OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH June 24, 2018

MASS INTENTIONS		
Saturday, June 23 5:00pm	Weekday Special Intention 1968 Graduating Class of St. Mary's School-German Village (Steve Bendure)	
<b>Sunday, June 24</b> 8:30am 11:00am	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist People of the Parish +Guido Covelli (Family)	
Monday, June 25 8:00am	Weekday +Rev. William Neuroth (Dave Petry)	
<b>Tuesday, June 26</b> 8:00am	Weekday +Henry Eckhart (Fr. Missimi)	
Wednesday, June 27 8:00am	St. Cyril of Alexandria +Marie Peters (Ellie Thiel)	
<b>Thursday, June 28</b> 8:00am	St. Irenaeus +Msgr. George Schlegel (Connie Leach)	
<b>Friday, June 29</b> 8:00am	Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles +Armando Falasca (M/M Marino Milano)	
Saturday, June 30 5:00pm	The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church +Deacon Kas Santos (Deaconate Class of 2008)	
Sunday, July 1 8:30am 11:00am	Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time People of the Parish +Bambina Lombardi (Husband)	

Gifts for God		
	90 Envelopes Rec'd; 811 issued	\$3,867.00
	21 Loose Checks	2,155.00
June 16-17	Loose Cash	424.00
	Total	<u>\$6,446.00</u>
	Diocese of Sorsogon, Philippines	\$3,252.33
Thank you to all who support the work of God		

Our Lady of Victory continues to follow the Diocese of Columbus commitment to the protection and safety of children and the SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM. The Safe Environment Program states that all Volunteers 18 year or older who would like to participate in parish programs or ministries who have been delegated care, custody or control of children must complete two steps: 1) Attend a Protecting God's Children Session (one time only); and 2) Complete BCI Fingerprinting. The current schedule for attending a PGC Session is always posted on the VIRTUS website. Go to: www.virtus.org. Click on the Yellow Registration button just beneath the login and follow steps to register. BCI Fingerprinting can be done at FastFingerprints on Bethel Road. If you have any questions on how to complete either of these steps, please contact Pat Fulcher at religioused@ourladyofvictory.cc or go to the Our Lady of Victory website — ourladyofvictory.cc find the "Our Parish" Tab, then "Protecting God's Children & Volunteers" Tab.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN (PGC) SESSION: Will be held at Our Lady of Victory on Sunday, August 26, at 1:00pm in the PLC; Fingerprinting will be available at this Session beginning at Noon! (Fingerprinting payable via Cash, Check or Credit Card)

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 24-**

HOLY FATHER (PETER'S PENCE) COLLECTION

8:30a Mass-Church 11:00a Mass-Church

**MONDAY, JUNE 25** 

8:00a Mass-Church

5:00p Vacation Bible School-PLC

**TUESDAY, JUNE 26** 

8:00a Mass-Church

5:00p Vacation Bible School-PLC

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

8:00a Mass-Church

5:00p Vacation Bible School-PLC

**THURSDAY, JUNE 28** 

8:00a Mass-Church

5:00p Vacation Bible School-PLC

FRIDAY, JUNE 29

8:00a Mass-Church

**SATURDAY, JUNE 30** 

5:00p Mass-Church

**SUNDAY, JULY 1** 

8:30a Mass-Church

11:00a Mass-Church

Note: Baptism Class has been rescheduled for Sunday, July 8 @ 2:00pm in the PLC

#### CATHLETICS

Training to be Champions for Christ

2018 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)
OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH

MONDAY-THURSDAY, JUNE 25-28

5:00-8:00 PM in the PLC

Participants: 3 years old-5th grade (entering 5th grade this August)

NEW THIS YEAR.....
DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED
FOR ALL CAMPERS AND COUNSELORS

A **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** will be held on *Tuesday, July* **17** from 2:00-7:00pm in the Parish Life Center. Please call Jeanne Bogen at 614-451-3883 to schedule your appointment.

Please remember in your prayers, Eugene Miller, father of Richard Miller/father-in-law of Joanne Miller, who died recently. May God grant him eternal rest and consolation to his family.



## THE STORY OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Read the 'Nican Mopohua' – the oldest surviving account of the apparitions of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

#### A Mission from the Virgin

On Saturday, December 9, 1531, while on his way for religious instruction, Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin, an Indian and recent convert to Christianity, heard

singing coming from the top of Tepeyac hill. Suddenly, the singing stopped, and a woman's voice called out to him: "Juantzin, Juan Diegotzin." Ascending the hill, Juan Diego found himself before a beautiful woman adorned in clothing that "shone like the sun." The woman introduced herself as "the immaculate Mother of God" and explained the reason for her appearance: she came to request a church to be built there, and she wanted Juan Diego to take her request to the head of the Church in Mexico, Bishop Juan de Zumárraga. The task would not be easy. Like many New World missionaries, Friar Zumárraga was suspicious of supposed visionaries, fearing it was indigenous idolatry. Skeptical of Juan Diego and the Virgin's message, the bishop sent him away, but promised to listen again at a later time.

#### Dignity of a Messenger

Dejected, Juan Diego returned to the Virgin and begged her to send someone more esteemed than himself. The Virgin listened tenderly but responded firmly, insisting that Juan Diego be her messenger. The following day (December 10th), Juan Diego returned to the bishop and recounted the many details of the apparition. This time, the bishop requested that Juan Diego return with evidence of the miraculous appearance. To be sure Juan Diego was being honest, the bishop sent two men to follow Juan Diego. But after trailing him for some time, the men lost sight of him, and told the bishop that Juan Diego was a fraud deserving punishment. Meanwhile, Juan Diego arrived at Tepeyac hill and told the Virgin of the bishop's request; she in turn asked Juan Diego to come back the following day, when she would give him the requested sign for the bishop.

#### **Promises of Hope**

Returning home, Juan Diego was met with sad news: his uncle Juan Bernardino had become deathly ill. Instead of going to Tepeyac hill, the next day (December 11th) Juan Diego found a doctor, but nothing could be done. So on Monday, December 12, Juan Diego put on his tilma (cloak) for warmth and went to find a priest. Hoping to avoid any delays, he took a different path so as to avoid the Virgin. But as he neared Tepeyac, she descended from the hill, asking what was wrong. She then reassured the sorrowful Juan Diego by declaring her motherhood and promising that his uncle was already healed. Hearing this, Juan Diego asked for the sign for the bishop, and went to the hilltop as she instructed him. There – in this barren, wintery spot – he found a garden of sweet-smelling flowers; he picked the flowers and brought them back down to the Virgin, who arranged them in his tilma. Juan Diego then set out for the bishop's house.

#### More than Flowers

When Juan Diego arrived, the servants refused him entry, but eventually let him enter when they could not take the flowers from his tilma. Before the bishop, Juan Diego recounted the Virgin's words and the miracle of the flowers. When Juan Diego opened his tilma and flowers fell out, an even greater miracle was revealed: on the tilma's surface was the Virgin's image. The bishop and those in the room fell to their knees, admiring and praying, and the bishop asked to be shown the place for the Virgin's church. With his mission fulfilled, Juan Diego returned home to find his uncle completely healed, just as the Virgin had promised. Even more, the Virgin had appeared to Juan Bernardino, too, and had told him her name: "the Perfect Virgin Holy Mary of Guadalupe." Two weeks later, the day after Christmas, her chapel was completed, and the tilma with its image was placed above the altar. But that was just the beginning of the story. In the centuries since her apparition, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Empress of the Americas has continued to transform lives. Her message and her image have been celebrated, venerated, studied, and passed on throughout the world. View the timeline to follow the Guadalupe Story from the apparitions to the present day.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES		
5:00pm SATURDAY, JUNE 30		
Extraordinary Ministers:	Theresa Draher, Dorie Kirwin, Jesse & Elaine Oddi, Christine Pirik	
Lectors:	Patti Olson, Regina Quinn	
Servers:	Freddie & Josh Keil, Julianne Pece	
Ushers:	Mitch Tobias, Laura Gilbert, Lindsey Lee, Pat Jeany	
8:30am SUNDAY, JULY 1		
Extraordinary Ministers:	Frank Bettendorf, Rob & Crystal Dyckes, Carolyn McDaniels	
Lectors:	Beljeania Berry, Mike Drennen	
Servers:	Jane & Sarah Mason, Allison O'Brien	
Ushers:	Jeff Panuto, Randy Harlor, Mike Roman	
Eucharistic Ministers Homebound:	Marsha Dieker, Pat Feamster, JoAnn Finke, Patty & Brent Jackson, Missy O'Malia	
11:00am SUNDAY, JULY 1		
Extraordinary Ministers:	Marcia Bohley, Ann Gabriel, Mary Lou Melaragno, Rosemary Myers, Joy Rus- sell, Debbie Squillace	
Lectors:	Chad Gibson, Bob LeBoeuf	
Servers:	lan & Sean Roedinger, Laine Schooley	
Ushers:	Fred Lombardi, Tony Polletta, Mark McPherson	
Collection	Rob & Crystal Dyckes, Marilyn Cordle	

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Elizabeth Rusnak, Irene Clay, Patricia Baumann, Reid Hudson, Jada Brady, Jake Koch, Casey Browning, Isabella Karst, Andrew Johnson, Frank Michael, Cynthia Carson, Bob Thurman, Gina Harrobin, John Magnacca, Olivia O'Brien, Sue and Sylvia Bender, Elizabeth Rossel, Brenda Martin, Katie Custer, Annabelle Marshall, Rosemary Studer, Joy Russell,

Counters:



Jerri Nardone, Bill Guttliep, Nick Haring, Denisi Family, Rose Sliemers, Aaron Rieck, Teresa Ciotola, Andre Bond, Lovre Dzolic, Dannie Terrel, Bridget Lowe, Gina Sansotta, Dani Crabtree, John Lenhart, John & Joan Hamar, Anna Reed, John Lassel, Tayla Riddle, John & Rosemarie Mayhan, Betsy May, Michael H. Quinn, Geri Radivich, Marjorie Hall, Evan Decarlo, Jeff Panuto, Sam Troiano, Anneliese Rea. Please remember in your prayers others who are not on this list. (Please notify the parish office of any changes.)

Source: guadalupecelebraton.com

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#### Dear Parishioners,

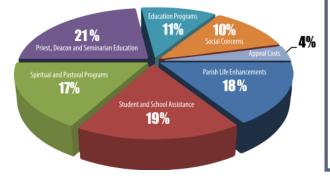
The Bishop's Annual Appeal provides us an opportunity to share our Faith and the many gifts which God has bestowed upon us with our brothers and sisters in need. The theme of the Bishop's Annual Appeal this year is "Sharing His Love, Encouraging Hope" and encourages each of us to be willing to be the hope so many are desperately looking for. In sharing our material blessings, we will help to strengthen our ministries, educate our young people, support the vocations of those called to the Priesthood and married life and bring comfort to the ill and the lonely.

Our Parish goal this year is **\$71,753** which I am confident we will reach with everyone's help. Every dollar that we raise over our Parish goal will be returned to our Parish to be used for the particular needs of our Parish.

May God bless you and your loved ones.

Sincerely in Christ,

Msgr. Romano Ciotola



#### Bishop's Annual Appeal Allocation of Funds

The money raised through the Bishop's Annual Appeal helps to financially assist the following ministries, programs and offices. Please visit <a href="http://columbuscatholic.org">http://columbuscatholic.org</a> for more information on diocesan offices, ministries and events.

#### OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

- · Education and formation of seminarians pursuing a vocation to the priesthood.
- Funds events and programs such as the Andrew Dinners and Learn to Discern.

#### OFFICE OF THE DIACONATE

Offers comprehensive formation, continuing education, workshops, and retreats for all Deacons and Diaconate candidates.

#### OFFICE FOR DIVINE WORSHIP

- · Assists the office to support the Bishop in his role as chief liturgist for our diocese.
- Funds help to support the spiritual and pastoral programs such as RCIA, celebration of Confirmation and celebration of Episcopal Liturgies for parishes and groups.

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND CATECHESIS OFFICE**

· Supports all Parish School of Religion teachers and parish catechists to form the foundations of faith for young minds.

#### OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

- Provides tuition assistance to families in need.
- Offers grants to secondary schools for capital needs and financial support for faculty and staff development and curriculum enhancement.

#### MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE OFFICE

- · Provides marriage preparation for couples and life enrichment programs to families.
- Funds ministries, programs and workshops on parenting and natural family planning.

#### OFFICE FOR SOCIAL CONCERNS

- Funds the overall goals and mission of the office to build social order through systemic change.
- Serves as local liaison for national programs: Catholic Relief Services and Campaign for Human Development.

#### **BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRIES**

· Supports the mission of Black Catholic Ministries to promote education, spiritual growth and evangelization within the African American community.

#### **CATHOLIC LATINO MINISTRY OFFICE**

· Funds the ministry programs and conferences that focus on the Latino community.

#### DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

 Helps to support, empower and educate all Catholic Women in spirituality, leadership and service.

#### JOINT ORGANIZATION FOR INNER-CITY NEEDS

 $\cdot$  Supports the mission of J.O.I.N. to reach out to those who are in need, Catholic and Non-Catholic alike.

#### OFFICE OF YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

· Provides funding for ministries and programs for youth and young adults at parishes, in Catholic schools and on college campuses within our diocese.

#### RETREAT CENTERS

· Provides ongoing support for the operation and staffing of retreat facilities.

#### INSTITUTIONAL ASSISTANCE

· Provides programs for the elderly, crisis intervention, and spiritual care of the hospitalized and the infirm.

#### **ASSISTANCE TO PARISHES**

 Offers an opportunity for parishes to receive funding to be used for the needs of the parish.



# **Save the Date: AUGUST 10 & 11**

Invite family & friends for a fun-filled weekend of delicious Italian food (homemade Italian sausage, Famous Fish Fry on Friday, Pasta Dinner on Saturday, wine, pastries), and the BEST silent auction); Climbing Wall, Inflatables for the kids and teens, Games for ALL; live entertainment on Friday and Saturday!

#### COMMUNITY NEWS

THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS AT OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION SHRINE, CAREY, OH INVITE YOU TO ATTEND MASS on June 30 at 5:30 pm and/or July 1, 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00noon Fr. Jim Sichko will be the celebrant. Fr. Jim will be sharing his reflections on "Consolation." Join us also at 2:30 pm for Devotions and outdoor rosary procession. All are welcome!

OHIO DOMINICAN TO HOST MBA INFORMATION SESSION **ON JULY 19:** Are you considering pursuing your MBA? Ohio Dominican University invites you to attend an information session for its Master of Business Administration program at 6 p.m. on Thursday, July 19, in the Bishop James A. Griffin Student Center, located on ODU's campus at 1215 Sunbury Road, Columbus. At ODU, students can earn their MBA completely online or on campus during the evening in as few as 16 months. Register today at ohiodominican.edu/MBAinfo.

SEASONS OF HOPE BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY: The North High Deanery Bereavement Support Ministry is hosting a sixweek summer session at St. Thomas More Newman Center, 64 W. Lane Ave., Columbus. The group will meet on Sundays, June 24, July 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 from 2-4 p.m. All are welcome!

JOIN Mass (Joint Organization for Inner-city needs) for friends, benefactors, and volunteers will be Monday, June 25, 2018, 5:15 p.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral. For more information, contact JOIN at 614-241-2530.

A SIGN OF CONTRADICTION: CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNI-**VERSARY OF HUMANAE VITAE:** Families are invited to join clergy, parish ministers, and health professionals on Saturday, July 7, at St. Peter Parish, Chillicothe, for an afternoon conference on Pope Paul VI's famous encyclical, Humanae Vitae (of Human Life). Guest speakers Sr. Renee Mirkes, Dr. Ashley Fernandes, Dr. Alicia Thompson, and Fr. Adam Streitenberger will address the document's history, prophetic message and meaning for today. Lunch included. Reservations can be made by contacting Judy Harness at 740-774-1407 or at secretary@stpeterchillicothe.com.

MARTIN DE PORRES CENTER SIXTH ANNUAL AFTERNOON TEA FUNDRAISER - THE VISIBLE INVISIBLE TEA, Sunday, August 5; 2:00-4:00pm. Enjoy a menu of afternoon tea favorites while learning about Star House, a drop-in center for youth experiencing homelessness in Columbus, and their art program Visible Invisible. Art from the program will be on display in the special exhibit "Identity" as well as performed by young artists. Wear your favorite hat for chance to win a "sweet treat"! And don't forget about the great raffle prizes! Contact The Martin de Porres Center at 614-416-1910 or martindeporres@oppeace.org for more information.

BISHOP READY HIGH SCHOOL IS LOOKING TO HIRE A SCHOOL BUS DRIVER to make two daily round-trips to London, OH. For more information or to apply, please contact Celene A. Seamen, President, BRHS, 614-276-5263, ext. 204.

Bishop Ready High School is sponsoring a GOLF OUTING AT FOXFIRE GOLF COURSE in Lockbourne, OH, on Sunday, Auqust 19, with a shot gun start at 1:30 p.m. Cost, which includes driving range and dinner, is \$80 per player. For more information, visit the BRHS website (brhs.org) and click on Don't Miss This! under Quick Clicks on the home page or contact Steve McQuade, Athletic Director, at 614-276-5263, ext. 211 or smcguade@cdeducation.org. All proceeds benefit Bishop Ready Athletics.

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Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

June 2018

#### Our Lady of Victory Church

From the Office of the Pastor

## One Minute Meditations

#### St. Germaine Cousin

Born to poor parents near Pibrac, France,

St. Germaine had a deformed right hand, suffered from sores on her

right hand, suffered from sores on her neck and was sickly from neglect and abuse. Despite her sufferings, she found comfort in God's presence, and prayed the Rosary while she tended the family sheep. She was generous with the poor, despite her own poverty. She even forgave her stepmother, who badly mistreated her. She is the patroness of abuse victims, people with disabilities, and shepherdesses.

#### Mindfulness

When we make efforts to be fully aware and awake to everything we do and all that surrounds us, we become mindful of God's gifts and the grace available to us. "Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth" (Colossians 3:2). This takes practice, joyful effort, and discipline.

"The heavens declare the glory of God; the firmament proclaims the works of his hands. Psalm 19:3

## Spring cleaning for the soul

When a home is closed up during a long, stuffy winter, Spring is a time to open it up, air it out, and give it a brisk, thorough cleaning. The last few weeks of Spring offer us the opportunity for a brisk, thorough cleansing of our souls, too.

Let in the sunlight. Raise the shades and illuminate the dark and dusty places of your life to reveal

whatever is keeping you from a close relationship with God. Is accumulating money or

possessions your top priority? Are you trying harder to impress others than working to please God? Do bad habits (excessive food, alcohol, drugs) dominate your life? Make an honest spiritual assessment and get busy cleaning. Clear out cluttered closets. Is there

something stuck in
the corners of your
conscience that needs
to be cleaned out and
thrown away so you can
put God first in your life?
Do you harbor unconfessed
sin or an old grudge or
unresolved disagreement?
Seek forgiveness in the
Sacrament of Penance and
Reconciliation (Confession),
perform your penance, make
amends, and let it go.

Freshen up. What spiritual change have you been meaning to make? Do you

need to make weekly Mass more of a priority? Does your prayer life need refreshing? Have you wanted to learn more about your faith? Now is the time.

## Why Do Catholics Do That

## Why do Catholic Bibles have more books than Protestant Bibles?

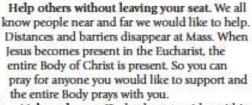
When Martin Luther translated the Bible into German, he chose to leave out the Old Testament books that weren't originally written in Hebrew: Tobit, Judith, Wisdom, Sirach, Baruch, 1 and 2 Maccabees, and parts of Esther and Daniel.

However, the Catholic Church, under the Holy Spirit's guidance, confirmed that the books Luther removed are divinely inspired and chose to keep them (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #120). The Council of Trent (1545-1563) affirmed the current composition of the

### Take a new look at the Mass

"Mass is the same every week. I don't always get something out of going." Sound familiar? A ritual we know so well can seem predictable or even routine. Consider these gifts you get from attending Mass:

Open your mind to something new. Within the Mass are lots of intriguing, mysterious, or just plain interesting ideas. Listen during the Scripture readings, the homily, or the Eucharistic prayer for something that strikes you and talk with God about it. He'll help open your mind to something new.



Make a change. Find at least one idea within the Mass that makes sense and seems possible and put it into practice. One new idea can change your life.



### Luke 1:57-66, 80, God means what he says.

Sometimes God has to take drastic action to get our attention. Before John the Baptist was born, Zechariah was visited by an angel and told that his prayers for a son would be answered in a miraculous way. He also said Zechariah's son would prepare Israel for the long hoped-for Savior.

One might think that the appearance of an angel should have been enough to convince Zechariah of the truth of the message, but he was still skeptical that what the angel said was possible. He wasn't listening with all his heart, so God shut Zechariah's mouth

to make it easier for him to hear and see the truth.

When the baby was born, Zechariah demonstrated his obedience in deciding to name the child John, just as the angel had said, and his mouth was opened.

Zechariah's first words showered praise on God and told the people around him of God's faithfulness and

awesome love. He reminded us that we can always trust God's love and care. Listen for God's voice and remember that all things are possible for God.



# My prayer life is dull. How can I spice it up?

One of the struggles of many Catholics is "praying more." More than an item on our to-do lists, prayer is meant to be a

conversation between us
and the One who
loves us. Here are
some tips to
"spice" it up:
When: Pick a
time of the day to

do your best thinking. 15-20 minutes is recommended for best results. Pick a time and protect it.

pray when you

are alert and can

What: With so many devotions to choose from, it can be hard to pray well in 20 minutes. Choose one devotion and set a number of days for it – two weeks, a month, two months. If the quality of your prayer didn't improve afterwards, pick a different devotion.

Why: Many times, we go to God looking for answers, which is good. However, prayer's purpose isn't about getting information from God, but developing a relationship with him. The best thing we can do is be present to the one who loves us and wants to be with us.

# Feasts & **\*** © Celebrations

June 1 – St. Justin Martyr (165).
Justin was a Christian convert who searched for Truth. After his conversion, he held debates with pagans. When ordered by a judge to renounce his faith or die, St. Justin responded, "Nobody in his senses would give up truth for falsehood."

He was martyred for his undying faith.

June 8 - Solemnity of the Sacred Heart (1765). At the end of the seventeenth century, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque began receiving visions of Jesus, who urged her to spread devotion to the Sacred Heart. The image of Jesus with his heart exposed in unquenchable flame – the Sacred Heart – is a reminder of his intense and eternal love for us.

June 29 – Saints Peter and Paul (1st Century). Peter was the apostle chosen by Jesus to lead the Church. The Gospels include some unflattering stories of Peter, showing that he was

ordinary, made extraordinary by God's grace. An early persecutor of the Church, Paul became the Great Apostle, also transformed by grace.



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