

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Mass Schedule & Intentions:

Sunday, July 19 ♦ Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Intention for Health of Dr. Jud Gurney
(Dr. Melissa Rosado de Christenson)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

Monday, July 20 ♦ NO MASS

Tuesday, July 21 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Chris Stluka (His Family)
Ex 14:21-15:1; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday, July 22 ♦ St. Mary Magdalene

11:30 a.m. Gary M. Fox
(Tom & Maxine Getreu)
Ex. 16:1-5, 9-15; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday, July 23 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Patty Groom (Rebecca & Luke Thomas)
Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20; Mt 13:10-17

Friday, July 24 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Intention for Health of Dr. Jud Gurney
(Dr. Melissa Rosado de Christenson)
Ex 20:1-17; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday, July 25 ♦ St. James

11:30 a.m. Craig & Jessica Sams
(St. Michael's Shield of Faith
Prayer Group)
2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

Sunday, July 26 ♦ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Jacob & Elizabeth Chiandussi
(David & Dee Strawser)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
2 Kgs 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

Mass Scheduling Policy: In order to accommodate as many requests for specific dates as possible, we cannot schedule more than five at one time. Requests without a specific date are scheduled as openings permit. Please include the suggested offering of \$10.00 (for each Mass) when the request is made. Thank You!

+ Please remember in your prayers our homebound parishioners and those who are ill: Msgr. Larry Corcoran, Mary Cordesco, Sara Fingerlin, Marianne Garrison, Dorthy Gaus, Elsie Haninger, Mary Kay Keefer, Mary Knapp, Edith Kowalsky, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Dick Morbitzer, Rita Neff, Mary Scholl, Marilyn Scott, Sheila Shirey, Margaret Trainor, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

THANKS!	
July 12, 2009 Offerings	
Designated Collections	Offering..... \$1,855.05
	Votives..... 22.00
Mass Attendance	Novena/1st Friday0.00
9:00 a.m. = 85	Repair.....690.50
11:00 a.m. = 112	Less Tax.....(128.36)
	Net to Parish \$2,439.17

Prayerful Sympathy

To Elizabeth and Bobby Hackett whose mother, Mary Holdsworth, died this past week. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

Thank You!

Sincere Gratitude to:

Anne Seren, her family, a landscaper friend and a group of students from St. Matthew in Gahanna for the weeding, mulching and beautifying of our parish and prayer gardens.

Debi Matthews, Anne Reinhardt, Anne Seren and Patty Stover for sharing time, talent and treasure in the hospitality offered to Fr. John while replacing Fr. Jerry.

Repair Fund Collection—Results!

Thank you for the generosity and support of the Repair Fund collection held last week. \$609.50 was contributed.

Sunday School Picnic – August 12th

The Holy Cross Sunday School Picnic will be held on Wednesday, August 12, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Meadows Picnic Area at Blacklick Woods Metro Park. All families with children and those interested in volunteering in the Sunday School Program are invited to attend. Please bring a dish to share and enjoy the fun! RSVP with Debi Matthews (861-1746 or matthews9224@sbcglobal.net).

Welcome to St. Julie

You will notice a new addition to our parish church with the arrival of a statue of St. Julie Billiart, on the small pedestal near the Holy Family statue. It is a fitting place for St. Julie, foundress of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, since the SNDs have been a part of the extended family of Holy Cross since 1856 when they began teaching at Holy Cross School. The school closed in 1961 but many generations of sisters and students of St. Joseph Academy frequented Holy Cross Church. Though the High School closed and the property was sold to Franklin University, many former students continued as parishioners; and in 2002, Sr. Pat arrived as Pastoral Associate and together, we continue to proclaim, as St. Julie did in her time, “How Good is the Good God!”

The Spirituality of Scripture

On Tuesday, July 21, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, the Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus, will host “The Spirituality of Scripture” facilitated by Karen Gagel, MA in Theology from the Pontifical College Josephinum. This presentation will look at familiar stories, their messages and how they encourage our spiritual growth. Please call 416-1910 to register.

St. Matthew Parish Festival

St. Matthew Parish is holding their Summer Festival on July 23, 24 and 25, 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight. Games, Rides, Food, Kiddie Land! Live Bands and Food Specials each night. Cash Prize Raffle. Monte Carlo with an all-new outdoor smoking tent. Come join the Fun! 807 Havens Corner Road, Gahanna (471-0212).

THE WORD

Most newspapers and even some magazines have personal ads with their ISO (“in search of...”) pleas. Some can be quite poignant: “Young man in search of companionship...” “Young woman looking for someone to share thoughts and dinner and hiking...” People turn to a newspaper column to help resolve their loneliness and desire for intimacy, hoping to find someone who will care and make their lives more meaningful. It is not only individuals who are searching for something more. Sometimes it can be a community, a country, even most of the world.

Jesus has taken His apostles off to a quiet place so they can “rest a while” (Mark 6:31). But even “a deserted place” provides no getaway from the needs of the people who search them out. Jesus’ response to them gives us an insight into what He was like. The Gospel tells us “his heart was moved with pity for them” (6:34). The word in Greek for “moved with pity” has its roots in the word for “womb” or “loins,” the innermost part of a person, where life begins.

What evokes this response is their being “like sheep without a shepherd” (6:34). Sheep without a shepherd would be likely to wander off and get lost, vulnerable to being picked off by wolves, or just starve to death. The kings of Israel and Judah and the religious leaders were called to shepherd God’s people. They were to govern, guide, and guard them. Often, they did a poor job. Today, we hear the Lord castigate these shepherds through the words of the prophet Jeremiah. God promises to appoint new shepherds.

The need for good shepherds continues in our day, for men and women who will care for the ones most vulnerable in our society. This is not just a matter for those in obvious positions of power, whether church or state, but for all those who have the capacity to reach out to any in physical need, to any searching for deeper meaning, to those looking for signs of the presence of God.

From “Living the Word”

† 19 July 2009 † SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
<hr/> The first reading begins on page 33. 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – Kelly Doman, organist	
Entrance Hymn	<i>I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say</i> (Hymnal #852)
Responsorial Psalm	<i>The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.</i> (Missalette, p. 34, #20)
Gospel Acclamation	(Missalette, p. 35, #18)
Offertory Hymn	<i>O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God</i> (Hymnal #729)
Communion Hymn	<i>Eye Has Not Seen</i> (Hymnal #844)
Closing Hymn	<i>O God, Our Help in Ages Past</i> (Hymnal #829)

Special Parish Dates

Mark your calendars for the following important dates for the parish:

- Friday, July 24, 2009 – Parish Potluck at 5:30 p.m. on the grounds between the church and Cum Christo Center**
- Sunday, September 13, 2009 – Parish Feast Day and Celebration of Fr. Jerry’s 40th Year Jubilee – 10:00 a.m. Mass followed by reception.**

Update on Msgr. Corcoran

Msgr. Corcoran’s health is slowly improving. He is open to receive visitors in late afternoons and evenings. He is located at Mother Angelina McCrory Manor, 5199 East Broad Street, Columbus (west of St. Therese’s Retreat Center), Room 4413. The main phone number is 614-751-5700.

Parish Potluck

Our parish potluck is July 24th. Sign-up sheets for volunteers and food suggestions are at the doors of the church today, July 19th. Please indicate the number who will be coming.

Critical Need

The promised “follow-up” meeting for the outreach to the needy will be next Sunday, July 26 at 10:00 a.m. in the Cum Christo Center. All are welcome as we address the urgent need being felt at St. Lawrence Haven.

Food, Singing and Fellowship – August 23rd

All those interested in singing with the choir on September 13th for the Exaltation of the Cross are invited to join us for a picnic and brief intro to the music on August 23rd. We will meet in the courtyard around 12:00 noon. Please bring a covered dish and a beverage for yourself. We will spend most of the hour together eating, talking and laughing. We may even sing for a short while.

Actual rehearsals for the September Parish Patronal Feast Day will begin on Sunday, August 30th – following 11:00 a.m. Mass. We will meet in the balcony and rehearse the music for approximately one hour.

Choir participation is open to all men and women of the parish and no music reading ability is required. Please contact Kelly Doman, choir director, if you would like to participate or if you have any other questions (keladom@insight.rr.com or 920-4443). For those who are feeling shy or less experienced than other singers, Kelly promises that she will provide extra vocal training for you.

R.C.I.A.

Are you, a family member or a friend feeling a desire or needing encouragement to inquire further into the Catholic Church? Our Deanery RCIA Team has already begun planning for our sessions that will begin in early September. For further information, you may consult our parish web site or contact Fr. Jerry or Sister Pat. A personal invitation means a lot.