

Avila News

PRAYER, SACRIFICE, SERVICE, AND STUDY

FORTY-SIXTH YEAR VOLUME V

MAY, JUNE 2018



**REGULAR MEETING
AND HOLY HOUR**
Wednesday,
May 16, 2018

**PLEASE GATHER IN
FOUNDERS' ROOM
BETWEEN 9:45-10:00AM**

**HOLY HOUR WILL BEGIN
AT 10:15AM**

**Followed by Community
Mass with Seminarians,
Luncheon, and Speaker.**

SPEAKER:

**Rev. James Cosgrove
Parochial Vicar
St. Christopher, Rocky River**

As always, friends/guests are most welcome! Please call **Marlyn Tunnell, 440-442-7538** no later than noon on **Monday, May 14**, if you cannot attend or to make additional reservations. Guest donation is **\$9.00**. Please remember to bring your Holy Hour Prayer Book. **Members:** Please leave your full name and phone number when calling to cancel reservation. Also, please note that **ALL Avila Members** have a standing reservation and need to call in cancellations when necessary. **Members who are unable to regularly attend meeting and cannot call to cancel luncheon reservations might consider becoming a sustaining member. Thank you!**

President's Corner

Jesus and Mary

"Jesus and Mary, I love you save souls"

A beautiful little prayer given to Venerable Sr. Consolata and one for us to pray over and over.

The month of May brings to mind and heart the Blessed Mother. This month dedicated to her keeps us focused on Mary, our Mother and Queen. We pray the rosary with great devotion to her as our Blessed Mother and remember her as the Queen of Heaven as we place crowns of flowers on her images. The Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship tells us, *"The queen symbol was attributed to Mary because she was a perfect follower of Christ, who is the absolute 'crown' of creation. She is the Mother of the Son of God, who is the messianic King. Mary is the Mother of Christ, the Word Incarnate ... Mary is the perfect follower of Christ."*

The month of June gives us the devotion to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. This devotion reminds us of the great love and mercy that Jesus, True God and True Man, our Redeemer and King has for us and the revelation of the depth of God's love. The Catechism of the Catholic Church, states, *"[Jesus] has loved us all with a human heart. For this reason, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, pierced by our sins and for our salvation, 'is quite rightly considered the chief sign and symbol of that... love with which the divine Redeemer continually loves the eternal Father and all human beings' without exception (No.478).* Let us honor the Heart of Jesus and return love for love.

Sweet Heart of Mary be my Salvation! Sweet Heart of Jesus be thou my love!

*Virginia Kovacina
Avila President*

MARCH AVILA GATHERING

As Avilas and guest gathered in the Founders' Room before Holy Hour and Mass, President Virginia Kovacina talked about coming events through April and introduced the Avila website: avilascleveland.weebly.com. A big thank you went out to Laura La for creating the website.

At the Holy Hour, the Stations of the Cross were led by Mary Ann Trask. The celebrant for Mass was Fr. Peter Bang, who was ordained in May 2017. It is a very special blessing to worship with our seminarians and an extra blessing to hear Father share his new experiences with us.

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At the luncheon Fr. McCandless, as always, thanked the Avilas for our support and prayers, and shared the good news that six new applicants have been accepted and eight more are in the process of being accepted. Keep those prayers coming!

Our guest speaker was Sr. Elaine Berkopec, OSU. A graduate of Holy Cross Elementary and Villa Angela, she was close to the Ursuline community and although her first leaning was toward contemplative life, she entered the Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland. Sister is Office Coordinator in the Ursuline Development Office and is the Editor of the *Ursuline Sisters News*, published three times a year for friends and supporters of the Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland. Sister brought copies of the Winter 2018 Newsletter and I was very impressed, not only with the newsletter, but with Sister's very humble and loving manner. Love God, Serve People...thank you Sister Elaine.

Congratulations Avilas — We have a Website!

avilascleveland.weebly.com

On March 19, 2018, the Solemnity of St. Joseph,
we introduced our Website.

Please take some time to view it and share it with your parish.

2017-2018 Avila Roster Corrections/Additions

Pat Monroe, 19670 Edgecliff Avenue, Euclid, 44119
216-486-0409

Regina Lee, 10501 Old Camden Road, Midland, NC 28107
980-859-0438

We Rejoice

Priesthood Ordination

Saturday, May 19, 2018

Prayers - Love - Thanksgiving

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Deacon Armando Emmanuel Padilla Contreras

Deacon Matthew Cortnik

Deacon Michael Feldtz

Deacon Richard Samide



Dominic Avenoso, father of Mary

Beverly Beischlag

Doug Edwards, brother of Ann

Nancy Hach

**Leona, daughter of
Mary Ann Trask**

Adeline Trzaska

**Danielle, daughter of
Marlyn Tunnell**



May the dear Lord Jesus,
who went about doing good and
healing all, bless all of our Avila mem-
bers and their families and friends who
are sick, and let them recover their
health soon. Amen.



Lita Tinio on the death
of her brother-in-law,
Bobby Tinio.

Veronica Casey on the death
of her brother Jack.

We mourn the loss of our
sister Avila
Ethel Quinlan
and extend sympathy to her family

May the souls of all the faithful departed
rest in peace. Amen.

Happy Mother's Day!

Happy Father's Day!

**God Bless!
Maureen McHugh
Publicity Chairperson**



"There is but one road which reaches God and that is PRAYER;
if anyone shows you another, you are being deceived." *Saint Teresa of Avila*

May 2018

Please include the special intentions of the members of the following groups
in your Holy Hour this month:

May	6, 2018	Religious Women and Men of the Diocese of Cleveland
Msy	13, 2018	Religious Women and Men in Formation
May	20, 2018	Seminarians in Formation in the Diocese of Cleveland
May	27, 2018	Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland (OSU)
June	3, 2018	Ursuline Sisters of Youngstown (OSU)

"QUEEN OF THE MAY"

We all know that May is the month of Mary. This is the time of year when all the Catholic school children and parishes conduct traditional May crownings. There is usually a procession, singing of hymns, reading from Scriptures and recitation of prayers, and then Mary is usually crowned with a wreath of flowers. Some of us even have May altars where we can express special devotion during the month, especially the recitation of the Rosary.

Pope Pius XII said, *"The custom of the family recitation of the Holy Rosary is a most efficacious means. What a sweet sight - most pleasing to God - when, at eventide, the Christian home resounds with the frequent repetition of praises in honor of the High Queen of Heaven! Then the Rosary, recited in the family, assembled before the image of the Virgin, in an admirable union of hearts, the parents and their children, who come back from their daily work. It unites them piously with those absent and those dead. It links all more tightly in a sweet bond of love, with the most Holy Virgin, who, like a loving mother, in the circle of her children, will be there bestowing upon them an abundance of the gifts of concord and family peace."*



"Bring flowers of the rarest, bring flowers of the fairest from garden and woodland and hillside and dale ..." Will we bring Mary flowers of love, of patience, flowers of faith to reflect the perfect faith that She had at the Annunciation and all through Her life? What will our special gifts to Her be this month? She was the perfect follower of Christ; we can follow Her perfect example and strive for perfection in our own lives. As Mary is God's Crown of Creation, with the flowers of spring, we crown Her as Queen of Heaven, Queen of Earth, Queen of Peace ... *"Oh, Mary, we crown Thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May!"*

Meditations submitted by Susan Federico, Scripture Source Chairperson.



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June 2018

Please include the special intentions of the members of the following groups
in your Holy Hour this month:

June	3, 2018	Ursuline Sisters of Youngstown (OSU)
June	10, 2018	Vocation Directors of the Diocese of Cleveland
June	17, 2018	Apostles of Jesus (AJ)
June	24, 2018	Order of St. Basil the Great (Philadelphia) (OSBM)
July	1, 2018	Order of St. Basil the Great (Uniontown) (OSBM)



We celebrate and honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus this month. His Sacred Heart represents His love for all mankind. Devotion to His Sacred Heart is a way to express our gratitude for His mercy and love. We must never forget the sacrifice He made by dying for us.

This is a good month to start spending time in Adoration. Ask Jesus present in the Eucharist to remove all our human failings that keep us from living holy lives, to purify our hearts, make them like His own and unite our hearts to His forever. Put your trust in His love while expressing your own love for Him. Get a picture or statue of the Sacred Heart in our homes as a reminder of all He did – and still does – for us.

Pope St. John Paul II said, *"For evangelization today, the Heart of Christ must be recognized as the heart of the Church: It is He who calls us to conversion, to reconciliation. It is He who leads pure hearts and those hungering for justice along the way of the Beatitudes. It is He who achieves the warm communion of the members of the one Body. It is He who enables us to adhere to the Good News and to accept the promise of eternal life. It is He who sends us out on mission. The heart-to-heart with Jesus broadens the human heart on a global scale."*

As Avilas, ask Jesus especially this month, to gather His priests more and more into His heart of love and comfort so they can have strength to persevere in their work. Pray for more priestly vocations. Without priests, there would be no Masses and no Eucharist.

Lift up our nation and the world to the One in whom we place all of our trust. He will not disappoint. His Heart beats with mercy and love for us all.

Sweet Heart of Jesus, grant that I may ever love Thee more!