



## NEWSLETTER AND UPDATE

July 1, 2023

Please confirm your attendance for the Parents of Priests SUMMER SOCIAL on Sunday, July 23, 2023, at St. Mary of the Falls. Call, text, or email Mike Cubera at 330 289-5823 or [cuberam4@gmail.com](mailto:cuberam4@gmail.com). Please CONFIRM by 11:00 AM on Sunday, July 16th.

### From the President

#### ***Congratulations***

Congratulations on another well-lived and successful year for the Parents of Priests. July 1<sup>st</sup> marks the beginning of the new fiscal year for our organization. We have had more opportunities to celebrate Mass together and to socialize than has been the case in recent years. Thanks go to our Liturgy committee (Debbie Goodfellow, Lois Butkowski, and Dee Denk) for arranging more “Mass and Doughnut” times and to Mike & Kathleen Cubera for the 2022 summer and the 2023 winter and upcoming summer social events. We should also recognize Fr. Latcovitch for the November event at the seminary and Bishop Malesic for the Palm Sunday event at the Cathedral.

Financially, we are ending the 2023 fiscal year and beginning the 2024 fiscal year in good shape as Mike Cubera’s year end report will show. We set up and contributed to the Parents of Priests Textbook fund which is available to all the seminarians for assistance with philosophy and theology textbooks. We established the Dad’s Wallet Fund in support of the human development pillar of seminary education. Also, we contributed funds to help with tuition for priests to be trained in coaching men and women in discerning the possibility of a religious or priestly vocation.

#### ***Congratulations***

July 1<sup>st</sup> marked the transition in leadership of the seminaries. We owe many thanks to Fr. Mark Latcovich for his support and guidance over the last 13 years. We benefited from his advice, and I hope

we were a benefit to the work of the seminaries. Congratulations to him for his many years of strong leadership of the seminaries and another congratulations on his new assignment as pastor of St. Ladislav Parish. I expect we will be contacting him for a Liturgy and Doughnuts Sunday in the not-too-distant future.

We also must congratulate Fr. Andrew Turner on his new assignment as Rector of both Borromeo and St. Mary seminaries. He joins a long line of distinguished priests who have led the seminaries over the past nearly 200 years. We look forward to working with him in support of the seminarians.

#### ***By-laws: Proposed Revisions***

At the April 23, 2023 Governing Board the Board authorized the President to develop proposed language changes to the Bylaws:

- To allow parents of priests who do not minister in our Diocese to request and be accepted into membership of our organization.
- To eliminate the Ill and Deceased Committee and assign that activity to the Secretary.
- To change the Program Committee to the Social Committee with responsibility for social events other than the “quarterly” Masses.
- To delete the 25 Club Committee and assign leadership responsibilities for fund raising (25 Club) to the Vice President.

The proposed language is included later in this Newsletter/Update for your information and to meet the required distribution of the proposed changes at least three weeks before the next

Governing Board meeting. Underlined text is new language and struck through text is language to be removed.

If anyone has objections to any of the language, additions to suggest, or additional language to be struck from the By-laws, please send these to Lou Trenta.

### **25 Club 2023-2024**

I need some help to collate the materials for this year's 25 Club. Help is requested for Monday, July 17, 2023, from 9 Am until approximately 2 PM at my home (2365 Covington Road, Akron). Please let me know of your availability.

The materials for this year's 25 Club will be handed out at the Summer Social on Sunday, July 23, 2023. For those not in attendance, the materials will be mailed in the week after the Summer Social.

As I'm sure you are aware, inflation has diluted the value of our contributions and increased our costs for the 25 Club. To offset this, we need to increase our requested donation per ticket or increase the number of \$25 donations by at least 40. This year our preference is to seek additional donors. If each of us would be able to add one donor to the number we obtained last year, we will maintain our level of giving.

Last year we began a solicitation aid. We prepared packets of 5 envelopes with a flyer, a ticket, and a return envelope. The packet included a suggested notice for inclusion in the parish bulletin. The contact to pick up the envelopes can be yourself or, if you prefer and the parish is willing, the envelopes can be available in the parish office or at the entrance/exit from the church. Packets will be available at the Summer Social and by request from Lou Trenta.

### **From the Treasurer: Mike Cubera**

#### **Treasurer's financial summary as of June 1, 2023**

**Financials:** Our records for the balances in both the President's Account & the Treasurer's Account agree with the most recent bank statement dated May 31, 2023.

**Balances:** President's Account: \$1,681.27  
Treasurer's Account: \$6,251  
Total: \$7,932.545

#### **Outstanding Expenditures**

Expected expenditures in June are for CDC Printing & Mailing (~\$200) and Postage.

#### **Additional comments:**

So with one month left in the POP 2022-2023 fiscal year we look to be in good shape.

**Membership—2023 Dues Update:** The current paid membership for 2023 is **76**. Still time for those who have not paid dues for 2023 to do so if they wish. Please send payment and membership form to Mike Cubera.

**Year-end Summary:** I will have a summary of the POP financial results for fiscal year 2022-2023 available at the Summer Picnic

Peace - Mike C

### **Calendar of Events**

**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. There will be a \$10 per person payment toward the costs of the catering.

VERY IMPORTANT: If you are planning to attend, **please tell Mike Cubera by 11 AM on Sunday, July 16**. The meal will be catered so we need a fairly accurate count. Phone or text 330 289-5823 or email cuberam4@gmail.com .

**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 11, 2023, Sunday:** Mass at the CPL with the seminarians at 10:00 followed by Brunch with them. We will be presenting our major donation checks from the 25 Club proceeds.

November 11<sup>th</sup> is also the date of this year's Open House. We are encouraged to be

available to chat with interested families or individuals.

**March 24, 2024**, 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.

### Recent Prayer Requests

Date: May 7, 2023: Death  
Ellen Bline Kurek, sister of Fr. David Bline

Date: ca. 6/9/2023: Death  
Sr. Edwin Sheil OP, sister of Fr. Jim Sheil

Date: May 12, 2023: death  
Rita Frantz, sister of Fr. John Wessel

Date: 6/16/2023 & 6/22/2023  
Fr. Jim Singler

Date: 6/2/2023:  
Fr. James Caddy

Date: 6/22/2023: Death  
Fr. Paul Wysocki

### Contact Information

#### Officers

*President*, Lou Trenta: 330-668-9068,  
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*Vice President*, Geoff Goodfellow: 440 724-2443,  
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*Treasurer*, Mike Cubera: 330 289-5823,  
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*Secretary*, Micki Trenta: 330-668-9068,  
mickit930@gmail.com

#### Committees

*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)

#### Ad Hoc Services

*Bishop's Brunch Representative*: Tom 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>

*Your life is a sacred journey.*

*It is about change, growth, discovery, movement and transformation....It is continuously expanding your vision of what is possible, stretching your soul, teaching you to see clearly and deeply, helping you to listen to your intuition."*

*Mother Janet Erskine Stuart*

# BYLAWS

## ARTICLE I

### NAME OF ORGANIZATION

This organization shall be known as PARENTS OF PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND. The organization shall be under the patronage of THE HOLY FAMILY.

## ARTICLE II

### NATURE AND PURPOSE

#### Section 1

The PARENTS OF PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND shall be, not for profit and operate on a July 1 through June 30 fiscal year.

#### Section 2 - Purpose

The purpose of the organization is to bring parents together for mutual support and in support of the vocations of their priest-sons. This organization shall also promote the good interests of the Diocesan Seminaries, either directly by its moral and material support, or indirectly by aiding the educational interests of the students. All activities of this organization shall have the approval of the moderator(s).

## ARTICLE III

### MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be for parents of diocesan priests but shall include any parent of a priest. Parents of priests of the Diocese of Cleveland are automatically enrolled as members upon their son's ordination. Parents of priests from other dioceses and/or religious orders are accepted as members upon their request to join this organization.

There shall be two classes of membership: Active and Non-Active.

#### Section 1 Active

ACTIVE MEMBERS pay dues and commit themselves to planning and organizing the activities of Parents of Priests. They participate in various meetings during the year and assume the responsibility of perpetuating the organization.

#### Section 2 –Non-Active

NON-ACTIVE MEMBERS pay dues and may attend and participate in any of the activities sponsored by the Parents of Priests but would not be responsible for the operation of the organization.

## ARTICLE IV

### SPIRITUAL BENEFITS

All members shall share in the spiritual benefits enjoyed by this organization. The benefits include, but are not limited to, special Masses for deceased priests and parents of priests, four times a year.

## ARTICLE V

### MODERATOR(S)

There shall be one or more Moderators of the organization. Such Moderators will be appointed by the Cleveland Diocese and shall serve until their successor(s) be duly certified. The Moderator(s) shall be ex-officio members of all Boards and Committees.

## ARTICLE VI

### GOVERNING BOARD

The Governing Board shall consist of the Moderator(s), officers, and the Active Members.

## ARTICLE VII

### OFFICERS AND DUTIES

The elected officers shall be: President; Vice-President; Secretary; and Treasurer. All terms of office shall be for two years. No member shall hold the same office more than three consecutive terms.

#### Section 1

The PRESIDENT shall preside at all meetings, appoint all committee chairpersons, and be an ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee. The President shall be responsible for the administration of this organization with regard to membership and interaction with any and all governmental and/or Diocesan entities, laws, and regulations. The President shall also provide for publishing periodic updates to the membership.

#### Section 2

The VICE-PRESIDENT shall perform all the duties of the President in case of the absence or unavailability of the President and such other duties as assigned by the President. The Vice-President shall be responsible for the fund-raising activities of this organization, for example, the 25 Club donation appeal.

#### Section 3

The SECRETARY shall record the proceedings of all meetings. Upon approval, copies of minutes of all meetings shall be presented to the President and Moderator(s). The Secretary shall be responsible for receiving and preserving correspondence received by the organization and for developing and publishing the monthly seminarian prayer calendar and the periodic requests for prayers for members and/or priests of the Cleveland diocese.

#### Section 4

The TREASURER shall receive and safely keep all monies in proper depositories approved by the organization. The same shall be disbursed under the direction of and to the satisfaction of the Governing Board. It shall be his/her duty to keep an accurate account of the finances of this organization and shall

render an account of its financial condition at all regular meetings of Active members. The report and its underlying documents shall be reviewed by the Ways and Means Committee. Upon approval, copies of such financial report shall be presented to the President & Moderator(s).

#### ARTICLE VIII

##### STANDING COMMITTEES

There shall be the following Standing Committees and such other Committees as the organization deems necessary: ~~Membership; "25 Club"; Deceased and Ill Parents of Priests; Program; Social Events,~~ Liturgy; and Ways and Means.

#### ARTICLE IX

##### MEETINGS

Regular meetings of the Active members shall be held at least semi-annually. Special meetings of the Active members may be called at the request of the President and/or Moderator(s).

Active members may attend, participate, and vote in the Governing Board meetings either in person or virtually by electronic means.

Meetings of the Standing Committees or Special Committees may be held as requested by the various Committee Chairpersons.

#### ARTICLE X

##### ORDER OF BUSINESS AT MEETINGS

Unless otherwise ordered by a majority vote of the members present, the order of business at all regular meetings of the Active members of THE PARENTS OF PRIESTS shall be as follows:

1. Meeting. Called to Order
2. Opening Prayer
3. Roll Call of Members
4. Minutes of Regular and Special
5. Introduction of New Members
6. Communications
7. Report of Standing Committees
8. Report of Treasurer
9. Financial Transactions
10. Report of Special Committees
11. Unfinished Business
12. Election of Officers
13. New Business
14. Installation of Officers
15. Closing Prayer

#### ARTICLE XI

##### NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

At the first meeting of the second year of his/her term, the President, shall appoint a nominating committee consisting of Active members. The Chairperson of the committee is to be selected by its members. The nominating committee shall present a slate of nominees at the next regular meeting and election of officers shall immediately follow. Installation shall

take place at the end of the meeting at which they are elected.

All records of this organization are to be presented to the newly installed officers ~~at~~ within 10 days of this meeting.

-Vacancy in any office shall be filled by majority vote of the Governing Board at a regular or special meeting.

#### ARTICLE XII

##### REVENUES

##### Section 1 - Dues

All members shall pay dues. The annual rate of dues shall be established from time to time by the Governing Board. Non-payment of dues shall not affect members' voting rights. This money shall be used to benefit the Parents of Priests activities.

##### Section 2 - Other Revenue

Revenue derived by this organization shall be used primarily to further vocations to the diocesan priesthood in the Diocese of Cleveland and to help support seminarians as needs arise.

#### ARTICLE XIII

##### PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

"Robert's Rules of Order Revised" shall be the parliamentary authority of this organization, except when not consistent with these By-Laws.

#### ARTICLE XIV

##### AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting by a two-thirds vote of Active members present and voting, provided the proposed amendment(s) shall have been submitted in writing or by electronic communication means to all voting members three weeks prior to that meeting.



By-laws amended October 17, 2021.





# July 2023



Seminarian Calendar prepared by Parents of Priests—Diocese of Cleveland  
 Calendar at: [seminarians.parentsofpriests.net](http://seminarians.parentsofpriests.net)  
 Priest & Seminarian calendar online at: [priests.stpatrick.cc](http://priests.stpatrick.cc)

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>VOCATION PRAYER</b>						<i>1</i>
<p>Lord Jesus Christ, you promised always to give your Church shepherds. In faith, we know your promise cannot fail. Trusting in the power of the Holy Spirit at work in the Church, we pray that you raise up sacred ministers from your holy people, that the sacrifice in which you give your body and blood may be daily renewed in the world until we come to that kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.</p>						Brian Peters St. Mary
<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Pray for Pope Francis</i>	Arthur Bordenschatz St. Mary	Charles Cairnie St. Mary	Noah Furin St. Mary I	Jeremy Gaugler St. Mary	Jeremy Shafer St. Mary	Sean Homcy St. Mary
<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>Pray for Bishop Malesic</i>	Daniel LaPolla St. Mary	Ryan Walsh St. Mary	Craig Ziobert St. Mary	Johannes Benninghoff St. Mary	Jake Cermak St. Mary	Jeremy Vinluan St. Mary
<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>Pray for Bishop Woost</i>	Steve Zbiegien St. Mary	Benjamin Baratian Borromeo	Andrew Bendahan Borromeo	Thomas Byrne Borromeo	Samuele Cefaratti Borromeo	Augustine Drexler Borromeo
<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>Pray for Bishop Amos</i>	Miguel Estrada Borromeo	Jonathan Green Borromeo	Nathan Menkhaus Borromeo	Zachary Smith Borromeo	Steven Vasko Borromeo	Stephen Vavro Borromeo
<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>					
<i>Pray for Bishop Gries</i>	Matthew Wasinski Borromeo					



# August 2023



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Christopher Yankay Borromeo	2 Ryan Arto St. Mary	3 Kevin Bertleff St. Mary	4 Michael Garvin St. Mary	5 William Wainio St. Mary
	6 <i>Pray for All Parish Priests</i>	7 Christopher Cotone St. Mary	8 Anthony Donatelli St. Mary	9 Jon Hawkins St. Mary	10 Jeff Lindholm St. Mary	11 James Parisi St. Mary
13 <i>Pray for All Parents of Priests</i>	14 Mitch Carson St. Mary	15 Cameron Ferrell St. Mary	16 Nathan Frankhart St. Mary	17 Joseph Truong Viet Ho St. Mary	18 Sean Neville St. Mary	19 Brian Peters St. Mary
20 <i>Pray for the Seminary Faculty</i>	21 Arthur Bordenschatz St. Mary	22 Charles Cairnie St. Mary	23 Noah Furin St. Mary I	24 Jeremy Gaugler St. Mary	25 Jeremy Shafer St. Mary	26 Sean Homcy St. Mary
27 <i>Pray for an Increase in Vocations</i>	28 Daniel LaPolla St. Mary	29 Ryan Walsh St. Mary	30 Craig Ziobert St. Mary	31 Johannes Benninghoff St. Mary	<i>Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy. Hail our life, our sweetness, and our hope!</i>  from the Salve Regina	