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Parish Office: Phone: 614-279-1690; Fax: 614-279-2386 Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Friday-Sunday: Closed Deadline for bulletin updates: Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m.

SUNDAY OBLIGATION MASSES:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 9:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS:

9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions): Thursday: 9:30 a.m.; Saturday: 3:00-3:30 p.m.; or by appointment if you call the Parish Office.

BAPTISMS: Following the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS: Third Monday of the month: January, March, May, July, September and November, 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office. If attending, you must call 614-279-1690 to register.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements must be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding.

New Parishioners and Parishioners Moving Out:

Please call the Parish Office to register or to change status.

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MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MARCH 3 - ST. KATHARINE DREXEL, VIRGIN

9:00 a.m. John & Marie Fink by Barbara Fink

TUESDAY, MARCH 4 - ST. CASIMIR

9:00 a.m. Florence Hyde by Cindi Rowlands

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5 - ASH WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. Alan Dekker by Ellyn Dekker

7:00 p.m. People of the Parish

THURSDAY, MARCH 6 - THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

9:00 a.m. Patricia Wickham by the Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 7 - FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

9:00 a.m. Ralph DeMatteo (Anniversary) by the Family

SATURDAY, MARCH 8 - SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY

4:00 p.m. Philomena Mastrovincenzo by Kathy & Barb

SUNDAY, MARCH 9 - FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:30 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Milagros Cale by Mila Bravo

ST. ZITA MINISTRY: February 3: Carla Guggenbiller, Rhonda Schell, Mary Jones

PARISH NEWS:

PARISH MISSION: We will have our Parish Mission March 30-April 2, 7:00 p.m., all four nights in the church. Mark your calendars and join us. Everyone is invited.

THE YOUNG AT HEART MEMBERS are invited to lunch on Monday, March 3, at El Vaquero, 2195 Riverside Drive, We will gather at 12:00 Noon. Anyone 55 or older is invited to join the Young at Heart club and enjoy our monthly luncheon meetings.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SHROVE DINNER: The St. Margaret Knights of Columbus will be serving their annual Shrove Dinner on Monday, March 3rd 5:30-7:00 p.m. in Kulp Hall. (The Knights were so excited about the dinner this year that they decided to do it a day early!!!!) Come and enjoy some delicious spaghetti and meatballs with secret recipe red sauce. The Shrove Dinner is free, but donations are accepted and appreciated.

PRAY FOR THE ETERNAL REST OF Martha Burkley, a member of our parish, who died this past Monday. Our prayers and sympathy are with family at this time of sorrow.

BAPTISM: We extend a warm welcome to **Henry Richard Williams**, son of **Morgan and Mark Williams**; **Theo Robbie Bundt** son of **Samantha and Konner Bundt**, who were received into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism.

WALKING WITH PURPOSE Bible Study for Women will begin its winter/spring session THIS Tuesday, March 4 in Kulp Hall. The morning session meets at 10:00 to 11:45 a.m. and the evening session meets at 6:00 to 7:45 p.m. No previous Bible study experience necessary. Please join us and bring a friend! "Living In the Father's Love" will be our study guide for this 6-week session which can be ordered at: www.shop.walkingwithpurpose.com. Please look for more information in the vestibule of church or contact us by email, www.wwpstmargaretofcortona@aol.com. If you are new to the program please fill out a registration form and bring it with you to any session or to the church office.

ALL-DAY ADORATION We have been chosen to have all-day Exposition of the Eucharist for our parish and the whole diocese here on **Thursday, March 27**. We will begin with Mass at 9:00 a.m. and have Exposition of the **Eucharist until 7:00 p.m.**, at which time we will have **Stations of the Cross, sung Vespers and Benediction**. All are invited! Please sign up for an hour.

REFLECTING AHEAD NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

(1st) Dt 26:4-10; (2nd) Rom 10:8-13; (Gos) Lk 4:1-13

Q: What preparations have you made for the start of Lent?

Q: In your life, have you resisted the temptation to put the Lord, your God, to the test?

THE CATHOLIC TIMES: It's not too late to sign up for *The Catholic Times* or give the publication as a gift during Catholic Press Month. For a minimum donation of \$26.00 for a one-year subscription, Catholic news from the diocese will be delivered right to your home. **REMEMBER to sign up or renew online** at **catholictimescolumbus.org**, under the subscribe tab.

RICE BOWL: Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl is a Lenten faith formation program for use in parishes, schools, religious education programs and by families and individuals in the home. CRS Rice Bowl serves the poorest among us through Catholic Relief Services in over 100 countries. Please support CRS Rice Bowl during Lent. Rice Bowls can be found in the vestibule for you to take home to easily participate in the wonderful program. **Visit www.crsricebowl.org for more details.**

ASH WEDNESDAY COLLECTION: Half of the proceeds of Ash Wednesday collection will be contributed to J.O.I.N. (Joint Organization for Inner-city Needs) J.O.I.N. is a diocesan agency that provides emergency assistance to the poor in the form of food, food certificates, clothing, and prescription assistance, utility help, infant formula, eyeglasses, bus transportation, Ensure for seniors, car repair, and referrals to other public and private service providers. The other half of the money will go to the St. Margaret of Cortona, St. Vincent de Paul Conference. Please be generous.

IT'S FINALLY FISH FRY TIME! This Friday is the first Fish Fry! The 27th Annual St. Margaret of Cortona Lenten Fish Fry will be held on the six Fridays of Lent from March 7th through April 11th, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Bring your family, come and enjoy the "The Best Fish Fry in Town!" This is a great parish and community event, so come and be a part of the excitement! The dinner prices remain the same as last year: Adults: \$17.00; Seniors: \$16.00; Children (10 & under) – \$7.00; Children (3 & under) – Free; Special Family Rate: \$40.00 for two adults and all their children. Everything is included: Deep Fried Ocean Perch, Oven Baked Cod, Choice of two sides: French Fries, Baked Potato, Sweet Potato, Macaroni & Cheese, Applesauce, Cole Slaw; Free drinks & Free Homemade Dessert! Adult beverages available. To volunteer, please send an e-mail to Larrypish@columbus.rr.com or text Larry Pishitelli at 614-214-8568; or just show up when available. Come and help make this another successful season!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY, April 13th, Masses on this weekend are at the regular times.

THE CHRISM MASS, April 15th, St. Paul Church, Westerville. All are welcome.

HOLY THURSDAY, April 17th — MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER is at 7:00 p.m. followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00 p.m. There will be no morning Mass.

GOOD FRIDAY, April 18th, — The Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday is 2:00 p.m. There will be no morning Mass.

HOLY SATURDAY, April 19th, — The Vigil Mass of Easter is 9:00 p.m. Come and welcome our neophytes into our church at this Mass. THERE IS NO 4:00 P.M. MASS!! The Blessing of the New Easter Food will be at 1:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 20th, – Masses at the regular times of 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. ONLY.

LENT BEGINS this Wednesday, March 5, which is Ash Wednesday. Ashes will be distributed at the 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. The date of Ash Wednesday is determined by the date on which Easter Sunday falls each year. Easter falls on the first Sunday after the first Full Moon, after the Vernal Equinox (the first day of spring). This year, Easter falls on April 20th. The earliest date on which Easter can fall is March 22. The latest date on which Easter can fall is April 25. Ash Wednesday is a day of both Fast & Abstinence.

ASH WEDNESDAY, AND GOOD FRIDAY, are both days of FAST for Catholics ages 18-59 inclusively. On Fast Days, one full meal and two lesser meals are permitted. Only liquids are allowed between meals.

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2025

ASH WEDNESDAY, March 5th. Masses are at **9:00 a.m.** and **7:00 p.m.** Ashes will be distributed during these Masses. Come and start Lent on a spiritual note!

DAILY MASSES: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 9:00 a.m. Join us for Lent!

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT every Thursday, beginning at 9:30 a.m. and, concluding at noon. The church is open until 8:00 p.m. There will be no daytime Adoration on Thursday, April 17th, Holy Thursday, but we will have Adoration following the 7:00 p.m. Holy Thursday Mass until 10:00 p.m. that evening.

EVERY THURSDAY IN LENT, STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed beginning at **7:00 p.m.**, followed by **sung Evening Prayer** (**Vespers**) and **Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.**

This concludes Adoration. Please note that none of these are done on Holy Thursday.

LENTEN PARISH COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE: Tuesday, April 1st, 7:00 p.m. in church. This is our opportunity for ALL of us to gather and celebrate the sacrament of Penance (or Confession) as a parish family. Please come and join us for this!!!

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION SCHEDULE: Every Saturday of Lent (except Holy Saturday) from 3:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m., and on every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. (except Holy Thursday). On Monday, April 14, Confessions will be heard 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the church, which will be the final opportunity before Easter.

OUR FISH FRY—every Friday of Lent from March 7, until April 11th, 4:30-7:30 p.m. in Kulp Hall. Plan to come and join us!!

ST. MARGARET PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a prayer request, e-mail it to cwelycz@breezelineohio.net, or call 614 562 8570.

All prayer requests are confidential.

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MONDAY	9:00 a.m.	Mass					
	12:00 p.m.	Young at Heart Lunch, El Vaquaro					
	7:00 p.m.	O.C.I.A. Rectory Lower Level					
	5:30 p.m.	Shrove Dinner, Kulp Hall					
TUESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Mass					
	10:00 a.m.	Walking with Purpose, Kulp Hall					
	6:00 p.m.	Walking With Purpose, Kulp Hall					
WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Ash Wednesday Mass,					
		Distribution of Ashes					
	12:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry, Borrelli Center					
	7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Mass,					
		Distribution of Ashes					
THURSDAY	9:00 a.m.	Mass					
	9:30 a.m.	Confessions					
	9:30 a.m.	No Eucharistic adoration					
	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross, Church					
	7:30 p.m.	Vespers & Benediction of					
		the Sacred Sacrament, Church					
FRIDAY,	9:00 a.m.	Mass					
	4:30 p.m.	Parish Fish Fry, Kulp Hall					
SATURDAY,	3:00 p.m.	Confessions					
	4:00 p.m.	Mass					
SUNDAY,	8:30 a.m.	Mass					
	9:00 a.m.	PSR/CSG, Borrelli Center					
	10:30 a.m.	Mass					

SCHOOL NEWS

BISHOP READY RALLY RAFFLE: It's back – your chance to win BIG! Our Annual Ready Rally Raffle is now open and ready for you to purchase your chance(s) to win! The raffle will run until Thursday, March 6. Tickets are \$25.00 per chance and can be purchased with a credit card online. If you'd like to purchase with cash or check, please visit the school or see a Silver Knight student. This raffle is structured as a 50-50 split of receipts minus expenses. Winners will be drawn Friday, March 7th and notified by the end of the day. If you have questions, please contact Janet Hohenberger at jhohenberger@cdeducation.org.

YOUR TITHE TO GOD: FEBRUARY 23, 2025

E-Catholic February \$ 1,210.00
Weekly Offertory Collection \$ 4,828.00
Total Weekly \$ 6,038.00
WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED \$ 9,000.00
DIFFERENCE FOR THIS WEEK -\$ 2,962.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Wednesday, March 5	Altar Servers	Extraordinary Ministers	Greeter/Usher	Lectors
Ash Wednesday 7:00 p.m.	Jean Fry Leo Racanelli	Christine Dietsch Ken Hagy		Gabriella Racanelli

March 8-9	Altar Servers	Extraordinary Minister	Greeter/Usher	Lectors
Saturday, March 8 4:00 p.m.	Elizabeth Gerken Lila Johnson	Madeline Eberle Nate Rohyans		Peg Kuhns
Sunday, March 9 8:30 a.m.	Jean Fry	Bryan Adkins Daniel Bosieh	Mark Nolan	Joe Lombardi
Sunday, March 9 10:30 a.m.	Jacoby Gorham Sylvia Michael	Theresa Bickerdt James Duckro		JoMarie Wilson

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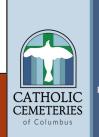
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