

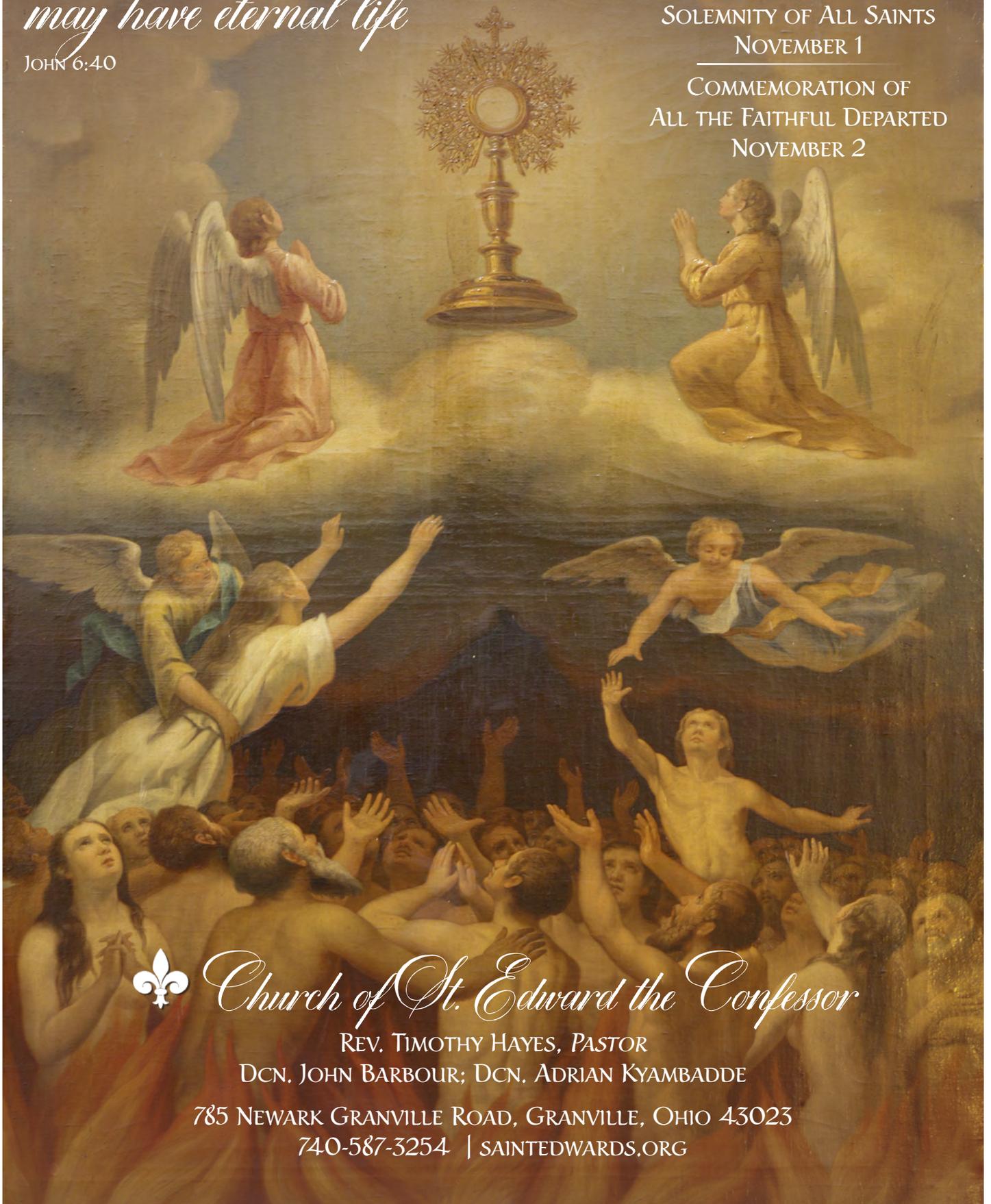
FOR THIS IS THE WILL OF MY FATHER,
THAT EVERYONE WHO SEES THE SON AND BELIEVES IN HIM

may have eternal life

JOHN 6:40

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
NOVEMBER 1

COMMEMORATION OF
ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
NOVEMBER 2



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Mass Schedule

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:15 & 10:45 a.m.
Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.
*Holiday schedules TBA

Confessions

Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Adoration

Mondays 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Mass Intentions



**Sunday, November 2 | The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
Second Collection for the Seminarian Fund**

8:15 a.m. For Alfonso Priano (RIP) by the Priano Family

10:45 a.m. For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

Monday, November 3

9:00 a.m. For Steve O'Neil (RIP) by Susan Hannahs

Tuesday, November 4 | Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

9:00 a.m. For Barbara Parker (RIP) by Bob & Kelly Parker

Wednesday, November 5

9:00 a.m. For Livia Gallicchio (RIP) by the Cannon Family

Thursday, November 6

9:00 a.m. For Brad Petticrew (RIP) by Jon Petticrew

Friday, November 7

9:00 a.m. For the Parish Staff at Church of St. Edward the Confessor

Saturday, November 8

Second Collection for the Archdiocese for Military Services

5:00 p.m. For Scot Brown (RIP) by Roy & Dottie Brown

**Sunday, November 9 | Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome
Second Collection for the Archdiocese for Military Services**

8:15 a.m. For Jane & Ted Hinterschied (RIP) by Gregg & Barb Hinterschied

10:45 a.m. For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

Scan to Give

Parish Budget YTD
\$262,039

Variance
18.9%

Received YTD
81.1%

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	Actual	Budget	Variance
Sept. Offertory	\$63,994	\$87,057	(\$23,063)
YTD Offertory	\$212,565	\$262,039	(\$49,474)



Sunday 11.2	Monday 11.3	Tuesday 11.4	Wednesday 11.5
<p><i>All Souls' Day; Welcome Sunday</i> <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i> <i>Second Collection for the Seminarian Fund</i> 8:15 a.m. – Mass (Fr. Hayes) 9:30 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Loft 9:30 a.m. – PSR in Classrooms & Enke Parish Hall 10:45 a.m. – Mass (Fr. Hayes) 11:45 a.m. – Children's Choir Rehearsal 12:00 p.m. – OCIA in the Lounge 2:00 p.m. – Youth Group Homeless Outreach in the Kitchen 4:30 p.m. – Mass at Denison University (Fr. Hrezo)</p>	<p>Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences 9:00 a.m. – Mass (Fr. Ghiloni) 9:30 a.m. – Adoration 9:45 a.m. – WOSE Board Meeting in the Lounge 7:00 p.m. – That Man Is You! in the Lounge 7:00 p.m. – WWP in Enke Parish Hall</p>	<p>Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences 9:00 a.m. – Mass (Fr. Hayes) 7:00 p.m. – Bell Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Loft</p>	<p>Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences 7:00 a.m. – Men's Fellowship Breakfast 9:00 a.m. – Mass (Fr. Ghiloni) 9:40 a.m. – WWP in the Lounge 6:00 p.m. – Strategic Planning Meeting in Enke Parish Hall 7:00 p.m. – Men's Rosary Prayer Group in the Church</p>
Thursday 11.6	Friday 11.7	Saturday 11.8	Sunday 11.9
<p>Preschool Parent/Teacher Conferences 9:00 a.m. – Mass (Msgr. Enke) 4:30 p.m. – Mass at Otterbein 7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Loft 7:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus Business Meeting in Enke Parish Hall</p>	<p>No Preschool 9:00 a.m. – Mass (Fr. Hayes) 10:30 a.m. – Mass at Middleton (Fr. Hayes) 12:00 p.m. – Red Cross Blood Drive in Enke Parish Hall</p>	<p><i>Second Collection for the Archdiocese for Military Services</i> 7:00 a.m. – Men's Fellowship in Enke Parish Hall 2:30 p.m. – Graham/Beaver Wedding (Dcn. Barbour) 4:00 p.m. – Confessions 5:00 p.m. – Mass (Fr. Hayes)</p>	<p><i>The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i> <i>Second Collection for the Archdiocese for Military Services</i> 8:15 a.m. – Mass (Fr. Hayes) 9:30 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Loft 9:30 a.m. – PSR in Classrooms & Enke Parish Hall 10:45 a.m. – Mass (Fr. Hayes) 11:45 a.m. – Children's Choir Rehearsal 12:00 p.m. – Baptism of Cade Allen Moore, Lenora Lynne Jambor & Mira Anita Degaga 12:00 p.m. – Little Flower Baby Shower in Enke Parish Hall 12:00 p.m. – OCIA in the Lounge 4:30 p.m. – Mass at Denison University (Fr. Hrezo) 6:00 p.m. – Youth Group Meeting in the Youth Room</p>

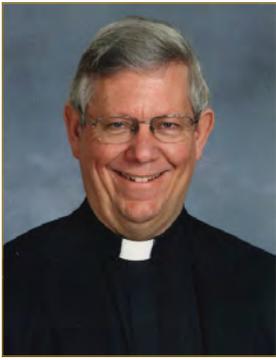
WELCOME
to our community

Visitors, you are known and loved by our Lord, Jesus Christ. We pray you find peace, hospitality, and friendship here. Children are always welcome! To join St. Edward Parish, stop by the church office or call 740-587-3254.

Low-gluten hosts are available. Please join one of the center Communion lines and inform the Eucharistic Minister.

A Note from the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry:

There is a strong possibility that SNAP (Federal Food Assistance) benefits may be impacted by the government shutdown. We are preparing for the possibility of a good number of extra Food Pantry guests. **We especially need canned pasta, cereal, and tuna.** As always, your generous donations are a blessing to those who visit the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. May God bless you for your loving response.



November 2, 2025:

Dear Parishioners:

November invites us to take seriously our belief in the Communion of Saints. We believe that there is life after death, not just as some obscure “ascending into the stratosphere” of disembodied souls, but human beings who are transformed by the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. We have hope of reunion with all who have gone before us. Our prayer with them and for them already

shares in the unity that God wills for all His children.

This weekend, as has been our custom, we will mention the names of those who have died from our parish this past year. We renew our condolences to those who have lost loved ones. We are also happy to begin a new ministry, called the “Good Grief Journey,” for any who would like to bring the light of Faith and to share with fellow believers as they mourn. Shared grief does not take away the pain, but it does open us to the strength and grace that God offers through our belonging to a larger community.

At Saint Edward the Confessor, we also have the beginnings of Christmas with the 15th annual experience of Santa’s Attic, sponsored by the Women of Saint Edward (WOSE). This venture helps to offer resources for the various works of WOSE throughout the year, as well as for their collective support of the needs of our parish. The main production is completed on Saturday, November 1, but at Welcome Sunday, there are usually some items left over for sale. Christmas is only a couple of months away!

We are very happy to announce that amid the bustle of fall and winter, we are also starting a process of discovery for the future of Saint Edward the Confessor Parish. All around us, folks are doing Strategic Planning initiatives. We are joining this movement by gathering a dynamic group of parishioners and parish staff who are ready to work together to chart a course for the parish. In the month ahead, you will hear lots of news about the steps forward. For now, know that we are building on the past, sharing Faith and learning the Mission God has entrusted to us as disciples, and creating dreams and plans that will be our common future. There is a fire that is being set by God’s own Spirit. Open your heart and be ready to walk with us!

How can you be ready? Why not read for yourself a book or two on parish development? *Divine Renovation*, by Fr. James Mallon, has charged up our team (visit the website at divinerenovation.org). Another book with a series that looks at diverse aspects of Church ministry is *Rebuilt*, by Fr. Michael White (see rebuiltparish.com). A ministry attended by many pastors and leaders of the Diocese of Columbus is called *The Amazing Parish* (amazingparish.org). Any of these can get you started on thinking about the future. Look at your own experience of the Church, especially considering how real people have been instrumental in building up your Faith. Find your part and join in for the Divine Adventure, all the way to the Kingdom!

Rev. Timothy M. Hayes

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Pastor

Notes from the Loft



Prelude

In Paradisum (chant, modes VII & VIII)

Introductory Rites

Opening: I Heard the Voice of Jesus (#458)

The Gloria is omitted on All Souls' Day.

Liturgy of the Word

Readings: Chosen at the presider’s discretion

Psalm: Ps. 23: The Lord is my shepherd... (p. 229)

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia (p. 229)

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: The King of Love My Shepherd Is (#450)

Holy, When We Eat, Amen: Land of Rest Mass

Lamb of God: Holy Cross Mass

Communion: Amazing Grace (#571)

Communion 2 (10:45 a.m. Choir): I Know That My Redeemer Lives (S. Soper)

Concluding Rite

Closing: I Know That My Redeemer Lives (#587)

Postlude

Free Accompaniment on DUKE STREET (J. Hatton)

Cantors

TBD

Notes from the Loft

This year, for the first time since 2014, All Souls’ Day falls on a Sunday. It is celebrated at all three of our regular weekend Masses as we remember and pray for our faithful departed. It is a unique day liturgically and musically.

♪ There is no Gloria today because it is not sung during Masses for the Dead.

♪ We sing two settings of Psalm 23: the Responsorial Psalm and the hymn during the Preparation of the Gifts. Psalm 23 has been sung during Catholic funeral rites for centuries...and Jewish funeral rites for centuries before that.

♪ The prelude music is the funeral chant *In Paradisum*, which has a long association with Catholic funerals. Like many chants, it is named for its first two Latin words. In English, the chant begins, “May angels guide you and bring you *into paradise*.” You can find the Latin and English texts at #816 in our hymnal

- Paul Radkowski, music@saintedwards.org, 740-587-3254.



Catholic Men's Luncheon

Join other Catholic men on **Friday, November 7 at St. Patrick Church** in downtown Columbus for a luncheon featuring the Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes, Bishop of Columbus. Bishop Fernandes will give his annual address to the Luncheon Club. The November luncheon featuring Bishop Fernandes is sponsored by an anonymous donor. If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon, contact Dave Kilanowski at dkilano@aol.com. **Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m., followed by lunch and program at 12:10 p.m.** No reservations are necessary, but please bring \$12 for lunch. Bring a friend!



14th Annual Sacred Heart Congress

Treat yourself and your family to a spiritual day of renewal **on Saturday, November 8 from 7:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Westerville**. The event features Mass celebrated by Bishop Fernandes, Adoration, Confession, and a talk by Fr. Jim Kubicki, SJ, author of *A Heart on Fire*. A program for children ages three and up is available. Scan the QR code for additional information or to register.

Find Peace After Your Divorce

The Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption in Lancaster is providing a ministry to bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. The 12-week *Surviving Divorce* program by Ascension Press is based on the teachings of the Catholic Church and is for the newly separated and divorced, as well as those still struggling with issues years later. The program is facilitated by Rebecca Hubert and Kristin Garrabrant and costs \$20, which includes the *Surviving Divorce* Personal Guide. **The program takes place every Thursday from January 8 to March 26, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the St. Mary Spirit Center.** For details or to register, email Kristin Garrabrant at kcgarrabrant@gmail.com. 10 spots are available, and the registration deadline is January 2, 2026.

Serra Club Priestly Vocation Essay Competition

The Columbus Serra Club is challenging all 8th-grade boys to write an essay of five hundred words or fewer about whether God might be calling them to the priesthood. Essays are accepted in October and November, and writers of the ten best essays will be awarded a \$1,000 tuition assistance grant to a Diocesan Catholic high school. The Catholic school system administers the competition for boys in Catholic schools. For information on how Eighth-grade boys not attending a Catholic school can participate, text 614-558-0806 or email kielkopf.1@osu.edu.

New Opportunities at Church of the Resurrection

Church of the Resurrection in New Albany is seeking applicants for the positions of Middle School Youth Ministry and Part-time Assistant Music Director. For details, visit cotrna.org/career-opportunities.



Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do Thou O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Divine Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits that prowl around the world seeking the ruin of souls.

In Loving Memory

We extend our heartfelt condolences to the family of John Albright, beloved brother of parishioner Mary Albright, who has recently passed away. Please keep John and his family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.



Draw Near to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

A blessed icon reproduction depicting the Sacred Heart of Jesus, painted in 1767 by Pompeo Batoni, is displayed at Mass on November 1 - 2 through the *Knights of Columbus Pilgrim Icon Program*.

The icon remains in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel throughout the week. Prayer cards are available.



A Note From the Office

I've had so many enjoyable conversations with so many of you in my short time at St. Edward. One thing that continues to stand out in my meetings and visits is your generosity—your willingness to step forward when a specific need arises.

I also want to thank those who have already responded to our request for your financial commitment this year. Your commitments are helping us determine what we are able to accomplish now and what will need to wait for another time. Your thoughtful participation allows us to plan responsibly and continue caring for the needs of our parish family and facilities.

I am truly grateful to several parish families who have stepped forward to help with specific needs—covering the cost of tree care and landscaping across the parish property, replacing outdated computer equipment, purchasing a new ice maker, replacing coffee pots and cleaning the stove hood in our kitchen, and contributing toward the replacement of antifreeze in our fire sprinkler system. These gifts make an immediate difference and help us maintain the safety, beauty, and functionality of our parish campus.

A note about the antifreeze: I had several questions on why it is necessary. Just like our cars, without antifreeze, our sprinkler system would not function properly. We had the system assessed by a couple of professional companies and all said we were in need of adding to what was in the system. Fortunately, I was able to negotiate the amount and saved about \$2,500!

Speaking of savings...we are very thankful for a group of dedicated teenagers from Newark Catholic and Granville High Schools. These teens strengthened their budding leadership skills and led a project to revamp one of our offices. They painted, removed cabinets, freshened the ceiling tiles, and rearranged heavy furniture. To finish the project, we had a longtime parishioner use his flooring skills and replace carpet that was well over 20 years old. Thank you to Iain, Cooper, and Alaina (and Matt, our Maintenance Supervisor)!

As we move forward, please know how much your support—whether through prayer, time, or financial gifts—means to the life of our parish. Together, we are building a strong foundation for the future, ensuring that St. Edward continues to thrive as a place of faith, community, and welcome for all. Thank you for the many ways you share your generosity and help our parish family flourish. *- Laura Appleman, Parish Administrator*

Women
of St. Edward

**PLEASE JOIN US
FOR OUR NEXT EVENT**
Thursday, November 13th at 6:30pm
Monsignor Enke Hall

SPEAKER
LISA FORD
President of Saint Edward Parish Council

SAVE THE DATE!
Women's Advent Party
December 11th at 7:00pm

**ST. EDWARD
YOUTH GROUP**
7-12 GRADE
SCHEDULE

NOV 2	YOUTH GROUP HOMELESS OUTREACH 2:00- 6:00 PM, ST. ED KITCHEN
NOV 9	YOUTH GROUP MEETING 6:00- 8:00 PM, YOUTH ROOM
NOV 16	YOUTH GROUP MEETING 6:00- 8:00 PM, YOUTH ROOM
NOV 22	YOUTH GROUP OUTING - ACTIVATE 6:00- 9:00 PM, 8735 Lyra Dr. Columbus 43240
NOV 30	NO YOUTH GROUP. HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

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honoring Rebecca & Christian

NOVEMBER 9  1:00PM

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Grades 3-5:

First Place: Giselle Miller

Grades 6-8:

First Place: Daphne Harms

Second Place: Sydney Miller

Grades 9-12:

First Place: Sarah Jacoby

Thank you for sharing
your talents!



*This November, please pray for those who have passed
away since All Souls' Day in 2024, including the
following members of our parish family:*

Frank Abele
John Albright
Doris Barbush
Andrew Bastone
Judy Birt
James Bradley
Annette Brickey
Bernard Chaykowski
Joan Chester
Max Chrisman
William Clapper
Jerry Cotterman
Robert Csubak

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Robin Dolin
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Janice Schroeder
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Joseph Simone
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Linda Woolard

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May
the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



Magic Comes to Granville
 Saturday, December 6
 Shops open at 10:00 a.m.
 Events begin at 1:00 p.m.

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Applications are in the Parish Office

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 Thank You!



THIS WEEKEND IS
Welcome Sunday!
 (yay and yum!)

Ministry Schedule



November 8-9 | Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

	Eucharistic Ministers:	Lectors:	Altar Servers:
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Adrienne Carter Nancy Himmelspach Stefanie Manley John Martin	Christopher Haight	Kevin Bollo Arianna Carter NOT FILLED
Sunday, 8:15 a.m.	Cindy Barbour Suzanne Fox Leo Fox Terri Jackson	Stephanie Helgerman	Francis Aransky Brooklyn Aransky NOT FILLED
Sunday, 10:45 a.m.	Rebecca Gassman Paul Gassman Richard Hoben Joe Krempel Annie Lach Katie Perry	Robin Krempel	Calvin Harms Darren Shroyer Anna Beth Zigan

Please check in sacristy for current list of weekend volunteers.

Sponsors of the Week



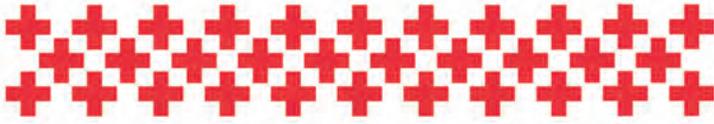
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One meaningful way to leave a lasting impact is by a planned gift to the **St. Edward the Confessor Endowment Fund**. Your generosity can help sustain our parish's mission for generations to come. Whether through cash donations, insurance policies, or retirement distributions, your gift—managed by The Catholic Foundation—creates a lasting source of support for St. Edward beyond the weekly offertory.

To discuss how you can make a difference in St. Edward that endures beyond your lifetime, please contact Loren Brown at 614-443-8893 ext. 1020 or lbrown@catholic-foundation.org.



Sunday, November 2 | The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

First Reading: Wisdom 3:1-9
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Second Reading: Romans 5:5-11 or Romans 6:3-9
Gospel: John 6:37-40

Monday, November 3

First Reading: Romans 11:29-36
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 69:30-31, 33-34, 36
Gospel: Luke 14:12-14

Tuesday, November 4 | Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

First Reading: Romans 12:5-16ab
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 131:1bcd, 2, 3
Gospel: Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday, November 5

First Reading: Romans 13:8-10
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9
Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Thursday, November 6

First Reading: Romans 14:7-12
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 27:1bcd, 4, 13-14
Gospel: Luke 15:1-10

Friday, November 7

First Reading: Romans 15:14-21
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4
Gospel: Luke 16:1-8

Saturday, November 8

First Reading: Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11
Gospel: Luke 16:9-15

Sunday, November 9 | The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

First Reading: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17
Gospel: John 2:13-22

Pope Leo XIV

Intentions of the Month:
November

For the Prevention of Suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

ADVENTURE AWAITS

JOIN CUB SCOUTS

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Monday, November 3 ~ Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time
Octave of All Souls + Saint Martin de Porres, Religious

Holy Gospel: Luke 14:12-14 On a Sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees. He said to the host who invited him, “When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or sisters or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

Meditation: The Lord is always ready to receive us at his table. As far as we can tell from the gospel accounts, Jesus never refused a dinner invitation! Why, in this particular instance, does Jesus lecture his host on who he should or shouldn't invite to dinner? Did his host expect some favor or reward from Jesus? Did he want to impress his neighbors with the honor of hosting the "miracle worker" from Galilee?

Prayer: O God, who led Saint Martin de Porres by the path of humility to heavenly glory, grant that we may so follow his radiant example in this life as to merit to be exalted with him in heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: Jesus probes our hearts as well. Do you show favor and generosity to those who will repay you in kind? What about those who do not have the means to repay you – the poor, the sick, and the disadvantaged? Generosity demands a measure of self-sacrifice. It doesn't impoverish, but rather enriches the soul of the giver. True generosity springs from a heart full of mercy and compassion. God loved us first, and our love is a response of gratitude to his great mercy and kindness towards us. We cannot out give God in his generosity towards us. Do you give freely as Jesus gives without expectation for personal gain or reward?

Tuesday, November 4 ~ Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time
Octave of All Souls + Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop
~ Election Day ~

Holy Gospel: Luke 14:15-24 One of those at table with Jesus said to him, “Blessed is the one who will dine in the Kingdom of God.” He replied to him, “A man gave a great dinner to which he invited many. When the time for the dinner came, he dispatched his servant to say to those invited, ‘Come, everything is now ready.’ But one by one, they all began to excuse themselves. The first said to him, ‘I have purchased a field and must go to examine it; I ask you, consider me excused.’ And another said, ‘I have purchased five yoke of oxen and am on my way to evaluate them; I ask you, consider me excused.’ And another said, ‘I have just married a woman, and therefore I cannot come.’ The servant went and reported this to his master. Then the master of the house in a rage commanded his servant, ‘Go out quickly into the streets and alleys of the town and bring in here the poor and the crippled, the blind and the lame.’ The servant reported, ‘Sir, your orders have been carried out and still there is room.’ The master then ordered

the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedgerows and make people come in that my home may be filled. For, I tell you, none of those men who were invited will taste my dinner.'"

Meditation: What does it mean to "eat bread in the kingdom of heaven?" In the ancient world the most notable sign of favor and intimate friendship was the invitation to "share bread" at the dinner table. Who you ate with showed who you valued and trusted as your friends. A great banquet would involve a lavish meal of several courses and a large company of notable guests and friends. One of the most beautiful images of heaven in the scriptures is the royal wedding celebration and banquet given by the King for his son and close friends. We, in fact, have been invited to the most important banquet of all! The last book in the Bible ends with an invitation to the wedding feast of the Lamb and his Bride, the Church: The Spirit and the Bride say, Come! (Revelations 22:17). The 'Lamb of God' is the Lord Jesus Christ and his bride is the people he has redeemed by his own precious blood which was shed upon the cross for our salvation.

Prayer: Preserve in the midst of your people, we ask, O Lord, the spirit with which you filled the Bishop Saint Charles Borromeo, that your Church may be constantly renewed and, by conforming herself to the likeness of Christ, may show his face to the world. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Prayer Before an Election: Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city/state/country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community. We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty. We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, Men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender. We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom. We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace. We pray this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

An Election Day Prayer: Gracious and loving God, let your Spirit be with us (me) today. Hear our (my) prayers, and increase in us (me) the will to follow your Son Jesus. Help us (me) to draw on the resources of our (my) faith as we (I) use the opportunities of our democracy to shape a society more respectful of the life, dignity, and rights of the human person, especially the poor and vulnerable. We (I) ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: Notice how Jesus probes the reasons why people make excuses to God's great invitation to "eat bread" with him at his banquet table. The first excuse allows the claims of one's personal business or work to take precedence over God's claim. Do you allow any task or endeavor to absorb you so much that it keeps you from the thought of God? The second excuse allows our possessions to come before God. Do you allow the media and other diversions to crowd out time for God in daily prayer and worship? The third excuse puts home and family ahead of God. God never meant for our home and relationships to be used selfishly. We serve God best when we invite him into our work, our homes, and our personal lives and when we share our possessions with others. Do you make excuses to God's great invitation to "eat bread" with him at his banquet table?

Wednesday, November 5 ~ Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time Octave of All Souls

Holy Gospel: Luke 14:25-33 Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.' Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

Meditation: What does the parable of the tower builder and a ruler on a war campaign have in common? Both risk serious loss if they don't carefully plan ahead. In a shame and honor culture people want to

avoid at all costs being mocked by their community for failing to complete a task they began in earnest. This double parable echoes the instruction of Proverbs: "By wisdom a house is built" and "by wise guidance you can wage a war" to ensure victory (Proverbs 24:3-6). Every landowner who could afford it walled in his orchard as a protection from intruders who might steal or harm his produce. A tower was usually built in a corner of the wall and a guard posted especially during harvest time when thieves would likely try to make off with the goods. Starting a building-project, and leaving it unfinished because of poor planning would invite the scorn of the whole village. Likewise a king who decided to wage a war against an opponent who was much stronger, would be considered foolish if he did not come up with a plan that had a decent chance of success. Jesus tells his would-be disciples that they, too, must count the cost if they want to succeed as his disciples. Jesus assures success for those willing to pay the price. All it cost is everything! What does Jesus have to offer that's worth giving up everything else? More than we can imagine! Jesus offers the gift of abundant life and everlasting peace and happiness with God.

Prayer: Almighty and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: Jesus used strong language to make clear that nothing should take precedence or first place in our lives over God. Jesus knew that the way of the cross was the Father's way to glory and victory over sin and death. He counted the cost and said "yes" to his Father's will. We, too, must "count the cost" and be ready to follow Jesus in the way of the cross if we want to share in his glory and victory. What is the "way of the cross" for you and for me? When my will crosses with God's will, then his will must be done. The way of the cross involves sacrifice, the sacrifice of laying down my life each and every day for Jesus' sake. What makes such sacrifice possible and "sweet" for us is the love of God poured out for us in the blood of Jesus Christ. Paul the Apostle reminds us that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit" (Romans 5:5). We can never out give God. He always gives us more than we can expect or imagine. Do you allow the Holy Spirit to fill your heart with the love of God? If not, what crust has built up around your heart that you need to get rid of?

Thursday, November 6 ~ Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time Octave of All Souls

Holy Gospel: Luke 15:1-10 The tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus addressed this parable to them. "What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it? And when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy and, upon his arrival home, he calls together his friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance. "Or what woman having ten coins and losing one would not light a lamp and sweep the house, searching carefully until she finds it? And when she does find it, she calls together her friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found the coin that I lost.' In just the same way, I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Meditation: What does Jesus' story about a lost sheep and a lost coin tell us about God and his kingdom? Shepherds normally counted their sheep at the end of the day to make sure all were accounted for. Since sheep by their very nature are very social, an isolated sheep can quickly become bewildered and even neurotic. The shepherd's grief and anxiety is turned to joy when he finds the lost sheep and restores it to the fold. The housewife who lost a coin faced something of an economic disaster, since the value of the coin would be equivalent to her husband's daily wage. What would she say to her husband when he returned home from work? They were poor and would suffer greatly because of the loss. Her grief and anxiety turn to joy when she finds the coin. Both the shepherd and the housewife "search until what they have lost is found." Their persistence pays off. They both instinctively share their joy with the whole community. The poor are particularly good at sharing in one another's sorrows and joys. What was new in Jesus' teaching was the insistence that sinners must be sought out and not merely mourned for. God does not rejoice in the loss of anyone, but desires that all be saved and restored to fellowship with him. That is why the whole community of heaven rejoices when one sinner is found and reconciled with God.

Prayer: Almighty and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised. Through

our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: Do you ever feel resentful or get upset when someone else gets an unearned favor or gets treated better than you think they deserve? The scribes and Pharisees took great offense at Jesus because he went out of his way to meet with sinners and he treated them graciously like they were his friends. The Pharisees had strict regulations about how they were to keep away from sinners, lest they incur ritual defilement. They were not to entrust money to them or have any business dealings with them, nor trust them with a secret, nor entrust orphans to their care, nor accompany them on a journey, nor give their daughter in marriage to any of their sons, nor invite them as guests or be their guests. They were shocked with the way in which Jesus freely received sinners and ate with them. Sinners, nonetheless, were drawn to Jesus to hear him speak about the mercy of God. Are you drawn to Jesus in the same way?

Friday, November 7 ~ Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time Octave of All Souls

Holy Gospel: Luke 16:1-8 Jesus said to his disciples, "A rich man had a steward who was reported to him for squandering his property. He summoned him and said, 'What is this I hear about you? Prepare a full account of your stewardship, because you can no longer be my steward.' The steward said to himself, 'What shall I do, now that my master is taking the position of steward away from me? I am not strong enough to dig and I am ashamed to beg. I know what I shall do so that, when I am removed from the stewardship, they may welcome me into their homes.' He called in his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, 'How much do you owe my master?' He replied, 'One hundred measures of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Here is your promissory note. Sit down and quickly write one for fifty.' Then to another he said, 'And you, how much do you owe?' He replied, 'One hundred measures of wheat.' He said to him, 'Here is your promissory note; write one for eighty.' And the master commended that dishonest steward for acting prudently. For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than the children of light."

Meditation: What is the point of Jesus' parable? The dishonest steward is commended not for mishandling his master's wealth, but for his shrewd provision in averting personal disaster and in securing his future livelihood. The original meaning of "shrewdness" is "foresight." A shrewd person grasps a critical situation with resolution, foresight, and the determination to avoid serious loss or disaster. Jesus is concerned here with something more critical than a financial or economic crisis. His concern is that we avert spiritual crisis and personal moral disaster through the exercise of faith and foresight. If Christians would only expend as much foresight and energy to spiritual matters which have eternal consequences as much as they do to earthly matters which have temporal consequences, then they would be truly better off, both in this life and in the age to come.

Prayer: Almighty and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: True wealth consists not in what we keep but in what we give away. Possessions are a great responsibility. The Lord expects us to use them honestly and responsibly and to put them at his service and the service of others. We belong to God and all that we have is his as well. He expects us to make a good return on what he gives us. God loves generosity and he gives liberally to those who share his gifts with others. The Pharisees, however, had no room for God or others in their hearts. The gospel says they were lovers of money (Luke 16:14). Love of money and wealth crowd out love of God and love of neighbor. Jesus makes clear that our hearts must either be possessed by God's love or our hearts will be possessed by the love of something else. What do you most treasure in your heart?

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