

OUR
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CHURCH

LENT



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 P.M. (Confessions 4:00-4:30 P.M.)
Sunday 8:00 A.M. • 10:00 A.M.
11:30 A.M. (Maronite Rite)
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 8:30 A.M.
Wednesday 12:00 P.M. (followed by Confessions)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS • Monday-Friday, 9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.

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Envelopes	\$ 4,309.00
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Total	\$ 12,660.22
Less Diocese 10% Assessment	\$ 1,266.02
Net Parish Collection	\$ 11,394.20
Special Collections	\$ 50.00
Ash Wednesday	\$ 103.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 61.50

MASS ATTENDANCE

February 14 / February 15 – 630

Saturday 5:00 p.m. – 195

Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 110; 10:00 a.m. – 230; 11:30 a.m. – 95



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 21 – St. Peter Damian

5:00 p.m. + Rhoda Church (Kay Church)

Sunday, February 22 – Chair of Saint Peter

8:00 a.m. + Joanne Gilbert (Laura Gilbert)

10:00 a.m. + People of the Parish

11:30 a.m. + Frank Michaels (Mary Carano)

Monday, February 23 – St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr

8:30 a.m. + Giovina DiSante (Rita DiSante)

Tuesday, February 24 – Blessed Luke Belludi

8:30 a.m. Special Intention for Taylor Petrosky (Lily Bell)

Wednesday, February 25 – Blessed Sebastian of Aparicio

12:00 p.m. + Patrick Mascaro (Connie Leach)

Thursday, February 26 – St. Maria Bertilla Boscardin

8:30 a.m. + Jeffrey Matre (Brian & Eileen Adams)

Friday, February 27 – St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows

8:30 a.m. + Elaine Oddi (Jesse Oddi)

Saturday, February 28 – Blessed Daniel Brottier

5:00 p.m. + Antonio "Tony" Polletta (Jackie Polletta)

Sunday, March 1 – St. David of Wales

8:00 a.m. + People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. + Bambina Lombardi (Fred Lombardi)

11:30 a.m. + Dana Varakat (Fadia Nassar)

Please send in your questions for the Apologetics sessions that Father Kik will be hosting. The questions can be emailed to: office@ourladyofvictory.cc or placed in the collection basket or mailbox outside of the Parish Office door.

2025 Contribution Statements are now available. Please email the office: office@ourladyofvictory.cc to request a statement.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Tuesday during Lent
6:30 pm in the Church

Lenten Apologetics and Soup Supper

"Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you." (1 Peter 3:15)



This Lent, come deepen your understanding of the Catholic faith and learn how to explain and defend it with clarity, confidence, and charity.

Join us each Wednesday during Lent for a simple soup supper followed by an engaging **Apologetics session** where we tackle real questions about the faith.

Fr. Jacques will cover topics people often criticize about the Catholic Church, such as:

- Scripture & Tradition
- The Eucharist and the Mass
- Confession and the priesthood
- Salvation, grace, and "faith alone"
- The Pope and authority
- Mary and the Saints
- Common misconceptions and tough objections

Dates and time:
Wednesdays,
Feb 25
Mar 4 - 11 - 18
6-7 PM

Come hungry for soup, and for truth.



Submit your questions in advance (anonymous welcome) at office@ourladyofvictory.cc

With deep sorrow and true hope, we share the passing of our beloved Deacon Richard Baumann, a true pillar of our parish family and a living example of the Gospel. His life was a quiet sermon preached not only from the ambo, but in the ordinary moments of everyday life. He loved Christ and practiced that love through his commitment to his family and parish, carrying both with remarkable humility.

We've all been touched by the life and ministry of Deacon Baumann in so many ways. I still have the little angel he took out of his pocket and gifted me the first time we met. "Pray for your guardian angel," he said, in that firm tone we're all familiar with!

Soon after I arrived at OLV, he took me out for breakfast so we could learn a little bit more about each other. I understood how much he loved this church and was anxious to transmit that love to the new Pastor! He did everything he could to support me and continued coming to daily Mass, Bible studies, and all church events until his body couldn't make it.

Last November, we celebrated our birthdays together, since they fall so close, and he put off his last candle. I did not ask him what his wishes were, because I simply knew them: the best for his family and for his parish, the two things that meant the most to him.

Dear Dick, we entrust you now to the mercy of the Father whom you served with devotion. May the Lord reward your faithful service and may the promise of the Resurrection console your family, friends, and our entire community.

Heavenly Father, we pray that You keep raising holy men and women in our community who may inspire us by their good example to follow in Your footsteps, Amen.

– Fr. Jacques Kik

PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK:

Sunday, February 22	Regular Mass Schedule 8:00 a.m. Mass – O CIA Rite of Sending
Monday, February 23	8:30 a.m. – Mass
Tuesday, February 24	8:30 a.m. – Mass 9:30-11:00 a.m. – Bible Study (PLC) 12 Noon – Knitting Group 6:30 p.m. – Stations of the Cross
Wednesday, February 25	12:00 p.m. – Mass 6:00 p.m. – Apologetics & Soup Supper (PLC)
Thursday, February 26	8:30 a.m. – Mass 7:00 p.m. – O CIA (VH)
Friday, February 27	8:30 a.m. – Mass 9:00-10:00 a.m. – Adoration (C) 4:30-7:00 p.m. – Fish Fry!! (PLC)
Saturday, February 28	4:00-4:30 p.m. – Confessions 5:00 p.m. – Mass
Sunday, March 1	Regular Mass Schedule 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Irish Breakfast (PLC)

PLC= Parish Life Center VH= Victory Hall C= Church

Fish Fry Dinners

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*For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life*
~ John 3:16

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PRE-K THROUGH 5TH GRADES

**Class: Sunday, February 22nd
8:55-9:50 a.m.**

**Congrats to our 5th Graders on their successful fundraiser for Run the Race Club. They raised \$1,814.43!
Thank you to all the parishioners who purchased sweet treats and donated to the cause!!
We visited Run the Race and hosted a Valentine's party for the racers.**



FORMING FAITHFUL DISCIPLES 6TH-8TH GRADES

**Class: Sunday, February 22nd
8:55-9:50 a.m.**

**6th Grade – Stations of the Cross curriculum
7th and 8th Grades – normal curriculum**

****8th Grade reminder – 8th Grade Confirmation Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Consolation
in Carey, Ohio on Saturday, February 28th, 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.**

Please email Krista Joseph in the Religious Ed department if you are new to the parish and would like to register your children for religious education or if you have a child who missed their First Communion or their Confirmation – contact Krista Joseph

We have At Home studies for high school students who need to be Confirmed. Contact us now to get started!
Krista Joseph, Director of Religious Ed – ReligiousEd@ourladyofvictory.cc or call 614-486-7678.

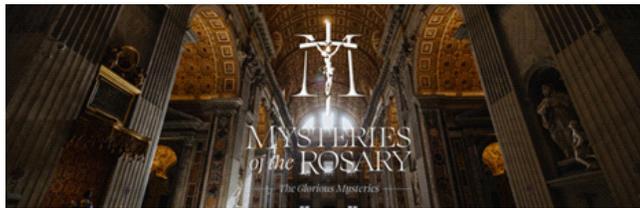
SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

OLV continues to follow the Diocese of Columbus commitment to the protection and safety of children and the Safe Environment Program. The Safe Environment Program mandates that all Volunteers 18 years or older who would like to participate in parish programs or ministries who have been delegated care, custody, or control of children must complete this program. Information on the specific process and program registration can be found on the Our Lady of Victory website: ourladyofvictory.cc – located under the "Religious Ed" tab. You may also contact Pat Fulcher at ReligiousEd@ourladyofvictory.cc for this information.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY ICONS



Last call for Our Lady of Victory Icons! Please call or stop by the office to purchase one of the last remaining icons. We only have a few icons left to purchase. The price is \$100.00 each. We can accept cash or checks made payable to "Our Lady of Victory."



THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for the Wild Goose video study of each decade of the Glorious Mysteries: The Resurrection, The Ascension, The Descent of the Holy Spirit, The Assumption of Mary, and The Coronation.

As our Lord is taken down from the Cross and His lifeless body is placed into the tomb, it appears like His life and mission are an utter failure. Yet, there His glorious light shines into the darkness and rises victoriously! May our lives become evidence of the Resurrection and proof of Pentecost!

New members are welcome!!

Classes continue on Tuesdays, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

February 24 and March 3

in the Father Romano Parish Life Center.

Questions: Kati Russell at 614-561-7224,

katirussell29@gmail.com

DAUGHTERS OF ERIN

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SUNDAY
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THE RITE OF SENDING



This weekend, February 22, we will celebrate the Rite of Sending at the 8:00 a.m. Mass. We celebrate this ritual in the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults as an introduction to the rite: *Thus, the Church makes its "election," that is, the choice*

and admission of those catechumens who have the dispositions that make them fit to take part, at the next major celebration, in the Sacraments of Initiation (RCIA119). This choice is made by the Church, headed locally by the bishop, as an outward expression of the choice already made by God. God chooses those, who are able, to be disciples of Jesus. **Those chosen, Marcus Yeagle, Huber Luna, and Christopher Finley, are expected to be initiated into a life in Christ, which means a life of mission.** Before we send the catechumens for the Rite of Election to Saint Catharine's next Sunday, let us pray for their discernment to have faith as they continue their classes, and be well prepared to celebrate the Initiation Sacraments at the Easter Vigil on April 4th.



There are still some volunteer opportunities available for the Fish Frys.

We are looking for 8 people each evening to help us clean the PLC and the kitchen from 7:00-8:30. Come for dinner and stay to help clean...the best Friday night plans ever! This is also a fantastic opportunity for volunteer hours for teens. Scan the QR code to claim your shift.





**THE POINT OF LENT –
A SPECIAL REFLECTION BY SAM GUZMAN**

If we're going to have a good Lent, we have to realize that the heart of Lent is not resolutions but *repentance*. Jesus began His preaching of the Gospel by saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand," and His message has been repeated by all the great saints throughout history. And what is repentance exactly? It is a return to God.

Human beings were made for communion with God and participation in His Divine life. Before the Fall, this union with God was as natural as breathing, but now, it is a constant struggle. In fact, our hearts seem to have a gravitational pull to anything but God. We look for happiness and satisfaction in everything but Him, and our hearts cling to sin like a magnet clings to steel.

Because our hearts are inclined toward selfishness and sin, restored communion with God requires a radical and painful reorientation. Aided by grace, we have to wrench away the magnets of our hearts and point them toward what they should cling to: God. This wrenching reorientation is what is known as repentance.

So how do we go about reorienting our hearts? Throughout history, three tools have been recommended by Mother Church and the saints to aid us in repentance: prayer, fasting (penance), and almsgiving. The most important thing to realize about them is that they are means to an end, not an end in themselves.

So often, we start Lent focusing on all that we are going to do or give up. We focus on what we hope to *do*, rather than what we hope to *be*. It's like starting a strict diet and being proud of yourself for how much you will exercise and how little you will eat, rather than how much you hope to weigh at the end.

If we don't have the right attitude about prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we will get to Easter burned out and frustrated. We'll think Lent is a waste of time, and we'll grow discouraged at our lack of willpower. As we prepare for Lent, let's keep the focus where it was always supposed to be— on a heart of repentance and love.

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**FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2026
2026 CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR**

Join us Friday, March 6 at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for a luncheon honoring the 2026 Catholic Man of the Year. The Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes, Bishop of Columbus, will present the 2026 Catholic Man of the Year. We will hear remarks about and from the Catholic Man of the Year. Please plan to join us.

The Catholic Foundation is sponsoring the CMOY luncheon. If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon, contact Dave Kilanowski at dkilano@aol.com. Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and our program. No reservations are necessary. \$12.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend!

There will be no luncheon on Good Friday, April 3, 2026. Our next luncheon is Friday, May 1, 2026. Our speaker will be Chuck Janes from Kairos Prison Ministry giving a talk entitled, "Transforming Lives and Communities." Please mark your calendar to attend!

**THE CATHOLIC TIMES MOVES TO
ALL-DIGITAL REPORTING**

For more than a decade, there has been ongoing discussion regarding the sustainability of *The Catholic Times* newspaper. The cost of producing *The Catholic Times* has risen significantly, while having a limited reach. The digital sphere has antiquated waiting for news to arrive at your doorstep, as information is available at our fingertips 24/7. The time is right to refocus diocesan monies, resources, and staff to a more dynamic, cost-effective, and far-reaching platform.

In mid-February, *The Catholic Times* will be moving to a solely digital platform. We are proud of the publication, the contributors, and the hard work of our staff. Now, we can amplify the good news of the 23 counties of our diocese to an even greater degree.

Scan the QR code to read more about this exciting change in *The Catholic Times*.



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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY – SULLIVAN SCHOLARSHIP

The \$100,000.00 (\$25,000.00 per year) Ronald C. Sullivan Scholarship is available for application through The Catholic Foundation for graduating high school seniors who will be incoming freshman at The Ohio State University.

Ronald C. Sullivan was a man of faith, education, business, and duty. He considered his Catholicism the foundation of his identity and, as a lifelong Buckeye of The Ohio State University, Mr. Sullivan saw college education as a key to success.

Requirements for the Ronald C. Sullivan Scholarship are as follows:

- A current high school senior enrolled or about to enroll at The Ohio State University.
- A practicing Catholic (as verified by a letter from a parish leader such as a priest, deacon, or youth minister).
- **Active member of Our Lady of Victory, St. Andrew, St. Agatha, or St. Christopher.**
- Solid academic performance.

The deadline for applications is **March 27th**. The link to apply for the Sullivan Scholarship is: <https://catholic-foundation.org/grants/scholarships/ronald-c-sullivan-scholarship/> (click "Application").

If you have any questions about the scholarship process, please feel free to contact Dan Kurth, VP of Grants, at 614-443-8893, ext. 1090 or dkurth@catholic-foundation.org.

SAVE THE DATES:



Vacation Bible School 2026

Our Lady of Victory

June 8–11, 2026

5:30-8:00 p.m.

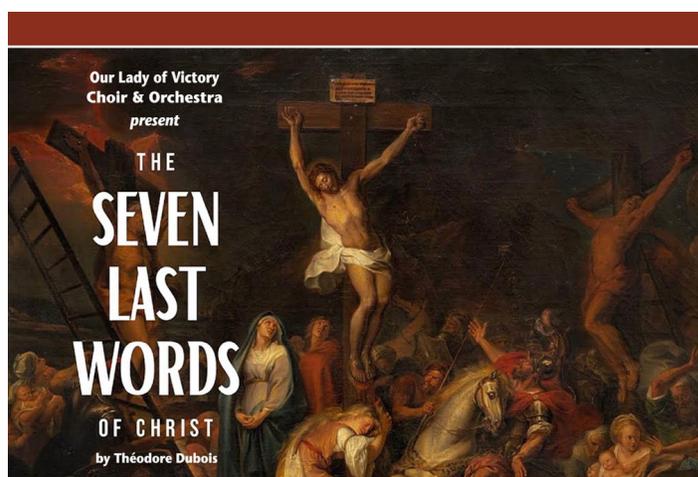
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The Seven Last Words of Christ by Théodore Dubois, is a significant work rooted in the tradition of Passion music, which began in the early church with chant and evolved into elaborate oratorio by the 17th century. Dubois, a notable French composer and teacher awarded the Prix de Rome, created this choral masterpiece in 1867 for Saint Clotilde in Paris. It comprises eight movements, including a soprano introduction and each of Christ's words from the cross, set to traditional Roman Catholic liturgies. The work, originally orchestrated for a full ensemble, concludes with *Adornamus Te, Christe*, a serene hymn suggesting the resurrection's promise.

Mark Voris, Conductor

Love offering will be collected. Must have a ticket to attend. Limited seating.



Checkout our entire concert series! Scan for ticket information.



“In the morning, while it was still very dark, Jesus got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.”

(Mk 1:35)

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New Testament Reading: Romans 6:12-23

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

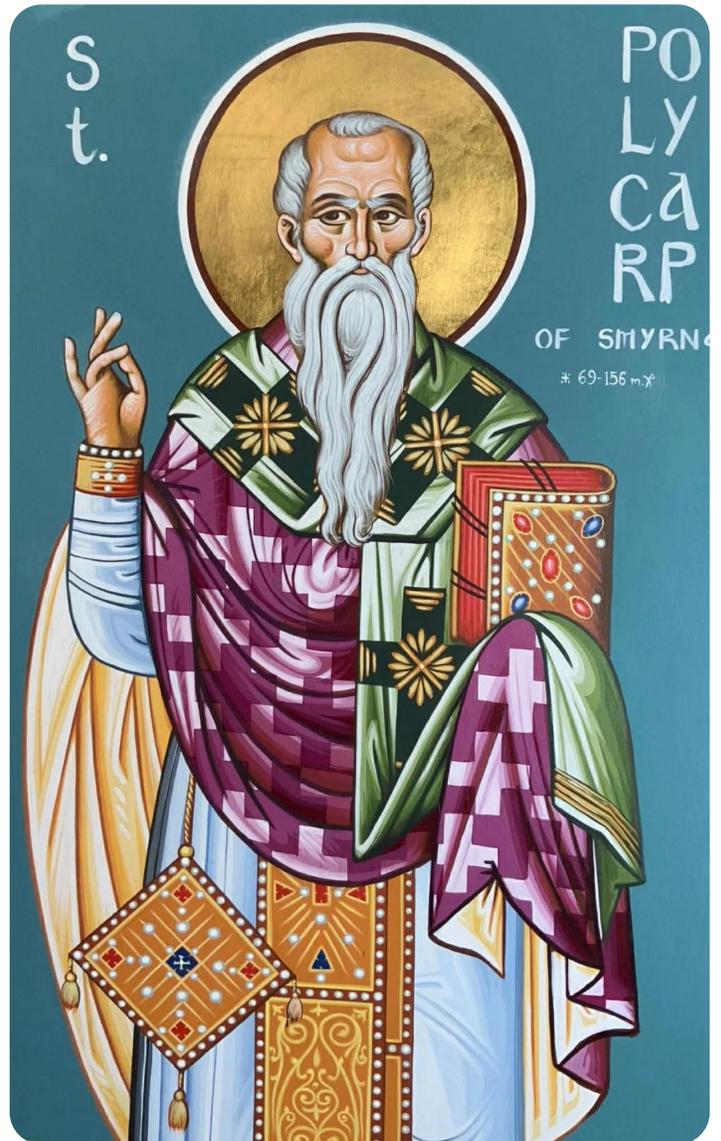
The Gospel: Mark 1:35-43

In the morning, while it was still very dark, Jesus got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons. A leper came to him begging him, and kneeling he said to him, "If you choose, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, "I do choose. Be made clean!" Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. After sternly warning him he sent him away at once.

St. Polycarp of Smyrna - Feast Day: Feb. 23

St. Polycarp of Smyrna stands among the most important figures of the early Church, a living bridge between the Apostles and the generations that followed them. Born around the end of the first century, Polycarp is remembered not only for his holy life and courageous martyrdom, but also for his personal connection to the Apostle John, from whom he received instruction in the faith. Through Polycarp, the teachings of the Apostles were handed down faithfully at a time when the Church was still young and often persecuted.

Polycarp became the bishop of Smyrna, an important city in Asia Minor (modern-day Izmir, Turkey). As bishop, he was known for his pastoral care, doctrinal clarity, and deep devotion to Christ. Early Christian writers describe him as a man of prayer, humility, and steady leadership. His influence extended far beyond his own city; St. Irenaeus, one of the great theologians of the second century, was a disciple of Polycarp and later testified to his teacher's close ties to the Apostles and his unwavering commitment to the truth of the Gospel.



At a time when false teachings and divisions threatened the unity of the Church, Polycarp was a defender of apostolic faith. He emphasized fidelity to what had been handed down from Christ through the Apostles, reminding believers that authentic teaching must be rooted in this living tradition.

His writings are few, but his surviving Letter to the Philippians reflects his pastoral heart, urging Christians to remain steadfast in faith, charity, and obedience to Christ, even in the face of suffering.

Polycarp's witness reached its fulfillment in martyrdom. During a period of persecution under Roman authority, he was arrested at an advanced age—traditionally said to be 86 years old.

When urged to deny Christ and save his life, Polycarp famously replied, **“Eighty-six years I have served Him, and He has done me no wrong. How can I blaspheme my King and Savior?”** His calm courage deeply impressed both Christians and pagans alike.

According to early accounts, Polycarp was sentenced to death by burning. When the flames failed to consume him, he was ultimately killed by the sword. His martyrdom, traditionally dated to February 23 around the year 155 or 156, became one of the earliest and most well-documented accounts of Christian martyrdom outside the New Testament. The Church treasured this account not to glorify suffering, but to proclaim the victory of faith and love over fear and death.

St. Polycarp is honored as the patron saint of Smyrna and is traditionally invoked against ear ailments, possibly due to a linguistic connection between his name and the Greek word for “much fruit,” symbolizing healing and spiritual abundance. More broadly, he is a patron and model for bishops, pastors, and all Christians called to remain faithful amid trials.

Today, St. Polycarp’s life continues to speak powerfully to the Church. His example reminds us that holiness is rooted in fidelity—fidelity to Christ, to His Church, and to the truth passed down through the ages. In a world that often pressures believers to compromise, St. Polycarp teaches us the quiet strength of steadfast faith and the joy of trusting God even unto the end.

May St. Polycarp of Smyrna pray for us, that we too may bear faithful witness to Christ in our own time.

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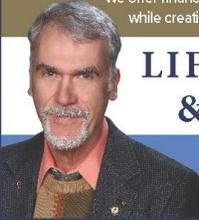
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