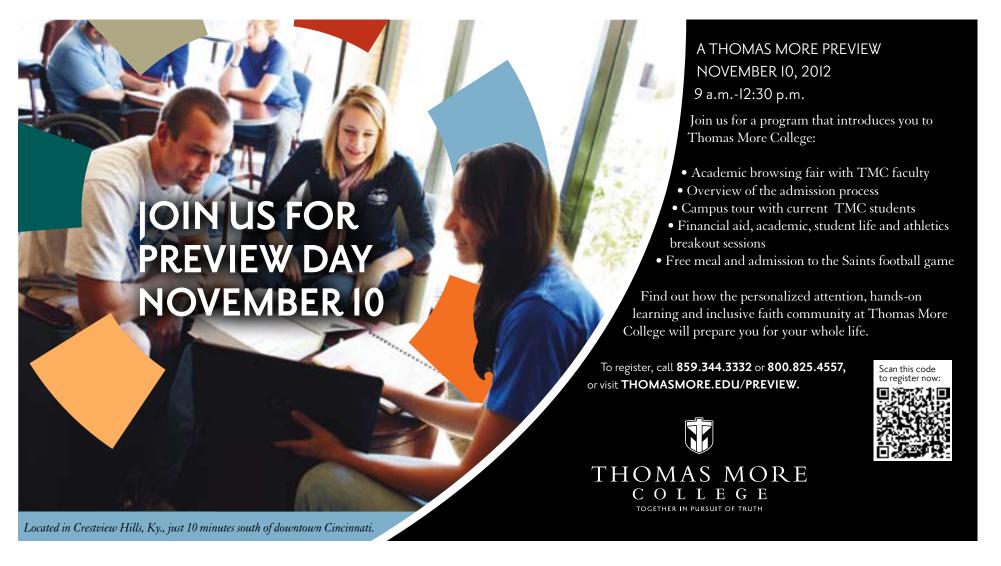
Columbus Holy Rosary/St. John Church, 648 S. Ohio Ave., will be hosting a Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 4. The Mass will include the parish Gospel choir.

The past year has seen many blessings for the church, including the restoration of the Ascension window and considerable restoration of the historic worship space.

After Mass, there will be a reception in Campion Hall.

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Health & Human Services Mandate Restricts Religious Freedom According to the US Conference of Catholic Bishops

During the Vice Presidential debate, Vice President Joe Biden **lied** when he declared:

"With regard to the assault on the Catholic Church, let me make it absolutely clear. No religious institution—Catholic or otherwise, including Catholic social services, Georgetown hospital, Mercy hospital, any hospital—none has to either refer contraception, none has to pay for contraception, none has to be a vehicle to get contraception in any insurance policy they provide. That is a fact. That is a fact."

The following day in a **rare** rebuke the US Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) offered this response:

"This is not a fact. The HHS <u>mandate</u> contains a narrow, four-part exemption for certain 'religious employers.' That exemption was made final in February and does not extend to 'Catholic social services, Georgetown hospital, Mercy hospital, any hospital,' or any other religious charity that offers its services to all, regardless of the faith of those served."

"The USCCB continues to urge HHS, in the strongest possible terms, actually to eliminate the various infringements on religious freedom imposed by the mandate."

High-profile Catholic organizations — including the Archdiocese of Washington, DC, and the University of Notre Dame—have filed a series of suits against the current administration alleging that the Affordable Care Act unconstitutionally defines what a religious institution is and what the government allows it to do.

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle B)

A beggar sees what none of the disciples saw



Father Lawrence L. Hummer

Jeremiah 31:7-9 Hebrews 5:1-6 Mark 10:46-52

the Babylonian Exile has begun. Jeremiah had predicted that disaster was in store in much of this book if to Jesus' identity and how ignorant they were about the people and the leaders did not repent of their evil ways, but here he changes his tactics.

Instead of berating Israel for all her sins and warning of failure if it did not change its ways, he sounds a note of joy and hope for the future, since by now the disaster has occurred.

By this point (after 586 BC), the Lord's people have been taken captive by the "land of the north" (Babylon) and the people had been scattered everywhere. Now the Lord promises a return to the land of promise (i.e., the Promised Land), beginning with the blind and the lame, and the mothers with child, all of whom represented the neediest

Their departure had been in tears, but their return will be with rejoicing, because the Lord promises to be their guide.

Jeremiah is not as eloquent as Isaiah in describing the return from exile, but has similar elements with a smooth, level road to travel so that none will stumble. Jeremiah does not mention that the blind would regain their sight or that the lame would regain mobility, but Isaiah does, Indeed, Isaiah 35:5-6 speaks of Israel's deliverance in just such terms.

The story of Jesus and Bartimaeus, the blind beggar, is in some ways like an illustration by Mark of Jeremiah's vision. Jesus leads a large crowd with his disciples on the pilgrimage to Jerusalem. At this point, he has been "on the way" with his disciples, which is

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Mark's code word for the teacher/ disciple relationship that he has with his followers.

Mark has also not mentioned that they are going there for Passover, celebrating a passage from slavery into freedom at the original Passover. Indeed, every Passover is a celebration of a journey from slavery to freedom in some way.

That original journey passed through Jericho, as does this journey from Galilee, which symbolized the return from exile, as Jeremiah had prophesied.

This healing actually complements another healing of a blind man in Mark 8:22-26, which took place in Jeremiah's prophecy in the first reading comes after two stages. Since that healing, his disciples have demonstrated in a variety of ways how blind they were his teaching. In last week's Gospel, James and John were angling for positions of power in the kingdom. although Jesus had stressed repeatedly that power and wealth gave no access to the kingdom.

> Now this beggar sees what none of the disciples saw. When he heard it was Jesus passing by, he began to cry out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." Many tried to silence him, but he cried out the more. Identifying Jesus as Son of David was tantamount to calling him Messiah, which Peter had done, although he meant it in quite another way than Bartimaeus.

> The beggar knew who Jesus was and what he could do, and so he begged for mercy, not for sight! He could already see with the eyes of faith, which is the irony

> When he asks for sight, Jesus tells him "Your faith has saved you," which implies that the faith he already had enabled him to "see."

> Unlike in other healings where Jesus tells the healed person not to tell anyone, here it simply says that the beggar received his sight and followed Jesus "on the way," which is Mark's way of saying he became a disciple. So the blind see and prophecy is fulfilled, and all is now ready for Jesus' encounters in Jerusalem.

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The Weekday Bible Readings

MONDAY Ephesians 4:32-5:8 Psalm 1:1-4,6 Luke 13:10-17

TUESDAY Ephesians 5:21-33 Psalm 128:1-5 Luke 13:18-21

WEDNESDAY Ephesians 6:1-9 Psalm 145:10-14 Luke 13:22-30

THURSDAY Revelation 7:2-4.9-14 Psalm 24:1-4ab,5-6 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12a

> FRIDAY Wisdom 3:1-9 Psalm 23:1-6 Romans 5:5-11 John 11:17-27

SATURDAY Philippians 1:18b-26 Psalm 42:2-3.5cdef Luke 14:1.7-11

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEK OF OCTOBER 28, 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 listings.

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

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

Channel 6 (Hardin County). Mass from Portsmouth St. Mary Church at noon on Time Warner Channel 24 in Scioto County.

DAILY MASS

8 a.m., Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Birmingham, Ala. (Encores at noon, 7 p.m. and midnight) See EWTN above; and on I-Lifety (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 II, Seasonal Proper of the Liturgy of the Hours

Why I Wrote "The Catholic Tide Continues to Turn"

Six years ago, my first book, The Tide is Turning Toward Catholicism, which detailed the good news happening in the Catholic Church at the time, was released. Since then, especially this year, I often am asked "Is the tide still turning?" Rest assured. I am not looking at the world and the Catholic Church through rose-colored glasses, but my latest book, The Catholic Tide Continues to Turn, not only gives positive spin on what is going on in the Church today through stories and anecdotal evidence, but provides much statistical and demographic data to prove my point.

Writing a book requires a great deal of time and patience, and though I had enough material for about half a book, I was waiting for the right time to finish it. Last summer, I felt God really pushing me to get this out. Providentially, many events within the Church and the political realm helped to convince me that now was the time. I am glad I listened and finished the book this spring, because recently, my wife and I welcomed another baby into our home, and with two small children, writing a book would have been very difficult.

The Catholic Tide Continues to Turn picks up where my previous book left off in looking at the good news occurring in the Church, but also -and this is very important -- I address why the Catholic Church and religion in general are coming under attack in our modern world. Readers of my column and first book continually asked me why we are facing these attacks. This is nothing new. Ever since the French Revolution in 1793, the Catholic Church and religion in general in the Western world have come under attack from



THE TIDE IS TURNING TOWARD CATHOLICISM **David Hartline**

powerful forces which, for some demented reason, have a problem with God.

In the new book, I take a look at timelines in world history and examine events such as the American Revolution, in which religion was embraced, comparing them with movements like the helps us in 2012 figure out why some people in government and academia don't like the Catholic Church -- and, for that matter, most religious in-

There is something for everyone in this book. If you are looking for positive news on vocations, there is a great deal of information on where vocations are growing within the world and our nation and where they are not, and why this is occurring. The book notes how popular devotions such as the Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration are bringing more people to understand the Gospel and how and why the pro-life movement is in the majority, even as it faces a relentless backlash from the mainstream media and popular culture. The book also takes a look at churches that have embraced the whims of the world and have found themselves in an utter statistical freefall.

In addition, there is the question of why some **Diocese of Columbus**.

governments attack the Catholic Church, and that is looked at with a fine-tooth comb. In addition, popular media are examined. Why do some mock our Church and her values, and who are those in Hollywood who are defending the Church at a great price to their livelihood? I also look at Catholic sports personalities and include interviews with noted athletes and coaches such as Dick Vitale, Lou Holtz, and Gerry Faust. There are certain bits and pieces in the book that I have never read in any other book, such as how devotion to the Eucharist by Notre Dame football players helped famous coach Knute Rockne become Catholic. I also talk to some faithful Catholics in Hollywood who tell me how they spread the French Revolution, in which it was attacked. This Gospel in an entertainment culture which often mocks it. The book's appendix briefly outlines the Church's teachings and beliefs, in response to requests.

I want to thank my wife, Theresa, for her continual support and comfort, and Catholic Times editor Dave Garick for his kind words concerning the book. Thanks also to those whose endorsements appear in the book -- Father George Rutler, the eminent writer of EWTN and Fox News fame; Father Tim Finigan, England's preeminent blogging priest; actress Karyme Lozano, a major figure in the Spanish-speaking world who had a major role in the recent film "For Greater Glory"; and Catholic writers Leticia Velasquez and Tito Edwards. Tell one and tell all that *The Catholic* Tide Continues to Turn!

David Hartline is an author and a former teacher and administrator for schools in the

MOUNT CARMEL HOSPITAL'S PARENT ORGANIZATION **WILL BE PART OF MERGER TO FORM NATIONAL CATHOLIC HEALTH SYSTEM**

The boards and sponsors of Mount Carmel Hospital's parent organization, Trinity Health and Catholic Health East (CHE), two leading Catholic health systems, announced that they have signed a nonbinding letter of intent to come together into a unified national health system that will enhance their mission of service to people and communities across the United States.

The boards also announced that Joseph R. Swedish, president and chief executive officer of Trinity Health. would hold the same positions in the anticipated new organization, and that Judith M. Persichilli, president and CEO of CHE, would become the organization's executive vice president.

The consolidation would create a health system that serves people in 21 health care."

states from coast to coast with 82 hospitals, 89 continuing care facilities, and home health and hospice programs that provide nearly 2.8 million visits annually. More than 87,000 employees, including 4,100 employed physicians, would provide care in the new system.

"Trinity Health and Catholic Health East are strong Catholic health care systems that share a Gospel-based mission and an unvielding commitment to care for people who are poor and underserved," said Sister Mary Mollison, CSA, chair of Trinity Health. "This consolidation advances the vision of congregations of sisters that founded these health care ministries, addresses the changing health care environment. and takes a bold next step for Catholic

LIFE OF ST. JOHN BOSCO FILM

Love," a film portraying the life wide Ignatius Night at the Movof the 19th-century Italian priest ies series. Filmed on location in who founded the Salesian order Italy, "St. John Bosco: Mission to and was known as the "apostle of Love" is an exceptional feature youth," will be shown at 4 p.m. about the humble, humorous, Sunday, Nov. 11, in Marian Hall of Columbus Immaculate Con- (John) Bosco. ception Church, 414 E. North Broadway.

maximum of \$10 per family, and father to the orphans, homeless, may be purchased upon entry or and wayward youth of Turin, reserved in advance by contact- the film expertly dramatizes the ing Denise Covne at (614) 595- joys and struggles of this amaz-5125 or coynedk@sbcglobal.net. ing saint as he dealt with adver-Child care with preschool activi- sity and persecution, not just ties will be available for younger from secular society, but also the children. Snacks, drinks, and Ignatius Press products will be on behalf of the youth and in available at additional cost.

"St. John Bosco: Mission to The movie is part of the nationdetermined, yet gentle Giovanni

From his fatherless childhood of poverty to his role as not just Tickets will be \$2 each, or a Father (Don) Bosco, but loving Church, while working tirelessly founding his religious order.

Pray for our dead

ACKER, Dorothy M., 81, Oct. 21 St. Mary Church, Delaware

ANASTASIO, Joseph J., 95, Oct. 16 St. Agatha Church, Columbus

BAUMANN, Betty, 95, Oct. 21 St. Christopher Church, Columbus

CAPOCCIA, Anthony, 92, Oct. 15 Church of the Resurrection, New Albany

CLEARY, John M., 86, Oct. 14 Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

CORDIANO, Patricia J., 81, Oct. 19 St. Matthias Church. Columbus

CRANE, Peter M., 85, Oct. 10 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove

DEELY, Daniel P., 51, Oct. 21 Holy Trinity Church, Somerset

KENNEWEG, Harold J. "Dutch," 95, Oct. 16 Christ the King Church, Columbus

KIRK, Christine, 61, Oct. 19 St. Paul Church, Westerville

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KIRWIN, Virginia, 98, Oct. 14 St. Mary Magdalene Church, Columbus

MANION, Robert E., 91, Oct. 13 St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

McFAUL, Catherine, 62, Oct. 18 St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington

MILLISOR, Ruth, 77, Oct. 9 St. Mary Church, Marion

NEWKIRK, Helen B., 99, Oct. 20 St. Mary Magdalene Church, Columbus

PARRISH, Mary, Oct. 17 St. Michael Church, Worthington

RUSSELL, Benjamin A., 2 days, Oct. 17 St. Mary Church, Columbus

SADIQ, Jasmine, 17, Oct. 11 Holy Rosary-St. John Church, Columbus

SAUM, Ray A., 83, Oct. 18 St. Mary Church, Groveport

SEYMOUR, Jack A., 75, Oct. 16 St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

SICKMEIER, Danielle L., 43, Oct. 20 St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington Sister Elizabeth Marie Doyle, OP

Funeral Mass for Sister Elizabeth the College of St. Mary of the Springs. Marie Doyle, OP, 99, who died Monday, Oct. 15, was held Thursday, Oct. 18, at the Motherhouse of the Dominican Sisters of Peace. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

She was born in New York City on July 4, 1913, to the late John and Elizabeth (Curry) Dovle. She entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs in 1933 and made her profession of vows in 1935. She earned a bachelor of arts degree from

In the Diocese of Columbus, she was a teacher at Zanesville St. Thomas Aquinas School in 1954 and 1955. She also taught in Connecticut, Michigan, and New York before retiring to the Motherhouse in 1988 and serving as a volunteer in community life. She entered the Mohun Health Care Center in 2011. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Thomas, John, and Joseph: and sisters. Gertrude O'Callaghan

Thelma Tracey

Funeral Mass for Thelma Tracey, 96, who died Wednesday, Oct. 10, was ley; and sisters, Rita Williams, Rosaheld Saturday, Oct. 13, at New Lex- lie McNamee, Doris Zink, and Virington St. Rose Church. Burial was at ginia Lamb. Survivors include sons, New Lexington Cemetery.

She was born Aug. 3, 1916, in New Lexington to Charles and Frances (Flowers) Harris. She was housekeeper at St. Rose's rectory for many years. She was preceded in death by her

parents; husband, T.J.; brother, Stan-Tom, Jim (Linda), and Dave (Sherry): daughters, Patricia (Jim) Snider, Mary (Larry) Moore, and Cici; brother, Charles Harris; four grandsons; seven granddaughters; 16 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.





MONDAY-FRIDAY 4PM - 5PM



HAPPENINGS

CLASSIFIED

Our Lady of Victory Church Parish Life Center 1559 Roxbury Road, Marble Cliff

October 28, 2012

SPAGHETTI DINNER BENEFIT Sponsored by K of C 12900 for two Grandview families who lost homes in recent fire

Sunday, Oct 28th, Noon — 6 pm Free Will Offering/Donations Dinner includes Spaghetti/Meat-

ball, Salad, Bread, Dessert, Beverage. All Are Welcome!

St. John Neumann **HOLIDAY BAZAAR**

Carters Corner Rd & St. Rt. 36/37 in Sunbury Nov 3, 2012 - 9:00am-3:00pm Homemade crafts, bake sale, quilt raffle and food served

Questions: call Carma at 740-524-1702 or e-mail sinholidaybazaar@yahoo.com

Spaghetti Dinner St Elizabeth Church 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd Sunday, Nov 4, noon - 6 PM Adults S8: Children S4: spaghetti (all you can eat), meatballs, salad, bread, dessert and beverage

All fund-raising events (festivals, bazaars, spaghetti dinners, fish fries, bake sales, pizza/sub sales, candy sales, etc.) will be placed in the "Fund-Raising Guide." An entry into the Guide will be \$18.50 for the first six lines, and \$2.65 for each additional line. For more information, call Deacon Steve DeMers at 614-224-6530 or 800-511-0584.

'Happenings' submissions

Notices for items of Catholic interest must be received at least 12 days before expected publication date. We will print them as space permits. Items not received before this deadline may not be published. Listings cannot be taken by phone. Mail to: The Catholic Times Happenings, 197 East Gay St., Columbus, OH 43215 Fax to: 614-241-2518

E-mail as text to tpuet@colsdioc.org

St. Brendan's **Fall Craft Show** Saturday, Nov. 3 • 9 am - 3 pm St. Brendan School - 4475 Dublin Rd., Hilliard 90+ vendors, Quilt Raffle, Bake Sale, Great Food For info contact: Mike Rico at: 614-777-4842 or mricoO@yahoo.com Sponsored by K of C & Women's Club

St. Luke Parish Turkey Dinner **Sunday, Nov. 4 — 11am-2pm** St. Luke Community Center Market & Rambo Streets, Danville Adults - \$7.50, Children 10 & under - \$4 Carry-out available Bazaar table with baked goods and crafts

2012 Holiday Happening St. Mary School

309 East Chestnut St., Lancaster "Swing" into the weekend

Fri, Nov 9, 7-10pm (Adults Only) with Nostalgic's - Lancaster's 18-piece Big Band Then, come enjoy FUN for the whole family Sat, Nov 10, Noon-8pm & Sun, Nov 11, 9am-4pm

for more information see our school website http://www.saintmarylancaster.org/

CALICO ANGEL CRAFT SHOW Saturday, November 3rd 9am-3pm ST. PETER CHURCH 6899 Smoky Row Road **Columbus**

OCTOBER

DAILY THROUGH NOV. 4. SUNDAY 40 Days for Life

Continuous, sidewalk in front of Complete Healthcare for Women, 5858 Cleveland Ave., Columbus, 40 Days for Life campaign of daily vigils at clinic. Individuals may sign up for one- or two-hour shifts. Churches, schools, and other organizations may select one day in which their representatives will cover all shifts. 614-445-8508

25 THURSDAY

Youth Evangelization Workshop at St. Paul 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., St. Paul Church, 313 N. State St., Wester ville. Workshop on "Evangelizing Youth: Engaging a New Generation of Disciples." For all who minister to young people and their families. Sponsored by national Center for Ministry Development and diocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

Vatican II Series at Ohio Dominican

3:30 to 5 p.m., Colonial Room, Sansbury Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Last of eight-part series of talks on "The Big Ideas of the Second Vatican Council." Topic: "Echoes of the Council Today" with Ohio Dominican University professor Ann Hall. Sponsored by Center for Dominican Studies and Martin de Porres Center.

ODU LEAD Adult Education Information Session

6 p.m., Ohio Dominican University Dublin Campus, Suite 100, 5550 Blazer Parkway, Dublin. Information session for adult education division of ODU Learning Enhanced Adult Degree program. 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 614-406-9516

'Courage' Support Group Meeting

7:30 p.m., A Catholic organization providing support for individuals with same-sex attractions.

614-436-8676 Mary Louise

26. FRIDAY

Labyrinth Walk at Shepherd's Corner

7 to 8:30 p.m., Shepherd's Corner, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Labyrinth walk to celebrate the harvest time of rest and renewal.

27, 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.

Ohio Dominican Career Fair for Military

10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Ohio Dominican University LEAD Campus, 2600 Airport Drive, Columbus. "Mission: Employable" career fair for veterans and active duty military, Guard, and Reserve members and spouses, sponsored by ODU LEAD program.

Knit-In at Church of the Resurrection

11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Church of the Resurrection, 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany, Knit-in for knitters. crocheters, and creative people. Participants are asked to bring a prayer shawl for Back in His Arms Again ministry. Bring lunch; desserts, drinks provided. 614-342-6003 Memorial Mass for Children at Resurrection Cemetery 1 p.m., Chapel, Resurrection Cemetery, 9571 N. High St., Lewis Center. Monthly memorial Mass for babies left behind at Columbus hospitals or buried in cemetery's Gar-

den of the Holy Innocents, and any other babies whose

parents want to honor their lives, sponsored by Back in

His Arms Again ministry. Coleen Kelly Mast at St. Catharine

6:15 p.m., St. Catharine Church, 500 Gould Road, Columbus. Italian dinner, followed by talk by EWTN radio host Coleen Kelly Mast on "Raising Love-Wise Kids in a Lustful 614-235-1839 World." Preceded by 5 p.m. Mass.

28, SUNDAY

'Catholicism' Series at St. Peter

9 to 10:30 a.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road.

Columbus. Part 6 of Father Robert Barron's "Catholicism" video series

St. Christopher Adult Religious Education

10 to 11:15 a.m., St. Christopher Parish Center, 1420 Grandview Ave., Columbus, Talk on "Catholic Just War Theory" with Father Louis Iasiello, OFM, of the Pontifical College Josephinum, former chief of Navy chaplains 614-488-9971

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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. Irish Women's Groups Luncheon for Cancer Research

1 to 4 p.m., Villa Milano, 1630 Schrock Road, Columbus. Luncheon benefiting Stefanie Spielman Breast Cancer Research Fund, sponsored by Daughters of Erin and Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Irish women's groups. No tickets at door 614-203-9145

Dyslexia Seminar at Ohio Dominican

1 to 4 p.m., Erskine Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Free seminar with dyslexia expert Susan Barton. Sponsored by diocesan Schools Office. Attendees must register at ODU.EventBrite.com.

St. Catherine of Bologna Secular Franciscans

2:30 to 5 p.m., St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttles Ave., Columbus. Rosary, Liturgy of the Hours, followed by general meeting, ongoing formation, and social. Elizabeth Bowen, OFS 614-276-1953

Cathedral Concert Series

3 p.m., St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St., Columbus Concert featuring organist Mel Butler, music director of the Cathedral of St. Mark, Seattle.

Our Lady of Palestine Vespers Service at Cathedral

Following 5:15 p.m. Mass, St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E Broad St., Columbus. Service honoring Our Lady of Palestine, with rosary, candlelight procession, and cathedral 614-241-2526 choir chanting vespers.

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter

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

29 MONDAY

Theology on Tap With Bishop Campbell

7 to 9 p.m., St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. Special meeting of Theology on Tap discussion and social group for Catholics 21 and older, featuring wine and cheese with talk by Bishop Frederick Campbell. RSVP to srobinso@cdeducation.org.

30 THESDAY

'Catholicism' Series at St. Peter

1 to 2:30 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road. Columbus, Part 7 of Father Robert Barron's "Catholicism"

Maturing Spirituality Series at de Porres Center

2 to 3:30 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. "Cherishing Broken Tablets: Maintaining Connections with Cognitively Impaired People," with Rabbi Cary Kozberg of Wexner Heritage Village. Part of center's Maturing Spirituality series. Begins with 30-minute webcast, followed by small-group discussion.

Bishop Campbell Speaks at Ohio Dominican

4 p.m., Bishop Griffin Student Center, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Bishop Freder ick Campbell speaks to ODU students.



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bus (BCMC) will present "Come Sunday: A Gospel Jazz Concert" on Sat-Nov. 11, at 2 p.m. in the Lincoln Theater, 769 E. Long St., to benefit Catholic education and evangelization. The reception at 7 p.m.

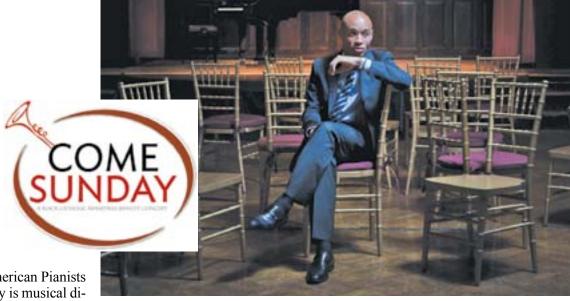
formances by Columbus' own Aaron lumbus Symphony, and the ProMusica Diehl (pictured) and Bobby Floyd, un- Chamber Orchestra, sharing the stage der the direction of noted musician and with Dionne Warwick, Doc Severinsen, choir director Vernon Hairston.

Diehl is an alumnus of Columbus St. Jazz Award and is the 2011 Cole Porter and vocalists who attend diocesan at National Black Catholic Congress church family.

Black Catholic Ministries of Colum- Fellow in Jazz of the American Pianists Association. He currently is musical director for St. Joseph of the Holy Family urday, Nov. 10, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Catholic Church in Harlem and for its televised Sunday Mass.

Floyd, a pre-eminent jazz pianist and composer, has played with such musical Nov. 10 concert will be preceded by a icons as Ray Charles and James Moody. He has been a featured performer with "Come Sunday" will feature per- the Columbus Jazz Orchestra, the Co-Fave Robinson and many others.

Joining these two renowned musicians Charles Preparatory High School and will be gospel great Quon Howell and



Catholic schools also will perform.

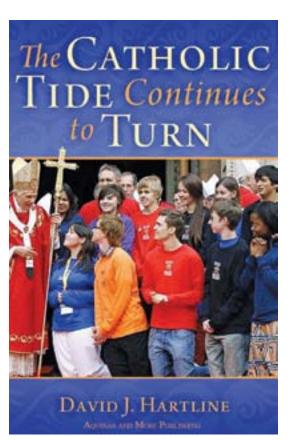
Proceeds from this benefit will allow BCMC to assist African American youth in the diocese in obtaining a Catholic education. In the past, BCMC has helped young people to attend Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, and Columbus All Saints Academy.

This year. BCMC shifted its focus from assisting a few students in attending Catholic schools and placed pressed gratitude for such an opportugreater emphasis on evangelization nity and indicated that their efforts of and taking a closer look at the faith. the Julliard School. He was the first jazz greats Mary McClendon and Tony The organization supported 26 young ing community service have brought winner of the Hank Marr High School Monaco of Columbus. Teen musicians people by sponsoring their attendance them closer to their faith and their

XI in Indianapolis.

They spent three days at this national forum, in which they met young people from across the nation and had the opportunity to meet many black clergy, including bishops, priests, and sisters. They also had the opportunity to participate in workshops led by black seminarians and were able to hear the stories of newly ordained priests.

Many of these young people exfund raising for this trip and complet-



BOOK REVIEW

The Catholic Tide Continues to Turn

Reviewed By David Garick

Readers of the Catholic Times have enjoyed the writing of local author David Hartline every other of Hell shall not prevail against it." week through his column, "The Tide Is Turning Toward Catholicism." The column draws its name from Hartline's 2007 book by that name. It was a bold riposte to the widespread attacks on the Church in the mainstream media which had made Catholicism appear to be a dying spiritual entity. Instead, Hartline provided much-needed evidence that the Catholic Church is alive, well, and building for the future.

This second volume takes the case even further, detailing the remarkable

deed, as Christ proclaimed, "the gates As Hartine's publishers, Aguinas and More Publishing, wrote, "This book will give readers a better understanding of the very dark and sometimes today. However, readers will also discover the many amazingly bright rays of hope and the many positive things happening within the Church. Better yet, they will learn how these developments are our best chance at building a better tomorrow for us all."

Especially enlightening are the sec- and when we turn our eyes toward tions detailing increasing numbers resilience of the Catholic Church and of converts to the faith, a resurgence mate victory.

the strides that have been taken in the in new vocations in many dioceses past few years which show that in- and religious orders, unbridled enthusiasm among young people demonstrated through recent world and national youth conferences, success after success in promoting the culture of life and defending the sanctity of traditional marriage, and a threatening clouds hovering above us growing presence of this nation's Catholic bishops in keeping critical moral issues at the center of our national political landscape.

The pages of "The Catholic Tide Continues to Turn" are filled with good news. It is a reaffirmation that God continues to bless his Church, him, we move forward toward ulti-

NEWS IN PHOTOS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



Pro-life supporters protest outside the Marie Stopes clinic in Belfast, Northern Ireland, Oct. 18. The clinic will offer medical, not surgical, abortions and will terminate pregnancies up to the first nine weeks of pregnancy, as per Northern Irish law. CNS photo/Cathal McNaughton, Reuters

This bronze statue of St. Kateri Tekakwitha kneeling in prayer sits alongside a devotional walkway leading to the church at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, Wis. The statue was created by artist Cynthia Hitschler and installed in 2008. St. Kateri was canonized on Oct. 21 in Rome by Pope Benedict XVI. CNS photo/Denis Downey, Catholic Times, Diocese of La Crosse

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Your Catholic Cemeteries Invite You to Prayer Services for Your Deceased as a Complement to the Feasts of All Saints Day and All Souls Day...

CEMETERY SUNDAY November 4, 2012



Father Don Franks
Pastor
St. Mary Church/German Village

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY
Prayer Service
OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS CHAPEL
2:00 p.m. Prayer Service
6440 S. High St./U.S. Rt. 23 S.
Lockbourne, Ohio 43137
614-491-2751



Father Kevin Lutz Pastor Holy Family Church





Father James Klima Pastor Seton Parish/Pickerington

HOLY CROSS CEMETERY Prayer Service CHAPEL MAUSOLEUM 2:00 p.m. Prayer Service 11539 National Rd. S.W./U.S. 40 Rt. E. Pataskala, Ohio 43062 740-927-4442



Father Anthony Divono
Pastor
St. Michael Church/Worthington

RESURRECTION CEMETERY Prayer Service CHAPEL MAUSOLEUM 2:00 p.m. Prayer Service 9571 N. High St./U.S. Rt. 23 N. Lewis Center, Ohio 43035 614-888-1805



St. Joseph Cemetery — Noon to 4 p.m. Resurrection Cemetery — Noon to 4 p.m. Holy Cross Cemetery — Noon to 4 p.m.



