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To the ends of the earth...

The last week of the academic year is suddenly upon us! As we prepare to go forth to the summer, and for some to the rest of our lives, I would like to offer a few words to some special members of our faith community.

To our Neophyte, Sean Gretzinger, and to our other new members of the Catholic Church, Michelle Ashcraft and Joshua Rogerson, all initiated at the Easter Vigil: Congratulations, and thank you for your witness of faith, which strengthens us more than you might imagine! Let us pray for one another on the journey of faith ahead.

To those who are graduating and moving on from UD: congratulations on your academic achievement and thank you for your many contributions to our faith community. We will miss you; we will not be the same without you; we will keep you in prayer. May God bless you abundantly, and may you always find UD to be a home away from home. Please pray for us as well.

To all who will be returning next year: may God bless you abundantly this summer, and bring you back safely. We follow the Good Shepherd, who will lead us to springs of life giving water and wipe every tear away from our eyes. We are sent to carry Christ's light to the ends of the earth. Whether we are leaving UD or not, the love of God carries us and the prayers of his mother Mary accompany us. Let us sing joyfully to the Lord, to the ends of the earth.

Fr. Chris Wittmann, SM
Director
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Sunday Readings and Reflection
Reading I: Acts 13:14, 43-52
Responsorial Psalm: 100:1-2, 3, 5
Reading II: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17
Gospel: John 10:27-30

Jesus said:
"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me."
John 10:27

A local charity which serves the poor in the Dayton area will receive 10% of every Sunday collection. The rest of the collection supports more than 100 Campus Ministry programs of all kinds, including our Programs of the Week:

Alpha Phi Omega
A co-ed service fraternity based on the principles of Leadership, friendship, and service. We organize a wide variety of service projects that give our members an opportunity to make a difference and meet new people. We are also recognized by the Boy Scouts of America.

Int'l Summer Immersion is a unique way to expand education beyond the classroom and into a new culture, a new lifestyle, and a new way of thinking. Each trip offers a distinctive experience for students involving elements of cultural immersion, study of government, social services, religion, family life, economics and everyday life in the host country. Participants travel in a group with a reflection leader to help guide the group through the joys and struggles of encountering life outside their normal experience.

Mass Schedule for the Summer beginning May 9 thru August 22

Sunday Worship Times
Immaculate Conception Chapel
10 am Mass
7pm Mass

Weekday Mass Schedule
Immaculate Conception Chapel
Monday-Friday 12:05 pm

Baccalaureate Mass
Saturday
May 1, 4:30pm
UD Arena
SOME HIGHLIGHTS...

- UD Habitat for Humanity raised money and built a home in Kettering in conjunction with Kettering Fairmont High School!
- Over 200 students did various projects in the Dayton area through our new program called SERVICE Saturdays!
- REAL Dayton is a new program over Fall Break getting 45 students to serve in the city and discover many positive aspects of Dayton!
- Over 60 students were given an experience of the life of families in poverty through our first ever Poverty Simulation!
- 12 Twilight Retreats, new this year in the neighborhood, were organized and run by students!
- The Metanoia Retreat was newly designed this year and well received!
- There were many more PORCH (People of Respect, Compassion and Hope) communities this year than ever before!
- 30 students and staff walked the campus, reflecting on social justice concerns on the first ever Romero Stations of the Cross!
- The Sons of Thunder is a new and very popular faith group for young men!
- Women also began a new and successful Women's Faith Sharing Group this year!
- Over 250 students have served on BreakOuts and Cross-cultural Immersions this year, including a first time trip to Belize!
- Many other great new programs in Residence Halls including Almost Thursdays (Stuart) and Sundaes on Monday (VWK)!
- A new and improved Campus Ministry Website and, of course, The Faithful Flyer!