

**DAILY SCRIPTURE & MASS INTENTION**

**Monday, February 25**

**Mass** 7:00 a.m.  
**Readings** Kay Campanile  
Dn 9:4b-10 Carolyn Masten  
Lk 6:36-38

**Tuesday, February 26**

**Mass** 8:30 a.m.  
**Readings** Carol Gutman  
Is 1:10, 16-20 John and Beth Sletten  
Mt 23:1-12

**Wednesday, February 27**

**Mass** 7:00 a.m.  
**Readings** Sharon Ann Borgert  
Jer 18:18-20 Duane and Lisa Johnson  
Mt 20:17-28

**Thursday, February 28**

**Mass** 8:30 a.m.  
**Readings** Michael and Julia Nesko  
Jer:17:5-10 Vince and Julia Bryant  
Lk 16:19-31

**Friday, March 1**

**Mass** 7:00 a.m.  
**Readings** Helen Heckman  
Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Bill and Margaret Brennan  
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday, March 2**

**Mass** 5:30 p.m.  
**Readings** Betty Burns  
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Grace Axer  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Sunday, March 3**

**Mass** *Third Sunday of Lent*  
8:00 a.m. Vincent F. Corrado  
**Readings** The Peter Corrado Family  
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15  
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12  
Lk 13:1-9  
10:00 a.m. Joseph Wiles, Jr.  
Ruth Wiles  
12:00 p.m. For The Parish

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP**

**February 16 and February 17  
Week # 34**

**Regular**

\$ 22,399.66 Weekend Total - Week # 34  
\$ 817,850.49 Yearly Total - Week # 34

**Holy Days**

\$ 00.00

**Total Holy Days**

\$ 55,177.14 Total Holy Days - Week # 34

**Regular & Holy Days**

\$ 873,027.63 Total Week - # 34

**Budgeted**

\$ 26,614.08 Each Weekend - Weeks # 1-52  
\$ 904,878.72 Total Budget through Week # 34

**Non-Parish Collection (s)**

\$ 5,144.82 Eastern Europe

**Parish Capital Debt Reduction-Third Sunday**

\$ 7,785.50 Total - February 16 - 17  
\$ 79,644.83 Total Through Week # 34  
\$ 985,320.55 Debt Principle as of 2/5/13  
Debt Retirement 2018

*FYI: \$ 9,035, monthly average cost for electricity (Jul 12-Jan 13) for seven months of the 12-13 budget year.*

**PRAY FOR THEM**

**FOR OUR MILITARY FAMILY MEMBERS  
DEPLOYED IN COMBAT AREAS**

*“Lord, protect our military as they sacrifice for us; bless them and their families for their continuing selflessness.”*

Please remember, with prayers, our military members - especially those deployed in combat areas.

USAF COL ART HUBER AFGHANISTAN-03/2013  
US ARMY MAJ MARK VAN HANEHAN AFGHANISTAN-06/2013  
USAF LTCOL WILLIAM GRESS AFGHANISTAN-06/2013  
USAF LTCOL SCOTT SUAZO AFGHANISTAN-06/2013  
USAF SRA MATTHEW K. BAUER KUWAIT-06/2013  
USAF LTCOL DANIEL MARTICELLO AFGHANISTAN-07/2013  
US ARMY LT DOMINIC LANZILLOTTA AFGHANISTAN-08/2013

If you would like to have a family member, who is currently deployed (military or civilian), listed in the bulletin for prayer, please call the parish office.



Saint Luke Parish extends its deepest sympathy to the family of Janet Jones, wife of Tom Jones. Please pray for all our departed friends and relatives.



Next weekend, March 2 and 3 is Catholic Ministries Appeal Commitment Weekend. Please join with Catholics in every parish who are giving generously in this Year of Faith by supporting the mission of the Church throughout the 19 counties of our Archdiocese. You may respond to Archbishop Schnurr's invitation by mail, online, or by placing your completed pledge form in the offertory. For more information on the CMA, please see the insert in today's bulletin or visit catholicappeal.info.

## LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

### REGULATION ON LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE:

The Church assigns two public acts of penance during Lent – (1) fasting from food; and (2) abstinence from meat. Both penances are assigned on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting from food - meals for a day equal to no more than one full meal is traditionally assigned to everyone between 18 and 59 years of age. Abstaining from meat - Fridays of Lent are traditionally assigned to everyone over 14 years of age. A Catholic is obligated to participate in these public penitential days. The Holy Father has taught that a person's failure to observe an individual day of public penance is not to be considered serious. A person's failure to observe a substantial number of penitential days, however, is to be considered serious. No one should be scrupulous in this regard. Instead, people should consider doing more individual, private acts of penance instead of the minimal days of public acts of penance.

## LENTEN SEASON

**LENTEN CALENDAR:** Parishioners are invited to refer to the Lenten Calendar for information, reminders and schedules of Lenten activities. Watch future weekend bulletins for updated notations. The calendar points to special Lenten prayer possibilities including Sunday Evening Vespers and Friday Way of the Cross, a schedule of Lenten and Easter worship, and Optional Weekly Almsgiving opportunities. Extra copies are available in Kramer Hall.

**LENTEN WEEKENDS - OPTIONAL LENTEN ALMS OFFERING:** An 'alms offering' is a deed of mercy or a sharing of money, clothes, food, etc., with those who are less fortunate. During Lent, parishioners are invited to participate in an optional weekly alms offering to various groups. The particular offering will be announced in the weekly bulletin and listed on the Lenten Calendar. **Next weekend, March 2 and 3, the alms offering will be items for Saint Vincent DePaul Pantry.**

**LENTEN FRIDAYS - WAY OF THE CROSS AND LENTEN DINNERS:** Each Lenten Friday Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Various parish groups will lead the Stations. Parishioners are also invited to share a soup-and-bread or a fish dinner from 5:15 - 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Center. Donations to the soup-and-bread dinners on March 1, 15, and 22 will go to area charities. The St. Luke's Knights of Columbus will host and serve a fish dinner on March 8.

**VESPERS:** Each Sunday through Palm Sunday, we will be praying Evening Prayer at 6:30 p.m. in St. Dominic's Chapel. Evening prayer is part of the Liturgy of the Hours, the official prayer of the Church. It provides a wonderful addition to your Lenten observance. Please come join us.

**LENTEN COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE:** Saint Luke Lenten Communal Reconciliation Service will be on Tuesday, March 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the main church.

**NO LENTEN BAPTISMS:** In the ancient tradition of the Church, the season of Lent is a special period for penance, prayer and fasting to: a) prepare the unbaptized for baptism and b) deepen the conversion and renewal of those who are baptized. In keeping this Lenten spirit, Saint Luke will not celebrate baptisms between Ash Wednesday and Easter. Naturally, circumstance, such as the welfare of the child, health of the mother or other serious pastoral reason, may dictate an exception.

**BAPTISMAL FONT EMPTIED DURING LENT:** The stark dryness of the font during the 40 days of Lent invites parishioner reflection on the gift of eternal life and victory over sin that is ours in waters of baptism. More mundanely, the draining and surface drying allow for an inspection, cleaning, repair and prevention efforts in the pool, over-flow basin, filters and pumps, and for stone / marble discoloring and resealing work.

## SOCIAL ACTION MINISTRY

*"Christ has no hands or feet on earth but ours..." St Teresa of Avila*

**CREATED FOR GIVING NEEDS HELP MAKING SUNDRESSES:** Last winter our Created for Giving project was making girls' sundresses and boys britches for children in Ethiopia, Kenya, Swaziland, and Zimbabwe. A friend of our St. Luke Social Action Ministry donated sundresses for Haiti. Over 230 sundresses and britches were sewn and delivered to children. This winter we are sewing again, and we invite you to join us. Workshops will be every week, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, all day. You're welcome to work an hour, a morning, an afternoon, or the whole day. Sewing skills are not necessary since much of the work is pressing, cutting, clipping threads, etc. Bring a friend or come meet new friends. Please call Dee at (937) 429-1265 if you are planning to come to a workshop. You can participate by making a money or fabric donation even if you are not able to attend the daytime workshops. We greatly appreciate help of any kind.

**MEAL-A-MONTH COLLECTION FOR SVDP PANTRY – ITEMS NEEDED:** Our St. Luke monthly Meal-a-Month collection, along with the food bank and others, support the SVdP Pantry. The food bank is no longer able to offer certain food items for distribution. There is also a need for personal care items for distribution. Please see the Flyer in today's Beam for more details on our Meal-a-Month collection.

**SVDP – BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED, PLAY DATES FLEXIBLE:** Currently, every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays each month our SVdP members and associates play Bingo at the Hospitality Homes East Nursing Home in Xenia from 2:00-3:00pm. We sit by the residents and help them play or just be at their sides as a partner. It is a wonderful experience – we look forward to seeing them and they look forward to seeing us (and, of course, to win some money!). We are in need of additional volunteers to help with this project. If Thursdays are a problem, we have the freedom to switch play-dates, i.e. Wednesdays. Whatever is possible for your schedule, as a regular or a sub, would be very much appreciated. Call Barb Zawila (429-2887) for more details.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**  
*opportunities to sustain and grow as faithful  
witnesses to the Good News of Jesus*

**ST LUKE HAPPENINGS**  
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS...WATCH FOR DETAILS**

*Catholicism: Our Faith Begins* April 22  
*Gaudium et Spes* study details coming  
*Your Spiritual Biography* details coming

**VATICAN II: DID YOU KNOW?**

Vatican II was in session only in the fall months, from 1962-1965. The bishops all went home in-between sessions.

+ **Catholicism: Our Faith** This is a study based on Fr. Robert Barron's popular video series. Dr. Jim Brown will facilitate Part 1 of the study on five Mondays, beginning April 22 and concluding on May 20 to be held from 7:00-9:00pm in Kramer Hall. The topics to be covered are: *Amazed and Afraid (Revelation); Happy Are We (Jesus); The Ineffable Mystery of God; Our Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast (Mary)*. The cost of the study materials is \$20. Register by contacting the Jansen Center at 937-426-1733 x 301 or by emailing [tsmith@saintlukeparish.org](mailto:tsmith@saintlukeparish.org). Registration deadline is April 10 in order to allow for time to order the necessary materials.

+ **Prayer for Pope Benedict XVI** O God, true shepherd of all the faithful, look with kindness on your servant Pope Benedict XVI, whom you set as head and shepherd of Your Church. We give you thanks for your grace at work in him as he has led us by word and example; in his teaching, in his prayer, and in his great love. Grant him your strength in frailty, comfort in sorrow, and serenity amid the trials of this world; and guide your Church, built on the rock of Peter, with the power of your Spirit as we continue on the path that leads to you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

+ **Prayer for the Election of a New Pope** O God, eternal shepherd, who govern your flock with unflinching care, grant in your boundless fatherly love a pastor for your Church who will please you by his holiness and to us show watchful care. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

+ **For Your Children, Grandchildren, Nieces and Nephews, Friends** *Bless My Child: A Catholic Mother's Prayer Book* by Julie Cragon includes prayers for potty training, loss of a pet, driving, choosing a college, and a first job interview. Prayers in the final chapter relate to serious illness and loss (Publisher: Ave Maria Press). *Friendship With Jesus: Pope Benedict XVI Talks to Children on Their First Holy Communion* includes children's questions and the Pope's answers. A great book to help children remember who was Pope when they were little. (Publisher: Ignatius Press).

+ **Lenten Almsgiving update from 2012** We have received a Project Update from Cross Catholic Outreach in light of last year's contribution of \$2,635.00. Your donations went to providing water for poor families in Cholle, Ethiopia and contributed to purchases of PVC water pipes, pipe fittings, water taps, steel connectors, cement, stones, and sand. The clean water now flowing in Cholle has become a lasting symbol of the living water offered in Christ Jesus, water that is free for all so they'll never thirst again. "Your compassion has helped bring clean water to a dry desolate community. Your gift will leave a legacy of hope that will be passed down to future generations." June Lawrence, Church and Community Development.

+ **Area Opportunities For Your Journey Of Faith In The Year Of Faith - 2013:**

**St. Meinrad Archabbey**

(See [www.saintmeinrad.org](http://www.saintmeinrad.org))

- The Joseph Story (Genesis 37-47)-March 1-3
- Forgiven and Forgiving-March 8-10
- The Passion(s) of the Christ-March 12-14
- Tuning Up for Easter-March 15-17
- Reflections on the Triduum-March 27-31
- Paschal Peace: The Essential Easter Gift-April 12-14
- The Biblical Story of David-May 17-19
- Pray Your Way to Happiness-May 31-June 2

**Spiritual Center of Maria Stein**

(See [www.spiritualcenter.net](http://www.spiritualcenter.net))

- Believe in a Non-Believing World-March 5
- Prayer in the Present Moment-April 5-7
- Do You Believe That?-April 18
- Finding God in All Things-April 26-27
- Live, Laugh, and Be Blessed-April 28

**Jesuit Spiritual Center at Milford**

(See [www.jesuitspiritualcenter.com](http://www.jesuitspiritualcenter.com))

- Meeting Christ in Prayer Lenten Series-Feb 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20
- Women Weaving Wisdom-April 19-21
- Personally Directed Retreats-April 19-21, May 17-24, June 12-19

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

For the Second Sunday of Lent (February 24, 2013)  
"This is my chosen Son; listen to him." Do you regularly carve out some time in your busy life to listen to what Jesus might want to tell you? How does listening to Jesus help you grow in your love for him? For the Church? For God's people-the Body of Christ? Do you hear Jesus inviting you to change? In what ways? How does changing make a difference to those who love you? To the stranger? This week, as part of your Lenten journey, set aside three different times to listen for your invitation.



## YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

### Youth Ministry Schedule 2013

Sunday Night Youth Ministry  
Middle School (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) and High School (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)  
February 24  
March 3, 10, 17, 24  
6pm-8:30pm - Bishop Ford Hall

Wednesday Night High School Youth Ministry  
Parish School of Religion (PSR)  
Journey Through the Bible  
7pm-8:15pm - Bishop Ford Hall

### Winter 2013

March 8-9 Confirmation Retreat

### Spring 2013

May 19 Many Gifts/One Spirit Talent Show

### Summer 2013

June 5 - August 2 Summer Friendship  
June 23-29 High School Gospel Road: Chicago  
July 12-14 Steubenville Youth Conference  
August 5-9 Cross Training

### Summer 2013

Young Adult Mission Trip  
Harlan, Kentucky, June 2<sup>nd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>

**VIRTUS® “Protecting God’s Children Sessions” on the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Decree on Child Protection:** All employees and regular volunteers in the Archdiocese who have contact with children are required to be trained or re-trained using VIRTUS® materials. **(regardless of previous training)** St. Luke will host its monthly session on Tuesday, **February 26** in Kramer Hall. Registration begins at 6:00 p.m. No child care provided. To register or for a list of available training dates in the area, go to [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org). If you have questions contact Bruce Guindon at (937) 426-1733 x 202 or [bguindon@saintlukeparish.org](mailto:bguindon@saintlukeparish.org).

**FINGERPRINTING GUIDELINES:** The fingerprinting process now requires applicants to obtain a signed Background Check Release Form from any Saint Luke office or pastoral staff member to vouch for the volunteer and accept the fingerprint expense. Fingerprinting is available at the following parishes - St Albert the Great, 3303 Far Hills Avenue, Kettering, OH 45429, (937) 293-1191 and St Peter, 6161 Chambersburg Road, Huber Heights, OH 45424, (937) 233-1503.

## RESPECT LIFE

### MARCH FOR LIFE DC TRIP 2013

What do you do on the way home from a really great trip? Start making plans to go back! On our first [St. Luke March for Life](#) bus trip, adults and youth from St. Luke and other parishes decided that the time with our fellow Catholics was so energizing, uplifting, and yes, fun, that after we share our experiences with our friends, we can easily fill two busses next year.

The day of the March began with a Youth Rally and Mass for Life. The March itself--really a walk that fills Constitution Avenue-- was officially estimated to have 650,000 participants from across the United States. The overall mood was youthful, exuberant, prayerful, gentle, optimistic, and overwhelmingly Catholic, as one could easily discern from banners and signs of the groups attending. One need be in D.C. for only a short time to see that these young people represent the future of the Church. In addition to being a positive witness supporting life, our group kept in mind the suffering of mothers and fathers who had made an abortion decision, and prayed that they would find healing and comfort through our Church. Rep. Jim Jordan hosted a reception for Ohioans in the Capital Visitor's Center after the March. We appreciated the parish prayers for a safe trip. The only snow we encountered, although more was forecast, was a gentle snow that started at the end of the March.

We stayed at Hotel Harrington, built in 1914, and just around the corner from the restaurant voted to have the best burgers in D.C. In addition to March for Life activities, we toured Arlington Cemetery where 4 of our youth participated in the changing of the guard ceremony, placing a wreath from St. Luke Church at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It was a special moment to hear St. Luke Church announced at this solemn ceremony. We toured D.C. monuments, shopped and ate at the Pentagon Mall, and attended Mass at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

The day of our return, we stopped at Baltimore. All of our youth participated in raising the huge flag (replica of the flag that inspired the Star Spangled Banner) at Ft. McHenry. We then toured the Baltimore Basilica, the first Catholic cathedral to be built in this country. On the way home we tried to finish the snacks we'd loaded in the bus at the beginning of the trip, and began talking about next year's trip--the possibility of having a youth bus and an adult bus, of stopping at Hershey and Philadelphia en route or at Monticello and Mt. Vernon. Much is to be decided, but the general strong consensus was that we would do this again. Watch the bulletin and please consider joining us as plans evolve for next year's trip.



**GYM COORDINATORS NEEDED:** The athletic department is in need of 2 gym coordinators to volunteer October 2013-March 2014. The coordinators will split time and responsibilities. The volunteers will receive free entry fee for all sports for their own children. If interested please email Jeff Lencke Athletic Director at [Lencke33@gmail.com](mailto:Lencke33@gmail.com).

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Monday, February 25, 2013

Prayer Shawl Group in Kramer Hall (9:30 AM - 11:30 AM)  
Sewing Guild in Kramer Hall (9:30 AM - 11:30 AM)  
Rosary Club in Parish Center (3:00 PM - 4:30 PM)  
Little Flowers Club in Jansen Center East (3:00 - 4:45 PM)  
Girl Scout Troop #30146 in Art Room (3:10 PM - 4:30 PM)  
CYO Sports in Gym (5:30 PM - 9:30 PM)  
Cub Scout #85 Meeting in Parish Center (6:00 - 9:00 PM)  
Threshold Bible Study in Kramer Hall (7:00 PM - 8:30 PM)  
Al-Anon Family Group in Jansen East (7:30 PM - 8:30 PM)  
Adult Men's Volleyball in Gym (9:00 PM - 11:00 PM)

### Tuesday, February 26, 2013

Women of Faith in Kramer Hall (9:00 AM - 12:00 PM)  
Leisure Club Board in Jansen East (1:00 PM - 3:00 PM)  
School Chess Club in Kramer Hall (3:00 PM - 4:00 PM)  
CYO Sports in Gym (5:30 PM - 9:30 PM)  
Virtus Training in Kramer Hall (6:00 PM - 9:30 PM)  
Open House in School (6:30 PM - 7:30 PM)  
SVDP Weekly Meeting in Jansen West (7:00 PM - 8:00 PM)  
Boy Scout #85 PLC in Jansen Rose (7:00 - 8:30 PM)  
Adult Faith Committee in Jansen East (7:00 PM - 9:00 PM)

### Wednesday, February 27, 2013

Girl Scout #30427 in Parish Center (3:00 - 4:30 PM)  
Parish School of Religion in School (4:15 PM and 7:00 PM)  
CYO Sports in Gym (5:30 PM - 9:30 PM)  
Eucharistic/Lector Training in Church (6:30 PM - 8:00 PM)  
\*Choir Rehearsal in Music Room (7:00 PM - 9:00 PM)  
High School PSR in Youth Room (7:00 PM - 8:15 PM)  
Small Christian Community Jansen East (7:00 - 8:30 PM)  
Light Weigh Meeting in Jansen West (7:00 - 9:00 PM)

### Thursday, February 28, 2013

Light Weigh in Jansen Center West (11:00 AM - 1:00 PM)  
Daisy Troop #32722 in Parish Center (3:00 PM - 4:30 PM)  
CYO Sports in Gym (5:30 PM - 9:30 PM)  
RCIA in Jansen Center West (7:00 PM - 8:30 PM)  
K of C Business Mtg. in Bishop Ford Hall (7:00 - 10:00 PM)  
OLGC in Jansen Center East (7:30 PM - 9:00 PM)

### Friday, March 1, 2013

Matthew Bible Study in Jansen East (8:30 - 10:30 AM)  
Soup/Bread Dinner in Parish Center (5:15 PM - 6:15 PM)  
Stations of the Cross in Church (7:00 PM)

### Saturday, March 2, 2013

Adult Basketball in Gym (6:00 AM - 8:30 AM)  
CYO Sports in Gym (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM)  
St. Luke Badminton Club in Gym (7:00 PM - 9:00 PM)

### Sunday, March 3, 2013

Boosters Italian Feast in Parish Center (4:30 PM - 7:00 PM)  
Sunday PSR in Jansen Center East (9:45 AM - 11:00 AM)  
Early Childhood in School and Gym (9:45 AM - 11:00 AM)  
CYO Sports in Gym (1:00 PM - 5:00 PM)  
Sunday Night Youth Ministry in Bishop Ford Hall, Youth Ministry Room, and Gym (6:00 PM - 8:15 PM)

\*Change from regular meeting time

## HERE AT SAINT LUKE

**SAINT LUKE LEISURE CLUB:** St. Luke Leisure Club's reservations for our annual Spring Fling on March 17<sup>th</sup> are due to Ellen Sisk by March 10<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$15.50 per person. Reservations (including payment) can be mailed to her at 548 Westwood Dr. Fairborn, OH 45324

**FISH DINNER RESCHEDULE:** The encore (2<sup>nd</sup>) Knights of Columbus Lenten Family Fish Dinner has been rescheduled to Friday, 08 March 2013, in the Parish Center. More information to follow.

**FRIENDS OF PEGGY ZOPFF:** We had a great turnout and outpouring of support for the dodgeball fundraising event last Sunday to celebrate the life of Peggy Zopff! It was a lot of fun and fellowship and I wanted to say thank you to everyone who contributed and attended! Special thanks to the volunteers who spent many hours planning, setting up, and running the event. What a great show of faith and support by our parish. God bless you all! We have raised over \$7,000 for the Zopff family and still counting....

## AROUND THE AREA

**ELIZABETH'S NEW LIFE CENTER VOLUNTEERS:** Elizabeth's New Life center is seeking qualified receptionist volunteers for their Kettering and Dayton locations during weekday hours, 3-4 hour shifts once a week. For more information please visit [www.elizabethnewlife.org](http://www.elizabethnewlife.org) and click on the "volunteer" quick link.

**ELIZABETH'S NEW LIFE CENTER EMPLOYMENT:** Elizabeth's New Life Center, a faith based ministry is seeking a part time HR Director. Previous HR Management experience required. For complete job description and to apply visit [www.ElizabethNewLife.org](http://www.ElizabethNewLife.org)

**THEOLOGY ON TAP BEAVERCREEK:** Theology on Tap (ToT) is a lecture and discussion series for people in their 20's and 30's, single or married. ToT Beaver creek will meet **Tuesdays in March at LaRosa's Pizzeria**, 2453 Esquire Dr., Beaver creek (off N. Fairfield Rd), for food, drink and lively discussion about things that matter to young adults and the Catholic faith. We gather at 7:00 p.m. and the speaker begins at 7:30 p.m. The program concludes at 8:45 p.m. Join us **March 5- Dating for Christians: Beyond the Don'ts** - It's not about what the Church says you can't do; it's about finding true freedom and joy as you explore relationships. **Presenters: A Panel of Young Adults—Josh & Katie Englefield and Friends.** There is no charge for attending. Food and drink is on your own, however. All young adults are welcome. For more information, contact the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry at (937) 223-1001 or visit our website at [www.CatholicCincinnati.org/ministries-offices/young-adult](http://www.CatholicCincinnati.org/ministries-offices/young-adult).

## AROUND THE AREA

**SISTERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD COME AND SEE WEEKEND:** “Is God calling you to feel motivated beyond yourself?” The Sisters of the Precious Blood are hosting a “Come and See” Weekend of Reflection for women 18-45 who are interested in learning more about life as a consecrated woman. The event will be held March 8-10 at St. Charles Senior Living Center in Carthagena. Reservations are due by March 3 and can be made by e-mailing Sister Mary Yarger at [vocations@cppsadmin.org](mailto:vocations@cppsadmin.org). There is no cost for the event. The Sisters of the Precious Blood are united by a rich and active contemplative spirituality that is firmly rooted in Eucharist prayer and devoted to the Precious Blood of Jesus.

**CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL’S ALUMNI IRISH FISH FRY:** Join us in the Carroll cafeteria/gym on Friday, March 15th from 6:00 p.m. to midnight for delicious Icelandic Cod, games of chance, silent auction items, and live entertainment. The Celtic Academy of Irish Dancers will be on stage at 6:30 p.m. and the Nugent Academy of Irish Dancers will be on stage at 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$16 at the door and \$13 pre-sale in Carroll’s main office or online at [www.carrollhs.org/2013alumnifishfry](http://www.carrollhs.org/2013alumnifishfry) until March 14. Public are welcome (21 and over). For more information, call (937) 253-8188, ext. 339.

**A FRANCISCAN COME AND SEE WEEKEND:** A Come and See Weekend for single, Catholic women ages 18-45 interested in learning more about Franciscan religious life on Saturday and Sunday, March 23-24, 2013 at the convent of the Sisters of St. Francis, Oldenburg, IN. The convent is located 3 miles off I-74W at exit 149. There is no fee. Come, begin your Holy Week with Franciscan sisters, pray with them, learn about their lives and experience community. For more information or to register, contact Sr. Joan Miller, PO Box 100 Oldenburg, IN 47036; phone (812) 455-9348; email [joanm@oldenburgosf.com](mailto:joanm@oldenburgosf.com)

**CYO TRACK SIGN-UP FOR ALL 3RD – 8TH GRADE STUDENTS:** East Catholic Striders practices are held every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 5:30 to 7:30 at the Carroll High School Track beginning on Monday April 1, 2013 and track meets will be held on selected Sunday afternoons from April through May. A parents meeting will be held on Monday March 25, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at Carroll High School in the cafeteria, this meeting is for all parents who have a child signed up for the program or for parents who would like more information. Registration forms can be found in your school office. Please return completed forms to the school office and contact Cara DiSalvo for more information 937.657.0649.

**PLEASE PATRONIZE THESE SPONSORS AS A THANK YOU FOR THEIR KIND GENEROSITY**