

# The Torch



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St. Dominic  
Parish

Delhi Township,  
OH

March 2017

## Lenten Lecture Series

### "Renewing Our Discipleship"

You may not think of yourself as a disciple, but we are all called to be disciples, followers of Jesus. Please join us for all or at least some of the wonderful opportunities awaiting us this Lent!

**Wednesday, March 8, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Deacon Amado Lim,**

*Renewing our Discipleship through the Eucharist*

**Wednesday, March 15, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Fr. Ray Kellerman,**

*Renewing our Discipleship through Transformation*

**Wednesday, March 22, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Fr. Jim Schutte,**

*Renewing our Discipleship through Mercy,*

*Be Merciful as Your Heavenly Father is Merciful*

**Wednesday, March 29, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Bishop Joe Binzer,**

*Renewing Our Discipleship through Reflecting on Events in One's Life:*

*What I've Learned in Following Jesus*

**Wednesday, April 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Fr. Bob Hater,**

*Renewing our Discipleship through Finding God in the Stories of our Lives:*

*Reflections on the Family*

## Christ Renews His Parish



### Women's Weekend - March 11 & 12

*What is Christ Renews His Parish and what happens on these CRHP weekends?* Christ Renews His Parish is a program designed to bring parishioners together in Christ. The process includes some group discussion, some prayer together, and some reflections by team members on such subjects as: The Father's Loving

Care for us, Renewal, Discipleship, etc. There is an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We celebrate the Eucharist together. In a relaxed atmosphere, you can expect a new awareness of God's many blessings in your life and an opportunity to respond to Christ's call to a closer and deeper relationship with him. Call Fr. Jim or Carole at 471-7741 to reserve a spot.

## May They Rest in The Peace of the Lord

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the following parishioners, as they have entered eternal life.

**Shirley Cochran**, wife of Ken Cochran, mother of James Cochran, William Cochran, David Smith, Greg and Patricia Cochran and Yvette and Jim Gronefeld.

**Alma Smith**, mother of Robert L. and Bernadine Smith, Frank and Anita Smith, Steve Smith, Nancy L. and Steve Wogenstahl, Karen Werling and Cindy and Michael Studt.

**Geraldine West**, mother of Jeannine and Joseph Bendas, Jan and John Steinman and Jeffrey and Kim West.

**Mary Elaine Schoener**, mother of Mike and Barb Schoener, Mary Beth and Mike Hart, Monica Schoener, John and Jane Schoener, Jim and Amy Schoener and Jennifer and Greg Vatter.

**Charlie Lipps**, husband of Mary Lipps, father of Charles and Michelle Lipps, Jim Lipps, Russ and Tina Lipps, Randy and Missy Lipps and Michael and Katie Lipps.

**Alvin "Toby" Binder**, husband of Elaine Binder, father of David Binder, Diane and Rick Segers, Don and Rena Phipps Binder, Denise and Pat Murray and Debbi and Brett Papenhagen.

**Carolyn Hater**, mother of David and Renae Hater, Michael and Lenore Hater and Todd and Karen Hater.

**Janice Wetterich**, wife of Scott Wetterich, mother of Ashley and Amber Wetterich.

## Celebration of the Feast of St. Joseph

Our St. Joseph celebration will take place on Saturday, March 18. We will begin serving at 5:30 p.m. The St. Joseph Table tradition began in Italy in the Middle Ages, as a way of honoring and thanking St. Joseph for his intercession. If you have a devotion to St. Joseph or have asked him to intercede, come and join the celebration in his honor. Of course, you don't need to have a special devotion to St. Joseph in order to join us for a great time. Since the St. Joseph dinner is on Saturday and the rules of abstinence do not apply, as they did in Italy when the tradition began, we will be serving meatballs with the meal, even though the purest of St. Joseph Day celebrations continue to be meatless.

Due to the nature of the dinner, and the overwhelming response in the past, we need to know the approximate number attending, and we do find it necessary to limit the number. Please RSVP as soon as possible to Deacon Mark at 471-7741, ext. 415. We are asking for a donation of \$10 per adult and \$5 per child to cover the cost of food, soft drinks and coffee. Diners may bring their own wine if they like.

Vive San Giuseppe!



Wednesday, March 1 is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten Season. Catholics and other Christians observe Lent as a special time of prayer, fasting, and acts of charity in preparation for the celebration of the Resurrection. We should look at the Lenten season as an extended retreat. Although our personal observance of Lent may seem to be a private journey, it takes place within the Church community, as the People of God seek spiritual renewal.

St. Dominic Parish is again participating in CRS Rice Bowl as a part of our Lenten observance. CRS Rice Bowl calls the parish community to pray, fast, and learn throughout the Lenten season. This program is offered by Catholic Relief Services, through the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. The funds raised through CRS Rice Bowl support both overseas and local projects that help families and communities produce more food, increase income, and escape the cycle of poverty. Twenty-five percent of the funds remain in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, funding projects in our community. In the past several years, our parish has come together in great support of CRS Rice Bowl, and we hope you will participate again this Lent.

We ask that each family consider taking home a Rice Bowl kit. These kits are available in the Gathering Place. Each kit contains the "rice bowl," a Lenten calendar with prayers, suggested activities, and ideas on how you may participate in CRS Rice Bowl in your home (there are Spanish calendars available upon request).

As many of you have witnessed over the past several years, CRS Rice Bowl is a wonderful opportunity for you and your family to journey through Lent together with the larger parish family. At the same time, through prayer, fasting, and acts of charity, we also express our solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Christ who may be less fortunate.

Together, may St. Dominic Parish witness to the good news of Jesus Christ!  
Deacon Mark

### **Bible Study with Fr. Jim and Fr. Chris**

Bible Study will begin on Monday, March 6. We will meet in O'Connor Hall at 7:00 p.m. and finish studying the Acts of the Apostles. Please prepare lesson five before the first meeting. If you are new this session, call Fr. Chris at 471-7741, ext. 419 so he can get you materials.

**Bible Study will be held on Mondays this session.**



## Lenten Regulations for Fast and Abstinence

**Ash Wednesday, March 1 and Good Friday, April 14, are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast (that is, limited to a single full meal).** With regard to Good Friday, the teaching of the Second Vatican Council should be recalled:

Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with an uplifted and clear mind. Constitution on the Liturgy, No. 110

**The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.** The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years of age and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (Canons 97 and 1252).

With regard to the obligatory days listed above, there are frequent questions about the degree of seriousness of the matter. The teaching of the Holy Father may be simply paraphrased: the obligation to do penance is a serious one; the obligation to observe, as a whole or "substantially," the penitential days specified by the Church is also serious. No one should be scrupulous in this regard; failure to observe an individual day of penance is not considered serious. People should seek to do more, rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimum response to the Lord's call to penance and conversion.



### St. Dominic Festival

Plans are underway for the 2017 St. Dominic Parish Festival. Mark your calendars for May 26, 27, and 28 for a weekend of family fun. We have some new things in store for you this year. We will still have our popular Baskets and Silent Auction items plus, lots of great food and games for adults

and kids alike. Watch for Major Award Tickets, \$10,000 grand prize, only 2,000 sold. Also, watch for our Band Announcements! So, make sure to bring your friends and join in the fun on Memorial Day weekend.

We will be looking for help setting up the week of the festival. Setup always starts on Tuesday night. Lots of volunteers make the work much easier. The Boy Scouts do a fantastic job with cleanup every night, but we could use help putting it all together.

We are also looking for people who are willing to fill a Booth Chair position. We have a few openings. Is God calling you? It's a great way to help your church and school raise money to keep costs down. If interested, please call either Joan Mattei at 884-0641 or Julie Patrick at 680-2529.

Watch the bulletin for more information.

God Bless,

Joan Mattei & Julie Patrick

Festival Co-Chairs



## Goldenaires

Here is a reason and opportunity to clean out your closets. Remember that item (centerpiece or decoration) you loved a few years ago? Has it lost its appeal? On Monday, March 20, you will have the chance to trade it for something different. We are having a brown bag lunch (soda, water and coffee provided) at 11:30 a.m. At that time, you can bring in that treasure of yours which has lost its shine in your eyes and trade it for someone else's item. You may bring in up to five items. (No clothing, PLEASE! Pots, pans, coffeemakers are welcome.) At noon we will begin our "swap". All items not "swapped" by 2:00 p.m. will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul. If you have any questions, or for registration, call Joan Wichmann at 922-6993. (No charge - just need the number of people so we have enough drinks.)

## St. Dominic Tuition Reduction Program



**Panera Bread Fund Raiser** - On Monday, March 27, the St. Dominic Tuition Reduction Program will hold a fund raiser at the Western Hills Panera Bread from 4:00-9:30 p.m.; 15% of all sales will be donated back to the Tuition Reduction Program. Dine-in, carry-out, AND gift card sales are included. Panera Bread gift cards make GREAT Easter gifts. Please come out and join us for a fun night with friends and family, that supports a GREAT cause! A flyer is needed for a donation to be made. Flyers will be available in March. If you need a flyer or have questions, please email Amy Walter at [awalter@fuse.net](mailto:awalter@fuse.net) or Pam Kent at [tkent12089@aol.com](mailto:tkent12089@aol.com). Thank you for your continued support of the Tuition Reduction Program!!! We hope to see you at Panera Bread!



**Chipotle Results** - Thank you to everyone who came out to Chipotle to support the Tuition Reduction Program's January fund raiser. The restaurant was packed the entire time!! As a result, the Tuition Reduction Program earned \$1,335.50!! Thank you to all of our school and parish families! This program would not be a success without your support and dedication!

## Catholic Schools Week Celebration

St. Dominic celebrated Catholic Schools Week with a lot of activities for the students and staff. On Tuesday, students celebrated Mass at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral with students from schools across the Archdiocese. Wednesday, Fr. Chris visited all of the schoolchildren dressed as St. Dominic. He gave nine inspiring talks about our patron saint and left the children with a holy card. On Friday, after the all-school Mass, St. Dominic recognized teachers and staff who have achieved a milestone (5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 35 years) in their Catholic school career with a certificate from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati.



## SECOND QUARTER 2016-2017

1<sup>ST</sup> HONORS—Q Average of 93% +2<sup>ND</sup> HONORS— Q Average of 85-92%8<sup>th</sup> GradeFIRST HONORS

Sabra Charles  
Heather Cook  
Riley Ellis  
Lauren  
Fitzsimmons  
Allison Gilkey  
Caley Hignite  
Nicholas Homan  
Adam Kent  
Gabe McDonald  
Chris Mueller  
Erin Olakanmi  
Christie Rolfes  
Jason Stenger  
Jenna Sullivan  
Matthew Walter

7<sup>th</sup> GradeFIRST HONORS

Maddie Baker  
Avery Barnes  
Bridget Barron  
Isabella Bass  
Jason Childs  
Kailee Chowning  
Charles  
Habedank  
Rebecca Hater  
Katie Liderbach  
Rebecca Ochs  
Anna Railey  
Julia Redder  
Kaitlyn  
Schloemer  
Maggie Utley  
Rebecca Veid  
Ben Yorgovan

6<sup>th</sup> GradeFIRST HONORS

Lucy Becker  
Kristen Bizaillon  
Bailey  
Broxterman  
Alicia Burke  
Collin Carrithers  
Teagan Charles  
Megan Childs  
Kaitlyn Dudley  
Gabby Flores  
Claire Gibbs  
Makayla Grahn  
Nicholas  
Gutzwiller  
Caroline Hafner  
Madison Jones  
Anthony Martin  
Andrew Rolfes  
Nick Ruoff  
Allison Shattuck  
Caleb  
Sunderman  
Mimi Vu  
Grace Wade  
Emma Walter  
Gabby White

5<sup>th</sup> GradeFIRST HONORS

Charlie Baker  
Emma Bechtel  
Tyler Biggs  
Brandon  
Catanzaro  
Hayley Cook  
Brody Ferencak  
Kaylee  
Finkelstein  
Nick Fitzsimmons  
Thomas Hater  
Ryan Kunz  
Ethan Lipps  
Thomas Roth  
Carter Sokolis  
Nick Tallen  
Jadyn Teal  
Madi Tedesco  
Carson Telger  
Bella Tirado  
Nick Tolbert  
Ella Vatter

4<sup>th</sup> GradeFIRST HONORS

Austin Audette  
Antonio  
Augustine  
Grace Awad  
Zach Barnes  
Catherine Barron  
Sophia Bass  
Emery Charles  
Liam Eckhoff  
Arielle Fahrian  
Ella Gorczyca  
Jonah Habedank  
Samantha  
Hasselbeck  
Eddie Jones  
Alisa King  
Kirra Koch  
Kaitlyn Kruessel  
Nick Liderbach  
Elizabeth Lipps  
Caleb Logsdon  
Eva Montgomery  
Michael  
Montgomery  
Anna Murphy  
Bailey Murphy  
Ben Railey  
Adrianna Russ  
Adam Schloemer  
Carson Siebel  
Leni Sullivan  
Bella Sweeney  
Austin  
Tettenhorst  
Nora Utley  
Payton Watson  
Lexi Wilhoit

8<sup>th</sup> GradeSECOND HONORS

Keegan Brown  
Jarrett Caskey  
Emily Redder  
Caitlyn  
Shoemaker  
Gabby Tritt

7<sup>th</sup> GradeSECOND HONORS

Maddie Biggs  
Jonah Brauer  
Andrew Corbett  
Grant Hater  
Maddie  
Heideman  
Mackenzie  
Helling  
Courtney  
Schweitzer

6<sup>th</sup> GradeSECOND HONORS

Gracie Callahan  
Lindsay  
Hasselbeck  
Shelby Logsdon

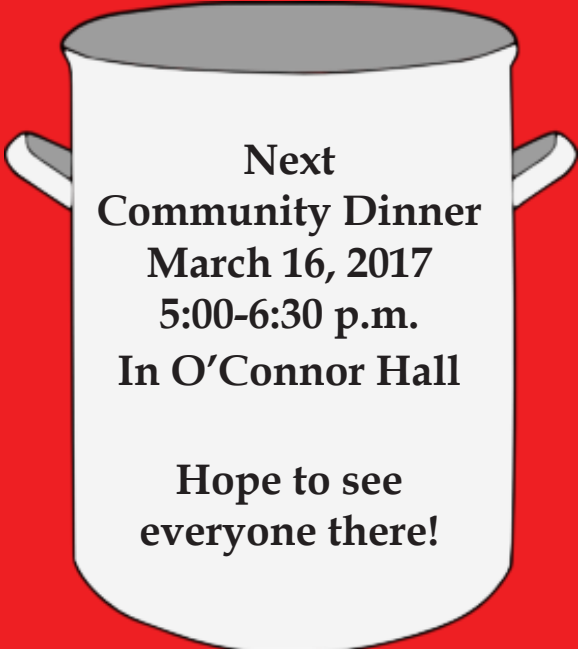
5<sup>th</sup> GradeSECOND HONORS

Maria Dorr  
D.J. Philpot

4<sup>th</sup> GradeSECOND HONORS

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