

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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**Faith - Tradition - Family**

## Good News!

By: FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Most of the time we find ourselves backing our way into the will of God, or maybe even feeling our way into it. There are times when the will of God is quite clear: Should I lie or tell the truth? Should I steal or not? Most often, however, the will of God is not so clear. Too often it becomes a question of how to negotiate an aspect of life that's been handed to us, often a reality we cannot escape. It may be an unwanted divorce, or a son or daughter in a questionable relationship, or an illness that dismantles one's life plans. On the one hand, it is not as if God hands out scripts that we are expected to live by. On the other hand, God is part of all that unfolds. Somewhere in the midst of that is the will of God, which is another way of saying somehow you and I need to negotiate what we never chose, but is now served up by life. Or is it served up by God? Or by our own doing? Or all of that? That's what I mean when I say we feel our way into the will of God.

It is what Jesus sorted out in the desert when he was tempted, "I come to do your will, O God." It is Elizabeth's story of an unexpected pregnancy in her old age. It is Mary saying "Yes" to an uncharted path. Living God's will seems mostly to be a sorting process.

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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 22, 2024

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**MASS SCHEDULE**


<b>Saturday</b>	OLM	12/21	4:00	P.M.	+Bob Peters (Marilyn and Heather Peters)
	SJB	12/21	6:00	P.M.	<b>+Dale Schwendeman (Schwendeman Family)</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	SJB	12/22	7:30	A.M.	<b>+Alecia Fouss (Parish)</b>
	OLM	12/22	9:30	A.M.	+Tina Schaad (Evan and Heather Schaad)
	SJB	12/22	11:00	A.M.	<b>+Norbert Lang (Charlotte Lang and Family)</b>
<b>Monday</b>	SJB	12/23	8:00	A.M.	<b>+Richard C. Arnold (Shelba Arnold and Family)</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	OLM	12/24	4:00	P.M.	+Earl and +Francis Thieman (Connie Schwendeman)
	SJB	12/24	6:00	P.M.	<b>+Norbert Kern (Marilyn Kern and Family)</b>
	SJB	12/24	8:00	P.M.	<b>+Bill Wesel Sr. (Bill and Alberta Wesel)</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	SJB	12/25	7:30	A.M.	<b>+Vincent and +Allene Huck (Family)</b>
	OLM	12/25	9:30	A.M.	+Ken and Pat Stehly( Mike and Denise Stehly)
<b>Thursday</b>	SJB	12/26	8:00	A.M.	<b>No Mass Today</b>
	OLM	12/26	5:00	P.M.	+John Saling (Richard and Melissa Tornes)
<b>Friday</b>	SJB	12/27	8:00	A.M.	<b>Deceased of the Lawrence and Margaret Schaad Family (Janet Schaad Family)</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	OLM	12/28	4:00	P.M.	+Deanna Lang (Raymond Lang)
	SJB	12/28	6:00	P.M.	<b>+Betty Schott (Charlotte Lang and Family)</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	SJB	12/29	7:30	A.M.	<b>+Charles Schilling (Bernard and Marilyn Schilling)</b>
	OLM	12/29	9:30	A.M.	+Bernard "Buzzard" Brooker (Julia Brooker)
	SJB	12/29	11:00	A.M.	<b>+Richard and +Bertha Pottmeyer (Pottmeyer Family Children)</b>



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR CHRISTMAS AND WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 28-29**

MASS	ALTAR SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Tuesday 6:00 p.m. 12/24	Chase Arteaga, Hadleigh Pennock	Reese Lang	Amanda Walters
Tuesday 8:00 p.m. 12/24	Raegan and Orion Flinn	Rachel Klinger	Volunteer
Wednesday 7:30 a.m. 12/25	Volunteers	Volunteer	Volunteer
Saturday 6:00 p.m. 12/28	Raegan and Orion Flinn	Kelly Miller	Virginia Dyar
Sunday 7:30 a.m. 12/29	Mason and Grace Francis	Zandra Francis	Arnold Huck
Sunday 11:00 a.m. 12/29	Hadleigh Pennock, Brenlee Lang	Reese Lang	Tonia Skinner

<u>COLLECTION</u>	<u>D.P.S.C.</u>	<u>BINGO</u>
Total Collection last weekend \$3,018 Needed to meet parish needs \$4,750	2024 Collected to date \$79,265 2024 Goal \$43,047	December 8 Group 2 \$ 0
Thank you for your generosity!	Thank you for your generosity!	

<u>ST. JOHN BINGO WORK SCHEDULE</u>	<u>C.W.C. BINGO CAKES</u>	
Dec 22 Group 4 with Derrick Pottmeyer Dec 29 Group 5 with Robin Eichmiller	December Group D - Elaine Wells	 Please pray for all of the men and women who are serving our country in the military. May God watch over them and keep them safe.
THE END		

### PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will be closed December 19 through January 6. There will be a two week bulletin for the weekends of December 28-29 and January 4-5. Please have all bulletin information in to the Rectory by December 20.

### CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS VACATION

St. John School will be closed for Christmas Vacation from December 23 through January 6.

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

If you would like to send a Christmas card to Fr. Walter Heinz or Fr. Dale Tornes, their addresses are as follows: Fr. Walter Heinz, 5700 Bayshore Road, Lot 244, Palmetto, FL 34221; Fr. Dale Tornes, 279 Muskingum Drive, Apt. 302, Marietta, OH 45750.

### CHURCH DONATIONS

Please have all donations you want included on this years church collection statement turned in to the Rectory no later than December 31. This year's DPSC will end on December 31 and any collections after that date will be put towards next years goal. We would like to give a big Thank You to everyone for your generosity!

### ALTAR SERVERS GIFTS

Altar servers, please see Fr. David after Mass for your Christmas gift. We would like to thank you for serving our parish.

### CONDOLENCES

Please keep in your prayers Ella Mae Young who passed away on December 10, Our sympathy is extended to Ella Mae's family and friends. May she be with the Lord in peace and light.

### THANK YOU

Thank you all for the generous donations to the Giving Tree. Many of God's less fortunate people will experience a blessed Christmas with the gifts and others will find warmth, shelter, and nourishment through your kindness. May the joy and peace of the newborn King be with all of you.

### SENIOR CITIZENS MEETING

The next Senior Citizen meeting will be held on January 2, 2025 at Senior Center at 11:00 AM. Doris Brooker mentioned having soup so bring something to share along with this idea. All are welcome.

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

We will be working on the new Liturgical Ministers schedule for February through May, 2025 very soon. If you would like to serve as an Altar Server, Lector or Eucharistic Minister please email or call the Rectory. If you wish to be removed from the schedule, please email or call the Rectory. Thank you to everyone who serves our parish.

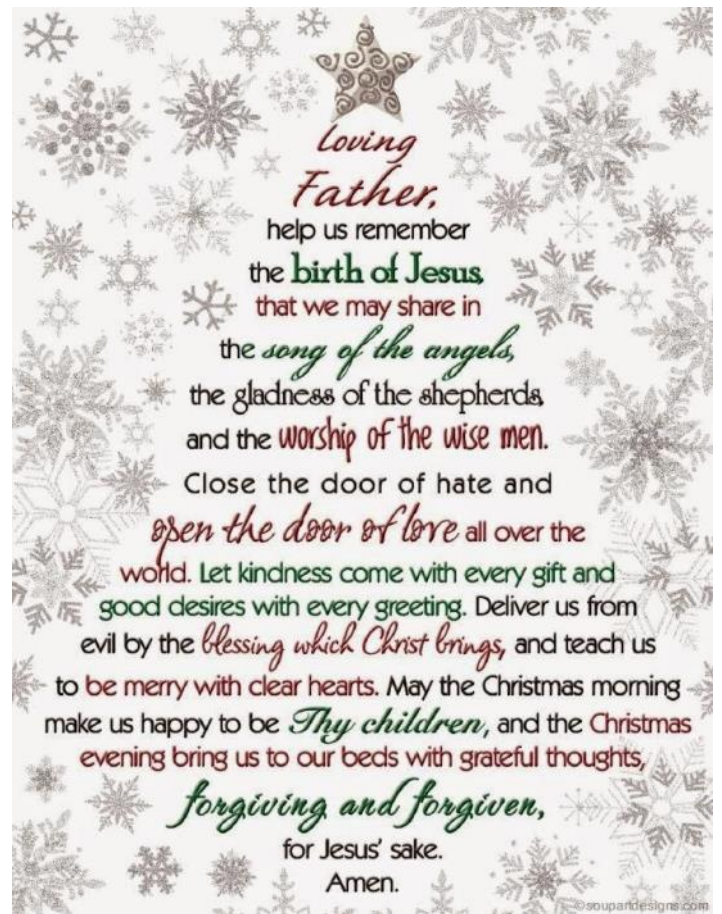
Jesus  
is the reason  
for the season

### CABIN FEVER BUSTER DINNER

Our Lady of Mercy CWC is holding a Cabin Fever Buster Dinner on February 1, 2025 from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mercy social hall. Menu includes baked steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, homemade noodles, green beans, coleslaw, and dessert. Dine in or carry out is available. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$8 for children under 10. Tickets will be sold until Monday, January 27th and can be purchased by calling Kathy Reed at 740-350-3496. Tickets will NOT be sold at the door.

### CHRIST THE TEACHER-DIOCESAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND "TURNING TAXES INTO TUITION"

By making a charitable donation to the Christ the Teacher Scholarship Fund you can turn Tax Dollars into Tuition assistance for children to attend St. John Central Catholic School. Donate before filing you Ohio Tax return and you 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). Act now for your 2024 Tax Credit.







### New Parishioners

Welcome!

You can register by calling our Parish Office.

### Prayer Network: Call

Mary Brooker 740-896-2002

Elaine Wells 740-896-3112

to place a prayer request on the prayer line or to join in the prayers for those in need.

### Becoming Catholic (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

For those interested in becoming Catholic, contact the parish office.

### Care for the Sick or Homebound:

Call the Parish Office or Marilyn Kern to set up Communion visits or to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

### Pastoral Musicians

Valerie Strahler, Crystal Lang

### Scrip Coordinator

Betina Lang

### PSR Coordinator

Andrea Ralston

### Pastoral Council

Chairperson Maria Huffman

### Parish Finance Council

Chairperson Russ Lang,  
Casey Lang, Rachel Schott,  
Jeff Canterbury, Pam Brooker

### Cemetery Association

Andy Miller, Kevin Brooker,  
Dean Hart, Howard Brooker

### Club of Catholic Women

President Marilyn Zollar

### St. John Central School

(740) 896-2697

Mrs. Becky Hilverding

Principal

### Knights of Columbus

Council 4617

Grand Knight Taylor Pottmeyer

### St. John School Foundation

Gary Arnold, President

### Diocesan Catholic Charities & Information Referral Line:

1-800-339-7890

### Ancient Order of Hibernians

James Farly, President

**ARE YOU REGISTERED?** Are you new to the Parish? Have you notified the Parish Offices of any changes in your address, phone number, etc.? If you are out of college and still living at home, you need to register as an adult member of St. John the Baptist. Please call the Parish Offices for any changes or to register. Your cooperation in helping us to keep our records up-to-date is greatly appreciated.

**OUR SEMINARIANS** Pray for Seminarians studying at Sacred Heart Major Seminary 2701 Chicago Blvd., Detroit, MI 48206 Peter Stetson, St. Vincent Seminary 300 Fraser Purchase Rd., Latrobe Pa, 15650. Christopher McGurn and Samuel Ivkovich Pontifical College Josephinum 7625 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio, 43235-1499 Maximilian Kolbe Gan, Jonathan Ruscoe, Riley Morris, Aaron Pabin, Caleb Baker On a pastoral year at Christ the Light Parish 9704 Gomer Ave. Cambridge, Ohio 43728) Ryan Budd and John Paul Gan.

**On a bright Spring morning,** a passerby once saw St. Francis of Assisi hoeing a row of beans and asked him, "What would you be doing right now if you knew this was the last day of your earthly life?" The Saint responded, "I'd keep hoeing this row of beans." Preparing for this world to end — whether by our death or by Jesus' glorious coming — invites us to live not in the past or the present, but deeply in the present moment. This same point is on display in the simple advice given by the wild and eccentric John the Baptist. He speaks of the one who is to come who will baptize "with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Luke 3:16). Despite the bizarre awesomeness of this announcement, he tells his listeners to engage in the present moment with simple acts of justice and love as their preparation for Jesus' coming, sharing their clothes and food, eliminating greedy and underhanded practices, being content with their wages. It's so undramatic. But how many actually did it? We don't know. How many of us will commit ourselves to these types of humble and demanding practices in our lives? That's what we should be doing now in our present moment, not worrying about the future. Advent challenge: Name one way you are doing the bare minimum towards others in your daily life. Or name something you are doing because you are not content with your financial situation. Pray: "Jesus, if it is your will, help me to stop doing these things this week. Help me prepare for your coming." Then make the appropriate changes.— Father John Muiri

**Weather ... If it Looks too Dangerous to Go Outside, Don't Go Outside.** The Church does not ask you to do anything to harm your health or put yourself at risk. When the weather is bad, please use common sense. Don't do anything dangerous. Better safe than sorry.

### Advent Is the Perfect Time to Prepare Our Hearts as a Gift

Advent is busy for everybody. In years past, I became swept up in the chaos. For weeks, this realization had been overwhelming me by the unknown that tomorrow and beyond hold.

I expected to be consumed by these thoughts in the days leading up to Christmas, determined to figure out life so I could proudly tell Grandma that "I have everything figured out" when she inevitably asks me about my plans at Christmas dinner. But I forgot an important factor: Jesus.

When I sat down for Mass on the First Sunday of Advent, a question popped into my mind: What if I took Advent to not obsess about next year, but instead use it to prepare a gift for the Lord, the gift of my heart? When I took this to prayer, I began reflecting on the story of the Magi, Matthew 2:1-12, and how the Magi journeyed to Bethlehem, where they found the Christ Child, "worshipped Him" and humbly presented their gifts. I read this passage again, and again, and again, struck by the humility and actions of the Magi — and I realized that each of us find ourselves in similar circumstances as the Magi, having to "interpret" and read the "signs" to determine where to go. We, too, must journey — it is a season to journey to Jesus and to prepare ourselves to present our gifts to him. What can we give? We have our hearts, our livelihoods, our lives — all that he has given us. If you are anything like me, your heart is not ready to be given as a gift. It is broken and wounded.

But Advent is the perfect time to prepare our hearts as a gift, to take time to pray about and allow Christ to enter those wounds and heal them. When I began praying on this concept, offering up my insecurities, I realized that if I wanted to give my heart as a gift, I had to give everything, even the mess, uncertainty and undue pressure I was placing upon myself with thinking that I had to have everything figured out and that it had to be perfect. By giving all of that to God, he has given me peace about next year, reminding me that he will take care of everything. All I have to do is give the year — and my heart — to him as a gift for the Christ Child.



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CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**2024  
CHRISTMAS FLOWER  
MEMORIAM**



# CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAM



## IN MEMORY OF

Alfred & Hilda L. Tornes, James R. & Ethel Archer, Earl & Justine Tornes, Eloise Tornes Bakker, Larry Zwick, James W. Archer  
Diane Arnold, Herman & Hilda Arnold, Glen Miller  
Susan E. Arnold, Cecil & Rosemary Arnold, Albert & Eleanor Arnold, Earl Arnold, Leo Arnold  
Matt Arnold, Luke Arnold, Mark & Ruth Arnold, Pam Stotts  
Clarence & Hilda Arnold Family, Raymond & Doris Pitzer Family  
James & Maglena Arnold, Kelton & Helen Fliehman, Kevin Arnold  
Family and Friends  
Herman & Hilda Arnold, Raymond & Evelyn Baker, Justin Carney, Diane Arnold  
Howard and Gertrude Huck Arnold, Donnie, Patricia, Blaine, Neal and Marvin Arnold  
Kristen Arnold, George & Catherine Arnold, Larry & Jackie Arnold, Chris McDonie, Neil Alloway, Rick Robinson  
Ralph & Dot Way, Bryan Way, John & Mildred Arnold, Annette Bonar, Bob & Rose Mary Wagner, Harry Way, Nick Arnold, Rita Shrider  
Richard C. Arnold, Clarence & Hilda Arnold  
Ed & Anna Mae Brooker, Don, Helen and Jeff Best, Julie Joy  
Family and Friends  
Paul & Betty Brooker, Everett & Ada Camden, Albert & Ella Brooker, Joe & Sheila Brooker  
Kenneth & Narelle Weinstock, Clem & Lucy Brooker, Rhonda Beaver, Chris King, Fr. Charles Highland  
Clem & Lucy Brooker, Family, Fr. Charles Highland, Rhonda Beaver, Kenneth & Narelle Weinstock Families  
Susan Brooker, Nicholas Brooker  
Ben & Edith Brooker, Logan Brooker, Jan McGuinness, Nancy Cook, Roger McGuinness, Pat Minnite, Debbie Zoller  
Emmett Brooker, Scotty Brooker, Albert & Lorraine Henke, Albert & Ella Brooker, Roger & Carolyn Saffell, Helen Miller  
Ed & Anna Mae Brooker, Steve Wallis, Andrea Bonnette, Issac Brooker, Fr. Virgil Reischman  
Ben & Edith Brooker  
Vincent & Alice Lang, George W. & Gwendolyn L. Byers, Living and Deceased of: George & Mary Byers Family, K.D. & Fredabelle Mills Family, Raymond & Elizabeth Arnold Family, Joseph E. & Mary Lang Family  
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Canterbury, Marvin Canterbury, Mary Canterbury, Lucas McVicar, Mr. & Mrs. Walter Klinger, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Proctor, Mr. & Mrs. Dale Greenless, William McVicar, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Huffman  
Colton Decker  
Howard & Edna Dyar, John & Mary Lou Huck, Bernard Dyar, Jim Thieman, Patty Huck  
Mary Huck, Ronald & Mary Jane Eichmiller  
Thelma Binigar, Mildred Fincher, AD Fincher, William Brooker  
Vincent & Allene Huck, Siobhan Huck, Gilbert Huck, Emily Huck, Nathan Huck  
Harold Gebhart, Dave Erb, Barb Wolfe  
Clayton Harra, Sharon Sampson, Glenn & Edna Smith, Amy Smith, Steve Smith  
Larry Schaad, Donald & Chris Hart, All Family & Friends we have lost  
Family and Friends  
Albert & Lorraine Henke, Carolyn & Roger Saffell, Helen Miller, Michael Ezell  
Ralph & Elizabeth Parks, Paul & Ruth Hilverding, Robert Hilverding, Pamela Hilverding, Sean Hilverding  
Patty Huck, John & Mary Lou Huck, Jean Gribble, Charles Tewanger, Jim Gribble, Jeff Brockmeier, Axel Huck

## REQUESTED BY

Dave Archer Family  
Alvin Arnold Family  
Arthur Arnold Family  
Barb Arnold Family  
Ed Arnold Family  
Ferris Arnold Family  
Gary Arnold Family  
Harold Arnold Family  
Howard Arnold Family  
  
Hugh Arnold Family  
  
Richard P. Arnold Family  
Shelba Arnold Family  
Tim Best Family  
Dave Bowen Family  
Angela Brooker Family  
  
Darla Brooker  
  
Dave Brooker Family  
Howard Brooker  
  
Kevin Brooker Family  
  
Mary Brooker Family  
Steve Brooker Family  
Ted Brooker Family  
  
Bob Byers Family  
  
Rick Canterbury Family  
Jacob Carpenter Family  
Jerry Dyar Family  
Jack Eichmiller Family  
Louray Fincher Family  
Lloyd Flowers Family  
Ken Gebhart Family  
Sabrina Harra Family  
Dean Hart Family  
Alex Heiss Family  
Patricia Henke Family  
Matt Hilverding Family  
  
Arnold Huck Family

# CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAM



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Leo & Lucy Huck, Carl & Virginia Cassidy, Scott W. Huck, John & Frances Nasipak, Jeremy Cassidy, Mary Zwick  
Ralph & Leora Huck, Ron Huck, Chris Tesi, Friends & Family  
John & Mary Lou Huck, Jeffery Brockmeier, Nichole Coleman, Jerry Dean Coleman, Patty Huck, Donald & Donna Coleman, Axel Huck, Carole Sylvus  
Mary E. Huck  
George & Catherine Arnold, Larry & Jackie Arnold, Paul & Lorene Huffman  
William Brooker, Thelma Binegar  
Norbert Kern, Clarence & Hilda Arnold Family, Joe and Mary Kern Family  
Martha Huck, Willie Kincaid, Goldie Kincaid  
The Deceased members of the Knaus and Sharrer Families  
Howard & Grace Strahler, Howard & Mae Lang, Dave Davis, Ron Strahler, Tim Strahler  
Tony Blankenship, Evelyn Blankenship, Linda Armstrong, Michael Blankenship, All the members of the Lewis J. and Audrey Lang Family, All the members of the William & Bertha Nau Family  
Jeremiah Johnson, Bill & Bertha Nau, Lewis & Audrey Lang, Mary & Woodie Pilcher, Donna Jean Sturm, Bill & John Seyler, Jim Barrett, Betty May & Fred Becker, Gene & Rita Fulton, Harold Tornes, Marsha Pilcher, Sam Pilcher  
George Brooker, William Heiss Jr. & Raleen Heiss, Carl Lang, Sr., Ruth Lang, Gary Edwards  
Bob & Edna Lang, Larry Bunting  
Deceased members of the Howard & Grace Strahler Family  
Jay Pottmeyer  
Larry Schaad, Lawrence & Margaret Schaad, Ralph & Pauline Zoller, Roger Schaad, Tina Schaad, Peggy Schaad, Dick Zoller, Jacob Schaad, Todd Zoller, Bill Zoller, Don Hart, Christine Hart, Clay Schlarb, Roger & Sunny Casto, Jim Casto & Dulcie Haas, Richard Buchman, Earl & Helen Dennis, Ralph Hardesty  
Richard & Bertha Pottmeyer, Gilbert & Aline Pottmeyer, Leo & Alice Strahler, Oscar & Clara Miller  
Robert & Elizabeth Pottmeyer, Pete & Rita Miller, Jay Pottmeyer, Dave Pottmeyer, Mary Turnbach, Tim Miller, Noble & Monica Dietz, Judy Britton  
Earl & Justine Tornes, Ralph & Elizabeth Parks, Clyde DeLong, George & Mildred Lang, Alfred & Hilda Tornes  
George Pooler, Ben Sauer  
Bob & Betty Pottmeyer, Ray Kern, Doug Kern, Dave Pottmeyer, Jay Pottmeyer, Alecia Fouss, Alfred & Helen Pottmeyer  
Robert & Elizabeth Pottmeyer, Robert & Ellen Heiss, Francis Pottmeyer, Dave Pottmeyer, Jay Pottmeyer, Cindy Heiss, Bobbie Heiss  
Bob & Betty Pottmeyer, Dave Pottmeyer, Jay Pottmeyer, Bernard & Pauline Combs, Gary Combs, Dave Combs  
Family and Friends  
Penny Schwendeman, Dale & Katharine Schwendeman, Sidney & Frances Browning, Frank & Marie Schwendeman, Francis & Mary Luella Arnold, Jim Miller, Nelson Hendershot, Walter Rauch, Geno DeMaio, Linda Schott, Mary Browning, Don Coleman  
Deceased members of David & Dottie Schaad Family  
Larry Schaad, Ralph & Pauline Zoller, Lawrence & Margaret Schaad, Peggy Schaad, Richard Zoller, William Zoller, Roger Schaad, Tina Schaad  
George & Catherine Arnold, William & Elizabeth Schilling, LeAnne Schilling, Larry & Jackie Arnold, Ruth Mayo, Judy Britton, Charles Schilling

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Dave Huck Family  
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Regis Huck Family  
Larry Huffman Family  
Alan Kern Family  
Marilyn Kern Family  
David Kincaid Family  
Frank Knaus Family  
Jeff Lang Family  
  
John Lang Family  
  
Lewis R. Lang Family  
Ron Lang Family  
Russ Lang Family  
Kathy Lough Family  
Marilyn Pottmeyer Family  
  
Andy Miller Family  
  
Don Miller Family  
  
Ted Miller Family  
  
Doug Parks Family  
Julie Pooler Family  
  
Eric Pottmeyer Family  
  
Erin Pottmeyer Family  
  
Ted Pottmeyer Family  
Chad Dyar/Andrea Ralston  
  
Schwendeman Family  
David Schaad Family  
  
Janet Schaad Family  
  
Bernard Schilling Family

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Frank & Gladys Schilling  
Francis A. & Louise Schilling Family, Harold W. & Wanda Keller Family  
Ralph & Elizabeth Parks, Earl & Justine Tornes, Elden & Eva Haas, Charles & Elizabeth Schott,  
David Schott, Adam Biehl  
Alecia Fouss, Martha Huck, Ralph Schott  
Family & Friends  
John & Margaret McGuire, Frances & Mary McGuire, Leon & Charlotte Sisco  
Rob Adams, Clarence Skinner, Norbert Lang, Ludi Lang, Clarence & Eunice Walter, William  
& Eleanor Lang  
Glenn & Edna Smith, Sharon Sampson, Amy Smith, Eugene & Thelma Strosser, Vernon & Hilma  
Smith, Joseph & Mary Kern  
James M. Barrett, Ralph Stollar, Shirley Stollar Oliver  
Jim Thieman, Wilford & Mary Thieman, Bernard & Bob Thieman, Tom & Pat Thieman, Howard  
& Edna Dyar, Bernard Dyar, Dawn Lang, Jerry Strahler  
Tony Tornes, Raymond & Blanche Tornes, Alvin & Helen Smith, Leroy Marshall, Frank & Ruth  
Lang  
Frank & Gladys Schilling, Elmer & Mary Treadway  
Edwin & Helen Tornes, Marion & Shirley Wells, Donnie Wells, Msgr. Charles Highland, Fr. Virgil  
Reischman  
Fred, Rosemary, Joseph, Jerry, Tom and Maurice Heiss, Bill, Mary Lou, Sally Wesel, Other  
Deceased Family & Friends, Fr. Charles Highalnd, Fr. Charlie Moran, Fr. Virgil Reischman, Fr. Bob Kawa  
William & Raleen Heiss, Gary Edwards, Andy Brooker  
Paul, Rita, Mary and Sara Schwendeman and Family  
Norbert Lang, Ludi Lang, Rob Adams, Todd & Joyce Zoller

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Neil Schilling Family  
Norbert Schilling Family  
  
Derrick Schott Family  
Todd Schott Family  
Chris Semon Family  
Bill Sisco Family  
  
Jeff Skinner Family  
  
Jerry Smith Family  
Vince Stollar Family  
  
Norma Thieman Family  
  
Donna Tornes Family  
Jerry Treadway Family  
  
Tom Wells Family  
  
Bill Wesel Family  
Brandon Wheeler Family  
Michael Wolf Family  
Tim Zoller Family

*In Loving Memory*

*Those we love don't go away*  
*They walk beside us everyday*  
*Unseen, unheard, but always near*  
*Still loved, still missed and very dear*





**Christ the Teacher  
Diocesan Scholarship Fund**



~  
**“Turning Taxes into Tuition”**

**2024 Donor’s Bulletin/ Newsletter/ Pulpit Announcement:**

**Attention all Ohio State Taxpayers!**

Did you pay Ohio State taxes for the 2023 tax year? Did you know that a Scholarship Tax Credit program exists, which makes it possible to make a **no-net-cost** gift that will turn your Ohio tax dollars into tuition for students of any Catholic school you designate in the Diocese of Steubenville?

**How does it work?** It’s simple- make a contribution to the **Christ the Teacher Diocesan Scholarship Fund (CTDSF)** by April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, that will be eligible for a non-refundable 100% tax credit of up to \$750 (\$1,500 if married filing jointly) against your 2024 state tax liability. CTDSF will send you a tax receipt for filing your 2024 state income taxes; And notify the designated school of your contribution.

<b>EXAMPLE OF OHIO TAX CREDIT SCENARIOS*</b>			
<b>INDIVIDUAL</b>		<b>MARRIED, FILING JOINTLY</b>	
Ohio Income Tax owed	<b>\$1,000</b>	Ohio Income Tax owed	<b>\$2,000</b>
Tax Credit on \$750 contribution to the Christ the Teacher Scholarship Fund	<b>-\$750</b>	Tax Credit on \$1,500 contribution to the Christ the Teacher Scholarship Fund	<b>-\$1,500</b>
Ohio Income Tax owed after Tax Credit	<b>\$250</b>	Ohio Income Tax owed after Tax Credit	<b>\$500</b>

<b>Three Steps to Reduce Your State Tax Liability AND Support Catholic Education*</b>	
<b>Step 1</b>	Estimate your 2024 Ohio state tax liability - <i>see backside of this bulletin.</i>
<b>Step 2</b>	Submit your contribution to the CTDSF based on your Ohio state tax liability.
<b>Step 3</b>	Complete your 2024 Ohio income tax return and include your receipt from your contribution to the CTDSF <b>for a 100% tax credit up to \$750 (\$1,500 if married filing jointly).</b>

***\*This does not constitute income tax advice. Always consult with your tax professional for information on the impact of any charitable donation.***

<b>How to contribute to the Christ the Teacher Diocesan Scholarship Fund:</b>	
<b>Step 1</b>	Make check payable to <i>Christ the Teacher Diocesan Scholarship Fund Inc.</i> (A credit card payment option is not available at this time)
<b>Step 2</b>	Complete the 2024 CTDSF Contribution Form at <a href="https://www.diosteub.org/ctdsf">https://www.diosteub.org/ctdsf</a>
<b>Step 3</b>	Mail your check and completed contribution form to the address indicated on the contribution form. <i>A Tax Receipt for filing 2024 taxes will be mailed back to you!</i>

**ACT NOW to claim your 2024 state tax credit!**


**For More information, Contact Deacon Paul Ward at 740-317-4929 ext. 156**

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# Estimating Tax Liability

**2023 Ohio IT 1040**  
Individual Income Tax Return

SSN:

  
23000202 Sequence No. 2

7a. Amount from line 7 on page 1 .....7a.

8a. Nonbusiness income tax liability on line 7a (see instructions for tax tables).....8a.

8b. Business income tax liability – Ohio Schedule of Business Income, line 16 (include schedule) .....8b.

8c. Income tax liability before credits (line 8a plus line 8b) .....8c.

9. Ohio nonrefundable credits – Ohio Schedule of Credits, line 38 (include schedule).....9.

10. Tax liability after nonrefundable credits (line 8c minus line 9; if negative, enter zero) .....10.

EXAMPLE OF OHIO TAX CREDIT SCENARIOS*					
		INDIVIDUAL		MARRIED, FILING JOINTLY	
<b>8</b>		Ohio Income Tax owed	<b>\$1,000</b>	Ohio Income Tax owed	<b>\$2,000</b>
<b>c</b>			<b>0</b>		
<b>9</b>		Tax Credit on \$750 contribution to the Christ the Teacher Scholarship Fund	<b>-\$750</b>	Tax Credit on \$1,500 contribution to the Christ the Teacher Scholarship Fund	<b>-\$1,500</b>
<b>1</b>		Ohio Income Tax owed after Tax Credit	<b>\$250</b>	Ohio Income Tax owed after Tax Credit	<b>\$500</b>

Notes:

Line 8c- Income tax liability before credits-

This is the amount of Ohio Income Tax owed

Line 9- Ohio nonrefundable credits

Includes amount donated to ASF

Maximum amount is \$750 for individuals or \$1,500 for married couples filing jointly, where each spouse gives \$750

This amount cannot be greater than line 8c

This amount is subtracted from the amount on line 8c

Line 10- Tax liability after nonrefundable credits