"The wind blows wherever it pleases; you hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. That is how it is with all who are born of the Spirit." John 3:8



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From Steve's Desk



The current state of affairs with the Ministry to Catholic Charismatic Renewal.

The ministry is alive and well because the Holy Spirit is alive and well and it is His ministry.

The ministry has not halted even though the pandemic has curtailed activity. We continue to hold monthly **Night of Healing** services which

are held either at Walbridge St. Jerome's or Marblehead St. Joseph's. We held online Live-Streamed events February through May, including our Pentecost celebration. Since June, we have been able to have in person attendance with some live-stream services.

We are currently preparing to do training for deliverance ministry using the "Unbound" method developed by Neal Lozano. This type of ministry was approved by Bishop Blair when he was our bishop in Toledo. We have been using this throughout our ministry. Some want to participate in a re-fresher course. We are planning to offer it as a LIVE online workshop. See inside for details.

The ministry leadership board is continuing to meet monthly using "Zoom" online meetings as well as in person when possible. The leadership's focus is to stay open to the Holy Spirit's direction and we believe that the Lord is preparing bigger things in the future.

As always we continue to be in relationship with the Association of Diocesan Liaisons and the National Service Committee which is our national representative organization for Pope Francis's CHARIS initiative.

The CHARIS initiative is Pope Francis's organization to enable the whole church to experience the "Baptism in the Holy Spirit". All baptized Christians are meant to experience Pentecost. It is essential. We all need the gifts of the Holy Spirit. As Cardinal Raniero Cantalamessa points out in his book "Sober Intoxication of the Spirit" the Lord uses the power of the gifts of the Holy Spirit to break us loose from whatever holds us back from an experience of God's grace and empower

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From Fr. Jim's Desk

My beloved sisters and brothers in Christ. Grace to you, a peace from God our loving Father and from Christ Jesus our Lord and the power of the Holy Spirit be with you now and always.

Greetings to you all in this precious Advent and Christmas Season.



Although on the surface things look pretty much the same yesterday as they do today, yet it is a new year, liturgy wise. A fresh opportunity to prepare for Jesus's coming on his Birthday at Christmas, at the Second Coming and in the myriad different ways He comes to us every day.

Because of our experience of the Holy Spirit, we know how to look for Jesus in one another. Perhaps we need a refresher and so Advent offers us that time and place to practice.

I uncovered a Christmas Card that I received last year from Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic Team that I'd like to share with you all. It captures my own sentiments, but they have a much better wording.

Life is messy!

Every day, in large ways and small, we must decide if we are going to avoid the mess

Or

Immerse ourselves in the mess and do something about it.

THIS CHRISTMAS

Let's be honest...things are a mess!
What makes Christmas brilliant and humbling,
comforting and hopeful is

Jesus

The Son of God, the Lord of Lords, the King of Kings,
the God-man of endless
Love and infinite grace - chose to put Himself in the
middle of our mess. Each and
every year, and every day. He doesn't have to,

but he chose to, to prove the Father's love for us.
(Dynamic Catholic Team)

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From Steve's Desk (cont. from front page)

us to grow in holiness. We individually and the church as a whole will never be what we are meant to be without Pentecost.

We continue to maintain our office and chapel at St. Jerome's and hopefully when the pandemic has faded away we will be utilizing the St. Jerome facility for conferences and training again. The MCCR has become an entirely volunteer staff so we have no payroll but still have expenses and continue to need and rely on your generosity.

In Christ, Steve Toth

MCCR 2020

*Steve & Irene: No wages paid in 2020, so no taxes paid

Donations thru 12/3\$7,108

Checking Balance thru 12/3.....\$1,868

From Fr. Jim's Desk (cont. from front page)

So even though we recognize the messiness of life during this pandemic, we can count of Jesus to be there with us, side by side.

"Covid Cancelled" has drastically changed a lot of our regular routines, meetings, conferences and the like, even our church services. We can almost identify with the C and E people (Christmas and Easter). Hopefully, we will be back to Eucharist and the Sacraments. But I think we have a lot of work ahead of us to bring back those who have been away for ten months. We must show the way and invite them, (especially family). A positive way to do that is by becoming E and C Catholics...Eucharist and Confession, so we have the spiritual strength and courage to evangelize.

My prayer is you and I can embody the Incarnation so well that we will attract people back to Jesus, to their faith and prayer life. May we continue to His instruments throughout the New Year. You are all in my prayers, thoughts, Masses throughout the whole Christmas Season.

I know it is hard for some folks to get out because of the Covid scare, but I do invite you to our monthly **Night of Healing** Services on Tuesday evening at St Jerome's Church in Walbridge, or St Joseph in Marblehead on January 12.

Much love and Christmas Peace be with you all in the Holy Spirit of our living God.

Fr. Jim Brown

We are planning a

Unbound Refresher Training

Are you interested in attending online or in person?

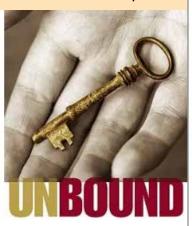
Please send your name, email and phone number to MCCR office at mccrholyspirit@gmail.com

We will respond with details as we finish our plans.

Unbound

Freedom in Christ

Unbound is a private healing session of deliverance – you and two other people that have been trained in this process. A private, simple discussion, and prayer session about issues in your life and God healing that area.



The Unbound training says:

"God has a plan for your life.
Don't let Satan spoil it.

Do you find yourself struggling with the same sin area time after time?

Do you feel hopeless in finding freedom, despite your best efforts?
Unbound will help you acknowledge and close the doors you may have opened to evil influence and Satan's underhanded strategies."

"By tapping into the potent power of the Gospel, you can foil Satan's plans for your life and live the abundant, glorious life God has in mind. This is a balanced guide to freedom, focusing on God and His work within the believer's life – not on the intimidating aspects of evil spirits."

Join us for training so that you can help others. Jesus can set us free of things oppressing our life.

The Lord is the Master Healer!

Coming Events 2020-2021

PLEASE connect with MCCR Facebook for updates https://www.facebook.com/MCCR-297908527073164/ Go to our Facebook page and LIKE & FOLLOW us to stay informed.

Dec 11&12 JESUS 2020 • Co-hosted by: Franciscan University of Steubenville & National Service Committee of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal JOIN ONLINE - Register FREE: https://www.nsc-chariscenter.org/jesus-2020/ Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, Peter Herbeck, Jim Beckman, Mary Bielski, Bishop Peter Smith,

Scott Hahn, Matt Lozano, Sr. Marie Fidelis, DLJC, Lauren Koath, Peter Mallampalli, Fr. Boniface Hicks, OSB, ADL Chairman Fr. Anthony Ouellette, and Matt Maher.

Dec 15 - May 11 7:00 pm

Join us in person, two also have online LIVE event. Night of Healing

HEALING ADORATION WITNESS RECONCILIATION WORSHIP

DEC. 15 FEB. 16 MAR. 9 MAY 11

7:00 - 8:30 pm In-Person at St. Jerome Church

300 Warner St., Walbridge, OH 43465

Fr. Anthony Coci Fr. Tom Oedy

& Fr. James Brown

JAN. 12 | APR. 13 ZND TUESDAYS

7:00 - 8:30 pm

Fr. James Brown

In-Person at St. Joseph Church 822 Barclay St., Marblehead, OH 43440

Both dates also Facebook LIVE Stream: MCCR Religious Organization

ENCOUNTER Conference Dec 28-30

from St. Patrick Catholic Church, Brighton, MI

OR Livestream with friends @ Christ the King, Ann Arbor Satellite Conference

Register: https://encounterministries.us/conference/

Fr. Mathius Thelen, Damian Stayne, Dr. Mary Healy, Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, Peter Herbeck, Patrick Reis and Barbara Heil. Powerful Praise by Encounter Worship & Damascus Worship.



CANCELED: Jan 15-17-2021 Women's Winter Retreat "Filled With the Power of the Holy Spirit" Presenter: Fr. Micheal Voithofer. It is with great regret that we are canceling our retreat Jan. 15-17, 2021 with Father Michael Voithofer. After consultation with Father, we determined this was the prudent thing to do and he has graciously agreed to direct our retreat January 14-16, 2022.

Feb 6 Magnificat Breakfast • Our Lady of the Lake Chapter • Anjulina's 2270 Hayes Ave., Fremont Speaker: Jenn Loar Starts 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Cost \$18. Mail check (Magnificat) & registration to Hortensia Clevenger, 316 Wexford Dr. Huron, OH 44839 - Must be received by Jan. 29 (\$23 after Jan. 29 - There is no registration at the door.) Online registration is \$19, see link: https://huronmagnificat.weebly.com/next-magnificat-meal.html

Diocese of Toledo Charismatic Prayer Meetings

Call contacts with any questions

MONDAY:

Eden Springs, Greensprings OH

(2nd Mon.) (Not meeting due to Covid)

Judy Good (419) 366-1025

7:00-8:30 p.m. St. Peter's

Huron - Women's Prayer & Scripture Meeting

Diane Dudenhofer (419) 433-4835

Norwalk, St. Paul's (On Conference Call) 6:30 p.m. **Bev Reichert** (419) 706-0464

St. Richards, Swanton (Resume in Jan.) 7:00 p.m.

Judy Cole (419) 367-8385

Port Clinton 9:30-11:30 a.m. Joan Nunnery (440) 390-0054

TUESDAY:

Ottawa Areawide (SS Peter & Paul in chapel) 7:30 p.m. **Sharon Rump** (419) 523-3137

Defiance, OH *New Day & Time* 8:00 p.m. **Richard Boff** (On Conference Call) (419) 783-9891 TUESDAY: (cont)

New Day & Time

Emmaus Community (in MCCR chapel) 1:30 p.m. St. Jerome Walbridge, OH (chapel in Parish Life Center)

David Bland (419) 322-8282

THURSDAY:

Toledo, SS. Peter/Paul (Resume in Jan.) 7:30 p.m. Candy Cordova Hispanic (419) 377-8053

FRIDAY:

Defiance St. Mary Hispanic (EVERY Fri.) 6:00 p.m. Fela Trevino (419) 784-4508

SATURDAY:

Fremont, St. Jos. 7:00 p.m. Hispanic Raul Gonzales (419) 332-9252

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Lima, St. Gerard

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my path." (Ps. 119) All WELCOME 1st & 3rd THURSDAYS, 10:15 A.M.

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Emmaus Prayer Group

St. Jerome Walbridge Chapel in PLC Wednesday, NEW TIME for winter 1:00 pm

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Monday 7:00 p.m.

All are welcome

SS Peter and Paul Spanish Prayer Group 728 St. Clair St. Thurs., 7:30 p.m. Everybody welcome Mateo 11:28-30 Michael W Bragg

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