

# St. Columbkille Catholic Church

Wilmington, Ohio

## Holy Name Chapel

Blanchester, Ohio



Mark 10:46-52  
The Blind Bartimaeus

- They came to Jericho
- Just like the woman Tyre, Bartimaeus persisted
- Bartimaeus may have been blind but he was the only one in the crowd that truly saw Jesus as his Savior

OCTOBER 25, 2015

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

VOCATION VIEW

Jesus hears our cry for help. What do you want Jesus to do for you?  
How will you show your gratitude? (Mark 10:46-52)

### GIFTS

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**OCTOBER 18, 2015**

897 Registered Families	
154 Sunday Identified Gifts	\$ 6,601.99
Unidentified Gifts	\$ 620.05
<b>TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION</b>	<b>\$ 7,222.04</b>
<b>TOTAL SUNDAY &amp; HOLY DAY</b>	
<b>COLLECTION (FISCAL Y.T.D.)</b>	<b>\$132,998.01</b>
<b>NEEDED FROM SUNDAY &amp; HOLY DAY</b>	
<b>COLLECTION (FISCAL Y.T.D.)</b>	<b>\$147,696.00</b>
Poor & Needy	
SVDP	\$ 259.06
Hope Emergency	\$ 106.04
Mission Sunday	\$ 1,206.00

### OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

The inviolability of the person, which is a reflection of the absolute inviolability of God, finds its primary and fundamental expression in the inviolability of human life. Above all, the common outcry, which is justly made on behalf of human rights - for example, the right to health, to home, to work, to family, to culture - is false and illusory if the right to life, the most basic and fundamental right and the condition for all other personal rights, is not defended with maximum determination. - Pope John Paul II, *Christifideles Laici* (1988), no. 38



### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Thank you for your generous response to the Society for the Propagation of Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised \$1,206.00. Some people are called to go to serve in other countries to develop the Church and serve its people, but all of us can pray and support the Missions from right here in the parish. Please visit [IamAMissionary.org](http://IamAMissionary.org) for more information.



## Mass Intentions

OCTOBER 24-NOVEMBER 1, 2015

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24 -**

**Vigil: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 p.m. All Parishioners [StC]

6:15 p.m. Debra Staehling (Joyce Spies) [HNC]

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25 -**

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:15 a.m. Shirley Brumfield (Carol Rack) [StC]

11:00 a.m. Robert Wells (Joyce Wells) [StC]

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 26**

9:00 a.m. Edna Marie Francis (Denver Francis) [StC]\*

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27**

9:00 a.m. Walt Baur (Parish Family) [StC]

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28 - Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles**

9:30 a.m. Communion Svc [HNC]

7:00 p.m. Sick and Shut-ins (Parish Family) [StC]

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29**

9:00 a.m. Rick Pease (Pease Family) [StC]\*

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30**

9:00 a.m. Deb & Scott Staehling (Steve & Joyce Spies) [StC]\*

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31 - Vigil: All Saints**

4:00 p.m. Bud Georges (Louise Georges Family) [StC]

6:15 p.m. All Parishioners [HNC]

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 - All Saints**

8:15 a.m. Patricia & Richard Durchholz  
(Durchholz Sisters) [StC]

11:00 a.m. K of C Memorial Mass (K of C) [StC]

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR OCTOBER 31/NOVEMBER 1, 2015

	SERVERS	LECTORS	GREETERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
4:00 p.m. Saturday StC	Molly Lynch, Nicholas Spies	Carolyn Warner, Jim Krusling	Bob Menker, Pat Thompson	Deacon Bob Baker, Susan Baker, Dan Murtland, Arvil Hines, Doris Pease
6:15 p.m. Saturday HNC	Timothy Rannells, William Rannells	Judy Finkbeiner	Jim Wiederhold, Tom Handra	Carol Bedinghaus, Carol Turner, Jim Wiederhold
8:15 a.m. Sunday StC	Kristen Germann, Elizabeth Farr, Timothy Farr	Barbara Baker, Carl Zaycosky	Alex Germann, Joshua Germann	Mary Gibson, Kathy Mayer, Carol Rack, Charlotte Bland, Frank Kanyuck, (CL) Colleen Germann, (CL) Hue Vu
11:00 a.m. Sunday StC	John Ulmer, Meredith Robinson, Emma Schroeder	David Ulmer	Jim Brausch, Mark Steinmetz	Deacon Bob Baker, Julie Umstead, Vincent Allgeier, John Merling, Sara Carruthers, (CL) Kathy Schwab, (CL) Deanna Liermann

*The first name for E.M. will have the host and the others will have the cups; the first name for CL will have the host.*

## ALL SOULS DAY

"All Souls Day" (November 2) is a day set aside each year to remember and pray for those who have gone before us. This year, it falls on Monday. At all the Masses the weekend of October 31/November 1, 2015, the names of the members of our parish who passed since last November 2nd will be read out during the Prayer of the Faithful. At the 4:00 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Masses, candles will be lit by a server in their memory as the names are read.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."



## LESSONS AND CAROLS IN StC CHURCH

Sunday, December 13, 2015  
begins 5:30 p.m.

Immediately following the program will be  
**PARISH ADVENT DINNER**

Parish Center Basement

Catered by Werner's. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.



## K OF C 3369 PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, November 1, 2015  
9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

StC Parish Center Basement

### Menu includes:

- Flavor of the month pancakes
- Regular pancakes, eggs
- Sausage
- Goetta
- Milk, juice and coffee

Cost is \$6 for adults, \$4 for children and \$25 for families of six or more. Children five years old and younger are free. The Knights would like to thank everyone who supported the October pancake breakfast.

## CARD SHOWER

Richard "Andy" Wood, who is a StC sick and shut-in, currently moved into a new nursing care facility. Andy would appreciate cards and notes from StC/HNC parishioners to cheer him up. His address is Maria-Joseph Rehabilitation Center, 4830 Salem Avenue, Room 457, Brunner Hall, Dayton, OH 45416. **Thank you. If you would enjoy sending cards to any of our 50 sick and shut-ins, please call the parish office or email [colleengermann@stcolumbkille.org](mailto:colleengermann@stcolumbkille.org).**

## VETERAN'S DAY PICS



Veteran's Day is celebrated on Wednesday, November 11, 2015. If you have a picture of a former or current military person whom you would like on our display board, please email [colleengermann@stcolumbkille.org](mailto:colleengermann@stcolumbkille.org), or stop by the parish office. We will proudly display

the posters at both St. Columbkille and Holy Name Chapel Masses the weekend of November 7/8, 2015.

## 2015 CHRISTMAS CHARITIES

St. Columbkille Parish is working with two different Christmas Charities this Advent Season:

**HOPE EMERGENCY** - A wish list will be in a November 15th bulletin article detailing their specific needs.

**HO HO SHOP** - We will have the names of 75 children, and will have the stockings up on the communion rail the weekend of November 22nd.

We are in the process of collaborating with the Wilmington Friends Meeting to sponsor a local charity.

**Please call the parish office if you have any questions or concerns.**  
Thank you.



## SINGERS NEEDED

The Joyful Noise is currently recruiting members to join them in rejoicing at the birth of Jesus by singing at the 5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass this year. Rehearsals will begin on Saturday morning, October 31, 2015, from 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. in the St. Columbkille Choir Loft, and continue with 5 additional Saturdays before Christmas. **If you're interested in joining, please contact Terri Valentine at 937-725-5921.**

## ATTENTION: STAINED GLASS ARTIST

We are in need of someone who works with stained glass who would be interested in making a 6 inch cross for those who have lost a loved one. **Please contact Deacon Bob Baker at 937-728-2213 for more information.**

Thank you, Deacon Bob Baker

## LEADERSHIP NEEDED

The Bob and Joyce Noland Family have volunteered to set up the St. Columbkille Christmas Crèche for quite a number of years. This will be their last Christmas Season to help with this. As quoted from Joyce, "Old age has set in!" We are in need of fresh faces who would love to carry on this tradition.



It requires learning the storage, setup and removal process for the Crèche. It is a time commitment of a day before or on Christmas Eve for setup, and one day for removal at the end of the Christmas Season. **If you are interested, please call Joyce Noland at 937-382-4745, or email [jangel764@frontier.com](mailto:jangel764@frontier.com).**



Please welcome *Reece Conklin*, son of *Petal Conklin*, who was baptized at St. Columbkille on Saturday, October 17, 2015 by Father Mike Holloran.



## BLESSED MARGARET OF CASTELLO DINNER THEATER PRODUCTION

"The Christmas Carol"

Saturday, December 5, 2015

5:00 p.m.

StC Parish Center Basement

Everyone is invited!!



# THE WEEK AHEAD

## Sunday, October 25

- 7:15 a.m. Folk Choir Practice (CL)
- 9:30 a.m. Catholicism Series Ad Education Class  
(PC CRs 7/8)
- 9:30 a.m. Family Life Donut Sunday!! (PCB)
- 11:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Children (CU)
- 6:30 p.m. Wolf Den Meeting (PC CR 3)

## Monday, October 26

- 6:30 a.m. Weekly Men's Encounter (PCL)
- 4:30 p.m. AHG Meeting (PCB)
- 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (PC Upper Level CRs)
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (PCB)
- 7:00 p.m. Sesquicentennial Committee Meeting (PCL)

## Tuesday, October 27

- 7:00 p.m. Adult Education Class (PCB CRs 11/12)
- 7:00 p.m. Traditional Choir Practice (CL)
- 7:00 p.m. SVDP (PC)

## Wednesday, October 28

- 4:00 p.m. JP2 Crew Matthew 25 Ministry Field Trip  
(Leave from PC)
- 7:30 p.m. Confessions (StC)

## Thursday, October 29

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Encounter (PCL)
- 12:00 p.m. Blessed Margaret of Castello Homeschool  
Co-op (PCB & PC CRs)
- 7:00 p.m. K of C DT Meeting (CU)
- 7:00 p.m. RCIA (PC)

## Friday, October 30

- 1:00-4:00 p.m. Blessed Margaret of Castello  
Homeschool Group (CU)
- 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting (CU)

## Saturday, October 31

- 9:30-11:00 a.m. - Joyful Noise Choir (CL)
- 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting (CU)

### AND BEYOND...

**Sunday, November 1** - Y Disciple (PCBYR)

**Tuesday, November 3** - Social Seniors (PCB)

**Saturday, November 7** - Saturday Retreat for Grades 5 & 6  
(PCB)

**Sunday, December 13** - Lessons & Carols, plus Family Life  
Advent Dinner (PCB)

To visit our online calendar, please go to [stcolumbkillle.org](http://stcolumbkillle.org),  
scroll over Parish News tab, click on calendar.

Reminder: CL=Choir Loft; CU=Church Undercroft; PC=Parish  
Ctr; PCL=Parish Center Library; PCB=Parish Ctr Basement; PC  
CR=Parish Center Classroom; PCB CR=Parish Ctr Basement  
Classroom; HNCSSH=Holy Name Chapel Social Hall



## ROSARY CORNER

"Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth; and God has placed in the human heart a desire to know the truth—in a word, to know himself—so that, by knowing and loving God, men and women may also come to the fullness of truth about themselves." — Pope St. John Paul II

"We live in a fallen world. We must therefore work out our destiny under the conditions created by sin. Did we but realize this truth, we would accept each of life's trying changes in the same spirit in which we accept the penance from the confessor. Were we truly convinced that our hope of pardon, and consequently our salvation, depends upon repentance, we would willingly undergo all the sufferings of life's warfare." — John A. Kane, p. 81, **How to Make A Good Confession**



## NINE MONTHS WITH CHRIST IN THE WOMB

Week 31: With only two months left till delivery, Jesus looks just like he will on the day he is born. From this point in his development, even children born prematurely in first century Israel would have some odds of surviving outside the womb. Jesus of the womb, Hear our prayers!

**Please pray this prayer every day from now until December 25th, 2015:**

*Dear Jesus of the Womb,*

*Most fragile child of Mary's protection, we look to You as the youngest image of perfect innocence. We lift up our prayers to You who will save each of our souls. Just as You entered humanity through this most gentle and helpless state, now help us to find Your presence in the faces of all the gentle and helpless persons of the earth. Bless us with eyes that see you and ears that hear you: in the presence of the poor and the outcast, the hungry and the homeless, the condemned and the war-torn, the elderly and the unborn. May we discover You every day as at Christmas and offer You our gifts every day as at Epiphany. This we ask of You and the Father, with Your Holy Spirit, and in union with Mary, Your tender home, Amen.*

## SVDP FOOD PANTRY

The St. Vincent de Paul Society food pantry at St. Columbkille is in need of the following items. **We especially need canned fruit, pancake mix, and syrup.** We can also use **jam, jelly, boxed mashed potatoes, mac and cheese**, boxed Hamburger/Tuna Helper, au gratin potatoes, rice, canned tuna, vegetables, ramen noodles, desserts, pasta and pasta sauce. **We do not need peanut butter at this time. Remember special items for Thanksgiving!**

Please leave items in the barrel at the main entrance to St. Columbkille after weekend Masses only. Please place any monetary contributions in the offertory collection, not in the food barrel. Thank you for your past donations. Your continued support is very much appreciated.



St. Columbkille,  
Patron Saint  
of Faith Formation

# Faith Formation News

**ALONG THE WAY – FAITH ENRICHMENT FOR ADULTS/YOUNG ADULTS:**



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FORMED is a digital gateway to the best Catholic content, accessible to anyone, anywhere at any time on most smartphones, tablets and computers, for catechetical training, study groups or personal growth. FORMED features added programs, movies to stream, audio CD's to download, e-books, study guides, and more. **You are welcome to register for FORMED by clicking the FORMED button on our parish homepage at [stcolumbkille.org](http://stcolumbkille.org), and follow the directions.** Start today! We trust that [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org) will be an invaluable resource for you and your family to bring adults, young adults, and teens into a deeper communion with Jesus Christ and his Church. **For details or assistance with the online registration, please call Dave Cosey at 937-728-0717 or Jennifer Gress at 937-725-8488.**

## TWO ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES:

### (1) CATHOLICISM SERIES CLASS

Meets on Sunday mornings, 9:30-10:45 until December 20th  
StC Parish Center Classrooms 7/8

Journey with acclaimed author, speaker and theologian Bishop Robert Barron to more than 50 locations throughout 15 countries. Can join in at any time! **For more information, please email [margolewis@stcolumbkille.org](mailto:margolewis@stcolumbkille.org) or call 937-382-1596.**

### (2) LECTIO ~ PETER, THE CORNERSTONE OF CATHOLICISM

Meets on Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m.

StC Parish Center Basement Classrooms 11/12

So who really was Peter? Was he a poor fisherman? An impetuous student? A bungling disciple? A coward who became the 'rock' of the church? It is not too late to find out the answers! **Please call Dave Cosey at 937-728-0717 or Jennifer Gress at 937-725-8488.**



Men's Fellowship Breakfast

## HAPPY ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY!

Saturday, November 7, 2015

7:02 a.m.

Parish Center Basement

After breakfast, we will view the Priest, Prophet and King series, followed by a short discussion. We will conclude with prayer and be back to our busy schedules by 8:30. **For additional information, please contact Bob Schaad at 937-725-5134 or [bschaad@wilmingtonsavings.com](mailto:bschaad@wilmingtonsavings.com) or Les Conover at 937-302-9909 or [lesconover@gmail.com](mailto:lesconover@gmail.com).**

## MOVIE NIGHT RETURNS

Friday, November 20, 2015

StC Parish Center Classrooms 7/8

Social Time begins at 6:30 p.m. with an evening full of good food, drink, an interesting movie at 7:00 p.m., and discussion that follows. Mark your calendars. Movie title is to be announced.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR ENCOUNTER GROUPS FOR BIBLE REFLECTION, PRAYER, AND FELLOWSHIP:**

**MEN'S GROUP** meets on Mondays, 6:30 a.m. **Contact Dave Cosey at 937-728-0717.**

**WOMEN'S GROUP** meets Thursday mornings, 9:30 a.m., StC Parish Center Library. **Contact Margo Lewis.**

**PRE-K THROUGH 12 FAITH FORMATION**

**Margo Lewis (937-382-1596)**

**Coming together to know God, Love God, and Serve God through Jesus Christ.** We pray for a fruitful and joy-filled year walking together in faith, hope, charity, and mercy.

## FIRST PENANCE

The Rite of Reconciliation for students in grade two will take place in late January. Children prepare for this sacrament through the Faith Formation classes as well as with the parents within the home, using an 'in-home' study book. An informational meeting for both parents (at least one parent of each child **MUST** attend) is scheduled for the **November 8, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Center Classrooms 7/8.** This is the only meeting for the sacrament and parents must make every effort to attend.

## SATURDAY RETREATS FOR CHILDREN

**Grades 5 & 6 – Theme is TBA, November 7, 2015**

The retreat will take place in the StC Parish Center Classrooms 7/8, 9:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m.

Taking time out on a Saturday morning to grow in faith and knowledge of our Lord Jesus and His Church. This is a lovely opportunity for children to step into a space of contemplation to reflect on one's relationship with Christ. **Sign up today! Call or email Mrs. Lewis.**

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS:

**IT IS HERE! Y - DISCIPLE**

Open to all Teens in Grades 9 - 12

9:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

Don Bosco Café

(Parish Center Basement Youth Room)

November 1st & 15th

December 6th & 20th

Plan now to join fellow high school students for a new adventure in the growth & development of your spiritual life. This is a wonderful opportunity for teens. The program will include other meetings throughout the year, either in service, on pilgrimage, Wednesday night adoration, etc. Parents are welcome to join in at any time – come to the first session to hear about the plans and preview the discussion material. Hope to see our teens return and walk together in faith, hope, and charity to learn more about being a disciple of Jesus. Rich and Julie Garnai are leading this wonderful ministry. **Please contact Rich and Julie by email [jgarnai@cinci.rr.com](mailto:jgarnai@cinci.rr.com) or phone: 937-382-6271.**

## STC SOCIAL SENIORS

StC Social Seniors will hold their next gathering on **Tuesday, November 3, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. in the StC Parish Center Basement.** The program will feature Colonel Ann-Maria Noland Coughlin, who is the Mission Support Group Commander, 178th Wing, Ohio Air National Guard, Springfield Air National Guard Base, Ohio. Ann is the daughter of parishioners Joyce and Bob Noland. We ask Veterans of the Parish to join us! **For more information, feel free to call Rita Butcher at 937-382-8054.**

## BECOMING CATHOLIC

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is currently meeting with weekly sessions on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. It is not too late to join, for anyone interested in learning about the Catholic Faith, with a view to possibly entering the Church at Easter. **Call Fr. Mike for more details.**

## HEALTHY LIVING WITH GOD SUPPORT GROUP

Join us on Monday, October 26th

6:15 p.m.

StC Parish Center

We are a scripture based support group to help one another draw closer to God through our struggle to achieve a healthier lifestyle. **For more information, please contact Deacon Bob Baker at 937-725-2213 or [deaconbobbaker@stcolumbkille.org](mailto:deaconbobbaker@stcolumbkille.org) or Denise Heckler-Roberts at 419-953-5587 or [deniseheckler@hotmail.com](mailto:deniseheckler@hotmail.com).**

## ST. COLUMBKILLE



The Church's Dove

June 9, 1866~June 9, 2016

150 Years of Handing on the Faith

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In August 1852, the pleas from local families to receive the Sacraments were heard, and the first Mass in Clinton County was celebrated in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Devanney. Mr. Devanney and Mr. Jeremiah Coakley drove their wagons to Xenia, to escort Fr. Thomas Blake to Wilmington. There were ten people present at that first Mass. For the next two years, Fr. Blake came once a month to celebrate Mass at the Devanney or Coakley residences until the attendance outgrew their homes.

*"O God, thou art the Father of all that have believed; from whom all hosts of angels have life and power received."* – Columbkille, Pilgrim Saint

## NFP NEWS

The Catholic Church supports the methods of Natural Family Planning (NFP) because they respect God's design for married love. In fact, NFP represents the only authentic approach to family planning available to husbands and wives because these methods can be used to both attempt or avoid pregnancy. When learning about NFP, it is important to know that: Natural Family Planning is an umbrella term for certain methods used to achieve and avoid pregnancies. These methods are based on observation of the naturally occurring signs and symptoms of the fertile and infertile phases of a woman's menstrual cycle. No drugs, devices, or surgical procedures are used to avoid pregnancy. NFP reflects the dignity of the human person within the context of marriage and family life, promotes openness to life, and recognizes the value of the child. By respecting the love-giving and life-giving natures of marriage, NFP can enrich the bond between husband and wife. - (*Standards for Diocesan Natural Family Planning Ministry*, p. 23) **For more information about Natural Family Planning, please visit [ccli.org](http://ccli.org), or call David and Linda Ulmer at 937-383-6382.**

## YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE

November 30, 2015-February 2, 2016

Members of religious congregations often live in community, be it in a large central house on expansive grounds or a simple neighborhood residence. This enables them to bond and share their community's charism while celebrating the special talents and uniqueness of each member. Daily community life is similar to secular life. Sisters, too, experience the fulfillment and challenges of work, time together, conflict resolution and integration into their neighborhoods. By moving out of large central houses, men and women religious are able to live among the people to whom they minister and serve them more efficiently. Men and women are called to consecrated life, much as others are called to married or single life. We each find our vocation through discernment and an eventual understanding of the plan God has for each of us. Those in religious communities further their call into baptism. They live a life of prayer and ministry to God's people. Their focus is on being Christ to others through their commitment to God, talent, knowledge and service. In the past, communities of Catholic sisters focused on a primary ministry, be it education, health care or diocesan service. The community was invited to a particular diocese by the bishop to fulfill a need and members were trained in that particular ministry. Today, however, sisters are free to pursue their own ministry in dialogue and discernment with community. Sisters today work in such diverse fields as management and community outreach.

Written by Dave Eck, Archdiocese of Cincinnati

## FEASTS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

October 25 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:46-52

Jesus restores sight to the blind man, Bartimaeus

### Family Connection

Today's Gospel offers us a powerful example of faith and persistence in prayer. Those around him rebuked Bartimaeus for his efforts to attract Jesus' attention. When silenced by the crowd, however, Bartimaeus called out all the more. He is persistent and bold in his confidence that Jesus will show mercy on him and do what he asks. His persistence and great confidence that Jesus would help him remind us of the confidence with which our children bring to us their needs. In their faith and trust we can find an example of the attitude with which we might approach God in prayer. As a family, recall a request that has been made repeatedly by one family member to another. Talk about why the request continues to be made if the answer continues to be no. Then read together today's Gospel, Mark 10:46-52. After reading the Gospel, pose questions such as these to your family: Why must Bartimaeus be persistent in calling out to Jesus? (Some people in the crowd are telling him to be quiet.) What does Bartimaeus do when some try to stop him? (He calls out to Jesus all the more.) When Jesus stops and calls for him, what does Jesus do and say? (He restores Bartimaeus' sight; Jesus tells Bartimaeus his faith has saved him.) When we pray, God wants us to be so confident he will help us that we don't permit anyone to keep us from bringing our needs to God in prayer. Invite family members to identify the things they need most from God. Pray these prayers of petition together as a family, confident that God will hear and answer your prayers. Respond to each petition, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on us." Conclude by praying the Glory Be to the Father.

### October 28 - St. Simon & Jude, Apostles



Two of the twelve we remember today: Simon who was a Zealot, and Judas, also called Thaddeus. That is the end of the historical record. But the memory of the Church, which might not meet all the requirements of modern historians, does have a deeper record of these two saints. Sometime after Pentecost the two of them spread

the Gospel in Persia. There they freed people from the oppression that comes with worshipping idols and confronting magicians and pagan priests. The magicians of the false demanded a showdown with the holy Apostles, challenging them like the Egyptians priests challenged Moses and Aaron in the courts of the Pharaoh. Many were amazed and came to know the truth of Christ, but the magicians and pagan priests rushed upon the Apostles and killed them.

Sourcebook, pages 306-307

[loyolapress.com/30th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-b-sunday-connection.htm](http://loyolapress.com/30th-sunday-in-ordinary-time-b-sunday-connection.htm)

## POPE FRANCIS AND THE CARE OF ALL CREATION

St. Vincent Ferrer Church  
Hamilton Hall  
7754 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati  
Thursday, November 5, 2015  
7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Presenters: Tony Stieritz & Jeff Bohrer

This presentation will explore the teaching of Pope Francis, especially in his 2015 encyclical on the environment, *Laudato Si, On Care for Our Common Home*. Some practical ways in which Catholics can live out this teaching in the parish and home will be offered. This is an adult learning opportunity for all interested adults. Catholic school teachers and parish catechists holding advanced certification may use it as a continuing education option. It fulfills a "skill" requirement for the general and advanced levels of catechist certification.

Register by October 29th at [catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/cincinnati\\_calendar.pdf](http://catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/cincinnati_calendar.pdf).

## CMH NEWS

**Ladies Night Out at CMH:** Please join us for an after hours breast cancer screening event with refreshments and giveaways this Wednesday, October 28th from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. **Registration will be held in the CMH Hospital Atrium or call 937-382-6611.**



### YEAR OF MERCY

Catholic Charities will be offering workshops for parishes on the papal bill, *Misericordiae Vultus* in order to engage parish staffs and the faithful in a deeper understanding of what it means to testify to the mercy of God and to become "an oasis of mercy." There will be various events, reflections, activities, and opportunities for doing the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy as part of our celebration of the Year of Mercy.

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS

We would like to invite you to make a Marriage Encounter Weekend. It helps struggling marriages and enriches good ones. It connects you to other couples that realize the value of a strong marriage and the importance of it to have a healthy culture. Please consider blessing your marriage this year by setting aside time for each other on November 6th-8th at the Maria Stein Retreat Center, Maria Stein, OH. **Contact: Dave & Jan Stockelman for reservations by email: [dj2378@fuse.net](mailto:dj2378@fuse.net), or call 513-251-1940, or 1-800-547-1251, code 00; Tom & Ginny Segbers for questions at 513-919-7383 or email: [tsegbers@gmail.com](mailto:tsegbers@gmail.com).**

### The ATHENAEUM OF OHIO LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY PROGRAM

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