

## Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament

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Dear Friend,

Alleluia – Alleluia – Alleluia!

We are currently immersed in the joyous Easter Season! We extend our warmest wishes to you and your loved ones for a season filled with grace and blessings as we rejoice in the Lord's Resurrection. This season also marks our ongoing celebration of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament in the USA! The Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, a global religious community, has been a beacon of faith in the United States for 125 years.

This issue of our newsletter, *Bread Broken & Shared*, highlights the opening celebration of our 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the USA, which took place at Saint Jean Baptiste Church in New York City, our original foundation in the United States.

We introduce you to Father Louis Dembo Ndione SSS, a native of Senegal in West Africa. He has assumed the role of parochial vicar at Saint Paschal Baylon Church in Highland Heights, Ohio. We are so happy to have Father Louis with us!

We also shine a spotlight on our Diocesan Shrine of Saint Ann, nestled at our provincial headquarters in Cleveland, Ohio. We are filled with hope that many will come to visit and pray at our Shrine during this Jubilee Year. We are delighted to introduce you to Josie Rice and Diane Mungall, whose unwavering dedication and competence have been the backbone of Saint Ann's Shrine for many years.

We introduce you to three young priests who will preach for our missions throughout the country this summer.

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Finally, we share with you the personal experience of Father Juancho C. Ramos SSS on his recent sabbatical.

We plan to publish two *Bread Broken & Shared* issues in 2025 to share with you the "good news" of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament in the USA. Printing and mailing are costly, but we want to keep in touch and share the good news about our Eucharistic activities with you!

How can you help us? Any contribution can help us defray the rising costs, and your prayers will help us support our SSS religious in their daily needs. No gift is too small! A special anniversary gift will be most welcome! Anything you can offer is most appreciated!

If you would like to help us concretely, in addition to a monetary contribution, please send us your email address so we can email *Bread Broken & Shared* instead of mailing it. Contact us by text, call, or email. Please provide your email address, and we will begin saving.

We hope you will take the time to read this entire issue and learn more about the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, its ministry, and its mission. In this way, you can walk with us in the footsteps of our holy Founder, Saint Peter Julian Eymard.

The Blessed Sacrament Community supports you in prayer in the presence of the Eucharist and at daily Mass. Our Blessed Sacrament religious in Bethany and Regina Health Center in Richfield, Ohio. We pray for each of you daily. Please let us know of any special intentions you want us to remember. Please submit prayer requests to (www.st-ann-shrine.org). Your loved ones can be remembered during Mass at Saint Ann Shrine. Call 440-449-2700 for details.

Please take a moment to share any special prayer requests you would like us to remember on the enclosed reply form. Each day, all our priests and brothers lift these intentions in prayer, a simple yet profound way of expressing our heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering support.

We are enthusiastically realizing the dream of Saint Peter Julian Eymard – to spread the presence of the Eucharist and the Congregation worldwide!

A Blessed Easter Season! We are all united in our faith in the Eucharist and the Risen Christ!

In Christ our Eucharist!

John Shemas surge

Very Reverend John Thomas Lane SSS Provincial Superior



I would like the priests and brothers of the Congregation to remember the following intentions in their prayers:	