

Pastoral Reflections: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Martha, Martha [calm down].....Mary has chosen the better part!" (see Luke 10:38-42) And what is the "better" part? It is the ability, the willingness, the attitude that allows Mary or you or me to simply be in the presence of the Lord Jesus. His holy presence is most obvious in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and in Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (as evidenced in the Good Shepherd Perpetual Adoration Chapel here at St. Patrick Parish). His presence can be experienced as we sit quietly with a loved one---family member or friend---who is ill. His presence is evident when we offer comfort, consolation, encouragement to one who is grieving the death of a loved one---and we do not even need to say anything.

Being still in a world that is so full of activity, so bent on being stimulated at every moment of every day, can be a challenge. Turning off the cell phone, the TV, the radio, the computer, the ipod and all the other electronic gadgets that can and do serve us in so many ways, so as to be able to converse with someone, to listen to them, to hear their story, can be an opportunity of much enrichment to them and others. Most of us have a story to tell, a story of our life that has contributed significantly to the person we are and all---well, at least, many---have a need to share that story with someone who is willing to listen.

During the blessed sabbatical time that I had in Australia in 2006, I learned of the life of the Aboriginal Peoples that inhabited that continent for at least 60,000 years, possibly as much as 120,000 years. Imagine a thousand years let alone 60 times that!!! In their culture, children learned about their history by listening to their elders tell stories, most often around a campfire. Isn't it amazing the effect that an open fire can have as we sit around it in the evening twilight and "talk". And how popular fire rings and pits have become in recent years that serve as a gathering place for "stories". Jesus even prepared fish on a charcoal fire after the Resurrection, inviting His disciples to "have breakfast". Sacrifices in the Old Testament always involved an altar and fire. No fire ring at YOUR home, then gather around a table, enjoy meals together, converse, listen, laugh and cry and tell YOUR story. Mealtimes---TOGETHER---matter!!!

***Praised be Jesus Christ.....
Who gathered with His disciples for the Last
SUPPER.....
now and forever. AMEN!***

Fr. Samuel Houser



Mass Intentions of the Week!



SUNDAY, July 18 ~ 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. † Charles Newcomer
11:00 a.m. † Gilbert & Edith Brezler

MONDAY, July 19

4:30-5:00 p.m. Confessions
5:15 p.m. † Grace Reape

TUESDAY, July 20 ~ St Apollinaris

6:30 a.m. † Eric Glitz

WEDNESDAY, July 21

NO MASS

THURSDAY, July 22 ~ St Mary Magdalene

4:30-5:00 p.m. Confessions
5:15 p.m. † Edna Kuhn

FRIDAY, July 23 ~ St Bridget of Sweden

9:00 a.m. † Betty Waser

SATURDAY, July 24 ~ Vigil of Sunday

5:30 p.m. † Robert Roller

SUNDAY, July 25 ~ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † Patricia Hubley
9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. † Thomas P Pendergast

Pray for Them

Votive Candles at the Altar of the Blessed Mother:

Three, each for a Special Intention

Votive Candles at the Altar of St. Joseph: One for a Special Intention

Rest in Peace

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD...

Those recently deceased:

Joey Daniels, a parishioner, a sixth grade student at St. Patrick Catholic School, son of John & Deb Daniels.

Lena McCaffrey, mother of Curtis McCaffrey

Daniel Trimmer Jr., a parishioner and son of Daniel and Cynthia Trimmer

...AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.



INCOME THRU WEEK OF 7/4/10

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>
WEEK	\$16,986.75	\$14,600.00	\$2,387.00
YTD	\$16,987.00	\$14,600.00	\$2,387.00

INCOME THRU WEEK OF 7/11/10

	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>
WEEK	\$15,136.32	\$14,600.00	\$ 536.00
YTD	\$32,123.00	\$29,200.00	\$2,923.00

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Welcome to Fr. Paul Rindos!

Fr. Houser is away this weekend, traveling with the Ignite Youth Ministry that includes Scott Anthony, the Youth Minister at St. Joseph Parish, York (which St. Patrick Parish partners), youth from our parish and others, chaperons and Fr. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap., to Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio, for a youth retreat weekend. **Fr. Paul Rindos**, a priest of the Diocese of Harrisburg (now retired), will be celebrating all the Masses here at St. Patrick Parish.

2010 Annual Missionary Cooperative Weekend!

Next weekend, Fr. Walter Ostrowski, S.V.D. (Latin: **Societas Verbi Divini**---Divine Word Missionaries, Pittsburgh, PA), will be coming to our parish for the Annual Missionary Cooperative Appeal. The Divine Word Missionaries major work in the United States is to train young men to be missionary priests and brothers serving in over 15 countries around the world including: Japan, Australia, Philippines, Argentina, Chile and Bolivia. Fr. Ostrowski will be speaking at all the Masses, telling us of the work of his religious community and asking our financial help to continue their invaluable work of preaching and teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. There will be **TWO** collections at all the Masses next weekend, July 24/25, both taken at the Offertory of the Mass; the **SECOND** collection will be specifically for the Missionary Cooperative Appeal---use the purple envelope in your July packet of envelopes. Fr. Houser

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK 7/25 /2010

5:30 p.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

A SER	A Copenhaver	K Bittner	P Brenneman	T Starceski
A SER	D Shellenberger	A Bittner	W Koch	J Starceski
A SER	N Shellenberger	B Smith	B Wilking	R Campbell
LECT	W Hansman	Sr Monica	T Meister	J McConville
EMHC	P Copenhaver	B Hough	M Galiardi	A Ventrice
EMHC	R Figge	A Hough	J Galiardi	T McConville
EMHC	J Figge	M Goss	P Koch	K Leyva
EMHC	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXX	J Koury	J Nealon
EMHC	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXX	L Newcomer	D Thompson
EMHC	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXX	B Schell	W Walsh
EMHC	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXX	C McEachern	J Wills
SACR	P Copenhaver	XXXXXX	T Meister	A Ventrice

Recitation of the Rosary is held Tuesday at 9:45 a.m., Wednesday at 5:15 p.m., and Sunday at 7:00 a.m. in the church and the first Wednesday of the month in the room next to the Adoration chapel at 7:00 p.m.

IT'S PICNIC TIME AGAIN!



Volunteers are needed to assist in planning this year's Parish Picnic which will be held on Sunday, August 29. Won't you help? Anita Banks is the chairperson for this year's picnic. She can be reached at 855-7410. Everyone is welcome.



IGNITE YOUTH GROUP

Today: NO Ignite Meeting due to Steubenville Youth Conference!!

Next Week: Powerhouse Nite on Sunday, July 25 from 6-9pm in the youth room. Topic: Theology of the Body for Teens, Chapter 11: Dating with Purpose and Purity. Includes: small group discussion, DVD presentation, activities, praise and worship, prayer ministry and free time for snacks, games and socializing.

ALSO: Wednesdays with Scott on July 21 from 12-5pm in the youth room. Come join us for pizza, games, movies and a cool prayer time!!

Upcoming: Powerhouse Nite on Sunday, Aug. 1 from 6-9pm. Meet in the youth room. *Special guest speaker and former youth group member Brian Olkowski will share his vocation story and how God led him to the seminary.* Includes: icebreaker, small group discussion, presentation, prayer ministry and free time for snacks, games and socializing.

Mark Your Calendars: Steubenville POST-MEETING (mandatory for all teens and chaperones) THIS Friday, July 23 from 5-10pm in the meeting rooms of the parish building.

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR on Thursday, July 22 from 6-7pm in the chapel. Come join us for quiet

OXYGEN YOUTH GROUP (Grades 7-8) The next OXYGEN meeting will be held in October 2010. Stay tuned for more information next Fall.

NEW FOR 2010-2011: SPARKS Catholic Kids' Club

For students in grades 5-6. Fr. Houser has agreed to expand the collaboration between St. Patrick and St. Joseph to offer this new and exciting youth ministry opportunity for these young people of St. Patrick Parish. SPARKS meets on the 3rd Friday of each month from October to May. More information will be coming in September. Stay tuned!!!

Mission Trip to Jamaica The second St. Patrick Mission trip to Jamaica will depart on February 22 and return on February 28, 2011. Mark your calendar and plan to participate as a missionary to a very needy part of the Diocese of Mandeville in Jamaica. Take some of your vacation time and spend it on this wonderful Christian service opportunity. For more information please call Jim Haldeman (741-4530).

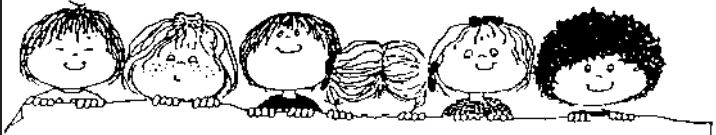
Special Occasions —are you going to celebrate a special birthday or wedding anniversary? Let your parish family know about it so we can celebrate with you. Send the information to Joellen Dodson at mjdmusic1@comcast.net or via fax at 793-3149.

ALTAR FLOWERS may be placed on the altar in honor of a special occasion or in memory of a loved one. Suggested donation for the main altar is \$50.00 and for the side altar is \$25.00. Arrangements may be made by calling Joellen Dodson at email mjdmusic1@comcast.net or 747-3969. If no answer, leave a message. Thank you.



St Patrick Catholic School

Used Uniform Room: Used uniforms are available. Mrs. Short will have the Used Uniform Room open on Wednesday, August 4 & Tuesday, August 17 from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. If you are unable to make either of these times but are looking for items, please contact the school office 854-8263.



Congratulations and Welcome: Baptized last week! Congratulations to Brett and Jennifer Steinke upon the baptism of their child, **Gavin Thomas Steinke**. May this newly baptized child grow in age, grace and wisdom and may ALL of us encourage him by our lives of service and virtue.

Congratulations to **Gregory Allen Yurkovich** and **Jacqueline Marie Papapietro** who were married last weekend. May their love, commitment and dedication towards each other be an inspiration for other couples.

The IGNITE Catholic Youth Group would like to thank all of our sponsors (from BOTH St. Patrick & St. Joseph) for helping 77 teens and 15 chaperones (including Fr. Houser) attend the Steubenville Youth Conference THIS weekend at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio. This was our largest group to date and over 75 individuals, organizations and families combined donated almost \$6,000 towards our retreat. **Your generosity is greatly appreciated.**

PILGRIMAGE to visit the Mother House of the Oblate Sisters of Providence, a Religious Order founded by Blessed Mother Mary Lange in Baltimore, Maryland. Mother Mary Lange needs one more miracle to be canonized a saint. Join us on Saturday July 31. We will be leaving from the main parking lot at St Patrick at 8:00 a.m. RSVP by July 17. For more information call Kathi Stayman - 854-9554 or Email, **Kstayman@Yahoo.com**. Lunch will be at quaint Fells Point in Baltimore, Maryland

The Meeting for the Cause of the Canonization of Mother Mary Lange will be held Monday, July the 19 at 7:00 pm in the Convent. Need a miracle, ask Mother Mary Lange, she needs one more miracle to become a Saint! All are welcome to attend. Questions call Kathi Stayman 854-9554.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Genesis 18:20-32; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13.

EVENTS IN THE DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG

PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES, MT. ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY AND SEMINARY, EMMITSBURG, MARYLAND The 23rd Annual Diocesan-Wide Pilgrimage for World Peace through Conversion of Heart will take place on **Thursday, August 5, at the Shrine of our Lady of Lourdes**. The day will begin promptly at 10:30 a.m. and conclude at 3:30 p.m. Pilgrims will be able to receive the Sacrament of Penance, offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, pray the Holy Rosary, spend time in private prayer, enjoy the beauty and peace of this Marian Shrine, and end the day with a Holy Hour of Exposition to honor our Lord in the Most Holy Eucharist. This is a day of prayer for world peace through conversion of heart. **"Pray, pray much, and offer many sacrifices for the cause of peace,"** our Holy Mother has repeatedly requested. And Jesus told St. Faustina that the world will NOT know peace until it turns with trust to His Divine Mercy. **Please come, trusting in the mercy of Jesus, to offer the prayer and sacrifices of this day for peace in our world, in our families, and in our hearts.** Pilgrims must make their own provisions for travel to and from the shrine and for lunch and supper. Meals are not available at the Mount. Most of those attending bring a box lunch and many make reservations in nearby restaurants for supper. **Please bring family members, fellow parishioners, and other friends with you.** For general information, contact Deacon Michael Grella at 717-939-6431 (home) or at 657-4804, ext 266 (diocesan office) or email at **dmgrella@hbgdiocese.org**.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: August 6 -8 at Philip Bongiorno Conference Center in Carlisle. This is a chance to get away from all the daily pressures of work and family and focus on this painful time in your life through supportive and non-judgmental process. The time away provides an opportunity to deeply enter the grieving process and identify all the ways your abortion may have affected you. Please Call Joy: 717-788-4959 or email: **RVpamd@gmail.com** or visit **www.rachelsvineyard.org** (Totally confidential).

SUMMER CAMP FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS WITH MENTAL DISABILITIES The Diocese of Harrisburg will sponsor its annual summer camp for youth and adults with mental disabilities on August 15-20 at Camp Kirchenwald, near Hershey. The camp is designed for youth and adults, aged 15 and up, with mild to moderate mental retardation and no significant behavioral problems. Tuition for camp is \$425, but camperships are available. For further information, visit the diocesan website at **www.hbgdiocese.org** (click disabilities ministry and then summer camp); or contact the Diocesan Family Ministries Office at 717-657-4804 or **kenders@hbgdiocese.org**

***Don't pray for a light load;
Pray for a strong back.***



Retreat for Couples Experiencing Difficulty: September 10-12 Is Your Marriage Tearing You Apart? Rediscover the Joy in Your Marriage. RETROUVAILLE (Ret-tro-vy) is a French word meaning rediscovery. Retrouvaille is a program, which helps to restore communication and trust in a marriage. If you feel helpless or trapped by frequent conflicts, please know that hundreds of couples have been helped. Call us and give yourselves another chance. The next program will be held September 10-12, at the Hampton Inn in Mechanicsburg, PA. Let us reserve a place for you. For information call Tom or Patty at (717) 938-8229 or 1-800-470-2230.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET ABOUT YOUR OFFERTORY GIFT DURING THE SUMMER TRAVEL MONTHS.

St. Patrick Parish must meet its expenses all 12 months of the year. We depend on your weekly contribution even when you are away. We greatly appreciate your taking the time to make sure that the parish receives your weekly contribution, even when you're at the beach or at that summer wedding. Perhaps this is the perfect time for you to consider enrolling in our Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) program, which allows your gift to the church to be automatically deducted from your bank account. EFT enrollment forms are in the back of the church, or contact the Rectory office. *Thank you!*

LOST AND FOUND: A small gold cross was found with the inscription "Phoebe and Jack—August 1949". Please call the parish office at 848-2007 if this is yours.



THANKS TO ALL MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE ACTIVELY SERVING OUR COUNTRY IN THE U.S. MILITARY:

Sr. Master Sgt. William Arcuri, Lt. Com. Andrew Avillo, Airman 1st Class Nicholas Borsa, 1st Lt Elena Darr, Captain Timothy J. Goodwillie, Col. Dona Iversen, Col. Mark P. Jelonek, Pvt. 1st Class Jacob Kadilak, SPC Nichole Leighty, Sgt. 1st Class William Leuenberger, Lt. Zachary Merritt, Lance Cpl. Michael Payne, SP4 Jesse A. Slusser, 1st Lt. Amy Staub, Lt. Patrick Staub, Petty Officer Zachary A. Wisman, Staff Sergeant Arley Lawson III, 1st Lt Thomas J. Valley and PFC Shane Warner. Please remember them in prayer. (Please inform the parish office of those members of your families serving in the military

A Prayer for our present time!

Almighty God and Father, give eternal rest and peace to all who have died violently: In war; in civil strife; from floods, tornadoes and all severe weather conditions; from the collapse of the oil drilling platform and other work related tragedies. Surround their families with love, care and gentleness that they may be comforted in their loss. Help leaders of nations, near and far, and leaders of communities, to work "together" to help alleviate and prevent human suffering. Bless those in our own community who have lost their homes through devastating fires. Help those working in the Gulf of Mexico to know how best to stop the flow of oil from deep within the Gulf waters and direct the work of all who try to restore the damaged environment and all those of that region whose lives have been so altered. Almighty God, hear our prayers. AMEN