

## For 'Mercy Friday' Initiative, Pope Visits Young Addicts at Rehab Center

By Cindy Wooden  
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Pope Francis visits the San Carlo Community, a Catholic-run drug rehabilitation center on the outskirts of Rome near Castel Gandolfo, Italy, Feb. 26. The pope encouraged the 55 patients to trust God's mercy to keep them strong.

In the second of his "Mercy Friday" gestures, Pope Francis spent two hours with a group of young adults at a Catholic-run residential drug rehabilitation center.

To the complete surprise of the 55 residents, Pope Francis showed up in his compact Ford Escort at the San Carlo Community Feb. 26 with just a driver. Archbishop Rino Fisichella, organizer of the Vatican's Year of Mercy events, arrived separately at the community outside of Rome near Castel Gandolfo.

"The pope, like a caring father, spent a long time with each person, listening to their stories and embracing them one by one," said Roberto Mineo, president of the Italian Solidarity Center, which runs the facility. "Some of the young people showed him photos of their families, their children, and the pope had a word of hope and a blessing for each of them."

Sitting in a large circle, Pope Francis asked the residents about their activities and learned that one of their therapeutic projects is learning how to cook. "What is the best thing you make?" the pope asked. Their response was not reported by the few people present, but at break time, they shared with Pope Francis some of their cheese pizza, made from scratch.

One Friday a month for the rest of the jubilee year, Pope Francis plans to demonstrate personally the works of mercy. In January, he visited a home for the aged and a nearby facility caring for people in persistent vegetative states. Reporters are not invited to accompany the pope and news of the events is not released until the pope already has arrived.

## Diocese Will Bring World Youth Day to Lancaster This Summer!

*Jackie Francois Angel, Ceili Rain, Outdoor Vigil on Agenda for July 30-31 Event*

By Jen Reed  
 The Catholic Witness

For teens and young adults wishing they could go to World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland, this summer, but are finding the cost, time or travel distance to be prohibitive, the Diocese of Harrisburg has a unique event in store for you:

World Youth Day – Stateside!

Taking place at Lancaster Catholic High School and nearby Clipper Magazine Stadium July 30-31, this overnight, outdoor pilgrimage experience will mirror the events taking place at World Youth Day in Krakow.

WYD Stateside will correspond with the vigil and concluding Eucharistic celebration presided over by Pope Francis in Krakow. In Lancaster, pilgrims will be connected to those in Poland – including our own diocesan contingent with Bishop Ronald Gainer – through prayer, fellowship, Holy Mass, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, music and celebration to fully experience the spirit of World Youth Day.

"Within Youth and Young Adult Ministry, we are constantly striving to, as Pope Francis says, 'create a culture of encounter,'" noted Rob Williams, Director of the Diocesan Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry. "World Youth Day Stateside promises to be a dynamic and deeply prayerful opportunity for the youth, young adults and families of our diocese and the surrounding area of our country, to encounter and deepen their relationship with Jesus while growing in their understanding of Church."



Presented by the Diocese of Harrisburg and hosted by Lancaster Catholic High School, World Youth Day Stateside will be headlined by emcee Jackie Francois Angel, a traveling speaker, singer/songwriter, and worship leader from Orange County, Calif.

Special guests will include Ceili Rain, a pop-rock band with Celtic flavor and uplifting messages, and local Christian rock and worship musician Sean Patrick Malloy.

Bishop Edward Malesic of the Diocese of Greensburg – a native priest of our diocese – will celebrate the closing Mass at Clipper Magazine Stadium on Sunday at 2 p.m.

World Youth Day Stateside will present a series of events similar to those that will occur in Krakow: a pilgrimage walk, Stations of the Cross, opportunities for Confession and Adoration, Mass, concerts, catechesis, and an outdoor overnight candlelit vigil.

"We are excited to host WYD Stateside for

the young people of our region," said Deb Waters, Director of Campus Ministry at Lancaster Catholic High School. "It is our hope that WYD Stateside will give many of our young people who wouldn't otherwise have the means to attend an international World Youth Day the opportunity to experience a similar encounter with Christ and his Church, right here in the USA. It is our goal to connect our attendees with the pilgrimage happening in Poland, through our liturgies, mirrored events, social media, and video of Pope Francis' WYD message."

The gates to WYD Stateside will open at Lancaster Catholic on Saturday morning, July 30. The opening liturgy will be celebrated at 2 p.m., followed by catechesis, the Ceili Rain concert and a Holy Hour. Adoration, Confessions and the pilgrimage tent will be available throughout the evening.

Following an outdoor, overnight vigil, pilgrims will walk to Clipper Magazine Stadium on the morning of Sunday, July 31, and will participate in Stations of the Cross and enjoy a concert by Jackie Francois Angel prior to the closing liturgy celebrated by Bishop Malesic in the stadium at 2 p.m.

Plans are currently underway to broadcast Pope Francis' World Youth Day message from Krakow to the pilgrims in Lancaster.

WYD Stateside will also include an experience that enables pilgrims to "visit" Poland, get to know St. John Paul II, and learn about the Divine Mercy Chapel and the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary.

Krakow is the home see of St. John Paul II, who initiated World Youth Day in 1985. St. John Paul II also instituted Divine Mercy Sunday (celebrated on the Sunday after Easter) upon the canonization of St. Faustina in April 2000, and introduced the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary in October 2002.

The idea for World Youth Day Stateside first surfaced during World Youth Day in Madrid in 2011, as several leaders and chaperones mused about how wonderful it would be to have a WYD event closer to home for youth who couldn't travel abroad. The idea

# Bishop Celebrates Mass for Gettysburg College's Catholic Campus Ministry

By Jen Reed  
The Catholic Witness

At colleges and universities within the 15 counties of the diocese, Catholic Campus Ministry is an important ministry of the Church, as it offers spiritual guidance, counsel, support and faith-based activities and liturgies for students.

On Feb. 21, Bishop Ronald Gainer celebrated a Mass for the Catholic students and community at Gettysburg College's Christ Chapel, a Lutheran chapel that the college offers as a worship space for student groups of various faiths on campus.

"Let me begin by saying what a joy it is for me to be with you here in Gettysburg. To me, campus ministry is a very, very important dimension of the Catholic Church," Bishop Gainer remarked.

In his homily, he urged the students to consider, "Where does that light of Christ need to shine in us, in our deepest recesses? That is what we ask ourselves in Lent... We are to bathe ourselves in the new light of Christ."

Catholic Campus Ministry at Gettysburg College offers a variety of activities and gatherings for students, anchored in faith by a weekly Sunday Mass at 5 p.m. in the chapel, which is also attended by some parishioners from nearby St. Francis Xavier Parish.

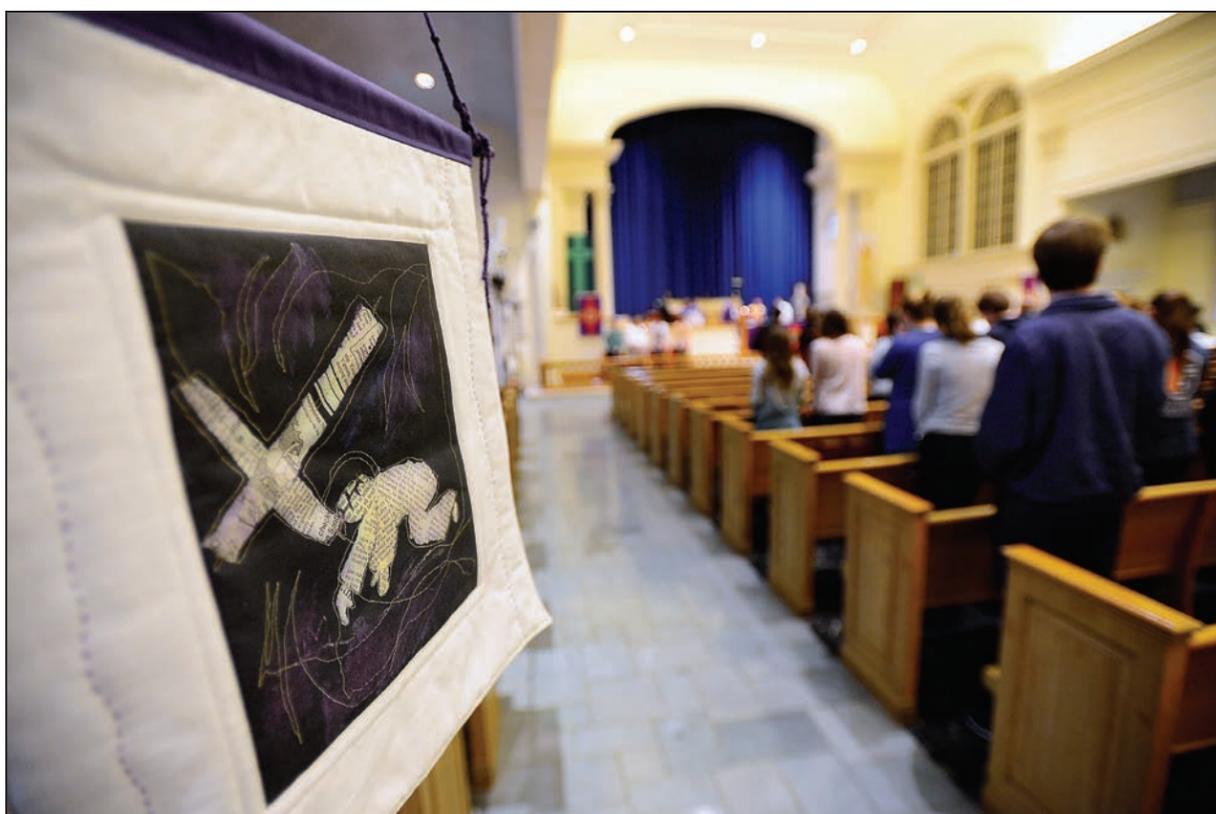
More than a dozen students are engaged as liturgical ministers, with a handful more active in music ministry for the Masses. A dinner is held following the weekly Mass.

Father Daniel Richards, parochial vicar at St. Francis Xavier Parish, is the Catholic Campus Minister there.

Activities and social gatherings include an annual "Poor Man's Dinner," which raises funds for local organizations; a Giving Tree to collect items for children at a nearby homeless shelter; bi-weekly meetings of the Newman Association, and a monthly Friday evening social to build camaraderie.

There is also an annual Newman Lecture. This year's event will be held March 30, featuring Dr. Kevin Ahern from Manhattan College, who will speak on "Migration and Mercy in an Indifferent World." Students are also engaged in a weekly Bible study – they're currently taking part in the "Mystery of God" series by Bishop Robert Barron.

"Catholic Campus Ministry is extremely vital to the faith life of college students," said Susan Collinge, Assistant Catholic Campus Minister. "Having people right here on campus, as well as a place for liturgies, is critical so that there are no barriers for students to go to Mass. Churches off campus can be a real hurdle, especially for students who don't have a car, so we've benefitted enormously from having Christ Chapel on campus."



CHRIS HEISEY, THE CATHOLIC WITNESS

Above: Handmade artwork depicting the Stations of the Cross is seen at Christ Chapel at Gettysburg College, where Bishop Ronald Gainer celebrated Mass for the Catholic Campus Ministry Feb. 21.



Left: Father Daniel Richards, Catholic Campus Minister at Gettysburg College and parochial vicar at St. Francis Xavier Parish, proclaims the Gospel Reading.

Acknowledging that college life in general can be unwelcoming to the Catholic faith and challenging for Catholic students to live their faith, Mrs. Collinge pointed out that Gettysburg College has been supportive and hospitable to the Catholic Campus Ministry.

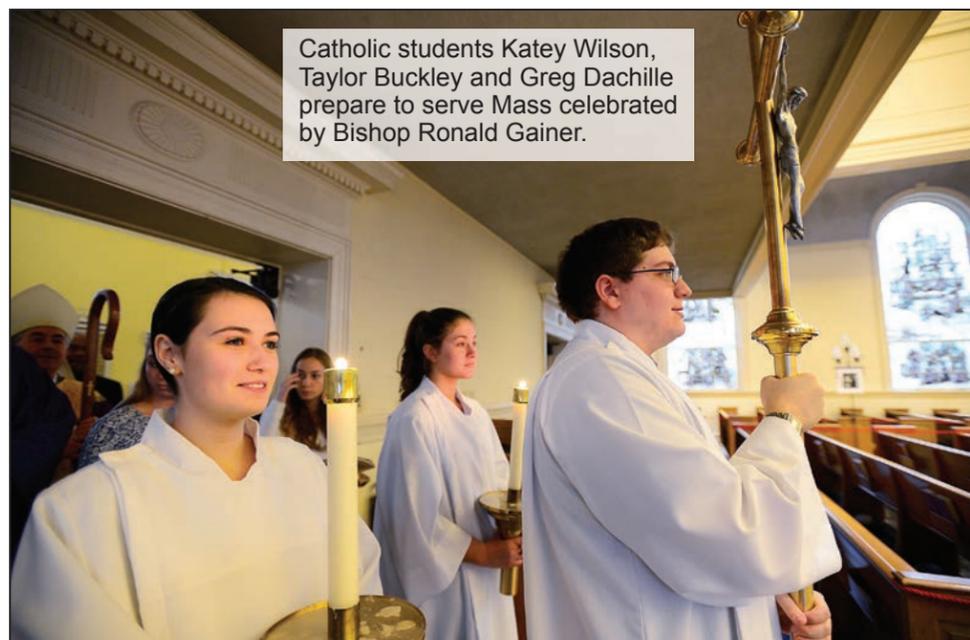
who are willing to share their faith with students, who have generously agreed to talk about their own spiritual lives at our student retreats, and who support the Catholic students in various ways," she said. "Catholic Campus Ministry at Gettysburg College is a wonderful place for students to be."

(For information on Catholic Campus Ministry at Gettysburg College, contact [scolling@gettysburg.edu](mailto:scolling@gettysburg.edu) or 717-337-6284, or visit [http://www.gettysburg.edu/about/offices/college\\_life/religious-spiritual-life/](http://www.gettysburg.edu/about/offices/college_life/religious-spiritual-life/).)

"The faculty and staff here have been supportive of CCM, and there are some wonderful people here



Annette Aguilera-Gonzalez, left, and Maria Foster present the gifts of bread and wine to Bishop Ronald Gainer during Mass Feb. 21.



Catholic students Katey Wilson, Taylor Buckley and Greg Dachille prepare to serve Mass celebrated by Bishop Ronald Gainer.



Susan Collinge, Assistant Catholic Campus Minister at Gettysburg College, receives the Precious Blood during Mass at the college's Christ Chapel.

## World Youth Day

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resurfaced and gained traction during World Youth Day in Rio in 2013, noted Virginia Pereira, Diocesan Associate Director of Hispanic Apostolate and Pilgrimages.

“The thought is that parishes can have youth in Krakow and youth at WYD Stateside, where they’ll each have their own unique experiences. Then, when they all return home, they can share their experiences with others and continue on their journey of faith together,” she remarked.

Karen Konkolics, with the Life Teen Youth Ministry at St. Columba Parish in Bloomsburg, has seen the fruits of World Youth Day pilgrimages, and is enthusiastic about WYD Stateside bringing the same spiritual fruits to those who attend.

A few of her children and her husband have attended some of the past several World Youth Day celebrations, and they’ve returned with even more passion for the Catholic faith, she said. “World Youth Day Stateside is a fab-



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Jackie Franco Angel will be the emcee for World Youth Day Stateside at Lancaster Catholic High School and Clipper Magazine Stadium July 30-31, and will perform in concert on the second day of the gathering.

ulous idea. I don’t think that people in general – especially teens – really grasp the enormity of the spiritual blessings that come from World Youth Day, and this event will bring it to them,” said Mrs. Konkolics. She will be bringing seven teens from St. Columba and from St. Joseph Parish in Danville and Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish in Elysburg to the Stateside pilgrimage.

“Sometimes, people see the Church as just the parish they belong to. Now, to be able to participate in this over-

night vigil and gathering at Stateside, they’ll have an incredible opportunity to experience the larger Church,” she said. “The youth will have a direct connection with everyone who is at World Youth Day in Krakow. They’ll be united as Church through all the activities and the message of the Holy Father. Our teenagers today can sometimes feel so incredibly alone on their faith journey, and at the Stateside event, they can be together with the teenagers of the world.”

### WYD Stateside Registration Is Open!

Registration is \$175. Overnight and Sunday-only tickets are available.

Group and family registration for high school youth.

Group and individual registration for young adults.

Registration deadline is May 31.

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717-657-4804, ext. 327

Please visit our website for more information:

[www.hbgdiocese.org/wydstateside](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/wydstateside)



### Job Opening

#### Part-Time Administrative Assistant, Diocesan Cemeteries

Up to 25 hours a week

The Diocese of Harrisburg is seeking a confident individual with superior organizational and administrative skills to work in the office of Diocesan Cemeteries.

You must possess high levels of verbal, interpersonal and written communication skills with the ability to use some independent initiative and judgment. An ability to maintain good public relations is essential. You must be a detail orientated, organized individual with an ability to work with financial figures. A basic knowledge of accounting would be desirable. Excellent knowledge of MS Office is required as proficiency in all MS Office applications is essential. A basic knowledge of AS 400 preferred.

You must be able to work well in a team environment where team members are working remotely. The ability to speak Spanish is highly desirable.

Understanding of Catholic burial rites preferred. Valid Pennsylvania Drivers license. Two years college education or equivalent. Two to five years cemetery experience preferred.

If you feel you could make a positive contribution to our team, we would like to hear from you. Please send your resume and cover letter to Mrs. Vicki Kollar at [vkollar@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:vkollar@hbgdiocese.org).

**Closing date for applications is March 18, 2016.**

### Job Openings

#### Cemetery Maintenance and Service

All Saints Cemetery, Elysburg, Full Time  
Resurrection Cemetery, Harrisburg, Part Time  
Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Mechanicsburg, Part Time

Applicants must have skills in grounds maintenance. The ability to operate a backhoe is highly desirable. Other equipment that will be used: tractor, pickup, mowers and a variety of small equipment related to cemetery maintenance and operation. Must be able to work within a team and be able to demonstrate tact, courtesy and diplomacy.

Applicants must have valid clean PA driver’s license. Work is performed both indoors and outdoors. This is a manual position requiring physical fitness with the ability to lift, bend, stoop and climb. Applicants must be able to work in all

weather conditions to tight deadlines.

For All Saints Cemetery, send your resume and cover letter to [kshervinskic@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:kshervinskic@hbgdiocese.org).

For Resurrection Cemetery, send your resume and cover letter to [tbrlansky@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:tbrlansky@hbgdiocese.org).

For Gate of Heaven Cemetery, send your resume and cover letter to [jbrlansky@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:jbrlansky@hbgdiocese.org).

Resumes and cover letters may also be mailed to: Human Resources Department, 4800 Union Deposit Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17111.

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### Part-Time Job Openings for Office Assistants

Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Mechanicsburg, 25 Hours a Week  
Holy Saviour Cemetery, York, 20 Hours a Week  
Resurrection Cemetery, Harrisburg, 25 Hours a Week

We are seeking confident individuals with excellent customer service skills to assist in the everyday operations of the cemetery offices. As you will be providing administrative support services, we are looking for detail orientated, organized individuals with excellent knowledge of MS Office and an ability to work with financial figures. A basic knowledge of accounting would be preferred.

You must have excellent communication skills with the ability to use some independent initiative and judgment. An ability to maintain good public relations is essential and you must be capable of expressing empathy for bereaved families. The ability to speak Spanish is highly desirable. You must work well in a team environment.

Understanding of Catholic burial rites preferred. Valid Pennsylvania Drivers license. Two years college education or equivalent. Two to five years cemetery experience preferred.

If you feel you could make a positive contribution to our team, we would like to hear from you.

For Gate of Heaven Cemetery and Holy Saviour Cemetery, send your resume and cover letter to: Mr. Joseph Brlansky, Manager, at [jbrlansky@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:jbrlansky@hbgdiocese.org).

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### BISHOP GAINER'S PUBLIC CALENDAR

- **March 5** – Celebrate Mass at Camp Hill Prison, 8 a.m.
- **March 6** – Lenten Vespers, St. Patrick Cathedral, 4 p.m.
- **March 10** – Celebrate Mass and school visit, St. Joseph School, Mechanicsburg, 8:30 a.m.
- **March 12** – Celebrate Mass at Diocesan Men’s Conference, Bishop McDevitt High School, 2:45 p.m.; Trinity High School Shamrock Bow Tie Ball, Colonial Country Club, 5:30 p.m.
- **March 13** – Confirmation at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Lebanon, 2 p.m.
- **March 14** – Celebrate Mass and school visit, York Catholic High School, 10 a.m.
- **March 17** – Confirmation at St. Patrick Cathedral, Harrisburg, 7 p.m.
- **March 19** – Celebrate Mass at Diocesan Symposium on Catholic Social Teaching, Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg, 8:30 a.m.
- **March 20** – World Youth Day Celebration on Palm Sunday, Capitol steps and St. Patrick Cathedral, Harrisburg, 3 p.m.

### Get Answers About Returning to the Church

Have you or someone you know stopped practicing the faith? If you have questions about how to come home to the Church or how you can help someone else return to the practice of the faith, Bishop Ronald Gainer will be taking questions on those topics during a live call-in radio program on Holy Family Radio, WHYF AM 720. The live program will be on Wednesday March 16 from 3-4 p.m. The number to call during the program is 717-525-8110. Questions can be sent in advance to [communications@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:communications@hbgdiocese.org).

### Correction

In the February 19 article on the dedication of the new Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Cornwall, *The Catholic Witness* did not name the entire list of pastors there since the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century. So as to correct this oversight, the following have been pastors of the Cornwall

parish since 1934, according to parish history: Father Henry Strickland, Father Francis Fesser, Father Bernard Mattern, Father Matthias Siedlecki, Father Joseph Smith, Father Robert Strome, Father Stephen Jordan, Father Joseph Coyne, Father Brian Conrad, Father Andrew Marinak, Father Paul Fisher and current pastor, Father Rodrigo Arrazola.

# St. Patrick's Service Assists Catholic Harvest Food Pantry

By Jen Reed  
The Catholic Witness

Students at St. Patrick School in York are practicing two of the corporal works of mercy – feeding the hungry and clothing the naked – with routine service with the Catholic Harvest Food Pantry, a non-profit organization in York supported by the Catholic parishes and schools in the area.

On a regular basis, students in fifth and sixth grade volunteer at the pantry, where they sort clothing, clean the facility and stock food items. The younger students, grades PreK-4, get involved as well, as the pantry's director, Kris Pollick, visits the school to talk to them about service and leads them in in-school projects.

According to the Catholic Harvest Food Pantry, one in six people in the United States struggle with hunger. Many of the families who seek assistance at the pantry are working, but

don't make enough money to keep food on their table. Typically, more than 700 families seek food and clothing at the pantry each month.

Kathleen Smith, principal of St. Patrick School, says the service project with the food pantry is an opportunity for students to show mercy during this Jubilee Year of Mercy in the Church, and to see first-hand how their efforts are helping those in their community.

"It's good for the students to have their eyes opened to see how they can serve and make a difference for people," she said. "It just takes a kind heart and willingness to do so."

(St. Patrick School will host a Spring Open House on March 7 from 6-7:30 p.m. Learn more about the school by visiting [www.school.stpatrickyork.org](http://www.school.stpatrickyork.org) or by calling 717-854-8263. Learn more about service opportunities and assistance at Catholic Harvest Food Pantry at [www.catholicaharvest.org](http://www.catholicaharvest.org) or by calling 717-846-8571.)



Above: Natalie Javitt, Crystal Logsdon and Bella Cialini stock nonperishable items on a shelf during a recent service trip to the Catholic Harvest Food Pantry.

Left: St. Patrick School student Sharlese Collins sorts coats on a rack at the Catholic Harvest Food Pantry, which is supported by the Catholic parishes and schools in the York area.



Joseph Mountain and Aidan Kunkle attach a pair of pants to a hanger in the boys' and men's clothing section during service hours at the Catholic Harvest Food Pantry in York Feb. 29.

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## Diocesan World Youth Day ~ Palm Sunday Celebration for High School Youth

**“Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will obtain mercy” (Mt. 5:7)**

**March 20 in Harrisburg**

- 2:15 p.m. – Pre-liturgical music at the Capitol steps near the corner of State and Third streets
- 3:00 p.m. – Blessing of the palms and the first Gospel reading
- 3:15 p.m. – Procession to St. Patrick Cathedral, where the celebration of Mass will continue
- 5:00 p.m. – Procession to the Hilton Hotel for a meal, and a concert hosted by Sean Patrick Malloy

In observing the Jubilee Year of Mercy, participants will pass through the Holy Door as they enter the Cathedral. Several stations for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available near the Capitol steps at 2 p.m.

Schools and parishes are encouraged to bring a banner to use in procession. The offertory collection during the Mass will benefit scholarships for the diocesan camp at Kirchenwald for adults with intellectual disabilities.

Sponsored by the Diocesan Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

For more information, visit [www.hbgdiocese.org/youngchurch](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/youngchurch) or contact 717-657-4804, ext. 327 or [oyyam@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:oyyam@hbgdiocese.org). High school youth should contact their parish or high school youth leader for registration.



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## An Encounter for College-Aged Young Adults and Recent Graduates

Saturday, April 2 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg

Cost of \$10 per person includes lunch and all retreat materials.

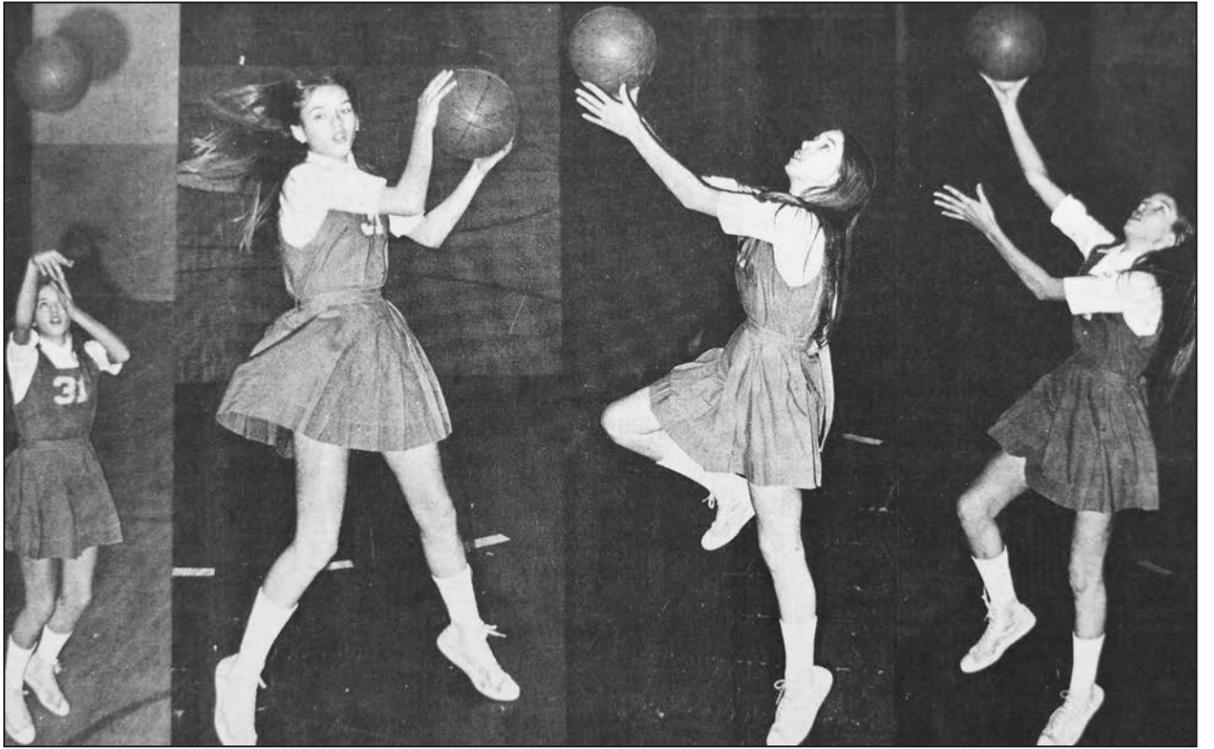
The Year of Mercy is an invitation to love, kindness and unbounded generosity. Pope Francis is offering you the opportunity to encounter the incredible mercy of God. Encountering mercy means encountering God. It can transform your life, your relationships, your work and your ability to embrace and experience all of life.

For information, contact your Catholic Campus Ministry/Newman Club or the Diocesan Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry at [oyyam@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:oyyam@hbgdiocese.org) or 717-657-4804, ext. 327.



## Witness History: A Look Back at 50 Years of Photos

A decade after Wilt Chamberlain scored a record-setting 100 points in an NBA game at the then-named Hershey Sports Arena, young Marianne McKenna dazzled diocesan CYO fans with a 112-point performance in five tournament games in York. Marianne, an eighth-grader at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament in 1972, scored 282 points that season, during a time when a number of high schools didn't field league teams for girls. "I think girls should get a chance to play basketball," Marianne told *The Catholic Witness* in a feature story from March 30, 1972. "A lot of girls can play well."



This image of St. Patrick is from the Bishop's Residence in Harrisburg. The patron saint of the Diocese of Harrisburg, his feast day is March 17.



CHRIS HEISEY, THE CATHOLIC WITNESS

### St. Patrick ~ Our Patron Saint

St. Patrick (389-461) was born in Roman Britain, kidnapped at age 16 by Irish raiders and sold into slavery in Ireland. He was a lonely shepherd for six years before escaping and returning home. But his dream of converting the Irish pagans propelled him to priestly studies in Gaul (now France), and about 432 Pope Celestine I consecrated him bishop and sent him to Ireland. For nearly 30 years he preached tirelessly, made countless converts, founded monasteries and established the see at Armagh. Stories of him using the shamrock to explain the Trinity and driving snakes from the island are legend.

This patron saint of Ireland is also the patron saint of our diocese.

On March 3, 1868, Pope Pius IX issued a decree establishing the Diocese of Harrisburg, and Bishop Jeremiah Shanahan became its first bishop. Then home to approximately 25,000 Catholics, the diocese had the city of Harrisburg nearly at its center. St. Patrick Church, located at the site of the present cathedral, became the procathedral. The site for the church had been chosen in the 1820s to serve the population of Irish immigrants who had settled close to their work constructing the Pennsylvania Canal along the Susquehanna River. When the church was selected to be the procathedral, St. Patrick was named as the patron of the Diocese of Harrisburg.

### Feeding The Faith

**Mary Ann Guilmette St. Mary's Parish, York**

#### Mare's Corned Beef and Cabbage w/Noodles

**Ingredients for Corned Beef:**

- 3-5 # flat cut brisket
- 2 carrots in chunks
- 2 celery stalks in chunks
- 1 large onion sliced
- 1 to 2 cans beer to cover.
- If more needed use chicken broth
- 1 package of seasoning that usually comes with the corned beef
- Lots of cilantro leaves.

**Directions for Corned Beef:**

- Put all ingredients in large oven-proof ceramic or glass bowl.
- Bring to a boil on top of stove.
- Cover and place in oven at 300 degrees for 3 1/2 to 5 hours.
- Remove meat from broth and cool in refrig for several hours or overnight.
- Blend vegetables and liquid using an emersion or standard blender
- Scrape off fat and slice like London Broil.
- Put it back together and place in microwave safe dish.
- In a separate container, heat two cups of the broth and in a small dish dissolve 2 tablespoons Quick Wonder Quick flour with a few tablespoons of the warm broth.
- Add to the broth mix well and drizzle over the meat and serve.

**Ingredients for Cabbage and Noodles:**

- 1 cup of butter
- 3 cups shredded cabbage cut coarsely or 3 cups classic cole slaw mix ( 1" pieces)
- 1 sixteen oz. package wide noodles cooked about 5 minutes until tender.
- Drain well and set aside
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon caraway seeds, 1/2 tsp celery seed
- 1/4 tsp pepper
- Season-All seasoned salt as desired
- 2 large onions sliced

**Directions for Cabbage and Noodles:**

- Melt 1/2 cup of butter over medium heat (1 stick)
- Sauté the onions until translucent (about 5 to 10 minutes)
- Add the remaining 1/2 cup of butter and melt, 1/2 tsp salt, 1 tsp sugar, caraway seeds, celery seed, pepper.
- Add cabbage and cook until soft. (about 5 to 8 minutes)
- Add pepper, sugar and caraway seeds.
- Combine the onion/cabbage with the noodles, add Season-All
- Bake in a 300 degree oven 35 to 40 minutes until golden brown. Spray baking pan

*This recipe was from my Office Manager, who is Irish, when I lived in Connecticut and worked in a dermatologist's office. I am of Italian decent and our name is French, but Irish friends and many others enjoy this dinner at our place on St. Patrick's Day.*

#### **Send Us Your Recipes and Stories!**

*The Catholic Witness is looking to support family meal time by sharing family recipes in upcoming editions, as well as scripture and "food for thought." Do you have a significant dish and memory to share with us? You may mail a copy of the recipe and your thoughts to 4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111 or email it to witness@hbgdiocese.org.*

## Moment of Mercy

# Ingrid's Lesson of Mercy, Forgiveness and Trust

By Binky Theodore  
Special to *The Witness*

Around mid-November, it dawned on me that Advent was fast approaching and I started to pray every day that Jesus would draw me near to Him in a special way this Advent Season.

On November 20, I tapped on a Facebook link to Dynamic Catholic's *Best Advent Ever: Rediscover Mercy* page and signed up for daily emails of reflections on "Mercy" throughout Advent—beginning November 29 and ending December 23. Pope Francis declared this liturgical calendar year the "Jubilee Year of Mercy," starting with the Immaculate Conception on December 8, and I wanted to participate and learn more about what it means to show "Mercy." I thought these daily e-mails might help.

"Advent Season" in my family means planning, primping and preparing for an annual Ornament Exchange Party my husband and I have hosted now for sixteen years on the second Saturday of December. Our party provides for me a fun and joy-filled kind of stress that I look forward to each year, and by this time toward the end of November, I was knee-deep in it—the planning and the stress.

In addition to my party planning this year, I accepted an offer to host a table of eight women for an evening of reflection sponsored by the holy women of our parish. "Hosting" involved decorating a table with fine China, an Advent wreath or Nativity, munchies, desserts and a warm or festive beverage. I was overwhelmed with my high ideals and expectations for doing everything "right" and by the day of the event, December 4<sup>th</sup>, my anxiety was overwhelming me.

I am a parish secretary at St. Joseph York, and I planned to leave work early that Friday to gather up all the things I needed to decorate, and head to the gym to set everything up in plenty of time before the doors opened at 6:30pm. Of all days, that was the day Ingrid called.

Working in the church office for ten years, I have learned to build up an emotional wall between my heart and the poor souls who often call the church begging for some sort of assistance. I try very hard to remain pleasant and compassionate, but still most often, honestly, I direct them somewhere else—either to a priest, the parish manager, or a different agency to help with their particular problem. Though I'm told I am, as the parish secretary, "the face and voice of the church" and I pray every day for the grace to help people minimize their suffering and find their way to Christ, I am not equipped to counsel callers through their emotional, financial or in any other way desperate circumstances.

By then on that day, though the "Jubilee Year of Mercy" was not officially starting for four more days, I had read a week's worth of *Best Advent Ever: Rediscover Mercy* e-mails on the Corporal Works of Mercy, and the Holy Spirit was ready to answer my prayer to draw me closer to Jesus.

I had great difficulty understanding Ingrid through her sobs of desperation as I was anxiously watching the clock and taking notes through our 30-minute conversation. I was so ready to get out of work and prepare my tables for the



big event that evening—the event that would *prepare my heart for the coming of Christ*. I had every intention of passing her off to someone else—anyone else—but I needed to understand what she was asking for so I could get her to the right person.

As I asked more questions and Ingrid poured out her desperation, I feared the worst—that I would turn out to be that right person. As I pieced together her story, I came to understand she was in agonizing pain and her doctor was telling her to call an ambulance to get to the hospital, but she lived alone and had a cat that she wouldn't leave without knowing he'd be cared for while she was gone. She mentioned she had fallen a couple months ago and feared she might need a hip replacement and didn't know how long her cat would need to be cared for. What my hardened heart finally heard was 1) she was all alone in this world; 2) she was in excruciating pain; and 3) there was an animal in need. I asked for directions to her apartment, took a deep breath, said a prayer, and within the hour I was meeting Ingrid for the first time face-to-face at her door.

She was thin and frail, had very long straight hair, and had a terrible time walking down the hall to let me in the apartment building lobby door due to her presumed fractured hip. I know well the kind of debilitating pain she was in, but I have always had people in my life to love me and take care of me. I couldn't comprehend or bear the thought of her being utterly alone in the world and without even a neighbor who was willing to help her or get the least bit involved in her desperate situation.

Still guarding my heart and praying for prudence and protection from any inconvenience, malice or evil, I stood in the middle of Ingrid's apartment living room with my coat still on and purse over my shoulder. I came prepared with a pen and tablet in hand to get only the minimal information I would need to care for her cat for what we both hoped would be only a few days at the most.

I couldn't help but notice that there were boxes, packed and taped, from floor to ceiling throughout Ingrid's apartment. She explained that she was getting ready to move just before her

fall a couple months ago. Just before her fall, the new apartment complex called to tell her a pipe burst in the apartment she was to be moving to, and it would be at least a few days until it was repaired and ready for her. Over those few days, she fell and was left in too much physical pain to make the move. She had to let that apartment go, and she was looking for a new place to live. She hated where she was living. She felt mistreated and unwanted there, and there was no love lost between her and her neighbors. Next to taking care of her cat, finding a new place to live was high on her priority list.

As Ingrid sat curled up in pain on the couch giving instructions to a complete stranger to come into her private space and care for the only soul that had loved her in the fourteen years she'd been homebound and secluded in this apartment, I stood like some sort of cold investigator taking notes and wanting to be anywhere else but there.

Amidst the cat-caring instructions were bits and pieces of Ingrid's unfathomable life of suffering. Stories of incest, sexual molestation, physical, emotional and verbal abuse from her own father, then her husband, then her boyfriend. She enlisted in the Navy to escape her father, but in her third year of service she fell off a ladder and broke her back, which left her "disabled" in the eyes of the Navy and unable to work anywhere (and keep her benefits) the rest of her life. Years later, she was in a terrible car accident that damaged her back even further. She had scalded her leg a few years ago on boiling hot coffee. She had ovarian cancer in her twenties, and when she woke up from surgery, they told her they had performed a full hysterectomy which she had no warning of before they put her under. Scar tissue from that surgery strangled her bowels and she almost died from the poison that spread to her blood. She would be turning 60 years old on December 21 and her life had not only been one of tragedy, horror and heartbreak, but a story of miracle upon miracle that she was even still alive. She was a "poor soul" in every sense of the word, and there I was—with only a sliver of naïve interest in learning what it means to show mercy to strangers.

By the end of the conversation, Ingrid decided not to go to the hospital that day. The nurse at her doctor's office said her doctor was not on call that weekend so if she went to the hospital, she would more or less have to stay there waiting for him to come in on Monday to get any kind of relief or treatment plan. She opted to stay home with her cat those extra couple days instead.

I don't know how "ideally" or "right" I did anything that evening, but I got through it, and by 9:00 the next morning, I was on the phone with Ingrid. Now she needed orange juice and cigarettes to get her through the weekend. By the time I got to her early that afternoon, she had a full list of things she needed—all the heavy liquids she couldn't possibly carry on her own, like milk, liquid fabric softener and detergent, and a bag of cat litter. I could begrudgingly see myself spiraling into this poor soul's drama, but who else would get these things for her? I was compelled to help, even if it was only this one time. Besides, it was the Year of Mercy—or soon to be, anyway.

The following day I went to the mall to buy Ingrid a robe she said she needed for the hospital, and I brought her a crucifix from home. She said hers was packed, and she missed looking at Jesus and practicing uniting her suffering to His. She told me she believed God allowed her to suffer so much so that her father could get into Heaven. I believe in redemptive sacrifice, and I believe in God's mercy on souls—even the souls of men like her father—but I was blown away that she could forgive her father, much less suffer to the extent she did to give him a chance at Heaven!

Monday morning, Ingrid called her doctor's office. The nurse from that office called for an ambulance transport to pick Ingrid up at her apartment and take her to the hospital. She called me right away so I could leave work and come get her only set of keys and lock her apartment door. I got there just in time for the EMTs to roll a very tearful and emotional Ingrid on a gurney down the hall and into the back of the ambulance, distraught over having to say goodbye to her cat, not knowing when she would see him again.

My husband is a perpetual defender of the weak, and with his support and participation in this "mission of mercy" of mine, we both quickly came to love Ingrid like a sister. Visiting her in the hospital every day and checking in on the cat twice a day quickly became less of an inconvenience and more of an act of sincere love and mercy and joy for us both.

After several days in the hospital, we learned that Ingrid had Stage IV lung cancer that had spread to her abdomen and bones. After two weeks in the hospital, we learned that Ingrid would not be going home. She needed to be in a nursing facility for the duration of her life, which was being predicted to be only a matter of weeks or months. Ingrid and I started talking about a new home for the cat, and what to do with her belongings. I really didn't want to get involved in her "stuff" or her financial or legal business—I just wanted to show her love and mercy and help her let go of this life and look forward

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in faith to the next, and help her find a new loving home for her cat.

Within two days of that conversation, “Snowflakes” was in his new home, adjusting to his new surroundings, and enjoying the unconditional and untapped ocean of love from his new owner.

It was an emotional rollercoaster for Ingrid, and for me and my husband. She had lived on high doses of very strong pain medications and anti-depressants most of her life. Hospital personnel had a very difficult time managing her pain because her body developed such a high tolerance for the medications they typically use in these situations, so they were much less effective on Ingrid than they would be on most people. All that strong medication affected her clarity of mind and her emotional state. We understood that, and thankfully could see past that to still love the soul who was being forced to surrender all that she knew and loved in this world to the fear and anxiety of the unknown.

Ingrid told me she was baptized and fully initiated in the Catholic Church as a child and recently returned to the Church, made her confession, and received the Sacrament of the Anointing

of the Sick. I taught and practiced with her the simplest prayer I know: “Jesus, I trust in You.” Every time I saw her or spoke to her on the phone I quizzed her: “Ingrid, what’s your prayer?” It took her a while to remember it, but she started to get much better at letting it roll off her tongue.

I wanted desperately to teach her everything I understand and believe to be true about the hour of our death—that Satan will try to convince her she’s not worthy of God’s love, but that there is no sin greater than God’s mercy and God will be fighting that battle even harder for her to accept his love—but lucid moments of clarity were fleeting and “Jesus, I trust in You” was about the extent of what we could cover.

After two weeks in the hospital, the social worker there found a new placement for her to live out the rest of her life. Ingrid was very proud to be a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces, and I think she felt secure in her lifelong care from the Veterans Administration. The closest VA Hospital to us was an hour away. She feared that we wouldn’t visit her or that she’d ever get home being so far away, but ultimately she understood it was in her best interest to go there. I don’t think Ingrid ever understood the finality of her situation. She still spoke of getting better, getting out

and finding a new place to live—with or without her cat.

My husband and I visited Ingrid at the VA Hospital three times over the course of two weeks, each visit revealing the affects of the cancer and the nearing of her end of time with us. She was somewhat lucid for the first visit when we brought her tulips for her birthday, but she was very confused when we saw her the second time, and unresponsive the third.

On our third visit, New Year’s Eve day, it quickly became clear to me it would be our last. Ingrid’s body was failing her and she wouldn’t be able to sustain it much longer. I have never had to bury any immediate family members, and those we’ve lost we’ve grieved for from somewhat of a distance. This experience was new to me, and I wasn’t sure what to do.

Ingrid had two estranged sisters (who have also suffered much), and I was told the sisters had been called, and were on their way to say goodbye to her. I had heard a lot about her sisters, and I wasn’t prepared to meet them at their estranged sister’s deathbed, so I was eager to get out of there.

But Ingrid was restless. Non-responsive, unable to open her eyes or to speak, but restless. She twisted and contorted her body to lie almost sideways on the hospital bed and she was obviously very uncomfortable. I couldn’t stand to leave her. We stayed a while, asked her nurse for more pain medicine and to readjust her frail body of literally nothing but skin and bones, and I reached for my phone. On my phone is an app for the Divine Mercy Chaplet. I’ve known it is the prayer to pray in the hour of someone’s death, but I never really had the opportunity before. I was somewhat familiar with the chaplet, but far from knowing it by heart. With the help of the app, I held Ingrid’s hand and caressed her arm as I prayed, sobbing through the whole thing.

There was nothing else I could do for her. I knew I had to say goodbye before her sisters came. I kissed Jesus on the crucifix goodbye, hoping maybe the sisters would need Him, or bury the crucifix with Ingrid. I grabbed the dried and shriveled pot of tulips we gave her for her birthday to plant in our garden in her memory. I kissed her on the cheek, thanked her for calling me that day, told her she’s almost done, and that I loved her. Only in Christ Jesus could it be possible for me to fall in love with a poor soul in only 28 days, and sob in grief like I have known and loved her my whole life.

Ingrid died New Year’s Eve around 8:20 p.m. (about seven hours after we left). Both sisters had come, and one was by her side when she took her last breath. She later told me that Ingrid was in peace the last two hours of her death, and she was grateful for the opportunity for forgiveness and closure that the circumstances of their lives did not make possible before. There is much that I will never know about Ingrid, but I know without doubt that she left this earth with the love she had longed for her whole life, and there’s just nothing better than that.

Ingrid was the answer to my prayer. Ingrid taught me mercy, forgiveness, perseverance, surrender and trust. She gave me much more than I could possibly give her. She gave me the “Best Advent Ever.” Through her pain, confusion and anger over her circumstances, she was kind and jovial to the nurses and she called me her “angel.” In the midst of all the floor-to-ceiling boxes in her apartment was an impeccably clean home that she took pride in, and a cat that she loved. In a world full of hardened hearts, she chose mine to save, and for that I will forever be thankful. Rest in peace my sister in Christ, my hero and my friend. I will miss you.

*(Binky Theodore is a secretary at St. Joseph Parish in York.)*

### Annulment Presentations Scheduled

The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will offer presentations concerning divorce and annulments from the Catholic perspective in the coming months. These presentations will be helpful for divorced Catholics, divorced people who wish to marry Catholics, parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and those who have a vested interest because of family or friends.

Presentations will include a question-and-answer session and an opportunity for private conversation with Tribunal staff and representatives. For more information, call 717-657-4804 or send an e-mail to [tribunal@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:tribunal@hbgdiocese.org).

- March 7 at 7 p.m., Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg, Room 103
- March 9 at 7 p.m., St. Joseph, York
- May 10 at 7 p.m., St. Joseph, Danville
- June 15 at 7 p.m., St. Patrick, Carlisle

### DIOCESAN CATHOLIC CEMETERIES SPRING/FALL FLOWER PROGRAM

As a service for those who are unable to visit the graves of loved ones in Diocesan Cemeteries, a program is offered each spring for flowers to be placed at gravesites. Floral arrangements are placed for *Easter, Mother’s Day, Memorial Day, Father’s Day* and for early autumn.

This year, the Diocesan Office of Catholic Cemeteries is offering an expanded selection of silk arrangements, which will be placed at graves in advance of the holiday. Flower arrangements may be ordered for one or more of the dates indicated. Selection and purchase, at the price of \$34, can be made at one of our Diocesan Cemetery offices or online at [www.hbgdiocese.org/cemeteries](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/cemeteries).

Flowers will be placed on the dates below

- March 21, 2016 for Easter (March 27)
- May 2, 2016 for Mother’s Day (May 8)
- May 23, 2016 for Memorial Day (May 30)
- June 13, 2016 for Father’s Day (June 19)
- August 22, 2016 for Fall flowers (September 5)



### Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Seeks Applicants for Scholarship

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women’s Scholarship will be awarded to a Catholic senior high school girl for her freshman year at an accredited college, university, or trade school. The amount of the academic scholarship is \$1,000.

Applicants must be sponsored by a mother, grandmother or guardian who is a member of a Parish Council of Catholic Women. The applicant and her sponsor must be residents of the Diocese of Harrisburg. Applicants must meet all conditions established by the Scholarship committee as set forth in its rules and regulations, which are included in the application packet.

Applications are available from parish Council of Catholic Women presidents. More information can be obtained by contacting Joyce Scott, Scholarship Chair, 717-737-0927 or [joynbob10@aol.com](mailto:joynbob10@aol.com). The application deadline is May 1, 2016.

### Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women’s 91st Annual Convention

“Sowers of Hope: Opening Our Hearts”

Monday, April 11 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg

Bishop Ronald Gainer will be the principal celebrant and homilist of Mass, concelebrated by priests of the diocese.

Keynote speaker is Caroline Brennan, Senior Communications Officer of Catholic Relief Services Global Humanitarian Response Team

Afternoon workshops on leadership and human trafficking.

All women of the diocese are invited to attend. There will be a meditation room, exhibits, religious and Fair Trade items, a silent auction to benefit the scholarship fund and a closing prayer service.

Cost of \$25 includes registration fee, continental breakfast and lunch. Registration deadline is March 28; contact Linda at 717-939-3629 or [linda.hartzell@comcast.net](mailto:linda.hartzell@comcast.net).

# Delone Catholic Celebrates 75 Years of Educating Well-Rounded Students in the Faith

By Jen Reed  
The Catholic Witness

In one word, Gabi Davidheiser sums up what Delone Catholic High School means to her: home.

"Delone is home," the junior said of her high school, which is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

When she arrived as a freshman, she was immediately comforted by the interest that faculty and administration took in her life.

"Delone opens its arms wide for opportunities for its students," she told *The Catholic Witness*. "Here, you can do it all: music, sports, service, spirituality. The teachers 'get' you. You know that you are welcomed and encouraged here, and that you can be an individual within the comfort and the teachings of the Catholic Church."

Delone Catholic, located in McSherrystown, Adams County, is fresh from the celebration of its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, which connected the school and community to its Catholic history over the course of the past calendar year.

The school was born from the fires of Central Catholic, a combined elementary and high school that was destroyed in 1938. The devastating loss prompted prominent attorney Charles J. Delone, Esquire, to generously donate the land and the funds for the construction of a new facility. The school was dedicated on Sept. 2, 1940, by Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States.

Delone's history has been at the core of its anniversary celebration that featured various events and Masses to remember the past: celebrations on the anniversaries of the laying of the cornerstone, on the anniversary of the dedication, and on Mr. Delone's birthday, as well as a 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary Mass celebrated by Bishop Ronald Gainer, and a fine arts expo highlighting the talents of current and former students.

"The neat thing about being here during the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the school is the connection to the generations before me," said senior Victoria Warner. Her grandparents met at Delone, and her mother, aunt and several other relatives also attended there.

"Delone Catholic has prepared its students so well for the future, and I think the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary is really a celebration of generations of learning experiences," she remarked.

That's exactly what school principal, Dr. Maureen Thiec, wants students to see.

"We expect our students to be proud of the tradition here, and to be followers of our school motto, 'Be Doers of the Word,'" she said. "They are called to demonstrate that every day in their connections, both with each other and in the community where they represent Delone."

Service to Church, school and community is a hallmark at Delone Catholic. Here, students are required to perform 20 hours of service in each of those three categories (plus an additional category of their choosing) – many far ex-



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Delone Catholic High School students Nathan Kraus, Gabi Davidheiser, Victoria Warner and Woodrow Wagaman stand beneath a portrait of Charles Delone, Esq., who donated the money and land to build their high school 75 years ago, flanked by portraits of Bishop Ronald Gainer and Pope Francis. The school's celebration of its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary included events to connect students to its Catholic history.

ceed the required hours, because volunteer efforts just seem to become a part of who they are.

"Because of our efforts, people in the community have a really good image of us," said junior Nathan Kraus. "I believe that people tend to expect more of us because we go to Delone."

"No one is ever surprised that Delone does well," senior Woodrow Wagaman agreed.

## A Place for Everyone

Delone Catholic's philosophy includes a "focus on preparing students for a lifetime of learning, growth, service, integrity, responsibility, accountability and justice" as it provides activities "designed to promote the practice of self-confidence, self-discipline, creative expression and social graces in

daily living" and encourages students "to use their minds and cultivate their particular talents."

In a round-table discussion, the four students – Victoria Warner, Gabi Davidheiser, Nathan Kraus and Woodrow Wagaman – affirmed the significant role that the school's philosophy has played in their lives.

"I know that I've grown to understand more what the Church teaches because I attend Delone," Gabi reflected. "That's a critical understanding to have as you begin to set out on your own life, where you'll be tested with multiple challenges to the faith."

Spiritual Life at Delone includes monthly school liturgies, weekly Masses and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the school chapel, interaction with diocesan seminarians, par-

ticipation the March for Life, prayer services, Stations of the Cross during Lent, retreats, chastity programs, and opportunities for students to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

"I wouldn't have the spiritual life that I have now if I wasn't here at Delone," said Nathan, who lends his musical talents to a variety of school programs. He and Gabi celebrate the school's promotion of the arts, and they both took part in musical endeavors associated with Delone's anniversary – Gabi as a cantor for the Mass, and Nathan as a musician during the fine arts expo.

"It's cool to see our school take an interest in the arts, at a time when it's not a priority at some schools," Nathan said. "Delone emphasizes the fact that everyone is good at something: art, science, music, sports, service, technology. There are many avenues to explore."

Victoria pointed out that Delone's faculty and administrators are willing to work with students to help them achieve their personal goals or create new endeavors.

She has a special interest in mathematics, for example, and was able to take online courses to extend her knowledge. She has also been working, with the support of faculty, on starting a mini-THON at Delone.

"I can't say enough how much I appreciate the connection between the teachers, administration and students, and the flexibility we have to make things happen," Victoria said. "Delone really works to build well-rounded students, while always expecting more from us."



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Sophomores Danielle Neiderer and Sydney Keith use a Chromebook to complete an assignment in chemistry class.

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Woodrow concurred. “There’s a confidence that the teachers have in our goodness, and in us to do great things,” he said.

He arrived at Delone as a junior, and immediately noticed the dynamic student-teacher relationship.

“Yes, the teachers are the teachers, but they don’t lord their position over you. Rather, they share a productive relationship with students,” he said. “They’re agreeable, and we respect them, and that makes for a very enjoyable learning atmosphere.”

Delone Catholic works for the spiritual, physical, emotional and academic well-being of its students. That’s the first highlight that Katie Mahoney, Director of Enrollment and Marketing, tells parents of prospective students.

“Parents can count on the safety of their child’s success,” she said. “One of the things we expect of our students is a constant effort. You can’t come here and just expect to coast through. That doesn’t mean that all of our students need to be in honors classes and earn straight A’s, but they do have to give an effort.”

And they do. Last year, 98 percent of Delone’s graduates went on to higher education; the remainder went into the work force or the military.

“Parents can expect that their children are being cared for academically, emotionally and spiritually. We’re looking after the whole person. We’re a family here,” Ms. Mahoney said.



Dr. Maureen Thiec, principal of Delone Catholic High School, receives Holy Communion from Bishop Ronald Gainer during a Mass celebrating the school’s anniversary Sept. 19.

CHRIS HEISEY, THE CATHOLIC WITNESS



In the home economics room, sophomore Kristin Bollinger packages cookies. Delone Catholic offers classes in home economics, international cuisine and fashion design for students interested in those lines of study.

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### Looking to the Future

In conjunction with its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Delone Catholic undertook its Diamond Decade Initiative, a multiple-phase \$6.8 million capital campaign designed to renovate the entire school. Since 2001, renovations have been made to the 1963 Math and Science Wing, and to the 1940 Wing. Phase III includes renovations to the 1955 Wing, library, cafeteria, old gymnasium (a new floor and lights for the stage) music area and lobby, and Phase IV will include upgrades to the Shepard Gym and efforts to convert the boiler room into a technology area.

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**~ Dr. Maureen Thiec, Principal, Delone Catholic High School**

At the same time, Delone has invested in Chrome-books – every freshman and sophomore student received one this year to keep until they graduate, and incoming freshman from here forward will receive their own as well.

“I want to see Delone continue to progress as much as it has in the 75 years it has been here, while keeping its Catholic tradition,” Woodrow said. “When I’m 90 years old, I can’t wait to be wheeled into these hallways and be happy about the upgrades and newest technology while rejoicing that the mission is still the same.”

“We are immensely proud of our students and our graduates,” Dr. Thiec remarked. “The first thing they come to know here at Delone is that they are a child of God, and that we love them for who they are. Everyone here understands that as the mission of Catholic education.”

“I’d like to touch the lives of the families in the area to show them how important Catholic education is. Somehow, in this last generation, that has kind of been lost,” she said. “How can we best impact parents to show them how important the Catholic faith should be in their lives? That’s our challenge. We have done a lot here at Delone, but there is still so much work to be done as we continue into the future, to ensure that Catholic education continues in this area.”

*(Learn more about Delone Catholic High School by visiting [www.delonecatholic.org](http://www.delonecatholic.org) or by calling the school at 717-637-5969.)*



CHRIS HEISEY, THE CATHOLIC WITNESS

75 things that students love about Delone flanked the school lobby earlier this year as Bishop Ronald Gainer celebrated Mass for the school’s 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary Sept. 19.

# Obituaries



The names of the following deceased persons have been submitted by their parishes. Please remember in your prayers the happy repose of these recently departed souls and the consolation of their loved ones.

**CHAMBERSBURG** – Corpus Christi: Robert A. Decker, Germaine Ruth (Gardner) Deshong, Michael Galasso, Rodney Edward McKay, Raymond Bernard Maginsky, Susann Carol (Waters) Neary, Florence Marie (Gaudet) O'Brien, Luis Seabra, Kurt Joseph Schweitzer, Barbara Anne (Tappen) Sherman, Ida Patricia (Citro) Wilk.

**CORNWALL** – Sacred Heart of Jesus: Maisie R. Vranesic.

**DALLASTOWN** – St. Joseph: Henry Bowman, Linda Brandt, Joseph Carr, Dwight Deller, Layne Kern, Daniel Lehr, Olivia Perryman.

**DAUPHIN** – St. Matthew: Jerome Fitts.

**FAIRFIELD** – Immaculate Conception BVM: Esther Moritz.

**GETTYSBURG** – St. Francis Xavier: Joseph Bosak, Sr.

**HANOVER** – St. Joseph: John Buccino, Margaret Farley, Lois Green, Raymond McFadden, Hazel Milo.

**HARRISBURG** – St. Catherine Labouré: Michael Miller, Joseph Polito; St. Francis of Assisi: David Almodovar, Juan Enos.

**HERSHEY** – St. Joan of Arc: Jeffrey Brosnan, Rose Marie Cassisi East, Edna Farber, Mary Hugendubler.

**KULPMONT** – Holy Angels: Eugene Blasco, Irene M. Olbrish.

**LANCASTER** – Assumption BVM: Grace T. Rogers; St. Anne: Doris A. Resh.

**LITTLESTOWN** – St. Aloysius: Marie Tschudin, Jeanette Wilt.

**MCSHERRYSTOWN** – Annunciation BVM: Andrew R. Wolf.

**MECHANICSBURG** – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: Joseph F. Lappano, Don Wargo; St. Katharine Drexel: Ellsworth R. Chase.

**MOUNT CARMEL** – Divine Redeemer: Joseph T. Lutcavage, Gisella Mannello, Mary C. Sawicki.

**NEW CUMBERLAND** – St. Theresa: Grace Heidingsfelder.

**NEW OXFORD** – Immaculate Conception BVM: Esther Leppo.

**QUARRYVILLE** – St. Catherine of Siena: Annette Arnold.

**SELINGROVE** – St. Pius X: Phillip Nickolas, Chester Wands.

**SHAMOKIN** – Mother Cabrini: Mary Novey.

**STEELTON** – Prince of Peace: Roseann J. DiFrancesco, Claire (Spink) Leidig, Mary Louise (Gardner) Polatar, Loretta Wieger.

**WILLIAMSTOWN** – Sacred Heart of Jesus: John Hrinda, Sr., Donna Williard.

**YORK** – Immaculate Conception BVM: Marsha Whitmer; St. Patrick: Jessica Borsa, Mary Strausbaugh.

## Sister Marie la Reine Spain

Immaculate Heart of Mary Sister Marie la Reine Spain died in Camilla Hall, Immaculata, Pa., on Feb. 18 in the 69<sup>th</sup> year of her religious life. She was 93.

Born in Akron, Ohio, she entered the Congregation of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in 1946.

Prior to entrance into the IHM Congregation, Sister served as a Communications Officer (Lieutenant) in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

After receiving a Fulbright Grant to the Sorbonne in France, Sister taught French in various secondary schools and at Immaculata University. She taught in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the Dioceses of Arlington, Richmond, Allentown, and Harrisburg. Sister ministered for 17 years in the Diocese of Harrisburg at Our Lady of Lourdes Regional, York Catholic and Trinity High Schools. She was assigned to Camilla Hall in 2005.

The funeral Mass was celebrated at Camilla Hall on Feb. 23.

## REMEMBER OUR Deceased Clergy

Please pray for the following clergy who died in March during the past 25 years:

Deacon William Smith, 1994

Father Stephen Jordan, 1994

Franciscan Father Gerald Kedziora, 2002

Bishop Nicholas C. Dattilo, 2004

Conventual Franciscan Father Robert Grzybowski, 2007

Deacon J. Leo Dunn, 2007

Abbot John Neitzel, O. Praem, 2008

Father Lawrence Gross, 2009

Father John Greaney, 2009

Father David Hillier, 2014

Msgr. Thomas Kujovsky, 2015.

## Partners in Faith Formation of Children with Autism and Other Disabilities

Saturday, April 23, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. • Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg

### Presenters:

#### Deacon Larry Sutton, Ph.D.

A licensed psychologist and a deacon in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, he is the Director of Pre-Theology Formation at St. Vincent Seminary in Latrobe, Pa., and author of "How to Welcome, Include and Catechize Children with Autism and Other Special Needs."

He will review the meaning and current definition of Autism Spectrum Disorder, and will discuss the Church's response to autism and developmental disabilities and challenges faced by the individual, his/her family and the parish in the catechetical setting. He will also identify the strategies for engaging individuals with autism and other developmental disabilities both in individual instruction and in a typical classroom.

#### Paul Gallagher

An educational consultant for Loyola Press with years of experience in ministry. He will give a demonstration of the Adaptive Finding God Program, a curriculum for 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade, published by Loyola Press.

RSVP by April 15 online at [www.hbgdiocese.org/events](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/events), or contact Kate Neri at 717-657-4804, ext. 317, or [kneri@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:kneri@hbgdiocese.org).

## Lenten Fish Dinners

**St. John the Baptist Parish in New Freedom** will hold its final Lenten Seafood Dinner on Friday, March 11 in the Fr. Capitani Social Hall. Carry out available at 3 p.m., and dine in from 4-7 p.m. Meals priced from \$8-\$18; all lump crab cakes, panko-breaded cod, fried shrimp, tuna salad on greens. All dinners include cole slaw, green beans, roll/butter/beverage. Al la carte items: baked potato, breaded mozzarella sticks, homemade soups, mac & cheese, French fries, desserts. All prepared by our Knights of Columbus Council #8891.

**A Lenten Fish Dinner will be held at St. Bernadette Catholic Church** March 11 from 4-7 p.m. at 901 N. High St. Duncannon. Dinner includes: Fried Pollock/Baked cod, macaroni & cheese, corn or green beans, stewed tomatoes, bread roll, beverage and dessert. Adults cost \$10 and children (4-10) cost \$5, children 3 and younger are free. Eat in or take out. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #8151.

**Hot and tasty Lenten dinners, Perohi and kielbasa** will be available Wednesdays in Lent from 4-6:30 p.m. at St. Ann Byzantine Catholic Church, 5408 Locust Lane, Harrisburg. Baked haddock and Perohi with drink and a side for \$9. Additional homemade side dishes, soups and desserts available. The last dinner will be March 16. Perohi and smoked Kielbasa will also be sold. The Perohi will be sold frozen for \$6 per dozen each Wednesday and Saturday during Lent in the parish hall. Wednesday times are from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and from 4-6:30 p.m. Saturday sales are from 9 a.m.-noon. Fillings available will be potato & cheese, cabbage, sauerkraut, prune, farmer cheese and apple. The smoked Kielbasa will be sold in rings for \$6. New this year will be smoked Kielbasa sticks. For more information, call 717-652-0545, [www.stannbyz.org](http://www.stannbyz.org). Proceeds from the dinners support charitable programs. Perohi sales benefit parish educational programs.

**Lenten Information from Holy Angels Parish, Kulpmont:** Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Fridays during Lent. Fish dinners will be held on Fridays during Lent from 4-6 p.m. in the Activity Center. Donation is \$9 for adults, and \$5 for children 12 & under. Dinner includes: soup and salad bar, baked fish, potato, vegetable, cole slaw, bread, dessert, beverage. Eat-in or take-out.

**Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Enola** is hosting 6 fish dinners during Lent in the church social hall from 4-7 p.m. Fridays March 4, 11 and 18. Seasoned baked cod, church-made baked macaroni & cheese, vegetable or stewed tomatoes, cole slaw, roll, dessert & coffee or punch. Baked fish adults \$10, children \$5. Mac & cheese adults \$8, Children \$4. Eat in or take out. No reservations necessary.

**Our Lady Help of Christians Parish in Lykens** will sponsor its weekly Friday fish fry through March 18. A variety of seafood, both baked and fried. The church social hall will be open for diners each Friday from 4-7 p.m. There will not be a fish fry on Good Friday. You can call ahead to order, 717-453-9931.

**Seven Sorrows Parish in Middletown** will hold its Annual Fish Fry on Fridays through March 18 from 5-8 p.m. in the school cafeteria. All-you-can-eat batter-dipped fish (eat-in only) plus lemon-pepper fish, crab cakes, jumbo fried shrimp, macaroni and cheese, pierogies, and a variety of delicious desserts (now including key lime pie). The fish fry is located at 360 E. Water St. in Middletown (17057) and is handicap accessible. Overflow parking is available at nearby Feaser Middle School. Doors open at 3:30 p.m.; service begins at 5 p.m. Dine in or place your take-out order by calling 717-944-5488 after 4 p.m. Cash, check, MasterCard, Visa, and Discover cards accepted. Also available—delicious handmade chocolate eggs available in peanut butter, butter cream, coconut, and peppermint! Each egg is dipped in white, dark, or luscious milk chocolate. For more information, including full menu, visit [www.sevensorrows.org](http://www.sevensorrows.org). Click on "Lenten Fish Fry."

**Sacred Heart of Jesus, Cornwall**, will be holding Lenten Fish Dinners on Wednesdays March 9, 16 and 23 from 4-7 p.m. Dinner will be served in the parish social hall at the intersection of Route 419 and Cornwall Road. Baked or fried fish and baked potato or French Fries, applesauce or coleslaw, homemade dessert, coffee or tea. Salad available. Cost is \$9 for adult dinners and \$2 for child's (12 and under) fish dinner.

**St. Rose of Lima Parish in York** will be holding their annual seafood fundraiser during the Lenten season. Lunches and dinners will be served every Friday through March 19 from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Dinners will begin at 4 p.m. and end at 7 p.m. For more information visit our website at [www.saintroseoffimayork.org](http://www.saintroseoffimayork.org).

**St. Francis Xavier Parish in Gettysburg** will host its fifth annual Lenten Fish Fry on Fridays March 4 and 18, from 5-7 p.m. at Xavier Center, 465 Table Rock Road. Dine in or take out. Adult, senior, children and reduced portion dinners available. Children under 5 eat free. For more information, call 717-334-4048. No fish fry March 11.

**The Knights of Columbus of St. Jude Thaddeus Parish in Mifflintown** will serve its annual Lenten Fish Dinners in the church social hall on Fridays through March 18 from 4-7 p.m. All-you-can-eat fried and baked fish, popcorn shrimp, fried clams, French fries, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, corn, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, rolls, puddings, and a selection of homemade desserts. Pay at the door: Adults \$12; Ages 6-12 \$6; children 5 under free. St. Jude is located at 3918 William Penn Hwy (Old Route 22), Mifflintown, directly across from Tuscarora Junior High School.

**St. Peter Parish in Columbia** will begin its Lenten Friday Fish Fry on Friday, February 12. Fish platters including baked haddock, oysters, scallops, crab cakes and other non-meat dishes all prepared by the women of the parish. Desserts made by parishioners are also available. The public is invited and may eat in or take out every Friday through March 18, from 4-6:30 p.m. The church is South Second and Union Streets. Stations of the Cross are held in the Church beginning at 7 p.m.

**Saint Mary's Lenten Fish Fry** will be held at 1730 Fowler Ave, Berwick, every Friday of Lent from 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Batter dipped fried fish, baked fish, chicken tenders, breaded shrimp, choice of 2 sides: baked potato, French Fries, corn baked beans or cole slaw. Price of dinner \$8, extra sides available for purchases. For information, 570-759-9227 or fax 570-759-6637.

**St. Matthew Parish in Dauphin** is having fish dinners on Fridays March 4 and March 18 from 4-7 p.m. 50/50 tickets are available. Dinners will be held at the Parish Activity Center (P.A.C.), 607 Stoney Creek Drive, Dauphin, 17018. Baked haddock, pierogies, home-made crab cakes and a children's menu will be available. In addition, desserts will be offered a la carte. Take out is also available! Hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council 15351. All proceeds after expenses benefit St. Matthew the Apostle & Evangelist Catholic Church.

**Church of the Holy Spirit, Palmyra**, is holding a fish fry every Friday in Lent (except Good Friday) from 3-7 p.m. Choice of Fried Fish, Baked Fish, Fried Shrimp or Crab Cake. Dinners included fries, slaw, or applesauce, rolls and bottomless cups of coffee or tea. Pierogie Dinners offered with applesauce and slaw. Pricing for every pocket, dine-in or take-out. Cold drinks and desserts available, sorry we are not able to take phone orders.

**Lenten Fish Dinner:** Please consider joining us at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, K. of C. Council #15137, for some fun and fellowship while supporting our annual Lenten Fish Dinner being held Friday evenings March 4, 11 and 18 from 4:30-7 p.m. in our Social Hall located in the basement of our Church. Dinner choices will feature Beer Battered Haddock, Oven Baked Cod, and Breaded Shrimp with your choice of Baked Potato, French Fries and Mac & Cheese. Kids Meal will be Baked Fish Sticks or Mac & Cheese with a side. Adult dinners are \$10 per person and kids' meals are \$5 per person. Coleslaw, Dessert and Beverage included. Take-outs are available. Church address is 2121 n 3rd Street, Harrisburg.

**Saint Monica Church, Sunbury** will be holding a Lenten Supper on Friday March 11 in the Saint Monica Parish Center, 109 Market Street Sunbury, from 4-6 p.m. Breaded fish, Macaroni and Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Cole Slaw, Bread & Butter, and a dessert. Cost is \$8.50.



# Diocesan Notebook

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## SPIRITUAL OFFERINGS

**America Needs Fatima** is sponsoring 3,000 Rosary Rallies across the United States of America on St. Joseph's Feast Day, Saturday March 19. The Traditional Family Rosary Rally is at noon in front of Good Shepherd Church in Camp Hill. If you are of the belief of one man and one woman as marriage, then come out and bring your friends for one hour to pray the Rosary with us. If you have questions, contact Cathy at 717-761-3384.

**Italian Mass for the Feast of St. Joseph** will be celebrated March 13 at 3 p.m. at Holy Name of Jesus Church in Harrisburg by Father Joshua Brommer, Chaplain for the Italian Apostolate Ministry. Through the generosity of the Collura and Manzella families, there will be a traditional St. Joseph Altar created in the social hall, where the Italian Apostolate Ministry Committee will provide a dinner reception after Mass. For more information please contact Mariella Amato at 717-278-9420 or Maria DiSanto at 717-554-5698 or disanto1@comcast.net.

**Father Francis Karwacki, Pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish** in Mount Carmel, will present a teaching on the Gifts of the Spirit at the Charismatic Prayer Group in the hall on the second, third and fourth Thursdays of the months during Lent at 6:30 p.m. All are invited to attend.

**St. Joseph, Danville, Parish Mission honoring the solemnity of St. Joseph**, Spouse of the Virgin Mary and our Patron Saint on March 19. We encourage that you and your family make an effort to attend the wonderful and spiritual offerings we have on our schedule for these two days. This year because of Palm Sunday, which we will celebrate at the 5 p.m. evening Mass on Saturday, March 19, our activities will end by 11 a.m. Saturday morning. Our mission activities, which will be in our main church, are: Friday Evening, March 18 at 6:00 p.m., live Stations of the Cross led by our St. Joseph School students followed by Vespers and within the Vespers a homily on Mercy by Rev. Martin Kobos, OFM, from Mother Cabrini Church in Shamokin. Saturday Morning, March 19 at 9:00 a.m., Holy Sacrifice of the Mass followed by a talk on Mercy by Rev. Martin, OFM, and at 11:00 a.m. social and brunch in St. Hubert Hall after the talk by Rev. Kobos.

**The "I THIRST" Prayer Group will be hosting a Life in the Spirit Seminar** beginning Wednesday, March 16th at 7 p.m. in the Cafeteria of St. Joan of Arc School in Hershey. All are invited to this 7-session seminar to learn ways to allow Jesus Christ to establish a deeper relationship with you. Prayer group members will share their personal testimonies as well as teach and guide you to a closer relationship with God by the help of the "Advocate", the Holy Spirit. Get to know the third person of the Trinity along with shared fellowship with others and truly learn about the love of God. Register by March 6 by calling Lou at 717-583-0240 or email at mathfamily1@yahoo.com.

**Adoration for Children** will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel/Lower Level, 440 St. Joseph St., Lancaster, every Tuesday in Lent from 4p.m.-5p.m., led by catechist, Patricia Wang. For questions or interest in starting a program of Children's Adoration in your school or parish call 717-396-0635.

**A Charismatic Mass with prayers for healing will be celebrated at St Rose of Lima**, 950 W. Market St., York, PA on Tuesday March 8 at 7:00 p.m. Praise and Worship Music begins at 6:30 PM. Father Daniel Mitzel will be the Celebrant. The Mass is sponsored by The Spirit of Love and Mercy, Magnificat and Come & See prayer Groups. For more information, contact Joyce at 717-308-7245.

**24 HOURS FOR THE LORD at Saint Joseph Church, 400 E. Simpson St., Mechanicsburg.** Our Holy Father Pope Francis in his document "Misericordiae Vultus" has asked the faithful to offer "24 Hours With the Lord", a celebration of God's mercy! From 7:30 AM on Friday, March 4 to 7:30 AM on Saturday, March 5, Saint Joseph Parish will join with the Universal Church and open its doors for 24 consecutive hours. All are welcome! Stay for as brief or as long a visit as you like. Eucharistic Adoration will be available the entire time; Mass will be celebrated Friday, March 4 at 6:30 AM and 9 AM, and on Saturday, March 5 at 8 AM; the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered on Friday, March 4 at 7 AM, 9:30 AM, 7:45 PM, and 9:45 PM; Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Friday, March 4 at 1 PM and 7 PM; and Night Prayer will be on Friday, March 4 at 9:30 PM. Questions? Contact Mary Vukelich at 766-9433 or adultformation@stjosephmech.org.

## RETREATS, PILGRIMAGES & TRIPS

**Saturday morning Lenten retreat "What He did for Love: Jesus invites us to the intimacy of shared suffering".** Presented by Sister Thelma Steiger, HSF, PhD and Sister Jo Ann Knight, HSF, MSN. From 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM at the following locations and dates: March 5 at St. Rose of Lima School (begins with Mass at 8:30), March 12 at St. Joseph Church, Mechanicsburg (begins with Mass at 8:00), March 19 at Saint Patrick Church at 87 Marsh Drive, Carlisle (begins with Mass at 8:30). Free-will offering. Contact: Mary Moll, Saint Patrick Church: 717-258-1104.

**A retreat for married couples** will be held April 9, from 1p.m. to 7p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Center, 1031 Sprenkle R., Spring Grove. The day will include inspiring insights from scripture, time for reflection and fellowship, Eucharistic adoration, opportunity for the sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass with a renewal of vows and candlelight dinner to celebrate love. Space is limited, please register by April 4. For information and to register, contact Joy Crimmins at 717-255-1704.

**Saint Mary by-the-Sea Retreat House in Cape May Point, New Jersey is now accepting reservations** for the 2016 Retreat Season. Upcoming programs include "Called to be Creative" on June 10-12, "12-Step Spirituality – It Works If You Work It" on June 16-19, as well as directed and guided retreats beginning June 23. For information, call 609-884-8878, visit our website: www.stmarybythesea.org, or email stmary@ssjphila.org. All are welcome!

**On Sunday, May 22, 2016, Court Queen of Peace #1023, Catholic Daughters of the Americas is hosting a trip to the Baltimore Basilica** of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (the first Roman Catholic cathedral built in the United States and among the first major religious buildings constructed in the nation after the adoption of the U.S. Constitution) and the Mt. St. Mary's National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Emmitsburg, Maryland. The trip includes transportation on a charter bus, continental breakfast on the bus, all tour admissions, donations to the sites, Mass at the Basilica, and a snack on the bus home. We will leave at 8:45 a.m. and return about 6:30 p.m. Monies will be due by April 16, 2016. Cost is \$40 per person and includes transportation, breakfast, admissions and donations to the shrines and afternoon snacks. The cost of lunch is not included. The bus will leave from the parking lot of Valentino's Restaurant at 132 Rider Ave, Lancaster, PA 17603. If you are interested in going or have questions, please call 717-203-3441 and ask for Rita.

## FUNDRAISERS AND EVENTS

**CHWC Vendor Bingo Sunday March 6, at St. Philip the Apostle in Millersville.** Doors open at 1:30 pm, bingo begins at 3 pm. Cost: \$18 for 20 regular games of bingo. Prizes valued over \$50 from various vendors. Additional specials will be played for great prizes. We will also have a variety of raffle baskets and a delicious variety of food. All proceeds will benefit those traveling to Pittsburgh in July for Catholic Heart WorkCamp. To purchase tickets, please contact St. Philip's parish office at 717-872-2166.

**Multi Vendor Bingo will be held at Trinity High School** in Camp Hill on Sunday March 20. Doors open at 11 a.m. Bingo begins at 1pm. 18+vendors on site, 18 games of bingo, 3 specials, raffles and lots of good food! \$25 at the door, \$20 in advance. Contact Heather at 717-649-1011 or heather\_od2002@yahoo.com for more details.

**Easter Bake Sale will be held at St. Cecilia's Church**, 120 East Lehman St, Lebanon, on Thursday, March 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday, March 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or until sold out. The sale will include walnut and poppyseed strudel for \$9.00/each and sugar cookies for \$7.00/dozen.

**The 6th Annual St. Joan of Arc School Night of Knights Gala** will take place Saturday April 16 beginning at 6 pm in the Keystone Ballroom at the Hershey Country Club. Tickets are \$75. The evening will involve dinner, dancing and silent auction. All of the proceeds from this event help with the operational costs of the school and help us continue our mission of providing children with an affordable, quality education in keeping with our Catholic traditions and values. To continue Pope Francis' theme of mercy, we will be honoring the Daughters of Mercy who do so much for our school. For tickets and information, contact Deb Rizzotto at 717-533-2854 or drizzotto@stjoanhershey.org.

**Saint Catherine Labouré School: 2nd Annual Topper Trot 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run.** Lace up your sneakers! Stretch those muscles! Call your friends! The Saint Catherine Labouré School 2nd Annual Topper Trot 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run is coming your way! This event, in honor of Monsignor Vincent Topper, will take place on Saturday April 9, 2016 at 10am on the Bishop McDevitt High School campus. Funds raised will go towards tuition assistance for students at Saint Catherine Labouré School. New this year: Flatter 1 Mile Fun Run/Walk course and more prizes in various age groups! For information on sponsorship opportunities and race registration please visit www.stcatherinelaboure.org and click on the Topper Trot logo. Register by March 30 for early bird rates and to guarantee a t-shirt!

**York Catholic High School's Athletic Association is hosting Bingo Sunday, March 13** at the high school. Doors open at noon and games begin at 2 PM. Cost is \$30 at the door and includes 15 paper cards. Additional strips of 3 are available for \$3 each. There are two jackpots of \$500 and one \$1000 jackpot. Refreshments will be available for purchase. For more information, call York Catholic High School weekdays from 8 AM to 3 PM at 717-846-8871.

**The York Catholic community is invited to attend an Estate & Planned Giving Seminar** on Monday, March 21, from 12-2 PM at York Catholic High School. The featured speaker is York Catholic alumnus, Steven M. Carr, Esq., of Ream, Carr, Markey and Woloshin. Carr will share practical information on Estate Planning and how anyone can leave a legacy to York Catholic through planned gifts while also taking care of his/her family. He will also speak about the types of planned gifts, avoiding tax mistakes in estate planning, and how to increase income with estate and charitable gift planning. Seating is limited. Spouses are encouraged to attend this educational event. A buffet luncheon will be available for registered guests. Please reserve your seat(s) by calling Roxanne at 717-846-8871 x11 no later than March 15, so we will have an accurate lunch count.

**The Holy Spirit Hospital Auxiliary is holding its St. Patrick's Day themed Annual Luncheon** and Fashion Show on Thursday, March 17, at the West Shore Country Club, Camp Hill. The event will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a cash bar. Lunch will be served at 12:15 p.m., followed by a fashion show. Fashions are provided by Little Black Dress, Chico's and Snazzy Giraffe. Tickets are \$40. For more information and to reserve your seat by March 7, please call the Holy Spirit Hospital Auxiliary office at 717-763-2796. Proceeds from the event will benefit Holy Spirit Hospital.

**The 9th Annual St. Margaret Mary 5k race to be held March 19** at 8:30 a.m. at 2826 Herr Street, Harrisburg. The race is to benefit St. Margaret Mary School in Penbrook. Visit the following website for full details: stmm5k.webs.com.

## PARISH, SCHOOL

### & ORGANIZATION NEWS

**St. Paul the Apostle Pro-Life Committee invites all to a one-time showing of the documentary "Hush"**, on Sunday, April 10, at 1:00 pm at the Allen Theatre, 36 East Main Street, Annville. Doors open at 12:30

pm. Admission is free. The story of how this film was made is as unprecedented as the film itself, with the unlikely partnership of the pro-choice director, Putnam Gill and the pro-life producer, Joses Martin. Mighty Motion Pictures' documentary "Hush" is the 2015 Golden Award World Documentary winner. www.hushfilm.com

**Open registration is now available at Harrisburg Catholic Elementary School for all students**, Pre-School through Eighth Grade. The Cathedral campus, which houses Pre-School and Fifth through Eighth grades, is located behind Saint Patrick Cathedral (212 State Street) at Liberty and Church Streets. The Holy Family campus, which houses Kindergarten and First through Fourth grades, is located at 555 South 25th Street. Founded in 2012, but with roots dating to 1873, Harrisburg Catholic Elementary School is the only school of its type within the City of Harrisburg. It is operated by the parishes of Saint Patrick Cathedral, Saint Francis and Holy Family, all within the City of Harrisburg. It's composed of both Catholic and non-Catholic students, from East Shore and West Shore locations, who wish to have an excellent educational program within the city. Parents can choose either half-day or full-day for Pre-School. We offer the best of two worlds: Holy Family Campus is our "green" campus, where students are able to enjoy 20 acres at the edge of the City. Cathedral campus offers the Inner City and all its arts and cultural opportunities as its campus. In fact, we consider the entire downtown Harrisburg as our campus, as students are frequently able to visit the State Museum, the Whitaker Center, the Forum, and much more. Questions? Contact the school at 232-2551 or 234-3797. Harrisburg Catholic Elementary: Expanding Minds, Growing Hearts!

**York Catholic will be open to the public on Wednesday, March 30, from 10 AM-2 PM for families** who want to take a tour while classes are in session. One of the YC Student Ambassadors will escort families and let them observe a typical school day. All visitors will have a chance to meet with the Admissions Director to have questions answered. If you have any questions prior to "Welcome Wednesday" on March 30, please contact Heather Hoffman, Director of Admissions & Enrollment, at 717-846-8871 x20 or hhoffman@yorkcatholic.org.

**Compassionate Humans Against Trafficking (CHAT) will conduct an all-day awareness training** on human trafficking at Carlisle Alliance Church, 237 E. North St. in Carlisle, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 23. For this event, CHAT is partnering with the Carlisle Area Family Life Center, a crisis pregnancy and family resource and support center, and the Respect Life ministries of St. Patrick and Our Lady of the Visitation churches in Carlisle and Shippensburg, respectively. The training will focus on the definition of trafficking, identification of possible victims and ways to help. The event is free but is only open to the first 50 registrants. Lunch, refreshments and training materials will be provided. Free will donations will be accepted. To register for this life-saving training, go to <http://carlisletrafficking-training.eventbrite.com>. For more information, call the Carlisle Area Family Life Center at 717-243-6544.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

**Saint Richard Church is seeking a paid part-time Director of Music.** The position is for 10 hours per week. This position requires a mature, professional, responsible, committed individual with excellent communication, organizational and interpersonal skills. Must be a Catholic in good standing. Should be accomplished in one or more of the following areas: organ, piano, voice, or choral direction. This person will maintain a professional relationship with the pastor, members of the choir, parishioners, and members of the Liturgy Committee. In order to motivate volunteers to maintain their commitment to choral singing and cantering in the church, the person needs to be outgoing, enthusiastic and energetic, fostering enjoyment of singing for the Lord while maintaining required discipline. Contact Father Stephen Weitzel at (717) 665-2465 or send resume to [www.weitzelstephen@aol.com](mailto:weitzelstephen@aol.com).

**York Catholic is seeking to immediately fill the new full-time position of Annual Fund Manager** with an experienced development (advancement/fundraising) professional. Reporting directly to the Executive Director of Advancement, the Annual Fund Manager will guide the expansion of an Annual Fund program to include: reunion class giving, phonathons, special events, mailings, donor cultivation, personal solicitations, and social media. Qualified candidates should possess an Associate's or Bachelor's Degree, proven success creating/managing an Annual Fund Program including special events management, and excellent technical skills particularly in Microsoft Word, Excel, and Power Point. Knowledge of Donor Perfect is preferred. For a full job description, visit <http://yorkcatholic.org/about-ychs/employment/>. Please submit a cover letter, resume, a non-teaching application found on the York Catholic website at the link above, and three references by March 3 to: York Catholic High School, Attn: Executive Director of Advancement, 601 East Springettsbury Avenue, York, PA 17403. Applicants selected for interviews will be contacted in early March. Please no phone or email inquiries.

**Saint Katharine Drexel Parish in Mechanicsburg** is seeking a Choir Director – Responsible for Adult Choir – and is beginning a Children's Choir, Youth – Teen Choir and Contemporary Choir and Hand bell Choir. Anyone with education and experience is asked to contact Jodi Bova, Parish Manager by phone: 717-697-8716 or by email: [jbova@skdparish.com](mailto:jbova@skdparish.com) for further details; Job search and interviews will be conducted from February – April 2016. Salary and benefits will be commensurate with Guild matrix and education and experience and is negotiable. The parish is also seeking a Youth Minister – Responsible for Sr. High Youth Ministry Program and starting a Jr High Youth Ministry Program (grades 5 – 8). Program includes service, catechesis, social, fellowship and mind, body spirit integration as well as diocesan and deanery integration. Anyone interested, please contact Jodi Bova, Parish Manager (phone: 717-697-8716; email: [jbova@skdparish.com](mailto:jbova@skdparish.com)) or Julie Worhach, Director of Religious Education (phone: 717-795-8572; email: [jworhach@skdparish.com](mailto:jworhach@skdparish.com)) for further details; job search and interviews will be conducted from February – April 2016. Salary and benefits will be commensurate with diocesan and parish salary matrix and education and experience and is negotiable.

## BEAVERS BITE INTO 18<sup>TH</sup> GIRLS' DISTRICT TITLE IN SCHOOL HISTORY



CHRIS HEISEY, THE CATHOLIC WITNESS

Lebanon Catholic girls celebrate their 18th District 3 championship in school history.

By Jen Reed  
The Catholic Witness

The Beavers of Lebanon Catholic added another championship chapter to their storied history at the Class A Girls' District 3 Final against the Halifax Wildcats at the Giant Center in Hershey, this time with a flair for speed and textbook ball movement.

Coach Patti Hower's squad, entering the contest at 19-6, quickly jumped to an early lead and kept their foot on the gas, with smooth passing and one-on-one trips into the paint.

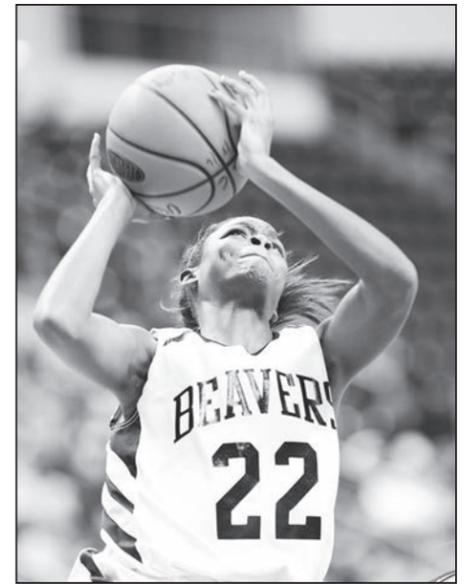
Capitalizing on most of Halifax's ten turnovers in the first quarter, and penetrating the Wildcats' defense, the Beavers rolled to a 30-8 lead with two minutes remaining in the first half. Most of the buckets came on the shoulders of lone senior Allie Warren and the tandem of sophomores Neesha Pierre and Celine Mars, who combined for 21, 18 and 16 total points, respectively, throughout the game.

Lebanon Catholic's swift style and passing plays continued through the second half, as the Beavers held a double-digit lead through most of the contest. With an impressive 24 assists on 29 field goals and draining 26 of 45 shots inside, the Beavers fired on all cylinders to earn district gold over Halifax, 67-43.

The Class A crown is the Beavers' second in as many years, and the 18<sup>th</sup> in school history for the girls' team, which, with continued speed, teamwork and confidence, is poised for an impressive run into the state tournament.



Senior Allie Warren had a hot hand, netting 21 points in the Beavers' win.



Neesha Pierre, sophomore, puts back a rebound for two of her 18 points.

## LADY RED RAIDERS BATTLE IN CLOSE DISTRICT FINAL

By Emily M. Albert  
The Catholic Witness

Our Lady of Lourdes Regional School's girls' basketball team played for the District 4 Class A title against Mansfield on Feb. 27 at Milton Area High School. Despite being down by eight points in the third quarter, the Lady Red Raiders climbed back into it with a man-to-man press and found themselves tied with Mansfield 37-37 at 5:07 in the final quarter. With 1:14 remaining, Lourdes was trailing by

only one point. The Lady Red Raiders created open shots and played a defensive game until the end, but Mansfield's success beyond the three-point arc finished the game for the Panthers, 42-38.

"They extended themselves and took good shots. The kids did not do anything wrong, they reacted well," commented coach Michael Klembara. After a few days of rest, the girls will begin to practice for their first round of state playoffs. Coach Klembara stated that he's seen his team come out as district winners and lose in the first round of states. "The way the bracket sets up can be a blessing in disguise."



Left: Lourdes' Lilly Bickel drives in the paint.

Middle: Camella Bickel drives past a Mansfield defender.

Right: Francis Czyponis puts up a shot in the the District 4 Girls' A final.



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# BISHOP MCDEVITT HAS GOLDEN NIGHT AGAINST EASTERN

By Chris Heisey  
The Catholic Witness

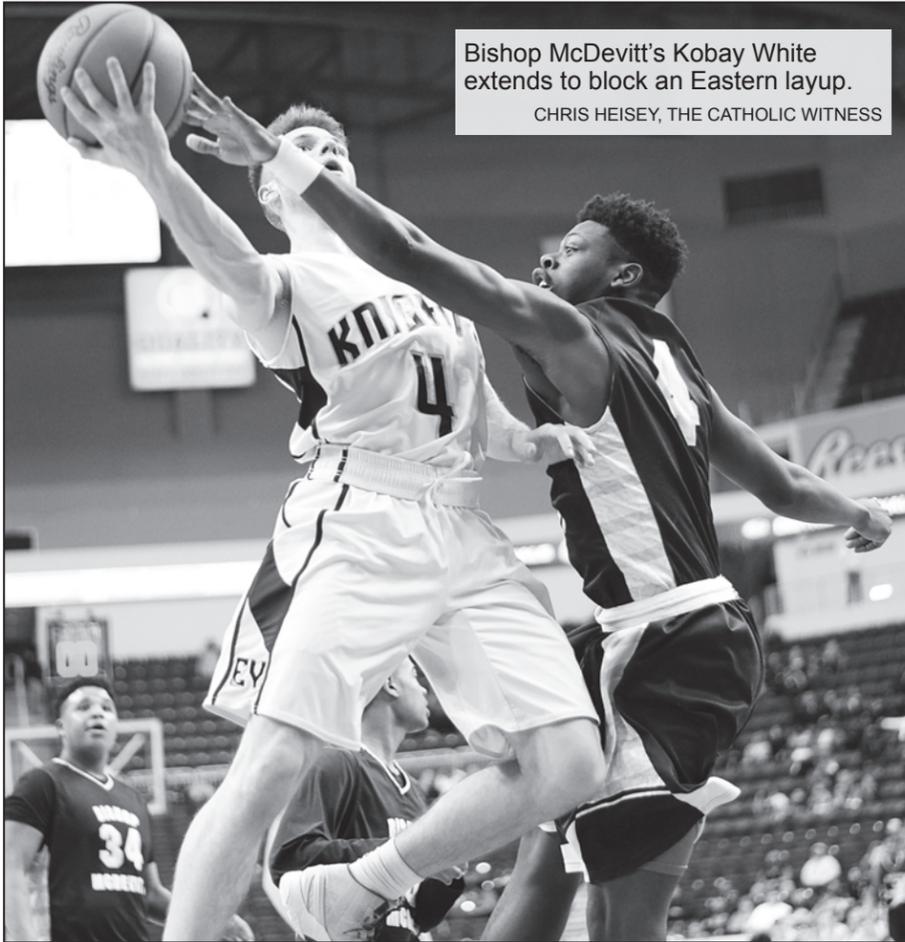
Last year, the Crusaders lost a heartbreaker in the District 3 Class AAA final at the Giant Center in Hershey. Not so this year, as the Crusaders stormed to an 11-0 lead in the first minutes of the game and never trailed Eastern York, easily winning 71-47 to earn their first District basketball championship since 1989.

The Crusaders are loaded with size, talent and multiple offensive weapons with ample bench depth to play all 32 minutes with pace and aggressiveness. Arguably,

McDevitt's most lethal threat is center and 1,000-point scorer James Williams. The senior poured in 21 points, but on the defensive end he had nine blocked shots that crippled the Golden Knights' interior game. And when the Knights did penetrate and kick out, the Crusaders' perimeter defense had a hand in the face of any look Eastern could get.

Bishop McDevitt shot better than 50 percent from the field and hit 82 percent of their foul shots.

In the 16-team Class AAA Eastern state bracket, it's likely no team will volunteer to draw this championship-caliber team.



Bishop McDevitt's Kobay White extends to block an Eastern layup.  
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Top: Bishop McDevitt's Head Coach Mike Gaffey gives senior Bryce Hall his well-earned gold medal.  
Bottom: McDevitt's senior center James Williams skies for one of his nine blocked shots.

# ROCKS SCORE TRINITY STREAK OF DISTRICT 3 WINS



Left: Trinity junior Marcus Hall draws a foul on an offensive rebound.

Right: Trinity's Austin Gilbertson drives against a Camp Hill defender who played him tight the entire game.

Below: Head Coach Larry Kostalac, Jr., celebrates Trinity's third straight district championship with his son, Larry, and granddaughter.

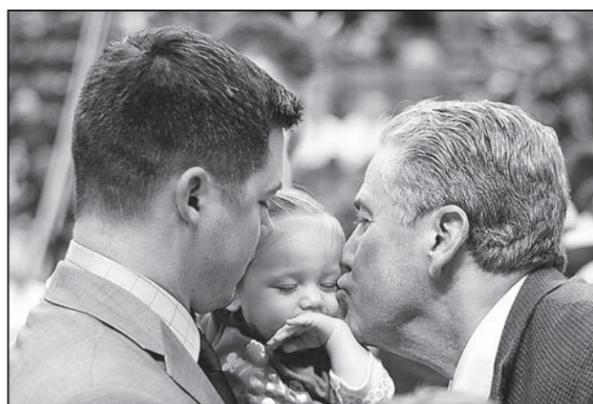
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Located just two miles apart in Camp Hill, Trinity and Camp Hill have a friendly cross town rivalry that is not always friendly. After Camp Hill won their District 3 semi-final, it seemed all the Lions wanted to talk about was getting a crack at beating Trinity in the district final.

In the first half, with a strong offensive rebounding effort, the Lions looked to be in business with a nine-point lead at halftime, holding Trinity to just 19 points at the Giant Center in Hershey. But Camp Hill went as



frigid as a January morning in the first six minutes of the second half, as the Rocks boxed out better, stiffened their interior defense on Camp Hill's bigs and hit a couple crucial three pointers to turn the deficit into a double-digit lead midway through the fourth quarter. The Rocks held on for a hard fought 55-50 victory to capture their third District 3 Class AA title in a row.

"We hate each other, we love each other. We are all friends..." Trinity's junior guard Austin Gilbertson said after the game regarding the rivalry. "The fact that they wanted Trinity; we were the bad guys in this movie; the bad guys won."

# THE TRADITION CONTINUES AT LANCASTER CATHOLIC



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Crusaders' senior forward Caroline Scarff draws contact against Berks Catholic.



Lancaster Catholic's super frosh, Kiki Jefferson, drives to the bucket.

By Chris Heisey  
The Catholic Witness

Just in case you happened to be worried that the winning tradition at Lancaster Catholic's girls' basketball program ended when legendary Coach Lamar Kauffman retired a couple of seasons ago after a 32-year career that notched 764 wins, 11 league titles, and 12 District 3 crowns and two state championships, you need not be concerned. The tradition continues under Coach Charlie Detz.

The Crusaders (28-1) beat Berks Catholic 38-27 at Giant Center, Hershey, to capture the District 3 Class AAA title, their first since 2012. On display was the traditional defensive prowess that epitomized Crusader teams in the Kauffman era – a stingy, full-court defense that contests every inch of the court's 94 feet – whether it be a 2-2-1 zone or man-to-man full court pressure. And the usual result when played with Lancaster Catholic's fearsome intensity is turnovers and poor shooting by opponents.

The Lady Saints of Berks Catholic scored only 11 points in the first half, shot 23 percent from the field, and netted only one three pointer all game. So dominate was the defensive effort, it propelled the Crusaders to their 16<sup>th</sup> District 3 title since 1973, despite their poor shooting performance from the free-throw line, where they drained less than 50 percent of their chances.

These Crusaders will be a tough out in the PIAA state playoffs.



Senior guard Annaliese Schreder fights for a rebound in the paint.

# AMAZING STREAK ENDS FOR FIGHTING IRISH

By Chris Heisey  
The Catholic Witness

Most fans crazy about sports cite Joe DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak in baseball in 1941 as the most phenomenal feat in sports history. But what is often overlooked is that when the streak ended by two brilliant backhand stabs by an obscure White Sox third

baseman, DiMaggio went on another 16-game hitting streak the very next day.

All streaks come to an end, and the 10-year reign by the girls' basketball program at York Catholic did so at the Giant Center in Hershey in the District 3 Class AA final against a Camp Hill Lions team that was led by a solid player in Leah Springer. The senior poured in 31 points and grabbed 17 rebounds that led her

young team to a 54-40 victory over the Fighting Irish.

It's not that York Catholic did not play its usual solid defense that has been one of the main reasons they have won a remarkable decade straight run of district gold medals; it was more a great player putting her team on her back to get the job done. And the Fighting Irish did not shoot the ball well as they hit only 22 percent from the field.



Left: York Catholic's Katy Rader tries to deny Camp Hill's Leah Springer from going baseline.

Right: York Catholic's Katie Bauhof splits defenders to score for York Catholic. The Fighting Irish have a deep roster of returning players for years to come.

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# DISTRICT PERFORMANCES PAVE WAY FOR STATE WRESTLING TOURNAMENT BIDS

By Jen Reed  
The Catholic Witness

In the fast-paced world of wrestling tournaments, there's little rest for contenders between rounds – whether running headstrong through the championship bracket, or battling through wrestle-back rounds for place winners.

Such was the case at the two-day District 3 AA wrestling tournament, with 699 bouts on six mats covering the floor of Hersheypark Arena on Feb. 26 and 27.

It's an exhaustive two-day tournament, with high rewards for those who claim podium spots in their respective weight class. But it doesn't end there. Reach the pinnacle or place in the top spots, and you earn a trip to the Southeast Regional Tournament to qualify for the PIAA state finals in mid March.

Thirteen wrestlers from diocesan high schools earned their way to the Southeast Regional Tournament following performances at the district championships.

From Bishop McDevitt: Chase Shields (106 lbs.), Luke Pipa (113 lbs.), John Pipa (132 lbs.), Jayden Johnson (138 lbs.), Barry Carter (160 lbs.) and Cole Nye (220 lbs.).

From Trinity: Caleb Bentley (106 lbs.), Chase Drawbaugh (132 lbs.) and Colten Drawbaugh (170 lbs.).

From Lancaster Catholic: Joe Lobeck (120 lbs.).

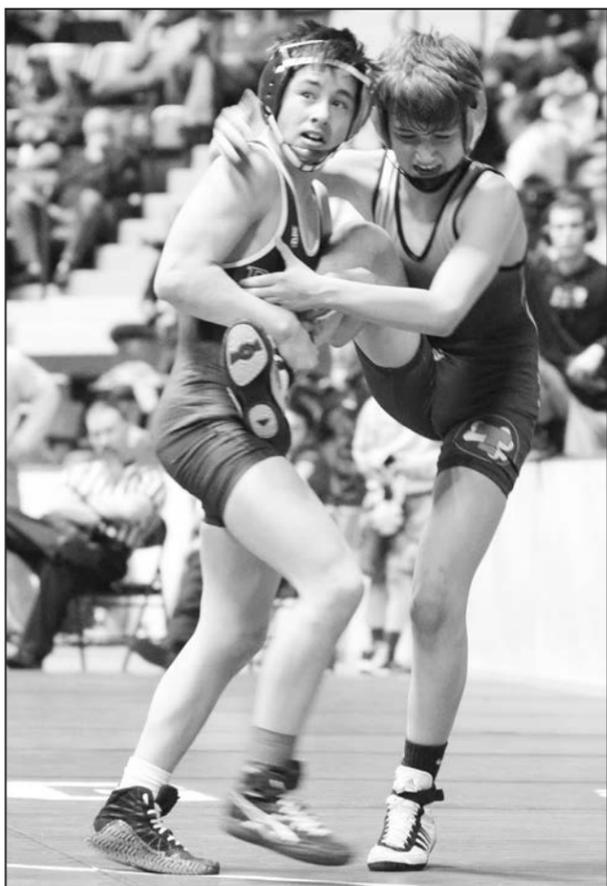
From Delone Catholic: Brian Shermeyer (152 lbs.), Brady Repasky (182 lbs.) and Bryce Perkins (285 lbs.).



2015 state silver medalist Joe Lobeck drives for a takedown in his finals match at 120 lbs., winning back-to-back district gold.

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Carrying a remarkable 35-1 record into the 120-pound final, Lancaster Catholic senior Joe Lobeck kept the offense going in the final against Bermudian Springs' Austin Clabaugh to capture back-to-back District 3 AA gold. Tied at two after the first period, Lobeck started the second from the bottom position and scored an escape before snagging a take-down at the buzzer. Another two points in the final period sealed the victory for Lobeck, a state silver medalist at 113 pounds last year. Look for the Crusader to make a strong bid for the state finals later this month.



In the waning seconds of their triple overtime bout, Bishop McDevitt freshman Chase Shields, left, looks to the clock as he holds Trinity's Caleb Bentley from scoring an escape in their championship final.

The District 3 AA finals kicked off with a defensive struggle of a match at 106 between top seeds Caleb Bentley of Trinity and Chase Shields of Bishop McDevitt. Entering the finals with nearly similar records on the year – Bentley at 28-8 and Shields at 28-6 – the duo found themselves with an escape point a piece at 1-1 after the third period. Their match went into a third overtime, as Shields held Bentley from an escape in the 30-second period. Shields, a freshman, is a former place winner in the state's junior high wrestling tournament. He'll have a first-round bye at regionals.



Bishop McDevitt's John Pipa roars his way out of near-fall points on his way to gold in the 132-pound final.

Bishop McDevitt junior John Pipa pinned his way through to the 132-pound final, cruising to a championship match against Northern Lebanon's Trevor Leonard. Pipa found himself down 2-0 halfway through the match, after an escape and reversal from the Viking junior. But Pipa, a district runner up last year and a state silver medalist in 2014, turned defense into offense, scoring an escape, and near-fall points to win the match, 5-2. The two-time district champion has earned a bye in the first round of the regional tournament, and will look to climb the state podium once again in mid March.



Brian Shermeyer grimaces in pain after suffering an injured shoulder in the 152-pound final. The Delone junior powered through the pain to finish the match and earn a silver medal.

Delone Catholic's Brian Shermeyer wrestled through most of his championship bout at 152 lbs. with an obviously painful shoulder following a near-fall by opponent and 2015 district champion Nate Newberry of Biglerville. The Squire junior needed an injury time-out in the second period, and, though visibly in pain, continued the match, holding his left arm as still as possible as he wrestled to the end. Newberry took advantage, scoring six takedowns in the third period to win 16-5. Shermeyer secured a spot in the Southeast Regional Tournament with his silver medal finish.

## TRINITY DIVER CONTINUES DIVING PERFECTION

By Chris Heisey  
The Catholic Witness



Trinity Bradley Buchter easily won his fourth straight District 3 Class AA diving championship at Big Spring High School on February 24 with an incredible score of 667, besting his closest competitor by nearly more than 300 points. This victory follows his fourth straight Mid-Penn championship, and the senior, committed to the Naval Academy, will go for his fourth straight PIAA state championship at Bucknell in mid March.

# Corpus Christi Students Welcome Bishop to School

By Jen Reed  
The Catholic Witness

At Corpus Christi School in Chambersburg this year, the theme is “Family at Heart.”

Over the course of the past several months, students have been visited by guest speakers to highlight the various families to which the children belong: their own family, and their school, parish and community families, too.

The understanding of family of faith was perfectly illustrated on March 1, as Bishop Ronald Gainer made a pastoral visit to the Franklin County school, where he celebrated Mass for the Corpus Christi community and then visited students in their classrooms.

“We talk to the students about how we are a family of God. With the bishop’s visit here today, I want them to understand that he is acting for the good of all the students in all the schools in our diocese,” said Mary Geesaman, principal.

“The students here have a great relationship with their parish priests, and with the visit from Bishop Gainer, I want them to understand Church hierarchy and how priests and bishops call us to walk together as Jesus’ family,” she said.

Corpus Christi School offers a faith-based education for its students. Technological highlights include the recent purchase of Mac Minis to compliment iPads, Chromebooks and desktop computers in the classrooms, as well as NASA-related classroom lessons and real-world experiments through the NASA Explorer School

program, which teachers Amanda Blough and Amy Fetterhoff have been accepted into.

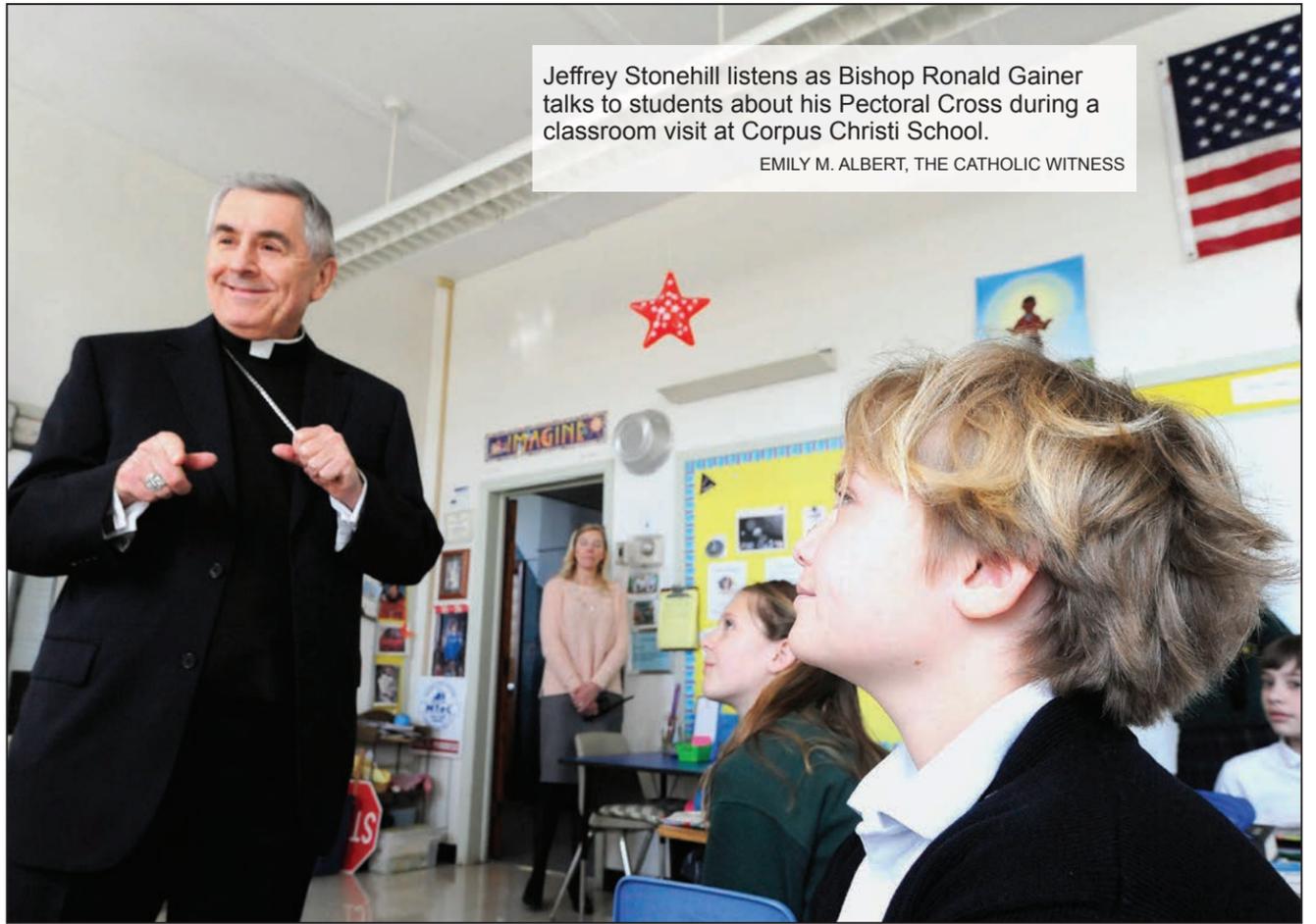
In the performing arts, Corpus Christi students enjoy a well-developed music program and a flour-

ishing drama club.

(For information about Corpus Christi School, visit <http://cccschambersburg.org/> or call 717-263-5036.)

Jeffrey Stonehill listens as Bishop Ronald Gainer talks to students about his Pectoral Cross during a classroom visit at Corpus Christi School.

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Violet Vanier greets Bishop Ronald Gainer prior to Mass celebrated for the Corpus Christi School community March 1.



Above: Hanna Woolf receives Holy Communion during Mass for the Corpus Christi School community.

Below: Sophia Taylor signs herself prior to the Gospel proclamation, that Jesus be on her mind, on her lips and in her heart.



Bishop Ronald Gainer visits with fifth grade students at Corpus Christi.

