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AT ITS RISING AND HAVE COME TO  
DO HIM HOMAGE.”



JANUARY 5, 2025 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD  
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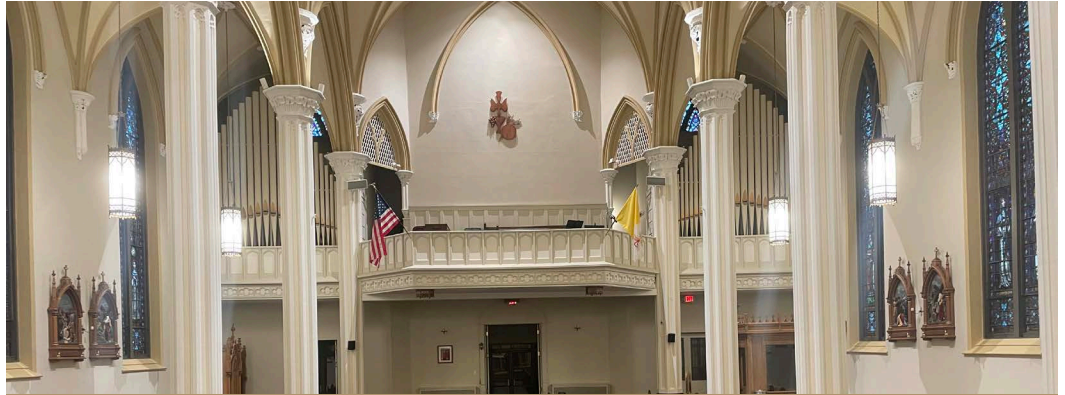
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Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Friday: Closed

Additional hours by appointment

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**Sunday, January 5– The Epiphany of the Lord****Scripture Readings: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12**

4:30 p.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the People of the Parish

7:45 a.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † Rose Marie Wolfe

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

9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

11:00 a.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † Tim Musselman

**Monday, January 6****Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 3:22–4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25**

No Mass

**Tuesday, January 7****Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44**

9:00 a.m. Mass (BB) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † Ed Bowman

**Wednesday, January 8****Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52**

9:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † Sandra Young

10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

6:30 p.m. OCIA (St Nicholas)

**Thursday, January 9****Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 4:19–5:4; Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22**9:00 a.m. Mass (DY) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for Friends and Family  
of the Franciscan Sisters**Friday, January 10****Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16**

9:00 a.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † James &amp; Marilyn Walpole

**Saturday, January 11****Scripture Readings: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Jn 3:22-30**

3:30 p.m. Confessions (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

**Sunday, January 12 – The Baptism of the Lord****Scripture Readings: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 or****Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30; Acts 10:34-38 or Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22**

4:30 p.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † January Tanner-Thompson

7:45 a.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the People of the Parish

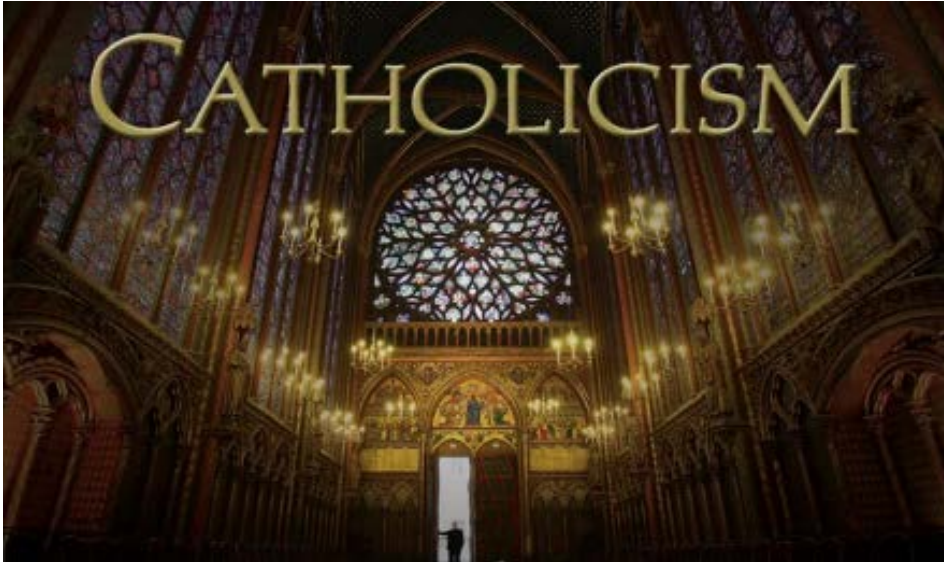
9:30 a.m. CCD (Parish Center)

9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)

11:00 a.m. Mass (BB) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † Deceased Members  
of the Rosary Altar Society

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





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**PLASTIC BAG PROGRAM:**

Throughout the years, we have donated plastic bags to build a bench for Dillion State Park. Our bench has finally arrived at Dillion State Park Tennis Courts. Thank you everyone for your dedication to this program in building a lasting impression in our community.

<b>STEWARDSHIP</b> <i>(Our fiscal year is July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025)</i>	
<b>December 22, 2024</b>	
Mass Collection	\$ 9,861.00
EFT	\$ 0.00
Online/Direct Gifts	\$ 0.00
Total Offertory	\$ 9,861.00
YTD Collected	\$ 267,354.10
YTD Budgeted	\$ 250,000.00
Surplus	<b>\$ 17,354.10</b>
<b>December 29, 2024</b>	
Mass Collection	\$ 17,709.00
EFT	\$ 0.00
Online/Direct Gifts	\$ 0.00
Total Offertory	\$ 17,709.00
YTD Collected	\$ 285,063.10
YTD Budgeted	\$ 260,000.00
Surplus	<b>\$ 25,063.10</b>



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**SOCIAL EVENT:**

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 Card. If you don't play Euchre, no problem; other games can be played based on interest. Or, just come to enjoy the fellowship. You will have a chance to win a \$10.00 Gift Card just for showing up!

JANUARY 11/12	ALTAR SERVER	LECTORS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION	CANTOR
4:30 p.m.	Brian Novotny, Connor Novotny	Ann Combs	Rose Rath	David Gentil
7:45 a.m.	Abby/Levi Crum	Sue Maxwell	Mike Ryan	Mary Baker
11:00 a.m.	Rob Rodgers, Iggy Rodgers, Max Rodgers	Kim Gates, Ruth Ann Lynn	Jerry Lynn, Luci Green	Joe Nezbeth/Choir

**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 Class will be held January 28th at 6:30 p.m. The meetings typically last 1.5 hours and will be held at St. Nicholas Parish Office. To register, please contact the St. Nicholas Parish Office at 740-453-0597.

**CATHOLIC FOUNDATION UPDATE:**

We are pleased to announce that St. Thomas Aquinas Parish has applied for and been awarded grants from the Catholic Foundation. St. Nicholas Convent renovation for the new Sisters that will be arriving in 2025 received \$9,000.00. St. Thomas food pantry received \$3,000.00. Thanks to the Catholic Foundation for their help in funding our parish.

*You're Invited!*



**February 15, 2025**

 COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE | 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Ohio Expo Center – Kasich Hall

*Speakers:*



Carrie Schuchts Daunt



Sarah Swafford



Fr. John Riccardo



Mary Guilfoyle



Sr. Mercedes



Emcee: Jennifer Rice



Music: The Vigil Project

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**REMEMBERING ROE**

**WITH GREATER COLUMBUS RIGHT TO LIFE**

**When: Monday, January 27th, 2025, 12:00-1:00 p.m.**

**Where: Ohio Statehouse Atrium**

*After the 10:00 a.m. Respect Life Mass.*

*Celebrated at St. Joseph Cathedral by Bishops Earl K. Fernandez of Columbus and Bishop Daniel Thomas of Toledo.*

Each year since 1973, Greater Columbus Right to Life and the pro-life faithful of Ohio gather on or near the anniversary of the U.S Supreme Court's sweeping decision the broadly legalized abortion.

On January 27th, 2025, 52 years since the passage of *Roe v. Wade*, we will again join in a time dedicated to remembering those that have been wounded or died at the hands of abortion in the past year, gathering in prayer and unity, and encouraging those who labor against the violence of abortion.

With the recent adoption of Issue 1 in the Ohio Constitution, we believe that it is more important than ever to gather, to memorialize, to encourage, and to pray. We hope to see you there!



**The Appeal**  
Supporting Catholic Ministries  
**2024**

**THERE'S STILL TIME TO GIVE:**

Your gift to the 2024 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 \$60,889.20. To date, we have collected \$33,005.00 and pledged \$35,405.00. Thank you to all those families who have made a gift or pledge. If you have not yet made your gift to this year's Appeal, please consider doing so in the days ahead. Your gift will help continue the vital work of the various ministries and services that reach so many in need. Please pray for the success of the Appeal and remember, no amount of giving is too small. Thank you for your prayers and for your generous support!



**PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY:**

You're invited to join Father Sullivan on a Eucharistic Miracle tour of Italy in November of 2025. Join us for the Jubilee Year in Rome to enter the Vatican through the Holy Doors. General audience with the Pope is planned as well as the home of St. Padre Pio, St. Francis of Assisi, Naples, and the final resting place of St. Carlos Acutis. We will also visit Orvieto, the site of the Eucharistic miracle where a consecrated host began to bleed. This land-only program will be from November 3-15. If you need assistance with flight planning, you can contact the group coordinator, Amy Morris. Please see flyers available in the vestibule in the church. This promises to be a faith-affirming trip with Mass celebrated daily. Please join us!

**COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:**

Inviting All Women... please mark your calendar now for the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, February 15, 2025, from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. at the Ohio Expo Center. Our theme is "Created for this Moment." Register now at [columbuscatholicwomen.com](http://columbuscatholicwomen.com). Take the Bus! The Bus is free! Call 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 6:15 a.m.



**SMART PHONE CATHOLIC RESOURCE:**

Do you own a Smart Phone? If you do, consider adding a free app, "Laudate." It contains over 200 Catholic Prayers, Liturgy of the Hours, Podcasts of Mass Readings, Audible Rosary, Chaplet, Stations of the Cross, Bible, Catechism, Vatican Documents, Catholic Media and more. Take advantage of this tremendous resource and grow in your faith!

**CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR:**

The Catholic Men's Luncheon Club is now accepting nominations for the Diocese of Columbus 2025 Catholic Man of the Year. The Catholic Man of the Year is awarded to one layman who, through his daily actions, words, and prayers, exemplifies the "good and faithful servant." Nomination instructions and the required online nomination form are at <https://www.catholicmensministry.com/catholicmanoftheyear>. Submit your nomination and let us know why your husband, father, grandfather, son, uncle, brother, or friend is the Catholic Man of the Year! Nominations will be accepted through January 15, 2025. Bishop Earl K. Fernandes will present the 2025 Catholic Man of the Year at a luncheon on Friday, March 7, 2025, at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus. Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m., followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and Bishop Fernandes' presentation of the 2025 Catholic Man of the Year. No reservations are necessary. \$12.00 covers the lunch. Bring a friend and help us honor the 2025 Catholic Man of the Year.



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Sun, December 8, 2024

Sun January 12, 2025

Sun, February 2, 2025

Sun, March 2, 2025

Sun, April 6, 2025

Sun, May 4, 2025



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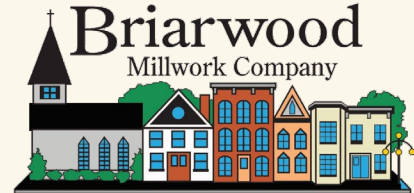
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