

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Sunday, July 24 ♦ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Holy Cross Family
 11:00 a.m. Deceased Members of Manley Family
 (Don Manley)

Gn 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

Monday, July 25 ♦ NO MASS

**Tuesday, July 26 ♦ Sts. Joachim & Anne,
 Parents of Blessed Virgin Mary**

5:00 p.m. Adoration
 6:15 p.m. Happy Birthday to Jack Kustron
 (Jan Kustron)

Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday, July 27 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. In the name of Casuccio &
 Poliseno Families (Ben Casuccio)

Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday, July 28 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Gus Saltsman Healing
 (Gus & Mary Saltsman)

Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53

Friday, July 29 ♦ St. Martha

11:30 a.m. Living/Deceased of Cullinan Family
 (Jeanne C. Brown)

Jer 26:1-9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Saturday, July 30 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Soul of Donald Hodsson (Jonathon Packs)
 Jer 26:11-16, 24 ; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday, July 31 ♦ Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Jay Wishau (Jack & Jan Kustron)
 11:00 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Holy Cross Family
 Gn 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

+ Please remember in your prayers our homebound parishioners, and those who are ill: Michael Baker, Betty Cockran, Richard Deneski, Sr. Sally Groom, Robert Hackett, Dr. Glenn Haninger, Julie Litsinberger, Susan Luck, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Marilyn Scott.

St. Lawrence Haven Today!

Attention, all our "Lil Larry" sandwich makers. This Sunday is our opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Cum Christo Center.



KUDOS!

Prayerful best wishes to Brian Rush & Katelyn Leesburg who will be married in our Parish Church Saturday, July 30.

Retreat for Married Couples

Retreat for Married Couples on August 27, 2016, featuring celebration of Mass and reflection by Bishop Frederick F. Campbell and presentations by Deacon James Keating, author of Spousal Prayer: A Way to Marital Happiness. The retreat will be held from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church, Columbus. Cost is \$65.00 per couple, which includes light breakfast, lunch and Spousal Prayer book. For more information and to register, please visit <http://familylife.colodioc.org> or call 614-241-2560.

Latin America Collection – August 7th

Although approximately half of the world's Catholic population lives in Latin America, the Church in the region is losing members at an alarming rate to other faiths or migration in pursuit of a better life. These tensions can contribute to the destabilization of families and faith communities. You can **keep faith with the Church in Latin America** through your support of this collection next Sunday, August 7th. Your generosity will support pastoral work that engages parishioners and fosters the faith.

Those interested in EFT – Update

We have received 5 inquiries into EFT for Sunday donations. We need at least 10 families to make it financially feasible, so fill out the form below to show your interest and drop off in collection basket or parish office.

Looking for a "show of interest" from parishioners who wants to donate to Holy Cross using Electronic Funds Transfer?

Please provide:

Name _____

E-mail address: _____

Tear out this section of bulletin and return this to the collection basket or email admmike@columbus.rr.com.

THANKS!

JULY 10, 2016 OFFERINGS

Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offertory.....	\$ 1,895.00
	Mail-in.....	\$ 1,463.00
Mass Attendance	Repair Collection	\$ 0.00
	Mail-in Repair	\$ 172.00
	Less 6% Diocese tax	(\$ 211.80)
9:00 a.m. = 76	Net to Parish:	\$ 3,318.20
11:00 a.m. = 82		

THE WORD

How do you pray? At times I pray as Jesus taught: your kingdom come, give us what we need, forgive us, help us forgive, do not test us. However, in all honesty, my prayer often focuses mostly on me. On other days I have the consciousness of Abraham. I am persistent in asking God to live up to the divine promise of mercy toward others. When my focus is on me, my vision narrows and I tend to give up when I don't get what I want. When my focus is on God and openness to the good that God offers, I often find God present even when the answer is not what I'd asked. A spiritual director used to remind me, "God always answers our prayers. Sometimes the answer looks different than we ask and sometimes the answer is no."

Jesus says ask, seek, and knock. Then we will receive, find God present in every situation and doors will be opened. He doesn't say that we will receive what we asked, unless we ask for the Holy Spirit. Nor that we will find what we seek, unless we seek to do God's will. Nor that the door on which we knock will be opened unless that door is the heart of Christ. In his 2015 Lenten letter, Pope Francis asked the Church to pray to the Lord, "Make our hearts like yours." If that is our prayer, we will find God with us in every life circumstance. We will have Abraham's courage to be persistent before God. We will find God's power alive in us. Buried with Christ in baptism, we were also raised with him. Pray as he taught. Ask, seek, and knock today.

*– How would you describe your prayer life to a close friend?
– Do you focus on gratifying your own will, finding and living God's will, or some of both?*

from "Living the Word"

PDHC – 35 YEARS EVENT

Help us celebrate 35 years of caring with PDHC!

Registration is now open for the most dynamic events I can remember at PDHC.

On September 8th and 9th, we'll be welcoming Shawn Carney, co-founder of 40 Days for Life and one of the most dynamic pro-life speakers in the country, to Columbus. You won't want to miss his incredible talk. We'll have a banquet at Villa Milano on the 8th and then a breakfast at the Westin Hotel (Great Southern) the next morning on the 9th. Call 614-888-8774 for more information/reservations.

Special Parish Dates

Mark your calendars for the following important dates for the parish:

- 1) **Sunday, September 11, 2016, Parish Feast Day – Exaltation of the Holy Cross – 10:00 a.m. Mass only followed by a reception.**
- 2) **Sunday, September 18, 2016, Missionary Co-Op.**

Mount Carmel Hospice

As the only Catholic hospice in Columbus and the surrounding communities, Mount Carmel Hospice and Palliative Care Service invites you to join us in serving those who are at end-of-life. If you are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer whether at the bedside or behind the scenes, join us for a special panel discussion. Please join us on August 9 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. or on August 16 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Mount Carmel Hospice and Palliative Care Center. Register by calling 234-LIFE (5433).

Bethesda Healing Ministry

Summer is here. We slow down our pace a bit to reflect on the mystery of Jesus and his wondrous gifts. If you have experienced abortion in your life and that memory is keeping you from enjoying the fruits of summer, perhaps it is time to open your spirit to the peace only Jesus can give you. We are a group of mothers and fathers who have suffered the experience of abortion. We gather twice a month to share, heal and grow. "We've been there. We understand. We invite you to join us." Bethesda Healing Ministry confidential lines are available to you, please call us: 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157 or visit our website at bethesdahealing.org.

The Martin de Porres Center (2330 Airport Drive, Columbus) presents "A Little Tea & Music: Afternoon Tea with music by Full Sound Chamber Group" on Saturday, August 6 at 2:00 p.m. Enjoy a delightful afternoon tea menu, with music provided by a wonderful group of five brothers, and learn more about the arts mission of the Center. \$35 pre-registration is due by July 29. Call (614) 416-1910 or martindeporres@oppeace.org for more information.

From the Chair with Bishop Campbell on AM 820 Tuesday, August 2nd. Bishop Campbell takes your questions from 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. during his LIVE monthly call-in show. Call St. Gabriel Catholic Radio at 614-459-4820 to ask your question about the Catholic faith and growing in holiness.