Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ November 5, 2023

St. Isidore the Farmer, Family of Parishes Exposition & Benediction for 5 Consecutive Days

 Nov. 5
 Our Lady of Guadalupe
 10:00am - 4:00pm

 Nov. 6
 Immaculate Conception
 9:00am - 7:00pm

 Nov. 7
 Holy Rosary
 9:00am - 7:00pm

 Nov. 8
 St. Teresa
 2:00pm - 7:00pm

 Nov. 9
 St. Patrick
 9:00am - 7:00pm

Please use the sign up sheets at each parish or call the parish office to register for a period of time with Jesus. In our hectic world great comfort can be found sitting in the stillness with Jesus and adore Him, thank Him, and converse with Him about our personal needs and the needs of our troubled world.

ELECTION DAY

As a reminder, November 7th is election day and in the State of Ohio we are up against a radical constitutional amendment on the ballot known as Issue 1. This amendment threatens the health and safety of women, the rights of parents, and the lives of children across Ohio. Vote NO on Issue 1 and help defeat this amendment.

To learn more about Issue 1, visit catholicaoc.org/VoteNO

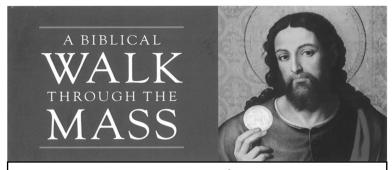
Holy Rosary School News Spotlights



Kenlie Chiles is the daughter of Adam and Kacie Chiles. She is one of five: Logan, then 8th grader Kenlie, Avery, Caleb, and Tara. Kenlie is a lover of all things soccer! She plays on two different teams, but she also enjoys basketball. She enjoys baking and cooking, and she occasionally babysits for her cousins. She is Mr. Kill's volunteer recycler, and she has also volunteered to serve lunch and play Bingo at the Auglaize County Council on Aging.

Kenlie's favorite meal here at HRS is the cheesy breadstick lunch, but at home she loves steak and potatoes! The most important thing about HRS, though, is that all of her closest friends are here and she has very caring teachers. She lives by the quote: "It's not about how big you are, it's about how big you play." Kenlie quietly goes about her own business daily at school, which is playing in a very "big" way. She is so very grateful for her parents.

Quiet rock star student describes our Kenlie Chiles! Have a blessed month of November, Kenlie, knowing you are loved here at HRS!



November 8

7:00 - 8:00pm in the Upper Room

We will Discuss:

<u>The Concluding Rites</u>: Greeting, Blessing & Dismissal



Children of Mary Sisters are Coming to Holy Rosary Church

511 E. Spring Street St. Marys

All Students in Grades 8-12 are Welcome! 5:30-8:00p.m.

Wednesday, November 15th

All 8th-12th Graders are invited to the Church Café to Meet the Sisters, Enjoy a Taco & Dessert Bar, Socialize, and Be Guided in an Awesome Holy Hour.

> Please RSVP to Nan @ 419-953-3193 before noon on November 14th.

CCD Grades 1-7 report as usual to your classrooms at 7pm.

Hospitality for RCIA

We are in need of parishioners to provide hospitality (snacks) for the evening. Please call the parish office to sign up for a night!

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

RCIA is under way! This is more than a class; it is a gradual introduction to the customs, beliefs, practices, and devotions of Catholicism as well as developing a personal relationship with our Lord. There is no obligation – only an opportunity to learn. If you know of anyone who has never been baptized, or baptized in a non-Catholic church - we hope you will join us!

RCIA meets on Tuesdays in the Upper Room from 6:30 - 8:00pm.



October 11, 2023

Dear Senator/Representative,

As the Catholic bishops of Ohio, we urge your support for legislation to abolish the death penalty. The Catholic opposition to the death penalty is rooted in mercy and eminently pro-life. Every human life from its very beginning has inherent worth and dignity that is bestowed by God, the Author and Lord of life. Following this truth, Catholics in Ohio and nationwide have sought, for decades, the full protection of the law for human life from conception to natural death, no matter the circumstances or one's stage of development.

The bishops who preceded us in Ohio first wrote in opposition to the death penalty 45 years ago in 1977. Since then, Catholic bishops worldwide and three popes have stated emphatically that a society should not carry out state-sanctioned executions in the name of just punishment. We continue to inform Catholics in our respective dioceses of the Church's position on the death penalty and encourage them to share this teaching with their neighbors.

The Church recognizes the immense harm a crime causes to victims, their family members, and society, especially the taking of human life. We stand in solidarity with victims' families experiencing tremendous suffering and often questioning what sort of justice could atone for actions that took the life of their loved ones. Such actions necessitate correction and conversion from the perpetrator and restoration of the damage caused to the public order. However, the irrevocable termination of God's gift of human life through the death penalty distorts justice. No execution can bring back a life taken by violence and thus can never satisfy the desire of the victim's family for justice.

While societal self-defense is an appropriate aim, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states, "...more effective systems of detention have been developed, which ensure the due protection of citizens but, at the same time, do not definitively deprive the guilty of the possibility of redemption." We can look to St. Paul's famous conversion and countless examples of prison inmates finding redemption and living a new life dedicated to God and fellow inmates. A state-sanctioned execution represents a judgment from fallible human beings that an individual no longer deserves to live, no longer deserves an opportunity to encounter the living God on earth.

Our desire to help foster a culture of life throughout Ohio requires a commitment to recognizing the sanctity of human life in all stages and circumstances, including the child in the womb, the infirm, those suffering from addiction, and those with whom we have the fiercest disagreements. It must also include those who, at one time, blatantly disregarded the humanity of others and need to face justice. As witnesses to the power of God's redeeming love to convert hearts and transform lives, we grieve that the State of Ohio can still decide to definitively cut off that opportunity by taking the life of someone already incarcerated. Such action further erodes respect for human life and will not help stem the devastating violence all too common in Ohio and throughout our country.

Please join us in upholding the inherent dignity and sacredness of every human life from conception to natural death by supporting legislation that abolishes the death penalty. It is time for Ohio to end this practice and ensure our laws respect life without exception.

We thank you for your service to Ohio and keep you in our prayers.

-> Molelin The Most Rev. Dennis M. Schnurr Archdiocese of Cincinnati

+ David J. Jam The Most Rev. David J. Bonnar Diocese of Youngstown

John Michael 12 The Most Rev. John Michael Botean St. George Byzantine Catholic Diocese

The Most Rev. Bohdan J. Danylo Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma

+ Earl U. Fernandes The Most Rev. Earl K. Fernandes

Diocese of Columbus

+ Edward C. Maleria

The Most Rev. Edward C. Malesic Diocese of Cleveland

+ Paul q. Brokley

The Most Rev. Paul J. Bradley Diocese of Steubenville

The Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas Diocese of Toledo

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Diocese of Cleveland

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT ISSUE 1



What is Issue 1?

Issue 1 is a proposed amendment to the Ohio Constitution that would endanger the health and safety of women, threaten parental rights, and allow for abortion through all nine months of pregnancy. Ohioans will vote on November 7, 2023, whether to make this change to the Ohio Constitution.

What would Issue 1 do?

Put women at risk:

 Health and safety standards in Ohio could be eliminated. Doctors could no longer need to examine a woman or explain the risks of the abortion procedure ahead of time.

Threaten parental rights:

 A fifteen-year-old could have an abortion without her parents knowing. Current Ohio law requires parental notification and consent before a child under 18 can obtain an abortion. These parental right protections could be removed as they directly conflict with the amendment which would allow all individuals, including minors, to make their own reproductive decisions.

Allow for abortions of fully formed babies:

 Abortion would be legal through all 9 months of pregnancy. Physicians at an abortion clinic could use a woman's age or emotional well-being as a reason to perform an abortion in the 3rd trimester.

See "Where Does it Say That?" for specific information.

Would abortion be illegal in Ohio if Issue I does not pass?

If Issue 1 does not pass, abortion would still be legal in Ohio until a baby's heartbeat can be detected. This standard was challenged in court and placed on hold, allowing for abortions up to 22 weeks as of September 15, 2023. Current laws that protect the safety of women and parental rights would stay in effect.

Doesn't Issue 1 simply restore Ohio back to when Roe v. Wade was in effect?

Issue 1 goes dangerously beyond what was legalized in the Roe v. Wade ruling. It opens the door to remove important health and safety measures that protect women, threatens parental consent and notification of any minor seeking an abortion, and allows for abortion through all nine months of pregnancy.

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Will miscarriage care or ectopic pregnancy treatment be denied if Issue 1 fails?

The passing or failure of Issue I will have no effect on the care a pregnant woman receives when her life is in danger, even if the treatment results in the loss of life of her unborn child. There is a fundamental difference between an elective abortion and the care provided after a miscarriage or for ectopic pregnancies. Women can always receive lifesaving treatment, including in Catholic hospitals. No law restricts this care in Ohio or any other state in the country.

How is the Church helping pregnant women in need?

For decades, numerous Catholic social service agencies, in collaboration with faith-based and secular organizations, have assisted pregnant women in need with material resources and personal accompaniment during pregnancy and after their child is born. Project Rachel helps those struggling post-abortion. Every woman should be able to depend upon a community for support and the Catholic Church remains committed to woman in need.

Learn more: ohiocathconf.org

What is the Church doing to protect life and defeat Issue 1?

Each diocese in Ohio is working together, through the Catholic Conference of Ohio, to help Catholics understand the dangers of Issue 1 to women, parents, and life. We are also part of the Protect Women Ohio coalition to let all voters know Issue 1 is harmful for Ohioans.

What can I do to help defeat Issue 1?

- 1. PRAY & Fast
- 2. EDUCATE Yourself and TELL OTHERS about the dangers of Issue 1
- 3. Register & VOTE NO on Issue 1

Where can I learn more?

Read the full text of the proposed change to the Ohio Constitution and learn about the concerning language that puts women at risk, threatens parental rights, and allows for abortions through all nine months of pregnancy:



Visit voteohio.gov for voting details



Learn more about Issue 1 at: www.ohiocathconf.org/protect

WHERE DOES IT SAY THAT?



THIS CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT...

THREATENS PARENTAL RIGHTS

By using "individual" instead of adult or woman, anyone under the age of 18 could have an abortion or make any other reproductive decision without their parents' consent or notification.

PUTS WOMEN AT RISK

Current Ohio laws* require abortion providers to explain procedure risks and ensure access to hospital transfer if needed. These health and safety standards could be seen as a "burden" and be eliminated, making it even less safe for women seeking an abortion.

ALLOWS ABORTIONS THROUGH 9 MONTHS OF PREGNANCY

In U.S. law,** "health" includes age or physical, emotional, or psychological well-being. This means a woman's age or emotional health could be cited to justify aborting a full-term baby. An abortion-providing physician would decide when a baby could survive outside the womb, leaving no clear protections for preborn children.

IS MISLEADING

Referring to "miscarriage care" promotes a myth that a "right to abortion" is necessary to preserve care for miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies. This is false. Catholic hospitals have always provided comprehensive miscarriage care and will continue to do so regardless of the outcome of this vote.

ARTICLE I, SECTION 22

The Right to Reproductive Freedom with Protections for Health and Safety

- Every individual has a right to make and carry out one's own reproductive decisions, including but not limited to decisions on contraception, fertility treatment, continuing one's own pregnancy, miscarriage care, and abortion.
- 2. The State shall not, directly or indirectly, burden, penalize, prohibit, interfere with, or discriminate against either an individual's voluntary exercise of this right or a person or entity that assists an individual exercising this right, unless the State demonstrates that it is using the least restrictive means to advance the individual's health in accordance with widely accepted and evidence-based standards of care.
- However, abortion may be prohibited after fetal viability. But in no case may such an abortion be prohibited if in the professional judgment of the pregnant patient's treating physician it is necessary to protect the pregnant patient's life or health.
- 4. As used in this Section, "Fetal viability" means "the point in a pregnancy when, in the professional judgment of the pregnant patient's treating physician, the fetus has a significant likelihood of survival outside the uterus with reasonable measures. This is determined on a case-by-case basis"; and "State" includes any governmental entity and political subdivision.
- 5. This Section is self-executing.
- * Onio Revised Code, Sections 2317.56 & 3702.303
- ** Based on Doe v. Bolton



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Impact

Step back

It is good to reflect from time to time

Have you ever had the experience of being too close to something? Something at work, perhaps, or with a friend or family member? We sometimes lose perspective, focusing so intently on a situation that we no longer see it clearly. We have to step back in order to gain the clarity we need.

The same holds true in our spiritual life.

Sometimes we have to step back in order to see life and faith clearly. We conclude the

liturgical year this month. At this point each liturgical year, the Sunday readings encourage us to step back and take the long view:

- Recognize that every day is a gift from God; we do not know when our final day of life on earth will be. As sobering as it is to think about this, it is also good for us to do so. It is a reminder that every day is precious and that our daily actions matter.
- Put Christ at the center of our lives. When we do this, everything else falls into place.
- Draw on faith even in, especially in, the most challenging times.

This is the perfect time to look back and look ahead.

- Does God have a meaningful place in your life? Does your faith guide your daily decisions?
- Are you sometimes distracted, too busy, or too focused in one area of life to the exclusion of everything (or everyone) else?
- Are you mindful to see God's grace and goodness in the daily moments of your life?
- Are you stressed and tired? Do you spend time with the people you love, and give of yourself in service?
- Do you use your material and financial resources wisely and share with those in need?

Soon, we will mark the end of 2023 and the beginning of a new calendar year. This is the perfect time to look back, reflect on our lives in light of faith, and to look ahead to the coming year with renewed commitment to live as disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ.



- 1. Take a step back.

 Designate time in the coming weeks to reflect on the past year. Invite your spouse or a good friend to reflect with you.
- Look at your life with honesty. In what ways have your daily decisions reflected your commitment to love God, follow Jesus, and serve your neighbor?
- Look ahead in hope.
 Make a list of ways
 you will live as a
 disciple of Jesus
 Christ, and share your
 time, faith, talents,
 and resources in the
 future?

SHARING CHRIST'S LOVE



"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." (Mt 25:35-36)

At the end of a long day, Marty walked from his office downtown to the parking lot across the street. He dreaded this moment more each day, the moment in which he would encounter the homeless man who had appeared on the corner last week. At first, Marty tried to ignore him, but a few days ago their eyes had met, and suddenly Marty found himself wondering about the man at other times of the day, and he began to pray for him.

Today, Marty knew he needed to act on what was in his heart. He had called a friend last evening, and the two of them approached the man together. Marty looked the man in the eye, handed him his coat and a card with information about the local shelter which Marty's parish supports. "Can we walk you there?" he asked.

"Sure," the stunned man replied. "Let's go." Marty knew they were helping a man who needed clothing, food, and warmth, but who yearned for care, compassion and respect even more. What the man could not imagine was how his presence had changed Marty. While Marty had gone to Mass each Sunday and had put a few dollars in the collection basket most weeks, he had never really acted on his faith in such a direct way before. He had listened to last Sunday's Gospel reading and was moved by what he heard that seemed to elude him before: our faith is built upon a relationship with God and should change the way we relate to one another; our encounter with Christ in the celebration of the Eucharist calls us to be awake to the presence of Christ in others.

It is easy to become overwhelmed by the needs of so many in our local towns and cities and in our world. Some of us respond by tuning out, turning off the sights and sounds, and creating a false sense that all is right and well in the world. Others of us do something: we respond directly, with action, resources, commitment, and prayer.

This year has been one of trial for many in our world. Let us be grateful for all who have been good stewards, serving those whose lives were touched by natural disaster, economic challenge, war, poverty and loneliness. As we celebrate Thanksgiving and begin a new liturgical year, may each of us find the strength to grow as stewards who yearn to hear our Lord say of us, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world... Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me."



Our national celebration of Thanksgiving provides a reason to reflect on all for which we have to be grateful.

Gratitude is not only for Thanksgiving day. In reality, beginning each day by stepping back to reflect on our many blessings will have lasting impact on each of us and all whom we touch at home, work or school, and in service.

When we begin with gratitude, we recognize God's grace in our midst.

Many people have been taught to think about life through a perspective of scarcity: What is missing? What needs fixing? Starting with thanksgiving provides a perspective of abundance. We see that each day and all that surrounds us is a gift from God, and we grow in our desire to share with others out of gratitude for our many blessings.

Choosing abundance over scarcity takes practice. Consider the following to practice gratitude:

Begin each day with a brief moment of gratitude. Express thanksgiving at meals. End the day by noticing the many times you were blessed. At first, this may seem awkward or forced. Stay with it! You'll soon recognize God's abundant grace beyond what you are able to comprehend.

Ask God to guide your heart and life, so that your daily comings and goings may be reflections of gratitude for all you are and have. Such a grateful life does take practice. It is sure to have lasting impact, bringing faith to life in wonderful ways!

November 6 - November 12

HR - Holy Rosary IC - Immaculate Conception OLG - Our Lady of Guadalupe SP - St. Patrick ST - St. Teresa

8:00am 9:00am - 7:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm	Exposition - IC Holy is His Name - SP		
8:00am 8:15am 9:00am - 7:00pm 9:00am 6:30pm 7:00pm	November 7 Mass - IC ~ Fr. Prashanth Mass - HR ~ Fr. Rob Exposition - HR Holy Is His Name - Upper Room RCIA - Upper Room		
7:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Mass - HR ~ Fr. Prashanth Legion of Mary - Upper Room Exposition - ST Benediction - ST CCD - SP CCD - HR Grades 1-8. Grades 10-12 meet @ Vancrest Confirmation Practice - HR Biblical Walk Through the Mass - Upper Room Mass - OLG ~ Fr. Rob		
8:00am Following Mass 6:30pm	Baptism Prep Class - Pre-registration required Confessions - SP Benediction - SP		
8:00am 8:00am 9:00am	Mass - OLG ~ Fr. Tom		
Following Mass 3:30pm			
8:00am 8:00am 9:00am 9:30am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 11:00am 6:30pm	Mass - IC ~ Fr. Rob Mass - OLG ~ Fr. Prashanth Mass - SP ~ Fr. John Children's Liturgy - SP Mass - ST ~ Fr. Rob Confirmation Mass & Adult Choir - HR ~ Fr. John Mass - IC ~ Fr. Prashanth		

Baptism Class

Are you expecting a baby or have a child who needs baptized? Baptism Preparation Classes are offered on the second Thursday of every month.

Our next class is scheduled for November 9, at 6:30pm, in the Upper Room. **Pre-registration is required** - please call the parish office to register prior to the class at 419-394-5050.

Mass Intentions

Tues. November 7 Weekday

8:15am HR Paul & Bea Axe Family L/D

Wed. November 8 Weekday

12:05pm HR Mike Lhamon

Thur. November 9 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00am SP Ruth Oen
Fri. November 10 St. Leo the Great

8:00am HR Leo & Mary Tebbe Family L/D

Sat. November 11 St. Martin of Tours

8:00am **HR** Vocations

4:30pm HR Alvin & Mary Ann Saintignon Family L/D

Sun. November 12 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00am HR Knights of Columbus Members L/D

9:30am SP Mary Ann Will

11:00am HR Confirmands & Legion of Mary Members L/D

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, November 11 HR 4:30pm Mass

Lectors: Annette Bayham, Randy Wilker

Servers: Xavier Miller, Hannah Hullinger, Christian Fry

Extraordinary Ministers: Adele Walls, Dianne Engel, Cathy Buck, Deb Wilker,

Peg Larkin

Sunday, November 12 HR 8:00am Mass

Lectors: Lori Martensen, Andy Fischbach
Servers: Rodney Buck, Jack Riffell, Oliver Craft

Extraordinary Ministers: Lil Heitkamp, Dave Coleman, Joe Kuebler,

Marge Doenges, Virg Bertke

Sunday, November 12 SP 9:30am Mass

Lectors: Ally Ott, Mackenzie Ott

Sacristan: Coreen Ott

Eucharistic Ministers: Dustin Knapke, Mike Ott, Kent Schlegel

Servers: Hannah Brackman, Milton Wehner
Ushers: Austin Schwartz, Allen Scott, Jacob Barhorst

Sunday, November 12 HR 11:00am

Lectors: Nick Kiel. Bruce Miller

Servers: Nickolas Dietz, Calvin Brown, Quintin Brown, Christopher Brown

Extraordinary Ministers: Jerri Gossard, Deacon Charlie, Linda Tebbe,

Janice Yahl, Kathy Frankenberg

Mass

Collection for October 28 & 29

: 	Holy Rosary		St. Patrick	
Weekly Collection Online Giving Mailed in Donation Total Collected for the Week	\$ \$ \$	4,037.50 0.00 <u>0.00</u> 4.037.50	\$ <u>\$</u> \$	760.00 300.00 1,060.00

Holy Rosary Adopt-a-Student

Current Week Donations: \$ 212.00 Total Donations Received: \$ 31,983.50

Prayer Hotlines Holy Rosary Julie	Weekend Mass Attendance Oct 28 & 29		This Week's Bulletin Sponsor
419-305-7937	4:30pm	231	Maria Stein
St. Patrick Melissa 419-733-6341	8:00am 9:30am 11:00am	224 139 <u>278</u> 872	Animal Clinic