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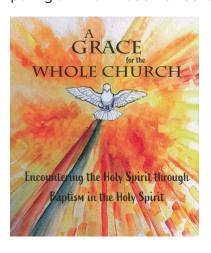
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From David's Desk



People are always preparing. We prepare for bed by brushing our teeth and putting on our pajamas. We prepare for today by getting up on time, making breakfast, and dressing for work. On Sundays we prepare for Church, perhaps by reviewing the readings ahead of time or getting to

Mass early or dressing up more formally. When we need forgiveness, we prepare for Confession by preparing an Examination of Conscience.



The MCCR Board has been preparing ourselves to better understand our purpose by studying "A Grace for the Whole Church: **Encountering** the Holy Spirit through Baptism in the Holy Spirit" This new book has come from Pentecost Today

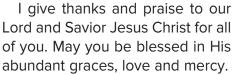
USA and CHARIS, and helps us prepare to accomplish our current rallying cry, which is to "Explain & invite people into the Charismatic Renewal during the Nights of Healing."

If you haven't been to a Night of Healing recently to hear our priests preaching, I'm going to ask if we can get their homilies on our website. If you haven't gotten this new book yet, please ask for a copy. We get them for \$20 a piece. You can request one

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From Fr. Jim's Desk

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ.





We begin this new liturgical year and season with Advent, a word

that means "wait" for a coming event or person. Of course, in our Church calendar it is preparing for the coming of Christ. There are actually three dimensions of His coming: The Second Coming of Christ in His glory marking the Fullness of His Kingdom, the end of time as we know it and a 'new heavens and a new earth, devoid of all suffering, pain and death. Eternal life looms larger than we can even imagine. The First Coming of Jesus, cloaked in the disguise of human flesh as a newborn infant celebrated as His birthday at Christmas. And, of course the many ways He comes to us each individually, often in disguise still, each and every day.

We begin each Advent with the warning, "Stay awake! Be alert!' For you do not know when your (Continued inside)

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

through email, phone, or in person at the Night of Healing.

Whether it's Advent and we're preparing for Christmas or Lent and we're preparing for Easter, or just Ordinary Time and we're preparing for the next thing, we continue to believe that God wants to heal us and fill us with His Holy Spirit. That is why we remain dedicated to the Renewal and to providing the Night of Healing throughout our Diocese.

As we close the year, I want to thank all of the pastors and staffs

that allowed us into their parishes to provide the Night of Healing: St. Patrick Heatherdowns Toledo, St. Mary Bluffton, St. Louis Custar, St. Michael Ridge Defiance, Holy Trinity Assumption, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Toledo, St. John the Baptist Toledo, St. John XXIII Perrysburg, Sacred Heart Fremont, St. Bernard New Washington, Our Lady of Mercy

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Fayette, and St. Richard Swanton. I also want to thank the Board and those who serve the Renewal. The Board consists of Fr. Jim Brown, Fr. Kevin Moebius, Deacon Leon Holmer, David Bland, Irene Bland, Judy Cole, Candy Cordova, and me. We meet monthly and also when needed for "ad hoc" meetings, where we talk about issues more in depth. The ministry is also served consistently by our Prayer

Teams and musicians. I am thankful for all who serve the Renewal, for we truly have an important ministry to share.

> May God bless us as we prepare for Christmas! David

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

Lord is coming." I often wondered what a "LERT" is. I think it is a person who knows the Lord Jesus and lives each day in joyful anticipation of the great Second Coming. A person who knows Jesus, and knows he knows. It's a person who is open to and operates by the influence of the Holy Spirit, in what they say and do, and how they live their lives. They are joyful, peaceful and fun people to be around.

Perhaps we can look at models of LERTS in the Holy Family. Mary and Joseph fit the description quite well. The Annunciation and Visitation stories capture their preparedness to the challenge of being called and responding to the Lord. The story around the birth of Jesus is a complex tale of difficult journeys both to and from Bethlehem. While Mary is due at any time to give birth to her first born child, a taxation decree went forth from the occupying Roman forces to travel the nearly 100 miles to Bethlehem, there to find no room, no welcome but only a stable, an animal barn for shelter.

Then several years later they are again uprooted to flee with the child for their life. They are now refugees in a foreign land. But they were LERTS, ready to answer the Lord's call. They had each other, they had their faith and trust that God's Spirit was with them

and protecting them.

The Christmas story is renewed for us each year to challenge us in our response of preparedness, our LERT-ness to be open to the Holy Spirit and to our Lord Jesus, no matter how He comes disguised, to be ready ultimately for the great and glorious Second Coming of Christ in all His glory.

As this new year begins, let us eliminate some bad habits we want to change and add some new good habits we want to adopt. Of course, to be successful at this we must depend on the power of the Holy Spirit. He will convict us of those things we need to let go of and inspire us to be open to new things that will make us joyful, peaceful and fun people to be around.

Make sure you are an essential agent of the **Eucharistic Revival**. 2024 is the third phase of this momentous endeavor with a grand celebration at the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in July.

Also, plan on joining our team at the Nights of Healing throughout the new year. Invite the team to your home parish.

You are in my prayers during this holy season – all two months.

Your brother in Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit,

Fr Jim

Coming Events 2023 - 2024

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Night of Healing

DEC. 12 | JAN. 9 | FEB. ?? | MAR. 5

7:00 pm (unless noted) 4 LOCATIONS

WORSHIP WORD HEALING ADORATION WITNESS RECONCILIATION

DEC. 12 7:<u>00 - 8:3</u>0 pm St. Richard, Swanton

333 Brookside Dr. Swanton, OH 43558

Fr. Eric Culler Fr. James Brown Fr. Kevin Moebius

FFB ?? 7:00 - 8:30 pm Does your parish want a Night of Healing

in February? Call 734-888-8197 to schedule

JAN. 9 7:00 - 8:30 pm

St. Joseph, Tiffin 36 Melmore St, Tiffin, OH 44883

Fr. Anthony Coci Fr. James Brown Fr. Kevin Moebius MAR 5

St. John, Defiance

510 Jackson Ave, Defiance, OH 43512

Fr. David Cirata Fr. James Brown Fr. Kevin Moebius

7:00 - 8:30 pm



Have a blessed Advent and a Merry Christmas!



2024 National **Eucharistic** Congress

From July 17 to 21, 2024,

the Church will gather as one American family in Indianapolis. (Save 10% on registration before Dec 25) https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/post/registration-for-the-2024-national-eucharistic-congress-is-now-live



Feb. 10 Magnificat Breakfast Our Lady of the Lake Chapter NEW location: St. Peter Catholic Church, 430 Main St., Huron, OH. Speaker: Fr. Albert Beltz Starts 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Cost \$20. Mail check (Magnificat) & regis-

tration to Hortensia Clevenger, 316 Wexford Dr. Huron, OH 44839

- Must be received by FEBRUARY 2 (There is no registration at the door.) Online registration is \$22, see link: https:// huronmagnificat.weebly.com/next-magnificat-meal.html

2024 ENCOUNTER Conference

JUNE 26-28 · Toledo, OH

https://encounterministries.us/conference/

Diocese of Toledo Charismatic Prayer Meetings

MONDAY:

Call contacts with any questions

NEW: Assumption - Holy Trinity, with Fr. Walter Tuscano Mass @ 6:15, Prayer Group following at 6:45/7:00 p.m. Judy Cole (419) 602-0627

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

Women's Prayer & Scripture Meeting

Diane Dudenhofer (419) 602-0627

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) 615-3513

WEDNESDAY:

Toledo, Epiphany of the Lord, St. Thomas Aquinas chapel 1:30 p.m. Emmaus Community Enter in door at top of handicap ramp. Cancelled if the same day as a Night of Healing event. (Eucharist Adoration at 3 pm) David Bland (419) 322-8282

THURSDAY:

Defiance, Beacon of Love 7:00 p.m.

St John (Basement: Sts Mark & Matthew room) Sandy Diehl (419) 770-0057

Toledo, SS. Peter/Paul 7:00 p.m. (419) 377-8053 Candy Cordova Hispanic

FRIDAY:

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

SATURDAY:

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

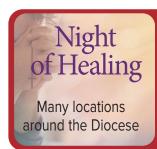
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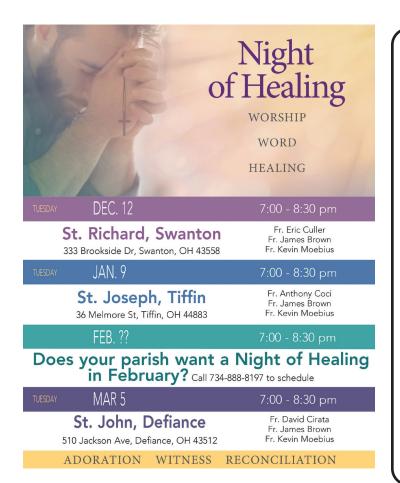
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With the Revival underway and the 10th National Eucharistic Congress on the horizon, it's an exciting time to be Catholic in America! Read on to find out what a Eucharistic Congress is, why we are reviving this legacy on the national level, and how to claim your passes before they're gone.

Every Movement Needs A Moment

We know what happens when two or more are gathered in the Lord's name—but what happens with 80,000? From July 17 to 21, 2024, the Church will gather as one American family in Indianapolis. Together we will ask the Holy Spirit to revive our love of the Eucharist, breathing his life into our dry bones. You're invited to a historic moment of revival, where he has particular grace planned for YOU. Your life—and our Church—will never be the same.