




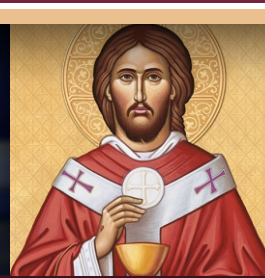
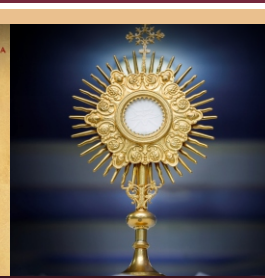
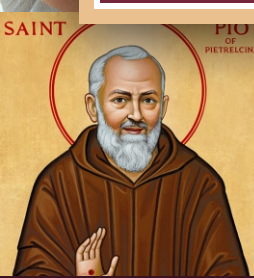


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**Saturday † February 24, 2024**  
**Kasich Hall † Ohio Expo Center, Columbus**

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To the Participants of the Catholic Men's Conference:

I am delighted to welcome you to the annual Catholic Men's Conference. I pray that this day will be one filled with grace that fosters spiritual growth of everyone participating in this event and strengthens men to be leaders of faith in their families and in the public square.

The theme of your conference, "The Eucharist: Go Deeper" is particularly relevant during this Eucharistic Revival Year as we approach the National Eucharistic Congress in July in Indianapolis. The Second Vatican Council speaks of the Eucharist as the "source and summit" of all life in the Church.

In his exhortation Sacramentum caritatis(n. 71), Pope Benedict XVI wrote:

"Christianity's new worship includes and transfigures every aspect of life: ... Christians, in all their actions, are called to offer true worship to God. Here the intrinsically eucharistic nature of Christian life begins to take shape. The Eucharist, since it embraces the concrete, everyday existence of the believer, makes possible, day by day, the progressive transfiguration of all those called by grace to reflect the image of the Son of God (cf. Rom 8:29ff). There is nothing authentically human - our thoughts and affections, our words and deeds - that does not find in the sacrament of the Eucharist the form it needs to be lived to the full. Here we can see the full human import of the radical newness brought by Christ in the Eucharist: the worship of God in our lives cannot be relegated to something private and individual, but tends by its nature to permeate every aspect of our existence."

It is my sincere hope that all those gathered for the Men's Conference will enter more deeply into the Mystery of the Eucharist and transform our culture and society into a Eucharistic one.

Assuring you of my blessing and prayerful best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Earl K. Fernandes
Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes
Bishop of Columbus

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Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes was ordained and installed as the 13th Bishop of the Diocese of Columbus on May 31, 2022. He was serving as pastor of St. Ignatius of Loyola Church in Cincinnati, Ohio from 2019 until his ordination and installation. From 2016-2019, he was a member of the Staff of the Apostolic Nunciature in Washington, D.C. From 2008-2016, he was the Dean of the Athenaeum of Ohio/Mount Saint Mary's Seminary of the West in Cincinnati and an associate professor of moral theology. He holds a doctorate in moral theology from the Alphonsian Academy in Rome.

2024 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE PROGRAM

THE EUCHARIST: GO DEEPER
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## 2024 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE **SCHEDULE**

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### THE EUCHARIST: GO DEEPER

6:00am - 5:00pm	Relic Veneration (Mezzanine)
6:00 - 7:30am	Eucharistic Adoration in Mezzanine Chapel
7:30 - 7:45am	Benediction in Mezzanine Chapel
7:00 - 7:55am	Registration   Breakfast
7:20 - 7:55am	Music by the Musicians from St. John Neumann
7:55 - 8:05am	Presentation of Color Guard and Pledge of Allegiance
8:05 - 8:20am	Opening Prayer & Welcome: Father Jonathan Wilson, CMM Spiritual Director and Pastor, St. Paul the Apostle
8:20 - 8:25am	Introduction of Emcee, Brad Pierron
<b>8:25 - 9:10am</b>	<b>Father Burke Masters</b>
9:10 - 9:25am	Break - Music by the Musicians from St. John Neumann
9:25 - 9:30am	Brad Pierron Introduces John Edwards
<b>9:30 - 10:20am</b>	<b>John Edwards</b>
10:20 - 10:30am	John Edwards: Confession Preparation
10:30 - 11:00am	Adoration (Exposition   Benediction)
11:00 - 11:05am	Scott Muehlbauer, Conference Director Instructions for Lunch, Reconciliation, Organizations, Healing Ministry and Relic Veneration
11:05 - 12:35am	Reconciliation   Lunch   Exhibit Hall <i>(SILENCE IN MAIN HALL, PLEASE)</i>
12:35 - 12:40pm	Brad Pierron Introduces Chris Stefanick
<b>12:40 - 1:25pm</b>	<b>Chris Stefanick</b>
1:25 - 1:40pm	Brad Pierron Introduces John Edwards - Leadership Summit
1:45 - 1:55pm	Brad Pierron - Closing Comments   2025 Speakers Announced
1:55 - 2:10pm	Music and Preparation for Mass
2:15 - 3:15pm	Holy Mass - <b>Bishop Earl Fernandes</b>
3:15 - 3:30pm	Departure
5:00pm	Relic Veneration Closes (Mezzanine)

## 2024 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE **LEADERSHIP**

# WELCOME!

## A LETTER FROM OUR CONFERENCE DIRECTOR

Men,

Welcome to the 27th Annual Catholic Men's Conference. I am honored and humbled to be the 2024 Director of such an amazing and inspirational event, and I pray that it will impact your faith life as much as this journey has for me (so far). I hope that you will take this opportunity to deepen your love for Jesus and the Eucharist as we focus this Conference on the Source and Summit of our Catholic Faith.

I am especially thankful for the dedicated men on the Catholic Men's Conference Planning Team that volunteer their time and talents to present this Conference each year. You will find them listed later in this program. Seek them out and thank them for hard work in planning this Conference. In addition, the men from the Host Parish volunteer team deserve a huge thanks for their tireless efforts assisting the Leadership Team to make this day happen. Their efforts involve much more than the hours they put in on-site today!

Finally, a word of encouragement for each of you to take the next step in your faith journey. Join in brotherhood with others at your parish or in your neighborhood to "Continue the Conversation" by sharing the messages from this Conference. You can absolutely make a difference in the lives of other men.

*Thanks for joining us today, and God bless!*



*Scott Muehlbauer*  
Conference Director

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Catholic Men's Ministry would like to acknowledge two of our Brothers in Christ whose "Yes" has provided countless hours of volunteer time and expertise, and been an integral part of bringing men to Christ...



### PETER KRAJNAK

Peter Krajnak is a parishioner at St. Catharine (Bexley) and has been a long-time member of the Conference Planning Team and Men's Leadership Team. Peter has provided his skills and expertise to the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference as well as the Men's Conference, serving as Facilities and Operations Director for both groups. Most recently, he has served as Conference Director (2022 and 2023) for the Catholic Men's Conference, and continues to advise the men's team as a true servant leader, bringing men to Christ.

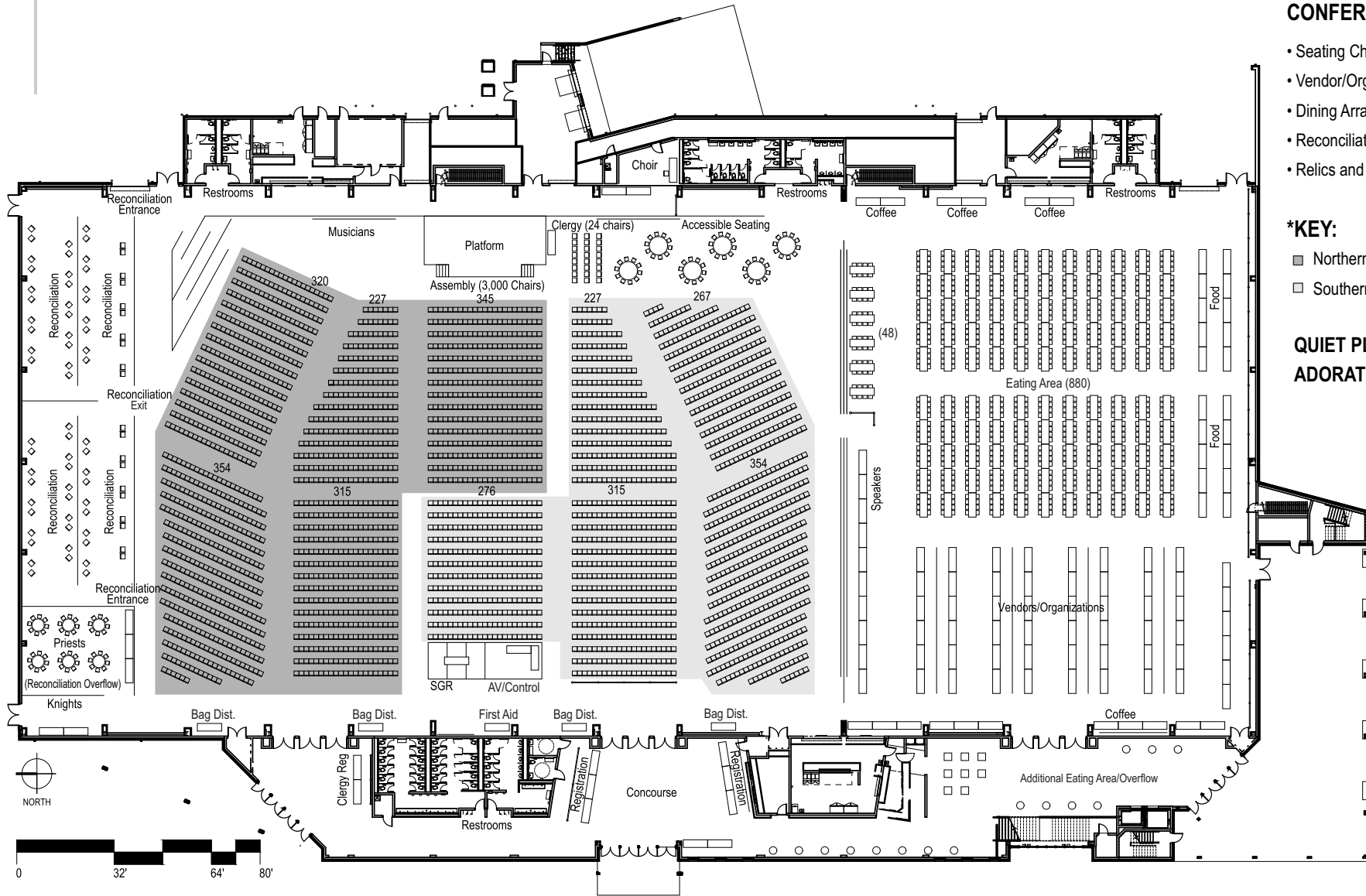


### MIKE TENNYSON

Mike Tennyson is a parishioner at Blessed Sacrament (Newark) and has devoted countless hours of time and service to Catholic Men's Ministry. Mike began the CMM Virtual Rosary and is one of the authors of the CMM Rosary ebook. In addition, Mike was responsible for the early CMM outreach and development - managing the social media channels and content, spreading the CMM mission and brand, and calling men to be saints.

*Thank You, Men...*

**FOR ANSWERING THE CALL**



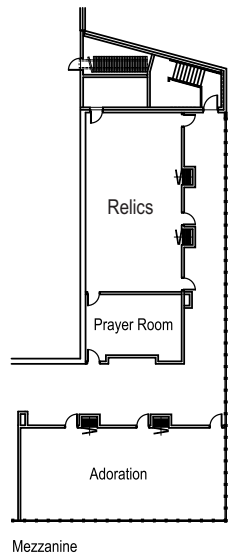
**CONFERENCE FLOORPLAN**

- Seating Chart (Assembly Hall)
- Vendor/Organizations Layout
- Dining Arrangement\*
- Reconciliation Arrangement\*
- Relics and Adoration (Mezzanine)

**\*KEY:**

- Northern Seating to Reconciliation First
- Southern Seating to Lunch First

**QUIET PLEASE DURING MASS, ADORATION & PRESENTATIONS.**



2024 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE **SPEAKERS****EMCEE - BRAD PIERRON**

Brad is a galvanizer. His authentic, passionate, and uplifting leadership style brings people together and provides common purpose, and his strategic, yet practical, mindset has quickly established him as a thought leader on mission and evangelization within the Church.

He serves as the Missionary Program Director at Damascus – a Catholic missionary movement that helps as many people as possible encounter

Jesus through camps, retreats, and events. In addition to overseeing the young adult missionaries at Damascus, Brad speaks to thousands every year and is the co-host of Beyond Damascus, a national Catholic radio show and podcast.

**FATHER BURKE MASTERS**

Father Burke Masters is known as “The Baseball Priest,” serving as the chaplain for the Chicago Cubs since 2013 – including being part of their World Series Championship in 2016.

Fr. Burke was born and raised in Joliet. He attended Providence Catholic High School, where he converted to Catholicism in 1985. He studied mathematics and played

baseball at Mississippi State University, playing in the College World Series in 1990. He worked as an actuary for Kemper Insurance and as the ticket manager for the Kane County Cougars before entering Mundelein Seminary in 1997. He has been a priest since June 1, 2002, and spent his first four years at St. Mary's in West Chicago.

From 2006 to 2018 he served as the Vocation Director for the Diocese of Joliet. In 2018, he became the Director of the Office of Adult Formation for the Diocese of Joliet. He started the Catholic Sports Camps in the Diocese of Joliet because of his passion to combine faith and sports, and he works closely with the John Paul II Healing Center and Dr. Bob Schuchts, giving retreats and conferences on healing.

[LEARN MORE](#)

2024 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE **SPEAKERS****JOHN EDWARDS**

John Edwards has inspired hundreds of Catholic men with his personal story and his witness to Christ. John left NAPA Auto Parts after 23 years to follow his heart into ministry within the Catholic Church. He now runs a Catholic non-profit (which he founded) called Pew Ministries Inc., and has a mission of bringing the person of Jesus Christ to the person in the pews.

John is also a co-founder and partner in Virtual Catholic Conference LLC. He

is a Catholic speaker and evangelist, and currently hosts the Just a Guy in the Pew podcast, as well as works to help start and revitalize parish men's ministries across the country through a proven method that inspires men and encourages them to grow. His story resonates with hundreds of men who simply want to become the virtuous leaders their families need them to be.

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**CHRIS STEFANICK**

Chris Stefanick is an internationally acclaimed author, speaker, and television host who has devoted his life to inspiring people to live a bold, contagious faith.

Recipient of the Papal Benemerenti Medal, Archbishop Charles J. Chaput calls Chris “one of the most engaging defenders of the Christian faith on the scene today.” Chris's live seminars reach more than 85,000 people per year. His reality TV show, videos, and

radio spots reach millions of people, and his educational initiatives are turning the tide in the Church. He authored the Chosen Confirmation program which has already formed more than 500,000 teens.

A graduate of Franciscan University of Steubenville, Chris is also the founder and president of Real Life Catholic, a non-profit which operates as the headquarters for Chris's various initiatives. Above all, Chris is proud to be the husband to his wife Natalie and father to their six children.

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## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The following priests are scheduled for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. Please note that additional priests may become available and that some listed below may not be able to attend due to parish responsibilities.

<b>Fr. Jeffrey Rimelspach</b>	<b>Fr. John Reade</b>
<b>Fr. Cyrus Haddad</b>	<b>Fr. Jonathan Wilson</b>
<b>Fr. Stanislaus John, SAC</b>	<b>Fr. David Schalk</b>
<b>Fr. Veevin Pitchaisavary, SAC</b>	<b>Fr. Joseph Klee</b>
<b>Fr. Anish Thomas</b>	<b>Fr. David Arroyo</b>
<b>Fr. Jins Devasia</b>	<b>Fr. Victor Mendez</b>
<b>Fr. Stephen Alcott, OP</b>	<b>Fr. Lorenzo Uribe</b>
<b>Fr. Charles Cotton</b>	<b>Fr. Robert Kitsmiller</b>
<b>Fr. Michal Wojciak, SAC</b>	<b>Fr. William Arnold</b>
<b>Fr. Elias Udeh</b>	<b>Fr. Daniel Olvera</b>
<b>Fr. Timothy Hayes</b>	<b>Fr. William Deville</b>
<b>Fr. Jacob Stinnett</b>	<b>Fr. Stephen Fernandes, OFM, Cap.</b>
<b>Fr. Daniel Dury</b>	<b>Fr. Rafael Anguiano, OFM, Cap.</b>
<b>Fr. Robert Penhallurick</b>	<b>Fr. Anthony Essien, OFM, Cap.</b>
<b>Fr. Seth Keller</b>	<b>Fr. Peter Fegan, OP</b>
<b>Fr. Michael Watson</b>	<b>Msgr. William Dunn</b>
<b>Fr. Robert Jager</b>	<b>Fr. William Hahn</b>
<b>Fr. Sesu Crescensis Panguraj, SAC</b>	<b>Fr. Hilary Ike</b>
<b>Fr. Sudhakar Reddy Thirumalareddy</b>	<b>Fr. Michael Kengnjoh</b>
<b>Fr. William Metzger</b>	<b>Fr. Ted Sill</b>
<b>Fr. Ed Shikina</b>	<b>Fr. Tim Lynch</b>

**Examination of Conscience guides** for a good confession have been placed in Conference attendee bags. We encourage you to reflect on the information during the time you wait for Reconciliation.

*Take the guide with you so future confessions that you make can be thorough and enlightening.*



**THIS LENT,  
LISTEN TO  
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## RELICS OF PADRE PIO

The **National Centre for Padre Pio**, located in Barto, PA, has made our conference one of the stops on their **#SaintPioRelicTour2024**, and will present a relic glove by Padre Pio and a bandage swatch which covered his side wound, for public veneration throughout the day.

### ABOUT PADRE PIO

Padre Pio, the humble yet widely recognized Italian Capuchin Friar, is a saint whose relics are prayerfully venerated by millions throughout the world, due to the amazing graces attributed to his powerful intercession. He is the first priest to have borne the Stigmata, the five bleeding wounds of Christ on the Cross, often wearing gloves in public to cover the bleeding wounds on his hands.

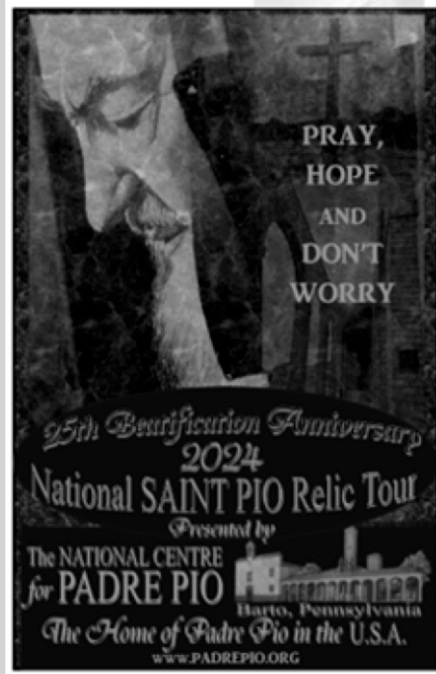
### ABOUT THE TOUR

The **#SaintPioRelicTour2024** features one of the gloves worn by Padre Pio. It is part of a year-long series of events being held in 2024 by the National Centre for Padre Pio in celebration of the 25th anniversary of his Beatification.

Founded in 1971 by Mrs. Vera M. Calandra, the National Centre for Padre Pio, known as the "Home of Padre Pio in the USA," is located in Barto, Pennsylvania. Their current facility, the Our Lady of Grace Chapel and Padre Pio Spirituality Centre, opened on May 2, 1999, the very day of Padre Pio's Beatification.

**The Columbus Catholic Men's Conference will be the Centre's last stop in Ohio in 2024.**

Veneration will be held throughout the day on Saturday, February 24, for conference attendees in the Mezzanine of Kasich Hall.



Visit: [www.padrepio.org](http://www.padrepio.org)

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**CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION**

## Live...

A life of missionary discipleship by serving others, sharing the faith, and witnessing to the Gospel through virtuous masculinity

Catholic Men's Ministry is dedicated to helping men encounter Jesus on a personal level.



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## 2024 CONFERENCE CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS

**Music presented by Men of the Cathedral Schola**  
 Aron Aziz, Mass Master of Ceremonies  
 Dr. Richard Fitzgerald, Diocesan Director of Music  
 Mr. Robert Wisniewski, Organist

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN:** “Forty Days and Forty Nights”

1. Forty days and forty nights  
 You were fasting in the wild;  
 Forty days and forty nights  
 Tempted, and yet undefiled.
2. Shall not we your sorrow share  
 And from worldly joys abstain,  
 Fasting with unceasing prayer,  
 Strong with you to suffer pain?
3. Then if Satan on us press,  
 Flesh or spirit to assail,  
 Victor in the wilderness,  
 Grant we may not faint or fail!
4. So shall we have peace divine:  
 Ho-lier gladness ours shall be;  
 Round us, too, shall angels shine,  
 Such as served you faithfully.
5. Keep, O keep us, Savior dear,  
 Ever constant by your side;  
 That with you we may appear  
 At the e-ter-nal Eastertide.

Words: George Hunt Smyttan (1822-1870), alt.

Music: Aus der Tiefe rufe ich, melody att. Martin Herbst (1654-1681),  
 alt.; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

**KYRIE**

**FIRST READING:** Deut. 26: 16-19

**RESPONSORIAL:** Psalm 119

*Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!*

## 2024 CONFERENCE CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS

**GOSPEL (all rise):** Matthew 5: 43-48

**HOMILY:** Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes

**OFFERTORY:**

The Offering today will support Buckeye Catholic (formerly the Newman Center) in honor of Bishop Fernandes..

**PREPARATION HYMN:** “Soul of My Savior, Sanctify My Breast”

1. Soul of my Sav - iour, sanc - ti - fy my breast,  
 2. Strength and pro - tec - tion may thy Pas - sion be,  
 3. Guard and de - fend me from the foe ma - lign,

bod - y of Christ, be thou my sav - ing guest,  
 O bless - ed Je - su, hear and an - swer me;  
 in death's dread mo - ments make me on - ly thine;

blood of my Sav - iour, bathe me in thy tide,  
 deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shel - ter me,  
 call me and bid me come to thee on high

wash me with wa - ter flow - ing from thy side.  
 so shall I nev - er, nev - er part from thee.  
 ev - er with Saints my Lord to mag - ni - fy.

**SANCTUS**

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

**AMEN**

2024 CONFERENCE CELEBRATION OF HOLY MASS

AGNUS DEI

COMMUNION

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

“Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days”



1. Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us did fast and pray,
2. As you with Sa-tan did con - tend, and did the vic - t'ry win,
3. As you did hun-ger and did thirst, so teach us, gra-cious Lord,
4. And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through your Pas-sion-tide,
5. A - bide with us, that through this life of doubts and hope and pain,



teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.  
 O give us strength in you to fight, in you to con-quer sin.  
 to die to self, and so to live by your most ho - ly Word.  
 for - ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide,  
 an East-er of un-end - ing joy we may at last at - tain!

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\*A reminder that the Conference continues (briefly) after Holy Mass.  
 Men are asked to return to their seats as our celebrants finish and we  
 are dismissed from the stage after a brief announcement.



# MEN!

Join us **APRIL 13**, as we welcome  
**JOHN EDWARDS**  
 to  **CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION**

Are you being called to help men **grow their faith**,  
**develop healthy relationships** with other men, and **become**  
**better leaders** in their homes, churches, and communities?

Learn how to **start a new men's ministry** at your parish  
 or how to **invigorate an existing men's ministry**.

Take the **next step** in becoming the leader  
 you are meant to be...and **REGISTER!**

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## JESUS CALLS US TO GO DEEPER

In a world full of hurt, deeply in need of healing, we are called to reunite with our true strength. **Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist.**

### The Role of the Eucharist in the Church

— from the EWTN Library/eucharist makes the church

**The Eucharist is at the very core of the life of the Church and gives the Church its identity.**

The Church is the Body of Christ, and, as St. Augustine taught, we receive the body of Christ in order to become the body of Christ: "Be what you see and receive what you are."

**The whole mystery of Christ and of the Church as his body is what we receive in the Eucharist.** This sacrament therefore renews our life together in Christ; in other words, *it renews the Church.*

The life that we share in Christ is the life of the Trinity, because Christ is the Son of God incarnate, and that life is one of **perfect communion**. The phrase we use about receiving the Eucharist is really very significant; **we say we are receiving Communion.**

“ The Church draws her life from the Eucharist. ”

— Pope St. John Paul II,  
"Ecclesia de Eucharistia"

**We are receiving Christ himself, but the life he shares with us is the communion life of the Trinity** — the very life that calls us out of our own individualism and draws us together as the Church.

**The Eucharist renews the very gift that makes us to be the Church,** and it follows that **the community dimension of the Eucharist is of the utmost importance.** It is really communities, and ultimately the Church as a whole, that receives the Eucharist, not just lots of individuals.

We should always be conscious of those with whom we receive; **the Eucharist renews our life as brothers,** caring for one another and working together to bear witness to the communion life of the Kingdom of God.



When the priest prays the words of consecration at mass, **the bread and wine become Jesus's body, blood, soul, and divinity.**

**What was once bread and wine is now the Holy Eucharist.**

## 2024 CONFERENCE THE EUCHARIST: GO DEEPER

The history of the Church and Church Fathers shows the belief in the Real Presence since its first days...

### The Early Church Believed in the Real Presence

The doctrine of the Real Presence asserts that in the Holy Eucharist Jesus is literally and wholly present—body and blood, soul and divinity—under the appearances of bread and wine.

The Bible is forthright in declaring it (John 6: 32-71 | 1Cor 10: 16-17, 11: 23-29) and early Church Fathers interpreted the Bible literally. From the Church's early days, the Fathers referred to Christ's presence in the Eucharist.

“ I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is the flesh for the life of the world.”

— John 6: 51

**Two of the greatest historical minds show evidence of their unwavering belief in the Real Presence of the Holy Eucharist...**

### Ignatius of Antioch

Ignatius boldly declared that “the bread is the flesh of Jesus, the cup his blood,” clearly intending the realism to be taken seriously.

“ I have no taste for corruptible food nor for the pleasures of this life. I desire the bread of God, which is the flesh of Jesus Christ . . . and for drink I desire his blood, which is love incorruptible.”

— Letter to the Romans 7:3 (A.D. 110)

In his letter to the Smyrnaeans, Ignatius warned against heretical teaching and belief: “They abstain from the Eucharist... because they confess not the Eucharist to be the flesh of the Savior, Jesus Christ.

### Irenaeus of Lyon

Irenaeus was born around the year 130 in the city of Smyrna (now Izmir Turkey) and was a student of Polycarp. Polycarp was a student of John the Apostle and ordained by the Apostle. So, in Irenaeus, we are only 2 generations from people who knew Jesus.

“ He has declared the cup... to be his own blood, from which he causes our blood to flow; and the bread...he has established as his own body, from which he gives unto our bodies.”

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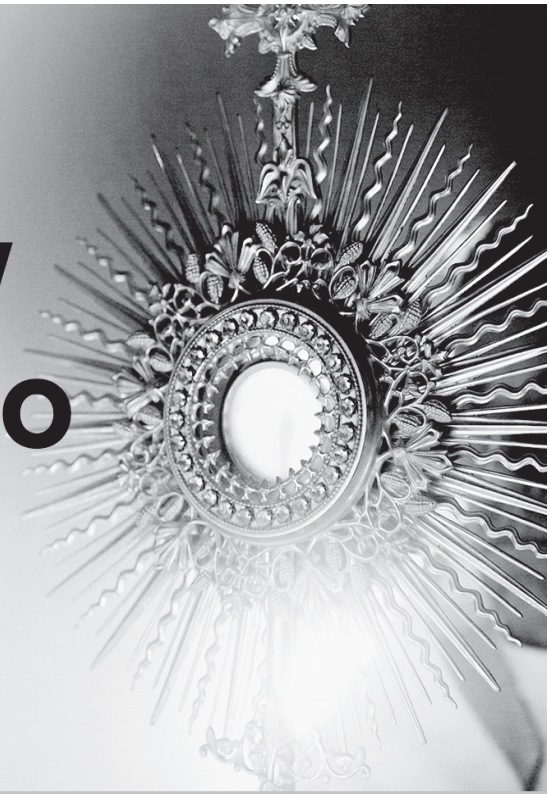
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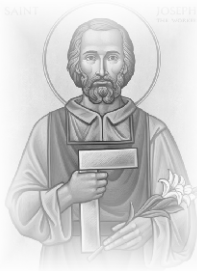
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**MR. HENRY SZABO** 2024 CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR



Mr. Henry Szabo was selected from among six nominees. His nomination form and testimonials included praise for his devoted service to the liturgy at his parish of St. Brendan the Navigator. He trains and leads altar servers and MCs, directs funeral logistics, serves as usher, lector and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Further, he volunteers at the Hilliard Food Pantry.

In his nomination submission, Fr. Jacob Stinnett noted, “Henry Szabo deserves to be recognized... for his hours of selfless service that he provides to his parish every week, which is fueled by his life of prayer and a humble heart that loves Jesus.”

He was presented the Catholic Man of the Year award by Bishop Fernandes at the annual recognition event on February 2, 2024.

See more online at [CatholicMensMinistry.com/Catholic-Man-Of-The-Year](http://CatholicMensMinistry.com/Catholic-Man-Of-The-Year)

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- 04.05.2024 **William Heyer:** Sacred Architecture
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- 06.07.2024 **Patrick Madrid,** Author and Radio Host
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- 10.04.2024 **Bp. Earl Fernandes:** Annual Address to the Men's Luncheon
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- 12.06.2024 **Newly Ordained Priest:** Vocation Story

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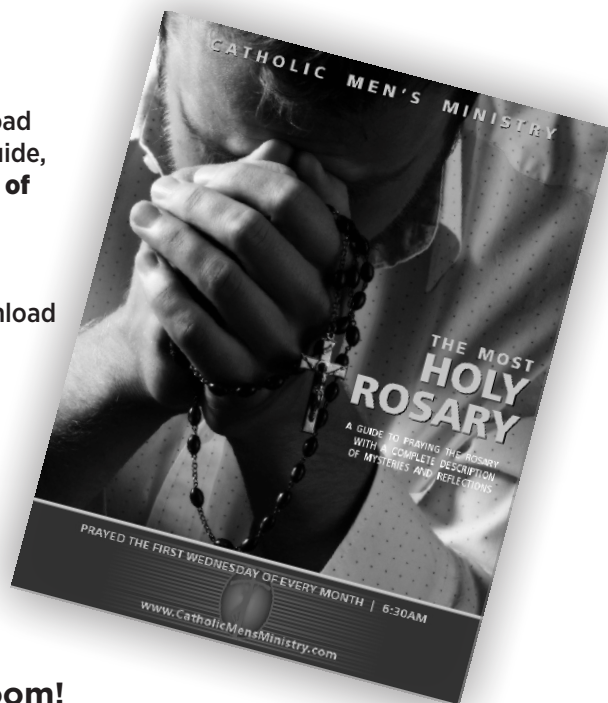
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- 🔥 Whoever shall have a true devotion for the Rosary shall not die without the sacraments of the Church.
- 🔥 Those who are faithful to recite the Rosary shall have during their life and at their death the light of God and the plenitude of His graces; at the moment of death, they shall participate in the merits of the saints in paradise.
- 🔥 I shall deliver from Purgatory those who have been devoted to the Rosary.
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- 🔥 You shall obtain all you ask of me by the recitation of the Rosary.
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- 🔥 I have obtained from my Divine Son that all the advocates of the Rosary shall have for intercessors the entire celestial court during their life and at the hour of death.
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- **Bishop Fernandes** for your leadership with our Diocese and your genuine presence with the men at our conference and throughout the diocese
- **Active and retired priests and deacons** who participated in today's event. We appreciate your dedication in serving Jesus Christ and His Church.
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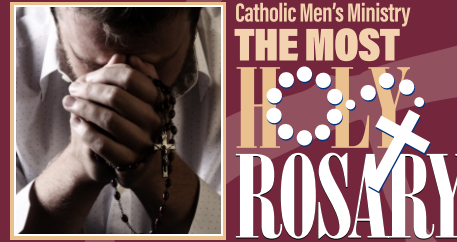
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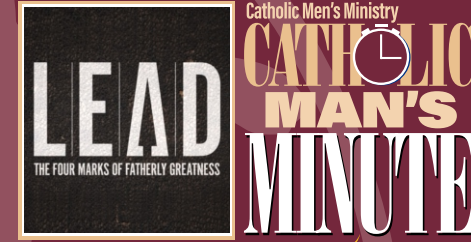
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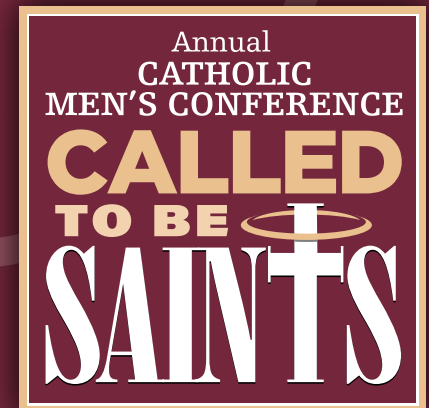
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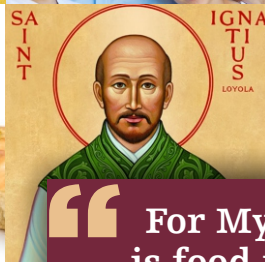


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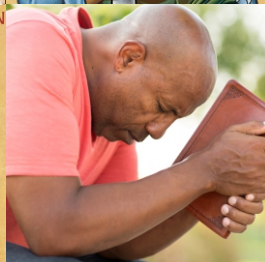
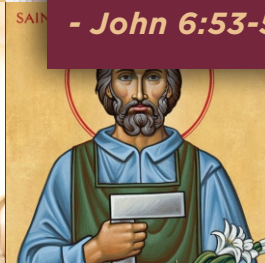
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