

**COLLAR CORNER**

As I write this I am preparing for a little trip out to the mountains. One of the things I really enjoy about being up in the mountains is going on hikes. Starting a hike can be a little intimidating, though, especially if the trail is long and the hill is steep. There have been a few backpacking hikes that seemed like too much for me at the beginning. But I have learned that the key is to just put one foot in front of the other and keep going until you get to the top. A step at a time is the way to go! This is a principle in our spiritual lives. It is easy to look at people who are further up the spiritual mountain than us and be intimidated. But Jesus knows how you and I are built. He knows the path that will lead us to the heights of holiness in this life and eventually Heaven! He is always ready to show us the right next step to take. So let's ask Him today to show us one concrete step we can take to draw closer to Him. If we let Jesus lead us step by step each day, before we know it, we will see Him bringing our hearts closer to Him than we thought possible!

In Jesus through Mary, *Fr. Tom*

Father Tom would like to come for a meal and get to know his parishioners. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturdays are the best days. Thank you to all those who have called in and scheduled a time for getting together for a meal. Father has really enjoyed the time spent visiting and getting to know some of the families of his parish. He looks forward to getting to know more of you. Call the parish office to schedule a time.



The other night I was sniffing around in the yard and all of a sudden I saw a dark figure coming toward me. I started to get nervous and bark because I thought it was a stranger. But as the dark figure got closer, I recognized that it was just the Pack Leader. It's easy to let your fears take over when you're faced with something scary or unfamiliar. But your first instincts can be wrong. A lot of things are less scary once you understand them better. And even if they are still scary after that, I know that the Creator loves you humans in a special way and will get you through them!

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**  
**RCIA Sessions have started!** It's not too late to be a part of the process! We welcome all into this program who wish to receive the sacraments of initiation or who desire further instruction in the faith. If you are interested in joining this group call Fr. Tom or Deacon Doug at the Parish Office.



**MASS SCHEDULE**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27** *Saint Vincent de Paul*  
 9:00am +Tom McNichols (Marilyn McNichols)

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28** *Saint Wenceslaus;*  
*Saint Lawrence Ruiz & Companions*  
 9:00am +Margie Winans (Family)

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29** *Saints Michael,*  
*Gabriel and Raphael*  
 5:30pm +Jim Cognion (Charles & Ann Bordenkircher)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30** *Saint Jerome*  
 9:00am +Su Ann Duda

**FIRST FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1** *St Therèse of the Child Jesus*  
 9:00am +Robert Jacobs (Lynn & Jerry Weaver)  
*Eucharistic Adoration and Exposition follows Mass until 12:15pm closing with Benediction*

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2** *The Holy Guardian Angels*  
 5:00pm +Ian Alvarez (Jimm & Pat Alvarez)

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3**  
 8:00am +Margaret West (Mark West)  
 10:30am +Fr. Victor Wesolowski (Catholic Women's Club)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

*Please pray for those who are Sick or in Care Centers.*  
 Laura Ahern, Pat & Jimm Alvarez, Blane Alverson, Patrick Anderson, Tom Apple, Dan Armbruster, Abby Van Autreve, Elizabeth B., Jenny Bachman, Jerry Bailey, Barbara Baker, Quinn Bassett, Charles Bordenkircher, John Bordenkircher, Ashleigh Bradford, Fred Bradford, Diane Bradley, Ashley Canfield, Vic Cardenzana, Carol Clark, Steve Cox, Kathy Cutshall, Shirley Dishong, Kathy Edwards, Dave & Verna Emerson, Mark & Lisë Emerson, Linda Fletcher, Brenda Fowler, Randy Fraelich, Kathleen Fritz, Nora Guinther, Elder Fry, Lou & Carol Gardina, Joe Gardina Jr., Tony Gardina, Charles & John Gauerke, Janet Jonard - Guillory, Mary & Audrey Hague, Jeff Hains, Ginny Harrison, John Holehouse, Marilyn Keiffer, Ken Kessler, Greyson Kilgore, Ladrach Family, Liz Kurtz, George Lahna, Shirley Lauvray, Sara Long, Alice Longo, Ava Longo, Michael Longo, Brenda Lozowski, Chris McCabe, Mary Lou McCabe, Jim McCann, Dave McCarty, Martha McGrady, John Daniel McKay, Irene McNichols, Brian Merce, Janet Miskimens, Joanie & Bill Moran, Betty Mould, Tanya Mounts, Rita Myers, Kitty Onufer, Mary Onufer, Doris Parkhill, Reston Price, Joe & Kelli Prosek, Jean Raber, Brian Reiss, Betsy Ritchie, Riane Rine, Pat Roach, Tanya Roahrig, Debi Schuler, Helen Shaw, Mary Slusser, Mary Smeyres, LaVerne Stewart, Kathryn Stuart, Betty Sturtz, Theresa Theriault, Lisa Thompson, Pat Tumblin, Joan Unger, Pat Van Autreve, Terry & Esther Versch, Diane Viramountes, B. Visitiane, Joan Vought, Christa Walsh, James Wiley, Chuck Williams, Dick Wright and all those in need of prayer.

**MISSION STATEMENT...** For over 160 years, Sacred Heart Parish and its missions have served the Coshocton County Community. Our Catholic Family is based upon faith and love. We apply Christian values to the continued spiritual growth of our parish family by our words and actions, and by involved parishioners who support our church and school.

**FALL PARISH CONSULTATION SESSIONS COMING!**

As part of the ongoing strategic process for *Real Presence, Real Future*, the Diocese of Columbus will be hosting Consultation Sessions for each parish throughout the Fall. Two Sessions will be held via Zoom videoconferencing for each parish in the Diocese. Facilitators will guide parishioners through important statistical and sacramental information relevant to the Diocese as a whole, to parishes in surrounding areas, as well as individual parish information. Parishioner participation in these sessions is critical to helping shape the future of the Diocese of Columbus.

The Parish Consultation Sessions are a vital part of the planning process that encourages parishioners to offer insights and perspective on the future planning of their parish. The feedback provided during these sessions will be used to draft new models for review by parishioners in early 2022. The consultation process will continue throughout 2022 until final models are approved. No decisions have been made regarding any parish, and none will be made until feedback is gathered directly from parishioners through the consultation process.

Every parishioner in the Diocese is encouraged to attend! Please plan to participate and invite others to do the same. Registration is required by logging onto [www.realpresencerealfuture.org](http://www.realpresencerealfuture.org). *Even if you are not able to participate, register anyway. All registrants will receive a link to the recording via email after the session.*

**REAL PRESENCE, REAL FUTURE REFLECTIONS**

*The Joy of God's Wisdom*

Today's psalm, "The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart," is an incredible reminder of how true joy lives deep within our heart. Christ's precept to reveal Him to others is work that brings great joy. As each of us becomes fully formed, we are implored to share the Gospel message as missionary disciples. In that, we are faithful. In that, we impart His truth and wisdom. The message and the work are enduring and sanctify us as we love God with our whole heart and our neighbors as ourselves. The result: true, lasting joy and the great reward of heaven and eternal life!



**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Come and bring all your animals and pets to the blessing of the animals in honor of St. Francis of Assisi next **Sunday, Oct. 3** at 1pm in the Church/School Parking Lot. All animals and their owners are welcome!

**BULLETIN SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**  
*Johnson's Plumbing & Heating Co.*

**EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES EXHIBIT**

The Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy of **Immaculate Conception Parish in Dennison**, are hosting a Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit on October 8, 9, & 10. We urge everyone to "go and see" the proof of Christ's True Presence in the Most Blessed Sacrament that He has provided us over the centuries. Increase your faith and the faith of your family members and friends in Christ's True Presence in the Eucharist. As Blessed Carlo Acutis (1st millennial saint) has told us - The Blessed Sacrament is our Highway to Heaven. The event will be held in the Immaculate Conception Gym on Friday Oct 8th (5-8pm), Saturday 9th (5-8pm), and Sunday 10th (12-3pm). The gym is on the corner across from the Church at 206 N. First Street.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

Bishop Robert Brennan will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation next Spring at Sacred Heart Church. There will be a Parent Meeting this Sunday, September 26 at 7pm in the church for those who have teens that are in 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade or older who have not received this Sacrament. Classes begin on October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the School Cafeteria. Call Deacon Doug at the Parish Office for more information.

**FALL BIBLE STUDY SERIES**

**THE CASE FOR JESUS**

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the School Cafeteria

**ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE**

The **Annual Sacred Heart Memorial Service** will be **Sunday, October 31 at 2pm** for all Sacred Heart Members who have suffered a loss during this past year. Invitations will be mailed soon. If you lost someone this past year and would like them on the list, please call the office at 740-622-8817 or e-mail [cjacobs@sacredheartcoshocton.org](mailto:cjacobs@sacredheartcoshocton.org).

**UPCOMING MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES**

- September 26:** RCIA / PMR / 12 Noon
- September 29:** Lectio Bible Study / Session 3 / Cafeteria / 6:30pm
- October 2:** Protecting God's Children / Cafeteria / 9:30am
- October 3:** Blessing of the Animals / Parking Lot / 1pm
- October 6:** Lectio Bible Study / Session 4 / Cafeteria / 6:30pm
- October 7:** CWC Dinner Meeting / Cafeteria / 6:30pm
- October 13:** Parish Council Meeting / PMR / 6:15pm
- October 20:** School Advisory Board / PMR / 6:15pm
- October 31:** Annual Memorial Service / Church / 2pm

**OFFERTORY SUMMARY September 18/19**

Envelopes	2984.00	School Support	\$47.00
Loose	366.00	Faith Direct	\$1,980.00
Children	0.00	Pregnancy Distress	\$1,654.00
Total	\$3,350.00	Mass Count:	248

LECTOR	SERVERS	HOLY COMMUNION	GIFT BEARERS
<b>OCTOBER 2/3</b>			
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Larry Cullison	Chuck Fornara	<i>Need Volunteers</i>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	Lacey Richcreek	<i>Need Volunteer</i>	Ellsworth & Frances Richcreek
<b>10:30 AM</b>	Mary Stenner	Collin Ladrach	Dan & Sue Scott