

ST. JOSEPH

PARISH

Vanderburgh County

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A community of joyful, active, faith-filled people who give thanks to God by generously sharing their individual gifts and talents to serve the needs of all.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday—5 PM

Sunday—8 & 10:30 AM

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JANUARY 31, 2010

THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear friends,

I can hardly find words to express my profound gratitude to all of you for the tremendous outpouring of financial support you have given to our brothers and sisters in Haiti...so far over \$23,000 has been collected from parishioners and our other friends of Haiti. And more money has come in this week!

We have begun to use part of the money to buy medicines which we hope to take to our clinic in Plaine du Nord next week. I spoke with Fr. Alain this week and he said that, besides medicines, the biggest need he has is for money to buy food to give to people. The number of people coming to ask for help has really increased. Your generosity is making it possible to meet this need.

In addition to the support you have given, several other parishes in our diocese our joining with us to offer their financial support as well. God has touched many hearts! Please know that we will work very hard to steward well the money you have given.

Fr. Gene Schroeder

Life as Sacred Journey

by David Thomas

How would you feel if a fellow parishioner was ordained raised to become a bishop and then became pope?...or what if your next-door neighbor's daughter was elected to a very high office. Would you feel blessed? Would you think that you had an inside track to gaining greater power for yourself?

This Sunday's gospel describes how the neighbors of Jesus felt when they sensed he had gained special power. Maybe they asked him to do a miracle just for the home folks. Their request seemed simple enough: Do your stuff, Jesus. Remember that first of all, you our ours.



Jesus looked kindly upon them, but graciously declined their offer. Then it hit the fan. Their reaction was one of rage. In fact, they sought to kill him right on the spot. They wanted to access his power for their own purposes. But Jesus connects power with helping others.

His power was not that of strength and might. In fact, he turned power upside down. The power he gave flowed from being vulnerable, sensitive and caring. His power came from love. This Sunday we read St. Paul's description of genuine love. His description applies equally to God's love for us and our love for each other.

We think the command to love applies first to those close to us. But like God's love, it extends to the far reaches of the Universe.

Love is a hell of a lot of work



COME CELEBRATE WITH US CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Special Mass with Prayer Partners—Friday, 8:15 am
Reception Following Mass



THANKS...to the 31 people who donated blood last week—a record number for us. Thanks to our school children for encouraging people to step forward to give blood. Thanks to Imogene Baehl, Dolores Schroeder, Terry Drone and Joanie Schneider for helping with the blood drive.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE WILL BE IN MAY



SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY TO SUPPORT MARY MOTHER OF GOD MISSION IN RUSSIA

Thanks for your support!

SOUP KITCHEN SUNDAY—TODAY

at the Soup Kitchen at St. John's Church on Bellemeade Avenue. Help is needed to prepare the meal (10:30-12:30 am) and serve the meal (1:30-3:30 pm). If you can help, contact Brad Ruminer 963-6987.





CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**JANUARY 31, 2010
FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
SATURDAY, JANUARY 30
THE FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

5:00 PM Frank S. Maurer, Theresa Maurer, Valada Martin, Leona Barrett, Boobie & Bettye Maurer, Agnes DeZemmer, T.P. Lewis, Mary Hillenbrand, James & Ida Greenwell, Christina Zuber (1877), Elisabeth Buchart (1881), Pauline Recker (1936)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31 THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM Theresa Shull, Donald Neumann, Catherine Miller, Madeline Rexing, Alice Keil, Alberta Fehrenbacher
10:30 AM Stella Ubelhor, Jerome Hasenour, Fr. Firmus Dick, Francis Crowdus, Joey Elpers M. Seiler (1888), George Reising (1957)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1 WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6:30 PM Catharina Fischer (1872), Samuel Fischer (1889), Henry Schorlan (1894), Joseph Urich (1931), Louis Happe (1945), Leo Schapker (1958), Phyllis Mangold (1974), Veronica Mayer (1981), Chester Fenwick (1993)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2 THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

7:30 AM Jim Vitzdam, Maria Trunk (1889)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3 FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

7:30 AM Paul Hillenbrand (1922), Walter Schneider (1965), Albert Schey (1977), Mary Preske (1984), Elnora Wolter (1986), Kaysie McGehee (1991), Esther Will (2003)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4 WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NO MASS Joseph Sohmer (1861), Eva Weiss (1883), Edwin Bender (1949)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5 FEAST OF ST. AGATHA

8:15 AM Hieronymus Fischer (1883), Christina Angermeyer (1884), Magdalene Baumgart (1968)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6 THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM Florian Schenk, Anna Straub, James Straub, Alvina & Herman Schneider, Dolores Niemeier, Jerry Drone, Regina Spitzer (1892), Valentine Effinger (1913), Charles Bergwitz (1992), Gerald Drone (2001)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7 THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM Boobie & Betty Maurer, Wilma & Joe Gumbel, Raymond Fischer, Edgar Helmer, Jerome Hasenour
10:30 AM Jim Niemeier, Magdalen Lambers (1905), Gertrude Schenk (1913), Evelyn Raben (2003), Raymond Fischer (2007)

WHO WILL BE PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS THIS WEEK?
Sign up sheet is at the front doors of the church

ST. JOE SENIOR CITIZENS WILL MEET THIS FRIDAY 12 NOON ST. JOE IN 1 PM CAFETERIA

STEWARDSHIP: *The Lord's Way*

Jeremiah declares that the Lord knew him before he was born and dedicated and appointed him to his role as prophet even before he drew breath. We, too, are known and sent by the Lord. What deeds of love and service are mine to perform?



JANUARY 24, 2010	\$ 13,694.25
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$ 17,500.00
TOTAL INCOME TO DATE	\$344,104.40
BUDGET TO DATE	\$367,500.00
CHILDRENS COLLECTION	\$ 22.58

YOUNG STEWARDS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE COLLECTION LAST WEEK: Macey Adler, Matt & Melissa Blythe, Conner Brown, Paige, Kurt & Trent Denning, Abby & Adam Elpers, Madison Elpers, Gretchen, Karl & Kurt Forcum, Danielle, Ben & Gabriel Gries, Jessica Kelley, Hannah Kissel, Evan & Ethan Lyke, Haileigh McClure, Issac, Catherine, Zackery, Natalie & Mariah Schneider, Maisy Seib, Abigail Tenhumberg, Nathan & Brandon Werner, Christiana Wolfe

RAISING THE ROOF FUND

JANUARY 24, 2010	\$ 9,091.00
Includes \$3,000 from the St. Joe Men's Club and \$5,000 from the St. Joe PTO. Thanks!	
TOTAL TO DATE	\$ 270,000.14

MISSION OUTREACH

HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF	\$ 21,439.73
HAITI VITAMINS	\$ 296.00
HAITI	\$ 435.00
HAITI SPECIAL PROJECTS	\$ 125.00
HAITI STUDENTS	\$ 300.00
RETIRED RELIGIOUS	\$ 10.00

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOMES

PINE HAVEN: *Betty Will, Brenda Koester, Charles Baylor*

SOLARBRON TERRACE: *Valeria Elpers, Clarence Miller, Clarence and Mildred Rexing*

NORTH PARK NURSING CENTER: *Norm Moutoux*

ATRIA ASSISTED LIVING: *Bernadette Jean*

STERLING HOUSE ASSISTED LIVING: *Avila Fehrenbacher, Joan Roberts*

CYPRUS REHABILITATION CENTER: *Larry Hoefling*

January 31: Brooke Barkley, Jenny Collins, Julie Forcum, Stephanie Frey, Tom Goedde, Dave Market, Paige Niemeier



February 2: Benjamin Griese, Marlon Kroeger, Joseph Schmitt, Jena Wessel



February 3: Bob Baehl, Larry Boots, Gary Frank, Lauren Karcher, Neil Kassenbrock, Eric Marts, Joe Mayer

February 4: Carol Gries, Randy Tenbarger

February 5: Julie Keller, Aspen Mossberger

February 6: Pat Kempf, Clarence Rexing, Mark Schulze

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



January 31: Mike & Michele Reffett

February 3: Don & Neacie Singleton

February 4: Phil & Becky Doshier

Please remember in your prayers *Helen Schmitt*, the sister of Alma Schapker and aunt of Beverly Jones and Ken and Paul Schapker and *Jerome Hasenour*, the grandfather of Brent Holweger who died recently. May they know the fullness of eternal life with God and may his peace be with their family and friends.



MONDAY—FRIDAY Catholic Schools Weeks
MONDAY: 7 am-7 pm Eucharistic Adoration
7pm Finance and Administration Meeting
WEDNESDAY: 7 pm Marian Prayer Group
FRIDAY: Senior Citizens Gathering 12 noon St. Joe Inn,
1 pm in the cafeteria
SATURDAY/SUNDAY Monthly Collection for Haiti and
St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry Collection

THIS WEEK

FEB. 7: St. Anthony Annual Barbeque **AROUND TOWN**
Ribs \$20 per slab, Whole Pork Butts \$25,
and Sauce \$6 per quart, pre orders are a must,
to order call Phyllis at 867-1440.
FEB. 7: Holy Cross (Ft. Branch) All You Can Eat Chicken
Dinner, serving 10:45 am-1 pm.
FEB. 19-20: YMCA Pancake Days Downtown "Y" 6am-1pm


LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

(EM=Eucharistic Minister, S=Servers, L=Lector, GB=Giftbearers, G=Greeters)
SATURDAY & SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6 & 7
5:00 PM Sharon Vogler, Jeanne Freeman, Bob & Mary K. Fehrenbacher, Lauren Niemeier (EM), Lindsey Deig, Mackenzie Douglas (S), Toni Askins-Stricker (L), Tom & Jerri Kempf (GB), Fred & Judy Gries (G)
8:00 AM Al Debes, Jean Duncan, Michael Elpers, Kathy Fehrenbacher, Allen Whitehouse (EM), Abby Elpers (S), Jim Butler (L), Mike & Ann Ennis Family (GB), Allen Whitehouse Family (G)
10:30 AM June Beverly, Kitty Deig, Becky Doshier, Dick Griese, Cecilia Koch (EM), Drew Wiley (S), Amelia Reckelhoff (L), Paul & Joan Hillenbrand Family (GB), Julie Conley Family (G)



Dear friends,
 The family of Catherine Miller would like to express or sincere gratitude for your thoughts. Prayers, and generosity during this difficult time. Special thanks to the parishioners who prepared and served the food for the funeral lunch. We would especially like to thank Fr. Gene for his beautiful Mass and continued support. God bless you all.
The family of Catherine Miller

 **Pilates Tuesdays & Thursdays**
Jan. 19--Feb. 25 6:45-7:30 pm 

Got the Message? GET THE MESSAGE!
The Catholic Newspaper of the Diocese of Evansville
 In recent months, hundreds of people from parishes throughout the diocese expressed their hopes and concerns for our Church - and what they have said about our parishes and schools and our future is now being analyzed. Plans will emerge from this effort in the next several months - and the Message will be a primary means of getting the word to you. The Message is published every week, with news and inspiration, award winning commentaries and features.
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Buy SCRIP after Mass 
 Sat., Feb. 6—5 pm: *Cindy Baumgart
 Sun., Feb. 7—8 am: *Stephanie Purcell
 Sun., Feb. 7—10:30 am: Jessica Wallace & *Sally Reising Kempf

 **DANCE CLASSES BEGIN FEB. 22 7-8:30 PM**
COST \$50/COUPLE For info call Kathy (963-9247) 

MEN'S CLUB SAUSAGE SALE through FEB. 8
 **TAKING ORDERS THROUGH FEB. 8. AVAILABLE IN BULK OR LINK \$11/5 LBS. 5LBS MINIMUM ORDER SIGN UP SHEETS ARE AT THE CHURCH DOORS OR CALL THE PARISH OFFICE (963-3273)**
PICK-UP DAY IS SATURDAY FEB. 13-- 7-10 am
LET'S GO HOG WILD FOR THE HOMELESS
 In conjunction with the Men's Club Sausage sale this month, we'd like to provide 100 pounds of sausage to each of the three homeless shelters in Evansville. We'll have a special collection after the Masses on February 6-7. You may also send your financial contributions to the parish office. 

Come to the Quiet
A 24 Hour Retreat for Women at the Barn Abbey in New Harmony
Friday, February 26 at 6:30 pm to Saturday, February 27 at 8 pm
 Cost for the retreat is \$100 per person which includes the retreat, meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) on Saturday. All bed and bath linens are included. The retreat director is Dana Hoffman
An opportunity to hear,
listen and reflect
with women about
God in nature.

 Make reservations with Sharon Vogler 963-3273
 Email: svogler@evansville-diocese.org

 **Source + Summit Retreat 2010**
weekend of prayer and celebration by and for young people ages 13-25
Friday – Sunday, Feb. 19, 20 & 21
Memorial High School Gym
 For complete information and how to register go to: www.sourcesummit-evansville.org. or call 812-490-0289, or contact Sharon Vogler (963-3273) or email her at svogler@evansville-diocese.org

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR LENTEN FISH
FRY--FRIDAYS FEBRUARY 19 AND MARCH 5 
Contact Greg & Diane Matt (963-6222) to offer your help!