

Pastor's Corner...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Christ the King: This Sunday, we celebrate a very special feast in the life of the Church. The feast of Christ the King brings to a conclusion our entire year of prayer. This feast is both a celebration of a present reality (Christ is King) and a call to live this reality more and more in our lives (Christ our King). In a special way, I want to encourage all families to consider how Christ can become more and more King in your lives. Is Christ the King of your television? Of your internet use? Of your priorities? Is Christ the King in the way you speak to one another? Forgive one another? Serve one another? Is Christ the King of your checkbook and calendar? His Kingdom is a Kingdom of Love. The more we make him the King of our lives, the more we experience the fullness of life that is his will for us. The Home Enthronement to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a beautiful way for families to publicly express their desire to make Jesus the King of the Home and King of the Family. To learn more about enthroning your home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, visit www.sacredheartcongresscolumbus.org. Or, simply give me a call.

Confirmation: Two weeks ago we celebrated Confirmation in our Church. I want to formally congratulate all of our students who were confirmed. I was most impressed with our young people during the Confirmation ceremony. Their attention, piety, and reverence reflected that they understood well the great grace they were preparing to receive. I am also very grateful for the staff of our school and our volunteer religious education instructors in CCD who attended the Confirmation. Their presence reflected a great commitment to the mission of our parish and our parish school. I want to give a special thank you to Deacon Patrick Wilson for leading our Confirmation program and for all who assisted in this important work.

Campaign Update: Last weekend you might have noticed a visitor checking out the parish church. Dr. Dennis Fleisher spent the weekend with us. Dr. Fleisher has a Ph.D. in Physics and another Ph.D. in Music. He is an expert in church acoustics. As you know, our church has a unique acoustical environment due to the low and curved ceiling. We learned why our ceiling "focuses" sound and does not disperse the sound as other churches might. We learned a lot from Dr. Fleisher and we look forward to his professional advice on how we can make our church the best possible environment for hearing and responding to the Word of God. It is my hope and prayer that our restored church will be more acoustically "alive" for our choir and congregation and that our sound system will help us to proclaim the Word of God with great clarity. During Confirmation, I had the opportunity to discuss firsthand with Bishop Campbell our plans for restoring the church. I am very grateful for his support and blessing in this most important project. I want to offer my gratitude to all who have pledged and are making regular payments on your pledges.

Thanksgiving: In 1963, President Kennedy wrote in his Thanksgiving Day Proclamation: "On [Thanksgiving] day let us gather in sanctuaries dedicated to worship and in homes

bleamed by family affection to express our gratitude for the glorious gifts of God; and let us earnestly and humbly pray that He will continue to guide and sustain us in the great unfinished tasks of achieving peace, justice, and understanding among all men and nations and of ending misery and suffering wherever they exist." His words are as relevant today as they were then. This national and civic holiday of Thanksgiving we easily make our own as we are called to give thanks "always and everywhere." I encourage all parishioners to join us in giving thanks as we celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 8:15 a.m.

Terrorism and Evil: In the terrorist attacks in Paris and the bombing of the Russian airliner these past weeks, we see the face of evil in our own day. Evil is real. There are many possible responses to these evils. We need to pray for our leaders that God gives them the courage and wisdom needed to confront those who would seek to do harm to us and our children. And, among the many possible responses, we need to pray! Once again I encourage the family Rosary for peace. Pray the Rosary for peace in our hearts, in our marriages, in our homes, in our parish, in our community, in our state, in our country, and in the world! Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us!
In Christ,
Fr. Wilson

Mass Intentions for the Week of November 22nd

- Tuesday: St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, & Companions**
- BSS Thanksgiving Mass** 8:30 A.M.
- Deceased Members of the Biela Family by Ann Selak 6:15 P.M.
- Dee Duffy by Nick & Peggy
- Wednesday: St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin** 8:15 A.M.
- Austin Ghiloni by Dcn. John & Cindy Barbour
- Thursday: Thanksgiving Day** 8:15 A.M.
- Joan Glaub Moro by Elizabeth Ridenbaugh
- Friday: Weekday**
- No Daily Mass
- Saturday: Weekday** 5:00 P.M.
- James & Silvia Serey by Amore Family
- First Sunday of Advent** 8:00 A.M.
- For the People of the Parish 10:30 A.M.
- Dorothy Bever by Family

Sunday Lector & Eucharistic Ministers

Schedule

- Sunday Vigil Mass, Saturday, November 28th** 5:00 P.M.
- Christina Priest, Jodi Snider (L), Mike Stickle, Debbie Bickle, Joyce Williams, Caroline Starr, Mollie Phillips (EM)
- Sunday, November 29th** 8:00 A.M.
- Patricia Laughman, Diane Layton (L), Deacon Patrick, Rita Shonebarger, Glenna Bowman, Kathy VanWy, Marge Burger (EM) 10:30 A.M.
- Monica Stanley, Sarah Ewing (L), Deacon Patrick, Kelli Morrow, Maria Bigler, Jacob Langwasser, Sharon Van Horn (EM)

**Liturgical Ministers Schedule Week of
November 22nd**

Daily Mass Schedule

8:30 a.m. Tuesday, November 24th –

BSS Thanksgiving Mass Assigned (Servers)

6:15 p.m. Tuesday, November 24th –

Andrea Conley (L), Caroline Starr, Judy Healy (EM),
Assigned (Servers)

8:15 a.m. Wednesday, November 25th –

Kathy Wilson (L), Mya Stokes, Zachary Hampton (Servers)

8:15 a.m. Thursday, November 26th – Thanksgiving Day

Don Montell (L) Braydon Vanvelzor, Paul Jewett,
Eric Mekolites (Servers)

Friday, November 27th – No Daily Mass

Sunday Vigil Mass, Saturday, November 28th 5:00 P.M.

Emily Grabo Reagan Sheehan Kenna Hauser
Alexandra Courson Brenden Sheehan

Sunday, November 29th 8:00 A.M.

Zachary Hampton Colin Crumrine Katy Selfe
Valerie Bowman

10:30 A.M.

Matthew Smith Imani King Lacey Holman
De'Andre King-Thompson

Remember in your prayers all parishioners who are ill or injured, especially for *Clayton Mitchell, Joe Finkle, Helen Fracker, Florence Medley, Jeff Smith, Ron Westerheide, Christi Weiner, Margaret Campolo, Alan Hall, Tom Snider, Erin Kennedy, Mary Stevens, Don Barber, Philly Dolen, Pat Molnar, Shawn Miller, Fran Williams, Joseph Williams, Irma DeVault, Eileen Gray, Debbie Ridenour, Bettie Wolfinger, Barb Sullivan, Marsha Linden, Tony Montagnese, Jim Lannan, Mary Ann Walters, Michelle Darkes, Joe Brown, Jeff Erhard, Lisa Fleming, Karen Addy, Lou Ann Fleming, Erin Selfe*, and for those who are homebound or in healthcare facilities.

Our love, prayers, and sympathy for the family and friends of George Stevenson. May he rest in the arms of Our Risen Savior.



Next Week's Scripture

November 26th

Thanksgiving Day

1st Reading: Sirach 50:22-24

"Blessed be the name of the Lord forever."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

November 29th

First Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

"To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

This week, we pray Liturgy of the Hours

Seasonal Proper II

**Our Stewardship Collection
November 15th**

Budgeted per Week	\$ 11,280.05
Offertory (143 envelopes)	\$ 7,079.50
Loose Cash	\$ 217.00
Average Auto Withdrawal (105 households – average weekly giving)	\$ 2,513.41
Total	\$ 9,809.91
Weekly Deficit	(\$ 1,470.14)
Year to Date Offertory Budget	\$ 236,881.05
Year to Date Actual Offerings	\$ 221,299.16
Year to Date Deficit	(\$ 15,581.89)
YTD Centennial Building Fund Collection	\$ 14,985.49
Centennial Building Loan Balance	\$ 1,905,812.63
Total Church Restoration Funds Collected	\$ 384,461.38

Today's second reading reminds us that the sacrifice of Christ frees us from sin and makes us a royal nation of priests in the service of God. How am I using my gifts to serve God and others?

Our Parish & School Events

Blessed Sacrament School Crusader News

Join us as we perform at the Courthouse Christmas Lighting in downtown Newark *this* Friday, November 27th. Don't miss it!

Parish Prayerline

The entire parish is requested to pray:

The Vatican Intentions for the month of November

- **Universal:** That we may be open to personal encounter and dialogue with all, even those whose convictions differ from our own.
- **Evangelization:** That pastors of the Church, with profound love for their flocks, may accompany them and enliven their hope.
- **Father Wilson's Intention:** That all deceased members of the parish would experience eternal rest and peace.

Just a reminder: when Blessed Sacrament School is canceled due to the weather, Eucharistic Adoration is also canceled. Watch the local news, listen to the radio, check the local newspaper online to find out if school is canceled or call the parish office at 740 345-4290 if you are unsure.

Cold & Flu Season

As the weather changes it is a reminder that we are approaching the cold and flu season. Hand sanitizer is available at the entrances of the Church and if you have cold or flu symptoms or are contagious with any "bug," *please stay at home*. Legitimate doubt about whether or not you are well enough to attend Mass is a sufficient reason to be dispensed from your Sunday obligation.



This Week



Christ the King

Pancake Breakfast After All Masses

March for Life Fund Raiser

- Sun., Nov. 22** 7:30 a.m. Rosary
8:00 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. RCIA – Library
9:15 a.m. CCD Classes
10:30 a.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service –
Neal Avenue Methodist Church
- Mon., Nov. 23** 12:00 p.m. Adoration until 8:00 p.m. –
Church
- Tues., Nov. 24** 8:30 a.m. **BSS Thanksgiving Mass**
12:00 p.m. Adoration until 6:00 p.m. –
Church
5:30 p.m. Reconciliation until 6:00 p.m.
6:15 p.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
- Wed., Nov. 25** **BSS Thanksgiving Break**
8:15 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Adoration until midnight –
Church
- Thurs., Nov. 26** **Happy Thanksgiving!**
8:15 a.m. **Thanksgiving Day Mass**
- Fri., Nov. 27** **Parish Office Closed**
6:30 p.m. BSS Singing at the
Courthouse Lighting
- Sat., Nov. 28** 6:30 a.m. Men's Faith Sharing Group –
Conference Room
4:00 p.m. Reconciliation
5:00 p.m. Mass
- Coffee & Donuts after all Masses by HNS**
- Sun., Nov. 29** 7:30 a.m. Rosary
8:00 a.m. Mass
10:30 a.m. Mass

Church Snow Removal Help Needed



We are in need of volunteers to help with clearing the sidewalks around the Church, School, and Annex this winter. We need help after school hours for special events and also before weekend Masses, and activities. No

experience is necessary and on the job training will be available. Call Bert Scott at 740-349-0210 if you are available and can help.

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church is seeking an organist for our weekend, School, funeral, and Holy Day Masses, along with weekly choir practices. The organist will work with the Director of Music and will be responsible for playing for all scheduled liturgies and practices. The position is paid on a per-event basis. If interested in this position or if you need more information, email Rick Snoor at rsnoor@medben.com.

March for Life Wreath Making Fund Raiser

All are welcome to join us at Blessed Sacrament Shepherd Hall (394 E. Main Street, Newark) on Saturday, December 5th from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. for this Advent festivity. For a donation of \$25.00 you can make a beautiful Natural Pine Wreath. Come and enjoy fellowship, warm beverages, Christmas treats and the best part ... all proceeds will help support the annual high school trip to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. So that we have enough supplies and to reserve your chair for this event call Margie Schmelzer at 740-745-5856. Send checks, payable to Blessed Sacrament, to our parish office (394 E. Main Street, Newark) by December 1st and it will guarantee your reservation.

Spiritual Adoption – Month 2 “I’m dancing!”

The developing baby is now called a “fetus,” which is Latin for “little one.” She is making rapid progress developing all her external and internal organs. During the second month baby teeth form, and fingers and toes are developing. Her ears, nose, lips and tongue can now be clearly seen. Brain waves can be recorded. The skeleton changes from cartilage to bone. The central nervous system is now functioning, and so forty muscle sets begin their first exercises. By 8 weeks, all body systems are present. This little one is now jumping, flipping, and turning – her first dance steps!

Please pray:

Lord Jesus, we ask You to bless and protect the children who today are in their mothers' womb. Save them from the danger of abortion. Give their mothers the grace to sacrifice themselves, in body and soul, for their children. Help all people to recognize in the preborn child a brother, a sister, saved by You, our Redeemer in the womb.

Are you planning to add any articles to the bulletin in December or even the first part of January? Submit articles early! Because of the holidays, we have to submit bulletins to Dee Printing early so they are printed and delivered on time. You can send your articles to blsac.net or for more information, call the Parish Office at 740-345-4290.

SVdP Christmas Card Sale

Our conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is selling Christmas cards as a fund raiser to help local people in need. This card is a picture of the 2014 Nativity scene in our church with a cost of 10/\$10.00, or 20/\$18.00. Stop by the table near the Marian Room and place your orders by *this Sunday*, November 22nd and cards should be ready by early December. Samples as well as order forms are available and you can make checks payable to Blessed Sacrament SVdP. For information contact SVdP President Amy Ghiloni at (740) 323-2548.

Catholic Men's Conference 2016

Attention, all men of the Parish! Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 27, 2016 and plan on attending the annual Catholic Men's Conference in Columbus. It is Fr. Wilson's prayer that all men attend this day of retreat to encounter Christ and to grow more in with Him. We will have a chartered bus which will transport you to the event and back. Watch for more information in future bulletins.

Advent Sale

A small Advent sale will be held in the vestibule in the next weeks as Advent is rapidly approaching. All Advent candles, tapers or votive, are \$5.00/set. Prepare your Advent with new candles to show the symbolizing of the various sizes. Purple and pink candles reduce in size as Christmas draws near. Limited amounts of children’s felt Advent wreaths, premade Advent wreaths and candle frames to make your own Advent wreath are for sale for the early shoppers. Advent helps spiritually prepare our hearts for Christmas.

Adorers

As a reminder, Eucharistic Adoration ends an hour early on days when we have an evening Mass.

Local Events of Interest

The **Newark Area Ministerial Association** is hosting the annual **Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service *this evening, Sunday, November 22nd, 7:00 p.m. at Neal Avenue Methodist Church.*** All churches are invited to come and pray together as a community in faith. Everyone is invited to bring family and friends and attend this annual Ecumenical Prayer Service.

Council 721 Knights of Columbus are making white pine and spruce grave pillows for decorating graves of loved ones for the Christmas season. They will be available for a \$20.00 donation. Orders from now until early December and grave pillows will be delivered during the first two weeks of December. To place an order, send an email to Mike Burger at hamburg26@hotmail.com or call 740 344-9095 and leave your name, address, phone number and the quantity desired.

Catholic Social Services in Licking County is sponsoring the “Baskets of Love” project for Licking County senior citizens during the holiday season.

This project targets homebound seniors by providing them with a gift of a ‘basket’ of nonperishable items. For many of our seniors, family may no longer live close by and their ability to get out of the home is limited.

A list with recommended items is available at our church entrances or in the vestibule. Donations are asked to be dropped off at Catholic Social Services, 1031 Brice Street, Newark (next to Food Pantry Network), Monday-Friday between the hours of 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. by December 9th. If more convenient, contact Tania Gresham at 740-345-2565, ext. 4 to schedule a specific time to drop off your donation.

St. Edward Church (785 Newark Granville Road, Granville) is hosting their **annual Christmas Bazaar** on Saturday, December 5th from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Craft vendors include: Handmade Wooden Toys, Wool Wear, Christmas Decorations, Hand-Blown Ornaments and direct sales include: Pampered Chef, 31 Gifts, Tastefully Simple, Scentsy, Tupperware, DoTerra. Join us for our famous Bake Sale, hot lunch, Poinsettias and raffle.

Pray the Rosary at Newark Catholic High School (1 Green Wave Drive) every Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in the St. Catherine Sienna Chapel.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry News

For Christmas the SVdP Food Pantry is asking each parish family to make a Christmas gift to the pantry either by donating canned fruit, soup or personal items – especially toilet paper; or by making a financial donation. Checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul (designate Food Pantry in the memo) and mail to SVdP Food Pantry, 135 Wilson Street, Newark. Christmas can be a really difficult time for the families using the food pantry. Help us alleviate some of the burden by donating to the pantry. Thank you for your continued support.

On Sunday, December 13th at 5:00 p.m., St. Francis de Sales Parish Choir (40 Granville Street) present a special service of **Advent Lessons and Carols.** This service is a very moving combination of the Scriptural prophecies of Christ’s coming and the beautiful carols of Advent, sung by choir and congregation. If you did not attend last year, please consider making this service part of your preparation for Christmas – it can be a welcome moment of prayerful rest in the busy weeks of Advent. A reception will follow.

Come join The Edwardians of St. Edward the Confessor Church and watch Ole Glory be made during the **Annin Flag Company factory tour** in Coshocton on Tuesday, January 12th. This is the oldest and largest flag company in the U.S. We will visit the Village Crafter’s Shop, the Dioramas, maps and models of the canal lock system, shop at the Annin Flag Company, Medberry Marketplace and more. Lunch is on your own at Buehler Gazette with an average price of \$10.00. We depart from St. Edward Church, Granville, at 9:00 a.m. and return by 5:00 p.m. There is a minimum of 40 people required for this trip, and the cost is \$22.00. Make checks payable to Linda Woolard, 481 Beacon Road, Newark. For information, call 740-323-3105 or e-mail: lindawoolard@windstream.net.

Sights and Sounds of Christmas is Thursday, December 3rd, 6:00-8:30 p.m. The walking tour begins at Second Presbyterian Church and ends at St. Francis de Sales with refreshments. You are welcome to park at St. Francis and take the shuttle, which picks up at the corner of Granville St. and 5th St. between 5:00-5:45 p.m., to the first stop. \$5.00/tickets are available in the St. Francis parish office or at the Licking County Chamber of Commerce, with all proceeds going to the Food Pantry Network of Licking County. Children under 12 are free.

Around the Diocese

2016 Catholic Man of the Year

Catholic Men’s Luncheon Club is accepting nominations for the Diocese of Columbus 2016 Catholic Man of the Year. This annual award recognizes one lay man who, through his daily actions, words, and prayers, exemplifies the “good and faithful servant.” Bishop Frederick Campbell will present the award on Friday, February 5th at the Catholic Men’s Luncheon. Nominations accepted through December 28th. For nomination instructions, go to plugInCatholicMen.com. Completed nominations and supporting letters should be emailed to catholicmanoftheyear@gmail.com. Submit a nomination and let everyone know that your husband, father, son, uncle, brother or friend is the Catholic Man of the Year!