

ADORATION CHAPEL

Jesus is calling you! Are you listening? Our Lord needs you to open your hearts and come spend an hour with Him in our Adoration Chapel. There are a number of hours that do not have coverage each week: open hours that need you. Please consider taking one of the following hours to help us keep our chapel open.



The open hours for adoration are:

Monday - 2 pm & 5 pm
Wednesday - 12 am
Thursday - 3 am, 6 pm, & 10 pm
Friday - 7 pm
Saturday - 10 am, 5 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm, & 10 pm
Sunday - 3 pm

Sign-up sheets with available hours are in the entry of the Church, or you can call Mary King at 740-424-5112.

The Rosary will be recited every Sunday at 9:30 am in the Church.

The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4, 2024

DATE	MASS	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
Monday	2/5 8:00 am	Jerry Bailie	Michele Bailie
Tuesday	2/6 8:00 am	Jennie Perez	Bob & Lori Bortz
Wednesday	2/7 8:00 am 5:15 pm	Samantha Grace Olekszy Helen Zanetich	The Willey Family Peter Zanetich
Thursday	2/8 8:00 am	Dan Keenan	Paul Price
Friday	2/9 8:00 am	Mary Charnie	Mike & Angie Kendrach
Saturday	2/10 8:00 am 4:00 pm	Timotheos Tsohantaridis Ann Dylewski	The Tsohantaridis Family Family
Sunday	2/11 8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm	Petra Papst Pro Populo Trevor Dillman	Betty Welsch Andrew & Chrisana Husk

Diocese of Steubenville Priests Retirement Fund Collection – Firstly, thank you for your generous response to last year's 1st annual collection for this purpose! It was a great start toward reaching a fully-funded status for the Plan. As we move forward now in a continued effort, envelopes for this purpose are in contribution packets. They are also available in the church. The collection, which is distinct from the collection for retired religious, from which our diocesan priests derive no benefit, will be taken up THIS weekend—February 3 & 4. Your continued generosity is a blessing and much appreciated. Thank you!

Saint Peter Church—2024 Sacrament Dates

- ♦ **First Penance**—10:30 am on Saturday, May 4
- ♦ **First Communion**—10 am Mass on Sunday, May 5
- ♦ The Bishop will celebrate **Confirmation** on Saturday, April 6, at the 4:00 pm Mass.

First Penance & Communion are celebrated in 2nd grade (*child MUST be at least 7 years old as of 1/1/2024*) and Confirmation in the 5th grade. **If you have a child who will receive these sacraments in 2024 and have not yet filled out a form, please fill out a form by visiting:**
<https://www.stpetersteub.com/2024-first-penance-first-communion-confirmation>, and return it to the Parish Office **as soon as possible**. We will then send you additional information.

Church Support Sunday 1/28/2024

Regular/Loose: \$8,030.00 • Maintenance: \$254.22 • School: \$100.00 • Church in Latin America: \$210.00

If you need a 2023 contribution statement for taxation purposes, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Saint Peter Church Groups and Events.....

All groups & events meet/take place in the Church Hall unless otherwise noted. All are invited to attend.

First Sunday Potluck Social — February 4 following the Noon Mass — Please bring a dish to share!

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**Confraternity of Saint Peter** — February 6 at 6 pm

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Catholic Woman's Club — February 8 at 11:30 am — *Bob Evans*

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The **Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast** for *Heart of Mary Homeschool Group*, is SUNDAY, February 11, after all Masses. Cost: Adults \$7, Children 12 & under \$4, & family rate is a maximum of \$35.

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Book Club — February 17 at 10 am — *What Jesus Saw from the Cross* by A.G. Sertillanges

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**Knights of Columbus** — February 20 at 6:45 pm

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The next **Confraternity of Saint Nicholas** meeting is to be determined!

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**Steubenville Flame of Love Cenacle** — Pray the Flame of Love Rosary & chaplet each Sunday.  
Please call Mary King at 740-424-5112 for information on location and times.

**Michael R. Kearney of Duquesne University**

**ORGAN CONCERT**

*Featuring Music by Klaas Jan Mulder, Georg Böhm, Felix Mendelssohn, and original compositions.*

**Saturday, February 10, 2024 at 5:30 pm — Here at Saint Peter Catholic Church**

**Mardi Gras Gala for Hilltop Montessori School—February 10—6-10 pm**

On February 10 Hilltop Montessori School will hold its annual Mardi Gras Gala to support students' education. Hilltop Montessori School, founded in 2017 by parishioners Tom and Noëlle Crowe, provides Montessori academics and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for area youth. Through a generous tuition reduction program low-income families are able to afford what is usually a very expensive education. The Gala will be at Froehlich's Classic Corner. Sponsorships and individual tickets are available at [hilltopmontessorischool.org](http://hilltopmontessorischool.org).

Clothing & Book Sale hosted by Heart of Mary Homeschool. February 24 from 9 am to 2 pm at Pottery Addition Firehouse. To register for a table or more information go to [steubenvillehomeschool.com/events](http://steubenvillehomeschool.com/events).

**The Aim Women's Center 2024 Benefit Gala, "Beauty for Ashes,"** will take place on **Monday, March 11, 2024 at St. Florian Hall**. We are excited that Rebekah Hagan will be our speaker this year. Come hear the life-changing stories you made possible and learn how you can continue to get involved with our ministry serving women facing unwanted or unexpected pregnancies. For questions about the gala, to sponsor a table, or to reserve your seat, visit [www.supportaim.org](http://www.supportaim.org), email us at [rcohenmorris@aimwomenscenter.com](mailto:rcohenmorris@aimwomenscenter.com), or call our office at (740) 283-3636.



Due to the Lenten Season, there will be **NO Doughnut Sunday in February!**  
The next **Doughnut Sunday** will be **3/10/2024 (Laetare Sunday)** after  
the 8:00 and 10:00 am Masses!



Please continue to pray for our prolife brothers and sisters who are currently imprisoned. They were and still are a voice for the preborn and are in need of our prayers and support.  
For their mailing addresses, you can contact Kathy @ 724-787-7276 or [kathykness@yahoo.com](mailto:kathykness@yahoo.com).

February: The Seven Joys of Mary – The Annunciation – Reflection by Monique Sammut

*“Where Eve grasped and lost, Mary surrendered and received; where Eve said no to the alluring mystery, Mary said yes.” ~ Bishop Robert Barron*

As I thought about the Annunciation, the following came to my mind. In her book “Hind’s Feet on High Places,” Hannah Hurnard tells the story of a girl named Much-Afraid and her journey to the High Places. At one point on the journey, she looks into her heart and sees a flower growing there which says to her, *“Behold me, here I am, growing in your heart, ‘Acceptance-with-Joy.’”* Then, Much-Afraid builds an altar, as she does many times throughout the book as an act of surrender. She wonders what she should place on the altar this time. Then, she places her heart on the altar and says, *“Behold me, here I am; thy little handmaiden Acceptance-with-Joy and all that is in my heart is thine.”* These words sound very similar to Mary’s reply to the angel Gabriel: *“Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. Let it be done unto me according to thy word.”*

Our Lady said yes even though she didn’t know all the details of what the future held. She said yes despite knowing that it would be hard at times. She surrendered her life, her heart, and her will to the will of God. So, during this month of February, a month of hearts and love, let us say “yes” with Mary and surrender our hearts to our Heavenly Father. The gift of our love and complete surrender to His will is the greatest gift we can give Him. I leave you with the words of a song by the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir: *“What can I give Him, / Poor as I am? / If I were a shepherd, / I would bring Him a Lamb. / If I were a wise man, / I’d sure do my part. / So, what can I give Him? / I’ll give Him my heart. / [...] What can you give Him? / What can you bring? What can you offer / That’s fit for a King? / Bow before Jesus. / That’s where you can start. / What can you give Him? / Just give Him your heart.”*

#### **Daughters of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus Upcoming Events**

DOYMAR (Prayerful & Marian Apostolic Disciples of the Redemption) — Prayer. Formation. Community. Discipleship is for all ages! Participate in a monthly prayer group for girls and young women.

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Oratory (700 Lovers Lane; Steubenville)

Gatherings for 1st grade girls to College-aged & Young Professionals — Saturdays, 10 am-1:30 pm  
February 17—March 9 (1st-10th grade)—March 23 (older group)—April 27—May 25

For college-aged women and young professionals, overnight adoration begins at 9 pm the night before.  
Please RSVP your participation—740-346-2625 or novi-usa@hsmcj.org

You are invited to Saint Joseph the Worker’s Parish Lenten Mission – February 19-21. It will be led by Dr. Dan Schneider, assistant to one of the most prominent exorcists of our time, Fr. Chad Ripperger. He will give invaluable lessons and insights into the world of spiritual warfare. Prepare to learn how you can leverage your God-given spiritual authority to protect you and your loved ones, the power of imprecatory and deprecatory prayers, how to make your home a sacred space, and so much more. This event is completely free and open to anyone seeking to grow in holiness. Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime event! Confessions will be heard prior to the talk. Exorcised salt and holy water will be available while supplies last. To sign up for the Parish Lenten Mission, attendees can register by clicking <https://forms.gle/WqYEzjYf4Lfz8DVN8>.

*The Franciscan Sisters, T.O.R. invite you to our Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 16 at our Motherhouse in Toronto OH, beginning at 8:30am. This year’s theme is Transformed at the Cross, and will include a sharing from our community friends, Matt and Desi Gould, who will share about God’s work in their married life through suffering. Sr. Agnes Therese Davis, TOR, will also share a reflection and guided meditation. The day will include Mass (celebrated by Fr. Chris Donley of the Pittsburgh diocese), a Holy Hour, refreshments, and an option for prayer ministry or faith-sharing groups.*

*The retreat will also be live streamed and virtual small groups are available. Registration for the retreat (whether in person or virtually) is encouraged beforehand on our website, and to participate in the small groups be sure to register by March 13. There is no fee to register but a freewill offering is appreciated if you are able. For more information go to our website, hover over the “Events” tab, click on “Lenten Retreat 2024” or contact Anna Marino at 740-544-5542 x115.*



## Catholic Schools

The latest edition of the Crusader Chronicle is out now! You can find the digital version at <https://steubenvillecatholicschools.org/cchs/alumni/>. If you didn't receive the latest newsletter and would like to get the next one, please email [ateramana@steubenvillecatholiccentral.org](mailto:ateramana@steubenvillecatholiccentral.org).

Steubenville Catholic Schools seek to fill a special education aide position in our H.O.P.E. Program. Interested candidates may apply at: <http://www.indeed.com/job/special-education-aide-b91138abfa5cb5d0> or visit [steubenvillecatholicschools.org/employment](https://steubenvillecatholicschools.org/employment)

*Did you know you can find a calendar of events for each school on their website?  
Visit [steubenvillecatholicschools.org](https://steubenvillecatholicschools.org), select your school from the menu bar, & scroll to the bottom of your school's page!*

The Annual BJKM Elementary Raffle is underway! If you would like to purchase tickets (\$20 each), please find one of our BJKM families or call the school office at 740-264-2550. GRAND PRIZE: \$5,000 CASH, 2nd PRIZE: \$2000 CASH, 3rd PRIZE: \$1000 CASH  
Early Bird Drawing: Five - \$100 Winners | One Ticket pulled every Friday starting February 2nd | GRAND PRIZE DRAWING: 4/25/2024

Sunday, March 3rd - We invite new families to our Open House, 1:30-3:30 at the elementary and 12-2 at the junior high and high school.

The Steubenville Catholic Central High School Athletic Hall of Fame seeks to recognize members of the Catholic Central community who have achieved superior performance and/or made significant contributions to the school's varsity athletic program during their time at Catholic Central. For more information and to download the form please visit: <https://steubenvillecatholicschools.org/hall-of-fame/>



### Christ the Teacher Diocesan Scholarship Fund ~ "Turning Taxes into Tuition"



Make a charitable donation to the Christ the Teacher Diocesan Scholarship Fund and **TURN YOUR TAX DOLLARS INTO TUITION.**

It's not too late to donate NOW, before filing your **2023 Ohio tax return** and you can receive a dollar-for-dollar Ohio income tax credit of up to \$750 (\$1,500 if married filing jointly).

Designate your gift to help provide financial assistance to any diocesan Catholic school of your choice!

For more information and to make a donation, go to: [www.diosteub.org/ctdsf](http://www.diosteub.org/ctdsf)

*Donation via Credit Card now available!*

**Act Now!**  
For your 2023 Tax Credit



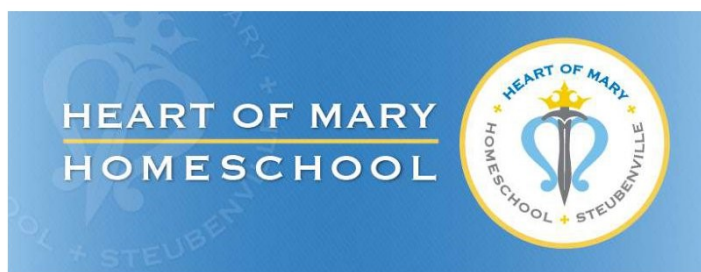


# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

## **SAINT JOHN NEUMANN COUNCIL 11828**

### **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

### **FUNDRAISER FOR**



The Heart of Mary Homeschool Group is a Catholic support network for homeschooling families in the Steubenville area that helps local homeschoolers know they aren't in this alone. Their goal is to facilitate opportunities for families to help each other socially, educationally, spiritually, and personally. Heart of Mary coordinates unique opportunities for Catholic homeschoolers such as the Beginning of the Homeschool Year Mass, Curriculum Sale, Homeschool Graduation Mass, and other social events. Heart of Mary also offers a weekly newsletter distribution to share information relevant to local Catholic homeschooling families. For additional information on their events and how to sign up for the newsletter visit their website: <https://steubenvillehomeschool.com/>

**SAINT PETER CHURCH HALL**  
**SUNDAY, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**After 8 AM, 10 AM, and 12 NOON Masses**

**Pancake Breakfast includes pancakes, ham or bacon, scrambled eggs, fruit cup, coffee, tea, and juices.**

**Cost: Adults (\$7), children 12 and under (\$4), and Family rate is a maximum of \$35**





## Catholic Men's Day of Renewal

### 2024: LIVING IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



A Lenten retreat for the men of  
the Diocese of Steubenville

**Saturday  
March 09, 2024**

**St. Stephen Catholic Church  
1036 Belford Street  
Caldwell, Ohio 43724**

#### DIRECTIONS TO ST. STEPHEN CALDWELL, OHIO

##### NORTH ON I-77:

Take Exit 25 (Caldwell Exit), turn right onto State Route 78. At first traffic light turn left onto Fairground Road. Then take a right onto Main Street, then a left onto Miller Street (Miller Street becomes State Route 821 at traffic light). Continue straight through traffic light and take a left onto Belford Street. Continue to top of hill, church directly ahead.

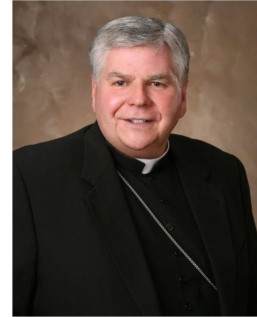
##### SOUTH ON I-77:

Take Exit 28 (Belle Valley Exit), turn left at bottom of ramp, and head south on State Route 821 for approximately 3-4 miles. Take a right onto Miller Street and right onto Belford Street. Continue to top of hill, church directly ahead.

**SIGNS WILL BE POSTED TO  
ASSIST IN YOUR ARRIVAL**

**Pre-Registration is important  
for meal planning but ALL  
are welcome and can register  
at the door on the day of  
the event.**

#### A Personal Invitation



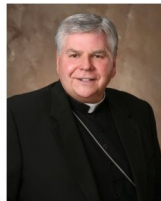
The men of the Diocese of  
Steubenville are invited to  
join together in this day of  
reflection and spiritual  
renewal.

**Bishop Paul J. Bradley**  
Apostolic Administrator of  
Steubenville

*Diocese of Steubenville  
P. O. Box 969  
Steubenville, Ohio 43952*

## DIocese OF STEUBENVILLE CATHOLIC MEN'S DAY—MARCH 09, 2024

**Bishop Paul J. Bradley**  
Apostolic Administrator  
Diocese of Steubenville



Bishop Paul Bradley was born in McKeesport, Pennsylvania in 1945, one of eight children. He attended St. Meinrad Seminary in St. Meinrad, Indiana and was ordained to the priesthood, in 1971 for the Diocese of Pittsburgh. He served as parochial vicar in several parishes of the diocese while earning a master's degree in social work from the University of Pittsburgh. His other assignments included important positions with youth, family life, and human services. He was appointed pastor of St. Sebastian Parish in 1994 and later rector and pastor of the St. Paul Cathedral parish. In 2003 he was chosen to be general secretary and vicar general of the Diocese. Bishop Bradley was appointed auxiliary Bishop of Pittsburgh, in 2004 and served as apostolic administrator of the Diocese until the installation of Bishop Zubik. From 2009 to 2023, he served as the Bishop of Kalamazoo, Michigan. He interrupted his retirement upon accepting the position of apostolic administrator of the Diocese of Steubenville in September 2023. Having worked with family life, he fought for traditional marriage. At his Ordination, Bishop Bradley selected as his Episcopal motto "Waiting in Joyful Hope." As Bishop, he faithfully served the dioceses of Pittsburgh, Kalamazoo, and currently Steubenville.



**Dr. Alan Schreck**  
Professor of Theology  
Franciscan University

Our main speaker has been a professor of theology for over 45 years at the Franciscan University of Steubenville. Dr. Schreck has spoken at numerous conferences for laity and academicians in Steubenville and all over the country. Outside of class he belongs to the Community of God's

Love, a Catholic charismatic community, a member of Triumph of the Cross Church, a runner who has coached track for youth and Catholic schools, and an Eagle scout who many years as assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 401. Despite being so busy, he and his wife Nancy raised five children and have 16 grandchildren- and counting. The men who attend the Men's Conference will receive some fascinating insights about how to live in the power of the Holy Spirit, beyond what we learned as boys and young men in catechism and preparation for the sacrament of Confirmation often many years ago. Dr. Schreck will explore such points as: Who is the Holy Spirit?; What is His role in the Church?; How can the Holy Spirit be a most valuable resource and help us in our daily lives?; How and when do we pray to Him? The goal for all of us is to accept the universal call to holiness, to be more effective Christian leaders and servants of God and His people as well as good husbands and fathers.

### Men's Day Information

|         |                                                                |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:00am  | Doors Open<br>Registration, Coffee/Donuts/<br>View Book Tables |
| 8:45am  | General Announcements                                          |
| 9:00am  | Holy Hour                                                      |
| 10:00am | First Talk— Dr. Alan Schreck                                   |
| 11:15am | Reconciliation Service<br>Confessions 11:45 -1:00              |
| 11:45am | Lunch / Reconciliation                                         |
| 1:15pm  | Talk #2                                                        |
| 2:15pm  | Break                                                          |
| 2:30pm  | Mass                                                           |
| 3:45pm  | Conclusion                                                     |

MUSIC WILL BE PROVIDED THROUGHOUT THE DAY

#### FOR TICKETS AND MORE INFORMATION:

Call 330.354.8028

OR -

**Register Online at:**

**[https://athenscatholic.org/  
steubenville-mens-day](https://athenscatholic.org/steubenville-mens-day)**

**Cost online per registration will be  
\$25.00 plus \$3.00 surcharge**

#### 2024 DIOCESAN MEN'S DAY—REGISTRATION FORM

Please register online or by paper form no later than February 23, 2024

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| Name:                                                           | _____ | City: | _____ | State: | _____ | Zip: | _____ |
| Address:                                                        | _____ |       |       |        |       |      |       |
| Phone:                                                          | _____ |       |       |        |       |      |       |
| Parish:                                                         | _____ |       |       |        |       |      |       |
| <b>Purchase Your Tickets:</b> Adult: _____ @ \$25.00 = \$ _____ |       |       |       |        |       |      |       |
| **Children 18 & Under _____ @ Free = Free                       |       |       |       |        |       |      |       |
| Clergy & Religious _____ @ Free = Free                          |       |       |       |        |       |      |       |
| Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____                                 |       |       |       |        |       |      |       |

Detach and return this completed form with a **check made payable to Diocese of Steubenville**. Mail your form and check to: Men's Day of Renewal, 75 Stewart Street Athens, OH 45701 Questions? call 330.354.8028 (Brett)

\*\*Separate registration form is required for each child under 18.

**Full payment must accompany all registrations. Sorry, no refunds. Tickets are transferable.**

Applicants for this award must: be a high school senior (including homeschooled seniors), who will be a member of the graduating class of 2024, AND whose residence is located within the boundaries of the Diocese of Steubenville; Be a participating member of a Roman Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Steubenville; Meet the enrollment standards of the College/University they are planning to attend; & Demonstrate financial need as determined by the college or university's Office of Student Financial Services.

Documentation to be provided by the applicant: 1) the application form; & 2) a letter of recommendation from the applicant's Pastor.

Required Documentation must be on file with the Diocesan Office of Christian Formation and Schools before April 1, 2024.



**Diocese of Steubenville**  
**Office of Christian Formation and Schools**  
422 Washington Street, P.O. Box 969  
Steubenville, Ohio 43952  
Phone: (740) 282-3631 Fax: (740) 282-3327

**JOHN AND BLANCHE MUSSIO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION- 2024**

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Home/Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City County ZIP

Home Tel. No. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

Address of High School \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City County ZIP

Enrollment Dates from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Elementary School Attended \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Elementary School \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City County ZIP

Name of Father/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ If deceased, give date \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State ZIP

Cell No. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ If deceased, give date \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State ZIP

Cell No. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**College or University Information**

Name of Catholic College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University Address: \_\_\_\_\_

College or university's Office of Student Financial Services Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Semester You Plan to Enter \_\_\_\_\_ Fall \_\_\_\_\_ Spring \_\_\_\_\_ Summer \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_

Application Accepted \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Application in Process \_\_\_\_\_ Date Applied \_\_\_\_\_

*I hereby authorize the above named College/University's office of Financial Services to provide information about my financial need to the selection committee...*

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



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**WHY DO YOU WANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP? (List all of the reasons which you think the Selection Committee ought to be aware of such as family situation, work situation, financial situation etc.)**

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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# THE DIOCESE OF STEUBENVILLE

OFFICE OF THE APOSTOLIC ADMINISTRATOR

January 30, 2024

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Responding to the Holy Father's invitation to the entire Universal Church, all clergy, religious and lay faithful in the Diocese of Steubenville are invited to participate in one of four reflection and discussion sessions designed to deepen our understanding of what it means to be a "Synodal Church in Mission" here in the 13 counties of southeastern Ohio that form our diocese. These 90-minute sessions will be held in four different parishes on the afternoon of Sunday, Feb. 18, at Holy Rosary Church, Steubenville; St. Benedict Church, Cambridge; the Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption, Marietta; and St. Joseph Church, Ironton. The theme of these sessions is "A Synodal Church in Mission: Discerning God's Plan for the Future." These discussions are important not only for the Universal Church and her future, but for our own local church in these 13 counties, as well.

Synodality invites us to pray attentively, to listen to the Word of God faithfully with open minds and hearts, and to engage in respectful and productive dialogue with one another. If we truly want to be faithful missionary disciples of Our Lord Jesus Christ, we will use this opportunity to grow as individuals, families and parish communities in our ability to proclaim the gospel of joy to all God's people – those who are close to us and those who are strangers.

These synodal sessions will also provide those who participate an opportunity to identify their experience of the vitality of the church here in our diocese, and what we can do to revitalize our faith through outreach to those who have fallen away from the practice of the faith and/or to those who practice no faith.

Let us entrust these reflection and discussion sessions to the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our diocesan patroness. Through her intercession, may we come to a fuller understanding of what it means to listen prayerfully to God's Word and to respond freely and generously as Mary did.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Paul J. Bradley  
Apostolic Administrator

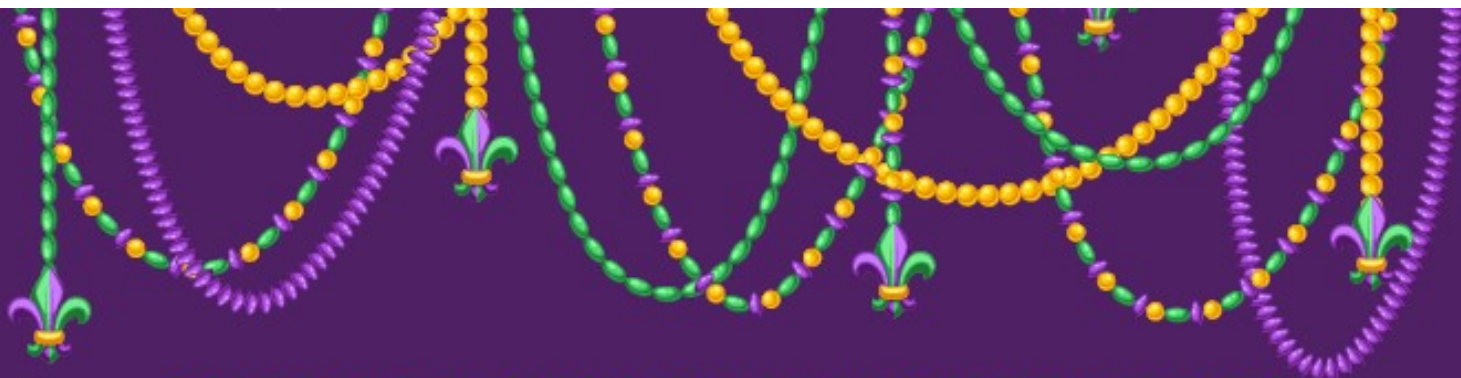
**Sunday, February 18 (note different start times)**

**Holy Rosary Church (Steubenville) 3:00 pm**

**St. Benedict Church (Cambridge) 3:00 pm**

**St. Mary Basilica (Marietta) 2:00 pm**

**St. Joseph Church (Ironton) 2:00 pm**



**SUPPORT HILLTOP MONTESSORI  
SCHOOL AT THE 6TH ANNUAL**

# MARDI GRAS GALA

February 10, 2024

6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

Froehlich's Classic Corner

**A NIGHT OF NEW ORLEANS MUSIC,  
DANCING, GAMES, PRIZES, GREAT  
FOOD, AND LOTS OF FUN!**

**Sponsorships Available!**



For individual and couples tickets visit:

[hilltopmontessorischool.org](http://hilltopmontessorischool.org)

