



CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

6300 E. Dublin—Granville Road
New Albany, Ohio 43054

February 5, 2023

5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a
mountain cannot be hidden.” - Mt 5:14

PRAYER & WORSHIP

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STEWARDSHIP

PARISH FINANCIALS



Thank you for your support and continued generosity!

Please consider using PushPay, an online giving tool used to manage your parish offertory. It is safe, easy, and convenient.

You can visit our website, www.cotrna.org, or use this QR code to get started:



	Actual	Budget	Variance
December Offertory	\$273,206.....	\$265,000	+\$8,206
YTD Offertory	\$1,133,370.....	\$1,126,710	+\$6,660
<i>Total Budget for FY 22-23 \$2,156,350</i>			
<i>Our fiscal year runs July 1st - June 30th</i>			

For questions, please contact Chris Roberts in the parish office: 614-855-1400.

Pray for those who are getting married!



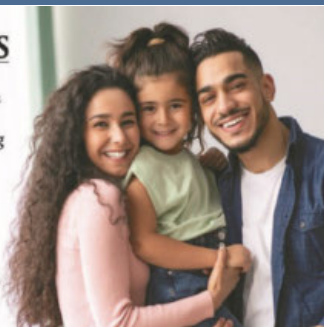
Engaged couples are the future families of our parish! Some couples from our parish will attend their Pre-Can retreat on February 11th to prepare for their upcoming marriage. The Pre-Can retreat day offers couples the opportunity to reflect on marriage, get to know other couples in the parish, and spend time in prayer. Please keep these couples in your prayers this week, that their marriage may be a gift to each-other, their families, and the world!

CATHOLIC TIMES

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February is the month when subscription renewals traditionally begin for the print edition of The Catholic Times, the official news source for the Diocese of Columbus. In the past, payment for new subscriptions and renewals was collected through the parish, but an online system is now in place to make the process easier. Simply visit The Catholic Times website,

catholictimescolumbus.org, and access the subscribe tab at the top of the home page to sign up for a new subscription, a renewal, or a gift. Current subscribers also will receive a paper statement in the mail that can be returned to The Catholic Times, Diocese of Columbus, 197 E. Gay St. with a check for \$17 or paid online at the website. Or, if necessary, drop an envelope marked Catholic Times in the regular collection at Sunday Mass with name, address, and payment. Please consider supporting Catholic journalism and keeping up on the events in the diocese, especially in these changing times.

LET US PRAY... FOR ALL WHO ARE IN THE MILITARY AND FOR ALL WHO ARE SERIOUSLY ILL, RECOVERING FROM A SERIOUS ILLNESS OR SURGERY

If you would like to add the names of family members to this list, call the Parish Office (614-855-1400).

U.S. ARMY

MAJ Ryan Griffin; CPT Rick Lovering; SPC Corey Luffler; PVT Adam P. Kearney; CPT Cody Kehres; SGT Ryan Krysmalski; 1LT Bill Lovering; SFC Craig Markish; 2LT Ross Mitchell; Sgt. Paul D. Perez; MAJ Derek Stocker

U.S. ARMY RESERVE

PFC Jason McDonald

U.S. ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

MSG Ryan Pederson; SFC Justin Shuman; 1LT Joseph Washington SGT Jamie Wasierski

U.S. ARMY NURSE CORPS

CPT Sean Coolidge

U.S. AIR FORCE

Curtis Abbott; MSgt Andrew Clymer; Adam Lewis; TSgt James Mathews; 2d Lt Daniel H. Touzinsky; Maj Matt Tucker; Maj Erika Wonn;

U.S. AIR NATIONAL GUARD

TSgt Liz Humphrey

U.S. NAVY

CPO Shane M. Cooper; PO3 Daniel Dunlevy; SA Evan Hammond; SN Charles T. Moushey II; LCDR Axel Steiner

U.S. MARINE CORPS

Maj. Tom Bertram; GySgt Nicholas Bickel; Capt David Cook; Alan Finn; Capt Joseph Andrew Garcia; SSgt Scott Kramer; LCpl Michael McCutcheon; LtCol Matthew Oberdorfer; 1stLt Gabriel Smith;

SERIOUSLY ILL OR RECOVERING FROM A SERIOUS ILLNESS OR SURGERY

Brian Annis, Dr. Amy Arnett-Budzik, Kam Baloue, Catherine Barren, Kathy Browning, Joanna Bruskin, Mary Elizabeth Buynak, Julia Calvert, Lindsay Cannon, Andrew Cavulich, Terry and Daryl Cooper Family, Cory Crabtree, Katie Curry, Bob and Marie Dawes, Paz Del Rosario, Kathleen Deveix, Ray Drum, Jeanne Fealy, Vijay Gaddam, Pat and Katie Hall, Halsey Family, Carl Higginbotham, David Hoy, Jean Jannety, Marcia Jenkins, Barbara Jones, Suzy Kiefaber, Tom Kolda, Jamie Lynn Konrath, Marty Laubenthal, Maelee Leonard, Tim Longstreth, Nina Lyons, James Manville, Steve Maxwell, Betty McColeman, Joe McCullen, Nancy McDonald, Beverly Meholick, Debra Moore, Zachary Moyer, Tammy Neal, Edgar Neff, Helen Nugent, Bill Parry, Jennifer Pierce, Angela Plummer, Paulette Poaches, Potts Family, Jackson Preston, Tony Ray, Adam Rempe, Grace Schell, Wilhelmina Schnetzler, Stephen Schultz, David Shepardson, Cathy Stocker, Jennifer Anne Stuesser, Rick Stuesser, Suzanne, Dorothy Taylor, David Thatcher, Niko Treadway, Leona Ventrella, Sandy Walsh, John Wheeler, Monica Wolford.



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, FEB 5

9:00 am Michealina Dearani

11:00 am Bill Resch

MONDAY, FEB 6

9:00 am Helen Lukaszewski

TUESDAY, FEB 7

7:00 pm Joy Dancer

WEDNESDAY, FEB 8

9:00 am Judy DeFay

THURSDAY, FEB 9

9:00 am Ken Washington

FRIDAY, FEB 10

9:00 am Fran Weise

SATURDAY, FEB 11

5:00pm Jake & Annabelle Johnson

SUNDAY, FEB 12

9:00 am PARISH

11:00 am Rita Maguire

Please add our Confirmation students to your daily prayers. Come Holy Spirit

Sarah Valasek

George Vergits

Autumn Weise

Quo Vadis team

Confirmation Core team

the parents of Confirmandi

BIBLE READINGS

FEBRUARY 12TH - SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Sirach 15:15-20

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

"Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!"

— Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Our Prayer Chain is very active in praying for the needs of others, both individually and as a community. If you or someone you love needs prayer, please let us know. Send prayer requests online to: <https://cotrna.org/intercessory-prayer>.

For more information, contact: Valerie Coolidge, Prayer Chain Coordinator, by email at: Valerie@wyandottewinery.com.



MINISTRY NEWS

Welcome | Signs of Faith

SIGNS OF FAITH

INQUIRERS

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) is the process through which persons inquire into and determine if they are called to live out their faith as a member of the Roman Catholic Community. For more information, please contact either Brian Franz at 740-817-4467 or bfranz001@hotmail.com; or Marian Prentice at 614-530-0630 or meiwen.1@gmail.com; or the Parish Office at 614-855-1400.

BAPTISM

INFANTS & CHILDREN:

In the Infant Rite of Baptism, *celebrated with children up to the age of reason*, the parents make a profession of faith for their child and accept the responsibility of nurturing God's gift of faith in their child as he/she grows and matures and is formed in many ways. Therefore, parents are asked to attend a Parent Preparation Session (*preferably during pregnancy*) before the child's baptism. The goal of this session is to provide an opportunity for faith reflection and sharing with the support of other parents. The discussion centers on the celebration of the sacrament of Baptism and the challenges of our own faith and how we might pass our faith on to our children.

Sessions are usually held at **12:30 p.m. on the 4th Sunday of the month, in the OLR Chapel.**

Register on the parish website. Following registration, a response with further information will be sent to you. Scheduling of the Baptism will take place after attending the Parent Session.

SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN: Parents will be asked to meet with *Peggy Kehres, Coordinator of Children's Ministry, after attending the Parent Session.* At this time, appropriate preparation will be planned based on the needs of each child.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Mary Koors, 614-855-8861 or marykoors1@gmail.com.

EUCCHARIST

Weekdays - Consult bulletin for times
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 p.m.
Individual - anytime by appointment.
Advent and Lent communal services.

ANOINTING

Please call the Parish Office to notify us of an illness in the family and especially if someone is confined at home or in the hospital.

MATRIMONY

Please call the parish office for an appointment with Fr. Denis Kigozi.

WELCOME:

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Anyone interested in registering with our parish, please visit our website: cotrna.org and click on *Get to Know Us/New Member Welcome*. If you don't have access to a computer, but would like to register, please call the church office at 614-855-1400 and ask for Chris Roberts.

SIGNS OF FAITH FOR JANUARY 2023:



We welcome the following families to our parish:

Trey Mitchel Rowe, III
Fidel Pando, Ana Paola Quiroz,
Fidel and Luciana Pando
Corey Washington
Zachary Henninger
Cristina Tompkins
Katherine and Jacob Harrington
Joseph, Heather, Emily and Aiden LeMasters
Michael Knotts
James and Hannah Yim
Rickie Griffis Jr and Kellianne Venit
Mareion, Jessica, Mara, Grace, Grant and Evan Royster

 Parishioners called home to Heaven:
Beverly Kane Roberts

Congratulations to the following children who were Baptized into the Church:

Hailie Grace Henschen
Vivian Rebecca Kraft
Preston Rex Anderson
Ella Angelique Conley
Ivy Raiyne Conley
Ruby Rose Conley
Willow Irene Workman-Hoover
Leon Chuma Nzimiro
Luciana Paola Pando
Aiden Paul LeMasters
Emily Lane LeMasters
Joseph Larry Romantic

Safe Haven Sunday

Make Your Home a Safe Haven

Join Bishop Fernandes and parishes throughout the Diocese of Columbus to help everyone live free of pornography. Scan the QR Code for a free digital resource book. Additional Resources are available at columbuscatholic.org/safe-haven-sunday

CovenantEyes



YOUNG AT HEART

Over age 55? Join us! A meaningful, vibrant, fun ministry with breakfasts, luncheons, and events all year! No fees! Ongoing: First Friday Mass and breakfast each month; mid-monthly luncheons on third Wednesdays from September thru May. Picnic in the summer. For more information, get in touch with Brad Romantic at 614-855-1400 or by email at bromantic@cotrna.org.



Pray The Rosary With Us!

Continuing each Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in 2023!

Whether or not you are a member of Young At Heart, you are welcome to take part! To add your name to the email reminder list, please get in touch Brad Romantic at the phone number or email address shown above.



February Activities:

- **February 15** - Potluck Luncheon - Potluck luncheon: Noon - 2:00 pm. More details to follow. Last names with the following letters, please bring dishes to serve/share: Vegetables A-D; Casseroles E-K; Salads L-P; and Bread or Desserts Q-Z. More details to follow.
- **February 23** - Executive Committee Meeting at 1:00pm in room 104.
- **March 3** - First Friday Mass and Breakfast. Breakfast in the Ministry Center immediately following the 9:00 am Mass. It's potluck so bring 8 servings of your favorite breakfast item to share.
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- **March 23** - Executive Committee Meeting at 1:00pm in room 104.
- **April 7** - First Friday Mass and Breakfast. Breakfast in the Ministry Center immediately following the 9:00 am Mass. It's potluck so bring 8 servings of your favorite breakfast item to share.

BULLETIN

SUBMISSION DEADLINE,
NOON, ON **WEDNESDAYS,**
10 DAYS BEFORE THE PUBLISHING DATE
(UNLESS OTHERWISE POSTED).
E-mail articles to: bulletin@cotrna.org.

UPCOMING DEADLINES:

Feb 12 bulletin - DEADLINE PASSED
Feb 19 bulletin - Due Feb 8
Feb 26 bulletin - Due Feb 15
Mar 5 bulletin - Due Feb 22
Mar 12 bulletin - Due Mar 1

A CONTEMPLATIVE MOMENT

"Prayer and love are learned in the hour when prayer becomes impossible and the heart has turned to stone."

— Thomas Merton

Like us on Facebook:
facebook.com/allrwelcom
Note, no "e" on end of welcome



MINISTRY NEWS & EVENTS

Questions Catholics Ask | Knights | Mens & Womens Conferences

Questions Catholics Ask

Why are there parishes?



The necessity for established, well-defined parish boundaries was identified at the Council of Trent (1545-1563) as a way to protect pastors and their communities from the harm that evolved from uncertain lines of authority and property. The original trouble was

grounded in the feudal system: In earlier times the church was by no means separate from the state, as it is in most countries today. The notion of a parish with canonically (that is, by church law) protected rights and responsibilities serves to clarify what you and I “get”—and have a right to—when we join up.

Parish boundaries aren't always geographically defined. Most are designated by territory, but they can also be defined by language, rite, ethnicity, or other elements that serve the community. For example, in large U.S. cities a French or Korean parish might serve all who speak those languages primarily. There's also a military diocese that encompasses U.S. service folk wherever they may be, creating parishes anywhere armed forces personnel are serving. Rites in communion with Rome, like Maronites, Melkites, Ukrainians, and others, establish parishes defined less by geography than by the particular liturgical customary for those communities.

As a Catholic you may worship freely in any of these parishes or all of them if you wish. But there are advantages to registering with a particular parish—whether or not you live inside its technical boundaries—that are worth considering. A parish is defined by four basic elements.

First, it stands to serve a certain segment of the People of God. Second, it's administered by a priest specifically charged with its sacramental care (even a parish with a nonordained administrator on-site reports to a member of the clergy who holds the official title of pastor). Third, a parish is governed by church law which outlines reciprocal rights and duties of pastor and parishioners. Finally, a parish is guaranteed a suitable site containing all that's necessary for the Catholic spiritual life: Eucharistic equipment, baptismal font, confessional, cemetery, and a place for sacramental records to be kept. Those who register with a particular parish will have full access to all that's necessary for Catholic identity when the time comes. Trust a former parish secretary here: Get on the books. It makes your sacramental life easier!

—Alice L. Camille

Reprinted from *Prepare the Word*

Calling All Ladies of the Parish:

The Columbus Catholic Women's Conference is just around the corner. If you want to join your sisters here at Church of the Resurrection to go to the conference, we will have a bus from the Ministry Center - it drops you off at the door of the Expo Center - How Convenient! Cost is \$9 per rider. For more information, please contact Tammy Foeller at (614)327-3847 or info@opendoor-columbus.com or Valerie Coolidge at (614)580-1238 or valerie@wyandottewinery.com. Meet at COTR 6:45am — Leave conference to return to COTR at 4:30pm.

CLICK TO REGISTER FOR THE CONFERENCE: [REGISTER](#)

TO REGISTER FOR THE BUS:

<https://cotrna.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/49/responses/new>



The 26th Annual
**CATHOLIC
MEN'S CONFERENCE**
**CALLED
TO BE
SAINTS**
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

† Saturday | Feb 25, 2023
† Kasich Hall | Ohio Expo Ctr

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Contacts:

Grand Knight: Nick Martini, martinin3333@gmail.com 513-614-3435

Membership Director: Bill Pederson, PGKumpireswp@gmail.com 614-506-5793.

[Join the Knights of Columbus Online](#)



MINISTRY NEWS & EVENTS

Adult Faith Formation | Miscellaneous

Calling All Men!
Please join us for:
Faith Formation – Fellowship –
Coffee and Donuts



Thy Kingdom Come
Thursday OR Saturday Mornings

Thursdays start at 6:00 am
Saturdays start at 7:30 am

In the Ministry Center

Sign-up not necessary - Questions
Mike Smith: mjsmith953@icloud.com
Todd Treon: toddtreon@outlook.com

Brought to you by the
Church of the Resurrection Men's Ministry

No meeting on
February 23/25
Or
April 6/8

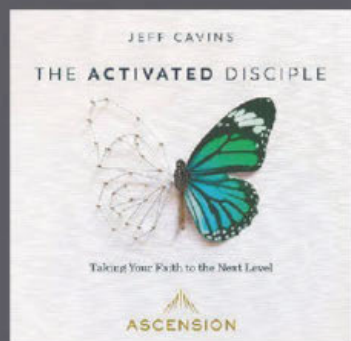


"COURAGE" AND "ENCOURAGE"

"Courage" is a program offering spiritual support for Catholic men and women who experience same-sex attractions and desire to live chaste lives following the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. "Encourage" is a program which offers support for family members and friends of men and women who experience same-sex attractions.

Information regarding either of these programs, endorsed and facilitated by the Diocese of Columbus, is available at (614) 451-4290, or on the Courage International website:

<http://couragec.org>.



The Activated Disciple Course

In The Activated Disciple by Jeff Cavins, you'll learn how to...

- Take your faith to the next level.
- Transform every area of your life to become more like Christ.
- Overcome obstacles keeping you from being the disciple you are called to be.
- Move beyond believing and practicing your faith, and begin radically living it.
- Become an instrument of transformation in the lives of others.



Register Here!



Monday Evenings Feb. 20-Apr. 3- 7:00-8:30pm via Zoom

Register Here!



Restore: A Lenten Healing Journey

Walk with Sr. Miriam James Heidland through four different phases of healing, focusing on traditional Lenten practices:

Prayer, Fast, Almsgiving, Sacrifice

If you enter into Lent with Christ, your heart will see more clearly, be pierced more easily, love more strongly, and serve more passionately. Jesus will be etched into the crevasses of your being.

Monday Evenings Feb. 20-Apr. 3- 7:00-8:30pm ; Friday Mornings Feb. 17-Mar.31- 9:45-11:15am



MINISTRY NEWS & EVENTS

Choir News | Creation Care Corner | Women's Group | Formed



Music notes:

OUR MISSION

To enhance the spirituality of our Parish through music, while assisting the assembly in full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgy.

The Music Ministry welcomes all levels of musicianship and commitment.

Please consider using your gifts through one of the many choirs and ensembles.

OUR CHOIRS

9:00am Choir
(high school and up)
11:00am Choir
(high school and up)
Family Choir (all ages)
Children's Choir
(grades 2-5)

I WANT TO BE IN THE CHOIR But...

"I don't have that kind of time!" (Commit to what you can. With 4 choirs, there are many opportunities.)

"I don't sing that well!"
(All levels of ability are welcome!)

"They already have enough people." (We NEVER have enough singers!)

NOW is a great time to join one of the choirs in your parish Music Ministry...

Contact Music Director, Thom Wyatt, for more information:
twyatt@cotrna.org

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
Music Ministry

REASONS TO JOIN THE CHOIR

- 1** It's a great way to make new friends! 
- 2** You always have a reserved seat for Christmas and Easter. 
- 3** Intellectual Stimulation—when you make music, you are using both sides of your brain simultaneously. 
- 4** People who are involved in music live longer and are healthier. 
- 5** Choir parties - they're fun! 

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Join the Women's Group for *Blankets of Love* 



Come help us show some love to our parishioners in nursing/rehab facilities by making tie blankets - NO SEWING REQUIRED. Bring fabric scissors if you have them! Women's Group volunteers needed to deliver the blankets on 2/14.

🕒 6 February, 2023
🕒 7 pm - 8:30 pm
📍 Ministry Center 

Creation Care Corner

Taking action to protect God's great gift to us, Mother Earth



"Let ours be a time remembered for the firm resolve to achieve sustainability, and the joyful celebration of life."

— Pope Benedict XVI

THIS WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP RECOMMENDATION:
Be Salt Wise This Winter.

Salt can infiltrate and permanently pollute groundwater and streams. Use the minimal amount needed.

1. Shovel - Clear walkways and other areas before the snow turns to ice.

2. Scatter - If you use salt, scatter it so that there is space between the grains. A 12-ounce coffee mug of salt is enough to treat an entire 20-foot driveway.

3. Switch - When pavement temperatures drop below 15 degrees, salt won't work. Switch to sand for traction or a different ice melter that works at lower temperatures (i.e., calcium chloride).

4. Store Correctly - Store ice melting products in airtight containers to maintain maximum effectiveness.

For information, visit:
www.wisaltwise.com.



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Bakhita: From Slave to Saint

Bakhita: From Slave to Saint tells the incredible story of St. Josephine Bakhita. Originally born in Sudan, Josephine was kidnapped by slavers and was eventually sold to a merchant in Italy. By the grace of God, she lived a heroic life of forgiveness and mercy which led her to become a saint.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit formed.org/signup and select our parish. Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and  GRACELAND PRACTICE

COTR Food Pantry Collection is Next Weekend

St. James the Less

WE
SHARE
BECAUSE
WE
CARE



FOOD
PANTRY



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

DONATE

1. Cash boxes are located at the exit doors, in the gathering space, in the main church
2. Donate online
 - <https://www.pushpay.com/g/cotrna>
 - Enter the amount you would like to give and under "Fund" select: "ST JAMES FOOD PANTRY"

FOOD COLLECTION

3. Collection boxes are in the gathering space in the main church
4. Non-perishable items welcome! -see GREATEST NEEDS below

GREATEST NEEDS:

- Canned Fruit
- Canned Soup
- Saltine Crackers
- Toilet Paper

PREGNANT? NEED HELP?



BIRTHRIGHT OF COLUMBUS:

Birthright of Columbus is the oldest crisis pregnancy center in Columbus. Birthright is located at 3445 Great Western Blvd, Columbus, Ohio 43204 (614-221-0844). For immediate help, please call 1-800-550-4900.

PREGNANCY DECISION

HEALTH CENTER: Pregnancy Decision Health Centers has five centers located in Central Ohio. The closest to New Albany is on North Cleveland Avenue at 270. 24-hr hotline: 614-444-4411.

BETHESDA HEALING MINISTRY - HEALING AFTER AN ABORTION: Are you feeling your life or emotions are out of control? Do you frequently have feelings of depression, frustration, or sadness? These thoughts are not uncommon to those who have been wounded by the abortion experience. Please call Bethesda Healing Ministry to speak to someone who has been there and can help. Confidential ministry lines are 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157 or visit our website at bethesdahealing.org.

WOMEN'S CARE CENTER: The center provides free, confidential counseling, support, and education for pregnant women. There are two locations: 935 E. Broad St. (614-251-0200) and 3273 East Main St. (614-235-3000). Their 24-hour helpline is 877-908-2341.

Un ministerio de sanación para los que sufren después de un aborto: Si quieres hablar con alguien en español, favor de llamar 614-309-0810.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Religious Education | Volunteering



ADULT VOLUNTEERS FOR NURSERY, CHILDREN & YOUTH

If you are planning to volunteer for any of our ministries involving children and/or youth, and are 18 years old or older, it is required that you have a background check performed and attend a Protecting God's Children seminar before your first volunteer activity.

Please go to www.virtusonline.org to find locations, dates, and times to register. If you have questions, please contact Regina Quinn at the Diocesan Offices at 614-241-2565.

Due to the sensitive nature of the Protecting God's Children program, some victims of child sexual abuse may not feel comfortable attending a Protecting God's Children training session. Anyone in this particular situation may request to receive the materials needed for child protection training in an alternate way. These requests are made through the Safe Environment Office. All requests for alternate child protection training for victims of child sexual abuse are kept confidential.

Please call:
Regina Quinn 614-241-2568 to request this training.

YOUTH MINISTRY SOCIAL MEDIA

For updates on Youth Ministry, check out the following on Instagram:
For high school, @Ignite_cotrna



Facebook: For middle school,
@riseparentsatresurrection



The Religious Education Department offers a diverse set of programs for children in grades Pre-K through 12.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

ELEMENTARY GRADES PREK-5

Church of the Resurrection Elementary Education Days, more commonly known as CREED, is our weekly faith formation program for public school children in grades PreK-5. Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is ongoing. Visit the parish website for full details.



CLASSES FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR HAVE BEGUN!

It's not too late - you can still register your kids for CREED. Registration must be done online. Simply go to the parish website www.cotrna.org and click on the link to register for CREED. Contact Peggy Kehres, Religious Education Coordinator, at 614-939-1794 or e-mail Peggy at pkehres@cotrna.org.



MIDDLE SCHOOL GRADES 6-8

RISE empowers our middle school students to apply the Gospel to their lives. Fostering the faith of young adolescents involves helping them to make connections between the Catholic faith and everyday life.

RISE meets on Sunday evenings from 6:30-8:00 in the Ministry Center. Registration for the 2022-2023 school year is open to students in grades 6-8. Visit the parish website for full details and to register. Don't miss out on

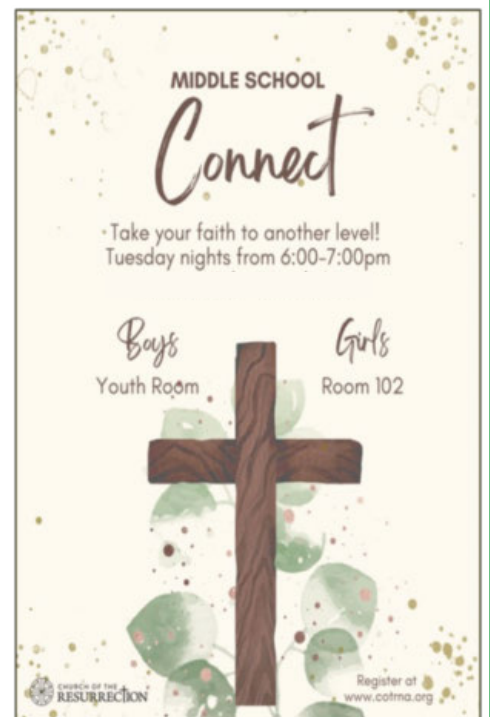
the fun! Register now at:
www.cotrna.org/rise.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADES 9-12

Ignite is for grades 9-12. We meet on Sundays from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. To register go to:
www.cotrna.org/ignite.

Confirmation is for any High School student who has not yet been fully initiated into the Catholic Church. Classes started Sunday, September 11th. Go to the church website to sign up - it's not too late!

For more information, contact
High School Youth Ministry Leader, Jessica Chokreff at jchokreff@cotrna.org.



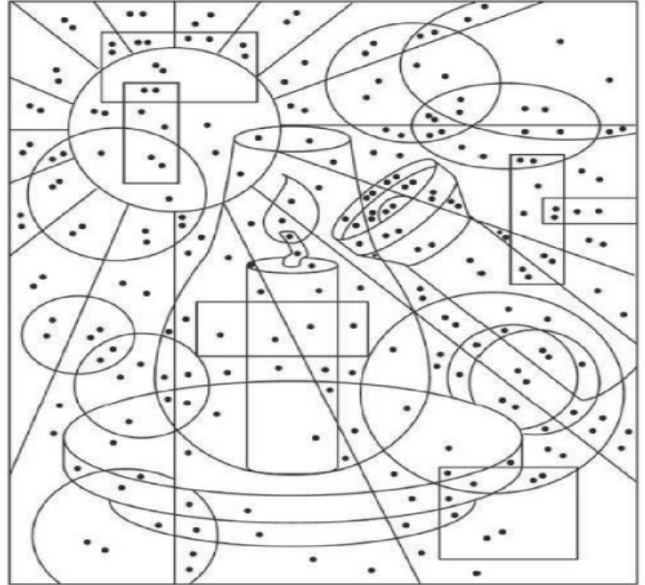
Salt and Light

Fill in the letters on the lines below to find something Jesus said.
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z



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PARISH CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Feb 5	Feb 6	Feb 7	Feb 8	Feb 9	Feb 10	Feb 11
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:25am Rosary 9:00am Mass & JWJ (live-stream) 11:00am Mass & JWJ 11:00am Women's Group (Tile Area) 12:30pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (Social Hall) 5:00pm Confirmation Class (Church) 6:30pm: 5th Grade (103-106) IGNITE (Church) RISE (Social Hall)	9:00am Mass 9:30am Rosary Group (OLR Chapel) 4:30pm CREED (Ministry Center) 6:15pm CREED (Ministry Center) 7:00pm Women's Group Meeting (Social Hall) 7:00pm Habitat for Humanity Meeting	11:00am Rental (Kitchen) 4:30pm CREED (Ministry Center) 6:00pm Middle School Connect 7:00pm Mass 7:00pm RCIA (Social Hall) 7:30pm Quo Vadis Mtg (Youth Office)	9:00am Mass 9:30am Rosary Group (OLR Chapel) 12:00pm Rental (Kitchen) 4:30pm CREED (Ministry Center) 6:15pm CREED (Ministry Center) 6:30pm WWP (Social Hall) 7:00pm PPC Mtg (Tile Area)	6:00am That Man is You (Social Hall) 9:00am Mass 9:30am Rosary Group (OLR Chapel) 9:45am WWP (Social Hall) 12:00pm NA Chamber Business Expo (Social Hall) 6:00pm ReachMore (106) 7:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm CFG Rehearsal	9:00am Mass 9:30am Rosary Group (OLR Chapel) 1:00pm Shawl Ministry (104) 7:30pm Parish Holy Hour	7:30am That Man is You (Social Hall) 8:30am Diocesan PreCana Session (Social Hall) 3:30pm Worship Team Warmup (Church) 5:00pm Mass
Feb 12	Feb 13	Feb 14	Feb 15	Feb 16	Feb 17	Feb 18
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Feb 19	Feb 20	Feb 21	Feb 22	Feb 23	Feb 24	Feb 25
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:25am Rosary 9:00am Mass (live-stream) 11:00am Mass 12:00pm Eucharistic Exposition (OLR Chapel)	9:00am Mass 9:30am Rosary Group (OLR Chapel) 6:30pm Liturgical Ministry Leader's Parishstaq Training (Social Hall) 7:00pm Restore Group #1 Bible Study (Tile Area)	5:00pm Mass 5:30pm Parish Mardi Gras Party (Social Hall)	9:00am Ash Wednesday Mass (live-stream) 9:30am Rosary Group (OLR Chapel) 7:00pm Ash Wednesday Mass <div> THERE WILL BE AN INTERPRETER FOR THE DEAF (KATHY HODGES) AT THE 9:00AM ASH WEDNESDAY MASS </div>	9:00am Mass 9:30am Eucharistic Exposition (Reservation Chapel) 9:30am Rosary Group (OLR Chapel) 1:00pm Young at Heart Executive Committee Mtg (104) 6:00pm KofC Buffet Prep (Kitchen) 6:00pm ReachMore (Social Hall) 7:00pm Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm CFG Rehearsal	9:00am Mass 9:30am Rosary Group (OLR Chapel) 9:45am Restore Group #2 Bible Study (103) 11:30am KofC Lenten Buffet Lunch (Ministry Center) 1:00pm Shawl Ministry (104) 4:30pm KofC Lenten Buffet Dinner (Ministry Center) 7:00pm Stations of the Cross	Eucharistic Miracles Exposition (Gathering Space) 2:00pm Confirmation Small Group (Kitchen) 3:30pm Worship Team Warmup (OLR Chapel) 5:00pm Mass

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

February 2023

Ministry	Saturday, Feb 11 5:00pm	Sunday, Feb 12 9:00am	Sunday, Feb 12 11:00am	Saturday, Feb 18 5:00pm	Sunday, Feb 19 9:00am	Sunday, Feb 19 11:00am
1st Lector	Leon Milnes	Hannah Feilmeier	Sandra Doty	CHILDREN'S MASS Sign Ups	Pete Mudre	Kathy Woodrum
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SERVERS	Reid Luffler Jude Luffler Lincoln Luffler	Sophia Warner Liz Murrin	Anna Carey Colby DeShetler Davis Valenta	Lena Parmentar Maddie Parmentar Lauren Parker	Anne Farrell Elijah Franz	Noah Clear Camden Clear Anna Clear
DEAF MINISTRY	Kathy Hodges	Jessica Metzger	THERE WILL BE AN INTERPRETER FOR THE DEAF (KATHY HODGES) AT THE 9:00AM ASH WEDNESDAY MASS, FEBRUARY 22ND. IT WILL ALSO BE LIVE-STREAMED.		Jessica Metzger	
EOMS TO SICK & HOMEBOUND Sunday, February 19						
<u>AVALON</u> Yvette & Bill Pederson	<u>CHESTNUT HILL</u> Patti Hoffman Jennie Wilson	<u>LAURELS</u> Mary Brosseau	<u>N.A. GARDENS</u> Amy Golian Carrie Dutton	<u>OTTERBEIN</u> Bobbi Ius Melody Kramer	<u>SMITH'S MILL</u> Mat & Lisa Kraus Marg Barber OPEN	<u>WESLEY WOODS</u> Julie Rubadue Bonnie Nelson OPEN
ALTAR LINENS	Pick up/return between February 6 - February 8		Pick up/return between February 13 - February 15		Pick up/return between February 20 - February 22	
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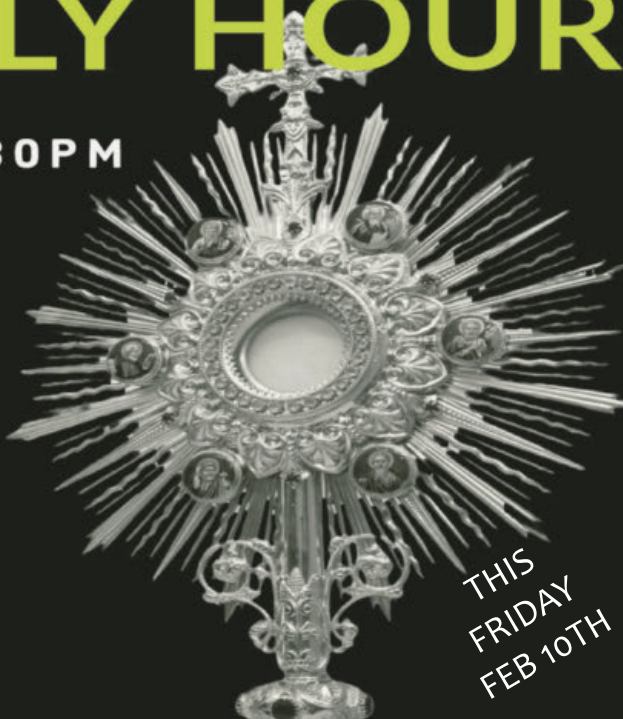
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If you have any questions about a particular scholarship or the application process, please contact Dan Kurth, VP of Grants, at dkurth@catholic-foundation.org or 614-443-8893.

Holy Rosary & St. John Church: Join us on Sunday, February 12th at 9:30 am for a Mass for the Anointing of the Sick at Holy Rosary-St. John Church, 660 S. Ohio Ave., Columbus, OH. The Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes, Bishop of Columbus, and Fr. Ramon Oweru will be celebrating Mass and anointing the sick. Sponsored by the Order of Malta. Reception and tours of the Order of Malta Center of Care (health and dental clinics) after the Mass.

St. Phillip the Apostle Church cordially invites you to attend an AMAZING, interactive retreat entitled: "Discovering the Essential Role of the Lay Person in God's Plan," based upon the teachings of Pope Saint John Paul II. **When:** February 17-18, 2023. **Where:** St. Phillip the Apostle Church, 944 US-22, Morrow, OH 45152. **Cost:** A free-will offering, so everyone can afford to come! Lunch will be provided to all who pre-register! To learn more or pre-register for this retreat, visit PresentationMinistries.com or call (513) 373-2397.

Find Comfort in Your Grief: Seasons of Hope is a Catholic support group for the bereaved which offers opportunities to come together to share in God's love. Six weekly sessions explore mourning through scripture, prayer, reflection activities and faith sharing. Immaculate Conception Parish, Columbus, is hosting a winter session of Seasons of Hope, February 19 - March 19, 2:00 - 4:00 pm. Additional information and future session dates can be found at www.northhighdeanery.org/seasons-of-hope. To register, please call Debbie Kennedy at 614-937-0516. Come and be comforted!



St. Matthew Spaghetti Dinner: The dinner is at the St. Matthew School Gym on Saturday, February 25th. Doors open at 4:30pm and dinner is served until 8:00pm. Carryout service is available. **Presale Cost:** \$8.00 Adults, \$6.00 Children, and \$25 for families (immediate members only please). **At the Door Cost:** \$10.00 Adults, \$7.00 Children, and \$30 for families (immediate members only please). Presale deadline is Wednesday, February 22nd. For more info, contact Kelly at 614-679-5678.

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Thoughts on the Journey

February 5, 2023 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 5:13-16

Suanne Gettings

At one time or another, we have all probably heard, "Yes. I'm a Christian, but my faith is private." We may have even said it ourselves. The essence of that reasoning goes something like, "I am a Christian, but I don't want anyone to notice." Reflecting on the gospel from Matthew this week, I couldn't help but wonder, what Jesus would say about that kind of thinking.

Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount on the northern slope of the Sea of Galilee. It was there He made it clear what His expectations were for those who truly wanted to be His devoted followers. He said to His Disciples as He says to us,

**"You are the salt of the earth...
you are the light of the world"**

Jesus' use of the words 'earth' and 'world' indicate that our Christian influence should impact the world globally, beginning where we live: in our homes, at school, at work, in our communities, and beyond. Jesus calls us to live the beatitudes so that our Christian actions and reactions move outward and make a difference. Can salt go unnoticed when it seasons our food? Can light go unnoticed if it penetrates the darkness? Do we think that Jesus wants us to go quietly amid the noise of a broken secular world going unnoticed? Absolutely not and we know this by His God-given mandate to advance the gospel by how we live and love.

There are many examples of people who understand what it means to be salt and light. We have a community of people who glorify our Lord by living this mandate. There are many examples of faith in action, but here is just one for the sake of this article: Our El Salvador Ministry has been part of our parish outreach for many years. Their mission is to support the staff, the children, and their families of the PNAR Catholic School in Agua Caliente, El Salvador, through prayer and resources. Many of our

parishioners sponsor the students who otherwise would be unable to afford to attend the school. Sponsorship includes books, uniforms, tuition, a safe environment for learning, and much more.

Under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, Larry Savage, and a committee of dedicated people, we see the transforming nature of living Jesus' mandate to be salt of the earth and light to the world. Thru fortitude, persistence, good example, and fostering relationships with the school community, tremendous progress has been made over the years. Over 200 children are currently enrolled; that number has grown substantially and hopes to continue growing. A once dependent people are now taking ownership of their school. With the hard work of the school staff, in cooperation with students and their families, they are making it thrive bringing light to their community.

There are ongoing zoom meetings with people from our El Salvador Ministry and members of the school staff. People from our parish have made trips to El Salvador to bring resources and encouragement. It's inspiring to witness the incredible cooperation of everyone working together as a global community of faith... we, in Ohio and they, in El Salvador. These are disciples who are willing to be noticed for their service to others, not for their own glorification. As a result, people are witnessing the good that they do and giving glory to God. We are all called to be salt and light regardless of how old we are or what we do. It's a mindset that strengthens the flavor of what we believe so that others want to taste it. It brings light to the Christ within us illuminating the way so that others will follow.

No! Jesus doesn't want us to keep our faith private nor does He want us to go unnoticed. He tells us to go out into the world and let our light shine for all to see!

TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH

Sunday, Feb 05, 2023

Lord, hold the center together

Author and black Catholic educator Therese Wilson Favors wrote some rousing words for today's observance, the National Day of Prayer for the African American Family: "At times when the strain of life is heaviest within our families, 'holding-on power' is needed. Perseverance is the glue squeezed out from the soul and spoken in prayer at the midnight hour. Perseverance is the spiritual machine needed to break down the mountain and push through from weakness to strength. Lord, let me hold on just a little bit longer." Pray for black families and all families vulnerable to social forces that embattle them.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 58:7-10; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16 (73). *"Your vindication shall go before you, and the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard."*

Monday, Feb 06, 2023

Be nourished by his rain

Almost 350 years before the second atomic bomb was dropped on the Japanese city of Nagasaki, it was the site of another tragedy—the place where 26 Christian martyrs were crucified on a hill, now known as Holy Mountain. The best known of the martyrs was Brother Paul Miki, a native Japanese member of the Jesuit order. While hanging on his cross, he continued to preach, expressing thanks to God that he was dying for teaching the doctrine of Christ and urging his listeners to "ask Christ to help you to become happy." He said he hoped his blood would fall as "fruitful rain." May his gentle words and brave witness nourish your prayer today.

MEMORIAL OF PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 1:1-19; Mark 6:53-56 (329). *"They laid the sick in the marketplaces and begged him that they might touch only the tassel on his cloak."*

Tuesday, Feb 07, 2023

How to help a good cause

Six individuals are in line to become the first African-American saint: Sister Thea Bowman, Julia Greeley, Mother Mary Lange, Mother Henriette Delille, Father Augustus Tolton, and Pierre Toussaint. The first three have the title "servant of God," indicating their canonization cause has been launched. The latter three have the title "venerable," meaning the pope recognizes their heroic virtue. Next would come beatification, allowing candidates to be called "blessed"; it includes the church's confirmation that they are in heaven—evidenced by at least two miracles from their intercession (unless they're martyred). Finally, comes canonization. Learn about these six and seek their intercession year-round.

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 1:20-2:4a; Mark 7:1-13 (330). *"God created man in his image; in the divine image he created him; male and female he created them."*

Wednesday, Feb 08, 2023

Saintly guidance to help end modern-day slavery

This day marks the International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking—also the feast of the first and only black woman saint in modern times: the Sudanese nun Josephine Bakhita. Kidnapped into slavery as a child by Arab traffickers in the late 19th century, she was converted to Islam before eventually being left in the care of Canossian Sisters in Italy. Her freedom soon came, and she lived out her later life as a Catholic and

eventually a nun. Today, an estimated 50 million people live in modern-day slavery. Christians are among the greatest combatants of the trade, and Saint Josephine was named the patron of survivors when she was canonized in 2000. May her faith continue to inspire those working to end the scourge, and may we join their efforts.

MEMORIAL OF JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, RELIGIOUS

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mark 7:14-23 (331).

"When you send forth your spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth."

Thursday, Feb 09, 2023

Seeing Adam's rib with fresh eyes

Traditionally, today's first reading has been used as a cudgel to keep women in divinely sanctioned inferiority. In the past century, scholars have looked differently at Genesis. Eve being created last doesn't imply inferiority, they say; human creation came after the rest of creation and traditionally was seen as implying superiority (which is actually another idea now under question). Also, many say a "partner" for Adam would imply equal status. Scripture interpretation depends heavily on the culture and on who is doing the interpreting. May the Holy Spirit inspire each one of us to advance human dignity.

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 2:18-25; Mark 7:24-30 (332). *"This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh."*

Friday, Feb 10, 2023

Togetherness has its virtue

Saint Scholastica (480-543) is the patron of Benedictine nuns and sisters. Along with her brother Saint Benedict of Nursia, she helped establish a rule for monastic living that emphasized prayer, work, and peace. Contemporary Benedictine women continue to follow this ancient set of precepts. The vision of monastic life, as expressed in the 2022 Centennial Prayer of the Benedictine Federation of Saint Scholastica is to "see Christ at the heart of all creation and at the center of our common life" and "share the peace of Christ, show the love of Christ, and make Christ known in our world." In what ways does your own life within family and community give witness to the peace and love of Christ?

MEMORIAL OF SCHOLASTICA, RELIGIOUS

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 3:1-8; Mark 7:31-37 (333). *"[Jesus] has done all things well."*

Saturday, Feb 11, 2023

Our hands, God's hands

Today is World Day of the Sick, an observation introduced by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to serve those suffering from illnesses. "Because Your hands, which touch the suffering flesh of Christ," said the sainted pope, "can be a sign of the merciful hands of the Father." Today and every day we pray for and care for the sick in our lives. On this day last year Pope Francis stated, "The ministry of consolation is a task for every baptized person, mindful of the word of Jesus: 'I was sick and you visited me.'"

TODAY'S READINGS: Genesis 3:9-24; Mark 8:1-10 (334). *"My heart is moved with pity for the crowd."*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time

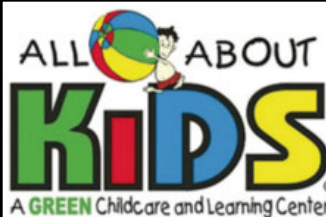


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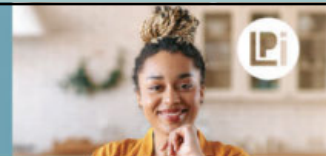
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