



CATHOLIC DIOCESE
OF YOUNGSTOWN

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL
EAGLE OF THE CROSS AWARDS

Evening Prayer
Monday, May 2, 2022
The Cathedral of Saint Columba
Youngstown, Ohio
6:30 p.m.



Most Reverend David J. Bonnar
Bishop of Youngstown

EVENING PRAYER

MONDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF EASTER

WELCOME

Most Reverend David J. Bonnar

INVITATORY

Presider: O God + come to my assistance

All: Lord, make haste to help me.

(Please bow) Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.

HYMN

Jesus is Risen



1. Je - sus is ris-en! Let us sing! Praise to the ev - er - liv - ing
2. On this most ho - ly day of days, Let us to - geth - er sing his
3. To God the Fa - ther let us sing, To God the Son, our ris - en



1. King! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise him in song, ye Ser - a -
2. praise! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Raise joy - ful voic - es to the
3. King! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! And e - qual - ly let us a -



1. phim! Praise him with joy, ye Cher - u - bim! }
2. sky! Sing out, ye heav - ens, in re - ply: } Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
3. dore The Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more! }



- 1-3. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PSALMODY

PSALM 141

Tonus Peregrinus

Antiphon



My prayers rise like in - cense, my hands like the eve-ning of - f'ring.

PSALM PRAYER

PSALM 118

Marty Haugen

Refrain



This is the day the Lord has made, let us re -



joice and be glad; this is the day the Lord has



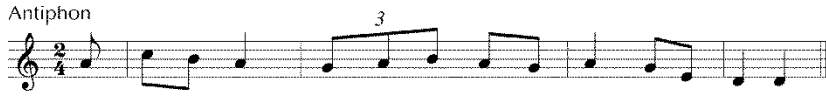
made, let us re - joice and be glad!

PSALM PRAYER

CANTICLE

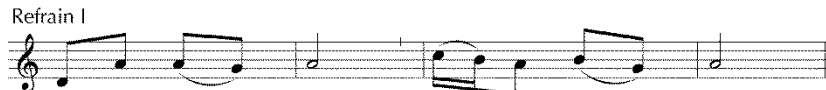
Revelation
Howard Hughes

Antiphon



All pow'r is yours, Lord God, our might-y King, al - le - lu - ia!


Refrain I



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Verse Refrain II


Cantor:



Al - le - lu - ia!

Verse Refrain I

Cantor:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1. Salvation, glory and pòwer to our Gód: (Alleluia!)
his judgements are hònest and trúe. (Alleluia, alleluia!)
2. Sing praise to our God, àll you his sérvants, (Alleluia!)
all who worship him reverently, grèat and smáll. (Alleluia, alleluia!)
3. The Lord our all-powerful Gòd is Kíng; (Alleluia!)
let us rejoice, sing pràise, and give him glóry. (Alleluia, alleluia!)
4. The wedding feast of the Làmb has begún, (Alleluia!)
and his bride is prepared to wélcome him. (Alleluia, alleluia!)
5. Glory to the Father, and to the Sòn, and to the Holy Spírit, (Alleluia!)
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for èver. Amén. (Alleluia,
alleluia!)

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 8:1b-3a
Read by: Thomas Valent

HOMILY

Reverend Ryan Furlong

RESPONSORY

Presider: The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.
All: **The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.**

Presider: When they saw the risen Lord,
All: **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Presider: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit
All: **The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Owen Alstott

Refrain



My soul re-joic-es in God, my Sav-ior. My spir-it finds its


Verses



joy in God, the liv-ing God.

1. My soul pro-claims your
2. Your mer-cy flows through-
3. You cast the might - y
4. You fill the hun - gry
5. Just as you prom - ised

to Refrain



1. might-y deeds. My spir - it sings the great-ness of your name.
2. out the land and ev - 'ry gen - er - a - tion knows your love.
3. from their thrones and raise the poor and low - ly to new life.
4. with good things. With emp - ty hands you send the rich a - way.
5. A - bra - ham, you come to free your peo-ple, Is - ra - el.

INTERCESSIONS

Read by: Justin Barzellato

The Holy Spirit raised the body of Christ to life and made it the source of life. With joy in our hearts let us call upon the risen Christ, saying:

All: ~ *Lord, make all things new and fill them with life.*

Savior of the world and King of the new creation,
raise our minds and hearts to your kingdom.

~ *where you sit at the right of the Father.*

Lord, you are always present in your Church,

~ *through your Holy Spirit guide it into all truth.*

Show your mercy to the sick, the overburdened and the dying,

~ *that all may receive strength and courage from your love.*

Light that never fails, as the day draws to its close
we offer you our sacrifice of praise,

~ *and pray that the glory of your resurrection may shine
on our deceased brothers and sisters.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CONCLUDING PRAYER

BLESSING

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A REFLECTION ON THE “EAGLE OF THE CROSS” AWARD

Both the **eagle** and the **cross** are symbols deeply rooted in Scripture and Catholic tradition, and both speak to and about the young people being honored in this ceremony.

The cross...By the sign of the cross traced in Baptism, a person is marked forever as a follower of Jesus Christ. The cross is the trophy of victory of Jesus who overcame death and promises life forever. The cross is the unique sacrifice of Christ who calls his disciples to “Take up [their] cross and follow [him],” and who has left us “an example that [we] should follow in his steps.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #618)

The eagle...A symbol of integrity and faithfulness, individuality and majestic beauty. The eagle is a symbol of God’s faithful love and care. Unique among birds for its clarity of vision the eagle is the only bird that can look directly into the sun. The Book of Revelation speaks of four living creatures around the throne of God, symbolizing the writers of the four Gospels. The eagle in Christian tradition represents the Gospel of John which begins directly with the vision of God: “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...” (John 1:1)

The eagle and the cross have a unique association in the person of John. As the youngest apostle, John was probably only a teenager and was the only apostle who stood near the cross of Jesus with Mary, his Mother. Just as he was one of the first disciples to be called by Jesus, John was the first person who ran to the tomb on Easter Morning; when he reached the tomb, the Scriptures record, “He saw and believed.” St. Paul wrote in his letter to Timothy, another young follower of Jesus, “Let no one disregard you because you are young, but be an example to all believers in the way you speak and behave, in your love, your faith and your purity. You have in you a spiritual gift...do not neglect it...” (1 Timothy 4: 12, 14)

AWARDS PRESENTATION

OPENING REMARKS

Most Reverend David J. Bonnar

REFLECTION ON THE EAGLE OF THE CROSS Reverend Ryan Furlong
Director, Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Most Reverend David J. Bonnar
and Reverend Ryan Furlong

*A picture will be taken of each recipient as s/he receives the award.
A copy of the picture will be mailed to each recipient in the
weeks following this ceremony.*

*Family and friends are permitted to take pictures but are asked to avoid
interfering with our professional photographer, Mr. Robert Zajack.*

CLOSING REMARKS

Most Reverend David J. Bonnar



**Thank you for joining us.
Goodnight and safe travels!**





**THE 2022 EAGLE OF THE CROSS
AWARD RECIPIENTS**



Justin Barzellato

**University Parish Newman Center
Kent**

Nathan Boiarski

**St. Mary
Orwell**

James Brown

**St. Joan of Arc
Canton**

Nicholas Bryan

**St. John the Evangelist
Summitville**

Joseph Carlini

**St. Charles Borromeo
Boardman**

Sarah Conroy

**St. Peter of the Fields
Rootstown**

Scott T. Cross, Jr.

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel Basilica
Youngstown**

Nina Dill	St. Paul the Apostle New Middletown
Michael DiVenzenzo	Christ Our Savior Struthers
Ian Fuentes	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Geneva
Monica Hamalainen	St. Andrew Bobola Sheffield
Lauren Haynie	St. William Champion
Jeffrey L. Howe II	Our Lady of Mount Carmel Basilica Youngstown
Jenna Hughes	Holy Family Poland
Olivia M. Huzyak	St. Paul North Canton
Nicholas Jaros	Blessed Sacrament Warren

Ronald Lame

**St. Rose
Girard**

Andras Lane

**Regina Coeli
Alliance**

Grace Leslie

**St. John the Evangelist
Summitville**

Devyn Mercillott

**Our Lady of Peace
Ashtabula**

Samuel Murray

**St. Paul
Salem**

Ian Paul

**St. Joseph
Massillon**

Anya Shevchik

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Geneva**

Grant Thieding

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Aurora**

Sydney Thomas

**St. Joan of Arc
Canton**

Thomas Valent

**Blessed Sacrament
Warren**

Lauren Vaughn

**St. Peter
Canton**

America Maribel Villegas-Camacho

**St. Anthony/All Saints
Canton**

David Vuksanovich

**Holy Family
Poland**

WHAT IS THE EAGLE OF THE CROSS?

The Eagle of the Cross, created originally by the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM), is the highest recognition that our Diocese confers on a youth. It is given to extraordinary teens who selflessly serve their peers and parishes in unwavering commitment and dedication as communicated by the nominating adult.



Since 1999, The Eagle of the Cross has been given annually in the Diocese of Youngstown to select high school juniors and seniors who show particular zeal in the improvement of their parish youth ministry program, high school ministry teams or other ministries within the Diocese. The nominees must be practicing Catholics who exemplify the qualities of moral integrity, prayer, good works and Christian leadership. Awardees can receive only once. You can find the names of previous recipients posted online at:

<http://youngstownoyyam.weebly.com/eagle-of-cross-awards.html>

Nominations for the Eagle of the Cross are to be completed by an adult (not the nominee), be it a parish staff member, high school personnel, parishioner, or friend. Each nominator must answer essay questions addressing the nominee's participation in parish and high school youth ministry programs, providing examples of the qualities mentioned above. The award is not geared toward quantitative service hours but to the integrity of the individual and how well s/he is perceived by the nominator as an outstanding Catholic Christian.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



A sincere and heartfelt

THANK YOU

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Bishop of Youngstown

2022 Recipients who assisted with our evening

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Reverend Michael Balash, Director, Diocesan Office of Worship

Bob Zajack and Studio Six Photography

All the nominators who took the time to share stories with us
about these outstanding teens.

Families and mentors to the recipients who nurtured faith and
encouraged Christian Leadership.



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