

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Mass Schedule & Intentions:

Sunday, September 6 ♦

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Elti & Inge Chiandussi
11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

Is 35:4-7; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

Monday, September 7 ♦ NO MASS

Tuesday, September 8 ♦

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11:30 a.m. Carol Pyles & Sacred Heart Association
(JoAnn Green)

Mi 5:1-4 or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23, or 1:18-23

Wednesday, September 9 ♦ St. Peter Claver

11:30 a.m. Martha Walsh
(Fred & Mary Ellen Callahan)

Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday, September 10 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Hilda Barrett (Brett Barrett)

Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38

Friday, September 11 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Nikolai – Unborn Child of the Gould Family
(William & Inna Gould)

1 Tim 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday, September 12 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Louise Endres (Betty & Dick Morbitzer)

1 Tim 1:15-17; Lk 6: 43-49

Sunday, September 13 ♦ Exaltation of the Holy Cross

10:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
Nm 21:4-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

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, Dorthy Gaus, Elsie Haninger, Mary Kay Keefer, Mary Knapp, Edith Kowalsky, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Rita Neff, Bobby Scholl, Mary Scholl, Marilyn Scott, Sheila Shirey, Margaret Trainor, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

THANKS!	
August 30, 2009 Offerings	
Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offering..... \$1,800.23 Votives 30.00 Novena/First Friday ...00.00
Mass Attendance 9:00 a.m. = 73 11:00 a.m. = 119	Repair00.00 Less 5% Tax(91.51) Net to Parish \$1,738.72

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Him, O Lord

Msgr. Corcoran passed away last Monday morning at the Villas of St. Therese. As we grieve his departure from us, we reaffirm our belief in eternal life as expressed in the Communion of Saints. We thank God for his 92 years of life and 66 years of priestly ministry. His strong Catholic Faith, centered in the Eucharist, and his delightful Irish wit and humor have been priceless gifts to so many of us. Since our parish newsletter, *Connections*, had already been printed before Monsignor died, we will have more information in the next edition. May he rest in Peace.

Sympathy and Prayers

Ula Jean Kearns, mother of David Kearns and Pat Kearns-Davis, died last week. Please keep her and her family in your prayers.

Support for St. Lawrence Haven – Today!!

The next opportunity to make “Lil Larry” sandwiches in support of St. Lawrence Haven is today following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please go to the Cum Christo Center.

Choir Practice at Holy Cross

Holy Cross Choir will be singing for our annual patronal homecoming celebration, the EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS, on September 13, 2009, 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Rehearsals will be held today following the 11:00 a.m. Mass in the church. Kelly Doman will be leading our choir.



Many Thanks!!

We have been blessed by the generous support of so many:

- Sr. Ruth Ann Heider and Helen Meers for their activities to prepare our latest newsletter for mailing.
- Ann Seren and friend for their landscaping and weeding of the church and Rectory gardens.
- Jack and Jan Kustron for their procurement of the Bishop’s picture for the church vestibule.
- Michael McConahay and Shamrock Club for the cleaning of the church’s carpet.

Finance Report

Included in this week’s bulletin is the annual report of the parish’s financial results comparing fiscal year 2008-2009 to the previous fiscal year of 2007-2008. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Agriesti in the office at 224-3416.

We want to thank all the members of the Finance Committee: Jack Balogh, Terry Creedon, Pat Kearns-Davis, Jason Despetorich, Stacy Mayer and Monica Miller.

THE WORD

I remember being at the shrine of Saint Anne de Beauvre outside Quebec City one summer many years ago. Another Redemptorist priest and I were preaching the Novena before the feast of Saint Anne at the end of July. Busloads of people would come up. One bus brought a number of people disabled in different ways. I remember one young woman coming to confession who had a severe speech impediment, and to assure her I was understanding her, I would repeat after her what I heard her saying. She was so determined to have me understand and was trying with such vigor that I remember her teeth cutting her tongue, and yet she paid no attention to the pain it must have caused. All she cared about was having me understand what she was saying. I was never more aware how much it means to be understood by another.

We know that the miracles of Jesus were signs of the inbreaking of the kingdom of God. Jesus came to remove all obstacles that prevent the kingdom from coming and that block us from being in communion with each other. Being unable to hear or speak clearly could certainly remove a person from being present to or for others. I say this as one who has begun to lose his hearing. Yet these miracles, like the healing of the man in today’s Gospel, speak to us of a deeper healing that happens when Jesus enters our lives.

Jesus came to restore all men and women to communion with God and with each other. He came to take away fear from hearts that are frightened, as the prophet Isaiah proclaims. This fear can prevent us from hearing God’s word drawing us near and from witnessing to others about the living God and what God wishes for us: fullness of life.

– From “Living the Word”

✠ September 6, 2009 ✠
**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

❖ Hymns are not announced ❖
The first reading begins on page 55.
9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – Kelly Doman, organist

Entrance Hymn	<i>Jesus Christ, by Faith Revealed</i> (Hymnal #715)
Responsorial Psalm	<i>Praise the Lord, my soul, my soul! Praise the Lord, my soul!</i> (Missalette p. 56, #37)
Gospel Acclamation	(Missalette, p. 57, #38)
Offertory Hymn	<i>Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old</i> (Hymnal #667)
Communion Hymn	<i>We Remember</i> (Hymnal #653)
Closing Hymn	<i>Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven</i> (Hymnal #919)

Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) **Sunday, September 13, 2009 – Parish Feast Day and Celebration of Fr. Jerry’s 40th Year Jubilee – 10:00 a.m. Mass followed by reception.**
- 2) **Sunday, October 25, 2009 – Annual Parish Spaghetti Dinner.**

**Special Labor Day Mass –
September 7th**

You are invited to celebrate a special Labor Day Mass at Holy Cross at 10:00 a.m. sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

SVDP Clothing Bank

St. Vincent de Paul clothing bank is located behind the JOIN center at 578 Main Street. It is open for “drop-off” Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Religious Education for Children

Holy Cross Parish School of Religion (Grades K-6) will begin on Sunday, September 27, from 10:00-10:45 a.m. Students, families, and teachers will gather in the first pews of the sanctuary for a special blessing before proceeding to class. If you are interested in enrolling your child in Sunday School or would like further information, you are encouraged to go to www.holycrosscatholic.com and click on Children’s Religious Education, or contact Debi Matthews (861-1746).

Cum Christo Weekends

Renew your commitment to Christ by making a Cum Christo weekend. The Cum Christo ministry brings Christians together in an ecumenical environment. Applications are now being accepted for upcoming weekends:

Men’s: September 17 to 20

Women’s: October 15-18

For more information, visit www.cumchristo.org.

**Repair Fund Collection –
September 13th**

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

Summer and Fall Lectures

The Martin De Porres Center is sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs and is offering the following lectures:

October 15, Thursday: “*Had We But World Enough, And Time...*” 7:00-9:00 p.m.; **register by October 13.** Suggested donation is \$10.00.

November 14, Saturday: “*You Will Never Walk Alone*,” 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Suggested donation is \$20.00 which includes lunch. **Register by November 10.**

Please register by calling 614-416-1910.