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MAY 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline
Member of St. Juan Diego Deanery

Intentions

Tuesday

6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

*Mass Intention: For the Newmeyer
Family*

Wednesday

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

*Mass Intention: For Staff, Students and Fam-
ilies of SHJ School as they begin Summer
Break*

Thursday

5:30 pm - Confession at St. Joseph

6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intention: For Church Movements and
Groups*

Friday

8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intention: For Staff, Students and Fam-
ilies of St. Joseph school as they begin their
summer break.*

Saturday

3:30 pm - Confession at SHJ

4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

*Mass Intention: Mary Ann & Edgar Sutter,
John Metzger & Richard Vogt*

Pentecost Sunday

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intentions: John Smarto, Linda Horn-
ing, Living and Deceased Members of the
Milligan & Yates Families*

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

*Mass Intention: Marie & Joe Biglin,
Rodney Cole & Bob Vogt*

10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intention: Mike Blaising, Norbert Rein-
hard, Deceased Members of the Smarto
Family*

Greetings Parishioners,

The Office of Vocations will be hosting an Andrew Dinner on
Wednesday, June 7, 2023 at Fremont, Saint Joseph Parish from 6
PM to 8 PM.

An Andrew Dinner is an opportunity for priests to invite **high
school and college-aged men** to consider the possibility that
God might be calling them to the priesthood. These young men
do not need to be actively considering the priesthood to at-
tend. The event is meant to be an invitation for them to begin
considering the priesthood and going deeper in discernment.

If you, your son, or your grandson is interested please let me
know at jsmith@toledodiocese.org! I would be glad to take a
group of young men with me to this special event with Bishop
Thomas.

**In Christ,
Fr. Jeff**

P.S. If you are older than college age the ship has not passed for
you in responding to God's call to the priesthood. Please reach
out to me and I will put you on the right track in discerning your
vocation.



COLLECTION:

May 14, 2023

\$ 4,212.00

Offertory

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Altar & Rosary

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS**Wednesday May 24: School Mass (Last Student Mass of School Year)****Saturday, May 27th.****Sunday, May 28th.****MUSIC MINISTER***Sean Beeson***SERVERS***Finnegan & Rudy**Belcik***OFFERTORY***Steve Gosser Family***EXTRAORDINARY****MINISTERS***Brenda Gosser, Rosanne Conley**Greg Keller***USHERS***Steve Gosser & Nick Fike***LECTOR***Molly Belcik*(Please check Ministry Scheduler Pro
for the most up to date assignments)**MUSIC MINISTER***Katie DiLullo***SERVERS***Wyatt & Elizabeth**Biglin***OFFERTORY***Devin Cain Family***EXTRAORDINARY****MINISTERS***Deacon Steve Vogt, Lisa Myers**Paul Schroeder***USHERS***John Bonen & Mark Gwartz***LECTOR***Rebekah Weber***COUNTERS***Teresa Jessee, Sheila Vogt**Miriam Schroeder***Bible Readings for the Week of May 21, 2023**

Monday	Acts 19:1-8, Ps 68:2-7, Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday	Acts 20:17-27, Ps 68:10-11, 20-21, Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday	Acts 20:28-38, Ps 68:29-30, 33-36b, Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday	Acts 22:30, 23:6-11, Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11, Jn 17:20-26
Friday	Acts 25:13b-21, Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20b, Jn 21:15-19
Saturday	GN 11:1-9, Ps 104:1-2a, 24, 35c, 27-28, 29bc-30, Rom 8:22-27, Jn 7:37-39
Sunday	Acts 2:1-11, Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34, Rom 12:3b-7, 12-13, Jn 20:19-23

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Bridget Belcik crowned Mary at the student lead Mass at Sacred Heart School on May 10th. This honor goes to a 8th grade young lady. The students and staff also brought flowers in honor of our Blessed Mother.

Thank you to Margaret Keller and Sr. Susanna Weaver for crowning Mary at the Saturday and Sunday Masses. Thank you to Altar & Rosary for providing the ladies with flowers to bring forward to honor Mary.

Congratulations Graduates!

Loving God, we thank you for all who graduate from grade school, high school and college this time of year. Continue to challenge them to make this world a better place and may they find fulfillment in doing your will.

Amen

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Congratulations
2023 Eighth Grade Graduating Class
Sacred Heart School

Titus Beeson, Bridget Belcik, Kyleigh Biglin, Addison Crawford, Carley Evans, Addysen Giesige, Carter Hieber, Colten Keller, Michael Lenz and Charley Milligan

Save the Date!

Sacred Heart Parish Picnic
Friday, June 16th.
Details to Follow!



Upcoming Meetings

May 23th: Finance Council

Please let your council moderator know if you need replaced for 23/24.

Sacred Heart Cemetery Walk-through

There has been some interest in performing a Cemetery walk-through at Sacred Heart. This event would be open to the public and give people a chance to learn about some of the lives of the people buried in our grave yard. If you would like to be a part of organizing this program, please reach out to Heath Gwirtz at 419-775-6239. More information to follow.



Feast of the Most Holy Trinity
Sunday, June 4th

Eucharistic Adoration: 4:00am-10:30am

Outdoor Mass: 11:00am celebrated by Bishop Thomas (in the church if inclement weather) Bring your chairs.

Parish Picnic: 12:00pm

Bring a picnic for you and your family. K of C will be grilling hot dogs, drinks provided and Mark's Homemade Ice Cream will be serving ice cream.

Outdoor games for all.

Holy Trinity Catholic Church
760 Tiffin St.
Bucyrus

F.I.S.H. Wish List:

Canned foods: Tomatoes, tomato sauce, beef stew and cream of mushroom soup. Boxed turkey stuffing. Cereals are always appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support!

ACA Update:

Goal: \$17,258.00/Collected: \$5,890 (34.13%)
Thank you!

Leading the FLOCK

BY BISHOP DANIEL E. THOMAS



"What does the Eucharist mean to me?"

That was the question posed for school age youth this past October, when our Diocesan Department of Catholic Education asked principals, teachers, directors of religious education and catechists to invite and encourage all parishioners in grades K-12, including all students in Catholic schools, in parish religious education programs, and homeschoolers throughout the Diocese of Toledo, to participate in a diocesan wide contest as part of this diocesan year of the National Eucharistic Revival.

Our children and young people throughout our 19 counties were invited to reflect on and answer the question, "What does the Eucharist mean to me?" by writing an essay of one thousand words or less, or by creating an original piece of art, music, poetry, or short video. The responses were overwhelming! Over 500 students participated either individually or as part of a small group by submitting creative entries which included wonderful videos, innovative works of art (including paintings, drawings and sculpture), inspiring poems, and many heartfelt reflections about their experience of the Lord in the Eucharist. Their works captured what the Eucharist means to them! Their works are an inspiring testimony to their faith in and love for Jesus!

The students' entries were divided into age groups: primary students (kindergarten to second grade),

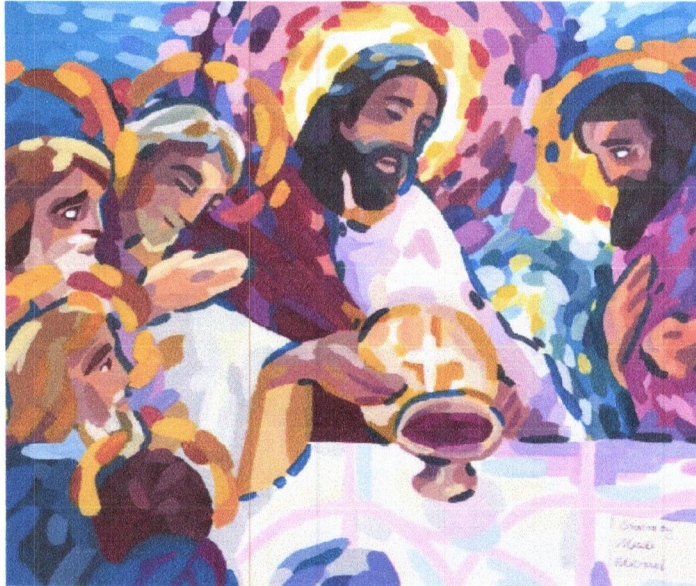
intermediate students (third to fifth grade), middle school students (sixth to eighth grade), and high school students (ninth to twelfth grade). The multimedia projects or essay projects were judged based on their creativity, content, and aesthetics. It was a very challenging process to determine three finalists in each category to be recognized for their outstanding work, but with the help of multiple

"graders" from the Catholic Education Department, Mrs. Pat Odey-Murray, the Chair of our Diocesan National Eucharistic Revival Team, and yours truly, every one of the submissions were reviewed and appreciated.



On May 4, 2023, in a special evening event, we honored the three finalists in each category, and their families by inviting them for a tour of Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, followed by a pizza party in the Monsignor Bernard E. Smith Auditorium celebrating their work, and the announcement of the winners. Every finalist received an age-appropriate book about Blessed Carlo Acutis, young patron of the National Eucharistic Revival. Third place winners also received a holy water font, second place winners also received a Diocesan rosary blessed by Pope Francis, and first place winners also received a framed image of the Eucharistic Revival Logo or of the Lord's Supper, together with a modest monetary gift.

Madi, a senior from Bishop Hoffman Catholic School, was the grand prize winner. Her vibrant painting is featured here, and she also took home a hand-painted plaster relief of the Last Supper to celebrate her splendid depiction! It was truly an evening of palpable Easter Joy!



To view the finalists' entries and others from around the Diocese, visit toledodiocese.org/eucharist and look for other students' work on our Diocesan social media pages.

The winners of the contest include the following young people from across our diocese:

Multimedia Project Winners

- Primary (Grades K-2): 1st Place: Abigail, Grade 2, St. Rose Parish School, Perrysburg; 2nd Place: Second Grade Parish School of Religion, Holy Trinity Parish, Bucyrus; 3rd Place: Caleb, Kindergarten, St. Michael, Findlay.
- Intermediate (Grades 3-5): 1st Place: Grade 4 Class, St. Mary Parish School, Edgerton; 2nd Place: Grade 4 Class, Immaculate Conception Parish School, Port Clinton; 3rd Place: Libby, Grade 3, Tiffin Calvert School.
- Middle School (Grades 6-8): 1st Place: Aliyah, Grade 8, St. Aloysius Parish School, Bowling Green; 2nd Place: Grade 6, St. Charles Parish School, Lima; 3rd Place: Charli, Grade 8, St. Rose Parish School, Perrysburg.
- High School (Grades 9-12): 1st Place: Madi, Grade 12, Bishop Hoffman Catholic School, Fremont; 2nd Place: Scott, Grade 11, Resurrection Parish,

Lexington; 3rd Place: Aniyah, Grade 10, St. John the Evangelist, Defiance.

Essay Project Winners

- Intermediate (Grades 3-5): 1st Place: Ryder, Grade 3, St. Mary Parish School, VanWert; 2nd Place: Ivy, Grade 3, Tiffin Calvert School; 3rd Place: Devon, Grade 4, Divine Mercy Parish School, Paulding.
- Middle School (Grades 6-8): 1st Place: Ella, Grade 7, St. Joseph Parish School, Maumee; 2nd Place: Simon, Grade 6, Divine Mercy Parish School, Paulding; 3rd Place: Evelyn, Grade 6, Sandusky Central Catholic.
- High School (Grades 9-12): 1st Place: Zac, Grade 12, Lima Central Catholic; 2nd Place: Megan, Grade 11, Sandusky Central Catholic; 3rd Place: Emma, Grade 10, Lima Central Catholic.

As you can see, the winners are representative of every area of our diocese, and I could not be more delighted by their participation, and by the encouragement and interest given by their parents and guardians, their teachers and principals, their catechists, their parish families. Kudos and congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all the young people who participated!

For me, participating in the judging process was not only an inspiring and life giving exercise, but a source of grace as I was privileged to see, from the perspective of our children and young people, what they believe about the Holy Eucharist, not "what" but "who" they receive, and a source of pride in their witness to us of the simplicity and depth of their belief in the Body and Blood of the Lord!

With this column, while I'm not inviting you to submit an entry for a contest, I am inviting you to take time to reflect on that same question, not in paint or essay or video, but in your heart, mind and soul! I pray your responses, while they won't be winning any prizes, may lead to a deeper understanding of, love for, and living out of the Holy Eucharist. Ask yourself the question: "What does the Eucharist mean to me?" Here's hoping your response will be as inspiring, as genuine and as joyful as those of our young people!

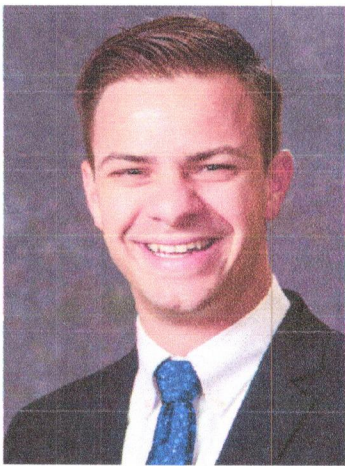
+ Daniel E. Thomas

Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas
Bishop of Toledo
May 12, 2023



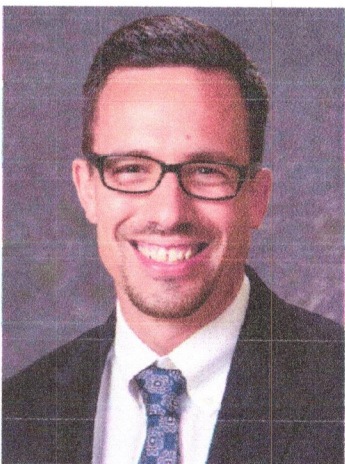
TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE ORDINATION

Deacons Chris Turner & Jacob Livecchi were ordained to the transitional diaconate on Saturday, May 20, 2023. Meet the newest transitional deacons of the Diocese of Toledo!



Deacon Jacob Livecchi

My name is Jacob Livecchi, I am the son of Gary and Elizabeth Livecchi. My home parish is St. Ignatius in Oregon. I grew up in a very Catholic home and am from a large family of ten kids (I am number five). I was homeschooled by my mother through high school. I went to the University of Toledo for one year and studied visual arts. I then entered college seminary at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus studying philosophy. The diocese asked that I finish my Bachelor of Philosophy at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit. After graduating with my philosophy degree in 2019, I began my theological studies at the Pontifical North American College in Rome. I graduated in June 2022 with a Baccalaureate in Sacred Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University. As I near ordination I cannot help but be filled with gratitude. I am honored and humbled by what God has done in my life with my simple yes to follow his will. I entered seminary not convinced I wanted to be a priest, today I could never imagine doing anything else. I am also aware that I am not approaching this great sacrament on my own strength. I am able to approach ordination because of all the prayers, support, and formation that I have received from all of you, but most of all because of God's great grace.



Deacon Chris Turner

My name is Chris Turner and my home parish is St. John 23 in Perrysburg. I graduated from Central Catholic High School in 2004 and went to The Ohio State University following that. My plan was to run a large resort or hotel, and as a result, I received a degree in Hospitality Management in 2008. However, God had other plans, and upon graduation he called me to serve in youth ministry instead. I was the youth minister at St. Catherine Parish in Toledo for two years and then moved to Atlanta to become Events Director for Life Teen International. After serving in that role for three years, I missed parish life and became a youth minister again at St. Ann in Marietta, GA. It was at St. Ann that I fell in love with parish life and first felt the call to become a priest. While I loved living in Atlanta, Toledo was always home to me and I knew I needed to go back home to discern my vocation. As a result, I entered seminary formation in 2017 for the Diocese of Toledo.

I am forever grateful for my six years of formation thus far, and I have especially enjoyed the various parish assignments I have received over the years. I am reminded of one of my favorite quotes from St. John Paul II: "It is Jesus that you seek when you dream of happiness; He is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you." I have certainly found this to be true. Jesus and His Church have made my life so much better, and I am so thankful He has called me to serve the Church in this way.

Please keep Deacons Chris Turner & Jacob Livecchi and all seminarians in your prayers!

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Save the Date!

Sacred Heart PTO Golf Scramble

Sunday, August 27th.

Cranberry Hills Golf Course

Registration and sponsor information on flyer in back of church or contact: kelseykeller24@gmail.com or 419-565-1241. All proceeds benefit Sacred Heart School. Thank you!

Help Protect the Dignity of Life in Ohio



Life in its earliest and most vulnerable stages is threatened by groups proposing an amendment to the Ohio Constitution for the November 2023 ballot to expand and enshrine abortion at the expense of protections for preborn children and women. The Catechism of the Catholic Church proclaims that "human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception." The Church accompanies and supports women facing unexpected pregnancies and mothers through programs like Walking with Moms in Need and the services of Catholic Charities.

The bishops of Ohio strongly encourage Catholics statewide to unite in prayer and work to defeat this proposed amendment and its grave consequences for women and preborn children in Ohio. Starting this week, the following materials about the proposed amendment will be available in Ohio parishes:

*** Protect Them Both Prayer Card:** Unite with Catholics across Ohio in asking God to strengthen us as we defend and accompany mothers and preborn children

*** Dignity of Life Threatened in Ohio Flyer:** Learn more about the proposed amendment and what you can do now. These are the first of many resources that will be available to help defeat the proposed amendment. Learn more about the proposed amendment and access resources online at: **ohiocathconf.org/protect**

All materials created by the Catholic Conference of Ohio (CCO), in collaboration with the dioceses across Ohio. CCO is the official voice of the Catholic Church in Ohio on public policy, advocating for the dignity of life at all stages, immigrants, Ohioans in need, and Catholic education. **www.ohiocathconf.org**

Sacred Heart Cemetery Fund recently received a donation in memory of: Tanya & Chris Shell from Allison (Tub) & Susan Shell. Thank you!

