

Catholic Church of the Sacred Hearts

2024: Our 156th Year as Morrow County's Catholic Community



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Masses

Sunday

Saturday: 4:30 pm (Sunday Vigil);

Sunday: 9:00 am

Weekdays

Tuesday: 6:00 pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:45 am

First Saturday: 8:45 am

Holydays of Obligation

See bulletin.

Confession

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

First Saturday of every month,

9:15 am-3:15 pm

Parish Office Hours

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	9:30 am-1:30 pm
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Thursday	9:30 am-1:30 pm
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**SEPTEMBER 21ST & 22ND
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

MASSES THIS WEEK

Saturday 4:30 p.m. +Barbara Etgen
 Sunday 9:00 a.m. *pro populo*
 Tuesday 6:00 p.m. +Jane Ann Dean
 followed by the Perpetual
 Novena in honor of
 Our Lady of the
 Miraculous Medal
 Wednesday 8:45 a.m. +Greg Honzo
 Thursday 8:45 a.m. +Kathy Cooper
 Friday 8:45 a.m. +Ron Nixon

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

LECTORS
 Saturday, September 21 Michelle LaBarge
 Sunday, September 22 Erin Kelty
 Saturday, September 28 Julie Blankenship
 Sunday, September 29 Patrick Kelty

ALTAR SERVERS
 Sunday, September 22 Josh Goers
 Sunday, September 29 A.J. Brehm

EME
 Sunday, September 22 Carole Yoder
 Sunday, September 29 Will Schindley

SACRISTANS
 Saturday, September 21 Stephanie Zmuda
 Sunday, September 22 Joanne Bower
 Saturday, September 28 Julie Blankenship
 Sunday, September 29 Carol Ferguson

USHERS
 Saturday, September 21 Jack Christy
 Sunday, September 22 John Brehm
 Saturday, September 28 Nathan Bell
 Sunday, September 29 Ken Cover

COUNTERS
 Sunday, September 22 Erin Kelty,
 Donna & Eric Kill
 Sunday, September 29 Greg Goers,
 Ginny &
 Will Schindley

LINENS
 September Stephanie Zmuda
 October Martha Meier

FROM THE PASTOR

Praised be Jesus Christ! Thank you to all who called in to donate to St. Gabriel Radio while I was on the air on Wednesday. Your calls of support made it that much better. I was happy to see that the \$150,000 they were trying to raise was focused on expanding the outreach to the Hispanic community. They would like to have more local programming and materials such as bumper magnets in Spanish. For those in the Hispanic community, there is an app called App de San Gabriel that you can download to your phone so that you can listen to prayers and programming in Spanish. You can go to www.appdesangabriel.com to see more.

In this weekend's second reading, St. James speaks of wisdom from above. What we need is to see with the wisdom of God. St. James says that divine wisdom is manifested in this way: "the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace." We know that we are living with divine wisdom if we can live with peace within us. He says that wars and conflicts begin from within because of jealousy and selfish ambition and love of the world. Rather, be humble, judge not, and lament our own sins. "Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you."

May God bless you!
 Fr. Shikina

PRAYER LIST: Please remember in your prayers the following who have been recommended to our charitable concern:
 Ed & Frances Harding, Liz Gliem, Anita Black, Ezekial Salid, Reese McHenry, Roger Yoder, Steve Baker, Patty Ortiz, Neidra Davis, David Huffman, Don Askew, Roy Ferguson, America Silva, Howard & Harriet Gompf, Jan Gibbs, Caroline Petitti, Pam Frysinger, Wes Ramsey, Patrick Drouhard, Hank & Janie Kowalewski, James & Lillian Joering, Marjorie Armbruster, Johanna Conti, Dalton Sherman, Betty Crum, Walter Olsen, Billy Ervin, Judy Manley, Stephen Karigithe, Sabina Busto, Trish Thomas, Robin Hudson, Barb Dickason, Dawn Barranco, Mary Jo Fetch, Christa Harvel, Linda Harvey, Donna Spreng, Kyle Conley, Dave & Ethel Evans, Sam Harding, Walt Bakle, Barb May Wilt, Rose Long, Marian Morgan, Mary Ellen Berg, Doyle Rogers, Kathy Toll.

OFFERTORY SEPTEMBER 14/15, 2024

Collection	\$ 2,793.00
Online	\$ 891.61
Mail-In	\$ 10.00
Total	\$ 3,694.61

SACRED HEARTS CATHOLIC FRIENDS
 Sacred Hearts has a new Catholic Friends group on Facebook. Search for *Sacred Hearts Catholic Friends*. Join an event or host an event. Pray, eat, play!

The Role of the Church in American Political Life



The Church is the body of Christ, who reigns as king over all Creation. Everything, including political life, belongs to Jesus Christ, and so participation in political life belongs to the mission of the Church. Our mandate is to ‘go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation’ (Mk 16:15). . . . Here, ‘the creation’ refers to every aspect of human life. . . ‘Nothing human can be alien to it.’

Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, no. 181, quoting *Aparecida Document*, no. 380

Our national tradition of religious freedom permits and encourages all people of faith to bring the insights of their religious traditions to bear on political matters. As Pope Francis affirmed during his visit to the U.S., “Religious liberty, by its nature, transcends places of worship and the private sphere of individuals and families. . . . Religion itself, the religious dimension, is not a subculture; it is part of the culture of every people and every nation.”¹

“If society is to have a future, it must respect the truth of our human dignity and submit to that truth. . . . A society is noble and decent not least for its support of the pursuit of truth and its adherence to the most

basic of truths” (*Fratelli Tutti*, no. 207). The truths that guide public life can be known by natural reason. The sanctity of human life, the equal dignity of all individuals, the obligation to protect the vulnerable, the nature and purposes of sex, marriage, and family—these are not exclusively “religious” truths, but truths that all people of goodwill can come to know without the aid of revelation. Our Catholic faith sheds light on these truths, and so we have a duty to bring that light to our nation.

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“The truth is something we receive, not something we make. We can only judge using the conscience we have, but our judgments do not make things true.”

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Many Parts, All One Body

The bishops and their pastoral collaborators each have distinct roles in the Church’s mission. The bishops have the responsibility to govern the society of the Church, hand

on doctrine and tradition, and administer the sacraments. The laity are called to bring the gospel to bear on the world. While many laity are involved in roles of leadership and service within the Church, it remains primarily the role of the laity to advocate for justice, to serve in public office, and to inform daily life with the gospel. “The direct duty to work for a just ordering of society is proper to the lay faithful” (*Deus Caritas Est*, no. 29).

Participation in political life requires judgments about concrete circumstances. While bishops together with their coworkers help form the laity in accordance with basic principles, they do not tell the laity to vote for particular candidates. On these often complex matters, it is the laity’s responsibility to form their consciences and grow in the virtue of prudence to approach the many and varied issues of the day with the mind of Christ.

Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship

Conscience is “a judgment of reason” by which one determines whether an action is right or wrong (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1778). It does not allow us to justify doing whatever we want, nor is it a mere “feeling.” Conscience—properly formed according to God’s revelation and the teaching of the Church—is a means by which one listens to God and discerns how to act in accordance with the truth.² The truth is something we receive, not something we make. We can only judge using the conscience we have, but our judgments do not make things true.

It is our responsibility to learn more of Catholic teaching and tradition, to participate in Church life, to learn from trustworthy sources about the issues facing our communities, and to do our best to make wise judgments about candidates and government actions. These decisions should take into account a candidate’s commitments, character, integrity, and ability to influence a given issue. Thus equipped, and further impelled by our sense of patriotism, we exercise our right and duty to vote and otherwise to participate actively in public life.³ By forming our consciences for faithful citizenship, we can better pursue the common good and thus obey the command of our Lord to love our neighbors.

This bulletin insert along with five others was approved by the body of U.S. bishops in November 2023.

Find this and more complementary resources at www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

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1 Pope Francis, Meeting for Religious Liberty with Hispanic Community and Other Immigrants, September 26, 2015.

2 *Gaudium et Spes (The Church in the Modern World)*, no. 16. See also, *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1785.


3 *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 2239-40.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS S.O.S. for the month of August. We were able to collect \$193.00. Adding that to our previous amount brings the total to \$1,085.00. Thank you ALL for your support!

Football CRAZR TICKETS are still available from our local Knights of Columbus members! Last year, we sold 77 tickets. So far this year, we have only had about half that many sold tickets turned in. So, hopefully you are just getting ready to buy your tickets. I was hoping that we would sell at least what we sold last year, if not 80 or more! So, please don't wait any longer; **buy your football CRAZR tickets now. Tickets are just \$20.00 each. We need to exceed our quota. Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus in our fundraiser.**

– Carl Ferguson, Grand Knight.



FIRST SATURDAY: Please join us every first Saturday of the month for Mass and Exposition starting at 8:45 a.m. with open Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Benediction at 3:15 p.m. Sign up on the bulletin board for an hour or just stop in to visit our Lord in quiet prayer.

CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2024 SPEAKER: THE MOST REVEREND EARL K. FERNANDES, BISHOP OF COLUMBUS. Please join us on Friday, October 4 at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for a luncheon featuring the Annual Address from his Excellency Bishop Fernandes. The October luncheon is sponsored by The Catholic Foundation. More information about The Catholic Foundation is available at <https://catholic-foundation.org/>. If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon, contact Pat Foley at foleyp513@gmail.com. Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and Bishop Fernandes' presentation. No reservations are necessary. \$12.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend!

BIBLE STUDY after Mass on Friday mornings in Foeller Hall. Everyone is welcome!

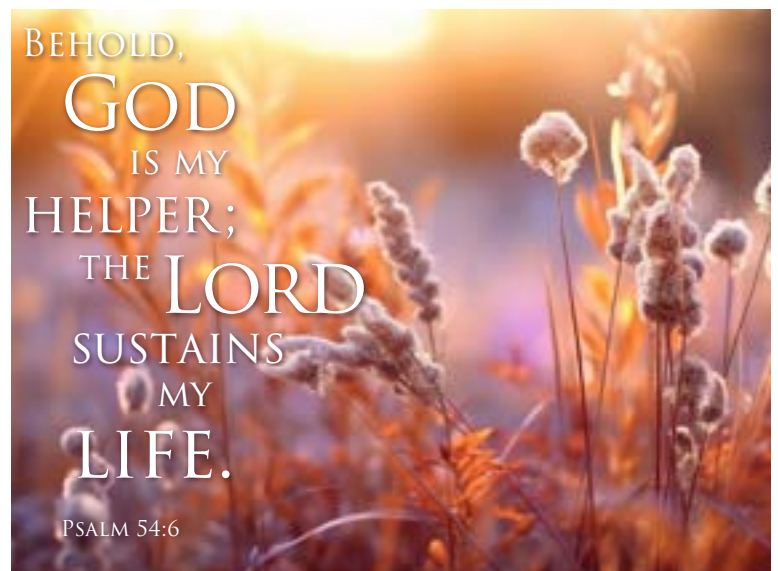
FORMED

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Jodi Schermerhorn, LPCC-S, is offering to our parish Roman Catholic and nondenominational Christian Counseling. She will offer faith-based professional counseling services to parishioners and as an outreach to our surrounding community. Jodi is licensed by the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Worker, Marriage and Family Therapist Board and combines standard clinical counseling practices with the beliefs, practices, and spirituality of our Church to provide a thorough and Christ-centered approach to healing. Areas of focus include children ages 3 up, Marriage Therapy, Anger, Anxiety, Problem Behavior, Body-focused repetitive behaviors, Conflict Resolution, Depression, Family Systems, Parent/Child Relationship, Trauma-focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy. Contact Jodi directly to ask about insurance and scheduling: Email: Jodi@sopcc.org.

HOST GUILD had a great first meeting! We had some new members as well as many of our established members. If you missed the meeting, but would still like to join, you can drop your membership form and your dues in the office in an envelope marked "HOST Guild," give it to any member or bring it to the October meeting. We have some fun things planned for the year, so you don't want to miss the fun! Keep in mind that our annual Lasagna Dinner, Raffle, Silent and Live Auctions will take place on Sunday, December 8th in Foeller Hall. Start thinking about what kind of basket you want to donate for the Silent Auction and if you have items or services you would like to donate for the live auction. We need your support to make this event a success! More information will be forthcoming soon. Our October meeting will be on Monday the 14th starting at 6:30 p.m. in Foeller Hall. Hostesses for October are Ellen Ewers, LaVerna White and Donna Kill. Hope to see you on the 14th!



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