

**PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!**

**Mass Schedule and Intentions**

**Sunday, May 10 ♦ Fifth Sunday of Easter**

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross  
 11:00 a.m. Joseph & Helen Boldizar  
 (James & Diane Huston)

Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

**Monday, May 11 ♦ NO MASS**

**Tuesday, May 12 ♦ Easter Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Kathy Lavitchka  
 (Lynn Rothe & Rich Remley)

Acts 14:19-28; Jn14:27-31

**Wednesday, May 13 ♦ Our Lady of Fatima**

11:30 a.m. Della & John McDevitt  
 (Harold & Julie Tucker)

Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday, May 14 ♦ St. Matthias**

11:30 a.m. Intentions of Seminarians Dan Dury,  
 Ty Tomson & Michael Connaughten  
 (Jack Balogh & Veronica Wolfe)

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

**Friday, May 15 ♦ Easter Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Barbara J. Heckman (James P. Wilfinger)

Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

**Saturday, May 16 ♦ Easter Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Patty Groom (Evelyn Galleran)

Acts 16:1-10, Jn 15:18-21

**Sunday, May 17 ♦ Sixth Sunday of Easter**

9:00 a.m. Gary Fox (Joe & Betty Regan)  
 11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Jn 15:9-17

**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: Mary Cordesco, Sara Fingerlin, Marianne Garrison, Inge Griffith, Elsie Haninger, Theresa Hyle, 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.

<b>THANKS!</b>	
<b>May 3, 2009 Offerings</b>	
Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	<b>Offering.....\$1,838.00</b>
	<b>Votives..... 38.20</b>
	<b>Novena/1st Friday .....0.00</b>
<b>Mass Attendance</b>	<b>Repair.....15.00</b>
<b>9:00 a.m. = 80</b>	<b>Less Tax.....(94.56)</b>
<b>11:00 a.m. = 99</b>	<b>Net to Parish.....\$1,796.64</b>

**Congratulations!**

Tyler Huston and his Family on his First Communion last Sunday, May 3, 2009.

**A Prayer for Mothers**

*All-loving God,  
 we give You thanks and praise  
 for mothers young and old.*

*We pray for young mothers,  
 who give life and count toes and tend to our every need;  
 May they be blessed with patience and tenderness  
 to care for their families and themselves with great joy.*

*We pray for our own mothers  
 who have nurtured and cared for us;  
 May they continue to guide  
 in strong and gentle ways.*

*We remember mothers who are separated  
 from their children because of war, poverty, or conflict;  
 May they feel the loving embrace of  
 our God who wipes every tear away.*

*We pray for women who are not mothers  
 but still love and shape us  
 with motherly care and compassion.*

*We remember mothers, grandmothers,  
 and great-grandmothers who are no longer with us,  
 but who live forever in our memory  
 and nourish us with their love.*

*Amen.*

**Dan Dury – Diaconate**

As we have announced, Dan Dury, our seminarian, will be ordained to the diaconate on June 6 at the Cathedral and will be here with us to preach at both Masses on Sunday, June 7.

We would like to have a simple parish family reception following both Masses and, rather than engaging a caterer, we are inviting you to bring something you like by way of finger food.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the door next Sunday with some suggestions and space for your original ideas. Give it a thought and **thanks in advance.**

**Repair Fund Collection – Today!**

A second collection will be taken for the repairs on the church and Rectory today. We thank you in advance for your continuous support of this program.

**THE WORD**

Hearing Jesus’ words, “I am the vine, you are the branches,” sounds comforting at first. But then comes “and my Father is the vine grower” (John 15:11). The task of the vine grower is to prune and pruning is to prune and pruning can be tricky. The danger is cutting the main vine and not the branches, or cutting the branches that carry this year’s fruit and not the old ones from last year. But Jesus tells us that it is the Father who is out there with the pruning shears, not some careless hired hand. He is cutting away the dead wood, and cutting back the good branches so they bear even more fruit.

Nevertheless, you might think, who wants to be pruned, even metaphorically? Who wants God snipping away? It’s hard to be pruned. There is a dying in that. But that is the ongoing story of Easter: dying and rising, pruning and bearing more fruit. God is there pruning us to bring out life, to make us life bearers and life givers. The Father continues snipping away, separating us from our selfishness, our self-centeredness, and all those things we hold on to that do not give us life: resentments, old grievances, desires for getting even.

God is about life, committed to an abundance of life – not just life today, but eternal life. That’s the divine plan. Are we part of it?

*– From “Living the Word”*

† 10 May 2009 † FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	
❖ Hymns are <u>not</u> announced ❖ The first reading begins on page 126. 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – Kelly Doman, organist	
<b>Entrance Hymn</b>	<i>Praise to the Lord</i> (Hymnal #906)
<b>Responsorial Psalm</b>	<i>I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people</i> (Missalette, p. 127, #82)
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	(Missalette, p. 128, #83)
<b>Offertory Hymn</b>	<i>Make Your Home in Me</i> (Hymnal #786)
<b>Communion Hymn</b>	<i>I Received the Living God</i> (Hymnal #657)
<b>Closing Hymn</b>	<i>Hail, Holy Queen Enthroned Above</i> (Hymnal #972)

**Special Parish Dates**

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

- 1) **Sunday, May 17, 2009 – Parish Town Meeting at 2:00 p.m. in Cum Christo Center.**
- 2) **Parish Celebration of Dan Dury’s ordination to the Diaconate on Sunday, June 7, 2009, following each Mass.**
- 3) **Parish Potluck – Friday, July 24, 2009, at 5:30 p.m. on the grounds between the church and Cum Christo Center.**
- 4) **Parish Feast Day – Sunday, September 13, 2009 – 10:00 a.m. Mass.**

**Update and Follow-up on Self-Study**

You are invited and encouraged to come to our Town Hall Meeting next Sunday on May 17th (rescheduled from January 25th), from 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Cum Christo Center. There will be an update on the recommendations formulated by the Deanery representatives and forwarded to the Diocese. Secondly, of vital importance, is the beginning work on the Recommendations unique to our parish which surfaced at Our Self-Study meeting in June 2008, such as: (Sacramental) Liturgy Committee, (Strategic) Parish Council and Communications Outreach/Service and (Sustaining) Stewardship.

Please plan to attend, bringing your interest, ideas, and commitment to our parish. We are hoping for the same or better attendance as we enjoyed at the June meeting. We will again share pizza following the meeting.

**Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)**

Next week’s 2nd collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. Your generous gift helps CCC and our diocese to provide television, radio and print materials that spread the Good News of Christ’s abiding love for each and every one of us. For program information, visit [www.CatholicCommunicationCampaign.org](http://www.CatholicCommunicationCampaign.org).

**Capital Campaign Update – Year Three**

Fr. Jerry’s kick-off mailing was sent out last week. If you did not receive your letter in the mail, please contact the office at 614-224-3416.

**Catholic Homeschooling 101**

Join our panel of veteran homeschoolers to learn all you ever wanted to know about homeschooling and more. This event is free and will be held at the Columbus Main Library on Tuesday, May 19th, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the 3rd floor Board Room and Tuesday, May 26th, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. for High School. RSVP to [angie@educatingforheaven.com](mailto:angie@educatingforheaven.com) or call (614) 525-1450.