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Respect Life Conference

Catholic Community

It’s hard to be Catholic all by yourself. Sure, some very holy men and women, such as St. Jerome and St. Benedict of Nursia, have lived as hermits, devoted to lives of solitary prayer. But even those extraordinary people also spent some time living in the midst of others. The very core of our faith comes in community: the unity of our lives, the life of Christ present in the Eucharist and with the lives of all the other believers who share in this incredible mystery.

From the very beginning, the disciples of Christ gathered together to worship, to celebrate the sacrifice of Christ for the salvation of us all. For we were all baptized by one baptism into one Body, of which Christ is the Head. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise. From the very beginning, the disciples of Christ have engaged communities from coast to coast, from city to city, from neighborhood to neighborhood, from church to church, from family to family.

For most of us, the local parish provides important connection to spiritual support that we need. But, as we have seen, America has an especially diverse society that is constantly changing, filled with new communities of immigrants. These Catholic communities have always had a natural tendency to work with other Catholics who share our same languages and traditions. A core part of the beauty of Catholicism. The faith is universal, but the local church has all of the elements in every place that make it thrive. What the faith takes hold of each culture and in each place is an inclusive community of the members of that culture finding the true
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America, we have an especially diverse
faith. That is why all of our activities are
mands of Christ in serving our brothers
centered on the sacrifice of Christ for the
salvation of us all. As St. Paul tells us:
Liturgy, to offer prayers, to share
out the centuries, our faith has been fo-
coursed by a grant from The Catholic Foundation.

Shawn Carney, national campaign di-
tector of the 40 Days for Life project, will tell the story of this groundbreaking effort at noon Friday, April 4, at the vigil site, Complete Healthcare for Women, 5888 Cleveland Ave., Columbus. Carney’s presentation will include extraordinary sacrifices to expose the abortion industry and to protect unborn children and their mothers from abortion, and we’re honored to host this speaker. We are urged to honor this Friday as an opportunity to consider the annual
which provides help and
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Our first topic will be: the very core of our
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Sanguine

Are you still praying Psalm 51 at least once each day? We spend most of our time in a prior week’s column focused on each line. It is so appropriate for Lent, and it is easily turned into a type of mantra. Whichever line happens to stick in our minds on a particular day may be prayed over and over.

We can do this in the car on the way to and from work, we can pray by ourselves in a quiet place at home, we can do it on the school bus, and we can pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament. What a nice alternative to television, Internet, email, and extra eating or drinking. Lent challenges us to do just that – make the effort to do more in the spirit and in the application of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We can do it! There is nothing extraordinary about these challenges, only a bit above and beyond the ordinary. We can accomplish all three at once. Skip a meal or a regular snack (fast), go to your church and pray for one hour (prayer), or light a candle with an appropriate donation (almsgiving) as a lasting symbol. We can all easily sacrifice one hour or so out of 168 in a week.

Our practical challenge this week is to embrace and sustain the spirit of Lent, while maintaining a sanguine spirit. 

If we do, then we are ignoring the Word of God. If we don’t, then we are doing God’s will. Feel? Of course not! Why should we do this halfway through Lent? For the same reason the camel is so happy on Wednesday in the television commercial. Laetare of Lent, and that means Laetare Sunday. In Latin, Laetare means “rejoice.” Why should we do this halfway through Lent? For the same reason the camel is so happy on Wednesday in the television commercial. Laetare of Lent, and that means Laetare Sunday. In Latin, Laetare means “rejoice.” Why should we do this halfway through Lent? For the same reason the camel is so happy on Wednesday in the television commercial. Laetare of Lent, and that means Laetare Sunday. In Latin, Laetare means “rejoice.” Why should we do this halfway through Lent? For the same reason the camel is so happy on Wednesday in the television commercial. Laetare of Lent, and that means Laetare Sunday. In Latin, Laetare means “rejoice.” Why should we do this halfway through Lent? For the same reason the camel is so happy on Wednesday in the television commercial. Laetare of Lent, and that means Laetare Sunday. In Latin, Laetare means “rejoice.”

How excited can we possibly get in the middle of Lent? Is anyone with me? It is time to celebrate and rejoice! March 30 is the Fourth Sunday of Lent, and that means Last Wednesday. In Latin, Last Wednesday means “rejoice.” Why should we do this halfway through Lent? For the same reason the camel is so happy on Wednesday in the television commercial. Laetare of Lent, and that means Laetare Sunday. In Latin, Laetare means “rejoice.” Why should we do this halfway through Lent? For the same reason the camel is so happy on Wednesday in the television commercial. Laetare of Lent, and that means Laetare Sunday. In Latin, Laetare means “rejoice.” Why should we do this halfway through Lent? For the same reason the camel is so happy on Wednesday in the television commercial. Laetare of Lent, and that means Laetare Sunday. In Latin, Laetare means “rejoice.”

The discipline, reconciliation, and even the variety of prayers, fasting, and almsgiving. This day is for celebration as a lasting symbol. We can all easily sacrifice one hour or so out of 168 in a week. 

Let’s sail some serious reflection, I chose one of my favorite words – Sanguine, a French, a senior at Unioto High School, as youth of the year, and the Robert Weisenberger family as family of the year. Pictured are (from left): Jim Hahn, Father Hahn’s brother, K of C insurance agent; Deputy Grand Knight Ed Weisenberger; Father Hahn; Grand Knight Bob French.

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Father Hahn named Knight of the Year

Father Charles Griffin Council 15793 of the Knights of Columbus, based at Chillicothe St. Peter Church, conducted its First Knight of the Year award banquet, presenting the award to the church’s pastor, Father William Renes, also incorporated all three at once. Skip a meal or a regular snack (fast), go to your church and pray for one hour (prayer), or light a candle with an appropriate donation (almsgiving) as a lasting symbol. We can all easily sacrifice one hour or so out of 168 in a week.

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Jeric is director of development and planning for the Columbus Diocese.

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The event is in memory of Kevin Mullin, a Hartley student and cross country team member, who died of a brain tumor in 2001 at age 17. The twelve previous run/walks have raised $251,000. This year’s event also will feature a 5K. Registration may be made in advance or on the day of the event. The first 350 registrants are guaranteed a T-shirt. For more details, call (740) 756-7897, e-mail cmullin@columbus. rec, or visit www.lemonhead.org.

Hawks2B Extravaganz

Columbus Bishop Hartley High School, 1285 Zettler Road, will host its inaugural Hawks2B Extravaganza for fifth-through-seventh-graders and their parents from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, April 3.

This carnival-like event, students will participate in activities including science labs, art projects, athletics, a ski with the drum club, a quiz bowl, and more. Parents will have the chance to speak with administrators and department chairs to learn more about the school. The event is free, but students will have a chance to join the H2B Club for $25 that evening. For more information, contact Hawks2B@cdeducation.org or call (614) 237-5421.

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STATE Mock Trial competition

A team from New Philadelphia's Sullivan Compass Central Catholic High School took part in the state mock trial competitions in Columbus, winning its first round against Akron Archbishop Hoban. Olivia Thoma- tockos was selected as outstanding attorney and Bryan Mahaffey as outstanding witness. The TCC team was defeated by Ashland in the second round. Team members are (from left, courted, Margaret Mary Nguyen, Olivia Thamoco, and Danny Price; standing, Jared Wicks and Bryan Mahaffey). Photo courtesy K of C Council 15793.

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Questions about the feast of St. Valentine; teacher who marries priest

QUESTION & ANSWER by FATHER KENNETH DOYLE Catholic News Service

Q: Does the church no longer celebrate the feast of St. Valentine? None of my Catholic daily devotional books even make mention of St. Valentine on Feb. 14. Instead, they note the day as the feast of Sts. Cyril and Methodius. (Evansville, Ind.)

A: Your books are correct. The current Odo, the church’s official annual calendar of feasts, lists Feb. 14 as the feast of St. Cyril, monk, and St. Methodius, bishop. They were blood brothers in the ninth century who are known as the “Apostles to the Slavs.”

Q: I read somewhere that they no longer celebrate St. Valentine’s. Is this true? If so, why not?

A: St. Valentine’s Day is still celebrated in the church, but with some changes. In the 1969 reform of the liturgical calendar, the day was renamed “Feast of Sts. Cyril and Methodius” to commemorate their work among the Slavic people. The feast of St. Valentine was moved to Feb. 14, but the name remained the same.

Q: What is the significance of St. Valentine? Is he celebrated anywhere else in the church?

A: St. Valentine is a Christian martyr who lived in the 3rd century. He is remembered for his compassion and dedication to helping others. In the church, he is associated with love and relationships, and his feast day is associated with the celebration of love and romance.

Q: I’ve heard that St. Valentine’s Day is a pagan holiday. Is this true?

A: The celebration of St. Valentine’s Day has pagan origins, but it was later incorporated into the Christian calendar. The day is now associated with love and relationships, and it is celebrated in many cultures around the world.

Q: Is it true that St. Valentine was a priest? If so, why was he ordained as a priest?

A: St. Valentine was not ordained as a priest. He was a Christian martyr who was executed for his faith. The date of Feb. 14 was chosen as the day to commemorate his martyrdom.

Q: I’ve heard that St. Valentine was a priest and that his feast day was moved to Feb. 14. Is this true?

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How do we answer the call to serve those in need? For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that for your sake he became poor although he was rich, so that by his poverty you might become rich. 2 Corinthians 8:9

In his 2014 Lenten address, our Holy Father Francis explained how Christ demonstrated Charity, love, is sharing with the one we love in all things. Love makes us similar, it creates equality, it breaks down walls and eliminates distances. God is not a power, he is love. Francis said.

“In imitation of our Master, we Christians are called to confront the poverty of our brothers and sisters, to touch it, to make it our own and discover that it can be alleviated.”

In this address, Pope Francis identified three types of poverty: material, moral, and spiritual. As The Catholic Foundation, our donors and beneficiaries tackle these areas head-on. We fund numerous social service agencies such as JOHN, NON, and others that work with individuals and families in material poverty. We work with organizations such as Suarez Street and St. Vincent Haven that address moral destitution. In the last 12 months, we distributed more than $720,000 to these types of organizations and ministries.

Next, we support our parishes, priests, and other religious so that they can operate the Gospel and help those experiencing spiritual destitution. The Catholic Foundation distributed more than $2 million to the diocesan vocations office and our parishes in the last year.

However, the work we do at The Catholic Foundation goes beyond simply providing grants to charitable organizations. We also contribute financially, but by doing so, allow organizations to staff their office to minister to the material, moral and spiritual needs of those they serve. We help provide resources so that they can spend more time focusing on their missions and less time raising money.

As we prepare for Easter, we are called as Catholics to recommit ourselves to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. In these ways, we can address Pope Francis’ call to bear witness to those suffering from material, moral, and spiritual destitution. I ask that you keep these organizations in your prayers, as we do at The Catholic Foundation. Additionally, I challenge you to consider how The Catholic Foundation can play a role in your Lenten almsgiving. Together with our beneficiaries, we can lift up our brothers and sisters in need.

As Brownie Troop 21 and chief executive officer of The Catholic Foundation and a parishioner at Granville St. Edward Church.

St. Rose Lenten Program

A Lenten time of examination based on Father Robert Bar- ro’s DVD “Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues” will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 5 at the community center of New Lexington St. Rose Church, 309 N. Main St.

The DVD features Father Barron talking about each deadly sin and its corresponding lively virtue, followed by a brief quiet period for personal reflection. A light meal will be offered at the conclusion.

The event is the prelude to a penance service sponsored by the Perry County Council of Catholi c Parishes at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 8 at St. Rose Church.

Bread of Life Cooking Club

“Treasures of the Sea” with chef Justin Hernandez will be featured at the monthly meeting of the Bread of Life Cooking Club at Powell St. John of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, on Tuesday, April 8. Registration will begin at 6 p.m., with cooking beginning at 6:30.

The program will include a cooking demonstration and wine tasting. Tickets are $15 apiece. For more information, call (614) 241-2540 or email susannahb@cbiolc.com.

Adoption Seminar

Piketon St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, 600 Hill Road North, will sponsor an adoption information seminar in the church building’s里程碑 Hall from 10 a.m. to noon Sat- urday, April 5.

The event will be strictly for informational purposes and is open to anyone interested in obtaining more information on the process and on the logistics of adoption.

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The suffering live in hopelessness and despair. Seeing life through suffering eyes provides a point of view that is nearly inaccessible for the healthy. They fully understand how power can truly be the cruel capriciousness of life. While they may experience intimacy

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The centurion’s declaration comes 2:17). The promise of the cross is meant to抵达 the conclusion. The event is the prelude to a penance service sponsored by the Perry County Council of Catholi c Parishes at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 8 at St. Rose Church.

Bread of Life Cooking Club

“Treasures of the Sea” with chef Justin Hernandez will be featured at the monthly meeting of the Bread of Life Cooking Club at Powell St. John of Arc Church, 10700 Liberty Road, on Tuesday, April 8. Registration will begin at 6 p.m., with cooking beginning at 6:30.

The program will include a cooking demonstration and wine tasting. Tickets are $15 apiece. For more information, call (614) 241-2540 or email susannahb@cbiolc.com.

Adoption Seminar

Piketon St. Elizabeth Seton Parish, 600 Hill Road North, will sponsor an adoption information seminar in the church building’s里程碑 Hall from 10 a.m. to noon Sat- urday, April 5.

The event will be strictly for informational purposes and is open to anyone interested in obtaining more information on the process and on the logistics of adoption.
Scott and Priscilla Pharron of Columbus were inducted into the Ohio High School Wrestling Of- ficials Hall of Fame at the state high school wrestling tourna- ment for their combined 76 years of service to the sport. Their involvement began when Scott became coach of the first freshman wrestling team at Co- lumbus St. Francis DeSales High School for the 1975-76 school year. At the end of that year, he was asked to be an announcer for the tournament. He became head announcer one year later and has held that position ever since.

Priscilla has been the tournament’s assistant announcer since 1980. Scott also has been a tour- nament director, and both have been announcers, at many Central Catholic League, district, and regional tournaments. The two also have been announcers at the Big Ten Conference tournament. Scott writes and produces State Tournament’s Parade of Champions tests, and Priscilla is coordinator of its electronic match board system.

Scott has been a faculty member at Columbus St. Charles Prepara- tory School since 1985, currently serving as dean of academics. He also is athletic commissioner for the CCL. Priscilla is an executive administrative assistant for Mc- Graw-Hill Education. The two, married for 41 years, have three children and nine grandchildren.

Photo courtesy St. Charles Preparatory School

John Evans attains Eagle Scout rank

Columbus Bishop Hartley High School junior John Evans, a member of Boy Scout Troop 317, sponsored by Columbus St. Matthew Church, has attained the rank of Eagle Scout. Before achieving the highest rank in Scouting, he held several leadership posi- tions in the troop, including patrol leader, assistant patrol leader, chaplain’s aide, and librarian.

For his Eagle project, he built three composting bins at St. Matthew School. The large bins ensure there is compost available throughout the different phases of the composting process. A primary goal of the Eagle project is to provide Scouts the opportunity to demonstrate leadership skills. Evans organized and managed a team of 15 Scouts to finish his project. His responsibilities included setting up the plans, leading all the work- ers through each phase of construc- tion, and ensuring the safety of all the workers. He is the 39th Scout to earn Eagle rank from Troop 317 since the troop was reconstituted in 1994.

Photo courtesy Bishop Hartley High School
KOREAN COMMUNITY HAS BEEN PART OF DIOCESE FOR PAST 36 YEARS

BY TIM PUET

The Catholic Church in the Diocese of Columbus, as in the United States as a whole, has always been an immigrant church.

The earliest churches in the diocese, particularly in the city of Columbus, were built in the early and middle 19th century by waves of immigrants from Europe. The years of the middle and late 20th century into the present sees a second wave of Catholic newcomers, mostly from Central and South America, but also from Korea, Vietnam, India, and various African nations.

One of the oldest and largest of these immigrant groups is the St. Andrew KimTaegon Korean Catholic Community, which was organized in 1978 at Columbus St. Dominic Church by about 10 families. Since then, the community has worshipped in several Columbus churches and been served by many Korean and American priests.

Today, it has a core of about 70 families who live throughout the Columbus area, plus a constant changing group of Ohio State University students and faculty members from Korea. It celebrates Mass in the Korean language at 10:30 a.m. Sundays and 7 p.m. Fridays in Columbus St. Leo Church, which has been its home since the fall of 2009.

Its pastor, Father Ahlden Lee, was assigned to Columbus a little more than a year ago by the Archdiocese of Daegu, Korea, and lives in the rectory next to the church. Its pastoral committee is led by laypersons Augustine Sa Yoon-hi, chair; Frances Suh, vice chair, and James Ko, secretary.

Ko estimated that 130 to 150 people regularly attend Sunday Masses, with attendance increasing to about 200 for Christmas and Easter services and for outdoor Masses celebrated on the feast day of Columbus on Oct. 31 and the Feast of St. Andrew Kim Taegon, Korea’s first native priest, who was martyred in 1846, and on or near the feast of the Assumption Aug. 15, for Chuseok, the Korean equivalent of Thanksgiving Day.

An English-speaking priest who comes to St. Leo’s for the Korean Mass immediately understands what is being said, but will recognize what is taking place in the liturgy. Another advantage the structure of the Mass remains the same in any language. An observer also is likely to be struck by the reverence shown by those in attendance, how bow their head much more frequently as a sign of respect to those who are present and by the beauty and harmony of the Korean liturgical music performed by the community’s adult choir, known as the Rosarium Sciarone, directed by Matthew Ches.

One thing that really impressed the writer coming to Columbus from Korea was how the members of the community are in the liturgy,” Father Lee said in Korean, with Ko serving as his translator. “Lectors, altar servers, and others in the community who take leadership roles are all volunteers. That kind of thing doesn’t happen as much in this country.

“Thank you very much for a priest to ask someone to do something. Here, the members are much more willing to talk about the dioceses they’d like the community to go. It’s also good to see so many families and young people at Mass every week.”

Koreans began coming to the United States in large numbers starting with the end of the Korean War in 1953, especially in the Feasts of Columbus and St. Andrew. Immigration Act of 1965 abolished the quota system restricting the number of Asians allowed to enter the country, which had been set at 100 per year since 1952.

Ko has been in the United States for 23 years, works for Honda in Marysville as a team leader in quality assurance, lives in Powell, continues to study in South Korea and a son, aged 22 to 19, attending college at the same time.

Like the European Catholics of a century ago, he has worked hard to attain “the American Dream,” but often finds his children to forget their roots.”

“I could attend several Catholic churches closer to where I live, and sometimes I do because it’s more convenient,” he said. “But I prefer to attend Mass here because I want to maintain the traditions of where I’ve come from, which I was taught by my mother and father.

“I’m old enough to think of myself as among the last of the baby boomers in this community and as part of a ‘sandwich generation’

By Father Lee, forwashers: the community’s choir, the Rosarium Sciarone, directed by Matthew Ches.

“Being part of this community and having it continue to be active allows them to maintain their Korean identity and the legacy passed down by my parents. Having so many Koreans coming and going from this country in a given year, I think that, I mean that there are many Korean Catholics who have returned to their language and have made two trips to Korea, including one for the 1988 Eucharistic Congress.

The first reported gathering of Koreans in Columbus St. Francis from 1987-99, with the homily translated into Korean.

“(I) really enjoyed working with the Koreans, and many have remained friends,” said Msgr. Cody, now pastor of Columbus St. Christopher Church. “I learned the Korean alphabet and part of the language and have made two trips to Korea, including one for the 1988 Eucharistic Congress. I’ve always been impressed by the respect they show throughout the Mass – something which many American Catholics would do well to emulate.

“The Catholic Church in Korea – especially in the last 30 years – has grown remarkably, especially in the last 10 years. I think a lot of it is due to the influence of Korean Catholics who have returned to the United States by Pope John Paul II in 1984 of 103 martyrs who gave their lives for the faith in Korea from 1839-67, including St. Andrew Kim Taegon, for whom the community is named in 2008.

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Corpus Christi Retreat Day

Sister Noreen Nolan, OP, will present a retreat day titled “Discovering God at Every Age” from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 26, at the Corpus Christi Center of Peace, 1115 E. St. Ewot Ave., Columbus.

The day will include prayer, presentation, processing, and quiet reflection on how each of us might discover God in our very own life circumstances. The program will be followed by Maas at 5:30 for those who wish to attend. Registration is required. The cost is $25.

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In a conversation about Russian Orthodoxy a dozen years ago, that famous source who can only be quoted off-the-record, the Senior Vatican Correspondent, told me, “They only know how to be chaplain to the czar— any czar. They only know how to be clergymen in any regime at the service of the person in power.”

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Essay competition giving them the chance to complete an online application to explain their project and have an opportunity to demonstrate their use of science, technology, engineering, and math principles.

The choices made have not been unambiguous. In the late 1980s and early 1990s, a number of other small but significant Russian Orthodox leaders and believers have emerged to challenge the metropolia, including some who argue that the word “metropolia” should be replaced by that of “name of a historic Russian space,” an exercise in Great Russian irredentism that has taken a particularly grave turn in Ukraine; concurrently, they’ve embarked on a campaign of seduction in the Vatican and among American evangelicals. Passionate, in service to a united front against Western decadence in the Western (at the moment, strange ways of divine providence) the Ukrainian C[A[2[4[1]]2", which in K[A[2[4[1]]2" has been diachronic and Hilarian

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In the story, John's self-assurance is striking. The man who earlier launched into a debate on the Sabbath now speaks with the authority of a man who knows that he is not the enemy of God. He is not trying to justify his actions but to proclaim the truth: “I am the light of the world.”

It is clear that John’s story is not meant to discredit the religious leaders of his day, but rather to challenge them to consider their own practices and beliefs. The story begins with a theological dilemma: “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” (John 9:2).

John’s response to this question is instructive. He relies on the fact that Jesus has already healed a blind man and that this miracle is a sign of the presence of God. He quotes the prophet Isaiah: “Your sons and daughters will speak with their mouths, and your old men with their lips; your young men will see the Vision of the Holy One, and your women, the visions of the prophet” (Isaiah 30:18).

John goes on to say that the fact that the man was born blind means that he was not responsible for his own condition. He argues that the fact that Jesus has healed him is a sign that God is working through Jesus to bring about salvation. He challenges the religious leaders to consider their own beliefs and practices, and to be open to the possibility of change.

The story ends with Jesus asking the religious leaders if they believe that God is “the Father of mercy” (John 9:39). The message is clear: God is merciful, and those who refuse to believe this are being blinded by their own prejudices and ignorance.

The story of John’s healing is a powerful reminder of the power of belief and the need for open-mindedness. It is a call to all of us to consider our own beliefs and to be open to the possibility of change.
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Columbus-area photographer Gary Gardiner decided last year to combine his observation of Lent with the talent God gave him to observe the world through a camera lens. The result is a 72-page bound softcover book, *The 40 Days of Lent*, designed to affirm and strengthen faith through a text combining more than 50 photos with the daily psalms of the Lenten liturgy. Gardiner is a member of Westerville St. Paul Church. The photos all were taken there over the course of the 2013 Lenten season. “I didn’t plan to theme this book to the Lenten psalms,” Gardiner said, “but when I began looking at the photos and reading the psalms, it struck me that the two really went well together.”

“The first three photos in the book, although out of order, offer symbols for the season—the beginning, the end, and the reason for Easter. “Take time to read the psalm that accompanies each photo. It’s significant that so many psalms from the daily reading match so well with that day’s photograph. “Perhaps the most significant blessing came on Good Friday, where my intention for the day was a photo of the empty Tabernacle when the consecrated host is removed and the doors are thrown open to show the absence of Christ in the church. I shot the photo at several angles and distances and with a variety of lenses. “As I left, I saw the church’s shadow stretched across the parking lot and school grounds with the cross at the top of the steeple at the peak. The cloud and sky behind it was changing shape and brightness in a strong late March wind. “As the clouds opened, closed, and changed shapes, I found a variety of symbolic photos, no more significant than when the sun was directly behind the cross forming the shape of a monstrance used during Benediction services. … The moment lasted about two minutes as the cloud shape changed and the angle of the sun decreased, lengthening the steeple shadow into the street.”

Gardiner, 69, has been taking photos since he was 12 years old. He began his career at newspapers in Florida, was employed by The Associated Press in 1977, and was in the Columbus bureau of the worldwide news service as its chief photographer for Ohio from 1982 to 2004. He was a work colleague of the author of this story for most of that period. He has continued to shoot a picture or more a day since his retirement. The book is available for $29.95 plus shipping for the print version or $4.99 for the digital version (free with the print version). It may be ordered by going to the website www.40daysoft lentbook.com. A portion of the profits will be donated to the Brian Muha Foundation for its Run the Race Club, a Columbus-based group that works to help children battle and overcome the difficulties of youth and modern society.
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