

Thoughts From the Deacon

May 18, 2021

O Mary, Mother of God Pray for Us! Remember to pray the rosary during this **month of Mary**. From the Memorare: "Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided." We would all do well to petition and imitate Mary our Mother, as given to us by Jesus Christ himself from the cross.

We have reached our goal in the **BAA**, and were one of the first five parishes in the diocese to do so. Thanks to all who have contributed and will contribute. Everything we collect now comes back to us !00% tax free! Remember our physical needs: repair of driveway and basement steps and wall at the rectory, insulation and replacement of storm windows with energy efficient versions for both churches and furnishing the rectory for our new priest.

The next two weekends will be **cleanup days at our Churches**. Saturday May 22 is St Mary at 8 am and the following Saturday June 5 is at St Ann at 8 am. Everyone is welcome. Many hands make for light work. We are concentrating on the grounds mainly but there are some chairs to assemble at St. Mary and the bell tower needs to be cleaned out at St Ann.

Bishop Brennan in conjunction with the **Catholic Conference of Ohio** **has repealed the dispensation from attending Mass starting with the June 5-6 weekend**. This means unless there is a grave and serious reason **everyone is required to attend Mass**. Praise be to Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Eucharist!! Pray for our Bishops, they have the very difficult task of leading the Church.

Viva Cristo Rey!!