PARISH MEMBERSHIP
Welcome to new members. Parishioners entering, leaving or moving within the parish should contact the Church Office.

MARRIAGES
Arrangements should be made at the Church Office at least six months prior to the marriage. Latest time on Saturdays, 2:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS
Obligatory Parent Preparation Course prior to Baptism of first child. Course given on the second Wednesday of September, November, January, March and May at 7:00 p.m. in the church lower level. Baptisms 12:15 p.m., fourth Sunday of each month by appointment. Arrangements for the class and Baptism may be made by calling the Church Office.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
First Thursday of the month, 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., September through May.

SICK CALLS
Notify the Church Office for visits and/or Communion calls to the sick or shut-ins.

BULLETIN DEADLINE
Please e-mail notice to olpbulletin@rohio.com Deadline Monday at noon.

PASTOR
Msgr. John G. Johnson

DEACON
Deacon Jeffrey Fortkamp

PASTORAL MINISTERS
Sister Barbara Kolesar,
60 East Dominion Blvd.
263-4271
Sister Martha Langstaff,
60 East Dominion Blvd.
268-3426

BUSINESS MANAGER
Tom Kasberg

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday, 3:15-3:45 p.m.
Penance service during Advent & Lent.
Private Appointment.

OFFICE
20 East Dominion Blvd.
263-8824
FAX: 263-3383
Email: olp@rohio.com

SCHOOL
School Principal, Ryan Schwieterman
40 East Dominion Blvd.
267-4535
www.olpcolumbus.org

Masses
Saturday – 4:00 p.m.;
Sunday – 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 a.m.
Holy Days:
Holy Day Eve – 5:30 p.m.;
Holy Day – 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Weekdays:
Tuesday – 5:30 p.m.;
Wednesday-Friday – 8:30 a.m.
MASS SERVERS
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
4:00 p.m.  M. & O. Ogden, G. Carter
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
8:30 a.m.  N. George, S. Hawkins, D. Savely
10:00 a.m. M. Farmer, P. Fields, A. Huck
11:30 a.m. S. Douglass, L. & O. Iceman

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
4:00 p.m.  R. Fortkamp, E. & K. Guilfoyle,
J. & J. Marmion, J. Yonadi
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
8:30 a.m.  A. France, A. & K. Lordo,
C. & J. Lower, C. Pickard
10:00 a.m. T. Fast, K. Gehring, P. Huck,
D. & G. Mosko, K. Slavik
11:30 a.m. S. Bowen, T. & V. Garrity,
M. Hutson, M. & R. O’Brien

LECTORS
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
4:00 p.m.  M. Warren, G. Yonadi
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
8:30 a.m.  J. O’Brien, E. Pinckney
10:00 a.m. C. Gehring, A. Thomas
11:30 a.m. C. Chaney, M. Miller

READINGS SEPTEMBER 13, 2015
First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9a
Second Reading: James 2:14-18
Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

OFFERTORY TOTALS for August 30, 2015
Regular
Envelopes and Holy Days ....................... $ 4,618.09
Total ........................................................... $ 4,618.09
Diocesan Tax ............................................ $ 277.09
Net ............................................................. $ 4,341.00

Please include your envelop number on your check.
Your envelope matters. Your support is vital maintaining the facilities and programs and to explore adding new ones. May God bless your generosity and faithfulness.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet Tuesday, September 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the Old Rectory. Bring your knitting needles, crochet hooks and yarn and join us!

Prayer Line – If you have a petition you would like the Prayer Line to join in praying for, please call Bunni Cosimati at 614-847-1826. Prayers are kept confidential.

Cleaning Out Your closet and cupboards? It’s not too early to start putting good usable clothing, small appliances and bedding aside for the St. Vincent de Paul and Knights of Columbus Clothing Drive on October 17th and 18th.

Save the Date: All men of the parish are invited to participate in this year’s That Man is You! program takes place on Saturday mornings beginning September 19th. This new series is designed for those wishing to learn how to discern the will of God in their lives. The program is free and registration is available online at www.thatmanisyou.org or at the door. Look for more info to follow.

The OLP choir season has arrived! Come join us as we lift our voices together in praise. Our first full rehearsal will be Wednesday, September 9, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. All skill and ability levels are welcome. The Choral Mass occurs weekly at 10:00 p.m. on Sundays. This is your chance to try something new. If you have any questions, please email Nathan_Medley@gmail.com.

Friends of the Poor Walk, 2015
Please join us for the Society of the St. Vincent de Paul’s 2015 Friends of the Poor Walk. This one-mile walk takes place on October 3 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Francis DeSales High School stadium track, 4212 Karl Road, Columbus.
Check-in begins at 9:00 a.m. All money raised goes back to the walker’s St. Vincent de Paul conference to help those in need in that community. To walk, register online at www.fop.org; at the top of the page (Blue Line) click on “Walkers” and click on the drop down “Become a Walker;” choose “Ohio” and click on “St. Francis DeSales High School” then “Continue Registration.” Fill out the form. Under “Walk Beneficiary,” you have the opportunity to specify your parish conference or ministry (OLP Society of St. Vincent de Paul conference). The final step is to click on “Add a Walker.” If you need more information, email jtwillig@gmail.com or call Gail Page (614) 824-1289.

The parish office will be closed Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day.
The table immediately below is a summary report on the parish's financial operations. I have added a few explanatory endnotes and am willing — as are the members of the parish finance committee and Tom Kasberg, the parish business manager — to answer any questions anybody might have. For the sake of completeness, I have appended a few remarks about parish reserve funds. Fr. John

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<td><strong>Endowment Proceeds</strong>¹</td>
<td>$35,000</td>
<td>$25,570</td>
<td>$9,430</td>
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<td><strong>Total Offertory and Bequests</strong></td>
<td>$670,867</td>
<td>$709,409</td>
<td>-$38,542</td>
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<td><strong>Parish Activities Net Income²</strong></td>
<td>$4,067</td>
<td>-$1,190</td>
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<td><strong>Tuition and School Activity Income³</strong></td>
<td>$985,446</td>
<td>$922,121</td>
<td>$63,325</td>
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<td><strong>Fees and Other Parish Income</strong></td>
<td>$28,545</td>
<td>$27,942</td>
<td>$603</td>
<td>2.2%</td>
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<td><strong>Total Gross Income</strong></td>
<td>$1,723,925</td>
<td>$1,683,282</td>
<td>$40,642</td>
<td>2.4%</td>
<td>$1,847,000</td>
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<td><strong>Salaries &amp; Benefits</strong></td>
<td>$1,338,166</td>
<td>$1,281,869</td>
<td>$56,297</td>
<td>4.4%</td>
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<td><strong>School &amp; Parish Books and Supplies</strong></td>
<td>$91,807</td>
<td>$107,685</td>
<td>-$15,878</td>
<td>-14.7%</td>
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<td><strong>Church Supplies and Programs</strong></td>
<td>$57,388</td>
<td>$50,354</td>
<td>$7,034</td>
<td>14.4%</td>
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<td><strong>Maintenance, Repair, Utilities</strong></td>
<td>$189,321</td>
<td>$185,097</td>
<td>$4,224</td>
<td>2.3%</td>
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<td><strong>Secondary School Support⁶</strong></td>
<td>$45,668</td>
<td>$51,530</td>
<td>-$5,862</td>
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<td><strong>Diocesan Tax</strong></td>
<td>$43,793</td>
<td>$40,674</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenditures</strong></td>
<td>$1,766,143</td>
<td>$1,717,209</td>
<td>$48,933</td>
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<td><strong>Operating Deficit</strong></td>
<td>-$42,218</td>
<td>-$33,927</td>
<td>-$8,290</td>
<td>24.4%</td>
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<td><strong>Net Endowment Change⁷</strong></td>
<td>$13,259</td>
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<td><strong>Major Capital Expenditures⁸</strong></td>
<td>$89,901</td>
<td>$23,500</td>
<td>$66,401</td>
<td>282.6%</td>
<td>$0</td>
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<td><strong>Total Deficit</strong></td>
<td>-$118,861</td>
<td>-$57,427</td>
<td>-$61,433</td>
<td>107.0%</td>
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God has blessed our parish with substantial reserves. On deposit with the diocesan Parish Aid Fund (which functions like a savings and loan—parishes with reserves deposit them there and receive interest; parishes in need borrow from there and pay interest) we have $443,232. These funds are easily accessible. Whenever the parish has run a deficit, the parish has dipped into these funds to make up the difference.

In addition, the parish is the beneficiary of trust funds on deposit with the Catholic Foundation. The parish does not have easy access to these funds. We may receive disbursements only once each year, and we MUST use the money for the purposes specified by the donors of those funds.

- The largest of these funds is the Our Lady of Peace Church Endowment Fund. “This fund shall provide for capital improvements, maintenance, personnel needs, and offer parish activities at Our Lady of Peace Parish.” As of December 31⁷, the fund had a balance of $1,016,168.11.

- The Jess and Helen Landon Memorial Tuition Endowment Fund, which had a balance of $64,135.00, “shall provide tuition assistance to students of Our Lady of Peace Parish attending or planning to attend parochial elementary school.”

- The Our Lady of Peace School Endowment Fund, which had a balance of $56,845.93, exists to “provide support for general operating and capital needs of the elementary school of Our Lady of Peace School, Columbus, Ohio.”

- There is a fourth endowment fund, the balance of which I do not know, which generates around between $200 and $350 each year, which exists “to provide enrichment for all programs of religious education for elementary-school aged children of Our Lady of Peace Parish, Columbus, Ohio. Each year the distribution is to be split 50% to Our Lady of Peace School and 50% to the Parish School of Religion (PSR) or its equivalent program.”
Because the parish has not needed the available funds to support the parish school or the parish religious education program (the available amounts—which would have totaled something like $2,600 this year—would have made very little difference to the school’s budget), the parish has allowed the last three funds to accumulate.

There is a tradition, however, of the parish’s using money (mostly the income) from the “Church Endowment Fund” to assist parishioners in sending their children to Catholic high schools. Parents apply for grants each year and a team of three parishioners, none of whom is otherwise involved in parish governance and none of whom has high-school-aged children, select the recipients of these grants. The parish awards roughly $30,000 in these grants each year.

1 Once each year the parish is permitted to withdraw the income and, if necessary, part of the principal from its trust funds held by the Catholic Foundation. This figure represents the sum the parish withdrew this year. As noted below, we used this money for tuition grants.

2 This figure does not include the net profit from the Parish Festival. Total profits from last year's festival were nearly $20,000; this year’s profit approached $25,000. Those funds flow directly into the school’s budget (School Activity Income). School income, unlike general parish income, is exempt from diocesan tax. Thus, channeling the profit from the festival directly into the school saves the parish over $1,000 each year.

3 During fiscal 2014/15 the school took in $970,326, and it cost $1,173,300 to operate the school. The parish contributed $188,000 to its operation. During fiscal 2015/15 we are hoping that the school will take in $1,008,340 and that the parish will contribute only $95,513 to its operating budget.

4 Included in this figure is the $40,000 grant we received from the Catholic Foundation to cover 80% of the cost of hiring a Director of Youth Ministry this year.

5 This huge increase in labor costs is not the result of giving exorbitant raises or of hiring unnecessary workers. (1) Under terms of the teachers’ contract that was in force until the beginning of the last academic year, a teacher or school administrator with lots of seniority received a financial incentive for retiring early—a year’s salary payable over three years. Our dearly loved principal retired at the end of the 2013/2014 school year. We will be paying her this richly-deserved incentive this year and next year, too. (2) Several of our teachers suffered serious and long-term health problems this past year. While they were recuperating, the parish relied on substitute teachers. (3) A slightly smaller part of the increase was the result of increase in health insurance costs. The parish has no control over these: the diocese specifies what kind of insurance a parish must supply.

6 The parish pays Catholic high schools a modest subsidy for each parishioner studying there. Of course, multiplying a modest subsidy by forty or fifty students results in a fairly large sum! For many years the parish has also given tuition grants to families so that they can afford to send their children to Catholic high schools. The parish funds those grants from the income it receives from one of our trusts funds on deposit with the Catholic Foundation (see footnote 1, above, and the comments on parish reserves, below).

7 This figure represents the income from our trust funds minus the fee the Catholic Foundation charges for managing those funds.

8 This figure includes the cost of the new air handler we installed in the church, roughly $67,000. It also includes the installation cost for the new carpeting in the school and the costs of engineering and architectural studies concerning the possible reconfiguration of the old rectory for better parish use. For the coming year we have not yet budgeted any capital expenditures, though some may occur.
WHAT’S COMING UP AT OLP SCHOOL

Wednesday, September 9
Class Mass – Grades 1-3 – 8:30 a.m.
Curriculum Night & “Meet the Teachers”
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 10
OLPAA Magazine Sale
Kickoff – 8:30 a.m.
Home-School Executive Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m.

Rocket Into Scouting – Plan on joining us Monday, September, 14th at 6:00 p.m. in the Our Lady of Peace School Cafeteria for our scouting blast off for this year! Make and Launch your own rocket at this fun school night event and join in the scouting fun! OLP Cub Scout Pack 169 welcomes boys in 1st-5th grade to join Cub Scouting and start their Scouting adventure. For more information, contact: Slade Hankinson, CubMaster, at 614-402-1027 or sladehankinson@aol.com.

Scrip
Support our School!
Mark your calendars and buy script for all your shopping needs!
Store is open from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the school cafeteria on the following dates:
- September 13 & 27, 2015
- October 11 & 25, 2015
- November 8 & 22, 2015
- December 6 & 13, 2015

Immaculée Ilibagiza: Delaware St. Mary, Sunbury St. John Neumann and Powell St. Joan of Arc, along with Ohio Wesleyan University are sponsoring an appearance of speaker and author Immaculée Ilibagiza September 10 at 7:00 p.m. at Ohio Wesleyan University, Gray Chapel, and September 11 at 9:30 a.m. at Delaware Saint Mary Church. At the events, she will share her remarkable story and conclude with book sales and signings. Both events are free, with freewill offerings accepted. For more information, please visit http://www.owu.edu/immaculee or www.delawarestmary.org.