

MASS INTENTIONS: August 31st & September 1st**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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| Saturday, Aug. 31st | 5:30 p.m. | <u>Judy Frischen+</u> ~ Don Frischen |
| Sunday, Sept. 1st | 9:30 a.m. | <u>Kristine Urankar+</u> ~ Daughter |
| Tuesday, Sept. 3rd | 9:00 a.m. | <u>Jesse Buck Overbey+</u> ~ Bob & Mary Morman |
| Wednesday, Sept. 4th | 9:00 a.m. | <u>Communion Service</u> |
| Thursday, Sept. 5th | 9:00 a.m. | <u>Evelyn+</u> |
| Friday, Sept. 6th | 9:00 a.m. | <u>Communion Service</u> |
| Saturday, Sept. 7th | 5:30 p.m. | <u>Margaret Hritsko+</u> ~ <u>Margaret Pound+</u> |
| Sunday, Sept. 8th | 9:30 a.m. | <u>Ryland Shardell+</u> ~ <u>Shardell Family</u> |



Dear fellow parishioners, have you ever thought of the reasons why you do what you do? We ask that of people when they do something wrong – “why would you do such a thing?” Sound familiar, parents? I was asked that question many, MANY times. Probably a few of you might have as well...

I follow several crime/police shows. The above question (or some very close variation) is invariably asked of every suspect. Nearly always, the first answer is “I don’t know.” The interrogators push for real reasons using continuing questioning, tricking, getting angry and even violent. Sometimes that is needed as for us as well to reflect honestly on why we do things – especially when it comes to faith practice (or lack of it) and/or doing good deeds.

I remember a commercial from many years ago about talking to kids about drugs. A father finds his son’s “stash” and confronts him with it asking angrily, “Where did you get this? Who taught you to do this?” The son responds vehemently: “You! I learned it from watching you! Okay?” The father stands slack jawed and silent.

So, why do you do what you do or don’t? Are you doing good deeds so people take notice? To gain accolades or kudos? I have met folks who “dedicated their lives to their parish” or some other organization and let others “know it.” They do a lot of work, which is truly appreciated, but a few breaths later they indicate how they don’t get any help, have to do it all by themselves... (a step short of whining). If someone does offer, the person responds – “no, you don’t really know how it goes, so... I’ll just do it.” Then the cycle of “work so hard... poor me... notice me... no help...” continues.

But *not* doing anything can be just as much an issue. Some predetermine that they don’t have any talents that the church can use – never underestimate yourself in what you can. Great talents are sometimes hidden. I will tell you just being available to help with anything is a great talent. You’d be surprised how much hoisting and toting is needed around a parish. What some might consider “menial” tasks are as important or more so than the featured ones. Think about this: you have a wonderful cook making a wonderful dinner and the table at which you are seated and the floor around has not been cleaned... would you want to eat the food? We can always use folks. And I have to say, sometimes the “menial” tasks are great for being able to turn off the brain and use the brawn.

I challenge you to reflect this week on what you do for God (or don’t). Why? Is it for you or God? Do you need to be noticed for it? Did you notice what God has done for you? Are you offering anything back?

Let us pray for each other – know that you are in mine always!

Peace and blessings - Fr. Bill

Mass Intentions: Please be reminded that any parishioner is welcome to ask that Masses be celebrated for a deceased or living loved one, Catholic or non-Catholic, or important occasions. Intentions can be made for Sunday and weekday Masses, and are published in the bulletin. The suggested donation, set by the Bishops of Ohio, is \$10.00.

Our Lady of Mercy Prayer Chain**St. Leonard Parishioners**

Bob Adams; Jody Adams; Roy Atkinson; Joe Beckman; Mary Beckman; Fr. Ronnie Boccali; Kecha Brodsky; Anna & John Cooperrider; Walter Crowe; Carl DiBlasio; Bonnie Del Matto; Mary Jo DiGiandomenico; Tina Floyd; Doug Gill; Gloria Gill; Sissy Goodin; Rosemary Gordon; Ruth Hottinger; George Jackson; Dale Keeler; Carol Luciotti; Frank Luciotti; Philip Miller; Robert Neumeier; Mollie Overbey; Beth Prichard; Jason Reed; Joe Reed; Fr. Michael Reis; Cindy Riesbeck; Benjamin Sheets; Susie Sherrard; Carol Watercutter; Kathy Wildermuth; Rita Wimer.

Our family and friends

Christopher Allen; Father Allen; Chris Bailey; Kay Baker; Sr. Sharon Baldy; Mike Barrett, Liam Barry; Nancy Bell; Megan Boley & family; Amy Brown; Betty Burchfield; Karen Burns; Bruce Campbell; Chris & Gracias Cannon; James Cannon; Cardoza Family; Brooke Chute; Deborah Cockran; Jeffery J. Connor; Karis M. Crosmer; Ashley Deck; Glenn DeBona; Sue Denison; D.H.; E.B.; Jim Durda; Albert Eyth; Dr. Robert Finley, Jr.; Richard Flynn; Debbie Frazee; David Froberg; Doug Froberg; Christine DeSerio Gatehouse; Maxine Gebhart; Pat Goodin; Phil Gregg; Steven Gress; Cheri & Dale Grigsby; Gary Grigsby; Doug Grimm; Shelly Hartless; Linda Henry; Carol Herr; Dennis Hoffman; Beau, Gina, Jill, Matt Jago; Terry Jones; Darla Jurden; Nevin Keim; Hope Klaus; Mary Klass; L.B.; Richard Koch; Storm Lazo; Richard Lieson; Sharon Luft; Lombardo Family; Trinity Langwasser; Fr. Michael Lumpke; Ashley M.; Andrew Madrid; Bernie Madrid; Richard Mayhew; Holden McFann; Bill McCluggage; Bill McNamara; Ed Moats; Fr. Dick Metzger; Pat Molnar; Flint Morgan; Bridgette Morgan; Claire Elizabeth Morgan; Josh Morgan; Sean Morris; Jackie Newman; Norman/Collins Family; Jeanette Price; Sean O’Hara; Sally Orend; Colton Phillips-Huffman; Richard Patellos; Don Powell; Eric, Ashley & Tristan Riesbeck; Hannah Roberts; Sammy Roszman; Anderson R. Trinity Russell; Kristen Ryan; Ohmson Schroeder; Carol Diane Smith; Marie & Ken Smith; Barry Spurr; Joel Stanford; Kyle Stowers; Kathleen Thomas; Philip Vogelmeier 5th; Mary Wade; Jane Walters; John Walters; David Walton; Carla Watson; Roberta Widman; Dave Wilson; Iona Wilson; Roger Wimer; Michael White; Hunter Wise; Dee Wright; Russ Yahn

PSR & INCLUSION INFORMATION

PSR: SUNDAYS, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., September-May
Allison Shardell – Director of Religious Education & Disabilities/Inclusion Coordinator

stleonardpsr@outlook.com

ST. LEONARD PARISH CONFERENCE of the SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:

Monthly Meeting ~ 3rd Tuesday
Next Meeting: September 18th

St. Leonard Women's Guild

Monthly Meeting ~ 2nd Thursday in the Social Hall
Next Meeting: September 12 at 11:00 a.m.

Vicki Annarino 740-403-2576/Shelley Wilson 740-323-3849

Altar Flowers ~ Teresa Grigsby ~ (740) 366-3892
Scheduler ~ Anna Sikora ~ (740) 745-2044

Money Counters

September 3rd: Bill Gress & Al Smith
September 9th: Rita Kelly & Nancy Willey

Dusters

September 2nd: Greg & Gini Johnson
September 9th: Elizabeth Orend

Lay Ministers Schedule for August 31st & September 1st

(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)

August 31st

Ushers: Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl
Lector: Dee Jones
Altar Servers: Ron Jones, Maryann Chisek, Volunteer
E.M.H.C.: Terri Larkins, Carol Scholl, Nello Allori
Cantors: Suzanne Baker

September 1st

Ushers: Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers
Lector: Terri Jackson
Altar Servers: John LaBelle, Keira Haynes, Volunteer
E.M.H.C. Al Smith, Jan Smith, Jim Watercutter
Cantors: Don & Cindy Riesbeck

Lay Ministers Schedule for September 7th & 8th
(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)

Ushers: Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl, Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers
Lectors: Terri Larkins, Rita Kelly
Altar Servers: Kozlowski Family, Jack Lutz, Amelia Shardell, Volunteer
E.M.H.C.: Deacon Larry, Elizabeth Benvie, Joe Beckman, Bonnie Kinney, Bob Morman
Cantors: Diane Reef, Tom Held

Lay Ministers Schedule for September 14th & 15th
(EMHC – Minister of Sacred Body/Precious Blood)

Ushers: Jan & Les Waldren, Joan Kefeli, Bill Scholl, Frank Flynn, Gene Hill, Bill Gress, Gary Childers
Lectors: Anna Sikora, Bonnie Kinney
Altar Servers: Benvie Family, Volunteer, Carlos Chaney, Andrea Chaney, Volunteer
E.M.H.C.: Mary Beckman, Sonny Del Matto, Don Hobbs, Al Smith, Jan Smith, Jim Watercutter
Cantors: Suzanne Baker, Don & Cindy Riesbeck



ST. LEONARD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #12641

Next Meeting: September 11th at 6:30 p.m.

Sonny Del Matto – Grand Knight ~
(727) 320-3676/santodelmatto9@gmail.com

Join us at KofC.org and click the "JOIN US" button.

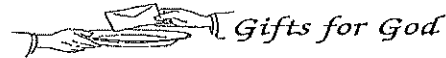


STEWARDSHIP ACTIVE REGISTERED FAMILIES 235
PARISH OFFERINGS NEEDED PER WEEK: \$4,100.00
PARISH OFFERTORY AUGUST 17/18

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| PARISH OFFERING: | \$1,874.00 | PARKING LOT: | \$ 475.00 |
| CANDLES | \$ 12.00 | EDUCATION: | \$ 10.00 |
| ONLINE GIVING | \$ 275.00 | BAA | \$ 50.00 |
| ST. VINCENT DE PAUL | \$ 677.00 | | |

OPERATING BUDGET FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2019-JULY 16, 2019

INCOME: \$34,829.66 EXPENSE: \$31,629.88 NET: \$3,199.78



1st Collection: September 8th ~ Catholic Education
2nd Collection: September 15th ~ Capital Maintenance Fund



We have low-gluten Communion hosts available for those with Celiac disease or who need to be gluten-free. Please see the Sacristan at least 10 minutes before Mass if you require a low-gluten host and look for the Communion line with the mini-ciborium attached to the main ciborium.

Mark your calendars for the Parish Picnic/Feast Day that is scheduled for October 6th starting at noon. We will also be celebrating our Feast Day at the 9:30 a.m. Mass with our children presenting flags of the missions of different countries. Our Saint John Leonardi co-founded a society of priests dedicated to working in foreign missions, which later became the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. At the parish picnic, brats and hot dogs, and drinks will be provided by the parish. We ask that each family bring a dish to share. There will be Bingo after we eat so come and enjoy the fun! Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Parking Lot Project: Thanks to everyone who has donated to the Parking Lot Project. Paving is being scheduled sometime in September, and it is not too late to add our donation if you have not done so. Remember it takes all of us to support each other and our parish to meet the many needs here at St. Leonard. Thanks again for your support!

PSR starts September 8th with a family meeting at 10:30 and classes starting immediately afterwards. Confirmation students and families will have a brief meeting that day as well. We look forward to seeing all of our families again!

Parishioner Frank Lucioti was honored at the traveling Korean War Memorial this past weekend at the Heath airport. His hands were cast to become the hands of the statue of the soldier that will forever stand guard there. Thank you for your service, Frank!

New Members: We welcome Ted & Judy Quinn to our parish. May your time be blessed here.


The Parish Office will be closed Monday, September 2nd for Labor Day.

Eucharistic Adoration will take place Friday, September 6th from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Come spend some time before our Lord!

Blood Pressures will be taken September 7th and 8th (next weekend!) in the Sacristy following the Masses.

Parish Happenings

St. Leonard Spaghetti Dinner



Our next Spaghetti Dinner will be on September 19th from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Come and enjoy fellowship with each other and enjoy spaghetti with marinara or meat sauce, salad, bread, beverages, and dessert. Adults are \$8.00, children 6-12 are \$5.00, children 5 and under are free, and families are \$30.00. Volunteers, dessert donations, or financial contributions are greatly appreciated. Proceeds go to support Parish maintenance costs. If you need a gluten-free meal, please contact Sonny Del Matto or the office at least a week in advance. Join us for an evening of good food, fellowship, and remember there is a 50/50 drawing! You do not need to be present to win the drawing.

Church Computer Systems Update: St. Leonard will be updating their current computer systems next week. In doing so, the church and staff emails will be changing. You can still send information for the bulletin at the current email address. Once the system is completely updated, new emails will be in the bulletin. More information about this will be in next week's bulletin.

Knox/Licking Vocations Club will be meeting on Tuesday, September 10th at noon at St. Leonard in Heath. Come join us for lunch and speaker – Sr. Barbara Kane. Sr. Barbara went to school at St. Francis and graduated from Newark Catholic. She will be sharing her vocations story. The cost of the lunch is only \$5.00. The money we collect helps support and encourage the seminarians, priests and religious life. Questions, please call Linda at 366-4074.

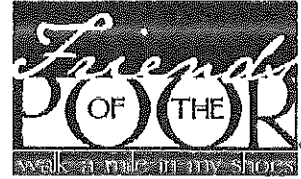
Around the Diocese

Blue Mass: St. Timothy Church and St. Timothy Knights of Columbus Council 14345 will host The Blue Mass on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. The Blue Mass is an opportunity to honor and pray for all active, retired and deceased police, firefighters, and emergency medical services. In addition, it is an occasion to remember the 2,973 who lost their lives in the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. All area active and retired police, fire, and emergency medical services personnel and their families are invited to attend. Bishop Robert J. Brennan will be the celebrant and homilist. Let us all join together to honor our police, firefighters, and emergency medical services, to ask for God's blessing, to keep them safe, and to guide them in their duties!

Family Rosary Day: The Diocese of Columbus will be hosting a Family Rosary Day, Sunday, October 13th at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral.

Columbus Catholic Young Adult Conference in

Sunbury: St. John Neumann Church in Sunbury is hosting a Young Adult Conference on Saturday, October 12, 2019. Register online at www.colscatholicyoungadultconf.weebly.com or email colscatholicyoungadultconf@gmail.com with questions.



Friends of the Poor Walk & 5K Run/Walk. Join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the 2019 Columbus Friends of the Poor Walk & 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, September 28th from 9:00 a.m.-noon at St. Francis de Sales High School, Columbus. One-hundred percent of all proceeds will go to support persons living in poverty in our diocese. Register to participate at <https://runsignup.com/friendsofthepoor>.



Scam alert: If you received a text or email about Fr. Stash Dailey, the Family Soup Kitchen, or the Holy Family Food Pantry asking for money or donations, please be alerted that this is a scam.

St. Joseph Cathedral Bimonthly Mass of Healing:

September 16th, 6:30 p.m.; the Memorial Mass of Saints Cornelius and Cyprian will be celebrated. Following the Mass a Healing Service will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Veneration of relics of the True Cross. Each person then will then have an opportunity to speak individually with one of several priests present to discuss their particular situation and receive a prayer of healing; the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will also be available. The Healing Service will conclude with Benediction. All persons who seek Christ's healing are invited – especially those who suffer with addictions, mental health issues, physical illness and infirmities (e.g. cancer and other debilitating diseases and conditions), in addition to those in seek emotional and spiritual healing. All caregivers, family members, and members of the medical community are invited as well. Secure parking is available off East Gay Street; handicap elevator access to the Cathedral is located off the Broad Street Courtyard. Saint Joseph Cathedral is located at 212 East Broad Street; for more information, call (614) 224-1295 or visit www.saintjosephcathedral.org.

Building a Culture of Life Conference is Saturday, October 19, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at St. John Neumann Church, Sunbury. Topics will include pro-life public policy, our response to racism, advanced medical directives, pro-life youth, and a message from Bishop Brennan. Sponsored by Social Concerns, Marriage & Family Life, and Greater Columbus Right to Life. Cost: \$25.00/Students \$10.00. Register by October 14. For a list of speakers and to register, visit <https://bclc2019.eventbrite.com> or call 614-241-2540.

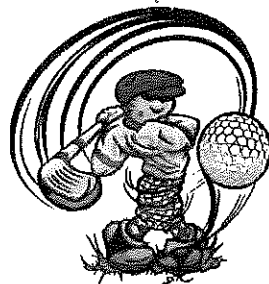
Let us pray for our parishioners, family, & friends serving in the military

- SrA. Therin Brown, USAF
- Sgt. Donald R. Hoffer II, U.S. Army
- Pvt. Kaleb Hoffer, USMC
- Pvt. Andre Manning, U.S. Army
- Evan Andrew Hammond, U.S. Navy
- Pvt. Kaitlin Hanks, U.S. Navy
- Sgt. Matthew Mills, USMC



Please also keep their families in your prayers. If you would like to submit names for this list, please email Allison.shardell@gmail.com.

Annual Jack Nutter Memorial Golf Outing: Sign up for the annual Jack Nutter Memorial Golf Outing Four Man Scramble. Join us on Saturday, September 21st at 8:00 a.m. at Kyber Run Golf Course, 5261 Mink Street, Johnstown. The cost is \$40.00/person or \$160.00/team and includes lunch, awards, and door prizes! Sign-up and turn-in fees to Blessed Sacrament Church's parish office by September 7th. Registration forms are on blsac.net. For more information, call Don Blosser at 740-407-6298.

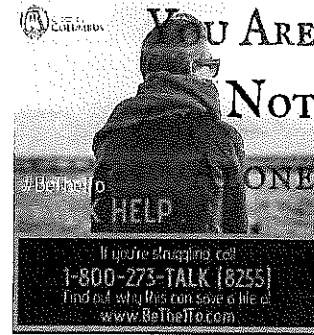


We Are One Body – Catholic Social Teachings: Diocese & Worldwide

The Pope's Monthly Intention – September: *The Protection of the Oceans:* That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.



Bethesda Healing Ministry – Post-Abortion Healing: "Post-traumatic suffering is the untold story of abortion. Are there many like you who may be waiting to hear a word of hope or healing? Yes. You do not suffer alone." (Mother Agnes Mary, S.V.) Bethesda Healing Ministry invites and welcomes you. There is a light in the window, Please call Bethesda Healing Ministry confidential phone lines 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157 or visit our website at www.bethesdahealing.org.



September is National Suicide Prevention Month

and the Diocese of Columbus is encouraging people to join the #bethelto movement from the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. How can you #bethelto make a difference in the life of someone feeling isolated, alone, and in pain?

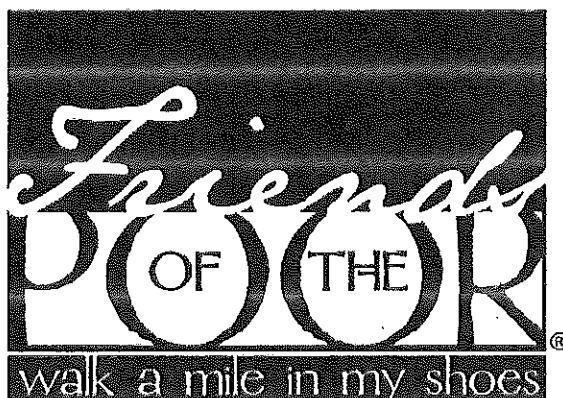
- **#bethelto ASK** the tough question – when you know someone is in emotional pain, ask them directly: "Are you thinking about killing yourself?"
- **#bethelto KEEP THEM SAFE.** Is your friend thinking about suicide? Separate them from anything they could use to hurt themselves.
- **#bethelto BE THERE.** If your friend is thinking about suicide, listen to their reasons for feeling hopeless and in pain with compassion, empathy, and without dismissing or judging.
- **#bethelto HELP THEM CONNECT** to a support system: family, friends, clergy, therapists, or a hotline (800-273-TALK).
- **#bethelto FOLLOW UP** on a regular basis with a friend in crisis.
- If you or someone you know is suicidal, in danger of harming themselves, or in emotional distress, do not be afraid to contact the confidential National Suicide Prevention Lifeline 1-800-273-Talk (8255) or text "Hello" to 741741 to reach the Crisis Helpline. Our parish is here to support you, #bethelto ... Seek Help. "Whoever suffers from mental illness 'always' bears God's image and likeness in themselves, as does every human being. In addition, they 'always' have the inalienable right not only to be considered as an image of God and therefore as a person, but also to be treated as such." (Pope John Paul II).

September Birthdays

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| September 1 st | Tonia May, Lila Schenk |
| September 3 rd | Leah Benvie |
| September 5 th | Denise Franks |
| September 6 th | Leslie Waldren, Katherine Wildermuth |
| September 7 th | Susie Sherrard |
| September 8 th | Billy Larkins |
| September 9 th | Jude Benvie, Mya Beth Kluisza |
| September 10 th | Major Childers, Austin Kent, Theresa Larkins |
| September 11 th | Dominic Orend |
| September 12 th | Ron Kluisza |
| September 14 th | Chad Gummer, Caroline Sedor, Adin Stickle |
| September 16 th | Calvin Haynes |
| September 17 th | Mary Benvie, Walter Chaney, Rena Koby, Kevin Ragno |
| September 18 th | William Litton |
| September 19 th | Wanling Baker |
| September 20 th | Nicklas Buchbinder, Rosemary White |
| September 21 st | Lucas Purington |
| September 22 nd | Scott McAlpine, Summer Mohler |
| September 23 rd | Judith Quinn, Allison Shardell, Richelle Wilson |
| September 24 th | Kyle Baker |
| September 25 th | Emily White, Gabriella White |
| September 26 th | Ansley Harbage, Diane Schmidt |
| September 27 th | Nicolas Brodsky, Jeffrey Neff |
| September 29 th | Ruth Prichard, Brayden Koby |
| September 30 th | Nello Allori, Jacob Thompson-Dittoe |

Anniversaries for September

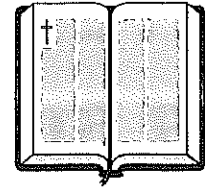
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| September 1 st | Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Libby | 35 years |
| September 3 rd | Mr. & Mrs. Paul Mohler | 37 years |
| September 9 th | Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Raymer | 47 years |
| September 11 th | Mr. & Mrs. Adam Zeller | 10 years |
| September 13 th | Mr. & Mrs. John Allen | 50 years |
| September 16 th | Mr. & Mrs. Chris May | 24 years |
| September 16 th | Mr. & Mrs. Chris Mehler | 13 years |
| September 17 th | Mr. William Fielding & Mrs. Ruth Hottinger | 12 years |
| September 18 th | Mr. & Mrs. David Kurto | 54 years |
| September 19 th | Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Floyd | 55 years |
| September 22 nd | Mr. & Mrs. William Litton | 57 years |
| September 24 th | Mr. & Mrs. George Jackson | 36 years |
| September 26 th | Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Villaloboz | 32 years |
| September 29 th | Mr. & Mrs. James Wolfe | 57 years |



The St. Vincent de Paul "Walk For The Poor" is coming up, September 28th, 2019. Please help us help the poor by supporting our walkers. See any one of them to pledge this worthy cause. You can also sign our pledge form on the bulletin board in the back of church. We will be asking for pledges on the weekend of September 21-22.



RCIA



Are **you** interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Do you know someone who is interested in Catholicism?

Through the RCIA process you will have a chance to:

- learn about the faith in a group of inquirers.
- ask questions and discuss topics about which you have always wanted to know.
- meet new people and some "veterans" who have been through the RCIA process.
- get to know members of our sister parish.
- learn about the "hows" and "whys" of the Catholic Faith.
- continue your journey of faith if you are already Catholic.
- make the decision whether the Catholic Faith is for you.

Our RCIA program begins on **Tuesday, Sept. 10** at 7 pm in the Parish Hall of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket. Also, you may call Pam Klein, Coordinator of Religious Education at 740-928-3266 or Deacon Larry Wilson at 740-522-5270 for further information.

Yes! I want to learn more about the Catholic Faith!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Best time of day to contact me is: _____

**INTERESTED IN PLAYING BELLS
OR SINGING?**

REHEARSALS TO BEGIN SOON!!

**PLEASE FILL OUT FORM AND
RETURN TO OFFICE**

Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Youth Choir _____

Adult Choir _____

Youth Bells (5th Grade-12) _____

Adult Bells _____