

# SAINT MARY AND SAINT JOHN XXIII CATHOLIC CHURCHES

March 10, 2024 • Fourth Sunday of Lent

### **PARISH STAFF**

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St. Mary, Groveport

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Parish Custodian/Maintenance

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Parish Maintenance

### **OFFICE HOURS**

### St. Mary, Groveport

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: Closed

Wednesday: 10:30 am-12:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am-10:30 am

1st Saturday of the month: 3:00-5:00 pm

### St. John XXIII CW

Monday: Closed

Tuesday-Thursday: 9:00 am-4:30 pm Closed on Wednesdays 10:15 am-2:00 pm

Friday: 11:00 am-4:30 pm Sunday: 9:00 am-12:45 pm

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

### Weekend Mass

Saturday 4:00 pm St. Mary Groveport Sunday 8:00 am St. Mary Groveport 9:45 am, 11:15 am SJXXIII CW

### Weekday Mass

Monday 8:30 am SJXXIII CW
Tuesday 6:00 pm SJXXIII CW
Wednesday 12:00 pm St. Mary Groveport
Thursday 8:30 am SJXXIII CW

Friday 8:30 am St. Mary Groveport

Holy Days of Obligation will be listed in the bulletin, as they occur.

### SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

5684 Groveport Road, Groveport, Ohio 43125 | groveportstmary.org 614-497-1324

### SAINT JOHN XXIII CATHOLIC CHURCH

5170 Winchester Southern Road NW Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110 | sjxxiiiparish.org 614-920-1563

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday, March 10

4th Sunday of Lent

**8:00 a.m.** For the intentions of the People of Ss. Mary Groveport & John XXIII Parishes

Mass at St. Mary, Groveport

**9:45 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Stephen Muetzel by Barbara Ann Hajdin

Mass at St. John XXIII

**11:15 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Joe O'Connor by Barb & John Heppner

Mass at St. John XXIII

Monday, March 11

**8:30 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Mary & Joseph DeNicola by Elaine Thomas

Mass at St. John XXIII

Tuesday, March 12

**6:00 p.m.** Repose of the Soul of Eugene Longo by Jennifer Hess

Mass at St. John XXIII

Wednesday, March 13

12:00 p.m. Repose of the Soul of Joe Groom by Chris Foley

Mass at St. Mary, Groveport

Thursday, March 14

**8:30 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Ruth Beckman by Teresa Iannaggi

Mass at St. John XXIII

Friday, March 15

**8:30 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of David Hetterscheidt by Judy Hetterscheidt

Mass at St. Mary, Groveport

Saturday, March 16

**4:00 p.m.** Repose of the Soul of Charles W. Higdon, Jr. by Larry Felts & Lissie Scherer

Mass at St. Mary, Groveport

Sunday, March 17

5th Sunday of Lent

**8:00 a.m.** For the Intentions of the People of Ss. Mary Groveport & John XXIII Parishes

Mass at St. Mary, Groveport

**9:45 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Tina Travis by SJXXIII Parish staff

Mass at St. John XXIII

**11:15 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Joe Groom by Kristy & Steve Wagner

Mass at St. John XXIII

### PARISH INFORMATION

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 $Email: \underline{office@sjxxiiiparish.org} \bullet Website: \underline{sjxxiiiparish.org}$ 

St. John XXIII

Monday - Closed

Wednesday – Restricted Hours

Open 9:00-10:15 a.m. and 2:00-4:30 p.m.

Closed from 10:15 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday – 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday - 11:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

St. Mary, Groveport

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday – Closed

Wednesday -

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Friday – 9:00-11:00 a.m.

First Saturday of the Month – 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Sunday - Closed

### RECONCILIATION

*St. John XXIII* – Tuesdays, 5:30-6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 p.m. or by appointment.

St. Mary, Groveport - Saturday, 3:00 p.m. or by appointment.

### **BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS**

Contact Fr. O'Connor

### SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES ONLY

Please call Father at 740-400-9170.

### DOOR REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

All Masses will be back to the regular schedule during the duration of the construction. The entrance is functioning again. Construction will continue for the back entrance/exit, but this will not interfere with our daily Mass nor business proceedings. All daily Masses and business will resume on the regular schedule starting Monday, March 11.

### **BAPTISMS**

Baptismal Preparation is needed if you are expecting or have had your first child. Also, if you need to schedule your child's Baptism, please call the Parish Office at 614-920-1563 or email the Parish Office at office@sixxiiiparish.org for details. Baptisms can be scheduled following the 11:15 a.m. Mass for the second, third and fourth Sundays of the month.

Welcome to the family: Henry Alan Flory

### MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA - EVERY MONDAY

Every Monday, we will have the opportunity to gather and recite the Miraculous Medal Novena after daily Mass.

### 40-DAY EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION & ADORATION - TODAY!

Please join us again this year in participating in the 40 Days of Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration. We have committed to 36 hours this year. We need every hour filled with at least two people. St. Mary and St. John XXIII is scheduled for Saturday, March 9 starting at 9:00 a.m. through Sunday, March 10th at 9:00 p.m. at St. John XXIII.

### COLLECT

### [Devotion and Faith]

O God, who through You Word reconcile the human race to Yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. 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.

### **UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS/EVENTS**

WEEK of March 10, 2024	MASS & EVENT TIMES
Sunday, March 10, 2024	8:00 a.m Mass at St. Mary, Groveport
4th Sunday of Lent	9:45 a.m Mass at SJXXIII
	11:15 a.m Mass at SJXXIII
	12:30 p.m. – NOURISH Pathways
	Continuous Adoration until 9:00 p.m.
Monday, March 11, 2024	8:30 a.m Mass at St. John XXIII
	9:00 a.m Miraculous Medal Novena
	7:00 p.m Choir Practice at SJXXIII
Tuesday, March 12, 2024	5:30 p.m Confessions
	6:00 p.m Mass at SJXXIII
Wednesday, March 13, 2024	9:45 a.m. – Jesus and the Eucharist Series at St. Mary
	12:00 p.m Mass at St. Mary, Groveport
	6:00 p.m Holy Hour & Confessions at SJXXIII
	7:00 p.m. – Jesus and the Eucharist Series at SJXXIII
Thursday, March 14, 2024	8:30 a.m Mass at St. John XXIII
	11:00 a. m. – Women's Ministry – WWP at SJXXIII
	6:00 p.m. – NOURISH Pathways
Friday, March 15, 2024	8:30 a.m Mass at St. Mary
	6:00 p.m Stations of the Cross at St. Mary
	Simple Supper to follow Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 16, 2024	8:00 a.m Sandwich Saturday at SJXXIII
	3:00 p.m Confessions at St. Mary, Groveport
	4:00 p.m Mass at St. Mary, Groveport
Sunday, March 17, 2024	8:00 a.m Mass at St. Mary, Groveport
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent	9:45 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII
	11:15 a.m Mass at SJXXIII
	12:30 p.m. – ROOT Pathways
	3:00 p.m. – Men of the Word Bible Study at SJXXIII

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WEEKLY HOLY HOUR

Eucharistic Adoration is offered every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. for one hour at St. John XXIII. Fr. O'Connor is available for Confessions during this hour. Please know that you may come for the full hour or a brief period of time to pray before our Lord Jesus Christ. All are welcome! Please join us as we continue to grow as a parish who prays together. Please come when you can and leave when you must. It is so wonderful to sit and pray, talking and listening to Jesus.

Again, you can come for a few minutes or stay for the full hour. All are welcome! Please join us as we continue to grow as a parish who prays together.

"The Holy Eucharist is the perfect expression of the love of Jesus Christ for man."

- St. Maria Goretti

### WEDNESDAY FAMILY ROSARY

Next Family Rosary will be this **Wednesday**, **March 13th.** We gather to say a Rosary at 5:30 p.m. every other week. Families and all parishioners are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will alternate holding the Stations of the Cross between both locations every Friday during Lent.

- Stations of the Cross will be held at St. Mary, Groveport on March 15th and 29th.
- Stations of the Cross will be held at St. John XXIII on Friday, March 22nd.

The time for both locations will be at 6:00 p.m.

A Simple Supper will follow the Stations of the Cross except on Good Friday, March 29th.

### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:**

- Holy Thursday March 28th, Mass at 7:00 p.m. at St. John XXIII
- Good Friday March 29th, Confessions will be 12:00-2:30 p.m. at St. John XXIII. Good Friday Liturgy at 3:00 p.m. at St. John XXIII. For those who cannot attend during the afternoon, Confession will be from 5:00-6:00 p.m. at St. Mary Church. Stations of the Cross will follow Confessions at St. Mary Church at 6:00 p.m. NO SIMPLE SUPPER on Good Friday.
- Holy Saturday March 30, Easter Vigil Mass at 9:00 p.m. at St. John XXIII
- Easter Sunday March 31, Mass at 8:00 a.m. at St. Mary Church, Mass at 9:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. at St. John XXIII (regular Mass times)



### ONLINE GIVING AT ST. JOHN XXIII

You may go to our website to set up online giving; use the QR

code to go to our website giving page. If you would prefer to set up electronic fund transfer (EFT) by credit card or checking account, stop in the Parish Office for a form. Your contribution supports the work and operations of St. John XXIII Parish, our music, hospitality, and education programs. Please be generous in your support of these important endeavors.

### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

The weekly Women's Ministry group will continue to meet on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. in the lower level at St. John XXIII. Please contact Karen Self at <a href="karenself@aol.com">karenself@aol.com</a> or 614-209-6299 if you would like more information. You may also come to a meeting any Thursday at 11:00 a.m. to find out if this is a study for you.

# HOSPITALITY SUNDAY – WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

The first Sunday of the month is Hospitality Sunday! We need volunteers to sign up to host Donut Sundays. Please see Heather in the Parish Office for how this works. The church reimburses you for the cost of the donuts.

Even if you don't need a donut, you need a friend – or someone needs you. We enjoy seeing you there!

Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art... It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things that gives value to survival. – C. S. Lewis

# THE MEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY

The Men of the Word Bible Study is open to **ALL** men of the parish. There is nothing attendees need to do in preparation for each session. We will provide Bibles already owned by the parish.

We will meet *every other Sunday*; our next gathering is Sunday, March 17, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. in a classroom in the lower level of the SJXXIII. Each session will be 1 hour and led by one of our brothers. Our goal is to attempt to meet at least every other week. Following each session, we will have light refreshments and an opportunity for fraternity.

### DO YOU HAVE A GREEN THUMB?

If you have an interest in gardening and would like to use your talents to help establish a community garden here at the campus of SJXXIII, we would like to talk with you! There will be an informational meeting in the next couple of months. In the meantime, watch the bulletin and sign up on FlockNote under the group "Gardening" to receive future information.



# PARISH GAME NIGHT - ALL WELCOME

Parish Game Night – Friday, March 22, 2024 following the Stations of the Cross and Simple Supper. Join the Fun! Bring your favorite game and snacks to share! This event is for ALL! Individuals, families, people of all ages are invited and encouraged to attend.

# ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

The Altar Rosary Society invites all women of St. Mary and St. John XXIII to join us as we start a new year of faith and service. The ARS meets at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Mary church basement and upcoming meeting dates are on Tuesday evenings on March 19, and April 16 and a May brunch will be planned. Continued support for the church and the community and a project for homeless shelters will be discussed. All meetings begin with the Rosary or prayer service. New guests are welcome to come meet with us!

### FROM FR. O'CONNOR - UPDATE ON PARISH MERGER

As Father mentioned last weekend, The Update on Parish Merger for St. Mary, Groveport and St. John XXIII Canal Winchester: I want to again thank everyone for their generous feedback on potential new names, which was reviewed by the Parish Transition Team, made up of members of both parishes. After reviewing the feedback, the Transition Team unanimously recommended that both parishes be suppressed, and a new parish, with the name The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, be established, comprising the territory of the two current parishes. The names of the current Church buildings would stay the same. The next step in this process is for me to write a letter to Bishop Fernandes requesting this action, and to then speak to the Diocesan Presbyteral Council regarding the request; the next meeting will occur in March. If accepted, a date would be determined for when this change would occur. Work would then begin to implement the final Real Presence, Real Future recommendation, having a single campus for the parish, by evaluating current campuses, determining future campus needs, and exploring existing options. The suppression of the parishes does not directly indicate the closing of a Church. As a reminder, we have been working on this process since 2019, when Real Presence, Real Future began, and we have more work ahead in the future. I ask for everyone's continued prayers, and to continue to draw close to our Lord Jesus Christ, present in the Eucharist, our reason for being a parish. Fr. O'Connor

### SAVE THE DATE - K OF C EUCHRE PARTY

Save the date. The Knights of Columbus Spring Euchre party will be held on Saturday, April 6. Please put this on your calendar.

### PLATINUM CLUB HORSE RACES

The Platinum Club will be hosting the Horse Races on Sunday, March 17, at 2:00 p.m., in the lower level at SJXXIII. Bring your snacks, drinks, and \$5.00 to play the ponies! See you at the races.



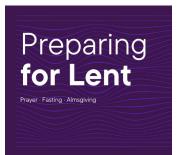
# JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST: A SMALL GROUP SERIES FOR EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

During this time of Eucharistic Revival in our Nation, Jesus is inviting us to encounter Him in our life stories. Together, we'll explore the story of salvation as told through Scripture, fulfilled in the death and Resurrection of Jesus, and lived out in the Church and the Sacraments – especially the Eucharist. At the conclusion of this series, participants will be empowered to live out the Gospel in their own lives and share its message of hope with others. This is a seven-week study, which began February 21

and concludes on April 3, 2024. Sessions are offered at two times/locations:

Wednesday mornings from 9:45-11:45 a.m. at St. Mary, Groveport (before the noon Mass) Wednesday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at St. John XXIII Parish (following weekly Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions)

Please consider asking a friend or family member to join you as we come together to learn more about Jesus and the Eucharist! If you have any questions, please reach out to Andrea Maier at AMaier@sixxiiiparish.org or 614-920-1563.



### RICE BOWL

### INCREASING DISASTERS, INCREASING RESILIENCE

Located in Southeast Asia between the Pacific and Indian Oceans, Indonesia has beautiful beaches, diverse cultures and the world's fourth largest population. Many of the country's more than 17,000 islands are in the Ring of Fire, where volcanic eruptions and earthquakes are common. Climate-related disasters such as cyclones are also becoming more frequent and destructive. Find out how – with the support of Catholic Relief Services and generous communities like yours – Evita and her disaster preparedness group are working to keep their

community safe. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope. RICE BOWLS are due on THURSDAY, MARCH 28TH – HOLY THURSDAY.

### **40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN**

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Our Knights of Columbus Council and Parish will again be participating in the 40 Days for Life Campaign this Spring on Friday, March 22, 2024, from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Please use the Google Sheets sign-up link at <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1t6FrCqI4pDBFkrOSn3fv\_y\_WnOmBP8TnRjsWfvoT4ck/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1t6FrCqI4pDBFkrOSn3fv\_y\_WnOmBP8TnRjsWfvoT4ck/edit?usp=sharing</a> to sign up for a time to participate. Offering any amount of your time to this cause will help us save the lives of the unborn! More information can be found on the poster posted on the TV display in the Narthex. P.S. Brother Patrick Murphy has offered the following reflection on this ministry in the past and I hope it helps anyone who is hesitant to participate: "

As I have mentioned before, my first time was a pretty big step outside my comfort zone, as I imagine it would be for many. I wish I could say it gets easier, but I don't think this is something we want to be comfortable with. It may not be easy, but it is simple and it is the right thing to do. I also know, not everyone is blessed enough to be able to drop what they are doing in the middle of a weekday to stand for an hour (or four) on a sidewalk and pray, but I know a lot of you guys can. With that being said, if you're on the fence, this, in fact, saves human lives. I've seen it."

For more information, you can visit <a href="https://www.gcrtl.org/40-days-for-life.html">https://www.gcrtl.org/40-days-for-life.html</a>.



# MAKE AN IMPACT THAT LASTS FOR EVER

Your legacy reflects how you lived – with kindness, conviction, and faith. St. Mary and St. John XXIII Catholic

Churches is your faith home where you have encountered Jesus Christ and strengthened your relationship with Him. We want this divine life to continue and grow deeper – for ourselves, our children, grandchildren, and future generations of Catholics.

St. Mary and St. John XXIII Catholic Churches have endowment funds that The Catholic Foundation manages. An endowment fund is a longer-term, sustained investment designed to provide our parish with a perpetual source of income. There are numerous ways to support the St. John XXIII Endowment Fund and St. Mary Parish Endowment Fund and share your blessings with our parish for eternity.

For more information on how you can make an eternal impact on St. Mary and St. John XXIII Catholic Churches, please contact Jim Hahn at 614-443-8893, ext. 112 or jhahn@catholic-foundation.org.



### OUR GIFT TO YOU - FREE ACCESS TO FORMED.ORG

As has been tradition here at St. John XXIII Parish, we renewed our subscription to Formed.org for 2024. Please take advantage of the multitude of resources available to you through this site. There are videos for individuals, families, couples, sacraments, children, life as a Catholic, etc. We purchase this for YOU, our parish family, to be able to grow even more like Christ. Just go to the site Formed.org and select "Sign Up" on the top of the page. In the box type in St John XXIII. Make sure you choose the one with our parish address. This will give you free access.

**Daily Bread: Discover the Eucharist in Scripture** explores the biblical roots of the Eucharist and how the earliest Christians understood it as the fulfillment of many Old Testament promises. Based on Dr. Brant Pitre's book *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist*, these daily Lenten reflection videos will radically transform your love for the Blessed Sacrament. Sign up to receive these daily during Lent at <a href="https://daily.formed.org/lent">https://daily.formed.org/lent</a>.

### SANDWICH SATURDAY - MARCH 16, 2024

Sandwich Saturday here at St. John XXIII has been going strong over 15 years. The sandwiches we make are delivered to St. Lawrence Haven in downtown Columbus to feed the homeless. This wonderful ministry here at St. John XXIII has had so many of our volunteers return for the joy of helping others. All are welcome to come at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, March 16, 2024, to do as Christ asks us to do, take care of our brothers and sisters.

### **NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION**

Please stop by the Parish Office before or after Mass on Sunday to register. We encourage all who attend Masses to formally register with St. John XXIII Parish to become a member. If you have any questions, please feel free to come into the Parish Office and speak with Heather.

### THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (O.C.I.A.)

O.C.I.A. is an educational and spiritual program developed to engage and instruct non-Catholics who may want to join the Catholic Church AND Catholics who are interested in learning more about or returning to the Catholic faith. O.C.I.A. acts as the compass for individuals who would like to come into full communion with the Catholic Church. If you would like to learn more, call the Parish Office at 614-920-1563.

### AROUND THE DIOCESE

### WAY OF THE CROSS WITH BISHOP FERNANDES

### Good Friday Way of the Cross with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes

Please join us in walking the Way of the Cross though downtown Columbus on Good Friday, March 29th, led by Bishop Fernandes. The procession will begin at 2:00 p.m., directly following the Good Friday service in the Cathedral, and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. The route begins on the Cathedral steps and has five stops throughout downtown, where people carry their crosses every day. Each stop will have moments of readings, music and poetry. The Way of the Cross is organized by the lay ecclesial movement, Communion and Liberation. For more information, please contact Alessandro at <a href="mailto:ando.scotti@gmail.com">ando.scotti@gmail.com</a>.

### ST. PATRICK/PRIORY OPEN POSITIONS

### Parish Administrative and Communications Secretary

St. Patrick Parish, Columbus

**St. Patrick Parish** is seeking a full-time Parish Administrative and Communications Secretary, who will support the mission of the Dominican friars in their ministry at this vibrant and active parish in downtown Columbus. The candidate must also be able to fully support and foster our parish mission: **Come to the Supper of the Lamb; Bring Christ to a hungry world.** 

For complete job description, and to apply, go to the Diocese of Columbus website at <u>columbuscatholic.org/jobs/609</u>.

### Financial Secretary/Shrine Manager

St. Patrick Priory, Columbus

The Financial Secretary and Shrine Manager coordinates and facilitates the financial transactions and records of the **Dominican friars at St. Patrick Priory** in downtown Columbus – which will occupy the majority of the weekly hours – and also manages the affairs of the Saint Margaret of Castello Guild and Shrine and (for a limited time), the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary, which is also based at St. Patrick Priory. The hours per week are variable, but currently average about 10 hours a week. A certain amount of work can be done remotely, but the position does require coming into the office on a regular basis for at least some hours.

For complete job description, and to apply, go to the Diocese of Columbus website at <u>columbuscatholic.org/jobs/626</u>.

### ST. MARY SCHOOL COOKIE DOUGH SALE

### Order form in Narthex at SJXXIII

St. Mary Teacher Association is selling cookie dough and spread options for your spring gatherings! All proceeds benefit tuition assistance at St. Mary School.

### Orders will be taken now through Friday, March 22.

- Each 3 lb container of cookie dough is \$15.
- Each 13 ounce spread item is \$6.

### Pickup dates for orders will be in the Spirit Center

- Thursday, April 11th from 3:00-6:00 p.m.
- Friday, April 12th from 3:00-5:00 p.m
- Bring payment at pickup time

Orders can be filled out and turned in to the St. Mary School office using the paper form, or online using the Google Form at <a href="https://forms.gle/rrRKviCqzNnqJnQy7">https://forms.gle/rrRKviCqzNnqJnQy7</a>.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office at 740-654-1632. Thank you for supporting the students of St. Mary School! You will also be supporting an Ohio business as we have partnered with Der Dutchman to provide these delicious options!

### FISHER CATHOLIC TEA

All are invited to join the Fisher Catholic cast of the musical **Little Women** on Sunday, March 17, from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (after 10:00 a.m. Mass) in the Spirit Center at St. Mary in Lancaster. Bring your wife, mom, grandmother, grandchild, or any loved one for a morning of tea and petite sandwiches! While you enjoy your tea, the cast will entertain you with songs and merriment from their upcoming musical, **Little Women**. If you remember the book from your childhood, this musical will absolutely enthrall you! Stop by for a few minutes or stay until 1:00 p.m.; either way, all are welcome, and you are sure to be entertained! Cash donations accepted to support the Fisher Catholic Musical.

### FISHER CATHOLIC "LITTLE WOMEN" PERFORMANCE

The Fisher Catholic Arts Department is excited to present the musical "Little Women" on April 4 and 5 at 6:30 p.m. and April 6 at 2:30 p.m. "Little Women" is a heartwarming beautiful story for the whole family! Memorable songs, sweeping ballads, humor, excitement, bravery, learning life's lessons, and learning to forgive and love! Please look for additional details at our Little Women Tea on March 17 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in Lancaster St. Mary's Spirit Center. Stop by for a tea party with our cast and support the FC Arts!

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS, ORGAN IMPROVISATION

On Sunday, March 17, 2024, at 3:00 p.m., a special Stations of the Cross will be held at St. Joseph Cathedral. The Stations presided over by Fr. Paul Keller, O.P., Director of Divine Worship, will have a unique addition of an organ improvisation by Dr. Richard Fitzgerald, Director of Diocesan Music. Although the Stations of the Cross are a traditionally a Catholic Lenten meditation on the sufferings of Christ's Passion, Christians of all denominations are welcome to attend. Each Station will have a musical reflection and a prayer composed of musical notes as we contemplate Christ's suffering and death on the cross.

### PDHC IS HIRING A NURSE

Join the PDHC team! Pregnancy Decision Health Center (PDHC) is hiring a part-time nurse for the Lancaster Center. Ultrasound training is provided. Job description can be viewed at supportlifepdhc.org on the Join Our Team page. Please email JennS@PDHC.org for more information.

### PDHC NEEDS - URGENT

The Lancaster Center is experiencing some HIGH NEEDS, especially for baby equipment. If a member from your church would like to donate, please share the Amazon link below. You can also choose an option for these items to be shipped to the center at no charge. Visit <a href="https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2Z7BD917Z2JSG?ref">https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2Z7BD917Z2JSG?ref</a> =wl share. If you are not purchasing from Amazon, the following HIGH NEED items: infant body carriers, baby monitors, strollers, diaper bags, tummy time play mats, highchairs, baby swings, and baby bouncers (we also accept gently-used of these items). As we begin to navigate our cultural challenges in this new year, hold close to His promises: And the One who was sitting upon the throne, said, 'Behold, I make all things new.' And he said to me, 'Write, for these words are entirely faithful and true.' ~ Revelation 21:5

### JOB OPENING AT JOSEPHINUM

Literature Professor Opening at the Josephinum – The Pontifical College Josephinum seminary is seeking to hire a full-time Assistant Professor of Literature in the College of Liberal Arts (rank negotiable), beginning in fall 2024. An ideal candidate will possess a completed doctorate (PhD) in literature or an associated area and exhibit a strong commitment to Catholic higher education and to the mission of the Josephinum to form men for the ordained priesthood. Read more about the position and its necessary qualifications at www.pcj.edu/jobopportunity.

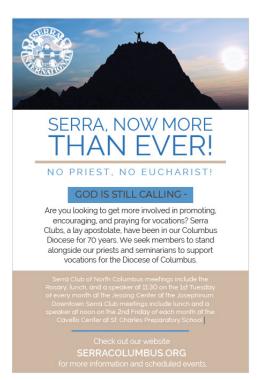




### NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Scandal, division, disease and doubt. The Church has withstood each of these throughout our very human history. But today, we confront all of them, all at once. In the midst of these roaring waves, Jesus is present, reminding us that He is more powerful than the storm. He desires to heal, renew and unify the Church and the world. We NEED Jesus. *The Holy Spirit is inviting us to return to the source and summit of our faith – the Eucharist.* The National Eucharistic Revival seeks to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Visit eucharisticrevival.org.

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### FROM BOTTOMS UP

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# MONTHLY EXPENSE/OFFERTORY REPORT: Monthly Expenses for January for St. Mary Monthly Expenses for January for SJXXIII Monthly Offertory in January for St. Mary Monthly Offertory in January for St. Mary Monthly Offertory in January for SJXXIII MASS ATTENDANCE Total for Month of February at St. Mary Total for the Month of February at St. John XXIII 1,697

### PLENARY INDULGENCES

The Dominican Order is currently celebrating a Triple Jubilee in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas, remembering the 700th anniversary of his canonization (which was celebrated in July 2023), the 750th anniversary of his death (to be celebrated on March 7, 2024), and the 800th anniversary of his birth (which will be celebrated in 2025). In honor of these anniversaries, the Apostolic Penitentiary grants a plenary indulgence to those who make a pilgrimage to a holy place connected with the Dominican Order, and there devoutly take part in the jubilee ceremonies, or at least devote a suitable time to pious recollection, concluding with the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and invocations of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of Saint Thomas Aquinas. Any church, shrine, or chapel currently entrusted to the Dominican Order can meet the requirements for the pilgrimage. In the Diocese of Columbus, St. Patrick Church in Columbus, St. Joseph Church in Somerset, and Holy Trinity Church in Somerset are entrusted to the Dominican Friars. The plenary indulgence may be obtained until January 28, 2025 under the usual conditions of Sacramental Confession 20 days before or after the indulgenced act, reception of Holy Communion, prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father, and complete detachment from sin, including venial sin. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.op.org/rescript-of-the-apostolic-penitentiary-with-translation/">https://www.op.org/rescript-of-the-apostolic-penitentiary-with-translation/</a>.



### JOIN OUR FLOCK -NEW GROUPS HAVE BEEN ADDED

What is FlockNote? A communication tool that we hope will provide our parish a wonderful way to help you grow your faith and be aware of the different events and opportunities we provide here at St. John XXIII Catholic Church in addition to the weekly bulletin. Our monthly newsletter will have Faith Formation content emailed to you via our

FlockNote Newsletter, to help you and your family grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ. There are several groups you can join as well to receive information about specific groups straight to your email or text! Please join us! If you would like additional information, please email office@sixxiiiparish.org. If you need assistance with signing up for FlockNote, please see Heather; she is happy to help get you signed up to receive our notes.

### MOBILE APPS FOR CATHOLICS

You may have heard there are numerous Catholic apps you can upload on your smartphone or mobile device. A couple we like to use are iBreviary and Laudate. They each have the Missal for all Masses, so you always have it handy and can follow along. There are countless prayers, readings, rites, and other Catholic resources. These are available for both Apple and Android users. Here are QR codes for you to scan – choose either the Apple App or the Android App:













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