

C.O.O.L. NEWS**Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Monthly Newsletter**

FOR CONFIDENCE IN THE STORM

**Lord, we are very much aware our lives are fragile,
that dangers are all around us,
that storms of various kinds threaten us.**

**We are concerned about health,
we fear crime and violence,
we know that accidents can happen in a twinkle of
an eye,
we worry about finances,
we are anxious about members of our family.**

**So we pray for protection,
for confidence and for wisdom.
So often we look only on the waves,
the wind the dangers, the troubles,
the difficulties and we see little hope.
At other times we place too much confidence in our
own abilities,
and we act foolishly and recklessly.**

**So we ask that You will help us to keep our eyes on
You.**

**Give us a keen sense of our limitations.
May our faith in You be strong and unswerving,
standing firm on the face of hardship
and remaining humble in times of success.**

Amen.

sweet land of liberty...

...of thee I sing

First Friday Adoration

July 2, 2021

From 9:45am to 12:00pm

In the Roman Missal - the Feast of the Visitation of Our Blessed Lady to St. Elizabeth.



The Knights vs Squires / Youth Softball Game Is Back!

Tuesday, July 13, at 7:00pm at COOL field behind the church. All details are available on the Knights' News Page.

Congratulations to all the children who made their First Communion on Father's Day, June 20, 2021. Pictures will follow in the August COOL News.



Prayer to St. Joseph

O God, You were pleased to choose Saint Joseph as the husband of Mary and the guardian of Your Son.



Grant that, as we venerate him as our protector on Earth, we may deserve to have him as our intercessor in Heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Our Lady of Mount Carmel NOVENA

Novena Dates: July 7-15

Feast Day: July 16



Queen of Carmel, Mother of God and of poor sinners; special protectress of all who wear thy holy Scapular,

I ask thee to obtain for me the

pardon of my sins, amendment of my life, salvation of my soul, comfort in my suffering, and particularly,

the grace I now ask: (mention your request).

(Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be)

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, pray for us.

Submitted by Mary Bishel

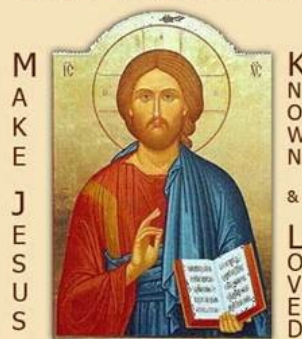
RCIA - Call For Participants and Sponsors

Do you know anyone who is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith?

Are you a life-long Catholic who would like to grow spiritually? Do you struggle with answering basic questions about the faith? Having a greater understanding of the faith will open doors of knowledge and spiritual growth you can't imagine.

Based on my own experience from the time I started participating in the RCIA classes, my faith has deepened and my confidence in the truths of the Catholic Faith has exploded! I want to share this great treasure with all!

CATECHESIS



Classes will start in September and are open to all who have the desire to participate.

I need volunteers to be sponsors, to walk the faith journey with someone who will become your friend - for life.

Elaine Sturm, Catechist

FEAST DAYS IN JULY

- July 1 - St. Junipero Serra, *Priest*
 July 2 - First Friday
 July 3 - **First Saturday, St. Thomas, Apostle**
 July 4 - **INDEPENDENCE DAY - Our Lady of Miracles, Avignon, France**
 July 5 - St. Anthony Zaccaria & St. Elizabeth of Portugal
-OFFICE CLOSED-
 July 6 - St. Maria Goretti
 July 9 - St. Augustine Zhao Rong, *Priest, Martyr* and his Companions
 July 11 - St. Benedict Abbot - *Religious Founder*
 July 13 - St. Henry - *Married Man, King & 104th Anniversary of the 3rd Apparition Our Lady of Fatima*
 July 14 - St. Kateri Tekakwitha, *Virgin*
 July 15 - St. Bonaventure, *Bishop & Doctor of the Church*
July 16 - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
 July 18 - **Our Lady of Victory, Toledo, Spain & St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest**
 July 20 - St. Apollinaris, *Bishop, Martyr*
 July 21 - St. Lawrence of Brindisi, *Priest & Doctor of the Church*
 July 22 - St. Mary Magdalene, *Disciple of the Lord*
 July 23 - St. Bridget, *Religious, Married Woman*
 July 24 - St. Sharbel Makhlof, *Priest*
 July 25 - **St. James, Apostle** & St. Christopher
 July 26 - Sts Joachim & Anne, *Parents of the BVM*
 July 29 - St. Martha, *Disciple of the Lord*
 July 30 - St. Peter Chrysologus, *Bishop, Doctor of the Church*
 July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola, *Priest, Religious Founder*

The **Friend of Medjugorje** who also brought us The Patriotic Rosary, is asking for our prayers in **The**



Seven Novenas beginning on **June 25, 2021**, to pray for the conversion of our country - ending in 5 days of prayer from Dec 8 -12.

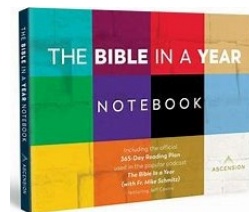
These Novenas are said monthly. The prayers are dated for each day so it is easy to follow. Our Lady is calling us to prayer for the conversion of our loved ones!

Please join the effort! The books are FREE and are located in both lobbies.

READ THE BIBLE IN A YEAR

If you can't make it to a COOL Bible Study, consider making an individual effort to read the Bible. Here is one opportunity that may work for you.

You can join Fr. Mike Schmitz and read "The Bible in a Year" by signing up at ascensionpress.com. The plan will be sent to your email.



You can also order this companion notebook online.

Adult Ed. Father's Day Cookie Sale - A BIG "THANK YOU"!



Joanne's cookie assembly team!

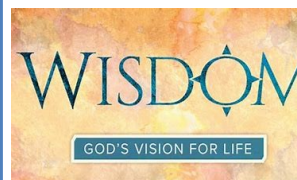
Thanks to everyone who supported the Father's Day Cookie Sale!

Your support provides the needed finances for us to purchase new programs for our Bible Study series.



A Happy Customer!
Mike Rundag sent a picture of his Father's Day present from Cindy!

ADULT ED UPDATES



New Faith Study Program from Ascension Press - **The Book of Wisdom** begins

Wednesday, June 30th at 10:00am in the rectory Adult-Ed. room and also via ZOOM for those who prefer to view from home. Call the parish office to sign up 614-861-1242.

~~ ALSO ~~

Father Coleman has approved resuming the Monday evening 6:30pm Bible Study. The first session will begin on July 12th with some mini sessions. The first one will be for three (3) weeks on **St. Joseph, The Hidden King**. We have three more topics already on order.

Submitted by Joanne Farrell



Real Presence Real Future

What is Real Presence, Real Future?

It is Bishop Brennan's approach to learning about his diocese in depth from each of the parishes through a survey which touches on our basic activities, participation and support. The survey provides a wealth of statistics to be crunched but there is also the element of "lived experience" that Fr. Coleman's RPRF Team is providing to illustrate the impact we have on the community in a way that numbers cannot show.

Of the 253 families at Church of Our Lady, 82 people completed the survey. Here are a few of the findings from the survey:

Our strengths - Our belief in the truths and core teachings of the Catholic Faith (Agree & Strongly Agree):

The True Presence in the Eucharist – 88% (Strongly Agree) - 5% (Agree)

Our belief that Scripture is the Word of God – 83% Strongly Agree - 9% (Agree)

The Church is critical in our relationship with God – 61% (Strongly Agree) 22% (Agree)

Our faith practices (Agree & Strongly Agree):

Frequency at Mass Attendance – 18% (Daily) - 69% (Weekly)

Frequency of Individual Prayer time – 69% (Daily) - 9% (Weekly)

Frequency of Catholic Devotions – 41% (Daily) - 19% (Weekly)

Our Opportunities – what areas can we build up? What are opportunities for spiritual growth? (These were some of the questions with the lowest percentage of agreement):

Learning the faith via preaching – 42%

Learning the faith via the Mass – 52%

Opportunities for sharing our personal stories – 47%

Frequency of retreats – 32%

Invited someone to the priesthood – 19%

Invited someone to the religious life – 19%

What does this mean for our parish?

We are calling you to grow in your spiritual life. We will be actively creating and broadening activities to improve the opportunities you will have to grow spiritually, increase your understanding and appreciation for the faith, and have more participation in Church of Our Lady's ministries.



Episcopal insignia

When he was ordained, Bishop Edward Malesic, like other bishops, was presented with three insignia of his office: an episcopal ring, a crozier and a mitre. Other signs of a bishop's office are the zucchetto, the pectoral cross and the cathedra.

▶ EPISCOPAL RING

The ring (A) symbolizes the bishop's fidelity to the bride of God, the Church. Bishop Malesic's ring was a gift from three priest friends in the Diocese of Harrisburg: Msgr. William King, Father Paul Helwig and Father Charles Persing.

▶ CROSIER

The crozier (B) is a tall, hooked staff carried by a bishop that signifies his role as the shepherd of his flock. Bishop Malesic's crozier was a gift from the Diocese of Harrisburg, where he served as a priest before his elevation to bishop of Greensburg.

▶ MITER AND ZUCCHETTO

The mitre (C) is a tall, peaked hat that bishops wear. It signifies a bishop's resolve to pursue holiness. The two shield-shaped halves are said to represent the Old and New Testaments. Two strips of fabric called lappets hang down the back. They originally were tied around the chin to prevent the mitre from falling off while the bishop rode on horseback. The mitre is set aside when the bishop prays, revealing the zucchetto (D), a round, silk fuchsia skullcap that he wears underneath.

▶ PECTORAL CROSS

The pectoral cross (E) is worn over the mozzetta (a short, elbow-length vestment that covers the shoulders and is buttoned in front) when he is in choir dress. When wearing a suit, the cross usually is placed in the jacket pocket with the chain showing. Bishop Malesic's pectoral cross was a gift from his father, Joseph. The word pectoral is derived from *pectus*, the Latin word for breast.

▶ CATHEDRA

The official chair of a bishop in his cathedral is the cathedra (F). He sits there when presiding at solemn functions. In the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, the cathedra is located slightly above and behind the altar. It has not been used since February when Archbishop Nelson Perez left the diocese to become archbishop of Philadelphia. Bishop Malesic's coat of arms will be installed on the cathedra. †

THE POWER OF PRAYER!

I do believe that God places people in our lives and that there are no coincidences! God amazes me in what He does for us.

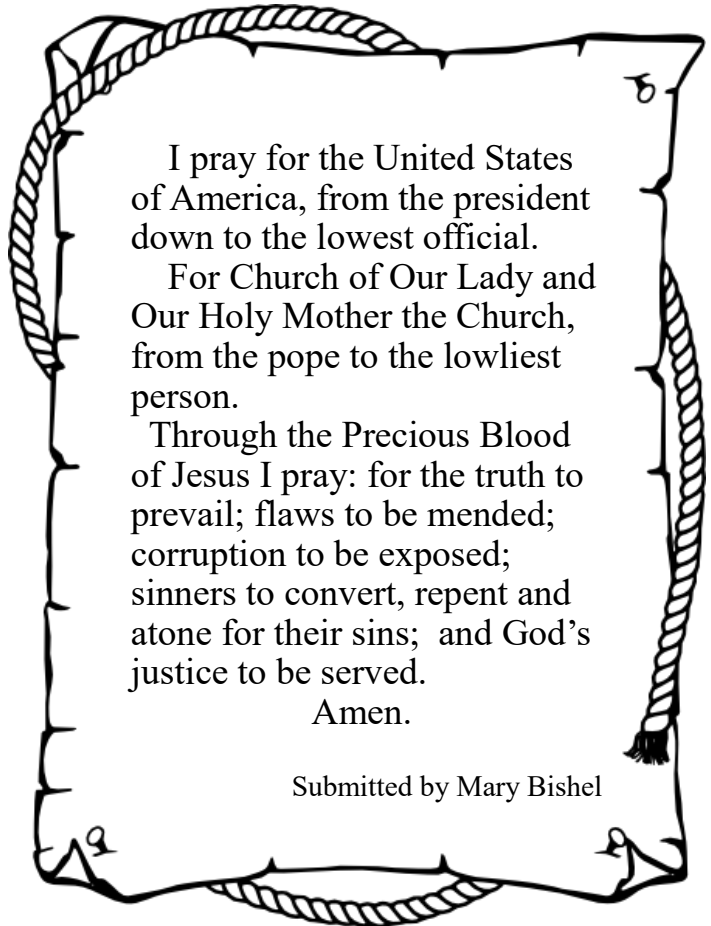
Today (June 2nd) I met Randall Perkins. We were having issues with our cable TV, he was the tech sent out this time. He was very polite, professional and courteous. I can't remember exactly how we started talking about Psalm 91, but we did.

Randall gave testimony to the power of Psalm 91. He is a basketball coach at the Tree of Life Middle School. He shared that one of the teachers expressed concern for her students because of COVID -19 (this was toward the beginning of the pandemic). People knew little about what to expect; there was a lot of fear of the unknown. He told her not to fear. She just needed to pray Psalm 91. God would take care of them. She listened. She prayed. The students joined in. She gave them printed copies. I think he said one or more of the families got involved. She sent him a video of the class praying Psalm 91 together.

We don't know the power of Psalm 91: her sixth grade class was the only class in the Tree of Life School system to NOT have to quarantine; Randall's basketball team was the only sport in the school who NEVER had to stop due to quarantine! A testimony to the power of Psalm 91 and the awesomeness of God!

I am so happy that Randall gave me permission to share this powerful truth! Up till now I prayed Psalm 91 for military personnel, then first responders and those in the front line (*medical people, store employees, and any who had to be out there to help us*), but this opens up this prayer for so much more.

In Jesus name I pray, Mary Bishel.



Parish Office Closed

Monday, July 5, 2021



Memorial Day Observance at Miraculous Medal

Once again the parish gathered at the flag pole after the 10:00am Mass to honor the brave men and women who gave their lives in service to our great country. Joe Hettinger, retired Navy officer, placed the wreath this year assisted by his wife, June. The parish grounds were decorated with American flags as well as the flags of each service branch.

A Special "Thank You" to Fritz Mirville for taking care of the flag, Paul Mitchell for the sound system and providing TAPS, Deacon Steve for his prayer, Fr. Coleman for his support of this tradition and of course our parishioners who make this such a moving experience with the singing of God Bless America at the conclusion. Most of all, our thanks go to our military and veterans, for the land of the free because of the brave.

Submitted by Patrick Shroyer



Knights' News

The Knights vs Squires/Youth Softball Game Announced!

The event will take place on Tuesday, July 13, at 7:00pm at COOL field behind the church.

The ballgame will be preceded by a modified, non-potluck, picnic dinner starting at 6:00pm, following Covid-19 guidelines. The Knights will serve hamburgers/hotdogs individually to each person. Single serving packaged chips and containers of pop and/or water will also be handed out. Condiments will be provided in individual packages.

Please avoid bringing dishes of food to share, unless the servings are individually wrapped (cookies, cupcakes, etc.).

The Installation of Officers will also take place before the game. All parish families are invited to attend the picnic and to participate in the softball game. Come have some fun at COOL field. Its cheaper than "dime-a-dog" night at the Clippers!

It's all free, courtesy of Council #11188.

Officers of Council #11188

for the Fraternal Year 2021-2022

Congratulations are in order to the following members of the Council for being elected:

Grand Knight: Alex Esparza

Deputy Grand Knight: Cory Wilbur

Chancellor: Mike Draudt III

Warden: Tim Hickey

Advocate: George Medary

Recorder: Bill Wilbur

Inside Guard: Andy Wells

Outside Guard: Bob Trisquet

1st Year Trustee: Fritz Mirville

2nd Year Trustee: Steve Doyle

3rd Year Trustee: Emmett Saylor

Treasurer: Mike Jacobs.

THE COOL KNIGHTS RECEIVE PLAQUE IN RECOGNITION OF SUPPORT FOR SEMINARIANS!

CONGRATULATIONS and THANK YOU to the parish members of Church of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal from the parish Knights of Columbus, Council 11188. Because of your generous contributions to the Support Our Seminarians program sponsored by the Ohio Knights of Columbus, our parish ranked #1 in the entire state of Ohio. There are 451 K of C Councils in the state. We're not the biggest parish by any means in the state but our parish has always had a large giving heart. In the Support of Our Seminarians program (formerly Pennies from Heaven) our parish has always been in the Top 10 in the state. Last year we were 5th and 7th two years ago.

The plaque from the Ohio State K of C will have Council 11188 engraved on it but it should read to The Church of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish, you all did it. On behalf of Council 11188 I would like to thank Fr. Coleman for allowing us to add our yellow envelope to the monthly envelope packet and to you parishioners for putting money in it each month.



The Knights of Columbus Silver Rose Program

The Silver Rose Program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States, and Mexico, through a series of prayer services promoting the dignity of

all human life and honoring Our Lady.

Each year, from early March through mid-December, silver roses are stewarded by councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the silver rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a Rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners, and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe

The Knights of Columbus Supreme Council have

had seven silver roses made over the years. One rose was presented to Pope Francis in 2014. For the past 56 years, the silver roses traveled from Canada to Mexico to symbolize unity among the peoples in the Americas. The rose is also a symbol of the pro-life movement, which recognizes Our Lady of Guadalupe as its patroness.

The roses begin their journey in Canada in May, and for six months they are carried by Knights of Columbus throughout the western, central and eastern corridors of North America. The journey concludes on December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, at the basilica bearing Her name in Mexico City. At that time the roses are presented before an image of Our Lady. **One of these silver roses will be present at the Church of our Lady on Sunday, June 27, at the 10:00am Mass.** The Knights will lead the Rosary in celebration of the silver rose before the Mass. Everyone in the parish is welcome to participate in the Rosary, followed by Mass.

Fr. Coleman's Calendar