



"For this purpose have I come."
Mark 1:38

FEBRUARY 4, 2024 | FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Prayer Line: Call any one of the following numbers; your request will be passed along to the entire team.

740-453-8397

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Monday-Thursday:

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Friday: Closed

Additional hours by appointment

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 4 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

4:30 p.m. Mass (DY) (Activity Center) for † Charles & Mary Virginia Lynn

7:45 a.m. Mass (DY) (Activity Center) for † Roy & Eleanor Teeters Family

9:30 a.m. CCD (Parish Office)

9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (Activity Center)

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

6:00 p.m. Catalyst Nights (Activity Center)

Monday, February 5 – Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

Scripture Readings: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56

No Mass

6:30 p.m. RCIA (St. Nicholas Parish Office)

Tuesday, February 6 – Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

Scripture Readings: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11; Mk 7:1-13

9:00 a.m. Mass (SO) (Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel)

for † Cheri (Bintz) & Allen Zecicikey

Wednesday, February 7

Scripture Readings: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23

9:00 a.m. Mass (SO) (Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel) for Cathy Downs McDaniel

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel)

Thursday, February 8

Scripture Readings: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40; Mk 7:24-30

No Mass

Friday, February 9

Scripture Readings: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 7:31-37

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

No Mass

Saturday, February 10 – Memorial of Saint Scholastica, Virgin

Scripture Readings: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22; Mk 8:1-10

3:30 p.m. Confessions (Activity Center)

Sunday, February 11 – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Readings: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-45

4:30 p.m. Mass (SO) (Activity Center) for the Living & Deceased Members of the Whiteman Family

7:45 a.m. Mass (SO) (Activity Center) for † Louise Berris

9:30 a.m. CCD (Parish Office)

9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (Activity Center)

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

FATHER JAN SULLIVAN:

Father Jan Sullivan will be returning to celebrate Mass at the St. Thomas Activity Center on Sunday, February 25th at the 11:00 a.m. Mass in support of our capital campaign. The Mass will be followed by a coffee and doughnut reception in the Preschool cafeteria. Please plan to join us!

SPRING CLEAN UP AT CEMETERIES:

Soon, the grass will be green again, which means that Mount Calvary Cemetery will be in “spring cleanup” mode. Just a friendly reminder that all winter decorations need to be removed prior to March 1. During the mowing season, March 1-November 1, artificial flowers are not permitted, and if you place flowers for a holiday, they must be off the grave five days afterward. Also, the cemetery gate continues to be open from 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. daily. Thank you very much for your understanding and cooperation.

MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE:

Fr. Dave will be on retreat from February 4-9. Due to limited priests, we will not have daily Mass on Thursday, February 8th and Friday, February 9th. Please plan accordingly.

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule



School Mass 8:15 A.M.

St. Thomas 9:00 A.M.

St. Thomas Noon

St. Nicholas 7:00 P.M.



**St. Thomas Masses will be celebrated
in the Activity Center**

ASH WEDNESDAY:

Due to Ash Wednesday's 7:00 p.m. Mass being at St. Nicholas, please do not put any St. Thomas envelopes or loose checks in the basket at St. Nicholas. To minimize time and sorting, please hold your envelopes and loose checks until you attend another Mass at St. Thomas. If loose checks are put in a St. Nicholas basket, you will not receive credit for your donation at St. Thomas. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 740-453-3301. Thank you for your understanding!



ROOF REPAIR UPDATE

Last week, we discussed the scissors lift and how it would be used in the church for repairing and painting the ceiling. The scissors lift weighs a total of 5,200 pounds. In order to protect the floor of the church, we will be adding additional support structures to the floor joists located in Rosary Hall, which is shown in the picture. In addition, we will add a second layer of industrial plywood to the tile floor of the church, so as to not damage the underlying tile system.

STEWARDSHIP

(Our fiscal year is July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024)

January 28, 2024

Mass Collection	\$	5,485.00
EFT	\$	0.00
Online/Direct Gifts	\$	0.00
Total Offertory	\$	5,485.00
YTD Collected	\$	293,744.06
YTD Budgeted	\$	298,076.78
Deficit	-\$	4,332.72

2023 TAX STATEMENTS:

Statements were mailed to all registered families who contributed; contact the Parish Office if you have not yet received yours.

RETURN BLESSED PALMS:

Parishioners are invited to return their blessed palm branches received at Mass last Palm Sunday to be burned in preparation for Ash Wednesday, February 14th, the first day of Lent. Please place your palms in the designated basket at the entrance doors.

ADORATION AT ST. THOMAS:

Adoration on Ash Wednesday, February 14th at St. Thomas will be canceled.

BAPTISM PREP CLASS:

Families seeking to get their children baptized will need to attend a Baptism Prep Class. The class will only be held if someone is preregistered. Please do not show up without preregistering for the class. The next scheduled Baptism classes will be held March 12th and May 28th at 7:00 p.m. The meetings typically last 1.5 hours and will be held at the St. Nicholas Parish Office. To register, please contact the St. Nicholas Parish Office at 740-453-0597.



THERE'S STILL TIME TO GIVE:

Your gift to the 2023 Appeal is vital to the success of this diocesan-wide campaign and can benefit our parish. We are off to a good start toward our parish goal of \$57,761.29. As of January 3, 2024 we have collected \$57,675.79 and pledged \$60,465.00. Thank you to all those families that have made a gift or pledge. If we continue to make our pledge payments, we will be getting a refund back of \$2,789.21. If you have not yet made your gift to this year's Appeal, please consider doing so in the days ahead. The refund will be applied to our roof project.

THE CATHOLIC TIMES SUBSCRIPTION NEWS:

February is the month when annual subscription renewals traditionally begin for the print edition of *The Catholic Times*, the information source for the Diocese of Columbus. In the past, payment for new subscriptions and renewals were collected through the parish, but an online system is now in place to make the process easier. Simply visit *The Catholic Times* website, catholictimescolumbus.org, and access the subscribe tab at the top of the homepage to sign up for a new subscription, a renewal or a gift. Current subscribers also will receive a paper statement in the mail that can be returned to *The Catholic Times*, Diocese of Columbus, 197 E. Gay Street with a check for \$26.00 or paid online at the website. Or, if necessary, drop an envelope marked *Catholic Times* in the regular collection at Sunday Mass with name, address and payment. Please consider supporting Catholic journalism and keeping up on the events in the diocese, especially during these changing times.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOCIAL NIGHTS:

Knights of Columbus Council 505 is having Social Night every Friday evening. A Euchre Tournament will be played from 7:00-9:00 p.m. There is no entry fee, and the winner wins a \$10.00 Gift Certificate to the K of C Hall. If you don't play Euchre, no problem; other games can be played based on interest. Or, just come to enjoy the fellowship and a good meal. There are weekly specials from the kitchen.

PARISH INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY:

In the event of inclement weather, log on to www.ohiomuskingumsheriff.org and check the box at the top right of the page titled "Winter Emergency Level." If a Level-2 Snow Emergency is declared, the Parish Office will close and all church activities except for Mass will be canceled. If a Level-1 Emergency is declared, the Parish Office remains open; the chairmen of individual activities will determine each group's status. Every attempt will be made to reach a decision as soon as possible.

LAY DOMINICANS:

Is God calling you to be a Lay Dominican? Members of the Lay Dominicans are fully incorporated into the Order of Preachers, and live out their vocation in the world. Lay members have a special charism to preach for the salvation of souls. Dominican life is flavored by four key areas, called the Four Pillars, since they "hold up" our lives. They are: prayer, study, community, and the apostolate, which is often communal. Dominicans seek a genuine encounter with God and those around us. The St. Thomas Aquinas Chapter here is over 112 years old. Is God calling you to be a Lay Dominican? "Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the whole world on fire (St. Catherine of Siena, Lay Dominican)." We will be having an informational meeting soon, so please contact Melanie Von Gunten at 740-297-5434 if you think you are being called.

BUS FOR WOMEN’S CONFERENCE:

Give Yourself the Gift of Time with Jesus and Your Sisters in Christ at the Columbus Catholic Women’s Conference on Saturday, February 17. Inviting All Women... please mark your calendar now for the Columbus Catholic Women’s Conference on Saturday, February 17, 2024, from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. at the Ohio Expo Center. Our theme is *This Wonderful Gift*, in honor of the Eucharistic Revival. Register now at columbuscatholicwomen.com. Come ready to rest, refresh, and renew with the Lord. You’ll be joined by sisters in Christ from around the diocese and beyond. Don’t miss this uplifting, annual event for women to grow in faith, hope, and love. Take the Bus! The Bus is free! Call the St. Nicholas Parish Office at 740-453-0597 to reserve your seat! Don’t forget to purchase your ticket! Bus leaves St. Nicholas Church parking lot at 6:30 a.m.

BUS FOR MEN’S CONFERENCE:

Men, join your Brothers in Christ at the Columbus Catholic Men’s Conference on Saturday, February 24. Bus leaves St. Nicholas Parking Lot at 6:30 a.m. for the Ohio Expo Center. Considered one of the largest Catholic Men’s Conference in the nation! Register now at <https://www.catholicmensministry.com/2024conference>. Take the Bus! The Bus is free! Call the St. Nicholas Parish Office at 740-453-0597 to reserve your seat! Don’t forget to purchase your ticket!

Pray the Stations
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NEXT WEEKEND, FEBRUARY 10-11	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	CANTOR
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	Needed	Ruth Ann Lyon	Jerry Lyon	
Sunday, 7:45 a.m.	Abbi/Levi Crum	Sue Maxwell	Brent Mirgon	
Sunday, 11:00 a.m.	Paul Hoffman, David Thornton	Andi Hoffman, Kim Gates	Ed or Joy Wolfel	Mary Baker

Baby Shower for Jesus



Place your gifts of blankets, clothing, diapers, wipes, toiletries, etc. at the Creche (or other marked location) through February 4th. All items will be donated to Heartbeats, a life affirming ministry where every human heart is protected.



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GOD IS STILL CALLING -

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Serra Club of North Columbus meetings include the Rosary, lunch, and a speaker at 11:30 on the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Jessing Center at the Josephinum. Downtown Serra Club meetings include lunch and a speaker at noon on the 2nd Friday of each month at the Cavello Center at St. Charles Preparatory School.

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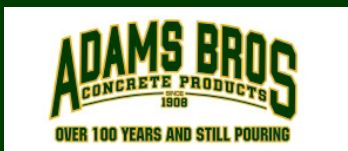
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