# 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

9:30 am.-1:30 pm **Friday** 

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## December 3/4 – 2nd Sunday of Advent

Saturday, 8:45 a.m. † Susie Large
Saturday, 4:30 p.m. † Shawn Caslow
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. † Eileen Hess
Wednesday, 8:45 a.m. Weekday Mass
Thursday, 8:45 a.m. The Landis family
Thursday, 6:00 p.m. Michael Beverly

Friday, 8:45 a.m. † Mary & Dominick Sorrentino

#### **LECTORS**

Sat. 12/3 Michelle LaBarge Sun. 12/4 Kevin Tebbe

Thur. 12/8 Julie Blankenship

Sat. 12/10 Roxanne Humphrey Sun. 12/11 Erin Kelty

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. 12/3 Volunteer Sun. 12/4 A.J. Brehm, Garrett Reeve

Thur. 12/8 Garrett Reeve

Sat. 12/10 Volunteer Sun. 12/11 Josh Goers

**USHERS** 

Sat. 12/3 Nathan Bell, Sun. 12/4 Malcolm Warren,

Volunteer Volunteer

Thur. 12/8 Carl Ferguson

Sat. 12/10 Bill Porter, Sun. 12/11 Roger Yoder,
Volunteer Volunteer

#### **SACRISTANS**

Sat. 12/3 Stephanie Zmuda Sun. 12/4 Jackie Wagner Thur. 12/8 Mary Jean Nixon, a.m.; Carol Ferguson, p.m. Sat. 12/10 Julie Blankenship Sun. 12/11 Joanne Bower

#### **COUNTERS**

Sun. 12/4 Eric & Donna Kill; Ron & Martha Meier Sun. 12/11 Greg Goers, Erin Kelty, Dennis Zoulek

**Linens for December:** Becky Jones **Linens for January:** Carol Ferguson

#### **OFFERTORY**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Deficit</u>
November 20	\$2416	\$2367	(-\$ 0)
November 27	\$2231	\$2367	(-\$136)

**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.

#### FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ,

This is the First Sunday of Advent. How long is Advent? Every year Advent has the same number of Sundays (four) but not the same number of days. it always begins four Sundays before Christmas, but Christmas falls on a different day of the week each year. This year, the First Sunday of Advent is November 27, which is the earliest it ever can be. This year, December 25 falls on a Sunday, which means that Advent will last a full four weeks; this will not happen again until 2033. We encourage everyone to attend Vespers on the Sundays of Advent at 5 p.m., followed by confessions.

The first Sunday of Advent also marks the beginning of a new liturgical year. The readings at Sunday Masses will come from year "A" in the lectionary. The readings from Year "A' feature the Gospel of Matthew, starting with the very first Sunday of Advent. Matthew's Gospel helps us see the continuity between Judaism and Christianity. This suggests that its intended audience was primarily made up of Jews who had come to believe that Jesus was the Messiah and that he fulfilled Old Testament prophecies. Frequently, the text of the Gospel will say something like, "all this took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet" and then quotes one of the Old Testament prophets. This is easy to see in the first two chapters of St. Matthew's Gospel, which gives us much of what we call "the Christmas story."

Sincerely Yours, in Christ, Father Thomas Buffer



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.

**HOST GUILD:** HOST Guild meeting for December will be Monday the 12th starting at 6:30 p.m. in Foeller Hall. We will be having a potluck that night. If you can, please bring your favorite appetizer, main dish, veggie or dessert to share. We voted to play the dice game for entertainment. Everyone is asked to bring a couple of unwrapped gifts costing around \$5.00. Hope you will join us on the 12th for a fun evening.

#### LASAGNA DINNER, RAFFLE, SILENT AND LIVE AUCTIONS:

HOST Guild is having a **FREE** lasagna dinner for the parish on Sunday, December 4th following vespers. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the hall and also a sign-up sheet on the raffle ticket table. Remember, we are also having **gluten free** lasagna. The dinner will consist of lasagna, salad, garlic bread, peppermint ice cream and dessert. We are asking members of the parish to bring cakes, cookies, pies, brownies, etc to go along with the ice cream for dessert. The silent auction items are on display in the hall outside the office. You can start bidding on the items now! We want to thank all the parishioners and local merchants that donated items for both auctions. We are still accepting items for our live auction.

**ADOPT A SENIOR:** Morrow County Job and Family Services are doing a "gift pillow case" for senior clients. A list of items they could use is in a folder by the Christmas tree in the narthex. They are requesting items such as liquid soap, crossword puzzle or word search books, lotions, toothpaste, old fashioned candies, etc. These items can be put in the baskets in the narthex until Monday, December 12th. These items are NOT to be wrapped.

**DECEMBER 4, 2022** 



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 9:00 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 December 7th at 7:00 p.m.

## ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FOOD COLLECTION Sponsored by KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 14671

Please help us provide a Christmas basket of food for 20 needy families in our community. Please donate non-perishable food items: canned vegetables (green beans, corn, peas, beets, etc.), canned fruit (peaches, pears, applesauce, cranberries, pineapple, etc.), and boxed food (stuffing, rice, cereal, crackers, Mac & cheese, potatoes, etc.) Food collection baskets are in the office hallway starting November 19. Donations of money is also appreciated (payable to K of C Council 14671) to purchase hams and fresh food items. Give money to Knight Mauri Jason or Knight Will Schindley or turn in to church office or collection basket marked Christmas Food Baskets. Donations accepted until December 11. Food baskets will be packed Friday, December 16, and delivered on Saturday, December 17. Any questions: contact Mauri Jason, 419.946.5344, project coordinator. 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.

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, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in

need. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help the suffering and poor to celebrate Christmas.

#### IMPORTANT DATES TO KNOW FOR DECEMBER:

Thursday, December 8th:

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, 8:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. 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 at the Ohio Expo Center **Men's Conference:** Saturday, February 25 at the Ohio Expo Center

#### 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!



## REAP THE MOST TAX BENEFIT WHILE SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH:

drops on New Year's Eve by using funds in your retirement account to support your parish. The **IRA Charitable Rollover** allows donors who are 70.5 years or older to transfer up to \$100,000 from a traditional or Roth IRA to a qualified charity like The Catholic Foundation. In doing so, donors keep their IRA distribution from impacting their gross income and possibly avoid being bumped into a higher tax bracket. The IRA charitable rollover can also count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD), which starts at age 72. All transfers must be made directly from an IRA custodian to The Catholic Foundation by December 15th to qualify as a 2022 rollover and be excluded from the donor's taxable income. If you would like to support your parish through an IRA, please contact Scott Hartman, VP of Development at The Catholic Foundation, at 614-443-8893 or shartman@catholic-foundation.org.

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 \$750.00 per person, or \$1,500.00 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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