

# SAINTS

## A L I V E

WEEKLY BULLETIN OF SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

FEBRUARY 26, 2012  
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

### WELCOME!

We are a Eucharistic Community whose mission is to be “Saints Alive” by knowing, loving, and serving God.

Through study, piety, and action, in imitation of the Saints, we answer God’s call to stewardship.

#### Masses

Daily:	Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday	5:30 PM	Church
	Friday	8:00 AM	Church
	Saturday	9:00 AM	Church
Weekend:	Saturday	4:30 PM	Church
	Sunday	8:30 AM	Church
		10:30 AM	PAC

#### Confessions

Monday 6 PM  
Saturday after 9 AM Mass  
Saturday 3:30 PM  
By appointment

#### Eucharistic Adoration with Exposition

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 6-9 AM  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 6-9 PM  
Thursday 6 AM to Friday 8 AM



#### Saint Hedwig

Feast day: February 28

Patronage: queens

*Saint Hedwig, may we be attentive to the will of Christ in our lives, just as you were, and be mindful of what we can do for the poor around us. May we pray as fervently as you did before the crucifix and be drawn closer to Jesus.*



# SAINTS ALIVE

## First Sunday of Lent

*Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25; 1 Pt 3:18-22;  
Mk 1:12-15*

Mindful of his covenant, the Lord promises never to destroy creation again by floodwaters. The waters of baptism bring salvation and forgiveness through the death of Christ. After fasting forty days and being put to the test, Jesus begins his public ministry.

### Announcements

- Support the families in the Holy Land. We have olive wood items for sale following Masses this weekend.
- Vespers Service this Sunday at 6 PM at the church.
- Last call for VBS Coordinator. If you are interested and able, contact the parish office ASAP.
- At the coffee social following the 10:30 Mass this weekend, we'll be sharing a great Lenten resource with the usual food and fellowship. Join us!

### Father Pat's Reflections

*"How beautiful are the feet of those who proclaim Good News." (part 2)*

The Ministry of the Word is also proclaimed in song. Cantors lead us in responding to God's Word by echoing the words of the Psalms. As St. Augustine remarked, "He who sings, prays twice." We use music to raise our minds and hearts to God in praise.

Singing moves us from being passive hearers of the Word to being active in its proclamation. It invites an enthusiastic response to Good News. The Greek word we render as "enthusiasm" means "with God". A singing congregation raises the spirits of all and gives glory to God.



### Please Pray for our 2012 First Communicants

They have been working hard in preparation to receive the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist for the first time during March and April.

Hannah Belau	Paul Miller
Blaire Bradley	Nathan Norris
Elizabeth Chin	Jeremiah Peck
Dylan DeLauter	Ed Rice
Libby Dockery	Olivia Riddlebaugh
Connor Doyle	Maci Schilling
Kelli Doyle	Owen Schimming
Aidan Dring	Zach Schmidt
Mary Ferrito	Tori Schneider
Caleb Grundei	Zoie Sheldon
Marlee Jacobs	Liston Shroyer
Nathan Kastens	Dylan Tobe
Macy Kelly	Gabby Vamos
Noah Lentz	Ava Wehner
Lizzie Lombardi	Mary Weisburn
Maggie Malone	Grant Welsch
Ally Miller	

*Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of the Eucharist, You left us the outstanding manifestation of your limitless love for us. Thank You for giving these children the opportunity to experience this love in receiving the Sacrament for the first time. May your Eucharistic presence keep them ever free from sin, fortified in faith, pervaded by love for God and neighbor, and fruitful in virtue, that they may continue to receive You throughout life and attain final union with You at death. Amen.*

# PARISH & COMMUNITY LIFE

## Couple of the Year Nominees

- Mark & Ali Arend
- Dan & Melissa Bradley
- Christopher & Lorree Dendis
- Jim & Renee Dvorksy
- Dennis & Jan Grose
- Dave & Mary Harig
- David & Kathleen Harris
- Greg & Kelly Jacobs
- Shawn & Michelle Kelly
- Mike & Sue Gill
- Justin & Elizabeth McAlarney
- Bob & Lori Murray
- John & Carol O'Connell
- Robert & Sarah Reinhard
- Larry & Cheryl Schneider
- Ed & Ann Stransky
- Mark & Kim Walden
- George & Ann Walter

## The 2012 Winner:

Congratulations to **Larry & Cheryl Schneider** for being selected as the 2012 Couple of the Year.



## MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS!

<b>Monday, February 27</b>	<b>Fr. Jeff Rimelspach</b>
<i>Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19; Mt 25:31-46</i>	
5:30 PM	+ OPEN
<b>Tuesday, February 28</b>	<b>Msr. Robert E. Metzger</b>
<i>Is 55:10-11; Ps 34; Mt 6:7-15</i>	
NO MASS	
<b>Wednesday, February 29</b>	<b>Fr. Jay Harrington, OP</b>
<i>Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51; Lk 11:29-32</i>	
5:30 PM	+ Ramsey & Dunbar
<b>Thursday, March 1</b>	<b>Fr. Michael Dosch, OP</b>
<i>Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138; Mt 1:1</i>	
NO MASS	
<b>Friday, March 2</b>	<b>Fr. Raymond Paul</b>
<i>Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130; Mt 5:20-26</i>	
8 AM	+ OPEN
<b>Saturday, March 3</b>	<b>Fr. John L. Metzger</b>
<i>Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119; Mt 5:43-48</i>	
9 AM	+ OPEN
4:30 PM	+ Ramsey & Dunbar
<b>Sunday, March 4</b>	<b>Fr. Louis Iasiello, OFM</b>
Second Sunday of Lent	
<i>Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10</i>	
8:30 AM	+ Madry Family
10:30 AM	+ People of the Parish

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<b>4:30 Mass</b>	<b>March 3</b>	<b>10:30 Mass</b>	<b>March 4</b>
Usher	Stransky	Usher	Thomas
Lector	E. Martz, D. Miller	Lector	D. Rowley, P. Thomas
EM	3 Volunteers Needed	EM	M. Peck, E. Bonacci, A. Schimmoeller
Serve	M. & M. McCaslin	Serve	L. & K. Schneider
Sacristan	D. Saunders	Sacristan	D. Saunders
		<b>Homebound</b>	Deacon Tony & Elaine Bonacci
<b>8:30 Mass</b>	<b>March 4</b>	<b>Collection Counting</b>	
Usher	Santini	Feb. 27	St. Diego Team
Lector	E. Sedgwick, M. Wood	Mar. 5	St. Anthony Team
EM	Deacon Tony, M. & S. Gill	<b>SCRIP</b>	
Serve	E. & V. Gill	Feb. 27	Monnin, Hamlin
Sacristan	D. Saunders	Mar. 5	Hamlin, Hofbauer

# PARISH LIFE

## Lenten Vespers Service

Join us this Sunday (today) at 6 PM at the church for a Vespers service. Evening Prayer (Vespers) is part of the official prayer of the universal Church.

## Soup's On!

We need people to make soup for our upcoming Lenten Soup Suppers. If you're willing to help, please contact Ann Williams at 614-873-5882 or [annwill1@verizon.net](mailto:annwill1@verizon.net).

## Last Call: VBS Coordinator Needed

We're still looking for a VBS Coordinator. This is our last call: if you are interested, please contact the parish office.

## 40 Days for Life

From February 22 - April 1, the Greater Columbus community will be uniting with hundreds of cities across the country in the 40 Days for Life campaign. We are praying that this effort will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in America. This campaign involves prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil. For more information, contact Sue Gill, 614-529-4108, or visit the official website at [www.40daysforlife.com/columbus](http://www.40daysforlife.com/columbus). There are materials at the PAC and church for your prayer efforts, and a sign-up sheet for our parish's day is coming soon.

## St. Martin de Porres Meeting Soon

There's a St. Martin de Porres Society meeting on Tuesday, March 13 at 7 PM at the PAC. Everyone's welcome. Contact Gloria Butler (see page 6) with questions.

## Food Drive

Don't forget to bring your shelf-stable food items, soups, canned meats, peanut butter, canned fruits and vegetables, boxed mixes, canned milk, baking and paper products for the St. Martin de Porres Food Drive in March!

### ON THE PARISH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

#### Sunday, February 26

<i>Olive Wood Sales</i>	<i>Following Mass</i>
<i>Coffee Social</i>	<i>Following 10:30 Mass</i>
<i>Lenten Vespers Service</i>	<i>6 PM*</i>

#### Monday, February 27

<i>NO PSR</i>	
<i>Catechist Roundtable</i>	<i>6 PM</i>

#### Tuesday, February 28

<i>Girl Scouts</i>	<i>6:30 PM</i>
<i>Lenten Soup Supper</i>	<i>6:30 PM</i>

#### Wednesday, February 29

<i>Zumba</i>	<i>9 AM</i>
<i>NO PSR</i>	
<i>Catechist Roundtable</i>	<i>6 PM</i>
<i>Folk Choir Practice</i>	<i>7:30 PM</i>

#### Thursday, March 1

<i>Weight Watchers</i>	<i>6 PM</i>
<i>Choir Practice</i>	<i>7 PM</i>
<i>Fish Fry Set-up</i>	<i>7 PM</i>

#### Friday, March 2

<i>Bible Study</i>	<i>9 AM</i>
<i>Zumba</i>	<i>9 AM</i>
<i>NO EVENING ADORATION</i>	
<i>Fish Fry</i>	<i>5:30-8 PM</i>
<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	<i>7 PM*</i>

#### Saturday, March 3

<i>Life &amp; Mercy Mass &amp; Confessions</i>	<i>9 AM*</i>
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*\* indicates event at church*



## St. Joseph to Host Four Seminarists

Our parish is honored, once again this year, to host seminary students from the Pontifical College Josephinum for ten-week internships. This year there are four young men assigned to St. Joseph. They are all pre-theology students. The structure of the program this year allows for more flexibility in the time they spend with us. Therefore, they will be participating in a wider variety of parish activities, giving them multiple opportunities to explore parish life. We hope you will join us in making them welcome. If you would like more information, contact Jim & Gloria Butler, Jim & DeeDee Bradley or the parish office.

**Profiles of each of the seminarists are on page 4.**

# MEET THE SEMINARIANS

## Peter Ascik age 25

Peter grew up in Ashville, NC, the third of nine children. His siblings include three sets of twins! Peter's home parish is St. Barnabas, in Arden, NC, where he served Mass from an early age. He first began to feel an attraction to the mystery of the Mass and Sacraments as a very young altar server.

In high school, he played baseball and enjoyed playing a bit on guitar. He excelled at chemistry and following graduation, he attended Appalachian State University, earning degrees in Chemistry and English in 2009. He then enrolled in the PhD program in Chemistry at the University of Georgia. He graduated from UGA with an MS in 2011.

In graduate school, Peter was drawn to the pro-life movement. He felt God using this, to teach him that his life would not be his own, rather HIS to use in other ways. At various times he considered becoming a doctor, teacher, scientist or a politician, but his feelings about the priesthood continued to grow.

Peter's parents encouraged him to follow what his heart was telling him. His father is an Assistant U.S. Attorney and his mother specializes in teaching children with learning disabilities. Peter enjoys reading, and is enjoying his studies at the Josephinum. He will be ordained in 2017.



## Nick Cooper age 27

Nick is the third son of four boys, born in Rome--Rome, NY, that is! Parents, Jim and Mary Cooper, work the family fruit farm, Farmer White's, and operate the Seasonal Farm Market, where farm fresh goodies are sold. His father is retired from the Air Force and works for the U.S. Postal Service.

Nick's life has evolved around music. Following High School graduation, Nick attended Aquinas College, in Grand Rapids, MI, majoring in Music, with an emphasis on Vocal Performance and Education. He received his BA in 2008. In 2010, he received his Masters of Sacred Music from the University of Notre Dame du Lac.

Nick's hobbies include singing, and dabbling on piano and organ. He also runs, loves to compose handwritten letters, play euchre, and sit in rockers to pray. Sports he enjoys include baseball, football and tennis.

During his tenure at Aquinas, Nick studied the four Dominican charisms: prayer, study, service, and community. This study was the beginning of his chosen vocation. Later, at Notre Dame, after his mentor passed away, he began to pray about the priesthood. While serving as Director of Music in Elks Rapids, MI, Nick began participating in a weekly holy hour. This confirmed his calling and he entered the seminary.



## Stephen Vaccaro age 22

Stephen is the youngest of seven children. He has an older brother who is a priest in the Diocese of Arlington, VA. Stephen was born in Alexandria, VA, and also lived in Charlottesville. He graduated from Bishop Ireton High School and the University of Virginia, with a BA in History.

Jobs he has held include swim coach, working as a secretary and as a camp counselor for youth. Stephen's parents, his father, who is with the Dept. of the Navy and his mother, a teacher, instilled strong work ethics in each of their children.

Stephen first felt his calling as he watched his older brother go through his seminary formation, ordinations to the diaconate and priesthood and finally, his service as a parish priest. He sees the radiance and joy his brother shares, as he serves the Lord, and knows this is what he wants also. He focuses on becoming a Catholic priest, where he hopes to serve God, in a parish setting, as well as schools, hospitals and nursing homes.

Stephen enjoys history, current events and movies.



## Ross Hartman age 24

Ross comes to the seminary from the Diocese of Great Falls-Billings, MT. He was born and raised in Miles City, where his home parish, Sacred Heart, is located. He is the eldest child of three, with a brother and a sister. Ross's early education was in a parochial school, Sacred Heart. He attended Custer County High School, where he enjoyed golf and basketball. He then attended Carroll College in Helena, MT.

Ross's Father is a rancher and aerial crop duster and his Mother is a radiological technician. Being from big sky country, Ross enjoys many outdoor sports; downhill and cross country skiing, fishing, hockey and hunting. He also loves to play cards and relax with a guitar.

Ross recognized interest in a religious calling as early as fourth grade. He has searched his thoughts for many years, always looking for a way to run from it, or a quick answer to the question. Two years ago, he says he stopped running and simply began listening for the answer. It has opened his heart and he prays to be able to answer "yes" to whatever God is calling him to. His ordination would be in 2017.



# FAITH FORMATION



## Parenting on Purpose: A Snapshot from Chapter 6

Your children are one mouse click away from so many inappropriate images it would frighten Frankenstein. Don't be deceived by experts and the seductive voices of popular opinion. Turn to the Bible and diligently place a protective ring of purity around your children's bodies and souls.

Take action: Taking stock needs to take place on an ongoing basis. Give your child an actual, physical Purity Ring and buy yourself a Purity Ring.

*You can join our Parenting on Purpose book study and discussions in Carpenter Hall during Monday & Wednesday PSR classes. Books are still available for \$14.*

## Note: No PSR

We will not have PSR in the coming weeks on these dates:

Monday, February 20 & 27

Wednesday, February 22 & 29

## Catechist Roundtables

A reminder to catechists and aides: we'll have our final catechist roundtables on Monday, February 27 and Wednesday, February 29.

## Home Faith Videos

We have been uploading videos to the Home Faith section of the parish website. We have included videos on the history of the Mass and gestures used in Mass. The newest video added is "People of Prayer." Go to [www.SaintJosephPlainCity.com](http://www.SaintJosephPlainCity.com) and click on Religious Education, and then Home Faith is under that menu.

## Father Pat's Homilies

Father Pat's weekly homilies are posted on the parish website each week by Tuesday. Go to [www.SaintJosephPlainCity.com](http://www.SaintJosephPlainCity.com) and you'll see it right there on the bottom right side of the page.

## Youth Group

Coming up:

February 26 - Youth Group

March 4 - Youth Group

March 11 - No Youth Group  
(Youth Rally weekend)

March 18 - Youth Rally Followup

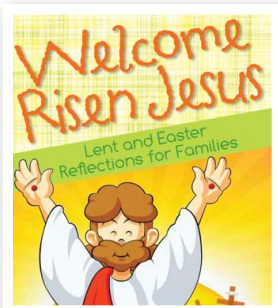
March 25 - Youth Group

April 1 - Youth Group

*We meet in the church basement from 6-7:30 PM unless noted.*

*Join us for Teen Nights!*

Most months, as noted, we take a break from our regular schedule and have an evening to hang out, have fun, play games, or possibly go on an outing. If you're a teen (including the newly confirmed!), we invite you to join us!



## Welcome Risen Jesus

At the coffee social this weekend, after 10:30 Mass, we'll be sharing copies of *Welcome Risen Jesus: Lent and Easter Reflections for Families*, by our own Sarah Reinhard. This is being provided to all families in the

parish thanks to the generosity of the Knights of Columbus.

Sarah will be available to personalize and sign copies of the book for you.

If you can't make it to the social, please stop by the office and get your copy. It's sure to enhance your Lent and Easter!

# BULLETIN ADVERTISERS NEEDED



If you have ever found yourself admiring our parish bulletin, you have the fine folks who advertise in our bulletin and our printer, Dee Printing, to thank.

We send our information to Dee Printing each week, and they have made it possible for us to have such a beautiful, full-color bulletin **at no charge to the parish.**

We don't suggest lightly that advertising in the parish bulletin is something everyone should consider. There are many times that our members want to know

they are supporting a local business or a Catholic business.

Your ad in the parish bulletin reaches members and visitors of our parish community, every week of the year.

Please consider supporting the parish bulletin and the work we do to make it beautiful, accessible, and informative.

You can contact Mariann DeSantis at 614-777-8700 for more information and/or to place an ad.



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*If you're new to St. Joseph, WELCOME! You can learn more about us at our website and we invite you to introduce yourself to us. Please contact the office to learn about scheduling weddings, baptisms, and preparing for First Communion and Confirmation.*

## Pastoral Team

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