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KAUFMAN**  
Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

By the time you receive this, we will be into the heart of the Season of Lent. Lent is a time when we deepen, renew, or perhaps even return to the basics of what it means to be a disciple. Each year on Ash Wednesday, we hear from Matthew 6 when Jesus lifts up the three pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Elsewhere in this issue, Fr. Thomas is writing about prayer. I would like to take this opportunity to think more deeply about the practice of almsgiving. Almsgiving always begins with a recognition of the ways God has blessed my life. From that recognition comes the desire to “make a return” to the Lord for all the good he has shown to me.

When we recognize our charitable gifts in this light, we see that we can never outgive God in our generosity. We also begin to see that the thanks-giving we make to God is never “one and done” but rather an ongoing practice throughout the life of a disciple.

The ways in which we can show charity are really endless. It can be a sharing of our time, talent, or treasure. Ultimately, we sacrifice or share with others, something of our own. And we admit that whatever I have, is not of my own making, but truly all is a gift from God. My health, my good fortune, my abilities, my status,

my time on earth, are all pure gift. What I choose to do with the gift given to me then becomes my response to God’s blessings in my life.

Last fall, through the *Called to Share God’s Love and Grace* program, we invited everyone to consider the manner in which you support our ministries here at St. Charles in the Sunday Offertory. Currently, Bishop Thomas is asking our parish to support the ministries of our diocese through the Annual Catholic Appeal, this year titled: *Where Charity and Love Prevail*. Our parish goal for St. Charles is \$58,603, our fair portion of the diocesan \$3,000,000 goal.

The Season of Lent always calls us to consider other worthy causes we support such as St. Vincent de Paul, Heartbeat of Lima, St. Rita’s, Lima Central Catholic, Habitat for Humanity, and Family Promise to name a few.



Today, I would also like to lift up a particular way of giving toward the ministries and good works of our parish, even after completing one’s life here on earth. This is

commonly known as Planned Giving since it takes foresight to work out the arrangements while one is still able. Certainly, the help of an attorney or financial planner is a key factor in working out the necessary legal details.

If the donor makes a special restriction on the bequest, St. Charles is obligated to honor the decedent’s wishes before accepting the bequest. If the donor leaves the bequest as “unrestricted” then the pastor together with the help of the parish Finance Council determines what to do with the monies.

When Bishop Thomas became our bishop in October 2014, there was a longstanding diocesan policy that did address unrestricted bequests. Five percent of the bequest was to be given to the diocesan Catholic Charities. A few years ago, Bishop Thomas eliminated that policy and now parishes are free to determine what to do with the total amount of an unrestricted bequest.

With this change, I tasked our parish Finance Council the other year to formulate a St. Charles Bequest Policy that we could observe when receiving unrestricted loans.

I am happy to say that in the recent year, we have been able to put this new policy into use. Beverly Hawk died in 2016 and in 2019 we received a \$500,000 unrestricted bequest from her estate. Per our policy: \$25,000 (5%) was given for outreach in Haiti \$50,000 (10%) was added to the current budget for special projects \$125,000 (25%) was added to our Visitation Fund for capital projects \$300,000 (60%) was added to our St. Charles Endowment Fund

Marie Peck died in December 2018 and in the summer of 2020 we received an unrestricted bequest of \$17,743 from her estate. Per our policy: \$1,774 (10%) was given for charitable use (Our Outreach

Commission is now finalizing how that will be spent). \$7,097 (40%) was added to our current fiscal year to help with any shortfalls and projects that had not been budgeted (like the new AV desk in church). \$4,435 (25%) was added to our Visitation Fund \$4,435 (25%) was added to our Endowment Fund

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you who give so generously of your blessings to our parish and its ministries. We strive to be good stewards of your gifts and we recognize that we can only carry out our parish mission with your assistance. I ask, too, that you help me in remembering in your prayer our generous benefactors—such as Beverly and Marie as well as so many others who have gone before them. They have truly helped us carry on God’s work here at St. Charles, even after their death.

Finally, our new Development Commission is at work on providing opportunities for us all to learn more about Planned Giving options. They are also exploring other important ways that you can support our ministries—whether now or through a legacy plan. Don’t hesitate to contact a commission member (Greg Kirwan, Tom Wiechart, Sheryl Huffman, Terri Danik, Elizabeth Long, Bryan Barhorst); Courtney, Director of Operations; Megan Scheid, Principal; or myself if you have questions or would like to learn more!

Sincerely in Christ,

*Fr. Kent*

## Bequest policy approved June 2020

### FOR BEQUESTS \$50,000+

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| 5%  | <b>Charitable Use</b> - within the parish, local, national, or international level of use  |
| 10% | <b>Immediate or Next Year’s Budget</b><br>For making up a deficit in current budget or balance upcoming budget<br>For specific upgrade(s) not budgeted<br>For a specific program/event(s) not budgeted |
| 25% | <b>Visitation (Building Fund or Debt Pay Down)</b>   |
| 60% | <b>Endowment Fund</b>  |

### FOR BEQUESTS BELOW \$5,000 - \$49,999

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| 10% | <b>Charitable Use</b> - within the parish, local, national, or international level of use  |
| 40% | <b>Immediate or Next Year’s Budget</b><br>For making up a deficit in current budget or balance upcoming budget<br>For specific upgrade(s) not budgeted<br>For a specific program/event(s) not budgeted |
| 25% | <b>Visitation Fund (Building Fund or Debt Pay Down)</b>  |
| 25% | <b>Endowment Fund</b>  |

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| 100% | At the discretion of the Pastor and Finance Council. |
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Pastoral Care Coordinator

## Outreach Commission focusing on . . . CASA and Heartbeat

*The Outreach Commission is focusing this month on the Dignity of the Human Person. "Heartbeat" is Patti Kennedy's passion and ministry for many years. Her article shares what Heartbeat is all about. Joe Martino is sharing a recent ministry as a CASA volunteer. Let us thank them for their witness and love.*

### CASA Court Appointed Special Advocates

*Submitted by Joe Martino*

Hello. I am Joe Martino. I've been a member of St Charles since 1959 and presently serve on the Outreach Commission.

During the Fall of 2019, we discussed ways to reach out to the community in areas not directly related to the parish commissions. Fr Kent suggested CASA. I recently retired and was looking for ways to give back after all God has blessed me and my family with. I looked into and decided to volunteer as a CASA. As so many ask, what is CASA? CASA stands for Court Appointed Special Advocate for children. It serves Allen and Putnam counties. The office is located on the corner of North and Main streets. CASA is part of Crime Victim Services.

CASA is a volunteer-powered network of committed people from all walks of life who believe society has a fundamental obligation to children suffering from abuse or neglect. We are people just like you who believe every child has the right to be treated with dignity, to be safe, and thrive in the embrace of a loving family.

Volunteers are trained, certified and sworn in by the Allen Count Probate judge to advocate for the child. When a case involving children comes before the court, a CASA volunteer is assigned if available. Our main objective is to be their advocate. The Allen County Children Services and their case workers do a good job with foster care and child welfare but are overburdened. They work with the entire family. We as CASA's work closely with them but concentrate on the needs and wants of the child. We are the child's eyes and voice in the case. As you can imagine, so many children are too young to speak for their self or too afraid to speak up. We attend court cases, hearings, meet with case works, parents, teachers and the of course the children themselves to be a part of whatever decision is made in the case. We look at the case from the child's eyes and listen to what they have to say and what they may want.

There are more than 660,000 children in foster care in the United States. 400,000 of them had no access to a CASA volunteer. CASA of Allen County served 271 children in 2020. However, more volunteers are needed. 24 children last year had no volunteer advocate and were served by the existing staff. The need in our community is great. During the past year of my training and advocating, I can't begin to express the sadness and suffering of children right here in our community. I must also say, the success of many cases is very rewarding. We are making a difference.

There are presently 84 active CASA volunteers in Allen County. Some right here at St Charles. But more are needed. Donate. This will help expand programs as well as recruit and train volunteers. Volunteer. The actions of a single person in a child's life can mean everything. Get involved.



Court Appointed Special Advocates  
**FOR CHILDREN**  
CRIME VICTIM SERVICES

If interested, contact:  
CASA of Allen and Putnam Counties  
234 N Main Street  
Lima, Ohio 45801  
567.940.2272  
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### Heartbeat – Hope, Education, Resources

*Submitted by Patti Kennedy and  
Linda Dorley*

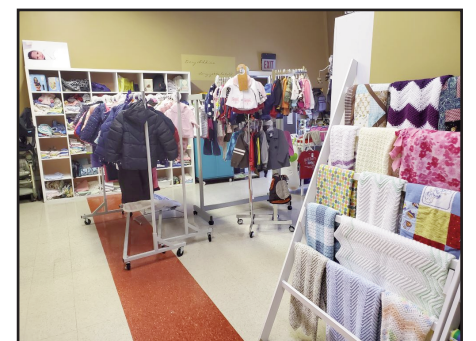
At Heartbeat, we meet young women who are at a pivotal time in their lives. Because of their possible pregnancy, they are often afraid, anxious, and very worried. Our goal is to provide them with **Hope** for their future, **Education** to give them knowledge and confidence, and the **Resources** necessary to accomplish those things. We give them the possibility of choosing *life* for their baby! Along with the 24-hour hotline, we offer free pregnancy testing and ultrasounds in a caring and compassionate atmosphere. Afterwards, we offer pregnancy and parenting classes, diapers, formula, clothing, and food.

Heartbeat of Lima opened in 1973 to give young women the assistance they needed to choose life for their unborn babies. Our mission statement is "Heartbeat of Lima exists to create an atmosphere where every human heart feels cherished". We value the *dignity of every life*, and provide opportunities for young women and men to do the same in their families.

In order to protect this dignity of life, we stress prenatal care at each contact. This is of vital importance to our clients, who often have received none. Verification of pregnancy is needed to obtain a medical card which is required for beginning prenatal care. The screening ultrasound identifies the baby's development and measures the gestational age and heart rate. When the mother sees her baby on the ultrasound, she can see the

flicker of the baby's heartbeat. There is an instant bond between the two lives. We have seen so many lives saved.

We strongly encourage the patients/clients that come in for pregnancy testing or ultrasounds to join one of our parenting programs. The interaction we have with the clients in our parenting programs not only educates them, but for many of them, it shows them a different



side of life. And it shows them that they are not alone, that there are compassionate people who care about them.

Heartbeat works with our clients until their child turns three years old. We have two parenting programs, Cherished Hearts, and The Fatherhood program. The participants meet individually with a volunteer twice a month. At those meetings they complete a lesson that is specifically directed toward the age or development of their child, or concerns of a life skill they need. All of our hundreds of lessons are designed to strengthen and develop good parenting and life skills.

In addition to the education they are receiving, our clients earn points for being in the classes. They can use those

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### 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

### 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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Associate Pastor

## The Importance of Personal Prayer in Christian Life - Pray Always

By means of a parable Jesus teaches us that it is necessary to “pray always without becoming weary” (Lk 18:18). St Paul returns to the same teaching. He writes to the Thessalonians, “Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.” (1 Thes 5:17-18)

In practice, this is difficult to do, right? After all, in the space of one day, we also wash, eat, read, drive a car, work, call family members, play with our friends, watch the television, and sleep. How then can we “pray always”?

It’s possible if we understand that “pray always” means to *have a spirit of prayer throughout the day*. Perhaps we can strive to remain united with God without trying at every moment to have a conscious awareness of His presence. We can start the major actions of the day with a brief prayer to God. And we can strive to say a prayer at one or more other quiet moments (or even hectic moments) in the day. The main idea here is that the person who prays is one whose whole day is like a loving offertory procession in God’s presence. Such prayers of the heart mean that the person is constantly ready to do the will of God.

It might be helpful to study what prayer is, which are the three major types of prayer, and why personal prayer is so important.

Holy Scripture teaches us how to pray. As Christians, it is important that we keep in mind that prayer is a gift, a grace, from the Holy Spirit. We shall close by examining the wellsprings of Christian personal prayer, some help to prayer, and some tips on how to respond to problems and challenges on the road to personal prayer.

### What is prayer?

We know that prayer is a gift, a grace, from the Holy Spirit. Here is how two Saints describe prayer:

St Therese of Lisieux says, “For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven; it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy”.

St John Damascene is even more brief, “Prayer is the raising of one’s mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God.” St. Teresa of Avila says, “Recharge your spiritual batteries every day by prayer, namely, listening to God and talking to Him”.

The person who prays strives to be in communion with God, to show adoration, to praise Him, to thank Him for His gifts, to repent for sins, and to ask for spiritual and worldly needs. The Catechism of the Catholic Church sees prayer as a vital and personal relationship with the living and true God.

### Three Kinds of Prayer

Our Catholic faith teaches us that there are three kinds of prayer: liturgical, community, and personal prayer.

Liturgical prayer is the official prayer of the Church in which Jesus Christ is the chief person praying and in which He associates His Church with Him. The Eucharistic celebration is this type of prayer. Liturgical prayer is about the seven Sacraments, the Liturgy of the Hours, and the Sacramentals of the Prayers and Blessings. Because of its public and official nature, the texts of liturgical prayers, and even the gestures and postures, are prescribed and fixed by the Authority of the Church.

Community prayers are such prayers as the Way of the Cross, the Holy Rosary, various devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary or the Saints, the prayers of

Religious Orders or Congregations, or of Catholic associations or movements. Such prayers are generally prayed by a group of persons, although individuals also use them. They differ from liturgical prayers because they are not official prayers of the *whole* Church.

Personal prayer is the prayer of an individual. It comes from the heart of the person. It can be inspired by liturgical or community prayer, but it is personal and specific to that person. Personal prayer can be in words. But it can also take other forms as the Holy Spirit may guide each soul.

### Why is Personal Prayer Important?

Personal prayer develops our living relationship as children of God with our Father, with Jesus Christ his Son and our Redeemer, and with the Holy Spirit, our sanctifier. A life of prayer is the habit of being in the presence of the Trinity and in communion with God.

Personal prayer promotes and improves our participation in liturgical and community prayers. Personal prayer before and during liturgical and community prayers can help us properly engage our hearts and minds in the liturgical and community prayers, so they don’t just become “recitations”. The liturgical books themselves advise that there be moments of silence before and even within liturgical acts, to help the participants to engage in silent meditation and personal prayer. Examples of these moments of silence are before the Collect, after the Readings and the Homily, and especially after Holy Communion.

Personal prayer helps to make our religion more genuine, more personal, more deeply rooted. It promotes our union with God. It comes to our aid in the little pin-pricks of daily life as well as in temptations and trials.

You can see, brothers and sisters, that personal prayer is very important in our lives, both to manifest and intensify our life of union with God and to help us internalize better our participation in liturgical and community prayers and worship. Our world will be a better place with more prayers from each of us.

*You are in my prayers. God bless you all.*



**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**

## Bid for Our Kids Auction

Please join us virtually in the biggest fundraiser of the year, St. Charles and Lima Central Catholic’s 6th annual auction! This year’s theme is “There’s No Place Like Home.” So whether you enjoy the comfort of your own farm with Auntie Em or follow the yellow brick road to the Land of Oz, we hope you will join us. You may think it will be difficult to match the excitement of our past in-person auctions, but we think you’ll be wickedly surprised.



We will start the bidding on Friday, March 26th and end on Saturday, March 27th. Keep an eye out for some new raffles that may be opening sooner! There will be items for all price ranges and be sure to not miss out on our popular \$20 “Mystery Boxes”, where you have two chances to win a \$1,000 gift certificate to Von’s Jewelers!

Some items included in this year’s auction are:  
A year of Kewpee Hamburgers (365 coupons)  
MIH Personal Trainer Experience  
Condo stay in Hilton Head  
Dinner Party with Fr. Kent  
Craft Beer tasting and Hors D’oeuvres with Fr. Dave at the Rectory

There are many more great deals, amazing silent auction items and one of a kind student projects. Please support our schools and don’t miss out on these one of a kind experiences! Details will be coming soon so please be on the lookout at our website [www.bidforkidsauction.com](http://www.bidforkidsauction.com) and both schools’ Facebook pages.



**Summer Aebker**  
Liturgical

## Making the Most of Lent

Lent and Easter are seasons of reflection, transformation and redemption. We carry a heightened inner dialogue with ourselves during Lent, a self-auditing of where we have failed and where we need to make improvements. Some will explore this quietly within their relationship with God, developing to action. Others will “work backward” and serve in action, eventually connecting deeply to God. And all sorts will be on some path in-between.

With sincerity, we examine not just what we can do to deepen our faith, but also how we can take that faith out into the world. Of course we should try to strive for these things all year, but Lent offers a gentle reminder to go deep and take time to understand and re-access who we are and who we want to be as faith-filled people.

Enter in, Easter, the reminder of our salvation and the joyous celebration of life beyond death. What then? Go forth and continue to spread the good news! We have a responsibility to celebrate our redemption by caring for each other, our families, our neighbors, and our community. Our humanity is inclusive. We must see ourselves in others with the same selfless heart that Jesus saw in humankind, be open-hearted...

It's with great happiness that I now write about one such effort as we approach the last concert of our 2020-2021 Open Hearts Classical Music Concert Series season. And with great gratitude, I thank Father Kent,

the worship commission, the volunteers, the staff, the artists, the donors, and the attendees for a successful exploration of opening our doors and hearts to the community at large. While few places were able to host live concerts during the pandemic, we saw a duty to share the gift of our abundant space, well-organized safety-protocols, generous sponsorship and giving volunteers. We saw a duty to connect an arts starved audience with starving artists yearning to share their musical gifts during hard times when most gigs cancelled due to Covid-19.

Born from the reflection of its necessity, this concert series can continue to grow, continue to serve our families, reach our neighbors, and transform our community into a welcoming inclusive celebration of interconnection through music. Music is a universal language. It reminds us that we are all in this world together. It is with us in our celebrations and our grief, it accompanies our joy and our loneliness. Music is part of our environment, whether it is in the hallowed spaces of sacred worship or within the ubiquitous radio,

recordings, television and film settings, music is our touchstone to the heart. It connects us with our humanity which in turn connects us to others. With open hearts, we are grateful to open doors and share this beautiful gift of music, now and for a long time to come.

Please join us in person or livestream, on April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. for Lift Every Voice and

Sing! Directed and written by Karrie Lester, a vocal performance graduate of BGSU and Lima Central Catholic, this concert traces the development of African-American music through many diverse eras and genres: spirituals and early church music, Broadway shows, art songs, opera and jazz standards. Karrie is joined in the show's various solo and ensemble numbers by three other local talented singers, Jaimie Lewis, Jaired Birks, Josh Gooding and the piano accompaniment of Troy Reinecke. Free and open to the public, masks are required along with covid-safe best practices of social distancing. Livestream is also available.



## 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.

## VOLUNTEERS FOR A/V WANTED!

We are always looking for more volunteers for streaming/camera, audio, and lyrics. The A/V desk welcomes “walk-ins” who want to explore the equipment before, during or after each Mass. Curious?

Come by and check it out!  
Questions? Contact Summer Aebker for audio and lyrics;  
[aebkers@stcharleslima.org](mailto:aebkers@stcharleslima.org), and Zach Everett for streaming/camera;  
[everettz@stcharleslima.org](mailto:everettz@stcharleslima.org).



**ZACH EVERETT**  
Director of Discipleship & Evangelization

## Lent – A Time of Preparation

Lent is a time of preparation for the most important feast of the year. You have been fasting, giving alms, and praying. Or maybe you have fallen in your practices and are not doing quite as well as you had hoped this Lent. If that is the case, remember that Christ fell three times, reminding us that it is ok to fall, but just as he continued his journey to Golgotha, we also ought to rise and continue to grow in holiness. Perhaps now is a good time to consider how we can celebrate the joy of Easter. The forty days in the desert are a preparation for the greatest feast in the Churches liturgical calendar. There are many traditions that you can do to help in that celebration.

My family normally makes a special feast. We like to make a meal that we have never made before, that is something we would not normally do. I have a great love of the Vigil Mass because it reminds me of when I became Catholic. The forthcoming celebration is why we are Christian. The cross without the resurrection is empty. It means that Christ was not truly who He said He was. Since we believe in the resurrection, and there are so many witnesses to it occurring, we ought to celebrate and share our joy with others.

Perhaps this Easter you can start a new tradition that really helps you to celebrate the fact that Christ is Risen. Perhaps you can find a way to share that joy with someone else. If you love something, then your natural tendency is to share that love and joy with others. After growing in your relationship with Christ during this Lenten season, it will soon be time to share that with your friends, family, and neighbors.

Many people are afraid to share about their faith, and struggle to find an opportunity to do so naturally. One of the easiest ways to do this is to simply listen. Listen to those around you, to their stories, their struggles, their fears, and their joys. If we learn to listen, we will find ample opportunities to share and pray with and for those that God is calling us to be witnesses to.

A really simple way to do that is when someone shares a struggle or difficulty with you, ask them if you can pray with them for that struggle or difficulty. You don't need to say anything special, just name what the issue is and ask that Christ enter into that struggle and help that person, end with an Our Father, and assure them that if there is ever anything you can do to help them that you will be there. “By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” John 13:35.

If we learn to lead with Love, then we will quickly find that the opportunities to share about our faith will be in greater abundance than we had previously imagined.



**LINDSEY KRILE**

Life Teen Director

## Reflection on Black History Month

During our Life Night on racism on 2/14, we watched Jackie Hill Perry's "Gospel Diversity for the Next Generation." Perry poetically compared our society today to the ancient Israelites in the desert in the Book of Ezekiel with how beliefs and attitudes are taught from generation to generation. She has challenged us to differ from the ancient Israelites and to break the cycle, to not follow the statutes and rules of our fathers but rather to work for a more just, diverse, and inclusive society mirroring the Kingdom of God.

Perry says that equipping the next generation for Gospel diversity involves showing them what it means to love as Jesus loved and to be part of a chosen race, a royal priesthood, and a holy nation. A chosen, diverse generation "made up of people that are white, and brown, and black, and every other color that God has made for his glory." For

"Our methods must be modeled if we want them to be followed. But we cannot and will not model what we don't believe in."

Perry challenges us, as Catholics, to be clear and confident in what we believe in and to model this in how we live. At our Life Night, we discussed how some Catholics are not certain of what the Church teaches on issues like racism and are even less confident in speaking on them (maybe even afraid of saying something wrong). The goal of our Life Nights this year has been for our teens to grow in confidence in their understanding as well as their confidence in speaking about and living out the Catholic faith. This requires us to be lifelong learners and to continue to educate ourselves so that we become the best we can be (a holy nation) and can teach the next generation.

At our Life Night in February, we also celebrated Black History Month and the richness of black American Catholic history. However, many of the teens expressed not being familiar with the history of black American Catholics. We ended our night by reading the bios of some of the black American Catholics who worked to create a more just, diverse, and holy nation. The challenge was for each teen to commit to learning more about and praying for that person this Lent. This Lent, I want to invite you to also commit to learning about black Catholics like Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton, Venerable Pierre Toussaint, Venerable Mother Henriette Delille, Servant of God Julia Greeley, Servant of God Mother Mary Lange, and Servant of God Sr. Thea Bowman. Pray for these holy men and women that we may soon have our first black American saint.

Or consider joining me in my Lenten promise to prioritize educating myself on the history of black American Catholics and the Church's teachings on diversity and racism. So that by the end of Lent, we all may be better able to equip the next generation for Gospel diversity.

Suggested Resources:

"Gospel of Diversity for the Next Generation" (Jackie Hill Perry, video)

*Open Wide Our Hearts: the Enduring Call to Love* (USCCB, pastoral letter)

*Racism: Confronting the Poison in Our Common Home* (USCCB)

*Racial Justice and the Catholic Church* (Fr. Bryan N. Massingale, book)

National Black Catholic (NBC) Congress website

"Sr. Thea Bowman's Speech to U.S. Catholic Bishops" (1989)

"Letter from a Birmingham Jail" (Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.)

*Just Mercy* (Bryan Stevenson, book)

Ascension Presents podcasts & videos on diversity & racism

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Lindsey Krile

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**JULIE FISCHBACH**Youth Faith Formation  
Coordinator

## Sacramentals- From Palms to Ashes

If you were able to make it to Mass on Ash Wednesday, you most certainly left church curious and awaiting that glance in the mirror to let you know how aggressive Father was with the administering of the ashes on your forehead. You had a good idea, for sure you were checking out your neighbor's forehead through not-so-subtle side glances. Parents of the younger children are trying to get their kids to stop touching them or rubbing them off and some kids are complaining it's itchy or that they can see it on their little noses. This is a pretty neat adventure for them since they are not yet old enough to come forward for the Eucharist and the excitement of something new in church will be the source of chatter all the way home at the very least.

The next question from their little angelic mouths is "Why?" We have the words that are spoken to us as we receive this external mark on our foreheads, "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return," or "Repent and believe in the Gospel" to answer that question. But those statements are not something that they understand. And to be honest, there are a good number of adults who understand the words, but not the true depth.

I wish it was as easy as when I was young and my confessions involved back-talking and hitting my

sister. We practiced almsgiving with putting change found about the house and car in those little milk cartons we would bring home from religion class. Fasting was more about getting as much mac and cheese as you wanted and the sacrifice was almost always gum. Sometimes I would get creative, and then hastily change it to gum when my plans fell through. I don't remember but I probably was taught about the meaning of these things. What I do remember was being shown these things. When I was young, I wasn't a good listener, but I was a spectacular watcher, as most kids are.

Armed with the practices and the examples, when I was finally old enough to connect the dots, living Lent intentionally became a beautiful thing. The traditions of the Lenten season were integral in my being able to see the value of them as those childish Lent practices transformed into the mature actions of an adult intentionally trying to do better. When I wasn't sure about something, like "what does eating fish have to do with eternal salvation?" I looked it up, making the traditions we have take on more meaning for me.

I know that we are supposed to be continually checking ourselves and doing Lenten activities all year round, but let's face it, it gets lax. I say I want to do better, but I can always do it tomorrow. Lent is a way of moving the things I already knew I should be doing up on the priority list. I usually have to try to take some time and do something else I put off until the day before Ash Wednesday, take inventory. Not just an examination of conscience like for Confession, but inventory for the whole enchilada. Am I giving 10% of my time, treasure and talent? Am I offering up sacrifice in my daily life for others? Am I praying regularly with purpose, or am I using only structured prayers without paying attention to what I am saying, or rambling all while convincing myself that I am talking to God? When was the last time I have gone to Confession versus the last time I *should* have gone to Confession? When I do this before-hand, I feel that I can enter into Lent with a goal.

And then comes the big day that marks the beginning of Lent and our foreheads. Just like having a work-out buddy, the whole parish community joins together to help each other along on their goals to grow in holiness. From Lenten encouragement posts on Facebook to devotionals handed out to the parish to in-person Bible studies, we are all in this together as one big family. A family that is there for each other for encouragement, compassion, and to answer the questions we all have, including the small child's simple "why do we have to get ashes on our foreheads?"

The palms from Palm Sunday in our homes are sacramentals and a daily reminder of both that joyful procession and that public profession of faith that reminds us to be faithful and steadfast in the service of our King and his Kingdom which is to come. And the ashes that we get from burning those same palms reminds us of our mortality, and that from death, like Christ, we can rise to new life through Him.



## HEARTBEAT - from page 2

points to purchase items such as diapers, formula, and clothing for their children. Through the classes, we have seen parents grow and strengthen their life and parenting skills, so they can provide a more loving, and safe environment for their child.

This has been a difficult year for everyone due to Covid, but thanks to a creative staff, volunteers, and flexible clients, we have not only survived, but in many cases, our clients have thrived. Defending life cannot take a break! By the middle of March we had many clients, and referrals from other agencies, who were in desperate need of diapers, formula and food. Our offices remained open throughout the pandemic to help with these essential needs. We also continued to offer pregnancy testing and ultrasounds. We set up online parenting lessons for our clients, and made appointments for those who needed to come in for essential needs.

Although we were unable to hold several of our big annual fund raisers, the people involved found a way to support Heartbeat. Sponsors made generous donations, employees took up collections, and businesses came alongside us to help broadcast live events. This ensured we could meet our fundraising goals for the year. It was truly a gift from God and a blessing to experience.

Whether the parent(s) are considering parenting or adoption, we encourage them to enroll in the classes, which cover a healthy pregnancy and many life skills lessons. If someone is adoption minded, we have an attorney that will meet with the mother and father to answer any questions they may have. If they choose adoption, he will also work with them throughout the adoption process. There is never a cost to the young woman, even if they change their mind and choose to parent the child.

And just when you thought, “that’s a lot of work for only two employees and some volunteers”, you find out Heartbeat also does classes at the local public and private schools for 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grades. These classes, focusing on healthy relationships and healthy life choices, are called Relationships Under Construction (RUC).

Heartbeat also does not abandon the many women who are suffering through the physical and/or emotional aftereffects of abortion. We offer a post abortive support group, H.E.A.R.T. – Healing the Effects of Abortion Related Trauma. This can also be an individual class.

Heartbeat of Lima has never received any state, federal or United Way funding. Our main source of income is from individuals, churches, fundraisers, small grants/family foundations. We could not do what we have done for the past 48 yrs. without the support of the community and the volunteers! We have two employees and 30+ volunteers. Volunteer hours, financial donations, prayers and In-kind-donations have made our work to protect the dignity of every life possible!

If you would like to receive our monthly email newsletter, or be a volunteer, please email us at [Heartbeatoflima.office@gmail.com](mailto:Heartbeatoflima.office@gmail.com) or call us at 419-222-7945. We would be happy to keep you connected to Heartbeat of Lima.

#### Donations to Heartbeat

All donations to Heartbeat are deeply appreciated. We recently received a donation allowing us to allocate funds for new marketing materials. This will help us to reach out to new clients, with a fresher and more welcoming appearance. We want to project a clear and up-to-date image to the community and to potential clients.



**Courtney Neumeier**  
Director of Operations

## Review of Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Please note that our fiscal year runs July 1-June 30. Analyses include “St. Charles by the Numbers” which details our parishioners and events related to them. Also shown are our “Summary of Income and Expenses” with a breakdown and small summary of how those were allocated. Lastly you will see a chart of our charitable giving and our visitation projects all made possible by our parishioners. Please direct any questions to Courtney Neumeier at the Parish Office.

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INCOME AND EXPENSES

St. Charles Borromeo Parish Summary of Income and Expenses (unaudited) For the Periods Specified				
Income	Fiscal Year Ended		Increase/(Decrease)	
	June 2020	June 2019	Amount	Percent
Tuition and Fees (Net of Financial Aid)	\$1,446,571	\$1,432,129	\$14,442	1.0%
Student Services (Cafeteria, Pre- Kindergarten, etc.)	\$266,746	\$299,627	-\$32,881	-11.0%
Mandated Services Reimbursement	\$210,590	\$295,849	-\$85,259	-28.8%
Subsidy from Parish	\$479,900	\$267,992	\$211,908	78.7%
Other School Income	\$4,973	\$16,841	-\$11,868	-69.9%
Christmas & Easter Collection	\$59,971	\$58,029	\$1,942	3.3%
Other Gifts & Initial Offering	\$64,576	\$66,271	-\$1,695	-2.6%
Stipend & Stole Fees	\$12,800	\$16,185	-\$3,385	-20.9%
Parish Activities Gross Receipt	\$81,737	\$98,981	-\$17,244	-17.4%
Gifts & Donations - Operating	\$270,290	\$604,020	-\$333,730	-55.3%
Other Income	\$80,111	\$80,324	-\$213	-0.3%
Sunday & Holiday Collections	\$936,657	\$1,015,424	-\$78,767	-7.8%
Extended Day/LatchKey & Daycare	\$37,998	\$54,198	-\$16,200	-29.9%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$3,951,954</b>	<b>\$4,328,395</b>	<b>-\$376,441</b>	<b>-8.7%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
Salary Expense	\$1,041,380	\$1,801,080	-\$759,700	-42.2%
Payroll, Taxes, & Fringe Benefits	\$684,157	\$623,801	\$60,356	9.7%
Administrative/Office Expenses	\$144,209	\$102,353	\$41,856	40.9%
Parish Operations	\$84,583	\$144,577	-\$60,000	-41.5%
Instructional Expense	\$162,013	\$183,707	-\$21,694	-11.8%
Student Service Expense	\$101,324	\$131,737	-\$30,413	-23.1%
Extended Day/LatchKey & Daycare Expense	\$2,832	\$3,491	-\$659	-19.2%
Marketing & Fundraising Expense	\$47,118	\$55,269	-\$8,151	-14.7%
Building Expense	\$276,337	\$273,320	\$3,017	1.1%
Other Operating Expenses				
LCC Subsidies	\$50,535	\$61,537	-\$11,002	-17.9%
Diocesan Assessment	\$80,588	\$105,904	-\$25,316	-24.0%
School Operating Cost to Parish	\$479,900	\$267,992	\$211,908	78.7%
Other Operating Expense Total	\$619,023	\$435,523	\$183,500	42.1%
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$3,962,874</b>	<b>\$3,735,352</b>	<b>\$227,522</b>	<b>6.1%</b>
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>\$120</b>	<b>\$593,043</b>	<b>-\$592,923</b>	<b>-100.0%</b>
<b>Other Income</b>				
Gifts/Donations - Nonoperating	\$138,587	\$35,807	\$102,780	287.0%
Other Income - Nonoperating	\$67,391	\$247,612	-\$180,221	-72.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$205,978</b>	<b>\$283,419</b>	<b>-\$77,441</b>	<b>-27.3%</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>				
Capital Expenses	\$216,199	\$44,153	\$172,046	389.7%
Gifts/Donations - Nonoperating	\$62,881	\$3,394	\$59,487	1782.0%
Investment Fees	\$34,260	\$35,462	-\$1,202	-3.4%
<b>Total Nonoperating Expenditures</b>	<b>\$313,340</b>	<b>\$83,009</b>	<b>\$230,331</b>	<b>277.4%</b>
<b>Total Nonoperating Income/Expense</b>	<b>-\$11,362</b>	<b>\$199,410</b>	<b>-\$210,772</b>	<b>-105.7%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-\$91,482</b>	<b>\$773,363</b>	<b>-\$864,845</b>	<b>-111.8%</b>
<b>Endowment Fund Balance</b>				
	<b>\$3,232,221</b>	<b>\$2,923,333</b>	<b>\$308,888</b>	<b>10.57%</b>
<b>Finance Council Members:</b>				
Glenn Fisher, Chairman	John Flechbach			
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	Rev. Kent Kaufman, Pastor			



# ST. CHARLES BORROMEO BY THE NUMBERS

**4,157**  
REGISTERED  
PARISHIONERS



**1,315**  
REGISTERED  
HOUSEHOLDS



**22 BAPTISMS**

12 Infant Baptisms  
4 Child Baptisms (ages 1-7)  
2 Minor Baptisms (ages 7-18)  
4 RCIA Baptisms (Adult)

**2**  
MARRIAGES



**44**  
FIRST COMMUNIONS



**48**  
CONFIRMATIONS

**170**  
RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION  
STUDENTS



**1,024**  
AVERAGE WEEKEND  
MASS COUNT  
October 2019

**32**  
FUNERALS



**ST. CHARLES  
BORROMEO**  
JULY 1, 2019 – JUNE 30, 2020

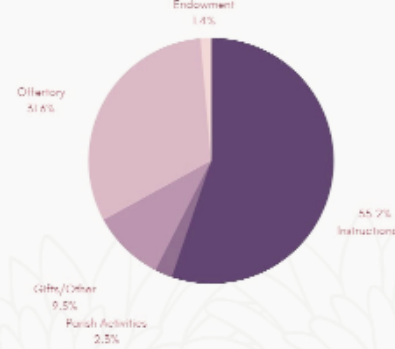
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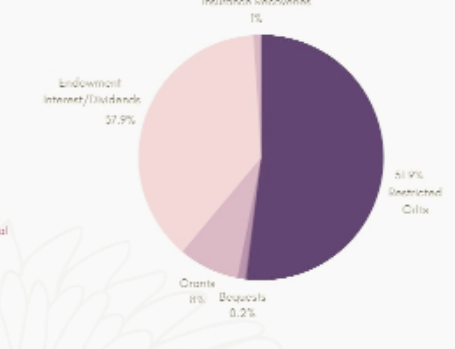
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ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

## Operating Income



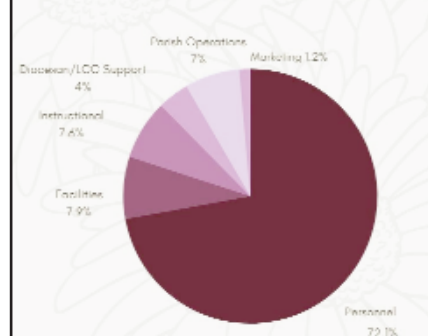
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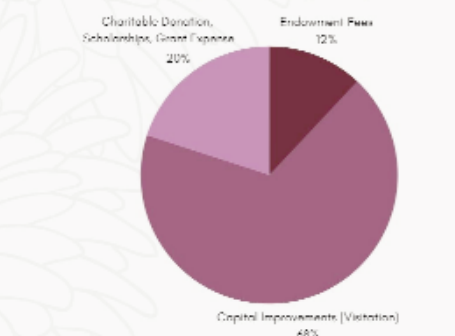
## INCOME

Fiscal year 2019-2020 was greatly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. There are two areas to note. The 35.3% increase in our "Other Collections" (for offertory on the pax chari) is from our twice yearly Visitation. And the 60.5% decrease in "Gifts/Donations" (Gifts/Other) was from a large bequest in '18-19. The Parish Subsidy to the school was greatly increase due to the impact of COVID-19.

## Operating Expenses



## Non-Operating Expenses

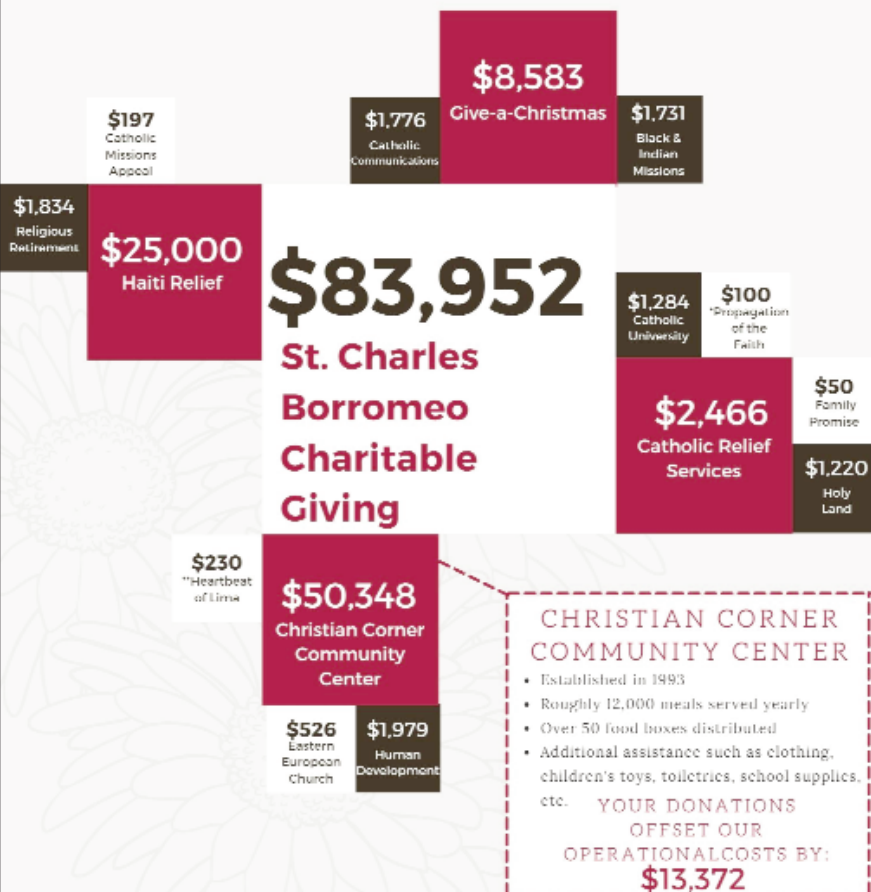


## EXPENSES

Expenses in 2019-2020 overall were down compared to prior year, a silver lining of the COVID-19 pandemic. You will see a notable increase in our "Administrative/Office" Expenses which is the result of reclassifying a previously misclassified expense. The Diocesan Assessment expense was down compared to PY as the Diocese forgave all the parishes last quarter payments to assist with COVID-19 impacts.

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CHARITABLE GIVING

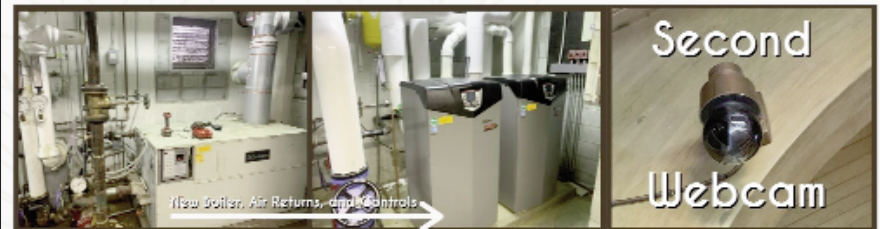


\*Majority of these donations go directly to the Diocese  
\*\*Open 2021 on basis the budget and the collection fees. This goes directly to the Diocese of Lima

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VISITATION PROJECTS

## VISITATION DOLLARS AT WORK!



## SCHEDULED PROJECTS COMING SOON:







# The Redwing Reader

## St. Charles Catholic School



**MEGAN SCHEID**  
Principal

### A New Way Forward

*"In the heart of this world, the Lord of life, who loves us so much, is always present. He does not abandon us, he does not leave us alone, for he has united himself definitively to our earth, and his love constantly impels us to find new ways forward."*

Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'* (paragraph 245), 2015

Over the past year we have all been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic as it has compelled us to shift our ways of living and interacting with each other. With this in mind we discovered our school theme for this year's Lenten activities: A New Way Forward. Through all the challenges that we face, God has called us to find a new way forward. The prayers and activities the school has planned will be guiding our students to focus on what is truly important: to care for each other and all creation and to grow our trust in God. We want to take the opportunity to allow the season of Lent to consider Jesus' teachings and make a new start in our lives and find our new way forward.

Speaking of moving forward, re-enrollment is in full swing and we are delighted to be working on our plans for the 2021-2022 school year. After all the emotional ups and downs of remote and virtual learning, in person learning with pandemic guidelines, and our worlds being turned upside down...we are committed to learning and our students more than EVER! We offer core classes in Language Arts, Math, Religion, Social Studies, Science, Technology, Art, Music, and Physical Education. Be sure to secure your spot by returning your

re-enrollment information. If you are interested in your child attending St. Charles for the first time please call the school office to set up a tour.

If your child will be attending kindergarten starting the 2021-2022 school year and will be new to St. Charles School, please call the school office at 419-222-2536 to set up an appointment for the Kindergarten Readiness Screening.



Our program offers enriching experiences that will develop both the academic and the faith of your child.  
Course of Study- Religion, Reading/Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, Health, PE, Music, Art  
Technological Learning Experiences – Smartboard Lessons, Computers, Ipads, Updated Software and Apps  
Social/Personal Development– Community Building, Life Skills, Guidance  
Enrichment Opportunities - Field Trips, Workshops, Guest Speakers  
Excellent Student/Teacher Ratio  
Over 40 years of combined teaching experience

**Kindergarten Screening Date:**  
**Monday, March 22, 2021**

(screening will last about an hour)

Contact the school office (419)222-2536 for an appointment.

If you would like to have more information about our Kindergarten Program or our School, you may call or e-mail Mrs. Mary Beth Krumel; [mbkrum@scsclima.org](mailto:mbkrum@scsclima.org)

### St. Charles Honor Roll

#### MARK OF EXCELLENCE

**Grade 5:** Aiden McCain

**Grade 6:** Olivia Joseph, Olivia Venturella,

**Grade 7:** Andrew Baldauf, Emily Blankemeyer, Lucia Fuduric, Alexa Heffner, Jacob Raczynski

**Grade 8:** Melana Badea, Maria Pignataro

#### HIGH HONORS

**Grade 5:** Jessica Blubaugh, Logan Buehler, Rocco Cecala-Wells, Gianna Decanio, Chayce Farrington, Ella Gronas, Milicent Ibeneme, Brady Jacobs, Josh Reed, Corbin Stewart

**Grade 6:** Kevin Bowker, Kaitlyn Carroll, Oyinna Ekeh, Stella Ellis, Olivia Hinegardner, Sophia Joseph, Jacob Miller, Annika Niemeyer, Michael Quatman, Anna Reif, Brevan Stolly, Vivian Ta, Lincoln Woods

**Grade 7:** Davey Kesner, Aidan Latham, Mason Latham, Brady Malcom, Alice Reif, Laney Scheckelhoff, J.J. Schnieders, Jenna Terrill, Courtney Van Meter, Claire Wolfcale

**Grade 8:** Hannah Brecht, Austin Craig, Brady Feison, Ava Hefner, Andrew Hutjens, Claire Janowski, Michael Miller, Victor Pierce, Cole Rinehart, Evan Rinesmith, Emma Skinner, Jillian Terrill, Elaila White

#### HONORS

**Grade 5:** Parker Baker, Bobby Compton, Ayden Cox, Alyssa Donley, Brady Garlock, Kacy Kesner, Miah Nuesmeyer, Zaida Oliphant, Seth Rachlin, Drayvin Saus, Gabe Sealts, Jack Stumbaugh, Grayson Turgon, Ryder Utz, Eddie White

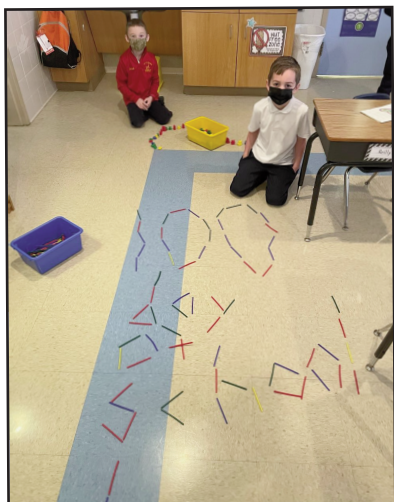
**Grade 6:** Josh Declercq, Vinny Depalma, Ava Gephart, Caden Heitmeyer, Aiden King, Liliana McCullough, Garret Nartker, Jayden Williams

**Grade 7:** Kirsten Compton, Troy Conrad, Chibuike Ibeneme, Aidan Keating, Carolina Kill, Sophie Miller, Jennifer Nguyen, Vanessa Ta, Josh Young

**Grade 8:** Sydney Burris, Nick Fumich, Ava Gafford, Teagan Helmig, Nathan Niemeyer, Makayla Redd

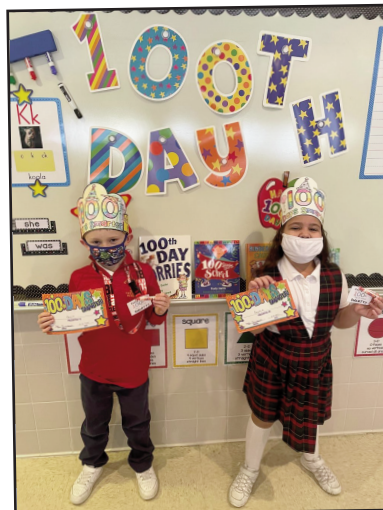
### Kindergarten Celebrates the 100th Day of School.

By Shannon Jackson



The students in Kindergarten had a great time celebrating the 100th day of school. They made crowns to wear, did physical activities such as jumping for 100 seconds, danced to 100th day of school songs and used our class Math tubs to see what they could make with 100 items.

It was a fun day and an enjoyable time for all involved.



**The St. Charles Library  
Spring Book Fair  
is online from  
February 26th -  
March 11th!**

**Support our school** and help your child/grandchild discover new books, favorite characters, complete series, and more! You'll love the fun new option to shop for Book Fair exclusives directly from the interactive booklist and enjoy free shipping on book-only purchases over \$25.

It's a new year... let's instill a new-found love of reading! The St. Charles library will receive 25% in profit from all sales.

You may access the fair in two ways:  
[www.scholastic.com/fair](http://www.scholastic.com/fair) (at this site you will locate the St. Charles fair by state)

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stcharlesborremoschool2> (This address will take you directly to the St. Charles library Book Fair.



## Science is Fun!

By Laura Knarr

The third grade science students have been busy learning about the properties of matter. We experimented with magnets and found which one was the strongest. Water beads were fun to use while talking about water absorption and evaporation. We also were blessed with snow while discussing the three states of water. We turned the snow into water vapor one cold afternoon.



## Fifth Grade News

By Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Bollinger

Boy, are we staying busy in the fifth grade!! We are learning about the parts of the Mass, working with fractions, learning about the American Revolution, becoming better writers, and even learning about the Solar System. We are also anxiously awaiting the results of the poetry contest we entered. Most importantly, we are just happy to be at school in person!

One highlight was our fifth grade retreat on February 10th. The two words that we focused on were flexibility and cooperation. Everyone received a prayer rock, made "flexible" (pipecleaner) men, listened to the wonderful story of kindness and cooperation, *Stone Soup*, took part in the tennis ball and egg activity, and just enjoyed each other's company. After this, we know we will have more flexible and cooperative fifth graders!

Another exciting activity was the students' Valentine boxes. The students have been working hard finding new ways to reuse old material. As a science/language arts project, the students were asked to make an animal/ creature/person Valentine's Day box out of recycled or reused items.

We saw some very creative materials used this year. The students will also work on using their Valentine creations as the main character in a story. We are very proud of the students for all of the time and effort they put into making their boxes.

We are looking forward to a wonderful spring!!!!  
Fingers crossed, we all become poets!

## From the Art Room

by Becky McDonald



Third grade worked on a painting of the snowy owl. We learned some interesting facts about snowy owls. Olivia and Miya are featured in the photo.



Kindergarten just completed an art project featuring a hungry mouse and a piece of Swiss cheese. Students used a collage technique. It was also our hundredth day of school as you can see from the crowns on their heads. The students are Carson, Kinsley and Reilly.



First graders, Evan and Hunter, are completing their polar bear paintings. Students learned some interesting facts about polar bears and also learned about the northern lights which were included in their project.



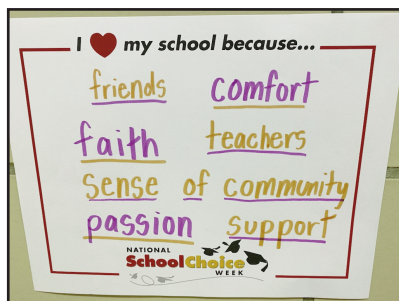


## Lima Central Catholic High School News

Submitted by Sue Janowski

### Catholic Schools Week 2021 – Why do you love your school?

We celebrated Catholic Schools Week by recognizing the parents, students and staff that make our community great! If you're not already a part of our community, check out the Admissions tab on our website ([www.lcchs.edu](http://www.lcchs.edu)). There are many scholarships available to students.



### KAAIROS 10 – 2021

The Class of 2021 and future junior Kairos leaders went on their retreat this past February. Although the retreat was reduced to one day due to the weather, it didn't prevent these students from making a memorable impact on each other. Much thanks to Mrs. Jennifer Patterson for making this possible for our students this year!

### Shawnee Optimist Students of Honor and Achievement

Lima Central Catholic top five students were chosen for this special recognition from Shawnee's Optimist Club. Our representatives were Taylor Wisser, Nathan Stolly, Zoey Foster, Erin Mulcahy and Kitt Siatkosky. Congratulations for all of your high school accomplishments!



### AP Scholar – Max Nguyen

Congratulations to senior, Max Nguyen for achieving the AP Scholar designation for earning a three or higher on three or more Advanced Placement exams! Congratulations, Max!



### College Board National Recognition Program – Zoey Foster

Senior Zoey Foster was invited to participate in the College Board National Recognition Program for scoring in the top 2.5% of African American test takers for the PSAT/NMSQT. Great accomplishment, Zoey!



### Ohio Math League Contest #5 – Mu Alpha Theta students

Mu Alpha Theta students competed in the Ohio Math League Contest #5. Results will be forthcoming.



### Shawnee Optimist Essay participants

The following seniors were nominated to participate in the Shawnee Optimist Essay contest and represent LCC: Morgan Chaney, Emma DeLong, Alex Wisser and Taylor Wisser. Congrats to all!



### Poetry Out Loud

Congratulations to senior Emma DeLong on being named LCC's 2021 Poetry Out Loud champion! This is Emma's second year winning the school competition, and she will advance to the regional competition in Findlay. Other competitors were freshmen Billy Bourk and Carson Caprella.



### 2nd Quarter Honor Roll – 61% on the Honor Roll

#### Mark of Excellence 4.0

Hayden Bader, Alice Braglia, Nathaniel Bruno, Lauren Chaney, Morgan Chaney, William Cira, Anna Delamotte, Emma DeLong, Zoey Foster, Olivia Garlock, Isabella Joseph, Gavin Laird, Sophia Luchini, Jacob Mangette, Erin Mulcahy, Mary Kelly Mulcahy, Allyson Oravitz, Ross Otto, Nicole Patricio-Agosto, Zachary Patterson, Enrico Pittalis, Joseph Rinehart, Katherine Siatkosky, Nathan Stolly, Madisen Williams, Alexander Wisser, Taylor Wisser, Gavin Caprella, Nicholas Chambers, Reed Doneghy, Carrie Heider, Emma Mayers, Noah Nuesmeyer, Madeline Quatman, Jaylen Roehm, Brayden Truex, Carlie VanMeter, Allison Young, Olivier Bruno, Justin Davisson, Kristina Evans, Aidan Scheckelhoff, Olivia Stolly, William Bourk, Carson Caprella, Emily Morrissey, Mya Raczynski

#### Superior Honors 3.5

Kharis Allen, Anthony Badertscher, Jerriah Benton, Zachary Burris, Jacqueline Cutlip, Chiara Dalla Vecchia, Nathan Davisson, Mary-Kate Dee, Christian Guagenti, Justin Hawkins, Zaria Keys, Casey Koenig, Jillian Lieurance, Seth Mahlmeister, Lam Nguyen, Naomi Rodriguez, Gavin Schimpf, Quishaun Thomas, Abigail Watkins, Dylan Wilson, Delaney Dafler, Connor Gephart, Abigail Koenig, Kelly Koenig, Frankie McDonald Jr, Seth Mikesell, Noah Schneider, Kaitlyn Sherrick, MionChei Thomas, Kyla Badea, McKenna Bader, Paige Brinkman, Gabriel Cira, Matthew Cira, Payne Cutlip, Collin Gamble, Kylee Mangini-Miller, Bridget Mulcahy, Blythe Nickles, Ines Pineau, Tyler Shipman, Benjamin Siatkosky, Samantha Stumbaugh, Alexander Arellano, Carsyn Dafler, Kennet Godoy Lanche, Samuel Mayers, Jacob Nieman, Sebastian Pierce, Caitlyn Purvenas, Jaide Schimpf, Jacob Venturella

#### Honor Roll 3.0

Jesse Bollinger, Avarie Gross, Zachary Jacobs, Brady Koenig, Gavin Makley, Samuel Masters, Rahsaan Moore, Kennedy Parker, Emily Scarberry, Sebastian Contini, Olivia Garver, Kaelan Howard, Grace Hutjens, Isabella John, Madalena Knotts, August Satterfield, Leiahnni Smith, Evan Unruh, Annika Wilker, Glenn Bryant IV, Zachary Campbell, Daniel Cox, Katherine Cox, Ethan Frankhouser, Cheyenne Hershberger, Julia Kaiser, Jacob Lauck, Ashlyn Lee, Kiegh Macklin, Olivia Stewart, Anna Wannemacher, Emma Donley, Caterina Lucente, Braedon Lybarger-Singhaus, Faith Miller, Carson Parker, Kaitlin Seffernick, Elizabeth Simmons, Malachi Talbert, Joshua Yahl

### SAVE THE DATE

**LCC Educational Expo April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
@ 2pm

Come see the Educational Expo on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm highlighting LCC students (freshmen-seniors) and their academic and creative work!





## Friends of the Chimes

*We are grateful to the following parishioners who have so generously made contributions to The Chimes. Their patronage will allow us to continue this important publication.*

**If you have sent a contribution and it did not reach us in time for publication, please be assured that you will appear in the next issue. Thank you.**

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## A Peek Into the Past

In 2011 Mrs. Jackson's Kindergarten class had ...

### A "Beary" Good Day!!

Kindergarten students in Mrs. Jackson's class had a great day to end their unit on Bears. They sang "Going On A Bear Hunt" and read a variety of different bear themed stories. Mr. Berndt took time out of his busy schedule to read a bear book to our class. The students measured how many Bear Paws tall they were and graphed bears they brought into school from home.

They did a Gummi Bear Math activity where they sorted, counted and graphed their bears. Then they ate them, Yum! They snacked on Teddy Grahams and ended the day with the story of Little Bear which they viewed on video with their bears and blankets.

They certainly had a "Beary" good day!



It's a great day to be in kindergarten when you're counting teddy bears. Pictured above from front to back: Payne Cutlip, Megan Peppard, Olivia Stolly and Aidan Scheckelhoff.



Mr. Berndt, Principal of St. Charles, reads a book about Teddy Bears during the Teddy Bear picnic in the kindergarten classroom.



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