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The Editor's Notebook

I was hungry and you fed me

By David Garick, Editor

High summer is upon us. The days are long. The sun is bright. It is hot and humid. The fields and gardens are bursting forth with all manner of fruits and vegetables. The harvest is beginning. The Ohio State Fair is under way, with its celebration of nature's bounty.

I did a bit of my own celebration of nature's bounty last weekend, preparing a backyard feast of baby back ribs, homegrown tomatoes from my neighbor's garden, and fantastic sweet corn and watermelon from a nearby farm market. This is an experience I dream about on those cold, dark January days.

Sadly, the dream of a nice meal from nature's bounty remains just a dream year-round for many of our neighbors right here in central Ohio. Poverty is real. Thousands of people in our community struggle every day to put food on the table and to provide clothing and shelter for their families. It is wonderful that many of us have the chance to enjoy the fruits of the harvest. But as Christians, we are called to share this bounty with those who lack the basic necessities of life.

The prophet Isaiah said, "If you give some of your own food to (feed) those who are hungry and to satisfy (the needs of) those who are humble, then your light will rise in the dark, and your darkness will become as bright as the noonday sun. Share your food with the

hungry, and give shelter to the homeless. clothes



Jesus tells us, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me...Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Through baptism, we are brothers and sisters of Christ himself and of every other person in our community and the world. We have been given much. We are called to share those blessings with our brothers and sisters.

We have the means to reach out and serve the poor among us through a host of Catholic service agencies in this diocese. This issue of Catholic Times takes a look at one such resource, the Bishop Griffin Center on the east side of Columbus. This is one way that we can give of our time, share our food, and provide financial resources to help those in need. That summer picnic, cookout, or barbecue will taste even better when you have opened your heart to share what you have with the poor ... and with Christ himself.



By Cindy Wooden

Catholic News Service

The murder of a priest in northern France, taken hostage with a handful of other faithful during a morning Mass on Tuesday, July 26, is another act of "absurd violence" added to too many stories of senseless violence and death, a Vatican spokesman said.

Pope Francis was informed about the hostage situation at the church in Saint-Etienne-du-Rouvray, near Rouen, and the murder of 84-yearold Father Jacques Hamel, said the spokesman, Jesuit Father Federico Lombardi.

"With pain and horror" for the "absurd violence," Pope Francis expressed his condemnation of "every form of hatred" and offered his prayers for all those involved.

"We are particularly stricken because this horrible violence occurred in a church -- a sacred place in which the love of God is proclaimed -- with the barbaric killing of a priest," Father Lombardi said.

Police said two men armed with knives entered the church during Mass. They reportedly slit the throat of Father Hamel. Apparently alerted by a member of the congregation who escaped, police killed both hostagetakers. They said another person present at the Mass was in serious condition at the hospital.

Archbishop Dominique Lebrun of Rouen, who was in Krakow, Poland, with World Youth Day pilgrims when the attack occurred, said he would return to his archdiocese.

"The Catholic Church can take up no weapons other than those of prayer and brotherhood among people of good will," the archbishop said in a statement from Krakow. He said that while he would leave Poland, hundreds of young people from his diocese would remain. "I ask them not to give in to violence," but instead "become apostles of the civilization of love," Archbishop Lebrun said.



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and that includes the Catholic Times. During June, July and August, we will only be publishing every other week. Look for the Catholic Times in your mailbox just prior to

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Patti Rinehart, a member of the board of directors of the Bishop Griffin Center in Columbus, with some of the food available at the center's pantry, which serves more than 2,000 people per month.

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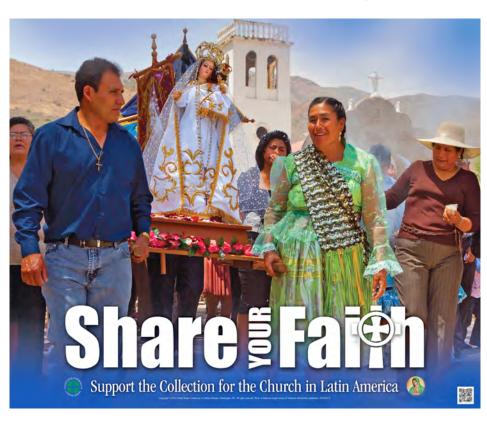
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Collection for the Church in Latin America – Weekend of August 6 & 7

PLEASE BE GENEROUS!



By Leandro M. Tapay

In Latin America, millions of Catholics have abandoned the Church in recent decades. Nearly one in five Latin Americans consider themselves to be Protestants.

Within the course of a single generation, the religious landscape of the region has been dramatically reshaped.

Many religious groups are sprouting all over the region – Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Pentecostals, Mormons, and Jehovah's Witnesses. These groups are competing for new followers.

African religions and voodoo also are flourishing. New Age beliefs are now more popular in Latin America than in the United States.

Pentecostalism has the highest membership. Two-thirds of Latin American Protestants identify themselves as Pentecostals. A possible reason for its popularity is that Pentecostalism adopts Latin American traditions and customs.

Pentecostal worshipers, in their wellattended services, often say they receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit, which include speaking in tongues and miraculous healings. Followers are encouraged to develop a personal relationship with Jesus. They are expected to share their faith with those who have yet to know Christ.

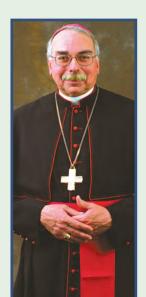
The most popular reasons for joining a Pentecostal church are the desire for a more personal relationship with God and a belief in the power of healing, which appeals to the poor and the sick, for whom health insurance often is unaffordable.

People also join in time of personal crisis, attracted by the power of deliverance from addiction to alcohol or drugs.

In 1978 the bishops of Latin America warned the Vatican that at least 2,000 Catholics were leaving the Church every day. In 1992, St. John Paul II ordered them to defend their flock against "rapacious wolves."

In the last few decades, the Catholic Church's most successful strategy in the battle against Pentecostalism has been the charismatic renewal movement.

Through the charismatic renewal, the Church has been revitalized by putting the Holy Spirit at the center of the evangelization process. Charismatic



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) designates one collection every year to help the Church in Latin America. In the Diocese of Columbus, the collection will be taken on the weekend of Aug. 6 and 7. Our generosity is a tangible demonstration of our solidarity with the Church across our hemisphere.

Although approximately half of the world's Catholic population lives in Latin America, the Church in the region is losing its members at an alarming rate. Some are drawn away from the Church by other faiths, and others migrate in pursuit of a better life elsewhere. As a result of losing its members in large numbers, along with a troubling priest-parishioner ratio, the Church

and family structures in the region are weakened. Help is much needed to strengthen the faith of the people and to train pastoral leaders to take care of the flock.

The collection supports catechesis, formation, evangelization, and other pastoral programs which are designed to strengthen and to renew the faith of the people in the region.

I invite you to give generously to this collection, and I ask the Lord to continue to bless our efforts to bring the Good News to all. I am most grateful for your loving response to God's call to build His Kingdom on Earth.

Most Rev. Frederick F. Campbell, DD, PhD Bishop of Columbus

Catholics often speak in tongues, believe in healing and exorcism, and use modern styles of music which attract young people to their Masses. Unlike the Pentecostals, however, they retain a strong devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints.

The charismatic renewal is seen as the best hope of halting the tide of defections. By 1986, the movement had received episcopal approval in every nation in Latin America.

Today, it is the largest and fastest growing wing of the Catholic Church. It has more than 300 million followers worldwide and provides an effective means to slow down the tide of Pentecostalism.

Sizeable proportions of Catholics in each Latin American nation now

consider themselves to be charismatics. In Brazil, Panama, Honduras, the Dominican Republic, and El Salvador, more than half of the Catholic population has joined the charismatic renewal movement. The majority of radio stations in Brazil are now run by the movement.

Pope Francis has embraced the charismatic renewal with much more enthusiasm than his predecessors. In July 2013, he took part in the charismaticorganized World Youth Day on Rio's Copacabana beach. One year later, he addressed 50,000 worshipers at a football stadium in Rome, announcing that he believed charismatics had received "a great gift from the Lord."

Tapay is director of the Missions Office of the Columbus Diocese.

PRACTICAL STEWARDSHIP

By Rick Jeric

Re-do

Have you discerned and prayed about your financial support of your parish? It is so important that we have taken much of the month of July to think about it. As good and faithful stewards, we know it is our responsibility to be sure that our parishes remain strong — both in the faith and financially. Yes, God always will provide



whatever we need. But we are a significant and important part of His plans, so we must always give back, and give back in good measure. We have been entrusted with all that we have by a loving God. We own nothing except our sinfulness. We give back with joy, and our faith and parish are the most basic recipients of our gifts. For me, it is difficult to imagine how easy it is to spend \$10 here and there on coffee, snacks, lunch, entertainment, etc., and my weekly offertory never changes. Maybe we got a pay increase on July I. Did we adjust our parish support accordingly? Of course, we have very important costs and challenges with our families, and that is very important to address. But God must always come first and foremost. Take care of God, then your family, then take care of the needy, then yourself.

Just when you think everything is going exactly the way you would like, some sort of bad "wrench" gets thrown into the works. For most things, even when there is smooth sailing, there still remains some doubt and uncertainty. And when that wrench gets thrown in to completely change our routine or our hopes, we must adjust and assimilate, right? Or do we seek and desire a re-do? As I write this column a few weeks in advance, I can think of a few instances in which many people have desired and even demanded a re-do. There was the impactful vote of the people of Great Britain, called Brexit, that sent lasting shock waves throughout the financial institutions and markets of the world. Those who did not get their way responded by demanding another vote, or a re-do. There was the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision to rescind the Texas law that affected the daily operation of abortion clinics. Those of us who are staunchly pro-life dream of a re-do. Columbus City Council recently passed an ordinance that places stricter regulations on those who protest at area abortion providers. While the butchers inside are shielded from the protesters, and the scared women have to deal with it, many have desired a re-do. Finally, it seems that no matter what the outcome of the November presidential election will be, the other side will cry out for a re-do. So what about real life? Sure, these issues are real life, but the day-to-day realities with which we deal are much more critical. Life moves forward and we do not get any re-dos. The greatest impact we can have is being a positive example for others around us, so that in the future, we have fewer re-dos to worry about.

Our practical challenge for the next two weeks is to keep the past behind us and move forward with love, passion, zeal, and optimism. Go and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Let us put our past sins behind us and focus on a much more positive future. No need for a re-do. Especially in this Year of Mercy, joyfully embrace the mercy of a loving God and do the same for all others, especially those whom we would like to force into a re-do.

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

The Catholic Foundation Announces 2017 Grant Cycle

Beginning at noon Tuesday, Sept. 6, The Catholic Foundation will accept online applications for 2017 responsive grants.

Catholic parishes, schools, invited religious orders, and invited nonprofit organizations in the 23-county Diocese of Columbus are eligible to apply.

The Foundation is offering three workshops to help people understand the application process. All workshops will be at its office, 257 E. Broad St., Columbus.

The dates and times are Tuesday, Aug. 9 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and Wednesday, Aug. 10 and Tuesday, Aug. 16 from 6:30-8 p.m. Any organization that plans to apply for a grant is encouraged to attend one of the workshops.

Advance registration is required. To register, contact Katie Cramer at (614) 443-8893 or intern@catholic-foundation.org.

Last year, the Foundation restructured its grant cycle to provide a structure of funding opportunities that includes three types of grants: mission grants, purpose grants, and vision grants. Most funding will fall into the mission grant category. These grants, awarded at the end of October, are designed to help ministries with capital or program-related needs. Grants of as much as \$10,000 may be awarded, and will require one application and one report.

Purpose grants provide funding for situations in which a partnership is needed in a larger investment for program or capital needs. These grants will be awarded in mid-December, and will range from \$10,000 to \$25,000. Purpose grants will require a two-phase application process and one report.

A limited number of ministries will receive vision grants, which include capital and program grants for applicants that exemplify great thought on sustainability of the project. Funding of \$25,000 or more will be awarded, and recipients will be announced by the end of February. A two-phase application, site visit, and one or multiple reports are required.

For complete grant guidelines and eligibility, visit grants.catholic-foundation.

Columbus Marian Conference

The sixth annual Columbus Marian Conference will take place from Friday to Sunday, Aug. 5 to 7, in Sansbury Hall at Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus.

The conference will feature nationally recognized speakers discussing various topics related to Mary, the mother of God, plus a daily Mass in the Extraordinary Form, more familiarly known as the Latin Mass.

There will be two Masses on Sunday morning – a spoken Mass at 8 a.m. and a choral Mass at 9:15. The event will begin with a rosary procession at 4:30 p.m. Friday, followed by a sung Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place throughout the day Saturday, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available throughout the conference.

The event's theme will be "Mother Mary, Star of the Sea." Speakers will include Father Shannon Michael Collins,

MSJB, former chaplain at Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Hanceville, Alabama; Father Sean Kopczynski, MSJB; former cult member Zachary King; Hugh Owen, a converted Catholic and director of the John Paul II Institute of Christian Spirituality; Doug Ritzenthaler, a member of the St. Catherine of Siena chapter of the Lay Dominicans in Columbus; Alyssa Grace, who uses her restored voice to help others find meaning and joy in suffering; and Father Ladis J. Cizik, former national executive director of the Blue Army of Our Lady of Fatima.

The cost is \$40 for a day or \$45 for the weekend (\$55 at the door), with a family rate of \$100 (\$110 at the door). Lunch each day is \$9. Priests, deacons, seminarians, and religious sisters will be admitted free. Scholarships are available for those in financial need. For more information, call (614) 929-5838 or go to www.marianconference.weebly.com.

Charismatic Day of Renewal

The diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal will host a day of renewal on Aug. 11 at Columbus St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd.

The program will begin with praise and worship at 9:30 a.m., followed by a 10 a.m. Mass celebrated by Father Dean

Mathewson, and a short teaching. Individual prayer ministry and the Sacrament of Reconciliation also will be available throughout the program.

For more information, contact Linda Pelino at lpelino3@yahoo.com or call (614) 582-1721.

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AQUINAS TRADITION KEPT ALIVE THROUGH ALUMNI

The Aquinas College High School Alumni Association meets on the first Monday of each month between April and October, usually at the TAT Restaurant on the city's east side. The group also meets annually at the Aquinas Room of the Jubilee Museum and Catholic Cultural Center, which is filled with Aquinas memorabilia, and at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School.

St. Charles nearly became one of several Catholic high schools in Columbus which closed in the 1960s (see Page 7), but survived the turmoil of that period and has an active alumni association of its own, which recently hosted its annual platinum reunion for graduates of 50 or more years ago. In addition, alumni from Aquinas and St. Charles have gotten together for a golf challenge each July for the past 10 years.

Aquinas was opened in 1905 by the Dominican Fathers near the Dominicans' St. Patrick Church downtown, in two rooms of the building that housed the parish's school. It originally was known as St. Patrick's College and was renamed in 1911. At that time, a state charter was obtained to develop a four-year college at the site, but that never materialized.

In early 1906, the college moved from the elementary school into a building on the site of a former Catholic cemetery, which had been abandoned for more than a quarter-century. The building was expanded in 1911 and replaced by another structure in 1925. When Aquinas closed in 1965, Columbus State Community College bought that building and used it for its first classrooms and offices. Now known as Aquinas Hall, it's still part of the college.

More than 4,200 students graduated from the all-boys school in its 60 years of existence. Lou Nobile Jr., president of the Aquinas alumni association, estimated that about 1,400 of the graduates are alive. The youngest is 68 and the oldest are in their 90s, including 91-year-old Joe Selegue, a member of the class of 1943, who is the association's spirit chairman.



Aquinas alumni officers (from left): first row, Lou Nobile, Paul Nobile, Joe Selegue; second row, Tony Liska, Don Laird, Frank Roberts.

Between 70 and 90 men show up for the monthly Aquinas alumni events, mixing stories of their lives today and of their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren with memories of high school days.

"The teachers were strict, but they also were extremely intelligent," said Ralph Mathews, a member of the class of 1961, at a recent meeting. "Many of them had doctoral degrees, so they were a cut above most high school teachers. But they weren't just intellectuals. Somehow, they were really in tune with the students. They knew what we were doing better than we did."

Several of those in attendance spoke with a mixture of admiration and awe about Father John R. Smith, OP, who held the title of dean of discipline at Aquinas from 1932-65, then moved to St. Dominic Priory in Washington. While there, he occasionally walked President Lyndon Johnson's dog as the president prayed or went to Mass in the priory chapel with his wife and daughter Luci, a converted Catholic, during the Vietnam War.

"Father Smith seemed intimidating, but he straightened a lot of kids out, and they'll all tell you how grateful they were that he cared for them," said Nobile, a member of the class of 1957, who has been president of the Aquinas alumni for the past 15 years.

"Like the other Dominicans, he treated all of us alike. It didn't matter whether you were poor or well-to-do."

"The shared experiences all of us had with the Dominicans created a camaraderie among Aquinas alumni that we've retained all our lives," said TAT owner Jim Corrova, a class of 1953 member who closes the restaurant to the public on Mondays, but opens it when his fellow Aquinas alumni meet. "We know we can depend on each other for help if we need it."

Mark Montgomery of the class of 1960 felt that bond when he was hospitalized three times last year for various reasons. "I honestly believe I'm alive today because of the prayers of these guys, plus those of my wife and the people of my church, Columbus St. Mary Magdalene," he said. "Because of what they did for me, I want to be there in return for everyone from Aquinas."

The Aquinas alumni group awards scholarships each year to help students attend diocesan high schools. The scholarship fund has about \$300,000 in assets, managed by The Catholic Foundation. It raises about \$35,000 annually through an annual raffle and a golf tournament.

Several Aquinas graduates have bequeathed sizeable amounts to the scholarship endowment, and it

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Purgatory and the good thief; Weddings during Lent



QUESTION & ANSWER by: FATHER KENNETH DOYLE Catholic News Service

As I understand purgatory, it is a place where a cleansing is done, even if we have received the sacrament of anointing of the sick and/or made a good confession and had our sins absolved before death. My question is this: On the day Jesus was crucified, he told the good thief, "Today you will be with me in paradise," so are we to assume that no cleansing in purgatory was required for him? And if that's the case, why not? (Philadelphia)

A. Your understanding of purgatory is correct. It has been a clear and consistent belief of the church, as stated in the *Catechism* of the Catholic Church: "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven" (No. 1030).

What we don't know, of course, is just what this transitional state consists of. How long it lasts, whether it might even be instantaneous, and what it feels like are questions beyond our reckoning so long as we are still on this side of eternity.

What needs to be factored in, too – and some might be unaware of

this – is a prayer called the "Apostolic Pardon." This prayer of blessing customarily is administered by a priest when someone is close to death. It follows the anointing of the sick and, if possible, the sacraments of penance and the Eucharist as viaticum – bread for the journey.

In this prayer, the priest says, "Through the holy mysteries of our redemption, may almighty God release you from all punishments in this life and in the life to come. May he open to you the gates of paradise and welcome you to everlasting joy."

Even if a priest is unavailable, the church provides in the *Handbook of Indulgences* that a dying person who is rightly disposed and has prayed regularly during life may be granted this same plenary indulgence (No. 28).

So to me, it's quite reasonable that Jesus could have absolved the repentant thief of both sin and of punishment. If a priest can do it, why not Christ?

Q. We just learned that a close family member will be getting married next year during Lent. We, of course, are excited about the couple's pending nuptials, but we thought that the church frowned upon

weddings during Lent. Since they are getting married in another Midwestern state, it seems that the local church there must permit the practice. Does each diocese make its own decision on this issue? (Indianapolis)

A. I have heard that there are parishes or even dioceses that discourage the celebration of marriages during Lent, but there is no universal rule of the church that would ban them.

I would even argue that it would be a violation of canon law to rule out Lenten weddings altogether, based on Canon 843, Paragraph 1, which states that Catholics cannot be denied the sacraments if they ask for them and are properly disposed, and Canon 18, which indicates that the rights of the faithful cannot be limited, unless the law clearly permits it.

In 1988, the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments ruled that weddings may not take place on Good Friday or Holy Saturday, but those are the only days so indicated.

Liturgical guidelines of the church indicate, though, that if weddings occur during Lent, music and church decorations should be less lavish, in keeping with the penitential nature of the season.

Questions may be sent to Father Kenneth Doyle at askfather-doyle@gmail.com and 40 Hopewell St., Albany NY 12208.

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it is hoped the amount will become large enough that future fundraising will not be necessary to continue the grants. To date, the fund has awarded about \$342,000 in scholarships to 140 students.

Nobile notes that besides the scholarships, one of the association's most significant expenses each year is for Masses for deceased alumni. He said 18 graduates of the school had died between last October 2015 and this past April. Two more deaths occurred between April and May.

Since 2000, more than 500 Masses have been celebrated for deceased Aquinas alumni by Father Richard McAlister, OP, a 1952 graduate of the school, who is stationed at Providence College in Rhode Island.

"We are losing approximately 50 alumni a year" to death, "and since the youngest is 68, the attrition rate will probably accelerate," Nobile said. "Management succession will be an issue going for-

ward. Most of the officers are over 75. Some of the younger graduates are getting more involved and probably will step forward to run things. As mortality takes its toll, the age and number of alumni indicate that the alumni association may last another 10 to 15 years.

"While this may be wishful thinking, the alumni have very strong ties to their alma mater, as evidenced by a statement in the 1963 yearbook – 'We are determined that so long as we are, Aquinas will be."

Besides the monthly alumni meetings, individual Aquinas classes continue to have reunions in significant anniversary years, and there is usually an all-alumni reunion in the summer. Nobile said that event, which usually attracts 130 to 150 people, won't take place this year, but will continue.

For more information on the Aquinas alumni association, go to www.columbusaquinas.com.

Restorative Circle Training

The next training course for new volunteers of the Community Restorative Circle (CRC) program will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 30 at the United Way of Central Ohio, 360 S. 3rd St., Columbus. The training is free and registration is required. Lunch will be served.

The Corpus Christi Center of Peace is host to the CRC program for Columbus' south side. The community-based, court-operated diversion program is part of Franklin County Juvenile Court's restorative justice program, which is designed to provide an alternative response from the juvenile justice system for first-time misdemeanor offenders.

The circles adhere to restorative justice theories which are based on the premise of accountability to the victim and the community. Trained community volunteers provide young people with the opportunity to repair the harm done to their victims (if applicable) and to make a positive contribution to the community, while at the same time working to improve their own lives.

The circles discuss the offense, ask questions, and make decisions as to how the young offender should take responsibility for his or her actions. Successful completion of this diversion process can result in the offender not having a formal court record.

The volunteer commitment for the program is two hours (6-8 p.m.) on the same Tuesday or Thursday evening once a month.

To register for the training course, go to http://www.adoptionchildwelfarelaw.org/registration_application/event_detail.php?id=140.

St. Charles Eagle Scouts

Twenty-two members of the St. Charles Preparatory School Class of 2016 earned Eagle Scout rank. St. Charles 2016 graduates who are Eagle Scouts, the highest rank a Boy Scout can attain, are Nicholas Arnold (Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare Church), Aaron Bowman (Fairfield Christian Academy), Joseph Churilla, (New Albany Church of the Resurrection), James Darnell (Columbus St. Catharine), Justin Doney (Westerville St. Paul), Patrick Foley (Columbus St. Timothy), Benigno Houser (Hilliard St. Brendan), Scott Klosterman (Columbus St. Mary Magdalene), Nicholas Martin (Wedgewood Middle School), William Mignery (Gahanna St. Matthew), John Miller IV (St. John's Lutheran School), Matthew Miller (Hilliard St. Brendan), Christopher Mitchell (Powell St. Joan of Arc), Joseph Murnane (Westerville St. Paul), David Nash (Gahanna St. Matthew), Lewis Nerone (Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare), William Perry (Columbus St. Agatha), Charles "Evan" Porter (Gahanna St. Matthew), Michael Schmeling (Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare), James Sullivan (Columbus Immaculate Conception), Andrew Zawada (Columbus St. Andrew), and Ryan Zesch (Columbus St. Agatha).

DIOCESAN SCHOOLS CLOSED 50 YEARS AGO RETAIN ACTIVE ALUMNI GROUPS

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

Catholic secondary school education in the Diocese of Columbus went through a significant change about a half-century ago, as high schools affiliated with individual parishes were replaced with multiple-parish consolidated schools.

The change was especially notable in the city of Columbus itself, as Bishop Watterson High School opened in 1954, Bishop Hartley in 1957, St. Francis DeSales in 1960, Bishop Ready in 1961, and Father Wehrle (now closed) in 1965. Meanwhile, Aguinas College High School, St. Mary of the Springs Academy, and the parish high schools at Holy Rosary, Sacred Heart, St. Mary, Holy Family, and Our Lady of Victory churches were closed between 1963 and 1968.

Those schools may no longer exist, but memories of many of them live on through gatherings of former students at reunions and in alumni groups.

Aquinas has a particularly active alumni association. A story about that group may be found on Page 5 of this week's *Catholic Times*.

Holy Rosary High School's alumni association, like that of Aquinas, meets often at the TAT Restaurant in Columbus. The meetings are at various dates and times, said Mike Jolley, president of the school's last senior class, which graduated in 1966. The next two classes transferred to other schools.

The 50th anniversary of that class will be celebrated on the weekend of Friday and Saturday, Aug. 12 and 13 at two events for Holy Rosary's high school graduates of 1961-68 and eighth grade graduates of 1958-64. Alumni only are invited to meet on the evening of Aug. 12 at Plank's on Parsons, 743 Parsons Ave., Columbus.

A dinner for alumni, spouses, and friends will take place the following night at the Swan Club, 2121 Noe-Bixby Road, Columbus.

"The 1966 class has gotten together every five years, with one exception, since our graduation," Jolley said. "We've also had the all-alumni groups at the TAT for the past seven years, and before that at the old Broad-Nel" at Broad Street and Nelson Road. "Our last reunion in 2011 had 130 people, including spouses. Any leftover money we have after the reunions goes to the Stella Niagara Franciscan sisters," who taught at the school on the city's east side.

The former Columbus Holy Rosary Church building now is used by Rock of Faith Baptist Church. The school and church were combined in 1979 with St. John the Evangelist Church to form one parish, which is based at the St. John site.

"A couple of the things I remember best about going to school there are the processions we used to have on major feast days and the boys choir we had," Jolley said. "We had so many altar servers that the group used to wrap around the church, standing shoulder to shoulder. The choir was second to none."

Information on the reunion is available from Jolley at (614) 237-8432 or mjolley1@columbus.rr.com or Angie Heller Hollerich at (614) 337-2204 or angie@brassringpro.com.

Anniversary reunions also are planned in August for Sacred Heart and St. Mary High School alumni groups.

Sacred Heart also closed in 1966. The building now houses St. Joseph Montessori School. Its classes of 1961-66 are invited to gather from 7 to 11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19 for a dinner at the Reception House at Raymond Memorial Golf Course, 3860 Trabue Road, Columbus, and from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20 for an informal event



Father Michael Mary Dosch, OP (second from left), joins Aquinas College High School alumni at one of their monthly lunches. CT photo by Tim Puet

at Ryan Hall of Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St.

No tickets will be available at the door of the Friday event, and payment must be made in advance. More information is available from Mary Hardgrove Sutphen at (740) 928-1166 or Sue Barr Beal at (614) 523-0823, on the Facebook page "Sacred Heart School of Business Columbus OH," or via email at sacred-hearths66@gmail.com.

"Sacred Heart was unique in that it was an all-girls school geared toward business," Barr said. It was a two-year school from 1908-57, then became a four-year school until its closing. "Graduating classes were small, mostly 25 to 30, with maybe 45 at the most.

"We started planning a reunion about a year-and-a-half ago and began to realize that being both a small school and having only girls made us a really tight-knit group. Some of us hadn't seen each other for 45 years, but all of a sudden, it was as though we were back in school again and that time hadn't passed."

Besides rekindling old friendships, reunions also can revive old romances. Columbus St. Mary High School 1961 graduate Alex Antol found that out five years ago at the 50th reunion of his class. Antol, who

now lives in South Carolina, met classmate Ada Edmunson, whom he dated once in high school, taking her to a concert with Paul Anka and his Caravan of Stars at the former Franklin County Veterans Memorial.

"She had a boyfriend in the Air Force then, and married him," Antol said. He also married, and hadn't seen Ada again until meeting her at the reunion. "My wife had died five years earlier," he said. "We started talking, and I found out her husband had died eight years earlier and she was mostly babysitting her great-grandchildren. One thing led to another, and now we're married and planning the 55th anniversary reunion."

That event will be in two parts and, like the Holy Rosary reunion, will begin on Aug. 12 at Plank's on Parsons. "The two schools were rivals, so we'll be on opposite sides of the building," Antol said jokingly. The reunion will continue the next day with Mass at 4 p.m. at Columbus St. Mary, Mother of God Church, 672 S. 3rd St., and dinner at Schmidt's Sausage Haus, 240 E. Kossuth St. More details are available from Antol at (843) 270-6296.

St. Mary High School was the first four-year parish high school in Columbus when it opened in 1914. Other schools of its type which had come and gone or which existed then were private academies. St. Mary Church continues to operate an elementary school.

Alumni of Holy Family's elementary and high schools have met annually for around 20 years for a homecoming Mass at Holy Family Church in the city's Franklinton neighborhood. This year's event, plus a tour of an alumni room in the building's undercroft, took place in June.

Wayne Wright of the Holy Family Alumni Association said the group began in 1937, disbanded because of World War II, then became active again in the late 1950s or early 1960s. For more than 50 years, it has sent Christmas cards with a small stipend to religious sisters who taught at Holy Family School or attended Holy Family Church. Wright said the school has about 600 living graduates, who receive an alumni newsletter once a year.

Holy Family High School existed from 1917-64. The school building now is the home of the Jubilee Museum and Catholic Cultural Center, the nation's largest collection of Catholic artifacts. Contact Wright at (614) 371-3413 or Genny Welker Temple at (614) 539-4815 for more about Holy Family alumni activities.

The last private Catholic high school in Columbus, St. Joseph Academy, was opened downtown in 1875 by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur and continued, mostly as an allgirls school, until its closing in 1977. Its legacy continues through St. Joseph Montessori School, which serves students in preschool through eighth grade, was opened in 1968 by the sisters, and was incorporated by a group of parents when the academy closed.

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THE DIOCESAN RECREATION ASSOCIATION REGISTERS FOR USA FOOTBALL'S HEADS UP FOOTBALL PROGRAM FOR 2016 SEASON

The Diocesan Recreation Association is committed to creating a positive youth football experience and advancing player safety this season by providing league-wide coaching education and teaching resources that benefit players, parents, and coaches through USA Football's Heads Up Football program.

USA Football, the sport's national governing body, recognized by the U.S. Olympic Committee, educates more young people and high school coaches combined than any other organization in the United States. The DRA includes 26 parishes, fielding teams with more than 615 football players and 75 coaches.

All DRA coaches will be trained in Heads Up Football techniques before leading their teams this season. DRA head coaches and assistant coaches will complete USA Football's accredited Level 1 youth tackle certification, which includes the concussion recognition and response protocols of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; sudden cardiac arrest protocols; proper helmet and shoulder pad fitting; heat and hydration information; and Heads Up tackling and blocking techniques, which aim to reduce helmet contact.

Heads Up Football training was given to player safety coaches on Saturday, July 9 at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School to implement, evaluate, and monitor coach education and player safety protocols.

Player safety coaches work with league commissioners, coaches, parents, and players throughout the season to provide hands-on training, monitoring, and mentoring to advance best practices.

Nearly 70 percent of all U.S. youth leagues, as well as more than 1,100



Player safety coaches are trained at Columbus Bishop Hartley High School on USA Football's Heads Up Football techniques, designed to reduce helmet contact.

Photos courtesy Diocesan Recreation Association



high schools, registered for Heads Up Football in 2015. More than 20 state high school athletic associations and football coaches associations support the USA Football program.

"This commitment shown by the parishes in the DRA to its young athletes and their families establishes exciting new standards through the best available science and coaching techniques," USA Football chief executive officer Scott Hallembeck said. "Coaches are teachers. Supporting them with education is a powerful catalyst to change for the better how players are taught and safety is addressed."

CHANGE IN TV MASS BROADCAST TIMES AT WHIZ-TV DUE TO OLYMPIC COVERAGE

The Diocese of Columbus' Sunday TV Mass, airing on NBC affiliate WHIZ-TV in Zanesville, will be shown from 6:30 to 7 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 7; Sunday, Aug. 14; and Sunday, Aug. 21. The Mass will revert to its regular 10:30-11 a.m. time shot on Sunday, Aug. 28.

This temporary change was necessitated by the NBC network's pre-emption of local programming because of coverage of the upcoming 2016 Sum-

mer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro.

The communications office of the Diocese of Columbus has sponsored weekly broadcasts of the Sunday Mass throughout the diocese since the 1950s, providing Mass to those who may be unable to participate with their local parish communities.

Area cable viewers should check their local systems for WHIZ-TV's cable channel listing.





ADVENTURE

I believe that most people who walk into the gym have a bit of an adventurous spirit. They might not know it at first, but they soon discover many new things about themselves as they start to lift weights and move in new ways.

Some gym members tell me they were a little unsure

at first. Others say exercise has helped them get to know themselves better. More than a few have said they never dreamed they would be doing this and are excited to see what's around the corner.

I am very grateful for my gym members who trust me to keep them safe and to teach them a new skill.

> Life is an adventure, and learning a sport can be an exciting part of that adventure.

> However, I believe that our faith journey, with Jesus as our guide, is the greatest adventure of all.

> Our Catholic faith is rich and deep and gives us the opportunity for a lifetime of learning about God, ourselves, and serving others.

This adventure with Jesus doesn't require us to travel to faraway



Holy and Healthy Lori Crock

lands. St. Therese of Lisieux wanted to visit all five continents to share God's love with others, but illness and death at age 24 didn't allow her to leave the convent. Her adventure centered around prayer and a desire to grow in holiness in her daily life. She is the patron saint of missionaries.

From her *Story of a Soul*: "For me, prayer is an upward leap of the heart, an untroubled glance towards heaven, a cry of gratitude and love which I utter from the depths of sorrow as well as from the heights of joy."

Growing closer to Jesus is an exciting adventure that might make us feel like my gym members expressed: a little unsure at first, learning about ourselves, doing things we never dreamed of, and excited about what's

around the corner.

We don't know how our daily adventure with Jesus will unfold, but we trust in His love for us and know He is right there with us.

A friend recently told me that she thanks God for every part of her daily adventure with Him — from the gentleness of a summer morning, to time spent with loved ones, and even for little conveniences in everyday life.

The pursuit of a Godcentered life is an incredible adventure. We might not know what's coming next, but through faith, we know we are in good hands.



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THE BISHOP GRIFFIN CENTER: GROWING HOPE, GROWING LOVE SINCE 2007

BY TIM PUET

Reporter, Catholic Times

During the year which ended on June 30, the Bishop Griffin Center on Columbus' east side served more than 14,000 people in about 4,200 households, according to statistics submitted by center board member Patti Rinehart.

The numbers are impressive, but behind them are thousands of individual stories which speak of the center's impact on the tory, was officially opened in November people it serves.

Take the case of a man who came to the center and asked for bus fare so he could travel downtown for a job interview. "I didn't believe that's why he needed the money," said board member Carl Smith. "You get a lot of folks who say they need

But I gave him \$5.

"Four weeks later, he came back, gave me \$10, and changed a flat tire he had found on my car. Seven months later, he was back again, this time with a \$50 donation. I still run into him today, and he's always grateful for that \$5 from the center. He says it changed his life."

The center at 2875 E. Livingston Ave., the former Christ the King Church rec-2007, but a community garden at the site was started in June of that year under the leadership of board member Marge Telerski. It started with eight beds in 2007 and has grown to 30 beds today.

"The growth over the last nine years hasn't been just in our own garden, but

erski said. "Many of the center's clients and people who work in the garden have received starter plants, which they've used for establishing their own gardens. That's given more people the chance to provide their own healthy foods.

"One situation from about four years ago which still has an impact on me today involved a mother who came to me and said she literally had nothing for her child. We gave her enough vegetables to provide soup for the little girl. It's so good when vou can do something instantaneous like that. That girl is now a healthy four-yearold. She and her mother come here regularly, and the girl always hugs me and calls me her Aunt Marge.'

Smith tells another story, this one about a young woman in nursing school. "She needed \$200 to take her licensing examination," he said. "We would have given her the money, but one of our volunteers told her husband about it. He had just gotten a bonus at work, and suggested that the money be used for that purpose rather than something for his own family.

"The young lady passed the test and came in to show us her nursing certificate. She moved out of town, but her mother continues to stop by and tell us how her daughter's career is going."

Many similar tales can be told about how the center puts the corporal works of mercy into practice as its volunteers fulfill the mission of "growing hope, growing love" that is represented in its motto and logo.

The idea for the center began in the early 1990s through discussions led by Smith. Telerski, and Richard Dick. All three were members of Christ the King Church's peace and justice committee at the time its founding.

"At the time, there were few food pantries on the east side of Columbus. The poverty rate was high, but there were practically no social services here," Smith said. "We called a meeting of the East Side Vicariate, with the idea of finding a site for a service center which would house various agencies and be near a bus line. Priests from several parishes offered space, but Christ the King fit our needs the best."

The center was named in honor of Bishop Emeritus James Griffin, who retired as bishop in 2005 and encouraged planning for the center in its early stages. Christ the these. A Columbus St. Catharine School

bus money and use it for something else. how it's spread into the community," Tel- King, Columbus St. Catharine, and Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton were the first three parishes to support the center.

> The center is open from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays and 2:30 to 5 p.m. Fridays. Because food is provided on a first-come, first-served basis, clients of its food pantry begin lining up at around 6:30 a.m. Wednesday or noon Friday. There's a steady stream of customers throughout the period the pantry is open. It's a choice pantry, meaning people can choose among a variety of items rather than being handed a bag of groceries.

Breakfast is provided for "early birds" on two Wednesdays a month. The pantry can handle a maximum of about 60 people each day. It has about 25 regular workers, all of whom are volunteers, as are the center's 12 board members.

People are allowed to come to the center once a month for a three-day emergency supply of food from the pantry, along with a large bag of clothing and housewares from the center's free store. A three-day food supply for a family of four is approximately 20 items consisting of meat, produce, canned goods, boxed goods, and bread. People can take as many as 25 clothing items monthly. The center distributes about 20,000 articles of clothing each month.

A playroom is available for children while their parents are at the pantry. Each child can take home one toy per visit. A large selection of books also is provided free of charge, with no limit on the amount a person can take.

Most of the pantry's food is purchased at a discount from the Mid-Ohio Foodbank. The discount enables the center to purchase three days' worth of food, worth and have been on the center's board since around \$40 if purchased at a grocery store, for \$11. Mid-Ohio also supplies bread and produce at no cost. During the summer, the community garden provides additional produce and gives away vegetable plants to be taken home and grown.

> Gently used clothing and housewares are donated to the center primarily by parishes within and bordering on eastern Franklin County. Center board president Kathy Pione and development and communications coordinator JoEllen Gohr said there is a constant need for personal care items such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and disposable diapers because Mid-Ohio does not supply





Left: The Bishop Griffin Center's community garden has 30 plots growing a variety of vegetables and includes a greenhouse and a labyrinth. Right: Center volunteer Donna Fairfax (left) and Ameri-Corps volunteer Kate Lowry handle checkout at the center's choice food pantry, which is open from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesdays and 2:30 to 5 p.m. Fridays and serves about 100 families every week.

student recently celebrated her 13th birthday by asking her friends to bring diapers for the center to her party, instead of gifts.

This past June, the center became a member of the Columbus Diaper Coalition, which distributes disposable diapers to those in need. It now receives approximately 3.600 diapers per month, which are of tremendous help to clients caring for young children.

The center does not accept furniture donations, referring them to the Joseph's Coat organization in eastern Franklin

The pantry serves about 100 families, or 400 individuals, per week. In its first two-and-a-half years, it was open to anyone, but Pione said the numbers became overwhelming, and it had to be limited to serving people living in ZIP codes 43209, 43213, 43219, 43227, and 43232.

"What I've noticed since the center opened nine years ago has been the steady increase in people coming to the pantry who are part of the working poor; that is, families where people are working, but they can't make it through the month on what they earn," Telerski said. "These are people my kids went to school with and who had good jobs which are no longer

"Another thing we're finding is that there are a lot more grandparents who now have custody of their grandchildren because of various economic- and fami-Dee Bruney. "In most cases, this wasn't at any time.

something they anticipated at this stage in their lives, but they're willing to take the responsibility.

"The people who come to the center are my heroes," Bruney said. "They have so many things to take care of, and for some of them, it takes a lot of courage to come here and admit to a need for assistance.

"Some people who don't understand claim our clients are 'working the system.' but I see little, if any of that. People who haven't been there don't know how difficult it is to spend two to three hours waiting to receive three days worth of food, or to have a full-time job and still not have enough to eat.

"It's our privilege at the center to serve these people and treat them with dignity, because we're all family.'

Wednesdays and Fridays are the biggest days at the center, but other activities take place there throughout the week. Monday is a day to clean up and get ready for Tuesdays, when trucks from Mid-Ohio deliver food to be sorted and shelved for the following day. Clothes and housewares from church donations also are sorted and hung.

On Thursdays, the building is turned over to the Dominican Learning Center for morning and evening classes in English as a Second Language.

The building is not open on Saturdays and Sundays, but emergency assistance is available by calling the center and leaving ly-related reasons," said board member a message. People can work in the garden program known as Pete's Pedals in honor

The garden includes a greenhouse, provided by a grant from The Catholic Foundation. Over the years, the garden has produced tomatoes, tomatillos, okra, summer and winter squash, potatoes, beans, peas, Swiss chard, peppers, collard greens, leaf and head lettuce, spinach, onions, garlic, and even small quantities of peanuts and

It also has won several national and local awards. Telerski said that because of its he was all smiles. I told him, 'It's yours.' "best practices," it is one of 12 gardens For him, Christmas came early that year." designated by the Franklin Park Conservatory as a teaching garden to help other of an area where two or three people at growers start their own programs. It has a time can shop for children from infant been the site of three Eagle Scout projects, to age 18. Each child gets one large and as well as volunteer days for Girl Scouts. Capital University, Ohio Dominican University, and several other organizations.

One of its ongoing projects is a butterfly garden built and maintained by the Next Step Leadership program that works with by parishes, schools, and volunteers. the CATCH Court organization, which helps survivors of human trafficking re- with gifts for 85 children. By last year, cover from what has happened to them that number had increased to 627. and return to healthy lives.

The garden's most recent project is a prayer labyrinth where people can sit mals for Easter. while waiting to go to the pantry. "When they ask about the labyrinth, we tell them prayer, and look at the path that opens up so its cash flow can be uneven. until they find the center," Telerski said.

The center collects donated bicycles for a of Deacon Pete Labita of Christ the King

Church, who takes the bikes to his garage and refurbishes them. Board member Jim Schmitt distributes them to children.

"I once asked a young man who was shopping for food with his grandmother if he had a bike," Schmitt said. "With head hung low, he said 'No.' I asked if he would like one and he said 'Oh yeah.' I found one for him, adjusted the seat, and he took it for a spin. When he came back,

At Christmastime, Bruney is in charge one small present, in addition to coloring books and stocking stuffers. Wrapping paper and Christmas stockings also are

Toys and gifts for children are donated Brunev said the program started in 2010

The center also provides families with baskets filled with candy and stuffed ani-

It relies on donations from individuals, organizations, and parishes to offer all to walk the rings and when they run into a these services, but cannot accurately prewall, to think of a wall in their lives, say a dict the timing and amount of donations,

> For its most recently completed fiscal year, the center received \$62,000 and

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Above: The Bishop Griffin Center, in the former Columbus Christ the King Church rectory. Below: Center board members (from left) Kathy Pione, Dee Bruney, JoEllen Gohr, Marge Telerski, Richard Dick, Jim Schmitt, Ed Courtade, Noelia Ontiveros, Amy Brenner, and Carl Smith. (T photos by Tim Puet



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The Bishop Griffin Center's free store is filled with clothing of all sizes and for all ages. Clients may take home as many as 26 clothing items per month.

Photo courtesy Bishop Griffin Center

spent \$79,000, leaving a \$17,000 shortfall, which was covered with cash on hand from previous years. This has led it to reduce its monthly budget for food purchases from \$4,000 to \$3,000 for the time being.

In hopes of resuming its previous level of expenditure and providing a more steady income flow, the center is asking churches, parish organizations, and parishioners to become sustaining partners who will commit to donating a fixed amount per month. The amount is up to the donor. Tours of the center are available by appointment for organizations or individuals interested in becoming sustaining members.

Pione and Gohr said an additional \$3,000 in contributions per month will allow the center to return to its former food budget. Additional contributions will enable it to expand its efforts.

They said the partnership program has received responses at the parish or the

organization level from Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral and Christ the King, Holy Spirit, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, St. Agatha, St. Andrew, St. Catharine, St. Mary, and St. Patrick churches, as well as Gahanna St. Matthew, Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton, and Sunbury St. John Neumann parishes, and The Catholic Foundation.

"In this Year of Mercy, what better way to heed the call of Pope Francis and Jesus than to feed the hungry and clothe the naked," Pione said. "This is what we do every Wednesday and Friday at the Bishop Griffin Center. Come help us as we spread the love and mercy of Jesus in a very tangible way. As he said, 'Whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me."

For more information about donating to or volunteering at the center, go to its website, www. bishopgriffincenter.com, or call (614) 338-8220.





The Run the Race Club has entered the business world. The club, which serves children from Columbus' west side, is preparing products from its farm in Galloway for sale. The items include fresh eggs from cage-free chickens, jams, baked goods, all-natural dog biscuits, produce, handmade birdhouses, and squirrel feeders, with more fresh and homemade goodies to come. Club founder Rachel Muha and the Racers sell their products at the Westgate Farmers Market, 2915 W. Broad St., Columbus, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays. The farm, located two miles from Batelle-Darby Creek Metro Park, offers eight acres of fun, adventure, and learning. It is a peaceful place where children and adults can enjoy being outdoors working and playing. As pictured above, club members visit the farm at least three times a month in the spring, summer, and fall at no cost to their families. The club relies on donations and grants to provide children with the best country experience they can have.







ST. AGNES **WEEKLONG SUMMER DAY CAMP**

Dozens of young people gathered at Columbus St. Agnes Church for a weeklong summer day camp which was focused on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Daily guest speakers included Jerry Freewalt of the diocesan Office for Social Concerns, who talked about the encyclical "Laudato Si""; Father Joshua Wagner, pastor of Columbus St. Dominic and Holy Rosary-St. John churches, who examined the Sacrament of Reconciliation and gave campers the opportunity to go to confession; Kevin Miller, state secretary of the Knights of Columbus; and Heather Swiger of the diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society. Father Ron Aubry of St. Agnes celebrated morning Mass and a teaching Mass with the children. Service projects during the week included preparing 380 sandwiches for St. Lawrence Haven, working at a community garden, and making sit-upons and blankets for the homeless

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Cycle C)

There's a touch of Qoheleth's attitude in everyone



Father Lawrence L. Hummer

July 31 -- Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23; Colossians 3:1-5,9-11; Luke 12:13-21

We have all probably heard the expression "What a waste!" (or used it ourselves). We have used it in every context from the loss of a sporting contest to commenting on the failure of a gifted student to perform. This is what Qoheleth says: "Vanity of vanities ...vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!" Qoheleth applies this to life and suggests that all of human striving is a waste, no matter what one does. We are still going to die. This book is called Ecclesiastes in our Bibles – a word derived from the Greek word which translates roughly as "speaker of the assembly." The Hebrew word Qoheleth means the same thing. Qoheleth is pronounced "k" plus a long "o" plus "hel" with short "e" plus "eth" with short "e" = ko hel eth, with stress on the second syllable.

Qoheleth's outlook on life must be judged depressing at best. He uses the example of one who works all his life, agonizing as he does, so that he has to leave all he has acquired in wisdom and labor and skill to another who has not worked for it. He concludes, "this is vanity (or emptiness or useless) and a great misfortune."

It is a selfish attitude and all too common in today's world. This is not a guy we'd want to spend much time with, as he adds his lament about all the toil and heartache he has amassed as he has worked through life: "All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity." That kind of attitude would not win him too many friends. Yet at the end of the day, there's a touch of him and his attitude in everyone.

In the Gospel, unique to Luke, Jesus refuses to answer a request for arbitration about an inheritance. He says to the man, "Friend (literally "Man," for the Greek word anthrope), who appointed me as judge or arbiter for you?" Rather, Jesus warns against "all greed." He also notes that possessions are not what makes one's life, even if one is rich. The parable which follows clearly warns against a selfish attitude. such as that of the rich man who decides to expand his capacity for storing grain. Taking the message literally would mean no one could ever expand her business. She would have to constantly be on edge about awaiting the ever-present threat of death.

The parable, which is also unique to Luke, is about attitudes concerning wealth and piling up ever more of it. Jesus addresses the carefree attitude of "eat, drink and be merry" in the parable. There he acknowledges that there was a "rich man" who thought only about himself in piling up his wealth, and, by doing so, did precisely what does **not** matter to God in the least. The judgment will not be based on how many things we have piled up at the end. The judgment always will be about what matters to God, which means how we have treated our neighbor, and what we have done with what we had.

We Christians must always "think of what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of the Father." If we have truly "died, and our lives are hidden with Christ in God," we never would be worried about storing up for ourselves things that do not matter. Awareness of how often we do not think of what is above should not be a cause for guilt, but should act as a wake-up call to get our minds right as we await our union with God in Christ.

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The academy has an annual all-alumni reunion, which this year drew 135 people, the oldest of whom was from the class of 1940. Money collected at the reunion is donated to the sisters, who retain a presence in the Diocese of Columbus. Academy alumni also have a newsletter which is issued three times a year and is sent to 1,100 graduates, said its editor, CeCe Matyac.

"Besides attending the all-school reunion, it doesn't take much for members of my class of 1960 to find a reason to get together," she said. "We have an annual slumber party, a Christmas party and a white elephant sale. I know the 1959 class has events, and other classes do the same thing. We're all still teenage girls at heart."

Like Aquinas, St. Joseph Academy also has its own section at the Jubilee Museum. For more information about the academy alumni, contact Matyac at (614) 853-1492 or matyac@aol.com.

Marion Catholic High School, which closed in 2013, also has an alumni association, which is combined with a similar group for Marion St. Mary School and publishes a newsletter periodically. More information about the organization is available from Lane Lusenhop at leavingkansas2@icloud.com or Lori Stevenson at loristevenson43302@gmail.com. News about it also is available online on the "St. Mary/Marion Catholic Alumni Association" Facebook page.

The Weekday Bible Readings

8/1-8/6

MONDAY Jeremiah 28:1-17 Ps 119:29,43,79-80,95,102 Matthew 14:13-21

TUESDAY Jer 30:1-2,12-15,18-22 Psalm 102:16-23,29 Matthew 14:22-36

WEDNESDAY Jeremiah 31:1-7 Jeremiah 31:10-12b,13 (Ps) Matthew 15:21-28

THURSDAY Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 51:12-15,18-19 Matthew 16:13-23

Nathan 2:1,3;3:1-3,6-7 Deuteronomy 32:35c-36b, 39abcd,41 (Ps) Matthew 16:24-28

SATURDAY Deuteronomy 7:9-10,13-14 Psalm 97:1-2,5-6,9 2 Peter 1:16-19 Luke 9:28b-36

8/8-8/13

MONDAY Ezekiel 1:2-5,24-28c Psalm 148:1-2,11-14 Matthew 17:22-27

TUESDAY Ezekiel 2:8-3:4 Psalm 119:14,24,72,103,111,131 Matthew 18:1-5,10,12-14

> 2 Corinthians 9:6-10 Psalm 112:1-2,5-9 John 12:24-26

THURSDAY Ezekiel 12:1-12 Psalm 78:56-59,61-62 Matthew 18:21-19:1

Ezekiel 16:1-15,60, 63 or 16:59-63 Isaiah 12:2-3,4bcd,5-6 (Ps) Matthew 19:3-12

Ezekiel 18:1-10,13b,30-32 Psalm 51:12-15,18-19 Matthew 19:13-15

DIOCESAN WEEKLY RADIO AND TELEVISION MASS SCHEDULE WEEKS OF JULY 31 AND AUG. 7, 2016

SUNDAY MASS

10:30 a.m. Mass from Columbus St. Joseph Cathedral on St. Gabriel Radio (AM 820), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com. Mass with the Passionist Fathers at 7:30 a.m. on WWHO-TV (the CW), Channel 53, Columbus, and 10:30 a.m. (7/31) and 6:30 a.m. (8/7) on WHIZ-TV, Channel 18, Zanesville. Check local cable system for cable channel listing. Mass from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Birmingham, Ala., at 8 a.m. on EWTN (Time Warner Channel 385, Insight Channel 382, or WOW Channel 378)

(Encores at noon, 7 p.m., and midnight). Mass from the Archdiocese of Milwaukee at 6:30 a.m. on ION TV (AT&T U-verse Channel 195, Dish Network Channel 250, or DirecTV Channel 305).

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 (AM 820), Columbus, and at www.stgabrielradio.com.

> We pray Weeks II and III, Seasonal Proper of the Liturgy of the Hours

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The Ostpolitik failed. Get over it.

In the 1960s, Popes John XXIII and Paul VI initiated a new Vatican approach to the nations behind the iron curtain – the *Ostpolitik*. According to its chief architect and agent, Archbishop Agostino Casaroli, its strategic goal was to find a *modus non moriendi* – a "way of not dying" – for the Catholic Church in the nations of the Warsaw Pact. The tactics included a cessation of all public Vatican criticism of communist regimes, and endless negotiations with communist governments. The results were, to put it gently, minimal.

The *Ostpolitik* came close to destroying Catholicism in Hungary, where, by the mid-1970s, the Church leadership was owned and operated by the Hungarian communist party, which also was in *de facto* control of the Hungarian College in Rome.



THE CATHOLIC DIFFERENCE George Weigel

In Czechoslovakia, the *Ostpolitik* disempowered Catholic human rights activists, did nothing for those brave Catholic souls who resisted the regime, and empowered a gang of clerical collaborators who served as a front for the communist party and its repressions.

In East Germany, the *Ostpolitik* couldn't do much damage because the damage already had been done.

In Poland, the Ostpolitik was deftly resisted by the Polish primate, Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski, working in tandem with the man who would become Pope John Paul II, Cardinal Karol Wojtyla. Yet despite the Poles' well-founded criticisms of the Ostpolitik, Vatican diplomats continually tried to displace Wyszynski, a canny and toughminded negotiator, as the Church's interlocutor with the regime.

Serious damage was done in Rome, too. There, the Ostpolitik led to the serious penetration of the Vatican by communist secret intelligence agencies, including the Soviet KGB, the East German Stasi, the Czechoslovak StB, the Polish SB, and the Hungarian AVH - nasties who did not play well with other children. During Vatican II. the SB tried to undercut Cardinal Wyszynski by preparing and circulating to all the council fathers

a memorandum questioning the Polish primate's orthodoxy. In the years after the council, communist-bloc moles operated in Vatican offices and in the Vatican press corps, compromising the very negotiations so prized by Archbishop Casaroli and his associates.

All this is well-documented, thanks to materials now available from the archives of the state security agencies run by communist regimes. Scholarly conferences have sifted the evidence and analyzed the spooks' methods. Books have been published exploring this fascinating, if tawdry, story. The second volume of my John Paul II biography, *The End and the Beginning*, brought new details of the communist war against the Church during the *Ostpolitik* to a world audience for the first time.

Yet senior Vatican diplomats continue to insist that the *Ostpolitik* was a success: so much so that it's now serving as the model for 21st-century Vatican diplomacy around the world.

Well.

No serious student of these matters judges the *Ostpolitik* a success. Those claiming otherwise are willfully ignorant, obtuse, unwilling to learn from the past – or, perhaps, all of the above.

As for the "new *Ostpolitik*," where, pray, are its successes?

In Syria, where tens of thousands more have died and a massive refugee crisis has erupted since the Holy See mounted a campaign against military intervention to deal with the murderous dictator, Bashar al-Assad? In Ukraine, where the Holy See has yet to describe a brutal and increasingly lethal Russian invasion of the eastern part of the nation for what it is? In Cuba, where things are worse for Catholic human rights activists after the visits of Pope Benedict XVI and Francis? In the Baltics, where Russian saber-rattling, disinformation, and provocations are making Lithuanian Catholics very nervous and the Holy See has remained silent? In Venezuela, a Catholic nation crumbling under the madcap regime of Nicolas Maduro, successor to the even more odious Hugo Chavez?

Pope Francis rightly wants to reset many of the default positions in the Roman Curia. The default positions guiding Vatican diplomacy these days badly need resetting. That reset must begin with a frank recognition that, whatever its intentions, the *Ostpolitik* of John XXIII, Paul VI, and Agostini Casaroli was a failure. Why? Because it was based on a false analysis of how the Vatican should deal with dictatorial regimes and a misconception of the Church's power in world politics today, which is moral, not political or diplomatic.

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

Diocese of Columbus Child Protection Plan

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

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

To contact the diocesan Victim's Assistance Coordinator, call:

The Rev. Msgr. Stephan J. Moloney
614.224.2251 • helpisavailable@colsdioc.org

Pray for our dead

ARNOLD, Janaan "Nan," 92, July 14 St. Andrew Church, Columbus

BAYLISS, Matthew, 40, Jan. 26 St. Joseph Church, Dover

BENKOWSKI, Robert W., July 9
Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

BEZEK, Patricia A., 83, July 7 Sacred Heart Church, Coshocton

BOSWORTH, Cecil E., 92, July 16 Christ the King Church, Columbus

BROTHERTON, Patricia L., 78, July 15 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Grove City

BUCHANAN, Paul L., 62, July 9 St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

CALLAHAN, Gabriel R., 34, July 10 St. Mary Church, Delaware

CLYBURN, Harold E., 78, July 22 St. Elizabeth Seton Church, Pickerington

COLLINS, Dr. Elmer, 88, July 21 St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

CRIST, Mary J., 83, July 17
Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus

CRIST, Thomas P., 58, July 6 Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus

GADEN, Carolyn H., 84, July 17 Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

GROFF, Evangeline, 105, July 13Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

HIRTH, Jessica R., 18, July 14 St. Brigid of Kildare Church, Dublin

LANG, Dorothy R., 101, July 22 Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus

LAUVRAY, Marilyn A., 71, July 20 Sacred Heart Church, Coshocton

LEPORE, Dominic J., 90, July 9 St. Brendan Church, Hilliard

LOVE, Miriam, 75, July 16 St. Mark Church, Lancaster MAY, Dorothy S., 97, July 10 Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus

McKENZIE, Eugene H., 76, July 12 St. Mary Church, Lancaster

MIDDENDORF, Jean E., 82, formerly of Columbus, July 7

St. Louis Church, Castroville, Texas

OLSZEWSKI, John F., 73, July 17 St. Timothy Church, Columbus

PASTERNAK, Joseph "Joe Show," 56, July 15 St. Peter Church, Columbus

PETRELLA, Joseph, 90, July 8 St. Joseph Church, Dover

RICE, Edmund L., 86, July 13 St. John Neumann Church, Sunbury

RICE, Margaret A., 71, July 12 St. Mary Church, Lancaster

RUNYON, Air Force Staff Sgt. Phillip W., July 20

St. Cecilia Church, Columbus

SALAMONY, Lucy A., 63, July 19 St. Matthias Church, Columbus

SULLIVAN, Shirley A., 81, July 18 St. Aloysius Church, Columbus

THOMAS, Mary "Terry," 85, July 15 St. Mary Church, Columbus

THURN, Leo J., 83, July 25 St. Mary Church, Columbus

TUTTLE, Perry L. "Peru," 26, July 15 St. Margaret of Cortona Church, Columbus

VERBANCE, David A., 81, July 10 St. Patrick Church, Columbus

WALTER, Robert F., July 13 St. Cecilia Church, Columbus

ZAG, Joseph M., 63, July 8 Holy Spirit Church, Columbus

ZISKA, Richard F., 86, July 10 St. Andrew Church, Columbus

Judith A. Krumdieck

Funeral Mass for Judith A. Krumdieck, 75, who died Tuesday, July 5, was held Saturday, July 9 at Gahanna St. Matthew Church.

She was born in Ironton to the late James and Rita (Cannon) Marting and was a graduate of the College of St. Teresa in Winona, Minnesota. She was a teacher at Portsmouth St. Mary and Columbus Our Lady of Victory schools and also taught in Minnesota.

Survivors include her husband, Jerry; brother, Jim (Beth); sisters, Jan (Tom) Campbell and Jennifer (Bill) Heiser; and stepsister, Jill (Don) Trask.

Jeannie DeSanto

Funeral Mass for Jeannie DeSanto, 50, who died Sunday, July 10, was held Saturday, July 16, at St. Michael the Archangel Church in Canton. Burial was in Braddock, Pennsylvania.

She was born Aug. 24, 1965, in Pittsburgh to Peter and Norma (Chavern) Kopko. The family moved to Canton in 1968.

She graduated in 1983 from Canton Central Catholic High School, received a bachelor of arts degree in 1986 from Walsh College in North Canton, and moved shortly afterward to Columbus, where she served as youth and

music minister at Holy Spirit Church. She later was employed as a massage therapist at the Westerville Athletic Club and program coordinator at Nationwide Children's Hospital, and received a master's degree in information strategy, systems, and technology from Muskingum University in 2014. She lived in New Albany for many years before returning to Canton.

Survivors include her parents; sons, Anthony and Andrew; daughter, Rebecca; brothers, Bob (Natalie), Tom, and Jim (Rose); and sister, Connie (Carolyn) Kramer.

Rose Ann Gorius

Funeral Mass for Rose Ann Gorius, 75, who died Wednesday, July 13, was held Monday, July 18, at Newark St. Francis de Sales Church. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Newark.

She was born June 23, 1941, in Filbert, Pennsylvania, to John and Mary (Burless) Vacha.

She served as religious education director of the Church of the Nativity in Utica for many years and retired as administrative secretary for the Farmers Home Administration office

in Newark.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, John, Joe, and Frank (Jean); and sister, Thelma (Frank) Persichetti. Survivors include her husband, Daniel; son, Louis (Raeshawn); daughters, Audra (Bruce) Brothers, Deborah (James) Stevens, Michele, and Kimberly (Rick) Gorius-Zies; six grandsons; four granddaughters; one great-grandson; one great-granddaughter; and sisters, Helen (Joe) Kochis and Marie (George) Bohna.



HAPPENINGS

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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 David Garick at 614-224-5195.

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Listings cannot be taken by phone. Mail to Catholic Times Happenings, 197 E. Gay St., Columbus OH 43215 Fax to 614-241-2518 E-mail as text to

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St. Anthony Corn Roast Festival

1300 Urban Dr., Columbus

Aug 26, 6-11pm; Aug 27, 5--11pm

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Rummage Sale

Fri 10am -1pm & 4-9pm - Sat 10am -9pm

28. THURSDAY

Cenacle at Holy Name

6 p.m., Holy Name Church, 154 E. Patterson Ave., Columbus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with prayers in the Cenacle format of the Marian Movement of Priests. Also on Aug. 4.

29. FRIDAY

Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center Open House

10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Center, a ministry of the Dominican Sisters of Peace, will be open, weather permitting. Also on Aug. 5. 614-866-4302

30, 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. Also on Aug. 6.

DeSales Class of 1981 Reunion

4 p.m., 1238 S. Watkins Road, Alexandria. Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School Class of 1981 35th-anniversary reunion. \$20 per person includes steak, salmon, sides. Go to Class of 1981 Facebook page for more information.

Shepherd's Corner Summer Stroll

7 to 8:30 p.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. "Summer stroll" walk through woods and fields, led by Sister Marguerite Chandler, OP. Suggested donation \$5. 614-866-4302

31, SUNDAY

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 con-614-861-1242 temporary music.

Prayer Group Meeting at Christ the King

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

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter

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



1, MONDAY

Aquinas Alumni Luncheon

11 a.m., TAT Ristorante di Famiglia, 1210 S. James Road, Columbus. Monthly Columbus Aquinas High School alumni luncheon.

2. TUESDAY

Program on Animals at Shepherd's Corner

10 to 11:30 a.m., Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center, 987 N. Waggoner Road, Blacklick. Sister Marguerite Chandler, OP, leads program on how animals can teach us to be more human. Suggested donation \$5. 614-866-4302

Catholic War Veterans Monthly Meeting

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

Abortion Recovery Network Group

7 to 8 p.m., Pregnancy Decision Health Center, 665 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus. Abortion recovery network group meeting for anyone recovering from abortion or who has been through a recovery program.

Prayer Group Meeting at St. Mark

7:30 p.m., St. Raymond Room, St. Mark Center, 324 Gay St., Lancaster. Light of Life prayer group meeting. Also on Aug. 9. 740-654-6928

4 THURSDAY

Holy Hour at Holy Family

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

Holy Hour of Reparation at Columbus Sacred Heart

7 to 8 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Eucharistic Holy Hour following Holy Hour of Reparation prayer format, concluding with Benediction and social period. 614-372-5249

5. 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.

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, baked goods.

Eucharistic Vigil at Holy Cross

Holy Cross Church, 205 S. 5th St., Columbus. 7:30 p.m. Mass, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with various prayers, ending with Benediction at 11:30.

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.

Ohio Dominican Black & Gold Club Dinner

7 p.m., Alumni Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Seventh annual Ohio Dominican University Black & Gold Club dinner, benefiting university athletic program. 614-253-4804

5-7. FRIDAY-SUNDAY

Marian Conference at Ohio Dominican

Sansbury Hall, Ohio Dominican University, 1216 Sunbury Road, Columbus. Sixth annual Columbus Marian Conference. Theme: "Mother Mary, Star of the Sea."

Marriage Encounter Weekend in Worthington

Holiday Inn, 7007 N. High St., Worthington. Worldwide

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6 SATLIRDAY

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

Lay Missionaries of Charity Day of Prayer

9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Monthly day of prayer for Columbus chapter of Lav Missionaries of Charity. 614-372-5249

First Saturday Mass at Holy Family

9 a.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. First Saturday Mass for world peace and in reparation for blasphemies against the Virgin Mary.

Centering Prayer Group Meeting at Corpus Christi

10:30 a.m. to noon, Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1111 E. Stewart Ave., Columbus. Centering prayer group meeting, beginning with silent prayer, followed by Contemplative Outreach DVD and discussion. 614-512-3731

Martin de Porres Center High Tea Fundraiser

2 to 4 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. "A Little Tea and Music," center's annual high tea fundraiser, with music by Full Sound Chamber Group and menu of British tea, sandwiches, scones, and sweets. \$35 preregistration required.

DeSales Class of 1966 Reunion

4 p.m., St. Francis DeSales High School, 4212 Karl Road, Columbus. School's class of 1966 celebrates 50th anniversary, beginning with Mass, followed by informal dinner with pizza and drinks, plus building tours. \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. 614-890-0337

London St. Patrick School Alumni Mass and Reunion

5 p.m., Parish activity and recreation center, St. Patrick School, 226 Elm St., London. Mass, followed by reunion 740-852-0942 of all St. Patrick School alumni.

Filipino Mass at Holy Cross

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

7, SUNDAY

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 following 11 a.m. Mass and continuing to 5 p.m.

8. MONDAY

Bethesda Post-Abortion Healing Ministry

6:30 p.m., support group meeting, 2744 Dover Road, Columbus (Christ the King convent, first building west of the 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.

Catholic Foundation Grant Workshop

10 to 11:30 a.m., The Catholic Foundation, 257 E. Broad St., Columbus. Workshop to provide a better understanding of the grant process for any organization planning to apply for a Foundation grant. Also from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Aug. 10. Advance registration required. 614-443-8893

Serra Club of North Columbus Meeting

Noon, Jessing Center, Pontifical College Josephinum, 7625 N. High St., Columbus. Serra Club of North Columbus meeting. Speaker: Josephinum graduate Father Louis Bertrand Lemoine, OP. Reservations required.

EnCourage Ministry Monthly Meeting

6:30 p.m., EnCourage, an approved diocesan ministry dedicated to families and friends of persons who experi-614-296-7404 ence same-sex attraction. Call for site.

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2016 Franciscan Jubilarians







Sr. Ruth Ann Heider



Sr. Assunta Ghiloni



Sr. Rosina Amicon



Sr. Mary Sharon Goodburn



Sr. Alice Metzger

Sister Nancy Miller, OSF, a tutor at Columbus Bishop Ready High School, was among six Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity from the Diocese of Columbus who were honored for long commitment as Franciscans at the sisters' Stella Niagara, New York, provincial house.

Sister Nancy celebrated 50 years as a Franciscan at the community's annual jubilee Mass and dinner.

She entered the convent from Columbus Christ the King Church after graduation from Columbus Rosary High School. Active in anti-human trafficking efforts, she also ministers at Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church as a lector, faith formation committee member, and group leader.

At Columbus Bishop Ready High, she was guidance director while for a time serving on the sisters' leadership council.

She also taught at Columbus Father Wehrle High School and in secondary schools in New York and New Jersey, and was an elementary school principal in West Virginia. In addition, she has advised students at the University of Dayton, Sinclair Community College in Dayton, and Holy Cross College in Notre Dame, Indiana.

Honored for 60 years as members of the Stella Niagara congregation were **Sister Ruth Ann Heider, OSF**, who is an extraordinary minister of the Eucharist at Columbus Holy Cross Church and the Nazareth Towers apartments, and **Sister Assunta Ghiloni, OSF**, a Columbus St. Matthias Church member who ministers to fellow residents of Restoration Plaza senior housing.

Sister Ruth Ann taught at Columbus St. Leo and New Lexington St. Rose schools and did secretarial work for Catholic Social Services. She performs similar work at Holy Cross. She and Sister Assunta were housemothers at the former St. Vincent Orphanage. Sister Assunta taught at Columbus St. Anthony, St. Leo, St. Thomas, and St. Andrew, Worthington St. Michael, and Marion St. Mary schools, and was religious education director at Pickerington St. Elizabeth Seton Parish and religious education coordinator for the Perry County Consortium of Parishes.

Marking 65 years as Religious were Sisters Rosina Amicon, OSF, and Mary Sharon Goodburn, OSF, who live at the Columbus St. Leo Convent, and Sister Alice Metzger, OSF, a Reynoldsburg St. Pius X Church parishioner. Sister Rosina taught at Columbus St.

Leo and St. John the Evangelist schools and New Lexington St. Aloysius Academy before doing religious education work for three Perry County parishes. She coordinated the latchkey program at Columbus St. Catharine School, then was certified as a home health aide.

Sister Mary Sharon taught business subjects and did staff support for more than 45 years at Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School. She also taught at Columbus Rosary and Sacred Heart high schools and at St. Aloysius Academy.

Sister Alice taught at St. Rose and Lancaster St. Bernadette schools. For 40 years, she did rural outreach, mainly to single women, in Perry, Athens, and Hocking counties.

Other jubilarians with ties to the Columbus diocese are:

50 years: **Sister Caroline Golden**, coordinator of arts in medicine at the University of Miami (Florida) Cancer Center and Hospital. She taught art at Columbus Sacred Heart and Trinity schools. **Sister Mary Anne Rapp**, pastoral care coordinator for the Health Center at Stella Niagara. She taught at DeSales, and entered the convent from Columbus St. James the Less Church after graduation from Sacred Heart High School.

60 years: **Sister Nancy Fortkort** of Stella Niagara, extraordinary minister of the Eucharist at PACE Adult Day Center and Our Lady of Peace Nursing Home in Niagara Falls, New York. She taught at St. Rose School. **Sister Marietta Miller** of Stella Niagara, who taught at Sacred Heart High School and St. Aloysius Academy and was an administrator at what is now Doctors Hospital of Nelsonville.

65 years: **Sister Eileen Barrett** of Amherst, New York, who taught at Columbus Sacred Heart Elementary School.

70 years: **Sisters Susanne Humpe** and **Anthony Reichmuth** of Stella Niagara. A free-lance artist, Sister Susanne taught at St. Rose and Columbus Holy Rosary and St. Leo schools. She was a housemother at St. Vincent Orphanage and served in libraries at Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School and Westerville St. Paul School. Sister Anthony was a cook at the orphanage, St. Charles, and Sacred Heart.

75 years: **Sisters Marilyn Archer** and **Marina Matracia** of Stella Niagara. Sister Marilyn taught at Columbus St. John and St. Peter schools, St. Aloysius Academy, and Father Wehrle. Sister Marina taught at St. John and St. Anthony schools.

St. Charles students accept appointments to West Point, Air Force Academy

Two members of the Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School Class of 2016 have been admitted to service academies, where they currently are taking part in basic military training.

Austin Beam accepted an appointment to attend the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. He will pursue a degree in biology/psychology. Nicholas Wesolek was appointed to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he will pursue a neuroscience degree.

While at St. Charles, Beam volunteered at organizations including the Kelton

House Underground Railroad Museum, Shepherd's Corner Environmental Center, food banks, and Columbus City Schools extracurricular programs.

He will be a part of the varsity

swimming tram at West Point after being a leader of the St. Charles swim team and water polo team. He was selected as



Austin Beam



Nicholas Wesolek

a scholastic All-American by USA
Swimming for
holding a 3.5-plus
grade-point average, and achieved
All-America
status based on
his national time
standards. Beam
earned All-Ohio
swimming hon-

ors for three years and All-District status for four years, and was part of three state chanpionship water polo teams. Wesolek played basketball, football, and lacrosse at St. Charles and participated in several "Spartan" obstacle-course races, placing third in his age group in the Spartan Super 12-mile race.

He participated in the school's international service trip to Nicaragua in 2015 and aided the community through various groups and projects including service as a summer lifeguard, assistance to the homeless at Faith Mission, conducting deliveries for the Meals on Wheels program, and volunteering at special events in support of the Boys and Girls Club of Central Ohio.

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Sr. Ruth Schirtzinger



Sr. Margaret Walsh

Five Dominican Sisters of Peace with connections to the Diocese of Columbus – **Sisters Janice Bachman, Jane Belanger, Jeanne Conrad, Ruth Schirtzinger, and Margaret Walsh, OP** – were among members of their congregation honored at Ohio Dominican University on Saturday and Sunday, July 16 and 17, to mark significant anniversaries of their profession of vows.

Sister Janice spent the first half of her Dominican life in health care ministry, first in pharmacy services and then in hospital administration in Ohio, Michigan, and Minnesota.

In 1989, she received a master of arts degree in spirituality from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska.

Since 1997, she has been a spiritual and retreat director in Columbus. She is also on the summer faculty for the graduate program in Christian spirituality at Creighton.

Sister Jane has been a member of the Heartland Farm Community in Pawnee Rock, Kansas, since 2008.

For 15 years, she was program direc-

tor for the Shepherd's Corner Ecology Center in Blacklick, another sponsored ministry of the Dominican Sisters of Peace

Her first years as a Dominican were spent teaching in elementary schools in Ohio and Illinois, followed by teaching art in high schools in in Ohio and Connecticut. She then moved into retreat ministry in New York and Minnesota.

Sister Jeanne is a math tutor at the Dominican Learning Center in Columbus. She has used her math skills in various capacities, first teaching in grade schools in Pennsylvania and Michigan and later in high schools in New York, Ohio, and Connecticut.

She earned a bachelor of science degree in math from Ohio Dominican and a master of science degree in math from the University of Illinois.

She was principal of the Dominican Academy in New York City and Portsmouth Notre Dame High School.

Her math skills served her well during her time as bookkeeper for St. Mary's High School in New Haven, Connecticut, Nazareth Towers in Columbus, and the congregational finance office.

Sister Ruth is a nurse at Riverside Methodist Hospital and a volunteer at the Kobacker House Hospice, which provides in-patient hospice care.

She began her ministry as a teacher in primary grades in schools in Ohio and Michigan.

She received a master of science degree in education from Marygrove College in Detroit and a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Ohio Wesleyan University

Sister Margaret is a resident of the Mohun Health Care Center in Columbus. She entered religious life at age 39 after owning her own plumbing and heating business. She drew upon that business experience throughout her ministry.

She served the Diocese of Columbus as a financial consultant for four years. She was treasurer and business manager at Albertus Magnus College in New Haven from 1975-82 and congregational treasurer from 1983-90 with the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs, who in

2009 joined with other Dominican congregations to form the Dominican Sisters of Peace. From 1990-2015, she was purchasing and office services director at Ohio Dominican.

Other sisters marking significant anniversaries of their religious profession who live at the congregation's Motherhouse or the Mohun center were honored at the Motherhouse earlier this year. They are:

60 Years: Sister Bernadita Abeyta, Sister Elizabeth Ann Heery, Sister Jean Kinney, Sister Cathleen Ryan, and Sister Loretta Sullivan.

65 Years: Sister Clara Bauman, Sister Mary Ellen Boyle, Sister M. Amata Dawson, Sister Johanna Eberly, Sister Mary Ann Fedor, Sister M. Edmund Gibson, Sister Martha Starrett, and Sister Matthias Sterner.

70 Years: Sister M. Osanna Hymel, Sister M. Lois Schmeltzer, and Sister M. Ronald Sunic.

75 Years: Sister Malya Carusi, Sister Mary Hoguet, and Sister Camilla Smith.



ST. PATRICK YOUTHS' 3-DAY RETREAT IN CINCINNATI AREA

A group of 36 young people from Columbus St. Patrick Church, accompanied by four Dominicans and four chaperones, took part in a three-day bus trip to the Cincinnati area, where they spent one day in recreation, one day on a silent retreat, and one day of pilgrimage and visiting religious communities. The trip was made possible through a \$4,000 focus grant from The Catholic Foundation. Photo courtesy St. Patrick Church



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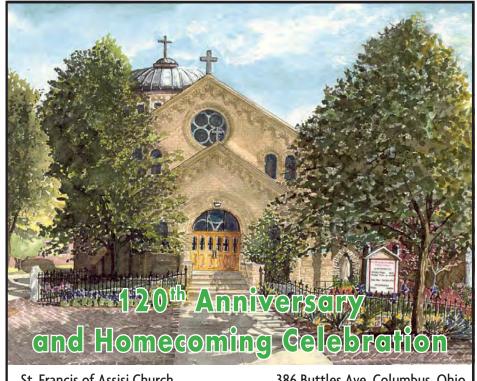
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Afternoon Tea at the Martin de Porres Center

The Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus, will host a formal English high afternoon tea, with music provided by the Full Sound Chamber Group, from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6.

The menu will include proper British tea and traditional tea sandwiches, scones, and sweets. A \$35 pre-registration payment is required. The deadline is Friday, July 29. Reservations may be made in person or online by credit card.



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August 21st

10 A.M. Mass with Bishop Frederick F. Campbell, Presider 11:30 A.M. Reception Brunch in Church Hall