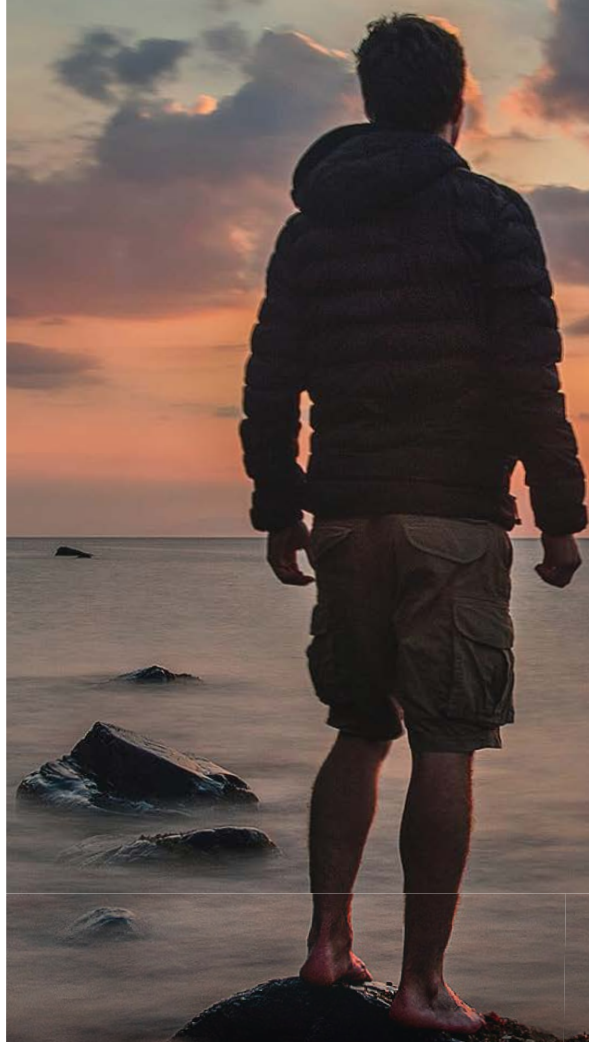


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Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Many are invited, but few are chosen." - Mt 22:1-14



HOLY MASS

SAT VIGIL
5:30 PM

SUNDAY
7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM
& 5:30 PM

DAILY MASS

MON & WED
6:30 AM & 5:30 PM

TUES, THUR, FRI
6:30 AM, 8 AM

SAT 8 AM

RECONCILIATION

WED 6-7 PM
(during Adoration)

SAT 9 AM

Schedule an appointment
for Confession with a priest
by calling the parish office.

OFFICE HOURS

MON-FRI 9 AM-4 PM
(closed 12-1 PM)



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LITURGICAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

- MON** Optional Memorial of St Margaret Mary Alacoque
TUES Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch
WED Feast of St Luke
THUR Memorial of Ss John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions
FRI Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral
SAT Saturday of the Twenty-eighth Week
SUN Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time

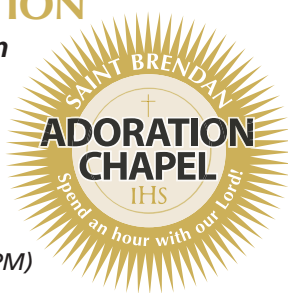
MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 16-22

- MON** 6:30 AM Intention of Rick & Gerri Stanko
5:30 PM Rosaline Nichols
TUES 6:30 AM Catherine Weisenberger
8:00 AM Pietro Giuliani
WED 6:30 AM Catherine Weisenberger
5:30 PM Joann Paesano
THUR 6:30 AM Troy Day
8:00 AM Paul & Dora Carter
FRI 6:30 AM Don Hill
8:00 AM Jeanie Igel
SAT 8:00 AM John & Mary Chapin
5:30 PM Elizabeth Buddie
SUN 7:15 AM Sam Tornik
8:45 AM For the People of St Brendan Parish
10:45 AM Elizabeth Honingfort
5:30 PM Charles Destefani

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

<https://stbrendan.weadorehim.com>

- TUES** 9 AM–10 PM
WED 7 AM–5 PM (*Holy Hour*
6–7 PM, *Confessions available*)
THUR 9 AM–10 PM
FRI 9 AM–10 PM (*First Fridays*
of each month, *Fri 9 AM–Sat 1 PM*)
SAT 9 AM–1 PM



**ANCHORED
IN ADORATION**

2ND WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH @ 6 PM

SAINT BRENDAN INFORMATION CENTER

Church Fall Hours

Weekdays, 6 AM-9 PM

Parish Office Hours

Weekdays, 9 AM-12 PM & 1-4 PM (closed 12-1 PM)

New Members – All are Welcome!

Email receptionist@stbrendans.net or call 614.876.1272
Request a packet at stbrendans.net/become-a-member

Marriage

Contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to marriage. Marriage preparation is required.

Baptisms

Celebrated at 12 PM most Sundays. Two baptismal prep classes are required. Request at stbrendans.net/baptism

Baptism Preparation Classes

First Sunday of most months at 12 PM (2 classes required).
See website for details or email baptism@stbrendans.net

Anointing of the Sick

Contact the Parish Office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Fr Jacob Stinnett
at frstinnett@stbrendans.net or 614.876.1272, ext 226

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St Brendan School

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Mass Intentions

To schedule an intention, mail in or drop off request to the Parish Office with \$10 (due when the request made).

Flowers for the Altar

In remembrance of a loved one or special intention (cost is \$75). Donor/intentions are published in the bulletin.

Ministry of Care for Our Homebound

To receive the Eucharist at home or in a facility, contact Jamie at 614.876.1272, ext 295 or jyoung@stbrendans.net

Protecting God's Children Class

Register at www.virtus.org

POD Nursery

Open most Sundays during 8:45 & 10:45 AM Masses for children ages 6 months to 4 years.

Navigator News

Visit stbrendan.ccbchurch.com and create your ParishStaq login to begin receiving our parish e-newsletter. For Sunday worship materials, visit tinyurl.com/LiturgyAids

A MESSAGE FROM MAGGIE AGRA

THE EUCHARIST – SOURCE AND SUMMIT OF OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

Pope St John Paul II wrote in his encyclical, *Ecclesia de Eucharistia* that, “The Eucharist, as Christ's saving presence in the community of the faithful and its spiritual food, is the most **precious possession** which the Church can have in her journey through history” (*Ecclesia de Eucharistia* 9, emphasis mine).



The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. Without the nourishment it provides, we can do nothing! Through the years, I have been able to see the power of the Lord in the Eucharist many times. In sudden conversions, physical and mental healings, and an abundance of grace for unexpected situations, Jesus has made known His power through the True Presence of the Eucharist! There is one story which I often reflect upon as showing the truth and power of the Eucharist.

A few summers ago, I had the opportunity to serve on program staff at Damascus Catholic Mission Campus. For those not familiar, Damascus is a Catholic apostolate largely known for its summer program, Catholic Youth Summer Camp (CYSC). As a program staff member, I ran the high adventure activities, participated in skits, and had a prayer lab, where I taught a small group how to pray.

About halfway through the summer, I had this amazing group of high school girls in my prayer lab. They were all interested in the Catholic faith, but somewhat cautious about diving in. One girl in particular, Emily, told me that she didn't believe in God at all. Yet throughout the week, I was able to witness their hearts begin to shift toward the truth and love Jesus offers. They were all asking questions related to the faith and began to open up during prayer lab. It culminated on that Thursday night, when we had Adoration. We were all sitting together and preparing for Adoration by singing praise and worship. When we heard the bells ringing, indicating that Jesus was entering the room, we began to kneel. At that moment, Emily (who didn't believe in God before) turned to me and, with a look of great excitement and delight, said, “Maggie! Jesus is coming!”

And in that simple phrase, I understood that Emily, and the rest of my prayer lab, had come to know and believe in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. This encounter deeply changed them— throughout the rest of the night, they began to experience the Lord's presence in powerful ways. Although they walked into the week unsure and unconfident, they left consumed with the love of Jesus through their encounter with Him in the Eucharist. It also intensely struck my own heart with the depth of beauty found in the Eucharist. With this in mind, I invite you to ponder the reality of the Eucharist and allow it to set your heart on fire for Jesus. The Eucharist, indeed, is the most precious possession of the Church.



COME & SEE
THE EUCHARIST

BIBLICAL EVIDENCE FOR THE REAL PRESENCE IN THE EUCHARIST (PART 2)

A further reason to take Jesus' words literally in the Bread of Life discourse in John 6, is that first-century Jews already had a metaphorical meaning for the language “eat flesh” and “drink blood” - namely, persecution, assault, and destruction. For example, in Revelation 17:6, the harlot is “drunk with the blood of the saints and the blood of the martyrs of Jesus,” which many scholars take to refer to the first-century persecution of Christians by Jewish religious leaders. A few verses later, in 17, the language of eating flesh connotes the destruction of the harlot, which given the interpretation of the previous metaphor of drinking blood, symbolizes the burning of Jerusalem in AD 70.

It's unlikely that Jesus would have intended His command to eat His flesh and drink His blood in order to obtain eternal life to be taken in the metaphorical sense common among Jews, since these words, understood metaphorically by Jews, would have meant, “If you destroy me, you will live forever.”

If Jesus were using this language in a different metaphorical sense, He would have made it clear that He was doing so, lest His audience think that He intended the absurd meaning above. Since Jesus doesn't make such a clarification, we can conclude that He is not using the language of eating His flesh and drinking His blood in a metaphorical sense.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

UPCOMING

TRUNK-OR-TREAT Oct 23, 6 PM
ALL SAINTS Nov 1, 7 AM & 7 PM
& Vigil Mass on Oct 31, 5:30 PM
ALL SOULS Nov 2, 6 PM Mass
CRAFT SHOW Nov 4, 9 AM-3 PM

MONTHLY

ANCHORED IN ADORATION
Second Wednesdays, 6 PM
1ST FRIDAY EVENING PRAYER
First Fridays, 7 PM
1ST FRIDAY 24-HOUR ADORATION
First Fridays, 9 AM–Sat, 1 PM

SOCIAL MEDIA

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INSTAGRAM

Parish: **@stbrendanhilliard**
School: **@saintbrendanschool**

Vine: **@stbvine**

Roots: **@stb_theroots**

Young Adults: **@stbya**

LIVESTREAM

FACEBOOK [facebook.com/StBrendanHilliardyoutubecom/c/](https://www.facebook.com/StBrendanHilliardyoutubecom/c/)

YOUTUBE

[SaintBrendantheNavigatorHilliard](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)

- Sunday - 10:45 AM
- Mon, Wed - 5:30 PM
- Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat - 8 AM

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Church Cleaning	Church
9:00 AM	Catholic Way Bible Study	Wellnitz Mtg Rm 1 (w/Patio)
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:45 PM	Family Faith Formation Small Grps	Multiple Locations

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	RCIA	Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr
7:00 PM	Rescue Project	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
7:00 AM-5:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:45 AM	Elizabeth Ministry Playgroup	Wellnitz Mtg Rm 1 (w/Patio)
1:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Work Session	The Carter Center
5:30 PM	Daily Mass	Church
6:00 PM-7:00 PM	Adoration, Confessions Available	Church
6:30 PM	VINE Formation	Chas McCurdy Learning Cntr
7:00 PM	Great Adventure Bible Study	Wellnitz Meeting Rms 1 & 2
7:00 PM	Young Catholic Professionals Executive Speaker Series	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
9:00 AM	Women's Scripture Studies AM	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
1:00 PM	Grief Support Lunch	OFFSITE: La Chatelaine, Dublin
7:00 PM	SVdP Sandwich Making for the Homeless	Wellnitz Mtg Rm 1 (w/Patio)
7:00 PM	Women's Scripture Studies PM	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

6:30 AM	Daily Mass	Adoration Chapel
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
9:00 AM-10:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
7:00 PM	Men's Ministry: Stations of the Cross & Social Gathering	Church & Davidson Road Meeting Rooms A & B

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

Diocesan Collection: World Mission Sunday		
6:30 AM	Men's Ministry: Faith Sharing	Davidson Rd Meeting Rm A
8:00 AM	Daily Mass	Church
8:45 AM	Praying the Rosary	Church
9:00 AM	Confession	Confessional
9:00 AM-1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration	Adoration Chapel
10:30 AM	Funeral: Jeanie Igel	Church
5:30 PM	Vigil Mass	Church

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

Diocesan Collection: World Mission Sunday		
7:15, 8:45, 10:45 AM, 5:30 PM	Mass	Church
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Adoration Chapel
During 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	POD Nursery	Childcare Center
After 8:45 & 10:45 AM Mass	Coffee & Donuts	Davidson Rd Mtg Rms A & B
12:00 PM	Baptisms	Church
6:30 PM	VINE Night	School Gym
7:00 PM	Grief Support Group	Wellnitz Mtg Rm 1 (w/Patio)
7:00 PM	Lector Training	Church



ST BRENDAN PRAYER LIST

If you would like us to pray for friends and family **who are hospitalized or ill at home** or for **active duty military** loved ones, email their names to bulletin@stbrendans.net

You may also use our online Prayer Wall to request most other prayer intentions that are not included here in the bulletin by visiting www.stbrendans.net/prayer-wall

If you or a loved one is hospitalized or ill at home and would like a pastoral visit, please call 614.876.1272

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THOSE HOSPITALIZED OR ILL

Heather Ayers	Frank Kreber
Richard Blaha	Jill Markey
Bill Brake	Joe Martin
Betsy M Borchers	Nate Miller
Chris Carrino	Kaden Morris
Linda Clark	Becky Moyer
Patricia Crane	Lorraine Nemchik
Tom Crane	Kathlyn Rosado
Ben Diepenbrock	Michelle Spencer
Connie Feliks	Tom Speroni
Mary Jo Flickinger	Pamela Theado
Mary Frick	Mitzie Toth
Lois Hanf	Marilyn Wiggins
Doris Kopac	

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY

Thomas Dye	Jackson Maassel
Aaron Grieshop	Alec Moyer
Sam Imwalle	Rick Shonkwiler
Christopher Keck	Rob Shonkwiler
Cody Longstreth	

Please continue to pray for all our men and women in service to our country, as well as all healthcare workers and first responders.

THOSE AWAY FROM THE CHURCH

If you would like the Inviting Catholics Home Ministry to pray for a loved one who is no longer practicing our faith, please visit www.stbrendans.net/prayer-wall, make your request and they will pray weekly for them.

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Note: There is a desperate need for more trunks. If there are not 40 trunks registered by Oct 18, this event will need to be canceled! Sign up at <https://stbrendan.ccbchurch.com/goto/needs/public>

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Looking for grief support from fellow parishioners? Join us Thursday, October 19, 1 PM at La Chatelaine in Dublin for our next luncheon. Our next Grief Support Workshop is Sunday, October 22 at 7 PM in Wellnitz Hall, Room 1. Questions? Contact Dennis at edmuch@me.com

SIGN UP FOR WINTER SPORTS



St Brendan Basketball and Cheer registration is now open! Please note that we have switched to a new athletics registration platform to help streamline the process. Registration and more details are available at www.stbrendans.net/athletics

OCT 29 – CALL TO ACTION: WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT THE ABORTION AMENDMENT

Join us Sunday, October 29 at 7-8:30 PM in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms for an important conversation with the Greater Columbus Right to Life President, Beth Vanderkooi, on the proposed abortion amendment on the ballot this November.

TIME TO TURN IN YOUR KAIROS COOKIES!

Baking cookies for the KAIROS Christian prison ministry is a way for you to reach out to incarcerated men and women with Christ's love. Now is the time to return the cookies you baked! Cookies will be collected at all Masses this weekend, October 14/15, or drop them off in the special KAIROS container in the Gathering Space through Tuesday, October 17. For questions or home pick-up, contact Tim Reno at tireno04@gmail.com

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASS

The next PGC session at St Brendan is Saturday, November 18 from 9 AM-12 PM in Davidson Road Meeting Room A. There are still spaces available, so sign up! Register at tinyurl.com/StBrendanPGC

All volunteers who work around children must complete the following:

- Attend a Protecting God's Children class (needed once)
 - Complete a background check with electronic fingerprinting (also needed if you haven't volunteered at St Brendan for 1-1/2+ years)
 - Obtain a volunteer badge, to be worn while volunteering
 - Fill out and return to the office a Volunteer Code of Conduct Form
- Questions? Contact Teresa Boyne at tboyne@stbrendans.net

GIVE SMARTER: SUPPORT ST BRENDAN AND LOWER YOUR TAXES

You can use funds in your retirement account to support St Brendan. The Charitable IRA Rollover allows donors who are 70 ½ years or older to transfer up to \$100,000 from a traditional or Roth IRA to a qualified charity like The Catholic Foundation, which manages the St Brendan Parish Endowment Fund. An endowment fund is a longer-term, sustained investment designed to provide a perpetual source of income to our parish.

Regardless of your age, you can support while still qualifying for a tax deduction. Contributions to St Brendan Parish Endowment Fund can also be made in the form of cash, appreciated stocks, and other assets.

For more information on how you can make a real-world impact on the future of St Brendan and the Catholic faith, please contact Scott Hartman at shartman@catholic-foundation.org or 614-443-8893, ext 104



VETERAN'S RECEPTION

St Brendan Knights of Columbus Council 11208 invites all military veterans to "Here's to our Heroes!" – a reception held in their honor taking place on Sat, Nov 11, 6:30-9 PM in the St Brendan School Cafeteria. Food and drinks to be provided by the Knights. RSVP by November 4 to Fred Kerner at 614-947-7733 or joc93@yahoo.com



MEN'S MINISTRY EVENTS

We hope you will join Men's Faith Sharing, the Knights of Columbus, and the Men's Club for these upcoming events:

OCT 20 & NOV 10 – STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Bring your family with you for a special Stations of the Cross at 7 PM on Friday, Oct 20 and Friday, Nov 10. Spend time in prayer followed by some social time.

OCT 28 – PIZZA, PIES & GUYS – Tailgating begins at 6:30 PM and then take in the Ohio State vs Wisconsin October 28 game on the big screens in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms! Pizzas and pies will be served.

November 11-12 | The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein

Retreat RSVP | stbrendans.net/womens-groups

Stein where you can re-energize, reflect, rest, and focus on your relationship with HIM to keep running toward the finish line. Cost is \$125 and includes a private room with bathroom, three meals, snacks and drinks. Early Bird Discount of \$5 if you register and pay by October 18. Add Friday night to your stay for an additional \$70 to enjoy the scenic grounds. Visit www.stbrendans.net/womens-groups to register and pay. Questions? Contact Chris Hauck at chrishauck0522@gmail.com

LAST CHANCE FOR EARLY BIRD SAVINGS

Join other women of faith to run the race St Paul describes in 2 Timothy, and learn to endure through our struggles and keep our eyes fixed on Jesus. "Run to the Father; Embracing Your Race" overnight retreat is Nov 11-12, at The Spiritual Center of Maria



SOULCORE ROSARY

Join us for SoulCore Rosary prayer and exercise to honor the month of the Rosary at 7:30 PM on October 25 in Wellnitz Hall. Please bring a mat or a towel and dress comfortably to move. All fitness levels are welcome, all movements are optional, and kettle bell hand weights will also be available. Questions? Contact Lori Crock at lori.writtenimpact@gmail.com



ADOPT-A-HOUSE MINISTRY

Hilliard Adopt-a-House and Habitat Mid-Ohio recently held a Commencement Ceremony for their newly announced homeowner. While they had been working on the house for several months, the homeowner decision provided a great way to celebrate! The photo above shows the future homeowner Helen (holding her daughter) as well as staff from Habitat and volunteers, with some of our own St Brendan parishioners. These ministries continue to seek volunteers for Wednesdays and Saturdays for the next few months. To help out, contact Bonnie Boeshart Roberts at 614-582-4126 or stbrendanhabitat@gmail.com

Seniors NOW **NAVIGATING OUR WAY**
All seniors 65+ are invited to join us!

NOVEMBER 3, 8 AM – 1st Friday Mass followed by Breakfast at Sunny Cafe, 7042 Hospital Drive, Dublin. No RSVP required.

ST BRENDAN MINISTRY OF EVANGELIZATION & CATECHESIS

family faith formation 

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

October 30 from 6 PM-7:30 PM is the first at-church family session for all faith formation families preparing to celebrate a sacrament. Confirmation families will meet in the School Gym and Reconciliation families will meet in the Davidson Meeting Rooms. This session is for children in grades K-8 and parents. We look forward to seeing you there! If you missed the parent meeting and have not yet picked up your sacrament preparation box, please contact Jacob Doran at jdoran@stbrendans.net

FALL FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS

THE CONTINUED GROWTH, SEEK & ROOT PATHWAYS for family faith formation meet Sundays at 9:45 AM or 6:45 PM and Mondays, 6:30 PM. Details are available at www.stbrendans.net/familyfaithformation

MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS:

- *The Roots* for middle-schoolers meets 6:45-8:30 PM in the Gym every 2nd Sunday of the month.
- *Aspen* is *The Roots'* small group ministry for 7th and 8th graders who journey through games, meals, sharing, and prayer together.
- Middle School *Small Groups*, grades 6-8 meet in small groups 10 times throughout the year on Sunday or Monday nights, 6:45-8 PM. Questions? Contact Avery Colman at acolman@stbrendans.net

THE VINE is our high school youth group and they meet every Sunday at 6:30 PM. (See the October Vine calendar to the upper right for details.)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD is during 8:45 and 10:45 AM Masses in the Adoration Chapel for children ages 4-9

CATHOLIC SUMMER YOUTH CAMP – 2024

St Brendan is offering a \$100 campership for the first 100 parishioners to register for CSYC's 2024 summer camp at Damascus in Centerburg. Sessions are available for Middle School (entering grades 6-8) and High School (entering grades 9-12). The code to apply the discount is **BREHILL24**. Registration opens October 25 at <https://tinyurl.com/register-CYSC>

YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

Executive Speaker Series **Sex, Lies & Social Media: Catholic Conversations on the Culture Wars**

7 PM – 9 PM, October 18
St. Brendan the Navigator
Hilliard, Ohio



MICHAEL LOSCHKE

Professionals in their 20's and 30's will enjoy complimentary refreshments, presentation and social time. Event is held in the Davidson Road Meeting Rooms. Please register at <https://ycp.glueup.com/event/83443/register/>

VINE CALENDAR

SUNDAYS 6:30-8:30PM

OCT
15

**HOW TO READ
THE BIBLE**
SCHOOL GYM

OCT
22

**WHY DO BAD
THINGS HAPPEN?**
SCHOOL GYM

OCT
27-29

FALL RETREAT
DAMASCUS CATHOLIC
MISSION CAMPUS

FOR MORE INFORMATION FOLLOW @STBVINE ON
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HAPPENING AROUND OUR DIOCESE...

WHITE MASS FOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

Wednesday, October 18, Mass at 6:30 PM with a reception following. Bishop Earl Fernandes presiding. St Thomas More Newman Center, 64 W Lane Ave. Reception in the Social Hall with food and drink (wine, spritzers, water). No charge, but please sign up (for adequate supplies) at <https://cmacbus.com/event/white-mass-2023/>

OCTOBER 19 MASS FOR LIFE – Join His Excellency, Earl K. Fernandes and Women's Care Center in celebrating a 5:30 PM Mass for Life in honor of families and the protection of life. Join us after Mass for Exposition, a Rosary, and Benediction followed by pizza-to-go at St Catharine Parish, 500 S Gould Road, Columbus.

ODU TO HOST FALL LECTURE SERIES – Ohio Dominican University's Center for Dominican Studies will host the final presentation of its fall lecture series focusing on the university's theme for the 2023-24 year: Truths we have learned. Several ODU faculty will present "Our Perspectives on Truth" at 3:30 PM on Thursday, Oct 26. The free event is open to the public and will take place in Sansbury Hall in the Colonial Room on ODU's campus at 1216 Sunbury Rd, Columbus.

COME & SEE WITH THE SISTERS

October 27-29, 2023 and March 22-24, 2024, retreat for Catholic, single women ages 18-35 in Justice, IL. Hitch a ride from Ohio with Dominican Sister Charbel Joseph by emailing vocations@sistersop.com. Prayer, Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, Adoration, Rosary, recreation and fellowship with other young women discerning their vocations. www.sistersop.com

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT ISSUE 1



What is Issue 1?

Issue 1 is a proposed amendment to the Ohio Constitution that would endanger the health and safety of women, threaten parental rights, and allow for abortion through all nine months of pregnancy. Ohioans will vote on November 7, 2023, whether to make this change to the Ohio Constitution.

What would Issue 1 do?

Put women at risk:

- **Health and safety standards in Ohio could be eliminated.** Doctors could no longer need to examine a woman or explain the risks of the abortion procedure ahead of time.

Threaten parental rights:

- **A fifteen-year-old could have an abortion without her parents knowing.** Current Ohio law requires parental notification and consent before a child under 18 can obtain an abortion. These parental right protections could be removed as they directly conflict with the amendment which would allow all individuals, including minors, to make their own reproductive decisions.

Allow for abortions of fully formed babies:

- **Abortion would be legal through all 9 months of pregnancy.** Physicians at an abortion clinic could use a woman's age or emotional well-being as a reason to perform an abortion in the 3rd trimester.

Would abortion be illegal in Ohio if Issue 1 does not pass?

If Issue 1 does not pass, abortion would still be legal in Ohio until a baby's heartbeat can be detected. This standard was challenged in court and placed on hold, allowing for abortions up to 22 weeks as of September 15, 2023. Current laws that protect the safety of women and parental rights would stay in effect.

Doesn't Issue 1 simply restore Ohio back to when Roe v. Wade was in effect?

Issue 1 goes dangerously beyond what was legalized in the Roe v. Wade ruling. It opens the door to remove important health and safety measures that protect women, threatens parental consent and notification of any minor seeking an abortion, and allows for abortion through all nine months of pregnancy.

Will miscarriage care or ectopic pregnancy treatment be denied if Issue 1 fails?

The passing or failure of Issue 1 will have no effect on the care a pregnant woman receives when her life is in danger, even if the treatment results in the loss of life of her unborn child. There is a fundamental difference between an elective abortion and the care provided after a miscarriage. In the case of an ectopic pregnancy, the life-affirming option is to surgically remove the mother's fallopian tube in which the embryo has implanted. No law restricts this care in Ohio or any other state in the country.

How does the Church help pregnant women in need?

For decades, numerous Catholic social service agencies, in collaboration with faith-based and secular organizations, have assisted pregnant women in need with material resources and personal accompaniment during pregnancy and after their child is born. Project Rachel helps those struggling post-abortion. Every woman should be able to depend upon a community for support and the Catholic Church remains committed to women in need. Learn more: ohiocathconf.org

What is the Church doing to protect life and defeat Issue 1?

Each diocese in Ohio is working together, through the Catholic Conference of Ohio, to help Catholics understand the dangers of Issue 1 to women, parents, and life. We are also part of the Protect Women Ohio coalition to let all voters know Issue 1 is harmful for Ohioans.

What can I do to help defeat Issue 1?

1. PRAY & Fast
2. EDUCATE yourself / TELL OTHERS about the dangers of Issue 1
3. Register & VOTE NO on Issue 1

Where can I learn more?

Read the full text of the proposed change to the Ohio Constitution and learn about the concerning language that puts women at risk, threatens parental rights, and allows for abortions through all nine months of pregnancy:

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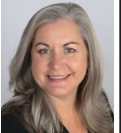


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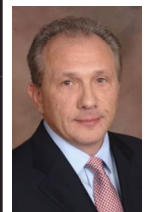


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