



IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Leading people to Jesus through Worship, Community, Service, and Devotion to Mary

Celebration of

Holy Mass

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

DAILY MASSES

Monday: 8:30 a.m., Tuesday: 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

8:30 a.m., 7 p.m. or as announced

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION

Tuesdays: 5:30-6 p.m.

Fridays: Following the 8:30 a.m. Mass, 9:15-9:45 a.m. or by appointment

BAPTISM

For detailed information related to preparation and scheduling, please contact Barb Fortkamp at (614) 267-9241, ext. 307 or at bfortkamp@iccols.org.

MARRIAGE

Couples should inquire at least 12 months in advance of the intended date. A marriage preparation program is required. For information, contact Elizabeth DeLuca (614) 267-9241, ext. 304 or at edeluca@iccols.org.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND PASTORAL MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

If there is an emergency need for Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office. If you get the voicemail message, press "1" and leave a message on the sacramental emergency line. Pastoral Care needs contact Barb Fortkamp at (614) 267-9241, ext. 307 or at bfortkamp@iccols.org.

FUNERAL AND BEAVEMENT MINSITRY

Family of the deceased loved one should contact Barb Fortkamp at (614) 267-9241, ext. 307 or at bfortkamp@iccols.org.

RCIA

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the formation program of inquiry, discernment and instruction for adults. If you are interested in learning more about our faith and becoming Catholic, Please contact Mary Ann Rivera at (614) 267-9241, ext. 293 or at marivera@iccols.org.

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40
4:00 p.m. Ray Cook †

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46
8:30 a.m. Earl & Winifred Hummer †
11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4
8:30 a.m. Clara Hill †

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11
6:15 p.m. Michael Kelsey †

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19
8:30 a.m. Theresa Bowers †

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28
9:00 a.m. Charles & Irene Cull †

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Lk 21:29-33
8:30 a.m. Barbara Mangini †

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36
4:00 p.m. For the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37
8:30 a.m. Ed & Lorraine McMahon †
11:00 a.m. Deceased Members
of the Homonnay Family †

† Deceased

NOVEMBER CONTRIBUTORS TO THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

The Sanctuary lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle. For the month of November, two Sanctuary candles in the Church were donated by **Dennis Wilcox** and the third candle was donated by the **Dennis and Paula Mong**. Thank you for your generosity.

DONATIONS TO THE SANCTUARY LAMPS

Parishioners interested in contributing to a candle for one or more of the three Sanctuary Lamps in the Church, please contact Sue Beman at (614) 214-5333 or Beman_sue@yahoo.com to make arrangements. Contributors' names will be included in the Sunday bulletin. The suggested offering is \$25.00 per candle. The I.C. Women's Club thanks you for supporting this ministry.

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SCHEDULING MASS INTENTIONS

One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead (a spiritual work of mercy). The greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass, since the fruits of the Mass are the very fruits of Jesus' redemption. You can schedule a Mass intention for deceased friends and loved ones by calling the parish office at (614) 267-9241, or by turning in a written request (iccols.org). Mass stipends (offerings) are \$10 each. Mass intentions can also be requested for special intentions.

IN OUR PARISH



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Mass will be at 9 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day. We pray and give thanks to God for our many gifts. Please keep in your prayers the people who work hard to produce the food we eat, and those who suffer from food insecurity. Please consider donating non-perishable food to the St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Food Drive. This year, we will have a drive-thru drop off following the 9 a.m. Thanksgiving Mass. Please do not bring your donations into the church.

LIVE-STREAM LINK

To view the Mass, either live-streamed or recorded, please go to the parish website at www.iccols.org and click on the tab "Live-streaming Masses" on the Home Page OR go <https://www.iccols.org/icmass/>.

**ADVENT WREATH TRADITION**

The use of the Advent Wreath is a traditional liturgical practice, which has found its place in the Church as well as in the home. The blessing of an

Advent Wreath takes place on the First Sunday of Advent or on the evening before the First Sunday of Advent. Throughout the Advent season, the wreath is kept on display.

ADVENT WREATH AND ADVENT CANDLES

If you did not turn in an order for Advent candles or wreaths, we may still have available supplies. Please call the parish office at (614) 267-9241 or email icoffice@iccols.org if you still need a wreath and/or candles. Look for other Advent resources in this bulletin which include a blessing for your Advent wreath and special Advent prayers.

CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT WORKSHOP

On Wednesday, December 2, from 6 p.m.-8 p.m., join Cornerstone of Hope to decorate an ornament in memory of your loved one while enjoying some holiday refreshments. The program is intended for children ages 5-18 and their parent or caregiver. Event is free, but registration is required. To learn more and to register, please visit <https://cornerstoneofhope.org/columbus/ornament-workshop/>.

**ROSARY AT THE GROTTA**

Please join us each Sunday evening at 8 p.m. to pray the Rosary at the IC Marian Grotto. All are welcome! Questions? Please contact peterjmccann@sbcglobal.net.



A big thank you to everyone that helped at the IC Fall Clean-up. While doing your own little part may not seem like much, in total, the place looks 100 times better than it did! We owe it to a great turnout from our parishioners and the Knights of Columbus! Thank you all. We especially thank John Bruzzese of the Knights, and Keith Altier, the IC Facilities Manager, who organized this massive effort.



The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

**SOCIAL CONCERNS****FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTION FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

St. Vincent de Paul will hold its 5th Sunday Collection on November 28 and 29. You may use the donation envelope in your packet or place your donation in an envelope marked St. Vincent at any time. Due to the current

situation, members will be unable to stand at the church doors to accept your donations. Your envelopes and cash donations can be placed in the safe in the Gathering Space next weekend. Clearly marked donations can be placed in the offertory boxes or sent to the parish office.

We ask your continued financial support for their charitable works. Many more families than usual are experiencing food insecurity at this time.

NEXT YWCA DINNER, DECEMBER 4, 2020

Sign up for the next YWCA Family Shelter dinner by going to the parish website at www.iccols.org, clicking on Quick Links on the blue bar, then the YWCA Shelter Dinner Sign-up. Many items are still needed.

Those who donate are to deliver donations directly to the shelter at 900 Harvey Court, Columbus, OH 43219. Please do not drop off your donations at Immaculate Conception. When you drop off donations at the YWCA directly, please call the front desk when you arrive at (614) 253-3910, ext. 3910, and a staff member will meet you at your car.

OPEN SHELTER MINISTRY – DECEMBER 7

Due to COVID, we will be delivering the Open Shelter food on Monday, December 7 at 9:30 a.m. Donation can be dropped off or pick up can be arranged. We will be donating hotdogs and buns (to be cooked at the Open Shelter office) along with items that can be included in sack lunches i.e. chips, water, fruit snacks, desserts, etc. Please text or call Cheryl Costello at (614) 774-8879 to make arrangements for pick up or drop off. Items should not be dropped off at IC. Thank you!

DONATING FOOD ITEMS TO PARISH FOOD MINISTRIES

Your food donations to the IC ministries to the homeless, needy, and those experiencing food insecurity, are a way of practicing the corporal work of mercy "To feed the hungry". God calls us to reach out and help those in need. Your food donations to the YWCA Family Shelter, Open Shelter and the IC St. Vincent de Paul food pantry are essential and appreciated.

However, due to this unusual year, we ask that you deliver donations directly to the organization requesting them.

Your donations to these ministries should not be dropped off in the Church, Gathering Space or Rectory.

WARNING FROM THE COLUMBUS DIOCESE – SCAMMERS CONTINUE TO SEND EMAILS AND TEXTS

If you receive an email or text requesting your help from Fr. Matt or other priests of the diocese, please disregard. Scammers for several years have been sending messages using priests' names to get items purchased. Please do not answer or give them anything – just delete. Please do not purchase anything for them. If you have a question, call the parish office.

TIME, TALENT & TREASURE

Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life

Fiscal Year 7/1/2020-6/30/2021 • Offertory Report 11/15/2020

	<u>11/15/2020</u>	<u>YTD 2020/2021</u>
Recorded Envelopes/Checks	\$ 22,766.77	\$ 428,568.04
Loose Cash	\$ 225.00	\$ 3,057.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$ 22,991.77	\$ 431,625.04
Weekly Operating Expenses	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 500,000.00
Weekly Overage (<i>Shortage</i>)	(\$ 2,008.23)	(\$ 68,374.96)

Families Receiving Envelopes	1,011
Envelopes Received	90
Families on EFT	365

Manage your electronic contributions online! Visit www.iccols.org and click "Offertory & Stewardship" under the Giving menu. Alternatively, text "Give" to (614) 953-6436. Thank you for your financial support of our Catholic faith here in our parish. We are grateful for your generosity.

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." - 1 Pt 4:10



All parishioners should have received information in the mail for the Parish Annual Appeal. Our parish operations – which includes salaries, utilities, routine and preventative maintenance, and support of all of the programs and ministries normally happening here on our Clintonville campus – are dependent on offertory income. Increasing offertory giving is key to our continued parish growth and sustainability! Please consider your commitment to meet the operational needs of Immaculate Conception Parish by returning your 2020-21 Offertory Commitment card or pledging online soon as possible. No gift is too great or too small!

THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

Nov. 26

Drop off following 9 a.m. Mass. Location is Garage.

Food Drive Items

- Creamy peanut butter 16oz jars
- Soups (Progresso or Healthy Choice (non-cream soups))
- Mac-and-Cheese
- Tuna fish
- Canned baked beans (Bush's baked beans)
- Canned Fruit (no pineapple)
- Canned whole kernel corn & Canned green beans
- Spaghetti, pasta & pasta sauce
- Meal helpers (Hamburger and Tuna Helper)
- Rice dinner mixes
- Boxed potatoes
- Canned dinners (Chef Boyardee and Spaghetti O's)

Drop donations at the Garage (east parking lot near Grotto) following the 9 a.m. Mass until 11 a.m. Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 26).

These items are supplemented with perishables such as milk, bread, eggs, fresh fruit and lunch meat.

Please note that NO donations are to be brought into the Church or Gathering Space.

THE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Please be generous in this week's annual collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty, defend life in all its circumstances, and provide sustainable futures for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds collected remain in our diocese to support local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work with those living on the margins. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection or by contacting Erin Cordle at the diocesan Office for Social Concerns, socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org. **To donate, you can use the designated envelope in your packet or place your donation in an envelope marked CCHD and place it in an offertory/candle box in a side chapel. Donations can also be dropped in the slot by the parish office door.**

CHRISTMAS CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY & MEMORIAL SERVICE

Honor someone special this Christmas by lighting a personalized candle in their memory at Cornerstone of Hope's annual Christmas Candle Lighting & Remembrance Service on Wednesday, December 9 at 7 p.m. We invite all families, whether your loss has been recent or years ago, to join us at this special event, and light a candle in memory of your loved one. Candles are \$20 each. Registration can be completed at <https://cornerstoneofhope.org/columbus/christmas-candle-lighting-remembrance-service/>.

St. Vincent DePaul, with the assistance of the IC Knights of Columbus, will hold its annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for the IC food pantry on Thanksgiving Day following the 9 a.m. Mass. Donations should remain in your car until Mass is ended. We will have a drive though drop-off in front of the garage in the east parking lot. Men from the Knights and St. Vincent de Paul will be there to direct you and unload your donations.



My loving Jesus, I choose You, this Advent, as my King and my God. I abandon myself to You and seek to put all my trust in Your tender care. Draw me close to You and free me from my sin so that I may love You with a pure and holy heart.

Mother Mary, as You carried your dear Son in your immaculate womb, you also carried Him in your heart. Pray for me, this Advent, that I may surrender myself to the will of the Father in imitation of you. You said “Yes” to all that God asked of you and never hesitated to fully embrace His divine will. Pray that I may imitate your perfect example so as to share a deeper union with you and your divine Son.

Come, Lord Jesus,
Come, Lord Jesus,
Come, Lord Jesus!
Amen.

Celebrate the Advent Saint Feast Days

Celebrate the saints of the Advent & Christmas season. In addition to **St. Andrew's feast day on November 30**—the Advent kickoff— there are other saints with feast days during Advent that have special cultural traditions associated with them. **St. Nicholas Day** is on **December 6**, the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception (a Holy Day of Obligation)** is **December 8th**, **Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day** is **December 12**, and **St. Lucy's feast day** is **December 13**.



Blessing of the Advent Wreath



The use of the Advent Wreath is a traditional practice which has found its place in the Church as well as in the home. The blessing of an Advent Wreath takes place on the First Sunday of Advent or on the evening before the First Sunday of Advent.

When the blessing of the Advent Wreath is celebrated in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another member of the family.

All make the sign of the cross as the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.
Response (R/.) Who made heaven and earth.

Then the Scripture, Isaiah 9: (lines 1-2 and 5-6) or Isaiah 63 (lines 16-17 & 19) or Isaiah 64 (lines 2-7) is read:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
R/. Thanks be to God.

With hands joined, the leader says:

Lord our God,
we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ:
he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples,
he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us,
he is the Savior of every nation.
Lord God,
let your blessing come upon us
as we light the candles of this wreath.
May the wreath and its light
be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation.
May he come quickly and not delay.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
R/. Amen.

The blessing may conclude with a verse from "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel":

O come, desire of nations, bind
in one the hearts of humankind;
bid ev'ry sad division cease
and be thyself our Prince of peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.



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Special Advent Prayers

Adopt special prayers during the Advent season. You can often find them in Advent devotional books.

There is the **St. Andrew Christmas Novena** which is traditionally prayed from the feast of St. Andrew (November 30) until Christmas Eve.

Another tradition is praying the **O Antiphons from the Liturgy of the Hours in the eight days leading up to Christmas.** The O Antiphons are the antiphons of the Evening Prayers (Vespers) during the week before Christmas. Each antiphon welcome the birth of the Savior by heralding one of the resplendent Biblical titles of the soon-to-be-born Son of God as foreshadowed in the Old Testament by the prophet Isaiah.

Jesse Tree: If you have kids, the Jesse Tree (named after the father of King David, the ancestor of Jesus, as mentioned in Isaiah 11) is a fun biblical activity during the Advent season which prepares for the birth of Christ and his mission. It's fun for kids and great catechesis. It goes through the ancestry of Jesus and how all of his ancestors played a role in salvation history. The tree created can then be used as a holiday decoration.

St. Andrew Novena



HAIL AND BLESSED BE THE HOUR AND MOMENT IN WHICH THE SON OF GOD WAS BORN OF THE MOST PURE VIRGIN MARY, AT MIDNIGHT, IN BETHLEHEM, IN PIERCING COLD. IN THAT HOUR, VOUCHSAFE, O MY GOD! TO HEAR MY PRAYER AND GRANT MY DESIRES, THROUGH THE MERITS OF OUR SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST, AND OF HIS BLESSD MOTHER. AMEN.

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+MICHAEL AUGUSTINE, Archbishop of New York
New York, February 6, 1897

It is piously believed that whoever recites the above prayer fifteen times a day from the feast of St. Andrew (30th November) until Christmas will obtain what is asked

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NOVEMBER 30 - DECEMBER 24

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First Sunday of Advent
Light the Prophecy
Candle which
represents hope.
Pray and give thanks for
the moments of hope
this year.

Second Sunday of Advent
Light the Bethlehem
candle which represents
Faith. Pray that Jesus
may give us faith in all
circumstances.

Third Sunday of Advent
Light the Shepherd's
Candle which
represents Joy. Pray
that in the waiting we
may wait with Joyful
hearts.

Fourth Sunday of Advent
Light the Angel's candle
which represents peace.
Pray that we may be filled
with God's deep abiding
peace and share that peace
with others.

#GIVINGTUESDAY™



Dec. 1, 2020

Immaculate Conception Parish is excited to direct 100% of the funds we collect on #GivingTuesday to

**Women's
Care Center**

Women's Care Center helps pregnant women from our communities choose life for their babies, have healthier pregnancies become better parents and take first steps to self-sufficiency. Through 31 centers in ten states, this unique unconditionally loving counseling model is a magnet for pregnant women in need. Donors like you help sustain Women's Care Center as a beacon of hope for abortion vulnerable women.



HELPING WOMEN CHOOSE LIFE!

Any donation to our #GivingTuesday campaign can help make a difference in the life of a mother and child!

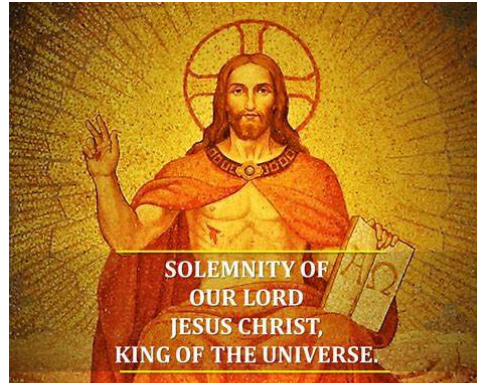
- \$10 - 1 Bottle of Prenatal Vitamins
- \$25 - 5 Brand New Children's Books
- \$50 - 1 Infant Car Seat
- \$83 - Life-saving Counseling & Ultrasound for 1 Woman
- \$100 - Care Beyond a Choice for Life: Classes & Goals Sessions
- \$150 - 1 Crib & Mattress
- \$300 - Care for 1 Woman from a Choice for Life to Self-sufficiency

*1 in 9 babies born
in Franklin
County start at
one of our local
centers!*

Visit https://bit.ly/2020GivingTues_WomenCareCtr on December 1 to donate today!

FAITH FORMATION

Immaculate Conception Church November 22, 2020



On the last Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

In today's the gospel (Matthew 25:31-46) Jesus tells of the Judgement of the Nations, where those who served him in this life are separated from those who did not. This would be a good weekend to focus on the corporal works of mercy and the spiritual works of mercy.

What in our lives will Jesus judge? Jesus tells us he will judge us by our treatment of him in our fellow humans. Six of the seven corporal works of mercy are listed in the Gospel today. We add burying the dead to that list of corporal works of mercy. Just as Jesus received his place at the right hand of the Father in heaven by self-sacrifice we too will receive our place in the kingdom.

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The Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the imprisoned
- Bury the dead

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

- Admonish the sinner
- Instruct the ignorant
- Counsel the doubtful
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Forgive all injuries
- Pray for the living and the dead



Thanksgiving is a great Feast made even fuller in meaning for the believing and practicing Christian, when we examine the word itself. The word “**Eucharist**” in our lexicon as Catholics, means Thanksgiving. “Thanksgiving” in Greek is **Eucharistia**. Thus, the Body and Blood of Christ is the true “Thanksgiving Meal”. For Catholics, thanksgiving is a daily and weekly occurrence through the Mass, where the Eucharist becomes the greatest feast.

St. Patrick's Church

SCHOOL NEWS & ACTIVITIES

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHOOL

Our first graders dressed up as saints in celebration of All Saints Day. They did research and found important facts about their saint including how they would have dressed. Here are links to our first graders as they depict their patron saint and share a few words about themselves: <https://bit.ly/3zSMHc4>; <https://bit.ly/3zU1Vxh>

MERIT AND HONOR ROLLS

Congratulations to all IC student parishioners for their outstanding academic work which earned recognition on the Honor or Merit Rolls in our Catholic High Schools of Bishop Watterson High School, St. Charles Preparatory School, St. Francis DeSales High School and Cristo Rey Columbus High School.

BISHOP WATTERSON HIGH SCHOOL

Our Fall Open House has gone virtual. – Find out what we are all about! Bishop Watterson's traditional fall open house has gone virtual for 2020 and all are invited! Our Virtual Open House, available 24/7, offers an opportunity to hear from Deacon Chris Campbell, our principal, and learn about topics such as school counseling, college counseling, campus ministry, athletics, performing arts, service, student wellness, finance and scholarships and our Dominican Program. Don't miss the virtual tour of our campus or the Zoom panel with current BWHS students! Start your "visit" by clicking to tell us about your potential Eagle and to be added to our communication list! <https://www.bishopwatterson.com/virtualopenhouse2020/>

FOR WOMEN DISCERNING RELIGIOUS LIFE

Women, ages 18-45, the Dominican Sisters of Peace invite you to an online mini-retreat where you can ponder and explore the meaning of Advent as you wait in joyful hope for where God is calling you. Come to pray, listen, and share hope together on Sunday, November 29 from 2 to 5 p.m. You can register by visiting our website at oppeace.org or call or text Sister Maidung Nguyen at (405) 248-7027 or email mdnguyen@oppeace.org.

POPE FRANCIS' ENCYCLICAL ON SOLIDARITY

Pope Francis' new social encyclical on solidarity, Fratelli Tutti: On Fraternity and Social Friendship, promotes authentic ways to build a more just and peaceful world, within relationships, social life, politics, and institutions. The Holy Father addresses the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and many of the social issues the world is struggling with today. Reminding us that we are all brothers and sisters as children of the one Creator, Pope Francis calls on the Church and all people of good will to enter into a renewed commitment to seek unity of the human family. To read Fratelli Tutti online, visit www.vatican.va.

SURVEY TO FALLEN AWAY CATHOLICS

The Diocese of Columbus is studying information as part of a strategic planning process to evangelize the future of the Catholic faith. Current and local information from individuals on why they no longer attend Church or no longer consider themselves Catholic would be very helpful in the planning process. There is great value knowing these answers to address the evangelization needs specifically in our Diocese for the future. While many of us may think we know the reasons or assume them, the Diocese really wants to hear from the people themselves. Therefore, please help get the word out to take this survey by those who have fallen away from the Church or who are no longer active in the Church. This may be a loved one, a child who no longer attends, a sibling who moved away, a friend, an acquaintance, etc. Please only ask people to take the survey if they have fallen away from the Church or are no longer active in the Church. Here is the survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LDH6SDH>. Paper copies are available at the church doors.

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