

MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 17-23

MON 5:30 PM Stephen Toth TUES 8:00 AM Frances E. Rouhana WED 5:30 PM Sandy Barrett THURS 8:00 PM Reynaldo Guerzt SAT 8:00 PM Frank Matthews Jr. 5:30 PM Jane Favret

7:15 AM Mary Jo Ritzenthaler SUN 8:45 AM Jim Olenhouse

10:45 AM Lee Divittis

5:30 PM For the People of St Brendan Parish

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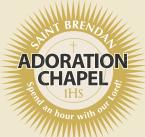
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TUES 9 AM-10 PM WED 7 AM-5 PM

Holy Hour 6-7 PM

Confessions available

THURS 9 AM-10 PM FRI 9 AM-10 PM SAT 9 AM-1 PM







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SAINT BRENDAN INFORMATION CENTER

Church Hours

Weekdays, 6 AM-9 PM

Parish Office Hours

Weekdays, 9 AM-4 PM

New Members - All are Welcome!

Email receptionist@stbrendans.net or call 614.876.1272 Request a packet at stbrendans.net/become-a-member

Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to marriage. Marriage preparation is required.

Baptisms

Celebrated at 12 PM most Sundays. Two baptismal prep classes are required. Request at stbrendans.net/baptism

Baptism Preparation Classes

First Sunday of most months at 12 PM (2 classes required). See website for details or email baptism@stbrendans.net

Annointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Fr Brown at frbrown@stbrendans.net or 614.876.1272, ext 226

Ministry of Evangelization & Catechesis

614.876.1272, fax 614.876.1482

St Brendan School

614.876.6132, fax 614.529.8929

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Request form and details: stbrendans.net/marketing Questions? Email marketing@stbrendans.net

Mass Intentions

To schedule an intention, mail request to the Parish Office with \$10 (due when the request made).

Flowers for the Altar

In remembrance of a loved one or special intention (cost is \$75). Donor/intentions are published in the bulletin.

Ministry of Care for our Homebound

To receive the Eucharist at home or in a facility, contact Jennifer at 614.876.1272, ext 227 or jrice@stbrendans.net

Protecting God's Children Class

Register at www.virtus.org

POD Nursery

Open most Sundays during 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses for children ages 6 months to 4 years.

Navigator News

Visit **stbrendan.ccbchurch.com** and create your ParishStag account to automatically begin receiving our parish e-newsletter. To have Sunday worship materials & bulletins emailed weekly to you, go to tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids

A MESSAGE FROM JENNIFER RICE

Today, we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, still a newer addition to our liturgical calendar, that focuses on St Faustina's encounter with Jesus and the love and mercy in His message for all souls. The novena that we pray leading up to this day focuses on a different group of souls each day, a reminder that we all need God's great mercy in our lives.



Do we trust that we will receive it?

Whether due to our current culture or our own wounds, trust can be elusive. We have been disappointed, betrayed. People end up being not who they appeared to be. We place our trust in temporary fixes for our brokenness: the latest self-help book, YouTube video or someone's advice, or just grasp our need to control a little tighter. I can trust myself. If it gets messed up then it's all on me. And it is exhausting.

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus tells us, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Jesus asks us to trust Him with our needs, to learn a different, better way to live – in a surrender and trust of His plan for us. His healing, His promises are better than anything we can imagine for ourselves. We know this, and we notice this if we look back in our history of where Jesus has already done this for us, but often in the moment of trial we forget.

How, practically, do we learn to trust Him? This month, we are focusing on trusting Him first in prayer. We must first remove the obstacles in our lives that keep us from hearing His voice. With so many other voices influencing us, keeping His above all else is key. That happens in quiet prayer, putting aside time for Him in our day to ask Him to guide us, and to be open to the holy interruptions of our own plans.

Another wonderful tool is the Litany of Trust, written by Sister Faustina Maria Pia of the Sisters of Life. Praying this litany and perhaps centering on a few of the phrases to repeat in prayer through the day, can make it first in your mind as you encounter challenges that demand trust. For example: From anxiety about the future, deliver me Jesus. Or: That You give me all the strength I need for what is asked, Jesus I trust in You. Find a verse that God is speaking especially to you, write it down and pray it for a week. Then, choose another to pray.

A link to the Litany of Trust and other prayers can be found on our Year of Prayer web page (stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer) within the "Grow in Prayer Resources" section. Please also join us on April 26 at 10 AM or 7 PM as we further explore trust in prayer with intentions and surrender. May we learn to trust the Lord who has rescued us with His mercy and provides all that we need in His time and in His way.

ST CHARLES HONOR ROLL

St Charles Preparatory School recently announced its Third Quarter Honor and Merit Rolls for the 2022-2023 school year. Students listed on the Honor Roll have achieved a grade point average of 3.50 or better on a 4.00 grading scale. Students listed on the Merit Roll have achieved a grade point average between 3.00 and 3.49. Those who received a grade point average 4.0 and higher are noted (4.0+ GPA). The following young men are graduates of St Brendan school and/or are St Brendan parishioners and are listed on the Honor and Merit Rolls. We congratulate them for their outstanding academic achievement!

STUDENT'S NAME	GRADE	ROLL	4.0+
Nathaniel DeLuca	9	Honor	4.0+
Malcolm D'Souza	11	Honor	4.0+
Warren D'Souza	12	Honor	4.0+
Mauricio Lahera-Castillo	10	Honor	4.0+
Dillon Miller	11	Honor	4.0+
Maximiliano Paxton	9	Honor	4.0+
Ivan Canas-Heredia	10	Honor	
Konrad Gozon	10	Honor	
Jack Jacobsen	12	Honor	
Bradley King	9	Honor	
Connor Morgan	12	Honor	
John Rice	10	Honor	
Thomas Rice	10	Honor	
Donovan Timm	10	Honor	
Lucas Cloran	11	Merit	
James McInnis	9	Merit	
Grant Rice	10	Merit	
Caleb Sark	12	Merit	





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PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL

Michael Boesch Doris Kopac Mary Brake Jim Loque Chris Carrino Jane Lumen Eugene Chervenak Mary Pat Marchion Linda Clark Jill Markey Patricia Crane Joe Martin Tom Crane **Becky Moyer** Chuck Destefani **Grant Nuss** Mary Jo Flickinger **Brent Shonkwiler** Pamela Theado Mary Frick Mitzie Toth Don Johnson Marilyn Wiggins **Bob Kienle**

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Aaron Grieshop Kaden Morris
Sam Imwalle Alec Moyer
Christopher Keck Cody Longstreth
Jackson Maassel Kaden Morris
Alec Moyer
Rick Shonkwiler
Rob Shonkwiler

Please continue to pray for all our men and women in service to our country, as well as all healthcare workers and first responders.

If you or a loved one is hospitalized or ill at home and would like a pastoral visit, please call 614.876.1272

NON-PRACTICING CATHOLICS

If you would like the Inviting Catholics Home Ministry to pray for a friend or family member who has fallen away from the Church, visit the Prayer Wall at www.stbrendans.net/year-of-prayer and write your intention. Or, write their first name(s) on our St Monica prayer board, located by the Welcome desk and our Ministry will pray for them.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Church Cleaning Daily Mass Confirmation Practice Faith Formation Grades 6-8 Small Group	Church Church Church Multiple Locations			
TUESDAY, APRIL 18				
Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration	Davidson Rd Meeting Room A Church Adoration Chapel			
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19				
Eucharistic Adoration Elizabeth Playgroup Prayer Shawl Work Session Daily Mass Adoration, Confessions Available Knights of Columbus #11208: Monthly Meeting	Adoration Chapel Wellnitz Hall Room 1 (with patio) The Carter Center Church Church Davidson Rd Meeting Room B			
THURSDAY, APRIL 20				
Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration Grief Support Group SVDP Sandwich Making for Homeless	Church Adoration Chapel OFF-SITE–La Chatelaine in Dublin Wellnitz Hall Room 1 (with patio)			
FRIDAY, APRIL 21				
Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration Confirmation	Church Adoration Chapel Church			
22 Diocesan Special Collection: Church in Central & Eastern Europe				
Daily Mass Rescue Project Retreat The Rosary Confession Eucharistic Adoration Vigil Mass	Church Davidson Rd Meeting Rooms A & B Church Adoration Chapel Confessional Adoration Chapel Church			
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Mass Children's Liturgy of the Word POD Nursery Family Faith Formation Sunday Baptisms Faith Formation Grades 6-8 Parent ROOTS Sunday VINE Care & Consolidation: Grief Support Workshop	Church Adoration Chapel Childcare Center Multiple Locations Church School Cafeteria Multipurpose Room Multipurpose Lobby Davidson Rd Meeting Room A			
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JOIN A HOSPITALITY-CENTERED MINISTRY!

Experience the joy of serving others while also supporting our parish ministries – commit weekly, monthly or even yearly! To sign up for Coffee & Donuts, contact Deacon Yglesias at deaconyglesias@stbrendans.net; to sign up for Welcome Ministry, contact Sheri at welcoming@stbrendans.net; or to sign up to serve as an usher at Mass, contact Henry at szahank6@gmail.com

PARISHSTAQ QUICK REFERENCE

- Sign in: stbrendan.ccbchurch.com
- FAQ: stbrendans.net/parishstaq
- Guide: tinyurl.com/parishstaq-quick-guide
- Questions: cstaqteam@stbrendans.net
- Liturgy Aids: tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids

BISHOP WATTERSON HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

Bishop Watterson students who attained honor roll status with a 3.7 or higher grade point average for the third quarter of the 2022/23 school year and who were either former graduates of St Brendan school and/or are St Brendan parishioners are listed below. We congratulate them for their outstanding academic achievement!

STUDENT'S NAME	GRADE
Laura Adams	9
Tyler Altier	11
Rachael Anderson	9
Benjamin Boyle	11
Reese Boyle	10
Delilah Britain	12
Kaitlyn Casper	11
Mackenzie Casper	11
Elijah Cyre-Ellis	12
Joseph DiPalma	11
Gwendolyn Dixon	10
Alexandra Fasone	12
Luke Fivecoat	9
Ava Fultz	12
Riley Goad	9
Sophie Hamrock	10
Caden Harey	9
Grace Mayhan	9
Jake McCann	11
Annie Melaragno	12
Max Melaragno	11
Grace Rider	12
Paige Ritzenthaler	12
Ellie Rowlands	10
Brady Spears	9
Sydney Spears	12
John Spencer	11
Logan Storts	11
Anne Sutton	12
Noah Thomas	11
Kathleen Van Duzen	12
Taylor Young	12
Ava Hoying	12
Layla Hoying	9
Amber Regan	10

SOCIAL MEDIA ACCESS:

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Parish: @stbrendanhilliard School: @saintbrendanschool Vine HS Youth Group: @stbvine Roots MS Youth Group: @stb_theroots St Brendan Young Adults: @stbya

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Please join us in the church April 16 at 3 PM as we pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet together and reflect upon the Lord's great love and mercy for us. As a tangible expression of this, Confession will be available from 3-5 PM.



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Looking for grief support from fellow parishioners? All are welcome at lunch where we listen, laugh, cry and help one another through this grief journey. We meet at 1 PM at La Chatelaine in Downtown Dublin on the third Thursday of the month (April 20). Also join us for a monthly grief workshop on Sunday, April 23 at 7 PM in Davidson Room A. Contact Dennis for more information: edmuch@me.com or 614.946.8090.

LORD, TEACH US HOW TO TRUST

The next Lord, Teach Us series, "Teach Us How to Trust" will be Wednesday, April 26, 10 AM or 7 PM in Wellnitz. We will present the theme of trust in prayer, including praying our intentions, Divine Mercy, the Litany of Trust and the Surrender Novena. Explore what prevents us and helps us in our level of trust in prayer. No RSVP needed.

MOMENTS WITH MOTHER MARY

Our Blessed Mother Mary reminds us that we as women were created with extraordinary uniqueness. Gather with us for an evening to learn about Mary's secret to



powerful prayer and honor Mary as the Mother to all the faithful. As women, we carry wounds from life encounters as we experience pain for others, our own internal unrest, and sadness of the brokenness of the messy world around us. Mary is the model who guides us to heal and make connections in our prayer life through heart-centered reflections. Join us Thursday, May 18, 6:30-8:30 PM in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms for a time that will breathe life into your strength and tenderness. A community service activity will be part of the evening and will close with a May crowning of Mary. Lite refreshments and snacks served. RSVP at www.stbrendans.net/womens-groups. Questions? Contact Karen Potondi at potondi.ka@gmail.com

ST BRENDAN MEN'S ANNUAL RETREAT

Friday, May 19 - Sunday, May 21, 2023 at The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein, join us to unpack this year's theme "Deepening Our Walk with Jesus through the Eucharist." Retreat Director this year is Fr Tom Gardner. The cost is \$190 (minimum \$50 deposit due with registration; balance due no later than May 5, 2023). For details or to register, visit www.stbrendans.net/mens-groups or scan the QR code. Questions? Contact Gerry at Gerryliz90@gmail.com

ARTS & ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY

The Arts and Environment Ministry is looking for anyone (creative or not) to help beautify our church! We need carpenters, those who sew, have an eye for design, or just want to help move and place items for the ordinary or liturgical seasons. Contact Kathleen at kathleen.reis@gmail.com



ALL ARE WELCOME!



Praised be Jesus Christ!

Ordination to the DiaconateOf

Deacon Michael Robert Haemmerle

for the Diocese of Columbus on

May 5, 2023

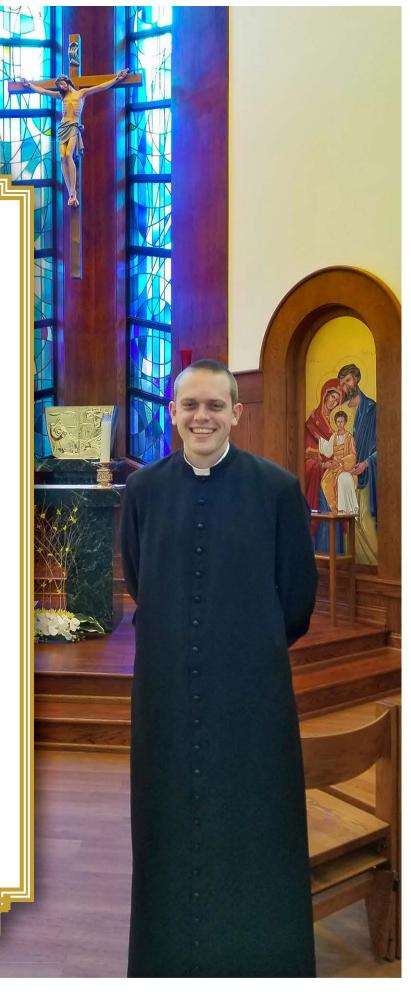
at 7 o'clock in the evening Saint Paul the Apostle Church 313 N State Street, Westerville, Ohio

&

Deacon Haermmerle will deacon and preach The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 8:45 AM and 10:45 AM

At Saint Brendan the Navigator Parish on

Sunday, May 14, 2023



2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT ST BRENDAN

Ages: Totus Tuus day camp is for those children entering grades 1-6 and youth nights are for those entering grades 7-12.



Dates: Day Camp runs Monday-Friday, June 26-30 Youth nights run Sunday-Thursday, June 25-29

Cost: \$25 per child.

Lunch: For the day camp, you must send your child with a packed lunch for the day. We will provide a morning snack.

Potluck: We will have a potluck Wednesday night in the MPR at St Brendan to give your whole family a chance to meet the Totus Tuus Missionaries.

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of volunteers, dinner hosts, and host families to help make this year's VBS successful. These positions are open to anyone entering 8th grade and older. We do need at least two Safe Environment certified adults with each grade level of children during the day camp.

To volunteer, please visit stbrendan.ccbchurch.com/goto/needs/public



To register for VBS, please visit https://bit.ly/stbtotustuus or scan the OR code.

Questions? Contact jdoran@stbrendans.net



ST BRENDAN CUB SCOUTS ADVENTURE NIGHT

Do you want to learn new skills and make new friends? Then join St Brendan Cub Scout Pack 859 at our annual Adventure Night, happening April 19, 7-8:15 PM in the school MPR! Cub Scouts at St Brendan's is open to all boys entering kindergarten through 5th grade (in the fall of 2023). We make 2-3 camping trips a year, do multiple service projects for the parish, and are active all year round. Can't make the event? Please contact Cubmaster Chris Morris at Moosecm86@yahoo.com for more information.

ST BRENDAN MINISTRY OF EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Our final faith formation family sessions will be April 23 & 24. Beforehand, you should complete the *Root* family meetings 4 & 5 at home. Please read parts 5 & 6 of the *Root* parent series as well.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

FIRST RECONCILIATION – If your child missed the group celebration of this Sacrament held on December 3, please bring them to one of the times listed below that St Brendan offers for Confession. Once your child receives the Sacrament, let us know so that it can be recorded and a certificate can be prepared for you to pick up.

- Wednesdays from 6-7 PM (during Adoration time)
- Saturdays from 9 AM until all are heard

FIRST COMMUNION – Everyone should be registered for this Sacrament and have supplied a copy of all Baptism certificates of students not Baptized at St Brendan. The First Eucharist Retreat and practice are on Friday, April 28 from 4:30-8:30 PM or Saturday, April 29 from 10 AM–2 PM. We encourage both parents to attend but ask that at least ONE parent attends with their child. Make sure to RSVP for one of the sessions.

CONFIRMATION – Confirmation is on Friday, April 21 at 4 PM or 7 PM. Please arrive 30 minutes prior to Mass. Candidates and sponsors will gather in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms when they arrive and then sit with their sponsor in reserved pews at the front of the church before Mass begins. Due to the Bishop's instructions for Mass, Confirmation candidates will be seated with their sponsors in the front of the Church for the Confirmation Mass. All other seating will be general seating and not reserved. No pictures are allowed during Mass to preserve the sanctity of the Sacraments. You are welcome to take pictures in and around the church after Mass has ended. Please email sacraments@stbrendans.net with any questions.

Please continue to pray the Holy Spirit Novena for our Confirmation candidates found at tinyurl.com/holy-spirit-novena or on Hallow at https://app.hallow.com/chapters/210 More information about Confirmation can be found by visiting: stbrendans.net/confirmation/confirmation-preparation-for-teens

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The Pontifical College Josephinum's Spring Open House is April 29, 12-3 PM. Explore the buildings, chapels and grounds of the only pontifical seminary outside of Italy! View extensive woodwork, stained glass, terrazzo floors, intricate brickwork and sacred art. Register: apps.pcj.edu/openhouse til April 19.

WOMEN'S CARE CENTER EVENT

Women's Care Center of Columbus invites you to "Drinks, Desserts & Dobbs" on April 26, 6 PM at The Fives, 550 Reach Blvd in Columbus. Join us for cocktails, desserts and a discussion on understanding *Dobbs*, the impact of Women's Care Center and navigating civil discussions. No cost to attend. RSVP is required by April 21: text PanelWCC to 4144 or email madeline@supportwcc.org

BISHOP WATTERSON MEN'S NIGHT

Columbus Blue Jackets' Jared Boll, Brandon Dubinsky and other team members will join us for Bishop Watterson's 2023 Men's Night on Saturday, May 20 at 6:30 PM at St Brigid of Kildare. Tickets are \$100 per person, with proceeds benefitting the Msgr. Grimes Scholarship Fund. Tickets and sponsorship at bishopwatterson.com

PREGNANCY DECISION HEALTH CENTERS

Save the date for our Pregnancy Decision Health Centers (PDHC) Golf for Life Outing May 22, at the Lakes Golf and Country Club. Now registering golfers and sponsors. Questions? Contact Anne Marie Weakley at annemariew@pdhc.org. For details or registration: www.supportlifepdhc.org/golf

PDHC also needs a full-time and a part-time Nurse. Ultrasound training provided. Send inquiries to Jenns@pdhc.org. Also needed: volunteers for 24/7 crisis hotline, Material Aid & Family Advocates for Family Empowerment Center and Greeters/Chaperones for our pregnancy centers. Email Andreas@pdhc.org or visit SupportLifePDHC.org if interested.

YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

Executive Speaker Series: April, 7 PM at St Christopher Catholic Church (1420 Grandview Ave, Columbus) with Jim Foley, Founding President of Cristo Rey Columbus High School. Pizza and drinks included! All young adults (20s and 30s) in the Parish are invited! Register at: ycp.glueup.com/event/executive-speaker-series-jim-foley-74255/?pk_campaign=widget-event-list

April 16, 2023

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts 2:42-47 | 1 Pt 1:3-9 | Jn 20:19-31

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

"I'll believe it when I see it." We've all said this at some point, usually in response to hearing about someone unreliable doing something out of character. St. Thomas had the same reaction in today's Gospel when he wasn't there when the other disciples saw Christ for the first time since he rose from his tomb - "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." Although Jesus helped Thomas with his unbelief, he blesses those who have not seen, but believe. Have any of us seen the nail marks in Christ's hands and feet, or the wound in his side? Do we see Christ's body and blood on the altar, or do we see only the gifts of bread and wine? Christ comes to us in ways we can understand initially - parables, bread and wine, the face of people we meet throughout our daily lives - but our faith in what we have not seen, in the great mystery of our salvation, is what makes us Christian.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In today's first reading, we hear reports of the lives of the first disciples soon after Pentecost: communal living, breaking bread together, prayer, selling of their property and possessions and redistributing among themselves according to individual needs. To our ears today, this idyllic community living seems almost incredible. Yet these first disciples were infused with the Holy Spirit, who enabled them to proclaim the Gospel and think of others before themselves. As Christ's disciples today, how are we behaving toward one another? If we truly are among those who have not seen and yet believe, let's act in full confidence. As we heard in the second reading, our faith is "more precious than gold that is perishable even though tested by fire." We certainly aren't perfect, and our faith at times can be sorely tested, and yet this is our call: to share this faith by doing good works in Christ's name to make disciples and build the kingdom of God.

INVITATION People often see Christ through the words and actions of others. This week, actively seek out opportunities to be the hands of Christ. What opportunities does your community have to practice corporal works of mercy?

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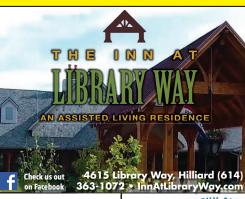
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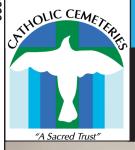
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