

Hello everyone!

It was good to get away last week. I enjoyed my time with my sister, brother-in-law, and 9 yr old nephew who live about an hour and a half away. Though I was hoping to get some reading in, I ended up spending most of my time with little Alex who just wanted to spend time with Uncle Ed. It was worth it though. We did play games together as a family and as you can see, I owned them in Monopoly!



For Halloween in Ada, best costumes go to the Klear family who went all out with the Wizard of Oz characters, which even included "Toto."



We pray for the young 4 yr old boy, Quentin, from Kenton who went missing last week and then was sadly found deceased in the Scioto River on Monday afternoon. I'm sure it is heartbreaking for his parents and family. Please keep them in your prayers.

This Sunday, we celebrate All Saints Day for the Sunday Mass, celebrating the saints in heaven, both known and unknown. On Monday, we celebrate All Souls Day, remembering those who have died, especially from our parishes in the last year, and praying for their eternal rest.

Box of Joy - Pick up boxes!

Pick up instructions, gift ideas, shipping donation envelopes & boxes from the table at the back of both churches. Each gift box you fill should be geared toward a girl or a boy in one of three age groups - 2-4, 5-9, 10-14. These will be Christmas gifts to children in need around the world. Return the boxes of gifts to the church by November 11.

All Soul's Day Masses Nov 2nd

Fr. Jeffrey will be offering the Mass at ICC at 6pm. He will also be offering a prayer service on Sunday, Nov 1st after the 9am Mass at ICC, to take place at 10:15am at St. Mary's cemetery. I will be offering the Mass at OLL at 7pm. I will be saying that Mass "Ad Orientem." More on what that means below under repeated info...

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and confession Tuesdays at 6pm at OLL

Beginning this Tuesday, November 3rd, I will be offering Exposition on Tuesdays from 6-7pm. I will also be hearing confessions during that time.

Nick Klear's ordination, No first Saturday Mass on Nov 7th

I will be at the ordination of Nick Klear the morning of Nov 7th as he is ordained to the diaconate. He will be a permanent deacon serving both parishes, as Deacon Mike Hood currently does. The Ordination Mass of the 10 new permanent deacons for the Diocese of Columbus will be at 10am. Admission is by ticket only, but you are welcome to join in the celebration via livestream at columbuscatholic.live or St. Gabriel Radio AM 820.

We join his family in wishing him our congratulations and offering him our prayers! Our parishes will not be able to have a reception for Deacon Nick and his family because of Covid restrictions but you are invited to give or send personal congratulations. Deacon Nick will be preaching his first Masses at OLL the same weekend as his Ordination: the 5:30 pm Mass November 7 and the 11 am Mass, November 8. Preaching for Immaculate Conception will be the 4 pm Mass on November 28 and the 9 am Mass, November 29. You may send him a card to 0176 State Route 235, Ada, OH 45810.

OLL Veteran's Day Drive-thru Dinner! Nov 11th 4-7pm

Instead of the annual parish bazaar, we will honor our veterans by holding a drive-thru dinner Wednesday, November 11th from 4pm – 7pm at OLL church. There was some confusion in ICC's bulletin listing the dinner as free for veterans but it was supposed to say the desserts were free for veterans. We also decided to change the price from \$8 to \$10 so as to minimize the exchange of dollar bills.

\$10 Per Boxed Meal ~ Choice of:
Coach Lamb's Pulled Pork on Homemade Bun
or Ann's Famous Chick Salad on Croissant
With Rachel's Yummy Mac n' Cheese,
Coleslaw, Chips, 2 delicious Buckeyes, and
Red BBQ Sauce and Bad Creek Sauce
Purchase extra Buckeyes 6 for \$3

Marian Consecration for both parishes

Join us beginning on November 6 for 33 days of prayer and reflection to make a consecration to Jesus through Mary on December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Email Steve Johnson at sjohnsonpv@gmail.com if interested. See repeated info below for a further explanation...

Beatification of Fr. Michael McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus

The Beatification Mass for Fr. Michael McGivney takes place tomorrow, Saturday, Oct 31st at 11am. One miracle has been attributed to Fr. McGivney's intercession so he is on his way to sainthood. You can watch the Mass via livestream. Learn more about Fr. McGivney and the miracle at <https://www.kofc.org/en/events/father-mcgivney-beatification/index.html>

National Vocations Awareness Week

Nov 1 – 6 is National Vocations Awareness Week. If you know of anybody who would make a good priest, or religious brother or sister, or nun, please encourage them to consider taking concrete steps forward to discern this call. God will never disappoint those who follow His will so let them know to be not afraid. And be not afraid to encourage them. I was annoyed sometimes when people would encourage me but eventually I listened and am glad they did! For more info, visit <https://www.vianneyvocations.com/>

An invitation from the Ethnic Ministries Office:

Black Catholic History Month

All are invited to join the Ethnic Ministries Office in celebrating Black Catholic History Month during November. In 1990, the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus of the U.S. designated November to celebrate the rich and proud heritage of Black Catholics. On Sunday, November 1, 2020, 4-6 p.m. join a virtual presentation on African American Men and Women on the Road to Sainthood. On Sunday, November 15, 2020, 3-6 p.m., we will host a virtual day of reflection in preparation of the next National Black Catholic Congress, which will be July 2022. Both events are free. Donations for the cause of canonization will be accepted. If you would like resources and information to celebrate Black Catholic History Month please visit the Ethnic Ministries website at www.columbuscatholic.org/cem or email Director Pam Harris, ethnicministries@columbuscatholic.org.

Reflections on choosing political candidates

Attached is a flyer from the Catholic Conference of Ohio on how to choose political candidates. Voting is our civic duty, but we must be prudential in how we vote. The Church cannot endorse any political candidate but does offer many guiding principles on how to vote with an informed conscience.

Sacred Heart Congress, Nov 14th

Everyone is encouraged to have a devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Congress gives teaching and inspirational talks to encourage this devotion. See the attached flyer for more info.

Repeated info:

Ad Orientem Mass

Ad Orientem is Latin meaning “to the east.” Just as the sun rises in the east with the hope of a new day, and is symbolic of God coming in glory, this way of worshiping means all turn “to the east” to worship the risen Son. All in the congregation will continue to face the same way as usual (you are already facing “liturgical east”), but the priest will also face “liturgical east,” the same way as the congregation during the prayers. While it looks like the priest has turned his back on the people, he is in reality leading the congregation in prayer by offering the sacrifice of Jesus Christ to God the Father. While God is everywhere, the posture symbolizes that together, we look “toward the Lord.” This posture of the priest helps everyone to be more intentional about “listening” to the prayers and praying along rather than being distracted and “watching” the priest (and his unintentional weird facial expressions) during the prayers. It will be my first time offering Mass this way so it will be an interesting experience even for me!

Consecration to Jesus through Mary for both parishes

The Church has a tradition of making an act of consecration to Jesus through Mary. This means an intentional act of meeting our Lord in a new way with the help of Mary, his, and our, mother. Think of the wedding feast at Cana when the wedding couple ran out of wine. It was through Mary’s intercession that Jesus made more wine. He provided for them and did so in abundance. A good, simple way to make this act of consecration is through a book called 33 Days to Morning Glory. Join us beginning on November 6 for 33 days of prayer and reflection to make a consecration on December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Email Steve Johnson at sjohnsonpv@gmail.com if interested. The daily prayers will be on your own but we may be able to connect with each other along the journey, so let us know if you want to participate. We are still working on those details. Those who have done a consecration before may renew that consecration as I will be doing on that day.

Live-stream schedule this weekend

The live-stream of the Mass will take place this weekend at OLL at 11am.

Attached is this weekend’s worship aid for Mass, the bulletins, Sacred Heart Congress info, and voting with a formed conscience.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us!

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, pray for us!

God bless!

Fr. Ed