

Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament

Province of Saint Ann − *Bread Broken & Shared* 5384 Wilson Mills Road − Cleveland, Ohio 44143



Dear Friend,

Blessings of the Season – Fall, Thanksgiving, and Christmas!

Our ongoing celebration of the 125th Anniversary of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament in the USA highlights our enduring faith and dedication. The Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, a worldwide religious community, has served as a beacon of faith in the United States for 125 years — a milestone we all take pride in.

This issue of our newsletter, *Bread Broken & Shared*, highlights our recent Assembly of the religious of the Congregation, joined by our lay Associates. The theme of the Assembly was "Abound in Hope." For this important gathering, we were joined by Father Philip Benzy Romician SSS, our Superior General from Rome. The assembly provided time for serious discussions in preparation for our 27th Provincial Chapter, which will take place in August 2026 (*August 3-7*) in Highland Heights, Ohio.

There is an article about a new venture – the *Eymardian Family International English Institute*, with religious and associate gatherings in Highland Heights, Ohio, under the direction of Mona Grigsby-Suarez, scheduled for August.

This issue features Paula Beatrez, our provincial accountant, as she celebrates 12 years on our staff at the provincial headquarters. We are most grateful to Paula for all she does, whether included in her job description or not, and to her family for sharing Paula with us.

Additionally, we highlight two prayer experiences honoring Saint Ann, the patroness of our province—a three-day Triduum (*Highland Heights, Ohio*) and a nine-day Novena (*New York City*).

We introduce you to three of our international priests: Father Arul Tharcius Dhairiam SSS (from India), Father Martin Hien Tran SSS (from Vietnam), and Father Anthony Trang Pham SSS (from Vietnam). They are joining us in our Eucharistic Mission in the USA. We are very grateful to them.

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We celebrate the revival of Emmanuel Magazine, which has been published in print for over 100 years, now featuring a new digital edition with Dr. Michael DeSanctis as the new editor. Welcome, Michael, welcome back, Emmanuel!

Finally, we want to share with you our awareness of the mission in Uganda. Father Simon Peter Zikusooka SSS from Masaka, Uganda, East Africa, is currently in the USA, preaching to gather financial contributions as part of the Mission Cooperative program of the dioceses in the USA. If you wish to help, you can send your donation for the Uganda mission to our provincial headquarters at 5384 Wilson Mills Road, Highland Heights, Ohio 44143.

This is the second issue of *Bread Broken & Shared*, published in 2025 to share the "good news" of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament in the USA. Printing and mailing are expensive, but we want to stay connected and share the good news about our Eucharistic activities with you! In 2026, we plan to publish two more issues of this newsletter.

How can you assist us? Your contribution, regardless of size, is invaluable in helping us offset rising costs. Your prayers are also a crucial support for our SSS religious in their daily needs. No gift is too small, and a special anniversary gift would be especially appreciated. Your support is deeply valued and vital to our mission.

We hope you'll take the time to read this entire issue and learn more about the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament, its ministry, and its mission. Your interest and support mean a lot to us, and we are truly grateful for your ongoing partnership in following the example of our holy Founder, Saint Peter Julian Eymard.

The Blessed Sacrament Community supports you in prayer before the Eucharist and during daily Mass. Our Blessed Sacrament religious community is located at Bethany and Regina Health Center in Richfield, Ohio. We pray for each of you daily. Please let us know if you have any special intentions for us to remember. Submit prayer requests at (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'd like us to remember on the enclosed reply form. Each day, all our priests and brothers lift these intentions in prayer — a simple yet meaningful way to express our heartfelt gratitude for your constant support.

We are passionately fulfilling the dream of Saint Peter Julian Eymard – to share the presence of the Eucharist and expand the Congregation worldwide!

In Christ our Eucharist!

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Very Reverend John Thomas Lane SSS

Provincial Superior

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