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# **SAINT PAUL** THE APOSTLE March 3, 2024 3rd Sunday of Lent

#### Weekend Masses Saturday (Anticipat

Saturday (Anticipated)–4:00 PM Sunday–8:00 AM, 10:00AM, Noon, 5:00 PM

#### **Daily Masses**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday–6:40 AM Monday – Saturday–8:30 AM Thursday–6:15 PM We livestream our Sunday 10:00 AM, Saturday 4:00 PM, and 8:30 AM Masses, and weddings, funerals, and special events upon request at <u>stpacc.org/livestream</u>.

#### **Mass Times for Holy Days**

Refer to the parish website or call the Parish Office to confirm Mass times. Holy Week schedule on page 11.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Thursdays after the 8:30 AM Mass until 5:55 PM unless otherwise noted. First Fridays after the 8:30 AM Mass until 4:00 PM

Rosary After the 8:30 AM weekday Masses Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Church and First Saturdays at 7:00 PM at <u>stpacc.org/onlinerosary</u>

Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday - Friday-3:00 PM

If you are interested in information about becoming Catholic, getting married in the Church or having your children baptized, please turn to page 5 of this bulletin.

#### Featured

#### Fund the Mission

Our offertory allows us to provide an abundance of opportunities to receive the sacraments. If you haven't already, please take time to prayerfully consider your giving to our parish offertory and complete your 2024 Offertory Commitment. For those who have already made their commitment, thank you. Together, we can ensure that St. Paul remains a place for people to encounter our Lord, Jesus Christ.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



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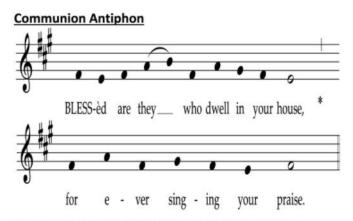
#### Worship Hymnal Readings - #1034 / #1033 at 10am

#### Hymns

Ent – Lord Who Throughout These Forty Days #461 Offertory – O Sun of Justice #471 Communion – Jesus Ever-Flowing Fountain #933

**Eucharistic Acclamations** 





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#### **Choir Anthem Lyrics**

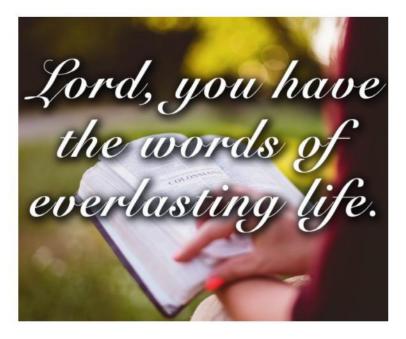
#### Offertory Anthem – Thou Knowest Lord

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; Shut not thy merciful ears unto our pray'rs; But spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty. O holy and most merciful Saviour, Thou most worthy Judge eternal, Suffer us not at our last hour, For any pains of death to fall away from Thee.

#### Canticle of Praise – Sicut Cervus

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad Te, Deus.

As the deer longs for running water, so longs my soul for Thee, O God



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"Hear us, O Lord, and have mercy on us, for we have sinned against thee..."

#### FRIDAYS OF LENT

March 8, 15, 22 5:00PM · Fish Fry in Miller Hall 7:30 PM · Stations of the Cross

#### **PENANCE SERVICES**

Wednesday, March 13 Wednesday, March 20 7:00 PM · Adoration & multiple Priests available for Confession

PARISH MISSION Rev. Pawel Rytel-Andrianik Sunday, March 17 Monday, March 18 Tuesday, March 19 7:00 – 9:00 PM

### SPREAD THE WORD by supporting our parish offertory

Fill out and return your offertory commitment card today to help us continue to be inspired by Saint Paul and spread the Gospel to the far reaches of our community.



The Third Sunday of Lent

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Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Wilson

# The Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

#### Staying informed:

If you do not have Flocknote, I ask that you to please consider getting the app so you are "in the know!" To secure the Flocknote app, go to <u>stpacc.org/flocknote</u> or text STPACC to 84576.



#### Parish Mission Reminder:

As part of our parish observance of the Eucharistic Revival, Father Pawel (pronounced "Pavel"), will lead our Parish Mission entitled, "This is My Body...". Father will present three talks, each relating to the Eucharist. I hope you will join us March 17-19. You can read more about our plans for the Parish Mission on page 7.

#### Catholic Men's Conference recap:

It was a great day for St. Paul the Apostle Parish at the Catholic Men's Conference. St. Paul had the most men of any parish in attendance and served for the second year as the "host parish". With over 100 volunteers from St. Paul, we were able to serve the 2,500 men in attendance from throughout the Diocese of Columbus and beyond. We were also well represented by the Knights of the Holy Temple, our altar serving group. The Knights served Adoration as well as the Holy Mass offered by Bishop Fernandes. I am very grateful for all our parishioners who attended, and in a special way for those who served. We heard great speakers, and I look forward to sharing the talks when they are available.

#### **Sabbatical Presentation:**

Many have indicated they'd like to learn more about my recent sabbatical. If you would like to "journey with me", I invite you to view a recording of one of the presentations I gave to members of the parish community.

stpacc.org/resources/sabbatical-presentation\_

#### Our Sunday Offering:

I want to sincerely thank the very many who regularly give of their time, talent, and financial support to our parish. WeShare Online Giving is a secure, and convenient platform. Just text stpaulohio to the number 800-950-9952 or go online to

<u>www.stpacc.org/donate.</u> If you have any questions about your parish offertory or WeShare, please contact Parish Accountant Deb Hawking at either <u>dhawking@stpacc.org</u> or 614-882-2109 ext. 229.



### MASS INTENTIONS Sunday, March 3, Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 20:1-17 or Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

8:00 AM	† Trevor Williams
**10:00 AM	† Mary Yannon
12:00 PM	† Joseph Gdula Jr

5:00 PM † Hayden Whitfield

#### Monday, March 4

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

6:40 AM	† William A. Wise
8:30 AM	† Edward Eppick

#### Tuesday, March 5

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

8:30 AM † Mary Lou Del Bianco

#### Wednesday, March 6

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

6:40 AM † Dennis Kairis

8:30 AM † Gregory Donchatz

#### Thursday, March 7

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

8:30 AM † Larry English 6:15 PM † Charles White

#### Friday, March 8

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34

6:40 AM † Linda Friedemann

8:30 AM † Eddy Lott

#### Saturday March 9

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

8:30 AM † Mr. & Mrs. Leo D'Auteuil

#### Fourth Sunday of Lent (anticipated)

4:00 PM † Frank & Sophie Hudak

#### Sunday, March 10, Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

- 8:00 AM † John and Virginia Donnelly
- \*\*10:00 AM † Mario Romanelli
  - 12:00 PM † Teresa Ann Grimm
  - 5:00 PM † M. Jean Rizek

\*\*Mass with incense.

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# NEW TO ST. PAUL?

### Here's what you need to know:

Welcome to Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church. Inspired by our patron Saint Paul, we are a parish of disciples of Jesus Christ called to bring His truth and love into our community through humble, collaborative service that is faithful to the Word of God, filled with the Holy Spirit, and centered on the Holy Eucharist.

#### Welcome Home

Whether you are brand new or returning after a while, we are excited to welcome you to Saint Paul. We look forward to seeing you at Mass and around the parish!

#### Stay Connected with us

We would love to stay connected with you! There are always new and exciting things happening at Saint Paul. Sign up for our Flocknote newsletter to receive email and text updates from our parish!







#### Interested in Becoming Catholic?

If you are curious about Catholicism or seeking to enter the Church, we invite you to get involved in our preparatory program for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). We're happy to accompany you! Find more information about the program at <u>stpacc.org/rcia.</u>

#### **Get Involved**

Looking to get involved in a vibrant Catholic community, or serve the Lord and our local Westerville community? We invite you to get to know one of our community opportunities and explore our many ways to serve among all our parish ministries. This week's schedule can be found in this bulletin. More can be found at <u>stpacc.org/ministries</u>

#### St. Paul School

Want to give your children a Catholic education? Discover our St. Paul Catholic School (preschool and grades K-8) dedicated to teaching, living, and learning in the light of Christ. <u>stpaulk-8.org</u>

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# Our Parish Staff

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The Third Sunday of Lent

# **Parish Office Hours**

Our Parish Office is open Monday–Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

# **Parish Registration**

If you will regularly be worshiping with us, we encourage you to register at <u>stpacc.org/register</u>.

# **Baptisms**

Families wishing to have their child baptized should contact Annette Ramos at aramos@stpacc.org.

# Matrimony

If you would like to be married at St. Paul the Apostle, please visit <u>stpacc.org/weddings</u> to begin planning.

# Confessions

9:15 AM on Thursdays; at 2:30 PM on Saturdays. The confessionals are located in the Church.

# Marian Gift Shop

Our Marian Gift Shop is located in the Church and is open from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM on Sundays; closed on Mondays; open on Tuesday and Thursdays from 2:30–6:30 PM; and on Wednesdays, Fridays, and also on Saturdays from 9:15 AM until 12:30 PM. 614-882-5257; <u>stpacc.org/shop</u>

# **Bulletin**

Articles for the bulletin must be submitted two weeks in advance to stpaulcommunications@stpacc.org. Thank you!

# Important Contacts

Parish Office	614-882-2109
St. Paul School	614-882-2710
Preschool	614-394-9731
Parish School of Religion	614-882-5045
Prayer Line	stpaulprayerline@stpacc.org
St. Vincent DePaul Helpline	614-973-9772
Young Adults	StPaulYoungProfessionals@gmail.com
Spirit of Peace Counseling	stpacc.org/counseling-services

## **Pregnancy Support Resources**

Women's Care Center	614-251-0200
Birthright	614-221-0844
PDHC	614-444-4411
Mommies Matter	614-723-9308
Option Llne	optionline.org 1-800-712-4357
Stowe Mission, Columbus	614-445-8400
Pregnancy Resources of Delaware County	740-417-9358

March 3, 2024

# THE CATECHETICAL CORNER



# Why Do I Have to Tell Him?

Have you ever wondered how a worm gets inside of an apple? You probably think it digs its way in from the outside, but this would be incorrect. Botanists tell us that the worm comes from the inside. It does so when an insect lays its egg in the apple blossom. Weeks later, the worm hatches in the heart of the apple and then eats its way out. Sin is like a worm. It begins in the heart and works its way out of a person's thoughts, words, and actions. I have been asked many questions throughout my years working in the Church. One question that tops the list revolves around sin and Confession, "Why do I have to confess my sins to a priest?" "I can just tell God I am sorry."

Confession might be one of the most challenging parts of our faith for some. For others, Confession is something they deeply look forward to. First of all, it's true that "God knows everything." We call that omniscience (from the Latin, omnis=all and scire=to know). So, yes, he knows everything we've done, and he knows whether you are sorry for that or not. But there is a big difference between God "knowing" what you did and his act of forgiveness.

For example, if you sinned against a friend with whom you were very close and then felt sorry for that, it's possible that your friend would realize, just by knowing you, that you were genuinely sorry. But that doesn't mean you can presume your friend's goodness and forgiveness. In this situation, the best thing to do is to actually sit down and tell your friend you are sorry and to have your friend tell you that you are forgiven. This very human exchange brings about reconciliation.

So it is with God. God is all merciful and wants to forgive all of our sins. But for true reconciliation to take place, God wants us actually to say those words and then to hear the words, spoken by the priest, that we are forgiven. So, Confession is not only about God forgiving us but also about reconciliation with God on a human level. What's important to understand is that God offers us forgiveness in his way. He forgives us through a human being. Who is that human being? It's the Father's Son who became one of us. Jesus is the one who offers God's forgiveness, and Jesus is both fully God and man. But how does Jesus do that now that he has ascended into Heaven? Before he ascended, he gave his divine power of forgiveness to his first priests, the apostles. They, in turn, passed that power onto others, who passed it on to others, down through the ages, all the way to our present age. Despite being imperfect, priests have the spiritual power of Jesus to speak his words of forgiveness to others. Therefore, when a priest says, "I absolve you," we hear Jesus himself, as the human face of God, saying those same words to us. We speak to Jesus in the confessional, not Fr. Billy Joe Bob.

Why did God choose to use priests to dispense his forgiveness? Honestly, we don't have a perfect answer to that question. Sure, there have been wonderful writings, reflections, and teachings on this subject throughout the history of the Church. But, in the end, we will only fully understand this mystery of how God gives us his forgiveness when we are in Heaven. For now, we must follow what Jesus taught and receive his forgiveness in the way we know he offers it.

Also, an auricular confession not only helps us on a spiritual level but also on a psychological level. I have witnessed so many people benefit from actually hearing the words of Absolution. When one prays to God and asks for forgiveness, we usually do not hear anything back from our confession. Still, when we enter the confessional and confess to Christ's representatives on earth, we hear and know we are forgiven.

As we continue through this Lenten season, make Confession a priority. Spring cleaning for your soul. Whether you just went last week or it has been forty years, the graces you will receive are abundant. In his works, St. Ambrose discussed the two conversions a person can have in the Church. He said of them, "There is water and tears; the water of Baptism and the tears of repentance."

*Andrew* **7**. *Burson* Andrew T. Burson, Director of Parish Ministry





# "THIS IS MY BODY..."

This Lent, grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ through a renewed focus on the Holy Eucharist.

March 17 • 18 • 19, 2024 7:00 PM **St. Paul the Apostle** 

# FEATURING THREE TALKS BY **REV. PAWEL RYTEL-ANDRIANIK**

Night 1: **Eucharistic Miracles in the 21st Century** 

Night 2: Two Tables, One Mass

Night 3: The Eucharist and the Devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Father Pawel Rytel-Andrianik, a Polish priest and professor at the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross in Rome, is head of the Polish Section of Vatican Radio - Vatican News and deputy director of the Abraham J. Heschel Center for Christian-Jewish Relations at the Catholic University of Lublin.



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#### This Week in Our Parish Sunday, March 3 Coffee & Doughnuts after AM Masses Lower Level Room 3 (CHurch)

11:00 AM - RCIA Klinger Center

#### 3:00 PM – Youth Choir Concert Church

The Youth Choir program begins in September and ends with its service at the 10:00 AM Easter Sunday Mass. stpacc.org/ministries/youth-choir

#### 6:00 PM – Alcoholics Anonymous Room 2 (Parish Office)

Alcoholics Anonymous holds twice-weekly Sundays and Fridays in Room 2 of the Parish Office.

#### 6:15 PM – Middle School Youth Ministry Klinger Center

Our Youth Ministry's mission is to bring the youth of our parish into a deep and personal relationship with Jesus by giving opportunities to have an authentic encounter with Christ through His Church. Ends at 7:45 PM. <u>stpacc.org/ym</u>

#### Monday, March 4

#### 3:00 PM – Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed every weekday at 3 PM in the church. Join us in praying this devotion to the mercy of God! Learn the prayers at <u>stpacc.org/chaplet</u>

#### 6:30 PM - Walking with Purpose Lower Level Room 3 (Church)

Walking with Purpose (WWP), the heart of our women's ministry, is our parish-based Bible study program for adult women. stpacc.org/wwp

#### 6:30 PM – Rosary Church

Join us in this timeless prayer, enriching your spiritual life as we contemplate the life of Christ through the eyes of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

#### 7:00 PM – Nar-Anon Room 1 (Parish Office)

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#### Tuesday, March 5

9:15 AM - Walking with Purpose Lower Level Room 3

3:00 PM – Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

5:30 PM - Catholic Men's Ministry Planning Meeting Lower Level Room 3

7:00 PM - St. Vincent de Paul Parish Office Room 2

7:00 PM - Youth Ministry Volunteer Meeting St. Peter Room

#### Wednesday, February 6

#### 9:00 AM - Mom's Mornings St. Peter Room

Are you longing for a bigger community? Would you like to meet more Moms here at St. Paul? Join us on the first Wednesday of each month while school is in session.

Join us upstairs after the 8:30 AM Mass for fellowship, a small meal, and to meet more Moms like you! Kids are welcome to come to play. Come when you can, stay as long as you'd like. stpacc.org/momsmornings

#### 3:00 PM – Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

#### 4:45 & 6:45 PM –PSR Classes St. Paul School

Parish School of Religion is part of the educational arm of the parish community, responsible for providing religious instruction, formation and sacramental preparation to children attending public or non-Catholic private schools. <u>stpacc.org/psr</u>

#### 6:30 PM – That Man is You! St. Peter Room

Rosary at 6:30 PM; meeting at 7:00 PM That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. <u>stpacc.org/tmiy</u>

6:45 PM – 8:00 PM High School Discipleship Lower Level Room 3 (Church)

7:00 PM – Overeaters Anonymous Parish Office Room 2

#### Thursday, March 7

6:30 AM – That Man is You! St. Peter Room

#### 9:15 AM – Confessions Church

Catholics can experience healing through forgiveness of sins and reconciliation with God and His Church. Catholics are always welcomed back to receive this sacrament whether it has been two weeks or two decades since the last Confession. <u>stpacc.org/sacraments/reconciliation</u>

#### 9:30 AM – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Church

Spend some time in the real presence of Jesus after the 8:30 AM Mass. Adoration concludes with benediction at 5:45 PM.

#### 3:00 PM – Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed every weekday at 3 PM in the church. Join us in praying this devotion to the mercy of God! Learn the prayers at stpacc.org/chaplet

7:00 PM – Adult Choir Rehearsal Church

#### 7:00 PM - Young Adult Bible Study Lower Level Room 1 (Church)

Young Adults is a group of young Catholics looking to grow in faith and fellowship. Anyone ages 18 to 40 is welcome to join us for our meetings. <u>stpacc.org/ypm</u>

7:30 PM Al-Anon Room 1 (Parish Office)



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#### Friday, March 8

3:00 PM – Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

#### 5:00-7:30 - Fish Fry Miller Hall

Come for an evening of fried fish and fellowship, presented by Knights of Columbus Westerville Council 5776. See page 11 for menu and prices.

# 7:30 PM - Stations of the Cross

Church

The Stations of the Cross, also known as the Way of the Cross, is a Catholic devotion that commemorates Jesus Christ's journey to his crucifixion. It involves meditating on 14 specific events, or "stations," from Jesus' condemnation to his burial, often accompanied by prayers and reflections.

#### 7:30 PM-Alcoholics Anonymous Room 2 (Parish Office)

#### Saturday, March 9

#### 7:30 AM - Men's Bible Study

We invite all men in the parish to join us on the second, third, fourth and fifth Saturdays (if applicable) of the month for Bible Study stpacc.org/menbiblestudy

2:30 PM – Confessions Church

#### Sunday, March 10

#### 6:00 PM – Alcoholics Anonymous Room 2 (Parish Office)

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#### 6:30 PM – High School Youth Ministry Klinger Center

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#### **Opportunities to Serve**

#### **Mass Ministry Coordinators Needed**

Are you looking for a way to connect more deeply with your parish family? The Mass Ministry Coordinator position offers this opportunity!

The Mass Ministry Coordinator welcomes the different ministry volunteers, parishioners and visitors at Mass. They check in Lectors, Altar Servers, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and coordinate with the Sacristans to make sure all the scheduled positions are filled to help ensure the Mass runs smoothly for the priest and congregation. They also answer questions from visitors to our beautiful parish.

If you are interested in serving in this vital role as a Mass Ministry Coordinator at weekend and/or Holy Day Masses, please contact Annette Ramos at aramos@stpacc.org.

#### Radio Fun that will Leave You Smiling March 6th-8th

Dcn. Mickey Hawkins will be on the radio on 03/08/2024 from 10:45 AM - 11:30 AM. Dcn. Hawkins will be playing on a team with two other deacons, in a basketball tournament to see which Deacon Team will win the gold medal! For every donation made in his name prior to or during the AM820 radio event, Dcn. Hawkins's team will receive additional shots.

To make a donation call (614) 459-4820 or go online to StGabrielRadio.com.

# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

# Over 24,000 babies saved since 2007, 148 abortion clinics have closed, 256 abortion workers have quit! You can make a difference!

We're in the midst of the Spring 2024 40 Days for Life campaign. St. Paul Parish has once again joined dozens of Catholic parishes and other Christian churches throughout the Columbus area in standing up for unborn children as part of this life-saving campaign.

In addition to 40 days of peaceful prayer and fasting for an end to the scourge of abortion, St. Paul Parish has again committed to providing prayer coverage at Planned Parenthood, 3255 E. Main St, Columbus, on Saturday, March 9 from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

Please consider joining over two dozen of your fellow St. Paul parishioners who joined us in the Fall 2023 campaign for two hours of prayer in a nonconfrontational environment. Those who are unable to attend are asked to pray and fast for an end to abortion. To stand up for the innocent preborn babies, or to learn more, please contact St. Paul's 40 Days for Life volunteer coordinators Gary Anderson (614-402-3842, garyanderson5656@gmail.com) or Yvonne Blegen (614-284-1757, yblegen@gmail.com). Thank you!





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# St. Paul the Apostle's Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Our Recent Mass Attendance & Offertory Collection

Week Ending	Attendance	Collections	
February 4	3,252	\$ 124,459.90	-
February 11	3,218	\$ 56,800.59	
February 18	3416	93,784.57	
February 25	3241	54,410.71	

#### Year to Date Collection Summary through February 25, 2024

Note: Collection totals vary primarily due to the timing of online contribution reporting.

Summary for Week # 34	_	Actual	_	Budget		Difference	1	Last Year Actua	ıl	Prior Year +(-)
Sunday & On-line Collectio	ns \$	2,493,359	\$	2,660,238	\$	(166,880)	\$	2,357,072	\$	136,287
Christmas	\$	86,283	\$	85,000	\$	1,283	\$	83,772	\$	2,511
Easter	\$	1,069	\$	-	\$	1,069	\$	805	\$	263
Major Collection Totals	\$	2,580,710	\$	2,745,238	\$	(164,528)	\$	2,441,649	\$	139,061
Prior Week Totals	\$	2,460,078	\$	2,581,996	\$	(121,918)	\$	2,302,184	\$	157,894
Special Collections To Dat	e Include:	*Church Bu	ildin	g Fund Envelo	pes:	Ou	r Off	ertory Weekly	Goal	is \$78,244.
St. Vincent DePaul	\$ 60,795	\$ 62,124			This	This amount includes weekly withdrawals for:				
WARM	\$ 48,285	Church Loan Balance: \$3,631,034			Accelerate	Accelerated Principal Payments on Debt of \$ 7,750				
Vocations COllection	\$ 15,355	Parish fiscal year is July 1 to June 30				Savings Deposit to our Emergency Fund of \$ 7,900				



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Fried Cod, Baked Tilapia, Mac & Cheese Penne Pasta **Sides:** 

(Select 1) Mac and Cheese Penne Pasta, French Fries, or Seasoned Rice (Select 1) Homemade Slaw or Apple Sauce

Hawaiian rolls, coffee, tea, milk and condiments included with all meals

Adult Meal - \$15.00 Seniors (65+) - \$12.00 Children (6-11) - \$6.00 Family - \$50.00 (2 adults + 3 or more kids) Slice of Pizza - \$4.00 Desserts - \$2.00 Soups - \$4.00 Wine - \$4.00 Beer - \$3.00

# **HOLY WEEK 2024**

#### PALM SUNDAY · MARCH 24

Mass with Blessing of Palms Sat 4 PM · Sun 8 AM · 10 AM with solemn procession · 12 PM · 5 PM

#### HOLY THURSDAY · MARCH 28

8:30 AM · Matins & Lauds **7 PM · MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER** Until 11 PM · Adoration at Altar of Repose (KC)

**GOOD FRIDAY · MARCH 29** 

8:30 AM Matins & Lauds · 1–3 PM Confessions 12 PM Stations of the Cross · 1 PM Rosary · 2 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet **3 PM · 7 PM | CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION** 

HOLY SATURDAY · MARCH 30 8:30 AM · Matins & Lauds 9:00 PM | EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

EASTER SUNDAY · MARCH 31

8 AM · 10 AM (Church) · 10 AM (WNHS) · 12 PM

# Save the date and join the fun!



Start the summer with a splash, and dive into VBS! St. Paul Vacation Bible School June 10-14, 2024 Registration will be open Monday March 18th 2024 for students, and volunteers.

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# O.Y.M.A.R. Prayer Movement for girls and young women



# MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup> AT 7 P.M.

<u>Prayer gathering</u> for young women (from high school juniors to young professionals)

# MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup> 10 A.M.-1:30 P.M.

<u>Discipleship groups</u> for girls:  $1^{st} - 2^{nd}$ ,  $3-5^{th}$  and  $6^{th} - 10^{th}$  grade Holy Mass, Adoration, catechesis, games & crafts!

Daughters of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus St. Therese Shrine 5277 E. Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio

RSVP or more info: 614-986-7007

THIS MONTH, INCLUDING A SPECIAL VOCATIONAL VISIT FROM OUR POSTULANTS!

# <sup>10<sup>IV</sup></sup>THE HANDMAIDS OF THE EUCHARIST

8th-12th Grade Girl Sacristans

Learn how to love and serve the Lord in the Eucharist by learning to prepare Mass, arrange flowers, embroider chapel linens & more!



Tuesday, March 5 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. at St. Paul Church

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# PRAY FOR THOSE IN RCIA

These individuals are now in the final phase of their journey to joining the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

### Please keep them in your prayers as we make this Lenten journey with them.





**Candidates:** Allison A. Gregory Bradburn Anthony Cocuzza Sarah Eschleman **Brian Gable** Colleen Greer Kathlene Harper Carson Hornsby Olivia Hornsby Faith Jackowski **Keegan Lyles** Madison Lyles Kenneth McCall, Jr. Jeromy Lyles Kenneth McCall, III Patricia Pequignot Amy Reyes Zachary Spann Nikki Stechschulte Matthew Triplet William Wilson

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# OIN THE CREW Become A VBS Volunteer Today!

Make a splash this summer

diving into friendship with GOD

Join Us

VBS IS JUNE 10-14 2024

**NEED MORE INFO??** 

COME LEARN MORE ABOUT VBS AND THE ROLE YOU CAN PLAY THIS SUMMER! INFORMATION MEETING IS IN ROOM LL1, ON TUESDAY, APRIL 9TH, 7:00 PM

#### **Roles available:**

- Station Leaders
- Room leaders
- Set up/tear down, craft prep
- Decoration team
- Teens get service hours!!

For any questions and to RSVP for April , Contact Sarah Price

stpaccvbs@gmail.com

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# St. Vincent de Paul Update

The SVDP monthly Pantry Collection will be next weekend, March 9 and 10. The blue bins will be placed in the Narthex of the Church beginning late Friday. This collection will be going to Jenkins, KY to the Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity, who assist the needy in the area. They are requesting canned vegetables, fruit, spaghetti pasta, pasta sauce, flour, sugar, rice, one serving fruits, laundry soap and toilet tissue.

Also, the Holy Family Pantry has a need for sweet and salty snacks. Large bags of cookies and snacks are separated into smaller bags by SVDP conference members. These smaller bags are used in the sack lunches given to the homeless.

Holy Family Pantry is in need of a panel truck with a lift. Please contact Jane Nieman, jane5nieman@gmail.com if you have any information regarding one.

Also, this past week, we received a telephone call from someone needing assistance. Our conference could have used some legal advice. Is there an attorney within the parish that could, occasionally, give us legal advice pro bono? It would basically be us asking a question or two, nothing long term. If so, please contact, Jane Nieman, at the above email.Thank you.

Again, thank you for your prayers and financial support in carrying out the mission of St. Vincent de Paul. God bless you.



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# Around the Diocese



vear to educate and form a seminarian.

COLUMBUS CATHOLIC

The Diocese of Columbus has a GOOD AND **GROWING NEED** by virtue of **16 ADDITIONAL** young men interested in the priesthood. A contribution from you today will support this immediate need to fund future priests throughout our Diocese.

#### St. Charles Auditions

St. Charles Preparatory School Drama Department will hold high school women's auditions for its spring production, The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time on Tuesday & Wednesday, March 5 & 6 at 4:00 p.m. at the St. Charles Campus Theater, 2010 East Broad St. (You need only attend one of the two days.) Auditions are open to all area high school women in Central Ohio. Production Dates: April 25 – 28, 2024. For more information, email Doug Montgomery at dmontgomery@scprep.org.



# **EUCHARIST:** SIGN AND SACRAMENT

# Godsplaining Day of Recollection

hosted by Fr. Gregory Pine & Fr. Bonaventure Chapman

# St. Patrick Church

Columbus, Ohio April 6th, 2024

# SERRA, NOW MORE THAN FVF

### NO PRIEST, NO EUCHARIST!

### **BECOME A SERRAN!**

Serrans ensure the future of the Catholic Church by creating a culture of vocations in our Columbus Diocese.

Serrans affirm and encourage our priests and supporting vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

> Serrans assist and encourage one another to respond to God's call to holiness.

Check out our website SERRACOLUMBUS.ORG for more information and scheduled events.

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#### Reflecting on the Gospel for the Third Sunday of Lent, March 3, 2024

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 Gospel: John 2:13-25

All four Gospels speak of Jesus' cleansing of the Temple. However, there is a difference between the way this event is portrayed in the Synoptic Gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke) and in the way it is portrayed in John's Gospel. John's Gospel places this event at the very beginning of Jesus' public ministry during the first of His three annual trips to Jerusalem for the Passover. This was His first attempt at cleansing the Temple. Jesus was also less severe in John's version of the story, stating only that the moneychangers had turned His Father's House into a "marketplace." In the three Synoptic Gospels, this event takes place at the very end of Jesus' public ministry, less than a week before Jesus' death when He returned to Jerusalem for the last time. In those versions, Jesus was more severe, stating that the moneychangers had turned His Father's House into a "den of thieves" and not just a "marketplace." In commenting upon the differences between John's version and the Synoptics, Saint Augustine and Saint Thomas Aquinas believe that they are two different occasions when a similar act of cleansing of the Temple took place.

The Jewish Temple, at the time of Jesus' public ministry, was the place people traveled to each year for Passover to offer the sacrifice of a spotless male lamb in commemoration of the first Passover in Egypt when God set the Jews free from slavery. During this annual celebration, Jewish families who traveled to Jerusalem would purchase a lamb for sacrifice. At the appointed time, they slaughtered the animal in the courtyard of the Temple and then presented it to the priest who gathered some of the blood and sprinkled it on the altar, and then removed the skin, organs and fat to be burned in sacrifice. The meat was returned to the family and roasted on a pomegranate branch so that they could feast on it as they recalled the saving action God granted their ancestors in Egypt. Today, we see the Jewish Temple as a symbol and prefiguration of Christ, the New Temple Who is also the priest and the Lamb of Sacrifice. Recall, also, that at Jesus' death, the veil of the Temple was torn in two, opening it up to the whole world so that all may share in the Sacrifice of the Lamb of God. We are now invited into this Holy of Holies to share in the new life of grace accomplished by His Sacrifice. Since the grace of this Sacrifice of our Lord enters into each and every heart that believes, to cleanse and purify, then every person receiving this grace becomes a new dwelling place of God, a member of His new Temple, the Body of Christ.

When Jesus came to the Passover feast and witnessed the buying and selling of these animals in the Temple, He drove them out with much zeal. It was clear that this holy celebration of the Passover had become less of a celebration of faith and more of a marketplace for profit. Jesus' action is also a symbol of the zeal with which He now seeks to cleanse the temple of your soul. At first, when sin and disorder pervade our souls, our Lord may take the approach of a gentle rebuke, as He did in His first cleansing of the Temple in John's Gospel. If we persist in our sins, then our Lord will become more zealous in His cleansing as He was in His final attempt to cleanse the Temple the week before He died.

Reflect, today, upon this twofold cleansing of the Temple in Jerusalem by our Lord and apply Jesus' sacred actions today to your own soul. Are there new sins that you have fallen into recently that require a gentle rebuke from our Lord? Are there sins that Jesus has been revealing to you for years now that you obstinately persist in? Allow Him to rebuke you in love and to cleanse you so that His saving Sacrifice as the Lamb of God will indeed purify you, and allow His judgment and wrath to "passover" you this Lent.

Readings for each day and links to daily reflections can be found at <u>stpacc.org/readings</u>

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