

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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SEPTEMBER 12, 2010 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear friends,

A special word of thanks for all those who were involved with our rummage sale this past week. As I write this letter, our multi-purpose building is filled once again with an incredibly vast number of treasures just waiting to find their new owners!



I know there have been lots of people who were busy every day sorting through the items that were brought and arranging them in an attractive fashion for those who came to the sale. Thanks to all of you for your hard work. And thanks to all those who donated their treasures to our rummage sale.

Special thanks to our school staff and students for their flexibility this week. Having the rummage sale is a great thing, but it requires lots of adjustments in the normal school schedule. I really appreciate them going the extra mile to make our rummage sale a success.



Looking ahead, there are a couple of things I want to call to your attention. In early October, Fr. Myron Effing will be coming to visit family and friends here in Evansville. On Wednesday evening, October 6, his supporters and friends from throughout the United States are coming for a surprise birthday party in honor of his 70th birthday. You are invited to join in this special celebration as well. Look for details in the coming weeks.

The second thing to call to your attention is that we are getting ready to publish a new parish directory. Our last directory was published in 2006. We'll be taking family portraits next January. Put this date on your calendar. My thanks to Becky Whitehouse who is coordinating this effort for us.

Fr. Gene Schroeder

P.S. This week I will be gathering with the other priests in our diocese for our annual convocation. There will not be a daily mass Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

P.S.S. Remember that we have begun our new fiscal year. In order to meet our budgeted expenses our collections need to average \$17,900 each week.

Special Collection THIS weekend for the Catholic Build for Habitat



You can see the build schedule and/or register at www.evansvillehabitat.org. Volunteers can also register by calling Dave Spaetti at 893-0150 or by email at daks1@insightbb.com.

BECOMING A BLESSING AND BLESS OUR WORLD

To bless means to say good things. We have to bless one another constantly. Parents need to bless their children, children their parents, husbands their wives, wives their husbands, friends their friends. In our society, so full of curses, we must fill each place we enter with our blessings. We forget so quickly that we are God's beloved children and allow the many curses of our world to darken our hearts. Therefore we have to be reminded of our belovedness and remind others of theirs. Whether the blessing is given in words or with gestures, in a solemn or an informal way, our lives need to be blessed lives.

It is an ongoing temptation to think of ourselves as living under a curse. The loss of a friend, an illness, an accident, a natural disaster, a war, or any failure can make us quickly think that we are no good and are being punished. This temptation to think of our lives as full of curses is even greater when all the media present us day after day with stories about human misery.

Jesus came to bless us, not to curse us. But we must choose to receive that blessing and hand it on to others. Blessings and curses are always placed in front of us. We are free to choose. God says, "Choose life."

That's God's call for us, and there is not a moment in which we do not have to make that choice. Life and death are always before us. In our imaginations, our thoughts, our words, our gestures, our actions ... even in our nonactions. This choice for life starts in a deep interior place. Underneath very life-affirming behavior I can still harbor death-thoughts and death-feelings. The most important question is not "Do I kill?" but "Do I carry a blessing in my heart or a curse?" The bullet that kills is only the final instrument of the hatred that began being nurtured in the heart long before the gun was picked up.

Fr. Henri Nouwen





**CELEBRATION
OF THE EUCHARIST**
SEPTEMBER 12, 2010
THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM Albert Martin, Louis & Catherine Swain, Edwin Englert, Barbara Erbacher (1881), Hildebrand Frank (1882), Francis Forstel (1886), Joseph Hillenbrand (1923), Clement Ritter (1973)

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:00 AM Bob Shull, Marian Elpers, Alice Keil, Jerry Schneider, Jerome Muensterman, Mike Bishop

10:30 AM Bea Bacle, Andreas Laugel (1871), Barbara Martin (1891), A. Joseph Schenk (1895), Maria Weiss (1872), Philip Frehaut (1875)

**MONDAY SEPTEMBER 13
Saint John Chrysostom**

NO MASS Henry Werner (1871), Barbara Martin (1876), Alphons Baehl (1958), Blondina Ritter (1968), Raymond Steckler (1977), Judith Jones (2002)

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

NO MASS Regina Frank (1900), Anton Baehl (1901)

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
Our Lady of Sorrows**

NO MASS Mattias Baehl (1877), Joan Urich (1890), Nancy Niemeier (1968)

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
Saint Cornelius and Saint Cyprian**

NO MASS Peter Ziliak (1858), Maria Lang (1862), Catharine Helferich (1870), Anton Rexing (1883), Maria Hartlein (1893), Virgil Brown (1947), Duane Quinlin (1994)

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
Saint Robert Bellarmine**

8:15 MASS Valentine Schmitt (1864), Infant Schluter (1864) Mattaeus Hartlein (1871)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM Dennis Weis, Paul Straub, Robert Straub, Edward Weiss, Mark Paul, Paul Horak, Dennis Dossett, Ed & Carrie Helfrich, Juanita Reis-Rash, Geroge Folz (1957), Lorena Koch (1994)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 AM Special Intentions, Herb Langner, Luke Mehning, Clarence & Jean Happe, Joe & Martha French, Jerome Muensterman

10:30 AM Carolyn Seib, Rosa Brack (1870), Augustin Herman (1870), Guilielmus Rexing (1901), Lorin Walsh (1932), Frank Kissel (1954), Denis Weis (1964)

STEWARDSHIP: *The Lord's Way*

We can hear God speaking to us today in the words of the father to his elder son: "You are with me always, and everything I have is yours." What is my response to such remarkable generosity? Do I give joyfully and generously as God give to me?



SEPTEMBER 5, 2010	\$ 11,707.85
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$ 17,900.00
TOTAL INCOME TO DATE	\$ 11,707.85
BUDGET TO DATE	\$ 17,900.00
CHILDRENS COLLECTION	\$ 9.67

YOUNG STEWARDS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE COLLECTION LAST WEEK: Nicholas & Allyson Angemeier, Trevor & Joshua Clem, Marcus Elpers, Kurt, Karl, Heidi & Gretchen Forcum, Jessica Kelley, Haileigh McClure, Catherine, Mariah, Natalie, Zackery & Isaac Schneider, Christiana Wolfe

RAISING THE ROOF FUND

SEPTEMBER 5, 2010	\$ 1,010.52
TOTAL TO DATE	\$ 299,029.76

MISSION OUTREACH

HAITI STUDENTS	\$ 8,231.00
HAITI COLLECTION	\$ 358.00
VLADIVOSTOK MISSION COLLECTION	\$ 50.00

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

DEACONESS: Pat Koch, Tony Weiss

GATEWAY: Mike Maurer

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: Avila Fehrenbacher

CYPRUS REHABILITATION CENTER: Larry Hoefling

WOODRIDGE HEALTH & REHABILITATION: Joan Roberts

September 12: Bob Fehrenbacher, Sarah Parker, Dave Schmitt

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

September 13: Cathy Crowdus, Pauline Elpers, Jeff Hoefling, Brandon Johnson, Laura Raben, JD Wargel, Todd Wingert, Lynnsey Zirkelbach



September 14: Theresa Arnold, Matthew Gumbel, Alexander Miller, Neacie Singleton

September 15: Mike Forcum, Finlee Hite

September 16: Lee Askins, Curt Lannert, Lauren Niemeier, Judi Raben, Brian Schu

September 17: Tara Oakley, Isaac Daza, Garland Hermann, Gage Johnson, Lauren Lincoln,

Lisa McIntosh, Iric Singer, Mary Stratman

September 18: Kacie Spaetti, Randy Vickery

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

September 12: Al & Janet Debes, Joe & Mary Montgomery



September 13: John & Jane Luigs

September 17: Fran & Shirley Happe (50 Years!)

CUB SCOUT POPCORN SALE....support our local Cub Scout Pack #331. They will be selling popcorn after all the Masses on September 25 & 26.



Please remember in your prayers **Jerome Muensterman**, the father of Tom and Steve Muensterman, who died this past week. May he now know the fullness of life with God in the Kingdom and may God's peace be with Tom and Steve and their family and friends.



WHO WILL PRAY FOR VOCATIONS THIS WEEK?



DO YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY HEARING AT MASS? BRING A PORTABLE RADIO WITH EARPHONES AND TUNE TO 87.9 TO BETTER HEAR AT MASS

MONDAY: 7 am-7 pm Eucharistic Adoration
 7 pm Knights of St. John Meeting
TUESDAY: 6 pm SPRED Friends, 7 pm Choir Practice
WEDNESDAY: 7 pm Marian Prayer Group
THURSDAY: 7 pm Parish Outreach Commission Meeting
SATURDAY/SUNDAY: St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry Collection
SUNDAY: 9-10:15 am Religious Education Student Class/ RCIA

**THIS
WEEK**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

(EM=Eucharistic Minister, S=Servers, L=Lector, GB=Giftbearers, G=Greeters)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 & 19

5:00 PM Donna Niemeier, Dolores Sudholt, Margaret & Ron Angermeier, Kathy Cook (EM), Nathan Werner, Brittney Hollingsworth (S), Toni Askins-Stricker (L), Jim & Janice Herr (GB), Ed & Betty Hartz (G)

8:00 AM Jean Duncan, Kathy Fehrenbacher, Denise & Greg Lehman, John Manger (EM), Adam Elpers (S), Jim Butler (L) Larry & Henrietta Happe (GB), Jim & Susan Helmer (G)

10:30 AM Emily Tenbarger, Diane Bassemier, Kitty Deig, Becky Doshier, Dick Griese (EM), Dane Freeman, Cameron Montgomery (S), Mandy Elpers (L), Paul & Joan Hillenbrand Family (GB), Jim & Jane Scheller (G)

BUY SC RIP AFTER MASS

Sat., Sept. 11—5 pm: *Jenny Collins
 Sun., Sept. 12—8 am: *Tom & Mary Goedde
 Sun., Sept. 12—10:30 am: Jessica Wallace & *Sally Reising Kempf

**CHRISTIAN FAMILY MOVEMENT
INFORMATION SESSION
SUNDAY, SEPT. 19, 6 PM**

CFM is an international organization that promotes Christ-centered family and marriage and strives to put our faith into action. If you have any questions before the meeting, please contact Rebecca Whitehouse at 985-3733.

Learn the Fox Trot, Waltz, Cha Cha, and Western Swing

7:00—8:30 on eight consecutive Mondays beginning October 19 Plus a finale practice dance. \$50 per couple CHECK the parish website (www.stjoeco.org) for registration form OR call Kathy at 963-9247 email her at kweber@evvmaterdei.org. All proceeds benefit St. Joseph Parish

Do You Ever Ask Yourself.....?

- What am I looking for?
- What is the meaning of my life?
- How can I become part of something bigger than myself?
- How can I be a better person?
- Does God have something to say to me?
- How can I know the right path for me?
- What can I do about the loneliness I feel?
- How can I make a difference in the world?
- How can I come to know God's love?

If you are asking these or questions like them, the Catholic way of life may be for you. In it, they have

**JOIN US THIS SUNDAY EVERY SUNDAY
IN THE MEETING ROOM 9-10:15 AM**

Buy SC RIP...and make money for your favorite charity

The St. Joe School PTO is giving you the chance to make money for your favorite charity whenever you purchase SC RIP. You can use SC RIP to buy food, gas, medicines, clothes, household needs...the list is endless. And buying SC RIP cards to local restaurants, book stores and the like is a great way to buy gifts for those "hard to buy for" folks. They make great birthday, anniversary and Christmas gifts!



Now, each time you purchase SC RIP, you can designate 40% of the profits to be given to the charity of your choosing—Haiti, our local food pantry, the church in Vladivostok, Habitat for Humanity, Birthright, Right to Life, or even to local collections for the benefit of families in need.

Here's how it works. Each time you purchase SC RIP, you will be asked to designate where you want your profit incentive to go. The SC RIP committee will take care of the details of sending the check to them. It's that simple. And, the more times you purchase SC RIP cards, the more money you can be making for your favorite charity.

**Buy SC RIP after Mass each weekend
or through the school office
8-2 Monday through Friday**

Corpus Christi & St. Joe.
 Outreach Ministries are sponsoring a
Haiti Children's Vitamin Drive
**Friday, Oct. 1 11 am until 7 pm
at SALAD WORLD WEST**

4951 W. Lloyd Expressway
 Eat Healthy at the Same Time!
 10% of all proceeds [along with tips] will be designated for the purchase of children's vitamins

Get a chance to win a Big Green Egg Smoker and Grill and \$200 gas from the St. Joe Mini Mart. Ticket are 3/\$5 Drawing Oct. 24th
 Sponsored by the St. Joe Men's Club

COME ENJOY THE FUN AT THESE SUMMER SOCIALS

Sept. 12 St. Wendel
 Sept. 12 St. Bernard Snake Run
 Sept. 12 St. Mary Ireland
 Sept. 19 Latino Festival at Nativity
 Sept. 19 St. John Daylight
 Sept. 19 Sacred Heart Schnellville
 Sept. 26 Holy Family Jasper
 Oct. 3 Str. Raphael Dubois
 Oct. 3 St. Martin Chrisney
 Oct. 31 St. Peter Celestine