

April 9, 2023

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 9 - The Resurrection of the Lord

Scripture Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4
 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35

7:45 a.m. Mass (Activity Center) for † Dennis McLoughlin

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (Activity Center)

11:00 a.m. Mass (Activity Center) for the People of the Parish

Monday, April 10 - Monday in the Octave of Easter

Scripture Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11;
 Mt 28:8-15

Office Closed in Observance of the Holiday

Tuesday, April 11 - Tuesday in the Octave of Easter

Scripture Readings: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 & 22; Jn 20:11-18

7:15 a.m. Mass at Genesis Hospital (Chapel)

9:00 a.m. Mass (Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel) for Living
 & Deceased Members of Roy & Eleanor Teeters Family

Wednesday, April 12 - Wednesday in the Octave of Easter

Scripture Readings: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:13-35

Noon Mass (Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel)
 for † Dolores Heil

1:00-8:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel)

5:30 p.m. Rosary (Activity Center)

Thursday, April 13 - Thursday in the Octave of Easter

Scripture Readings: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48

9:00 a.m. Mass (Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel)
 for † Charles & Anna Morosco-Labaki

Friday, April 14 - Friday in the Octave of Easter

Scripture Readings: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday, April 15 - Saturday in the Octave of Easter

Scripture Readings: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 & 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21;
 Mk 16:9-15

4:30 p.m. Mass (Activity Center) for † Mildred Headley

Sunday, April 16 - Divine Mercy Sunday

Scripture Readings: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9;
 Jn 20:19-31

7:45 a.m. Mass (Activity Center) for † Dennis McLoughlin

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (Activity Center)

11:00 a.m. Mass (Activity Center) for the People of the Parish

MASS INTENTIONS 2023:

Please help us fill our Mass Intention schedule! Several weekdays are available for May, June, July, August, and September. If you would like to sign up for a Mass Intention, please drop the information in the offertory basket, mail or by calling the Parish Office at 740-453-3301, Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Mass Intentions are \$10.00.

40 CANS, 40 DAYS UPDATE:

Due to your generosity, we collected over 5,763 food/hygiene items for the St. Thomas Church Food Pantry. Thank you, parishioners, for your contributions during this time of need.

BISHOP FENWICK KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:

If you will have a kindergarten child in the fall and have not received an application packet, please call the office or email khardman@cducation.org. 2023 kindergarten families who have returned their child's application, their tuition obligation and paid their registration fee, should call the office 740-454-9731 or email khardman@cducation.org to schedule an appointment for their child's screening. Screenings will be held on Thursday, April 27th, from 3:15-6:15 p.m. and Friday, April 28th during the school day beginning at 8:15 a.m.

**HAPPY EASTER!**

Our CRS Rice Bowl journey has ended, but our prayers, fasting and almsgiving continue as we seek a closer relationship with God and our global family. Let us hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers in Honduras, the Philippines and Kenya and commit to share our Easter joy with people in our local community and around the world. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl at Saint Thomas Aquinas Church or donate online at crsricebowl.org/donate.

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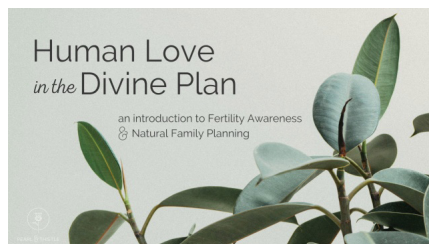
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**CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON:**

Join us Friday, April 14 at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for a luncheon featuring a talk by Shawn Kenney, Director of the Museum of Catholic Art & History, about the Museum. Please note that because the First Friday of April is Good Friday, April's luncheon is on the second Friday of the Month. The April luncheon is sponsored by retired physician, Dr. James Macklin. If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon, contact Jim Gernetzke at jimgernetzke@noslumine.com. Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 am followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and Mr. Kenney's presentation. No reservations are necessary. \$12.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend! Our next luncheon is Friday, May 5, 2023, and will feature a talk by Fr. Ty Tomson about the Traditional Latin Mass.

**CURIOUS ABOUT NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING:**

As Catholics we've been told that Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a morally permissible way for couples to intentionally plan their family. Where does this teaching come from? How do the different models of NFP work to help couples trying to conceive or postpone pregnancy? Are they effective? Find the answers to these questions and any of your own about NFP at *Human Love in the Divine Plan: An Introduction to NFP*, a free weekly online session with Diocesan NFP Specialist

Jennifer Fullin. Register at <https://www.picktime.com/marriageandfamilylife>. Or gather a group and invite Jennifer to speak at your next meeting, jfullin@columbuscatholic.org or 614-241-2560.

Dear Friends,

Every elementary school child looks forward to those wonderful occasions called “field trips.” I was no exception. During those happy school days, my classmates and I had several rather memorable field trip experiences.

I remember one to the local Swan Cleaners to learn how our special clothing was dry cleaned, steam pressed, enshrouded in plastic and returned ready-to-wear on that upcoming special occasion. Another journey was to a farm, just outside the city limits, to expose us city dwellers to chicken, sheep, pigs and cows, so we might begin to appreciate the origins of our food supply.

We also went to several children’s theatrical and musical productions at the Ohio Theater in downtown Columbus, and there were fascinating introductions to Civics and Ohio history during excursions to the Ohio Statehouse.

The most memorable field trips I recall were the semi-annual tours of the Columbus Gallery of Fine Art, as it was called in those by-gone days. The sculptures, both modern and classical, the portraits, landscapes and still life paintings by so many Ohio artists, American, European and renaissance masters fascinated and delighted me. The walls of one whole room in the Gallery were covered in red silk damask because the donors of the collection insisted the pictures be displayed in such a manner.

But there was one painting, in particular... rather large... that was always a must-see, and that I made certain I saw “just one more time” before boarding the bus to return with my classmates to our elementary school. The painting that caught my youthful attention was always displayed in the atrium of the Gallery. It is displayed in the same spot today; Peter Paul Reubens work “Christ Triumphant Over Sin and Death.”

The figure of Jesus surrounded by angels as they assist His coming forth from the darkened tomb, removing the shroud which has enfolded Him in death’s repose. The menacing serpent perennially crushed under Jesus’ foot. The vibrant colors. The light and dark of the painting.

I was always fascinated by the subject, its colors, texture, light and dark, movement and composition. It caught my attention and stirred emotions that as a young boy I was not prepared to articulate, and still struggle to put into words. I knew, even then, that this particular picture was my “forever favorite” of all the wonderful and extraordinary works of art we encountered. When I go to the Columbus Museum of Art, for whatever exhibition, it is that painting I want to see and spend the longest time before.

As we celebrate Christ Triumphant over Sin and Death on this Easter Day, Reubens’ painting serves as a wonderful image that the mystery of new life we have received from Jesus cannot be contained in the celebration of just one day. The Church gives us Fifty Days to continue to express our Easter Joy as we contemplate the breath and the depth of Christ’s love for us. But in reality, it takes a lifetime to draw near the magnitude of Jesus rising from the dead. As Saint John Paul II put it, “Jesus is the answer to every human question. He is the fulfillment of every human longing.”

This is my final Easter with you as Parish Priest of Saint Thomas Aquinas. As I prepare to take on new responsibilities as Rector of Saint Joseph Cathedral, I want to express just how much I treasure being with you these last six years.

While our time together has not been easy, marked as they were by the pain and separation brought on by the pandemic, and the inability to worship in our beautiful church, the lasting portrait of my time in Zanesville will always be colored by your faithfulness and dedication to worship, your love for Jesus and His Church, and your desire to reach out to others in need and share with them the abundance of your trust in God’s goodness and in His Providence. I will never forget you, nor the time we have spent together on the banks of the Mighty Muskingum. I am forever grateful for the love and support you have extended to me as your Parish Priest.

From my heart to yours, in the hearts of Jesus and Mary –
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CONVERGING ROADS CONFERENCE:

The St. John Paul II Foundation, in collaboration with the Diocese of Columbus and The Catholic Medical Association of Central Ohio invite all healthcare professionals to the second Converging Roads health care ethics conference on April 22, 2023 from 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. at Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, OH. The conference theme is *Catholic Medicine in a Secular Society*, and continuing education credits for healthcare professionals will be offered.

Topics include: *Vocation of the Catholic Medical Professional*, *A Catholic Response to the Mental Health Crisis*, *End-of-Life Decision Making and Palliative Care*, and more!

For more information, please visit convergingroads.com or email CR@forlifeandfamily.org.

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Sunday, 11:00 a.m.	Dalton Frame Andrew Stark	Julie Guinta	Rusty Montgomery	Jim Guinta

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