

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Festival: The annual Blessed Sacrament Festival is upon us! Thanks to all who have worked so hard to make this Festival a reality and thanks to all who have supported our Festival!

Start of the New School Year: I am very excited to begin this new school year. Thanks to Mrs. Packham and all who have worked so hard to get our school ready. Our parish school is a beautiful expression of a partnership between the parishioners, parents, and school staff. Please join me in praying that the Lord bless this new year with safety and growth in holiness and virtue for all of our students. A warm thanks to all of our parishioners, parents, and staff for the shared sacrifices that make our school possible!

Blessed Sacrament Annual Jack Nutter Memorial Golf Outing: The Blessed Sacrament Church annual Jack Nutter Memorial Golf Outing will be held on Saturday, August 27th, starting at 8:00 a.m. The outing will again be hosted at Kyber Run Golf Course at 5261 Mink St., Johnstown, OH (<http://www.kyberrungolf.com/>). The price is \$40.00 per person. It is a Scramble of four. Organize a team and contact Jay Goletz, President of the Holy Name Society. You can text or call Jay at (740) 814-3865 or email him at JWG123@windstream.net. Word is getting out late, so let us know as soon as you can.

Alpha Course: The 10-Week Alpha course begins on Thursday, September 1st at 6:30 p.m. in Shepherd Hall. This program is an opportunity for a renewal in faith for our active parishioners and an opportunity for those who have not been active in the practice of faith to experience the truth that Jesus has come to be a blessing and not a burden. And, that His Church is a blessing and not a burden. As you consider this for yourself, I also encourage you to consider any non-practicing Catholics or unchurched friends and family members who might want to explore our faith in Christ in an atmosphere of great freedom and respect. Limited spots are available. Contact Scott Van Horn at 740-404-1066 to register.

CCD and RCIA: CCD and RCIA begin on Sunday, September 11th in the Centennial Building from 9:05-10:15 a.m. All preschool through 8th grade children of the parish who are not enrolled in Blessed Sacrament School are expected to be enrolled in CCD. Sign-up sheets are available after all Masses this weekend. RCIA is the path for non-Catholic adults to become Catholics. It is also a great refresher course in the content of our faith as we cover the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Contact Diane Layton for more information about RCIA at (740) 404-0091.

Band of Brothers: Our next monthly Band of Brothers meeting will be on Tuesday, September 6th at 7:00 p.m. in Shepherd Hall. This monthly meeting on the First Tuesday of the Month is for all of the men in the parish to grow as Disciples of Christ and brothers in the Lord. If you would like more information, call Howard Hill at 740-403-3709.

Walking with Purpose: Registrations continue for this nationally acclaimed Catholic Women's Bible Study. Our first gathering will be on Monday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. in Shepherd Hall. All of the women from 18-99 are invited. Call coordinator Margie Schmeltzer at 740-745-5856 to register.

Pope Francis called the youth at World Youth Day not to be "young 'couch potatoes.'" He called "for young people with shoes, or better, boots laced. It only takes players on the first string, and it has no room for bench-warmers." There is no room for "bench-warmers" on Jesus' team, the Church. The world does not need spiritual couch potatoes with lots of opinions and few actions. The Words of Our Holy Father apply to all of us. See the above and get involved! Take a risk. Disrupt your schedule. The Lord is calling.

In Christ,
Fr. Wilson



Mass Intentions for the Week of August 21st

- Tuesday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin** 6:15 P.M.
Joseph & Mary Ann Ray (Anniversary)
- Wednesday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle** 8:15 A.M.
Esther Ghiloni by Art & Family
- Thursday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest** 8:15 A.M.
Matthew Bess by Steve & Helen Carpenter
- Friday: Weekday** 8:30 A.M.
Erin Kennedy by Mike & Janet Wilson
- Saturday: St. Monica** 5:00 P.M.
Wes & Cindy Poth (40th Wedding Anniversary)
- Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time** 8:00 A.M.
For the People of the Parish
- 10:30 A.M.
George Pintz by Jim, Cathy, Natalie, Kevin, Katie, & Ralph



Liturgical Ministers Schedule
Week of August 21st

Daily Mass Schedule

6:15 p.m. Tuesday, August 23rd – Judy Healy (L),
Assigned Servers

8:15 a.m. Wednesday, August 24th –
Yvonne King (L), Assigned Servers

8:15 a.m. Thursday, August 25th – Don Montell (L),
Assigned Servers

8:30 a.m. Friday, August 26th – Assigned (L),
Assigned Servers

Sunday Vigil Mass,

Saturday, August 27th 5:00 P.M.
Kenna Hauser Alexandra Courson Emily Grabo
Jonah Cunningham

Sunday, August 28th 8:00 A.M.
Zachary Hampton Colin Crumrine Jacob Koch
10:30 A.M.
Anthony Ghiloni Emma Genuske Maria Hayes
Violet Caton

Sunday Lector & Eucharistic
Ministers Schedule

Sunday Vigil Mass, Saturday, August 27th 5:00 P.M.
Ken Billig, Christine Billig (L), Bill Revercomb
Rita Revercomb, Theresa Nutter,
Debbie Bickle, Joyce Williams (EM)

Sunday, August 28th 8:00 A.M.
Patricia Laughman, Craig Bruch (L), Glenna Bowman
Kathy VanWy, Marge Burger,
Tricia Robinson, Peggy Komada (EM)

10:30 A.M.
Kevin Pugh, Matthew Walsh (L), Michael Burger,
Kelli Morrow, Maureen Pugh, Phil & Sue West (EM)



Remember in your prayers all parishioners who are ill or injured, especially for *Pat Molnar, Tegan Wise, Linda Elizondo, Jean Luzio, Richard Spellman, Sharon Carpenter, Michelle Darkes, Eileen Gray, Debbie Ridenour, Patty Poth, Mingo O'Rourke, Clayton Mitchell, Florence Medley, Karen Addy, Lou Ann Fleming,* and for those who are homebound or in healthcare facilities.

Our love, prayers, and sympathy for the family and friends of Deacon Bill Davis. May he rest in the arms of Our Risen Savior.



Next week's Scripture
August 28th

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Sirach 3: 17-18, 20, 28-29
"God, in your goodness, you have made a home, a home for the poor."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11

2nd Reading: Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24a

Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

This week, we pray Liturgy of the Hours
Seasonal Proper I



Our Stewardship Collection
August 14th

Budgeted per Week	\$ 11,618.46
Offertory (162 envelopes)	\$ 7,027.60
Average Auto Withdrawal (109 households)	\$ 3,367.45
Loose Cash	\$ 554.25
Total	\$ 10,949.30
Deficit	(\$ 669.16)
Year to Date Offertory Budget	\$ 81,329.22
Year to Date Actual Offerings	\$ 73,590.53
Year to Date Deficit	(\$ 7,738.69)
YTD Centennial Building Fund Collection	\$ 4,961.60
Centennial Building Loan Balance	\$1,843,897.04
TD Church Restoration Funds Collected	\$ 689,147.62

Today's reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord "in clean vessels." The gift of myself – my patient endurance and fidelity to the will of God – is as important as the monetary gift I offer.
See Isaiah 66:20

Adorers Needed!

Please prayerfully consider signing up for an hour to sit with our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. We have several times to fill: Mondays, 4:00-5:00 p.m.; Wednesdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. and 2:00-3:00 p.m. We are thankful for all who sit in Adoration. If you have not signed up for an hour, consider stopping by this week and sit with our Lord. Your week will not be the same. For more information or to volunteer for an hour, call Caroline Starr at 740-366-3591 or call the parish office at 740-345-4290.

Our Parish & School Events

Walking with Purpose

Are you interested in getting together with a group of women to explore your faith? You don't have much scripture knowledge, but you would like to see how the Scriptures apply to your everyday life? If so, we invite you to consider joining *Walking with Purpose* at Blessed Sacrament. *Walking with Purpose* is a Catholic Bible Study for women that aims to bring women to a deeper personal relationship with Christ. Join us for the first series, "Living in the Father's Love," and learn how the Gospels are deeply relevant to our relationships, both with God and with those we love. Our first session is Monday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m. in Shepherd Hall. For more information, contact Margie Schmelzer at 740-745-5856. To order a "Living in the Father's Love" study guide, call the parish office at 740-345-4290.

Parish Prayerline

The entire parish is requested to pray:

The Vatican Intentions for the month of August

- **Universal: Sports.** Sports may be an opportunity for friendly encounters between peoples and may contribute to peace in the world.
- **Evangelization: Living the Gospel.** Christians may live the Gospel, giving witness to faith, honesty, and love of neighbor.
- **Father Wilson's Intention:** All elderly and homebound members of the parish would know the Lord's peace and presence in their lives.



Recycle your Ink Cartridges

Drop your ink cartridges, all sizes, brands, and colors, in a recycle box in our church vestibule or drop them off at the parish/school office. We recycle cartridges to help defray the cost of copier paper and office supplies for the church and school. For information, call the parish office at 740-345-4290.

Blessed Sacrament Annual

Jack Nutter Memorial Golf Outing

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Ensure the Future – Register to Vote

Knights of Columbus Council 721 will be available after all Masses September 10th and 11th to help everyone register to vote in this upcoming election. If you are not already registered to vote, consider this year a great year to start. Your voice is important as there are always many issues and candidates which we need to be aware of in an election year. Take the time to read *The Challenge of Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* by the USCCB. For more information about the K of C voter registration, call Grand Knight Bert Scott at 740-349-0210.

This Week

**SVdP Collection
CCD Registration after all
Masses**



Sunday, August 21

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

Monday, August 22

12:00 p.m. Adoration till 8:00 p.m. *in the church*
7:00 p.m. WWP Team Meeting Cafe

Tuesday, August 23

12:00 p.m. Adoration till 6:00 p.m. *in the church*
5:30 p.m. Reconciliation till 6:00 p.m.
6:15 p.m. Mass

Wednesday, August 24

8:15 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Adoration till 12:00 a.m. *in the church*

Thursday, August 25

8:15 a.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. Alpha Leadership Training Cafe

Friday, August 26

8:30 a.m. Mass

Saturday, August 27

**8:00 a.m. HNS Golf Outing Kyber Run –
Johnstown**
4:00 p.m. Reconciliation
5:00 p.m. Mass

**HNS Coffee & Donuts after Masses in Cafe
CCD Registration after all Masses**

Sunday, August 28

7:30 a.m. Rosary
8:00 a.m. Mass
10:30 a.m. Mass
11:45 a.m. Abigail & Lillian Garwick Baptisms

Alpha is coming to Blessed Sacrament!



ALPHA - WHAT IS IT?

Alpha is a unique program designed to encourage the pondering on the purpose of life and the existence of God. It will nurture personal faith growth and development of a new and/or stronger relationship with Jesus as it provides information and reflection on Christianity.

ALPHA - WHO IS IT FOR?

- for those seeking direction/purpose in life
- for those seeking a deeper faith life
- for those seeking a stronger relationship with Jesus
- for those seeking a way to encourage others on their faith walk
- for those seeking . . .

Alpha is for everyone!

ALPHA - WHEN IS IT?

Alpha Session starts on **Thursday, September 1, 2016** and will be offered for 10 weeks. Each session will be on: **Thursday evenings from 6:30 pm 9:00 pm in Shepherd Hall (cafeteria).**

This weekend after each Mass there will be a *Come and See* video in Shepherd Hall. Learn more about Alpha and get your questions answered!

Sign up as a guest. Guests will gather in a relaxed setting for dinner, view a video presentation, and meet in informal, small groups in a comfortable, non-threatening setting to discuss a video. Guests are expected to attend all 10 weekly sessions and the retreat.

Sign up as a Host or Helper. A Host leads a small group, but does not teach, quote Bible, or call on anyone. Host facilitates a conversation as the group discusses a video.

A Helper welcome guests, makes sure they are comfortable and supports the group. If you have a servant's heart, this role is for you.

Use the form in the bulletin to sign up as a Guest or a Host.

Join the hundreds of parishioners who experienced Alpha. Guests reported:

"I feel more in touch with being a Christian and I see my faith more clearly now. I read the bible more and I pray more."

"Grew closer to the Lord with the support of Alpha and my small group."

"More aware of the meaning of Scripture, more at peace, more tolerant of others and more prayerful."

"Created new friends and enriched my spirituality."

Band of Brothers

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Men's Ministry "Band of Brothers" will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 6th in Shepherd Hall. Join us as we watch a presentation by Fr. Larry Richards titled "Being a Man of Service." Come and be challenged.



RCIA & CCD Classes



Interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith? Come join our "RCIA" classes starting Sunday, September 11th at 9:00 a.m. in our school library (located at 394 East Main Street). Classes are held "between the Masses" for the

opportunity to attend the 8:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. Mass. Children are welcome to attend CCD ("Sunday School Classes") at the same time and in the same building. If you have any questions, feel free to call the Parish Office at 740-345-4290.



Br. Joseph Geiger, who is studying for the priesthood, will be making his First Profession of Vows on Saturday, September 3rd. He is studying to be a priest in the Legionaries of Christ religious order. He is grateful for your prayers and is also always glad to pray for you. Any special prayer requests may be sent to: Br. Joseph Geiger, Legionaries of Christ, 475 Oak Avenue, Cheshire, CT 06410.

Local Events of Interest

The NC Class of 1961 is having their 55th Reunion on Saturday, August 27th at St. Francis De Sales Church (40 Granville Street) in the Lamy Center or Johnson Hall following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. For more information, contact Judy Kaercher at 740-344-7267.



Edwardians Deluxe Motorcoach Trip

You are invited to join The Edwardians of St Edward Church, Granville, (men/women ages 50+) for a day packed full of adventure on Tuesday, October 11th. We leave from St. Edward Church at 8:00 a.m. and start our day at Putnam Overlook Mountain in Muskingum County. We are expected to return around 5:00 p.m. Cost \$41.00/transportation, entrance fees, docent guides and buffet lunch. Forty passengers required for this trip. Reservations accepted now and will close on Saturday, September 10th. Checks payable to The Edwardians and mail to Linda Woolard, 481 Beacon Road, Newark 43055. For full details, call Linda at 740-323-3105 or email lindawoolard@windstream.net.



St. Leonard Knights of Columbus Annual Spaghetti Dinner is Saturday, September 10th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the St. Leonard Church Social Hall (57 Dorsey Mill Road, Heath). Saturday evening Mass will be at 4:00 p.m. Cost: \$8.00/adults, \$7.00/seniors, \$4.00/children 5-12 and under 4 free. Menu includes: spaghetti and meatballs, salad, garlic bread, beverage and dessert.

Around the Diocese



Bethesda Post Abortion Healing Ministry

School bells are ringing. This could be a trigger for your motherhood if such an occasion is cause for you to remember the child who might have been dancing out the door. If these traditional motherhood experiences come into your mind, it is normal and often an opportunity to be with other mothers who share the same inner longing and sadness. Abortion does have a memory. As the healing love of Jesus enters your heart and relationships, you will come to seek the intercessory prayer of your child who now rests in eternal joy. We welcome you on this journey. You are not alone. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month. Call our confidential lines at 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157 or visit bethesdahealing.org.



The 5th Annual Beauty of the Feminine Catholic Women's Conference will be held on Saturday, October 8th at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, (144 North Fifth Street), Zanesville. It is a day of fellowship, prayer and faith formation. The theme is "Witnesses to Mercy." Preregistration is accepted until Friday, September 30th by calling St. Thomas parish at 740-453-3309 or email Susan Piecynski at thebeautyofthefeminine@gmail.com. There will also be registration at the door on the day of the event. Visit thebeautyofthefeminine.weebly.com and Facebook – TheBeautyOfTheFeminine for more information and updates!



An evening of Praise, Adoration, Mass and Social is Wednesday, August 31st from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at St. Matthias, (1582 Ferris Road, Columbus). We begin with 6:00 p.m. Rosary, followed by Praise and Worship led by Station 14 at 6:30 p.m. Trained prayer teams will be available for individual prayer. 7:30 p.m. Mass with Fr. James Coleman, followed by a social. For more information, visit ccrcolumbus.org, email info@ccrcolumbus.org or call 614-500-8115.



The Pontifical College Josephinum is accepting applications for a full-time Advancement Associate for the Advancement Office. Duties include administrative support to the Vice President for Advancement, and collaboration with departmental directors who oversee development, event planning, communications, public relations and alumni relations. For information, visit "About the Josephinum/Career Opportunities" at pcj.edu.

The Catholic Laymens' Fall Silent Retreat is at St. Therese's Retreat Center at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, September 9th through 12:00 noon Mass on Sunday, September 11th. In reflection sessions, Fr. Stephen Hayes, O.P., will lead men to appreciate the value of the medieval crusades by developing his theme "Taking up the Cross: Becoming Modern Crusaders for the New Jerusalem of Christ." The total cost is only \$130.00. For information and registration, contact Charles Kielkopf at 614-268-0175, kielkopf.1@osu.edu.

Our Lady of Consolation Shrine, (315 Clay Street, Carey, OH), is offering a Healing Mass on Friday, September 9th and Friday, October 21st at 7:00 p.m. We welcome all to come and pray together. Following Mass, visitors are invited to participate in special prayers for healing.



Who's That Stranger In My House?

Take your spouse on a Marriage Encounter weekend and rediscover each other. The next two weekends are November 11-13 and in the new year on February 17-19, both in Central Ohio. For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880 or visit www.wwmecolumbus.org.

Retreat for Married Couples: Saturday, August 27th Featuring celebration of Mass and reflection by Bishop Frederick F. Campbell and presentations by Deacon James Keating, author of *Spousal Prayer: A Way to Marital Happiness*. The retreat is from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church (414 E. North Broadway, Columbus). Cost is \$65.00/couple. For more information and to register, visit <http://family.life.colson.org> or call 614-241-2560.



Catholic Men's Luncheon Club Event

We're back from summer vacation! Please join us for the next Catholic Men's Luncheon Club on Friday, September 2nd featuring a talk by Don Brey who will speak on Faith and Politics. The luncheon is at St. Patrick Church, 280 N. Grant Avenue, downtown Columbus. Holy Mass begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch and Don's talk until about 1pm. No reservations necessary. \$10.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend! For information on Catholic Men's Luncheons, contact Tim Merkle, CMLC President at htm@ejhlaw.com.



Vocation Retreat "A Discernment Weekend"

Dominican Sisters of Peace invite single, Catholic women, 18-45 years, to attend a free "Come and See" Discernment Retreat designed to explore contemporary Dominican life for women. Experience Dominican prayer and community with the Sisters, reflect on God's call for your life and explore contemporary Dominican life as a Sister. The retreat begins at 4:30 p.m. Friday, September 9th and concludes at 12:00 noon, Sunday, September 11th at the Dominican Sisters of Peace Motherhouse, 1230 W. Market Street, Akron. For more information, call or text Sr. Pat Dual at 614-216-7688 or email pdual@oppeace.org. Participants may register online for the retreat or request a registration form at <http://www.oppeace.org/thinking-about-religious-life>. (We can offer some travel assistance on a need basis.)

