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VINE HIGH SCHOOL **YOUTH GROUP:** 

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**ROOTS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:** 

-ST BRENDAN FIELDS

-GIANT SLIP N' SLIDE

-FREE FOOD, FUN GAMES

#### **HOLY MASS**

**SATURDAY VIGIL** 5:30 PM

**SUNDAY** 7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM

. & 5:30 PM

#### **DAILY MASS**

**MON & WED** 6:30 AM & 5:30 PM

TUES, THURS, FRI 6:30 AM, 8 AM **SATURDAY** 8 AM

#### RECONCILIATION

WEDNESDAY 6-7 PM (during Adoration) **SATURDAY 9 AM** 

To schedule an appointment for Confession with one of the priests, please call the parish office.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

**MONDAY-FRIDAY** 9 AM-4 PM (closed 12-1 PM)



#### LITURGICAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

MON Feria II of the Twenty-third Week

TUES Optional Memorial of the Holy Name of Mary

WED Memorial of St John Chrysotom
THUR Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross

FRI Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

**SAT** Memorial of Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

**SUN** Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### MASS INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER 11-17

MON 6:30 AM Marscella Copeland

5:30 PM For the 9/11 victims

TUES 6:30 AM Intention of Irene O'Byrne

8:00 AM Jonathan Coldren

WED 6:30 AM Paul & Gertrude Szabo

5:30 PM Intention of Norbert Loesing

THUR 6:30 AM Charles Dorian

8:00 AM Karen Lea Smith

FRI 6:30 AM Margaret Jane Stief

8:00 AM Charles Dorian

SAT 8:00 AM Charles Dorian

5:30 PM Intention of Norbert Loesing

**SUN** 7:15 AM For the People of St Brendan Parish

**8:45 AM** Maria Santos **10:45 AM** David Bird

5:30 PM Intention of Brenda Jordan

**ADORATION** 

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com

TUES 9 AM-10 PM

**WED 7 AM-5 PM** (Holy Hour 6–7 PM, Confessions available)

THUR 9 AM-10 PM

FRI 9 AM – 10 PM (First Fridays of each month, Fri 9 AM–Sat 1 PM)

SAT 9 AM-1 PM



Join us this Wednesday, September 13 at 6 PM in the Church for Anchored in Adoration with elevating music, parishioner testimony of faith, and our prayer team ready to pray for your intentions. (September 13: NO scheduled confessions)

# SAINT BRENDAN INFORMATION CENTER

#### **Church Fall Hours**

Weekdays, 6 AM-9 PM

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Weekdays, 9 AM-12 PM & 1-4 PM (closed 12-1 PM)

#### New Members - All are Welcome!

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

#### Marriage

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

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

Contact the Parish Office.

#### **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Fr Jacob Stinnett at frstinnett@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

#### **Marketing & Bulletin Request**

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

#### **Mass Intentions**

To schedule an intention, mail in or drop off 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 Jamie at 614.876.1272, ext 295 or **jyoung@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 ParishStaq login to begin receiving our parish e-newsletter. For Sunday worship materials, visit **tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids** 

# A MESSAGE FROM FR STINNETT If you did Church in through a Revival. The every Catle Eucharist make Jesu. This is son are never the Eucha

If you didn't know, the Church in America is halfway through a three-year Eucharistic

Revival. This is an initiative to renew and deepen every Catholic's love for Jesus truly present in the Eucharist and to spread greater devotion so as to make Jesus more and more the center of our lives. This is something that all of us can grow in. We are never at the point where we have appreciated the Eucharist enough. We all have fond memories of the day when we first received Jesus in the

Eucharist. For many of us, it was the end of our second-grade year. We dressed up in nice suits or white dresses and nervously approached the altar for the first time. But this should not be the height of our Eucharistic devotion. Over the years, I have learned to appreciate the Eucharist more and more, and to receive Jesus more reverently and attentively, to be focused on Him.

Like most, my own First Communion was not the most spiritual encounter I have ever had receiving the Eucharist. I was incredibly nervous, because I was one of four students who sang the responsorial psalm at the Mass. It was a lot of pressure for a little seven-year-old. I was mostly focused on getting all the words right and remembering all the parts of the rather theatrical ceremony that was my First Holy Communion. Certainly, my mind was not fixed on Jesus, on being open to His True Presence coming into my body and my soul at that moment. This is something that we all have to grow in as we continue to receive Holy Communion on a regular basis. It is the greatest of the sacraments, because not only does it dispense the grace we need to live lives of holiness, lives close to the Lord, but it contains within itself the source of all grace, Jesus Himself. The oil of the sacred chrism that is used in Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders does not contain Jesus. Nor does the water of Baptism or the absolution of Confession become transformed into Jesus Himself. He acts through them, but only in the Eucharist do we have a tangible experience with the Lord Himself.

I found these notes in an old pew missal about forming our interior disposition when we receive Holy Communion, to make our frequent reception of the Eucharist not a mindless habit, but something fruitful and life-giving for the week ahead. "When the moment comes to approach the [minister], excite in your heart a new act of contrition in order to merit more and more the remission of your sins, and obtain a perfect purity to receive the spotless Lamb. At the "Lamb of God" and "Lord, I am not worthy" prayers, pour forth your heart in sentiments of love, confusion, joy, respect, self-offering, and tenderness. Communicate with these sentiments and the religious feeling which Faith inspires, and after receiving this sacred pledge of your salvation, retire with respectful and religious modesty, and remain some time in sweet and respectful silence, with eyes closed or cast down to avoid distraction." This advice is ageless, and it has proven a benefit to me in making my reception of Holy Communion a fruitful encounter with Jesus. Sometimes I will appropriate the words of St Elizabeth at the Visitation: "What is this, that my Lord should come to me!?!" Jesus' giving of Himself in Holy Communion is an act of love, and we respond by making our own act of love and thanksgiving back to Him.

## COME & SEE – THE EUCHARIST

#### A EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE IN TIXTLA

When the belief in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist weakens and even fades away, God may give us signs so to realize that Jesus is actually present.

A sign from God came to the Mexican town of Tixtla on October 21, 2006. At that time a parish retreat was taking place. As a nun was distributing Communion during Mass, the Host started bleeding profusely. The Host was then put away safely. It was three years until the incident was investigated by scientists. Miraculously, the bleeding Host was still in perfect condition.

After the samples were collected and thoroughly examined, the experts came to the following determinations:

- The blood is of the AB group, the same as the Shroud of Turin.
- The human heart tissue that was present in the Host was discovered to be alive.
- The tissue was a fragment of the heart muscle at the point of death.

All the scientific examinations claim the occurrence as not being of natural origin. They believed that the Bleeding Host was caused by an extraordinary Divine Intervention. Bishop Castro wrote: "This is a miraculous sign of God's love that confirms the actual presence of Jesus in the Eucharist."

All Eucharistic miracles are an urgent call to all Christians to believe in and become enraptured with the truth that during every Mass the Passion, death and Resurrection of Christ are made present. Owing to this we can take part in these events and unite with Christ by accepting His love and eternal life. John Paul II states, "When the Lord's Body and Blood are received in Communion, we receive the very One who offered Himself for us. Jesus Himself reassures us that this union which He compares to that of the life of the Trinity, is truly realized."

https://www.stmike.org/from-the-pastors-desk/eucharistic-miracles-tixla-2006



#### FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

In Celebration of Our Wedding Day ~ Anthony and Tara DiMuccio



#### CONGRATULATIONS ON THE BAPTISMS OF

Oliver Torpey Finell Emilia Kate Lostumbo Ezra Paul Wolfe



#### **MARRIAGE BANNS**

**September 16, 2023** Nate Witkemper and Lindsey Carr

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL Sept 23
BLESSING OF ANIMALS Oct 8
TRUNK OR TREAT Oct 23
CRAFT SHOW Nov 4

Look for details in upcoming bulletins.

## HAWAII WILDFIRES SUPPORT THE RELIEF EFFORT

Bishop Larry Silva of Honolulu requests our prayers for all those affected by the wildfires that have ravaged Maui. Consider giving to the Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF) to rebuild lives and restore hope by making a donation online at https://tinyurl.com/MauiCatholic

## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church
12:00 PM	Seniors NOW: Luncheon	Norwich Pavilion, Hilliard
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:30 PM	Family Faith Formation PM Session	Multiple Locations
6:30 PM	Seek & Root Family Faith Formation	Wellnitz, Meeting Rms 1 & 2
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12		
6:00 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	EMHC Training	Church
7:00 PM	RCIA	Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 Scheduled Confessions are canceled		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-7:00 PM	Anchored in Adoration NO Confessions	Church
7:00 PM	Great Adventure Bible Study	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15		
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-5:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
1:00 PM-7:00 PM	American Red Cross Blood Drive	•
7:00 PM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16	Diocesan Collection: Solidarity F	
6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:45 AM	Praying the Rosary	Church
9:00 AM	Confessions	Confessional
9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Protecting God's Children Class	•
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17	Diocesan Collection: Solidarity F	
7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM		Church
=	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Adoration Chapel
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	POD Nursery	Childcare Center

Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B

Church

School Gym

After 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass Coffee & Donuts

12:00 PM

6:30 PM

Baptisms

**VINE Night** 



If you would like us to pray for friends and family who are hospitalized or ill at home or for active duty military loved ones, email their names to bulletin@stbrendans.net

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

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

#### THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL

Richard Blaha Frank Kreber Bill Brake Jill Markey Chris Carrino Joe Martin Nate Miller **Eugene Chervenak** Linda Clark Kaden Morris Patricia Crane **Becky Moyer** Lorraine Nemchik Tom Crane Ben Diepenbrock **Grant Nuss** Connie Feliks Kathlyn Rosado Tom Speroni Mary Jo Flickinger Mary Frick Pamela Theado Lois Hanf Mitzie Toth Don Johnson Marilyn Wiggins Doris Kopac

#### **ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY**

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Christopher Keck Rob Shonkwiler
Cody Longstreth

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

#### **PRAYER WALL**

If you would like the Inviting Catholics
Home Ministry to pray for a loved one who
is no longer practicing the faith, please
visit www.stbrendans.net/prayer-wall to
make your request and they will pray the
St Monica prayer for them weekly. You may
also use the online Prayer Wall to request
most other prayer intentions that are not
included on our bulletin prayer list.

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SATURDAYS, 6:30 AM – THE CHOSEN Study The Chosen series from a Catholic perspective for 12 Saturdays in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms starting September 16, 6:30 AM. Breakfast (provided), video and a discussion.

#### **TUESDAY MORNING – THE GOSPEL OF MARK**

Review Dr Tim Gray's video presentations of St Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching followed by small group discussion and prayer.

PIZZA, PIES, AND GUYS Join Men's Faith Sharing, Knights of Columbus, and Men's Club on October 28. Tailgating begins at 6:30 PM and watch the OSU vs Wisconsin game in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms!

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND RECEPTION

Bring your family and join Men's Faith Sharing, the Knights of Columbus, and the Men's Club for a special Stations of the Cross at 7 PM in the Church with a reception to follow in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms Oct 20 & Nov 10.

**1ST FRIDAY PERPETUAL ADORATION** Experience quiet time with Our Lord in Adoration the first Friday of each month. Bring the entire family!

#### **CATHOLIC MEN'S MINISTRY VIRTUAL ROSARY**

Join men from around the diocese to pray a virtual Rosary at 7 AM on the first Wednesday each month: www.catholicmensministry.com/

For more information, please reach out to Grant Rice at ricekris8813@att.net

#### FOOD TRUCK TAILGATE, SEPT 23

Join us for the 2023 Food Truck Tailgate in the St Brendan parking lot at 6:30 PM for the OSU vs Notre Dame football game (kickoff is at 7:30 PM). There will be food trucks and beverages will be sold. This year's food trucks include: Tortilla, Wingtime, Grandad's Pizza, Donna's Delicious Dozen, Fancy Feeding You & Kona Ice.



The Knights of Columbus will be selling their Football Frenzy tickets for \$20 each at the event. Volunteers are needed at this year's Food Truck Tailgate. Please sign up to help out at https://tinyurl.com/tailgate-volunteer



Seniors 65+ are invited to join us! (married, divorced, single, widowed)

#### SEPTEMBER 11, 12 PM

Luncheon, Norwich Pavilion, Hilliard (Bring lunch, drink and chair). Speaker, Fr Jacob. No RSVP is needed.

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "...where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Is there a family you know who are needy, suffering and could use our assistance? Please call the Society of St Vincent de Paul at St Brendan's at 614-876-1272 so that together we can help them to know that indeed, "God is in the midst of them."



#### RESCUE PROJECT RETURNS THIS FALL

"This is an AWESOME program.
Even being a Catholic all my life, it met me where I was and caused me to look at my life, what I do for a living, and my relationship with others in a different, new and better, more positive way."

- Lent Rescue Project participant

Join us for The Rescue Project beginning Tuesday, September 26. Morning sessions are 9-10:30 AM and evening sessions are 7-8:30 PM. Watch a game-changing talk by Father John Riccardo, then reflect and discuss in small groups. There is no cost to participate. Questions? Contact Jen Rice at <code>jrice@stbrendans.net</code>. Register now until September 18 on ParishStaq or at <a href="https://www.stbrendans.net/the-rescue-project">www.stbrendans.net/the-rescue-project</a>

#### ATTENTION ALL ALTAR SERVERS... DID YOU REGISTER/RE-REGISTER YET?

Over the past 3 weeks we have communicated information about our new Altar Server Program at St Brendan including this request: "Besides ALL altar servers attending one of the training/retraining sessions, please also complete a new registration form found at: www.stbrendans.net/liturgy-and-worship (Website) OR www.tinyurl.com/altar-server-class (ParishStaq)." Altar servers will be designated as a Junior Server (grades 3 & 4) or Acolyte (grades 5 & above.) An Altar Server will NOT be automatically moved from their current designations of "Novice" or "Experienced". To be included on the appropriate roster going forward, a new registration form must be completed. Many of our existing servers have not yet filled out this form.

#### **SUPPORT OUR SEMINARIANS (SOS)**

Join in supporting the Diocesan Vocations Office and the Josephinum to assist young men in the discernment and formation process to increase the number of Priests! Give to the Knights of Columbus *Support Our Seminarians* collection the weekend of



September 23-24. Use the envelopes at the end of the pews at Masses, drop your donation in the baskets after Mass, give online in PushPay by scanning the QR code or mail your donation to: Knights of Columbus SOS Collection, St Brendan Church, 4475 Dublin Rd, Hilliard, OH 43026

#### PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASS

The next Protecting God's Children class at St Brendan will be Saturday, September 16 at 9 AM in Wellnitz Hall. There are still spaces available! Sign up at https://tinyurl.com/StBrendanPGC

#### **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE, SEPT 15**

The next St Brendan Knights of Columbus sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive is Friday, September 15, 1-7 PM in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms A & B. Schedule an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org, or call 1-800-RED-CROSS. Questions? Email Jeff.lehr@insurance.ohio.gov

#### TRUCK DONATION

Our Facilities Team is seeking a generous patron who would be willing to donate a used pickup truck in fair working order. A standard or light-duty truck would be adequate for supply runs and maintenance projects across our campus. If you have a potential solution, please contact Chris Morris at cmorris@stbrendans.net

## 2023 WOMEN'S RETREAT

Run, girl, run! Do most days feel like a sprint or a leisurely walk? Join other women of faith to run the race St Paul describes in 2 Timothy, and what that means to endure through our struggles and keep our eyes fixed on Jesus. "Run to the Father Embracing the Race" overnight retreat is November 11-12,



at The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein where you can re-energize, reflect, rest, and focus on your relationship with HIM to keep running toward the finish line. Cost is \$125 and includes a private room with bathroom, 3 meals, snacks and drinks. Early Bird discount of \$5 if you register and pay by October 18. You may also add Friday night to your stay for an additional \$70 to enjoy the scenic grounds. Visit www.stbrendans.net/womens-groups to register and pay or for questions, contact Chris Hauck at chrishauck0522@gmail.com

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 AT 7 PM

Interested in distributing Communion at Mass? We will have a training session Tuesday, September 12 at 7 PM in the Church. Learn the procedures for giving the most precious gift to others at Mass. EMHC's need to be at least 16 years of age, confirmed, and a participating parishioner. Choose your preferred Mass and how often you volunteer through our ministry coordinator. For questions and to register for the training, contact Jen Rice at 614.876.1272 ext 227 or jrice@stbrendans.net



#### **MEN'S FAITH SHARING**

Join our Men's Faith Sharing ministry for *The Chosen*, a popular TV show focused on the ministry of Jesus and His disciples. Starting September 16, join us for 12 Saturdays at 6:30 AM in the Davidson Rd Meeting Rooms as we watch and discuss *The Chosen* from a Catholic perspective. Breakfast is provided. No registration required. Questions? Contact Grant Rice at ricekris8813@att.net

#### **WOMEN IN SCRIPTURE**

Learn what it means to be chosen by Him and grow deeper in your relationship with Jesus and your sisters in Christ for this beautiful 8-week program! We will read *The Chosen* accompanying Scripture, watch the show and discuss and pray together. Both 9 AM & 7 PM sessions begin September 28. Childcare is provided for the morning session. Registration is now open until September 18 on ParishStaq or on the women's group web page at www.stbrendans.net/womens-groups

Questions? Contact Jen at jrice@stbrendans.net

#### **SEEKING CHILDCARE VOLUNTEERS**

Would you like to bless a mom who would like to attend and needs childcare for the morning session? Volunteer for the nursery! Must have PGC and background check on file in the parish office. Contact Kathy Harter to help at rharter@columbus.rr.com

# ST BRENDAN MINISTRY OF EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS

# family faith formation &

#### **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

Although registration has closed for the upcoming sessions, we are still looking to fill a few volunteer spots: Middle School Mentors meet with a small group of middle school students 10 times per year to play a game and walk through a discussion. Family Coaches facilitate a table of faith formation parents 8 times per year and help parents share their thoughts about faith and parenting. Consider filling these needs by scanning the QR code or visit our web page at: www.stbrendans.net/faith-formation-volunteers

Contact Jacob Doran at jdoran@stbrendans.net or

Maggie Agra at magra@stbrendans.net with questions.

#### **KICKOFFS HAPPENING THIS SUNDAY...**

THE CONTINUED GROWTH, SEEK & ROOT PATHWAYS for family faith formation have their first meetings on Sept 10 at 9:45 AM or 6:45 PM and Sept 11, 6:30 PM. Info@ www.stbrendans.net/familyfaithformation

**THE ROOTS** for middle-schoolers kicks off this Sunday, Sept 10, 6:45-8:30 PM by the school playground and meets every 2nd Sunday of the month. Keep updated on Instagram at @stb\_theroots, contact Avery at acolman@stbrendans.net or visit www.stbrendans.net/the-roots

THE VINE high school group also begins on Sept 10 at 6:30 PM in the lower Church parking lot. Their upcoming calendar can be found to the right. Follow their group on Instagram at @stbvine, contact Kara Day at kday@stbrendans.net or visit www.stbrendans.net/the-vine

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (for children ages 4-9) begins on Sunday, Sept 10 during 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses in the Adoration Chapel

#### POD NURSERY COORDINATOR NEEDED

Do you love kids and have a knack for organizing schedules? We are in search of a new coordinator for our POD Nursery to keep up with scheduling volunteers who watch over and care for parishioners' children during 8:45 and 10:45 AM Masses on Sunday as well as during Family Faith Formation programs. If interested, please contact Jacob Doran at jdoran@stbrendans.net

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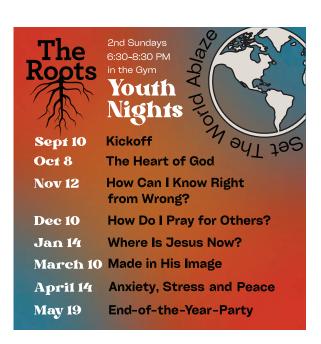
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#### **NOVENA TO BEGIN ON SEPT 15**

An extreme amendment is on the Ohio ballot in November that threatens the health and safety of women, the rights of parents and the lives of preborn babies up to 9 month. Join Catholics across Ohio in praying a 54-Day Rosary Novena beginning Friday, September 15, for the defeat of this dangerous amendment.

Sign up for a daily email reminder with novena prayers here or at pray54ohio.org.





# OUR DIOCESE...

#### **HEALING MASS WITH BISHOP FERNANDES**

All are invited to a Healing Mass at St John Neumann, Sunbury on September 13, at 6 PM. Anointing of the Sick will be provided. The evening will begin with a Rosary at 5 PM followed by Praise and Worship with Dr Steve Kebe at 5:30 PM. The main celebrant will be His Excellency, Bishop Earl K Fernandes.

#### **BUCKEYE CATHOLIC HOMECOMING**

O-H!... As football season kicks off,
Buckeye Catholic invites you to our 1st
Annual Homecoming Weekend. Come for
a weekend of events for all alumni, family,
and friends of Buckeye Catholic and OSU.
Relive old memories and make new ones.
All events are free of charge
details available in QR code.

#### **SACRED HEART CONGRESS**

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September 10, 2023

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# Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 33:7-9 | Rom 13:8-10 | Mt 18:15-20

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Years ago, I was asked to take in a hound dog and I was happy to do so, but it wasn't until I brought the dog home that I discovered how adamantly opposed my husband was to the idea. When asked, he had never said "no," but he thought I should just know he didn't want the dog. Obviously, we needed to work on our communication skills! Proper communication and what it means to love in relationship are what come to mind when I hear the start of today's Gospel. Jesus is instructing us on what to do when another angers, hurts, or offends us. Not surprisingly, it doesn't include calling our sister or best friend to vent, or posting about it on social media, regardless of how vaguely we word the situation. Instead we are to go to that person directly and "tell him his fault between you and him alone." If they listen, we have won them over. How many times have others hurt us but we never bother to tell them? How often do we simply assume the other person knows they have done us wrong? We owe it to one another to be honest and upfront - to give the other person a chance to apologize and us a chance to extend forgiveness. We also owe it to one another to be willing to receive them in charity, open-hearted, when they come to us to speak of our faults.

#### GO EVANGELIZE

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In the same way that the Gospel addresses speaking truth to another and "winning them over," the prophet Ezekiel recounts the Lord's instruction to him that he has a duty to "speak out to dissuade the wicked from his way." This, of course, was the role and mission of the prophets. To make known the word and law of God and call the people to respond. A prophet warned, counseled, taught, and encouraged. They called the people to obedience to God, denouncing idolatry, injustice, and empty rituals. Jesus himself came as priest, prophet, and king and by our baptism, "the whole People of God participates in these three offices of Christ and bears the responsibilities for mission and service that flow from them." (CCC 783) Through the centuries, people have tried to do this in various ways - from passing laws to standing on street corners with signs. But let's remember that even as we are meant to "speak out," we are also meant to listen. We too must be re-converted to the truth when we sin; we too must be dissuaded from our wicked ways. This is how we best fulfill our prophetic mission.

**PRAY** Witnessing to Christ in today's world sometimes feels overwhelming or hopeless. Spend some concerted time in prayer with the words from today's psalm: "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

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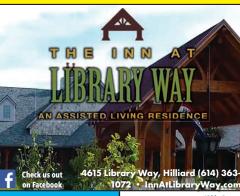
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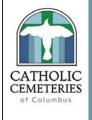


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