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The Mass Comes Alive! St. Patrick Vacation Bible School 2011 By Dan DeMatte

his past summer, our parish hosted nearly 200 children for Cat Chat's Vacation Bible School program, "The Marvelous Mystery: The Mass Comes Alive!" Our children spent a whole week discovering more about the mystery of the Mass and deepening their love for Jesus in the Eucharist through catechesis, music, skits, games, crafts and of course, the celebration of the Holy Mass! Throughout the course of the week, the children received catechesis on five very important aspects of the Holy Mass. The first day, children learned how the Mass is a Mystery of Faith in which we participate. The second day, children learned that the Mass is a gift which we have received from the Son.

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PARISH EVENTS

- **1st and 3rd Mondays:** Marian Movement of Priests' Mass/Holy Hour **Tuesdays:** Youth Ministry
- **Every Thursday:** 7 p.m. 20s Group Holy Hour followed by 20s Group meeting/social.

3rd Saturdays: Rosary at Abortion Center

SEPTEMBER

- 25 Anniv. of Dedication of St. Patrick Church; NewComer's Potluck
- 26 The Catholicism Project

OCTOBER

- 2 Rosary Procession; Pig Roast
- 3 Bible Study (Parables of Jesus)
- 8 New Acolyte Training
- 9 Little Margaret Toiletry Drive
- 10 Calix Society Meeting & Mass; The Catholicism Project
- 15 Instruction on New Missal Chants
- 16 St. Gerard Mother's Blessing; K of C Pancake Breakfast Baptism Class for First Time Parents
- 17 Bible Study (Parables of Jesus)
- 22 New Acolyte Training
- 22-23 Provincial speaks at all Masses
- 23 Instruction on New Missal Chants; K of C Coat Drive
- 24 The Catholicism Project; Instruction on New Missal Chants
- 29 New Head Server Training
- 30 K of C All Saints Party; Blessing and Commissioning of Acolytes and Head Servers
- 31 Vigil of All Saints (event TBD)

NOVEMBER

- 1 All Saints (Holy Day of Obligation)
- 7 Bible Study (Parables of Jesus)
- 8 Women's Club Meeting
- 9 Children's Hour of Mercy (ages 3 years to 5th grade)
- 12 K of C Spaghetti Dinner; Returning Acolyte and Server Training
- 13 Women's Club Raffle Ticket Sale
- 14 The Catholicism Project; Calix Society Meeting
- 19–20 Women's Club Bake Sale
- 20 Coat Drive ends
- 21 7 p.m. Mass for the Presentation of Mary; Bible Study (Parables of Jesus)
- 24–25 Thanksgiving—Parish offices closed
- 27 First Sunday of Advent; Solemn Vespers
- 28 The Catholicism Project

DECEMBER

- 3 St. Nicholas Day Party
- 4 Solemn Vespers
- 5 Bible Study (Parables of Jesus)
- 8 Immaculate Conception of the BVM (Holy Day of Obligation)
- 10 First Penance
- 11 Solemn Vespers
- 12 Calix Society Meeting; *The Catholicism Project* Newsletter Planning Meeting
- 13 Women's Club Meeting
- 14 Children's Hour of Mercy (ages 3 years to 5th grade)
- 18 K of C Red Cross Blood Drive; Advent Lessons and Carols
- 19 Bible Study (Parables of Jesus)
- 20–23 Youth Ministry Winter Mission Service
- 25 Christmas



Women's Club News

By Dena Hoover

The St. Patrick's Women's Club held their semi-annual luncheon at the TAT Restaurant on June 7, 2011. At the meeting, officers were announced for the next year and a check for \$8,000 was presented to the parish from the money raised by the club the previous year. The new officers (from left) are: Mary Ann McCarrick, President, Rose Murnane, Vice-President, Mary Cantwell, Treasurer,

and Sue Kost, Secretary. The women's club's next fundraiser will be their bake sale beginning after Mass on Saturday, November 19, and continuing on Sunday, November 20. ♥







The Mass Comes Alive

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By mid-week, the children (and volunteers) were all starting to go crazy from sleep-deprivation, and so we celebrated, rejoicing in the fact that the Mass is a celebration! Towards the end of the week, the children learned that the Mass is the communal meal in which the Universal Church shares and that the Mass is a call for us to be the Body of Christ in the world.

The children were instructed by parish volunteers and catechists, as well as our Student Brothers from the Province of St. Joseph, Brother Boniface and Brother Paul. Father Michael opened the week and closed the week encouraging the children to seek out Jesus who is fully present in the Holy Mass and to always dive deeper into the mystery of the Mass.

Throughout the week, the children collected money in order to raise funds for Little Margaret's Charity. Throughout the course of the week, our children were able to give nearly \$500 to this wonderful parish mission.

The week of catechesis concluded with the celebration of the Holy Mass followed by a pizza party with the families.

Thank you to all the wonderful parish

volunteers who worked so hard to make this year's Vacation Bible School another successful year! Please continue praying for the children of our parish community as they prepare for another year of catechesis and faith formation.



SANCTUARY

Two in Priestly Formation... Chris Tuttle

▲ y name is Chris Tuttle and I am a seminarian for the diocese of Phoenix. I am 28 years old and am starting my first year at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio. Over the next three years, I will be working towards an undergraduate degree in philosophy. I grew up in Columbus, Ohio, where my family currently resides. I enjoy playing golf and I worked in the golf business for eight years. I was a golf instructor in Florida, Georgia, and Arizona. The people who have influenced me to pursue my vocation have been my family, especially my parents, and the many great priests I have met throughout my life. 🛡

James Matous

was born and raised outside of Detroit, Michigan, in a loving Catholic home. Prior to entering high school, I moved with my parents to Columbus. It was during my time at the University of Pittsburgh that I truly began to fall in love with our Lord and embrace the Catholic faith. Since I have a great love for biology and a tremendous desire to serve others, my plan was to pursue an MD/PhD dual degree program upon graduation. While interviewing for programs, I began to read St. Teresa of Avila and James Matous

St. John of the Cross. It was through the teachings of these two



saints that I began to realize that each of us is called to holiness, not just these lofty saints that at the time seemed nothing like me. As I began to draw even closer to our Lord, I started to realize that God might be calling me to be a physician of the soul and not of the body.

I will be joining the Dominican friars this fall (2011), where I will spend one year in the novitiate in Cincinnati, and then God-willing pursue studies for the priesthood at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, DC. What drew me to the Dominicans was the love of Truth and the mission of contemplation and study for the sake of preaching and the salvation of souls. It is the example and ideals of St. Dominic that most inspire me, and I pray that I may become a holy son of St. Dominic. Even though I will be spending a large portion of my time in the chapel and library during seminary, I do thoroughly enjoy cooking and outdoor activities such as hiking and kayaking. Perhaps one day as a friar, I will be able to share my love of cooking with my brethren. ▼

Mother-Daughter Brunch

By Anna Higgins

n Saturday, June 25, mothers, daughters, and two lovely Sisters enjoyed high tea together. Listening to wise words from Sr. Mary Magdalene, OP, and Sr. Perpetua, OP, two Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia—the women of St. Patrick sat quietly, eagerly intent on catching a glimpse of the beautiful relationship that the Sisters experience with our Lord each day. The fact that a whole room full of women sat surrounded by best friends and resisted gabbing the whole time is a beautiful testament that displays how much Christ captures our hearts.

The Sisters of St. Cecilia told us a bit about their daily prayer routine and some of the things they get to do each day. They also told us how they came to hear the Lord calling them to their lives as His bride. It seems that no matter what the situation the Sisters never stop radiating pure genuine joy. Looking at all of the troubles in this world and some of the things that weigh down our



hearts, the only reason I can conclude for such absolute joy is Christ. The sisters have joined their hearts so much with His that it's almost as if they get a little sample of Heaven because they are so near to Him. It was a delight to share an afternoon with two Sisters of St. Cecilia and learn more about their lives while also learning more about our own.

of Photos courtesy Anna Higgins

Corpus Christi Procession Fr. Michael Mary leads the parish in procession on Sunday, June 26, for the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.



Knights of Columbus Awards Dinner

By Robert McGonigle

A t the end of each fraternal year, St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus Council gives out its "Of the Year" awards. This year the Council chose to honor the recipients of these awards with an awards dinner. There was plenty of food for all as the menu included spaghetti and meatballs, tossed salad, garlic bread, and assorted beverages and dessert. Father Michael Dosch, O.P. opened the dinner by asking God's blessing upon all who were present as well as the food and Grand Knight Robert McGonigle led the assembled in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The "Of the Year" awards were given to Knights and Ladies of St. Patrick's Council as well as leaders in the religious and civic communities. The recipients of this year's awards include the following: Knight of the Year – Jim Gallione; Family of the Year – Patrick and Cheryl Dowdell; Volunteer of the Year – Richard Mason; Chaplain of the Year – Father Thomas Blau, O.P. who is also a Knight of St. Patrick's Council, and Religious of the Year was Mother Margaret Mary of the Children of Mary.

Ladies of the Year included Patti Robitaille and Patty Hastings who were both honored for their support of various council events. The junior and senior high school altar servers were also recognized by the Knights for their faithful service to our parish and Maire Gilmore was chosen as the "Youth of The Year".

Our pastor, Father Michael Mary Dosch, O.P., himself a Knight of Columbus, and assistant pastor Father Gregory Schnakenberg, O.P. were also honored by being presented certificates of Clergy Appreciation. Father Michael was honored for his gracious support of our council and Father Gregory was honored for his work with the altar servers. Our parish and council are blessed to have three great Dominican Friars serve our parish and council.

Congratulations to all awards recipients! ▼



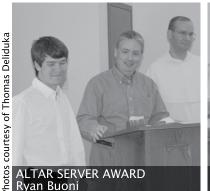
Dave Ball

FAMILY OF THE YEAR

Patrick and Cheryl Dowdell



RELIGIOUS OF THE YEAR Mother Margaret Mary



ALTAR SERVER AWARD

BLUE COAT OF THE YEAR

Chip Roberts

Michael Hoy

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd's New Home

By Chris Blank

his year on Sunday mornings during CCD time, many parents of the parish will be bringing their 31/2-5 year old children to the newly renovated basement for a formal catechesis program called The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. This space where the children and catechists gather is called the atrium, a word used to define the entry of ancient basilicas where the catechumens prepared themselves to enter in full communion of the Church and participation of the liturgy. This term is appropriate because when one walks into the atrium, it is apparent that it is a special, blessed space where not only the child, but the adult as well, can

experience our Lord as the Good Shepherd who protects his sheep and knows them by name.

Through the beautiful materials in this prepared environment, the child's work becomes his prayer as he learns about the life of Jesus through the maps of Israel and the reading of scripture while manipulating the small Fontanini statues. Because the atrium is "Mass centered" there are also areas in the room devoted to the gestures and language used during the Eucharistic celebration and the liturgical life of the Church.

Due to the larger than average number of 3½-5 year old children in

the parish, the CGS program has had to expand from one to three atria and from two to five trained catechists and their assistants in the past two years. By segregating the smaller children from the older children in the always crowded and busy upstairs hallways, the little ones will now be in a much safer space. These younger parishioners will also be able to learn their faith in a quieter and larger environment due to the generosity of those who have donated to the Christ. the Sure Foundation which makes much needed improvements such as these possible.

A Wonderful Parish Picnic

By Deb Newman

Once again, the Lord blessed us with a beautiful day for our annual Parish Picnic. On Sunday, July 10, many parishioners gathered at Camp Mary Orton to share fun and fellowship with their friends and families. Groups could be seen cooling off in the pool, playing sand volleyball, enjoying a game of cornhole, an impromptu game of football, or just enjoying a pleasant conversation with one another.

Joining in the fun were our Dominican Friars and the visiting Dominican Brothers who were able to join in the festivities before they went back to continue their studies.

The Parish Picnic is always well attended, and everyone pitches in by sharing delicious food, but special thanks goes out to the Knights of Columbus who cook all day over hot grills providing hamburgers and brats for all. ♥









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Catholic Youth Summer Camp

Nicole Floetker, with quotes from Eddie Hueckel, Junior—Bishop Hartley

Catholic Youth Summer Camp (CYSC) has just completed its eleventh summer of serving the high school and junior high students of the Columbus Diocese. CYSC seeks to bring youth to live the adventure of their Catholic faith through high adventure activities, daily Mass, the sacraments, and nightly programming called "club." Each night the campers gather for funny skits and energizers, followed by talks, a drama, and time of prayer. Every year it is beautiful to watch campers, counselors, and staff come back from camp fully alive and ready to live their life for Christ.

While the campers definitely enjoy paint balling, rock climbing, and jet skiing, it is clear that the real reason they keep coming back to CYSC is to grow in their relationship with God. Eddie Hueckel, a junior at Hartley and an active member of Veritas Youth Group, wrote about his experience at camp this year saying, "This was my 4th year as a camper at Catholic Youth Summer Camp and I couldn't ask for a better year. Before camp, I hadn't been to confession in about 3 months, and when I went it was so beautiful and amazing!"

On the fourth night of camp, there is Eucharistic Adoration. The campers have the opportunity for silent prayer and meditation; and the holy hour is closed with a few songs to worship our Lord in the Eucharist. Each camper's experience is completely unique, but campers are always moved by their time in prayer before the Eucharist. Eddie wrote, "Thursday night I got so emotional during the song, 'How Great Is Our God,' because I felt that Christ was telling me He loved me so much and no matter how many times I fall down He's always there to pick me up!"

Thanks to all who participated in CYSC this summer and thanks to everyone who made camp possible by supporting the mission through donations and prayers. This was an unbelievable summer of growth for everyone involved and everyone at camp can echo Eddie's words in saying, "CYSC has changed my life for better." ■



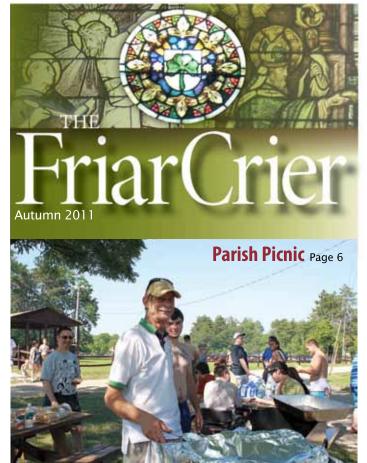
Michelle Kaiser Senior—Bishop Ready

In every second of everyone's lives, we walk an invisible road, a path that ever changes with our life and yet always keeps the same direction forward to the end of our earthly lives. Sometimes our path is bright and exciting; sometimes it is dark and we feel like we are not even moving forward at all. The road is long while walking it but seems very short when you look back. As a senior in high school now, I am just getting a taste of this phenomenon. I feel like my life has already been a journey, yet I am realizing how young I am and my life is just beginning. At times it is disconcerting, but I know that I am never alone on my path even during the darkest times. Still, I have learned many things during my journey for the past five years, like friendship, respect, equality, loyalty and most of all, true love.

It was the summer before 8th grade; only a year until high school and I had gotten my first phone. I was taking the first steps of growing up. That summer I went to this summer camp that I had heard about called CYSC, or Catholic Youth Summer Camp. Little did I know how much this camp would shape the next five years of my life. My first year introduced me to people whose hearts were on fire with God's love so much they could not help but love others around them. The staff and counselors loved me for just who I was, and for the first time in a long time I was free to be myself. The "high" that I received from camp lasted for a while, but would soon fade in the school year. I returned for a second, third and fourth year to somehow gain that happiness back and make it last longer. I was in high school now, trying to push through days filled with homework, complaining classmates and useless drama; hoping to keep my faith and make it to camp in the summer. This past junior year was especially difficult and I was ready for something new, something more for my last vear as a camper of CYSC.

CYSC is a lot about being the best Catholic you can be, but it is also about having fun while doing it; and this year has been the best so far. Not only were all of the campers there great but I was in the greatest small group ever. The girls that were in my small group taught me something that I have had much trouble with in the past (and still do to this day): sisterhood. Though we were from different schools and parts of Ohio we still had the same problems and fears about our friends, faith, and schools. We came together to help each other and answer some of our greatest worries and guestions. For a week we were a family that did not judge one another on what we did in the past, who our friends were, or what sport we played. We were united in Christ, in his pure love that knows no boundaries or restrictions. This year after five long years of searching and yearning for something more, finally something clicked. I recognized that I can find God in the silence just as much as in the songs and spoken prayers. When I can't feel God's presence, I sit in the silence and just know that I am never alone. My faith is no longer just by sight or feeling; it is by beautiful blindness. In this blindness I am ready for the future and whatever God lays before me. "Behold, I will do something new. Now it will spring forth; Will you not be aware of it? I will even make a roadway in the wilderness, Rivers in the desert." (Isaiah 43:19)

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