



ST. CHARLES BORROMEO  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

# THE CHIMES

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**FR. KENT KAUFMAN**  
Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

Fr. Chris departed from our parish in September 2018—more than a year ago. Yet, I am asked regularly how he is doing. I can assure you that he is thriving and doing well. I see him every now and then for diocesan or priestly gatherings. After spending ten months at St. Joseph, Maumee, he was moved yet again in July. To be clear, he was moving each of these times to fill a larger vacancy in the diocese—not because things were not working out in his current assignment.

I visited Fr. Chris in August at his current assignment in Sandusky. This rather large assignment consists of three parishes and one citywide Catholic school system being served by three priests—one pastor and two parochial vicars (associate pastors). Fr. Chris told me that in January, the three parishes will reduce their Mass schedules so that it is possible for just two priests to cover the weekend. Currently, that is not possible since the Mass times at the three parishes overlap too much. He said it really good timing since he will be back in India for the entire month of January!

Fr. Chris told me that he is making progress with his immigration status and keeps working toward something that is more lasting and won't need

## Announcing New Associate Pastor, Mass Online

constant renewals which can be challenging to do. Please pray for his safe travels and ease in processing his next round of visa materials.

Another question that I am asked on a regular basis is whether or not we will get another priest at St. Charles. I have explained that the bishop would like to send another priest, but it really depends on when he will have more priests ready to send out to the parishes. Currently, St. Joseph in Maumee is also joining us in having only one priest assigned when recently they had two.

Well, guess what? I learned just recently that two more priests from India will be coming to work in our diocese later this month. Unlike Fr. Chris, who is a Pallottine or religious order priest, these two priests belong to a particular diocese in India, just like I belong to the Diocese of Toledo. These two priests have been released by their bishop for a certain number of years to minister here in the United States.

The number of vocations in India is high enough that bishops are able to be generous with other dioceses around the world. Indeed this is one of the “marks” of our Church that we are “catholic” meaning “universal.”

At this point in time, I do not have many details about our next priest, but will share more with you when I do. His name is Fr. Thomas and this will be his first time in the United States. There will be many things for Fr. Thomas to work through as he familiarizes himself with our culture and way of life, especially as we differ from India. Since this is wintertime, I can immediately think of helping him learn how to drive in the snow!

Fr. Thomas hopes to arrive in late January and at the request of the diocese will use the first few months to acclimate and get himself situated. I know how many details were involved when I moved from All Saints at Rossford to St. Charles at Lima. As I think back, I was so grateful for everyone who was patient with me as I learned their names, the patterns and procedures for things at St. Charles, and especially those who gave me helpful suggestions on how to find a barber, dentist, doctor, mechanic, optometrist—just to name a few things.



**Fr. Thomas**

If any of you have the time and interest to assist me in welcoming Fr. Thomas to our parish, city, and nation, please let me know. Fr. Chris spent about six weeks at a parish in Toledo (during the summer) before joining us at St. Charles in July 2017. He also had the benefit of several local priests from his religious community who had already been here for several years to guide him on important matters—not the least of which was equipping him with his vehicle and guiding

him about banking matters, etc. Fr. Thomas will bear much more of that responsibility himself since he is a diocesan priest. I know that he will be thankful for our hospitality here in Lima.



Speaking of hospitality, I am happy to report that we now have a webcam in our church. The purpose of the webcam is two-fold. First, we have a solution for the radio Mass which ended in the summer since the local radio station changed its availability for local programming and we were left with no option for radio. Now we can broadcast all of our liturgies in church through the webcam which you can access by going to our website at [www.stcharleslima.org](http://www.stcharleslima.org).

Whenever the sound system is functional in church, you will have sound. Otherwise, you will only see what, if anything, is happening in church. At the moment we are not able to record for view on demand, but we hope to do that in the future. Also, we just have one camera which as you can imagine can be a challenge for our church with its unique design. Down the road, we can look at adding more cameras as funding becomes available and as we learn the technology that is required to operate it.

Another benefit we hope to add soon is to have the live broadcast of the Mass available in the Gathering Space. This is intended for families with small children. When the child becomes restless and noisy, this will be a place to which parents can retreat until the child is calm again and able to return back into the main assembly.

I want to emphasize that whenever Mass is taking place, the Gathering Space is closed to any other activity. We kindly ask that everyone respect this and to leave the chairs available for families with children who need a place to regain their composure before going back into church. At the 10:30 a.m. Mass we also provide Child Care for toddlers in Room 2 and quite often have Children's Liturgy of the Word offered for those preschool age and older.

Many thanks to all of you who have made contributions toward our Visitation Fund. Your generosity allows us to keep making these improvements alongside necessary repairs.

Sincerely in Christ.

*Fr. Kent*

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**SR. YVONNE  
FISCHER, OSF-T**  
Pastoral Care Coordinator

*Card Ministry is part of Pastoral Care and brings joy to many in any season of the year. I thank Barbara Schierloh for initiating this ministry in the parish and spreading joy to all those who receive cards.*

Hello, my name is Barbara Schierloh. My husband Chuck and I have been members of St. Charles Parish for 44 years. We have 2 grown daughters, Beth and Emilie, who attended St. Charles School and LCC, and 2 grandbabies Sam and Brennan in Chicago. Chuck taught social studies for 39 years in the Lima City Schools, while I taught mathematics, 16 of those years at LCC.



The idea for the Card Ministry started in 2012 when I was in St. Rita's hospital for 39 days with an extremely serious illness. During those long hospital days and the subsequent 5 months of recovery at home, I came to realize how much those cards and visits meant to me. I wondered how many other parishioners in the hospital or nursing homes might feel the same or be lonely, and what was St. Charles Parish doing to help them.

During my recovery, I was encouraged to try some new things, so I joined the choir. This great group of people and Ruth has helped me in many ways that they don't even know. Also, one day I happened to walk into Hobby Lobby and saw these beautiful handmade cards. They were offering a class to make these cards, so

being the crafty person that I am, I signed up. The instructor, Diane, has taught me so much over the past eight years and has become a great friend. The people for whom I have made cards over the years have remarked how beautiful the cards are and how much they are appreciated. What a great feeling!

For the past couple of years I have felt a calling from God to start a Card Ministry for our parishioners for whom a card would mean so much. In the fall of 2018 Sister Yvonne and I met to discuss this idea. She liked the idea so we started slowly, but this year we would like to do so much more. It is very rewarding to do something for our parishioners who are ill or homebound. And it is our Christian duty as illustrated by Christ.

Currently, we meet on the third Thursday of each month in room 9/10 in the church basement. Would you like to learn to make beautiful cards? Do you like to make crafty things? Do you enjoy coloring? Do you know how write messages on cards or address envelopes? Then, we NEED you! For questions or comments contact me at 419-223-9522 or at [bdschierloh@gmail.com](mailto:bdschierloh@gmail.com)

God bless, Barbara

My name is Kate Stanford and my husband is Bill. We received many cards to congratulate us on our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary, but one that really touched our hearts was a card that was created by the members of the St. Charles Card Ministry. It was not only beautiful but was very special because it had been made just for us by the loving and caring hands of members of St. Charles.



*Sister Yvonne coordinates the Pastoral Care Ministry in the parish. Please contact Sr. Yvonne Fischer at [fischery@stcharleslima.org](mailto:fischery@stcharleslima.org) or by calling the parish office at 419-228-7635.*

## St. Charles Catholic Church Mission Statement

To build a community of faith  
united with Christ in the Eucharist,  
living as disciples,  
sharing God's love and grace.

Pastoral Council, June 2018

### PARISH WEBSITE

Check out the parish website at  
[stcharleslima.org](http://stcharleslima.org)

### The Chimes Staff

Cathy Huber - Marge Snow



GriefShare starts Thursday, February 6, 2020, from 2:30-4:00 p.m.

GriefShare is an adult support group for those experiencing the loss of a loved one. The following is a synopsis of one participant's experience.

Brenda and Paul Rizer were married almost 28 years and two months and members of St Charles since 1989:

*GriefShare saved my life because it taught me much more than coping skills. It taught me how to live again. It taught me how to feel joy again.*

*I started GriefShare four months after losing my husband, Paul. At the time I was in depths of grief. The good things from my past were gone and my future looked empty. GriefShare offered a very safe and confidential place to express myself. All participants had experienced a loss, so grief truly was the common denominator. Compassionate and trained program leaders, who themselves experience grief, were monumental to the program's success. They guided us through grief dialogue and small group discussions which encouraged us to share, but no one was forced to. Sometimes making it to a session and listening was all I could manage, and that was completely acceptable. I quickly learned that I was not alone, crazy or overly emotional because everyone grieves differently.*

*GriefShare welcomes people at any point during their Grief journey. But you won't know what the journey entails until you are in the midst. of it. So, I suggest you start early if able, but jump in when you can. GriefShare is worth repeating or revisiting a program in progress, especially during a particularly difficult time in your journey. I chose to revisit the program when I could and found new survivor skills that I didn't fully grasp the first time through.*

If you know someone who has lost a loved one, tell them about GriefShare. If their life includes the demand of caring for children or aging parents, offer to help out so they can attend GriefShare sessions. It would be a gift they would never forget.

GriefShare starts Thursday, Feb 6th. All faiths are welcome. A donation of \$15.00 is asked to cover the cost of the workbook. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 419-228-7635.

As a result of the Parish Assessment Renewal process and in an effort to keep our parishioners better informed we have developed a Facebook page and a Twitter account.

The various activities and ministries of the parish will be posted to these social media sites.

Like us on Facebook: St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church-Lima



Follow us on Twitter:  
St. Charles-Lima

## MISSION STATEMENT



## THE CHIMES

The mission of The Chimes is to foster parish unity, to promote Christian ideals and to publish newsworthy events within the Parish community.

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# Alpha, Beta, Prime Time Ministry, and more . . .



**ANGIE SOULES**  
Director of Discipleship &  
Evangelization

## ALPHA

We have a new session of Alpha beginning Thursday, Jan. 16 at 7p.m., in the lower level of the church. This is truly an amazing opportunity to explore your faith and meet new people. You come with just your questions and experiences, nothing else is needed. If you have any questions or are interested in attending please contact Angie at 419-303-9745. We are looking forward to having you!

Here are what folks from our last Alpha had to say about it:

*I made new friends, had great conversation and felt loved.* - Jerry

*It was wonderful to share my thoughts on faith with others. Sharing a meal each week really made me feel like I was a part of a family.* - Sharon

*I loved all of it! Made me think about a lot of things!*  
- Louisa

*I feel very grateful to be in this group. It was a wonderful time. It was the most friendly experience. So glad to have met these people.* - Misty

*My experience was very positive. Alpha helped me discover my faith and brought me closer to God. I feel more confident and at peace.* - David

*I felt that this was an important step into reintroducing me to my faith. I had been away from the church for several years and the leaders and the rest of the group helped me grow in my faith.* - Joe

*The food was scrumptious and I got to meet new people. The video's were illuminating on subjects I had just glossed over.* - Francis

*Alpha was truly a beginning of my faith journey.*  
—Amanda

*In the beginning I was methodical about coming to Alpha by the end I looked forward to every Wednesday night.*

— Tim

*Alpha changed my life, It changed my marriage. I didn't want to come but, it was the best thing I ever did.*

—Josie

## BETA

So, what do you do after you attend Alpha? We have something special just for that, it is BETA. We will be offering Beta each Monday night in February. You can stop in for just one Monday night or you can come to each session. This is another great opportunity to grow in your faith and to put your faith into practice. Beta has food, fellowship and great videos. Join us! If you would like more information please contact Angie at 419-303-9745.

## PRIME TIME

Are you free during the day? Are you looking for something special to do? Then join us for Prime Time Activities.

**Sunrise Snacks** - This is a great opportunity to fellowship after the 8a.m. Mass on Fridays. We have great coffee, and lots of homemade breakfast snacks. This is a great way to meet new people and catch up with folks that you know.

**Game Day** - Join us for our Game Day, bring a snack and enjoy lunch and games ALL are WELCOME! Our next game day is Wednesday, Jan. 22 at 11a.m.- 1p.m. LUNCH AND A MOVIE - Watch the bulletin for our

next lunch and a movie event. We meet at Regal Theater for a movie and head over to Beer Barrel for lunch right after. You need to watch the bulletin and listen closely to Father's announcements for details as it is difficult to schedule far in advance.

## RCIA

Please pray for our Catechumens and Candidates

Amanda Alcorn  
David Buckholdt

Nina Mills  
Elizabeth Sandoval  
Rickelle Starnes

## PRAYER

As we begin our new year, many of us can get overwhelmed with the after Christmas Blues. We also get overwhelmed with busy schedules, what all we need to do or should have done. Recently, at the Prime Time Retreat and at Life Teen, we began praying the prayer below, as we learned about Mary Undoer of Knots.

Mary Undoer of Knots is a title of the Virgin Mary where she unties the knots in our lives. The devotion to Mary Undoer of Knots has become more popular ever since Pope Francis encouraged this devotion.

We all have knots in our lives that we need to remember to let God untie. So take some time out of your busy schedule and pray this prayer with us. Remember as well that Jesus loves you beyond measure and He has created you for greatness and purpose. Give your knots to him and pray for those around you that they also have the courage to give Him their knots.

Dear God:

Please untie the Knots that are in my mind,  
My heart and my life.

Remove the have nots, the can nots  
and the do nots that I have in my mind.  
Erase all the will nots, may nots, might nots  
that may find a home in my heart.  
Release me from the could nots,  
would nots and should nots  
that obstruct my life.

And most of all,

Dear God, I ask that you remove from  
my mind, my heart and my life  
all of the "am nots"

that I have allowed to hold  
me back, especially the thought  
that I am not good enough.

Amen

Mary Undoer of Knots pray for me that I allow  
God to have my knots.



**Join us! Be a volunteer! and/or a  
St. Charles Family Promise  
Committee member.**

Contact co-chairs:

Emily Decanio 419-303-9661  
Carmen Cecala-Wells 419-296-2407

## Sister Johnene Wellman Parish Library



Come and see the parish library located under the bells at the Elm Street entrance between the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Saint Joseph sections of the church.

## What's Going on at Lima Life Teen You Ask?

Eric Broughton

### LIFE TEEN MASS AND LIFE NIGHT PROGRAM

Awesome teens come together at St. Charles every Sunday night for a lively and musical Mass followed by the Life Night Program. If you are a high school age teen, or know a teen, looking to form a closer relationship with Jesus and friends who feel the same, you are always welcome to join us, Sunday nights at St. Charles at 5:30 p.m. A special Life Night Program follows this Mass from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

By the way, many adults and families also attend this Mass because they like the upbeat spirit or because they cannot attend morning services. If you stopped going to Mass and keep telling yourself that you're going to start again, this is a great New Year's Resolution and now is the perfect time.

### FINAL APPEAL – CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Lima Life Teen still needs your financial support in order to continue to provide life affirming programming to our teens. Life Teen is open to all teens and does not charge

a fee. Your contribution to the Circle of Friends campaign will ensure the continued success of Lima Life Teen. The Circle of Friends Campaign is used to pay for all Life Night meals, program materials, retreat scholarships, snacks, printing, office supplies, equipment, and a portion of Life Teen staff salaries and benefits. Please send your Circle of Friends donation to: Lima Life Teen, c/o St. Charles Catholic Church, 2200 W. Elm St., Lima, OH 45805. What better investment than the spiritual well-being of our teens!

### DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Are you familiar with the Divine Mercy Chaplet? Jesus told Sr. Faustina this about the Chaplet: "Anyone who says it will receive great Mercy at the hour of death....When they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person not as the just judge but as the Merciful Savior." If you have a parent, relative, or friend who has entered hospice or is gravely ill, what a wonderful gift to share

this faith story with them and then have them listen (joining along if possible) to the Lima Life Teen sing the Divine Mercy chaplet in their home or room with them. Contact Angie via email to [angie@st-charles.org](mailto:angie@st-charles.org) or at 419-303-9745 and arrange for such spiritual comfort for your love one should it become necessary now or in the future.

### LIMALIFETEEN.COM – LEARN MUCH MORE

If you want to learn more about the Lima Life Teen program and how it operates, please visit the [www.limalifeteen.com](http://www.limalifeteen.com) website. There is a great deal of spiritual and inspiring information to be found if you take a few minutes to look around. Visitors to the website will find a great deal of information on the Lima Life Teen program; the Life Teen calendar; many prayers; praise and worship music videos; RealFaith TV videos; and much more.

## New Year's Resolutions for the Catholic Family

It's that time of year again. Time to make a list of resolutions for the new year and forget them in January. Or at least that's how it usually goes. But January is an opportunity to improve not only your health or your spending habits but your spiritual life as well.

There are countless spiritual resolutions to be made, but keep it simple so you don't become overwhelmed and quit. Pick one or two and as they become habits, add more.

**Go to confession.** Some of us don't get to confession often enough. The new calendar year is your opportunity to get in the habit by setting aside the time to go. Find out when confession is offered at your parish or another local parish. Then stick to it. Put it on your calendar for a specific day. If you're nervous, remember that your priest has probably heard it all over the years and there are apps on your phone to guide you.

Laudate([catholicapps.com/laudate/](http://catholicapps.com/laudate/)) is a great one.

**Set a time each day to pray.** Start small. If you haven't been praying daily at all, set aside just five minutes a day. If you already pray daily, choose a different time of day and add the Divine Mercy Chaplet or a rosary or part of one.

**Celebrate feast days with the children.** Take a look at a Catholic calendar and pick some feast days. Start with your patron saint and find ways to make it fun for your children to learn about these saints. Web sites like [Catholicicing.com](http://Catholicicing.com) offer great ideas from activities to

recipes that bring Catholic saints to life for children. You can watch a video, draw a picture, or enjoy food from the country of your saint.

**Participate in First Saturdays.** We celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima in 2017. One of her requests was that we participate in the Five First Saturdays. This involves confession, Holy Communion, the rosary, and meditating for 15 minutes on the mysteries each first Saturday for five consecutive Saturdays.

**Attend daily Mass.** (Start with one extra day each week.) Put it on your calendar for once a month or once a week and make the effort. First Friday is a good way to start as there may be a noon Mass in the area.

**Bring a friend to Sunday Mass.** Whether the person is a former Catholic, a Catholic who has strayed, or someone who has not previously attended a Mass, it is an important part of being Catholic to evangelize. Helping someone else see the beauty of the liturgy can increase your own faith.

**Renew your baptismal vows.** Kick off the new year by doing this with your family. It's easy, you can do it at home, and it might be just the boost you need to be a more spiritual person in the new year!

From the *Catholic Digest Magazine*

Nancy Flanders



Join Bishop Thomas on a pilgrimage to our sister city of Toledo, Spain! We will tour Toledo, Avila, Madrid, and Segovia, before departing for Rome, Italy! While in Italy, we will spend two nights in Assisi, the city of Sts. Francis and Clare, visit the Eucharistic Miracle of Orvieto, enjoy an excursion to Castel Gandolfo, and finally spend 5 nights in Rome, with a papal audience, tour of the Vatican and its Museums, the Major Basilicas and sites of Rome, and a trip to the North American College (home to our Toledo seminarians). LAND ONLY price starting at \$3999, roundtrip airfare from Detroit will be added once available. This is an incredible opportunity to get to know our Bishop and to increase solidarity with our Sister Diocese of Toledo, Spain! (Note: We cannot hold seats without registration and deposit in hand.) Visit [CatholicFaithJourneys.com/Tours](http://CatholicFaithJourneys.com/Tours) or contact Maggie at 419-290-8782.

**Are you interested in becoming Catholic?**

**Have you been away from the church and are finding yourself being drawn back?**

**Do you need to becoming confirmed?**

**Or are you just searching and in need of a few answers?**

**If so please call Angie at 419-303-9745 or 419-228-7635 and she will help you find the path that is just right for you.**

**You aren't alone.**



### Can Collection Spot

Please continue to collect your cans for Heartbeat, but please drop them off at the dumpsters by the school in the church parking lot. Either the door or the gates will be unlocked for you to set your collected cans inside. Thank you for continuing to support this worthy cause.



**KATHLEEN KIDD**  
Parish Leadership Coordinator

## St. Charles Ministry Appreciation Brunch

Many people find that through volunteering and serving others they often receive more than they give. This secret must be well known for the almost 40 folks that submitted their blue ministry card at the end of November indicating a willingness to serve on one or more of the many ministry teams active here at St. Charles. Twenty-seven different ministry teams were selected and 66 volunteer to team connections are being made. Our parish is very thankful for the time and talents many of our parishioners share. We could not do this without you.

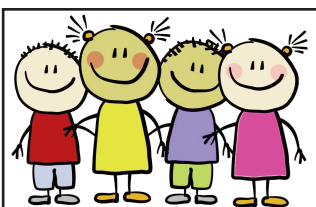
As a thank you, our Worship Commission is busy planning a **St. Charles Ministry Appreciation Brunch on March 1, 2020, at 11:45 a.m. in the church basement.** Please mark your calendars. Registration forms will be available on the Bell Table inside the church beginning mid-January. RSVP by February 16; you may return the form to the Welcome Desk, the Parish Office, place it in the collection basket, or call the office at 419-228-7635. Thank you for all you do for our parish!

Please know you are most welcome to come and be a part of our ministries at any time of the year. You may always contact the parish office or stop by at the welcome desk and our staff will get you connected with the ministry leader. We would like for all parishioners to feel inspired to find their specialty and make a difference in the life of our parish community.



Do you enjoy working with young children? Are you missing or looking for opportunities to interact with them? Do you have time to help promote a prayerful environment at Saint Charles?

We need adults to help babysit children ages 9 months through three years old during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. This important service allows parents of young children to be spiritually nourished in a prayerful environment during the Sunday liturgy, without the distraction of an unhappy child. It is also offered at various times throughout the year during different programs that St. Charles offers, so if you're not available Sundays, week nights throughout the year will also be available, depending on the program. If you are interested in this paid position, please call the parish office at 419-228-7635 for more information.



## A Peek Into the Past 1958



**SNOWY GOODBYES** - Tuesday's snow was the perfect accompaniment for 60 St. Charles fifth graders bound for an exciting train trip to Ft. Wayne, the first train ride for many of the youngsters. Although scheduled to leave at 12:40 p.m., the weather delayed arrival of the train nearly an hour providing lively snowball time. Before returning to Lima late in the afternoon, the students toured the Ft. Wayne Terminal. (Lima Citizen Photo)

## St. Charles Students Set Train Ride

Tuesday will mark a "first" in the lives of some 60 fifth graders at St. Charles school when they board the Pennsylvania train for a trip to Ft. Wayne at 12:40 p.m.

Accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. C.A. Kayser and 12 mothers of St. Charles fifth graders, the group of 60 will return at 4:06 p.m.

"It will be the first train ride for most of the youngsters," Mrs. Kayser said, "We think it will be a good way to teach them about transportation."

Each child is paying his own way, \$1.82, and it's costing the Moms \$3.58 for the round trip.

According to Mrs. Kayser, the group will visit

Lincoln Library Museum, a Cathedral and have a "little treat" before returning to Lima.

The idea originated with a mother of one of the fifth graders and was accepted readily by members of the class and Mrs. Kayser.

"I checked with Sister Mary Peter and Fr. Hanley," Mrs. Kayser said, "and the idea was accepted as a good one."

She said that the kids in her class are "enthused" about the trip.

"In fact," she said, "they haven't talked much else since we started planning the project about a month ago."

## Attention Knitters and Crocheters



Parishioners of St. Charles who knit or crochet have a wonderful way to share their talents. The Blanket Ministry is accepting hand-knit or hand-crocheted baby-sized blankets to be given to Heartbeat or others in need.

Completed baby blankets can be dropped off at the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Space after any of the masses or brought to the church office during office hours.

## Please Let Us Know!

If you have a family member or loved one in a nursing home or assisted living facility, please notify the church office, 419-228-7635, in order that the parish may minister to him or her.

Father Kent or one of the Communion distributors will be happy to visit at any time.



**Courtney Neumeier**  
Director of Operations

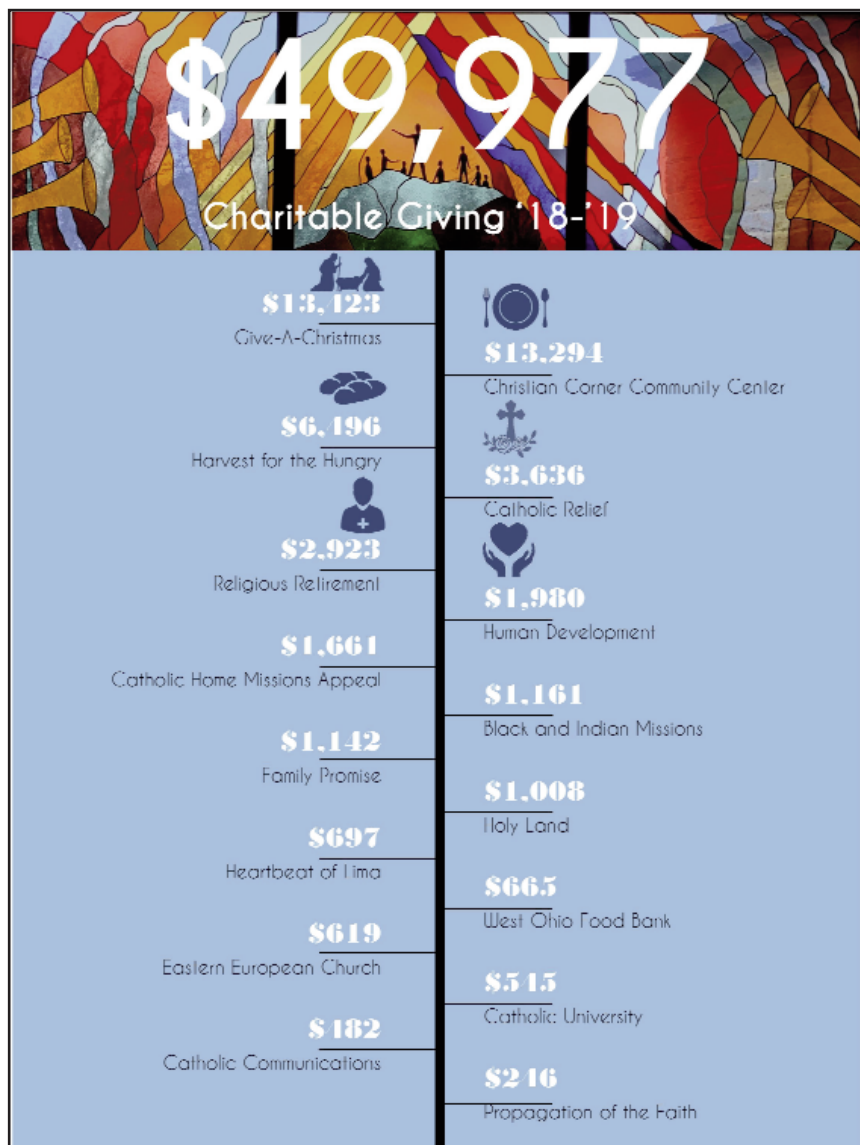
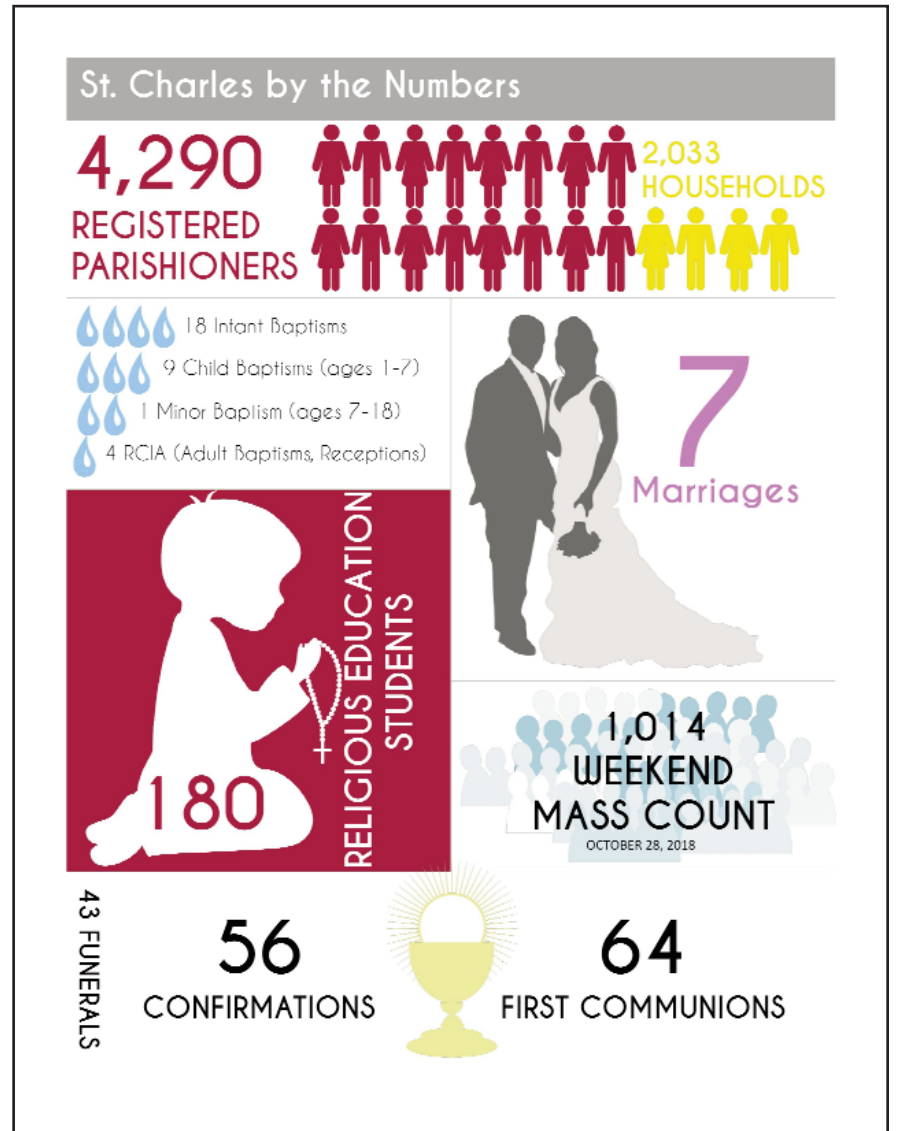
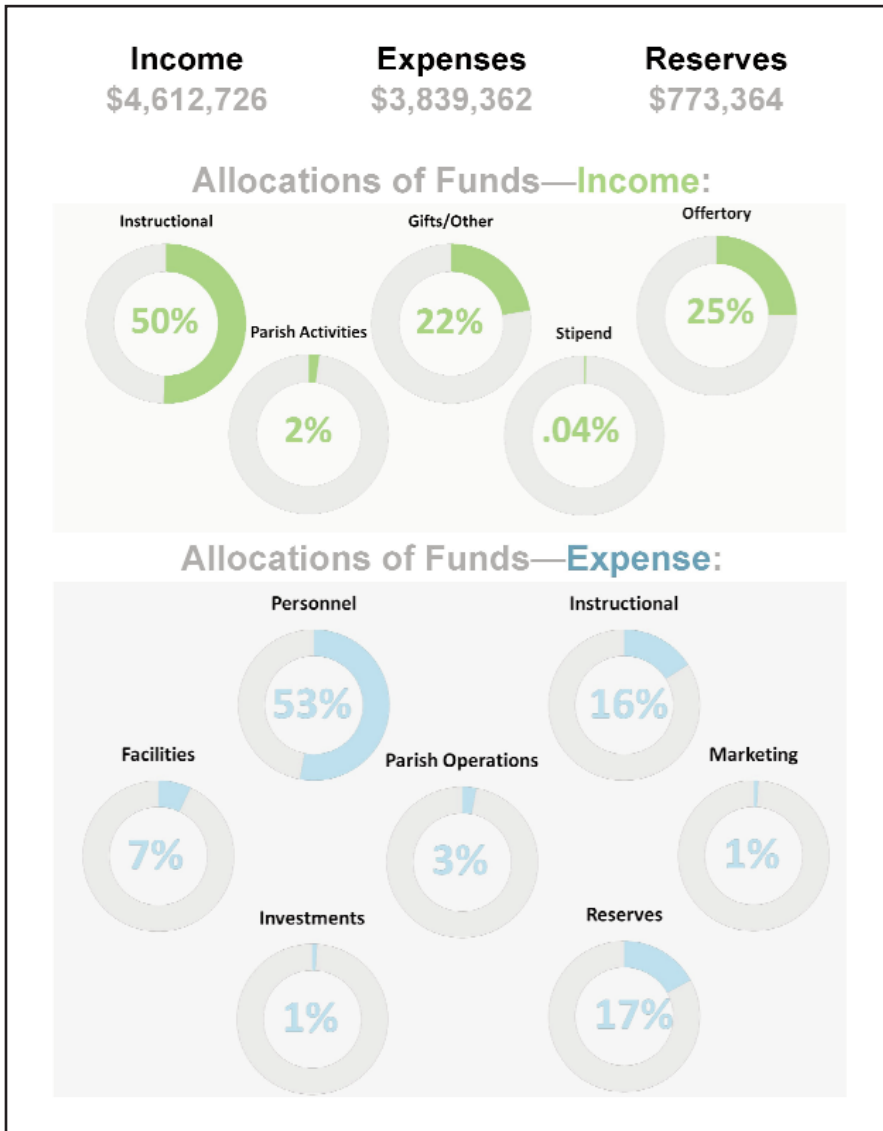
## ANNUAL REPORT

I am pleased to present the annual report for our fiscal year, July 2018-June 2019. Not only will this be published here in the Chimes, but any individual who wishes may get a hard copy of just the annual report from the Parish Office in January 2020. A limited number will be printed. There are two variations from our prior fiscal year I did want to make note of. Gifts & Donations were up by 186.9% because of a generous bequest of a long time parishioner, and Parish Activities Gross Receipt was down by 45.8% because of several years of accumulated scrip proceeds being processed in 2017-2018. If you have any questions please reach out to me at the Parish Office.

**St. Charles Borromeo Parish**  
**Summary of Income and Expenses (unaudited)**  
**For the Periods Specified**


Income	Fiscal Year Ended		Increase/(Decrease)	
	June 2019	June 2018	Amount	Percent
Tuition and Fees (Net of Financial Aid)	\$1,432,729	\$1,380,017	\$52,712	3.8%
Student Services (Cafeteria, Pre- Kindergarten, etc.)	\$299,627	\$261,930	\$37,697	14.4%
Mandated Services Reimbursement	\$256,949	\$225,810	\$31,138	13.8%
Subsidy from Parish	\$267,992	\$332,931	-\$64,939	-19.5%
Other School Income	\$16,841	\$19,597	-\$2,755	-14.1%
Christmas & Easter Collection	\$58,033	\$53,509	\$4,524	8.5%
Other Coll's & Initial Offering	\$66,216	\$76,453	-\$10,237	-13.4%
Stipend & Stole Fees	\$16,185	\$14,179	\$2,006	14.2%
Parish Activities Gross Receipt	\$96,661	\$178,427	-\$81,766	-45.8%
Gifts & Donations - Operating	\$684,826	\$238,731	\$446,095	186.9%
Other Income	\$60,324	\$50,526	\$9,798	19.4%
Sunday & Holiday Collections	\$1,018,424	\$1,021,922	-\$3,498	-0.3%
Extended Day/LatchKey & Daycare	\$54,198	\$51,860	\$2,338	4.5%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$4,329,007</b>	<b>\$3,905,894</b>	<b>\$423,113</b>	<b>10.8%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
Salary Expense	\$1,801,888	\$1,821,531	-\$19,643	-1.1%
Payroll, Taxes, & Fringe Benefits	\$623,601	\$578,744	\$44,857	7.8%
Administrative/Office Expenses	\$102,283	\$115,099	-\$12,816	-11.1%
Parish Operations	\$144,527	\$115,092	\$29,434	25.6%
Instructional Expense	\$183,707	\$194,083	-\$10,376	-5.3%
Student Service Expense	\$131,737	\$134,400	-\$2,662	-2.0%
Extended Day/LatchKey & Daycare Expense	\$3,491	\$2,262	\$1,229	54.3%
Marketing & Fundraising Expense	\$55,269	\$108,095	-\$52,826	-48.9%
Building Expense	\$273,326	\$258,172	\$15,155	5.9%
Other Operating Expenses				
LCC Subsidies	\$61,537	\$64,000	-\$2,463	-3.8%
Diocesan Assessment	\$105,994	\$99,758	\$6,236	6.3%
School Operating Cost to Parish	\$267,992	\$332,931	-\$64,939	-19.5%
Other Operating Expense Total	\$435,523	\$496,689	-\$61,166	-12.3%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$3,755,353</b>	<b>\$3,824,167</b>	<b>-\$68,814</b>	<b>-1.8%</b>
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>\$573,654</b>	<b>\$81,726</b>	<b>\$491,928</b>	<b>601.9%</b>
<b>Other Income</b>				
Gifts/Donations - Nonoperating	\$36,107	\$79,599	-\$43,492	-54.6%
Other Income - Nonoperating	\$247,612	\$153,023	\$94,589	61.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$283,719</b>	<b>\$232,622</b>	<b>\$51,097</b>	<b>22.0%</b>
<b>Other Expense</b>				
Capital Expenses	\$44,153	\$196,487	-\$152,333	-77.5%
Gifts/Donations - Nonoperating	\$3,394	\$0	\$3,394	100.0%
Investment Fees	\$36,462	\$35,706	\$755	2.1%
<b>Total Nonoperating Expenditures</b>	<b>\$84,009</b>	<b>\$232,193</b>	<b>-\$148,184</b>	<b>-63.8%</b>
<b>Total Nonoperating Income/Expense</b>	<b>\$199,710</b>	<b>\$429</b>	<b>\$199,281</b>	<b>46413.4%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$773,364</b>	<b>\$82,156</b>	<b>\$691,208</b>	<b>841.3%</b>
<b>Endowment Fund Balance as of June 30, 2019</b>	<b>\$2,923,333</b>			

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# The Redwing Reader

## St. Charles Catholic School



**MEGAN SCHEID**  
Principal

### Ringling in the New Year

I would like to extend a warm welcome back and Happy New Year to all families. May this year bring you, and your family, great joy, peace and harmony, good health, and prosperity. On behalf of the faculty and staff of St. Charles School we thank you for your caring support and partnership in working together with your children.



We were so very proud of our Kindergarten through 4th grade students as well as our 5th-8th grade band members as they presented their Christmas concerts in December. We thoroughly enjoyed the entertaining musical performances and want to congratulate all

participants on a job well done. We wish to thank our music teachers, Miss Recker and Mr. Buckholdt, our dedicated staff members, and parent volunteers who contributed to the success of the evening.

As always, January will be busy at St. Charles! We will see our 5-8 grade participants compete in our school Spelling Bee on January 10th to determine who will move on the Lima News Regional Spelling Bee. Students in grades 5-8 will also have the opportunity to impress us with their knowledge in our school Geography Bee on January 21st. Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated from January 26-February 1. Please mark your calendars for our Kick-off Liturgy at 10:30 on Sunday, January 26th. All of the Lima Catholic Schools will join together on Friday, January 31st at St. Gerard at 9:30 to celebrate Mass together. More information about Catholic Schools Week and the many wonderful activities will be sent out later in January to the school families. We are grateful for ALL the support our parish and community gives to ensure that this school continues to thrive.



Our winter fundraiser selling Kewpee Coupons will run from January 6-February 3. Coupon books sell for \$5.00 each for five coupons allowing you to purchase a regular hamburger and receive an additional burger and a 16 oz fountain or hot drink at no additional cost. Coupons can be purchased in the school office. Thank you to the Shutt Family for their generosity in supporting the Lima Catholic Schools!

### St. Charles Honor Roll

#### Mark of Excellence



**Grade 5:** Lucy Bensinger  
**Grade 6:** Andrew Baldauf, Lucia Fuduric, Alexa Heffner, Aidan Latham, Jacob Raczynski, Laney Scheckelhoff, Courtney Van Meter  
**Grade 7:** Melana Badea  
**Grade 8:** Emily Morrissey, Catherine Myers, Jacob Nieman, Mya Raczynski

#### High Honors

**Grade 5:** Kaitlyn Carroll, Josh Declercq, Oyinna Ekeh, Stella Ellis, Olivia Hinegardner, Olivia Joseph, Sophia Joseph, Aiden King, Lilliana McCullough, Jacob Miller, Nicholas Nieman, Annika Niemeyer, Michael Quatman, Anna Reif, Brevan Stolly, Vivian Ta, Olivia Venturella, Lincoln Woods  
**Grade 6:** Emily Blankemeyer, Kirsten Compton, David Kesner, Mason Latham, Brady Malcom, Jennifer Nguyen, Alice Reif, J.J. Schnieders, Jenna Terrill, Claire Wolfcale, Joshua Young  
**Grade 7:** Hannah Brecht, Austin Craig, Brady Feison, Ava Hefner, Teagan Helmig, Andrew Hutjens, Claire Janowski, Michael Miller, Nathan Niemeyer, Thomas Offenbacher, Maria Pignataro, Cole Rinehart, Evan Rinesmith, Lincoln Shulaw, Emma Skinner, Jillian Terrill  
**Grade 8:** Carson Caprella, Carsyn Dafler, Emma Donley, Olivia Fumich, Braedon Lybarger-Singhaus, Sam Mayers, Caitlyn Purvenas, Olivia Shenouda, Jacob Venturella

#### Honors

**Grade 5:** Kevin Bowker, Vincent Depalma, Shawn Foster, Ava Gephart, Noah Gibbs, Caden Heitmeyer, Katie Kriegel, Caiden Meister, Robert Morris, Brady Parker, Lydia Plaughter, Lilyana Whitaker, Jayden Williams  
**Grade 6:** Troy Conrad, Chibuike Ibeneme, Aidan Keating, Carolina Kill, Isabella Krites, Sophie Miller, Aibrey Schumm  
**Grade 7:** Chris Crnkovich, Nick Fumich, Kenyon Kill, Victor Pierce, Matthew Quatman, Noah Wilson  
**Grade 8:** Kennet, Godoy-Lanche, Caterina Lucente, Alexis McDonald, Carson Parker, Sebastian Pierce, Kaitlin Seffernick, Max Shulaw, Richard Warren

She also chose an overall winner from that group of 9 essays. The winner of the D.A.R.E. essay contest was Caden H. from homeroom 5-2. Caden was rewarded with a luncheon at The Old Barn Out Back, on December 10, with other overall essay winners from local schools in the area. Officer Wogerman, as well as other officers, were present for the luncheon.

Congratulations Caden, as well as all the other fifth graders who participated and learned many important lessons about making good decisions and staying safe!

### The Educational Choice Scholarships has expanded!

#### New scholarships are available

You may be able to receive a significant scholarship to attend St. Charles Catholic School and Lima Central Catholic High School!

EdChoice is now available based on designated school districts as well as income needs based throughout every county in the Toledo Diocese.

Contact the school or visit [choosemyfuture.net](http://choosemyfuture.net) to find your family's next steps in choosing a school where Jesus is known, loved and served.

### D.A.R.E. Graduation & Essay Contest

Mrs. Bollinger and Mrs. Henderson



**Caden H.**

belonged to the following students, in no particular order; Lincoln W., Stella E., Jacob M., Kaitlyn C., Caden H., Annie R., Lucy B., Brady P., and Nick N.

The fifth grade has completed their 10 week D.A.R.E. program. They graduated on December 17, in a ceremony held in their classrooms. As a final assignment, they had to write an essay about what they had learned during the program.

Officer Wogerman chose the top 9 essays. They



## From the Library

Our fifth graders collaborated, presented, created, and used their critical thinking skills during their 2019 Mock Caldecott Election in December.

**The winning book titles were:**

**Winner:** *A Big Mooncake for Little Star*, Written and Illustrated by Grace Lin

**Honor:** *Winter Is Here*, Written by Kevin Henkes, Illustrated by Laura Dronzek

**Honor:** *Hello Hello*, Written and Illustrated by Brendan Wenzel

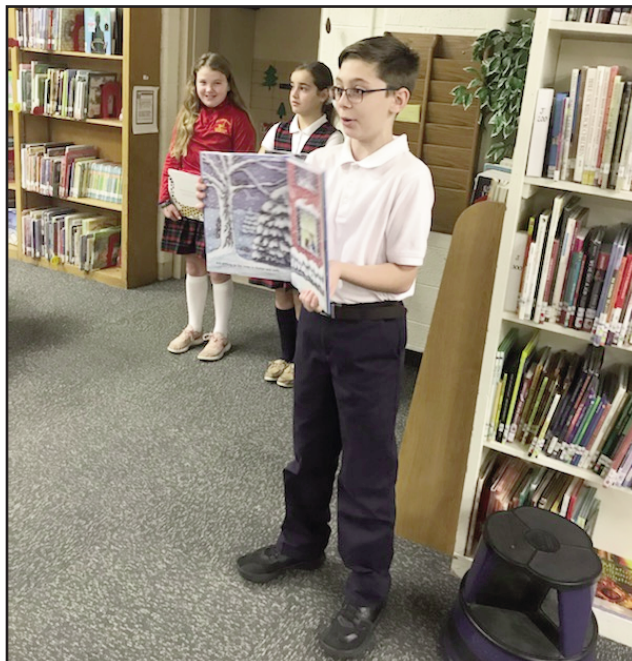
**Medals for the winning books were designed by:**

**Winning Medal:** Caden Meister

**Honor Medal:** Vivian Ta

**Honor Medal:** Lucy Bensinger

The Caldecott Medal is awarded annually by our fifth graders to the most distinguished picture book for children up to age fourteen and published during the preceding year.



## Art Room News

Becky MacDonald



Kaedyn and Treg, 4th grade students painted Sea Otters and learned about the otter's life in the ocean.



Third grade students make special Happy New Year cards to be distributed at the nursing home. They enjoyed being creative with their art service project. Featured are Gwen, Elyceana, Gracie and Erik.



Six grade students Audrey and Brady are glazing their ceramic fish. Students learned hand building techniques with clay and proper glazing techniques

## Lima Central Catholic High School Academic News

Submitted by Mary Sreenan



### National Honor Society - Advisor: Mrs. Noel Cordle

The following juniors and seniors were inducted into the Thunderbird Chapter of the National Honor Society on Thursday, November 7, 2019. A reception for the NHS students and their parents was held immediately following the ceremony.

**Senior Members:** Madeline Brinkman – Secretary, Jacob Evans, Brandon Goldsberry – President, Anna Janowski, Anna Kahle – Vice-President, Olivia Kesner, Victoria Lauck, Jocelyn Morrissey – Treasurer, Quentin Potempa, Kaylee Rigg, Jenna Rose, Sophia Santiguada, Megan Sealts, John Sreenan, Ethan Truex, Jared Young, Jack Zerante

**Senior Inductees:** Chase Caprella, Peyton Craig, Hannah Riepenhoff, Megan Latham

**Junior Inductees:** Lauren Chaney, Morgan Chaney, William Cira, Emma Delong, Zoey Foster, Erin Mulcahy, Mary Kelly Mulcahy, Allyson Oravitz, Nicole Patricio-Agosto, Zachary Patteron, Katherine Siatkosky, Nathan Stolly, Alexander Wissner, Taylor Wissner



### Honda-Ohio State STEM Award

Senior **Jack Zerante** is Lima Central Catholic's Class of 2020 Honda-Ohio State STEM Award winner. Congratulations Jack!

### Shawnee Optimist Students of Honor & Achievement

Seniors **Chase Caprella, Anna Kahle, Kaylee Rigg, John Sreenan, Jack Zerante,** and **Ana Voltani** were honored by the Shawnee Optimists at a luncheon on Wednesday, December 4, 2019 for their academic achievement, leadership, and service. Well Done T-Birds!



### 2019 Academic All-Ohio Cross Country Div. III & State Qualifier

Senior **Quentin Potempa** named to the Academic All-Ohio Team for cross country. He qualified for the OHSAA State Cross Country Meet on Nov. 2, 2019. Congratulations Quentin for an outstanding job on the cross country course and in the classroom!



### WLIO-McDonald's Scholar Athlete for the Week of Oct. 21, 2019

Senior **Olivia Kesner** named scholar athlete for the week of October 21, 2019. Congratulations Olivia for an outstanding job on the tennis court and in the classroom!

### WLIO-McDonald's

#### Scholar Athlete for the Week of Nov. 18, 2019

Senior **Jack Zerante** named scholar athlete for the week of November 18, 2019. Congratulations Jack for an outstanding job on the soccer field and in the classroom!

### Tennis – Gold Racquet Award (OTCA)

Seniors **Madie Brinkman, Anna Janowski, and Olivia Kesner** have received the Gold Racquet Award for earning a 3.75 cumulative GPA or higher and at least 2 Varsity letters. Congratulations Madie, Anna, and Olivia!

### Tennis – Silver Racquet Award (OTCA)

Juniors **Morgan Chaney and Nicole Patricio-Agosto** have received the Silver Racquet Award for earning a 3.75 cumulative GPA or higher and at least 2 Varsity letters. Congratulations Morgan and Nicole!

### Allen County Quiz Bowl – 1<sup>st</sup> Runners-up (Second Place)

**Coach: Mrs. Nancy Siatkosky Asst. Coach: Dr. JJ Sreenan**

LCC hosted the Allen County ESC's 31<sup>st</sup> Annual High School Academic Challenge QB Tournament.

**Varsity Team:** Nat Bruno, Quentin Potempa, Kaylee Rigg, Kitt Siatkosky, John Sreenan,

**Nathan Stolly, and Ethan Truex**

**JV Team:** Oli Bruno, Zac Campbell, Anna Delamotte, Aidan Scheckelhoff, Ben Siatkosky, and

**Carlie VanMeter** (not pictured)

Congratulations Team LCC!



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## LCC Thunderbird Parent Club Calendar of Events

2019-20

**Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>:** *College Roundtable* 7 p.m. Great Hall

**February (Date and program TBD)** 7 p.m. Quatman Room

**Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>:** TPC Allocation/Planning Meeting: 7 p.m. Quatman Room

**Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>:** *ACADEMIC LETTER CEREMONY*

**Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>:** TPC Wrap-Up Meeting 7 p.m. Quatman Room

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is the breath, the watchword,  
the comfort, the strength,  
the honor of a Christian.

—Spurgeon

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### NW Ohio Scholastic Soccer Coaches Association Awards

Senior varsity soccer players **Peyton Craig, Megan Latham, Jenna Rose, Sophia Santaguida, Austin Hatcher, John Sreenan, and Jack Zerante** named to the All-Academic team for NW Ohio. They were recognized for the high academic achievement of a GPA of 3.7 or above for their high school careers. Congratulations Peyton, Megan, Jenna, Sophia, Austin, John, and Jack!!

### Bluffton Math Contest November 9, 2019 Advisor: Mrs. Trudy Thompson

LCC competed in the annual Bluffton Math competition. **Henry Du** placed in the top 15!

Great contest and lots of fun! Good Job Team LCC: **Kitt Siatkosky, Rosie Williams, Elena Gamble, Ethan Truex, and Henry Du!**



# ACT prep

## ACT PREP COURSE

Lima Central Catholic will be offering an ACT Prep Class beginning January 4, 2020 for the April 4, 2020 ACT Test. Students who have previously taken this class have stated this class "helped to decrease my test anxiety prior to taking the actual ACT test" and "I was a little skeptical at first that the course would help, but my ACT score raised from as 29 to a 33." On average, most students' ACT scores do raise 2-4 points. For more specific information, please go to the LCC website at [www.lccha.edu](http://www.lccha.edu) or contact Stephanie Evans at 419-230-5040. Preregistration is required and forms are due January 2, 2020. The class is open to LCC as well as non-LCC students.

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## Lenten Reminder

ASH WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 26, 2018



Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

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**St. Valentine**, (died 3rd century, Rome; feast day February 14), name of one or two legendary Christian martyrs whose lives seem to be historically based. Although the Roman Catholic Church continues to recognize St. Valentine as a saint of the church, he was removed from the General Roman Calendar in 1969 because of the lack of reliable information about him. He is the patron saint of lovers, epileptics, and beekeepers.

By some accounts, St. Valentine was a Roman priest and physician who suffered martyrdom during the persecution of Christians by the emperor Claudius II Gothicus about 270. He was buried on the Via Flaminia, and Pope Julius I reportedly built a basilica over his grave. Other narratives identify him as the bishop of Terni, Italy, who was martyred, apparently also in Rome, and whose relics were later taken to Terni. It is possible these are different versions of the same original account and refer to only one person.

According to legend, St. Valentine signed a letter "from your Valentine" to his jailer's daughter, whom he had befriended and healed from blindness. Another common legend states that he defied the emperor's orders and secretly married couples to spare the husbands from war.  
*from Encyclopedia Britannica*

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