

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A Blessed Solemnity of the Ascension: This Sunday (and Saturday evening) we celebrate the great Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. As we remember that Our Lord ascended into heaven 40 days after Easter, this feast reminds us of the ultimate destination of all the baptized as members of the Body of Christ. We remember the great commission of Christ to go out to the nations, make disciples, teach, and baptize. And, we are challenged to live that commission so that our lives would truly be directed to the everlasting goal of every human life.

Congratulations Class of 2017! This is an exciting week as we bring to a close another academic year. Congratulations to the class of 2017! Our 8th grade graduation was Thursday, May 25th. The Newark Catholic Graduation will be on Sunday afternoon. Special congratulations to all of the high school graduates in our parish, regardless of which school you attend!

Welcome Mr. Andrew "Drew" Wisniewski! This weekend, we welcome Drew Wisniewski, a seminarian for the Diocese of Columbus. Drew has just completed his Pre-Theology studies and will begin his first year of four years of Theology at the Pontifical College Josephinum this fall. I am very grateful that Bishop Campbell has assigned Drew to Blessed Sacrament for the summer and has entrusted us with a portion of his preparation for priesthood. Since I don't cook, and neither does Drew, please pray that he doesn't go hungry during his time here! If you wish to cook a meal (including something that would have leftovers), feel free to contact the parish office for any dietary restrictions.

Fr. Daniel Olvera: This year, Bishop Campbell is ordaining one priest for our Diocese. Fr. Daniel Olvera was ordained Saturday morning at St. Joseph Cathedral. We thank God for this new priest. Please join me in praying that he has a blessed and joyful ministry! Also, please join me in praying for more vocations to the holy priesthood!

Happy Memorial Day! According to History.com, "Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971." I encourage you to pray for the souls of all who gave their lives in service and defense of our country. Remember as well those who have served and who are currently serving. For many, this day is also a day to remember deceased loved ones. And, it is the unofficial start of summer vacation and a special family day. As we strive to protect the Judeo-Christian basis our civilization which is so under assault I believe the memory of those who perished for our country should only motivate us further to work toward a country that is truly just, where every life is protected and honored, where God's law reigns supreme in hearts and families that are free and true.

Pastor's Corner Returns: The Pastor's Corner is returning after an extended break. I have every good intention of writing this "corner" weekly. (Close and astute readers of the Pastor's Corner might rightly conclude that the above request for food has had a motivating influence on its return.)

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Wilson



Mass Intentions for the Week of May 28th

- Tuesday: Easter Weekday** 6:15 P.M.
Julia Richards by Mary Lou Calasso
- Wednesday: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin, Mary** 8:15 A.M.
Charlotte Walker Woodyard by Marge Burger
- Thursday: St. Justin, Martyr** 8:15 A.M.
Diane Lorriane Willis by James Wilfinger
- Friday: Sts. Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs** 8:30 A.M.
Eugenia Duque by Gilma Ospina
- Sunday Vigil: St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs Latin Mass** 8:15 A.M.
Msgr. Robert Metzger by Pactum Marianum
- Bertha Dentz by Art Ghiloni family 5:00 P.M.
- Pentecost Sunday:** 8:00 A.M.
Lionel Boucher by Wife, Emma and Family
- 10:30 A.M.
For the People of the Parish



Liturgical Ministers Schedule Week of May 28th

- Daily Mass Schedule**
- 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, May 30th –**
Judy Healy (L), Peyton Riley (Servers)
- 8:15 a.m. Wednesday, May 31st –**
Kathy Wilson (L), Peyton Riley (Servers)
- 8:15 a.m. Thursday, June 1st –**
Yvonne King (L), Peyton Riley (Servers)
- 8:30 a.m. Friday, June 2nd –**
Don Montell (L), Amelia O'Neill, Ilana O'Neill, Peyton Riley (Servers)
- Sunday Vigil Mass, June 3rd** 5:00 P.M.
Kate Erhard Maria Geiger Elisa Halsey
- Sunday, June 4th** 8:00 A.M.
Amelia O'Neill Ilana O'Neill Sam Anderson
- 10:30 A.M.
Holy Name Society (x3)



Sunday Lector & Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

- Sunday Vigil Mass, June 3rd** 5:00 P.M.
Netti Nau, Jodi Snider (L), Deacon Patrick, Tina Frischen, Mollie Phillips, Pam Rauch, Caroline Starr (EM)
- Sunday, June 4th** 8:00 A.M.
Kathy Wilson, Diane Layton (L), Deacon Patrick, Marge Burger, Barb Harris, Glenna Bowman, Tricia Robinson (EM)
- 10:30 A.M.
Matthew Walsh, Cliff Bigler (L), Deacon Patrick, Deacon Bob, Jay Goletz, Patrick Wesley, Mike Stickle (EM)





Remember in your prayers all parishioners who are ill or injured, especially for *Barb Rue, Ed Moats, Nicholas Richards, Jan Rengert, Renee McCann, Barb Settles, Lucy Lopez, Paul Yanka, Donald Bexstead, Mark Spinazzola, David Boldon, John Deering, Nancy Young, Michelle Darkes, Eileen Gray, Debbie Ridenour, Mingo O'Rourke, Karen Addy*, and for those who are homebound or in healthcare facilities.

Our love, prayers, and sympathy for the family and friends of Robert Wesley. May rest in the arms of Our Risen Savior.

Next Week's Scripture

June 4, 2017

Pentecost Sunday

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

"Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

*This week, we pray Liturgy of the Hours
Seasonal Proper III*

Our Stewardship Collection

May 21, 2017

Budgeted per Week	\$	11,618.46
Offertory (144 envelopes)	\$	6,577.60
Average Auto Withdrawal (114 households)	\$	3,625.20
Loose Cash	\$	501.65
Total	\$	10,704.45
Deficit	(\$	914.01)
Year to Date Offertory Budget	\$	546,067.62
Year to Date Actual Offerings	\$	555,774.26
YTD Centennial Building Fund Collection	\$	42,334.97
Centennial Building Loan Balance	\$	1,768,110.16
TD Church Restoration Funds Collected	\$	866,310.16
SVdP Collection	\$	2,751.00
Catholic Communication Collection	\$	141.00

In today's Gospel, Jesus prays, "I have given You glory on earth by finishing the work You gave Me to do." Good stewards follow His example by using their time and talents for the glory of God.

Let us pray for those in the military on active duty and overseas:

- Douglas Chacey, Air Force Nathan Hall, Navy
 - Lucas Chacey, Air Force Chase Meldau, Marines
 - Edward Wilson, Navy
 - Joshua P. Brown, Air Force, Italy
 - Rudy Snider, Air Force Academy
 - Christopher Severino, Air Force
 - Connor Severino, Air Force Academy
 - David L. L'Esperance, Army, Korea
- If you wish to submit names for this list, please call the parish office at 740-345-4290.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

"Living the Gospel in Faith, Hope, and Charity"

For the last couple of weeks, we have been actively engaged in raising funds in the support of the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal. This year we have been asked to raise \$59,487.32. With 24% of parish families participating so far, we are more than halfway in reaching our goal. Our hope is to have 100% parish participation and surpass our goal, if possible. Please remember, each dollar raised over this amount will be refunded to our parish. Every gift is important and no gift is too small. Thank you for your generosity.

Our Parish & School Events

Parish Prayerline

The entire parish is requested to pray:

The Vatican Intentions for the month of May

- **Universal: Christians in Africa**, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.
- **Father Wilson's Intention:** That those suffering from any form of addiction, including addictions to drugs, alcohol, and pornography, would experience healing and freedom.

Annual Festival Raffle Tickets

Thanks to everyone who has purchased or is selling Festival raffle tickets! You have a chance to be in another Early Bird drawing on June 20th! Tickets are \$5.00/each or a book of 6 for \$25.00. Place ticket stubs and money in the small return envelope and drop it in the weekend collection basket or at the parish/school office for our next **Early Bird Drawing!** The winner will receive \$150.00 and the seller of the winning ticket will receive \$50.00. Tickets drawn are re-entered for a chance in other early bird drawings on June 20th, July 18th and the final drawing on Saturday August 26th. If you would like to purchase/sell tickets, or for more information call the parish office at 740-345-4290.

Server Training

Server training begins Sunday, June 4th from 9:15-10:15 a.m. (between the Masses). Training will continue on Sunday, June 11th and Sunday, June 25th starting at 9:15 a.m. If you are entering the fifth grade in 2017-2018 school year or if you are in any grade up through high school, you are welcome to attend these training sessions. For more information, call Deacon Patrick at 740-405-5308.

Widows Club Luncheon

Our next luncheon for the Widow's Club is at the Trout Club, 2250 Horns Hill Road, on Wednesday, June 7th at 1:00 p.m. All widows are more than welcome to join us for an afternoon of fellowship in Christ. If you have any questions, call Darlene Wolfinger at 740-323-0555.

Parish Office will be closed on Fridays starting *this* Friday, June 2nd. The parish office will continue to be open, Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Band of Brothers

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Men's Ministry, Band of Brothers, next gathering is Tuesday, June 6th at 7:00 p.m. in Shepherd Hall. All men of the parish are welcome to join us as we watch a video presentation by Fr. Larry Richards "A 22:32 man is of service to his church community and the poor." As always, we'll have light refreshments and discussion. Hope to see you there! For more information, contact Mike Stickle at 740-345-1507.



Just as in Rome... As you come to church, especially during the summer months, please remember to dress modestly.



This Week



Sunday, May 28

- 7:30 a.m. Rosary
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 10:30 a.m. Mass

Monday, May 29th

**Memorial Day
Parish Office Closed
No Eucharistic Adoration**

Tuesday, May 30

- 5:00 p.m. Adoration until 6:00 p.m.
- 5:30 p.m. Reconciliation till 6:00 p.m.
- 6:15 p.m. Mass
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Wednesday, May 31

Fr. Wilson – Anniversary of Ordination

- 8:15 a.m. Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Adoration until midnight

Thursday, June 1

- 8:15 a.m. Mass

Friday, June 2

- 8:30 a.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. First Friday Family Night – Shepherd Hall

Saturday, June 3

- 8:15 a.m. First Saturday Latin Mass
- 9:00 a.m. Reconciliation
- 4:00 p.m. Reconciliation
- 5:00 p.m. Mass

**Centennial Building Collection
HNS Coffee & Donuts after Masses**

Sunday, June 4

- 7:30 a.m. Rosary
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 9:15 a.m. Server Training – Church
- 10:30 a.m. Mass



Mary's Garden Shower

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Mary Garden Shower which was hosted in our Shepherd Hall last Saturday. Your generosity was so great and you blessed this family in so many ways. Thank you again!



Eucharistic Adoration

Adorers are needed for Wednesday noon-1:00 p.m. and 1:00-2:00 p.m. This is an urgent need! *We ask that you prayerfully consider scheduling an hour with our Lord. What works with your schedule? Our Lord is waiting for you to spend personal time with Him. Also, if there has been a change in your schedule and you are not able to sit with the Lord during your Holy Hour or if you would like to change your schedule, call Caroline Starr at 740-366-3591 or email hcstarr@roadrunner.com.*



Opportunity for Home Cleaning and Repair by Volunteer Workers

Painting... cleaning... landscaping... simple home repair... *Do you need any of these things done but aren't able to physically accomplish them due to age or physical challenge? The Catholic Diocese of Columbus might be able to help you to get that work done.*

On **July 10th through 13th** about 150-175 youth and adults are coming to Newark and the surrounding area to provide service to those in need. We are searching for projects which help the youth to live the Gospel message of love and concern and complete work that is meaningful and helps make an impact on the lives of those being served.

This yearly program is called **Gospel Road**. Those being served need not be Catholic and if you cannot afford the cost of materials for repairs, we can help. Each work crew of high school-age teens is led by an adult leader. We will accept jobs big or small but we *cannot accept* plumbing, electrical, or roofing work. All work sites will need to be screened in advance by one of our assessors.

If you or someone you know needs help to accomplish the kinds of tasks mentioned please contact Ed Watson, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, at St. Francis de Sales Parish at 740-345-9874 ext. 214, edwatson@cducation.org this week or by **May 31st deadline**.

Local Events of Interest

In Thanksgiving and wonder, Fr. Michael Reis will celebrate 50 years of Priesthood Ministry on Sunday, June 11th, at St. Leonard Church, 57 Dorsey Mill Road, Heath, at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. A light reception will follow in the parish hall. You are invited! See you there! RSVP not required. Fr. Michael Reis, 25 Noe Bixby Road, #99, Columbus, Ohio 43213 (740 501-4344).



Knox Licking Vocations Club

Knox/Licking Vocations club next monthly luncheon and meeting is Tuesday, June 13th, at St. Leonard Church (57 Dorsey Mill Road, Heath). Join us as lunch begins at noon followed by our speaker, John Paul Munhall, Director of the local St. Vincent Haven Mens Shelter. The cost of lunch is \$5.00 and money we collect goes to support and encourage seminarians, priests and religious. Bring a friend and see what we are all about. For more information, call 740-366-6924.



Newark Catholic Hall of Fame

The 7th Hall of Fame Class will be inducted into the Newark Catholic Hall of Fame on October 21st at 7:30 p.m. at NC High School. To nominate any athlete, coach or supporter (via Award of Merit) to the Hall of Fame Selection Committee, download and complete the Nomination Form by going to www.newarkcatholic.org click on *Hall of Fame* under the *Athletics* tab. Nomination Criteria are detailed in the form. Completed forms may be submitted to NC Athletics, c/o Athletic Director Scott Harris, 1 Green Wave Drive by **August 15th**.

Job Opening

Janitorial/Housekeeping permanent year-round part-time position is open at Newark Catholic High School for a qualified candidate. While school is in session the hours are 5:00-9:00 p.m., when classes are not being held the hours are 8:00 a.m.-noon. This is a Monday through Friday position. If interested, please send your résumé/credentials and three references to Newark Catholic HS, Attention: Beth Hill, 1 Green Wave Drive, Newark. No phone calls, please. Must be 21 years of age or older.

Preschool-Pre-K Teacher Position Available

St. Francis de Sales Preschool is creating two additional classes for this upcoming school year and an additional part time Pre-K teacher is needed. Qualifications are Pre-K-3 degree (Bachelors in Early Childhood Education), practicing Catholic, current license or willing to renew your current license, experience in literacy readiness is preferred but not required. For inquiries, email Michelle Burd at mburd@cducation.org. Send your résumé with cover letter to Director of Preschool, c/o Michelle Burd, 40 Granville Street, Newark 43055.

Newark Catholic Athletic Association and the **NC Boys Golf Team** are hosting a **Golf Outing** on Monday, June 12th at Moundbuilders Country Club. Check-in and lunch begins at noon, shotgun start is 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$100.00/person and includes: lunch, filet dinner, golf, cart and beverages. Gift bags and fun! Contact Golf Coach Thom McManus at 740-973-1307 to enroll your foursome.

Volunteer Help Needed

Damascus Catholic Mission Campus (7550 Ramey Road, Centerburg) is having a Maintenance Work Day on Saturday, May 27th from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and volunteers are needed! Lunch and dinner will be provided. Work includes grounds maintenance, painting and chainsaw work. Call Mike Stickle at 740-258-3138 for more information or if you would like to carpool to the campus.

Divine Mercy Retreat

St. Leonard Women's Guild is hosting a retreat on Wednesday, June 7th from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. as Theresa DeMers will speak about Divine Mercy. Fr. William Hritsko will celebrate Mass. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. The donation is \$10.00/person. Reservation deadline is Wednesday, May 31st. Contact Susie Gribble (skgribble@gmail.com/740-404-9853) or Vicki Annarino (vla00@roadrunner.com/740-403-2576).

ARC – Active Retired Citizens

Come join us Monday, June 5th from 3:30-5:30 p.m. in Johnson Hall at St. Francis de Sales Church, 40 Granville Street for Euchre, Bingo, picnic-style refreshments and fabulous door prizes. Bring a friend and make new ones! For more information, call Chris at 740-364-0449 or Deb at 740-366-6924. Hope to see you on the 5th!

Driver Positions Available

Catholic Social Services provides non-emergency medical transports for Licking County seniors and veterans to medical facilities throughout the state. CSS is currently seeking qualified individuals for open driver positions. These paid positions are part-time (10-20 hours per week) or contingent (as-needed). Transports are provided in agency-owned vehicles. Interested applicants can contact Jessica May at 740-345-0353.

Around the Diocese

From the Chair with Bishop Campbell on AM 820

Bishop Campbell takes your questions from 5:00-6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6th during his LIVE monthly call-in show. Call St. Gabriel Catholic Radio at 614-459-4820 to ask your question about the Catholic faith and growing in holiness.

Diocesan Senior Citizens Day Celebration

The Diocesan Senior Citizens Day Celebration will be at St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell, on June 6th. Bishop Campbell will celebrate Mass at 10:30 a.m., and a luncheon will follow. This annual event is a great opportunity for seniors to meet with other seniors from around the Diocese. Registration for the celebration is \$10.00. To register, send a check payable to the Office for Social Concerns, Catholic Diocese of Columbus, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus, 43215. For more information, call 614-241-2540 or email at socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org. Registrations are requested by June 1.

St. Mary, Delaware, Parish Festival

Come one, come all to the St. Mary Festival in Delaware! Festival dates are Friday, June 16th and Saturday, June 17th from 5:00 p.m. to midnight. Join us for live music on two stages both nights, carnival rides, midway games, great food, a casino, silent auction, raffle and more. Pictures with Pope Francis and/or our pastor, Fr. Watson. For a detailed schedule of events, go to www.stmaryfestival.com or like us on Facebook at St-Mary-Parish-Festival.

Our Lady of Consolation Shrine in Carey, Ohio, invites you to **“Our Journey with Our Blessed Mother.”** The second “Journey” will be on Sunday, June 11th at the noon Mass with Fr. David Endres. Fr. David is a priest of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, ordained in 2009. He is the Academic Dean and Assistant Professor of church history at Mount St. Mary's Seminary/The Athenaeum of Ohio in Cincinnati. Plan to attend our monthly “Journey.” For more information, call 419-396-7107.