

#### **OFFICE AND CHURCH HOURS**

The Parish Office is open Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM. The Church is open daily 6:00 AM-8:30 PM. For more information, visit www.standrewparish.cc.

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:30 PM Sunday - 7:30 AM, 9:15 AM, 11:00 AM Weekdays - 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM Saturday Morning - 9:00 AM

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:15-4:15 PM or by appointment at 614-451-4290

To learn more about **SACRAMENTS**, call the Parish Office or visit our website, www.standrewparish.cc and select "Sacraments and Prayer."

For **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**, please contact a priest at the Parish Office.

We welcome **NEW MEMBERS!** To register or learn more about St. Andrew Parish, please contact our office by phone, or email Jen Wenzke at jwenzke@standrewparish.cc.

#### **OUR MISSION**

St. Andrew Church is a community of Catholics committed to serving God by living our faith. We exist to fulfill the mission of the Roman Catholic Church at the local level by continuing the saving work of Christ. We accomplish this through the celebration of the sacraments, proclaiming and living the Gospel, reaching out to others in justice and charity, and providing all parishioners abundant spiritual, educational, and social opportunities to be known as a faith-filled, engaged, and generous parish.



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#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday: Aug 5 Vigil, Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
4:30 p.m. James A Roslund

Sunday: Aug 6, Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord
7:30 a.m. Nicholas DeSantis
9:15 a.m. Joe and Louise Karam
11:00 a.m. For the People of St. Andrew Parish

Monday: Aug 7, Weekday Mass
6:30 a.m. Those who have not come to know the love of God
8:30 a.m. Vincent Ireland

Tuesday: Aug 8, St. Dominic, Priest
6:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Our Society
of St. Vincent de Paul Conference
8:30 a.m. Patrick Conway

Wednesday: Aug 9, Weekday Mass 6:30 a.m. Paul and Lillian Wentzel 8:30 a.m. Heimo Langer

Thursday: Aug 10, St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
6:30 a.m. Hugh Callahan
8:30 a.m. Kay Griffith Theado

Friday: Aug 11, St. Clare, Virgin
6:30 a.m. Joseph and Lane Families
8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Mallett

and McCort Families

**Saturday:** Aug 12, Weekday Mass 9:00 a.m. Norma Johanni

**Vigil, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**n. Clara Bucher

4:30 p.m. Clara Bucher

Sunday: Aug 13, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. For the People of St. Andrew Parish
9:15 a.m. Bill Jones
11:00 a.m. Jim Cook

#### **BAPTISMS**

Johnathan Tyler Kathary, son of Scott and Lauren Lochlan Jude Mendieta, son of Edgar and Christina

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your generous response to last weekend's Mission Appeal on behalf of the Diocese of Warangal in South Central India. So far, more than \$7,000 has been donated to this cause. Once again, St. Andrew parishioners have come through and have not disappointed. I told Fr. Albeen Vatti that he could count on a generous response to his appeal. Thank you very much!

I am also very please to announce that St. Andrew Parish has surpassed our goal for The Appeal 2023. To date, our pledges are \$217,875. Our goal is \$214,147. I am so grateful to all who have pledged to The Appeal and helped us to surpass our goal. It is so important that we support the vital ministries and services of the Diocese of Columbus. I also remind you that everything pledged and paid over our goal will be refunded to the parish. This can help us to replenish our parish reserves, which are being spent down to accomplish necessary projects at St. Andrew, including replacement of a chiller in the school building that will set us back more than \$600,000!

Finally, I want to thank all parishioners for your steady support of St. Andrew Parish through the Sunday offertory. I hope you pay attention to the Sunday offering report every week in the bulletin. We need \$32,212 each week in offertory donations to meet our budget. Of course, offerings fluctuate week to week, but St. Andrew is doing well. As I was visiting with Fr. Albeen last week, he shared his parish bulletin with me. Although he made the Mission Appeal for his home diocese in India, he is also pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Jackson, Mississippi. It's a parish of about 1,000 families, or about half the size of St. Andrew. I was amazed as I read that their weekly offertory budget is \$30,000 and the actual received exceeds the budget. Fr. Albeen explained that, in the deep South, the culture is heavily influenced by the Baptists, who are very much committed to tithing. The influence is so strong that even the Catholics follow their example! I found this very interesting, and it renewed my gratitude for the faithful stewardship of our St. Andrew parishioners, as exhibited in your generosity to the weekly offertory.

Coming up next week: Tuesday, August 15, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – it is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule for this feast day is Monday, August 14, vigil Mass at 7:00 p.m.; and Tuesday, August 15, at 6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Then, the Festival at St. Andrew is Friday, August 18, and Saturday, August 19, from 5:00 p.m. to Midnight both days. There will be fun for all ages! I hope to see all of you there.

Happy August!

Your Pastor, Msgr. Stephan Moloney



## THURSDAY, AUGUST 10 BRYCE ECK CENTER – KELLY HALL

Euchre at 10 a.m. Bingo at 11 a.m. Lunch at Noon

The luncheons are a great way to catch up with old friends and forge new friendships with seniors within our St. Andrew Parish community. If you are 55+ and a registered parishioner, come and join the fun! There is no cost. **For more information**, contact Pat Carroll at 614-459-1402 or **pcarroll@standrewparish.cc**.

#### AROUND THE PARISH THIS WEEK

#### Saturday, Aug 5

•5:30 PM – Festival Cookie Saturday (NPH)

#### Sunday, Aug 6

- •Festival Donut Sunday following ALL Masses
- •4:00 PM Boy Scout Pack #296 (BE)

#### Monday, Aug 7

- •10:00 AM Garden Club (areas near grotto)
- •6:00 PM Election Set Up (BE)

#### Tuesday, Aug 8

- •6:00 PM Adoration with Exposition, Benediction (CH)
- •7:00 PM Festival Planning Meeting (MPR)

#### Thursday, Aug 10

- •10:00 AM Senior Luncheon (BEC)
- •6:30 PM St. Andrew School New Parent Meeting (NPH)

#### Friday, Aug 11

•7:00 AM – Men's Faith & Fellowship (POLLMR)

## FACILITIES & ROOM RESERVATIONS AT ST. ANDREW PARISH

If you would like to reserve one of the meeting spaces at St. Andrew Parish, please contact Jen Wenzke, jwenzke@standrewparish.cc, or Greg Price, gprice@standrewparish.cc. The event calendar can be viewed at standrewparish.cc/calendar.

#### SUNDAY OFFERING

**JULY 23** \$ 24,175 \$ 103,950 ACTUAL **BUDGET** \$ 32,212 128,846 \$ 22,371 **LAST YEAR** 100,549

Thank you to all who are responding generously to our financial need. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

We encourage you to consider Online Giving, which is safe, secure and convenient. To sign up, visit osvhub. com/st-andrew-parish/funds contact the business manager, Thomas Conigy, tconigy@standrewparish.cc or 614-451-4290, ext. 102.



#### THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED TO THE APPEAL SO FAR!

As of July 26, our pledges have exceeded our goal. Let's keep going as all money in excess of our goal will be returned to the Parish. Every donation helps! If you The Appeal haven't yet made your gift to this year's



appeal, please prayerfully consider a gift. The Appeal supports essential ministries, formation, and outreach under the four pillars of evangelization, vocations, education, and social concerns.

#### ST. ANDREW PROGRESS REPORT THROUGH JULY 26:

Pledged \$217,875.00 Collected \$176,756.95 \$ 37,390.75 Remaining Goal \$214,147.70

Pledge envelopes are available in the pews. Feel free to drop them in the collection basket with your pledge or donation, or mail them to The Appeal, 197 E. Gay Street,

Columbus, OH 43215. Make checks payable to The Diocese of Columbus and include "St. Andrew Parish - Appeal" in the memo section. You may also pledge online at www.columbuscatholicgiving. org/appeal or scan the QR code.



**HOME VISITS:** If you or a family member are homebound and would like a visit from a priest or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please call the parish office at 614-451-4290. EMs bring Communion to the homebound on Sundays or as scheduled. Priests will see the homebound upon request, however, they usually cannot schedule home visits with Communion on Sundays.



#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration, on Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration is simply the act of being in Christ's real presence while the Eucharist is on the altar. Adorers may stay as briefly or as long as they would like.

Adoration will end with Compline (end of day prayers), followed by Benediction at 8:45 p.m.

#### SPECIAL EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

Members of St. Andrew Conference of St. Vincent de Paul invite ALL parishioners to take part in Eucharistic Exposition on Tuesday, Aug. 8, from 8 to 9 p.m., to experience this very holy time, feel the peace of Christ in His presence, pray for loved ones, and "watch with Him for one hour." During the holy hour, we will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Holy Rosary, ending with Compline and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Make time to be in Christ's presence and open yourself to the graces which flow from the Eucharist!



#### **WELCOME OUR BLESSED MOTHER INTO YOUR HOME AND HEART!**

There are many sign-up opportunities to have the Blessed Mother statue in your home for prayer and devotion in the coming weeks. Each week begins on Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and ends on the following Saturday at 4:30 p.m. Statue drop-off and pick-up is in the St. Andrew Chapel next to the bookcase. Use the QR code or visit our

SignUpGenius page to

view upcoming available dates and learn more: tinyurl.com/ourlady2023. For more information, contact Deb McEllistrem, 614-309-4645 or dmcellistrem@yahoo.com.



#### THE ST. ANDREW CONFERENCE OF THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

THANKS ALL who generously donated to our Fifth Sunday collection! We will use your contributions to help those who have experienced a "bump in the road" to help them with their rent or utilities. We also make sandwiches



monthly for distribution next to Holy Cross Church. We are looking for new members who share in our mission to help those in need. For more information, contact John Seguin, seguinjh@yahoo.com.

#### ST. ANDREW SCHOOL NEWS

**WE ARE STILL ACCEPTING NEW STUDENTS**. We would love for you to be a part of the Viking Village. For more information, contact school Principal Joel Wichtman, 614-451-1626 ext. 234.

**THE USED UNIFORM SALE** is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 8, from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the School Cafeteria. **\$5** a bag for uniform shirts, pants and shorts! Come early to get the best selection. Cash or check only. For more information, contact Amy Hura, 614-562-2800.

**LOCKER SET UP** is different than in years past. It is scheduled for **Thursday, Aug. 17**. Students whose last names begin with the letters A-L will set up from 9:00-9:45 a.m. Students who last names begin with the letters M-Z will set up from 10:00-10:45 a.m. More information to come!

**THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL** for students with last names A-L will be August 23. Students with last names M-Z will be August 24. All students will be at school on August 25!

**REMINDER** to all enrolled families to fill out the EDCHOICE EXPANSION SCHOLARSHIP information and email it to Mr. Wichtman, **jwichtma@cdeducation.** org. This scholarship benefits every family enrolled at **St. Andrew School!** The deadline to request scholarships for this academic year and receive the entire amount for which your family qualifies is October 14, 2023. For complete details, see the last page of this bulletin.

**ST. ANDREW SCHOOL** is looking for part-time Educational Aides for the upcoming school year, 27.5 hours per week. Catholic preferred but not required.

#### Requirements include:

- An appropriate Ohio educational aide license, or be eligible to receive one before serving in the classroom
- Current, clear BCI & FBI background checks
- Protecting God's Children (PGC) certificate of completion or willingness to attend a PGC training session prior to serving in the classroom

**Interested candidates:** Please send a letter of interest and resume to school Principal Joel Wichtman at **jwichtma@cdeducation.org**.

#### **ADULT FAITH UPCOMING EVENTS!**

**EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL:** We are excited to announce that, starting in October, St. Andrew will host the **Eucharistic Revival Small Study Groups**. The parish is looking for men and women to step forward and serve as small group leaders, to help with hospitality or parish outreach.

JOIN US on WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall for a special evening focusing on EVANGELIZATION AND TRAINING. The evening is open to all parish members who want to learn more about the National Eucharistic Revival and how we can implement this critical movement in our parish. From being a small group table leader at the Parish Wide Revival Study or best practices in sharing the faith with others, the time for parish revival is now. Please RSVP to Emily Jaminet, ejaminet@standrewparish.cc.

**SAINT MONICA BOOK CLUB:** The next book club meeting will be Monday, Aug. 28, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Nugent Parish Hall. ALL are welcome! St. Monica represents persistent, unfailing prayer for fallen-away family members and the Saint Monica Club represents all devoted parents who have experienced the pain of a child leaving the faith and have prayed ceaselessly for their return. **For more info and to RSVP**, contact Amy Tague, at **amyliss14@gmail.com**.

**SPECIAL MASS IN HONOR OF ST. MONICA:** St. Andrew will host a special Mass on **Monday, August 28**, starting at 7 p.m. on the Feast of St. Augustine, in honor of St. Monica and St. Augustine. Msgr. Moloney will celebrate this Mass, and we will host a small reception in the parish hall.

The intention of the Mass will be for those friends, family members, and former parishioners who have left the faith in the hopes that – through the intercession of Sts. Monica and Augustine – they return to the Church. Please stay tuned for more details.

**RCIA WILL KICKOFF THIS FALL:** Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process through which non-baptized men and women enter the Catholic Church. It includes several stages marked by study, prayer, and rites at Mass. Participants in the RCIA are known as catechumens. They undergo a conversion process as they study the Gospel, profess faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receive the Sacraments of Christian Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist.

For more information about Adult Faith, contact Emily Jaminet at ejaminet@standrewparish.com.



**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!** Sign up in the Parish Hall after Mass or online at **tinyurl.com/standrewfestival2023**. Signups in the Parish Hall each weekend take preference over online sign-ups. You can also sign up by phone or text (preferred) to Jennifer at 614-857-5388 or **jwoods592@gmail.com**.

**SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS NEEDED** Gift cards, tickets for sports/entertainment, wine and jewelry are a few of our most popular items. If you prefer to make a monetary donation to the Festival Silent Auction, we will do the shopping for you! For more information, contact Helen Leahy at **hholbery@gmail.com**.

**BECOME A SPONSOR!** If you would like to learn more about sponsorship and the benefits, contact Melanie Houts at 614-595-5335, or Kim Jones Burns at 614-506-7825.

THIS WEEKEND IN THE PARISH HALL: We will serve cookies after the Saturday Masses and donuts after the Sunday Masses. This is the perfect opportunity to pick up your RIDE WRISTBAND VOUCHERS (while they last) for \$22 each, good for one night. Vouchers will be \$25 each per night at the Festival. Cash and check only! You can also buy raffle tickets, sign up to volunteer (hundreds still needed), buy ride wristband vouchers, pick up yard signs, play games, drop off auction items and sponsor checks.

**BEGINNING AUGUST 15**: The McCoy Road parking lot will be closed. Remember to park in Reed Road lot for daily Mass.

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**ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, Mass will begin at 4:00 p.m.** (instead of 4:30 p.m.) to give our volunteers and parishioners the opportunity to attend Mass before the fun begins!

FESTIVAL 2023: FRIDAY, AUG. 18 • SATURDAY, AUG. 19 • 5PM-MIDNIGHT

#### FIRST CALLED YOUTH MINISTRY FEASTS AND FESTS IN AUGUST:

#### TUESDAY, AUG. 15, FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Meet at the 8:30 am Mass followed by Peace, Love and Little Donuts at the Bryce Eck Center or go to the Noon Mass and stop by the Bryce Eck Center afterward for pizza lunch!

#### AUG. 18-19, FIRST CALLED AND THE FESTIVAL

Sign up to volunteer and get some First Called surprises!

#### SUNDAY, AUG. 27, FIRST CALLED YOUTH MINISTRY (FCYM) DISCIPLES

Meet from 6:30 to 8 pm for the Leadership Team Meeting!

Middle and High School students, you can be the FIRST CALLED to be our 2023-24 Disciples!

Questions? Contact Maria Moore at 614-439-3571 (cell), 614-459-1402 (office), or mmoore@standrewparish.cc.



#### AROUND THE DIOCESE

**BETHESDA HEALING MINISTRY UPCOMING FUNDRAISER:** Lighthouse of Hope will be held **Saturday, August 26 at St. Andrew Parish**. The event will begin with Mass at 9:00 a.m. followed by brunch and program at 10:00 a.m. in Nugent Parish Hall. Keynote speaker will be Rev. Monsignor James A. Walter. Cost is \$35/person. You can register online at **bethesdahealing.org/events**.

CATHOLIC MEN'S MINISTRY CONFERENCE: Join men from across the Diocese August 26, 2023, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Mass at 8:30 a.m.) at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Westerville. The half-day event is designed for Catholic men, featuring a light breakfast, speakers, and small group discussion. Speakers include: Father David Sizemore, Episcopal Vicar for the Diocese of Columbus and Brad Pierron, the Missionary Program Director for Damascus. For more information and to register, visit www. CatholicMensMinistry.com.

**EARLY FALL RETREAT:** Spend time this fall enriching your relationship. Experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. Make 2023 the best year of your marriage by applying today! **The next weekend retreat in the Central Ohio area is September 8-10, 2023.** For more information or to apply, visit our website at **WWMEcolumbus.org**, or contact Paul & Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880. Early registration is highly recommended.

**CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON RETURNS FOR A NEW SEASON!** Catholic men of the diocese are welcome to join us for this monthly event (September through June). The luncheon is held at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus and September's event will feature a talk by Attorney Don Brey and Dr. Michael Parker about the proposed Ohio Constitutional Amendment to expand abortion access in Ohio. If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon, contact Jim Gernetzke at jimgernetzke@noslumine.com. Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m., and the presentation by Mr. Brey and Dr. Parker. No reservations are necessary. \$12 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend! Our next luncheon is Friday, October 6, and will feature a presentation by John Bradford.

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#### LITURGICAL VOLUNTEERS

### SAT, AUG 12: Vigil, 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:30 PM Mass

David Varda EMHC - B1
Kathi Theado EMHC - B2
Tom Levenick Lector - A
Ann Pratt Lector - B
Chase Ryder (sub req.) Altar Server
Irene Grigoryan Altar Server

#### SUN, AUG 13: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 AM Mass

Dick Curtis EMHC - B1
Sudie Mitchell EMHC - B2
Tom Levenick Lector - A
Randy Doherty Lector - B
Keiryn McGuff Altar Server
VOLUNTEER NEEDED Altar Server

#### **9:15 AM Mass**

Mike Plahuta EMHC - B1
Suzanne Meyers EMHC - B2
Elizabeth Carpenter EMHC - B CHOIR
Jim Macklin Lector - A
Mary Kasberg Lector - B
Joel Kasberg Altar Server
Chase Ryder Altar Server

#### 11:00 AM Mass

Iris Freisner (sub req.)

Martha Radtke

Cathy Covarrubias

Marty Majka

Noah Wenzke

Jackson Wenzke

EMHC - B1

EMHC - B2

Lector - A

Lector - B

Altar Server

Altar Server

## MON, AUG 14: Vigil, Feast of the Assumption of Mary 7:00 PM Mass

Margaret Saffell EMHC - B1
Patty Meyers EMHC - B2
Bob Slater EMHC - B CHOIR
Jacob Decot Lector - A
Tim Terveer Lector - B
Jan Ajuseh Altar Server
Janelle Ajuseh Altar Server

## TUES, AUG 15: Vigil, Feast of the Assumption of Mary 12:15 PM Mass

Elizabeth Carpenter
Linda Daley
EMHC - B1
EMHC - B1
EMHC - B1
Extra - A
Extra Companies

EMHC - B1
Extra Companies

EMHC - B1
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To volunteer, visit **www.rotundasoftware. com/ministry/standrewcolumbus**, or use the QR code here. If you need help with your username or password, contact the Parish Office, 614-451-4290.





Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God?

Be a better husband and a more loving father?

Build friendships with other like-minded men, and seek to be the best man you can be?

In 2022, more than 50 men in the parish signed up for TMIY and the feedback was overwhelmingly positive about the value it brought to their marriages and families.

**DON'T MISS OUT!** Sessions begin on Saturday, Sept. 9.

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- The meaning of manhood through the example of Jesus Christ.
- The personal journeys and spiritual implementation from three men who have over 25 years of combined TMIY experience and contemplation.
- A systematic and yet uniquely personal plan to every man, no matter where they are in their spiritual life.

#### SPEAKERS:





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#### PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Saturday Mornings Bryce Eck Activity Center 3880 Reed Road Upper Arlington, Ohio

#### SCHEDULE:

6:30 AM Breakfast 7:00 AM Video Presentation 7:30 AM Small Group Discussion 8:00 AM Dismissal

#### REGISTRATION:

For more information and to register:
Colin Bellantis 440-728-4166 or colinbellantis@gmail.com



# SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 PONTIFICAL COLLEGE JOSEPHINUM 7625 NORTH HIGH STREET

Event parking provided at Crosswoods Center I office park located at 100 Crosswoods Blvd. Jessing Center parking may be used by those with small children, or mobility challenges.

Packet pickup: 7:30am

Start time: 9am

**Swag:** All participants receive bread and a bottle of wine, or bread and a jar of Trappist Monastery jam.

Family rate: Save \$5 per person when registering at least 3 participants at

one time.



#### Catholic Diocese of Columbus

Office of the Bishop 614 - 224 - 2251

July 26, 2023

Reverend Monsignor Stephan J. Moloney St. Andrew Church 1899 McCoy Road Columbus, OH 43220

Dear Monsignor Moloney:

Thank you to you and the parishioners of St. Andrew Church for exceeding your parish goal for The Appeal 2023. The generosity of your parishioners in this year's annual appeal is making a difference in supporting the mission and priorities of the Diocese.

We have 15 young men who will begin their studies for the priesthood this fall. This is a significant financial commitment that your gifts to The Appeal will help us to meet. The ability for these young men to enter priestly formation free from significant financial concerns is invaluable. Your gifts allow them to dedicate and devote themselves fully to prayer, study, fraternity, and service, as they encounter the loving heart of Jesus.

Along with vocations, your gifts contribute to ministries, programs, and services supporting campus missionary outreach, hospital chaplaincy, Catholic education, and various social concerns efforts, along with direct outreach and advocacy of Catholic social teaching.

On behalf of the Catholic Diocese of Columbus and the many ministries and services of the diocese, I ask that you share our deep appreciation for the generous support from the community of St. Andrew.

I am grateful for your prayers for the success of The Appeal. Assuring you and your people of my continued prayers, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes

Bishop of Columbus

## Affording a Catholic Education in Ohio Now at Your Fingertips with Universal EdChoice

Ohio's Educational Choice (EdChoice) Scholarship Program is now accessible to **ALL Ohioans**! Thanks to sweeping changes outlined in HB 33 and signed into law on July 3 by Governor DeWine, EVERY student now has the opportunity to attend a participating Catholic school for **little or no cost.** 



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Originally enacted in 2005 to serve families living in underperforming school districts, the program has been expanded multiple times over the past 18 years to aid more families,

particularly those with lower incomes. But, now, every Ohio family - regardless of their residence or household income - can utilize state scholarship dollars to help fund tuition at the Catholic school of their choosing.

## What does this mean for you?

Simply, an **affordable** and **unapologetically Catholic** education is right at your fingertips!

Families at 450% or below of the Federal Poverty Guideline will receive the maximum scholarship allowed



by law. Those at 451% or more will receive a portion of the full scholarship amount, dependent on their household income and family size.

4	Scan to	<b>Determine</b>	Your
	Family's	Eligibility!	

Federal Poverty Guideline Percentage	K-8 Scholarship Amount *	9-12 Scholarship Amount*
0-450%	\$6,165	\$8,407
451-500%	\$5,200	\$7,050
501-550%	\$3,650	\$5,000
551-600%	\$2,600	\$3,550
601-650%	\$1,850	\$2,500
651-700%	\$1,300	\$1,750
701-750%	\$900	\$1,250
751% and up	\$650	\$950

\*Scholarship amounts shown are for a family of four.

#### Qualify for EdChoice Traditional AND Expansion?

Families in our diocese living in an underperforming school district who previously qualified for the Traditional EdChoice scholarship now have the option to choose the one that provides the greatest financial benefit to them.

Under the new Expansion guidelines, if their Federal Poverty Guideline results in a scholarship less than the maximum amount of a Traditional Scholarship, the Traditional Scholarship will provide a greater financial benefit. In addition, the family will not need to submit any income verification, unless they qualify for low-income status (200% or below the Federal Poverty Guideline). Contact your school for further clarification.

#### Applying for a Scholarship is as Easy as 1-2-3!\*

- Reach out to your school(s) to get started or visit <a href="https://bit.ly/ohioedchoice">https://bit.ly/ohioedchoice</a>.
- Complete a Scholarship Request Form for EACH eligible student in grades K-12 who is enrolled in Our Catholic Schools. Submit the request form, as well as a copy of the student's birth certificate and current proof of address (see scholarship request form for accepted documents) to the appropriate school(s) for submission via the online application system.
- Complete the income verification process at <a href="https://safe.ode.state.oh.us/portal">https://safe.ode.state.oh.us/portal</a>. An OH ID is required for online submission.

The deadline to request scholarships for this academic year and receive the entire amount for which the family qualifies is **October 14, 2023**. Any application received after this date will be awarded at a pro-rated amount by the Department of Education and Workforce.

\*Families who previously were approved for an EdChoice Expansion Scholarship for the 2023-24 school year need to do nothing at this time. Your scholarship will be updated automatically based on the new scholarship amounts.