



Catholic Church of the Sacred Hearts

2022: Our 154th Year as Morrow
County's Catholic Community

PARISH STAFF

Fr. Thomas Buffer, Pastor

Fr. Seth Keller, Parochial Vicar

Tamara Dieter, Parish Secretary

Joanne Bower, Office Assistant

D. Jean Endres, Pastoral Minister

MASSES

Sunday

Saturday 4:30 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 9:00 am

Weekdays

Tuesday 6:00 pm

Wednesday, Thursday
& Friday 8:45 am

First Saturday 8:45 am

Holydays of Obligation

See bulletin.

Confession

Saturday 3:30-4:15 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

First Saturday of every month,
9:15 am-3:15 pm

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740-341-5681

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:30 am-1:30 pm

Tuesday 9:30 am-1:30 pm

Wednesday 9:30 am-1:30 pm

Thursday Closed

Friday 9:30 am-1:30 pm

CHRISTMAS 2022

*The Word became flesh and made
his dwelling among us.*

JOHN 1:14

December 31/January 1— Solemnity of Mary

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	Private Intention
Sunday, 9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.	Weekday Mass
Wednesday, 8:45 a.m.	† Eileen Hess
Thursday, 8:45 a.m.	Weekday Mass
Friday, 8:45 a.m.	† Shirley Mouras

LECTORS

Sat. 12/31	Stephanie Zmuda	Sun. 1/1	Kevin Tebbe
Sat. 1/7	Julie Blankenship	Sun. 1/8	Flo Horton

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. 12/31	Josh Goers	Sun. 1/1	A.J. Brehm
Sat. 1/7	Volunteer	Sun. 1/8	Josh Goers, Garrett Reeve

USHERS

Sat. 12/31	Jack Christy, Volunteer	Sun. 1/1	Roger Yoder, Volunteer
Sat. 1/7	Bill Porter, Volunteer	Sun. 1/8	Roger Yoder, Carl Ferguson

SACRISTANS

Sat. 12/31	Stephanie Zmuda	Sun. 1/1	Joanne Bower
Sat. 1/7	Julie Blankenship	Sun. 1/8	Jackie Wagner

COUNTERS

Sun. 1/1	Carl & Carol Ferguson, Linda Christy
Sun. 1/8	Allen & Jackie Wagner; Greg Goers, Erin Kely

Linens for January: Carol Ferguson

Linens for February: Becky Jones

OFFERTORY

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
December 18	\$2149	\$2367	(-\$218)
December 25	\$2871	\$2367	(-\$ 0)

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: New Members, please contact Sacred Hearts Church Office at sacredheartschurch@gmail.com or by telephone. Present members, please keep our Office informed of any changes in name, telephone number(s), address and family members.

REQUESTS FOR YOUR PRAYERS: Please remember in your prayers the following who have been recommended to our charitable concern:

Barb Mayer; Ginny Cox, Chuck Large, Deanna Kowalewski, Madison Brehm, Frank & Janice Middaugh, Stephan Houser, Mahisha Zoulek, James & Lillian Joering, Marjorie Armbruster, Jennie Lou DePaolo Susi, Johanna Conti, Dalton Sherman, Betty Crum, Walter Olsen, Billy Ervin, Judy Manley, Stephen Karigthe, Sabina Busto, Patricia (Trish) Thomas, Robin Hudson, Cindy Green, Barb Dickason, Deanna Cox, Dawn Barranco, Mary Jo Fetch, Christa Havel, Linda Harvey, Donna Spreng, Kyle Conley, Dave & Ethel Evans, Sam Harding, Walt Bakle, Barb May Wilt, Rose Long, Don Goble, Marian Morgan, Mary Ellen Berg, Doyle Rogers, Kathy Tollison.



Please join us every 1st Saturday of the month for Mass and Exposition starting at 8:45 a.m. with open Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Benediction at 3:15 p.m.. Sign up for an hour on the office bulletin or make a stop in to visit our Lord in quiet prayer.



Please remember in your prayers, the repose of the soul of Ron Thomas who recently passed away. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord...

HOST GUILD: HOST Guild January meeting will be on Monday, January 9th starting at 6:30 in Foeller Hall. Linda Christy and Ginny Schindley will be hostesses for the evening. Hope to see you there!



SUNDAY, February 5, 2023, Come join us after the 9:00 a.m. Mass for fellowship and refreshments

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ,

Despite the arrival of some rather exciting winter weather, we had a beautiful celebration of Christmas this year. So grateful for everyone who made it so beautiful and prayerful, including those who decorated the church, our parish musicians, office staff and all of our volunteers. I have to admit I was a little surprised on Friday and Saturday to hear from so many people asking if we were still going to have Mass as scheduled. As a general rule, if the priest is able to get to church, Mass will proceed as scheduled. This is what happened the morning of Friday, December 23, when Father Keller was able to travel from Marion to Sacred Hearts to celebrate the 8:45 a.m. Mass. As it happens, he was the only one there, but Mass went ahead and the Mass intention scheduled for that day was satisfied.

On Saturday, even after the level 3 snow advisory had been lifted, we continued to receive a lot of messages asking whether Mass was canceled. I was bemused, while driving through the city of Marion Saturday afternoon, to see large numbers of cars in the parking lot of Walmart and waiting in the Drive-Thru lines of fast food restaurants. This seemed an obvious indication that large numbers of people were in fact able to travel.

We understand that everybody lives in a different place and not all roads are cleared at the same time when we have severe winter weather. Everyone has to use their own best judgment about whether it is safe to travel or not, or whether it is even possible to get out of your driveway or not. At the same time, Father Keller and I promise you that we will do our very best to get to church to celebrate masses as regularly scheduled. Unless you receive a specific communication from the parish advising you otherwise, you may assume that masses will proceed.

On that hopeful note, I would like to wish everyone a happy and holy New Year!

Sincerely Yours, in Christ,
Father Thomas Buffer
Pastor

**KNIGHTS NOTES**

We are saying the rosary every Sunday starting at 8:30 a.m. before 9 a.m. Mass. If you are interested in leading the rosary, please contact Dennis Zoulek or any Knights of Columbus member.

The next Business meeting is January 4th at 7:00 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus had a picture taken by Fr. Tennant of our church's nativity scene made it into 4 foot by 8 foot signs, "Keep Christ in Christmas." We mounted them on a trailer with spotlights and they will be on display until after the Christmas holidays.

I slipped a little bit on keeping up with S O S Savings Our Seminarians. A total of \$125.00 was collected the month of October which brought the total to \$901.00. We will continue to collect after each mass, so if you have any change that you would like to get rid of don't hesitate to drop it in the jug, it makes lots of noise. If you don't want to make a lot of noise, paper money drops in very quietly, either way we appreciate your contributions supporting a very worthwhile cause as we all know there is a shortage of Priest.

By now you have noticed the signs out in front of the rectory Keep Christ in Christmas. We pulled them in the Mt Gilead Christmas parade December 2nd. We got a lot of thumbs up, Hey we really like your comments through the entire parade route. I am very proud of being a Knight of Columbus and of our signs. We certainly hope that you like them too. Any practicing male catholic age 18 and over can join us in the Knights of Columbus, if you decide to join us before the end of this your dues are paid till December 31, 2023. Get in touch with Carl Ferguson 740-360-4340 or anyone else that you know is a Knight and soon! Our Next Social meeting is December 28th at 7:00 p.m..

HEART BEAT OF MORROW COUNTY: Starting next weekend, January 6th & 7th, Host Guild will be setting up a pack-n-play outside the office for donations for Heartbeat of Morrow County. The collection will run through Sunday, February 12th. A Heartbeat representative will be at our meeting to pick-up the items collected. Below is a list of items needed. They also will accept checks made out to them.

Current Heartbeat Needs: 1. Baby lotion, wash & shampoo; 2. Sippy cups; 3. Hooded bath towels; 4. Baby wipes; 5. Size 5 diapers; 6. Size 4T/5T pull-ups; 7. Size 5 winter coats; 8. New or gently used clothing sizes 3T, 4T and 5T; 9. New or gently used jackets & sweaters size 3T, 4T and 5T; 10. Toddlers books (faith based and good value preferred)

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING: Jodi Schermerhorn, LPCC-S is offering to our parish Roman Catholic and nondenominational Christian Counseling. She will offer faith-based professional counseling services to parishioners and as an outreach to our surrounding community. Jodi is licensed by the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board and combines standard clinical counseling practices with the beliefs, practices, and spirituality of our Church to provide a thorough and Christ-centered approach to healing. Areas of focus include children ages 3 up, Marriage Therapy, Anger, Anxiety, Problem Behavior, Body-focused repetitive behaviors, Conflict Resolution, Depression, Family Systems, Parent Child Relationship, Trauma-focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy. Contact Jodi directly to ask about insurance and scheduling: Email: Jodi@sopcc.org; Phone: 614-442-7650 ext. 08

SAVE THE DATE FOR 2023

Women's Conference: Saturday, February 18, 2022 at the Ohio Expo Center

Men's Conference: Saturday, February 25, 2023 at the Ohio Expo Center



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INTERESTED IN HELPING SUPPORT OUR MISSION?

PLEASE CONSIDER...

- 1) BECOMING A MEMBER
- 2) BEING A MONTHLY SUPPORTER
- 3) MAKING A ONE-TIME DONATION



Give Yourself the Gift of Time with Jesus and Your Sisters in Christ at the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, February 18th.

Inviting All Women ... please mark your calendar now for the **Columbus Catholic Women's Conference** on Sat., Feb. 18th, 2022, from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Ohio Expo Center. Our theme is Light Shines in the Darkness, John 1:5. Register now at www.columbuscatholicwomen.com. Come ready to rest, refresh and renew with the Lord and with sisters in Christ from around the diocese and beyond. You don't want to miss this uplifting, annual event for women to grow in faith, hope and love.



Today is the feast of Mary, Mother of God. Like Mary may we always treasure the events in our life and reflect on them in our heart.

Please remember to support the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in 2023 so that together we can continue to bring

comfort and peace to our brothers and sisters who are poor and suffering. May the peace and joy of the New Year be yours!

Founded and funded by the generosity of the community, St. Vincent de Paul works to feed, clothe, house and heal people. The Sacred Hearts Society thanks you for your generosity and support. Please contact Kim Janick or Angela Linnane if you would like to make a donation or become a volunteer. 567-908-7952.

NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2023 CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR. The Catholic Men's Luncheon Club is accepting nominations for the Diocese of Columbus 2023 Catholic Man of the Year. The annual award will be presented by Bishop Earl Fernandes on **Friday, February 3, 2023**, at the Men's Luncheon held at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus. The Catholic Man of the Year is awarded to one layman who, through his daily actions, words, and prayers, exemplifies the "good and faithful servant." The recipient will have the opportunity to share his personal testimony during the ceremony. Nominations will be accepted through **December 31, 2022**. For details, nomination instructions and the required online nomination form, go to <https://www.catholicmensministry.com/catholic-man-of-the-year>. Submit your nomination and let us know why your parishioner, husband, father, son, uncle, brother, or friend is the Catholic Man of the Year!

NATIVITY DISPLAYS AT THE DIOCESAN MUSEUM: Join us for our annual Nativity display at the diocesan Museum of Catholic Art and History. Come be inspired and see our nearly 500 Nativity sets representing cultures from all over the world. The display will be open from November 25th through January 9th. The museum hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. Adult admission is \$10 and student/seniors are \$5. The Museum is located in the Catholic Foundation building at 257 E. Broad St., Columbus OH 43215. Call (614) 618-4030 for more information.

INTRODUCING THE EMMAUS ROAD SCHOLARSHIP FUND: The Diocese of Columbus Office of Catholic Schools recently launched the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund, a scholarship granting organization (SGO) of the Diocese of Columbus that was formed to capitalize on a new tax credit passed into law by the Ohio Legislature in late 2021. As dictated by Ohio law, the funds raised by the SGO are to be used *primarily* for academic scholarships for students to attend K-12 schools and *prioritized* for low-income families. However, ALL students in Our Catholic Schools have the potential to benefit from these scholarship funds.

How does it work? Donors who make a gift to the Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund receive a **dollar-for-dollar credit** (not a deduction) on their Ohio income tax liability – up to \$750 per person, or \$1,500 if married filing jointly – effectively allowing them to make a choice about how their Ohio tax dollars are utilized. Donors can restrict their gift for the benefit of one or more schools of their choosing, or they may direct their dollars to the unrestricted fund which helps the greatest number of students in the diocese. The Emmaus Road Scholarship Fund creates much-needed scholarship dollars for Our Catholic Schools while giving donors the power to put their tax dollars to work to support Catholic education. For additional information, visit the fund web site at www.emmausroadscholarship.org or contact OCS Associate Director of Advancement Theresa Vivona at tvivona@columbuscatholic.org.

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