



The Call that Changed the World.

A light to my path. . .



At Saint Colette we have had Mass in many places starting with Crestview gymnasium, the basement of Saint Colette and then finally upstairs when our church was complete.

I raised three sons, all of them being baptized, making their First Communion and Confirmations at St. Colette.

I have many wonderful memories of Father Montavon. One of my fondest memories of Father Montavon was during a Mass being said in the basement when my middle son, Brian, was around 2 yrs. old. While attending Mass one Sunday morning, he was being the typical 2 year old, he was standing on the chairs, under the chairs, talking to himself and clearly annoying everyone around us.

Father Montavon never complained about him or any of the children. Father was always very patient and loving. This particular Mass, Brian was on the floor under the chairs in front of me, talking to himself and fussing during Father's sermon. I am sure no one thought he was paying attention — until during the consecration, Brian yelled out word for word a few sentences Father had said during his sermon. Father Montavon stopped mass, looked up and said "When you least expect it children are listening and paying attention. Father chuckled, we all chuckled and Mass continued. That comment always stuck with me and reminds me that now my grandchildren are watching, listening, and paying attention even when I don't think they are.

I am proud to be a founding parishioner of Saint Colette and I am pleased that Father Montavon was in my and my family's lives.

Barbara Henry



*Mr. O'Leary: "You know,
he started this place.*

And he had nothin'"

*Friend: Well he had good
people like you!*

*Mr. O'Leary: "Eh I
dunno... maybe God had
somethin' to do with it."*

John, I, and our children Tom, and Debbie were originally from Indiana. The Sherwin-Williams Company asked John to relocate to Ohio in 1991. My son Tom was 10 years old at the time and Tom asked Father Montavon if he could be an altar server at Mass. Tom learned to serve Mass trial and error. Father Montavon gave a homily one Sunday about Tom requesting to help serve at Masses.

I asked Father Montavon to help me in finding a parochial school for my daughter, he made the phone calls to different parochial schools but couldn't get her in the classes were filled. I remember him hanging up the phone and prayed Jesus, Mary, Joseph. I asked Father Montavon if Deb could attend St. Mark Lutheran School in Brunswick, he said "ok" and he told Deb if she needed clarification what was taught in Religion class at Saint Mark to talk to him.

My husband helped with the fish fries on Fridays during Lent, John felt the appreciation that Father Montavon showed him

Father Montavon helped prepare my son-in-law Joe for his First Communion and Confirmation Father Montavon was present at Joe's Confirmation service at Our Lady of Grace Church.

Aileen Armstrong

Remembering Fr. Montavon

I would like to recall some wonderful memories about Father Montavon. First of all, we have a tremendous appreciation of how he started our parish as a young priest who said "yes" to the bishop to an undaunting task of finding an open field in Brunswick with no parishioners. He literally went from door to door looking for Catholics who would be willing to sign up to join a church that still did not exist.

That first "Church" was in the gymnasium of Crestview School and the first rectory was a home on Nancy Circle. Daily Mass and Baptisms were in a small chapel in the basement of that home.

My first meeting with Father was Mass at Crestview gym where he made us feel very welcome with his engaging personality. Father was a great recruiter and immediately got me involved teaching PSR in the classrooms at the Protestant Church at Bennett Corners. He also had Mom's teaching the younger children in the hallways at Crestview during Sunday Mass.

Being very concerned about young families' financial situation, he was very responsible and frugal with the parish finances, making sure he had the means to move ahead with building projects without going into debt.

First came the downstairs, which acted as church, social gathering, classrooms, and offices. His office turned out to be what was designed as a storage closet. Building inside the hill was to save energy costs. Next came the church and the rectory.

Father always remained close to his family and continued to foster a family atmosphere at St. Colette which has continued to this day. Some of my best memories of Father were the times we could spend over coffee experiencing his spiritual side and concern for us as parishioners, as well as his human side with his engaging personality and knowledge of so many contemporary subjects. Besides being very Spartan with his life at the rectory, he never the less enjoyed some fine dining and a good Manhattan.

We can't forget the time his cocker spaniel, Matins, snatched a piece of kielbasa during the blessing of baskets and took off with it.

I am especially thankful to a thoughtful mentor, and a great so many loving members of St.

Gratefully,
Larry Pizon



him for being a caring spiritual leader, friend not only to our family but also to Colette Parish.

Father Montavon was such an important part of our family's spiritual journey. St. Colette has been our Church family since we were married in 1982. Coming from a large parish, I welcomed the creating when we were looking to and immediately remembered who and immediately remembered who community with parish picnics held in the metro park in the summer, renew groups, night at the races, bingo, penny carnivals and other celebrations. Father gave support and guidance at the deaths of family members. He even took the time to stop in on us in the hospital when our child was born. Father Montavon made the baptismal bibs for all the children receiving that Sacrament at St. Colette. All 3 of our children were blessed to have him preside over all 3 of their Sacraments. He was the first to bring a dog into our parish. The kids loved it. Father was very instrumental in the stained glass mural design above the alter. Three panes for each story; In the beginning was the Word; the Word became flesh (notice the hands of Jesus); and dwells with us. Father believed faith needed to first be taught at home, in each family and the Holy Family was one of our statues from when the upstairs church was completed. He shared his faith in all he did. Rest in peace good and faithful servant of God.

~Nancy Porter



LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK
The disciples were fishing when Christ found them, hard at work to support their families, casting their nets into the sea. Sometimes when God calls us, we are in the middle of something else. Don't be afraid to change your plans to follow Him. ©LPi

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Does God Forgive Abortion?

Question:

Can a person (the mother, father, or provider) ever be forgiven for an abortion?

Answer:

For people of faith, any conversation of human sinfulness should always lead us to reflect on God's loving mercy. Because God's mercy is greater than any sin, the Church is clear that even those involved in the sin of abortion can be reconciled with God and the Church. To help make this grace more available through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Pope Francis extended the permission to absolve someone of the sin of abortion to all priests in 2016.

Even with the grace and blessings of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the tragedy of abortion and the aftermath of abortion takes a toll on everyone involved. Ministries of outreach and support, such as Project Rachel, offer pastoral counseling, support groups, retreats, and other forms of care. As Christians, we are also called to help promote this healing and reconciliation in all its forms. To learn more, visit www.hopeafterabortion.com. ©LPi

January 22nd.. Day of prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children... Lord, have mercy on us. Lord, convert our hearts to be a people worthy of the call you've bestowed on us.



Praying
for children
who are
hidden from
sight,
but not
hidden
from God...
Praying for
the protection
of unborn people ...

Happy January from St. Colette!

PSCF CORNER

The Fourth Grade PSCF students are focusing on the words of the prophets during Advent. They made blessing jars filled with their own acts of love, peace, joy, and kindness, to share with their families and others during the Advent and Christmas season.

They also enacted the nativity, celebrating God's love as promised through the prophets!



Attention Liturgical Ministers!

**SIGNUP SHEETS FOR FEBRUARY
MASSES AVAILABLE NOW IN
THE SACRISTY!**

We will ask for 5 ministers per Mass as we begin to reintroduce the Precious Blood.

SAVE THE DATE!

Our Liturgical Ministers Gathering will take place on Wednesday, January 31 at 6:30PM in the Church!

ALL Liturgical Ministers should plan to attend!

Questions? Contact Lisa Radey in the Parish Office!

THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY OF
ST. COLETTE INVITES THE PARISH TO
REMEMBER THE LIFE OF

Michael Pindrock

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024
7:00PM MASS FOLLOWED BY REFRESHMENTS

NEIGHBORING HOLY NAME SOCIETIES WILL
BE IN ATTENDANCE.

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CHAPLAIN, HOLY NAME SOCIETY



MILITARY FAMILY MASS

All are welcome to join us for Mass as we pray for our active-duty members. We will lift up intentions for their protection, and for their families to be supported and given peace.

Friday January 26 | 6:00 pm

Please join us for a social following the Mass. Come to enjoy a relaxing evening with other members of the military community here at St. Ambrose and beyond.

Please RSVP by January 22nd to: military@stambrose.us



Grieve with HOPE

Friday, February 9 - Sunday, February 11, 2024

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Jesus proclaims in His Sermon on the Mount, "Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted!" This Grieve with Hope Retreat will meet all of us in our grief and transform the pain into purpose by encountering the God of Hope who understands our suffering.

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Register online at cleveland.cornerstoneofhope.org or by scanning the code. For questions, please call our office at 216-524-4673.

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3rd Sunday of each month

3 pm In-Office
5 pm Virtual Meeting

Please join us for an hour of sharing, listening, learning, and healing along your grief journey.

Your RSVP is greatly appreciated. Please RSVP to rabrams@clecem.org or 216-930-4866.

2024 Meeting Dates

January 21	July 21
February 18	August 18
March 17	September 15
April 21	October 20
May 19	November 17
June 23	December 15

Locations

- (Cemetery Offices)
- St. Joseph Cemetery, Avon
- Holy Cross Cemetery, Akron
- Holy Cross Cemetery, Brook Park
- Calvary Cemetery, Cleveland
- All Saints Cemetery, Northfield
- All Souls Cemetery, Chardon



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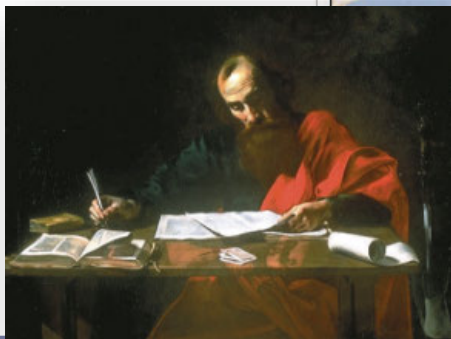


Saint of the Week

The Conversion of St. Paul... Jan. 25th

One could argue that St. Paul is one of the greatest saints in all the church, often named with Peter. And his story is remarkably fascinating. Unlike Peter who knew Jesus personally, Paul (who's name at birth was Saul) did not. He was a fervent Jew and Pharisee who loved the teachings of the Torah and traditions associated with God's people. He was on fire for the Lord and against any blasphemer—one who takes the Name of the Lord in vain or claims to be God. Saul believed with all his heart that Jesus was indeed a radical blasphemer, along with the Apostles and disciples. He did everything in his power to eliminate Christianity in it's earliest days, certain he was right, certain he was doing the right thing.... But the truth is that in all his knowledge and all the passion he had for tradition and Judaism, he was blind to the God who was right in front of him. As He always does, the Lord had his own way of "opening eyes" to the Light. On a trip to Damascus to capture the Christians there, a great light appeared in front of Saul's path and he was thrown from his horse. Then a voice... a calm, truthful, yet non condemning voice, calls him by name and asks him one question, "Saul, why are you persecuting me?" It was Jesus, yet not recognizing His voice, Saul is blinded by his ignorance. At that point Jesus instructs Saul to go into the city to await further instruction (Acts 9:5-6). For three days, Saul waits in darkness, and as gold in the furnace being proved and purified he was tormented for his wrongdoing. But God did not forsake him in his darkest hour, but was working behind the scenes. For you see, Jesus also appeared to another man in this story, a faithful disciple named Ananias who he asks to go to Saul and baptize him. For he had a big plan for Saul that would take the church farther than any Apostle would during that time and to this very day. "For this man is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before Gentiles, kings, and Israelites, and I will show him what he will have to suffer for my name." Ananias lays hands on him, and Saul could see again. Then he has a meal (important for the context of this story), and by it, strengthened to preach God's name. It's at this conversion moment that his name is changed to Paul. Name changes in Scripture and in the church today symbolize a new identity in Christ, a new purpose and mission. And Paul would go on to complete four missionary journeys. His letters to the various churches he starts along those trips make up half of the New Testament, including letters to the Romans, Corinthians, Ephesians, Philippians, Timothy, Titus, and more. The beautiful thing about all of this is God didn't despise Paul's passion, boldness, love for the law, and fiery personality... he LOVED it! He made him with it! And he helped him "see" in every sense how he was meant to use it. And that same "conversion" moment is offered to us every time we go to Reconciliation and the priest "lays his hands" on us, and we can see... it happens every time

we "eat something" at Mass in the celebration of Eucharist and we have the strength to carry out our mission. We all have one (or four like Paul), and like him are chosen instruments to share His beautiful name everywhere we go. Thank you, St. Paul for humbling yourself before the Lord and answering his call. Continue to pray for us, the Church you helped form, to do the same.



MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Monday January 22	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children	6:15PM	†	Earl Krueger	2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday January 23	Funeral Mass	11:00AM	†	Rita Jamison	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday January 24	St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church	11:00AM	†	John Kole	2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
Wednesday January 24	Special Memorial Mass	7:00PM	†	Michael Pindrock	2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
Friday January 26	Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops	11:00AM	†	Julia Kasper	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday January 27	Vigil of the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	4:00PM	†	David Menge	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
Sunday January 28	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8:00AM 10:00AM 11:45AM	† † †	Rose Kasper Baby Hanora Lee & Intentions of Jake & Becky Bihari Janet Gielink	Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28



Our friends and relatives who are ill. May God grant them Healing and strength.

These are remembered by Perpetual Help Prayer Team.

John Ballas, Bob & Pat Beck, Carol Biggs, Karen Biggs, Trevor Biggs, Erna Birschl, Carmelle Bonacci, Barbara Bonza, Dean Butscher, Elaine Coreno, Harry Dawes, Barb DelVecchio, Gloria & Leonard Demko, Ruthanne Dolin, Stefanie Dolin Atkinson, Elmer Dubs, Ella, Mary, and Robert Dumke, Marie Eckert, Gene Egnot, Jackie Ekey, Jackie Farley, Colleen Ferrell, Tammy Ferencik, Sharon Fisher, Greg, Brandy G., Helene G., Mike Gallo & Family, Mary Lou Ganellia, Celia Giganti, Amy, Barb, Bill, Ann, Andy, Marilyn, Sandy, Patti, Tina Healy, Kim Helle, Ruth Heywort, Karen Holtkamp, GerriLynn Hyrne, Jerry Jakovic, Rita Jameson, Nancy Joswick, Mike Kichurchak, Patricia Korbel, Chuck Kotyk, Chris Kovach, Jerry Krayzel, Chase L., James LaFon, Pastor Doug Lewis, Florian Maruszak, Chris & Mekayla Metz, David Murrin, James Nuia, Marcia Peltz, Danielle, John & Victor Musat, Natalie P., Marilyn Perz, Timothy Peterson, Donna Petrella, Beverly & Donald Phillippe, Michael Pindrock, Jesse, Pat and Ron Prybis, Dee Ritz, John Rossborough, Mary Lou Sarama, Anna Sattelmaier, Pat Schwark, Christopher Seman, David Shepley, James & Marie Simpson, Erica Stora, Tim Twohig, Paul Ulas, Bill & Patti Varga, Nicole W., Linda Walsh, Donna & Matthew Williams, James Woodyard, George Zeilmann

Prayer List will be cycled on 2/4/24. Call the Office or email nschrader@stcoletteparish.com with updates!

Please pray for those serving in the Military




Joseph Adams MJR Sylvester Azap SrA Aimee R. Budzinski USAF GySgt. John Burrell 1st Class Petty Officer Jacob Camper USN S/A-Dept/State Bradley Carlson Foreign Service Officer Cynthia Carlson-Cook S/SGT Stephen Coughlan SPC Kristen Coughlan MJR Jason Cross Michael Forlini HA Margaret Gasbarri USN SPC David Greenfelder Jr. LCpl Michael Grzybowski USMC Major Rick Hanrahan USAF SGT Jeremy Hlavaty Capt. Zachary Hollister USMC M/SGT Melissa Hunt CPL Zack Hunter USMC AMN 1st Class Joe Isabella Capt. Julianne Jamison USAF AA Bridget Kerr USN PVT Nathan Kerr Army Lt. Kris Klaiber SGT Kevin Lessman S/SGT Sam Lupica Col. Andrew W. Mack Lt. Colonel Jeremy Matyas USAF PVT Rylee McIlvain Army CDR Robin Murphy	S/SGT Daniel Novak 1LT Mark Oswald Army 1LT Gwen Oswald Army Nat. Guard Corp. Daniel Peterra S/SGT Brian Ponge CWO2 Kevin Porter E2 Lawrence Prochko, Jr. USN Chief David Sams Chief George J. Sattelmaier SGT Scott Sauls M/SGT Ryan Shaw PV2 Andrew Shephard PFC Taylor Sibits ENS Andrew Vance USN MJR Eric Wilder, MD USAF CPL Daniel Williford USMC S/SGT Robert Zebrowski S/Sgt. Kevin Zisko LTJG Matthew Zweifel PO3 Joseph Zweifel
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Please email updates to nschrader@stcoletteparish.com

Remembering with Love....

Our loving prayers and deepest sympathy are extended to the family of **Elmer Dubs**, husband of Louise, and to the family of **Mark Hunter**, father of Kaitlin and Mark, who was called to his Eternal reward. Please pray for them and all the faithful departed.

Live in Light & Peace!

This Week at St. Colette

The Rosary is recited after the 11am Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.

PSCF Grade 1-3

Monday, January 22 @ 6-7:15PM in the Lower Hall

PSCF Grade 4-7

Tuesday, January 23 @ 6-7:15PM in the Lower Hall

Becoming Catholic (RCIA)

Tuesday, January 23 @ 6:30PM in the Mary Chapel

Lampstand Prayer Group

Wednesday, December 24 @ 10AM in St. Joseph

Mass for Michael Pindrock (Sponsored By Holy Name Society)

Wednesday, January 24 @ 7PM in the Church

Confirmation Class with Open Gym

Thursday, January 25 @ 6-8PM in the Church & Corbie Hall

Brothers in Faith

Saturday, January 27 @ 8AM in the Atrium

Welcome to Our Parish!

Mr. & Mrs. Alfredo Duenas & Family

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Benny & Family

Wedding Banns

Bann II: Michael Brooks & Kyra Coundourides



Weekly Collection Report

January 7, 2024 — \$16,364.65
Capital Improvements — \$3,748.75
Children's — \$22.85



We sincerely appreciate your kindness & generosity!!

Ministers for the Weekend of January 27 & 28

	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:45 AM
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Please find a substitute if you cannot serve your scheduled time. Thank you.

Who's Who @ St. Colette?



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PSCF Directors: Larry & Chris Pizon

Becoming Catholic: Lisa Radey

Baptism Class: Sara Kronholz

Pre-Cana: Lisa Radey

SACRAMENTS

Holy Mass: Mon. 6:15PM | Tues., Wed., Fri. 11AM
Sat. 4pm | Sun. 8AM, 10AM, 11:45AM

Reconciliation: Sat. 3-3:30PM | Mon. 5:15PM - 6:00PM

Baptism: After 11:45AM Mass on the second & fourth Sunday of the month. Baptism class required for first child.

Matrimony: Congratulations! Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance with the priest!

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Parish Office

Holy Orders: Connect with Father to learn more about vocational discernment!

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Chris Charillo | Todd Schrader | Erin August | Greg Papparizos

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OLPH Prayer Ministry: Karen & Tom Bandwen - 330-239-0120

Catholic Works of Mercy with St. Ambrose: 330-460-7300

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