

# World

## MISSION SUNDAY



### Saint Mary

#### MASS TIMES:

**SATURDAY - 4:30PM | SUNDAY - 9:00AM**

**CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 3:45-4:15PM**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** held on Saturdays 3:45pm to 4:15pm. or any time when requested.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** can be administered during Sunday Mass or at a private ceremony. New parents are required to attend a Baptism instruction. Recommended that this take place during the pregnancy.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**—call the Parish Office to make arrangements at least six months in advance. Marriage instructions are required.

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK** administered upon request to those who are sick.

**REGISTRATION**—Persons moving into our area are asked to notify the Parish Office to be registered. Notify the Parish Office with changes in contact information.

**P.S.R. CLASSES** (September—April) Grade School - Sundays: 9:00am (Mass) to 11:00am. [Next classes begin in September 2022]

**FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR TO SCHEDULE ANY OF THE ABOVE, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MON-THURS : 9AM—3 PM**

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#### Mission Statement

*We, the members of St. Mary Parish, dedicated to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, are conscious of the struggles of our faith-filled ancestors. We strive to become a holy and vibrant community through personal prayer, meaningful liturgies, and opportunities to develop our faith. As God's people, we recognize the values and importance of each person and desire to reach out to all the people in our area who need God's Word, Love and Care.*

#### The Diocese of Toledo

remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric or by any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services, and to contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (419) 214-4880; or to write to: Victim Assistance Coordinator 1933 Spielbusch Avenue Toledo, Ohio 43604.

#### World Mission

Sunday, organized by the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice.

"World Mission Sunday is an important day in the life of the Church because it teaches how to give: as an offering made to God, in the Eucharistic celebration and for all the missions of the world." Pope John Paul II

## SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



*Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy. May Your healing hand rest upon me.  
May Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and the depths of my soul,  
cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness  
and strength for service in Your Kingdom.*

*Amen.*

**PRAYER LIST**

**Victor Rich, Doug Grahl, Meghan Grahl, Linda Burnett,  
Robert & Carolyn Kuhlman, Margaret Ross, Marcia Glick,  
Bob Martin, Jean Garvin, Gene Cook,  
Linda Hayman, Geraldine Hill, Barb Conley ,**  
and everyone affected in any way by COVID-19 or any other illness or injury.

*To recommend an individual to be placed on the St. Mary Prayer List,  
please contact the Parish Office.*

*Under HIPAA guidelines, the request must be made by  
either the person or the person's representative/caretaker.*

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## From the Desk of...

## Deacon José Zamora, Pastoral Leader

The ancient proverb, *"the enemy of my enemy is my friend"* applies perfectly to Cyrus the Great, king of Persia. He had set his sights on building an enormous empire that would extend from central Asia to the Mediterranean. But the Babylonians, who had destroyed Jerusalem and driven much of the Jewish population from Judah, stood in the way. Cyrus was well known for respecting the religions and traditions of the people living in the regions he conquered, so the Jewish people greeted him as a liberator, not another oppressor. Therefore, Isaiah has the audacity to say that Cyrus must have been called by God, anointed by God, in his mission to defeat the Jewish nation's greatest enemy, the Babylonians.

Isaiah goes on to say that God called Cyrus by name, anointed him, armed him, and gave him his title, even though Cyrus does not even know who God is. It doesn't matter. We ourselves may feel inadequate when it comes to knowing God or understanding God, but this should not worry us. The important thing is that God knows us. From the leader of the largest empire in history at the time to the tiniest sparrow who falls to earth, God knows every living being in creation.

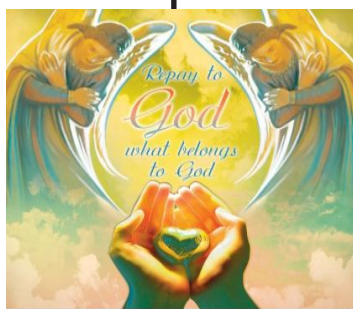
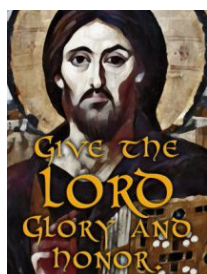
Some of the Pharisees seek to entrap Jesus, asking him a question designed to get him in trouble with either the religious or government authorities. But Jesus finds a clever way to answer sensibly and safely. Had Caesar heard his answer, he would have been pleased that Jesus' followers could be counted on to continue to pay the census tax. But maybe we should ask: What did Caesar have that did not first come from God? All creation has its source in God, and so truly all creation belongs to God. Neither Cyrus nor Caesar likely realized it, but despite all their power and all their wealth, they stood in God's debt. Even more do we owe God for all we have been given, from what we have here in this world to our eventual destiny in the next. What can I do concretely to repay to God what belongs to God? How does giving back to God make me feel richer?

*Deacon José Zamora*

## Scripture Readings

## For the Week of October 22, 2023

- 23— Mon**      **Memorial of Saint John of Capistrano, Priest**  
Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75;  
Lk 12:13-21
- 24—Tue**      **Memorial of St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop**  
Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-8a,  
8b-9, 10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
- 25—Wed**      Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8; Lk 12:39-48
- 26—Thu**      Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Lk 12:49-53
- 27—Fri**      Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94;  
Lk 12:54-59
- 28—Sat**      **Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles**  
Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16
- 29—Sun**      **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51;  
1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40



## Mass Intentions

- 28—Saturday**      † **Lyle Stallard**  
**4:30 pm**      † **Jeannine House (10 year)**
- 29—Sunday**      † **Parishioners**  
**9:00 am**      † **Parishioners**

## Liturgical Calendar

## October

- 22—Sun**—World Mission Sunday
- 23—Mon**—Optional Memorial of St. John of Capistrano
- 24—Tue**—Optional Memorial of St. Anthony Mary Claret  
United Nations Day
- 28—Sat**—Feast of Ss. Simon and Jude



"THEN REPAY TO  
CAESAR WHAT BELONGS  
TO CAESAR AND TO  
GOD WHAT BELONGS  
TO GOD."

## What's Goin' On at St. Mary Parish?!

## Sacrificial Giving for FY 2023

October 15, 2023

Offertory Collection \$

Offertory needed per \$3,600

Over &lt;Under&gt; \$

Over &lt;Under&gt; for Year 2024: &lt;\$&gt;

## Mary Bingo

October 10, 2023

# Players

Proceeds: \$

NO FINANCIAL DATA THIS WEEK

## Parish Week at a Glance:

Week of: October 22, 2023

MON	Boy Scouts	6:30 pm	Gym
	Men's Bible	6:15 pm	Conf. Rm.
TUE	Bingo	6:30 pm	Parish Hall
	Women's Bible	9:30 am	Conf. Rm.
WED	Bible Study	6:30 pm	Conf. Rm.
THU	Adoration	6:30 pm	Church
FRI			
SAT	Rosary	4:00 pm	Church
	Mass	4:30 pm	Church
SUN	Rosary	8:30 am	Church
	Mass	9:00 am	Church
	PSR	9:45 am	Parish Hall
	TRUNK or TREAT	10:15 am	Parking Lots

## FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Please note that the month of **NOVEMBER** is St. Mary's month to collect donations for the Clyde Back Door Food Pantry. Collection Bins will be located in the back of Church. If any questions, please contact the Parish Office at (419) 547-9687 or email: [office@clydestmary.org](mailto:office@clydestmary.org)

## LITURGICAL ROLES..... OCTOBER 28 / 29

## ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday 4:30pm Max Miller Ian McBroom

Sunday 9:00am Ella Piasecki Trenton Brown

## USHERS

Saturday 4:30pm Bill Tea Judy Tea

Sunday 9:00am Virginia Gabel Volunteer

## LECTORS

Saturday 4:30pm Deborah Kuns

Sunday 9:00am Kelli Davis

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday 4:30pm Becky Rohrbacher Becky Cook

Sunday 9:00am Anna Zamora Anita Eubanks

## MONEY COUNTERS

Week 5

Eileen Hay

Char Gillmor

## MEMORIAL MASS

A Memorial Mass will be held on **Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm** for all those who passed away the past year. Special invitations are being sent to family members this week. The Mass is open to anyone who would like to attend. Mass will also be Livestreamed via the [www.clydestmary.org](http://www.clydestmary.org) website for anyone unable to attend but would like to view Mass being celebrated.

## ALL SOULS DAY MASS

On **Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm**, Mass will be held for All Souls Day. As with all Masses held at St. Mary, for those unable to attend but would like to see Mass being celebrated live, please visit our website at [www.clydestmary.org](http://www.clydestmary.org) and click on the link for Livestream.

## St. Mary Parish Important Information

### TRUNK OR TREAT!

This year's Trunk or Treat will be held on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:15 am. NEW this year, a TRUNK DECORATING contest with 2 prizes: *Best Overall Vehicle* and *Most Original Decorating!* Trunk decorating is NOT required to participate! This event is open to our PSR kids in grades K-8 and Parish kids pre-school to grade 8. Come & see the kids in their costumes and have a little fun (and give a little treat) after Mass! See enclosed flyer **THIS WEEK** for full details!

### KoC THANKSGIVING PIE FUNDRAISER

It's that time of year to plan for the delicious pies baked from scratch by our very own Knights of Columbus! Choices include **Apple, Cherry & Pumpkin** (\$12 each) and **Pecan** (\$18 each). Orders will be taken beginning October 28<sup>th</sup> through November 15<sup>th</sup>. Pickups will be November 22<sup>nd</sup>. For questions and to order, please call Matt (419) 202-3569 [[mc86wasserman@gmail.com](mailto:mc86wasserman@gmail.com)] or Bruce (419) 680-3218 [[dqcakes1401@yahoo.com](mailto:dqcakes1401@yahoo.com)].

## HOLIDAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

With the holidays fast approaching, a volunteer list will be located at the back of church with the holiday dates & positions needed. Volunteers are first-come, first served. Parishioners are advised to sign up early if willing to help. For this year, the holidays listed are:

**THURSDAY, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 am** (Thanksgiving Day Mass);

**SATURDAY, December 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:30 pm** (regular weekend Mass);

**SUNDAY, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am** (regular weekend Mass);

**SUNDAY, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm** (early Christmas Eve Mass);

**SUNDAY, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 pm** (Christmas Eve Vigil);

**MONDAY, December 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am** (Christmas Day Mass).

Questions? Please see Deacon José.

## ALTAR-ROSARY SOCIETY BINGO KITCHEN NOTICE

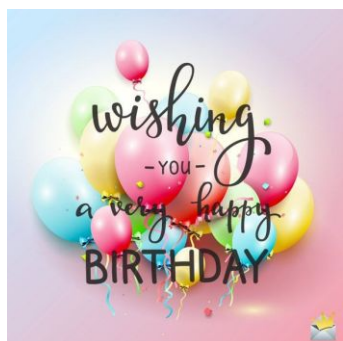
A big "THANK YOU" to Sue Pumphrey for the many years she organized the Altar-Rosary Society Bingo Kitchen! We also appreciate her husband, Mark, and their sons for all their assistance. Sue is retiring from that position at the end of December. Any ARS woman interested in taking that position is asked to call Sue at (419) 271-2831 for details. The Bingo Kitchen leadership will be finalized at the ARS meeting on Monday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>.

## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Keep this date open for our Annual Breakfast with Santa—Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>! The famous breakfast will be prepared and served by the Knights of Columbus, Council #1175. Santa will be on the stage to hand out gift bags to children, pre-school to grade 8! To be sure enough bags are available, we will be asking for a count of how many children will be attending. Please look for the special flyer to be released later this month.

Questions? Please call the Parish Office at (419) 547-9687 and speak to Cheri or email her at: [office@clydestmary.org](mailto:office@clydestmary.org).





*If an error or omission occurred, call the parish office for correction.*

### Birthday Blessings for the period October 23—29:

23—Carolyn Nesselhauf;

24—Taylor Dirlam;

25—Rebecca Cook, Joshua Trick, Colbyn Daniel;

26—Jill Fox, Austin Baker, Ellee Miller;

27—Allen Harris;

28—Maria Miller, Vicki Meade, Keaton Klinski,

Chelsea Leibengood, Ethan Skeels;

29—Barbara Ritchey, Jeremy Stokes

## 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal...

St. Mary's 2023 goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal is \$10,231.00. Through our contributions, we can assure the continued existence of many important programs that help tens of thousands in our diocese each year, including supporting the education of our seminarians, deacons, caring for the sick and needy, and providing faith formation for our youth. All donations, large or small, are greatly appreciated. Many thanks to the 62 households who have already donated or pledged **\$9,869.50** to the ACA (97.89% of our goal). We only need **\$236.50** to reach our goal! Thank you., **Deacon José.**

## Prayer to End the Use of the Death Penalty

*Merciful Father, we ask your blessing on all we do to build a culture of life. Hear our prayers for those impacted by the death penalty. We pray for all people, that their lives and dignity as children of a loving God may be respected and protected in all stages and circumstances. We pray for victims of violence and their families, that they may experience our love and support and find comfort in your compassion and in the promise of eternal life. We pray for those on death row, that their lives may be spared, that the innocent may be freed and that the guilty may come to acknowledge their faults and seek reconciliation with you. We pray for the families of those who are facing execution, that they may be comforted by your love and compassion. We pray for civic leaders, that they may commit themselves to respecting every human life and ending the use of the death penalty in our land. Compassionate Father, give us wisdom and hearts filled with your love. Guide us as we work to end the use of the death penalty and to build a society that truly chooses life in all situations. We ask this Father through your Son Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.*

We will be hosting our first ever Trivia night at St. Ann's in Bishop-Hoffman Hall

October 28  
7pm to 10pm

Cost is \$10 per person or \$75 for a team of 8

• 50/50 Raffle  
• Raffle tickets also available for a chance to win scratch-off lottery board

1st place prize Trophy/Cash

Call Jen at Parish Office 419-334-2638 to register by 10/20

## Ohio Bishops Call For an End of the Death Penalty in Ohio

The Catholic bishops of Ohio issued a letter to all Ohio Senators and Representatives asking them to support legislation to end Ohio's death penalty.

*“Our desire to foster a culture of life throughout Ohio requires a commitment to recognizing the sanctity of human life in all stages and circumstances, including those who, at one time, blatantly disregarded the humanity of others and need to face justice. Additionally, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that ‘the death penalty is inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person.’ It is time for Ohio to end this practice and ensure our laws respect life without exception.*

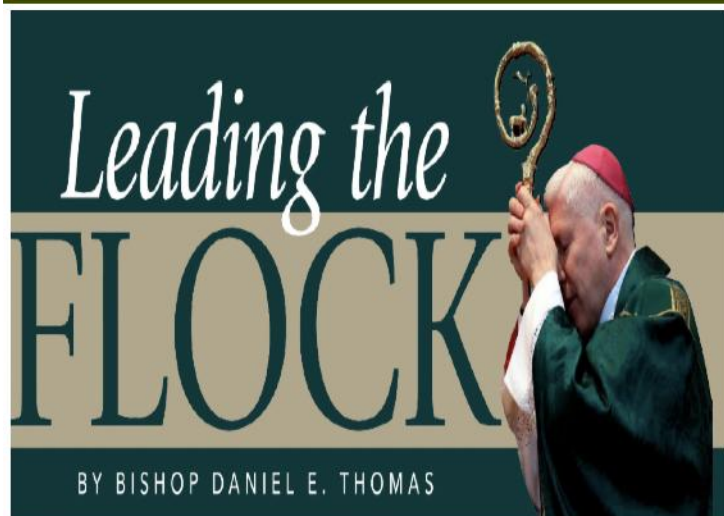
*Please join us in upholding the inherent dignity and sacredness of every human life from conception to natural death by supporting legislation that abolishes the death penalty. It is time for Ohio to end this practice and ensure our laws respect life without exception.”*

Learn more: [ohiocathconf.org/category/death-penalty](https://ohiocathconf.org/category/death-penalty)





# An Important Issue from Bishop Daniel E. Thomas...



## Our Civic and Moral Duty

To be a voice in the public square during these days when voting is taking place on Issue 1, I recently presented an Op-Ed, "What is the Issue?," to the secular press, which I present to you in this column. You will note that it intentionally does not use Catholic language, no scripture quotes, no Catechism or Papal references. Why? Because today being today, the public often rejects outright anything which even hints of religion. Instead, the article is an appeal to reason! To assist you and those with whom you will interact, I want to provide this reasoned approach to a thoroughly unreasonable amendment.

As Catholics, protecting, defending, nurturing and caring for all human life is a moral imperative. But the life of the most innocent, the most vulnerable, the most defenseless among us, the unborn baby in the womb, must be our preeminent concern. Issue 1 will take abortion to an unprecedented level, enshrining in our State Constitution the "right" to take the life of a baby, even one about to be born!

### "What is the Issue?"

"In these weeks and on November 7<sup>th</sup>, we will have the opportunity and responsibility as good citizens to cast a vote on Issue 1, a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Ohio. At first glance, some believe that the issue is only about keeping abortion legal, when in fact abortion is already legal

in the State of Ohio, up to fetal viability. This amendment, however, seeks to make abortion, in its most radical form, a right enshrined in our Constitution, in direct contradiction to the Declaration of Independence, which holds as a self-evident truth that all are endowed with the first unalienable right: the right to life. So abortion, in the end, is not the issue. Then what is?

Some will say it is a political issue. But this is not an issue of partisan politics, and we are not being asked to elect one candidate as opposed to another. This is not a democratic or republican issue; it is not an independent or green issue. Then what is it?

Some will say it is a religious issue. But this is not an issue of religious affiliation, and not the sole concern of one religion as opposed to another. This is not a Catholic or Evangelical issue; it is not a Muslim or Jewish issue. Then what is it?

Some will say it is an individual issue. But this is not an issue affecting only one person or concerning only certain members of our society. This is not a "my" issue or a "your" issue; it is not a liberal or conservative issue. Then what is it?

So what is the issue? Simply put, it is a human issue! The proposed amendment should compel all persons of goodwill who are committed to human rights, to

human development, to human flourishing, to human protections and to human goodness, to vote not for one reason: the amendment is inhuman. Inhuman because it rejects and disrespects the rights of women and girls of Ohio, inhuman because it rejects and disrespects the rights of parents, inhuman because it rejects and disrespects the rights of the baby about to be born.

When one reads the language of the amendment, one understands that the issue, in the end, is not the legality of abortion, but human rights. There is a reason that the language of the amendment never mentions familiar human language: woman, girl, mother, father, parent, child, baby. There is a reason the crafters of the amendment language were enraged when more human language was included in the final version of the ballot. I invite you to read the language of the amendment itself, and seriously to consider what the language really means here: [www.toledodiocese.org/voteno](http://www.toledodiocese.org/voteno).

Read the language and read between the lines! Make no mistake, the proposed amendment would not only enshrine abortion into the Ohio Constitution, but take it to its furthest extreme by placing women and girls at risk in an unregulated abortion environment, by undermining the rights of parents to know if their young children are being counseled, encouraged and assisted in having abortions or receiving life changing hormonal treatments against their will, and by permitting late term abortions through nine months of pregnancy, even up until birth!

How telling to note that as humans, we delight in the announcement of the zoo that an animal mother is pregnant, we anxiously await the birth of her babies,

even name them before they are born, and mourn them if they are lost! How telling to note that in a great many schools in the State of Ohio, parents or

guardians must give permission for their minor children to receive even an aspirin; and according to Ohio law, they must sign a minor child's application for a driver's license or permit, they must give consent for their minor child to have their ears pierced or to get a tattoo. According to

the proposed amendment, however, a minor could have a life altering surgical procedure without the consent of parents!

So what is the issue? Issue 1 is not a political issue, it is not a religious issue, it is not an individual issue. In the end, Issue 1 is a human issue that affects all persons and our entire community, regardless of political or religious affiliations.

As human persons, we are created good, we are made for good and made to do good. I encourage all people of goodwill to exercise their right to vote, to defend human rights, and to vote no on Issue 1 in accord with our human nature!"

In closing, dear friends, you've heard me say and I say it again: to be Catholic is to be Pro-Life, from conception to natural death. The amendment on which we are being asked to vote is nothing short of evil. I urge you to exercise your civic duty to vote, and I urge you to fulfill your moral duty to vote NO on Issue 1.



Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas  
Bishop of Toledo  
October 13, 2023





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