

August 28, 2011 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship is a way of life.

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

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| Tithing Income: Aug 21, 2011 | \$ 6,878.00 |
| Tithing Income: Aug 22, 2010 | \$ 7,220.00 |
| Children's Offering: | \$ 0.00 |

Next Week's Tithing is for: St. Vincent de Paul
Our Parish organization that helps local residents with food, and utilities.

Tithe for 8/21/11 supported the following Group:

Sisters of Christian Charity \$738.00
In honor of Sister Carmelita's 60th Jubilee and Sister Anna Maria's 67th Jubilee

From the Pastor:

Sure, we are in hard financial times, but we nevertheless continue that 10 per cent of gross income tithing challenge. The parish is. We send out 10 per cent of our weekly collection every week to some charity, no matter what. That usually amounts to a \$400 or \$500 check to some mission or social service for the poor. It would be easy to just suspend that and hold onto our money but no way. Out it goes. And God will bless us for that, I am sure.

Fr. Bill

Comments on Tithing from the pews:

Thank you for making our parish a tithing parish. It gives me great pleasure to share the blessings that the Lord has bestowed upon us. It removes the question of how much do I give this week? I feel truly blessed to be a member of this new parish and look forward to all that is to come.

Pastor Column

BOOKING IT

After Masses last weekend, several people asked me about the titles of the books I pushed during the homily. If you remember, the Gospel was Matthew 16 and the magnificent mandate Peter receives from Christ: "Say unto thee that thou art Peter and upon this rock I shall build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give to thee the keys to the kingdom of heaven +

I said that this is one Scriptural basis for our belief in the ministry of the pope. Peter was the first pope and his successors inherit his teaching authority over the whole Church.

I then mentioned some great reading material that highlights this truth. One was a book describing the various places in the world to which the various apostles fanned out to preach and teach and die as martyrs. It's entitled The Twelve: The Lives of the Apostles After Calvary by C. Bernard Ruffin, Our Sunday Visitor Publishing Division, Our Sunday Visitor, Inc., Huntington, Ind., 46750 (1984). Although not recorded in the Bible, did you know that reports and legends have Doubting Thomas dying in India and St.

Andrew in Greece? This book unfolds more fascinating stories of the apostles. That Sts. Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome is pretty well established. The Bones of St. Peter: The First Full Account of the Search for the Apostle's Body by John Evangelist Walsh, Doubleday & Company, Inc., Garden City, N.Y., 1982, musters evidence supporting the claim that St. Peter's remains lie beneath the grand St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Pride of place in my homilies was given to Stephen Ray's Upon this Rock: St. Peter and the Primacy of Rome in Scripture and the Early Church, Ignatius Press, San Francisco, 1999. A former Baptist Bible teacher, who has converted to the Catholic Church, Ray shows Scripture passages backing Peter's authority and, more importantly, that of his successors. He shows that Christ intended to set up an ongoing office of teaching authority over the whole Church. And then he reports evidence of early Church recognition, from the first centuries, that the Bishop of Rome (the pope) was top bishop over all other bishops. Although a down-to-earth fellow (he appears on EWTN Television, lecturing in a cowboy hat), he does his homework well and his research is extensive, so the book can be a tough slog at times. But if you get through it, you will feel so good to be Catholic.

Speaking of reading and learning and booking it, Sacred Heart School opens for business this Wednesday, August 31. This is the Catholic school available to both parishes for those seeking a vibrant education, which stresses spirituality, virtue and character formation. Please be generous to the Treasure Tree, which feeds into the Angel Fund. You pick an apple off the tree, which gives the amount you will donate to the Angel Fund. That fund, in turn, provides money to make up for families who cannot afford full tuition for their child (\$2,374 per year). Your generosity in the past has been very inspiring.

And then Sunday, Sept. 18th, is the first day of CCD for both parishes. Pray God's blessings over all of our religious educational efforts, so that our children are inspired to book it for God, to pray, and to radiate His light to the entire world.

Fr. Bill



Weekly Readings

Monday – August 29 (Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist)

1Thessalonians 4:13-18; Psalm 96:1 & 3, 4-5, 11-13;
Mark 6:17-29

Tuesday – August 30

1Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11; Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14;
Luke 4:31-37

Wednesday – August 31

Colossians 1:1-8; Psalm 52:10, 11; Luke 4:38-44

Thursday – September 1

Colossians 1:9-14; Psalm 98:2-6; Luke 5:1-11

Friday – September 2

Colossians 1:15-20; Psalm 100:1-5; Luke 5:33-39

Saturday – September 3 (St. Gregory the Great)

Colossians 1:21-23; Psalm 54:3-4, 6 & 8; Luke 6:1-5

Sunday – September 4

Colossians 1:24-2:3; Psalm 62:6-7, 9; Luke 6:6-11

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

8/29- Faculty Retreat/9am/St. Jude
8/30- Faculty In-Service/9am/SHS
8/31- First Day of School/8am/SHS

September:

9/2 - All Day Eucharistic Adoration/Church
9/2 - Holy Hour/7pm/Church
9/5 - Labor Day – Parish Office & School Closed
9/5 - Mass/ 9am/ Church
9/6 - Adult Bible Study/7pm/Parish Ofc Basement
9/7 . Pro-Life Group Mtg/6pm/Parish Ofc.
9/8 - RCIA Class/7pm/Parish Ofc.
9/10-11 CCD Registration/after Masses/SHS Cafeteria
9/12- SHS School Board Mtg/6pm/Faculty Rm
9/13 . Adult Bible Study/7pm/Parish Ofc. Basement
9/13 - Knights of Columbus/7pm/ K of House
9/14 . Mass/7pm/Church
9/15 - Liturgy Comm. Mtg/10:30am/Parish Ofc.
9/15 - HSA Gen. Mtg/6pm/SHS Faculty Rm
9/15 - RCIA/7pm/Parish Ofc.
9/17 - St. Vincent de Paul Free Meal/11:30a/SHS Caf.
9/19 - Columbiette Mtg/6:30pm/K of C House
9/20 - Adult Bible Study/7pm/Parish Ofc. Basement
9/20 - Buildings & Grounds Com. Mtg/7pm/Rectory
9/21 - Columbiette Rosary/6:30 pm/Church
9/21 - Mass/7pm/Church
9/22 - RCIA/7pm/Parish Office
9/26 - Parish Council Mtg/7pm/Parish Ofc.

LITURGICAL NOTES

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, August 28

7:30 AM Dr. Earl Costa
11:00 AM Mary Drozda

Monday, August 29

7:00 AM Frank Manganaro

Tuesday, August 30

7:00 AM Special Intention for Mary Anne Thomas

Wednesday, August 31

7:00 PM Mary Drozda

Thursday, September 1

7:00 AM Leo Pupo
9:00 AM SHS

Friday, September 2

7:00 AM Special Intention for Lea Coelho

Saturday, September 3

8:00 AM Special Intention for Kitty Parry
4:00 PM Frank Guerrini

Sunday, September 4

7:30 AM People of the Parish
11:00 AM Deceased of the Battista Family

Van Transportation to Mass: The following is the van schedule: Sept 4 - Mel Reed
Sept 11- Russell Krug

Memorialize Sanctuary Candles: The following dates are available: Sept 4 . Sept 25. Cost is \$20. Call the office to make arrangements.

Sanctuary Candle:

*In Memory of Sara A. Clark
From Pat Rhodes and Family*

Memorialize Flowers: If you would like to memorialize flowers at the altar or ambo (pulpit) please call the parish office to schedule. Dates available are Sept 4 - Sept 25. Flower colors should be coordinated with the church seasons.

*Altar Flowers last Weekend were from:
Mr. & Mrs Austin and Molly Long
And their Families*

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Interested in joining the Catholic Church? or know someone who is? Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) classes begin 7 p.m. **Thursday, Sept. 8**, in the parish office and continue most Thursday evenings throughout the school year, through May, 2012. People can begin the classes as a come-and-see opportunity with no obligation at all to enter the Church. If you or anyone you know would be interested in trying out these classes, please contact Fr. Bill, 242-2781.



Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish is sponsoring a Pilgrimage

to The Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, MA for St. Faustina's Feast Day in October. The Dates are: Tuesday, Oct. 4th, Wed. Oct 5th, Thu. Oct 6th. On October 6th will be spent at the Shrine of the Holy Martyrs in Upstate New York. Total Cost for the Pilgrimage will be approximately \$245.00. **\$150.00 Deposit is due by September 1st to hold your reservation.** If you are interested, please contact Martha Cullen at (717)242-1713 **as soon as possible.**



Adult Bible Study Classes will begin Tuesday, September 6th at 7pm in the Parish Office Basement (9 N. Brown St.). Enter via the door facing the Alley.

CCD NEWS – Registration for all students, will be held after each Mass September 10th and 11th in the School Cafeteria. All C.C.D. classes begin on September 18th, from 9am until 10:50am. Questions regarding registration call 657-6507. Again this year we will be charging a book fee of \$15. You may bring it to registration or to class. Thank you, Connie Quinn, for heading our CCD program.



The Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Choir will resume rehearsing on Wednesday, September 7th, in the choir loft at 7:30pm. The Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Choir is responsible for singing at many

Masses throughout the year. The choir is open to high school teenagers and adults who express a desire to sing sacred choral literature and display basic singing and pitch matching abilities. The choir rehearses from 7:30pm . 8:45pm on most Wednesday evening from September until June. As always, we welcome new singers and instrumentalists. Contact Chad Reed, the director, at creed1187@comcast.net or the parish office at 717-242-2781 for more information.

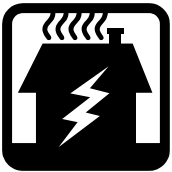
The Diocese of Harrisburg is holding **Lector Training Workshops** on **Saturday, Sept. 24** from 9AM to Noon at the Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg. All lectors are encouraged to attend this workshop. Registration forms are available in the vestibule. Return forms to the Parish office ASAP so we may register you.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Tribunal of the Diocese of Harrisburg will be giving a presentation in your area concerning marriage, divorce and annulment according to Church teaching. The presentation will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and any others who may have a vested interest because of family or friends. This Session will be held on September 15th, at 7pm, in the Cardinal Keeler Center of the diocesan office building in Harrisburg. No Prior registration is required. For further information, please call 717-657-4804, ext 304, or email: tribunal@hbgdiocese.org

Save the date! **Sunday, October 23rd at 4pm** in the School Cafeteria. We are having anniversary Celebrations for Sister Carmelita (60years), Sister Anna Maria (67 years), and Fr. Fidelis (10 years). If you would like to help with planning please contact the parish office. If you would like to contribute to the parish gift, you can drop it in the collection basket, please mark your envelope, %October Anniversary Reception.+

Attention Parishioners and Nittany Oil Company Customers:



Nittany Oil Company has begun new program - if you mention that you are a Parishioner of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, for every gallon purchased throughout the year, Nittany Oil will donate a portion back to the Church. If you have begun the search for an oil company for the winter, or if

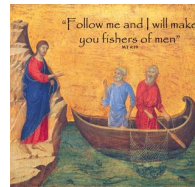
you are already a customer, consider contacting Nittany Oil Company for prices and the different plans they offer. You can contact their local Lewistown office for more information (717)248-0189, ask for April. The Church recommends that you do your research and make sure you pick the company that best suits your needs.

Save the Date! The Parish Picnic 12Noon on September 18th Derry Park Orange Pavilion!



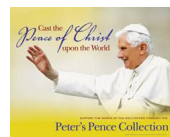
Please bring a covered dish and 1 place setting for each person in your family Please call the parish office to sign your family up! Or after Mass on September 3rd & 4th or 10th & 11th

We are faced with a Challenge! Many dioceses throughout the United States are facing the challenge of fewer vocations to the priesthood. We



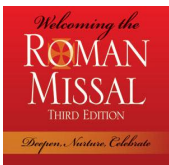
in the Diocese of Harrisburg are faced with a different kind of challenge . the need to provide solid seminary formation for an increasing number of men who are studying for the Priesthood.

What a wonderful challenge to be blessed with! As we have counted on your prayers for young men considering a vocation to the priesthood, so now we need your financial help in providing seminary formation for them. Please consider attending the Annual Fishers of Men Dinner on September 23, 2011 in the Cardinal Keeler Center at 4800 Union Deposit Road in Harrisburg. Hors d'œuvres will be served at 6:00pm and dinner at 7:00pm. Please find more information in the vestibule of the church or go to the diocesan website at www.hbgdiocese.org/fishersofmen to RSVP or send a donation to this worthy cause.



September 9, 2011 Our Diocese will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides the Holy Father with the Funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The

proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Through your generosity, we can cast the peace of Christ upon the world.



“Holy Words for Holy People” are informational and educational sessions being scheduled in parish $\text{\textcircled{S}}$ in the Diocese of Harrisburg. These

presentations will introduce the upcoming word changes at Mass to the Catholic in the pews. At these sessions, answers to these questions will be answered; What is changing? Why is it changing? And, How can I reap the most spiritual benefits from the changes? A session will be held at **St. Monica, Sunbury September 12th, at 7p.m.** Fr. Joshua Brommer, Liturgy Coordinator for the Diocese will be presenting the Sessions. The Sessions are intended for all Catholics in the diocese at large as well as anyone with an interest in the topic.

A Charismatic Day of Renewal will be held on Saturday, September 17, 2010 from 8 a.m. till 5:30 p.m. at the Cardinal Keeler Center, Harrisburg. **Registration is \$20.00 for each person, including Lunch. The deadline for lunch reservations is September 1.** According to the center $\text{\textcircled{S}}$ regulations, no food or $\text{\textcircled{S}}$ brown bags+will be allowed to be brought onto the premises for lunch that day. Only reservations without lunch accepted after September 1. Please see the attached Reservation form. **Send check made payable to “Diocese of Harrisburg” in the amount of \$20.00 for each person** **to:**Charismatic Renewal/ **Attn:** Kate Neri **4800 Union Deposit Rd, Harrisburg, PA 17111: (717) 657-4804 x 316**



Human Life Services Banquet - Spend September 23, 2011 evening celebrating Life Services' success and hear about its plan for the future. Doors will open at 6:00 pm, with dinner being served at 6:30 pm at the Valencia Ballroom, York, PA. At the same time, listen to the courageous and inspiring story of Abby Johnson, former Planned Parenthood director and author of "Unplanned", who chose to cross the line and fight for the lives of the unborn. Reservations are required and seating is limited. **Please call: 717-854-7615 x 29 by September 1 to reserve your seats.**

Come and See - Mark your calendars now for the 6th Annual Catholic Charities $\text{\textcircled{S}}$ come and See Dinner” **which will take place on Monday, November 7th at 6:00 p.m. at the Cardinal Keeler Center in Harrisburg.** The featured speaker will be Reverend Edward A. $\text{\textcircled{S}}$ Monk+ Malloy, C.S.C. Reverend Malloy is a distinguished leader, educator, and humanitarian who served as the 16th President of the University of Notre Dame from 1987-2005. Specific information about the event will be announced soon. This is the largest fundraising event of the year for Catholic Charities of Harrisburg, and all proceeds benefit the Four Homes for Healing.

For more information, contact Christopher Meehan, Catholic Charities Director of Development at 717-657-4804 x284 or cmeehan@hbgdiocese.org

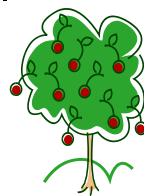
SACRED HEART SCHOOL



Sacred Heart School Office will be Open: August 29th – September 2nd: 7:30AM – 3:30PM
Welcome back to school! SHS will open on August 31st at 8:00AM. The children are to wear phys ed uniforms with sneakers on that day. Breakfast and lunch will **not** be offered the first three days of school. Kindly bring bag lunch and snack. Milk will be available for purchase at the price of **45** cents. Additional details for school opening will be mailed to parents early August. We wish you enjoyable summer days as we look forward to seeing our children return on August 31st!

SHS Welcomes two new staff members: Tammy Richard, who will be our After School Program Director and Carolyn Parson, who moves from the ASP to be the Kindergarten Aide. **The After School Program will begin the first day of school, August 31.**

SHS is in need of an Instrumental Music Teacher for the 2011-12 school year who is able to teach private lessons to students in grades 3 . 5 during the regular school day. This is a part-time position, paid by the parents of the students, and can be a flexible schedule. Clearances needed. If interested, please contact the school during summer office hours.



TREASURE TREE UPDATE: Thanks to everyone who participated in this year’s Treasure Tree project! We have received pledges of \$1,660.00 over the past two weeks from our generous parishioners at Sacred Heart. So far, we have promised over \$17,000 in Angel Fund Tuition Assistance, so we still have a ways to go. The Treasure Tree travels to Juniata County and St. Jude Thaddeus Church for the next two weeks, so we pray that those parishioners will be generous as well. If you were unable to participate at this time, feel free to send a donation to the Angel Fund at any time throughout the school year by placing it in an envelope **CLEARLY MARKED** $\text{\textcircled{S}}$ angel Fund+ and putting it in the Sunday collection, or sending it to **ATTN: Sue Parzanese at the Parish Office, 9 N Brown St.** As always, your continued support and prayers for SHS are greatly appreciated!