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Racism session speakers express sorrow, hope

By Tim Puet
Catholic Times Reporter

Participants in a diocesan listening session on racism talked about hurtful experiences inside and outside the context of religion, but also expressed optimism about efforts to recognize the problem and offer positive responses to it.

The session on Wednesday, June 19 at the Pontifical College Josephinum was sponsored by the diocesan Catholic Ethnic Ministries office. It was the seventh such event conducted nationwide in response to Open Wide Our Hearts, the pastoral letter on racism issued in 2018 by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). The other sessions were in St. Louis; St. Petersburg, Florida; Cincinnati; Philadelphia; Schriever, Louisiana; and Baltimore. More sessions are planned.

About 150 people attended the event, which featured brief reflections from 15 speakers who responded to an invitation to talk about how racism has affected their lives and about the Catholic Church’s response to racial issues.

Catholic Times wins three national awards

The Catholic Times received three national awards for its work in 2018 from the Catholic Press Association at the organization’s annual media conference on Friday, June 21 in St. Petersburg, Florida.

The Times’ coverage of vocations to the religious life was awarded first place for best reporting on vocations to the priesthood, religious life or diaconate among weekly diocesan newspapers with a circulation of 25,000 or less.

The World Marriage Day issue took first and second place in the explanation of marriage category, finishing behind the Catholic Spirit and Toronto third in that category.

The Catholic Press Association includes newspapers, magazines, newsletters and communications offices from dioceses, religious orders and organizations in the United States and Canada. The organization also recognizes work in film, book publishing, radio, social media and student journalism.

“Friday night lights: Faith and football,” a behind-the-scenes look at Columbus Bishop Hartley’s game against Columbus St. Francis DeSales last October, picked up second place for best sports journalism – sports feature or column.

The Catholic Spirit took first and The Catholic Register of the Archdiocese of Toronto third in that category.

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“Hadly Highland is on summer schedule!”

Things slow down during the summer, and that includes the Catholic Times. In July and August, we will be publishing every other week. Look for the Catholic Times in your mailbox just prior to July 14 & Aug 28 and Aug 11 & 25. We will return to weekly publication in September.

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The Diocese of Columbus has released its list of changes in clergy assignments for 2019-20. These appointments become effective July 9 unless otherwise noted.

**Father Brian R. Beal**, newly ordained, to Parochial Vicar, St. Peter Church, Chillicothe; St. Colman of Cloyne Church, Washington Court House; and St. Mary Church, Waverly.

**Father Paul J. Brandimarti**, newly ordained, to Parochial Vicar, St. Paul the Apostle Church, Westerville.

**Deacon Edward Christ**, from service outside the diocese to diaconal ministry at St. Rose of Lima Church, New Lexington; St. Patrick Church, Junction City; Church of the Atonement, Crooksville; and St. Bernard Church, Corning.

Confirming the appointment of the President of the Paulist Fathers, **Father Evan B. Cummings, CSP**, from service outside the diocese to Associate Director, St. Thomas More Newman Center, Ohio State University, effective July 1.

**Father Sean M. Dooley**, from Parochial Vicar, St. Peter Church, Chillicothe; St. Colman of Cloyne Church, Washington Court House; St. Sylvester Church, Zaleski; and St. Mary Church, Waverly, to Pastor, Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus.

**Father Thomas W. Herge**, from Parochial Vicar, St. Peter Church, Chillicothe; St. Colman of Cloyne Church, Washington Court House; and St. Mary Church, Waverly, to Parochial Vicar, St. Michael Church, Worthington.

**Msgr. John G. Johnson**, from Pastor, Our Lady of Peace Church, Columbus, to retirement.

**Father Charles F. Klinger**, from Pastor, St. Paul the Apostle Church, Westerville, to retirement.

**Father Anthony P. Lonzo**, from Parochial Vicar, St. Paul the Apostle Church, Westerville, to Pastor, Blessed Sacrament Church, Newark.

**Father Timothy J. Lynch**, from Parochial Vicar, St. Michael Church, Worthington, to Parochial Vicar, St. Peter Church, Chillicothe; St. Colman of Cloyne Church, Washington Court House; and St. Mary Church, Waverly.

**Father Dwayne A. McNew**, from Administrator, Holy Cross Church, Columbus, to Pastor, Ss. Simon and Jude Church, West Jefferson.

**Father William A. Metzger**, from Pastor, Ss. Simon and Jude Church, West Jefferson, to Pastor, Our Lady of Victory Church, Columbus.

**Father Ryan M. Schmitt**, from Parochial Vicar, St. Mary Church, Marion, and Sacred Hearts Church, Cardington, to Administrator, Holy Cross Church, Columbus, with residence at St. Joseph Cathedral and chaplain duties at Grant Hospital.

**Father Jonathan F. Wilson**, from Pastor, Blessed Sacrament Church, Newark, to Pastor, St. Paul the Apostle Church, Westerville.

 Confirming the appointment of the President of the Paulist Fathers, **Father Stuart Wilson-Smith, CSP**, from Associate Director, St. Thomas More Newman Center, Ohio State University, to service outside the diocese, effective June 30.

**Father Christopher M. Yakkel**, newly ordained, to Parochial Vicar, St. Rose of Lima Church, New Lexington; St. Patrick Church, Marion; and Sacred Hearts Church, Cardington.

**Father Richard J. Kligman**, newly ordained, to Parochial Vicar, St. John XXIII Church for three years and said he had anticipated being stationed there for a few more years, but the death of the New Albany church’s pastor in December 2017 meant the position at Resurrection had to be filled.

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This is the third pastorate for Father Kigozi, a priest for 28 years, who previously was pastor of Columbus St. Thomas the Apostle Church for 12 years and parochial vicar at three parishes for another 12 years.

Both Father Anthony Davis and Father Michael Hartge have been priests for only four years, but each already has been pastor of a parish — or, in Hartge’s case, several parishes — for a full year. Father Davis was appointed last year as pastor of Columbus St. Matthias Church, and Father Hartge was selected for the pastorate of the Perry County Consortium of Parishes, consisting of New Lexington St. Rose, Coming St. Bernard, Junction City St. Patrick and the Crooksville Church of the Atonement.

Until recently, it’s not likely that

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**Official Announcement - Clergy Assignments**

By Tim Puet

Catholic Times Reporter

The middle of the year traditionally has been the time when priests of the Diocese of Columbus and most other dioceses in the United States are transferred to new assignments and when newly ordained priests learn where they will begin serving as assistants to the pastor of a parish.

Such movement is part of the missionary tradition that goes back to Jesus’ final command to the Apostles: “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations.” Today, as they have for centuries, priests know that when they pledge obedience to their bishop or other clerical superior at their ordination, that promise includes the willingness to accept whatever assignment they are given and to leave wherever they are stationed at any time.

“It’s part of your reality, but it’s something you understand as also being part of your role in serving the Church,” said Father William Ferguson, who became pastor of Ada Our Lady of Lourdes and Kenton Immaculate Conception churches last year after four years as pastor of Logan St. John Church. He previously was pastor at Buckeye Lake Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church for six years, including one year of a joint pastorate with Heath St. Leon Church. “You make yourself available to move as needed. It’s a sacrifice, but one a priest is willing to make as part of his greater mission,” he said. “You recognize things can change at a moment’s notice for unexpected reasons and you may be needed elsewhere.”

That’s what happened when Father Denis Kigozi was appointed pastor at New Albany Church of the Resurrection last summer. Father Kigozi had been pastor at Canal Winchester St. John XXIII Church for three years and said he had anticipated being stationed there for a few more years, but the death of the New Albany church’s pastor in December 2017 meant the position at Resurrection had to be filled.

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If it were not for Jesus

STEWARDSHIP, LIVING OUR FAITH
Andrea Pannell

Anyone who was alive in the 1960s knows the folk music and hit songs of Peter, Paul, and Mary. Even if you were not born yet, I am sure you have heard their songs at some point. So many of them are timeless and always will be with us. Maybe the most familiar, often played at weddings, is There Is Love. The words are beautiful, prayerful and from the heart: “The union of your spirits here has caused Him to remain, for wherever two or more of you are gathered in His name, there is love.” While marriage looks very different than it did 50 years ago in many ways, the sacrament of God joining a man and a woman in endless love can never change. As we go about our lives and try to ignore evil and hatred, those words can help. Our prayers, our words, our actions and our hearts make all the difference in the ways we can touch and affect others. Our Christian love is there. Our family, our friends, our co-workers and strangers we encounter makes it two or three, and so there is love. It starts with each of us in our own world.

Friday, June 28 is the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. There is no greater love than that of our God. The Sacred Heart burns with love for every one of us, just as He gave his life for each of us. Imagine someday when we will be enveloped in that love for eternity. Devotion to the Sacred Heart is something that can transform and sustain us, along with the Eucharist. There has been a great renewal and rededication of individuals and households in the Diocese of Columbus, led by many wonderful people. And let’s not forget the Immaculate Heart of Mary. She is always there for us as a greatest intercessor. Her heart burns with the love of her son, Jesus. As human beings conceived without sin, we reach out to Mary for her love and example. As a church, it is so right that we honor her throughout the year with feasts and holy days. Our next opportunity to do so is the Solemnity of the Assumption on Aug. 15. Mark your calendars now to be sure you are available for Mass, and you can make that simple effort to absorb the love of her Immaculate Heart.

Saturday, June 29 is the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul. They are two of the greatest and most influential saints of the Church. St. Peter was the first leader of the Church after the ascension of Jesus. He often is shown holding the keys to heaven, and is our first pope. St. Paul was the greatest missionary of our church and spread Christianity and the Gospel to much of the world in his travels. He often is shown either holding a sword, as he was martyred by beheading, or writing one of his many letters. As repentant sinners, perhaps we can identify most with their sinfulness. Peter denied that he even knew Jesus, and Paul persecuted Christians for years. Through the love of Jesus Christ, there is always forgiveness and hope for us. Let us pray to Peter, Paul, and Mary for the grace and love to persevere. Now, more than ever, our world needs love. The repentance and love of Sts. Peter and Paul, along with the perfect love of Mary, always will help us and inspire us to live a life of love.

Peter, Paul, and Mary

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GRACE IN THE MOMENT
Mary Van Balen

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The feasts of Pentecost and the Holy Trinity focus my thoughts on the Holy Spirit. Of the two readings for Pentecost Sunday, I’m always drawn to John’s account in which Jesus appears to the disciples gathered in fear, greets them with “Peace be with you” and imparts the Spirit to them with his breath. No rushing wind, tongues of fire or speaking in multiple languages. The Spirit comes in the simple act of breathing. It echoes the creation story, when the spirit or breath of God, the Hebrew word ruah, hovers over the chaos. Or when God breathes life into the first human being.

The ordinariness of breathing speak to the Spirit’s constant presence. Where there is breath, there is life. We sometimes may experience the Spirit’s movement in a dramatic way, but most often not. And like breathing, the Spirit’s presence within us can be overlooked.

How often do you think about your breath during a day? Unless you make the effort to be mindful of breathing in and breathing out, my guess is that, like me, you don’t think of it very often. As long as I’m well, I go about my day, taking my breath (like the beats of my heart) for granted.

The Spirit is like breath – life-giving, always present, love constantly poured out in us and through us. Expectation may be that the Spirit comes to us. Jesus tells us the Spirit dwells within us. I think that Presence is not so much a coming as it is a recognition of what is already there. Giving ourselves times of quiet prayer when we still our mind, letting go (over and over again) of thoughts that pull us in many directions, and sitting with God in our hearts helps us recognize the amazing gift of God, who is not content to love us from a distance but prefers to love us into life from within.

Paul reminds us that the Spirit is given to us not as a personal possession but as love to flow through us to others: “To each individual, the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.” (1 Cor 12:7). The gift is shared most often in ordinary ways.

For example, before I began a trip to St. John’s Abbey in Collegeville, Minnesota, a friend’s health emergency took me to the hospital and I provided a place of rest and support in my home to his wife. We may not think of that as the work of the Spirit. It’s just something we do. But it is the movement of love and hospitality within flowing out.

The flow of the Spirit goes the other way, too – from outside into our hearts. When I arrived at the abbey’s guest house, I was exhausted. A friend met me at the door and took me out to dinner. We hadn’t seen one another for years and spent dinner and an hour at a local coffee shop catching up. By the time I dropped into bed, my body was aching from hours on planes and a shuttle. I didn’t set an alarm.

When I awoke at 9 a.m., the aches were gone. Walking to the monastic retirement center to visit a friend, I relished the cool Minnesota air. Grace, it seemed, was pulsing out of the earth and through my feet. The lake, the abbey, the beautiful trees and plants, everything was alive with presence, feeding my depleted self.

The prayer of my 97-year-old friend’s life seeped into my soul as we embraced and remembered together. I found a dark corner in the church on my way back, lit a candle and sat for 20 minutes in quiet prayer, sinking into the place within where the Spirit dwells.

She was present in the gifts of place, of friendship, of prayer, of hospitality, and of quiet. Jesus had breathed the Spirit into me, but I had forgotten. These blessed, ordinary days reminded me of the gift.

Local news and events

Agency, college team up to aid needy students

Catholic Social Services (CSS) is one of three human-services organizations nationally to be selected for a $1.2 million award to replicate Stay the Course, a case-management program that aims to increase community college students’ persistence and degree-completion rates.

CSS will implement the program in partnership with Columbus State Community College, beginning in August.

Stay the Course helps students address personal, economic and social barriers to college success through intensive case management and emergency financial assistance. The program was developed by Catholic Charities of Fort Worth, Texas, and is evaluated by the University of Notre Dame’s Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities.

Preliminary results show that participants in Stay the Course are 25.2 percentage points more likely to persist in college than the comparison group, and female participants in the program are 31.5 percentage points more likely to earn an associate degree than the comparison group.

CSS and Columbus State will replicate the program and participate in the research study. CSS will add five employees to implement Stay the Course, and three will directly serve students on Columbus State’s downtown campus. The program includes emergency financial assistance to students.

“I find it heroic how many people who already are balancing work and family responsibilities go to school to build a better future for themselves and their children,” said Rachel Lustig, CSS president and CEO. “There is no group fighting harder to make their lives and our community better, and CSS wants to be in their corner with Columbus State to help them be successful.”

“We are excited to partner with Catholic Social Services to bring this proven solution to our students,” said Columbus State President David Harrison. “We know that many students face financial challenges that can prevent them from focusing fully on their education. Connecting them to supportive resources is a critical component to overall student success.”

CSS is an anti-poverty agency whose goal is to empower people in need, regardless of background, with the tools to reach their full potential. CSS helps working-poor families stabilize and become self-sufficient through case management, mental health care and emergency assistance. The agency also helps low-income seniors through supportive services and community impact opportunities.

To learn more about the Stay the Course program or how you can be involved with CSS, contact Julie Naporano, director of development and communications, at jnaporano@col.css or visit www.col.css.org.

Holy Family alumni set reunion

The Holy Family Alumni Association will have its annual homecoming on Sunday, June 30. An 11 a.m. alumni Mass will be celebrated at Columbus Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., followed by refreshments in the church undercroft.

The event will include a raffle and a chance to tour Alumni Room displays in the undercroft. The church and the undercroft are now accessible by an elevator at the church’s east entrance. For more details, contact Genny (Welker) Temple at (614) 539-4815.

Dominican Learning Center celebrates 25 years

The Dominican Learning Center (DLC), a ministry of the Dominican Sisters of Peace located at 1111 E. Stewart Ave. on Columbus’ south side, recently celebrated its 25th anniversary with several events.

The center received a celebratory resolution from City Council on Monday, May 20. DLC learners Freweyni Gebru and Elsa Santamaria spoke to council members about their experiences at the
Seeking correction on Virgin Mary; when are we judged?

Q Several weeks ago in your column, you stated that Mary remained a virgin after Jesus’ birth and for the rest of her life. The Bible states otherwise. Matthew 1:24-25 says that Joseph “did not know her until she had brought forth her first-born Son.”

Other passages reveal that Jesus had other siblings, born to Joseph and Mary after the birth of Jesus. (James is named as one of the half-brothers of Jesus.) It would be helpful if you were to make this correction in a future column. (La Belle, Missouri)

A According to the consistent and centuries-old teaching of the Catholic Church, no correction is needed. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church states, quoting St. Augustine from the fifth century, Mary “remained a virgin in conceiving her Son, a virgin in giving birth to him, a virgin in carrying him, a virgin in nursing him at her breast, always a virgin” (No. 510).

The early leaders of Protestantism, in fact – including Calvin, Luther and Zwingli – virtually all accepted the doctrine of the perpetual virginity of Mary.

Regarding the passage you quote from Matthew (1:25), as my earlier column explained, the Greek word that is translated “until” says nothing about what happened afterward. (Greek translators used the same word – “eso” – to say in 2 Samuel 6:23 that the daughter of Saul “had no children until the day of her death.”)

But the main reason I have chosen to run your question is to comment on your view that Jesus had other siblings. All four evangelists do, in fact, make some mention of his brothers and sisters. Mark 6:3, for example, asks, “Is he (Jesus) not the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? Are not his sisters here with us?”

Some Catholic scholars explain that the Greek word adelphos can mean not just blood brothers, but half-brothers, stepbrothers or even cousins – the speculation being that Joseph may have had children from a previous marriage, making them step-siblings of Jesus.

(There is no record of Joseph’s age at the time of his betrothal to Mary, and some commentators think that Joseph may have been considerably older than Mary, since he is not mentioned at all in the Gospels after the childhood of Jesus.)

The crucifixion scene would seem to corroborate the Catholic belief that Jesus was the only child of Joseph and Mary: In Jewish custom, the obligation of caring for a widowed mother would pass to the next oldest if anything happened to the firstborn son, but since Jesus had no “blood brother,” he entrusted Mary on Calvary to the care of John, the beloved disciple.

In the Nicene Creed, we recite that Christ “will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead.” But many of us assume that we are judged individually (and hopefully soon) at the moment of our death. So which is it – are we judged by God as soon as we die or is it later, at Christ’s return? (Herndon, Virginia)

Both are true. The Catholic Church has always believed in a twofold judgment by God: a particular judgment at the moment of death and a general judgment at the end of time.

So immediately when we die, each individual is judged as either worthy of eternal life in heaven (there may be a temporary stop in purgatory for purification from the remnants of sin) or deserving of eternal punishment in hell.

In the words of the Catechism of the Catholic Church: “Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgment that refers his life to Christ” (No. 1022). That particular judgment will be private.

But then at the end of the world, when Jesus returns in glory, there will be a public “general” judgment at which each one’s particular judgment will be confirmed and revealed to all.

Again in the words of the Catechism: “The Last Judgment will reveal even to its furthest consequences the good each person has done or failed to do during his earthly life” (No. 1039).

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Center. DLC director Lisset Mendoza was presented with the resolution.

Center staff, volunteers and learners celebrated the organization’s anniversary at a gala hosted by LifeCare Alliance. The event highlighted the success of current and former learners by featuring entertainment from a mariachi troupe that included a DLC learner, with a special dessert provided by a former learner who now operates a food truck.

The center’s three living former directors – co-founder Sister Marileain Anzenberger, OP; Sister Dawn Fitzpatrick, OP, and Sister Barbara Kane, OP – were honored. Longtime volunteers and tutors Don and Nancy Kelley, James K. Williams, Dale Krummen, Melody Johnson and Corrine Hughes were presented with awards for their service and loyalty.

The center opened in 1994 with one student and six religious sisters. Since then, more than 6,000 adults have taken advantage of its services, which include adult basic education, Graduate Equivalency Diploma (GED) courses in English and Spanish, math, reading and writing refreshers, English as a Second Language (ESL) instruction and conversation opportunities, computer classes and citizenship test preparation.

Classes are conducted at the center or at parish-based satellite offices. ESL classes are taught at churches, libraries or other public places that are convenient to the tutor and the learner.

DeSales reunion set for July 5

Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School’s annual alumni, family and friends reunion will take place at 7 p.m. Friday, July 5 at the Hairy Buffalo, 6150 S. Sunbury Road, Westerville. Admission is $5. All proceeds go to the DeSales Alumni Legacy Scholarship Fund.

Crew president to speak at Bishops’ Golf Classic

Tim Bezbatchenko, president of the Columbus Crew and a graduate of Columbus diocesan schools, will be the speaker at the annual Bishops’ Golf Classic on Monday, Aug. 5 at the Medallion Club, 5000 Club Drive, Westerville.

The Bishops’ Golf Classic provides critical funds for tuition assistance in the Diocese of Columbus, making Catholic education a reality for many needy and deserving students. Organizations, businesses, parish groups and individuals are welcome to register to play, and many sponsorship opportunities are available.

Bezbatchenko, 37, a graduate of Westerville St. Paul School and Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School, became Crew president on Jan. 4. From 2013 to 2018, he was general manager of Toronto FC, leading the team to the MLS Cup and Major League Soccer regular-season championship in 2017.

He was MLS senior director of player relations and competition from 2010 to 2013. Before that, he was an attorney in New York City. After high school, he played for the University of Richmond and the Pittsburgh Riverhounds of the United Soccer League.

For more information on the Bishops’ Golf Classic, go to www.columbuscatholic.org/bishops-golf-classic.

DePorres center to host ‘Tea with a Twist’

The Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Road, Columbus, will host its seventh annual afternoon tea fundraiser, “Afternoon Tea with a Twist,” from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 4.

The tea this year will feature a look at the 100th anniversary of Prohibition in Ohio, with a speaker from the Anti-Saloon League Museum in Westerville and the High Street Stompers providing entertainment. Those attending also will hear how the Dominican Learning Center, a ministry of the Dominican Sisters of Peace, is creating social change through education, and there will be a raffle and prizes.

The $35 prepaid registration fee for the event is required by Friday, July 26.

More information is available online at martindeporrescenter.net/programs or by contacting (614) 416-1910 or martindeporres@oppeace.org.
It might seem odd to you, but I often think of Jesus as the world’s greatest coach. I teach fitness, as you may recall if you’ve read this column for a while. Coaching is a second career for me, so it has been interesting to learn during the last eight years what makes a good coach.

To be a coach, teacher or mentor in any field and in the game of life, one has to first learn from a coach—and I’ve been blessed to learn from some smart and caring fitness coaches. However, there is no greater coach in my life than my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

One of the most important attributes of any good coach is to believe in what you are teaching and to impart that to your students to the best of your ability. When we look to our coach Jesus, we know that he learned from the best—after all, he’s the Son of God and his Father’s will is his will. He knows exactly what he’s doing and why he’s doing it, and even stuck to it amid temptations. He is infinitely qualified and motivated to lead us closer to God so that we can be in heaven with him someday.

The world’s greatest coach

HOLY AND HEALTHY
Lori Crock

Lori Crock is a parishioner at Plain City St. Joseph Church. Lori leads SoulCore Rosary prayer and exercise at parishes, teaches physical strength classes, and writes about faith and fitness at holyandhealthycatholic.com.

Another key to being a good coach is to be a good listener and to respond appropriately to your student’s needs. If one of my students says her knee hurts and I ask her to do sets of 10 squats, I’m probably not listening to her needs.

We see in Jesus a coach who is the ultimate listener. We can tell him everything because he knows everything already—and loves us anyway for who we are, not because of what we do. Jesus is listening (and responding) to us every second of the day. This listening is especially profound in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, where we vocalize sorrow for our sins and Jesus responds by setting us free from sin.

Confronting racism: It’s time to manually override the defaults

FAITH IN ACTION
Mark Huddy

Mark Huddy is the Episcopal Moderator for Catholic Charities and the Office for Social Concerns in the Diocese of Columbus.

To be a good coach, one has to believe in the students and persevere in helping them learn. Sometimes we have to work creatively with our students, but there is much joy and satisfaction in helping people do something that doesn’t come easy to them. Sometimes we don’t want to be helped, coached or guided, and so this becomes an opportunity to grow in humility.

Isn’t this how Jesus works with us? He loves us, believes in us and works creatively with us to guide us to accomplishing God’s will. While we might get down on ourselves for sinning over and over, or failing to pray, or acting selfishly, Jesus never gives up on us. In fact, Jesus, his mother and the saints model and intercede for us to humbly carry on despite life’s difficulties.

A final attribute I’ll share with you about being a good coach is to encourage consistently healthy habits to support the athletic journey, such as getting plenty of sleep, eating healthy, managing stress/illnesses/injuries, and giving time to developing a healthy spiritual and emotional life. It isn’t possible to see good results in our athletic endeavors if the rest of our lives are totally out of whack.

When we look to Jesus as our coach, we see a loving guide who wants us to be holy and healthy in every area of our lives—not just on Sunday, not just with our church friends, not just when everything is running smoothly in our lives, but also in the little, hidden, everyday activities and when we face big challenges, sufferings, failed plans, health issues and the loss of loved ones. Jesus desires that we live the Gospel message 24/7, in all circumstances, and he’s here with us to make that happen.

Let us close with a prayer to the world’s greatest coach. Jesus, thank you for believing in us and coaching us through this difficult thing called life. Grant us the humility to give you control of every aspect of our lives and the strength to carry out the mission you have for each one of us. Amen.
they would have become pastors so early in their priestly careers. When the number of priests in the United States was larger, it was not unusual for a priest to serve as parochial vicar at various parishes for 10 years or longer, but today, the number of priests in the Diocese of Columbus – 147, including 97 in active service – is about half of what it was at its peak in the late 1960s, a trend that is mirrored throughout the nation. That means many more priests are becoming pastors after a few years as vicars.

“This is an opportunity that wasn’t available to former generations, and I was eager to accept it when I was appointed pastor at St. Matthias,” Father Davis said. “At the same time, given what I was used to seeing when I was growing up, there’s something worrisome about the situation. It’s not an ideal occurrence – one of those things that’s both a blessing and a curse.”

Father Davis, 34, who had been parochial vicar at Columbus St. Andrew Church since being ordained, said his biggest adjustment to becoming a pastor was “the whole concept of being a leader, not just in the spiritual sense, but also in the workplace environment – being in charge of employees, co-workers, and everything that involves.

“I realize that I’m younger than many parish employees, and I hope I’m taking the same approach to everyone, no matter what their age is. The good side of being a pastor is having the chance to set the tone and vision of a parish and being the person in charge,” he said.

At his parish, Masses are regularly celebrated in a variety of languages for the area’s Haitian, Nigerian and Brazilian Catholics. The parish serves Columbus’ Northland area, which has become a community of multiple ethnicities, as can be readily seen when viewing storefronts in the neighborhood.

“It’s exciting to be witnessing this change and seeing how it’s invigorating the community,” he said. “You can see it in the amount of young families coming regularly to Masses and in the enrollment of our school. It’s a great place for a young priest.”

Father Hartge’s group of four parishes, formed in 1986, was the first combination of its kind in the Diocese of Columbus. Today, because fewer priests are serving more Catholics, the diocese has 20 parish clusters, consisting of two to six parishes each. Father Hartge came to the Perry consortium from a cluster that includes Chillicothe St. Peter Church and parishes in Washington Court House and Waverly, where he had been vicar.

All the priests of the diocese are sent a letter early in the year listing the parishes where a pastoral opening is expected to occur and inviting them either to apply for a specific position or to express a general willingness to become pastor at any parish where a need exists. Father Hartge, 35, said that when that letter arrived last year, he didn’t consider himself experienced enough to be a pastor. But his pastor at St. Peter, Father William Hahn, encouraged him to express his willingness to fill any pastoral opening available.

“I asked Father Hahn, ‘Do you think I’m ready?’” Father Hartge said. “He told me that I was, because in the way we had divided responsibilities for the three parishes we served, I had been spending most of my time at St. Colman’s (the parish in Washington Court House). He said I was serving in effect as pastor there already, even if that wasn’t my title. I wrote the bishop and told him I was ready for a parish, even one with a school, and I ended up getting four parishes, including a school (at St. Rose).”

The Perry County parishes have been served for the past year by Father Hartge and parochial vicar Father Daniel Swartz, who will go on active duty with the U.S. Navy this summer as a chaplain, though remaining a priest of the Diocese of Columbus. That means the consortium will have a new pastor of any new parish that you may want to make some changes in one aspect or another of parish life, but it’s very important that you take your time in the process,” he said. “You need to respect local customs and what’s worked at a parish in the past, and to benefit from the wisdom of the people who have been there. Then, after a while, if you want to suggest something different, people will be more willing to try it.”

Msgr. David Funk, who retired from active ministry last year, was pastor of three parishes – Portsmouth Holy Redeemer, Columbus St. Agatha and Reynoldsburg St. Pius X – for more than 10 years each. “In every one of those cases, it was very hard to leave,” he said. “Especially with the parish staff, you get to know them so well by being with them every day and sharing the same purpose. With me and with a lot of priests, I’m sure you’ll find that we stay friends with many of those people for years afterward.

“In retirement, I’m more in contact with my friends and family, I meet once a month with other retired priests, and I enjoy spending more time in reading and in prayer and to pursue my hobby of genealogy.

“I miss the sense of belonging to a community full time, but I’ve found a new home at St. John XXIII, where I say Mass on weekends and sometimes on weekdays. This allows me to continue to minister to people without the personnel and financial things a pastor has to deal with. So it’s a very fulfilling time.”
Day of reflection to focus on African American sainthood candidates

By Pamela Harris
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“Walking With the Saints,” a day of reflection on the six African American Catholics who are being considered for sainthood, will take place Saturday, Aug. 3 at the New Albany Church of the Resurrection, 6300 Dublin-Granville Road.

The featured speaker will be Bishop Joseph N. Perry, auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

The event will allow the faithful of the diocese to come together and learn more about the six sainthood candidates, the process of canonization, and various ways to support the candidates’ causes for sainthood.

One of the six is Father Augustus Tolton, the first recognized African American diocesan priest in the United States, who on June 11 was declared Venerable by Pope Francis in a decree prepared by the Vatican’s Congregation for Saints’ Causes. This is the second of four steps toward sainthood, with the next two being beatification and canonization.

Other African American sainthood candidates are Venerable Henriette DeLille, SHF; Venerable Pierre Toussaint; and Servants of God Julia Greeley, OSF; Mother Mary Lange, OSP; and Sister Thea Bowman, FSPA. To date, no African Americans have been recognized as saints by the Catholic Church.

Father Tolton founded St. Monica Church, the first black parish in Chicago. He was born into slavery in 1854, and when his father left to join the Union Army, his mother took him and her three other children and fled to Quincy, Illinois.

Father Tolton eventually studied at St. Francis College, now Quincy University, and wanted to pursue a vocation to the priesthood but was denied admittance to seminaries in the United States, so he had to go to Rome to finish his theological studies. He was ordained a priest in 1886. In the face of racism and much adversity, he was able to create a diverse congregation and build a parish.

He persevered in his vocation, even though it was short-lived. He was only 43 years old when he died in 1897 from a heat stroke. The challenges he endured in escaping slavery, answering God’s call to the priesthood, ministering to black and white communities and sacrificing his own health speak to his character and his devotion and love for the Church.

The late Cardinal Francis George of Chicago announced the opening of Father Tolton’s cause for canonization in 2010. Two years later, he was granted the title Servant of God, and seven years later, he was declared Venerable.

Anyone wishing to attend the “Walking with the Saints” conference is asked to register online at columbuscatholic.org/cem, send an email to ethnicministries@columbuscatholic.org or call (614) 221-7990. If you have any questions or would like additional information about this or other programs of the Ethnic Ministries Office, contact its director, Pamela Harris, at pharris@columbuscatholic.org.
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have you been Catholic?” Moody responded, “Since I was six weeks old.”

Grace Neely, wife of the late Deacon Bob Neely, who served St. Dominic Church for 25 years, said her husband also was often asked when he had joined the Catholic Church. He always responded, “When I was born.”

“People just had no clue a black person could be a deacon,” she said. This was particularly noticeable during one experience early in her husband’s diaconal service when he went to a parish in a rural area of the diocese to deliver a talk. The Neelys arrived early, “and the woman at the door started asking, ‘Who are you? What do you want? When does the program start?’ Once he said, ‘I’m Deacon Neely,’ then her whole attitude changed,” Grace Neely said.

Since the deaths of Deacon James Davis in 2015 and Deacon Neely in 2017, there have been no African American deacons in the Diocese of Columbus, nor are there any in the current diaconate training class. Mark Huddy, diocesan moderator for social concerns, said this is a great disappointment.

Huddy said he experienced racism while growing up in the 1950s and ’60s, but in a different sense.

“My early experience set the default for what I considered normal,” he said. “Almost no people of color were present in my world, and that didn’t seem odd. Therein lies the problem that is a description of privilege – a form of racism that’s so institutionalized that it’s invisible. Eventually, I learned about things like redlining, school segregation, hiring discrimination and barriers that make it harder for intergenerational property transfer among minorities. These are defaults that require vigilance to be overridden, but it can be done.”

One of the session’s most dramatic moments came when the next-to-last speaker, Deacon Augustine Ampofo of the Archdiocese of Kumasi, Ghana, told of his experience with federal Transportation Security Administration guards upon arriving at John F. Kennedy Airport in New York.

Deacon Ampofo said that in the baggage claim area, two officers seized his belongings, asked where he was from, took his passport, brought him to a small room and detained him for about three hours while searching his luggage. He eventually was told he was free to leave, but by then he had missed his connecting flight to Columbus and had to sleep at the airport. He said he never was told the reason for being detained.

Deacon Ampofo is attending the Josephinum to complete his studies for the priesthood. He anticipates being ordained a priest in May 2020 and returning to Ghana afterward.

Also speaking at the session were Adora Namigadde of Columbus St. Patrick Church and Ohio State University student Andrew Philip, both of whom are involved with the Toltonites, a group of millennial-generation Catholics named for Venerable Augustus Tolton, the first African-American diocesan priest in the United States.

Other speakers were St. Dominic parishioners Dylan Barrett, Juana Hoston and Lynn Chavers; Maria Trinidad of Catholic Ethnic Ministries; Olandino de la Cruz of Columbus Christ the King Church; Blaise Tayese of Washington Court House St. Colman Church; and Father Hilary Ihe of the diocesan Tribunal.

Bishop Fabre opened the program by talking about the bishops’ current and previous pastoralets on racism. In his closing remarks, he said it will take “perseverance, patience and perspiration” for the church to succeed in overcoming lingering racism. He noted that the U.S. bishops had issued documents against racism in 1958, 1968 and 1979 and then took 40 years to address the subject again. He pledged that it would not take them another 40 years to return to the topic.

“I learned a lot tonight,” Bishop Brennan said. “Thank you for your courage and your generosity. These are not easy conversations to have, but we end with a profound respect for one another. We need to continue to listen deeply.”

Sister Patricia Dual, OP, of the Dominican Sisters of Peace, was master of ceremonies. Opening and closing music was provided by the Columbus St. Anthony Church multicultural choir.
Holtz offers a simple game plan for living a ‘good life’

By Doug Bean
Catholic Times Editor

Spring commencement season has passed, but Lou Holtz’s message to graduates – or really, to anyone – in his new book remains timeless.

Earlier this year, Ave Maria Press released Holtz’s Three Rules for Living a Good Life: A Game Plan for After Graduation. A significant portion of the book’s contents came from a commencement address the former University of Notre Dame football coach and retired ESPN college football analyst gave in May 2015 at Franciscan University of Steubenville, not far from where Holtz grew up in East Liverpool, Ohio.

The quick-witted and often self-deprecating Holtz, a practicing Catholic, distills his keys to a successful life into three simple ideas:

• Do what is right.
• Do everything to the best of your ability.
• Show people you care.

“It’s a small book, it’s simple, but yet it’s so accurate,” Holtz said. “All my life I’ve never needed a fourth rule, and I’ve shared this with every major corporation, etc., and nobody has come back and said they needed a fourth rule.”

Holtz expands on those concepts in the 96-page book, which is available at bookstores and online through Amazon and other outlets. It’s an easy read that almost anyone could work through in a few hours. And his message should resonate with students because it’s practical and spiritual, but not preachy.

The 82-year-old Holtz, who lives in Orlando, Florida, uses his experiences in East Liverpool, at Kent State University and later when he entered the coaching profession to provide a relatable, real-life game plan for tackling the challenges of today’s complex world.

“We took the (speech) transcript and I added a few things to it,” Holtz said. “I could have added a lot more, but we didn’t want it to be too big. We just want to teach young people how to make good choices, particularly millennials, whose experience is everybody gets a trophy and there are no valedictorians, but all of a sudden when they get into the world they find out it’s a little different. If you follow those three rules, you’ll always make good choices.”

Holtz began coaching as a graduate assistant at the University of Iowa in 1960 under coach Forest Evashevski. He describes in the book how that opportunity came about and jump-started his career. He made stops as a full-time assistant at the College of William & Mary and the universities of Connecticut and South Carolina before landing at Ohio State University in 1968 to work for legendary coach Woody Hayes.

After one year in Columbus, Holtz returned to William & Mary as head coach for three seasons. From there, he went to North Carolina State University for four years, took a detour into the NFL with the New York Jets for one year as a head coach, and moved back into college coaching at the University of Arkansas for seven seasons and at the University of Minnesota for two before Notre Dame offered him a job to replace Gerry Faust for the 1986 season.

Two years later, Holtz achieved his greatest success when the Fighting Irish won the national championship in 1988. He remained at Notre Dame for 11 seasons and compiled a 100-32-2 record. After two years in broadcasting, he came out of retirement to take the head coaching job at South Carolina from 1999 to 2004 before stepping down with an overall career record of 249-132-7 in college and 3-10 in the NFL. The College Football Hall of Fame member is the only person to lead six different schools to bowl games.

The younger generation more readily identifies Holtz from his work for ESPN on college football broadcasts from 2004 to 2015. During the past four years, he has continued to travel for presentations and work as a college football and golf analyst for SiriusXM Radio, though he has cut back on those endeavors to be close to his ailing wife, Beth, at their home in Florida.

One of Holtz’s four children, Skip, is head football coach at Louisiana Tech University. A grandson, Trey Holtz, is a third-year graduate assistant on offense at Ohio State.

The Catholic Times spoke with Holtz this month about the book; spiritual life; some of his coaching experiences, particularly with Hayes; his thoughts on new Ohio State coach Ryan Day and more. The following are his thoughts on a variety of topics:

Comparing Evashevski and Hayes, two of the Big Ten’s most successful coaches:

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Marriage milestones reflect God’s love, bishop says

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Marriage is more than one moment in time. It’s a lifetime of shared experiences through ups and downs, illness and sacrifice, all with God firmly at the center.

Bishop Robert Brennan conveyed those sentiments to the more than 250 couples, as well as family and friends, assembled Sunday at Dublin St. Brigid of Kildare Church to commemorate significant milestones in married life at the annual Jubilee of Anniversaries sponsored by the diocesan Office for Marriage and Family Life.

“You reveal to us the mystery of God’s sacrificial love through your own sacrifices,” he said in his homily. “You reveal to us the great mystery of God’s providential love … in your own families and in the care you show your communities. You reveal to us something of God’s merciful love. … You reveal the great mystery of God’s healing love, sometimes in very tangible, very granular ways, like washing wounds, sitting by a bedside and holding strong.”

Bishop Brennan celebrated the Jubilee Mass for the first time since he was installed as the spiritual shepherd of the diocese in March. A reception followed in the parish hall at St. Brigid, which was hosting the Jubilee of Anniversaries for the first time.

The church was filled with jubilarians, family and friends who came to Dublin from across the diocese. Bishop Brennan greeted some of the couples at the church door upon arrival for the Mass on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 23.

“Today is our family feast in the Church, the Feast of Corpus Christi,” he said. “We celebrate the great gift that God has given to us in this Eucharistic sacrifice, this Eucharistic meal.

“As we celebrate the profound presence of Jesus Christ in the sacrament of the Eucharist, we here at St. Brigid’s Church gather from all over the Diocese of Columbus to celebrate the ways that Christ made known to us in the sacrament of marriage, to celebrate, to witness, to proclaim the ways that all of you show all of us something profound about Jesus’ presence.”

The honorees were observing anniversaries of 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, and 60 years and longer. Each of the registered couples received a certificate to mark the occasion.

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Jane still drives the tractor and Bernard does the harvesting and other chores. Two of the couple’s children built homes on the farm near Baltimore in Fairfield County. “Our kids say ‘You people are crazy,’” Bernard said.

As for envisioning the two would reach 70 years of marriage, Bernard joked, “No way. We never thought we’d be 70 years old.

“We have a strong religious conviction. That’s a big part of why we’ve been married so long. We do a lot of talking and a lot of discussing things. Most of the things we do together.”

In an age when traditional marriage as God intended between a man and a woman continues to be challenged, these couples’ faithfulness to the vows of matrimony provide a much-needed witness to families and the world.

“When you think about it, caring for one another, building up the family, simple duties of day-to-day living, the things that need to get done are profound expressions of love,” Bishop Brennan said. “It’s not as glitzy as a romantic dinner. There’s something about the day-to-day (living) that shows not just a superficial love but the depth of love.

“And as you celebrate so many different anniversaries – and you look back through the years, you remember the things big and small and see in them the heart of your love, your love for each other, your love for your children and grandchildren, the love for your families, your love for your community, your love for God – in all these things you’re witnessing to us.”

Couples Celebrating Significant Anniversaries

| Michael & Mary Ann Abrams | St. Andrew, Columbus | 25 |
| Michael & Regine Berger | St. Joan of Arc, Powell | 25 |
| Michael & Megan Berger | St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg | 25 |
| Daniel & Lisa Bruening | St. Peter, Columbus | 25 |
| Brian & Nikki Budd | St. Mary, Columbus | 25 |
| Tom & Mary Fran Cassidy | St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin | 25 |
| Gary & Karen Colbertson | Seton Parish, Pickerington | 25 |
| Peter & Karen George | St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg | 25 |
| Eric & Paigi Hanson | St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin | 25 |
| Marka & Betsy Jesenka | Church of the Ascension, Johnstown | 25 |
| Joseph & Christine Kokoruda | Our Lady of Lourdes, Marysville | 25 |
| Lewis & Debbie Lowers | St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin | 25 |
| Mark & Lisanne Ludwig | St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin | 25 |
| Roger & Mary Martin | Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City | 25 |
| Bob & Denise McGee | St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg | 25 |
| Mark & Kellie McGinley | Our Lady of Lourdes, Marysville | 25 |
| Joseph & Anna Munhall | St. Edward the Confessor, Granville | 25 |
| Thomas & Susanne Nann | St. Paul, Westerville | 25 |
| Michael & Jennifer Overmyer | Our Lady of Peace, Columbus | 25 |
| John & Sandra Peecook | St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin | 25 |
| Raul & Leticia Sanchez | Santa Cruz, Columbus | 25 |
| Fred & Susie Smith | St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg | 25 |
| Robert & Adrian Stevens | St. Mary, Delaware | 25 |
| Michael & Jennifer Stone | St. Michael, Worthington | 25 |
| Mark & Debra Supino | St. Paul, Westerville | 25 |
| Richard & Anne Marie Thomas | Seton Parish, Pickerington | 25 |
| Brian & Robin Thompson | St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg | 25 |
| Thomas & Michele Timmons | St. Patrick, Columbus | 25 |
| Ted & Kristine Valin | St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin | 25 |
| William & Elizabeth Watts | St. Cecilia, Columbus | 25 |
| Robert & Wendy Wawrzyniak | St. Leonard, Heath | 25 |
| Glenn & Annemarie Wirth | Blessed Sacrament, Newark | 25 |
| Clifford & Maria Bigler | Immaculate Conception, Columbus | 30 |
| Steven & Shelly Brabst | Our Lady of Peace, Columbus | 30 |
| Ray & Kim Carpenter | Our Lady of Peace, Columbus | 30 |
| Ken & Sandra Ferguson | St. John Neumann, Sunbury | 30 |
| Jeff & Toni Gardiner | St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin | 30 |
| John & Laurette Godbout | St. Brigid of Kildare, Dublin | 30 |
| Steve & Elaine Grubb | St. Mary, Columbus | 30 |
| Frank & Diane Hare | Holy Family, Columbus | 30 |
| Robert J. & Margaret Holomuzki | St. Pius X, Reynoldsburg | 30 |
| Russell & Patricia Howard | St. Joseph Cathedral, Columbus | 30 |
| Kevin & Patrice Huelserman | St. Joan of Arc, Powell | 30 |
| Mark & Diane Jankowski | St. Mary, Marion | 30 |
| Timothy & Adriana Johnson | St. Stephen the Martyr, Columbus | 30 |
| James & Dawn Marable | Holy Family, Columbus | 30 |
| Mike & Lisa Maurer | St. Edward the Confessor, Granville | 30 |
| Steve & Darlene Maziarz | St. Brendan, Hilliard | 30 |

Don & Marianne Metnes
Robert & Suzanne Meyers
James & Maureen Motter
Michael & Susan Mulligan
Mike & Robin Myers
Jim & Becky O’Connor
Dale & Susan O’Donnell
John & Lori Ogden
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Kenneth & Kathleen Letter
Joseph Sr. & Kathyrn Malagisi
John Anthony & Lori Kay Mazzone
Charles & Mike McNamee
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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

**Following Jesus takes commitment**

Father Timothy Hayes

We are all on a journey, a pilgrimage through life. Scripture reveals that the people of God in every age can serve as a model of how God works with us along our journey. God calls, we respond. He is with us in all that happens.

The prophet Elijah reminds Elisha as he calls him that the prophet is not able to look back. As He “resolutely determined” (literally, “set His face like flint”) toward Jerusalem, Jesus likewise called for full engagement in the journey from his disciples. Following the path God has set for us means letting go of what we have left behind.

A guide regularly asks those who visit a place of pilgrimage in Ireland: “Do you know the difference between a pilgrim and a tourist?” She explains: “A pilgrim may not complain about the journey ahead of you? You on the way? Are you committed to covered the companions entrusted to you on the way? Are you committed to the journey ahead of you?”

Jesus invites us to a relationship with him. He says “Come and follow me” and “Go and proclaim the Kingdom of God.” Through his Church, he invites us to accept the cross and to follow him as disciples. We are invited to commit to being his disciples and to respond to his call without reservation.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

**Living our faith brings peace**

Isaiah 66:10–14c
Ps. 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20
Galatians 6:14-18
Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

“When you see this, your heart shall rejoice and your bodies flourish like the grass; the LORD’s power shall be manifest.” Isaiah 66:10-14c

It is the joy of a parent who sees a son or daughter reach a goal. Jesus is like a proud papa as he says “I saw Satan fall like lightning” in sending out his disciples – the 72 – two by two.

Talk to any Catholic who has gone on a retreat or participated in a form of prayer that opened him or her to a living relationship with Jesus as a friend. There will be a kind of joy that radiates. Loving Jesus is contagious.

Talk to a married couple who have attended Marriage Encounter or who have learned something about natural family planning. They will let you know that their own experience of “two by two” and sacramental relationships has grown to a new depth.

Talk to a young person who has begun to follow a path to priestly ministry or to religious life. You will hear a joy that comes from finding your place in the scheme of things.

The LOTV is a Latin Mass television program featuring a Mass with the Angels Monastery in Birmingham, a Eucharistic adoration, and a depiction of the week’s readings with a prayer to thank God for all things as you confirm once again that you never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine.

PRAYER TO THE VIRGIN

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of heaven, blessed Mother of God Immaculate Virgin...

We pray Weeks I and II, Seasonal Proper, Liturgy of the Hours.
The summer reading list

**THE CATHOLIC DIFFERENCE**

George Weigel


The 50th anniversary of Neil Armstrong’s “one small step” is a good time to relive the extraordinary achievement that took Americans to the moon. The canonical text remains *A Man on the Moon: The Voyages of the Apollo Astronauts* by Andrew Chaikin (Penguin Magnum Collection). A vividly personal account of the U.S. space program’s first decade can be found in *Moonshot: The Inside Story of America’s Race to the Moon* by Alan Shepard, Deke Slayton and Jay Barbree (Open Road).

**K:** A History of Baseball in Ten Pitches by Tyler Kepner (Doubleday): “K,” for the culturally deprived, is the baseball scoring symbol for a strikeout. The pitches in question are the slider, fastball, curveball, knuckleball, splitter, screwball, sinker, changeup – and the book is the perfect gift for those poor souls who think little or nothing “happens” in a baseball game.

**Theo Roosevelt** – and the quirks of the Roman sainthood making process before John Paul II’s reforms.

**The Jungle Grows Back: America and Our Imperiled World** by Robert Kagan (Knopf): I’ve got my quarrels with my friend Kagan’s understanding of the Enlightenment and its role in shaping political modernity (and thus America), but his dissection of various forms of isolationism and his analysis of contemporary threats to a decent world order are required reading for serious citizens.

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For serious citizens, and for the young, the young of heart and all who’d like to expand their vocabularies, there’s Matthew Mehan’s *The Jungle Grows Back: America and Our Imperiled World* by Robert Kagan (Knopf): I’ve got my quarrels with my friend Kagan’s understanding of the Enlightenment and its role in shaping political modernity (and thus America), but his dissection of various forms of isolationism and his analysis of contemporary threats to a decent world order are required reading for serious citizens.

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**Herbeck to speak at conference**

Nationally recognized author and speaker Peter Herbeck will be the keynote speaker at a “Call to Holiness, Call to Mission” miniconference sponsored by Columbus Catholic Renewal on Saturday, July 13 at Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 3730 Broadway.

Check-in and fellowship will begin at 7:30 a.m., followed by Mass at 8:30. Besides Herbeck’s talk, the conference will include contemporary praise and worship from the Station 14 band, lunch, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Prayer teams will be available for physical, spiritual, and emotional healing.

Herbeck, a lay evangelist for more than 30 years, hosts the daily *Fire on Earth* program on EWTN radio. He also has been a regular on EWTN television’s *The Choices We Face* and *Crossing the Goal*. He is the author of *When the Spirit Comes in Power and When the Spirit Speaks*. As vice president and director of missions for Renewal Ministries, he is involved with i.d.9:16, an outreach to young Catholic adults.

To register, go to Eventbrite.com. Child care will be provided upon request by emailing info@ccrcolumbus.org. Student discounts and scholarships are available. For more details, go to wwr.ccrcolumbus.org
PRAY FOR OUR DEAD

ALEXANDER, Richard L., 60, June 3
Holy Rosary-St. John Church, Columbus

BEECROFT, Joyce (Spadjinske), 79, June 16
Church of the Resurrection, New Albany

CAMPBELL, Dorothy (Berwanger), 99, June 10
St. Colman of Cloyne Church, Wash. CH

CIHON, Richard M., 82, June 3
St. Francis de Sales Church, Newcomerstown

CLEVENGER, Kristen (Pierce), 51, formerly of Columbus, June 17
St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Wichita, Kan.

CLUCUS, Carolyn (Fisher), 83, June 10
Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus

DAVIS, Ida (Cervellini), 96, June 11
Immaculate Conception Church, Dennison

DEMEA, Frank T. Jr., 89, June 11
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

DEVILLERS, James N., 82, June 19
St. Timothy Church, Columbus

ELDREDGE, Frances B. (Bianco), 74, May 29
St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

EVANS, Dennis, 65, June 17
St. Andrew Church, Columbus

FINKLE, Margery O. (Orr), 93, June 18
St. Brendan Church, Columbus

GAREY, Forrest, 78, June 11
St. Leonard Church, Heath

GEORGE, Andrew, 21, June 13
St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

HAGMAN, Jean (Hickey), 93, June 13
St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

HARRINGTON, Dorothy H. (Short), 95, June 19
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington

HAYMAN, Robert, 78, June 16
St. John Church, Logan

KNOLL, Peter H., 78, June 5
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington

KOHLI, Raymond R., 93, June 18
St. Paul Church, Westerville

LUTZ, John “Bob,” 92, June 7
St. Colman of Cloyne Church, Wash. CH

MAYHAN, John W., 82, June 18
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McMILLEN, Scott A., 46, May 21
St. Margaret of Cortona Church, Columbus

MCLELLAN, John L. (Turajski), 89, June 13
St. Pius X Church, Reynoldsburg

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POLCE, Jean (Smith), 87, June 14
St. Joseph Church, Dover

RICHTER, Rodger W., 83, June 16
St. Leonard Church, Heath

ROBIS, Francis, 92, June 20
Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

SCHAUB, Robert R. “Duke,” 91, June 14
St. Stephen Church, Columbus

SCHMELZER, Phillip E., 86, June 10
St. Mary Church, Lancaster

SEIFART, Georgiana (Lampe), 89, June 14
St. Philip Church, Columbus

SHARPNECK, Johnny M., 76, June 10
St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, Pickerington

SHERICK, Betty (Hammer), 100, June 6
St. Brendan Church, Hilliard

STERN, Deborah, 91, June 5
St. Paul Church, Westerville

STUBBS, Dr. Maureen E. “Mo,” 55, June 7
St. John Neumann Church, Sunbury

SUSI, Arthur R., 93, June 8
St. Aloysius Church, Columbus

TAYLOR, Doris (Moore), 88, June 21
Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

TORCH, George, 64, June 18
Immaculate Conception Church, Dennison

TREPIN, Florence (Stellarini), 97, June 7
Sacred Heart Church, New Philadelphia

TRIANCE, JoAnn F. (Strosnider), 84, June 15
St. Mary Church, Lancaster

WALLIS, Shirley A., 76, June 20
Holy Family Church, Columbus

WALSTON, Samuel T., 83, June 17
St. Mary Church, Marion

WIRTH, Loretta, 91, June 5
Our Mother of Sorrows Chapel, Columbus

WOBSKOBNICK, Catherine A. (Kovach), 60, June 10
St. Joan of Arc Church, Powell

Sister Marietta Miller, OSF

Funeral Mass for Sister Marietta Miller, OSF, 83, who died on Sunday, June 9, was celebrated on Saturday, June 15 in the chapel of the Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity at Stella Niagara, New York. Burial was in the sisters’ cemetery.

She was born Irma Miller on July 17, 1925 in Buffalo, New York to Charles and Mary (Kreppel) Miller. She received a bachelor of science degree in 1968 from Rosary Hill College (now Daemen College) in Amherst, New York and a master of social work degree in 1987 from the State University of New York-Buffalo.

She entered the Stella Niagara Franciscan order on Aug. 2, 1953 and professed her first vows on July 2, 1956 and her final vows on Aug. 18, 1959.

In the Diocese of Columbus, she was a teacher at Columbus Sacred Heart Commercial School (1956-58) and New Lexington St. Aloysius Academy (1958-59). She also taught in the Diocese of Steubenville and was assigned primarily to the Diocese of Buffalo, New York as a teacher, social worker and spiritual director.

She served in the Franciscan Generalate in Rome as general secretary (1990-94) and general councilor (1994-99). For her congregation, she also was novice director for Holy Name Province (1977-83), provincial councilor (2003-07), and candidate director in Hollywood, Florida (2001-03). She retired at Stella Niagara in 2011, continuing with volunteer ministries and spiritual direction, and became a resident of the Stella Niagara Health Center in November 2015.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother; Donald; and sister, Rita Wade. Survivors include sisters, Ruth Scheda, Barbara Miller and Frances Johnson.

Patricia L. Albert

Funeral Mass for Patricia L. Albert, 90, who died on Thursday, May 30, was celebrated on Tuesday, June 4 at Grove City Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Burial was at St. Joseph Cemetery, Columbus.

She was born on March 3, 1929 to Joseph and Beatrice Houston.

She served as Our Lady of Perpetual Help School librarian from 1970 to 1991 and was a charter member of her parish.
HAPPENINGS

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JUNE

28, FRIDAY
Mass for Feast of the Sacred Heart
6 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Mass for the Feast of the Sacred Heart, sponsored by Sacred Heart Columbus.

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 July 6.

30, SATURDAY
Encuentro Diocesan Day at Seton
9 a.m. to 3 p.m., St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, 606 Hill Road N., Pickerington. Encuentro Diocesan Day sponsored by diocesan Catholic Ethnic Ministries office, beginning with Mass celebrated by Bishop Robert Brennan, followed by program designed to reconnect participants to the Encuentro process creating missionary disciples in the Latino Catholic community. Lunch provided; registration required. 614-221-7990

SUNDAY
Holy Family Alumni Reunion
11 a.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. Holy Family Alumni Association annual homecoming Mass for past and current parishioners and former Holy Family School students, followed by refreshments. Program includes Alumni Room displays and a raffle. 614-539-4815

Praise Mass at Church of Our Lady
11 a.m., Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church, 5225 Refugee Road, Columbus. Praise Mass with upbeat contemporary music. 614-861-1242

Holiday St. Brendan Groundbreaking
12:15 p.m., Feb. 26, St. Brendan Park, 3481 Davidson Road, Hilliard. Outdoor Mass (weather permitting) to celebrate beginning of first phase of parish expansion project, followed by groundbreaking at 1:15, virtual building tours, children's construction-themed activities, and parish picnic. 614-876-1272

Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry
2 to 4 p.m., St. Thomas More Newman Center, 64 W. Broad Ave., Columbus. Second meeting of six-week Seasons of Hope bereavement ministry support group for those who have lost a loved one, sponsored by North High Deenainty. Contact ksrdoll@gmail.com or 614-582-8848

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 information, call 614-886-8266

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish, with confessions from 6 to 7. 706-761-4054 or 614-294-7702

JULY

1, MONDAY
Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Victory
7 to 8 a.m., Our Lady of Victory Church, 1559 Roxbury Road, Columbus. First Monday Eucharistic Adoration, beginning with Morning Prayer, concluding with Mass.

Rosary at St. Pius X
6:30 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Recital of Rosary for the sick of the parish and all who are ill. 614-866-2859

Marian Prayer Group at Holy Spirit
7 p.m., Day chapel, Holy Spirit Church, 4383 E. Broad St., Columbus. Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle prayer group for Catholic family life. 614-235-7435

2, TUESDAY
Our Lady of Good Success Study Group
Noon to 2 p.m., Sacred Heart Church, 893 Hamlet St., Columbus. Monthly meeting of Our Lady of Good Success study group. Social period, followed by renewal catechesis study and discussion. 614-294-7702

Rosary for Life at St. Joan of Arc
Following 6:15 p.m. Mass, St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Rosary for life and mercy Mass in Plain City. 614-240-5910

First Saturday Devotion at St. Joan of Arc
8:30 a.m., St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Mass, followed by rosary in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, sponsored by church's respect life committee.

3, WEDNESDAY
Divine Mercy Chapel at St. Pius X
6 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Recital of Chaplet of Divine Mercy. 614-866-2859

Marian Devotion at St. Elizabeth
7 p.m., St. Elizabeth Church, 6077 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Marian devotion with spiritual rosary, followed by Mass and monthly novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, with Father Ramon Oweira, CFC. 614-891-0150

4, THURSDAY
Cenacle at Holy Name
6 p.m., Holy Name Church, 154 E. Patterson Ave., Columbus. Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, with prayers in the Cenacle format of the Marian Movement of Priests.

5, FRIDAY
St. Cecilia Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
St. Cecilia Church, 434 Norton Road, Columbus. Begins after 8:15 a.m. Mass; continues to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Eucharistic Adoration at Columbus St. Peter
9 a.m. to 8 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. First Friday Eucharistic adoration in day chapel.

First Friday Masses at Holy Family
9 a.m., 12:15 and 7 p.m., Holy Family Church, 584 W. Broad St., Columbus. First Friday Masses in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. 614-221-4323

Monthly Devotion of the 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 at St. Matthew

Rosary at St. Matthew
7 p.m., St. Matthew Church, 807 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna. Monthly Holy Hour of prayer for the nation, including the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the rosary. 614-471-0212

Spanish Mass at Columbus St. Peter
7 p.m., St. Peter Church, 6899 Smoky Row Road, Columbus. Mass in Spanish, with confessions from 6 to 7. 706-761-4054 or 614-294-7702

8, MONDAY
Rosary at St. Pius X
6-8 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Recital of Rosary for the sick of the parish and all who are ill. 614-866-2859

Bethea Post-Abortion Healing Ministry
6:30 p.m., support group meeting, 2744 Dover Road, Columbus (Christ the King convent, first building west of church). 614-718-0227, 614-309-2651, 614-309-0155

Our Lady of Peace Men's Bible Study
7 p.m., Our Lady of Peace Church, 20 E. Dominions Blvd., Columbus. Bible study of Sunday's readings.

9, TUESDAY
Calix Society Meeting
6 p.m., Panera restaurant, 4519 N. High St., Columbus. Monthly meeting of the Calix Society, an association of Catholic alcoholics. Preceded by Mass at 5 p.m. at Our Lady of Peace Church, across street from meeting site.

Holy Hour at Columbus St. Francis of Assisi
St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Battletown Ave., Columbus. Holy Hour following 6 p.m. Mass. 614-299-5781

Rosary for Life at St. Joan of Arc
Following 6:15 Mass, St. Joan of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell. Rosary of for Life, sponsored by church's respect life committee.

Encourage Ministry Monthly Meeting
6:30 p.m., Encourage, an approved diocesan ministry for families and friends of persons who experience same-sex attraction. Confidentiality is maintained. Call for site. 614-296-7404

Abortion Recovery Network Group
7 p.m., Pregnancy Decision Health Center, 663 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus. Abortion recovery network group meeting for anyone interested in recovering from abortion or who has been through a recovery program, and wants to stay connected. 614-721-2100

10, WEDNESDAY
Turning Leaves and Tea Leaves
2 to 3:30 p.m., Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. Turning Leaves and Tea Leaves book club with Dominican Sisters Mariarlen Anzenberger and Colleen Gallagher. 614-416-1910

Divine Mercy Chaplet at St. Pius X
6 p.m., St. Pius X Church, 1051 S. Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg. Recital of Chaplet of Divine Mercy. 614-866-2859

11, THURSDAY
Mass in Honor of St. Benedict at Retreat Center
3 p.m., St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad St., Columbus. Mass in honor of St. Benedict, sponsored by Columbus-Lancaster chapter, Benedictine Oblates of St. Meinrad Abbey, followed by food and fellowship. 614-296-2841

Cenacle at Holy Name
6 a.m., Holy Name Church, 154 E. Patterson Ave., Columbus. Exposure of the Blessed Sacrament, with prayers in the Cenacle format of the Marian Movement of Priests.

Eucharistic Holy Hour at St. John the Baptist
7 p.m., St. John the Baptist, 720 Hamlet St., Columbus. Eucharistic Holy Hour with the intention of deepened holiness and an increase in the virtue of fortitude for the Holy Father, bishops and priests, concluding with Benediction, social period and refreshments. 614-294-7702

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Bremen parishioners restore vandalized grave sites

When parishioners at Bremen St. Mary Church learned that about 50 headstones in the parish’s 160-year-old cemetery had been pushed over, the church members responded quickly. With the help of a local company that makes grave markers, about 15 people got together on a Friday afternoon in May, about a month after the vandalism occurred, and reset all of the stones.

“It was great seeing so many people respond,” said Steve Karnes, office manager for the Bremen parish and Lancaster St. Bernadette Church. “Word spread about the vandalism . . . and we put a little blurb in the bulletin. That’s all it took for people to volunteer. St. Mary’s is a parish with a lot of members who have been there for several generations, so for many of the people who helped, restoring the gravestones had a personal meaning.”

“The biggest help came from the Logan Monument Co.,” said Dave Krile, the cemetery’s caretaker for the past 20 years or so. “As soon as (company employee) Brigette Sharp learned what had happened, she talked to Bill Boone (the company president), and they promised to give us a hand.

“They said if my wife, Marion, and I provided the lunch, they’d bring in whatever equipment was needed to reset the markers. They brought about a half-dozen people, we provided about nine or 10, and we were able to get all the stones upright in a few hours.”

Because the vandalized stones were in the back of the cemetery, the monument company couldn’t bring in a crane it typically uses to reset grave markers. Workers had to use a tripod and lift it with a chain hoist. The volunteers brought wheelbarrows, shovels, gravel and cement. Although the grave markers were knocked over, none was chipped or marked with graffiti.

Krile, an Ohio Department of Transportation employee who volunteers as cemetery caretaker, said about 10 stones at the site had been overturned a few weeks earlier, but he and Karnes reset them.

The cemetery is part of an 80-acre plot donated to the Archdiocese of Cincinnati in 1857 by German immigrants who founded the community of Bremen and named it for their hometown. The Diocese of Columbus at that time was part of the Cincinnati archdiocese.

That land, known as Schmelzer’s Grove, included the original parish church, known as Sacred Heart Cemetery. A new church was built in downtown Bremen in 1917 and named St. Mary Church, but the cemetery continues to be known as Sacred Heart Cemetery. Krile said at least two Civil War veterans are buried there. Schmelzer’s Grove also includes a picnic pavilion and dance hall where square dances have taken place in the summer for more than 100 years.

The vandalism occurred around mid-April, and the repair work was done on May 10. Father Ty Tomson, pastor of St. Mary and St. Bernadette churches, celebrated Mass at the cemetery on Memorial Day.

“The vandalism was a sad and scandalous situation,” he said, “but it became a blessing for the parish and the community because of the way people pulled together to continue their long tradition of honoring our beloved dead.”

About 15 people took about half a day to restore approximately 50 headstones that had been vandalized at the Bremen St. Mary Church cemetery. (Photo courtesy Logan Daily News)
The Community of Columbus Holy Rosary & St. John has much to celebrate.

The Community of Columbus Holy Rosary & St. John the Evangelist Church will have its anniversary celebration on Sunday, July 21, beginning with Mass at 9:30 a.m. and followed by a reception in Campion Hall of the St. John Community Center.

Holy Rosary-St. John is a combined parish consisting of Holy Rosary Church, founded in 1905 on East Main Street, and St. John the Evangelist Church, founded in 1898 at 648 S. Ohio Ave., where the church continues to serve the community. The two were combined in 1979.

At the anniversary celebration, Bishop Robert Brennan will concelebrate Mass with Father Michael Gribble, who served the parish in previous years, and Father Ramon Owera, parish administrator pro tem.

Father Gribble, in reflecting on his time at the parish, said one parish program started in an unexpected way: “There was a young man who needed to get his driver’s license, but was struggling to get it due to literacy issues,” Father Gribble said. “I tutored him and the adult education program, now known as the St. John Learning Center, grew from there.”

Many current members said they are drawn to the parish because of its service to the community. Bryan Curtiss said, “I love Holy Rosary-St. John because of the parish’s unique and diverse congregation and the St. John Community Center, which serves the entire community.”

Terri Lewandowski expressed similar sentiments. “Holy Rosary-St. John does what a parish should do — from its engaging Masses to the GED and computer classes, to hosting the soup kitchen and the health clinic,” she said.

The St. John Community Center (the former parish school building at 640 S. Ohio Ave.) houses several outreach services. These include the St. John Food Pantry and the St. John Learning Center (adult education), both programs of the parish. Other services there, such as the Community Kitchen and the Order of Malta health clinic, are separate nonprofits but work with the church.

Charles Mifsud member of the Order of Malta involved in bringing the clinic to the St. John Community Center. “Holy Rosary-St. John is such a special place,” Mifsud said. “When we were looking for a home to locate our free clinic, the parish opened their arms to us and welcomed us in.”

Sister Alberta Wilkes, OSF, often volunteers with the food pantry. “I’ve been at Holy Rosary-St. John for more than 30 years, after my Franciscan Sisters taught here for decades,” she said. “The goodness of our parishioners is humbling and impresses me.”

In addition to the social services offered by the parish, other church groups socialize and serve. These include the Women’s Group that leads the church in praying the rosary after Mass and awards scholarships to graduating seniors, the Senior Wisdom Group, the Young Adult Group and the Youth Group.

Elizabeth Cary helps to plan youth activities. “What I love about Holy Rosary-St. John is that we are all about family, and we make sure those connections extend to our youth,” Cary said. “We meet once per month to discuss various topics, including how and why to pray the rosary. Biblical roots of the Mass, how the U.S government is structured, career paths, etc. These are great opportunities for our youth to connect and grow together.”

Sheena Costa, who leads the Young Adult Group, said, “Here at Holy Rosary-St. John, the Young Adult Group is made up of some really amazing people who share the love of Jesus, the Church and the community. I’m fortunate to call them all family.”

Attending the anniversary celebration will be St. Cyprian Council 298 of the Knights of Columbus at St. Peter Claver, a Catholic lay organization that serves throughout Franklin County. In addition, the Knights of St. John will serve as an honor guard at the Mass and will assist with the reception. James Schaafhausen said the knights have been active in the parish for more than 100 years.

For information about social services offered at Holy Rosary-St. John, visit hrsjchurch.org/service. For information on church activities, visit hrsj.org, email hrsjevents@gmail.com or call (614) 252-5926, extension 7.
Couple’s Catholic Foundation fund aids St. Charles students

One of the nine funds established at The Catholic Foundation by Dominic and Beth Prunte is the Dominic W. & Beth Ann Prunte St. Charles Preparatory School Endowment Fund. This fund falls within the Foundation’s pillar of education and provides tuition assistance to deserving students attending the Columbus boys high school.

Dominic and Beth’s parents knew the value of a Catholic education and instilled that value in their children.

“At being in the business world for over 30 years, you realize the value of a Catholic education, and we wanted to make sure that the schools we care about, like St. Charles, would have the opportunity to continue that mission,” Dominic said.

Dan Tarpy, development and planned giving officer at St. Charles, met with Dominic and learned how important it was to the Pruntes to help solidify the future of Catholic education.

“We are very blessed to have alumni and parents who support our school,” Tarpy said. “There is a great deal of pride and humility that we have in this network, and we don’t take it lightly or for granted.”

Many of the friends Dominic had during his time in school were from throughout the city and could attend St. Charles only because of endowment funds set up for tuition assistance. Dominic said he wanted to carry on that tradition and didn’t want any boy turned away. Such endowments help families meet the tuition requirements.

“Dominic felt strongly about his own Catholic education and wanted to make sure that money was not a deterrent for others,” Tarpy said. “We see this all the time in our loyal and faithful alumni. It’s truly inspiring.”

Mike Duffy, director of development at St. Charles, said that in the most recent academic year, 47 percent of school families received financial support, and this year, 53 percent are recipients. The school’s 165 endowed funds are the lifeblood of St. Charles, supporting and honoring the goal of the school’s founder, Bishop James J. Hartley, that no young man who is academically qualified and wants to attend be deterred by lack of family funds.

Middle-income families often struggle to afford a Catholic school education, and last year 40 St. Charles families appealed their financial aid packages. “We were able to meet those appeals for additional financial assistance as long as they were substantiated,” Duffy said.

That financial need will only increase: If the school’s enrollment growth mirrors the past 20 years — increasing by about 150 students – the endowment will continue to be critical in helping families afford St. Charles.

The school will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2023. To ensure a strong future for the next 100 years, St. Charles launched its $20 million “Vision for the Future” campaign on Nov. 1.

“We will grow our endowment by $5 million and build a new $10 million learning center on our main campus, which will include classrooms, labs, a lecture hall and an 1,100-seat gymnasium,” Duffy said. “Five million dollars also will be raised to establish a future growth fund, allowing the school to proactively purchase nearby land as it becomes available.”

To learn more about this campaign, contact Duffy at mduffy@scprep.org or 614-252-9288, extension 20.

Duffy and The Catholic Foundation have worked together to ensure that Catholic education benefits young men years into the future.

“The Catholic Foundation has always been very affirming of St. Charles over the years,” Duffy said, “and we remain grateful for that support. They have consistently been available to not only us, but all the area Catholic schools in the diocese.”

To learn how you can support St. Charles or your alma mater, contact Scott Hartman at shartman@catholic-foundation.org.

Couple plans for bequest through Catholic Foundation

The mission of the Kyrie Bequest Society is to recognize those individuals who have notified The Catholic Foundation of their plan to leave a future gift through a bequest, trust, life insurance policy, retirement plan or charitable gift annuity and donor-advised fund via the Foundation. Specific parishes, schools or organizations may be designated as beneficiaries.

Dominic and Beth Ann Prunte are longtime supporters of Catholic organizations and the Diocese of Columbus. Dominic has been an employee of the diocese for almost 10 years as episcopal moderator of administration and personnel. In 2010, the Pruntes established nine endowed funds at The Catholic Foundation that fall within the Foundation’s four pillars of support: education, parish life, social services and vocations.

The Pruntes’ funds benefit Columbus St. Charles Preparatory School, seminarians, JOIN, Columbus St. Catharine Church, Columbus St. Thomas Church, Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, the Bishop Griffin Resource Center, the Sisters of St. Benedict of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, and the Sisters of Divine Providence.

Often, people who don’t plan must spend money on things they didn’t intend. The Pruntes looked at their family members and friends who had to go into nursing homes or assisted living facilities and saw how their funds were depleted, leaving nothing for the causes they cared about.

Because Dominic and Beth didn’t want that to happen, they met with two financial advisers and planned how they wanted their money to be divided after they died. Beth said, “We were happy to know that something was going to be left behind to the things we care about according to our wishes.”

Dominic and Beth told their advisers that they wanted to go through The Catholic Foundation because the Foundation would manage their money in alignment with Catholic values and beliefs and ensure their intentions were carried out.

The Pruntes worked with Scott Hartman, Foundation vice president of development, and decided to make payments for nine years toward a premium on an insurance policy. The Pruntes and the Foundation found a plan that worked for the couple’s budget while honoring their wishes and intent to give.

To learn more about the Foundation’s Kyrie Bequest Society, email Hartman at shartman@catholic-foundation.org or visit www.catholic-foundation.org/kbs.
he was great on fundamentals and great on execution. Woody Hayes was demanding as well. Both of them demanded results. It was our obligation to provide great coaching for both. They both strongly believed in fundamentals. They had a philosophy in football that they believed in strongly.

On becoming a college football coach:
“I got out of the Army and I was offered a job at Conneaut (Ohio) High School. I was going to be backfield coach and teach history. But unbeknownst to me, Trevor Rees, my college coach, calls Evashevski. (Rees) was in the Navy with Forest Evashevski. Trevor Rees was an All-American tight end at Ohio State the same time Evy was an All-American at Michigan. (Rees) asked Evy if he would give me a graduate assistant position.

And this was when graduate assistants were very rare. They worked it out that I would teach physical education to the physically handicapped and work with the Iowa football program in exchange for room and board and books for my master’s degree and a small stipend. And that is how I ended up at the University of Iowa. I never applied. All of a sudden, I was there. If it wasn’t for that, I would have been at Conneaut High School teaching history and coaching the backfield.”

His experience with Hayes at Ohio State:
“Woody is one of the great people I’ve ever been around, but you don’t always appreciate him until you leave. He was very demanding in every area of your life. He wanted you to be as good academically as you were in football. He wanted you to be a good citizen. He knew how to win, he believed in execution, he was very positive, he left nothing to chance. But he also could be totally upsetting to you. He wasn’t always fair to you. I remember he fired me four times and told me not to worry until he put it in writing.

“First game after I left Ohio State (as William & Mary coach) was in Cincinnati against the Cincinnati Bearcats. We opened up there a week before Ohio State did. Woody Hayes came to my game and brought (quarterbacks) Rex Kern and Ron Maciejowski with him. We lost 25-19 or something like that. (Woody) talked to my mother, talked to my team. He never again went through East Liverpool, Ohio, that he didn’t stop and call my mother. That’s what people don’t know about. But that’s why anybody who ever played or coached for him absolutely owed so much to him.”

Thoughts on Urban Meyer, Ryan Day and Ohio State football in 2019:
“Urban Meyer coached for me (at Notre Dame) and I’ve been very close to him over all these years. He’s very high on Ryan Day. Ryan Day did a good job harping in for him. In addition to that, my grandson, Trey Holtz, is a graduate assistant at Ohio State. He loved Urban Meyer and he loves Ryan Day, and he thinks he’ll do a great job.

I can tell you this: That quarterback, (Justin) Fields, he’s the real deal. He’s got a very strong arm, very athletic, very mobile, very competitive.”

Objective for the book and its message:
“It really helps your self-image, your self-confidence, you feel good about yourself when you know you did everything to the best of your ability. You treat people the right way and always try to do the right thing. There’s never a right time to do the wrong thing.

“The three questions that everybody asks mentally – I don’t care whether you’re talking about your child, your spouse, your friend, your employer, the employees, the people you work with – are: No. 1, can I trust you? You cannot have a relationship if it’s not based on trust. There’s only one way in this world that I know that you can guarantee that trust will be built: if both parties do the right thing. That’s why doing the right thing is so important, so you can build trust with the people you want to have a relationship with.

“The second question that everybody asks: Are you committed to excellence? Do you want to be good, or are you going to cut corners? Whatever we do, we’re going to do it to the best of our ability, and that’s why rule No. 2 answers that question.

The last question, and maybe the most important question that everybody asks, is: Do you care about me? And that is so critical, and it’s so important to understand that you’re never going to meet anybody that doesn’t have a problem, have a difficulty, that doesn’t need encouragement.

“What I found is you’re always going to have problems, you’re always going to have difficulties, that’s part of life. I guarantee you that with a person you have a problem with, you identify the problem when you ask those three questions. And when you know what the problem is, you can sit down with them and say, ‘I don’t believe you’re doing the best you can.’

You never attack the performer, you attack the performance.”

How he developed the three rules:
“I leave Ohio State, and my first year at William & Mary was a disaster. I tried to be Woody Hayes and I tried to run the Ohio State offense, but I didn’t have Ohio State personnel. So I sat down in the offseason and I tried to analyze why Woody Hayes was successful, why was Forrest Evashevski successful. I made a list. And I made a list of coaches that weren’t as sharp. You try to compare them. There’s only three differences I found. You could trust them; if they told you something, you could take it to the bank. They also were totally committed to excellence in everything they did, and they cared about other people off the field and on the field. The group that sort of screwed everything up, I couldn’t trust them. They cut every corner in the world. They only cared about themselves. And from that is how those three rules came about.”

Differences between eras:
“Today, everybody wants to talk about their rights and privileges. Forty years ago, we talked about our obligations and our responsibilities. Many of the people who influenced my life had been in World War II, had been in combat, etc. The one thing you learned in the military is the obligation and responsibility you had to other people.

“If I were coaching again, I’d be a better coach than I was before because I’d still emphasize fundamentals, I would be more demanding than I’ve ever been before. However, what you say to a millennial is important, but what you say to them is not nearly as important as your tone of voice. Your tone of voice is not nearly as important as your facial expression. So the happier you get, the softer you talk, the more you smile, but you don’t alter the message. Millennials deep down inside want to be good, they just don’t always know how.”

On being successful:
“There is a burning desire inside of us that we want to be special, we want to be exceptional. We’ve been taught (today) that everybody’s the same, no one is better than anyone else. That’s not what made this country great. It’s a competition. You have the right to succeed, but you also have the right to fail. If you fail, you have the right to be honest and learn and try again.”

Influence of Catholic faith on his life:
“It’s always been strong (starting with) being taught by the Sisters of Notre Dame for eight years, being an altar boy, etc. Having faith isn’t going to mean you’re not going to have problems. I honestly don’t know how people handle all the difficulties without having a faith. I think four things everyone needs is: something to do, someone to love, something to hope for and something to believe in. In my case, you’re either going to believe in yourself or you’re going to be believe in God. I choose the latter. I always say: Do what’s right, and if you have any doubts, get out the Bible.

“I think it’s wrong to be bitter. We all have difficulties in life, and you can’t go through life being bitter about something. You’ve got to let it go, or after you pass away your wife is going to have to hire pallbearers because you don’t have six friends.

“I don’t preach or lecture, but I hope the way I live my life reflects my faith in God.”
Solemn high mass in the Dominican Rite celebrating the 200th anniversary of the First Catholic mass in Zanesville, Ohio on Sunday July 14, 2019 11 a.m.

Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church
144 North Fifth Street

Reception follows in the activity center

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