
Triumph of the Cross Parish

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Pastor's Note:

Dear Parishioners of Triumph of the Cross,

We continue our journey of faith and the need for the Prayer of St. Francis is no less today than when I first arrived.

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace." There are many different groups, views, and opinions in our parish community. Diversity is a great gift. God has not created any of us to be exactly the same. We are though called to be one in the Body of Christ. That is the peace that I pray we may achieve.

"Where there is hatred, let me sow love;" I am always reminded of the passage in the Letter of John, "God is love and he who abides in love abides in God and God in him." If there is no room in our hearts for love, there is no room for God. The challenge is to increase our ability to love so that we have greater room for God in our lives. **"For it is in giving that we receive."** Our ability to receive love is in proportion to give in love. Christ as our model for loving gave his whole life, His very being. There is no limit to Christ's ability to love and thus no limit to the love he can receive from us.

"Where there is injury, pardon;" There are many who are suffering because of various hurts. When we are suffering we like to have someone to blame. Often times we must be willing to forgive even if we don't agree with someone else. Sometimes we hurt others and may not even be aware of what our words or actions have done to another individual. **"It is in pardoning that we are pardoned."**

"Where there is doubt, faith;" The faith is strong amongst the people of our community. However, we know that there are those who are no longer participants in our community. For whatever reason, doubt has been planted in their hearts. We pray that this doubt will be removed and that they will return to the gift of the Eucharist.

"Where there is despair, hope;" Some days, life can look very bleak and we might even wonder with, "Why bother?" Those are the times we need to recall the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. The Risen Christ appeared to the disciples, when all seemed for nothing to them. They were strengthened with the Holy Spirit and their lives were filled with hope and joy. We have received these same gifts. We continue to gather as the disciples and recognize the Risen Lord in the Breaking of the Bread. We are filled with the same hope and joy. We continue to celebrate the "triumph of the cross" over sin and death.

"Where there is darkness, light;" There is no greater light than Jesus. He is the light that dispels all darkness. When 'darkness' is in our life, we need to look for the sin that is present in our life. In turning to Christ and removing the sin, we will find the light. Often times others turn to us to be the 'light' and we need to lead them to Christ who is the true light.

"Where there is sadness, joy;" There are many things in this life that bring sadness; the death of a loved one, the separation of families, the closing of a beloved church, the ending of a job, etc. How do we find joy in the midst of these events? Remember that the joy we speak of here is not the same as laughter. The joy we speak of here is the knowing that we are loved and the joy that comes from being loved even when we might be crying. Let us embrace one another in the love of Christ and be a source of joy for each other. **"O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love...and it is dying that we are born to eternal life."**

We continue to pray and work with one another as we continue our journey of faith in building our parish into a community celebrating the presence of Christ, the love of God our Father, and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Fr. Nau

Triumph of the Cross Online -

by Jim Coyle

“What did it say in the Bulletin about the Scrip program?” “Is this the weekend I’m scheduled to serve?” What’s Father Nau’s e-mail address?” “Where can I get a form to sign up for Sacramental preparation?” The answers to these and many other questions can be found on the parish website:

www.TriumphOfTheCross.org. As we come together as the members of our new parish, information is being added to help answer practical questions that come up. In my work as well as my home life, I find it very helpful to have forms, schedules and other information available online or stored on my computer so I don’t have to dig through the pile of papers I didn’t get around to filing. But I hope that the parish website will be more than just a “digital filing cabinet.”

I’m a Communication Arts professor at Franciscan University of Steubenville and have been involved in online communication for over 20 years, initially with a Catholic BBS (Bulletin Board Service). In 2005 I was invited to join the Triumph of the Cross Building Committee, and as a member of the committee I started a weblog titled *New Parish New Church* which to date has been viewed over 4,000 times. Since construction of the new cathedral has been delayed, there haven’t been many new postings on the blog, but I’d like to redirect it to new events in our life together as a parish. You can link to the “Parish Blog” through our website under the “About Us” tab.

I’ve been serving as webmaster for the parish since we went online with a basic website in Fall, 2005. The current site is the second version of a Triumph of the Cross website and went live in August, 2006. The site was designed and is hosted by the Ridgefield Group here in Steubenville. Maintaining the site’s content has helped me learn more about changes in website programming techniques since I last taught web design way back in the 20th Century. In recent months we’ve added and updated information on the site to help serve our fellow parishioners. And in our online Gallery you’ll find photos and audio podcasts from earlier events.

For almost three years Triumph of the Cross has had a parish website, anticipating the coming together of our six individual parishes. Now that we’re one new parish, it’s time to look at new ways we can use online re-

sources to help build our parish community. In addition to providing practical information, we want to better reflect the life and mission of Triumph of the Cross Parish. We’re discussing a redesign of the parish website.

What should our parish website accomplish? Adapting a consultant’s list, I think our site’s objectives should include:

1. **Be a communications vehicle for parishioners** – use it to keep members informed with calendars, email newsletters, event information and fresh, up-to-date content
2. **Be a 24/7 interactive brochure** - it’s the equivalent of a retail store’s street display, so show off our parish’s finest “benefits”
3. **Be a tool for parishioners to invite others** – something we can use to help bring our friends, coworkers, neighbors to church
4. **Be a welcome mat for guests** - allow them to “look through the windows before buying” and find all the relevant information they need to feel comfortable
5. **Be a hub for spiritual resources** – provide solid links to resources that will strengthen our faith
6. **Be another way to share the Gospel** – communicate the life-changing message of Christ with our site

I also believe we can use the website as another way to get to know one another better by sharing photos online, perhaps having an online message board, or encouraging one another to sign up for a new service called Parish Network, a social networking service for Catholic parishes and parishioners.

What are your thoughts about ways we can use the Internet to support and extend our parish life? What changes would you like to see in the structure and/or content of the parish website? Feel free to e-mail me at web@totc.info, or drop a note by the parish office which can be passed on to me. If you feel adventurous and would like to try out the free ParishNetwork service (www.paritynetwork.org), sign up and join the Triumph of the Cross parish “gathering page.” Once you’re there you can join and post a message in the Parish Website forum.

Yes, I’m a “techie,” but my main goal is to help people use tools to share stories, strengthen relationships, and connect with their parish and people who are important to them.



From the Director of Religious Education:

I think I have an awesome job! Sometimes it gets really crazy and I ask myself why I am doing this, but the rewards of working with children and their families go far beyond anything else. I have been truly blessed to watch the children of the parishes in the City of Steubenville come to know the Father. It has been such a gift to watch them grow in their faith from first grade through high school in some cases.

This time of year is a wonderful time of new beginnings and starting over. It's a time when the children return to school with an excitement for learning. It is a time when our Parish School of Religion begins a new year. We have a tremendous catechetical program in the City of Steubenville. We offer two different components for our children to learn about their faith - *Blest are We* and *Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*.

In order to provide a great catechetical program, we need good teachers/catechists. A catechist is typically a lay person who provides religious instruction. A catechist is not necessarily a trained, certified teacher as in schools. Catechists are people willing to share their faith and teach it to others. **Catechesis** is the process of transmitting the Gospel, as the Christian community has received it, understands it, celebrates it and lives it.

Are you called to be a **Catechist**? We need you in our *Blest are We* component on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Our great catechetical program can only be great if we have dedicated, spirit filled, people willing to pass on their faith. **Please consider becoming a catechist.** I am in need of 2 Catechists to teach Kindergarten and Grade 1. I need someone to begin at our first class on September 23, 2008. There are resources and support available to help you get started and continue. Please call me @ 740-264-6177 or email me @ dbjvan@juno.com

Thank you to those dedicated, spirit filled, people who have been catechizing in our Parish School of Religion throughout the years. The children of the City are blessed to have such dedicated, spirit filled

individuals passing on their faith. We are most grateful to all that they are doing for the children.

Tournament of Truth is a Diocesan wide competition where children compete with children of their age level in a game to challenge their knowledge of the Bible and the Catechism. **An Adult Volunteer is needed to help coordinate the Tournament of Truth Challenge** for our Parish School of Religion Teams. Please contact Barbara if you are interested.

**Barbara VanBeveren,
Religious Education Director**



Parish Nurse Ministry

The topic for this Parish Newsletter on Disaster Preparedness was chosen after the Parish Nurses attended two Seminars on the Bird Flu and a seminar on Disaster Preparedness. These are interesting times as we listen to the news and read the daily papers, we a world possibly spinning “out of control”. We believe that this information is vital to share with our faith-based community “Triumph of the Cross” Parish. We hope you find this article interesting and informative.

Disaster Preparedness: - you may ask what does this have to do with our parish life? Our response is lots, as you read on you will become informed about local county and national preparations concerning this important issue.

Proverbs 27:12 tells us - ‘a prudent man sees danger and hides himself; but the simple go on, and suffer for it.’ This scripture is appropriate for the beginning of a handbook in being prepared for catastrophic events that can effect our area. Quoting Rev. J. Shaw, Coordinator for Project GRACE, Getting Ready Ahead of Catastrophic Events, he says *a faith-based community needs to be prepared and ready to such events when they impact our community.* West Virginians witnessed the awful events of the Sago Mine disaster saw first hand the importance of the local church’s response to a community need. For those impacted by this event, the local church became the center point for assistance.

In our age, we have wars and rumors of wars, locally Hurricane Ivan reeked havoc with flash flooding in our own state as well as West Virginia, terrorism, snowstorms and the threat of a Pandemic Bird flu which could impact this country and others, with larger portions of people ill than the 1917-1918 Pandemic. Large numbers of people ill and our hospital and medical staff could be swamped. Many counties around the country are preparing for this Pandemic flu.

We the faith-based community in our parish and diocese can get involved and be prepared for such events. *Our chances of survival increase many times if we are prepared in advance.*

The Parish Nurse Ministry in connection with other local health agencies can assist with a faith-based community response to local disaster events such as Flash flooding, heavy Snow & ice storms, that could ‘knock’ out power for days. Does anyone remember the harsh Nebraska winter snow storms of January 26, 2007? A month later, some tiny towns were still

running on generators, and financial burdens stretched families to the breaking point. Major power lines were crumpled and left some 30,000 residents without power for weeks.

Kinds of Natural Hazards

Communities are vulnerable as we have seen to various hazards. It is important that you understand the difference between a “watch” and a “warning” Knowing these could save your life.

Warning...a product issued by the National Weather Service local offices indicates that a particular weather hazard is either imminent or occurring. A warning indicates the need to take action to protect life and property. Typical warnings are for severe thunderstorms, flash flooding, tornadoes and severe snow storms.

Watch...this has indications that conditions are favorable for the development of a particular severe weather event. A watch is issued normally for several hours, and that people need to plan, prepare, and have an increased awareness of changing weather conditions. Watches are for Tornado watch, Severe Thunderstorm watch, Flash Flood watch, and severe Snow watch.

Downburst...is an exceptionally energetic downdraft that exits the base of a thunderstorm and spreads out at the base of a thunderstorm and spreads out at the earth’s surface as strong and gusty horizontal winds that can cause property damage. Downbursts are much more common than you think in the tri-state area than tornadoes.

Flash flood...this rises and falls quite quickly, and occur as the result of intense rainfall over a relatively small area in a short period of time.

Severe Winter Snowstorms... The Ohio Valley is not immune to these storms. Haven’t we seen our roads closed by the County Sheriff’s office and with many media warnings to stay off the roads from his office. Also experiencing crowds at the local food stores stocking up with food and supplies to wait out the storm.

Making your Family Disaster Plan

Now that we have identified the disasters that can occur in our area, let’s talk about the preparation that is needed. Explain with family members how to respond to each of the mentioned disasters.

1. Show family members how to turn off the water, gas and electricity at the main switches when necessary.
2. Post emergency telephone numbers at the tele-

phone.

3. Teach children how and when to call 9-1-1.
4. Take a basic first aid and CPR class.
5. Practice emergency evacuation drills with all household members at least two times a year if possible.
6. Keep family records, insurance records and a list of prescriptions in water and fire proof containers. Consider keeping an another set of records in a safety deposit box offsite.
7. Check your insurance coverage.

Put together an Emergency Kit

Are you prepared? The only way to cope with a disaster is to prepare before it happens. Keeping supplies on hand in a readily available location. As mentioned when a disaster strikes, you will not be the only person trying to purchase these essentials supplies. Local stores will run out of supplies shortly after the disaster. Consider keeping extra supplies at home, too, in the event of a longer stay at home.

What is needed?

Water - having enough water is a top priority. Store at least 1 gallon of water per person (at least 3 gallons per person total). Change any stored water every 6 months so it stays fresh. Water should be stored in clean plastic, fiberglass or enamel-lined metal containers. Breakable containers are not recommended. If you purchase bottled water, keep it in original, sealed container. Observe the “use by” date.

Food - Stock familiar foods that need no refrigeration or cooking and little or no water to prepare, such as: Ready-to-eat or canned meats, fruits, and vegetables. Canned milk and juices. Peanut butter, granola bars, crackers and other high-energy foods. Formula or baby food if you have an infant.

Rotating stored foods with your regular supply, so your emergency supply stays fresh. And remember to stock pet food and additional water for any pets.

Store items in airtight plastic bags. Try using small unused garbage cans, camping backpacks or duffel bags and store everything in 1 or 2 containers. Keep the kit in a cool, dry place, such as a closet or cabinet. If space is tight in your home try using storage on top of kitchen cabinets, under a bed or in a corner.

Remember Grandma’s Root Cellar....1 Month Supply or More

These are ideas for foods to have on hand, by no means a complete list. Please take into consideration non-perishable items and if you may require a specific diet. Storing perishables in tight water-proof containers.

*lots of long grain Rice-brown and white.*Dry Beans, dried Milk, dried Eggs (a must),

*flour, sugar, syrup, mashed potatoes, tea, coffee, hot Chocolate, bisquick, long-standing Oatmeal

*Jelly, Peanut butter (lots of it), Chicken or Beef bullion cubes, cooking oil. Crackers.

* Canned items such as: fruits, vegetables, sardines, tuna, Beef stew, Ready to eat Chunky Soups, hard candy.

*Lanterns, fuel, camp stove, grill fuel, briquettes.

*Personal care items and toilet paper, soap, Nasal tissues, dish soap, toothpaste, disposable gloves, anti-bacterial gels, some cleaning products such as the basic Bleach at least 2 gallons.

Medications (over the counter and prescriptions) for headaches, colds, allergies, and other conditions that you are being treated for. First Aid kits. Extra batteries. **You probably can think of other items that you need, we will leave that to you and your household.

***Make a Spiritual Kit too!**-don’t forget to take your devotionals, rosary, holy water, etc.

We are always available for health information, health education, and referrals. We can be contacted via phone 740-346-0660.

by Gwen Scott, RN and Richard Russelo RN



Slouching Through Mass

James Harold

Ever see an altar server slouch through the motions at mass? Or better, ever gone to mass and later not remember a single thing said in the readings or sermon? We are all continually going in and out of consciousness, it seems to be part of the human condition. It is a condition worth fighting against, but it also seems to be a fact of life.

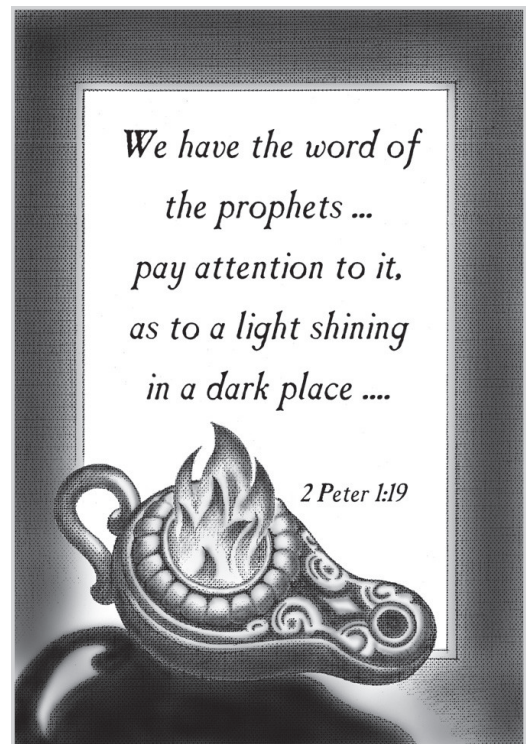
One way of confronting the problem of attentiveness at mass is to note another fact about human nature: we seem to have a foot, so to speak, in two worlds. First there is the physical world, which at church remains pretty much the same from mass to mass: basically the same priest, the same altar, pews, statues, flowers, etc. There is not too much new and different here, and even our new padre can be figured out rather quickly. In fact, from this point of view it all seems rather dull. What's the point of mass when we've all been there, done that? Why the dire consequence of serious sin if we skip a Sunday mass or two? From this point of view these dire consequences seem ridiculous.

There is, however, another point of view and a second world, which is to glimpse the spiritual significance of what is really going on. Normally God works—if He works at all—providentially through secondary or caused causes, mysteriously bringing about His will in the world despite the best efforts of human beings to waylay that will. But here at mass God works as a first cause, changing the bread and the wine to the actual body and blood, soul and divinity of Christ Himself, which in turn is an unbloody reenactment of what happened on Calvary.

Assuming the above is true, notice what happens: suddenly everything changes. We go from hum-drum to utter mystery in a flash, from understanding everything to practically understanding nothing, from boredom to an unfathomable richness. We go from being up to the task of mass, even if we are merely semi-awake, to a dismal failure even while fully awake because there is no penetrating the mys-

tery of God's love as measured by what He has done for us—for me—on that day at Calvary. All I can do is try to appreciate it and to thank the Good God for it. But then the appalling fact of Calvary comes back to me and I have trouble wrapping my mind around what God has done for me because I cannot fathom it.

There is only so much we can do about our attention deficient disorder at mass. But I find the more I enter into that second world of faith, leaving behind the physical atmosphere of the church and confronting the mystery of the mass and the love of Christ for me—despite the obstacles to both understanding and appreciating God's love—the less I slouch and daydream and moan.



Catholic Central High School:

Catholic Central High School Welcomes the New School Year

Catholic Central High School is getting ready to open its doors for the 2008-09 school year by extending a welcome to our new and returning staff and students.



The new staff members include **Mr. Rich Wilinski, our principal, Mr. Robert Copeland in the Social Studies department and Mr. Craig Allen in the Science department.**

After the summer of renovations, we are also excited to see the Bishop John King Musio Junior High established in the building.

CCHS classes will begin with a special freshman orientation on Monday, August 25th and regular scheduled classes for all students on Tuesday, August 26th.

We look forward to an exciting and productive school year by fostering the work of God's grace and nurturing the spiritual, intellectual, physical, cultural and social facets of each student's life.

By Jude Lucas, Guidance

Ohio Graduation Test Scores Continue To Be Outstanding

Catholic Central High School is pleased with the results of the Ohio Graduation Test that were received at the end of May. The Ohio Graduation test was administered to all sophomore students in the state of Ohio who attend public and non-public secondary schools. The test is a requirement for graduation and is given to ensure that students are proficient in the areas of Reading, Mathematics, Writing, Social Studies and Science. The teachers' outstanding work in the classroom and the use of two computer programs provided independent opportunities for the students to prepare them for the OGT. The program, entitled Assessment and Learning in knowledge Spaces (ALEKS program), assists students in areas such as arithmetic, geometry, pre-algebra and trigonometry by tracking progress of the student's independent work. Students can access the program in their classroom where teacher assistance is available and also have access to ALEKS while at home. Another program we use is Study Island. This program helps to prepare the students in all five of the areas tested. The students, parents and teachers are able to track the progress made and to evaluate the student's strengths and weaknesses. The ability to use the programs at home is also a plus.

CCHS results of the 2008 OGT are as follows:

(Percentages listed are the percentade of students who scored at or above the proficient level.)

Writing 100%
Reading - 99%
Mathematics - 88%
Science - 96%
Social Studies - 94%

Bishop John King Musio Elementary School

"The opening day of school for Bishop John King Musio Central Elementary School was very successful! After many months of planning, 450 students are enrolled between the two campuses in grades Pre-school through 6th grade.

With a new uniform which includes a new plaid for the girls and new logo for the school, the students looked pressed and ready to take on the new school year.

The general observation from faculty and staff has been that the students are mingling very well and most seem very happy and excited to be in the new school year! Opening school Mass at both campuses will be Wednesday, September 3rd at 9:45 am. The Mass at the Lovers Lane campus will be held at the former St. Pius church. Rosemont campus Mass will be held at Holy Rosary Church. The teachers will be leading the Mass that day.

Everyone is welcome to join us.

Your continued support is needed through participation in the Scrip program, Market Day food sales, and the various fundraisers throughout the year. Call for more information. Lovers Lane- 264-3651/ Rosemont - 264-2550.

Would you consider sponsoring a student who would like to attend BJKM School but can not for financial reasons? A yearly tuition is \$1750.

Theresa DiPiero, Principal

In our faith Catholic Central High School brings a commitment to the future of our children.

Perpetual Adoration

Why we have perpetual Eucharistic adoration in our parish.

Eucharistic adoration is the respect and worship we give to Jesus, who is truly present to us under the appearance of bread and wine. The Eucharist is a priceless treasure; by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace. As St. Alphonsus Liguori noted, "of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest after the sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us."

The more time spent in adoration, the more beautiful your soul becomes. Its purpose is to make us holy. As the faithful continue to grow in holiness, sin is driven away. All these benefits lead people closer to their salvation and save souls in the process. Archbishop Fulton Sheen said that "a person who makes a holy hour consistently will have victory over their sins."

Archbishop Sheen made a holy hour every day for the last 55 years of his life. Even if he was traveling, he would find a church and have a holy hour.

Spending time in adoration allows people to open themselves to Christ, who in turn begins to use them as His instruments.

Man is beyond a human solution. What we need is divine intervention. This divine intervention will be a great Eucharistic Miracle. In every place and in every chapel all over the world, where Jesus is loved and honored in perpetual adoration, what has been hidden will be revealed. What is hidden in the Sacred Host is the glory of His love. What will be revealed will be the fire of His divine love, which will shine through the Blessed Sacrament with the splendor of His glory radiating on all mankind.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta says that perpetual adoration is what will renew the Church and save the world. When we do on earth what is done in heaven, adoring God perpetually, then there will be a new heaven and a new earth.

It's a testament to our adorers that out perpetual

adoration devotion continues. When the Blessed Sacrament is taken out of the tabernacle and exposed in the monstrance, it cannot be left alone. It has taken more than one parish to be sure that during every hour of every day someone is there with the Lord. In the past 10 years, more than 90,000 holy hours have been logged at the West End Adoration Chapel. Whether it means interrupting sleep for an hour early in the morning or giving up free time in an already busy schedule, these adorers have responded to the invitation to "stay one hour with Him."

If you would like to participate in this wonderful practice either as a weekly adorer or as a substitute call **Vivian Zlotkowski at 740-264-6088.**

"Let us Remember"

St. Anthony Men's Club 1985-2008

Founded by Fr. Walter Heinz with the idea that men of the Parish although retired were willing and able to do all phases of repairs and maintenance, there by saving the church a great deal of money. Among them were jack of all trades, painters, brick layers, cement workers, electricians, plumbers, carpenters, excellent cooks and good workers.

One Hundred men paid dues of \$5.00 per year, something to be very proud of. There was a solid core of about 25 to 30 men who did the actual work. These men faithfully served Fr. Heinz, Fr. Mullet, Fr. Shannon, and Fr. Cross.

These very special men did everything from painting the side of the rectory, installing lighting, putting up fence, decorating at Christmas, set up tables for the card party, cooking, and serving mass and building a shrine to St. Anthony. Any request by the priest was completed if possible.

Thank you for all the years of dedication.

We appreciate the information being gathered for us by **Ray Ashmead**



LAMP (Lay Apostolic Ministries with the Poor)

LAMP (Lay Apostolic Ministries with the Poor) operates on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month from 9am -12pm in the church basement at Holy Name Cathedral. Brunch is served; followed by a skit, a teaching, and a craft or outdoor activity for the children. It concludes with the distribution of a bag lunch.

All who are interested in serving, supporting, or learning more about this ministry are invited to a presentation on **Catholic Social Teaching** by Sr. Anne Marie Gill, T.O.R, Thursday September 25th.

You are welcome to all or part of the following:

6pm Potluck (opportunity to meet LAMP volunteers) bring your favorite salad or dish (drinks and desserts provided).

7pm Presentation on Catholic Social Teaching

7:45 Orientation for serving at LAMP

*Children are Welcome for this evening and for serving at LAMP.

LAMP Coordinator: Sr. Della Marie Doyle, T.O.R

Phone: 282-8590

Donations:
LAMP

815 North Street

Steubenville, OH 43952

or through your Parish

We are grateful for all our volunteers and supporters past, present and future who have kept this ministry alive for over 20yrs!

“You bear witness to that love which gives itself for humanity and thus conquered death. You are on the side of all who have never known love, and who are no longer able to believe in life. ...In this way, dear brothers and sisters, your whole life needs to be, like that of John the Baptist, a great, living witness to Jesus Christ, the Son of God incarnate. Jesus called John ‘a burning and shining lamp’ (Jn 5:35). You too must be such lamps!”

- Pope Benedict XVI at the Shrine of Mariazell, Austria Sept. 2007

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:3



Bishop Mussio Junior High News...

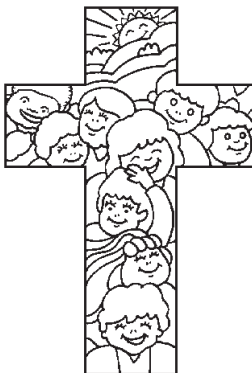
Classes begin August 26th at our new Junior High School. The staff would like to extend our appreciation to the countless volunteers who painted, cleaned, moved furniture and assisted us in so many ways to prepare the building. Over forty parents, students and parishioners worked for the past two months to make our opening possible. We couldn't have done it without you!

Initial enrollment is 146 students, with seven full time teachers and four part-time. We look forward to working with Sr. Anne Marie Gill TOR and Sr. Joan Paule TOR, who are serving as campus ministers. They will be assisting us with special teachings on our Catholic faith, retreats and youth activities. Weekly Mass will be celebrated each Friday in Lanman Hall. On First Fridays, our new school choir will lead music under the direction of Mrs. Christine Franklin and Mrs. Sherri Antinone. All parishioners are welcome to celebrate with us at 10:45 A.M.

Thanks to the artistic talent of Christen Fischer (CCHS 2007) and Linda Nichols, Diocesan Chancellor, the beautiful mural depicting the mysteries of the Rosary is now complete. This project was begun many years ago by a former CCHS Religion teacher. Stop by our new office to have a look!

We look forward to our new "mini-course" schedule which involves community members and parents in special topic presentations. First quarter offerings include topics such as Drama, Veterinary Medicine, Medical Careers, Public Speaking, and Cooking. Classes meet once a week for forty minutes. Any parishioner interested in volunteering to lead a nine week mini-course is asked to call the school office (346-0028).

Theresa Danaher, Principal



Samaritan House is a thrift store and emergency food bank located next door to the diocesan offices on Washington street downtown Steubenville. Two years ago the Steubenville parishes took over Samaritan House, formerly run by Catholic Charities. Mr. Vincent Molloy served as administrator of Samaritan House until retiring in July. Presently, the community of the Franciscan Sisters, T.O.R of Penance of the Sorrowful Mother, is administering Samaritan house in conjunction with the Steubenville parishes.

I especially want to thank the parishioners of Steubenville who donate food, clothing, household items, and who support our mission through shopping at Samaritan. The diocese has allowed Samaritan to operate rent-free in its present location, this is a huge blessing and allows our prices to be the lowest in the area and enables us to help those in most need.

If you are interested in supporting Samaritan House here are some ways you can assist our mission:

Food Bank Needs List:

Peanut Butter

Tuna, Canned meats, beef, sausage, etc

Dry Cereal, Mac & Cheese, Spaghetti Sauce, Noodles

Crackers

It is important that dry goods are **not out dated**

Each Steubenville Parish has a drop off location for **dry goods the last Sunday of the month.**

Thrift Store:

We welcome furniture, appliances, household items and clothing.

It is a great help to us if items work and are clean and that clothing is free of holes and stains.

Each Steubenville Parish has a drop-off for **clothing the first Sunday of the month.**

Thank you for your generosity!

SAMARITAN HOUSE

HOURS: 9:30-3:30 M-F except closed on Wednesdays

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Historical Prospective

Is it true that at one time there were married popes who were succeeded in the papacy by their own children?

For the first thousand years of the Church's history, there was no celibacy requirement for priests, bishop or even popes. Celibacy was required of those entering religious life, but not of those clerics who were not members of monastic or religious communities. As time went on, celibacy was seen as the more spiritual and more exalted way to follow Christ. Soon pressure was exerted for a more universal practice of celibacy. However, it was not mandated for the ordained until the year 1139.

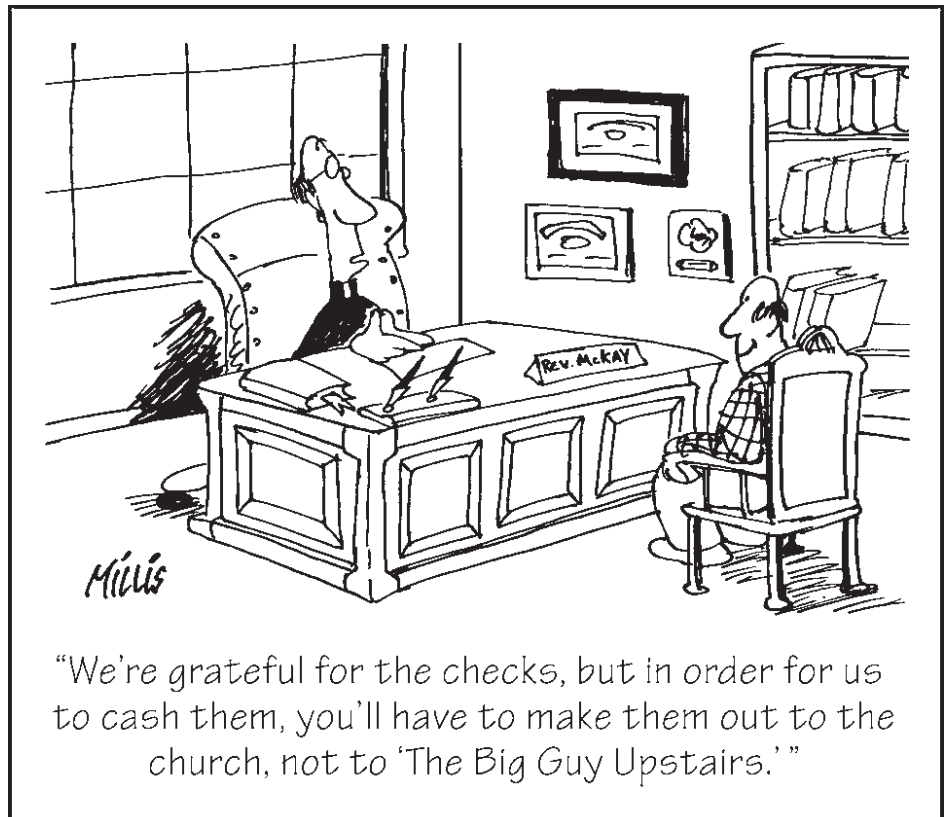
We know that priests and bishops were married, but few know that popes were also married. We know for certain that Peter, to whom popes trace their lineage, was married, for the Gospels tell that Jesus cured his mother-in-law of sickness. Most of the bishops of Rome from the first century onwards, later referred to as popes, were married as well.

Adrian II, pope from 867-872, seems to have been the last married pope. Not only were there a number of married popes, but children of popes actually succeeded their fathers to the papacy. Anastasius I, pope from 395-401, was immediately succeeded to the papacy by his son, Innocent I, pope from 401-417. Pope Hormisdas, pope from 514-523, had a son, Silverius, who succeeded him as pope from 536-537.

Not only are these married Church leaders and their sons legitimate popes, but they are also saints.

What are your thoughts and feelings concerning such realities?

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