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ALL ARE WELCOME! A MEMBER OF BLESSED TERESA OF CALCUTTA DEANERY

Dear People of God,

Last week I expanded on low Mass attendance. As baptized into the Christ, we have certain obligations (what we must do – we have no choice because of the relationship formed between each of us and God at baptism) toward God and his Church as committed Christians and even more as committed Catholics. These are normally defined as time, talent and treasure. I devoted almost all of a previous week's letter to what time means from a Christian perspective and concluded with an introduction to this week's focus: Why do people give so little of their time to God?

I'm a big fan of the Harry Potter series. The vocabulary is excellent and the author's knowledge of religion and history is equally so. In fact, many of the people we encountered on our recent journey through Dante's Inferno made their way to the pages of her works as the arch villains of the story of good versus evil. Her knowledge of Christian philosophy is included in those same pages. Like Aristotle, Aquinas, Whitehead, Merleau-Ponty, St. John Paul II and a host of others up to our modern era (I'm dropping a few names in hopes you might research them and discover a lot about human behaviors), she has some wonderfully descriptive things to say about time, how it rushes now and snail-paces then, how we're allotted just so much of it (a biblical topic you can find in Ecclesiastes) and how one ought to be using it. I find it both delightfully apt and magnificently laid out.

Rowling believes, as do most of the philosophers who examine time and our use of it, that most humans waste it; they fail to appreciate how little we really have so don't invest wisely in its use throughout our brief - when compared to either geological time or the eternity of the Kingdom - life. Most people never stop to think of time as a valuable reality given by God to be stewarded – think of the King who gave three men a number of coins to invest while he was gone (time). In large part wasting time is one of the unintended consequences of the sin of Adam and it continues to be a major temptation to sin today.

So, why do we waste time? Among the many reasons and on the top of my list is our secular entitlement culture. In the good old days before the Internet, Social Media, video games, organized athletics, etc., people were what Teddy Roosevelt called rugged individuals toiling for the good of all. Historically that began to change during the Great Depression when the government stepped in and provided work opportunities for millions (the CCC and WPA for example). Unfortunately, it didn't stop there. Any number of entitlements sprang up which relieved the necessity of rugged individualism and toil for the common good. Increasingly a lot of people fell into the trap of arrogance, pride and the expectation that the world owed them a living rather than they owing anyone or the world anything or even the necessity to earn the living they desired.

We can see this all around us today, exacerbated by the recent pandemic, and it's one reason people have fallen away from the Church – they believe that God owes them and what do they get from him at Mass? Of course, there's another problem in that question – a failure to appreciate the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist – the free will gift of a loving God to all who participate. If, as the late Andrew Greeley (a priest of the Chicago diocese and a degreed sociologist) discovered, two-thirds of the people at Mass don't believe Jesus is truly present, then we have a real problem and a real cause for fewer people coming to Mass. Coupled to entitlement, a lack of faith explains a lot about those empty pews and closed parishes.

Fr Chris

The Celebration of Sacraments

Infant Baptism: The Sacrament of Baptism is regularly celebrated during or after the Eucharistic Liturgy. Registered parishioners are asked to arrange for the Baptismal Preparation Class and the Liturgical Celebration by calling the Parish Office.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: RCIA is the process of growing in your faith and love of God. Weekly gatherings take place from September until Easter. If you are interested in learning about Catholicism and joining us please call the church @ 419-243-1829.

Penance: The Sacrament of Penance is celebrated at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday at IC, 9:30 a.m. at HSP and 10:30 a.m. at IC every Sunday or by appointment.

Matrimony: Anyone planning to be married must contact the parish at least six months in advance. The exact date and time of your wedding should not be determined until after consultation with a priest or deacon. If either party has previously been civilly or religiously married, the Presider is not permitted to set a date for the wedding without resolving the previous marriage.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: When a parishioner is admitted to the hospital, nursing home, or confined to home because of age or infirmity, please call the Parish Office. Parishioners are ready to visit and to bring Holy Communion. When one is seriously ill, the healing Presence of the Lord should be requested in the Sacrament of the Sick.

Hello!



Welcome to Immaculate Conception, where all are truly made a welcome part of our parish family, whether in Ministry, Service, or Leadership. Here, all are God's children, their dignity as God's own affirmed and celebrated. If you are interested in becoming a parishioner, please call the parish office at (419)243-1829. You can also find registration forms for new parishioners on the visitor's stand at the back of the church or online at www.icatdarby.org. We hope to see you again soon!


Immaculate Conception

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**CALENDAR
May 6-14, 2023**

Sat.	3:30 pm	Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Mass Msgr. Chris Intention: Ruben Parraz
Sun.	8:00 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 11:00 am	Historic St. Patrick Mass Historic St. Patrick Confessions Historic St. Patrick Mass Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Mass/ First Communion/ May Crowning Fr. Rudi Intention: Robert Sweet
Tue.	9:10 am	IC Weekday Mass
Wed.	5:30 pm	HSP Weekday Mass

Sat.	3:30 pm	Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Mass Msgr. Chris Intention: Gretchen Wiedemann O'Loughlin
Sun.	8:00 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 10:30 am 11:00 am	Historic St. Patrick Mass Historic St. Patrick Confessions Historic St. Patrick Mass Immaculate Conception Confessions Immaculate Conception Msgr. Chris Intentions: Sharon Steele, Simona Sanchez, & Estella Rosales



Upcoming Events

May 14	Mother's Day Bake Sale
June 6	8th grade graduation
June 11	Finance Committee meeting



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We continue to update/add to our parish data base. Even if you think we have your correct information, please fill out the information below and put it in the offering basket or drop off at the office.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

Birthday _____ Anniversary _____



WELCOME TO IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
“THE DARBY”




Happy Birthday!

5/6 Michael Viertlbeck
Valencia Ballard



5/9 Adrianna Beltran
Donovan Herrera

5/12 Cecelia Angel
David Tighe



Together Let Us Pray

Deacon Tom, James Laberde, Luis Laberde, Helen Yglesias, Annette Poulson, Annette Gaffney & son, Jeanette Gaffney-Puckef, John Gaffney & son, Mrs. John Parker Gaffney, Jeff V. Shlieman, Rev. Father Sam Saraja & family, Vickie Sawyers, Charlene Laberde, Sharon Vincent, Michael Simmons, Justin Garte, Brandon Havens, Benjamin Place, Matthew Place, Dave Wehrmeister, Terry Baithelon, Mark, Stephen Youngs, Janet Madigan Delores Sutter, Terry L. Byersmith, Jeff Seger, Lola Hernandez, Donna Haynes, Kevin King, Tony Ramos, Suzie Narra, Jane Herclor, Rose Garcia, Mary Katherine Kries, Juanita Miller-Garcia, Lola Tomachec-Garcia, George Miller & family, Pam Wilson-Adams, Tyela Lake, Danny Havens, Terrence Gregory





STEWARDSHIP REPORT
July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023


Happy Anniversary!

5/11 James & Elizabeth Hollers
66 years

Mike & Emily Young
4 years




	<u>LAST WEEK</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
Goal	\$ 2,020.00	\$ 105,000.00
Sat. Loose	\$ 413.27	\$ 12,923.59
Sat. Env.	\$ 455.00	\$ 27,833.00
Sun. Loose	\$ 589.00	\$ 14,844.41
Sun. Env.	\$ 803.00	\$ 39,012.88
Actual	\$ 2,260.27	\$ 94,613.88
Over/(Under)	\$ 240.27	\$ (10,386.12)
Preservation	\$	\$ 14,000.00
General Repair	\$ 15.00	\$ 1,770.00
Candles	\$	\$ 645.57
Easter Flowers	\$ 10.00	
Good Friday	\$ 10.00	
Mother's Day	\$ 78.00	



PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Capt. Brian Wood, Army
 STGSN Joshua J. Teneyck
 Major Jeremy A. Schiel, Army
 Major Ryan A. Schiel, Army
 SSG Acea Hindbaugh, Army
 SN Trevor Smith, Navy
 SGT Monique Losoya, Army
 SPC Elijah Hindbaugh, Army
 Vincent Caraccio, Army Reserves
 1SG Charles Hindbaugh, II
 SSG Joseph Malagon
 SGT Jasmine Hindbaugh
 LCPL Carlos Negrin III, Marines
 AO Alicia Negrin, Navy
 PVT Damian Cutcher



OUTREACH CENTER

Tuesdays 9:00 am - 11:30 pm
 *For donation drop off only

Wednesdays 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
 *Pantry




	<u>LAST WEEK</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Families served	39	1,865

Donations needed: Cleaning products, hygiene products, diapers (size 1)
 Please NO WINTER clothing at this time



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH SCHEDULE & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Minister/Lector Schedule

May 6-7, 2023
Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading	Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7
2nd Reading	1 Peter 2:4-9
Gospel Reading	John 14:1-12
Lector	Saturday: Mary Jo Pilcher Sunday: Linda Garcia
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Becky Crabtree John Madigan Sunday: Marie Irons Doug Gray

Children's Liturgy is back!

May 13-14, 2023
Sixth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading	Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17
2nd Reading	1 Peter 3:15-18
Gospel Reading	John 14:15-21
Lector	Saturday: Dan Streeter Sunday: Bill Carroll
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday: Becky Crabtree Georgeann O'Connell Sunday: Kelly Mahaney Fred Mahaney

Children's Liturgy is back!

Sanctuary Lamp



May 7 (available)
May 14 (available)
May 21 (available)

Altar Flowers



May 7 (available)
May 14 (available)
May 21 (available)



CCD classes for grade school are finished for this year! Please remember to come back next fall to continue learning. This is for all kids, grades 2-8, even if you are not preparing for a sacrament.



Congratulations to all of our First Communicants! We pray that you will come often to the Lord's table. Moms, Dads, grandparents or godparents, please help your kids to come to Mass and receive Our Lord often.



RCIA will also begin again in the fall. Even if you just want to learn about your Catholic faith, please come! If you know someone who would like to become Catholic, please let them know.



Please join us every Saturday for the month of May at 3:30 pm as Dan Streeter leads us in the Rosary.



May 27/28 we will be honoring our deceased military. Keep all the servicemen and women in your prayers. We will have carnations for you to take home and plant in memory of those who have died.

Bake Sale.

Remember our Moms on Mother's Day next week! Stop at the bake sale and bring mom a treat.

No Hospitality on Mothers' Day!



We will be looking for volunteers for a couple of church projects for this summer! Please be ready to volunteer. There may be no pay, but retirement is heavenly.

Thanks for all of you, our parish family, who so willingly step up and volunteer for so many projects, big and small, when you are asked for help! You are the mortar that holds these bricks together!



The Catholic War Veterans are in need of 80 volunteers to place flags at Calvary Cemetery beginning May 25th for the Memorial Day Holiday. If you are able to help please contact Dee Pakulski at 567-277-2743 or vetsandpets2@aol.com

There are still some Easter flowers in pots at the driveway side of the church. If you'd like to give them new life, please take one home!



Our ladies of the parish will receive their customary mini corsage on Mothers' Day! We honor all our women who have helped care for a child!

Any who would like to help make our corsages, let Mary Jo know!

Our Blessed Mother will be moved to her place of honor in the Easter garden during May. There are pink envelopes in the front and back of church if you would like to donate flowers for Mary, in a loved one's name.



2023 SENIOR FARMERS' MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM

The Area Office on Aging of Northwestern Ohio is now accepting applications for the 2023 Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program. Go to www.areaofficeonaging.com and click the "Apply Now" button to fill out the application. This program provides \$50 worth of coupons to eligible adults 60 years of age or over to purchase locally grown fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs and honey from local farmers. This USDA program serves our Northwestern counties. For any questions, contact the agency at 419-382-0624.

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Health News for May 7, 2023

What is Metabolic Syndrome? Metabolic syndrome is a group of five risk factors that can lead to heart disease, diabetes, stroke and other health problems. Metabolic syndrome is diagnosed when someone has three or more of these conditions:

- High blood glucose (sugar)
- Low levels of HDL ("good") cholesterol in the blood
- High levels of triglycerides in the blood
- Large waist circumference or "apple-shaped" body
- High blood pressure

Although each of these is a risk factor for cardiovascular disease, when a person has three or more and is diagnosed with metabolic syndrome, it increases the chance of developing a serious cardiovascular condition.

Source: American Heart Association

Parish Nurse Ministry of Central Toledo: Kathy Jeffery, RN, 419-242-1598



Mother's Day Flowers


In Honor/Memory of:
 Velma Nehiser
 Lil Bit & Family
 Scarbrough & McManus Families

In Memory of:
 Dorothy Zaper
 Virginia Marquis
 Evelyn Harding
 Evelyn Byersmith
 Evarista Mosqueda
 Marie Kries
 Rose O'Leary


In Honor of:
 Betty Morin
 Marie Irons

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

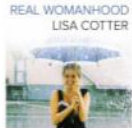
Week of May 07, 2023



Spiritual Motherhood | The Augustine Institute Show
 Join Dr. Tim Gray and Sr. Maris Stella for a conversation on the vocation of every woman, that of motherhood. Although all women will not be called to be physical mothers, every woman is called to be a spiritual mother.



The 13th Day
 In a world torn apart by persecution, war, and oppression, three children in Fatima were chosen by God to offer an urgent message of hope to the world. Based on the memoirs of the oldest seer, Lucia Santos, *The 13th Day* dramatizes the true story of three young shepherds who experienced six apparitions of Our Lady, which culminated in the final prophesied miracle on October 13.



Real Womanhood by Lisa Cotter
 What does it mean to be a real woman in today's culture? Join Lisa Cotter in her talk *Real Womanhood*, as she draws on modern-day saints, St. John Paul II to define what it means to be an authentic woman.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and SPiritual PARENTS

World War II Stolen Art Tour at HSP and The Toledo Museum of Art



When: Sunday, May 21 after 10:00 a.m. Mass

HSP PARISHIONER AND TMA DOCENT, AL GEHA, will present a PowerPoint presentation at Historic St. Patrick's focusing on the stolen & looted artwork by the Nazis during World War II. He will introduce some of the main personalities involved, as well as the more celebrated works of art that were implicated during this horrific time.


A light lunch will be provided during the PowerPoint presentation.

After the PowerPoint presentation (around noon) we will proceed to the Toledo Museum of Art for the 12:30 tour. The approximately one hour tour will consist of the works of art in the Toledo Museum of Art with a WW II provenance.

Cost: \$10 per person
 *****Reservations required and limited to the first 25 people.


Contact: Martha at martha.farrell15@gmail.com or call Sherri at HSP at 419-243-6452.

Christ Child Society of Toledo Seeks Members




Want to make a difference in the lives of Toledo-area children? Consider joining Christ Child Society of Toledo.

Christ Child volunteers teach newborn classes; tutor school children; staff school libraries and much more. The group purchases and distributes over 2000 new coats, hats, gloves and books each year for children birth through eighth grade. They also distribute more than 1,200 baby layettes to underserved new moms.



For more information on joining Christ Child, visit christchildsocietyoftoledo.org or email christchildoftoledo@gmail.com.



CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY OF TOLEDO
 WHERE LOVE LEADS TO ACTION

Diocese of Toledo Prayer for Vocations

Almighty God, make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Inspire men and women to respond generously to your call to service and leadership in your church as priests, consecrated religious and deacons. Amen

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