

Catholic Church of the Sacred Hearts

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



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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

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



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December 17/18 – 4th Sunday of Advent

Saturday, 4:30 p.m. † Hernando Garcia
 Sunday, 9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
 Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. Weekday Mass
 Wednesday, 8:45 a.m. Weekday Mass
 Thursday, 8:45 a.m. † Bill Klinkinberg
 Friday, 8:45 a.m. † Jane Ann Dean

LECTORS

Sat. 12/17 Stephanie Zmuda Sun. 12/18 Allen Wagner
 Sat. 12/24 Roxanne Humphrey Sun. 12/25 Kevin Tebbe

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. 12/17 Volunteer Sun. 12/18 A.J. Brehm,
 Garrett Reeve
 Sat. 12/24 A.J. Brehm, Sun. 12/25 Garrett Reeve
 Josh Goers

USHERS

Sat. 12/17 Weston Bell, Sun. 12/18 Carl Ferguson,
 Volunteer Volunteer
 Sat. 12/24 Malcolm Yoder, Sun. 12/25 Roger Yoder,
 Volunteer Volunteer

SACRISTANS

Sat. 12/17 Stephanie Zmuda Sun. 12/18 Carol Ferguson
 Sat. 12/24 Julie Blankenship Sun. 12/25 Mary Jean Nixon

COUNTERS

Sun. 12/18 Carl & Carol Ferguson; Allen & Jackie Wagner
 Sun. 12/25 Will & Ginny Schindley, Volunteer

Linens for December: Becky Jones

Linens for January: Carol Ferguson

OFFERTORY

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
December 4	\$2,416	\$2,367	(-\$0)
December 11	\$2,460	\$2,367	(-\$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: *Ginny Cox, Chuck Large, Deanna Kowalewski, Madison Brehm, Ron Thomas, 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 Karigithe, 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.*

HOST GUILD: Host Guild December meeting was one you did not want to miss. After a delicious potluck dinner and a short meeting, we played our dice game. The most popular items, as in the past, was beverages! Not only did we have our usual spiced eggnog, we had champagne and wine added this year. We had a great turnout and everyone had a good time! If you missed this meeting, our next meeting will be next year 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!

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last Sunday evening, our church hosted a beautiful celebration of Vespers, presided over by Bishop Fernandes, who was making his first visit to our parish. Six boys from the parish served! The music was beautiful and prayerful. The HOST Guild put together a lovely reception afterwards at which everyone had a chance to meet the bishop. Please join us this Sunday at 5 p.m. for the final celebration of Advent Vespers. Confessions will be heard after Vespers.

The Scriptures this Sunday focus our attention on the Baby to be born at Christmas, under the name "Emmanuel -- God-with-us." Pope Francis draws out the value of this name for us, observing that it tells us that Jesus is not just an idea or an ideology. "He is God-with-us, who witnessed to the love of the Father by sharing our human condition to the full". This suggests that we, the disciples of Jesus, can show the love of the Father to others in a similar way: not by offering ideas, or striving to show that we are right and the other person is wrong, but by sharing their hardships and joys.

Please take note of the Christmas Mass schedule. Saturday, Christmas Eve, 4:30 p.m.; Sunday, Christmas Day, 9:00 a.m.. The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 26.

Sincerely Yours, in Christ,
 Father Thomas Buffer
 Pastor



Decorating the Church for Christmas will take place this Sunday December 18th at 1:00.

We need some help after church to bring the nativity figures over from the house basement.



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.

The Pastoral Council would like to thank the parishioners who participated in the "Giving Tree" this year. We had twenty names of foster children and twenty names of elders that requested items. The stars disappeared from the tree quickly! We also provided a list of items that were requested to fill pillow cases for other elders. We are happy to say that all forty stars were returned and we had ten boxes of items for the pillow cases. We appreciate everyone's support for this project to help others have a wonderful Christmas that might not otherwise. THANK YOU!

RAFFLE WINNERS: Winner of the ¼ beef was Susan Ankrom; ½ pork was Chris Springer; Full/queen quilt was won by Michelle LaBarge; and the winner of the Christmas lap quilt was Donna and Michael Dorsten. Thank you to the parishioners that donated the beef and pork. Also, thank you to Julie Blankenship for making the full/queen quilt and to Cheryl Jason for making the lap quilt.



SUNDAY, January 1, 2022, Come join us after the 9:00 a.m. Mass for fellowship and refreshments

**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..

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



In today's Gospel, we hear that Jesus will be named Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." The mystery of the birth of Jesus is supremely a mystery of love. May each Christmas find us more and more like him: more humble, more holy, more happy and more full of God.

Your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul helped those who are poor and suffering to find Emmanuel and they also came to know that "God is with us."

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.

IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW FOR DECEMBER:

Saturday, December 24th: **CHRISTMAS EVE MASS** 4:30 p.m.

Sunday December 25th: **CHRISTMAS DAY MASS** 9:00 a.m.

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



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.

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!



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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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