



April 20, 2008

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The disciples were enthralled by Jesus. They were fascinated by what he said and did. He inspired them to seek the reign of God, to look for it, to follow him even if it meant leaving their lives behind. They left their jobs and homes and traveled with him.

It is fascinating, and in a way encouraging, to see the disciples squirm. In John's Gospel there is an awkward feeling about the disciples. They are certain enough of Jesus to follow him, but they are still uncertain as to what that means. We don't know where *you're* going. We don't know where *we're* going. Don't we need to know more?

Why is this encouraging? We are disciples like them. We live in a different culture and face a different set of challenges and doubts, but as we look to

these first disciples to receive the message of the Gospel, we also look to them for how to grapple with its challenges.

What modern followers haven't second-guessed the commitment? Can I keep going, leaving other options behind? What is discipleship costing me? This world has much to offer, and every choice I make for the Gospel leaves something good behind. Each choice is a bet on the future. This is not to say Christianity is "misery now for pie-in-the-sky later," a caricature that has been used to dismiss our real

hope. But it acknowledges that real choices have to be made. It acknowledges that we should consider whether it is worth it. Did not Jesus say to count the cost?

The disciples who made a huge commitment nevertheless found themselves wondering what lay ahead. They asked, can you show us more? Jesus' answer was disarmingly down to earth. If you have seen *me*, you have seen *the Father*. I am here to give you the tools you need to follow through.

The carpenter's son is building houses for now *and* for later.

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### Today's Readings

Acts 6:1-7

1 Pt 2:4-9

Jn 14:1-12

## Religious Education

### TO ALL ST. TIMOTHY PARISHIONERS – FOR YOUR INFORMATION

All St. Timothy PSR catechists and adult catechist aides are in compliance with the Diocesan Guidelines for the protection of our PSR Students. All catechists, adult catechist aides and substitute catechists 18 years old or older have been fingerprinted, have had a Criminal Background Check done, and have taken the four-hour workshop, "Protecting God's Children," before teaching. In addition, all catechists, adult catechist aides and substitute catechists have read and signed a Diocesan Code of Conduct and a Diocesan Harassment Policy.

To obtain a copy of the Code of Conduct and/or the Harassment Policy, please contact Rita Feige at the Religious Education Office at 451-3867. Copies of the Code of Conduct and the Harassment Policy are also posted on the Religious Education Bulletin Board outside of the Religious Education Office on the lower level of the school.

## PRAYER AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

### RESPECT LIFE

The **Spiritual Adoption Program** is simply praying for a specific unborn child who is in danger of abortion for a period of nine months, for the child's safety and well-being.

**How do I do this?** All one has to do is to choose to pray for an unborn child who is in danger of abortion, and to pray for this baby for a period of nine months. A beautiful prayer that is often used is the following, composed by Bishop Fulton J. Sheen:

**Jesus, Mary and Joseph,  
I love you very much.  
I beg you to spare the life  
Of the pre-born child that I  
Have spiritually adopted  
Who is in danger of abortion.**

### MONTHLY BABY UPDATES

First Month – Size about 1/4 inch

At fertilization, a new human life begins, complete with his or her own unique set of DNA, which is present from the first moment of life. The new little person's sex is also determined from the beginning. During this first amazing month of life, the baby grows to 10,000 times his/her size at conception. By the third week, the baby's heart begins to beat.

**Remember in your prayers** Edward Corbett, who died this past week. May he rest in peace.

### Bible Study Group

Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

### Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

### Divine Mercy Chaplet

Please join us for Divine Mercy Chaplet after the 9:00 a.m. Mass every Tuesday.

### CRISIS PREGNANCY Hotline

Call (614) 444-4411.

### Birthright Crisis Hotline

Call 1-800-550-4900.

## Around the Town

### THEOLOGY AND A PUB

Attention, young adults! Are you looking for a fun way to learn more about your Catholic faith and meet people who share it? Join us for Theology and a Pub at the Columbus Maennerchor, 966 South High Street, on Thursday, April 24! Doors open at 6:00 p.m., and the talk starts at 7:30 p.m. Admission is just \$2.00, and food and drink are available for purchase. This month's speaker is Fr. Ervens Mengelle, SSL, Assistant Professor at the Pontifical College Josephinum, on the topic of *La Iglesia: The Church in Latin America*. For full details, visit [www.theologyandapub.org](http://www.theologyandapub.org).

- **St. John Chrysostom Byzantine Catholic Church** at 5858 Cleveland Avenue in Columbus, is offering Homemade Cabbage Rolls (Halubki), homemade noodles and cabbage (Haluski), pirogi, and various homemade baked goods for sale from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on the First Friday of every month. The Halubki is \$8.00 for 6 rolls, which will serve three people; the Haluski sells for \$4.00/qt.; and the pirogi sells for \$5.00 per dozen. Pirogi fillings are: potato and cheese, sauerkraut, sweet cheese, and prune. This is carry-out only, while supplies last.

Bishop Watterson High School **Summer Sports Camp** schedules are available at [www.bishopwatterson.com](http://www.bishopwatterson.com) or contact the Athletic Office at 268-8671, ext. 244.

**All alumni of Aquinas College High School are reminded to attend the next alumni luncheon on Monday, May 5, to be held at the Holy Family Jubilee Museum. This will be a good opportunity to view the Aquinas Museum, and to have plenty of conversation with your old classmates. The doors open at 11:00 a.m. Please remember to bring canned goods, useful clothing, and toiletries which we will donate to the Holy Family Soup Kitchen.**



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April 20, 2008  
Fifth Sunday of Easter

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, April 21**

9:00 a.m. Albert Carnevale

**Tuesday, April 22**

9:00 a.m. John and Margaret Flesher

**Wednesday, April 23**

9:00 a.m. Paul Murphy

**Thursday, April 24**

9:00 a.m. Paulina DeSantis Girves

**Friday, April 25**

9:00 a.m. Teresa Beebe

**Saturday, April 26**

5:00 p.m. Schwartz and Winkel Families

**Sunday, April 27**

8:00 a.m. A. J. and Dorothy Walker  
10:00 a.m. Ann Bevley McGivern  
12:00 p.m. St. Timothy Parishioners

LECTORS FOR MAY	
5:00 p.m.	Angela Parker and Norm Altman
8:00 a.m.	Kitty Quinn and Joe Briski
10:00 a.m.	Jim Connors and Vince Fabro
12:00 p.m.	Rich Hutchison and Ed Geraghty

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 27		
MASS	EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
5:00 p.m. Saturday	Brett Ballantyne, Joni Teetor, Mary Ballantyne	Lindsey Rankin, Katy Cattell, Julie France
8:00 a.m. Sunday	Jack & Laurie Jenny, Matt Cooper	Lauren Plumley, Emily Cloud
10:00 a.m. Sunday	Paul Boulware, Don & Kay Chalupa, Dave & Mary Pat Boulware	Stevyn Spees, Ryan Brady, Bryce Spees
12:00 p.m. Sunday	Jim & Sue Klun, Rich Hutchison	Matt Neary, Joe Neary, Matt Mockensturm

Volunteers for April	
Altar Care	Pat Sagester, Elinor Jackson, Mary Fabro
Linens	Judy Pond
Collection Counters	Bob Fronk and Joe Briski or Mike Foley

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK	
<b>Tuesday, April 22</b> Bible Study Group – MPR Finance Meeting – Rectory	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, April 23</b> Folk Group Rehearsal – Music Room Choir Rehearsal – Music Room	6:45 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
<b>Thursday, April 24</b> Parish Council – TL RCIA – MPR	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
<b>Sunday, April 27</b> Ladies Prayer Group – MPR	7:00-8:30 p.m.

Last week's collection was \$9,413.00

**HELP IS NEEDED ON WEDNESDAYS TO REPOSE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT 6:30 P.M. AT THE END OF ADORATION AND LOCK THE CHURCH. Fr. John is not always available; therefore, we need a volunteer. Please call the Rectory (451-2671) for more information.**

**YOUTH GROUP:**

Come join with youth from St. Timothy, St. Andrew and other youth ministry groups from around the diocese for a night of fun. There will be pool, ping-pong, foosball, corn hole and even a DJ. Food and drinks will also be available. A small cost of \$3.00 is asked at the door to help defray some of the cost for the evening. If you are interested in coming, please e-mail Chris Valentine at [youthsttim@rrohio.com](mailto:youthsttim@rrohio.com). Parent help is welcomed and greatly appreciated.

July 13-17, Helping Hands in Portsmouth Work Camp (HIP Camp): Sponsored by St. Mary of the Annunciation Church and St. Mary's Youth Group in Portsmouth, OH, this work camp helps to improve the lives of those who live in Scioto County through various projects such as building wheelchair ramps, painting and landscaping. Besides service to the community, the camp will also provide prayer, recreation and fellowship to allow young people to grow in faith. HIP Camp is open to students entering 9th-12th grade for the 2008-2009 school year. Cost of the camp is \$150.00, which will cover materials needed for the various projects, all meals and accommodations. Reservation forms with a deposit of \$50.00 must be in to Chris Valentine in the Parish Office by Friday, April 25th. Service Hours will be counted for those high school students who need them. Adult chaperones will be needed for this event and must be in compliance with all Diocesan Safe Environment guidelines.

Wednesday June 25, Youth Group Outing to Cedar Point. This trip is open to students entering 9th-12th grade for the 2008-2009 school year. Tentative cost for students will be \$29.00 and for adults \$32.00. Reserve your spot today! Adult chaperones and drivers will be needed.

**St. Vincent de Paul members will be at the doors of the church next weekend to accept your donation.**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

We will be scheduling cases in May. If anyone else is interested in joining our Eucharistic Minister group, please contact Jack Gibney at the Rectory Office (451-2671).

**Festival on the Green Silent Auction**

St. Timothy's Church Festival is less than three months away! Once again this year, the Silent Auction Booth is asking parishioners to donate new items, antiques, sports tickets, professional services, etc., that will be auctioned at our booth.

Please consider getting together with a group of friends to make a special basket, or to donate an item or gift card from your favorite store! Donations of all sizes are welcome and make the tables look inviting for bidders!

If you have anything that you would like to donate or are willing to assist with this booth, please call Andrea Marchese (459-3050).

Members of The **St. Timothy Knights of Columbus** will be in the back of the church selling their charity tickets and will be there every Saturday and Sunday after all of the Masses, until May 10 and 11. All proceeds go to charity. We hope you can support their cause. First prize is \$414.00 a month for 10 years, second prize is \$313.00 a month for five years, and third prize is \$212.00 a month for five years. There are seven other cash prizes totaling \$14,750.00. The ticket cost is \$5.00 each.

**Annual Senior Citizens Day with the Bishop**

Please join us for the 31st annual diocesan Senior Citizens Day Celebration with the Bishop on Tuesday, May 20th, at St. Andrew Church. The day begins with Mass at 10:30 a.m., followed by lunch and entertainment, and then the annual raffle of door prizes. The price for the luncheon is \$10.00. To register, contact the Office of Social Concerns (241-2540) by May 14th.

**School News**

Cafeteria Workers	
Mon., 4/21	Auber, Carmody, Diaz, D. Francescon
Tues., 4/22	Brahos, Koerner, Lorenz
Wed., 4/23	Kanakkanatt, Fulop, Lynch, Petman
Thurs., 4/24	Bigler, Cleary, Powell, Spees