



### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

On next Monday, January 22, Catholics all over our nation will mark a National Day of Penance in reparation for the violations against the dignity of the human person. This is an annual day in which we do penance, not only as individuals, but as a Church. This day of penance marks the anniversary of the infamous Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade* which made abortion a "right" and removed all protections for the life of the most vulnerable of our society.

During a day of penance we should either abstain from eating meat or deny ourselves in some other way (skipping a meal, or snacks between meals, etc.), as well as increase our prayer and witness on that day.

This year there will be a great opportunity to pray and witness to the dignity of life right here in Chillicothe. There will be a local March for Life. We'll meet at the N. Paint St. entrance of Yoctangee Park and then march to the Courthouse where there will be speakers beginning at noon and concluding at 1:00 p.m. As with the one in Washington, this is really meant to be a celebration of Life and so families are definitely encouraged to bring their children if possible.

Please also pray for our youth and adults who are travelling to Washington to join in public witness and prayer at the March for Life and Vigil Mass for Life which will take place this coming Thursday and Friday. As the priests will be accompanying them there will be no Mass here Thursday or Friday. However, there will still be Adoration, which will be in the adoration chapel only. There will not be adoration in the church on Thursday evening this week.

**Q.** Where's Sr. Ruhitha?

**A.** Good Question – she went with the other sisters at Christmas to Indianapolis and didn't come back. Not because she didn't want to but because Mother Rexia decided that she should stay there for two months and work with some of the sisters who are nurses and/or teach nursing so that she can prepare to work in that field here in Chillicothe when she returns in March. Sr. Ruhitha was a nurse in India, so she is working towards certification here.

**Follow-up Q** – Why don't we see Sr. Saima as much as we used to?

**A.** Sr. Saima is now working at West Moreland as a nurse's aide. These two movements were part of the long-term plan of sustainability of the sisters. In addition to Sister Guardians, you may remember that we also used BAA monies to support them. That was a temporary situation until the sisters would be ready to take a job in healthcare outside of the parish. This helps support the convent and the two sisters (Sr. Zephрина and Sr. Leonard) who work exclusively with the parish and the poor. So with a mixture of income and Sister Guardians we are able to support the sisters at no cost to the parish. We benefit greatly from their presence in our parish and church, not to mention all those "on the margins" who benefit from their programs and visits and the whole community who benefits from their life of prayer.

**Thank You:** A big thanks to Mr. John Albright. This winter it seems to snow sometimes a lot, sometimes a little, but always just enough to make things slippery, seemingly always right before Masses and Services at the church. So many times John has showed up with snow blower or shovel and kept things clear and safer. Thank you, John!

**Reminder:** Which is a point of reminder, that if the weather is bad and you can't make it safely – don't come. Especially if you are elderly and have trouble walking – although the walks have been getting cleaned – there is still no way to remove all ice and snow and it can be very slippery. The obligation to attend Mass is removed when it is too difficult to get out. That level of what is too difficult is going to be different for each person. The point is if you won't be going out to a restaurant or visiting or such due to the weather, then you are fine missing Mass. On the other hand, if you say it is too bad to get to Mass and then hop in the car and drive down to Bob Evans for breakfast, then there's a problem. □

In Christ,  
Fr. Hahn



**Altar flowers have been donated in honor of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist by Bill & Iona Cunningham.**



**With the chance of inclement weather during the winter month...** here is the procedure for determining if the chapel is open... Level 1 – check the radio station, website & Facebook for closure information. If the county is under a Level 2 or Level 3 emergency, the chapel will automatically be closed. Spend your normal holy hour at home in prayer!

**Thursday, January 18** – The Adoration Chapel will remain open for Adoration until 9:00 p.m. There will not be Adoration and Benediction in the church that evening due to the priests being gone for the March for Life. Also, with the priests gone, there will not be daily Masses at the church on Thursday, January 18 or Friday, January 19.

**Ushers Needed...** We are in need of one Usher for the 8:00 a.m. Mass and two Ushers needed for the 11:30 a.m. Mass. If you are interested in committing to join the team and help every other month, please contact Jenny French at the parish office at 740-774-1407.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### **Saturday, January 13**

5:00 p.m. Mike Kaltenbach – Beth & Dwight Fowler

#### **Sunday, January 14**

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

8:00 a.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory – The Noel Family

11:30 a.m. For the People

#### **Monday, January 15**

1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22

5:30 p.m. Bill & Ruth Neal –  
Sylvia Ramsey & Family

#### **Tuesday, January 16**

1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

8:30 a.m. Tim Ott – Joannie Neal

#### **Wednesday, January 17**

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6

8:30 a.m. Charlie Stocklin – Susie Stocklin

#### **Thursday, January 18**

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

**No Mass due to March for Life Pilgrimage**

#### **Friday, January 19**

1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19

**No Mass due to March for Life Pilgrimage**

#### **Saturday, January 20**

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21

5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Grever &  
Fowler Families – Beth & Dwight Fowler

#### **Sunday, January 21**

Jon 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

8:00 a.m. For the People

11:30 a.m. Verna Groves – Colleen Sulzer

**New in January 2018!** The Local Ross County Right to Life is holding a first ever March for Life in Chillicothe on January 22, 2018, at noon. The Marchers will begin at the Water Street main entrance of the city park and will march down Paint Street to the Ross County Court House. There will be speakers, music, food and friendship. Please contact Judy Harness at [740-774-1407](tel:740-774-1407) or Joe Herlihy at [rossco.righttolife@gmail.com](mailto:rossco.righttolife@gmail.com) for more information or please join us at our next meeting, January 15th at 6:15 p.m. in the Holy Family Library, St. Peter Parish Center.

**Trivia Night** – January 27, 2018, 6:00-10:00 p.m. in the St. Peter Church Parish Hall – \$20.00 entry fee includes drinks and food! Maximum of 6 per team. Top 3 teams will win cash prizes! If you do not have a team, we will form teams that night also. **Questions?** Email [rflannagan45601@gmail.com](mailto:rflannagan45601@gmail.com).

### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

#### **Saturday, January 13**

4:00-4:30 p.m. – Confessions – Church

5:00 p.m. EMHC Commissioning during Mass –  
Church

6:00 p.m. Young Adult Dinner – Holy Family Library

#### **Sunday, January 14**

8:00 a.m. EMHC Commissioning during Mass –  
Church

9:00-11:00 a.m. – Parish Office Open

9:15 a.m. PSR – 2nd Floor Parish Center

9:15 a.m. Bible Study – Holy Family Library

11:30 a.m. EMHC Commissioning during Mass –  
Church

#### **Monday, January 15**

5:00 p.m. Confessions – Church

6:15 p.m. Right to Life Committee –  
Holy Family Library

#### **Tuesday, January 16**

6:00 a.m.-Midnight – Adoration – Adoration Chapel

9:30-10:30 a.m. – Food Pantry –  
St. Vincent de Paul Room

7:00 p.m. RCIA – Holy Family Library

7:00 p.m. RCIA II – Mezzanine Conference Room

#### **Wednesday, January 17**

Midnight-Midnight – Adoration – Adoration Chapel

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice – Church

7:00 p.m. Stitches – Mezzanine Conference Room

7:00 p.m. Catholic Women's Bible Study –  
All Saints Room

#### **Thursday, January 18**

Midnight -9:00 p.m. – Adoration – Adoration Chapel

12:30 a.m. Pilgrims for March for Life leave for D.C.

5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass for Life – on EWTN

7:00 p.m. Neighborhood Watch Meeting –  
Parish Hall

#### **Friday, January 19**

1:30-2:30 p.m. – Food Pantry –  
St. Vincent de Paul Room

#### **Saturday, January 20**

4:00-4:30 p.m. – Confessions – Church

6:00 p.m. Prayer Ministry – Church

#### **Sunday, January 21**

9:00-11:00 a.m. – Parish Office Open

9:00 a.m. Prayer Ministry – Church

9:15 a.m. PSR – 2nd Floor Parish Center

9:15 a.m. Bible Study – Holy Family Library

12:30 p.m. Prayer Ministry – Church

**Bus to the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference is February 17, 2018.** Again this year, we will share a bus with other parishes. Our pick-up time will be 6:15 a.m. at Lowe's parking lot and return after the conference ends at 4:00 p.m. You would be back in Chillicothe by 5:00 approximately. Please contact Donna Weisenberger at the parish office or 740-466-5570, if you wish to ride the bus. We need a total number soon to know how many buses. There is always a tip donation for the driver and fees not paid by the Catholic Foundation. All are welcome. No one turned away.



**Elizabeth Hope Baby Bottle Campaign:** The CCW's baby bottle campaign will begin the weekend of January 20/21. Please pick up a bottle and return by February 10/11. Funds raised are donated to ProLife agency Elizabeth Hope Pregnancy Resources. They have programs for pregnant teens, moms, dads and also a program to go into schools to teach the value of our bodies and to just say NO to teen sex and abuses. Thank you for considering helping this ministry. Elizabeth Hope welcomes visitors if you have never seen the center at 311 W. Water Street, or if you want to volunteer.



**Thank you to all those who helped to make the music so beautiful for the Christmas Masses!** Cantors for the 5:00 Children's Mass on Christmas Eve included

Kaitlynn Mickey, Sara Harness, and Aleya Miller, with Gwyneth Noel on violin. They did a wonderful job! Singers included:

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| Dominic Barron  | Jordyn Lyons      |
| Dane Barron     | Julia Corcoran    |
| Amelia Barron   | Ellie Corcoran    |
| Symphony Kight  | Karoline Wetzel   |
| Damon Kight     | Keeley Gamble     |
| Will Thompson   | Cailin Sloop      |
| Lucy Thompson   | Aubrey Daughters  |
| Claudine Noel   | Lola Daughters    |
| Gabby Maranzana | Henry Corcoran    |
| Brian Maranzana | Jonah Corcoran    |
| Anne Maimone    | Meredith Tilberry |
| Simon Maimone   |                   |

The Choir at the Midnight Mass was accompanied by Molly Armstrong on clarinet, Ann Feltis on violin, Kaleb Ramsey on trombone, and Kevin Weisenberger on timpani. Special thanks to Aaron Brown and Chillicothe Middle School for allowing us to use their timpani, and for Pete Pennington, Christian Brown, and Simon Brown for assistance in transporting the timpani. The Mass on Christmas morning was led by Catherine, Clare and Geraldine Noel, Mike Neal, and Debbie Nunziato. Thanks to all the "Christmas Angels" who joined us to help make the celebration of Jesus' birth so special!



**St. Peter's Christian Service** thanks everyone who participated in the Christmas gift-giving project. So many people and families came together to reach 100s of Ross County residents. In particular, special thanks to all of the following for reaching out in keeping with our motto "presence to the poor."

- Those who prepared gift tags for the trees
- Those who took a tag and returned a gift
- The sisterhood of frogged stitchers for hand knitting for our homebound
- The girl scout troop that made blankets for the homeless
- Those who organized the gifts for delivery
- Those who visited with and delivered gifts to our homebound
- Those who transported 50 large bags full of teen gifts to the agency for delivery
- Those who baked cookies to be delivered to Valley View
- Those who visited, sang Christmas carols to and delivered gifts to our nursing home residents
- Those who delivered other gifts, including an adult care home and patients at our Veterans Administration
- Thank you to our brave Knights who spent an afternoon seeking homeless camps in Ross County to deliver gifts to some of our most needy people
- Our kind office staff for fielding the numerous calls that came in about this project
- And finally, to those who gave a financial contribution to Christian Service

It is through the generous support of our parish that all of this is possible.

**We welcome those who have been baptized in to Christ's family** at St. Peter during the months of October-December 2017.

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| Harper Jane Daughters | Maria Corcoran |
| Lennox Ann Shifko     | Elijah Maimone |
| Madison E. Ward       | Paxton Massie  |
| Elison N. Ward        | Wes Thompson   |
| Iliana Barreto        |                |

**We also welcome** those families who have registered with the parish during the same time.

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| Stephanie Banuelos | Patrick & Taylor Massie |
| Mike & Mary Flynn  |                         |



**PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA SCHEDULE**

**January 7-13 – James & Emelinda Hollis**

**January 14-20 – Janine Pierce**

More dates have been added to the book.





**WAYS TO HELP THOSE IN NEED WHO ARE SERVICED BY THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

– Items can be dropped off at the parish office during regular business hours or placed in the baskets in the vestibule of church.

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

*Volunteers ask that if all possible, please do not send items in glass containers.*

Cereal; Soup; Tuna; Ramen Noodles; Spaghetti Sauce; Pasta; Mac & Cheese; Peanut Butter; Canned Fruit; Boxed Potatoes; Rice Pouches

**Personal Care Items:**

Toilet paper; Shampoo; Dish Liquid; Feminine Hygiene Products

**Do you donate clothes to Goodwill?** At St. Vincent de Paul we sometimes have clients who need new clothes, and we are able to give them vouchers to buy them at Goodwill. If you or anyone you know donates a large bag of clothing to Goodwill, and fills out the donation form with our name on it (St. Peters St. Vincent de Paul), we will get a credit toward the vouchers that we give out. Your donation to Goodwill helps that organization, and in this way it will also help our own St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you for considering this.

**Thank you to those who donated toward the 5th Sunday collection** on the weekend of December 30/31, 2017. A total of \$1,008.00 was collected to help the society with the various needs of those who come to the group.



**Adorers needed for Perpetual Adoration:** We are in need of Adorers for the following days and times:

**11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon on Tuesday – We need one Adorer (help is especially needed during the tax season coming up).**

**3:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. on Wednesday – We need one Adorer.**

**8:00 a.m.-9:00 a.m. on Wednesdays – We need one Adorer.**

**2:00 a.m.-3:00 a.m. on Thursday – We need one Adorer.**

**3:00 a.m.-4:00 a.m. on Thursday – We need one Adorer.**

If you are interested in becoming an Adorer, please contact Fr. Dooley at (740) 774-1407, ext. 5 or by email at [sdooley@columbuscatholic.org](mailto:sdooley@columbuscatholic.org).



**Adoration Chapel Intention for the week of January 14, 2018: A Special Intention of Dave & Jody Cutright**

**Adoration Chapel Candle** sponsorship dates are available for 2018. Contact Jenny at the parish office to sponsor the candles in honor of loved one, in thanksgiving for blessings received, or any intention.



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**PICK OF THE WEEK, January 14, 2018**

Fr. Mike Schmitz is one of the leading speakers to young people in the Church today. In this presentation, he explains how Christians truly become sons and daughters of God the Father for all eternity through the Sacrament of Baptism. Following the presentation, Lighthouse Catholic Youth has provided a bonus segment from Fr. Mike that explains the topics of “Infant Baptism” and “No Salvation Outside the Church.” Find this and more in the audio section on the formed website. ([www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)). Access Code: VZ4F2W or download the free app for your phone!

### PRAYER LIST

***If there is someone in need of being on this prayer list, please call Jenny at the parish office at 740-774-1407. Please pray for the following members of God's family:***

Amy & Rich Adams, Peggy Bechie, Dinese Carmen, Rosemarie Cox, Roy Crawford, Angie Currier, Don Davis, Kathy Dye, Amy Carroll Fields, Lib Fisher, Beth Flynn, Albert Geimer, Veronica Geimer, Dan & Jane Harness, Brookie & Larry Heightsman, Jacob McNeely, Brian Moore, Dave Neal, J.R. Reynolds, Dan Rogers, Joe Schumann, John Slagle, Richard Stadtfeld, Helen Stanton, Colleen Sulzer, Cindy Strausbaugh, Mary Wachter, Roger Wilburn, Debbie Winneger

# Teen Space

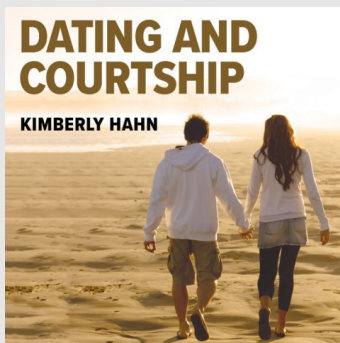
## High School Youth Events – open to teens and their friends in grade 9-12...

Join us each or any Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the St. John Bosco Room in the basement of the parish center (unless other announced). Come when you can or to the sessions that are of interest to you.

### January 18-20 – March for Life Pigmage

January 25 – Dead Theologians Society

February 1 – Social



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### Teen Pick of the Week of January 14, 2018

What elements are essential during dating and courtship to discern whether you are following God's will? In this inspiring presentation, Kimberly Hahn, wife of Dr. Scott Hahn, shares rich insight gained from many years of bible study and her personal experiences as a Christian woman, wife, and mother. She provides practical advice and encourages setting high standards according to God's ways.

Find this and more in the audio section on the formed website ([www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)). Access Code VZ4F2W or download the free app for your phone!



In today's first reading, we hear Samuel respond eagerly, "Here I am!" each time the Lord calls him. May we, too, be listening for the call of God in our lives and be ready to say like the psalmist, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."  
*See 1 Samuel 3:4; Psalm 40*

<b>Budgeted Expenses – December 17, 2017 Through January 7, 2018</b>	\$35,262.40	\$246,837.10
<b>Actual Offertory – December 17, 2017</b>	\$ 5,748.00	\$238,339.35
Online	\$ 1,869.00	
December 24, 2017	\$ 5,190.00	
Online	\$ 3,810.00	
Christmas	\$ 4,939.00	
December 31, 2017	\$ 4,997.64	
Online	\$ 1,289.00	
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 758.50	
January 7, 2017	\$ 6,333.00	
Online	\$ 2,408.00	
<b>Difference</b>	\$ 2,079.74	(\$ 8,497.75)
<b>Improvement Fund</b>	\$ 420.00	\$ 2,887.00

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS – DECEMBER 2017**

Human Development.....	\$ 10.00	Miryante Orphanage .....	\$1,648.00
Catholic Charities .....	\$845.00	Hope Clinic.....	\$ 522.00
Catholic Relief/Overseas.....	\$ 60.00	Bishop Flaget Schoo.....	\$ 83.00
Religious Retirement.....	\$916.00	St. Margaret Cemetery.....	\$ 192.00
Habitat for Humanity.....	\$122.00	St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$4,555.00

**LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS**

	<b>January 20, 5:00 p.m. Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>January 21, 8:00 a.m. Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	<b>January 21, 11:30 a.m. Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Eucharist</b>	Linda Hunt – EM1 (1) Mary Brown – EM2 – J Martha Greer – EM3 – M	Sr. Zephрина Mary – EM1 (1) Lloyd Turner – EM2 – J Roger Cenci – EM3 – M	Sr. Ruhitha Mary – EM1 (1) Michael Althouse – EM2 – J Sr. Leonard Mary – EM3 – M
<b>Lector</b>	Pauline Spriggs – 1 Derick Tormolen – 2	Aaron Brown – 1 Bob Weisenberger – 2	Alicia Thompson – 1 Frank Nunziato – 2
<b>Server</b>	Irie Peterson James Beatty	Simon Brown Christian Brown Thomas Kessler	Dominic Nunziato Luke Davis Dane Barron
<b>Greeter</b>	Trish Rinehart Eric Rinehart	Liberty Armstrong Lloyd Turner Family	Carolyn Barlage Henry Barlage
<b>Offertory</b>	Rinehart Family	Burgess Family	Petronila Palisbo Family
<b>Usher</b>	Scott Diehl Richard Osborne Dave Purpero Bill Seidensticker	Pam Givens Bob Kight Tim Scheeler Bobbi Smith	Henry Barlage, Jr. Tom Stanton Sericia Tinsley

<b>Church Cleaning</b>	<b>Team #5: Ramsey/Palisbo Families</b>	<b>Linens for the Month of January: Chantalle Noel</b>
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