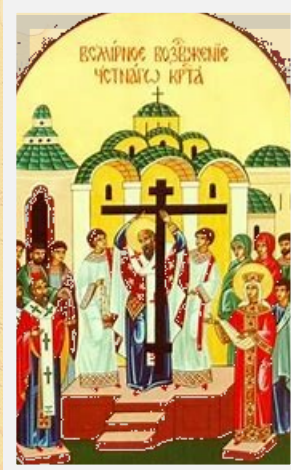


C.O.O.L. NEWS

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Monthly Newsletter

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Thursday, September 14th



September is the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

Her Feast Day is on

Friday, September 15th

Mary always follows and confirms her Son, Jesus!



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And lots more! We hope you enjoy the variety of material in our September issue!





ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FIRST FRIDAY, September 1, 2023

From 9:45 to Noon

ALL OTHER FRIDAYS

From 9:45 to 10:30am

Adoration closes with Benediction

PSR Begins on

Sunday, September 10th AFTER the 10:00^{am} MASS

from 11:15^{am} to 12:15^{pm}

We are continuing to schedule in conjunction with the Adult Ed Program so that parents can have the opportunity to attend the Bible Study program which begins at 11:15^{am} on Sundays!

If you haven't already signed up, there are sign-up sheets available in the west lobby.

We are still looking for volunteers to assist with the Sunday program. Please consider this vital support for the children of our parish.

Thank you,
Carolyn Mack



Submit your article for the next C.O.O.L. NEWS to:

Editor in Chief Elaine Sturm at
cool.sturm@gmail.com

Or place your submission in the box marked "COOL NEWS" located in the sacristy
DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS: September 15th

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WEB: CHURCHOFMIRACULOUSMEDAL.ORG
FACEBOOK: FACEBOOK.COM/COOLCOLUMBUS

Welcome Fr. Sunder Ery!

Dear Parishioners,

My name is Fr. Sunder Ery. I was born in India on February 15, 1973. My parents are Jacob Ery (d. 1996) and Mariamma Ery 85. By God's grace my mother is in good health (she had 2 stents put in for her heart problem a few years ago). We were 10 children but two died in the infancy and now, I have two brothers and five sisters who are all in India. I completed my seminary formation in India and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Cuddapah in Andhra Pradesh, South India on March 20, 2000.

I obtained my Master of Arts (2002-2002) and Master of Philosophy (2004-2005) degrees both in English. I served as the associate pastor at St. Mary's Cathedral (2002-2003) and also temporary pastor of Holy Spirit Church and School (January -May, 2003). I taught English at St. Joseph's Diocesan Jr. College (2003-2009) before I was appointed pastor and dean of Holy Rosary Parish, Porumamilla, India (2009-2011). I served the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois from 2011- 2023 during which time I was appointed a parochial vicar of St. Anthony of Padua, Effingham, Sacred Heart, Effingham and St. Mary's, Shumway. (May, 2011- Sep. 2013). I was parochial administrator and superintendent of St. Michael the Archangel Parish and School, Sigel, St. Mary's Neoga, Sacred Heart, Lillyville and St. Mary's Green Creek (2013-2016) and pastor of the same from September, 2016- June, 2023.

Thank you: I am so very grateful to Bishop Fernades, Fr. Hahn and Fr. Leo for welcoming me to the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio. In fact, my first ever visit to the United States was to Akron, OH in 2007 (just for a month's ministry at St. Sebastian).



Now I am here to serve you at this wonderful and vibrant parish, Our Lady of Miraculous Medal. It was a fabulous occasion for me to have been here just in time to celebrate with you our Annual Seton Family Festival and to meet a few of you. I am looking forward to helping and working with our Pastor Fr. Leo, Fr. Cyprian, and parish staff. Please be assured of my services and prayers for you.

God's many blessings,
Fr. Sunder

FEAST DAYS IN SEPTEMBER

September is the Month of Our Lady of Sorrows!

September 1 - First Friday

September 2 - First Saturday & St. Ingrid of Sweden

September 3 - St. Gregory the Great, *Pope, Doctor of the Church*

Monday - September 4 - St. Teresa of Calcutta / **Labor Day -PARISH OFFICE CLOSED!**

September 8 - **The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

September 9 - St. Peter Claver, *Priest*

September 12 - **The Most Holy Name of Mary**

September 13 - St. John Chrysostom, *Bishop & Doctor of the Church*; **the Anniversary of the 5th Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima**

September 14 - **The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

September 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

September 16 - St. Cornelius, *Pope, Martyr* and St. Cyprian, *Bishop Martyr*

September 17 - St. Robert Bellarmine, *Bishop & Doctor of the Church* & St. Hildegard of Bingen, *Virgin & Church Doctor*

September 18 - St. Joseph of Cupertino, *Priest*

September 19 - St. Januarius, *Bishop, Martyr*

September 20 - St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon & St. Paul Chong Ha-sang, *Companions & Martyrs*

September 21 - St. Matthew, *Apostle, Evangelist*

September 22 - St. Thomas of Villanova, *Bishop* (Valencia, Spain)

September 23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina, *Priest* (Padre Pio)

September 26 - Sts. Cosmas and Damian, *Martyrs*

September 27 - St. Vincent de Paul, *Priest*

September 28 - St. Wenceslaus, *Ruler, Martyr* & St. Lawrence Ruiz, *Martyr, Married Man and Companions, Martyrs*

September 29 - St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael, *Archangels*

September 30 - St. Jerome, *Priest, Doctor of the Church*

A CALL FOR ALTAR MINISTERS

The Second Vatican Council opened October 11, 1962, and held four sessions until it closed on December 8, 1965, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. One particular purpose was to emphasize “the full development of the Church and the better accomplishment of its mission in the contemporary world” (2002 *Our Sunday Visitor Catholic Almanac*).

Part of “the full development” included the institution of ministries in which the general membership of the Church could participate – lay persons distributing Communion; reading the Scriptures at Mass; girls and boys, women and men, as servers and ushers. The Council also allowed the Mass to be prayed in the vernacular – meaning, for us, in English. Sadly, after the bout the world had with the Covid pandemic, participation in those ministries diminished. **That is where Church of Our Lady is today – sorely in need of lay altar ministers.**

At present, we still **do not know if or when Our Lady will be closed.** Until then, however, *we will be operating as usual for the most part*, and that means we need more altar ministers – **EMHCs (including cup distributors), Lectors, Servers, Ushers, Gift Bearers, and Sacristans.** These ministries are what make the Liturgy so beautiful, so sacred, and so powerful as the prime expression of our Catholic Faith. The wonder of it all is that **you can be a part of making it so!** Not to brag, but we have what few other faiths have – our belief that Jesus Christ is fully present in the Eucharist: Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. If you are a trained minister, all the better; if not, but would like to be, Dcn. Steve will soon be setting up the needed ministry formation sessions. Don’t be shy. Come, join us at the Mass in service to your fellow sisters and brothers in Christ.

Submitted by Dcn. Steve

Prayer Line Tidbits

It’s been a few months since I submitted an article for the newsletter. Unfortunately, life was in the way, and had many challenges, some bumps in the road and decisions to make.

With God’s help and guidance, things fell into place at the right time. “I will hear what God proclaims; the Lord—for He proclaims peace to His people, and to His faithful ones and to those who put in Him their hope.” Psalms 85:9.

If we want to hear God, we must embrace silence. Let God be in the stillness of your heart. Every day I read the daily Mass readings, plus in my Bible I will also read from the Book of Psalms and as well as from the New Testament. I am presently

reading from the Book of Acts. Each day I watch the daily reflection in “Formed” by Dr. Tim Gray from Ascension Press. The daily Mass readings can be found on the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops website, <https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading>. Plus there is also a daily reflection to watch. One deacon repeatedly says at the end of his reflection, “Lord, what are we going to do today?” What a catching phrase that I have adopted at the end of my prayer time. Please continue to use the prayer line. Let’s support one another through the gifts of our prayers. No request is too big or too small. If you have a prayer request, questions or wish to participate, please send an email to smtrammer@gmail.com.

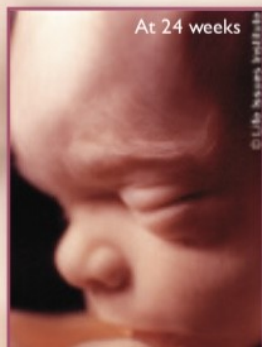
Submitted by Sandy Trammer

The Precious Life of the Unborn Child

The baby's life in the womb is an astonishing odyssey of growth and development. As science makes clear, it is at fertilisation that a new, unique and genetically complete human being comes into existence.

From that moment onwards each of us did not grow and develop into a human being. We grew and developed as a human being.

- **18–21 days** after conception, before many women will even realise they are pregnant, the baby's heart is beating.
- At **8 weeks** every organ to be found in a fully grown adult person is already formed.
- At **11 weeks** fingerprints and fingernails can be clearly seen.
- At **12 weeks** the baby's lips open and close. The baby can turn her or his head and move around the womb.
- At **16 weeks** the baby reacts to sound, sucks, swallows and yawns.
- At **18 weeks** most mothers feel the baby moving. The baby exercises her or his developing muscles by pushing with the feet and head. The baby now sucks her or his thumb.
- At **24 weeks** the baby continues moving, hearing and perhaps even dreaming.
- At **30–40 weeks** the baby, if protected from harm, will continue to grow bigger and stronger until it is time to be born.



Fulfillment Of All Desire

Our book study will continue in on Saturday, September 23RD from 9:30^{AM} - 10:30^{AM}.

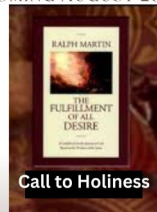
It will be in person and by Zoom and is hosted by the Columbus Catholic Renewal. It is open to all in the parish.

Reminder: participants will need to purchase their copy of the book and the study guide.

He quotes seven Doctors of the Church throughout.

Submitted by Cheryl Shroyer

COMING AUGUST 26TH



FULLFILMENT
of all Desire
By Ralph Martin
BOOK STUDY
4TH SATURDAY OF MONTH
9:30-10:30 am

NOVENA FOR THE NOVEMBER ELECTION COMING!

by Mary Bishele

I have been having a lot of anxiety about the failure of voters to pass Issue 1 in the August 8th election. A lot of things could have been done better, in my opinion but it is so easy to point fingers.

This concern leads me to plan a **Novena for Life for the November Election**. I'm praying about how many days it should last.

We know the abortion issue will be on the November ballot. Millions of dollars are being poured into Ohio to promote this evil.

I pray for all life to be in God's hand and in His time. All life is precious to God. Even those conceived by rape or incest. God allowed that conception. Do we have right to kill the baby allowed to be conceived? What are we to learn from that conception? What purpose does God have for that child?

I do pray for those moms; for their healing from the trauma of rape and the strength and courage to persevere in the pregnancy. I met many at the March For Life event in Washington, DC that were rejoicing that their moms said yes to life for them. I pray for guidance from above for those who face pregnancy health issues. To help them make that choice between themselves and their baby.

The upcoming Novena for the November election will be in the October COOL News and in the lobbies. Please pray with me for Ohio and our country.

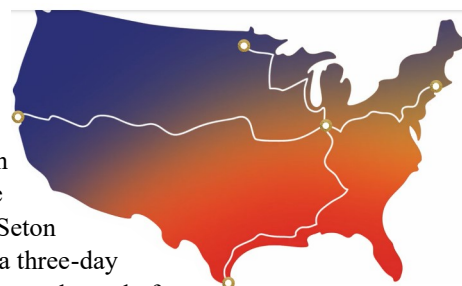
Blessings upon each of you.



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Pilgrimage**

May through July 2024

In May of 2024, and beginning from four different locations, the four Eucharistic Caravans will depart in order to arrive in Indianapolis for the Eucharistic Congress. The Caravan path departing from the east coast is called the Seton Caravan! It will make a three-day stop here in Columbus near the end of



June. Events are being planned so that we can participate. Liz Christy is making an appeal to have them stop by Seton Parish!

You can sign up to walk or get more information. Go to <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/> and click on the "PILGRIMAGE" tab.

If you are interested in attending the Congress in Indianapolis, you should begin to make plans now. About 1/3 of the seats are sold at this point!

<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>

PICTURES FROM THE CAMPUS OF FRANCISCAN UNIVERSITY

These pictures from Cheryl Shroyer were taken at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio. The small chapel pictured is a replica of the Chapel of St. Francis (the Portiuncula) located inside Our Lady of the Angels Church, in Assisi, Italy.

She was at the University in June to complete the final phase of a lengthy course of studies to be certified as a spiritual director.

Congratulations, Cheryl, on your achievement!



The inside of the chapel.

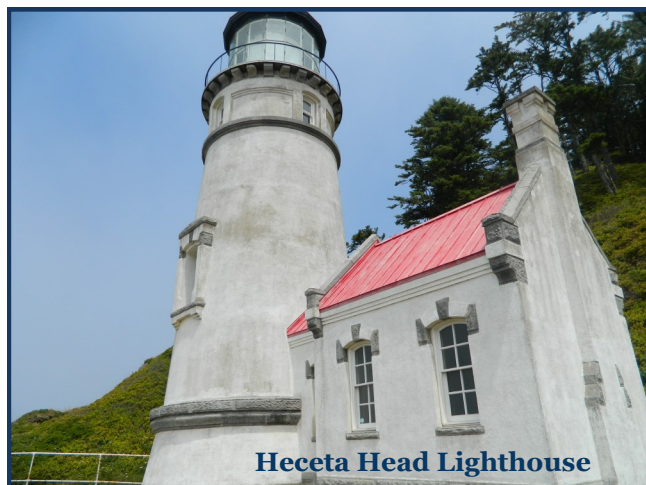
WINNER OF THE CRUISE RAFFLE ENJOYS THE DAY!



On Sunday, August 6, Kris McCollum and friends enjoyed the Buckeye Lake Cruise which she won at the raffle fundraiser for Fr. Coleman's car. The cruise was donated by Eric & Angel Schneider.

While the day was partially overcast, there was no rain to mar the enjoyment and relaxation.

Thanks to Hope Cardamone for this picture!



Heceta Head Lighthouse

The picture above is Heceta Head Lighthouse. It is about 10 miles north of Florence, Oregon, right off of Highway 101; it is about an hour west of Eugene where my brother and mom live.

Built in 1894, it is 56 feet high and sits on a 200-foot bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean. It was staffed from 1894 to 1963, when an automated beacon was installed, allowing for visibility up to 20 miles offshore. The Light Keeper's house isn't a private residence anymore, it was converted into a bed and breakfast.

We had a great day visiting but unfortunately we were not able to take a tour.

Submitted by Rea Okerberg

Jewish Feasts in September

Rosh Hashanah - Begins sunset of **Friday, September 15, 2023**

Ends nightfall of **Sunday, September 17, 2023** -- 1 Tishri 5784

Yom Kippur - Begins sunset of **Sunday, September 24, 2023**

Ends nightfall of **Monday, September 25, 2023** -- 10 Tishri 5784

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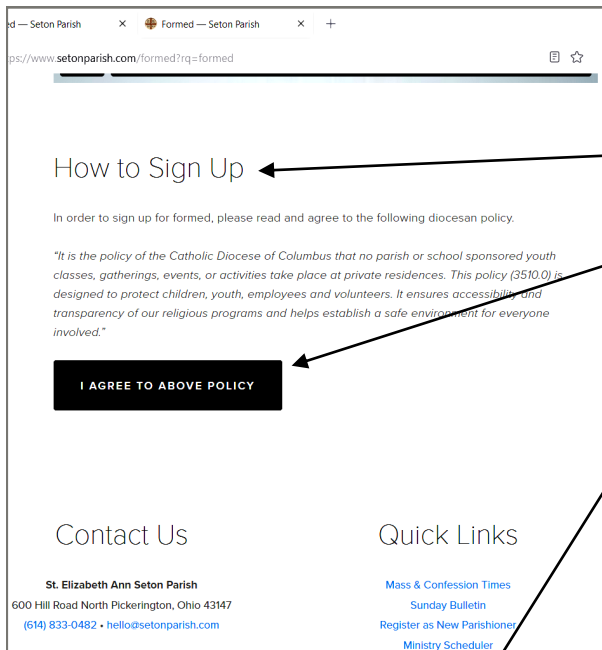
FORMED Now Available to Our Lady parishioners!

We are blessed to once again have access to this fantastic resource!

Go to the sign up page: <http://formed.org/signup>
enter 43147 to search for Seton enter their name and email...
and they are in... full access

Or you can use the access links from Seton's website here:

[Formed — Seton Parish](#) or <https://www.setonparish.com/formed?rq=formed>



From the top of the screen you will need to scroll down below the video promo to "How to Sign Up".

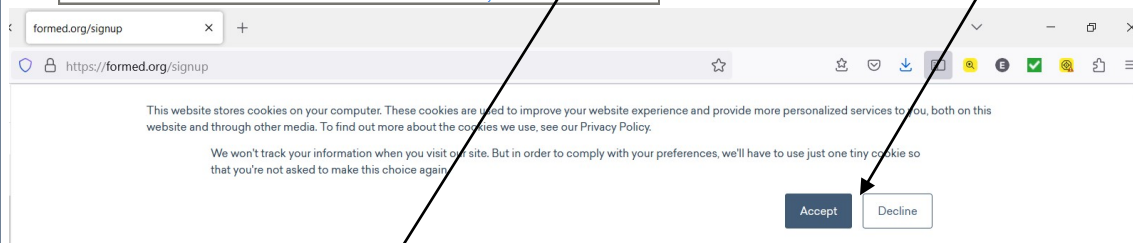
Read the policy statement and click on the "I AGREE TO ABOVE POLICY" box.

This will take you to the "Create a New Account". Under Find your Parish or Organization it is easiest to type the zip code 43147, which will immediately bring up the correct St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish (there are quite a number throughout the country!).

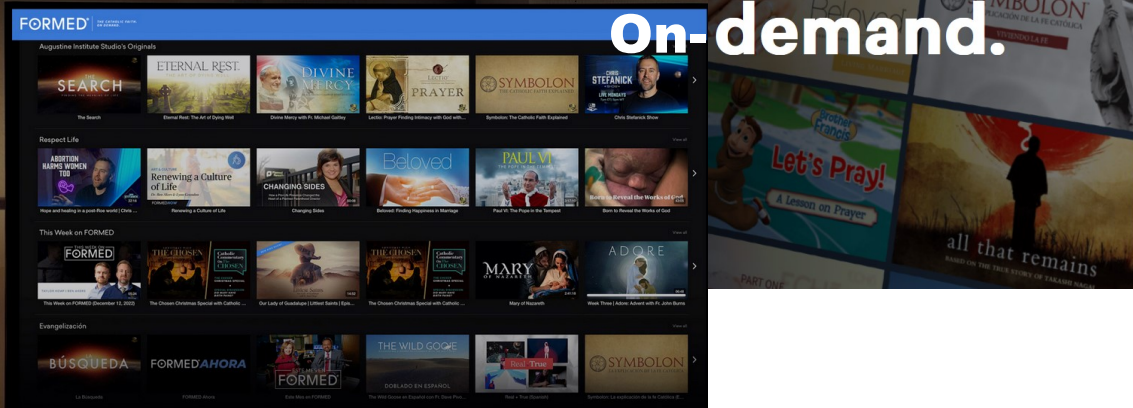
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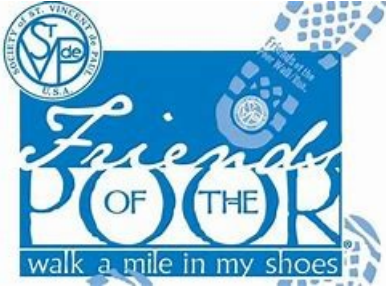
About Formed

Formed is a web site that can best be described as "Netflix for Catholics." The site provides a large selection of high quality movies, short videos, audio books, and seminars that will help you grow and develop your faith. Formed is available via your computer, tablet, or mobile phone, so you can watch and listen no matter where you are. The best part is that your access to Formed is **absolutely free**. Seton Parish has purchased the right to allow our parishioners and their family members to create an account on the Formed web site.



The Catholic Faith. On-demand.





Friends Of Poor (FOP) Walk: Saturday September 16, 2023 (registration at 9am, and the Walk starts at 9:30am)

Our Columbus Diocese SVDP Friends of the Poor Walk is on for this year. The event will be held at **St. Francis DeSales High School**, 4212 Karl Rd, Columbus, OH 43224.

All Walk participants who register in advance will receive a free t-shirt!

You can now register for the event at <https://www.fopwalk.org/eventlisting/?search=OH>

We are holding the event to coincide with the National FOP Walk date. Full details are available at the website listed above. Please visit the site to register, donate, find a walker, or create/join a team. The national site is located at <https://www.fopwalk.org/> The FOP walk is a great way for conferences to generate funds to support their work, as 100% of the money generated goes back to each individual conference. T-shirts are free to each registered walker and there is no sign-up cost for the event.

We are looking forward to the opportunity to walk with our fellow Vincentians and Friends to help generate funds for those whom we serve.
From the SVDP website

FLOWER MINISTRY:

We want to thank those persons who sponsored flowers in MEMORY OF THEIR LOVED ONES below in the month of August:

- ❁ July 30 - Marie Crosby
- ❁ August 6 - Marcia Chadwick
- ❁ August 13 - Br. Leo Gerard Belanger
- ❁ August 20 - The Suchyta family

Thank you for honoring your loved ones and thank you for helping us make our Altar beautiful!

Do you have flowers growing in your summer garden? Would you like to donate an arrangement to beautify the altar? Would you like to “sponsor” a floral arrangement in memory of a loved one? We need cut flowers and/or plants for the next 4 months, until Advent.

Specific information on how you can help is available in the west lobby. Your donations, specifically marked “for flowers” are much appreciated! **Please fill in the date you would prefer to provide the flowers on the sign-up sheet. This is important so that we do not have duplications!**

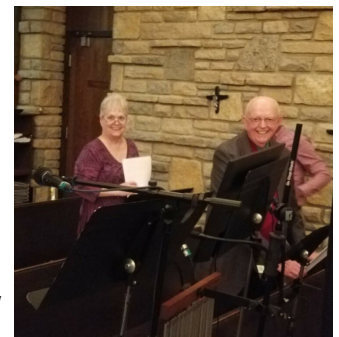
Submitted by Anne Grossman

MUSIC MINISTRY

Do you play an instrument? Do you like to sing? We NEED YOU! Our combined musicians and singers provide musical leadership for our weekend Liturgies, Holy Days and funeral Masses. There is a special need for alto voices, guitar and bass players and substitute accompanists.

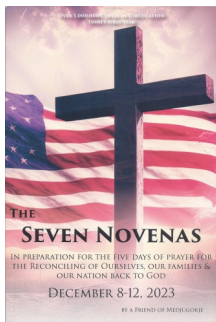
If you would like to participate in the music ministry in any way, please see Anne after Mass, or send her a message with your name and contact information: Coolmusicdirector@gmail.com. No experience is needed.

Rehearsals for weekend Masses resume in September on Wednesday nights from 7pm-8:30pm. If you are unable to attend rehearsals, you will be sent a link to all the music in advance and are invited to join us 30 minutes prior to Mass for a run through. It's true, we do not know how many months or years we will continue to be a thriving, worshipping community in this building; but please don't let that stop you! None of us is promised tomorrow so make EVERY DAY count! Thank you for your consideration!



Anne Grossman

THE SEVEN NOVENAS



THE SEVEN NOVENAS FOR RECONCILING OF OURSELVES, OUR FAMILIES & OUR NATION BACK TO GOD, continue in August. Here is the outline of intentions:

1st, June 25-July 3, is for Hope.
2nd, July 25-August 2, is for Faith
3rd, August 25-September 2, is for Individual Conversions

4th, Sept 25-October 3, is for Family

5th, October 25-November 2, is for Nation
6th, Nov 5-December 3, is for Love
7th, December 4-12, is for Spiritual Healing

If you have missed the first two months, it is not too late to join! The prayers are short to make it as easy as possible to participate. **FREE** books are available on the table in the west lobby.

FATIMA ROSARY

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER
16TH
AT 3:20^{PM} BEFORE THE
4:00^{PM} MASS**



The Didache - What Is It?

[The first part of a series about this ancient writing]

(DOCTRINE OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES)

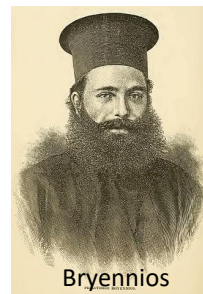
The *Didache* (*/ˈdɪdəkeɪ, -ki/*; *Greek*: Διδαχή, *translit.* *Didakhé*, *lit.* "Teaching"),^[1] also known as *The Lord's Teaching Through the Twelve Apostles to the Nations* (Διδαχή Κυρίου διὰ τῶν δώδεκα ἀποστόλων τοῖς ἔθνεσιν), - (from Wikipedia) (Or, from New Advent:) "A short treatise which was accounted by some of the Fathers as next to Holy Scripture."

The Didache is mentioned by [Eusebius](#) after the Books of Scripture (*Church History* [III:25.4](#)):

"Let there be placed among the spuria (counterfeit or forged) the writing of the Acts of Paul, the so-called Shepherd and the Apocalypse of Peter, and besides these the Epistle known as that of Barnabas, and what are called the Teachings of the Apostles, and also . . . the Apocalypse of John, if this be thought fit (Eusebius didn't like a lot of books!). . ."

However, [St. Athanasius of Alexandria](#) and [Rufinus](#) add the "Teaching" to the Sapiential (Wisdom) and other Deutero-Canonical Books. The "Two Ways" appears in Barnabas, cc. xviii-xx, sometimes word for word, sometimes added to, dislocated, or abridged, and Barn., iv, 9 is from the Didache, xvi, 2-3, or vice versa. Hermas, Irenæus, [Clement of Alexandria](#), and [Origen](#) seem to use the work, and so in the west do Optatus and the "Gesta apud Zenophilum". The Didascalia Apostolorum are founded upon the Didache. The Apostolic Church Ordinance has used a part, the Apostolic Constitutions have embodied the Didascalia. There are echoes in [Justin](#), [Tatian](#), Theophilus, [Cyprian](#), and Lactantius.

Manuscript Discovered: While at Istanbul in 1873, Philotheos Bryennios, a Greek Orthodox Metropolitan, discovered, manuscripts containing the *Didachē*, the two Epistles of St. Clement of Rome to the Corinthians, and other important religious documents. Although the *Didachē*, 16 short chapters dealing largely with morals and Church practice, had been known from references in early writers. **It was presumed lost!** From these discoveries, Bryennios published the first complete text of St. Clement's Epistles (1875) and *The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles* (1883), both with valuable notes of his own. Source- <https://www.britannica.com/biography/Philotheos-Bryennios>



Bryennios

Born: April 7, 1833, in Constantinople
Died: November 18, 1917, in Constantinople
[Wikipedia](#)

For convenience the contents may be divided into three parts: the first is the "Two Ways", the Way of Life and the Way of Death; the second part is a rituale dealing with baptism, fasting, and Holy Communion; the third speaks of the ministry. Doctrinal teaching is presupposed, and none is imparted. source:newadvent.org

Editor's Note: The Didache did not make it into the Bible because it is a teaching manual. We will read the text of the Didache in the next few issues.

Disposing of Old, Worn-out Sacramentals & Consecrated Material

When a material sacramental becomes so worn that it can no longer be used as a sacramental, a Catholic won't casually toss it into the trash. To prevent desecration, the sacramental should be returned to the earthly elements. Holy water, for example, should be poured into a hole dug in the earth, in a spot no one would walk over. Combustible sacramentals, such as scapulars and holy books, should be burned and then buried. Larger sacramentals that don't burn should be altered so that their form no longer appears to be a sacramental (ex., a statue should be broken up into small pieces) and then buried. Objects made of metals can be buried.

Items lose their blessing or consecration if they are

desecrated, are substantially broken such that they can no longer be used for their sacred purpose, or if they are publicly sold (if an item is sold by one individual to another for *only* the price of the material itself -- i.e., if no profit is made, the blessing remains. Hence, if you were to give someone, say, a blessed rosary or sell it to him at cost, he would not have to have it re-blessed; if you sell a blessed rosary to someone for profit, he would need to take it to a priest and have it blessed.)



Note that on 23 June -- the Eve of the Feast of St. John the Baptist -- it was custom to build large bonfires in which no longer useful material sacramentals are burned. Read more about Catholic Traditions in the [The Catholic Year IV: Calendar-related Customs](#) area of this site.



Source:fish eaters

2023 Ohio March for Life



Center FOR Christian Virtue

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Celebrating 40 Years of Faithfulness

2023

Organized and Presented by the Center for Christian Virtue, an Ohio organization that advocates for public policy that reflects the truth of the Gospel.

Friday, October 6, 2023

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Ohio Statehouse 1 Capitol Square Columbus, OH 43215

Join us for the 2023 Ohio March for Life at the Ohio Statehouse in Columbus on Friday, October 6! The pre-rally worship concert begins at 10:00 am, the rally begins at 11:00 am, and the official march begins at noon.

This is an excellent opportunity for anyone to learn about the principles of effective lobbying, the specific and current issues Ohio is facing, and what you can do right now to champion pro-life policies to your Ohio elected representatives. This rally and march are suited for all levels of experience and comfort with advocacy.

Submitted by tom Crosby

CATECHESIS



RCIA Sessions Are Set To Begin in September!

Wednesday, September 9, 2023, RCIA sessions are set to begin at 6:30pm in the Rectory Adult Ed Room.

RCIA team will begin weekly instruction in all aspects of the

practices, history, elements, Sacraments, etc. of the Catholic Church.

We invite anyone and everyone who has an interest to come join us for great discussions and the opportunity to grow in the knowledge of our Catholic Faith and deepen their practice.

In these days that challenge our beliefs and our way of life a sure defense is to have a better understanding of what we believe and why we believe it! Hope to see you there!

Submitted by Elaine Sturm

PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN CHILD

Almighty God, our Father,
You who have given us life
and intended us to have it forever,
grant us Your blessings.
Enlighten our minds to an awareness
and to a renewed conviction
that all human life is sacred because it is created
in Your Image and Likeness.
Help us to teach by word
and the example of our lives
that life occupies the first place,
that human life is precious because it is the gift of God
whose love is infinite.
Give us the strength to defend human life
against every influence
or action that threatens or weakens it,
as well as the strength to make every life more human
in all its aspects.

Give us the grace...

When the sacredness of life
before birth is attacked,
to stand up and proclaim that no one ever has the
authority to destroy unborn life.

When a child is described as a burden
or is looked upon only as a means
to satisfy an emotional need,
to stand up
and insist that every child is a unique
and unrepeatable gift of God,
a gift of God with a right to a loving
and united family.

When the institution of marriage
is abandoned to human selfishness
or reduced to a temporary conditional arrangement
that can easily be terminated,
to stand up and affirm
the indissolubility of the marriage bond.

When the value of the family is threatened
because of social and economic pressure,
to stand up and reaffirm
that the family is necessary
not only for the private good of every person,
but also for the common good of every society,
nation and state.

When freedom is used to dominate the weak,
to squander natural resources and energy,
to deny basic necessities to people,
to stand up and affirm
the demands of justice and social love.

Almighty Father,
give us courage to proclaim the supreme dignity
of all human life and to demand
that society itself give its protection.
We ask this in Your Name,
through the redemptive act
of Your Son and in the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

(Adapted from Pope John Paul II's homily of October 7, 1979.)

My Volunteer Experience at the Dominican Learning Center

by Rea Okerberg

Last summer, I started tutoring through the Dominican Learning Center here in Columbus. I started with one learner, as her Language Arts tutor, to help her with her G.E.D. studies.

A few months ago, there was an e-mail that had gone out requesting help with E.S.L. (English as a Second Language) learners, as E.S.L. tutors are in short supply. Would anyone be interested and willing to take on an E.S.L. learner in addition to the learner(s) already had? I gave it some thought, carefully considering all my other responsibilities with school, work, and family time, and I wrote back, "Yes, I would be happy to lend a hand!" And so, I was introduced to a really sweet woman from Haiti who is almost starting from scratch, so to speak. I have loved every moment of the sessions I have been blessed to have with both of these ladies; I have been learning as much from them as they have from me. They are so eager to learn, so eager to meet all of their educational goals. It has been incredible watching their progress.

During our first session, I asked my Language Arts learner about her educational goals, her history, as a way to gauge what areas she specifically needed the most help, this was our starting point. She told me that once she completes her G.E.D., she would like to go on to college and get a degree in business and one day open her own African clothing boutique. When we cannot meet in person, we meet by way of a video call, discussing the assignments in the book we are using, and I assign a little homework as a way to practice between sessions. She wasn't quite ready for the Language Arts segment of her exam, but every time I "grade" her assignments, I see that what were her "weaker" areas are almost non-existent.

My E.S.L. learner, a little younger than I, is juggling work, motherhood, and getting accustomed to living in a strange country far from her family and friends in Haiti. Her English is improving, little by little: she is much better than when we first started. Sometimes, when we are in conversation, she will start out with English, and – without realizing it – switch over to French. I have had to gently remind her, "*Non, en anglais, s'il vous plaît!*" ("No, in English, please!") Her eyes will get wide, and she'll start laughing, apologize, and try again in English. When there's a word she doesn't know how to translate to English, we use a translator tool, or if it's a word I know in French, I can tell her, in English, what it translates to, and she will repeat it a couple of times, as a way to remember how not just to say it, but to connect the translation for future reference.

As I wrap up this little blurb about my experiences with these ladies with whom I have been blessed to work, I want to invite anyone reading this to consider donating even just an hour to an hour-and-a-half a week of your time to help tutor an adult learner. There is still quite a need for E.S.L. tutors, the list of people needing help with their English skills is constantly growing! ***You do not need to know the person's native language to be able to teach them English.*** Please don't let a language barrier be a roadblock! This will help you and your learner exponentially, because it will help the learner practice their English more.

There is training for all tutors; all a potential volunteer has to do is contact the Dominican Learning Center at 614/444.7330, ext. 1, and someone will help you get registered for the orientation/training, and then once the training's completed, someone will reach out to you with a learner needing help to match you with an adult learner for the area in which you are interested in tutoring.

Please pray for everyone who comes to the DLC looking for help with their E.S.L. or G.E.D. needs. It is not easy to speak up and say, "I need help," and each person who contacts the DLC for such has tremendous strength, because they want to do everything they can to go on to the next level of their overall life goal(s) they may have in mind for themselves and/or their families!



This past summer I was back home (in Eugene, Oregon) for a few weeks, I went to Mass at St Thomas More in Spokane. In the vestibule/lobby area, I found this little prayer card among the books, and other little things; I found the prayer to be very beautiful.

Submitted by Rea Okerberg

The Divine Love Prayer

This prayer may be said on the Holy Rosary. A 'Glory Be' replaces the 'Our Father,' while the 'Hail Mary' is replaced by these prayers to the Blessed Sacrament. After the 'Glory Be,' each prayer is repeated ten times on the beads of the Holy Rosary until all nine decades are completed.

1. Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, I adore You and I praise You in union with the nine choirs of angels.
2. Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, burning with love for me, inflame my heart with love for You.
3. Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, Thy Kingdom come.
4. Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, make us one in mind, heart and will, with You, the Father and the Holy Spirit.
5. Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, make my heart like unto Thine.
6. Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, through the infinite value of each Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, offered now and until the end of time, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
7. Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, thank You for the personal love You have for me in the Blessed Sacrament.
8. Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, with all my heart, I love You.
9. Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, I put all my trust in You.

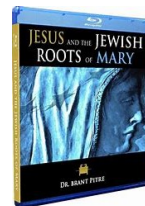
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ADULT ED UPDATE:

The next few Sundays at 11:15^{am} will be a series **Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary** by Dr. Brant Pitre. We began this program in August and it will continue through September.



On Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:00^{am} we are continuing with our study of "**Genesis and the Books of the Old Testament**" by Dr. Brant Pitre.

These sessions are also available on **ZOOM** (ACCESS # 226 966 6248).

We hope you can join us for a session or two or for a whole series.

Submitted by Joanne Farrell

Knight's News

The Football Sweepstakes involves the last 10 weeks of games played by the NFL this season – games that will be played between late October through December/January. Donation is \$20.00 per ticket.

At least \$2,500 in prizes will be awarded each week or at least \$25,000 over the contest period.

The 23 winners are determined by ticket holders with the four teams that score the most – or the least – number of points in that given week of games.

The scores from the previous week's games are used for teams that are not scheduled to play on any given week. A winners' list will be posted on www.fundcrazr.com and www.kofcoho.org – Password is going to your ticket number.



CHURCH DONATIONS

Scan the QR Code above below with your phone camera, then tap to open link for Online Donation.

Look for it in our weekly bulletin!



See what you are missing if you are not helping out with the grounds keeping at Our Lady! John proves that you can have fun while you are working and entertain others as well!



National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children September 9, 2023

By participating in the National Day of Remembrance, visiting these solemn memorial places at other times of the year, and spreading the word about this prayer campaign, **you are helping to humanize our aborted brothers and sisters** and deepening your own commitment to ending the injustice of abortion. The National Day of Remembrance also offers hope and healing to women who have had abortions and others who have been hurt by abortion.

Now that *Roe v. Wade* has been overturned, it is crucial that we continue to mourn the millions of lives lost to abortion, and repent of the national sin of abortion, even as we begin the project of extending legal protection to unborn children in every state we can. **If you can't make it to a cemetery, please visit the memorial here at Church Of Our Lady and say prayers for the unborn.**

<https://nationaldayofremembrance.org/about/>

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HIGHEST \$400

2ND HIGHEST	\$250	13TH HIGHEST	\$50
3RD HIGHEST	\$225	14TH HIGHEST	\$50
4TH HIGHEST	\$200	15TH HIGHEST	\$50
5TH HIGHEST	\$175	16TH HIGHEST	\$45
6TH HIGHEST	\$150	17TH HIGHEST	\$45
7TH HIGHEST	\$125	18TH HIGHEST	\$40
8TH HIGHEST	\$100	19TH HIGHEST	\$30
9TH HIGHEST	\$90	LOWEST	\$100
10TH HIGHEST	\$80	2ND LOWEST	\$75
11TH HIGHEST	\$70	3RD LOWEST	\$50
12TH HIGHEST	\$60	4TH LOWEST	\$40

How It Works

23 Chances to Win Per Ticket For 10 Weeks.

\$2,500.00 in Weekly Prizes
\$25,000.00 in Total Prizes

Prizes Are ONLY From Tickets Sold By 2023 Ohio Knights of Columbus.

Each Ticket Provides 4 Random Pro Football Teams per Week.

Your Score is the Total Number of Points each game per week.

Prizes are Determined By the Highest 4-Team Total per week.

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