

THE CHIMES

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FR. KENT KAUFMAN Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

By the time you receive this issue of *The Chimes* Fr. Thomas will already be settled into his new assignment - pastor of twins! Twin parishes that is. Beginning July 1st, he became the new pastor at St. Michael, Gibsonburg and St. Mary, Millersville.

Gibsonburg is located south of US 20 between Woodviile and Fremont. It's roughly the size of Columbus Grove. I believe there had been a small Catholic school at St. Michael but it closed many years ago. Millersville is located about six miles south of Gibsonburg and more like a Landeck community.

The appointment came rather late in the process of making pastoral moves. We only received word on June 18. Fr. Thomas was still in India at the time. He was there for his first "home holiday" since coming to the USA in January 2020. Fr. Thomas was scheduled to arrive back home in Lima late June 21st after 43 hours of continuous travel in two cars and two planes.

This year, Bishop Thomas and the Priests Personnel Board had an extra challenge when assigning priests to fill the open pastorates.

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Two Departures

Four priests retired (all of which had been currently serving as pastors) and for various reasons four other pastors in the course of the year stepped down as pastors. Additionally, the Precious Blood community informed Bishop Thomas in April that they would no longer be able to provide a

pastor to serve St. Michael Parish in Kalida.

Some of the open pastorates were filled by twinning two or three parishes together under one pastor. This happened in Defiance. Mansfield Toledo, and Rossford / Walbridge. Some Parochial Vicars (Associate



Pastors) became pastors like Fr. Thomas. In fact, Fr. Albert Betz at Delphos (who was just ordained in 2021) was named pastor at Bellevue. Also, one of the openings was filled by a priest released for service in our diocese by his Franciscan community in Pennsylvania.

Some have asked if we get we will get another priest at St. Charles. At this time, I do not anticipate another priest. Associate pastors are assigned to the largest parishes or twinned parishes where the weekend Mass schedule is greater than ours and literally could not be filled by just one priest.

You might recall that when I arrived at St. Charles I was the only priest until Fr. Chris arrived in July 2017. However, he was moved to Maumee St. Joseph in September 2018 after the unexpected death of a Fr. Tony Borgia which caused a chain reaction of pastoral moves. I was alone again until January 2020 when Fr. Thomas arrived.

At this time, the most visible change without Fr. Thomas will be our Monday evening Mass and devotions. Unfortunately, this will be discontinued since I will now normally take Monday as a day off. I will give consideration to see if we can add Eucharistic Exposition at another time in the week. Confessions will continue to be offered on Saturday afternoons and upon request.

Please keep in your prayers all of the priests and parishes undergoing transitions at this time. In a particular way, please lift up Fr. Thomas and all of the priests who are becoming pastors. Being a pastor can be exciting but also brings an extra set of new challenges as well.

Speaking of challenges, recently Sr. Yvonne informed me that she will be stepping down from her part time position as our Pastoral Care Coordinator. She has been faithfully tending to the needs of the homebound and those in the hospital and nursing homes since March 2017. We have not set an exact date, but this will likely be yet this summer.

Sister Yvonne intends to remain here in Lima and will continue to volunteer so it's not like goodbye!. However, she will have the freedom to pick and choose where to give of her time. Watch the bulletin for more details on when this transition will take place.

Thankfully, Sister Yvonne has put together a great team of volunteers which will allow our pastoral care outreach ministries to continue. Together with the reassignment of Fr. Thomas

I will give consideration to where we might need to fill out our staffing to continue the good work she has begun.

Finally, I have organized a meeting on Thursday, July 7 for the parents of our children in grades K-5 who are not enrolled in a Catholic school. These past three years have been challenging for all educators given the pandemic. Like other



parishes, even before the pandemic we have struggled to find enough catechists for our children and the attendance by our families has not always been consistent.

St. Charles Parish is committed to the religious education of all our children. The purpose of this meeting is to see how we can best partner with their parents to insure that our next generation is growing in their knowledge of the faith.

Letters have been sent to all registered families with children in this age group, but if you were missed, please let the office know so that we can get you an invitation as well! In the meantime, I hope that you are all enjoying a relaxing and renewing summer!

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Kent

If you would like to send a card to Father Thomas, the address is St. Michael Catholic Church, 317 E. Madison St., Gibsonburg, OH 43431



Transitioning to a New Model

By Emily Decanio

Family Promise's transition into their new facility is nearly complete! They are already hosting families at the new site, and improvements are happening every day to make the space just right for the ministry. Recently, the St. Charles Moms Group took on a service project there by sponsoring a room. We cleaned, painted, and decorated to make a calming and welcoming space (Finished product pictured here).



Thank you to all of the ladies who gave of their time, talent and treasure to make this happen, including Mary Anne Froehlich and Sarah Mayse (pictured). Family Promise is very grateful!







By Jeanna Stallkamp

Walking with Purpose is a women's bible study that is run by local volunteers, approved by Fr. Kent, and supported by Walking with Purpose national staff. Walking with Purpose is more than a women's Bible study. It is a faith community that supports, encourages, and challenges one another. It is a safe place where you will discover authentic friendships and meaningful discussions as your heart is transformed by the Word of God. It is everything you need to get back to living a life that you love.

Are you ready to come back? God is ready and waiting for you to show up just as you are. He wants to see you discovering your purpose while connecting with a life-giving community.

And God is not the only one waiting. We are, too. The abundant life awaits us, and we've got an open chair with your name on it. Please pick up a registration form at church, by the bulletins, or register online at stcharleslima.org under the Exploring the Faith section.

Our Walking with Purpose program at St. Charles Parish will start up again on Sept. 24th, 2022, with our Connect Coffee in the church basement at 9:00 AM. It will be our third year at St. Charles, inviting new women to join each year. Bring a friend!

The participants take a survey about their experiences at the end of each study. We are pleased to share that 75% of our ladies participated in the survey. 83% felt that their relationship with Christ is stronger. 73% say they are more involved in the parish. 79% feel that their appreciation for the sacraments has grown. 79% would recommend Walking With Purpose to a friend. 83% say they could express their thoughts openly, without fear of being judged. Comments from the ladies include:

- WWP has increased my relationships and comfort level with the women of our parish. I feel more community has been built and we have helped each other to grow in our faith.
- I really enjoyed this so much ..it's so spiritual.. and the women are so moving. I feel so loved.
- I have enjoyed the (2) WWP groups I have been in. I have learned a lot about my faith and by getting others input have given me other ways to think and understand my faith.
- Great connection with other people in our parish.

Feel free to contact Jeanna Stallkamp at 419-234-0962 if you have any questions. Hope you will ioin us!

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

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.

PARISH WEBSITE

Check out the parish website at stcharleslima.org

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MISSION STATEMENT





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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July/August 2022

Women's Retreat

Ladies of St. Charles Parish, please save the date for our fall Women's Retreat this October 14-16. It will renew your spirit and give you some time away for prayer and fellowship. We will have food, small and large group sessions, individual prayer/ adoration, bonfire, mass and more.

Take this time to "retreat yourself" and bring a friend! For more information, use the QR code below. You may also check out the parish website and upcoming bulletins.







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550 W Elm St. Lima, OH 45801 Visit: www.habitatlima.org (419) 222-4937 30 years of serving Lima and allen County communities Habitat Offers a Hand Up



Heather Hatcher is a single mother who moved into her Habitat for Humanity home 15 years ago with her three children that were all under 8 years old. Today she is a year away from having her entire home paid off with only one daughter left at home and another one who owns a home of her own. Reflecting on her housing situation before partnering with Habitat she says, "The last place we were renting before we moved into our Habitat home had serious electrical problems. I felt unsafe to the point I would unplug most of our outlets before going to bed." Before moving into her Habitat home, she had never lived in a place any more than six months. Growing up in the foster care system and then reduced housing there seemed to always be issues

with the places she rented or with the immediate environment. Heather shared, "After we had a mortgage we could afford and with the stability and security of the house, I was able to get off of government low-income assistance programs including food stamps permanently."

One of her priorities was to be in a place where her daughter with spina bifida could move around the home freely. Being a part of the planning of her house meant that this was possible. That daughter is the only one still at home these days and Heather knows exactly what the long-term plan is for her house after she finishes paying her mortgage next year. "It will be passed on to my daughter to give her a stable place as she navigates the challenge of being an adult with special needs. It feels like this house was designed for her, but that is because it really was." Your financial gift to Habitat for Humanity can help create opportunities for families like Heather's to have the stability to thrive in our local community. Thank you for considering a gift to our No



Place Like Home campaign and being a part of our next family's story.

We Need Your Help

Volunteer at the ReStore, serve on a committee, or help build or repair a home Donate your gently used household items and shop at the ReStore for great bargains Give a monetary gift to support home construction and repair

For more information about volunteer opportunities contact Caleb at (419) 222-4937 or email Caleb@habitatlima.org.

Outreach Ministries

The Outreach Ministries offer parishioners the opportunity to share their faith and resources with those in need, both within the Parish and in the community. Built on the Church's strong tradition of reaching out to others, these ministries provide critical emotional and financial support.

Card Ministry a. Barbara Schierloh

bdschieerloh@gmail.com coordinates the making of cards. b. Joyce Day, jaday@wcoil.com sends Birthday cards to parishioners who are celebrating major birth-

Care and Concern Ministry reaches out to those families who have suffered the loss of a loved one. It provides beverages and snack food items for those families who are attending a visitation at a funeral home. We need volunteers who are willing to provide water, chips, or cookies for these visitations. Please contact Mary Niese at niesem@sccslima.org if you are able to help.

Christian Corner Community Center is located at 1601 McClain Rd in South Lima. A mid-day meal is served every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:30 a. m. to 12:00 noon. Maureen Kaskel is the Director of Christian Corner Community Center, kaskelm@stcharleslilma.org 419-230-0013

Family Promise is a faith-based agency providing a safe haven for families. Volunteers are always needed: Emily Decanio, edecanio@gmail.com

Give-A-Christmas assists families in need during the holiday season. Volunteers always needed. mark.stolly@stolly.com

Habitat for Humanity puts God's love into action in our community so families can become empowered, secure and self-reliant. Volunteers for construction, the ReStore and the Leadership Team are always needed. More information at www.habitatlima.org or to volunteer contact Caleb@habitatlima.org.

Heartbeat/ProLife provides services for pregnant women in need. heartbeatoflima@yahoo.com website: josh2415.net/heartbeat

Pastoral Care Ministry is coordinated by Sister Yvonne Fischer. Volunteers minister to the Catholic residences at these Nursing Homes: Primrose Retirement, Lima Convalescent/The Greens, Lochhaven, Burton Ridge, Shawnee Manor, The Springs, Springview Manor, Wyngate, and Kessler Estates. We also visit parishioners at other Nursing Homes in the area and take Communion to the homebound. fischery@stcharles-

Prayer Request Ministry is made up of people who are emailed when a prayer request is received. These people agree to pray daily for the request prayers. If you would like to be a part of this ministry email burgesse@stcharleslima.org. Please use the same email if you have a prayer request.

"St. Vincent dePaul Food Pantry is located at 928 S Main St Lima Ohio, 419-224-3570. We are open as often as needed and appointments to pick up food can be made by calling on Tuesday from 10 until noon. We serve any Allen County resident who meets the income guidelines. Volunteers are always welcome. Alice Giesken, 419-979-9638 or magiesk@wcoil.com.



ZACH EVERETT Director of Discipleship & Evangelization

Living as Disciples of Christ

We are in the height of summer and though many of us are busy with vacations, barbecues, and family activities, here at St. Charles we are busy planning for how to best serve YOU our parishioners this fall. Over the past few years that I have been at St. Charles, the prayer that has stayed with me in praying for the ministry at St. Charles is revival. I grew up in and around many different Christian denominations. One of them being Pentecostal; it was not uncommon for us to travel to a tent revival to once again hear the Gospel proclaimed. In Lima, the majority of the population is unchurched, and I think there is a real opportunity for us to become a light of faith, hope, truth, goodness, and beauty in our community. You may have noticed that we have taken a pause on doing large faith formation events, slightly due to Covid as well as an opportunity to pray, discern, and form leaders over the past two years. That time has passed, and although it may be fall, it seems apparent that it is time for us to begin again, to begin anew, and fresh, and support not only the people in our pews, but those outside of it to find and encounter Christ in a new and life changing way. This fall we hope to offer some new opportunities for you as our parishioners to encounter Christ. We will be hosting retreats for both men and women to step away from the business of their lives and encounter the never-ending love of Christ.

We will also begin a new process of helping you, our parishioners, to better understand and live out your Christian Vocation as a missionary disciple of Jesus Christ. We want to encourage each of our parishioners to participate in three seven-week courses. You could complete them in a short period of time, or over a long period of time, but the honest reality is that if we are really followers of Jesus it will and should cost us something. For the first disciples of Jesus it cost them everything to follow Jesus and for most of them, it cost

them their lives. I pray that you will be open to walking with us on this journey forward.

The first step is **Discovering Christ**. This seven-weeks program introduces each of us to the Good News and gives each of us an opportunity to personally encounter Jesus Christ. **Discovering Christ** is similar to Alpha in its content, so if you have already done Alpha, you can skip ahead to the second step! It is simply a meal, prayer, teaching, and discussion over seven weeks. We have heard you that many of the programs were too long! So, we have tried to make each segment something that is shorter that our parishioners can commit too.

The second step is **Following Christ** which is again a seven-week course that consists of prayer, teaching, small group, and weekly practical application. Perhaps you have gone on retreats, attended Alpha, and have a relationship with God, but you desire to live out what Christ is calling you to in your life, but are not sure how. Through this course we hope to help you learn the disciplines of a disciple. With simple, but real-world applicable knowledge and support to live out your Christian Vocation in your daily life.

The final step in this series will be **Sharing** Christ. In Lima over 50% of the population is unchurched. We are by far the minority! Yet Christ has challenged each of us to share the good news with all whom we encounter. Many people are afraid to share about their faith life, or imagine that it involves standing in front of a crowd and telling why you believe in Jesus. Yet most of the real work of evangelization happens person to person. Perhaps the people that most need evangelizing in your life are your children, your neighbors, or close friends. Christ has something incredible to offer each and every person that we encounter. He offers his love, mercy, peace, and eternal happiness. These are messages of hope! This Good News ought to be shared, and this program is an opportunity to help you learn the skills to share it with others.

I know that it can seem daunting to sign up for a program, class, or retreat. But I pray that you will be open. God desires to do something incredible with each and every one of us. While these opportunities cannot fill every need that we have at the parish, they are a starting point. You don't need to do them all at once, or even all in the next three years. Yet I ask you to discern if you can give God even just fourteen more hours this fall to discover, follow, or share Christ more in your life.

Your Brother in Christ, Zach Everett

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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.

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Follow us on Twitter: St. Charles-Lima



JEREMY HOLLIS

Director of Youth Discipleship
and Evangelization

Edge, Lifeteen, and Eighth Grade Confirmation

I know it's still the middle of summer and everyone is looking forward to more relaxation time and possibly another vacation before school starts in August, but it is also a time when we have to look forward to what is coming. We have had some great events so far this summer with the youth and that will continue into the next school year.



Edge (the middle school program) and Life-Teen (the high school program) will kick off on September 18th with a cook out and color battle, and will

continue weekly throughout the school year. October 9th is the NFCYM Middle School Conference. On December 11th, there is a high school XLT (Praise & Worship event) at St. John the XXIII in Perrysburg.

On April 2nd there is another high school XLT Event at St. Joseph's in Maumee. These are just some of the events that are already on the calendar and I know more will be coming and I will get more information out. Registration will open around the beginning of August and we will have a registration event during the first couple of weekends in September.

For our 8th Grade Confirmation parents, please keep an eye out for the Confirmation registrations. This year will look a little different than it has in years past. In early June, we received new guidelines from the Diocese of Toledo for our Confirmation preparation (and other sacrament preparations). We are still working out the details, as we have only had the new document for a couple weeks, but an important thing to start considering now is who your youth would like to have as their Confirmation sponsor. Keep in mind that the sponsor needs to be at least 16 years old, be fully initiated (received all the sacraments, baptism, first eucharist and confirmation), be actively participating in sacramental life of the Church, is not under canonical penalty, and not the parent of the conformant. It is recommended that a godparent serve as a sponsor, but it is not required. The youth will need to have their sponsors in place at the beginning of the confirmation process, as the sponsor, as well as the parents will play an important role in the process.

Again, I will be sending a lot of information out in the coming weeks on everything that is happening. If you are not yet receiving the emails for our Middle School Youth Ministry or High School Youth ministry, please contact me through email or phone so that I can get you added to the Flocknote user list. I hope everyone has a blessed summer!!

In Christ, Jeremy July/August 2022 5

St. Vincent DePaul Lima Area

By Alice Giesken

What, you may ask, does St. Vincent de Paul do with the funds they collect each month at church. Most of the funds are used to help with food, utilities, some with housing, occasionally with used appliances.

St. Vincent de Paul is a coordinated effort by all four Catholic parishes in Lima. We continue to be blessed with the generosity of our parishioners as well as being the beneficiary of countless hours from volunteers from all of these same parishes.

Volunteers buy, haul, sort and distribute food. We purchase the bulk of our food from the West Ohio Food Bank and receive an allotment of food each month at no charge from WOFB. WOFB does not have bathroom items, so toilet paper is bought for each family helped with food. We work very hard to be good stewards of the funds we have.

Other volunteers receive donated clothing and household items, sort these items, and stock the Thrift Store, selling these items, which in turn provides funds. Their hours are Monday-Friday, noon to 3:30 and one



Saturday a month 10-2 p.m. The store is often shorthanded. Most volunteers work one day a week, some once a month.

We have no paid staff; however, we do have to pay rent and utilities for the building we occupy at 928 S. Main St., just south of St. John's Catholic Church.

We're an aging group, and could really use some new volunteers who might have new ideas and a fresh perspective on serving our community. Some of the store



volunteers are in their 80s and have helped for 30 years. Volunteering benefits the community and also has provided lasting relationships with other parishioners.

We are especially in need of a facilities manager who would keep an eye on our

building, making sure the snow is plowed or the grass is mowed, also, communicating with the landlord if repairs are needed that are not our responsibility. This takes less than 2 hours per month.

The pantry needs a volunteer coordinator and someone to submit our monthly numbers to WOFB. This

takes a maximum of 2 hours per month.

If you have a little time on your hands and have any interest in learning more about any of these opportunities please call: Alice at 419-979-9638 for the pantry, or Linda at 419-339-1594.





ROSALYN LISTON
Divorced Catholic
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Divorced Catholic – Now What?

Divorced Catholic - Now What? is a program specifically designed to help divorced/separated Cathlics. This thirteen week program offers support and addresses the most pressing challenges of divorce. The program is designed to help divorced/separated Catholics recover by more fully learning and living their Catholic faith. Participants and the facilitator meet once a week for one to one and a half hours.

We begin each session with a prayer to The Holy Spirit and a decade of the Rosary. Each session has a powerful video witness testimony, followed with discussion. The participants learn and discuss the power of prayer, dealing with anger, what the church really teaches about divorce, annulments, sacraments, how to deal with the children, and many other topics covered in the thirteen week period.

Participants have commented "the program transformed me from despair to hope and made me aware of the blessings of the Catholic faith"; "when my world was falling apart the program helped me stay sane and helped me put the pieces back together"; the program gave me hope and faith in God's plan for me going forward"; "it was healing to bond with others and form lasting friendships."

Because the program was so rewarding many of the participants chose to continue meeting to further study Scripture and The Catechism of the Catholic Church.

"Keep Digging"



ANTHONY
WILKERSON
Director of Operations

My Good People,

I don't know what has been more of a cliche water cooler conversation these past months, gas prices or this heat wave. Both seem to have record setting numbers with high rise high anguish. Yet the world keeps moving along. In the midst of anguish, heat, inflation the world keeps moving on.

That message is so powerful because we all can relate to it. What's your heat wave, or gas price in your life that gives you anguish. Look at it, analyze, and keep moving on from it. 2 Kings 3: 16-17 tells us "The Lord says to dig holes in the valley. The Lord says you won't see wind or rain, but the valley will be filled with water. Then you, your cattle, and your other animals can drink." There comes a time where we just have to put our heads down and keep digging until the blessings come.

As the director of operations and as a parishioner, I beg all of you to "keep digging" even in the midst of this inflation and anguish. It comes easy to cut out of life instead of working harder for more. Trust and believe. I understand the discouragement of putting \$35.00 in your tank for just over a quarter tank of gas. While I'm pumping the gas I'm feeling the anguish and burden, but quickly after reality sets in and I realize I still have to go to work, I have to keep going, people depend on me .The church deeply appreciates your blue collar diggers mentality. That mentality will help lift us out of these frustrating times.

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.

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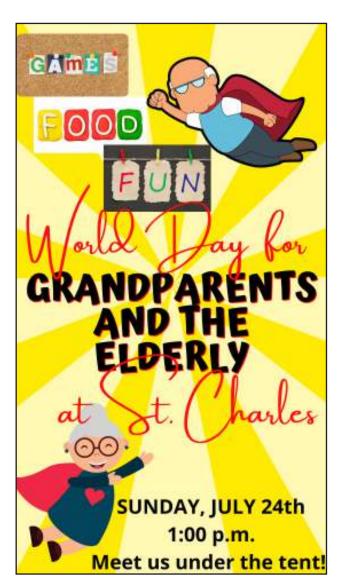
Music Coordinator

There are often many hats to be worn by anyone working in a small office. As Music Coordinator, some of the hats that I wear include the choir director, bell choir director, children's choir director, organist/pianist, music planning team coordinator, funeral choir director, A/V lyrics and audio coordinator, school day Mass cantor/bell/choir coordinator, concert series director/contract writer/advertiser/programmer/host, Music Monday's producer, music license reporter, A/V screens lyrics typist and editor, etc. and Staff Resource Person for all things from the Worship Commission; i.e. Grandparent's Day, Ecumenical Prayer Celebration, Syro-Malankara Rite Mass, Children's Masses etc.

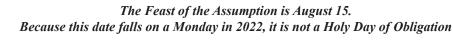
To tell you the truth, I don't think this position is about making music as much as it is about getting the necessary coordination duties accomplished. There really is very little time left for practicing music or researching music, let alone room enough to feel creative or inspired by it. Yet, there are moments when music reminds me that inspiration is a mindset. Our latest Mass service music is a great example of this.

The music planning team and I had a mission to find new Mass service music for the parish to learn. We knew that we wanted to utilize the new Gather hymnals which carry ten Mass options. We knew that we wanted the new selection to be easy to learn. We knew that we wanted to have it complement our Mass of Restoration and previous Mass of Christ the Savior without redundancy in texture and style. We knew that we didn't want to tire of it too quickly, so it had to be catchy, but not too obviously simple. While there were a handful of semifinal picks, we ended up with Mass of Christ, Light of the Nations. It was in the process of introducing it before Mass that I realized—remembered, really—that there's more to music than what's written on the page. To sell the likability of the new music, I embellished the accompaniment, and I emphasized the melody by weighting it more heavily under my fingers and creating clear phrasing for breathing. I also added dynamics to help shape these efforts and create non-verbal cues for the congregation that they should prepare to move to the next phrase of melody. The supporting accompaniment is filled out to however the spirit moves me in the moment. I imaginatively hear what the music could be orchestrally or with other chamber characteristics, and then I play with expanded chords or emphasized counter melodies, maybe I'll throw in some doodling thoughts with superfluous ornamenta-

The fun thing about being a musician is that everyone gets to bring a bit of their own interpretation to music. I think you get to hear this when our very ably skilled choir accompanist, Dameer Relford, plays his interpretations. Just like people, music offers no two versions exactly alike. How far we stray from the composer and editor's black and white notes is determined by genre and taste. I certainly would not desire to modify Bach, Beethoven, Mozart and the like. But I appreciate how their tunes hold up in skilled experts' hands who might play with the harmonies and melodies through a new lens of jazz or another style. And it's also important to note that improvisation has always been a part of music. The key is to keep it within the style of the genre, of course. Because all music is ultimately a form of communication, I hope that I can make the music you hear and sing at Mass speak effectively to your thoughts and feelings. The music planning team has been busily combing through the Gather hymnal and preparing ratings for each of the hymns under a rigorous rubric. We hope to serve you the best of the best. And as always, I am ever grateful to God for making all things new again on our most burned-out days. I am grateful for the gift of music.



Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary





The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end of her earthly life is a defined dogma of the Catholic Church. The Feast of the Assumption, celebrated every year on August 15, is a very old feast of the Church, celebrated universally by the sixth century. It commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay—a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and a holy day of obligation.

The feast was originally celebrated in the East, where it is known as the Feast of the Dormition, a word which means "the falling asleep." The earliest printed reference to the belief that Mary's body was assumed into Heaven dates from the fourth

century, in a document entitled "The Falling Asleep of the Holy Mother of God." The document recounts, in the words of the Apostle John, to whom Christ on the Cross had entrusted the care of His mother, the death, laying in the tomb, and assumption of the Blessed Virgin. Tradition places Mary's death at Jerusalem or at Ephesus, where John was living.

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII, exercising papal infallibility, declared in "Munificentissimus Deus" that it is a dogma of the Church "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." As a dogma, the Assumption is a required belief of all Catholics; anyone who publicly dissents from the dogma, Pope Pius declared, "has fallen away completely from the divine and Catholic Faith."

While the Eastern Orthodox believe in the Dormition, they object to the papal definition of the dogma, seeing it as unnecessary, since belief in Mary's bodily assumption, tradition holds, goes back to apostolic times.

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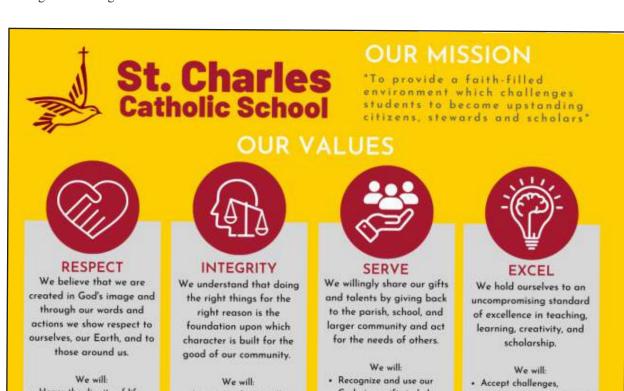




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Understanding Our Core Values

Undoubtedly, the COVID pandemic has changed the educational landscape, particularly in terms of the teaching and learning delivery. We incessantly hear the term "new normal" in reference to the emergent way of life characterized by social distancing, attention to hygiene, and a shift to reliance on technology for interaction. Yet, as educators would say, despite all of these challenges, learning does not and should not stop. While we face many challenges, we have also had some of the best opportunities to engage learners, the community, and each other to continue to shape what teaching and learning should look like at SCCS.



St. Charles Catholic School has intentionally committed ourselves to our school mission. We have taken steps in reforming and redesigning how we will meet each of our learners' needs, not only academically but spiritually and emotionally as well. In an effort to strengthen our school culture we have defined our school's core values. Our core values of Respect, Integrity, Serve, and Excel will be woven into the fabric of our work and define all that we do.

God-given gifts to help

make a difference in the

Apply our knowledge and

and to serve

· Use empathy to help

world around us.

skills to follow Jesus'

We will

· Act virtuously regardless

Be accountable to high

of circumstance or

noral standards.

· Be honest, open, and

transparent in our v

consequence.

and actions.







· Honor the dignity of life

and all of God's creation.

Model the love of Jesus by

the way we speak and act toward others.

Embrace inclusion, diversity

fairness, and open

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.



problem-solve, and pursue

continuous improvement.

perseverance, and critical

Nurture a love of learning

thinking skills to make

real-world connections.

that will last a lifetime

· Practice creativity,

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.



Fourth Quarter Honor Roll

MARK OF EXCELLENCE

Grade 5: Addilynn Baldauf, Braylie Bensinger, Alana Heffner, Gracy Malcom, Corie Schnieders

Grade 6: Sam Conrad

Grade 7: Lucy Bensinger, Stella Ellis, Michael Quatman, Olivia Venturella

Grade 8: Andrew Baldauf, Emily Blankemeyer, Alexa Heffner, Jacob Raczynski, Laney Scheckelhoff, Courtney Van Meter, Claire Wolfcale

HIGH HONORS

Grade 5: Josie Declercq, Eli Deibel, Eli Fields, Rylen Heitmeyer, Austin McCain, Mataya Miller, Hayden Nolte, Jo Rogers, Piper Schumm, Miahlynn Sinthalaphone, Sam Venturella, Lyla Wenger, Samuel Williams, Landon Wilson, Gwen Wolfcale Grade 6: Evan Brinkman, Rocco Cecala-Wells, Gianna Decanio, Ella Gronas, Milicent Ibeneme, Aiden McCain Grade 7: Kaitlyn Carroll, Olivia Hinegardner, Olivia Joseph, Jacob Miller, Annika Niemeyer, Brevan Stolly, Vivian Ta, Lincoln Woods

Grade 8: Davey Kesner, Carolina Kill, Aidan Latham, Mason Latham, Jennifer Nguyen, J.J. Schnieders, Jenna Terrill, Dante Turney

HONORS

Grade 5: Eli Burris, Carter Feison, Zoe Huber, Rae Newman, Gracsen Stover, Luke Weitz, Elyceeana Young

Grade 6: Alyssa Donley, Chayce Farrington, Brady Jacobs, Kacy Kesner, Joshua Reed, Grayson Turgon Grade 7: Kevin Bowker, Josh Declercq, Oyinna Ekeh, Caden Heitmeyer, Sophia Joseph, Liliana McCullough, Jayden Williams

Grade 8: Chibuike Ibeneme, Aidan Keating, Joshua Young

Park Playdates 2022

Mondays @ 10 am (Weather Permitting)

June 20@10am Heritage Park
June 27@10 am Hermon Woodlands
July 4-Happy Independence Day
No Park Playdate today
July 11@10 am McLean Teddy Bear Park
July 18-Faurot Park
July 25@10 am Heritage Park

Follow us at St. Charles Moms Group, Lima OH on Facebook

Or

Text 81010 and in the message put @6bc26ck to join the St. Charles Remind Group

From the Art Room By Becky MacDonald

On May 10th in the evening, St Charles families were invited to attend the annual Art Show. Our students have worked in many different media throughout the school year such as watercolor, collage and clay.

They also learned about art history and artists as it related to their art project. Many students along with their supportive families enjoyed viewing all the creative, colorful and unique artworks.



Ethan Eickholt and Samone Rachlin show us their beautiful artwork in the Kindergarten gallery.



Henry Dickman
was the winner of
the free raffle as a
gift for attending
the Art Show.
Mrs.MacDonald
hopes you
have fun this
summer with all
those art
supplies!

St. Charles First Communion 2022



St. Charles School Mission and Philosophy

Mission Statement

St. Charles Catholic School, in partnership with our parish, will provide a faith-filled environment which challenges students to become upstanding citizens, stewards and scholars through instruction and example.

Belief Statements

We believe...St. Charles Catholic School provides an atmosphere that is permeated by Christian values which recognizes self-discipline, personal responsibility and a call to serve others.

We believe...instruction should be student centered which recognizes the dignity and uniqueness of the person so the gifts of each are recognized, developed and celebrated.

We believe...our faith community – teachers, staff, students, parents and parishioners – share the responsibility for the support and obtainment of the school's mission.

We believe...service to others is important to the growth and development of each child as a whole person. Service to others should be purposeful and generated by both faculty and students as a means to develop a child's awareness for the social concerns of others.

July/August 2022



Whole Brain Teaching It's not NEW but NEW to Me!

By Lisa Mahler

Every year, educators notice some changes in our young learners. While most five and six year olds can connect to the internet as quickly as a teenager, many struggle with speaking in complete sentences, 'engaged' conversation with eye contact, lack listening skills and other social developmental skills that were taken for granted just a few years ago. As educators, we are always looking for new ways to reach our students. Last year I joined a network of teachers and behavior

specialists in an effort to share concerns, find successful strategies and learn new avenues of growth mindset for my kindergarteners. During these interactions I learned about an OLD but NEW TO ME method of



Instruction - WHOLE BRAIN TEACHING.

Developing language skills: speaking in complete sentences, engaging in conversation with eye contact, and listening skills are the core foundation of social/emotional learning. I have found that Whole Brain Teaching (WBT) has helped me in fostering student relationships and classroom management.

I began Whole Brain Teaching with these five basic rules: follow directions quickly, raise your hand for permission to speak, raise your hand for permission to leave your seat, make smart choices, keep your dear teacher happy. I got rid of my clip up and down behavior chart and we started a SUPER IMPROVER Wall that promoted IMPROVEMENT and goal setting with our Growth Mindset. The students would verbalize his/her goal daily in the morning right after we chanted, sang or moved to the FIVE basic rules and our DAILY Affirmation. We became a cohesive learning



community that had our bodies in motion as interactive ENGAGED learners. I was Happy! WE were Happy.

We became cheerleaders for each other - we would remind others of their goal and EVERYONE celebrated when someone met his/her goal and got to make a new one! Yea! One reward for attaining your goal was To Teach the Class! In the photo, you see one of our students checking his classmates' work as he taught the math lesson!

This year Mrs.
Schied and the SCCS
staff will be
implementing Core
Values with the
acronym - RISE:
Respect, Integrity,
Service, Excel.

I gave it a 'test drive' in the fourth quarter and the kids responded beautifully!

It is two weeks after school has released for summer break and I am busy reading, learning and planning HOW I will implement our Core Values with WBT -Whole Brain Teaching. It has reignited my passion for teaching and to help my new learners to be the best they can be!

I have included a brief article about WBT and on their website you can download some ebooks for free www.wholebrainteaching.com. Most books are available on Amazon.

Have a great summer!

What Is Whole Brain Teaching and How Does It Work?

By Murph

The modern educational system faces more and more challenges every year, and not all of these



challenges are easy to address. As a result, many teachers get disappointed in the existing approaches that fail to solve problems that have existed for many years. Corporal punishment hasn't been used for many years, and now teachers also have to stop using

withholding recess as punishment, as well. Maintaining discipline and keeping kids engaged becomes more difficult than ever. A quickly growing number of kids diagnosed with ADHD, autism, and ADD makes the situation even more challenging for teachers.

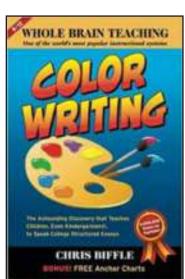
Whole brain teaching was developed by three teachers from California who addressed some problems familiar to thousands of teachers from all over the world. This approach is aimed to make children not only listen to what you say but also move with you and stay engaged. Lots of engaging activities allow teachers to use whole brain teaching for challenging kids, while whole brain teaching classroom rules makes this approach perfect for teachers who struggle with maintaining discipline.

What Is Whole Brain Teaching?

This is an instructional method that became very popular thanks to the popularity of social-emotional learning. Whole brain teaching makes the learning process much more energetic and engaging. The learning process to a large extent relies on mimicry and it's based on the neuroscientific features of the human brain. The more boring the lessons, the less effective they are. The whole brain teaching definition is perfectly reflected in the very name of this approach because it's aimed to engage every area of a child's brain.

Generally, this approach is based on authority. Students are constantly reminded that their teacher is the ultimate authority. Teachers answer any of their students' questions and facilitate the learning process, but whole brain teaching is generally teacher-centered. Of course, establishing authority in class is a common challenge, so the whole brain teaching approach utilizes several effective techniques. For instance, the class should be immediately introduced to the "Class Yes" technique.

Thanks to "Class Yes," students get used to answering the teacher immediately, at any given moment. The teacher says "Class," and all students should



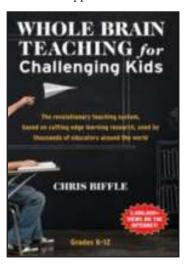
immediately answer
"Yes." Students should
also use the same tone
as their teacher. If the
teacher shouts
"Class!," all students
must shout "Yes!," and
if the teacher speaks
quietly, all students
should also answer
quietly.

Although such an approach may look a little silly, this is exactly what makes it effective. According to the creator of this method, Chris Biffle,

teachers should make their classes more engaging and less boring by delivering unexpected moments of fun and joy. Briffle also describes many useful games in his whole brain teaching book. "Class Yes" not only makes lessons less boring but also gives teachers a great opportunity to immediately get their students' attention whenever they need it. The high engagement of this approach is a reason

why many educators use whole brain teaching in kindergarten.

Whole brain teaching is a very effective approach because it's engaging and well-structured. The whole brain teaching techniques can help teachers address many common issues and make sure that all students remain actively involved in the learning process.





Academic Letter Award Winners

Congratulations to the Academic Letter Award Winners who have kept a 3.6 cumulative GPA throughout the years!

1st Year Award Winners

Sophomores: Alexander, Arellano, William Bourk, CarsonCaprella, Carsyn Dafler, Samuel Mayers, Emily Morrisey, Jacob Nieman, Caitlyn Purvenas, Mya, Raczynski, Jaide Schimpf

Juniors: Kyla Badea

Seniors: Colton Blubaugh, Kaitlyn Sherrick

2nd Year Award Winners

Juniors: McKenna Bader, Paige Brinkman, Olivier Bruno, Gabriel Cira, Matthew Cira, Justin Davisson, Kristina Evans, Bridget Mulcahy, Aidan Scheckelhoff, Tyler shipman, Benjamin Siatkosky, Olivia Stolly Seniors: Gavin Caprella, Delaney Dafler, Abigail Koenig

3rd Year Award Winners

Seniors: Nicholas Chambers, Reed Doneghy, Carrie Heider, Emma Mayers*, Frankie McDonald, Jr., Noah Nuesmeyer, Madeline Quatman*, Jaylen Roehm, Noah Schneider, Brayden Truex, Carlie Van Meter, Allison Young

*Commencement Speakers

Honda-Ohio State STEM Award

Junior Olivia Stolly, was chosen as Lima Central Catholic's Honda-Ohio State Stem Award recipient for 2021. The Honda Stem Award recognizes rising seniors and provides students interested in attending Ohio State University with an opportunity to apply for a \$3,000 Honda Scholarship! Congratulations, Olivia!





John Philip Sousa Award On April 26th, Nick Chambers was awarded the John Philip Sousa Award. It is the most prestigious high school band award. Way to go, Nick!

Mu Alpha Theta – **Top Scorers** The Mu Alpha Theta students celebrated the end of year with an award ceremony:

Officer Award: Carlie Van Meter and Noah Nuesmeyer (missing Emma Mayers)

Most Mu Alpha Theta points during the year: First place: **Emma Mayers**, 2nd Place: **Nick Chambers** and 3rd Place: **Mya Raczynski**

Catholic Math League: Nick Chambers, Olivia Stolly and Jaylen Roehm placed first and second respectively. Ohio Math League Contests at LCC: Matthew and Gabe Cira, Ben Siatkosky, McKenna Bader, Noah Nuesmeyer, Alex Arellano and Carson Caprella all, at one point, had the top score.

Total accumulated Ohio Math League Top Scorers: **Brayden Truex**, **Ben Siatkosky** and **Matthew Cira**

Lima Central Catholic High School Academic News

Submitted by Sue Janowski



Stolly Insurance Scholarship Congratulations to **Noah Schneider**, one of 3 award winners chosen out of 170 applicants!

Shawnee Optimist Scholarship Jaylen Roehm was recognized for winning the Shawnee Optimist Club Scholarship.
Congrats, Jaylen!





Mercy Health St. Rita's Scholarship
Carlie VanMeter was awarded the Mercy Health St. Rita's
Scholarship for her commitment to education and her plans to enter the medical field. She plans to attend ONU majoring in Nursing. She is pictured with her AP Biology teacher, Ms. Schenk.
Congrats, Carlie!

LCC Recognized with National Service Awards

33 students from LCC are being recognized for community service as National Award earners and as inspirations for other students to get involved in their community.

The 5th Annual National Community Service

Awards connect student service activity to the UN Global Goals. This year we have additional recognition for students working toward a world of Zero Hunger and Zero Waste

Congratulations to Student Awardees at Lima Central Catholic High School

Honor Awardees: Melana Badea, Mya Raczynski, Carlie VanMeter

Merit Awardees: Thanat Amorncheewin, McKenna Bader, Madeline Brunner, Carson Caprella, Javier De Pablo, Reed Doneghy, Adilena Howell, Brayden Hubbard, Emma Hunley, Prosper LÃcuyer, Isaac Leppert, Alexis McDonald, Gianni McKee, Emily Morrisey, Bridget Mulcahy, Carson Parker, Victor Pierce, Maria Pignataro, Caitlyn Purvenas, Jaylen Roehm, Naphop Sawangwisarn, Jaide Schimpf, Ben Siatkosky, Emma Skinner, Jillian Terrill, William Turner IV, Jacob Venturella

Zero Hero Awardees: Max Gaumier, Sebastian Pierce, Victor Pierce, Olivia Stolly

Girls'/Boys' Soccer Team received an OSSCA Team Academic Award

Shout out to the girls' and boys' soccer team for performing on the field and the classroom. Nicely done!

National Honor Society - Deb's Dogs

NHS helped out Deb's Dogs with a fundraiser for needed items for this worthy cause.

Problem Solving Class - Trudy Thompson

Congratulations to AJ&K consultants (aka Alex Arellano, Justin Davisson and Keiron Bailey) for convincing real estate mogul Pat Sweeney from Chicago (aka Mr. Colin Stolly) to choose their firm to help determine the pricing model for the new Foster Towers in the west loop of Chicago. Great job!!

Problem Solvers were at it again! Designing Engineering feats of strength and power. Day one they created spaghetti towers, Day 2 catapaults.

Have you ever considered hosting an international student for a semester or an entire school year? All it takes is a willingness and an extra bed at your house. These students come and share their culture with us and also absorb ours like a sponge.

Please consider hosting for the 2022-2023 school year. We currently have two girls from Italy and one boy from Thailand who want to come study in the United States and are expecting many more to apply over the summer months. Email Trudy Thompson at tthompson@apps.lcchs.edu if you have any questions or if you would like more information.

Biology Class - Deb Schenk

Using simple genetic traits, students combined their "genes" to produce virtual Biology Babies. Some are very unique, needless to say.



Positive Addiction Day Talent Show

We have some talented singers, jugglers, original acts and professional eaters at LCC. Congratulations to **Carson Caprella** for winning the 2022 LCC Talent Show!

CONGRATULATIONS on the retirement of these LCC Legends! Nan Rogers, Barb Schmeidebusch and Deb Schenk



LCC Honor Roll on page 12

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Books must be read and assignments completed by the first day of classes. You can find the list of books and assignments on the LCC website (www.lcchs.edu).

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