

The Confirmation Program is looking for donations of gently used bibles to be given to those in prison. Our Confirmation students will be making book covers for them as part of the charitable service component of their program.

Community Thanksgiving Service. The Eastside Community Thanksgiving Service will be at Mayflower Congregational Church, 548 N. McElroy Rd., this Sunday, Nov. 18th, at 3:30 pm. Eight churches and their choirs, including St. Mary's choir, will be participating. If you have never been to this service, please come and check it out. Each church has a part in it and the choirs join together in one beautiful voice. There will be fellowship afterwards.

Canceled Program: So sorry but Dr. Louis Mancha will not be speaking in December. Due to a miscommunication, Dr. Mancha is unavailable. But don't lose "HOPE", we will reschedule for early in 2019. **Do mark your calendar for December 11th at 7 pm.** Deacon Tom Dubois will speak on the "Present & Presence." Thank you for your understanding.

Father Nicholas Weibl will be St. Mary's Parochial Administrator until Father Beaver's return. Father Nick has suggested several prayers that can be recited at home, to pray for Father Beaver. Father urges us to pray the rosary daily and pray the Divine Chaplet at 3 pm and 6 pm. Also listed is the daily Mass schedule at Mansfield St. Peter's Parish. All parishioners are encouraged to participate in daily Mass there as well.

We will be having a prayer meeting in the church on **Wednesdays at 6:00 pm for Father Beaver.** We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 6 pm, followed by a rosary, and close with a prayer to Mary, Undoer of Knots. Please join us whenever you can. The dates will be November 21st, and November 28th.

If you would like to send a card to Father, you can drop it off at the office and we will in turn mail them to the Diocese. You can also drop them in the basket with Father's name on it. If you would like to mail it directly please send to: Fr. Nelson Beaver, % Msgr. Borger, Vicar of Priests, 1933 Spielbusch Ave, Toledo, OH 43604.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: If you have never been baptized, or you were baptized but have never had any catechesis, then the R.C.I.A. is the process you are looking for. Or, do you know someone who has questions about the Catholic faith or perhaps your non-Catholic spouse has questions? The RCIA is a wonderful way to help them understand why we Catholics do what we do. It is a way to explain our beliefs and answer their questions and clear up the misconceptions. The RCIA is a time to learn about the Catholic faith and allow God to lead you in your personal faith journey. We want to answer your personal questions and offer you ways to learn more about the Catholic faith. So, if you know someone or if you yourself have questions, this is the time to contact Deacon Al Kopp at 567-209-0346.

Annulment within the Catholic Church: A divorce is a very painful process. When you are Catholic, the Church requires you to go through the annulment process if you have any intention of ever marrying again. The Catholic Church understands the many emotions that occur with divorce, and is willing to support and help. If you are a divorced Catholic who has remarried and want to return to the sacraments, let us help remove the stress and make this process easier for you. An annulment is a declaration by a Catholic Church tribunal (a Catholic Church Court) that a marriage thought to be valid according to Church law, actually fell short of at least one of the essential elements required for a binding union. If you are in need of help and have questions you want answered, please call Judy Hess Pompei at 419-589-3585 or 419-566-7335.

“The Present & Presence”

presented by

Deacon Tom Dubois

Tuesday, December 11th, at 7:00pm

In St. Mary’s cafeteria

Advent is fast approaching, and along with it the hectic month of December. During this time as you prepare for Christmas, we are offering a time to slow down and listen as Deacon Tom Dubois, helps us take a look at how to be “present” and experience God’s Spirit within us, and around us, in our business.

Deacon Tom Dubois, was ordained in 2000, by Bishop Hoffman. He servers as deacon for both Resurrection and St. Mary’s parishes. Deacon Tom has a Master of Pastoral Studies from Loyola University in New Orleans. His day job is as the executive director of the National Association of Diaconate Directors. Deacon Tom is married to his lovely wife, Deborah for 38 years. Together they are the parents of two grown daughters and grandparents to two grandchildren.

Don’t miss this special opportunity to grow in faith

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and make Christmas preparations filled with Jesus.



- School Advisory Council
- Christian Formation Ministry
- Finance Council Ministry
- Social Concerns Ministry
- Liturgy Worship
- Youth Faith Formation Ministry
- Pastoral Council Ministry
- Building & Grounds Ministry
- Evangelization Ministry



VISION

The Christian Formation ministry works to aid the pastor in the ongoing faith formation of the parish community. As the Body of Christ, both the spiritual and communal aspects of parish life build and sustain a committed parish community. Christian Formation strives to offer spiritual events and material to aid the formation of spiritual life, along with the social events, to build relationships within our parish community.

- Goals**
- Lenten Soup Suppers with speakers
 - Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation
 - To build a warm and open community
 - Chili Cook-Off--gather as a community

- Strategies**
- Engage Speakers for Lent Soup Suppers
 - Continue to encourage our parish to be people of prayer
 - Offer more fellowship opportunities
 - Speak with parishioners to understand their faith needs

- Members**
- Debbie Angelas
 - Dorie Ford
 - Tom Ford
 - Therese Litt
 - Chris Maurer
 - Pam Milano
 - Judy Hess Pompei

- How you can help**
- Take Time to participate in events offered
 - Share your ideas for programs you would attend
 - Tell us how we can help your faith to grow
 - Pray for guidance of the Holy Spirit
 - Give us your feedback on events

Accomplishments of Christian Formation

Love Tree

College cookie boxes

Chili Cook-off

Support for the Alpha program

Catholic Charities food collection

Lent breakfasts to offer prayer material during Lent

Lent Soup Suppers

Stations of the Cross during Lent

Baby bottle collection—Richland Pregnancy Services

Easter Vigil reception

Mother and Father Day remembrance