

He **raises** up the **lowly** from the *dust*;
from the dunghill he *lifts* up the **POOR**,
to **SEAT** them with **PRINCES**,
– Psalm 113:7-8

September 21, 2025 | 25th 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.

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Friday: Closed

Additional hours by appointment

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 21

Scripture Readings: Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13

4:30 p.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † Tran Kieu Oauh & Mary Josephine
7:45 a.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the People of the Parish
9:30 a.m. CCD (Parish Office)
9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)
11:00 a.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) † Jan Tanner-Thompson

Monday, September 22

Scripture Readings: Ezra 1:1-6; Psalm 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Luke 8:16-18

No Mass

Tuesday, September 23

Scripture Readings: Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Luke 8:19-21

No Mass

Wednesday, September 24

Scripture Readings: Ezra 9:5-9; Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Luke 9:1-6

No Mass

10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)
6:30 p.m. OCIA (St. Nicholas Parish Office)

Thursday, September 25

Scripture Readings: Haggai 1:1-8; Psalm 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Luke 9:7-9

No Mass

Friday, September 26

Scripture Readings: Haggai 2:1-9; Psalm 43:1, 2, 3, 4; Luke 9:18-22

No Mass

Saturday, September 27

Scripture Readings: Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Luke 9:43b-45

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

Sunday, September 28

Scripture Readings: Amos 6:1a, 4-7; Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31

4:30 p.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for † Anthony Tran D. Huag
7:45 a.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) for the People of the Parish
9:30 a.m. CCD (Parish Office)
9:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (St. Thomas Aquinas Church)
11:00 a.m. Mass (SO) (St. Thomas Aquinas Church) † Charles & Anna Morosco-Labaki

DAILY MASS CANCELLED:

Starting September 22-26, St. Thomas and St. Nicholas will NOT have daily Mass due to the priest convocation. If you would like to attend daily Mass, Christ our Light Parish located at 220 N 7th Street, Cambridge, has daily Mass starting at 8:30 a.m. Adoration will still continue on Wednesday, September 24th from 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Please use the side entrance as the front doors will be locked.

BISHOP FENWICK SCHOOL IS SEEKING SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS:

Do you enjoy working with children and supporting Catholic education? Bishop Fenwick School is building our substitute teacher list. This is a wonderful opportunity for retired teachers, aspiring teachers, and qualified individuals who feel called to serve in our Catholic school community! If you or someone you know is interested, please complete our online application or email gmurrell@cducation.org to further discuss substitute requirements. Apply online at <https://www.bishop-fenwick.com/Careers/>.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL COACHES NEEDED:

Bishop Fenwick is looking for Middle School Boys & Girls Basketball Coaches! This is an exciting opportunity to mentor young athletes, build skills, and share the love of the game. Please contact Seth Thompson at (740) 452-7504 or sthompson@cducation.org.

WELCOME

This week we welcome Brendan Devine, our new seminarian who will be spending a pastoral year with us. Born in Connecticut, he found the Catholic faith in elementary school and was received into the Church at age seven. Brendan attended Cornell University in New York and Oxford in Great Britain studying Economics and History. He worked for ten years in corporate finance in the oil and gas industry before answering a call to the priesthood. Following two years at a French seminary, Brendan joins us in our parish to discern with the Diocese of Columbus.

LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

October 5th is Life Chain Sunday. We will line the streets of Maple Avenue to pray for an end to abortion. This will be our 23rd Annual Life Chain. We will meet, park, and pick up our signs at Heartbeats of Zanesville, 2447 Maple Avenue, at 2:15 p.m. and begin the chain of prayer from 2:30-3:30 p.m.

If unable to stand for that length of time, please bring a chair. This Life Chain is National and is sponsored by Muskingum Valley Right to Life. Any questions, please call Laura at 740-221-9997. Please join us for an hour of prayer. Thank You!

AUGUST FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

We gave out 63 bags of food and spent \$644.24 for the month of August. Thank you for your continued support; your donations are appreciated.

CALLING ALL BAKERS

We are very grateful for all of you wonderful bakers, and to all who provide desserts for our parish activities, and the call is going forth once again. We will be having our annual Octoberfest at St. Thomas on September 20, and we would gratefully appreciate donations of your delicious baked goods for this event. We will be at St. Thomas parking lot starting at noon on the 20th to accept the baked goods, so that we can be ready to serve your delightful baked treats to those attending. If you have any questions, please reach out to Jill Phillips or Melanie Von Gunten.

JOIN US IN SAYING THE ROSARY

We warmly invite you to enrich your spiritual journey by joining us in reciting the Rosary before Mass. This beautiful tradition offers a moment of peace, reflection, and unity as we prepare our hearts for the celebration of the Eucharist. To make it easy for you to participate, we've provided a simple way to sign up. Go to the website <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0C4CACAE2BABF94-57251916-stthomas> to choose a time and date that works best for you. Whether you're a seasoned devotee or new to the Rosary, all are welcome. We look forward to praying with you and sharing sacred time together. Thank you for being a part of our faith community, and may the Rosary bring peace and blessings to your heart.



CALLING ALL SINGERS:

The Saint Thomas Aquinas Choir is looking for new members. We would be very happy to welcome you to our Sunday morning rehearsal at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday. We sing music of various periods and styles, while providing a friendly environment to learn and grow in musical ability. If you love to sing, please consider serving the community in this important ministry. If you are interested, please stop by the Choir Loft after Mass, or contact Christopher Urbiel at 740-453-3301, ext. 122 or curbiel@saintthomaszanesville.org.

STEWARDSHIP		
<i>(Our fiscal year is July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026)</i>		
September 14, 2025		
Mass Collection	\$	8,203.00
EFT	\$	6,085.00
Online/Direct Gifts	\$	0.00
Total Offertory	\$	14,288.00
YTD Collected	\$	119,359.80
YTD Budgeted	\$	121,000.00
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BISHOP ROSECRANS GRANDMA CLUB

The Grandma Club is a warm, welcoming community for all grandmothers connected to Bishop Rosecrans High School — whether you're a proud alumna, the grandmother of a current or former student, or simply a woman who cherishes the Rosecrans tradition. This group celebrates the special role grandmothers play in our families, school, and faith community.

Our Mission is to support the spiritual, academic, and community life of Bishop Rosecrans High School by sharing our time, talents, and traditions with current students, staff, and alumni. What We Do: Hospitality & Volunteering: Help with alumni breakfasts, school Mass receptions, and fundraising events like Shimmer of the Night or the BLOC Party. Encouragement & Support: Write notes of encouragement to students, welcome letters to new families, and birthday or graduation cards to alumni. Legacy Storytelling: Share your memories, school stories, and photos that help preserve our treasured history.

Faith & Fellowship: Gather for prayer intentions, occasional coffee meetups after Mass, and seasonal spiritual reflections.

Crafts & Comforts: Help assemble care packages, teacher appreciation gifts, or sew items for service projects. If you would like to join, please email Megan Dosch at mdosch1@cducation.org.

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7:45 a.m.	Abby/Levi Crum	Jim Gable	Brent Mirgon	Mary Baker
11:00 a.m.	Rob Rodgers, Sebastian Rodgers, Augie Rodgers, Sierra Dailey	Andi Hoffman	Rusty Montgomery, Becky Joseph	Choir

PASTORAL PLANNING SURVEY

Bishop Fernandes has a desire to hear from as many of the Christian Faithful in the Diocese of Columbus about their perspective on his four priorities of pastoral concern:



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THE APPEAL 2025

Our parish has raised \$36,928.00 and pledged \$41,200 of our \$64,726.28 goal. As we approach reaching our parish goal for the 2025 Appeal, remember that anything above our goal that is collected will be returned 100% directly to our parish to support our own parish projects and ministries. We can accomplish this goal if, after prayerful consideration, everyone gives what they can. Our response to The Appeal is one way to share our blessings with our neighbors and to express our gratitude for all the blessings that our most loving God has bestowed on us.

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Married and engaged couples are invited to the first annual Together in Holiness marriage conference on October 4, 2025 from 10:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. at St. Matthew the Apostle Catholic Church in Gahanna. This one-day conference will help you strengthen your relationship with your spouse and discover God’s plan for your family. Registration: \$64.00/couples and \$5.00/child for onsite childcare. This conference is presented by the St. John Paul II Foundation and the Diocese of Columbus. For more info, visit togetherinholiness.org/columbus or email nancy@forlifeandfamily.org.

BAPTISM PREP CLASS DATE CHANGE

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 September 23rd at 7:00 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.

FALL LECTURE AT THE JOSEPHINUM

The Pontifical College Josephinum’s 2025-2026 lecture series will begin with a presentation by Russ Breault, President and Founder of The Shroud of Turin Education Project, Inc. In his image-focused presentation, “Shroud Encounter,” Mr. Breault will cover key findings of the scientific investigation of the Shroud, relate new dating techniques, and explore the Crucifixion and Resurrection based on the Shroud image. The lecture will be held Monday, September 29, at 7:00 p.m. in the Jessing Center. Free admission and parking; reservations not required. For more information, please call 614-985-2274 or visit www.pcj.edu/lecture.

“NO ONE CAN SERVE TWO MASTERS. EITHER YOU WILL HATE THE ONE AND LOVE THE OTHER, OR YOU WILL BE DEVOTED TO THE ONE AND DESPISE THE OTHER. YOU CANNOT SERVE BOTH GOD AND MONEY.”

– Luke 16:13

Please Join us for

Breakfast


on October 5th
after the 7:45 am Mass
& 11 am Mass



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Sun, November 9th New Creations	Sun, March 29th Romans 1:16
Sun January 18th Love on Another	Sun, April 26th Living for Christ

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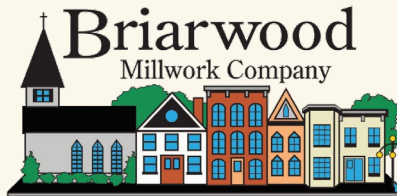
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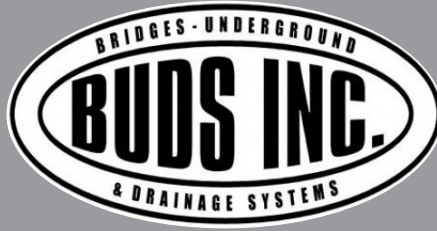


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