

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Sunday, February 12 ♦ Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Holy Cross Family
 11:00 a.m. William O'Reilly (Lois O'Reilly)
 – Sir 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 or
 5:20-22, 27-28, 33-34, 37

Monday, February 13 ♦ NO MASS

Tuesday, February 14 ♦ Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius

6:15 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Charles A. Collura
 (The Collura Family)
 – Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, February 15 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Mary Endres (Jim & Charlene Mercer)
 – Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday, February 16 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Dr. Glenn J. Haninger (Joan H. Fruin)
 – Gn 9:1-13; Mk 8:27-33

Friday, February 17 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Cullinan Family
 (Jeanne C. Brown)
 – Gn 11:1-9; Mk 8:34-9:1

Saturday, February 18 ♦ NO MASS

Sunday, February 19 ♦ Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Dr. Glenn J. Haninger (Joan Weber)
 11:00 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Holy Cross Family
 – Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

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

St. Lawrence Haven – March 5th

Attention, all our “Lil Larry” sandwich makers. Sunday, March 5, 2017, is our next opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven is following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Holy Cross School.

Fr. Dwayne is finally taking a vacation

Fr. Dwayne is taking a trip to warmer weather from February 17 through February 25, 2017. Here is the schedule of Masses and Celebrants:

February 17 – Friday: Fr. Jeff Rimelspach

February 18 – Saturday: No Mass

(Women’s Conference – no priests are available)

February 19 – Sunday: Fr. William De Ville

February 21 – Tuesday: No Mass

February 22 – Wednesday: Fr. Dury

February 23 to 25th (Thursday, Friday and Saturday) –

Fr. Ignatius Harrington



Repair Collection – Results

Thank you for the generosity and support of the Repair Fund collection held last week. \$1,085.30 was contributed.



The Catholic Times – Still Time To Order

Thank you to all new and returning readers of *The Catholic Times*. Contact the parish office if you missed the special collection and learn how to sign-up for the upcoming year for a minimum donation of only \$17.00 (parish rate). As an evangelization tool, Bishop Campbell encourages all Catholic households in the diocese to receive and read our diocesan newspaper, *The Catholic Times*. Checks should be made payable to Holy Cross.



Mass Intentions

One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead, and the greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass since the fruits of the Mass are the very fruits of Jesus’ redemption. Mass stipends (offerings) are \$10.00 each; only one offering per Mass. All Mass Intentions will be listed in the bulletin. **We are in need of daily Mass Intentions.** Please contact Mike Agriesti by regular mail, or drop a note into the collection basket on Sundays or email admmike@columbus.rr.com to schedule a Mass.

THANKS!

FEBRUARY 5, 2017 OFFERINGS

Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offertory.....	\$ 2,393.00
	Mail-in.....	\$ 88.00
	Repair Collection	\$ 1,085.30
	Mail-in Repair	\$ 0.00
Mass Attendance 9:00 a.m. = 89 11:00 a.m. = 78	Less 6% Diocese tax	(\$ 213.98)
	Net to Parish:	\$ 3,352.32

THE WORD

When I was a teacher, young children often asked, “Teacher, what can I do to help you and to learn?” Older students asked, “What must I do to pass?” Jesus’ teaching seems to answer “What can I do to follow God’s ways?” rather than “What must I do?” What’s the difference? The second question is about minimal requirements. The first question is about the maximal benefits involved with turning one’s life over to God. Jesus asks for more. Not merely “Do not kill,” but do not harbor what leads to killing in your hearts. Make amends. Reconcile with your opponent. Not merely “Do not commit adultery,” but be faithful in your heart. Try to work things out, don’t just give up. Respect others. Do not objectify anyone. The basics can be difficult enough to live, but the “more” that Jesus asks is a greater challenge.

The readings make clear that we have choices: between life and death, good and evil, right and wrong, and giving good example or leading others astray. Choices have consequences. Those responsible for Jesus’ death would not see that He did not abolish the law and the prophets. He asked people to live them more intensely. They had Him crucified when His words and way became too great a threat. New ways of looking at things can threaten us. We saw that in the Synod on the Family in 2014 and 2015. The “more” is challenging. However, when we want to do all we can to live God’s ways, we will see the mystery of God present even when we fall, lifting us up to a newness of life that is prepared for those who love God.

- Which of Jesus’ teachings in today’s Gospel do you find to be most challenging?
- Which of them do you find most affirming?

“Living the Word”

2016 Contributions

You can call the office at 614-224-3416, email Mike at admmike@columbus.rr.com or drop a note in the collection basket and request a copy of your contribution record to Holy Cross Church and Bishop’s Annual Appeal for 2016. You can expect this report within a week.

~ Invitation to Women of Holy Cross ~

The women’s group will be meeting in February on Tuesday, February 21 at 6:00 p.m. at Cap City, 1299 Olentangy River Road in Grandview. We will have a special guest, so please join us for fellowship and to talk about our current outreach project. Feel free to bring a friend! Please contact Jan Kustron to RSVP at jan@photoj.com.

Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) Wednesday, March 1, 2017, Ash Wednesday – Mass will be at 10:15 a.m. (for Cristo Rey School) and 11:30 a.m.

St. Charles Hosting Two 8th Grade Winter Visit Days

St. Charles Preparatory School will hold Winter Visit Days from 9:00-11:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 23rd and Tuesday, February 28th. These sessions are for those prospective 8th grade boys and their families who were unable to attend the school’s Open House in December or one of the student-visitation days held throughout January.

We invite those interested to come and see what makes St. Charles a great choice for young men pursuing a high-quality college preparatory education. Students and parents will visit freshman classes, tour the Main and West Campus facilities and receive information regarding college readiness provided through our curriculum; our championship caliber athletic and extra-curricular activities; and a financial aid program that provides more than \$1.4 million annually for qualified students and their families. There will also be question and answer sessions with administrators, faculty members, coaches and group moderators.

If you have any questions about these informational visitation days or would like to sign up to attend one, please contact the school by email at trishasmith2010sc@yahoo.com or by phone at 614-252-6714.



Bethesda Healing Ministry

“For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me; when you seek me with all your heart...” (Jeremiah 29:11-13) Bethesda invites and welcomes all who have been burdened with the pain of abortion. Call 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157 or visit our website at bethesdahealing.org.

CLASSES FOR UMPIRING BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL

begin Monday, February 27, at 6:00 p.m., at St. Mary Magdalene School, 2909 Parkside Road, Columbus. Cost is \$125.00; to register, visit officials.myohsaa.org/Logon; credit card required for online registration. For further information, contact Julius Palazzo at 614-276-9373.