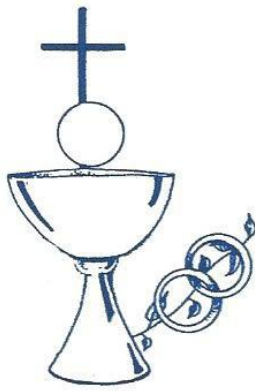


PARENTS OF PRIESTS



DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

NEWSLETTER AND UPDATE

March 2023

From the President

Palm Sunday

Our tradition has been to attend the Bishop's Palm Sunday 10:30 MASS and meet with him afterwards. We provide sweet pastries and the Cathedral rector, Fr. Sean Ralph, graciously provides coffee and tea. We need a count of those planning to attend so that we provide pastries for all. Please **RSVP attendance only** to Lou Trenta (messages at 330 668-9068, texts or messages to 330 612-0615, or email to trentalouis@gmail.com).

Bishop Malesic typically interacts with each parent and last year sought and responded to questions from the group.

The Cathedral of St. John is located at 1007 Superior Ave at East 9th Street.

Bishop's Seminary Brunch

We support this event which will be at Landerhaven on Sunday, March 26 from noon to 3:00 PM. We have five people taking seats at the table we are sponsoring. Several members are sponsoring their own tables or taking seats at other tables. Our table still has 5 seats available. If you would like to sit at our table, let me (Lou Trenta) know. Parents of Priests pays for the seat and you make a donation to the Seminaries Rectors' Funds.

Funding Our Activities

We do fund our expenses for the 25 Club from the revenues received for the 25 Club. For our non-25 Club expenses, we depend on our voluntary membership dues and contributions. If you have not yet registered and paid the dues for this year, please do so soon.

Reflection on Parents of Priests of the Diocese of Cleveland, Inc.

From my perspective, the Parents of Priests of the Diocese of Cleveland is more a service organization than a social group. In part, we are in service to each other through our social gatherings. We also are in service to our families including our priest sons, and more, we are in service to our priest sons both in their present situations and their future ministerial environments.

At the ordination of our sons, we enter a life's role that we did not choose but which was chosen for us by our sons—parents of a priest. It does not lessen our roles for our other children and family members, and it adds the special needs of a son who will not have the intimacy of a spousal family relationship. He does have the brotherhood of his fellow priests, and yet, at first, it is a relationship that needs time to mature. We parents may well serve as the "safe place" for reducing the emotional and/or mental pressures of their daily lives. Also, we likely are their strongest, most persistent prayer support.

By our social gatherings as Parents of Priests, at the very least, we are serving each other by engaging with and enjoying experiences with others who appreciate our responsibilities as parents of a priest.

Looking to the immediate and long-range futures of the priesthood in our diocese, we see the number of priests decreasing year by year. This creates an ever-increasing workload on our sons. While we certainly cannot make men become priests, we can pray for men to consider the seminary and the priesthood. For those who discern to enter the seminary, we seek to support and

encourage them. Collectively we do three things in support of them.

First, is to pray for them and to encourage others to do so. We prepare and publish a monthly prayer calendar that asks people to pray for a different, named seminarian each day. Along with the Avilas and the Serrans, we seek to publicize and share the calendar. We send it out to a number of cooperating parishes for publication in their bulletins. The current calendar is included in this update for your information. If your parish does not publish it, I encourage you to take a copy to your pastor and ask him to start publishing it. Micki, our secretary, is the contact to get a MSWord or PDF file of the calendars.

Second, we provide some financial support though our Parents of Priests Textbook Fund and our Dad's Wallet Fund which focuses on the Human Development aspect of their seminary education.

Third, we encourage participation in the Bishop's Seminary Brunch program. About a thousand people come together at this event to give moral and financial support to the seminarians. Imagine, a room full of a thousand people letting the seminarians, who are all there, know that we appreciate and support them in their discernment toward the priesthood.

Organizational Support

Beyond the dues, there are many ways to support our organization and through it to support our priest sons. The most important is prayer: Prayer directly for our sons, prayer for our families as supporters of our sons, and prayers for the seminarians who are discerning if their vocation is to the priesthood with our sons.

Another significant way to support ourselves and each other is to participate in the work of one of the Parents of Priests committees. Considering that our membership is nearly all Golden-agers, at least half of us are not able to take on active roles in operating our organization. It is very important for the capable to volunteer for an active role. It may be on a one-time basis or as the member of a committee.

Current leaders and/or members of each committee and their contact information are provided later in this Newsletter. Currently, we need members to serve on the Membership committee and the Program committee. Additionally, we need someone to chair the 25 Club committee. Contact Lou Trenta for information and/or to volunteer.

Governing Board

All members of the Parents of Priests are eligible to participate on the Governing Board. Those who attend the meetings make the guiding decisions for the Parents of Priests. This Board is responsible to authorize and oversee all the activities of the Parents of Priests of the Diocese of Cleveland, Inc. It determines the source and the disposition of our funds. The next regular meeting is **Sunday, April 23, 2023, 2:00 PM** at the Center for Pastoral Leadership.

On the agenda at this time:

- Status of our funds
- Additional donations this year
- Relationship potential with Youngstown parents of priests
- Committee responsibilities
- Committee membership recommendations
- Calendar considerations for 2024

From the Treasurer: Mike Cubera

Treasurer's report as of March 2, 2023

Financials

Treasurer's Account Balance:	\$12,467.17
President's Account Balance:	\$ 1,005.76
Total:	\$13,472.93
Outstanding Expenditures	
Remaining 25 Club Payout:	\$2,670.00

Seminarian Birthday Gifts:	\$ 350.00
Palm Sunday Donuts with Bishop (estimated cost):	\$ 100.00

Additional comments:

We can expect some additional expenses (envelopes, postage, memorial donations, etc.)

between now and the end of fiscal year. The best estimate I can provide is that we should end the year with a balance of approximately \$9000.00.

In the 2022-2023 fiscal year we have received \$890.00 in donations. Thank you to all those who donated.

2022-2023 Results for 25 Club Ticket Sales

POP sold 827 tickets generating \$20,675.00. This year POP sold 17 more tickets than in 2021-2022 which generated an additional \$425.00 compared to last year.

2023 Dues Update

Currently there are 54 paid members. Year to date the membership dues have generated \$445.00.

2023 dues are \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. Please mail your payment and POP membership information form to Mike Cubera.

My home address is 5453 Alsace Court, Hudson, Ohio 44236.

Peace - Mike C

Bishop's Seminary Brunch

The Bishop's Seminary Brunch is a fund raiser and a morale booster for our seminarians. It is a gathering of a thousand Catholics to let the seminarians know we appreciate their willingness to discern for the priesthood and to provide emergency financial support through the Rector's funds. Approximately 90 people sponsor one or more tables of attendees who are invited to attend and bring their checkbooks. The seminarians attend and are seated at tables with the other invitees.

This year the Bishops Seminary Brunch is again at Landerhaven, from noon to 3 PM on Sunday, March 26, 2023. It is located at 6111 Landerhaven Dr., Mayfield Heights.

To reserve a seat at the Parents of Priests table, contact Lou Trenta (email: trentalouis@gmail.com; leave a message at 330 668-9068; or call, text, or leave a message to 330 612-0615).

Calendar of Events

March 26, 2023, Sunday: Bishop's Seminary Brunch, at Landerhaven, from noon to 3PM.

April 2, 2023: Palm Sunday Mass with Bishop Malesic, 10:30 AM at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, 1007 Superior Avenue, Cleveland OH 44114. Continental brunch in the Cathedral rectory follows.

April 23, 2023, Sunday: Governing Board meeting at 2:00 PM. All members who attend in person or via zoom are part of the Governing Board. The meeting will be at the Center for Pastoral Leadership.

June 25, 2023, Sunday: Quarterly Mass at 10:00 AM Mass at St. Mathias Church, 1200 West Sprague Road, Parma OH 44134. We will meet for a "Coffee and Donuts Social" after the Mass.

July 23, 2023, Sunday: Summer Social. Mass at 11:00 AM at St. Mary of the Falls, 25615 Bagley Rd., Olmsted Falls OH. The social will follow the Mass in the parish's community center. Lunch will be catered.

October 22, 2023, Sunday: Quarterly Mass at the 11:00 Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians in Nova, 240 State Route 511, Nova OH 44859. We will meet for a "Coffee and Donuts Social" and a Governing Board meeting after the Mass.

November 5, 2023: Mass with the seminarians at 10:00 followed by Brunch with them. We will be presenting checks for our major donations from the 2023-2024 25 Club.

Recent Prayer Requests

Date: December 28, 2022: Death
Joe Martin, grandfather of Frs. Rich & Dan Samide

Date: January 7, 2023: Death
Mrs. Audrey DiMascio, mother of Deacon Ramon DiMascio

Date: January 13, 2023: Prayers
Fr. Ralph Coletta
Fr. Sam Ciccolini
Deacon Fred Simon

Date: January 18, 2023: Death
Hugh "Kelly" Callahan, father of Fr. Joseph Callahan

Date: February 5, 2023: Death
Mrs. Rosemary Link, grandmother of Fr. John Betters

Date: February 10, 2023: Prayers
Fr. Ralph Coletta
Fr. Sam Ciccolini

Date: February 15, 2023: Death:
Mrs. Wanda Betters, grandmother of Fr. John Betters

Date: February 17, 2023: Prayers
Fr. Ralph Coletta
Fr. Sam Ciccolini
Deacon Phil Kraynik

Date: February 17, 2023: Death
Deacon Edward Feldkamp, Jr.

Date: February 19, 2023: Death
Fr. Edward Mehok

Date: February 23, 2023: Death
Mrs. Dorothy Ann Talerico, wife of Deacon John Talerico

Date: February 24, 2023: Prayers
Fr. Ralph Coletta
Fr. Joseph Pendekar, MSFS

Date: March 4, 2023: Death
Fr. John Crawford

Date: March 10: Prayers
Fr. James Kramer

Date: March 10, 2023: Death
Fr. Ralph Coletta

Contact Information

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25 Club: C=Lou Trenta, Geoff Goodfellow, Ed & Gail Pfeiffer 330-322-9452
Deceased & Ill: Micki Trenta
Liturgy: C= Debbie Goodfellow 440 759-8517, Lois Butkowski 440-327-0884, Dee Denk 440 376-4892

Membership (Volunteers needed)

Program: (Volunteers needed)

Ways & Means: Tom (216 469-6154) & Ginny Barnish (234 380-3022)

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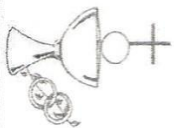
Bishop's Brunch Representative: Ginny Barnish

Seminarian Birthday Gifts: Geoff Goodfellow

Seminarians Prayer Calendar (month by month):
contact Micki Trenta

Internet Addresses

Our website: parentsofpriests.net: It has general information and the *Seminarian Prayer Calendar*
Website for the Priest & Seminarian Prayer Calendar:
<http://priests.stpatrick.cc>



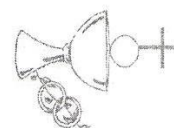
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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
May the road rise to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face. The rains fall soft upon your fields And, until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of his hand. <i>A Gaelic Blessing</i>						
			1 Jeremy Schafer St. Mary-1	2 Sean Honey PreTheo II	3 Daniel LaBolla PreTheo II	4 Ryan Walsh PreTheo II
<i>Pray for Pope Francis</i>	6 Craig Zlobert PreTheo II	7 Johannes Benninghoff PreTheo I	8 Jake Cernak PreTheo I	9 Connor Scully PreTheo I	10 Jeremy Vinluan PreTheo I	11 Steve Zbiegien PreTheo I
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<i>Pray for Bishop Malesic</i>	Benjamin Baratian Borromeo-3	Andrew Bendahan Borromeo-2	Thomas Byrne Borromeo-2	Samuele Cefarati Borromeo-3	Matthew Constantini Borromeo-2	Augustine Drexler Borromeo-2
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<i>Pray for Bishop Moost</i>	Miguel Estrada Borromeo-1	Jonathan Green Borromeo-3	Dan Jordan Borromeo-1	Alexander Krukemeyer Borromeo-4	Christopher Martin Borromeo-2	Nathan Menkhaus Borromeo-1
26	27	28	29	30	31	
<i>Pray for Bishop Amos</i>	William Reed Borromeo-4	Joseph Rohan Borromeo-4	Zachary Smith Borromeo-1	Joshua Siecz Borromeo-4	Sтивен Vasko Borromeo-1	



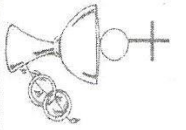
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HOLY WEEK 						
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<i>Pray for Bishop Gries</i>	Matthew Wasinski Borromeo-1	Christopher Yankay Borromeo-1	Christopher Cotone St. Mary-III	Anthony Donatelli St. Mary-III	Jon Hawkins St. Mary-III	Jeffrey Vavito Borromeo-2
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<i>Pray for All Pastors</i>	Ryan Arto St. Mary-IV	Kevin Bertleff St. Mary-IV	Michael Garvin St. Mary-IV	Garrett Guerrieri St. Mary-IV	William Wainio St. Mary-IV	James Livingston St. Mary-III
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
<i>Pray for All Deacons</i>	James Parsi St. Mary-III	Kyle Rosser St. Mary-III	Travis Seagraves St. Mary-III	Mich Carson St. Mary-II	Cameron Ferrell St. Mary-II	Nathan Frankart St. Mary-II
23 & 30	24	25	26	27	28	29
 <i>Alleluia!</i>	Joseph Truong Viet Ho St. Mary-II	Sean Neville St. Mary-II	Brian Peters St. Mary-II	Arthur Bordenschatz St. Mary-I	Charles Cairnie St. Mary-I	Noah Furin St. Mary-I

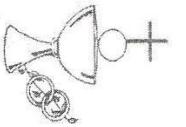


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<i>Love one another as I have loved you.</i>	1 Jeremy Gaugler St. Mary-I	2 Jeremy Shafer St. Mary-I	3 Sean Honey Pre-Theo II	4 Daniel LaPolla Pre-Theo II	5 Ryan Walsh Pre-Theo II	6 Craig Ziobert Pre-Theo II
7 <i>Pray for an increase in vocations</i>	8 Johannes Benninghoff St. Mary Pre-Theo I	9 Jake Cernak St. Mary Pre-Theo I	10 Deacon Brook Benedict St. Mary	11 Deacon David Chojnacki St. Mary	12 Deacon Dominic Gideon St. Mary	13 Deacon Duckhyun "Fabian" Han St. Mary
14 <i>Pray for All Mothers</i>	15 Deacon Ian Kelly St. Mary	16 Deacon Jeff Lipiak St. Mary	17 Deacon John Rovnak St. Mary	18 Deacon Fritz Schleuter St. Mary	19 Deacon Chris Stein St. Mary	20 Connor Scully St. Mary Pre-Theo I
21 <i>Pray for the Newly Ordained Priests</i>	22 Jeremy Vinluan Pre-Theo I	23 Steve Zbiegien Pre-Theo I	24 Benjamin Baratan Borromeo-3	25 Andrew Bendahan Borromeo-2	26 Thomas Byrne Borromeo-2	27 Samuele Cefaratti Borromeo-3
28 <i>Pray for Peace in our Country</i>	29 Mathew Constantini Borromeo-2	30 Augustine Drexler Borromeo-2	31 Miguel Estrada Borromeo-1			



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<i>Go therefore, and make disciples of all the nations. . . And know that I am with you always. Matthew 28:19,20</i>				1 Jonathan Green Borromeo-3	2 Dan Jordan Borromeo-1	3 Alexander Krikemeyer Borromeo-4
4 <i>Pray for All Parish Priests</i>	5 Christopher Martin Borromeo-2	6 Nathan Menkhaus Borromeo-1	7 William Reed Borromeo-4	8 Joseph Rohan Borromeo-4	9 Zachary Smith Borromeo-1	10 Joshua Siecz Borromeo-4
11 <i>Pray for All Parents of Priests</i>	12 Steven Vasko Borromeo-1	13 Stephen Vavro Borromeo-2	14 Matthew Wasinski Borromeo-1	15 Christopher Yankay Borromeo-1	16 Christopher Corone St. Mary-III	17 Anthony Donatelli St. Mary-III
18 <i>Pray for All Fathers</i>	19 Jon Hawkins St. Mary-III	20 Jeffrey Lindholm St. Mary-III	21 James Livingston St. Mary-III	22 James Parsi St. Mary-III	23 Kyle Rosser St. Mary-III	24 Travis Seagraves St. Mary-III
25 <i>Pray for the Avilas and Serrans</i>	26 Mitch Carson St. Mary-II	27 Cameron Ferrell St. Mary-II	28 Nathan Frankart St. Mary-II	29 Joseph Truong Viet Ho St. Mary-II	30 Sean Neville St. Mary-II	

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2023 Membership Dues

YOU are a very important part of the continuation of Parents of Priests. Annual dues for our organization, January through December, are \$10 for an individual or \$15 for a couple.

Dues cover the cost of printing and mailing. **The other funds raised by Parents of Priests are given to the seminarians, St. Mary Seminary, and Borromeo Seminary.**

Help us to be a vibrant and active organization in the year of 2023. Our gatherings, Quarterly Masses and social events, are planned for parents of priests. Some members come frequently and others infrequently, but all are welcome at every event. We look forward to seeing you.

Make your check payable to: Parents of Priests of the Diocese of Cleveland

Mail to: Mr. Mike Cubera, Treasurer

5453 Alsace Court

Hudson OH 44236

Cut here ✂ and mail Dues' form with check: _____

Parents of Priests Dues 2023

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Your Son: _____ Assignment: _____

Enclose check for the dues: Individual \$10 Couple \$15.

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