



## SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Corner of E. First Avenue and Hamlet Streets*

Church Address: 893 Hamlet Street, Columbus, Ohio 43201

Office Mailing Address: 168 E. Lincoln Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215

*(Territorial Parish ~ Est. 1875)*

(614) 294-5319

Fax: (614) 294-4303

[www.sacredheartchurchcolumbus.org](http://www.sacredheartchurchcolumbus.org)

**Msgr. Frank P. Lane, Parochial Administrator**

### **MASSES:**

**Saturday:** 4:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 11:00 a.m.

### **Weekdays and Holy Days:**

(See Mass Schedule inside Bulletin)

### **PARISH OFFICE/STAFF:**

**Aggie Howard**, Executive Assistant, [ahoward@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:ahoward@sjbitaliana.org)

**Victoria Scruggs**, Secretary, [vgammell@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:vgammell@sjbitaliana.org)

Office Hours, St. John the Baptist and Sacred Heart Church:

Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Administration of both parishes is done through the office at St. John the Baptist – 168 E. Lincoln Street. Requests for copies of sacramental records, scheduling of Masses and other sacramental celebrations, hall rental and other non-emergency needs should be made during regular office hours or email [info@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:info@sjbitaliana.org). Please notify the Parish Office of any changes, such as address or telephone, etc., by calling during regular hours or email [info@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:info@sjbitaliana.org).

### **MUSIC MINISTRY:**

**Gina M. Bishop**, Music Director

**John C. Huffman**, Organist

### **BULLETIN DEADLINE:**

Announcements must be submitted in writing by Tuesday at noon.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** We welcome you into our Parish Families. Membership in the parish consists of two parts:

**Registration:** Please fill out form and return to Office.

**Participation:** As a member of the Church, you are accepting the responsibility of weekly worship as well as supporting God's work here through giving of yourself, your time and talents, and a worthy Sunday offering to show your love for God and your gratitude for His many favors.

**RECONCILIATION: Saturday:** 3:00-3:45 p.m.

### **BAPTISM:**

Preparation is required for the reception of the sacrament. Parents are encouraged to call the Rectory and set up an appointment before the birth of their child.

### **MATRIMONY:**

Arrangements should be made at least six or more months in advance. A marriage preparation program is required.

### **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:**

**In cases of emergencies, please call anytime. Please notify the Parish Office for Communion calls to the sick, shut-ins.** Due to privacy laws, if parishioners wish to be visited in the hospital, they should contact the Parish Office directly and give the information regarding the hospitalization. **If you are scheduled for surgeries or other medical procedures**, please contact the Parish Office in advance so that a priest can administer Anointing of the Sick prior to the procedure.

**SACRED HEART**

*Dear Friends in Christ,*

**Welcome to Sacred Heart**

**Sacred Heart** is a welcoming community, rooted in the traditions, teachings, and beauty of our **Catholic** faith. We recognize that every person is on his or her own journey of faith, and we seek to meet you where you are in your journey. At **Sacred Heart**, the beauty of the **Mass** is embraced, while maintaining a welcoming spirit for our **Italian Village** neighbors and greater **Columbus Community**.

To learn more about the Parish, please visit our website: [www.Sacredheartchurchcolumbus.org](http://www.Sacredheartchurchcolumbus.org)

*Thank you for choosing Sacred Heart!*

Please contact Sacred Heart or St. John the Baptist Church if you are interested in becoming Catholic, receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation or Baptism. For more information, contact the Parish Office at 614-294-5319.

For Weddings and Funerals, please contact Aggie Howard at [ahoward@sjbitaliana.org](mailto:ahoward@sjbitaliana.org) or call the office at 614-294-5319.

**PLEASE SIGN UP FOR ADORATION:** In celebration of the Jubilee 350th year of the Apparition of the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Sacred Heart Church will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. every Thursday until the **Feast of the Sacred Heart on June 27, 2025**. During that time, the **Blessed Sacrament** will be exposed for **Adoration**, there will be **Mass at 6:30 p.m.**, followed by **Confessions and Benediction until 7:30 p.m.** There must be someone present throughout the entire day and help is needed! Please, sign up for an hour or half-hour of **Adoration on Thursday**. There are sign-up sheets at both church entrances. **Your help is needed for this especially important mission!** In these troubled times in the country, the Church, and the world, this is a wonderful opportunity for us to seek our own personal freedom from all darkness and to help heal all in our world that is so broken.

**LECTORS**

Saturday, July 6, 2024, 4:00 p.m.	Joe Stefanov
Sunday, July 7, 2024, 11:00 a.m.	Laurie Jadwin
Saturday, July 13, 2024, 4:00 p.m.	Neil Sika
Sunday, July 14, 2024, 11:00 a.m.	Chris Knoppe
Saturday, July 20, 2024, 4:00 p.m.	Joe Stefanov
Sunday, July 21, 2024, 11:00 a.m.	Bob Longstreth

If you are unable to attend Mass, please contact Bob Longstreth. Thank you!

**MASS SCHEDULE FOR JULY**

**AT SACRED HEART AND ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**  
At Sacred Heart, Adoration will still take place from 10:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m. on July 11th. Benediction will be at 6:30 p.m. There will be **NO** weekday Masses said at St. John the Baptist from July 8th-12th.

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

- Sunday:** St. John the Baptist – 9:30 a.m.  
July 7 + **Tony Caradonna**  
*by Mike & Kerree Susi*  
Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m.  
+ **Marie L.**
- Monday:** St. John’s  
July 8 **No Mass**
- Tuesday:** St. John’s  
July 9 **No Mass**
- Wednesday:** St. John’s  
July 10 **No Mass**
- Thursday:** Sacred Heart  
July 11 **Adoration 10:00-a.m.-6:30 p.m.**  
**Benediction – 6:30 p.m.**
- Friday:** **No Mass**  
July 12
- Saturday:** Sacred Heart – 4:00 p.m.  
July 13 **Living and Deceased Members of Sacred Heart**
- Sunday:** St. John’s – 9:30 a.m.  
July 14 + **Tony Caradonna**  
*by Dina Ricci*  
Sacred Heart – 11:00 a.m.  
+ **Brigetta Barna**  
*by Aggie Howard & Family*

**Confession and Adoration**

- Confessions:** St. John’s – Sunday – 8:30 a.m.  
Sacred Heart – Saturday – 3:00 p.m.  
Sacred Heart – Thursday – 7:00 p.m.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** July 11th at Sacred Heart, Thursday from 10:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Benediction at 6:30 p.m.

**PARISH OFFICE** will be open **Monday** through **Friday** from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

**2024 THE APPEAL – “RESPOND TO HIS LOVE”:** The theme of **The Appeal**, inspires us, as people of faith, to share joyfully the **Good News of Christ** to those who most need to feel **His** love. Works of kindness and assistance, sometimes in the smallest way, can bring about a profound change in a person’s life. Through **The Appeal**, we have an opportunity to bring about a positive change in the lives of many of **God’s** people. As of **June 30, 2024**, our **Goal** is **\$13,338.74**, **Pledged: \$16,626.74** and **Balance** is over **\$3,288.00**. Thank you in advance for your prayerful generosity.



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT SACRED HEART

June 30, 2024

Number of Envelopes used Sunday – 15

In Env:	\$	711.00
Loose:	\$	1,661.00
Total	\$	2,372.00
Less Diocesan 8% Assessment	\$	-(189.76)
	\$	2,182.24

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)
This Week:	\$2,800.00	\$2,372.00	-\$428.00

DONATION QR CODE AND WEBSITE INFORMATION



Please help Sacred Heart maintain this beautiful 100-year-old building with a donation by using the QR code. Thank you!



SH Collection Counters – Monday, July 8, 2024  
Rita Ward and Mike Padovan

SH Collection Counters - Monday, July 15, 2024  
Donna Bowers and Rita Ward

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION 2024-2025



One of the most important aspects a parish must have to survive is a strong religious education program. Sacred Heart classes will begin on September 15th in the Rectory Office regardless of the number of students who are registered.

Grandchildren of grandparents are welcome if the grandparents are registered in the parish. Class begins immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass and will last 45 minutes. Please call Sharon Curtin 614-563-8405, or email [sharon@mcurtin.com](mailto:sharon@mcurtin.com) for information. Thank you.

AROUND US

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR:** The entire month of July falls within the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical color green. The month of July is dedicated to The Precious Blood of Jesus.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY FOR THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2024:** *We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.*

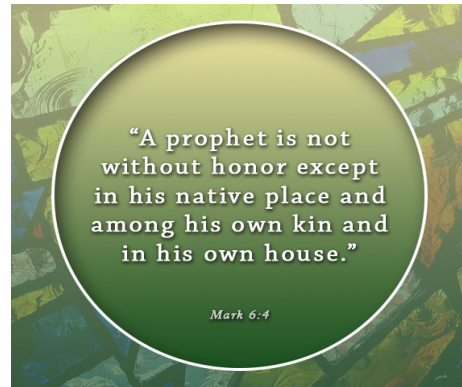
Let us continue to pray for peace. May the Holy Spirit enlighten the minds of leaders and instill in them wisdom and a sense of responsibility, so they may avoid any action or word that fuels conflict. May they instead work decisively for a peaceful resolution of conflicts. @Pontifex



**WHAT IS ONE SURE SIGN THAT SUMMER IS APPROACHING?** It's the annual appearance of the parish festivals listing in *The Catholic Times*. Diocesan parishes will be hosting traditional festivals, garden parties, international festivals and **Oktoberfests** starting in June and ending in

October. One of the biggest **October** events in central Ohio is the annual **Italian Festival**, which attracts thousands of guests to **Columbus St. John the Baptist Church**. *Please use the QR code for a complete guide to this summer's events.*

**STATEWIDE EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE TO CAREY, OH – AUGUST 14, 2024:** To mark this year of going out on mission during the **National Eucharistic Revival**, the **Catholic Bishops of Ohio** invite all the faithful to make a pilgrimage to the **Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation** in Carey on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, to celebrate the Vigil of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Visit [www.ohiocathconf.org](http://www.ohiocathconf.org)/pilgrimage for details.



**AN ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS:** *Most sweet Jesus, humbly kneeling at Thy feet, we renew the consecration of our family to Thy Divine Heart. Be Thou our King forever! In Thee we have full and entire confidence. May Thy spirit penetrate our thoughts, our desires, our words and our deeds. Bless our undertakings, share in our joys, in our trials, and in our labors. Grant us to know Thee better, to love Thee more, to serve Thee without faltering. Amen*



*O God, who in the abasement of Your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill Your faithful with holy joy, for on those You have rescued from slavery to sin You bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen*

# Lectio Divina

DAILY SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

---

*The month of July is dedicated to the Most Precious Blood of Jesus.*

***"Help those who are in trouble...console the afflicted...prefer nothing to the love of Christ...speak the truth from your heart as from your mouth...attribute the good that you find in yourself to God, not to yourself...desire eternal life with the ardor of your soul...honor those who are old...love those who are younger...listen willingly to the Holy Scriptures...never despair of the mercy of God."*** ~FROM THE RULE OF SAINT BENEDICT

## **Monday, July 8 ~ Fourteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time**

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26** While Jesus was speaking, an official came forward, knelt down before him, and said, "My daughter has just died. But come, lay your hand on her, and she will live." Jesus rose and followed him, and so did his disciples. A woman suffering hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the tassel on his cloak. She said to herself, "If only I can touch his cloak, I shall be cured." Jesus turned around and saw her, and said, "Courage, daughter! Your faith has saved you." And from that hour the woman was cured. When Jesus arrived at the official's house and saw the flute players and the crowd who were making a commotion, he said, "Go away! The girl is not dead but sleeping." And they ridiculed him. When the crowd was put out, he came and took her by the hand, and the little girl arose. And news of this spread throughout all that land.

**Meditation:** Jesus gave hope where there seemed to be no human cause for it because his hope was directed to God. He spoke words of hope to the woman (Take heart, daughter!) to ignite the spark of faith in her (your faith has made you well!). And he also gave divine hope to a father who had just lost a beloved child. It took considerable courage and risk for the ruler of a synagogue to openly go to Jesus and to invite the scorn of his neighbors and kin. Even the hired mourners laughed at him in scorn. Their grief was devoid of any hope. Nonetheless, Jesus took the girl by the hand and delivered her from the grasp of death. In both instances we see Jesus' personal concern for the needs of others and his readiness to heal and restore life.

**Prayer:** O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** When faced with the challenges of life, which often bring anxieties and fears, do you take your troubles to the Lord with expectant faith and confidence in his help? People in desperate or helpless circumstances were never disappointed when they sought Jesus. What drew them to Jesus? Was it hope for a miracle or a word of comfort in their affliction? What did the elderly woman who had suffered greatly for twelve years expect Jesus to do for her? And what did a grieving father expect Jesus to do about his lost beloved daughter?

## **Tuesday, July 9 ~ Fourteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest and Companions, Chinese Martyrs**

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 9:32-38** A demoniac who could not speak was brought to Jesus, and when the demon was driven out the mute man spoke. The crowds were amazed and said, "Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel." But the Pharisees said, "He drives out demons by the prince of demons." Jesus went around to all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom, and curing every disease and illness. At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

**Meditation:** Always interesting when Jesus' miracles could cause both scorn and wonder at the same time, especially from those who professed their faith in God. And yet, don't we sometimes encounter the same reaction today, even in ourselves! The crowds looked with awe at the wonderful works which Jesus did, but the religious leaders attributed this same work to the power of the devil. They disbelieved because they refused to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. Their idea of religion was too narrow and closed to accept Jesus as the Anointed One sent by the Father "to set the captives free" (Isaiah 61:1; Matthew 11:5). They were too set in their own ways to change and they were too proud to submit to Jesus. They held too rigidly to the observances of their ritual laws while neglecting the more important duties of love of God and love of neighbor. The people, as a result, were spiritually adrift and hungry for God. Jesus met their need and gave them new faith and hope in God's saving help.

**Prayer:** O God, who in your wonderful providence have strengthened your Church through the confession of the Martyrs Saint Augustine Zhao and companions, grant that your people, faithful to the mission entrusted to it, may enjoy ever greater freedom and witness to the truth before the world. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Whenever the gospel is read in the quiet of one's home or proclaimed, God's kingdom is made manifest and new life and freedom is given to those who respond with faith. The Lord grants freedom to all who turn to him with trust. Do you bring your troubles to the Lord with expectant faith that he can set you free? The Lord invites us to pray that the work of the gospel may spread throughout the world, so that all may find true joy and freedom in Jesus Christ.

**About Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions:** Christianity arrived in China by way of Syria in the 600s. Depending on China's relations with the outside world, Christianity over the centuries was free to grow or was forced to operate secretly. The 120 martyrs in this group died between 1648 and 1930. Most of them (eighty-seven) were born in China and were children, parents, catechists or laborers, ranging from nine years of age to seventy-two. This group includes four Chinese diocesan priests. The thirty-three foreign-born martyrs were mostly priests or women religious, especially from the Order of Preachers, the Paris Foreign Mission Society, the Friars Minor, Jesuits, Salesians and Franciscan Missionaries of Mary. Augustine Zhao Rong was a Chinese soldier who accompanied Bishop John Gabriel Taurin Dufresse (Paris Foreign Mission Society) to his martyrdom in Beijing. Augustine was baptized and not long after was ordained as a diocesan priest. He was martyred in 1815. Beatified in groups at various times, these 120 martyrs were canonized in Rome on October 1, 2000.

### **Wednesday, July 10 ~ Fourteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time**

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:1-7** Jesus summoned his Twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the Twelve Apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed Jesus. Jesus sent out these Twelve after instructing them thus, "Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: 'The Kingdom of heaven is at hand.'"

**Meditation:** Jesus commissioned his Apostles to carry on the works which he did – to speak God's word and to bring his healing power to the weary and oppressed. In the choice of the twelve Apostles we see a characteristic feature of God's work: Jesus chose very ordinary people. They were non-professionals, had no wealth or position. They were chosen from the common people who did ordinary things, had no special education, and no social advantages. Jesus wanted ordinary people who could take an assignment and do it extraordinarily well. He chose these men, not for what they were, but for what they would be capable of becoming under his direction and power. When the Lord calls us to serve, we must not think we have nothing to offer. The Lord takes what ordinary people, like us, can offer and uses it for greatness in his kingdom. Do you allow your God-given gifts, abilities and talents to be used by God for the building up of his kingdom here on earth?

**Prayer:** O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** We often forget that the core of the gospel message is quite simple: the kingdom (or reign) of God is imminent! What is the kingdom of God? It is that society of men and women who submit

to God and who honor him as their King and Lord. In the *Lord's Prayer* we pray for God to reign in our lives and in our world: May your kingdom come and your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Jesus' preaching of God's kingdom was accompanied by signs and wonders. People were healed not only spiritually, but physically as well. Jesus' words are just as relevant today, the kingdom of heaven is at hand. We cannot buy heaven; but those who know the love and mercy of Jesus already possess heaven in their hearts! Do you believe in the power of God's kingdom?

**Thursday, July 11 ~ Fourteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time**  
**Saint Benedict of Nursia, Abbott**

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:7-15** Jesus said to his Apostles: "As you go, make this proclamation: 'The Kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give. Do not take gold or silver or copper for your belts; no sack for the journey, or a second tunic, or sandals, or walking stick. The laborer deserves his keep. Whatever town or village you enter, look for a worthy person in it, and stay there until you leave. As you enter a house, wish it peace. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; if not, let your peace return to you. Whoever will not receive you or listen to your words go outside that house or town and shake the dust from your feet. Amen, I say to you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgment than for that town."

**Meditation:** Jesus said to his disciples: "Freely you have received, freely you shall give." What they have received from Jesus they must now pass on to others without expecting a favor in return, whether it be in form of a gift or payment. They must show by their attitude that their first interest is in serving God, not receiving material gain. They must serve without guile, full of charity and peace, and simplicity. They must give their full attention to the proclamation of God's kingdom and not be diverted by other lesser things. They must travel light – only take what was essential and leave behind whatever would distract them – in order to concentrate on the task of speaking the word of the God. They must do their work, not for what they can get out of it, but for what they can give freely to others, without expecting special privileges or reward. "Poverty of spirit" frees us from greed and preoccupation with possessions and makes ample room for God's provision. The Lord wants his disciples to be dependent on him and not on themselves.

**Prayer:** O God, who made the Abbot Saint Benedict an outstanding master in the school of divine service, grant, we pray, that, putting nothing before love of you, we may hasten with a loving heart in the way of your commands. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Saint Benedict's Prayer for Those Who Seek Faith:** Gracious and Holy Father, give us the wisdom to discover You, the intelligence to understand You, the diligence to seek after You, the patience to wait for You, eyes to behold You, a heart to meditate upon You, and a life to proclaim You, through the power of the Spirit of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

**Prayer of Saint Benedict to Seek and Find God:** God our Father, in Your goodness grant me the intellect to comprehend You, the perception to discern You, and the reason to appreciate You. In Your kindness endow me with the diligence to look for You, the wisdom to discover You, and the spirit to apprehend You. In Your graciousness bestow on me a heart to contemplate You, ears to hear You, eyes to see You, and a tongue to speak of You. In Your mercy to confer on me a conversation pleasing to You, the patience to wait for You, and the perseverance to long for You. Grant me a perfect end, Your holy presence. I ask this in the name of Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Prayer to Saint Benedict for Protection:** Dear Saint Benedict, I thank God for showering you with His grace to love Him above all else and to establish a monastic rule that has helped so many of His children live full and holy lives. Through the cross of Jesus Christ, I ask you to please intercede that God might protect me, my loved ones, my home, property, possessions, and workplace today and always by your holy blessing, that we may never be separated from Jesus, Mary, and the company of all the blessed. Through your intercession may we be delivered from temptation, spiritual oppression, physical ills, and disease. Protect us from drug and alcohol abuse, impurity and immorality, objectionable companions, and negative attitudes. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

**Contemplation:** There is a double truth when Jesus says: "the laborer deserves his keep." And the double truth is this. The worker of God must not be overly-concerned with material things, but the people of God must never fail in their duty to give the worker of God what he or she needs to sustain themselves in the Lord's service. Do you pray for the work of the gospel and do you support it with your material and financial resources? Jesus ends his instructions with a warning: If people reject God's invitation and refuse

his word, then they bring judgment and condemnation on themselves. When God gives us his word there comes with it the great responsibility to respond. Indifference will not do. We are either for or against God in how we respond to his word. God gives us his word that we may have life – abundant life – in him. He wills to work in and through each of us for his glory. God shares his word with us and he commissions us to speak it boldly and simply to others. Do you witness the truth and joy of the gospel by word and example to those around you?

### **Friday, July 12 ~ Fourteenth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time**

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:16-23** Jesus said to his Apostles: “Behold, I am sending you like sheep in the midst of wolves; so be shrewd as serpents and simple as doves. But beware of men, for they will hand you over to courts and scourge you in their synagogues, and you will be led before governors and kings for my sake as a witness before them and the pagans. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say. You will be given at that moment what you are to say. For it will not be you who speak but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will hand over brother to death, and the father his child; children will rise up against parents and have them put to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but whoever endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to another. Amen, I say to you, you will not finish the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.”

**Meditation:** What does Jesus mean when he says his disciples must be sheep in the midst of wolves? The prophet Isaiah foretold a time when wolves and lambs will dwell in peace (Isaiah 11:6 and 65:25). This certainly refers to the second coming of Christ when all will be united under the Lordship of Jesus after he has put down his enemies and established the reign of God over the heavens and the earth. In the meantime, the disciples must expect opposition and persecution from those who oppose the gospel. Jesus never hesitated to tell his disciples what they might expect if they followed him. Here Jesus says to his disciples: This is my task for you at its grimmest and worst; do you accept it?

**Prayer:** O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** We are a “can do” people and there are many times on many occasions where we respond to life’s challenges based simply on our past experiences. Sometimes this may be good and wise, other times we may be setting up ourselves for disappointment or worse. As life in this world becomes increasingly complex, and perhaps on occasions where you feel that you are being persecuted by others for doing the “right thing” according to the laws of God and the teachings of Christ and his Church., never feel alone because you are not – God is with you. And if you feel that you are ill-prepared to defend yourself or ill-equipped to speak as well as you desire, make the sign of the cross and say this brief prayer: “Holy Spirit, let Your words be mine.” Then pause for a moment, perhaps pray this brief prayer again, then conclude with an “Our Father” and a “Hail Mary.” When you pray “Holy Spirit, let Your words be mine” you are saying that you wish to let the Holy Spirit work in and through you, to let the words of the Holy Spirit be yours to say at the tight time and in the right sequence in order for the most positive outcome according to God’s will. When you pray this pray you are saying that I want the words of the Holy Spirit to be used, not mine, and that I want to become a conduit of the Holy Spirit to work in and through me: “For it will not be you who speak but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you” (Matthew 10:20).

Scripture passages (NAB translation) courtesy of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops;  
prayers are from *The Roman Missal*, Catholic Book Publishing, 2011;  
information about saints, solemnities, feasts and memorials courtesy of the Catholic Culture web site.  
frlump:2024





**Tony's**  
ITALIAN RISTORANTE

Classic Italian Cuisine • Banquet Rooms Available  
Private Party Rooms Available  
614-224-8669 • 16 W. Beck Street  
Between German Village & The Brewery District  
Hours: Tue-Thu: 4-10:00 pm;  
Fri: 4-10:30 pm; Sat: 5-10:30 pm

**COLUMBUS PIAVE CLUB**  
"Celebrating 100 Years"  
Be of service to the Italian Community in Columbus and St. John the Baptist Church Meeting first Tuesday of every month at St. John  
www.columbuspiaveclub.com

**HAMILTON SAFE PRODUCTS CO., INC.**  
614-268-5530  
ERIC DeBELLIS 4770 NORTHWEST PKWY. HILLIARD, OHIO 43026

**A TWIST ON OLIVES**

44 N. State Street, Westerville  
614-823-8800 • atwistonolives.com  
Imported Olive Oils • Balsamic Vinegars

**Carfagna's**  
Italian Meat Market  
Four Generations  
1440 Gemini Pl, Columbus, OH 43240

Italian Meat Market • Italian Food Headquarters  
Ohio's Largest Italian Wine Selection  
www.carfagna.com  
614-846-6340

**ROMANELLI & HUGHES**  
CUSTOM HOME BUILDERS  
WWW.RH-HOMES.COM  
A passion for building excellence

FAMILY OWNED SINCE 1970

**ACCESS MORE REALTY & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT**

**Antonio D'Alberto**  
Owner/Broker

Antonio@AccessMoreProperty.com • cell/text: 614-419-2594

Property Management and Sales Residential

**ITALIAN BODY SHOP**  
IBS Collision Center

**Joe Lumbaca** President  
**Rocco Lumbaca** Manager

Rocco@ibscollision.com Fax: (614) 818-0134  
Westerville, OH 43082 (614) 818-0062  
www.IBSCollision.com

**ROSATI WINDOWS**

See the difference.  
Manufactured in Columbus

• Windows & Doors • Shutters • Gutters & Downspouts  
Vinyl Siding (Many Styles/Colors) • 614-777-4806

SALES • INSTALLATION • SERVICE  
2188 Wilson Road, Columbus

**Solazzo**  
MARBLE & GRANITE

**Joe & Tony Jr. • 614.231.4979**  
www.solazzomarble.com  
Serving Central Ohio since 1970  
MARBLE • GRANITE • QUARTZ

**BW**  
BISHOP WATTERSON HIGH SCHOOL

**FAITH, COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE**  
BISHOPWATTERSON.COM

**Joseph Pingue**  
**Michael Pingue**  
Retail, Commercial Leasing  
Residential Lots, Residential Rentals  
Land for Sale  
614-846-3900

**HYATT REGENCY**  
COLUMBUS

**HOST YOUR EVENT WITH US!**  
Newly renovated grand ballroom, full-service catering options & more!

CONTACT US:  
sales.columbusregency@hyatt.com  
614-280-3296

**ROBERTS SERVICE GROUP**

**WENGER TEMPERATURE CONTROL**  
For Your Heating and A/C  
2005 Progress Avenue  
(614) 443-2212

**Paul N Marchio**  
Your Local Agent | License #943676  
740-841-1550  
1550 Lewis Center Rd Ste L  
Lewis Center, OH 43035  
pnmarchio@farmersagent.com

**FARMERS INSURANCE**

**MAEDER QUINT TIBERI FUNERAL HOME**  
SINCE 1870  
DIRECTORS: ANTHONY TIBERI-JOHN TIBERI-JOSEPH TIBERI  
1068 S. High Street, Columbus 614-444-1185 MaederQuintTiberi.com

**BECKETT REALTY GROUP**

**Carol Ristucci | Rental Agent**  
4519 Kenny Rd., Columbus, OH 43220  
carol@becketteam.com  
www.beckettgr.com  
office: 614.457.4000, ext. 111  
cell: 614.271.1007  
text: 614.421.5553

**UNION CEMETERY**  
200 Years of Service  
Diverse, Personal and Dignified Professional Burial Services  
3349 Olentangy River Road  
(614) 267-5471  
unioncemeterycolumbus.com

**MATRIMONY: THE SACRAMENTAL FOUNDATION OF LOVE, FAITH AND FAMILY**

**Learn Italian this Summer!**  
for Adult Beginners  
Online via Zoom  
Meeting twice each week.  
8 classes, 90 minutes each  
Classes begin June 21st  
Monday & Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.  
Prepare for your Italy trip.  
Appreciate history, music & art.  
Have Socially-Distant Fun!  
Register: www.ItalianDreamAcademy.com  
Contact: Rosa@ItalianDreamAcademy.com  
Or call: 614.538.8000

Commercial • Residential Remodel • Repair  
**G. & M. PLUMBING & HEATING, INC.**  
2077 Joyce Avenue  
Keith, Christopher 614-263-1851  
& Mario Palermini Fax: 614-263-1500

Photography by **Larry Pishitelli**  
Weddings, Portraits, Reunions  
PishPhoto  
WWW.PISHPHOTO.COM  
614-214-8568  
larrypish@columbus.rr.com

**BOB-BOYD AUTO FAMILY**  
Columbus-Lancaster bobbyd.com  
Family owned & operated for 51 YEARS!  
Bobby Dawes • Bill Dawes • Mary Beth Culbertson

LINCOLN Ford CHRYSLER Jeep DODGE RAM

**RDP foodservice**  
A DiPaolo/Mizer Family Company

Thank you Columbus for letting us serve you for 90 years  
**RISTORANTE di FAMIGLIA**  
Catering "For All Occasions"  
Banquet Room for Large & Small Parties  
614-236-1392 • fax 614-236-1935  
1210 S. James Road, Columbus

**Sanfillippo Produce Co.**  
(614) 237-3300

**JOSEPH R. PASTORE, EA**  
(614) 793-1356  
Income Tax Practitioner  
Specializing in Personal, Rental & Small Business Income Tax

**Order Sons and Daughters of Italy in America**  
A national organization since 1905 invites you to their monthly socials the second Thursday evening of every month. Doors open at 5:15 with dinner served at 6:40. Location: 1114 Ridge Street. Please call or text to let us know if you plan to attend.  
Come celebrate being Italian! 614-582-7366