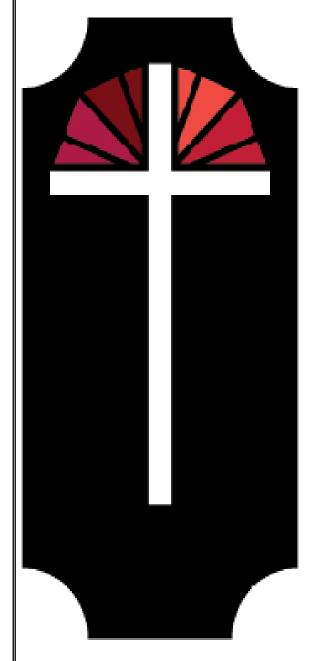
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## Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time-November 06, 2022

#### **Office Hours**

Tuesdays 9am - 2pm

Wednesdays 9am - 2pm

Thursdays 9am - 2pm

Fridays 9am - 2pm

#### **Mass Intentions**

Tuesday, November 08

8:30AM Conrad Shewalter

Wednesday, November 09

8:30AM Victor Ramirez

Thursday, November 10

8:30AM Frank McGarvey

Friday, November 11

8:30AM John Hollern

Saturday, November 12

5:00PM Hop Tran

Sunday, November 13

9:00AM Mary Breckler

11:00AM People of Our Parish

#### **Recently Deceased**

#### **Mass Times**

Tues-Fri 8:30 AM
Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM

11:00 AM

1:30 PM (Haitian)\*
3:00 PM (Nigerian)\*\*

7:15 PM (Brazilian)

#### Reconciliation

Ist Saturdays from 3:45 - 4:45 PM

# **PASTORAL POST**

# The Diocesan Synod Report (Part 1 of 5)

Fr. Tony Davis

A few months ago, the Diocese of Columbus released its summary statement regarding our diocesan contribution to the worldwide 'Synod on Synodality,' which has now been extended until October 2024 by Pope Francis. In our Diocese, about 1,000 individuals participated in the process by attending meetings held in each deanery (including 3 in Spanish), as well as through virtual options for High School and University students. Since the Diocese is also in the middle of the *Real Presence Real Future* initiative, there was a natural overlap in these listening sessions and ongoing discussions about the future.

While each diocese had the freedom to conduct their listening sessions as they saw fit, the Columbus Diocese reflected on 4 overarching questions/prompts with the assistance of trained facilitators and note takers. The 4 questions/prompts were the following:

- As you listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit, what have been the joys and obstacles in your journeying together with the church? Please share a brief story that illustrates your experience.
- 2) How have you experienced the Church reaching out to those who are on the peripheries and marginalized, including cultural groups, women, the disabled, those who experience poverty, marginalization, or social exclusion? What enables or hinders you from speaking up courageously, candidly, and responsibly in your parish and society?
- 3) How do we promote participation in decision making within hierarchical structured communities? What hinders people from being active in your parish? How is authority or governance exercised in your local parish?
- 4) Think of a specific grace you received or insight you gained from this synodal experiences.

Over the next 4 bulletin columns, we will explore some of the findings from these listening sessions in the Diocese of Columbus. Before analyzing the date, it is important to note that the comments shared during this process are not meant to solve problems, change church teaching, undermine current practices, or, worst of all, becoming a complaint session. They were meant to allow everybody, from the bishop to the laity, to express their thoughts and reflections as baptized members of the Church. As we consider some of the content in our bulletin 'Pastoral Posts,' here are some of the statistics regarding the participants.

- o 53% female / 47% male
- o 61% Caucasian / 31% Latino / 6% Black
- o 21% ages 41-55 / 41% ages 56-74 / 23% 75 and over
- o 78% laypeople / 12% priests / 10% deacons and vowed religious
- o 59% Catholic from birth / 25% became Catholic / 13% returned Catholic
- 84% attend mass weekly

May the Church in the Diocese of Columbus be a Church who walks together!

<sup>\*</sup> Every Sunday except the first Sunday of the month

<sup>\*\*</sup> Third Sunday of the month only

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#### **CHURCH NEWS**

#### AN ELECTION PRAYER (from the USCCB website)

Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city, state, and 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. Amen.

To help you discern and prepare, sample ballots (for this area) are in the vestibule.

#### **BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH**

Even though Black History Month is celebrated in February, in the Catholic Church, we celebrate it in November. One current project among Black Catholics in the United States is the push to canonize 6 Black American saints: Augustus Tolton, Henriette DeLille, Pierre Toussaint, Julia Greeley, Mary Lange, and Thea Bowman. As of now, there are 12 white American saints and 0 Black American saints. Let us pray for their intercession and official sainthood recognition!

#### **REAL PRESENCE REAL FUTURE MEETING**

Our next parish wide *Real Presence Real Future* Meeting will be on Thursday, November 17 at 3:30 pm and 7:00 pm. We welcome our regional vicar, Fr. Bob Penhallurick, as a special presenter, who is gathering feedback on the recommendation, especially regarding St. Anthony Church and School.

#### PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOP

For anyone interested in helping with Church and School functions involving our youth, please sign up for the next local Protecting God's Children Workshop if you haven't already taken it. It will be <a href="Wednesday, January II, 2023 from 6-9 pm at DeSales High School">Wednesday, January II, 2023 from 6-9 pm at DeSales High School</a> in the cafeteria. To register, go to columbuscatholic.org/safe, click on 'VIRTUS Registration,' then at the bottom of the page, click 'Start Registration.' Please note that this course is mandatory for Church and school employees prior to employment.

October 16, 2022	<b>CURRENT</b>	FISCAL YEAR TO DATE
Contributions (+ online)	\$ 6,303.00	\$ 98,751.50
Budget	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 128,000.00
Difference	\$ (1,697.00)	\$ (29,248.50)

#### **NOTICES**

#### **JUSTICE MINISTRY**

The BREAD assembly is Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 7:00 pm at Christ the King Catholic Church (2777 E. Livingston Ave, Columbus, OH 43209).

#### **NIGERIAN ANNUAL HARVEST**

The Nigerian Catholic Community welcomes any guests from the Parish to their 2022 Harvest & Thanksgiving on Sunday, November 13. 2022. Mass is at 3 pm followed by a celebration in the gym at 5 pm.

#### THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24, will be at 10 am. There will be no 8:30 am mass that day.

#### **SUNDAY MISSALS**

2023 Sunday Missals will be available soon for a donation of \$3. These books include all the Sunday mass readings for the upcoming year, starting on the I<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent. They will be available from the Sacristans before or after mass.

#### **CHOIR SECTION RESERVED**

Due to an increase in the number of parishioners singing with the choir, the last pews near the piano are now reserved for singers. Microphones will remain in place throughout the week, so please sit elsewhere and use caution if in the communion line that is near the piano, as there are cords and a cord cover between the piano and pews. Thanks!

#### **MUSIC MINISTRY**

- Digital Worship Aids are available at <a href="https://www.stmatthiascolumbus.com/">https://www.stmatthiascolumbus.com/</a> worship-aids password "Music"
- Choir Practice is on Saturday Evening, immediately following mass and Sunday Morning, from 10:00-10:30am in the church.
- Recordings of the multi-lingual songs are available on the website; https://stmatthiascolumbus.com/music-ministry



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