

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69

PARISH STAFF—PARISH PHONE 740-928-3266

Fr. William Hritsko, Pastor

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.— Sunday: 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word for Children 11:00 a.m.

Mass during school year. Monday & Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday Communion Service 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

unless otherwise noted in bulletin

4pm; 8am; 11am Mass Streaming **YouTube** search (Our Lady of Mount Carmel Buckeye Lake)

NEW TO THE PARISH? WELCOME!

Inquirers to the Catholic Christian Faith (adults not yet baptized or currently practicing a non-Catholic faith) call Pastor Fr. Bill Hritsko (740-928-3266) for more information about the Catholic Church and our parish. Inactive Catholics Returning to the Faith call Pastor for information.

SACRAMENTS & PROGRAMS

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:15–3:45 p.m. or by appointment call the Office (740-928-3266).

Infant Baptism: Workshop required before infant baptism. Call the Office (740-928-3266) for more information.

Marriage: Active parishioners must call the Office (740-928-3266) no later than 6 months prior to tentative date of wedding.

Anointing of the Sick: available upon request.

Call the Office (740-928-3266).

Hospitals, Nursing Homes & Homebound Sick: For visitation requests call Pastor. If possible, please inform pastor prior to admittance (740-928-3266).

Home Communion: To arrange long-term home communion, call the Office.

Parish School of Religion (PSR): PK–12; meets between Sunday Masses during school year. Call Pamela Klein to register or volunteer to teach (740-928-3264).

Prayer Warriors: Email based prayer chain. Contact Sally Oldham to submit requests at sallyoldham2002@yahoo.com.

Protecting God's Children: This parish is fully compliant with all PGC requirements and best practices. All parish volunteers working with minors must comply. Call Pamela Klein for more information (740-928-3264).

SOCIAL SERVICES

LEADS Buckeye Lake: For food and other assistance, 740-928-4481

St. Vincent de Paul Society: For financial assistance call 740-527-2230 (leave name & phone number).

OLMC Food Pantry: Kris Helphrey, Food Pantry is open Wednesday 1pm—2:30 p.m.

Alcoholic Anonymous and AL-ANON:

Meet Thursdays 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Buckeye Lake Senior Citizens: Meet 1st & 3rd Mondays 12:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

WIC: Services available in Parish Hall monthly on 1st Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline is Monday 8:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church Mailing Address: PO Box 45 5133 Walnut Rd



Buckeye Lake, OH 43008-0045 Website: www.olmcbuckeyelake.org

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Sacramental Emergency: 740-323-6437 Sharon Lieb, Office Manager, 740-334-3424

CONFESSION / MASS SCHEDULES

Saturday, August 21, St. Pius X

4pm Mass Mark Howard †

Sunday, August 22,

Phone: 740-928-3266

8am Mass Thomas Lang †
11am Mass Jeanette Tamburro †

Monday, August 23, St. Rose of Lima 8 am Mass Janet, Bobbie, Mary

Tuesday, August 24, St. Bartholomew

8am Communion Service**

Wed., August 25, Sts. Louis & Joseph Calasanz

8am Mass Richard J. Lieb, Jr. †

Thursday, August 26,

8am Communion Service **

Friday, August 27, St. Monica

No Services

Saturday, August 28, St. Augustine

4pm Mass Heurich & Hoy Families †

Sunday, August 29,

8am Mass Joseph & Virginia Melfi † 11am Mass Marie Schneider McGrath †

For Streaming: youtube.com search:

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Buckeye Lake

** Mass at St. Leonard

Our Lady of Mount Carmel



Offertory for 8/15/2021 \$3,552.00

St. Vincent for 8/15/2021

\$100.00

On-line Giving Aug 9-Aug. 16, \$282.00

Thank you for your generosity.



Dear fellow parishioners,

I remember reading once a mother commenting on why people were born as infants. She said that it was God's plan because babies are so cute and needed so much time and care invested in them that by the time they reached their adolescent and later years, all gangly limbs and hormones, that parents would be too much in love with them to do anything really "drastic" to them... and that you couldn't then "give them back".

It was meant to be humorous and we know that this is not always the case as we see abuses done to children, teens and adults at the hands of parents and others. Why this comment came to mind was I wanted to illustrate how children can be (I was one once), and as we mature (or at least get older...) how we can be quite pendulous in our attitudes, our following or not following rules, behaving or not. We see that throughout the scriptures, particularly in the Old Testament, as God's chosen people would follow rules, then slack off – often big time! They would cry out to God to save them, He does, and then turn away yet again. God loved them enough to chastise them and to give them chance after chance after chance to turn back.

Think of the covenants and promises God made with them – the flood, Abraham's promise, Jacob's promise, the prophets and judges that He sent. In Joshua they stood in ranks acclaiming "we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God." Then... alas... fall away again and God gives even more chances. Even after they kill His prophets, decry them, slander them – He sends His Son. In the *Exultet*, the Easter Candle Proclamation sung at the Easter Vigil, it is sung "to ransom a slave, He gave away His Son." This was for us, and for *alllllll* people up to this time from Adam and Eve to the babies yet to be born. How wonderful is that?!? And what do we do to recognize it?

Think even further, God gives us the gift of freedom of choice to choose Him or not. Again, from Joshua: "If it does not please you to serve the LORD, decide today whom you will serve, the gods your fathers served beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose country you are now dwelling." Simple – pick one and God will give you your desire. The same is offered to the Apostles – "do you also want to leave"? And the answer came from Peter speaking for all of them: "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." But what do they do when it comes time to stand up for Jesus? They run and Peter even denies knowing Him. Then comes the question – would you do any better? Honestly?

Let us pray for each other – know that you are in mine always. Peace and blessings – Fr. Bill.



Pudding cups, canned lasa and laundry detergent would be helpful this week.

GOD BLESS!

Thank You Everyone!!

I would like to thank everyone for their birthday wishes, gifts, cards and prayers. A special thank you to our crazy but loveable Sharon Lieb, for the roast and cake and especially the fast burning candles.

May God bless you always, Deacon Dick

Liturgy Corner

Sally Olhham

I have my back operation scheduled for August 27. I am scheduled for St. Ann's but with the variant going on, who knows. I am going to try to get things prepared for when I am recuperating.

- I will have the prayer warriors going. I may wait a couple of days before I send them out depending on my back. Everyone is preparing me for the "turtle shell" back brace. I will have to have a personal fan to keep me cool.
- I will have the weekly links to Masses, the bulletin link, etc. ready to send out. Jerry will need to help me make sure they are ready.
- So hopefully you will not even notice I am gone! Special thanks to the choir who will continue to carry on. Love to you all.

Here is the prayer I have been saying for a family member who was ill. I believe that it has made a difference.

Prayer to Our Lady of Mount Carmel [Say this prayer for 3 consecutive days:]

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven.

Oh, Blessed Mother of the Son of God; Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity.

Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me you are my Mother.

Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity.

(Mention your request here)

There are none that can withstand your power.

Oh, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. (say three times).

Holy Mary, I place this prayer in your hands. (say three times).

Amen.

Fisher Catholic High School Cross Country: Tuesday, Aug. 24 Fisher Catholic will be hosting the third cross country meet at the St. Stylianos course located behind Fisher Catholic High School, 1803 Granville Pike, Lancaster. All welcome to cheer on the Irish. 4:45 PM Elementary 800 Meter "Fun Run" Grades 2-6 Race Day registration, no fee.

5:00 PM Boys Middle School 1.2 Miles

5:30 PM Girls Middle School 1.2 Miles

6:00 PM Boys High School 2 Miles

6:30 PM Girls High School 2 Miles

7:00 PM Boys High School Reserve (if necessary) 2 Miles

7:30 PM Girls High School Reserve (if necessary) 2 Miles



Real Presence
Real Future
Gathering on
August 27 will
bring together the
faithful of the
diocese for an
opportunity to
have an encounter
with Christ and

one another. In faith, hope and charity, we rejoice in the real presence of Christ, and we rejoice in our relationship with the Lord. On Friday, August 27, we invite you to join us via livestream for a beautiful prayer service that will include a Eucharistic Procession, at St. Joseph Cathedral. Christ promised to be with us always and it is fulfilled in his mystical presence among us and in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Jesus' commission to the disciples is the same message for us, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...behold, I am with you always." (Mt. 28:19-20). We are called to imitate Christ and the Apostles as missionary disciples and go forth and proclaim the Gospel. Let us come together in prayer and Eucharist, to prepare our hearts and minds, and renew our commitment to the Real Presence and Real Future.

Please note: Friday's event is by invitation only due to the Cathedral capacity, but you are encouraged to watch via the live stream.



ATTENTION EVERYONE!

Remember when you were little and loved to play in the dirt. WELL! You can still have that feeling you had then by joining our WONDERFUL GARDEN CLUB. Men and Women are needed to help the ladies who are working very hard to keep our lovely landscape around the Church, Rectory and Parish Office. So if you have a few hours to spare, they would love the help. They usually work on Wednesdays or Thursdays from 9:30am to 11:30am. They are very flexible and it's not a commitment to work all the time. If you are interested in playing in the dirt, call the Parish Office at 740-928-3266.



Religious Education News - It's back! The Shirley Ervin Memorial VBS and Education Silent Auction will take place the weekends of October 23-24 and October 30-31. We are accepting new items and clean, gently used items for the auction. Homemade crafts, blankets, ceramics, etc. are also welcome! If you have items you would like to donate, please bring them to Pam Klein in the parish office with a slip of paper telling me who donated the items. All donations must be in by the weekend of October 16th/17th.

Do you know someone interested in becoming Catholic or would like to know more about the Catholic Faith? RCIA will be taking place again this year starting in September. Please have them call the office at 740-928-3264 and ask for Pam or they may fill out the form in the bulletin.

Men Of The East Announcement

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 303 E High St., Mt. Vernon, will host the Men of the East for their onceamonth Traveling Holy Hour on Thursday, September 9th starting at 7:00 pm in the church. All men of the twelveparish consortium are invited and encouraged to attend. Men Of The East is a Catholic Men's Laity Ministry comprised of all Catholic men who are registered at one of the twelve parishes in Knox, Licking, and Muskingum Counties. Men Of The East exist to support, strengthen, and help maximize the spiritual growth of men of the Catholic Church. Men Of The East is a part of the larger Catholic Men's Laity Ministry for the Columbus Ohio Diocese. For more information about Men Of The East visit our updated website: www.MenOfTheEast.com

Preschool Book Drive

Donate your gently used children's books to Blessed Sacrament Preschool! Donations can be dropped off at the school or parish offices during regular business hours, Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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"How great is the mercy of the Lord, and his forgiveness for those who return to him!" Sirach 17:29



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. Even if you are not able to participate, register anyway. All registrants will receive a link to the recording via email after the session.

Retrouvaille is a Lifeline for Troubled Marriages:

Retrouvaille means, "rediscovery." The RETROUVAILLE program offers couples the chance to rediscover themselves, their spouse, and a loving relationship in their marriage. This program is designed to help heal and renew couples who are drifting or who have drifted apart. It consists of one weekend, plus six follow-up sessions. The next in-person weekend is September 10-12, 2021 in Cincinnati. Register at helpourmarriage.org or call: 513-922-6045.

Breakfast with the Bishop - Catholic Social Services is Friday, September 10, 2021, from 7 am – 9 am at the Renaissance Columbus Downtown Hotel. The keynote speaker is Fr. Michael Rozier, SJ, PhD, assistant professor of Saint Louis University. He will speak on "Health, Poverty, and Human Dignity: Deepening our Moral Imagination." Sponsorship opportunities and individual tickets are available online at https://colscss.org/upcoming-events. Please contact Julie Naporano at jnaporano@colscss.org with any questions.

Diocese o Columbus — Announcements

Stop Taxpayer Funded Abortion. It is critically important for Catholics to send a strong message to Congress right now as it moves to impose taxpayer-funded abortion. The Hyde Amendment has protected Americans from funding abortion for 45 years. It's credited with saving the lives of over 2.4 million children to date. Powerful members of Congress want to take away this law that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century. Without it, billions of taxpayer dollars could go to abortion. Catholics are urged to sign a USCCB's petition at www.notaxpayerabortion.com.

Building Unity in **Community: Bridges** Conversation, is an in-depth program to build relationships (cross-cultural and cross-parish), raise awareness, enhance communications, deepen understandings between individuals and groups, and to develop strategies for action and change in the community. In the most recent pastoral letter against racism, Open Wide Our Hearts, an enduring call to love, the bishops invite the Christian community to do justice, love goodness, and walk humbly (Mi 6:8), we are reminded that each of us plays a part in building and maintaining Christian unity. This "culture of life" is a strong commitment to accompany one another on this journey of equality. During this time of Real Presence Real Future, we celebrate being in communion with Christ and each other. For, "if one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together" (1 Cor 12:26). Please contact Pamela Harris, Director, Ethnic Ministries, to schedule your parish and/or school community for this timely and relevant program pharris@columbuscatholic.org or (614) 221-7990, option 1.

MEN OF THE EAST — ANNOUNCEMENT

Cemetery Work Day: I wish to invite anyone who would like to volunteer to help with trimming around the gravestones at Mt. Calvary Cemetery to a workday on **Saturday, September 4, 2021**, from 9:00 a.m. until around noon. Please bring your weed trimmer or small push mower. For any questions contact Director of Cemeteries Bill McWilliams at (740) 405-7427



Please pray for the unemployed, shutins, and those in-need and especially for:

George Abdalla, Judy Adisimone, John Arkley, Barbie Arp; Tom Attard; Rosie; Dana Baker, Dhana & Charlotte; Braden Allard; Baby Daniel; Gary Bertrand; Kellie Blosser; Margi Boso; Jeremy Brock; Beanetta Buchanan; Vickie Buchanan; Mike Cassidy, Sharon Casto; Gary Church; Izabella Corcoran; Sandra Daley; Billie Deck, Cindy Dickens, Marge Ewing; Kolsen Fleming; Tammy & Joe Frye; David George; Maxine Getreu; Ray Guinsler; Roy Hennerfiend, Albert and Kay Hillis; Gert, David & Stephanie Hoy; Richard Huck; Joan Jerome; Ron Jones; Sandra Klines; Eli Kopis; Julie Laughlin; Cheryl Bernie & Andrew Madrid; Bob & Lukuch, Michelle McCormick; Msgr. Frank & Paulette Meagher: Boric Melnyk, Walt Miller; Kris Mowrey; Roy Murphy; Tera Naayers; Lisa Nelson; Gary Newcomb; Paige Nicole Newsome; Tom Niedzielski; Mary Oehlman; **Sally** Jerry Oldham; Diane Paxton: Daniel Paxton, Jr.; Christine Peskay; Bernard, Jane Sharon Raymer; Paul Rogers; Janet Paumier: Rollins, Rick Rueckel; Karen & Michael Russ; Annette Russell; Aggie Search, Kathy Shafer; Richard Shafer; Connor Skeen; April Snyder: George Stevenson; Arnold Stoltz; Audrey Swart; Janet Talbert; Mary Ann Thomas, Judy Thompson; Keith Thompson; Jason Thulberry; Linda Turner; Carla, and David Watson; Doris Weidner; Patricia White; Kristie Wiencek; Susan Wynn; Patrolman Andy, and those in need of organ transplants. Pray for our men and women in the military, especially, Chris Dickens, Zack Leffman, William Maynard, Niedzielski. Pray for all retired Priests, especially those in Mother Mc Clory and at Villas of St. Therese and for all those who have no one to pray for them. Reminder: About Prayer Requests: If you wish to have Prayer Requests printed in the bulletin contact the Parish Secretary by Tuesday of the week of publication. To participate in the email prayer list (Prayer Warriors) or be notified of deaths and upcoming funerals in the parish, send an email Sallyoldham2002@yahoo.com. For those without computer access, call Sue Winnestaffer at (740) 246-4644, to initiate the telephone tree.



21st Sunday in Ordinary Times, August 22, 2021

Real Presence, Real Future reflections: We will serve the Lord!

Deacon Joe Knapke, Ss. Simon & Jude Parish, West Jefferson, OH

Today we hear Joshua ask the tribes of Israel which god they will serve. They had other options, for their neighbors worshipped other gods. We have other options as well. We could choose to serve wealth, status, power, or pleasure. But we come here today, along with our families, friends, neighbors, as a sign of our commitment to serve the Lord, in his Real Presence. Let's recommit ourselves to serve God, to follow Christ on our journey through this life to the life promised to us in baptism, our Real Future.

To read more about how we are growing together in the life of faith and discipleship in the Diocese of Columbus, visit www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org.

Readings for the week of August 22, 2021

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt

25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-30 Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Observances for the week of August 22, 2021

Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin Tuesday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Wednesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

Friday: St. Monica

Saturday: St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Council: President Chris McWilliams meets on **2nd** Tuesday at 7 p.m. during school year.

Finance Council: meets quarterly.

Appalachian Prayer Group—on Hiatus

Knights of Columbus: meets 1st / 3rd Wednesdays 7 pm - Grand Knight Greg Hoffman

Bible Study: meets weekly—Monday 7 pm in the parish hall, during school year. Contact Deacon Dick Busic.

RCIA: Contact Fr. Bill Hritsko or Pamela Klein, Coordinator of Religious Education at 740-928-3266 for information about the Catholic Church and our parish. Inquirers to the Catholic Christian Faith (adults not yet baptized or currently practicing a non-Catholic faith)

Inactive Catholics: If you wish to return to the practice of the faith, contact the Office 740-928-3266.

St. Vincent de Paul Society: meets monthly on 3rd Tuesday at 7 pm in Parish Hall. President Harold Crabtree 740-527-2230

Liturgy of the Word for Children: For Pre-K through 3rd Grade — 740-928-3266 Pamela Klein

OLMC Bell Chorus-Meets every Tuesday at 6pm

Vacation Bible School: date announced in bulletin.

College Student Care Package: Paula Dillon

Spirit Touch Dancers: Glenda Reynolds

Walking With Purpose—Women's Bible Study **Group:** meets Wednesdays 6:00-6:30p.m.Fellowship then Lesson from 6:30pm-8pm in the Parish Hall. Contact Glenda Reynolds-740-974-7568.

Garden Club: Contact office for more information 740-928-3266.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY DIRECTORS

Choir: Sally Oldham: rehearsals Monday at 6:30 pm. Practice times may change, Sally will call or email.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: If you are interested in becoming an EMOHC contact Deacon Richard Busic or Sharon Lieb in the Parish Office.

Lectors: Sharon or Bill Lieb

Altar Servers / Hospitality: Bill Lieb

Church Decoration / Flowers: Vicki White, Joyce

Smeigh, Helen Walters

If you would like to contact any of these ministries, please call the parish office 740-928-3266.



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