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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults- R.C.I.A.
An instructional program for adults interested in the Church. Contact Tim Etue.

Parish School of Religion
Grades 1-8: Sunday 10:00 – 11:15 a.m.
School year: September thru April only.

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Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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Celebrating Our Sacramental Life***Sacraments of Initiation***

Infant Baptism – Normally celebrated on the First Sunday of each month at one of the regularly scheduled masses, except during Lent, unless circumstances suggest otherwise.

Preparation program for new parents is required.

Adult Baptism - On Holy Saturday, during the Easter Vigil Service. A formational program (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults R.C.I.A.) helps prepare candidates. Also at the Easter Vigil newly baptized persons are confirmed and receive the Eucharist for the first time.

First Holy Communion - for those baptized as children yearly as soon as possible after Easter.

Confirmation for those baptized as children is celebrated yearly at a time designated by the Bishop.

Regularly scheduled celebrations of the Eucharist:**Sunday 8:00, 9:30 (Interpreted) and 11:30 a.m.**

Monday, Tuesday and Friday 8:00

Wednesday 8:30; Thursday 5:30

Saturday 4:00 (Vigil Mass for Sunday)

Sacraments of Healing

Individual Reconciliation (Confessions) celebrated on Saturday at 3:00 and Thursdays at 5:00. Communal Reconciliation celebrated in Advent and Lent.

Anointing of the Sick. Individually upon request. Communally, once each year.

Sacraments of Vocation

Marriage. Minimum six month notice is required. Full preparation program required.

Holy Orders. We join in joy with the Diocese of Toledo and the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales in celebrating all ordinations.

Please call the parish office for particulars regarding the celebration of the Sacraments

WELCOME!

We are pleased to welcome visitors to St. Pius! We invite all guests to sign our Visitor's Book, located to the left of the church doors in the Narthex. Please ask an usher if you need assistance.

**Wisdom for the Week to Come
from the writings of St. Francis de Sales**

***“Our victory does not lie in not feeling temptations,
but in not consenting to them”***

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD



Christmas 2011 New Year's Day 2012

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Pius X Parish,

May the joy of Christ and the embracing love of Mary and Joseph be yours at this most holy time of the year. As this ancient ritual is reenacted in our midst once again let us join our voices and our hearts with men and women of good will throughout the world in praying for justice and freedom for all human beings, for respect for the most vulnerable in society, and for a year of personal and community renewal.

Fathers Lehner and Landgraff, Deacon Etue and all on our parish staff join me in thanking you for your support in the past year and your commitment to continue to make this parish a community of warm and firm faith for all who join us in prayer and service.

A Blessed Christmas to you and those you love,

Father David Whalen, O.S.F.S.

Pastor

To All Our Angel Tree Donators:

I would like to personally thank all of the people of St. Pius for the tremendous outpouring of Christmas Spirit that you showed in helping our 18 Christmas Angel families. These families are all St. Pius families and I had the privilege of being the one who saw the amazement, grateful eyes (some very teary!) and beautiful smiles when these gifts were delivered to them. I wish I could give you all the wonderful feedback we have received here in the parish office sharing YOUR Christmas Spirit! May you always have LOVE to share, HEALTH to spare and FRIENDS that care...And may you always believe in the magic of Santa Claus!

God Bless You ALL! Amy Aubry

Thank You from Heartbeat of Toledo

Heartbeat of Toledo extends a very heartfelt thank you to the entire parish for the tremendous success of our baby bottle campaign. St. Pius X Parishioners have donated \$391.75 to date. Your efforts will allow us to continue to assist mothers and their babies with supplies such as diapers, layette items and educational materials, and services such as free pregnancy testing and referrals. In addition, due in part to your generosity, Heartbeat has begun offering ultra sounds at no charge to our clients. Thank you for supporting us in our work to help mothers and babies in our community. Should you have any questions about Heartbeat's services please call our main office at 419-241-9131.

PSR and Seedlings

Please remember that there will be no PSR classes or Seedlings classes for the next two Sundays—December 25 and January 1. We look forward to seeing everyone back on Sunday, January 8, 2012. Have a very Merry Christmas and a joyful and prosperous New Year!

Be a Sweetheart – Sugar Collection

Please bring a bag of sugar to weekend Mass on January 7/8 for Claver House Soup Kitchen at St. Martin de Porres. Our goal is a year's supply – 800 pounds - of sugar. Attendance at the soup kitchen is growing and so are the needs.

CELEBRATION OF THE LITURGY THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, December 24

4:00 p.m. Fr. Lehner

Intention Jared Linenkugel & Gilbert Duffin
 Servers Zach Bee, Zoe Molnar, Matt Moscrop
 Emily Brockman, Gabe & Libby Barrow
 Lectors Bob & Mary Ann Niedzielski
 Eucharistic Min. Karen Hack (H), Larry Hack, John & Gwen Clark, John Ziegelhofer

6:00 p.m. Fr. Landgraff

Intention Joe Cieslukowski
 Servers Lily Curtis
 Lectors Joe & Sue Meyers
 Eucharistic Min. Tom Weis (H), Cheryl Weis, Aili Meyers

9:00 p.m. Fr. Whalen

Intention Deceased Members of Kleinfelter Family
 Servers Quinn Kleinfelter, Teddy Berning, Kate Timmerman, Rayme Daiber
 Lectors Bob Daiber, Doris Myers
 Eucharistic Min. Carmen Sanchez (H), Melanie Kleinfelter, Liz Baumberger

SUNDAY- December 25

8:00 a.m. Fr. Lehner

Intention Irene Janowiecki
 Servers Volunteers
 Lectors Jim & Cynthia Nowak
 Eucharistic Min. Kathy Olejniczak (H), Terry DeClercq

9:30 a.m. Fr. Whalen

Intention St. Pius X Parishioners
 Servers Volunteers
 Lectors John & Walt Kosydar
 Eucharistic Min. Sr. Toni Rode (H)

(NO 11:30 a.m. Mass)

MON. Dec. 26 8:00 a.m.

TUES. Dec. 27 8:00 a.m. Robert Visintainer

WED. Dec. 28 8:30 a.m.

THURS. Dec. 29 5:30 p.m.

FRI. Dec. 30 8:00 a.m. St. Pius X Parishioners

SATURDAY December 31

4:00 p.m. Fr. Landgraff

Intention William Heckters
 Servers Spring Baumann, Gabe & Libby Barrow
 Emma Bodner, Ava Eisinger
 Lectors Paul & Mary Nungester
 Eucharistic Min. Jack Sauer (H), Gerry Tremblay, Paul & Mary Nungester, Dorothy Kopinski

SUNDAY- January 1

8:00 a.m. Fr. Whalen

Intention Arthur & Genevieve Jennings
 Servers Francis Keller, Emily Brockman,
 Zachary Bee, Jamie Jenkins, Jennifer
 Crosley
 Lectors Ed & Gwen Raupfer
 Eucharistic Min. Jeanne Eastop (H), Kathy Olejniczak,
 Terry DeClercq

9:30 a.m. Fr. Whalen

Intention Paula Letke
 Servers Nikolas Miller, Lena Gochenour, Zoe
 Molnar, Grace Foor

Lectors Paul & Jen Molnar

Eucharistic Min

11:30 a.m. Fr. Whalen

Intention Terence Leazer
 Servers Cullen Platz, Keara Elmore, Koby
 Weis, Madison Griffin

Lectors Ginny Knapp, Sue Idczak

Eucharistic Min. Sue Idczak (H)

PARISH SUPPORT

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| 12/18/11 Collection | \$8,974 |
| Year to Date (Week twenty-five of 52) | \$220,671 |

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD



Weekly Calendar

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| Sun. Dec. 25 | Merry Christmas! No PSR, Seedlings or RCIA |
| Mon. Dec. 26 | Parish Office Closed |
| Thurs. Dec. 29 | 6:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal in CH |
| Fr. Dec. 30 | 5:00 p.m. Wedding in CH |
| Sun. Jan. 1 | No PSR, Seedlings or RCIA |

January Usher List

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| Saturday | 4:00 p.m. | Joe Baumann, Marty Petersen |
| Sunday | 8:00 a.m. | John Tursich, Chris & Daniel Velker |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Don Curtis, Volunteer |
| | 11:30 a.m. | The McAuliffe Family |

PIUS PEOPLE

The purpose of this page is to build community. Perhaps you could send a card, stop in for a visit, or remember these people in your prayers.



WELCOME

NEW MEMBERS

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| Jody & Eileen Collins Of Alexis Rd. | Jacob & Ashley Eby of South Park |
| Justin & Danielle Lange Of Elmhurst Rd | Anna Neller of Scottwood Ave. |
| John & Shirley Novotny Of St. Bernard | Mary Louise Rowland of Executive Pkwy |
| Carmen Sanchez Of Stanley Dr. | Jennifer Todd of Upton Ave. |
| Janet Bartsch Of Murray Dr. | |

In Memoriam

DECEASED

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Doris MacKinnon 10/10/11 | Lucille Ragan 8/29/11 |
| Carol "Joy" Vogan 10/27/11 | Paula Letke 10/31/11 |
| Frederick Jeziorowski 11/7/11 | Robert Berkel 11/24/11 |
| Grace Marinelli 11/27/11 | Blanche Knapp 11/26/11 |



NEWLY BAPTIZED

BAPTISMS

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| Benjamin Steinker Son of Jonathon & Heidi | Emerson Klem Daughter of David and Sarah |
| Allysan Lange Daughter of Justin & Diane | Emma Lange Daughter of Justin & Diane |

Hospitality Saturday

Come share some hospitality after the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, January 7. A light snack of cheese, crackers, coffee and a cold drink will be offered. Oh yes, and something for your sweet tooth!

Ways to Remember

There are many ways to remember a dear one's anniversary, whether living or deceased. You can arrange for a special remembrance of the individual in one of our regularly scheduled Sunday or daily masses. We announce and pray for those who have a special remembrance in the Prayer of the Faithful that day and we list these special remembrances in the weekly Bulletin. Or you can arrange to have the sanctuary lamp (the candle that burns next to the tabernacle to remind us of the presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle) burn for a period of 14 days. We also list this in the Bulletin. Call the office to schedule either of these wonderful ways to remember. An offering of \$10.00 is asked for either remembrance.

**The Sanctuary Lamp is burning until Dec. 26
in loving memory of Roy V. Chapman
and from December 27 – 31
in loving memory of Karen Bine & Gary Ohms**

A Family Perspective

This Christmas remember your task as a parent is the same as Mary's: we must not let our doubts, fears and unfulfilled expectations get in the way of our loving ACCEPTANCE of our children.

"Come & See" Sisters of St. Francis

Are you wondering what God might be calling you to do with your life? Would having some focused time help you more clearly hear God's voice in your heart? Join the Sisters of St. Francis for a Discernment Weekend January 6th at 6:00p.m. until 1:00 January 8th on the grounds of the Sylvania Franciscan Village. For more information contact Sr. Julie Myers, OSF at 419-824-3914 or jmyers@sistersosf.org

A Prayer for Christmas

Oh God, our loving father, help us rightly to remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, and gladness of the shepherds, and the worship of the wise men. May the Christmas morning make us happy to be your children and Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forgiving and forgiven, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

~Robert Louis Stevenson

Onward

News of the Catholic Schools of the Toledo Diocese

ISSUE 1

DECEMBER 2011



From the Superintendent

New day dawning for Catholic Schools

Welcome to our first edition of *Onward*,

the Catholic Schools Office (CSO) newsletter. The mission of the CSO is "supporting, challenging, and assisting Catholic schools throughout the diocese in the ministry of Catholic education." The task is a big one and though the challenges are many, we see a new day dawning for Catholic schools.

Since July of 2010 it has been my privilege to serve as the Superintendent of Schools for the diocese and, with a staff of 11 full and part-time co-workers, we support the good work being done in our 78 schools.

The past 10 years have seen significant changes in Catholic education in our diocese. Sandusky, Norwalk, Tiffin, and Fremont moved to a unified, community school model with a local governing board. Other communities—Delphos, Mansfield, and Fostoria continue to operate parish-based preK-12 schools.

Economic pressures continue to make the investment in Catholic schools challenging one for many.

The expansion of educational options creates a highly

competitive environment while, most significantly, people's practice of their faith has shifted dramatically impacting Catholic schools as a consequence.

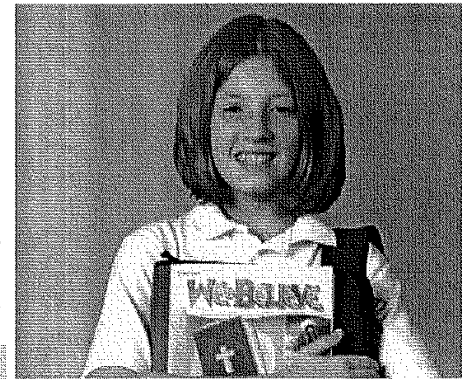
Look around. Perhaps like me, you can see the mission of good Catholic schools is more needed than ever. Yes, there are challenges, but there are also tremendous opportunities.

No other system addresses the whole person as well as a Catholic school. No other system brings the light of faith to shine as well a Catholic school. We hope through this newsletter we can explore some of these opportunities in the months ahead. Feel free to call, email cs@toledodiocese.org or follow me on twitter (@diotolschools).

Your feedback is vital. This work is not for one office, or one school—but is a mission for each Catholic in the Diocese. Let us go onward in faith and embrace a new vision for the future.

CHRIS KNIGHT
SUPERINTENDENT OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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Parish school structure moves to community-based groups

The traditional parish-based system of running Catholic schools is on its way out and a new community-based system is coming in.

To accomplish this dramatic shift is taking months of planning and will mean years of coordination. The effort has begun in the metro Toledo parish schools.

"Our underlying belief is that we can work together in each community for everyone's mutual benefit," explains Superintendent Chris Knight.

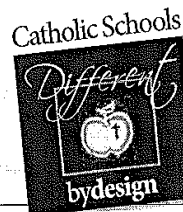
A Metro Toledo Catholic Schools Task Force has worked on recommendations with various members from the schools.

"These have been positive meetings. We see we can do more together than we could accomplish separately.

Diocesan schools throughout the nation are finding similar circumstances and are finding strength in a new vision for moving Catholic education forward," says Mr. Knight.

Initial gatherings focused on governance issues and the formation of Community Boards. Now groups are sharing "best practices" and brainstorming practical ways to work together. "Although change is never easy, it seems once people understand the vision for building something new and strong there is a new energy," says Mr. Knight.

"There is no grand scheme. We truly want each group to envision how they can work to best meet the needs of their students. In some places this could mean sharing resources and programs. In others it may be offering distinctly different programs in each building. We await the plans with great anticipation."



Mission: Founded in the Catholic faith, our school ministry develops disciples of Jesus Christ who are intellectually and spiritually prepared to serve God and their community.

The landscape changes as schools work together

In metro-Toledo new educational options are in place. Some high schools now have middle grades. Currently there are both a grade 6-12 and grade 7-12 option for girls and a grade 6-12 option for boys.

The east Toledo/Oregon community came together merging four elementary and one high school into the Kateri Catholic School, which includes Cardinal Stritch High School and consists of one preK-12 school on the Stritch campus.

Two parishes, Our Lady of Lourdes and Little Flower, merged their schools into one, forming a new entity — St. Benedict School. It has a local governing board.

Such changes are not simple, but they do address a host of issues in education and strengthen Catholic education for the years ahead.

The transition to a community-based model is in its early stages and will be an ongoing process. "It holds great promise," said Chris Knight.

"Instead of each entity working on its own, collaboration in smaller communities will maximize resources and provide even higher quality authentic Catholic education. In these clusters new approaches to education will be examined. In many respects the sky is the limit in ways Catholic education can address the needs of our children."

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Oversight Board helps propel plan

The metro-Toledo parishes have an oversight Board responsible for planning, policy setting, evaluation, marketing, and public relations for the ministry of Catholic schools for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade in the diocesan schools within metro-Toledo.

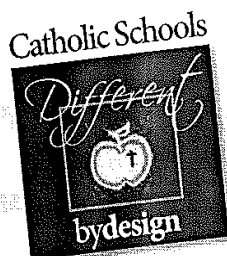
The members of the board are all Catholics who offer their many skills and experiences to this important task. They are appointed by Bishop Blair. Members are:

Carol Huss, principal, St. Benedict School
Michael Downing, Vice-President of Advancement, Notre Dame Academy
Cathy Sheets, partner of Plante Moran
Lisa Gathard, CEO of Kids Unlimited
Sally Perz, President, The Capitol Link

Tom Hosler, Superintendent, Perrysburg Local Schools
Anthony D'Agostino, ACE Consulting, University of Notre Dame
Msgr. Michael Billian, Pastor, Blessed Sacrament Parish
Rev. Herb Weber, Pastor, Blessed John XXIII parish
Christopher Knight, Superintendent of Schools, Diocese of Toledo

Hola? Is Your Student Learning online?

Have a student enrolled at a Catholic high school? A variety of online courses are available to him or her through The Diocese of Toledo Catholic Schools Office?



Anthony Mass, consultant in the schools office, says more than 25 online courses are offered for high school credit through the Diocesan Online Learning Initiative. (DOLI). There is also a Spanish course for children in lower grades. Information is on the Schools site.

Each course is taught by teachers certified by the Ohio Dept. of Education and the Diocese of Toledo and is offered

through the Moodle site at the Diocesan website: <http://online.cyss.org/moodle>

Go to the link for schedule information and the list of courses offered for spring and fall. By request, some courses may be offered in the summer as well. You may also contact: Anthony Mass, 419-244-6711 ext. 604 or amass@toledodiocese.org.

By the numbers

19
Number of counties in the Diocese of Toledo

78
Number of Catholic schools

20,000
Student population

26
The Toledo Diocese has the 26th largest Catholic school population in the country!

Did you know?

...more than 4,000 students participated in the fall CYO athletic program?

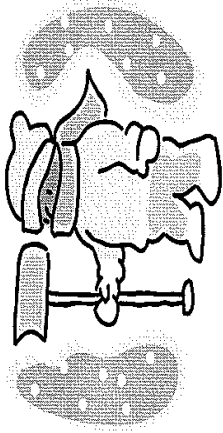
... all diocesan elementary schools participate yearly in an online standardized testing program known as Scantron?

...the diocese awarded 327 "One Faith, Many Blessing" tuition assistance grants of \$700 each to students throughout the diocese?

...each Catholic school in the state participates in an accreditation program requiring a new continuous improvement plan for each school every five years?

...all teacher/ministers in Catholic school are certified and licensed through the Ohio Department of Education?

Twitter: Follow Chris Knight on Twitter. Just text "follow diotolschools" to 40404 and you should receive a reply indicating that you are "following" him. Twitter is a way to communicate brief news and notes of interest. During the winter he sends an advisory when there are delays or closing of Toledo-area elementary schools. He also sends notes about new and emerging ideas in education and shares where he is traveling in the diocese.



January 2012

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 Happy New Year! 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Masses, No PSR, Seedlings or RCIA | 2 8:00 a.m. Mass, Parish Office Closed | 3 8:00 a.m. Mass, 7:00 p.m. St. Vincent DePaul Meeting in PC, School Resumes | 4 8:30 a.m. Mass | 5 5:30 p.m. Mass, 6:30 p.m. Auction Meeting in PC, 7:00 p.m. Choir in CH | 6 8:00 a.m. Mass, 10:00 a.m. Holly Glen Mass, 2:30 p.m. Benediction | 7 4:00 p.m. Mass, Hospitality Saturday in FLC after Mass, Claver House Sugar Drive , No Women's Prayer Breakfast |
| 8 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Masses, Hospital- ity Sunday in FLC , 10:30 a.m. Deaf Com- munity Potluck in PC, 7:00 RCIA in PC | 9 8:00 a.m. Mass | 10 8:00 a.m. Mass, 11:30 a.m. West Park Place Mass, 7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting in PC | 11 8:30 a.m. Mass | 12 5:30 p.m. Mass 7:00 p.m. Choir in CH | 13 8:00 a.m. Mass | 14 4:00 p.m. Mass, CYO Basketball Games in FLC |
| 15 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Masses, CYO Basketball Games in FLC, 7:00 p.m. RCIA in PC, 7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball in FLC | 16 Martin Luther King Day 8:00 a.m. Mass, Parish Office Closed | 17 8:00 a.m. Mass, 7:15 p.m. School Advi- sory Council Meeting in PC | 18 8:30 p.m. Mass | 19 5:30 p.m. Mass, 6:30 p.m. Auction Meeting in PC, 7:00 p.m. Choir in CH | 20 8:00 a.m. Mass | 21 10:00 a.m. Market Day 4:00 p.m. Mass, CYO Basketball Games in FLC |
| 22 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Masses, CYO Basketball Games in FLC, 7 pm RCIA in PC, 7 pm Men's Bas- ketball in FLC | 23 8:00 a.m. Mass | 24 8:00 a.m. Mass, 7:00 p.m. Finance Council Meeting in PC | 25 8:30 a.m. Mass | 26 5:30 p.m. Mass, 7:00 p.m. Choir in CH | 27 8:00 a.m. Mass | 28 4:00 p.m. Mass, CYO Basketball Games in FLC |
| 29 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Masses, CYO Basketball Games in FLC, 7 pm RCIA in PC, 7 pm Men's Bas- ketball in FLC | 30 8:00 a.m. Mass, 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Meeting in CH | 31 8:00 a.m. Mass, 6:30 p.m. Endowment Meeting in PC, 6:30 p.m. Parent Associa- tion Meeting in BT | | | | |