Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is a great joy for me that we are sending out this latest edition of our parish newsletter.

This letter is an opportunity for me to introduce myself. I am the oldest of four children and was raised on the Northwest side of Columbus. I attended St. Agatha grade school. After graduating from St. Charles in 1992, I attended Franciscan University of Steubenville where I graduated in 1996 with a degree in Philosophy. I began my studies for the priesthood after one year of work and was ordained on May 31, 2003. I have served at St. Mary in Lancaster, the Perry County Consortium of Catholic Parishes, and at Blessed Sacrament Church in Newark.

I am so grateful and humbled to have been assigned to serve as your pastor. August 18th was a very special day for me as Bishop Brennan formally installed me as the pastor of St. Paul Parish. During that Mass I publicly made my oath of fidelity and profession of faith. It was a profound moment of public accountability and I am so grateful to have been able to do this in the presence of Bishop Brennan and so many parishioners.

I want to thank you for making me feel so welcome here in my first months in Westerville. You will find some pictures of that special day in this newsletter. It was also a great joy to be able to share the day with my mom and dad, my siblings and their spouses, and my 17 nieces and nephews.

As I begin my work in your midst, I am grateful for my brother priests who reside with me at the St. Paul Rectory and who are a great help in so many ways: Fr. Dave Gwinner, Fr. Emmanuel, and Fr. PJ Brandimarti. You will also find a letter of introduction by Fr. Brandimarti in this newsletter.

What is my vision for the parish? I believe the vision is written in the art and architecture of our beautiful church. St. Paul the Apostle Church proclaims the centrality of Christ and, with so many images of the Saints, also powerfully proclaims the great teaching of the Second Vatican Council that we are all called to be holy. The vision can be reduced to a simple phrase: “Centered on Christ, Called to Holiness.” I have a tremendous sense of urgency at this critical time in the history of the Church, our Nation, and the World. For decades the Holy Fathers have been calling for a New Evangelization. With St. Paul as our patron, the greatest evangelizer who ever lived, I believe we are called to be a center of the New Evangelization in Central Ohio. In order to accomplish this, we are called to form missionary disciples of Christ.
Our call to grow in missionary discipleship will require all of us to continue to learn more about our faith. I am excited to share FORMED with the parish. This online library of Catholic movies, documentaries, audio talks, e-books, and other digital resources for all ages will be a great resource. I encourage you to sign-up for FORMED today and to download the app. There is more information in this newsletter.

Also included in this newsletter is our financial report for fiscal year end 2018-2019. I encourage you to review numbers, charts and the narrative that our parish administrator, Deacon Dean Racine, has provided. I continue to be amazed at the sheer size of our family of faith but even more amazed at your generosity and responsiveness to the needs of this parish and the surrounding community. Let me express my gratitude for the generosity of so many of our parishioners both in supporting the work of the parish as well as helping our brothers and sisters in need. Financial accountability and stewardship are very important for us to accomplish our mission. Thank you!

The Holy Season of Advent is fast approaching. In the liturgy of the Church we will hear the call to prepare the way of the Lord. One of the most privileged ways we can do that as Catholics is to make a good and complete confession. In this newsletter you will find a complete schedule of the opportunities that you have to go to Confession during Advent as we prepare to celebrate the Lord’s birth. And, you will find a guide to help you in going to confession. The Sacrament of Confession is indispensable for all who are serious about growing in holiness.

I am also pleased that we have been able to begin Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament every Thursday from after the 8:30 a.m. Mass until Benediction at 6:45 p.m. I encourage you to stop in every day for a time of prayer in the Church. I especially encourage you to spend some time in prayer on Thursdays as we recall the great gifts Our Lord gave us on Holy Thursday: the institution of the Holy Eucharist and the Priesthood.

I am looking forward to celebrating my first Christmas with you. You will find the complete Christmas Mass schedule listed as well. We have made a slight change to our Christmas Day schedule. Please double check the Mass times.

Please remember me in your prayers and be assured of mine.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Wilson

Father Jonathan F. Wilson
Pastor
Such a blessing to have had the Most Reverend Robert J. Brennan here for Fr. Wilson’s Installation!

It was a special treat to also have had Fr. Wilson’s family here for the celebration!
My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

My name is Father PJ Brandimarti, and I was ordained on May 25th by Bishop Campbell as a Priest for the Diocese of Columbus. I am a recent graduate of the Pontifical College Josephinum in Worthington, and many of you may remember me from my time here as a seminarin in the summer of 2015. I grew up in Pittsburgh and began my working life in retail, where I worked in store management for Circuit City. In 2008 I moved to Columbus to take a job with Sony Electronics as the manager of their retail store at the Easton Town Center. In 2010, I took a job with Motorola Mobility as the district marketing manager for Central Ohio. During this time I was away from the practice of the faith, and it was here at St. Paul’s that Fr. Charlie heard my first confession when I came back to the practice of the faith. I was a parishioner here for about two months before I moved with my roommates at the time to Gahanna. Despite my successful career, I felt restless, and after returning to the practice of the Catholic faith which I had forsaken in favor of worldly success, I discerned a call to the priesthood. I started seminary in 2012, and I could not be happier about how my life has played out since then.

I think friendship is the greatest gift God has given mankind, and I do my best to spend time with my friends. I enjoy celebrating my Italian heritage (aka cooking), watching movies, camping, and watching sports, though I won’t mention the teams I am loyal to in order to maintain harmony! I am a proud yinzer, and you will definitely hear my Pittsburgh accent come out at certain times. I am happy to talk about any topic, from the theological implications of Incarnation to the necessity of a reseeding of the NHL playoff brackets so our Blue Jackets can have a fighting chance, to the engineering principles of the Class 7 warp drive found on the USS Enterprise (since I took a promise of celibacy before I was ordained a priest, I don’t have to hide my inner geek anymore!).

I look forward to getting to know you all better, and for all of us to continue walking with Jesus toward heaven. Be assured of my prayers for you and please pray for me that my ministry to you will be fruitful and lead our parish closer to Our Lord and His Church.

In Christ,
Fr. PJ Brandimarti
Parochial Vicar

Fr. Brandimarti’s Coat of Arms
First Mass with friends from the Josephinum assisting.

Father celebrated his first Mass at St. Matthews in Gahanna.
Priest concelebrants at Father’s first Mass (including Fr. Joseph Murphy, SJ).
I’m pleased to report that our Fall Alpha program has been going very well. We have nearly 100 guests and 25+ terrific volunteers. Alpha meets on Sunday evenings in the Klinger Center; we share a delicious dinner, watch a compelling video about the roots of our Christian faith and discuss that evening’s theme in small groups. Over the course of ten weeks we’ll discuss topics ranging from “Why did Jesus die?” to “How does God heal today?” Though the themes may sound basic, often the material is a bit challenging, sometimes humorous and always relevant to our lives. Many who attended Alpha last year said it was the best ministry experience they have had.

One evening Fr. Wilson told our guests that no matter how many times we watch the videos and discuss the topics, something new always emerges to compel our interest in our faith and to share with others what we hear from the video presenters. The goal and net result of Alpha is to grow closer to Jesus Christ.

Fr. Wilson also reminded us of the following quote from Pope Benedict:

“Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction. Saint John's Gospel describes that event in these words: ‘God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should...have eternal life (3:16).’

Pope Benedict XVI (Deus Caritas Est)

Please watch for details about plans for our 2020 Alpha program. We’d love to have you join us for this worthwhile and fulfilling journey!

In Christ,

Jeff Adair
Pastoral Associate
What a blessing that we can pray in the presence of our Lord every week! Consider taking the time to join with others for Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays following the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Unless otherwise noted (due to a Vigil Mass for example), Benediction will regularly take place at 6:45 p.m. Please note that Adoration will not be held on Thanksgiving Day, December 26, nor on Holy Thursday, April 9.

“The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth.” Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Did you know that Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a form of prayer that began centuries ago? The word adoration means “to pay honor or homage to someone or something.” The same Jesus whom we receive in the Eucharist at Mass is who we worship in Adoration. Adoration is a time to sit face to face with Jesus to deepen and strengthen your relationship with Him.

It is highly fitting that Christ should have wanted to remain present to His Church in this unique way. Since Christ was about to take His departure from His own in His visible form, He wanted to give us His sacramental presence; since He was about to offer Himself on the cross to save us, He wanted us to have the memorial of the love with which He loved us "to the end," even to the giving of His life. In His Eucharistic presence He remains mysteriously in our midst as the one who loved us and gave Himself up for us, and He remains under signs that express and communicate this love:

*The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet Him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease (Catechism Catholic Church; 1380).*

Sometimes we may be rather intimidated to go to Adoration. It is not because we fear being with Jesus in prayer but rather, we have never been taught what to do in an extended period of prayer. Know that while visiting our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration, truly we can pray in a variety of ways.

As a gentle reminder, please begin by respecting the presence of Our Lord; turn off your cell phone and refrain from conversation within the church. On the following page you will find some general suggestions that may be of help to you.
Be Present with the Lord

Consider praying St. John Henry Newman’s prayer before meditation:

I place myself in the presence of Him, in whose Incarnate Presence I am before I place myself there. I adore You, O my Savior, present here as God and as man, in soul and in body, in true flesh and blood. I acknowledge and confess that I kneel before that Sacred Humanity, which was conceived in Mary’s womb, and lay in Mary’s bosom; which grew up to Twelve, wrought miracles, and spoke words of wisdom and peace; which in due season hung on the cross, lay in the tomb, rose from the dead, and now reigns in heaven. I praise, and bless, and give myself wholly to Him, who is the true Bread of my soul, and my everlasting joy.

Pray the Psalms or the Liturgy of the Hours.
Whether you are praising, giving thanks, asking for forgiveness or seeking an answer, you'll find an appropriate psalm. The ancient prayer of the Church called the Liturgy of the Hours presents an excellent way to pray through the Book of Psalms throughout the year.

Recite the "Jesus Prayer".
Say "Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me, a sinner," repeatedly as you quiet your heart and mind.

Meditate using scripture.
Choose a passage from the Bible. Read the words and ask God to let the passage truly speak to you. Pay special attention to anything that strikes you and then ask God what He wishes for you to draw from that message.

Read about the life of a saint and pray with him or her.
Most holy men and women have had a great devotion to Our Lord in the Eucharist. Therese of Lisieux, Catherine of Siena, Francis of Assisi, Thomas Aquinas, Peter Julian Eymard, Dorothy Day, Mother Teresa of Calcutta and Baroness Catherine de Hueck are just a few. Read about them and pray their prayers before the Blessed Sacrament.

Pour out your heart to Christ and adore Him.
Speak to Jesus, aware that you are in His presence, and tell Him all that comes to your mind. Listen for His response. Pray the prayer that St. Francis instructed his brothers to pray whenever they were before the Blessed Sacrament: "I adore You, O Christ, present here and in all the churches of the world, for by Your holy cross You have redeemed the world."

Ask for forgiveness and intercede for others.
Think of those who have hurt you and request a special blessing for them. Ask God to forgive you for all the times you have neglected or hurt someone else. Bring before the Blessed Sacrament all those who have asked you to pray for them. Ask the Lord to address their concerns.

Pray the Rosary.
Saint John Paul II reminds us, "...is not the enraptured gaze of Mary as she contemplated the face of the newborn Christ and cradled him in her arms that unparalleled model of love which should inspire us every time we receive Eucharistic communion?" (The Church and the Eucharist, 55). Ask Mary to join you as you gaze on Christ in the Eucharist and as you pray the Rosary.

Sit quietly and just "be" in the presence of God.
Think of a visit to the Blessed Sacrament as time with your best friend. Sit quietly and enjoy being in each other's company. Instead of talking to the Lord, try listening to what He wants to tell you.

Adapted from http://www.uga.edu/cc/liturgy/adoration.htm.
Dear Parishioners,

Under the Code of C321 Canon Law, the parish Finance Council assists the pastor regarding financial matters. These team members are very dedicated and talented parishioners who work hard in helping Father Wilson manage all the Parish Financials.

We ended fiscal year 2018-19 with a Net Surplus of $1,095,074 against a target of $146,284 due to a large early donation ($1M) to the school building campaign (RFT). Outstanding pledges due (over the next two years) are $322,000 against a balance due of $394,000. Thank you for your generosity in making this $9.6M project become a reality for the children of our parish. Our combined income for the Parish, School, and Youth/Adult Religious Education totaled $9,513,229 thanks to your responsiveness and continued generosity.

Total expenses of $8,271,871 were under budget by $174,215 (1.7%) primarily due to solid expense control in all areas. We reduced our church loan $103,000 and the construction loan on the school by $2.1M. We also wrote down two years’ worth of delinquent school tuition income totaling $84K. This represents less than 1% of tuition receivables. Continued work with these families has resulted in catch-up payments of $11K in the new fiscal year.

You may have noticed some major improvements including: crack sealing on the parking lot, a new walk-in cooler/freezer in the cafeteria, furnishings for our new Pre-School classes, the wonderful transformation of the school as the second floor was opened and our “Reaching for Tomorrow” efforts became a reality. The parish repainted, replaced carpet, and purchased new furnishings for the rectory as new priests moved in.

The following pages contain charts and tables depicting Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Statement of Activity, Statement of Financial Position, Budget, and Reserves for your review. I sincerely thank you for your generous donations of time, talent, and treasure that make St. Paul a vibrant parish!

Respectfully Yours in Christ,

Deacon Dean Racine
Director, Parish Administration

St. Paul the Apostle at a Glance (Year Ending June 30, 2019)

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(WARM, SVDP, JOIN, Helping Hands)
ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE PARISH  
Actual Financial Results – July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITY  

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<td>2,957,300</td>
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<td>141,950</td>
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<td>426,246</td>
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<td>82,693</td>
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<td>-182,988</td>
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ST. PAUL PARISH - INCOME  
Actual Financial Results  
Fiscal 2018-19

INCOME
Total Income - over plan $947.9K due large early donation to Reaching for Tomorrow that hit in the current fiscal year.

Parish Income - over plan $1.05M due to receipt of large donation for Reaching for Tomorrow.

- Sunday/Holy Day Offertory collections were flat year over year and short to plan by 1.5%
- Fund Drives/Bequests over plan $1.12M due to a large early donation that hit in the current fiscal year
- Restricted funds (investment income) off plan due to market conditions in late 2018
- E-giving via WeShare increased 6.1% to 1,157 families

School Income - tuition and auxiliary support were off plan due to a tuition write off covering past two years.

- Delinquency rate is < 1% of receivables
- Parish support of the school was 20.2% of offertory

PSR, Adult & Youth Formation Income - off plan due to unrealized fee income for Adult Faith Formation.

Parish PSR support was 14.6% of offertory

Income for Operations - with restricted funds removed and depreciation (non-cash item) added back we had an income deficit of -$179.3K. This was anticipated and was better than plan due to better than expected expense management. Deficit was covered through savings.

ST. PAUL PARISH - EXPENSE  
Actual Financial Results  
Fiscal 2018-19

EXPENSE
Parish Expense - total expense under plan by -$147.2K due to solid expense control in all areas.

Parish Expense - $44K under budget due to lower than expected office salaries and maintenance supply/repair.

- Property tax over plan due to tax reassessment for new school addition
- Interest up due to loan balance on school addition

School Expense - $25K under budget due to lower than anticipated utility and maintenance supply/repair expense which offset other areas.

- School Instructional Expense over due to faculty benefit expense
- School Administrative/Operations expense under plan due to efficiencies realized with new HVAC systems in place from renovation and second floor addition.

PSR, Adult & Youth Formation Expense - $78.2K under plan due to lower than expected PSR/Youth supply expense and Small church Community expense.

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### Financial Position

**Total Assets** - Down 4%, due to an increase in accumulated depreciation on improvements to the school.

**Total Liabilities** - Down 25.9% as the parish paid down $2.1M and $103K in debt on the school and the church respectively in 2018-19. The balance on the school is due in January and the remaining balance on the church is financed at 4.1% fixed over the next 28 years.

**Total Equity** - Up 8.4% or $1.2M for the fiscal year just ended.

### Reserves

Reserves are down slightly (3%) due to budget deficit. 5% of endowment funds are utilized each year to provide tuition grants for those in need.

### St. Paul the Apostle Parish

**July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020**

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- Non-operating revenue removed (Restricted) | -454,800 | -2,556,706 |
- Non-cash expense added back (Depreciation) | 1,141,260 | 1,136,028 |

**Income for Operations** | -251,058 | -179,320 |

### Budget Fiscal 2019-20

**Total Income** - Planned decrease of $1.8M due mostly to run off of Reaching for Tomorrow pledge payments ($2.17M).

- **Parish Income** - Down $2.05M due to run off of Reaching for Tomorrow pledge campaign. Small planned increase in offertory and investment income
- **School Income** - Up 6.2% due to student receipts, interparochial parish support and new Pre-School
- **PSR, Adult & Youth Formation Income** - Up in adult faith formation fees

**Total Income (less Restricted Funds)** - Up $300.2K

**Total Expense** - Planned increase of $377.1K due mostly to diocesan tax and roof replacements

- **Parish Expense** - Up $262K due to $112K increase in diocesan tax on last year’s RFT pledges and $140K for planned roof replacements in fiscal year
- **School Expense** - Up $48.5K or 1.1%
- **PSR, Adult & Youth Formation Expense** - Up $66.1K for Youth Ministry growth and Alpha

**Net Operating Income (Deficit) is (-$937.5K)**

**Income for Operations** - Adjusting down for non-operating revenue (restricted funds) and adding back non-cash expense (depreciation) we have a budget deficit of (-$251K) for fiscal 2019-20.
JOIN US AS BISHOP ROBERT BARRON
traces the lives and contributions of these two pivotal players

FULTON J. SHEEN
THE COMMUNICATOR
Long before the Internet and social media, Fulton Sheen pioneered Catholic evangelization through the media. At a time when most preachers spoke only from pulpits, Sheen used electronic media as a means to reach far beyond the parish walls. His innovative radio and television programs, beamed out to believers and skeptics alike, reached upwards of 30 million people per week. Sheen had a gift for spreading the faith clearly and persuasively, and he paved the path for today’s media evangelists.

Thursday, December 5, 9:30-11:30 AM or 7:00-9:00 PM
CHURCH LOWER LEVEL ROOM 3

FLANNERY O’CONNOR
THE STORYTELLER
The Flannery O’Connor’s influence on contemporary culture, particularly literature and film, is profound. Her novels and short stories have been described as shocking, convoluted, funny, and violent, and they are filled with unforgettable strange characters. But they are also, from beginning to end, haunted by Christ. O’Connor radically changes our idea of what religious fiction can be. Her startling prose awakens us to sin and, consequently, to the need for salvation.

Thursday, December 19, 9:30-11:30 AM or 7:00-9:00 PM
CHURCH LOWER LEVEL ROOM 3

COST is FREE! REGISTRATION is REQUIRED
WeShare: https://stpaulcatholicchurch.weshareonline.org/
Contact: Jeff Adair (614) 882-2109 or jadair@stpacc.org
The new life in Christ that begins in Baptism may be weakened or lost through sin. Sin ruptures not only our relationship with God but also with our brothers and sisters.

By the nourishing light of the Holy Spirit, we are able to prepare for the Sacrament of Penance by examining our consciences to identify those ways in which we are not in right relationship with God and with others. This examination also challenges us to recognize our own participation in the “structures of sin” that degrade others’ lives and dignity.

Through the Sacrament of Penance, God offers mercy and forgiveness. In response to this gift, we are called to become vehicles of Christ’s love, making amends and restoring justice and the bonds that have been broken. Healed and forgiven, we are sent to work for peace, justice, and love in our communities and world.

Sin damages our relationship with God and neighbor.

In the Gospels, Jesus teaches that love of God and love of neighbor are intimately connected (Mt 22:38-39; Mk 12:29-31). When we sin against those in need by failing to act compassionately toward them, we ignore Christ himself (Mt 25:31-46). In the words of Pope Benedict XVI, “Closing our eyes to our neighbor also blinds us to God” (Deus Caritas Est [God Is Love], no. 16). Sin ruptures our relationship with God and also with other members of the Body of Christ (Catechism of the Catholic Church [CCC], no. 1440). Take a moment to consider ways that you have broken any of the Ten Commandments: Are there any false “gods” (e.g., material things, pleasure, etc.) that you place above God and other people? Have you treated family members or others with disrespect? Have you lied, gossiped, cheated, or stolen?

Sin is never an individual affair.

Sin damages our relationships with others and all of creation. Thus, sin is never a purely individual affair and has social dimensions (Pope Benedict XVI, Sacramentum Caritatis [Sacrament of Charity], no. 20; Pope John Paul II, Reconciliatio et Paenitentia [Reconciliation and Penance], no. 15).

Sin becomes manifest in unjust structures.

The collective actions (or failures to act) of individuals create “structures of sin,” which “grow stronger, spread, and become the source of other sins” (Pope John Paul II, Sollicitudo Rei Socialis [On Social Concern], no. 36). For example, widespread poverty, discrimination, denial of basic rights, and violence result from many peoples’ actions (or failures to act) because of greed, racism, selfishness, or indifference (Reconciliatio et Paenitentia, nos. 2, 16). We are all called to consider how we contribute to structures of sin in our personal, economic, and public choices. For example, do we take into account the treatment of workers when we make purchases? How do our consumption choices contribute to environmental degradation? Are we aware and informed? Do we take the time to educate ourselves about issues that affect the community and advocate on behalf of those who are poor and vulnerable?

We are called to examine our consciences and admit our failings.

The Sacrament of Penance challenges us to examine our hearts inwardly and then express outwardly the ways we have failed to love God and neighbor—through both personal sin and social sin.

Examining our consciences teaches us how to “look squarely at our life” to see how well we are living the Gospel (Pope Benedict XVI, Address to participants in the Course on the Internal Forum organized by the Tribunal of the Apostolic Penitentiary, March 25, 2011). Only in recognizing our failings can our hearts be converted to God so that we can receive his forgiveness and allow his grace to heal us and our relationships.
We receive God’s forgiveness and mercy.

The Sacrament of Penance allows us to receive forgiveness of sins and be reconciled with God, self, the Church family, and the human family—restoring our broken communion. Through Penance, we return to right relationships (Sacramentum Caritatis, no. 20).

We work to repair the harm we have done.

Reconciliation absolves us of our sin, but it does not repair the damage that was caused. We must do what is possible to repair the harm. The Catechism provides these examples: return stolen goods, restore the reputation of someone slandered, and pay compensation for injuries (no. 1459). We must work to repair the relationships with God and our neighbors that sin has impaired. We must also consider how we can work to transform the structures of sin that threaten human life and dignity. By making amends and working to build a more just community, we can repair the damage and also restore our own spiritual health.

The whole Church community plays a role in reconciliation.

We do not engage in the act of reconciliation alone. While the priest is the minister of the Sacrament of Penance, the whole Church community participates in the work of reconciliation (Ordo Paenitentiae). When we gather each Sunday, we call to mind our sins and intercede for one another. We hear the Word of God, which challenges us to reflect gospel values in our lives and relationships. As the Body of Christ, we also challenge one another to live lives of holiness, justice, and love. The Church is an instrument of conversion, calling all its members to love and reconciliation with God and neighbor.

We are called to be forgivers and peacemakers.

Having received the undeserved gift of forgiveness, we are called to extend the same forgiveness and mercy to others. We take up the task of being instruments of reconciliation in our communities and world, working for peace, justice, and love.

Confessions are regularly heard on Thursdays following the 8:30 a.m. Mass and on Saturdays at 2:30 p.m.

During Advent there will be Reconciliation Services at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4; Wednesday, December 11; and Wednesday, December 18.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

Take a moment to reflect on how sin has damaged your relationship with others.

- What false “gods” do I place above God and people?
- After leaving Mass, do I continue to glorify God by the actions in my life?
- How have I failed to love others in my family, workplace, or community?
- Do I hold any views that are prejudiced or biased or that perpetuate stereotypes?
- Have I responded to the needs of the poor and those whose rights are unfulfilled?
- Do my personal, economic, and public choices reflect a genuine concern for others and the common good?
- Have I stood up to protect the dignity of others when it is being threatened?
- Am I aware of problems facing my local community and involved in efforts to find solutions?
- Do my purchasing choices take into account the well-being of those producing what I buy?
- How do I protect and care for God’s creation? Are there ways I could reduce consumption?

Adapted from Questions to Examine Conscience in the Light of Catholic Social Teaching in the “Resources and Tools” section at www.usccb.org/jphd.

Learn about the other sacraments! Visit “Resources and Tools” at www.usccb.org/jphd.
May the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all the saints, whatever good you do and suffering you endure, heal your sins, help you grow in holiness, and reward you with eternal life. Go in peace.

—Rite of Penance, no. 93

1 PREPARATION: Before going to confession, take some time to prepare. Begin with prayer, and reflect on your life since your last confession. How have you—in your thoughts, words, and actions—neglected to live Christ’s commands to “love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind,” and to “love your neighbor as yourself” (Mt 22:37, 39)? As a help with this “examination of conscience,” you might review the Ten Commandments or the Beatitudes (Ex 20:2-17; Dt 5:6-21; Mt 5:3-10; or Lk 6:20-26).

2 GREETING: The priest will welcome you; he may say a short blessing or read a Scripture passage.

3 THE SIGN OF THE CROSS: Together, you and the priest will make the Sign of the Cross. You may then begin your confession with these or similar words: “Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been [give days, months, or years] since my last confession.”

4 CONFESSION: Confess all your sins to the priest. If you are unsure what to say, ask the priest for help. When you are finished, conclude with these or similar words: “I am sorry for these and all my sins.”

5 PENANCE: The priest will propose an act of penance. The penance might be prayer, a work of mercy, or an act of charity. He might also counsel you on how to better live a Christian life.

6 ACT OF CONTRITION: After the priest has conferred your penance, pray an Act of Contrition, expressing sorrow for your sins and resolving to sin no more. A suggested Act of Contrition is:

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy. (Rite of Penance, no. 45)

7 ABSOLUTION: The priest will extend his hands over your head and pronounce the words of absolution. You respond, “Amen.”

8 PRAISE: The priest will usually praise the mercy of God and will invite you to do the same. For example, the priest may say, “Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.” And your response would be, “His mercy endures for ever” (Rite of Penance, no. 47).

9 DISMISSAL: The priest will conclude the sacrament, often saying, “Go in peace.”

If it has been a while since your last confession, remember, “Do not fear” (Is 41:10). The priest will help guide you. And feel free to take this how-to guide with you! (For more information, visit www.usccb.org/confession.)
Our Parish School of Religion (PSR) program is well underway! This year our 100+ volunteers welcomed over 800 students in our preschool through 8th grade programs. Each year we aim to strengthen the knowledge of faith of our students through lessons and activities focused on the liturgy, scripture, and practices of the Catholic Church. In addition, we focus on the Spiritual and Corporeal Works of Mercy with prayer and service projects during our class time together.

Soon we will be preparing for the season of Advent. During Advent, we not only prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of Jesus, but we should also check in to see if we are doing things that will keep us ready to receive Jesus when he comes again. Consider recommitting yourselves to praying daily, reading scripture, staying faithful to God’s commandments – and perhaps make an Advent wreath together. The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God. The evergreens signify continuous life. Each of the four candles represents one of the Sundays of Advent. The purple candles represent the prayer, penance, preparation, and good works we are called to do during Advent. The color purple signifies the “royalty” of Jesus Christ. The pink candle is lit on the Third Sunday of Advent, which is the Sunday of rejoicing. The light from the candles serves to remind us that Jesus comes into the darkness of our lives to bring newness, life, and hope. We gradually add more light each Sunday until Christ, our Light, comes at Christmas.

**WEEK 1**

Light one candle & sit for a moment in silence.
Christ our Light, shine in our lives with hope & promise. Give us right vision so that we remain attentive to this Holy Season. Remind us to look for you in small acts of kindness & love. We await your coming with wonder.
Amen.

**WEEK 2**

Light two candles & sit for a moment in silence.
Christ our Hope, illuminate our hearts with your grace. Enlarge our vision so that we recognize our kinship with all the people in the world. Help us to give to others in ways that meet their deepest needs. We await your coming with gratitude. Amen.

**WEEK 3**

Light three candles & sit for a moment in silence.
Christ our Joy, brighten our homes with your presence, clarify our vision so that we might see you in the people we cherish. Make every holiday activity an opportunity to spread your light & love. We await your coming with delight.
Amen.

**WEEK 4**

Light four candles & sit for a moment in silence.
Christ our Peace, glow brightly in each moment, enlighten our vision so that we see beyond the trappings of the holidays. Relieve us, if just for a moment, of our worries & stress. We await your coming with serenity.
Amen.
All men are invited to join the Most Reverend Bishop Robert Brennan, Jason Evert (co-founder of the Global Ministry “Chastity Project”) and Coach Luke Fickell at the 23rd Annual Columbus Catholic Men’s Conference. The event will be held on Saturday, February 22 (8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.) at the Columbus Expo Center and will include Adoration, Reconciliation, breakfast, lunch, and Mass. To learn more and to register, call 614-505-6605 or go to CatholicMensMinistry.com.

Ladies: The 2020 Annual Columbus Catholic Women’s Conference will be held on Saturday, February 15 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. in the Ohio Expo Center. Enjoy truly inspirational speakers, Holy Mass with the Most Reverend Bishop Robert Brennan, contemporary Catholic musician Sara Hart in concert and so very much more!

† To learn more and to register, go to www.ColumbusCatholicWomen.com.
† Discounts for registering early!
† Be sure to invite a friend to join you!

St. Paul Adult Faith Formation presents

Mary Koors M.A.

THE MAJOR PROPHETS
Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel
Representing the major prophetic words to a people straying from their covenant relationship with God.

8 Weeks
January 7 through February 27
Tuesday mornings 9:30am – 11:00am
or
Thursday evenings 7:00pm – 8:30pm
St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

What does the prophetic message have to say to people in every age? How might we learn from these prophets now in the 21st century? Each of these major prophets has a different style and a different focus but has been called by God to turn the hearts of a people who have wandered away from God, getting rich from their unjust practices and "worshipping" false gods of every kind.

Cost is $60.00
Deadline to Register is January 2, 2020

* Register & pay online using Online Giving Button by WeShare at www.stpaulcatholicchurch.org
* Or email Susan Bellotti sibellotti@stpacc.org

Be sure to stop in our Marian Gift Shop when you are Christmas shopping! You will undoubtedly find an array of inspirational (and unique) gifts including decorations, books, CDs, jewelry, statues, and much more! You’ll even find yard signs such as those posted here to help remind others of the true meaning of the season!
ST. PAUL YOUTH MINISTRY
for our youth in grades 6-12
Brad Romantic, Director of Youth Ministry
614-882-2537; bromantic@stpacc.org

KICKOFFS
Our kickoffs were a huge success! We are excited to serve you, and help our teens get closer to Christ. High school meets weekly on Wednesday nights, and Middle School meets bi-weekly on Sunday nights. Haven't made it yet? Contact Brad Romantic to see how you can get involved!

MARCH FOR LIFE
St. Paul’s is currently registering for our March for Life Trip Jan 23-25. A mailing has been sent out, but if we missed you and you would like to register contact Brad Romantic and he will provide all the details. Registration due December 1st.

AWAKEN NIGHTS
Our parish is proud to invite all youth in grades 6-12 to our new Awaken nights. Join us for our next night on December 8th from 6:00-8:00 for a high energy evening of praise and worship, adoration, witness and more! You don't want to miss these opportunities to encounter Christ!
Does a Catholic Education Still Matter?

There are a number of articles written that address why or if a Catholic education still matters. As the principal of a Catholic school it seems to me to be a no brainer so to speak. Then again, I am blessed to be immersed on a daily basis in a Catholic learning and parish community. However, many years of experience as an educator and administrator in public school have given me a unique perspective on the differences. There are many excellent public schools in the Columbus area. We all follow learning standards set forth from the Ohio Department of Education within the context of a set curriculum. These standards address the knowledge our students need to have to graduate from high school and succeed in their career choice. A properly aligned curriculum ensures teachers teach the most important content at each grade level. So learning then is couched within the lens of an academic outcome.

The difference in a Catholic school is that all learning is experienced through the lens of our faith. As Reverend Ronald Nuzzi writes, “Catholic School students recognize the footprints of God in their daily experiences especially in the midst of life’s challenges.” Academic success then is our response to becoming an instrument of God’s love in our words and actions. Teaching and learning in our learning environment cannot be separated from the teachings of our faith. Our world view anchors us to God in a way that empowers our learning community to experience the freedom of teaching, living, and learning in the Light of Christ.

In a day when Catholic school enrollment numbers are dwindling, I am pleased to report that St. Paul School welcomed 821 students to a new school year this August. Fifty-six of those students are enrolled in our new preschool program. As we continue in our 2019-2020 school year we ask you to join us in being an advocate for Catholic education in our parish, diocese, and in the world. A Catholic education still matters!

2019 ACRE Test Results

In the spring of each year, our 5th and 8th grade students take the ACRE (Assessment of Children/Youth Religious Education) test. Since the late 1970’s the NCEA (National Catholic Education Association) has offered this assessment instrument which is designed to strengthen catechetical/religious education programs. The ACRE scores help schools, parishes and diocesan leaders evaluate the faith knowledge and attitudes of students in Catholic schools. As an integrated assessment tool, ACRE provides faith knowledge questions (cognitive domain) and questions related to religious beliefs, attitudes, practices, and perceptions (affective domain).

The chart depicted on the following page reflects the results of the 2019 ACRE test for the 8th grade class. We use these results to assess our religious education curriculum and make changes as needed. Our 2019 scores indicate students are scoring well above school national and parish national (PSR) levels in their knowledge of faith.
The second section of the ACRE tests addresses the students’ knowledge of the four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. The plan of the catechism is inspired by the traditions of catechisms which build catechesis on four pillars: the baptismal profession of faith, the sacraments of faith, the life of faith (commandments), and prayer of the believer.

The chart below reflects our St. Paul students’ knowledge of the Four Pillars. Again, our students tested well above the national parish and school levels in their understanding of this domain.

We are all called to hand the Good News on from generation to generation. We do this by professing the faith, by sharing as a community of faith, and by celebrating the Good News in liturgy and prayer (Catechism of the Catholic Church, page 8). We are blessed to be able to share the Good News with our St. Paul learning community every day. As we celebrate our first year as a STEAM designated school of excellence we will be further developing our Catholicity goal to include the implementation of the Disciples of Christ Virtue Program and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

All for you Jesus in adoration, supplication, and thanksgiving,

Kathleen Norris, PhD
Kathy Norris – PhD
Principal – St. Paul School
Tuesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve Masses)
4:00 p.m. Church (Cantor)
4:00 p.m. Westerville North HS (Brass Quintet w/ Cantor)
6:30 p.m. Church (Youth Choir at 6:00 p.m.)
Midnight Church (Adult Choir at 11:15 p.m.)

Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas Day Masses)
Masses celebrated at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & noon

Thursday, December 26
Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m.

Friday, December 27 – Monday, December 30:
Please refer to our regular Mass schedule.

Tuesday, December 31:
Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 a.m. Mass
Vigil Mass at 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1, The Solemnity of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Mother of God
Masses celebrated at 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

Celebrate the feast of Christmas every day, even every moment in the interior temple of your spirit, remaining like a baby in the bosom of the heavenly Father, where you will be reborn each moment in the Divine Word, Jesus Christ.

~ St. Paul of the Cross

OUR REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:15 & 5:00 p.m.
(We have an ASL interpreter at our 12:15 p.m. Mass.)
Monday - Thursday Masses at 6:40 a.m. & 8:30 a.m.
Friday Masses at 6:40 & 8:15 a.m.
Saturday Morning Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament:
Thursdays after the 8:30 a.m. Mass; (Benediction at 6:45 p.m.)
Confessions are heard on Thursdays after the 8:30 a.m.
Mass and at 2:30 p.m. on Saturdays.