



# THE YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS

Meet and Greet

*The Franciscan Community of  
Our Lady of Consolation*

May 19, 2026 @ 5 pm potluck dinner

6 pm presentation

At the Historic Church of St. Patrick

130 Avondale Avenue, Toledo

All are Welcome!

A-H – Please bring a salad to share

I-P Please bring a side dish to share

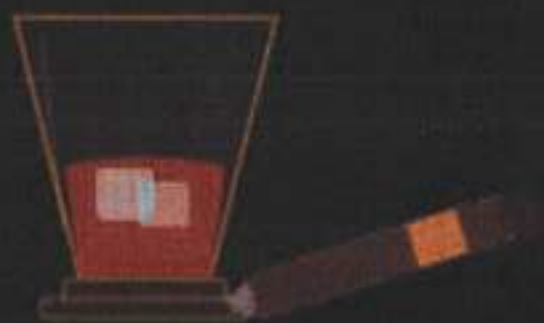
Q-Z Please bring a dessert to share

Please phone 419-243-6452, ext. 3  
by May 15 to let us know you're  
coming so we can have enough of  
our main course and beverages for  
everyone

To plan a pilgrimage to Carey, Ohio please call 419-396-7101.

# Holy Smokes

## IRISH WHISKEY



CIGARS ON THE DECK  
&  
HEAVY APPETIZERS

**THURSDAY, MAY 21 • 6PM**

Historic Church of St. Patrick

130 AVONDALE AVE • TOLEDO, OH 43604

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# **PLAY BALL!**

Join us for our annual  
Mud Hens game!

**Historic St. Patrick Night at  
5th Third Field  
Thursday May 28th**

**Dinner @ 5:00 The Rectory**

**Game Time 6:35**

**Game tickets = \$12**

**Game ticket + Dinner @ the rectory = \$15**

**B.Y.O.B. = Beverage!**

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Diocese  
of Toledo

JUBILEE YEAR OF  
**SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

Declared by Pope Leo XIV to commemorate the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the saint's death

## JANUARY 2026 – JANUARY 2027

During this time of grace, extending through January 2027, the faithful are granted the opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence, under the usual conditions. This Franciscan Jubilee Year is a gift for the entire Church and an occasion for authentic spiritual renewal. Following the example of St. Francis of Assisi, every Christian is invited to grow in holiness of life and to be a constant witness of peace.

### How to Participate

The faithful are invited to participate in the Jubilee Year in the Diocese of Toledo by making a pilgrimage to the following Franciscan Pilgrimage Sites, as designated by Bishop Daniel Thomas:



#### **PORTIUNCULA**

*On the Motherhouse grounds of  
the Sylvania Franciscans*

620 Convent Blvd, Sylvania, OH 43560

Open Every Day  
from 8:00am to 5:00pm

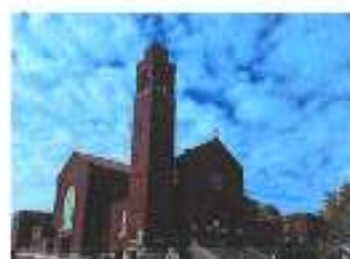


#### **MOTHERHOUSE EUCCHARISTIC CHAPEL**

*On the grounds of  
the Tiffin Franciscans*

200 St. Francis Avenue, Tiffin, OH 44880

Chapel Open Wednesdays & Sundays  
from 10:00am to 2:00pm with Mass at 11:00am;  
Grounds Open Every Day  
from 9:00am to Dusk



#### *The Basilica & National Shrine of* **OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION**

*The Conventual Franciscan  
Friars of the Province of Our  
Lady of Consolation*

315 Clay St, Carey, OH 43316

Open 24/7



# TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE ORDINATION

Deacon Evan Sekerak was ordained to the transitional diaconate on Saturday, May 16, 2026.  
Meet the newest transitional deacon of the Diocese of Toledo!



## Deacon Evan Sekerak

My name is Evan Sekerak, from St. Aloysius in Bowling Green. Growing up, my parents showed my younger sister, brother, and me that faith is always a priority no matter where the military moved us, including the gift of now twenty years of Catholic education. Everywhere we lived, we found ourselves at home by jumping wholly into parish life. My father's last assignment brought us back to Ohio, our families' home and Bowling Green, where it began. Here, my thoughts about the priesthood and my faith in general took more shape through the diocese's discernment groups and retreats and attending ordinations since 2006.

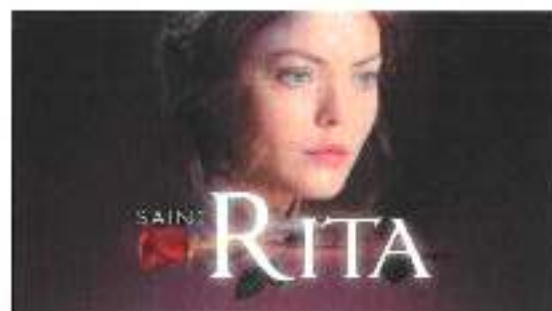
I attended Cardinal Strich Catholic High School and then made the 1,000+ mile trip to the University of Mary in North Dakota to study engineering. After a year, I switched my major to philosophy as God's call to enter the seminary became clearer. In the spring of 2020, I applied and was accepted to enter the seminary for the Diocese of Toledo. I spent two years at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit before arriving to my current home at Mount St. Mary's in Cincinnati.

The example of holiness and presence of the priests from all the places we lived was a great witness that I believe planted the seeds of my vocation. So many were encouraging and took time from their busy days to foster my prayer, discernment, and zeal. I am also grateful for the prayers and support from so many across the diocese where I have served and who I have not yet met. Please continue to pray for all of our seminarians as we discern and are formed to be the men and priests to make Christ present as He so wishes to be.

*Please keep our newest transitional deacon and all seminarians in your prayers!*

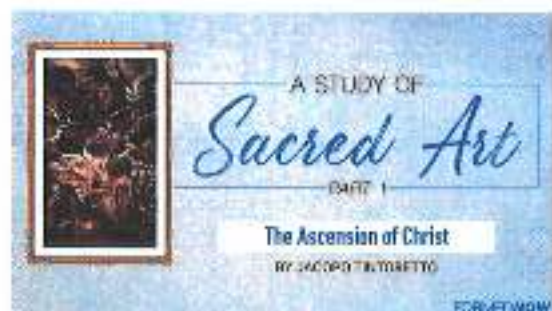
# This Week on Formed

Week of May 17, 2026



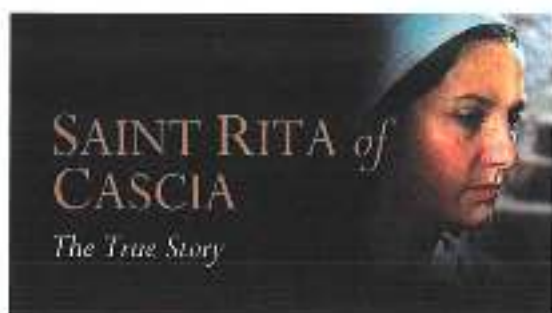
## Saint Rita

St. Rita of Cascia is immortalized in this wonderful, deeply moving film. This story is about the brave woman who married her knight, helped him overcome his dark past and convert to faith, happily bore him two children, and later endures immense pain as she loses everything in her life. Her story and love for Christ will inspire you to great holiness!



## The Ascension | Sacred Art

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp to expand your knowledge of sacred art. In this episode on Formed, they discuss The Ascension of Christ by Jacopo Tintoretto.



## Saint Rita of Cascia: The True Story

A compelling docu-drama that tells the whole story of the amazing life of St. Rita of Cascia, the very popular saint who lived in Italy in the 14th century. Famous as the patroness of hopeless situations, St. Rita dealt with many very difficult and tragic events in her life. Through it all she developed a profound faith in God that was the source of her great strength, and why she is such a popular saint for all those dealing with difficult events in their own lives.

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