

SAINT MARY PARISH

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 29, 2007

Catholic Heart Work Camp St. Mary Youth and Adults 2007 Kearney, NJ

Serving the Lord through serving others!

Adults

Sue Foley

Lori Hoft

Mike McCann

Dennis Royer

Cindy Schroeder

Gary Newman

Youth

Joshua Barnes

Katie Barnes

Ryan Birschbach

Lauren Bordeaux

Matt Cooke

Tony Farrand

Megan Foley

Rebecca French

Kelly Frings

Hailey Gurgul

Richard Haskey

Rachel Hoft

Kaitlin Horne

Hilary Krekling

Christina Kurcz

Bret Langer

Jenny Markowski

Megan Masshardt

Andy McAsey

Kayla McCann

Matt McCann

Elise Moran

Mara Nartonis

Bekah Newman

Zach Newman

Steven Ozminkowski

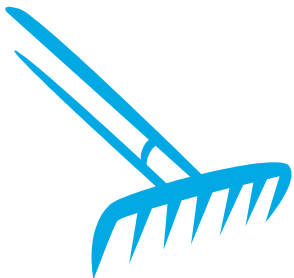
Sean Royer

Stephanie Salentine

Emily Schroeder

Laura Sevelis

Ben Simon



Remember in prayer our youth and their mentors as they embark on their Summer Mission Trip.

At Home at St. Mary's

And We're Off! ~ The 38 youth and adult participants for the Catholic Heart Work Camp leave this weekend for their Kearny, NJ service destination. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this trip possible - **parishioners, students, teachers, parish staff, Human Concerns Committee, Mike Salomone** and **all the parents of our youth!** You are a wonderful blessing. Please keep us in your prayers as we travel to, do service in, and return from New Jersey this next week:

Lord, please bless our parish youth and adults as they dedicate this week to serving others. May your Holy Spirit guide all they do, bringing your light and love to all the people they meet. Give them the courage to be open to new challenges. Give them a spirit of cooperation to get the given tasks completed. Give them compassion to serve those in need with a gentle heart and mind. And last, bless them and keep them safe while they are on the road throughout this entire week. We give you thanks and praise for their steadfast commitment to being your hands here on earth.

Amen.

Pray for me; I'll pray for you. ~ Fr. Greg and Deacon Tom Wuchterl will be on retreat in Honduras from **July 31 - August 8**. Please keep them in your prayers. During this time there will be no weekday Masses at St. Mary Parish. We offer you several weekday Mass opportunities within the Four Saints and Good Shepherd cluster parishes:

St. Agnes..... Tues., T. @ 8:15 am & W & F @ 6:30 am

St. AnthonyM, Tues, T @ 6:30 am & W & F @ 8 am

St. James.....T (7/31) & T & W (8/7&8) @ 8 am

Good Shepherd Tues. & F @ 9 am

Sr. Jane Mary is on retreat **July 29 to August 5**.

Last Week for Christmas in July Project ~ The HOPE Network list of needs includes items that are easy to pick up at the grocery store or the department store. Place your new unwrapped gifts under the Christmas tree located in the west entrance of church no later than **Saturday, August 4**. Checks can be made out to St. Mary and deposited in the boxes near the tree. Gently used infant and toddler clothing and maternity clothes may be put in the bassinet located near the Elizabeth Ministry table in the west wing of church. Blessings to you for your continued support and generosity. Please contact Eleanore Rebensburg (246-9311) with any questions.



On Fertile Soil

We come into this world with nothing and we leave with nothing. It is what we do in between that matters. Stewards know that there is more to life than collecting possessions. To build the Kingdom of God we must loosen our grip on the "kingdom of stuff".

Disciples of Jesus

In gratitude for God's gifts of time and talent to us, we gratefully acknowledge Mrs Laurie Becker. Laurie is a quiet, behind-the-scenes kind of woman, whose support for our Human Concerns Shelter Organizations has become a passion for her. Laurie has been the coordinator of our Christmas in July project since 1994. During this time, her efforts have been focused on supporting HOPE Network, an organization which aids single mothers and pregnant women. Laurie plans, organizes, creates tags, sets-up the trees, and delivers all the gifts that are collected. After 13 years of coordinating these efforts, Laurie is stepping down from these duties but has graciously been a presence and support to the two new women who have taken over this role. (*Laurie will continue, however, to coordinate the Christmas Giving Tree Project in December.*) Thank you Laurie, for responding to the needs of others in a fashion that is only you. May God's continued blessings be yours!

Blessings ~ **Justin Lee Graf**, grandson of Carol Berndt, will receive his 1st Holy Communion at the 10:30 a.m. Mass this weekend. May God bless you, Justin, as you celebrate this special day with family and friends.

Congratulations to our Young at Heart ~ Join us in wishing **Jim** and **Irene Cemke** a blessed anniversary. They will celebrate with us at the 5:00 p.m. Mass this weekend. Jim and Irene were married 40 years ago on Aug. 19, 1967.

Congratulations to our Young at Heart ~ Join us in wishing **Ron** and **Carol Kuells** a blessed anniversary. They were married 50 years ago on July 13, 1957.



Wedding Banns

Please remember in your prayers our couples preparing for Marriage

- I **Gary Aschenbrenner & Christine Pehowski**
- I **Pete Foy & Lezlee Kryszewski**

At Home at St. Mary's

Welcome to Our Family . . .

Anna-Claudia Gebauer, child of Peter and Aime
Julianna Innis, child of William and Christina
Jude Wallace, child of Gregory and Jennifer
Gabriella Wiebel, child of Theodore and Mary Jo
Mia Wiebel, child of Theodore and Mary Jo

. . . who were recently baptized. Please remember them and their parents in your prayers as they begin their life-long faith journey.

Second Monthly Night for Peace ~ Just a reminder that the second night of the seven-month Seven for Peace effort will be **Tuesday, August 7** at 7 p.m. Please plan on standing outside with a candle for seven minutes to pray for peace on that evening.

Are You Going Into the Hospital? ~ Today's newly enacted privacy laws have made it more difficult for us to discover if any of our parishioners are in the hospital. Hospitals no longer freely release this information unless the patient specifically requests it. Unfortunately, patients are missed when this information fails to reach either the Parish Office or individual ministers (who visit the hospital on a regular basis). The Ministry to the Sick wish to visit those who are in need of prayer and comfort while confined to the hospital or their home. Our goal is to reach every parishioner who is in the hospital. We work very hard at this. But regrettably there are still people being missed. Please pass the information on to anyone you know who is either in or scheduled to be hospitalized. By doing this, chances are greater of having a minister visit you, a loved one or a friend.

Winners Corner!
 Calendar Raffle Winners this week

07/15/07	Kevin Kalnins.....	\$25
07/16/07	Patricia Burns.....	\$25
07/17/07	Tom & Sandy Monday.....	\$25
07/18/07	Tom & Peg Kaupp.....	\$25
07/19/07	Chris Lapp.....	\$25
07/20/07	Tony Roskopf.....	\$25
07/21/07	Emma Tsoumas.....	\$25

Congratulations to all.
 Thank you for participating.
 Your winnings will be mailed to you.



Prayer of the Faithful



Let us pray to the Lord:

For the sick and hospitalized, especially

- Shirley Schilling (4)** (parish member)
- Doris Mason (4)** (wife of Ron)
- Sr. Dorothy Pelt (3)** (Honduran Mission contact)
- Marie Makal (3)** (parish member & smp music teacher)
- Pat Engel (3)** (parish member)
- Marge Orth (2)** (daughter of Peggy Sirianni)
- Janell Harbury** (parish member & smp teacher)
- Michelle Grota** (granddaughter of Bob & Evie)
- Mary Carlson** (wife of Rich)

For those who have recently died, especially

Spencer Gibson (husband of Linda)

For those Soldiers who serve to protect us

- Phil Betzold, Andrew Busch, Kevin Campbell,**
- Sen (Tony) Colon, Paul Cutts, Matthew Delvaux**
- Daniel Eggers, Erich Fry, William Gorske,**
- Chad Gutkowski, John Kallis, John Krebs,**
- Jason Miller, Aaron Schmidt, Nick Stanley,**
- Joel Tetzlaff**

Please let us know of a family member's deployment. We would welcome the opportunity to have a blessing for them during Mass prior to their deployment.

Do you know a youth who has achieved a wonderful feat lately? ~ Maybe they have received a scholarship to go to a great college. Maybe their team won the championship game. Maybe they made a lead role in a local play. Call the CF office (251-1154) or email Gary Newman (newmang@archmil.org) to share the news. He'll then share it with the entire parish through the bulletin so everyone can celebrate this accomplishment with you! Let's celebrate our youth for they are gifts from God!

Eucharistic Ministers/Greeters ~ Those who have not received their schedules by email can pick up a copy in the sacristy.

Let's Make a Clean Sweep of It ~ We are in need of "gently used" vacuums for the various ministries on campus. If you would like to donate your vacuum, please call the Parish Office for further details.





Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2007

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Setting things right

How often have you said the Lord's Prayer in your lifetime? One thousand, 10,000, 50,000 times? Each time you say it, you ask for forgiveness but, in fact, do you forgive everyone who has sinned against you? Or do you stew and steam and stress over the wrong that has been done to you, particularly by someone you loved and trusted who hurt and betrayed you? Forgiving someone doesn't make the hurtful thing he or she did right, it makes your relationship with God right. It shows that your focus is not on you and what is owed you but on God and what God has freely given you—limitless love and mercy.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Genesis 18:20-32; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13*
"And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us."

MONDAY, JULY 30

FEAST OF PETER CHRYSOLOGUS, BISHOP, DOCTOR

The cycle of life

The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed. In other words, it's small, at least at first. Saint Peter Chrysologus (380-451), bishop and eloquent preacher, wondered how such a tiny thing could be so great. A mustard seed—"Is that the sum of believers' hopes?" he asked in a homily. Did the martyrs die for a seed? Amazingly, yes. But only if the seed is crushed, Chrysologus said, can we feel its power, just as Jesus' body was crushed in order to release the full force of eternal life. Like the wheat and grapes pressed out to become bread and wine and then the body and blood of the Eucharist, human life, if we live it with attention to the Kingdom, can bear the fruit of life everlasting.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34; Matthew 13:31-35* *"It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree."*

TUESDAY, JULY 31

FEAST OF IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, PRIEST

Made for walking

To get anywhere in the 16th century meant walking. If you could afford a horse or carriage, the horse did the walking. If not, you did it yourself, hundreds of miles if need be. You had to be sure your destination was worth it, because it was going to take a lot of time and effort to get there. After Saint Ignatius (1491-1556) went through a conversion and a year-long retreat, he started traveling, first in Spain and France for his education then to Rome to put his newly minted group, later to become the Jesuits, at the service of the pope—this from a man who had suffered a terrible leg wound in battle and underwent a recovery that was in many ways worse. Let Christ draw you forward in your life's journey and help you find new ways to deepen your faith and serve others.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Matthew 13:36-43*
"Moses was there with the Lord forty days and forty nights; he neither ate bread nor drank water."

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1

FEAST OF ALPHONSUS LIGUORI, BISHOP, DOCTOR

The patron saint of failure

If you think saints were always big success stories, consider Saint Alphonsus (1696-1787). When he was a bright young lawyer, he made a critical mistake in a case, and his law career was ruined. Sometime later he became a priest and founded the Redemptorist order. For the rest of his life he endured conflicts within the order and the government. When he was 85 and nearly blind, he signed a rule for the Redemptorists he could barely read and that contained

elements he did not support. As a result, the community was divided, and Liguori found himself at odds with the congregation he founded.

The Redemptorists emerged from their troubles. And Alphonsus is considered a saint and doctor of the church. What can look like failure and disaster may in fact be the messy beginning of something great.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 34:29-35; Matthew 13:44-46* *"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field."*

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

FEAST OF EUSEBIUS OF VERCELLI, BISHOP OR PETER

JULIAN EYMARD, PRIEST

A fishy lot

Much like the kingdom of heaven as described in today's gospel, the communion of saints consists of fish of every kind—weak and strong, scholarly and pious. Saint Eusebius (d. 370) was a fighter above all else, but his strength was in his words, not his fists. He argued mightily against the Arian heresy (which denied the true divinity of Christ) and suffered exile, persecution, and extreme deprivation in the process. Not all of us are called to be saintly debaters and wordsmiths, but we are called to defend the faith in our own holy ways.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38; Matthew 13:47-53* *"The kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind."*

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

Knock, knock

In *God's Doorkeepers* (Servant, 2006), author Joel Schorn writes about the unpromising beginnings of three 20th-century holy men: Padre Pio, André Bessette, and Solanus Casey, who were assigned fairly minor roles in their religious communities because they didn't demonstrate the mental or physical strength for anything too complicated. Each, through their humble and steadfast faith, ended up ministering to the poor and sick in holy and miraculous ways that made them beloved and respected by multitudes. It is easy to overlook or underestimate the value of those whose lives or upbringings seem familiar and predictable to us. But try looking just a little deeper, and you may uncover a buried treasure in them and in yourself.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Matthew 13:54-58* *"Prophets are not without honor except in their own country and in their own house."*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

FEAST OF JOHN MARY VIANNEY, PRIEST

You can run but you can't hide

If you've ever wanted to get away from it all, Saint John Vianney is your man. In his youth, he deserted the French army and hid from Napoleon's police. After the general pardon of 1810 he resumed his studies for the priesthood despite his less-than-stellar grades. His first priestly assignment was the village of Ars. Though the parishioners at first opposed him because of his poor mental and physical state, Vianney won their hearts through his total dedication to them—including remarkable abilities as a confessor, relentless work, and a life of holiness. Three times he sought to leave parish work only to be persuaded by his people to come back. The challenge we all face, as the Curé of Ars did, is to find balance between work and rest and care for others and ourselves.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Leviticus 25:1, 8-17; Matthew 14:1-12* *"Herod said to his servants, 'This is John the Baptist; he has been raised from the dead, and for this reason these powers are at work in him.'"*

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At Home at St. Mary's

Volleyball Coaches Meeting ~ There will be a MANDATORY Volleyball coaches meeting at 6:00 p.m., **Monday, August 20** in the Activity Center. If you are planning to coach Volleyball this season, the Milwaukee Archdiocese requires you to attend this meeting. A coaching clinic will follow from 7-9:00 p.m. Please contact Mike McCann (262-893-7281) with any questions.

Volleyball Season Evaluation Dates

Wednesday, August 15:

6:15 - 7:45 p.m. 5th Grade Girls
8:00 - 9:30 p.m. 8th Grade Girls

Thursday, August 16:

6:15 - 7:45 p.m. 5th Grade Girls
8:00 - 9:30 p.m. 6th Grade Girls

Friday, August 17:

6:30 - 8:00 p.m. 6th Grade Girls

5th and 6th grade girls are asked to attend both sessions if possible.

Note to 7th grade girls and all boys teams ~ No evaluation is needed, as you will have one team only for your grade. Your coaches will contact you for practice times, which will start the week of **August 20**.

A Taste of Honduras

August 25-26

Come after Mass and enjoy
Honduran food, music and fellowship.
Learn more about our Sister Parish
and our missionary outreach.

Come in support of the 2008 Honduran Mission Trip and discover how you can participate! *(We are particularly in need of medical personnel for this years' trip.)*

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(focus): Jesus invites us to persist in prayer, to "ask...seek...knock". May our prayer open us to God's will, and so build up His strength within us. In baptism we have died with Christ, and have been raised to life with Him.



Today, July 29-17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 pm Adult Open Basketball-Activity Center

Monday, July 30-St. Pewter Chrysologus

No Events Scheduled

Tuesday, July 31-St. Ignatius of Loyola

NO LITURGY TODAY

6:30 pm Advent planning meeting-Conference Room 1

Wednesday, August 1-St. Alphonsus Liguori

NO LITURGY TODAY

9:00 am Adoration of Our Lord - Church (til 6:30pm)

6:30 pm Reposition Prayer Service-Church

7:30 pm Youth Choir rehearsal-Conference Room B

**Thursday, August 2-St. Eusebius of Vercelli/
St. Peter Julian Eymad**

NO LITURGY TODAY

Friday, August 3-First Friday

NO LITURGY TODAY

Saturday, August 4-St. John Mary Vianney

4:00 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Liturgy - for the Parish

Next Sunday, August 5-18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Liturgy - †Claude & Barbara Elger

10:30 am Liturgy - †Angeline Cincera

8:00 pm Adult Open Basketball-Activity Center

Next Sunday's Readings:
Eccl 1: 2; 2: 21-23/Col 3: 1-5, 9-11/
Lk 12: 13-21

LIVE JESUS... A CALL TO HOLINESS