

TODAY IS THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 21, 2009

**Scripture Readings for Today****1st Reading:** Job 38:1, 8-11**2nd Reading:** 2 Corinthians 5:14-17**Gospel:** Mark 4:35-41**Scripture Readings for June 28th****1st Reading:** Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24**2nd Reading:** 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15**Gospel:** Mark 5:21-43

St. Paul reminds us in the second reading that Christ died “so that those who live might live no longer for themselves.” What we give to and do for others, we give to and do for Jesus!

Dear Parishioners,

This year is the 150th anniversary of Saint John Vianney’s death in 1859. Saint John Vianney is a wonderful role model and example of holiness. All popes of this century have called attention to him as a model for priests. Saint Pius X had a statue of this saint on his desk when he was pope (1903 – 1914).

Pope Benedict has used the occasion of this anniversary to declare a year dedicated to the mission of the priest, beginning on Friday June 19th. This day was the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Saint John Vianney said: “The Priesthood is the love of the Heart of Jesus.” So an intimate connection is made between the love of the Heart of Jesus, the Priesthood and Saint John Vianney.

Throughout this year priests will reflect more deeply on their vocation using St. John Vianney as a role model. They will pray to follow his example of prayer, penance, humility, and apostolic zeal in service of Jesus and the people of God.

Let us thank God for our priests. A priest was with us when we entered the Church let us pray a priest is with us when we leave this life. A priest absolves us of our sins through the power of the Holy Spirit and we can seek God’s mercy in the Sacraments often. Only a priest can celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Let us pray for our priests, that they increase in number, love God more dearly and serve us all the days of our lives.

Deacon Jack

THE MASS COUNT FOR JUNE 13-14TH

5 PM – 248 7:30 AM – 167 9 AM – 254
10:30 AM – 349 12 PM – 276 Total – 1294

THE COLLECTION FOR JUNE 13-14TH

Envelopes	\$11,717.90
Loose	\$1,194.44
Poor Boxes	\$407.44
Children’s	\$30.05

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS of our deceased parishioners and Bishop Emmanuel Constant, the retired bishop of the diocese of Gonaives, Haiti.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS, especially those in hospitals – Bob Meyer

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for all those recovering from surgeries and illness and for: Lillian Goldwine, Lorraine Keough, Kathleen Ricker, Helen Bopp, Fred Repsik, Jr. Frances Amann, Genevieve Randle, Cathy Parsons, Bonnie DeVito, Catherine Teal, Mike Steer Sr., Evana Feeney, Mary Barber, Heather La Martina, Ann Finnel, Dottie Lappe, Concetta Fowler, Sandy Miller, Patty Kuzmak, Mary Van Dusen, Milton Getka, Margaret Blinke, Jacque Harris, Mr. & Mrs. William Lang.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SERVICE PEOPLE: We ask you to remember the parishioners, family & friends serving in the military: **USMC** – Cpl. Joseph Bytella, LCpl. Sean Fitzpatrick, LCpl Alex Webb, LCpl. John J. Cohee, Jr., Sgt. David Burton; **NAT’L GUARD** – Pfc. Ryan Kamauff, David Parker; **NAVY** – David Roussey, Daniel Gately; **ARMY** – James Lowe, Andy Giotis, Andy Deponai, Timothy Muhl, Sgt. Joshua Callow, Specialist Stephen Grenfell, 1st Lt. Stephen Winter, 1st Lt. Sheldon Broedel.

Mass Intentions



MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 22-28TH

MONDAY 6/22	6:30 a.m. – Mary MacDonald 8:00 a.m. – Cecile Beliveau
TUESDAY 6/23	6:30 a.m. – Catherine Johnson 8:00 a.m. – Frank Cummings
WED. 6/24	6:30 a.m. – Walter A. Kijowski 8:00 a.m. – Loretta Ebauer
THURS. 6/25	6:30 a.m. – Leroy Walker 8:00 a.m. – Carol Mohlhenrieh
FRIDAY 6/26	6:30 a.m. – Mildred Weicheldorfer 8:00 a.m. – Rev. Jack Nissel
SAT. 6/27	8:00 a.m. – Ints. of the McKee Family 5:00 p.m. – Shirley Kelly
SUNDAY 6/28	7:30 a.m. – Regina Schott 9:00 a.m. – Int. of Patty Kuzmak 10:30 a.m. – Dorothy Vogler 12:00 p.m. – For the Parishioners

DAILY READINGS

Monday 6/22	<i>Sts. Paulinus, John Fisher & Thomas More</i> Reading: Genesis 12:1-9 Gospel: Matthew 7:1-5
Tuesday 6/23	<i>Weekday</i> Reading: Genesis 13:2, 5-18 Gospel: Matthew 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday 6/24	<i>Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i> Reading: Isaiah 49:1-6 Reading: Acts 13:22-26 Gospel: Luke 1:57-66, 80
Thursday 6/25	<i>Weekday</i> Reading: Genesis 17:1, 9-10, 15-22 Gospel: Matthew 7:21-29
Friday 6/26	<i>Weekday</i> Reading: Genesis 17:1, 9-10, 15-22 Gospel: Matthew 8:1-4
Saturday 6/27	<i>St. Cyril of Alexandria</i> Reading: Genesis 18:1-15 Gospel: Matthew 8:5-17

FATHER'S DAY PRAYER – May God bless each of the fathers in our parish today and in the words of Pope John XXIII we pray the following Prayer for Fathers:

“St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty. You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands. Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you. You know their aspirations, their hardships, and their hopes. They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them. You too knew trial, labor and weariness. But amid the worries of material life your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you and with Mary, his tender Mother. Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone. Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done.”

Pope John XXIII



CONGRATULATIONS to the families of Ella Claire Rudy, John Gerard Luznar, Kennedy Chimdindu Igwe, Elizabeth Grace Kaminski and Amelia Noell Krach who were baptized in our Church last weekend.

FLOWERS – Flowers on our Main Altar are in loving memory of Robert A. Russell, requested by Margaret and his family. Flowers at our St. Agnes statue are in loving memory of Sal Maggio, on his birthday, requested by his family. Flowers on the Holy Family Altar are in loving memory of Thomas V. Tacka, on the anniversary of his death, requested by his children and grandchildren. To donate flowers in loving memory or in celebration of a special occasion, call Doris Mellendick at 410.747.2751.

PARISH BLOOD DRIVE is scheduled for Saturday, July 18th from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sign up will be held the weekend of July 11-12th. For more information call Amanda at 410-747-9073.



OUR 4th ANNUAL PARISH CRAB FEAST will be held Friday, September 4th. Mark your calendar now. Proceeds will benefit the building fund. For more information, please call Sue Bianco at 410.788.3537.

DISCOVERING CHRIST for YOUNG ADULTS:

Thursdays @ 7pm, June 25 – July 23

Enjoy a delicious dinner and listen to an enlightening teaching. After the teaching, join fellow young adults (ages 18-35) in exploring who Jesus Christ is and discuss His relevance to your life in today's world. Join us at St. Anthony's Shrine in Ellicott City for this series that includes a life-changing retreat on Saturday, July 11. Visit www.christlife.org/discover or call Pete Ascosi at 410.531.7701

ST. AGNES YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday, June 21 – No Youth Night

Happy Fathers' Day to all the dads in our parish!

Friday-Sunday, June 26-28 – Steubenville Youth Conference

Please keep in your prayers the 30 youth and 5 chaperones traveling to the Franciscan University of Steubenville for their annual youth conference. The parishioners of St. Agnes will be kept in their prayers throughout the weekend and always.

There will be no youth night on Sunday, June 28, as the group will be returning that evening.

Sunday, July 5 – Open Gym Night

Basketball, anyone? Join us for a night in the new activity center! All high school youth are invited!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: will take place at St. William of York from June 29th to July 3rd from 1-4 pm. Ages 4 to 10. Call Peggy Mrozek @ 410-566-6152.

“Whoever is in Christ is a new creation...”
(Second Reading) Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help your marriage remain Christ centered. Upcoming weekends are August 14-16 and November 6-8. Call 1-877-558- 5683 or visit the Web site at www.wwme.net.

PROJECT RACHEL: Hope and Healing after Abortion – Project Rachel provides referrals for counseling, spiritual support and Rachel's Vineyard Retreats. Visit www.project-rachel.net. For more info call 410-354-6900.



The Tabernacle

By Paul Turner

Start up a discussion about the tabernacle and be prepared for strong feelings. It ranks right up there with topics like a balanced budget and the designated hitter rule.

The reason is simple. The tabernacle houses the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus Christ is God. Catholics before a tabernacle quickly find themselves at the nucleus of their faith.

Tabernacles got their start for a very practical reason. Christians prized the Eucharist, so central to their faith. If some member was unable to participate in the weekly gathering because of illness, the healthy community sent a representative to the home to bring part of the sacred meal to its ailing member. We continue this custom today when communion ministers bring communion to the sick.

To make the idea work, it became necessary to create a place to store the Eucharist. The tabernacle was born. Earlier, the community simply consumed the Body and Blood of the Lord at every Eucharist, except for what they brought immediately to the sick. Later, as Christians realized that the tabernacle housed the most precious object of our faith, devotion grew up around the tabernacle itself as a place for divine worship. It made sense, but the original idea was to reserve communion for the sick, not to foster adoration. Gradually, the tabernacle began to serve a further function. It provided extra hosts for Mass. When communion time came, the priest could always rely on the reserves in the tabernacle. First a storehouse for the sick, then an object of adoration, now it became a source of feeding the community gathered for Mass.

Its primary purpose remains the same to keep communion for the sick. Secondly, it deserves our devotion, but apart from the celebration of Mass. The tabernacle serves the sick at home; the altar serves the assembly at church.

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MEMORY VERSE

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold new things have come.