ST. PIUS X CHURCH REYNOLDSBURG, OHIO

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 24, 2019

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love!

MASSES FOR FEBRUARY 25-MARCH 3, 2019

Monday

8:30 a.m. (FDY) ♥ Daniel Donavan

by Bill & Dolores Thomas

Tuesday

8:30 a.m. (FDY) & Barb Cantor by Christine Lunato

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. (FDY) & Sue McVay by Toni Everhart

Thursday

8:30 a.m. (FDY) 4 John Cappurcinni

by Toni Everhart

Friday

8:30 a.m. Pam Briggs

by Mike & Teresa Paszkiewicz

Saturday

5:00 p.m. (FDY) ♥ Joseph Drazek

by Marcia Niles & Family

Sunday

by Knights of Columbus

\$ (7,358.55)

\$ 633,500.00

\$ 655,676.09

\$ 22,176.09

10:15 a.m. Ray Nyeste

by Rose Mary Nyeste

12:00 p.m. Living & Deceased

Members of the Parish

COUNTING OUR BLESSINGS

For the Week of February 17, 2019:

MTD Surplus (Deficit):

YTD Surplus (Deficit):

YTD Budget Requirements:

YTD Actual Offertory Received:

For the Week of February 17, 2019:	
Budget Requirements:	\$ 17,500.00
Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 17,960.81
Weekly Surplus (Deficit):	\$ 460.81
**EFT (Debit) Program:	\$ 8,932.00
Envelope Offering:	\$ 7,944.15
Cash Offering:	\$ 1,084.66
Total Offering:	\$ 17,960.81
Debit Program Participants:	156
Envelopes Used:	251
For the Month of February 2019:	
MTD Budget Requirements:	\$ 52,500.00
MTD Actual Offertory Received:	\$ 45,141.45

NEWLY REGISTERED: Jeanne Herlihy; Shane, Mary & Seamus Manning

NEWLY BAPTIZED: Gabriella Irene Ocelotl, daughter of Javier & Giana; Michael Eugene Filous, son of Joseph & Angela

IN OUR PARISH

TAX LETTERS: If you need a letter showing your 2018 donations to St. Pius X, please contact the Rectory office at 614-866-2859. These letters will only be sent out if you request one this year.

EMAILS FROM FR. DAVE...If you have received an email from Fr. Dave asking you for a favor or your assistance in obtaining gift cards or i-Tune cards for the sick, **please** be aware that this is a <u>SCAM!</u> Fr. Dave's email was compromised. If you do get an email that doesn't seem quite right, please do not act on it but contact the Rectory immediately at 614-866-2859 to notify the office staff. Thank you.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY: The Women's Ministry group will be meeting on Tuesday evening, February 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the Monsignor Funk Family Center to make purses out of plastic bags for sale at the parish Christmas Bazaar. No experience is necessary. There are plenty of steps to making these bags and all are welcome. So come for the friendship, food, and fun and bring a friend.

THE FIRST FESTIVAL COMMITTEE MEETING will be Wednesday, February 27 at 7:00 p.m. in Hohman Hall. We are excited to get started and would like to welcome many new members. It takes a lot of people to run a successful event and having more participants makes everyone's jobs easier. To quote St. John Paul II, "Do not be afraid." You will have lots of advisors to help you on the way! No commitment necessary for the first meeting. Just come... check things out and see what you think! Bring a friend and work together. Questions? Contact Lorrie Croswell, Festival Secretary, croswellpl@att.net, or just come to the meeting. See you there!

ST. CHARLES PREPARATORY SCHOOL HONOR/MERIT ROLLS: St. Charles has recently announced its Second Quarter Honor and Merit Rolls for the 2018-2019 school year. The following young men of our parish who have been named for this outstanding academic achievement are:

John Cassanos – Honor Roll Yannick Lambe – Honor Roll Tyler Reilly – Merit Roll Adyn Snyder – Merit Roll Erik Witherspoon – Merit Roll

Capital Campaign Update - Total Numbers as of February 20, 2019

Phase I Pledges \$ 2,947,751 Phase II Pledges \$ 786,725 Total all Pledges \$ 3 734,476

Total all Pledges \$ 3,734,476 Goal \$ 4,064,672 Balance Needed \$330,196

Total Cash Received \$ 2,556,830

Capital Campaign Accomplishments:

- A New Latchkey building that is clean, safe and warm for all of our Students here at St. Pius X Church and School to use daily.
- A New Youth Ministry Center that gives our treasured youth a place to gather, learn and live their Faith.
- A Storage Area that saves the Church, School and all Ministries over \$12,000.00 each year so they can spend these hard earned funds in their programs and ministries.
- Six Additional meeting rooms for our Parish and Ministries. Having access to state-of-the-art Audio Visual Systems to teach young and old about our Faith in Jesus Christ.
- A Commercial kitchen that can feed 300 with ease. Many events are scheduled the next few months like Pasta Dinners, Fish Fries for Lent, and Pancake Breakfasts on various Sundays after the 8:30 and 10:15 a.m. Masses.
- A New Revenue Stream for our Parish to help defray all new operating costs for our New Build.
- We have been so very successful with our Capital Campaign that another Parish in the Diocese has met with us to see the best way to run their Capital Campaign.

On December 23, we announced our new goal for our "Continuing To Renew All Things In Christ" Capital Campaign. That goal of \$4,064,672.00 left us with \$449,617.00 to raise. In 8 weeks we have received \$119,421.00 toward this new goal or a balance of \$330,196.00. We have also received over \$2.5 million in cash for the Campaign. Thank you all very much for your continued generosity. Continued communications with Joe Neville from Guidance In Giving is always filled with praise and surprise at how well you all have supported our Capital Campaign. "So very generous" is what we continue to hear from Joe about our parishioners. He encourages all of us to stay on this wonderful path of ours. We hope by summer, if our parishioners continue this process of giving from the heart, WE WILL start on the expansion of our Narthex.

Father Dave, John Beyer and the Campaign Staff are asking all of our parishioners and friends to do three things. First, please continue to pray for the success of our Capital Campaign. Second, please be generous with your continued pledges. And third, continue to be an ambassador by becoming informed and involved, enthusiastically sharing this information with as many people as you can, and encouraging others to become involved, and invite others to attend our functions in the New Hall. Please take the time to respond to the mailing we sent to all registered families. We have heard from 697 of our 2,059 registered families for Phase I. We have heard from 406 families out of 2,054 families registered at St. Pius X for Phase II. If you have pledged toward Phase II, thank you again. If you have not pledged, please prayerfully consider a sacrificial pledge for Phase II. If you are able to increase the length of time for your pledge, please respond via email to jbeyer@spxreynoldsburg.com or drop a note in the offertory. If you ever notice any issue with your Capital Campaign billing statement or update letter, please give John Beyer a call at the Parish Office and these will be updated immediately.

Please continue your support of our Church and School by your prayers and offertory tithing during our Capital Campaign build. Please be thankful for all that we have here at St. Pius X Church and School.

MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING SCRIPTURE STUDY AND FAITH SHARING: The St. Pius X Men's Ministry, also known as "The Armory" (based on Ephesians 6:10-20) is a fellowship of Catholic Christian men focused on promoting, supporting and strengthening each other's spiritual growth through companionship, prayer, and the study of sacred scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), for the purpose of "setting the world on fire" for Jesus and His Church. All men of the parish are invited to join our Saturday morning group! We meet once every two weeks on Saturday morning in the parish family center, from 6:30-8:00 a.m. This early meeting time serves two purposes; a bit of self-mortification by giving up some sleep, and it is one of the few time slots all week that wouldn't interfere with other family activities. We first socialize over coffee and light breakfast. Then depending on the liturgical calendar, we might open with a devotional prayer such as the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary, or Stations of the Cross, etc. Next, we proclaim the scripture readings for the Sunday Mass that weekend, along with corresponding references from the CCC, followed by discussion. Bring your Bible and CCC if you can but not required as we can share. This is a very relaxed environment, we are not theologians and scripture scholars, we are just a group of men trying to strengthen our faith. We all go home joyous and fulfilled after each gathering. We don't take attendance! If you can't attend every time we meet, don't let that stop you from coming when you can, we would love to have you. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Michael Berger at 740-919-4169 or mikeberg0205@gmail.com, or watch the bulletin for upcoming meeting dates.

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LENT THIS YEAR: Join our faith community and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States in a life changing Lenten Journey of encounter with Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl. Pick up your CRS Rice Bowl (one per family) from the back of Church the weekend of March 2 and 3. There will be NO Soup Suppers again this year! Our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, as a parish, will be through the Rice Bowl program. Simply eat one meager meal a week and donate the cost of a family meal to the Rice Bowl. At the end of Lent, we will collect your family contributions and donate the money to Catholic Relief Services. Watch the bulletin for additional details as Lent approaches. For information, contact Leah Kelly at 614-866-2859.

LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION: "What are You Doing for Lent?" is the title for a Lenten day of prayer and reflection being held on Saturday, March 9, from 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in the Monsignor Funk Family Center. Each year at the beginning of Lent, we hear the call to Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving. Our focus for the day will be on prayer. We will be introduced to three forms of prayer and be given the time to practice each of them. It will be a day of quiet and contemplation. Our leaders for the day will be Sister Joan Supel O.P., former Director of the RCIA program here at St. Pius, and Mary Reichley, former director of small faith communities at St. Paul's Parish in Westerville. The day will include a box lunch. Cost for the day is \$10.00. Checks made payable to St. Pius X. Registration is required. Please contact Leah Kelly at 614-866-2859 to register. Registration deadline is Sunday, March 3. Give yourself a gift this Lenten season and spend a day in prayer.

SHEPHERD'S CORNER: A workshop at Shepherd's Corner led by SPX parishioner, Donna Nesbitt, will take place on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00-8:30 p.m. This Lenten workshop combines the message of God's Word with your unique style to create a small piece of art that can be framed or mailed as a greeting card. Supplies will be provided. Program fee is \$10.00. Registration, which is required, closes March 15th. Please register by calling (614) 866-4302 or through the Shepherd's Corner web site.

SAVE THE DATE! K of C WOMEN'S CLUB <u>ROCKIN'</u> <u>ROBINS - CARDS AND GAMES NIGHT:</u> The St. Pius X Knights of Columbus Women's Club announces our annual <u>Cards and Games Night</u>, which is themed "<u>Rockin'</u> <u>Robins.</u>" The event will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, from 7:00-10:00 p.m.**, at the Msgr. David R. Funk Parish Family Center at St. Pius X, 1051 Waggoner Road. Tickets will be \$10.00, which will include a buffet of assorted refreshments, sandwiches, appetizers and desserts. Basket raffle, 50/50 raffle and more. We welcome contributions for our themed basket raffle such as gift cards or crafted items. Contact Tina Banaski at 614-296-4965 or email tinamarie@msn.com.

2019 POST-CONFERENCE REPLAY & REFLECTION BREAKFAST: Inspired by Faith...2019 Women's Conference Theme and Put on the Whole Armor of God...2019 Men's Conference Theme. Did you miss this year's Catholic Women's or Men's Conference? OR, do you just want to share and reflect on the impact the conference had on you with others? Join the SPX Women's Ministry and the Armory for the 4th Annual Post-Conference Replay and Reflection Breakfast Saturday, March 23rd, from 7:00 to 11:00 a.m. We will begin with Adoration in the Church, followed by breakfast and plenty of time to replay/reflect or perhaps learn what was discussed at your conference in the Parish Family Center. There will be breakout sessions for the men and women and at the end we will come together as a combined group and share what was learned so that we can better understand how "to be Inspired by Faith...so as to put on the Full Armor of God!" There is no cost to attend.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!! You can still sign up for *Catholic Times*. For a minimum donation of only \$17.00 (less than 39 cents per issue), Catholic news from the diocese and around the world will be delivered right to your mailbox. Use the envelope provided in your February packet, or simply write your name and "*Catholic Times*" on a plain envelope, make your check payable to the parish, and drop it into the collection basket. As an evangelization tool, Bishop Campbell encourages all Catholic households in the diocese to receive and read our diocesan newspaper, the *Catholic Times*. You need the *Catholic Times* to keep up on all of the news throughout the diocese and the Catholic world.

WALKING WITH PURPOSE - Fearless and Free: So many women are wrestling through the reality that life isn't easy, even when we are doing the right thing. Suffering can slam into us from left field, leaving us reeling. Fearless and Free, a study of the Book of Ephesians, provides a firm foundation to stand on no matter what life throws our way. Fearless and Free is the most personal and transformative study that Walking with Purpose has offered so far. The sessions for Fearless and Free will be starting on April 24 for the Wednesday evening group with a new start time of 6:30 p.m. and April 22 for the Monday morning group with a new end time of 11:30 a.m. This is a 6-week study; we will finish at the end of May. Each session will be held in Msgr. David R. Funk Parish Family Center. The cost of the book is \$22.00. If you would like to attend this study, please contact Cyndi Williams at cyndiw2000@yahoo.com. The deadline to register and pay for your book at the cost of \$22.00 is March 13th. If books are ordered after that, the cost is \$26.00 to cover individual shipping and handling.

VENI, A YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY GROUP AT ST. PIUS X: St. Pius X is starting a Young Adult's group! This group welcomes all parishioners between the ages of 18-35 years old. Our first meeting will be Wednesday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center! The group will be using the app "Formed," which is like Netflix for Catholics, and holding faith and fellowship gatherings regarding the material. Two of our young parishioners, Michael and Trinity Barber will be getting this ministry off the ground. Please contact Michael if you are interested! You may get in touch with him via cell phone at (330) 690-2101 or email (michaelfbarber93@gmail.com) to receive more information and ask any questions you may have. Spread the word and we hope to see you on February 27!

THIS WEEK AT SAINT PI	IUS X – FEBRUARY 25-MARCH 3	, 2019
Monday		
Walking With Purpose (Morning Session)	Parish Center - Meeting Room	9:30 a.m
Rosary for the Sick	Church	6:30 p.m
That Man Is You! (Evening Session)	Parish Center - Room A	7:00 p.n
Finance Council Meeting	Parish Center - Meeting Room	6:00 p.n
Tuesday		
Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer	Church	8:00 a.m
Choir	Church	6:00-9:00 p.n
Women's Ministry	Parish Center - Meeting Room	7:00 p.n
Wednesday		
Adoration	Church	7:30 a.m7:30 p.n
Knit/Crochet	Bride's Room	9:30 a.r.
Holy Hour with Reconciliation	Church	12:00-1:00 p.n
Divine Mercy	Tabernacle	6:00 p.n
Walking With Purpose	Parish Center	7:00 p.n
Young Adult Ministry	Parish Center - Meeting Room	7:00 p.n
Festival Committee Meeting	Hohman Hall	7:00 p.n
Thursday		
That Man Is You!	Parish Center - Room A	5:45-7:15 a.n
Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer	Church	8:00 a.n
Children's Choir	Church	5:15-5:45 p.n
RCIA	Parish Center - Meeting Room	7:00 p.n
New Creation	Church	7:00 p.n
Saturday		
Rice Bowl Distribution	Church	After Mas
Sunday		
Rice Bowl Distribution	Church	After All Masse
PSR	School	5:00-6:30 p.n

FESTIVAL COMMITTEE... HELP IS GREATLY NEEDED FOR THE FESTIVAL... The Festival committee is searching for someone to run the midway games and prizes committee. We also need someone to organize the Festival rides. Have you ever seen a fun midway game and wished it was at our Festival? Now is your chance to make it happen! This is a great committee for a group of youth or young adults. In the past, it has been run by Girl Scout troops, really fun parents and high school/college students. Could your sports team, Scout group, cheer group or high school friends join together to organize this committee? We really need you. There will be lots of experienced advice available! The games and rides are a really important part of the Festival. Please contact Festival Secretary, Lorrie Croswell (614-337-1979, croswellpl@att. net) if you have questions or would like to join in on the fun.

Do you like to check Facebook frequently? We have the job for you! The Festival committee needs someone to update the Facebook page with exciting information during the Festival season. This flexible position will fit anyone's busy schedule. We also need someone with skills to update our webpage with Festival information. This can be combined with the Facebook job or could be a separate position. Let us know if you have computer skills! Please email or call Lorrie Croswell, Festival Secretary, (614-337-1979, croswellpl@att.net) if you have questions or are interested in the position. We'd love to welcome you to the committee!

The Festival committee is looking for one or two parishioners to help with corporate sponsorships and advertising. This is another flexible position that can be done when convenient for you. If you can make a few phone calls or mail letters, this may be your job! Perhaps you have fresh ideas for promoting the Festival. Please contact Festival secretary, Lorrie Croswell (614-337-1979, croswellpl@att.net) to discuss your interest. The committee would love to welcome you!



Contact Us at schedule@spxreynoldsburg.com, or 614-390-4718 for those who do not use internet/email. Contact schedule@spxreynoldsburg.com if you have any questions/need assistance. If you are having issues signing into MSP, please do not remain frustrated. Please contact Cyndi Williams at 614-390-4718 or email cyndiw2000@yahoo.com.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE: MARCH 2-3, 2019

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – H: (2) – Pulpit side/ H: (2) – Organ side C: (3) – Pulpit side/ C: (3) – Organ side				
5:00 p.m. No Deacon	Carol Summa (PH-L), Marilyn Wikoff (PC-PC), Duane Wikoff (PC-PC), Lisa Herbert (PH), Norbert Stalica (PH), Cynthia Moder (PC), Linda Marcum (OH), Cyndi Williams (OH), Mary Lynn Cummings (OC), Leah Kelly (OC), Patti Sperry (OC)			
8:30 a.m. No Deacon	Nancy Majerus (PH-L), Julie Gallagher (PC-PC), Megan Resetar (PC-PC), Regina Baughman (PH), Dan Ujczo (PH), Bob Briggs (PC), Gerald Cooke (OH), Linda Dlugiewicz (OH), Scott Gallagher (OC), Tom Vollmer (OC), Chris Vollmer (OC)			
10:15 a.m.	Steve Riederer (PH-L), Patricia Canfield (PC-PC), Gary Heydinger (PC-PC), Ken Morrison (PH), Christine Servick (PH), De Ann Bukowski (PC), April Heydinger (PC), Gordon Burke (OH), Gregory Canfield (OH), Gene Shultz (OH), Denise Colucci (OC), Chelsee Cress (OC), Mary Girard (OC), Amy Whetzel (OC)			
12:00 p.m.	Arlene Reel (PH-L), Kim Connors (PC-PC), Juanita Rickman (PC-PC), Genet Redden (PH), Abby Teynor (PC), Vicky Mercer (OH), Tim Puet (OH), Jon Caruso (OC), Mary Ann Wingard (OC), Wayne Wingard (OC)			

LINEN SCHEDULE: Susan Gilmore

COLLECTION COUNTERS: Team 1 - Jack Albert, David Erwin, Susan Erwin, Jennifer Huck, Darry Robison

10:15 A.M. LITURGY OF THE WORD: Denise Trusken **12:00 P.M. LITURGY OF THE WORD:** Judy Cafmeyer

	Lectors	Servers	Gift Bearers	Greeters	Ushers
5:00 p.m. No Deacon	Regina Courey Gerard Crane	Gabriella Davison Abigail Davison Zachary Davison	John Beyer Brenda Beyer	Cynthia Moder	Jim Beck Tom Haddox Ken Marr Stan Michnowicz
8:30 a.m. No Deacon	TJ Bryan Kimberly Favinger	Jake Beatty Andrew Croswell Julia Kaminski	Joyce Guth	David Dlugiewicz	Joe Bauman Ed Krause Don McKenzie Richard VanHorn
10:15 a.m.	Valerie Bryan Laura Morrison	Bryan Heydinger Sophie Morrison Shane Shultz	Anthony Mampieri Leeanne Mampieri	David Foster	John Callahan Ted Habak John Lyons Gervase Ngalla
12:00 p.m.	Randy Teynor Tim Zack	Jacob Brennan Leah Redden Bradley Teynor	Elizabeth Ficocelli Daniel Ficocelli Mark Ficocelli	Tim Puet Sandy Puet	David Roby NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED

2010 ST. PIUS X 2019

★MILITARY OUTREACH★





CASH DONATION PAYS FOR SHIPPING COSTS, CARE PACKAGES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR, & OUR VETERAN OUTREACH PROGRAMS.

FINALTURN IN OF ITEMS IS MARCH 17.

Adopted soldiers at the USO Fenty

- Shipped goodie boxes over the holidays and year round to deployed soldiers overseas from SPX, Seton, & VFW Post 9443
- Received a generous donation of GS cookies (over 300 boxes) & shipped them to our deployed military
- Worked with St. Vincent de Paul to provide local veteran homes with a food basket and Christmas gifts
- Provided a gift of appreciation to our local veteran homes on Veteran's Day
- Partnered with Joseph's Coat & the Knitting & Crocheting Ministry to support the Stand Down for Homeless Veterans
- Worked with The VFW & Boy Scouts to create a Memorial Day Weekend flag display honoring our military and veterans
- Worked with the Blue Star Moms & a local Boy Scout troop to get packages to our deployed military

Adoptee: USO Al Asad, Iraq

Pick up a Full List in the Church Vestibule.

Full Size Toiletries Baby Wipes Hand Sanitizer Sunblock & Lip Balm Eye Drops Playing Cards Ball Gloves & Balls Protein Bars Wrapped Candy & Gum Flavored Beef Jerky Small Wrapped Snacks Sunflower Seeds Microwave Food Powder Drink Mix Dry Soup (no pork) Vitamins & Tylenol Throw Blankets Gel Shoe Insole Small toys or games Hand or Feet Warmers Crossword / Sudoku

Our mission is to provide our deployed soldiers with support and the simple comforts of home, and to honor our veterans.

This program originated in 2005 by Seton and was expanded by St. Pius in 2010.

For more info. see the bulletins or contact Krista Schumacher at 614/323-7048.



SOME REQUESTED ITEMS

2018 SORTING DAY

2018 - A YEAR IN REVIEW



THIS LENT, join in our parish-wide study from Formed.org, *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist*. You can watch from home, meet with parishioners on Thursday evenings to watch and discuss, or both!

Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of Christian life. *Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist* explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture to its profound role in the life of the Church and its members. The Eucharist is the crescendo of the entire history of salvation.

- Week One: March 10-16; group meeting Thursday, March 14 in the Parish Center Episode 1: God Is With Us.
- Weeks Two and Three: March 17-30; group meeting Thursday, March 28 in the Parish Center Episode 2: The Story of the Eucharist.
- Week Four: March 31-April 6; group meeting Thursday, April 4 in the Parish Center **Episode 3: Bread for the Journey.** The Thursday evening gatherings will begin at 7:00. Thursday participants may order workbooks for \$5.00. If you would like to be part of the Thursday evening gatherings, email spxparishaff@gmail.org with the names of those attending and the number of workbooks you would like to order. But you need not attend on Thursday evenings to participate. You can watch and reflect at home, and share your comments with the parish community, on spxparishaff@gmail.org with the names of those attending and the number of workbooks you would like to order. But you need not attend on Thursday evenings to participate. You can watch and reflect at home, and share your comments with the parish community, on spxparishaff@gmail.org with the names of those attending and the number of workbooks you would like to order. But you need not attend on Thursday evenings to participate. You can watch and reflect at home, and share your comments with the parish community, on spxparishaff@gmail.org with the parish community, on spxparishaff@gmail.org with the names of those attending and the number of workbooks you would like to order. But you need not attend on Thursday evenings to participate. You can watch and reflect at home, and share your comments with the parish community, on spxparishaff@gmail.org with the parish community. The spxparishaff watch are spxparishaff.
- 1. Go to spxreynoldsburg.formed.org.
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AROUND TOWN

TUTORS NEEDED for adults seeking basic education skills, GED preparation or English as a Second Language. The Dominican Learning Center will hold its next Tutor Training Workshop on Saturday, March 16, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at 1111 E. Stewart Avenue, Columbus, 43206. Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age and a high school graduate. Teaching materials are free to tutors. To register, please call 614-444-7330, ext. 1 or email DLCcolumbus@oppeace.org. Visit www.domlearningcenter.org to find out more.

PHONES

SAINT OF THE DAY FOR FEBRUARY 16



Saint Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows

(March 1, 1838-February 27, 1862)

Saint Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows' Story:

Born in Italy into a large family and baptized Francis, Saint Gabriel lost his mother when he was only four years old. He was educated by the Jesuits and, having been cured twice of serious illnesses, came to believe that God was calling him to the religious life. Young Francis wished to join the Jesuits but was turned down, probably because of his age, not yet 17. Following the death of a sister to cholera, his resolve to enter religious life became even stronger and he was accepted by the Passionists. Upon entering the novitiate, he was given the name Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows.

Ever popular and cheerful, Gabriel quickly was successful in his effort to be faithful in little things. His spirit of prayer, love for the poor, consideration of the feelings of others, exact observance of the Passionist Rule as well as his bodily penances – always subject to the will of his wise superiors – made a deep impression on everyone.

His superiors had great expectations of Gabriel as he prepared for the priesthood, but after only four years of religious life, symptoms of tuberculosis appeared. Ever obedient, he patiently bore the painful effects of the disease and the restrictions it required, seeking no special notice. He died peacefully on February 27, 1862, at age 24, having been an example to both young and old.

Saint Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows was canonized in 1920.

When we think of achieving great holiness by doing little things with love and grace, Therese of Lisieux comes first to mind. Like her, Gabriel died painfully from tuberculosis. Together they urge us to tend to the small details of daily life, to be considerate of others' feelings every day. Our path to sanctity, like theirs, probably lies not in heroic doings but in performing small acts of kindness every day.

Saint Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows is the Patron Saint of: Clergy, Students & Young People

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