

July 10, 2016 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship is a way of life.

Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

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| Tithing Income: July 03, 2016: | |
| Regular: | \$ 5,288.00 |
| Loose: | \$ 472.10 |
| Children's Offering: | \$ -0- |
| ONLINE GIVING: | \$ 2,240.00 |
| Tithing Income TOTAL For July 03, 2016: | <u>\$ 8,000.10</u> |

Tithing Income July 05, 2015: **\$10,087.00**

Capital Campaign Amount **\$19,046.00**
(As of July 03, 2016)

Tithe for Week of July 3rd:
Sister Servants of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus **\$ 800.00**

Tithe for Week of July 10th:
Mother Hubbard's Cupboard

Tithe for Week of July 17th:
St. Vincent de Paul Society

Tithe for Week of July 24th:
Association of Marian Helpers
Operation Homefront

Mass Attendance:

Weekend of July 03, 2016 – 395

Weekend of July 05, 2015 – 414

Pastor's Comments:

Brian Jones and Bertrand Picard were the first people to fly around the world in a hot air balloon. They won a prize of \$1 million. In the course of the trip, they flew over some very poor countries. So they agreed to donate half of the prize to the poor. Brian Jones and Bertrand Picard have the right idea. We are in this world not just to 'fly over' people in need, but to make a difference. Tithing is our way of making a difference, of giving some of what we receive to God and to those in need.

Something to Ponder: If you do your best to be a good witness of Christian joy to those around you, showing good example to them by your charitable and amiable disposition, you can help them become better. This is a big part of what St. Paul meant when he said, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:2). -from Now What?

PASTORS COLUMN: THE NEW ARIANISM: ANNULMENTS Part IV

Okay, class, let's review. What was the *old* Arianism? Right. It was the rejection of the full divinity of Christ by the priest Arius and his followers in the 4th century.

What is the *new* Arianism? I say that it is the rejection of standard Judeo-Christian sexual and marriage morality.

Like the first heresy, this one too is very popular and

politically correct. It involves approval of co-habitation, divorce and second marriage, same-sex marriage, and allowing people in those states to receive communion.

Last week I wrote that people in those states cannot receive communion until they remove themselves from those sinful situations, get to confession, and start all over again. With repentance, God is happy to forgive. Those in a second marriage are in that state, since Christ said, in so many words, once married, always married. He actually said that people who divorce and enter into a second marriage commit adultery.

Along those lines, many Catholics don't realize that they are also obligated to get married in the Catholic Church. For a Catholic to get married before a government official or a Protestant minister, without Catholic Church permission (which can be obtained in some cases) is serious sin and, again, bars one from communion.

That's because, over the centuries the Church has set rules for the regulation of matrimony among its members. She was given that power from Christ who said "whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven." (Matt. 16:18) Christ here says to the Church, whatever you need to do to keep good order is okay by me. And good order requires that the priest normally be the chief witness at every Catholic wedding, so we know who is married and who isn't.

In any case, after a valid first marriage, more and more Catholics are divorcing. If such a divorced Catholic remains single – does not marry nor co-habit with someone- then that Catholic can continue receiving communion, believe it or not. After all, the Catholic Church considers divorce a civil fiction and the individual can still be considered married to the first spouse – just sort of separated. St. Paul says in 1 Cor. 7: 11 that if a wife does separate "let her remain single or else be reconciled to her husband." So separation is allowed, if one remains single.

The problem arises with a *second marriage* after divorce from a first one. The Catholic Church, of course, won't perform someone's second marriage, so the Catholic and the partner go to a J.P., or a Protestant minister for the ceremony. That is called an invalid marriage, because the previous marriage presents an obstacle to a true marriage.

Since Christ's words against divorce and remarriage are so strong, the Catholic Church does hold Protestants to those words as well. So a single Catholic engaged to a divorced Protestant cannot get married in the Catholic Church, because the Protestant has been married before and is still considered bound to that first marriage.

This is true *even if the Protestant and his or her first spouse were married before a justice of the peace!* That's because the Catholic Church respects whatever form or ritual that the Protestant churches respect for marriage. The Protestant churches respect J.P. weddings as true and valid and therefore so does the Catholic Church for Protestants (although not for Catholics). A J.P. marriage between two Protestants is considered by the Catholic Church as permanent and forever.

For those divorced from an ostensibly valid marriage, is there any recourse if they want marriage again, without

incurring mortal sin? They must prove their first marriage invalid, i.e., not a true marriage as intended by God, even though vows were exchanged in church, even though there might be some years in the marriage and children produced. This is called a declaration of nullity or an annulment.

There are civil annulments given too, although they are rare. This is different from divorce, which is the break-up of an already existing marriage. With a civil annulment a court recognizes that a true marriage did not happen in the first place, even though vows were exchanged. Maybe one of the partners was forced into the wedding. Maybe one of the partners was underage. Maybe one or both were drunk.

Does anybody remember Britany Spears' first "marriage" years ago in Las Vegas? While partying hearty and soaring high, she and some young man thought it would be funny to go to a wedding chapel and just get married for the heck of it, which they did. It was later annulled by a civil court.

We'll have more on annulments later.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July

Sunday: 07/10/16:
Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

Monday: 07/11/16:
Mass/9am/Church

Tuesday: 07/12/16:
Mass/7am/Church

Wednesday: 07/13/16:
Confessions/6:30pm/Church
Mass/7pm/Church

Thursday: 07/14/16:
Mass/9am/Church

Friday: 07/15/16:
Mass/7am/Church

Saturday: 07/16/16:
Confessions/3:30pm/Church
Mass/4pm/Church

Sunday: 07/17/16:
Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

Monday: 07/18/16:
Mass/9am/Church

Tuesday: 07/19/16:
Mass/7am/Church

Wednesday: 07/20/16:
Confessions/6:30pm/Church
Mass/7pm/Church

Thursday: 07/21/16:
Mass/9am/Church

Friday: 07/22/16:
Mass/7am/Church

Saturday: 07/23/16:
Confessions/3:30pm/Church
Mass/4pm/Church

Sunday: 07/24/16:
Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

LITURGICAL NOTES:

Mass Intentions for the Week

And Weekly Readings



Sunday, July 10

Deuteronomy 30:10-14; Psalm 69:14,17,30-31, 33-34,36,37;
Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37

7:30 AM People of the Parish

11:00 AM John Stryker

Monday, July 11 St. Benedict, Abbot

Isaiah 1:10-17; Psalm 50:8-9,16-17,21 &23;
Matthew 10:34-11:1

7:00 AM Gary McCoach

Tuesday, July 12

Isaiah 7:1-9; Psalm 48:2-8; Matthew 11:20-24

7:00 AM Charles Heindl

Wednesday, July 13

Isaiah 10:5-7,13-16; Psalm 94:5-10,13-16; Matthew 11:25-27

7:00 PM George Vasiloff

Thursday, July 14 St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Isaiah 26:7-9,12,16-19; Psalm 102:13-21; Matthew 11:28-30

9:00 AM Florence Worstall

Friday, July 15 St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor

Isaiah 38:1-6,21-22,7-8; Isiah 38:10, 11,12,16;

Mathew 12:1-8

7:00 AM Dave Patterson

Saturday, July 16

Micah 2:1-5; Psalm 10:1-4,7-8,14; Matthew 12:14-21

4:00 PM Mary Zarchovich

Sunday, July 17

Genesis 18:1-10; Psalm 15:2-5; Colossians 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42

7:30 AM People of the Parish

11:00 AM Jon Banik

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

July 10 - Dave Kaniecki

July 17 - Mel Reed

July 24 - Russell Krug

Memorialize Sanctuary Candles: The following dates are **available:** Cost is \$20. Call the office to make arrangements. **Dates Available: July 31**

Sanctuary Lamp the week of July 10 – 15th:

In Loving Memory of

Gary McCoach

With Love, from his Mother Helen

Memorialize Flowers: If you would like to memorialize flowers at the altar or ambo (pulpit) please call the parish office to schedule. **The following dates are available: July 24, 31**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Going on vacation? Please use Online Giving to catch-up on offertory. Go to

www.sacredheartlewisstown.com and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy. Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish.

After 5 years of dedicated service to our parish, Annemarie Swineford, our parish secretary, is relocating effective July 22nd. We will be accepting applications to fill the position until July 08th, 2016. This position is a full-time position, 8:30AM-4:30PM, M-F. Benefits include medical and life insurance, and 401K. The secretary is responsible for the daily operation of the parish office and for relieving the Pastor of clerical work and minor administrative and business details. This individual needs to be mature, courteous and able to interact well with Priests, parishioners, and others. Requires a minimum of a High School Diploma. Knowledge of word processing, database, website/Facebook, and spreadsheet applications desired. A more detailed job description and applications are available at the office.

Dear Sacred Heart Parish Family,

Will and I want to thank you for 10 ½ years of being part of Sacred heart Parish. You might not realize what a wonderful church family you are! A special thanks to Gary Sanges. Who was the first person who really made us feel welcome. Gary, Nancy, Joey and all the SVDP volunteers were a joy to work with-what a generous and giving group. Jeannie Krepps and I have enjoyed working for the past 7 years on the greeting card ministry and what a blessed woman she is. I also want to thank Fay Headings and the Red Hat Ladies for their friendship, love and support. Will and I will really miss all the parishioners and hope that you realize our stay with you holds a special place in our hearts. *Thank you and God's Blessing, Mary and Will Perry*



Do you or anyone you know need to complete the Sacraments of Initiation; Baptism, Holy Eucharist, Confirmation, or perhaps non-Catholics who would like to explore the Catholic faith? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults,(RCIA) classes are held on Thursday evenings at the Church office at 7 o'clock. **Contact the rectory for more information at 242-2781.**



Join Fr. Bill on a Kayaking trip down the Juniata River. The day begins at 8:30 am Mass at St. Jude following Mass, the group will leave from Buttonwood Campground, lunch will follow the trip and day will be over by 2:30 pm. Sign-up sheet is located in the Vestibule of the Church.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

"VOLUNTEERS OPEN DOORS OF OPPORTUNITY. PAVE AVENUES OF SUCCESS. FORTIFY THEIR COMMUNITIES. AND LAY THE FOUNDATION FOR TOMORROW'S GROWTH AND PROSPERITY."

Volunteers Needed, for Lewistown's Week of Caring August 8-12, 2016 Beginning August 8th The First United Methodist Church is coordinating a "Week of Caring," and would like all of Lewistown's Community

Churches to participate. *Possible activities that will be part of this week will be: General Cleaning of streets & local parks, Litter pick up, readers at the Mifflin County Library, listeners & readers at the Lumina Center, Cooks to prepare a meal for the Shelter each day, Stitching team to knit and crochet items for Crossroads Pregnancy Center... and much more.* At the weeks end will be an evening worship celebration at the Rec Park Community Center featuring The Salt'N Light youth Ministry. Please consider the strong influence our Church can have in our community, as we demonstrate God's wonderful grace, love to our neighbors, God will be praised and Lewistown will be the main benefactor. **Contact Pastor Randy Hughes at First Methodist Church at (717) 248-4618 and tell him YOU will volunteer!**

Make Your Voice Heard - It is more important than ever for Catholics to make their voices heard in the public square. You can receive up-to-date information on the most pressing issues that affect the common good through the Catholic Advocacy Network. You will be notified of important legislative news and be able to contact your legislators with just a few clicks of the mouse. Visit www.PACatholic.org and click on the Subscribe or Sign Up tabs.

EWTN OFFERS EXTENSIVE COVERAGE OF WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016!

Join EWTN on a historic journey to Poland to celebrate the Lord's mercy with Pope Francis and thousands of young adults! Our coverage, July 25-31, includes on-location broadcasts of the events plus interviews with Catholic youth and religious men and women from around the world! You can find EWTN on your TV, radio, computer, and mobile device! For more information, go to www.ewtn.com.

Praise God with all your Heart



A Medical Moral Issues workshop will be held on September 30, 2016 from 8:30 a.m. until noon at the Cardinal Keeler Center. Fr. Paul Schenck and guests from the medical and legal fields will address topics such as caring for the sick and vulnerable, end of life issues, and assisted suicide. This presentation is offered by the Secretariat for Catholic Life and Evangelization and is open to all. It is ideal for health care ministers, parish nurses, pro-life advocates and disabilities advocates. For additional information or to register visit www.hbgdiocese.org/evangelization or email: jcurran@hbgdiocese.org

Rosary Rally for H.S. Athletes 2016 - A Rosary Rally led by Bishop Ronald W. Gainer for all High School Athletes will be held on Sunday, July 17, 2016 at 6 to 8 p.m. at Good Shepherd Parish, 3435 East Trindle Road, Camp Hill, PA. Show your school spirit, wear your game jersey. Parents, families and Catholic athletes from public schools are also welcome. Coaches are encouraged to bring their entire teams. Bishop Gainer will be available for team photos after the rally. For more information call Hannah Woodward at (717) 367-0100 ext. 20 or visit Hannahw@stewardshipmission.org or visit <http://stewardshipmission.org/catholic-schools-initiative/>



Summer school office hours are 9:00 am. to 2:00 pm. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, with ample appt. time available throughout the week. All calls to the school at 248-5351 outside office hours will be returned as soon as possible. Custodians and summer help will be working weekdays throughout the summer from 7:00 am. until 2:00 pm.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Sacred Heart School is currently enrolling for K-5th grades for the 2016-2017 school year. If you are interested in sending your child to SHS in the fall, please call the office at 242-5351 and schedule your visit today! The Financial Aid process has also begun. **You can find more information by visiting our website at www.sacredheartschool.com!**

Sacred Heart School will be offering a tuition transfer grant to any child going into grades 1st through 5th for the 2016-2017 school year. Any

public, private, charter or home-school student who transfers to Sacred Heart School is eligible to receive a Tuition Transfer Grant. Each student will receive \$1,500 in grants over the course of 2 years (\$1,000 in year 1 and \$500 in year 2.) Restrictions apply and no financial aid forms are required. Sacred Heart School has been very effective at preparing our children for a successful middle school, high school, and college experience. Our alumni have excelled as honor students at both high school and college levels. Our faculty is dedicated to maximizing each child's God given potentials in a nurturing family atmosphere. With our small class sizes and many extracurricular activities, your child will have a greater opportunity to excel. Sacred Heart is a Middle States accredited school. If you have been considering a different school for your child, this could be the time! **For more details and a tour of our school please contact us at 717-248-5351.**

Sacred Heart News

Our school recently graduated a wonderful group of students and we wish the best of luck to Desiree Broadwater, Frances Fitzgerald, William Hazard, Mark Ho, Tristen Kline, Emily Meyer, Tenee Miller, Shreya Patel, Mia Rhoades, Emma Sheetz and Mikayla Speece. These students have been great role models who will be highly missed at Sacred Heart. This group received many accolades at graduation: Shreya Patel won the Religion award, Emma Sheetz - the Mathematics award, William Hazard - Social Studies and Technology, Mikayla Speece - Science and Music, Mia Rhodes - Language Arts, Mark Ho - Art, and Tenee Miller won the Physical Education award.

William Hazard, Mikayla Speece and Mia Rhodes were the winners of the Presidents Gold Award for Educational Excellence, and Desiree Broadwater, Frances Fitzgerald, Emma Sheetz, Emily Meyer, Tenee Miller, Tristen Kline, and Shreya Patel were awarded the President's Silver Award for Educational Achievement. There was just an incredible amount of talent in this class. Their hard work and perseverance was a joy for us at the school to witness over the years. We will also enjoy watching them in their new schools as they continue to excel in all they do. Thank you to all donors and friends of the school who continue to support Sacred Heart Elementary!

*Return to God with all your heart
and you will live.*

