

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we anticipate beginning our **80th Year** as a faith community, we continue to be grateful to God for all that has been, is, and will be. We stand on the shoulders of many and are shaped by the faith in Jesus Christ that has bound us together over these many years. And, in this time of “*Eucharistic Revival*” we continue to be reminded of what binds us together for all time.

As a parish family and community of faith, **we are called to renew and deepen our encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist, so that we may be transformed in Christ** and, in turn, proclaim the Gospel with love, in our words and in our deeds, for the good of God’s people, our community, and beyond, so that others may also be transformed as they come to know and love Him.

I am extremely grateful for your faithful service, along with the faithful service of so many who give of their time and talent that supports your Parish’s Mission and Ministry, along with the important and generous financial support of your Parish community, without which, the Mission and Ministry of Jesus Christ could not possibly be carried out through your Parish community.

Once again, I invite you to prayerfully consider how you can renew your commitment to financially support your parish through our annual “*Loving God . . . Loving Others . . . Becoming and Making Disciples . . . Beginning our 80th Year!*” initiative. **Your sacrificial giving allows us to serve one another and not only make Christ present for our community but bring Christ to so many others.**

We do this in countless ways: when we celebrate, when we question, struggle and search for guidance, when we grieve, when we are called to serve, when we are lonely and when we need healing and prayer.

I pray that you, your family, and all those you hold near and dear may grow in your love of the Eucharist and your love of the Lord who wants nothing more than to fill each of us with His love and abundant grace, so that each of us may be transformed and become more and more like Christ.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Rev. Michael A. Matusz  
Pastor

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*Beginning our 80th Year!*



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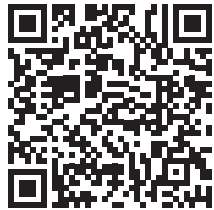
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## Making Your Commitment

Fill out the enclosed Commitment Card and bring it to Mass next weekend

or

scan this QR code with your smartphone to fill out your Commitment Card online.



## Fulfilling your New Commitment

*Three simple and secure ways to do so:*



Sign up for **Online Giving** or update your current online gift amount at [www.membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/OH669](http://www.membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/OH669)



Use your **offering envelope** and bring it to Mass each Sunday or mail it to the parish office.



Explore using **tax-advantaged charitable gifts** such as IRA Distributions, Gifts of Stock, or remembering the parish in your Will. Contact the Parish Office at (330) 633-3637.



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Our Lady of Victory Church  
Tallmadge, OH

# We are transforming lives *together!*

## *Loving God . . .*

Christ's relationship with the Father was deeply rooted in prayer and from this relationship flowed His whole life and ministry.

- **Altar Servers** – Children and Youth from Grade 4 through High School, as well as Adults (College Age and up) who assist with Mass
- **Music Ministries** – Serve God and others in His name through music
- **Lectors** - Prepare and proclaim God's Word for assigned liturgies
- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** – Assist priests in the distribution of the Eucharist as well as Ministry to the Homebound, Sick, Hospitals and those who reside in Nursing and Assisted Living Facilities
- **Art and Environment** – Working together to provide a beautiful and worthy environment for our worship and praise of God
- **Plant care** – Being good stewards and caring for the plants that grace our Church
- **Julian Ministers** – Being a welcoming presence for those who gather to worship

## *Loving Others . . .*

Christ renounced power and glory for a life of service - through his healings, miracles, comforting words, and heartfelt compassion, He served people and their deepest needs.

- **Homebound/Sick/Hospital/Nursing and Assisted Living Eucharistic Ministry** – Bring Communion to the sick and homebound
- **Knights of Columbus** – Faith and Social fraternity of men
- **Ladies Guild** – Serving the Parish in a variety of ways to witness to faith in Jesus Christ and manifest that faith in a variety of service and social activities
- **Bereavement Ministry** – Help to provide comfort and peace to those who's loved ones have died
- **Outreach** – Helping Hands, support of various charities who assist the poor and hungry, Respect Life advocacy and charitable support
- **Grounds Care** – Maintaining the grounds of the Parish Campus
- **Facilities Care** – Assisting in maintenance and minor repairs of the Parish Facilities
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry** – Creating Prayer Shawls/blankets, created in Prayer and given to those as an expression of the Prayerful support of the community

## *Becoming and Making Disciples . . .*

Christ engaged people through stories, teachings, and parables and in the process challenged them to think about what they believed to be true about life, forgiveness, each other, God, and so much more.

- **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults/Children and Youth - RCIA** – Full initiation into the Catholic faith
- **Faith Formation and Religious Education** – Equip others to live as disciples of Jesus, Grades K-6, (Edge) Grades 7-8, (Lifeteen) Grades 9-12, as well as Adult Education and Formation opportunities
- **Vacation Bible School** – Summer offering for children and youth of all ages
- **Liturgy of the Word with Children** – Helping our younger members to grow in their understanding of God's Word, while also growing closer to the Lord
- **Bible Study/Catechism in a Year and more** – Adult faith formation
- **Sacramental Formation and Preparation** – Assisting in helping to prepare youth and children, along with their families, for the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist

## Financial Snapshot: *2022/2023 Fiscal Year*

### Income for Mission and Ministry

Sunday Offertory	\$580,554.67
Christmas/ Easter/ Mem. Donat.	\$129,122.50
Other for Mission/Ministry	\$106,214.02
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$815,891.19</b>

### Expenses for Mission and Ministry

Salaries & Benefits	\$300,474.85
General Operating Expense	\$48,900.53
Ministries & Programs Expense	\$59,324.85
Diocesan Services	\$104,298.00
Facilities Expense	\$109,830.99
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$622,829.22</u></b>

**Net Excess for Mission/Ministry** **\$193,061.67**

### Restricted Income

Restricted, Diocesan/Other Collections/Heart of the Shepherd	\$90,612.81
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### Restricted Expenses

Tuition Awards/Capital Exp./Diocesan/Other Collections/Heart of the Shepherd Payments	\$92,788.03
<b>Total Net Parish Income</b>	<b>\$190,886.75</b>

**Detailed Statements of Income, Expenses and the Balance Sheet, and the Budget for 2023-2024, are available on request. Please, contact Fr. Mike Matusz at the Parish Center Offices.**

