

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Savoring and Sharing Life

If summertime isn't the best time to share life with one another, it's surely the easiest. In the summer, we seem to have the time or make the time to enjoy life and to enjoy it with those we love—at the beach, in the park, dangling a fishing line over the side of a boat, pedaling a bike, or just basking in the sunshine. Summertime is a good time to remember that all our time, all our life, is a gift, a sharing in the time and life of God. And, thank God, our God encourages us to savor the gift of life by sharing it with others.

FIRST READING: Proverbs 9:1-6

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:15-20

GOSPEL: John 6: 51-58

Reflection

Over the past few weeks, the second reading at Mass has been taken from Paul's letter to the Ephesians. Paul has been providing an ongoing instruction on what it means to live and share God's life now. Paul was writing to people who lived in the midst of pagan activity. Perhaps that is why his words are so applicable to us today. This is not to say that our neighbors are pagans, that our world is monstrously evil, or that everyone is out to get us Christians. That's not true. What is true, however, is that times are tough. We are a pressured people. Our society constantly pressures us to look out for ourselves, to take the best advantage we can, often without giving much thought to the other guy. Paul also urges us to take the best advantage we can, but with constant regard for the other guy. And the best advantage we can take is to remember that Christ is with us—is in us—now.

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DONUT SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND....Please join us this weekend in the Activity Center for fellowship. Coffee, Juice and donuts will be available.

Please Welcome to the St. Joseph Community our "NEWEST MEMBERS"

BAPTISM

*James Thomas Hilvert
Max James Hilvert*

Seminarians John Michniuk and Nick Rottman received as Candidates for Priesthood

Please remember John Michniuk, our seminarian in the parish, and seminarian Nick Rottman, from St. Joseph Parish, in your prayers this weekend. Bishop Foys will formally receive them as Candidates for Ordination to the Priesthood at Mass in the Cathedral on Sunday morning. In this ritual, the Diocese commits itself to continue assisting the seminarians' formation and the men commit themselves to earnestly prepare themselves for the priesthood. It is an important step in their formation to priesthood and we want to give prayerful support to John and Nick.

Thank you from Sisters of Charity Appeal - \$6,120.75

Sr. Mary Burns, S.C., spoke on behalf of the missions for the Sisters of Charity on the weekend of July 25-26. St. Joseph parishioners very generously supported the appeal with \$6,120.75. Sister Mary Burns wrote to thank the parish for its kind response. She also mentioned how impressed she was with our Sunday liturgies (she sat through all five Masses) and particularly our altar servers' reverence and attention during Mass. She also wants to thank the parishioners who invited her to dinner on Saturday evening. She was very appreciative of St. Joseph's spirit of hospitality.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE

We need your Life saving Blood...It takes less than an hour of your time to donate a unit of blood, but could mean the rest of your loved one's life if they need it. **"Think About It"** and please call Kay for an appointment @ 441-2712 Appointment times are from 1:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. THIS Monday August 17, 2009
Location: Activity Center

<i>Date</i>	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Deacon & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</i>	<i>Servers</i>	<i>Mass Intentions</i>
08/22/2009 Saturday 5:00 PM	Tom Breitenstein	Deacon: Tim Schabell EMC Captain: Rose Pfaff, EMC: Dan Vogel, Dennis Elix, Kathy Machenheimer, Margaret Braun, Sylvia Uebel, Larry Uebel, Pat Brossart	Brandon Hardy TJ Hizer Christina Seibert Mikayla Seibert	Popp & Muinch Families &
08/23/2009 Sunday 8:00 AM	Tom Freppon	EMC Captain: Jeanne Pettit EMC: Carrie Hamberg, Joyce Geiman, Larry Knarr Sarah Porter, Sue Kahmann, Tom Denning	Katie Hagedorn Ben Kroger Jacob Kroger Jake Mefford	Lawrence B. Kappes
9:30 AM	John Michniuk	Deacon: Tim Schabell EMC Captain: Steve Winbigler EMC: Chick Meyn, Mary Short, Alice Jennings, Julie Schimpf Paul Verst, Kathy Hildreth, Carol Russell	Megan Dierig Sarah Futscher Jacob Verst Jessica Verst	Peter & Edna Neltner
11:30 AM	Marcie Rottinghaus	EMC Captain: Maria Geiman EMC: John Michniuk, Julie Finn, Xemina Burton, Ken Burton Ken Burton, Lynn Mowery, Jean Geiman, Kim Fischer Shirley Berte	Jacob Raleigh Jimmy Raleigh Nina Reinhart Joey Niehaus	Jack Koeninger
7:00 PM	Justin Mitchell	Deacon: Tim Schabell EMC Captain: Joan Zai EMC: Carolyn Corrigan	Tom Burns Zach Ryan Jordan Smith Matt Yeager	For the People

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Times

THANK YOU.... YOUR HELP IS NEEDED...

Interfaith Hospitality Network: Thank you to everyone who has brought items to the rectory for Interfaith Hospitality Network. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you to those who have committed to volunteer their time to serve the homeless families of IHN. We will welcome our first guests in the convent the week of Oct. 4th to 11th. We are still actively seeking volunteers and donations. Please contact Helen Bailey hbailey@insightbb.com or 781-4172.

ST. MARY'S LADIES SOCIETY...will collect non-perishable food for BECON at the Thursday, August 20 meeting. Also needed items ate: bar soap, toilet paper and small tubes of toothpaste.

ANNIVERSARY MASS will be at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 23. Breakfast will follow in the Activity Center. For breakfast reservations call Helen 441-2633 or/Ruth 781-0562.

FESTIVAL DINING VOLUNTEERS

Many thanks to all the volunteers that graciously gave us their time to help make our festival dinner a huge success. Julie Finn, did a wonderful job again of coordinating the dining and kitchen workers in many aspects. I, as one of her team, saw many very helpful and overwhelmed people donating their time and efforts. Some of you were first timers as I, and hope you will be back next year to make 2010 just as successful.

SUNDAY PRE-SCHOOL RELIGION classes will begin Sept 13 during the 9:30 Mass. Classes will be held for 3,4, and 5 year olds in the primary grade classrooms. Registration forms can be found in the back of church and can be handed in at the Rectory mail slot. Your child will learn Bible Stories about Jesus while you attend Mass.

SERVERS WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Mon. Aug. 17 *Geo Bakunawa, Andrew Branch*
Tues. Aug. 18 *Garrett Ahlbrand, Ben Barbara*
Wed. Aug. 19 *School Mass*
Thurs. Aug. 20 *Jessica Appel, Sophie Arnold*
Friday Aug. 21 *School Mass*
Sat., Aug. 22 *Alex Hengge, Abigail Hengge*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon. 6:30 *Harry Prodoehl*
08/17 8:30 *Larry Burkhardt*
Tues. 6:30 *Jeanie Smiley*
08/18 8:30 *Bob Hanser*
Wed. 6:30 *Gertrude Meyer*
08/19 9:00 *Katherine Kuhnie*
Thurs. 6:30 *Gordon Leverman*
08/20 8:30 *Clifford Knapp*
Fri. 6:30 *Blanche Geiman*
08/21 9:00 *William Ruschman*
Sat. 8:30 *Betty Armstrong*
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MEETINGS & EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.	08/17	1:30 PM	Blood Drive	AC
		7:30 PM	RCIA	KH
Tues.	08/18	7:30 PM	Families for Life	RMR
		7:00 PM	Foresters (Grill-out)	KH
Wed.	08/19	7:30 PM	Finance	RMR
Thurs.	08/20	7:00 PM	St. Mary's Ladies Society	KH

DIOCESAN 25TH & 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY PRAYER SERVICE

Most Reverend Roger J. Foys
 & the Department of Religious Education
 Cordially invite you to be our guests at the
 Diocesan Anniversary Prayer Service.
Sept. 20, 2009 at the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption
 3:00 PM... RSVP by Sept. 4, 2009
 Call for reserved seating 392-1533
 Reception to follow in Howard Hall

NCC SPONSORS 16TH ANNUAL FAMILY

FIREWORKS...on Sunday, September 6, 2009 Newport Central Catholic High School invites you to bring your family up on the hill to watch the WEBN/Cincinnati Bell Labor Day Fireworks at the 16th Annual NCC Family Fireworks Fest. Games, live entertainment, and fun family activities will begin at 4:00 p.m. and will continue until the Big Blast. Food and drinks will be available. (Sorry, no cans, bottles or coolers will be permitted.) Games for kids will be set up in the gym. A \$3.00 admission will be charged at the gate. (Age 5 and under free) Limited parking passes guaranteeing you a parking spot on the hill will cost \$10. Please request handicap spaces available. Parking passes may be purchased in the school office beginning August 19.

ALL PROCEEDS FROM THE FEST WILL GO TO THE NEWPORT CENTRAL CATHOLIC TUITION ASSISTANCE FUND

FORESTER'S MEETING...The next Catholic Order of Foresters meeting, this Tuesday, Aug 18th will be held out doors by Kelley Hall. The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm. We will have a grill out and a corn-hole tournament. Hope to see you there.

Weekly Collection - Sunday	August 9, 2009
Our Tithe to God	\$20,282.57
Loose	\$646.36
Children's Collection	
Other (Holyday, etc)	\$20.00
Total Income	\$20,948.93
Weekly Budget Sunday Collections	\$23,000.00
Budget Excess/(Shortfall)	-\$2,051.07
Diocesan Collections	\$30.00
GROW FUND for August 9, 2009	2641.00