

**Stewardship is a way of life.**  
**Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:**

<b>Tithing Income:</b> August 29, 2010	\$6,840.50
<b>Tithing Income :</b> August 30 2009	\$8,190.00
Children's offering:	\$3.00

**Next week's tithe is for: Peter's Pence**

**Hearing and Responding to the Call**

Everyone has a calling, which is another way of saying that your walk with God is personal. When you hear the call to gratitude and responsibility – in your friendships and family, in your work, wherever you go – then taking the next step to answer that call is where Catholic stewardship may be clearly seen. And in our faith, that response happens in a wonderfully rich, vibrant community of diverse and talented individuals. We are all encouraged to consider responding generously to God's call to a priestly or religious vocation, as well as to the single or married life.

**What Does Catholic Stewardship Look Like?**

**We work** as partners with God in the redemption of the world

**We respect** human life and dignity

**We protect** the natural environment

**We share** our gifts (time, talents, and treasures) with others

**We communicate** our enthusiasm

For your own development as a Catholic steward, it helps to spend time in prayer and reflection to recognize your gifts from God. Then discover how best to use those gifts for the benefit of others – and of course, invite others to discern and share their gifts too.

**The Challenges and Rewards of Stewardship**

It is an incredible challenge to live in imitation of the life of Christ. We all face obstacles, opportunities, and challenges, living in a fast paced environment with many responsibilities. Our spiritual hunger does not always get a chance to be nourished through prayer and action. However a clear sense of purpose – nourished by the Eucharist and our rich Catholic tradition – opens the door for us to actively commit to a life of gratitude and responsibility and to thank God for his endless gifts, and then to decide what we can do to help the world. The rewards include:

**Making** a difference in people's lives

**Becoming** an active member of a fulfilling Catholic community

**Discovering** talents inside you, waiting to be used

**Letting go** of your worries and setting realistic goals in both your spiritual and secular life

**Experiencing** the amazing increase in God's presence that comes with a partnership with the Lord.

**My Good Deed for the Week:** A third grader said: "I gave water to the dogs and let them out." A sixth grader said: I did the dishes."

## ***Pastor's Column***

**"COME TO ME, ALL YOU WHO LABOR..."**

**(Matt. 11:28)**

Just as Veterans Day and Memorial Day remind us of sacrifices made by our military for freedom, Labor Day reminds us of efforts made by our nation's workers for our prosperity. You could say for our economic freedom. That takes work.

There is a theology behind this, going back to the Book of Genesis, when God tells man, right after creating him, "fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves over the face of the earth." (Gen. 1:28)

That phrase "subdue the earth" implies agriculture. Work, especially farm work, is basically subduing the earth, bringing it under control, making it productive. Dominion over the living things could mean hunting and fishing. It's all work.

This is said before the Fall of Man, before original sin, so there was work in paradise, although it was very enjoyable, pleasurable, even fun. Work is not a punishment for sin, although it has surely taken on more of an "edge" because of sin. But at times, I think, we get a glimpse of work before the Fall, when work is enjoyable, satisfying.

And subduing, and having dominion, does not mean abusing the land and nature; doing whatever we want with things, having a despotic control over creation. Stewardship is implied here, whereby we take loving care of what has been entrusted to us, taking only what we need, replacing what we've taken, and receiving things with humble gratitude (see the column to the left). Oil spills, polluted waters, and endangered species, remind us of how far we've fallen with sin from works ideal.

With good work we partner with God in re-creating our world. Try showing up for work or school with that thought: With God I am helping to improve our world. Maybe that will change how you go about things during the work day.

I will end with a word here about unemployment. We pray for those who are out of work and we beseech God that they find the work they seek. We will never get back to the Garden of Eden but may we all work to make our world better until we enter the new world above that awaits us.

Fr. Bill

**Weekly Readings**  
**Twenty Third Sunday in**  
**Ordinary Time**



**Monday, September 6 –**

1 Corinthians 5:1-8; Psalm 5:5—7, 12; Luke 6:6-11

**Tuesday, September 7 –** 1 Corinthians 6:1 -11;  
 Psalm 149:1-6, 9; Luke 6:12-19

**Wednesday, September 8 –** Micah 5:1-4; Psalm  
 13:6; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

**Thursday, September 9 –** 1 Corinthians 8:1-7, 11-  
 13; Psalm 139:1-3, 13-14, 23-24; Luke 6:27-38

**Friday, September 10 –** 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-  
 27; Psalm 84:3-6, 12; Luke 6:39-42

**Saturday, September 11 –** 1 Corinthians 10:14-22;  
 Psalm 116:12-13, 17-18.; Luke 6:43-49

**Sunday, September 12 –** Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14;  
 Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke  
 15:1-32

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**September**

5 –St. Monica Rosary Prayer Group / 7pm / Church

6 – **Labor Day / Office Closed**

7 – Bible Study / 7pm / Parish office

8 – Choir Practice / 7:45pm

9 – RCIA Welcoming Night / 7pm / Parish office

11 – Ladies guild / Mass / meeting after in basement

11 – CCD registration after Mass

12 – CCD Registration after Masses

12 – St Monica Rosary Prayer Group / 7pm / church

13 – SVDP meeting / 7pm / Parish office

14 – Bible Study / 7pm / office

14 – Knights of Columbus / 7pm / Knight's home

15 – Jim Cowan singer / 7pm Mass / Concert to  
 follow

19 – **Parish Picnic / 1pm / Derry Park**

**Van Transportation to Mass:** The following is the  
 van schedule:

September 5 – Russell Krug

September 12 – Mel Reed

**PARISH ACTIVITIES**

**SAVE THIS DATE!!! PARISH**

**PICNIC**, Sunday September  
 19 at Derry Park, 1pm, rain or  
 shine. Chicken, drinks, bingo,  
 50/50 drawing. Bring a covered  
 dish. Mass will not be at the park.



**Parish Pastoral Council Seeks Nominations:**

Sacred Heart's Parish Pastoral Council seeks  
 nominations to fill openings for three-year terms. The  
 task of the council is to advise the pastor to "guide  
 and coordinate the activities of the parish and all its

organizations." Members of the council should be  
 practicing Catholics and registered members of the  
 parish. Those interested in submitting their names  
 for the ballot are asked to contact the parish office  
 for a nomination form. Parishioners may also  
 suggest other candidates for inclusion on the ballot. .  
**Deadline to submit nominations for parish  
 council is September 19 with elections being  
 held Sunday October 3.**

**NEW PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY COMING!!**

Olan Mills will once again be taking pictures for the  
 new Sacred Heart directory. All parish families are  
 encouraged to sign up for a photo session and free 8  
 X 10 photo, so the directory will be a complete  
 listing. Only families who are photographed get to  
 receive the beautiful, keepsake  
 directory, and no purchase is  
 required. Sign-ups for photo times  
 will be held after Masses  
 each weekend in  
 September. Sign up  
 early to get the best time  
 for you and your family.  
 All photo sessions will be  
 held in the school cafeteria  
 Oct. 4-6, 2pm-9:30pm,  
 Oct. 11-15, 2pm-9:30pm,  
 and Oct. 16, 9:30am to 5:30pm. If you have any  
 questions, call Rose Guerrini, 248-4328.



**HELP NEEDED FOR PHOTO DIRECTORY ASAP!!**

Volunteers are needed to staff sign-up tables at  
 weekend Masses in September, help with  
 registration and hospitality during photo sessions in  
 October, photography of shut-ins and Ministry  
 groups (need quality digital camera), mailings, phone  
 calls, and miscellaneous tasks. If you can help with  
 any of these, please contact Rose Guerrini at 248-  
 4328.

**C.C.D News – All C.C.D  
 classes will begin on  
 September 19<sup>th</sup>.**

Schedules are in the  
 vestibule of the church.

**For the Kids**



Registration for new students, including the recent  
 graduates from our school, will be held on  
 September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> after each Mass, in the  
 school cafeteria. To help defray the cost of the  
 books, a fee of \$15.00 will be charged to each  
 student. The confirmation class will have a retreat on  
 October 9<sup>th</sup> in the cafeteria. This is a required retreat,  
 and will begin at 9am and end with Mass at 4pm.  
 The retreat will be presented by Art Bamert from  
 Lancaster High School

**Come make a difference in a teen's life!** Join our Youth Ministry Leadership meeting on September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 9:30am at the Brown St. Church office, where we can brainstorm together and make it happen. Many talents are needed: teachers, social activities and planners, chaperones and musicians, etc. Looking forward to seeing you! Please call the parish office for further information.

**Knights of Columbus** – will hold their regularly scheduled meeting on September 14, 7pm, at their Knights home on Market Street. Attending their meeting will be Father Thoms. All members are encouraged to attend. If anyone from the parish would like to greet Father Thoms they may come to the home after their meeting at 8pm.

**Coming Soon** – Sacred Heart of Jesus presents Jim Cowan for a **Live Concert and Eucharistic Holy Hour**. He is a renowned singer, songwriter & worship leader for conferences at Franciscan University in Steubenville for 25 years. Come and be renewed in the Lord's healing presence. Wednesday, **September 15** at 7:30pm (after Mass) Free Will offering. Will be taken after the concert

**RCIA** - Welcoming Night – September 15, 7pm Parish office. If you know someone interested in learning about the Catholic faith, please invite them to come to this meeting or if you are interested in learning more about your faith this is for you also.



**SAVE THE DATE:** The Ladies Guild is sponsoring a bus trip to the **National Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Emmitsburg, Maryland on October 2<sup>nd</sup>** for the closing of the Diocesan Marian Year, declared by Bishop Rhoades, former Bishop of Harrisburg. Cost will be \$25.00, plus your buffet meal coming back. Please use the sign-up sheet in the vestibule if interested. Payment may be made anytime from now until September 20<sup>th</sup> to Sacred Heart of Jesus Church and can be put in a marked envelope (Bus Trip), put in the collection basket or taken to the church office. Any questions...contact Martha Cullen at 242-1713.



**Adult Bible Study will begin** Tuesday, September 7 at 7pm in the Parish office at 9 N. Brown St. Subject – The Great Adventure (an overview of the entire Bible!). The cost is \$20. If you have not already signed-up please call the parish office.

**The Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Choir** Will practice on Wednesday's beginning promptly at 7:45PM (immediately following the 7PM Mass). As always, the choir is looking to recruit new members. The choir is currently seeking **vocal and instrumental** musicians. If interested, please contact Chad Reed by email ([chadedwardreed@gmail.com](mailto:chadedwardreed@gmail.com)) or contact the Parish Office at (717) 242-2781 for more information.



**Sacred Heart Parish Office** is still looking for someone in the parish who can help update our Parish website. The news is getting pretty old and we need to refresh the web site. Call the office if you are willing to volunteer. Thank you.

## LITURGICAL NOTES



### **Sunday, September 5**

7:30 AM People of the Parish  
11:00 AM Deceased of the Smith & Lloyd families

### **Monday, September 6**

9:00 AM Intention of Anna Zeigler

### **Tuesday, September 7**

7:00 AM Kathleen Smith

### **Wednesday, September 8**

7:00 PM Olga Arborline

### **Thursday, September 9**

7:00 AM Guiseppe Mazzanuto  
9:00 AM Ferd & Carolyn Weitzel

### **Friday, September 10**

7:00 AM Richard & Elizabeth Showers

### **Saturday September 11**

8:00 AM Ann Turbett  
4:00 PM Anna E. Hackenberry

### **Sunday September 12**

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

**Memorialize Sanctuary Candles:** The following dates are available: September 12, 19,

**The Sanctuary Candle this week** is in loving memory of the Thomas & Ughetto families and in honor of the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday of Evelyne Ughetto

**Memorialize Flowers:** If you would like to memorialize flowers at the altar or ambo (pulpit) please call the parish office to schedule. The next available dates are: September 26.

**The flowers on the altar** this week are in celebration of the 51<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary of John & Anna Zavacky from Annie Hallinger.

## COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Mifflin County Library Fall Book Sale,** September 23, 24, 25 & 26. Main Branch of the Mifflin County Library, located at 123 N Wayne St in Lewistown.

**Thank you for the charitable contribution of \$722.00** from your parish tithing to the Sisters of Christian Charity. Your generosity is a gift to us and we are so grateful. May God continue to bless your ministry as pastor and the work you do. Thank you for all that you do for our Sisters there at Sacred Heart. May God bless you and reward you in ways we cannot. Sincerely, Sister Anne Therese Peach, SCC, Provincial Treasurer.

**Know and Grow in Your Faith.** Tune into “**Catholic Perspective**” each Sunday morning for a half-hour of information and inspiration with features that will help you know and grow in your Catholic faith. Hear it on WIEZ-AM 670 at 8am. “**Catholic Perspective**” is brought to you in part by The Catholic Communication Collection and your parish.

**Another school year begins.** How many desks are empty due to the deaths of children when they were unborn babies. Who can comprehend the talents and gifts lost due to more than **52 million abortions since 1973?**

## SACRED HEART SCHOOL

**SHS is pleased to announce new school board members,** Theresa Fike, Christina Mazur, and Diane Bray. The School Board is comprised of parishioners who advise the school administration on various. We are grateful to the Board for their time and expertise.

**SHS welcomes new staff members** for 2020-2011- -Erin Fitzgerald, Grade two, Elizabeth Meyer, technology, Josephine Souders, Spanish, Teresa Spigelmeyer, maintenance, Angela Niman part time library help. A returning welcome is given to our other staff members, Lorie Torquato, Mike Fitzgerald, Deb Henry, Katie Lepley, Jann Sherman, Peg Reik, Tom Storm, Sarah Petroski, Ruth Allison,

Heather McDonald, Linda Wilson, Jeanette Underhill, Mary Levin, Sr. Marlene.

**September 6:** Labor Day, No School

**Opening School Mass** will be on Thursday, September 9th at 9AM. Join us in prayer asking for God's blessing on our new school year.

**Back to School Picnic: 5PM** Derry Park Orange pavilion, Sept 11. HSA will provide drinks and chicken and paper ware; wear red, white and blue to commemorate 9/11. Game of golf, other activities, prizes for the children will be part of the welcome back to school picnic

**Back to School Night for parents** will be held on Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, with refreshments at 6:15, followed by meeting and sessions with the teachers. At least one parent from each family is expected to attend.

**SHS will begin the year** with the implementation of a new Language Arts Text, and a new Religion program as well as a grant funded Phys Ed program, SPARK. In addition SHS joins the diocesan Wide Area Network for technology and will be using Study Island for review and enrichment.



