



“This is truly the Prophet, the One who is to come into the world”

Intention for the Week

***No Masses Monday—Thursday of This Week
Fr. John on Vacation, please keep him in prayer!***

Friday, July 31

Noon Wesley Johnson (dec)

Saturday, August 1, St. Alphonsus

4:00 PM Janice Goins, Judy Fischer, Martha Faye
Hayden (health)

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:00 AM Andrew Dotsey (dec)

10:00 AM Ethel Sauers (dec)

5:30 PM Blessed Mother Parishioners

Welcome, Fr. Phil Riney!

Liturgical Ministers for August 1-2

Eucharistic Ministers

4 PM Ruth Bittel-Nunez, Liz Francis, Bonnie Synder, Marian Bennett, Jeff Williams, Maggie, Joe O'Bryan, David, Jennifer Jones

7 AM Sr. Mary Timothy, Angie, Randy Lee, Harry, Charlene Baumgarten, Brenda Hagan

10 AM Darlene Church, Mary Howard, Julie Hayden, Kim Barnett, Jim Hagan, Phil, Josie Hagan, Brenda Millay, Chris Ford

5:30 PM Martha Estes, Janice Bumm, Rachel Thomas, Bev Payne, Bobby, Phyllis Bastin

Readers

4 PM Barry Hagan

7 AM Charlie Castlen

10 AM Barbara Cecil

5:30 PM Martha Estes

Servers

4 PM Gary Faucheux, Mahalia Smiley

7 AM Kaylin, Kendra Hagan

10 AM Allie Ford, Daniel Best

5:30 PM Sara Brown, Logan Buckman

Families to Take Up Gifts

4 PM Gary Aull

7 AM Mike Wade

10 AM David Jarboe

5:30 PM William Shelton, Sr.

Children's Liturgy

Preschool: Austin Johnson, Ruth Schrecker

Kn-3 Grade: Diane Fulkerson, Katelyn Blanford

Vocation Cross Family

Muriel Gillim, Chris Glaser, Dan Goedde

Hillcrest: Shari Newton, Sandra Henry

Ministers of Hospitality for August

4 Steve, Adam Haynes, Gerald Coomes, Bill Shelton

7 Paul Edge, Tom Foster, Ed Hoskins, Joe Higdon

10 John, Christopher Hayden, Dan, Michael Goedde,

5:30 Amie Walters, Alex Bumm, Pat, Isaac Hardesty

Congratulations, Fr. Mike Crump!

Catholic Q&A

What is "Sacred Tradition" and why do Catholics believe in it?

Sacred Tradition is basically all the ways in which the teaching of the Apostles, the "deposit of faith," is passed on and preserved by the Church. This deposit was preserved and passed on through the writing of Sacred Scripture, which was inspired by the Holy Spirit, but it is also found in the ordinary teaching of the bishops, in the writings of the early Church Fathers, in the authoritative documents of the Church, and in the liturgical worship of the faithful.

Since the teaching and preaching of the Apostles has a divine origin, as does the consigning of that preaching to writing, both the preaching and the writing comprise the "Word of God" and thus "must be accepted and honored with equal sentiments of devotion and reverence" (*Dei Verbum*, no. 9).

So, you see, Catholics commit themselves to this Sacred Tradition because we believe that it too is a source for what God wants us to know about Himself and His Church. Even Scripture recommends this Tradition. St. Paul in particular speaks in many places about this:

— He presents Scripture and Tradition as standing alongside each other: 2 Thes 2:15; 2 Tim 3:10, 14-15

— He affirms the Tradition that his audience received: Rom 10:8, 17; Gal 1:11-12; Eph 1:13-14; Col 1:5-7; Titus 1:3

— He commands them to follow it: Phil 4:9; 1 Thes 4:1-2; 2 Thes 3:6-7; 2 Tim 1:13

— He praises them when they follow it: 1 Cor 11:2; 15:1, 3, 11; 1 Thes 2:13

— He indicates that this Tradition will continue forever: 1 Tim 6:20; 2 Tim 2:2.

Note that, whenever "tradition" is condemned in Scripture, for example, by Jesus (cf. Mt 15:3-9; Mk 7: 8-13) or by Paul (cf. Col 2:8), what is being condemned are the traditions *of men*, or traditions that are contrary to the Word of God. The authentic, Sacred Tradition of the Church, however, has its very source in Jesus Christ and is preserved by the Holy Spirit working in the Church.

I hope that answers your question. There are many different ways to articulate what Sacred Tradition is, and what the relationship is between Tradition, Scripture, and the Magisterium (or teaching office) of the Church. I highly suggest reading the Catechism, nos. 74-95, and *Dei Verbum*, the Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation, from the Second Vatican Council.

Peace of Christ to you,
Nicholas Hardesty, Director of Religious Education
nicholashardesty@gmail.com

Parish Picnic August 8, 2009 Items In Need to Pull Off The Show

**Canned Drinks, Liter Drinks (Regular & Diet)
Bottles Water
Bags of Hard Wrapped Candy
Individual Wrapped Chips, Cookies, Candy Bars**

Baskets Filled with Whatever
(Lotions, golf balls, dish towels, candles, bath sets, Kitchen gadgets, school supplies, baby supplies)
Please remember to put your name on the basket and indicate the value of the basket

Items for the Auction
(Pictures, lamps, crafts, bicycles, baby quilts, Throws, pillows, etc.)

Ingredients for Potato Salad
Miracle Whip (3 Gallons)
Eggs (12 Dozen)
Celery (12 Stalks)
Pickle Relish (2 Gallons)
Potatoes (150 lbs)

Other Foods
Cakes (bring day of picnic to Sacristy, sign name and value of cake on sheet located therein)
Pickles (sandwich dills, 5 Gallons)
Catsup, Mustard

**Raffle Tickets Are Available
at the Parish Office**

Forming Good Stewards

"There is a little boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what good are those for so many."
John 6:9

Many in the crowd were Semites (Jewish and Arab descendants of Shem, son of Noah) who had a strong ethic of sharing food and drink. They would have brought provisions for the day that their custom required they share with others. But the Semites are human. To avoid sharing they might keep their provision hidden until later, when they were alone. Only John includes the little boy with the basket of five loaves and two fish. They were probably the food his mother sent him to buy for family dinner. He freely gives it to Jesus. He did not keep any for himself. These two acts of generosity were observed by the thousand of Semites. Did they then choose to be generous by sharing what they had with others? In the context of our ability to use our free will to choose to be generous or to choose not to be generous, which is a greater miracle for Jesus, multiplying loaves and fishes or multiplying generous hearts? How can we multiply generous hearts?

July 19 Collection			
Actual	Budgeted	MTD	YTD
\$23,443.	\$21,058.	\$22,648.	\$22,648.

Congratulations, Fr. Mike Crump

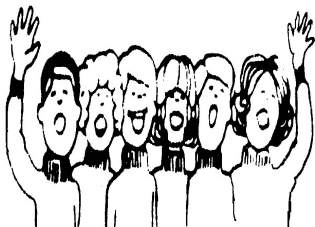
Mike, son of Ben and Thelma Crump will be ordained on July 14 in Corpus Christi. Fr. Mike has asked us to celebrate with him at Blessed Mother on Sunday, July 26th. Fr. Mike will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving at the 5:30 PM Mass and a reception will follow in St. Joseph Hall. All are invited to come!

Young Disciples

Coming Soon...

Volunteers

Needed: to work the youth group booth at the parish picnic...any time you can give is great!



YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF!! Sunday, August 16th: After the Youth mass (around 6:30pm) and lasting until 8:30. YOU WILL GET MESSY...dress appropriately!!

Questions, concerns, comments: come by, call, or e-mail me @: Christina Best: bmcyouth@bellsouth.net or 683-8444 Ext. 28

Interested in helping out with the youth group?? We will be holding an interest/information meeting for those interested in hearing about various ways they can volunteer to work with our youth group. The meeting will be Wednesday, **August 5th at 7:00 pm** in the Bosco (youth) room. It will last no longer than one hour. If you are interested, but cannot attend, simply call or e-mail me. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!

Attention: Parents of Children in Catholic Schools

If you have children in Catholic Schools, **you are required to turn in the Stewardship Form that was mailed to you** before you can obtain a voucher for the 2009-2010 School Year. You must be in good standing with the Parish according to the commitments that you made. **Vouchers have been mailed** to those who have returned the forms that were mailed out.

**Owensboro Catholic Schools
Registration, Wed., July 29, Noon—6 PM
Catholic High Small Gym**

Must have voucher, new students must have baptismal certificates, Kn students need baptismal certificate, birth certificate, Social Security card, updated physical and eye exam, current immunization certificate.

Laugh for the Week

Things to Think About

1. You spend the first two years of their life teaching them to walk and talk. Then you spend the next sixteen telling them to sit down and shut up.
2. Grandchildren are God's reward for not killing your own children.
3. Mothers of teens now know shy some animals eat their young.
4. Children seldom misquote you. In fact, they usually repeat word for word what you shouldn't have said.
5. The main purpose of holding children's parties is to remind yourself that there are children more awful than your own.
6. We childproofed our homes, but they are still getting in.
7. Be nice to your kids because they will choose your nursing home.

Marriage Help=Retrouvaille August 14-16

call 683-1545 ext. 357. Web site: www.retrouvaille.com

Adorers Needed At The Carmel Home

Wednesdays, 2-3 AM

Fridays, 1-2 AM

Saturdays, 1-2 and 2-3 AM

Sundays, 3-4 AM

Call Marti Castlen, 683-9627

Sixth Graders and Rosary Group Bonding

Wednesday, a week ago, a group of sixth grade girls met with Our Rosary Group to experience the art of making rosaries. Each made several rosaries to go to the missions that the Rosary Group keeps in supply and one to keep. The Rosary Group is willing to show any groups how the art is done. Our group depends on your donations to keep the supplies coming for their mission work.



Daniel Pitino Shelter

When you are purchasing School Supplies for your children this year, it would be greatly appreciated if you could pick up a couple of extra items to donate to the children of the Daniel Pitino Shelter. Items may be dropped off at the Shelter.

Remember in prayer those sick in our community:

Tommy Askins, Len Bach, Herman Barr, Helen Bellwoord, Eva Birkhead, Liz, Tony Brown, Susan Byars, Frances Carrico, Maria Castlen, JB Cecil, Vincent Cecil, Joyce, Paul, Paul Jr., Christian, Ann Clark, Clifton Clark, Dorothy Clark, George Clark, James Clark, Linda Clark, Alice Cole, Addie Corley, Amy Cox, Hettie Crask, Ben Crump, Leoma Daly, Philip Demarest, Evelyn Denton, Andrew Dotsey, Sheila Duncan, Emma Dunbar, John Duncan, Kinsey Dunn, Lucille Goetz, Brenda Goodman, Luke Gray, Janice Goins, Robert Hagan, Robert Hagan, Mary Hardesty, Martha Hayden, Martha Faye Hayden, Madalyn Marie Hayden, Janet Haynes, Hayden Head, Mike Head, Beverly Heppler, Peggy Hicks, Mary Elizabeth Hill, Mildred Howard, Margaret Isbell, Mary Ava Jackson, Gertrude Jones, Debbie Koenig, John Krusick, Helen Matheny, Margaret Mattingly, Charlie Mayfield, Mildred McCarthy, Margie Meredith, Mary L. Millay, Virginia Millay, Conner Mills, Dena Montgomery, Mary Morton, Alma Mulligan, Cindi Neuner, Lee Newton, Joann Ogle, Ethan Payne, Helen Payne, Lura Payne, Mary Payne, Paul Payne, Phillip, Carolyn Pierce, Brenda Pitt, Lawrence Quinn, Paul Raley, Geraldine Ralph, Otto Reisz, Vincent Reynolds, Susan Rice, Paul Robertson, Larry Roby, Linda Rouse, Cecelia Schartung, Janet Schartung, Herman, Mary Simmons, Becky Smith, Elizabeth Sosh, Susan Stersman, Onora Stone, Melissa Sullivan, Teresa Taucher, Larry Taylor, Mary Hilary Taylor, Angela, Leo Thompson, Betty Thompson, Charles Thompson, Martha Towery, Anita Travis, Tammy Tucker, Glynda Turner, Jean Van Meter, David Vasterling, Joyce Ventrees, Dianne Walsh, Kenny Ward, Scott Ward, Teresa Ward, Katherine Whittinghill, Bea Wooldridge, Steve Woolen, Bill, Flora Yancy

Please Pray for Our Troops Serving in War. Keep them safe, O Lord, and bring them home soon. Iraq:

SGT Jeremi Bosley, National Guards
Brandon Mattingly, US Army, Baghdad
Matthew Hoffman, US Army, Baghdad (great nephew of Camilla Baker)
Spec. Daniel Nugent, Iraq
Sgt. David Farley, US Army
Cpt. Michael Stock (son of Carol & Rick Stock), Baghdad
In Afghanistan
Sidney Hoffman, National Guards (great niece of Camilla Baker)

Other

AIC Austin Eckstein, USAF, grandson Henrietta May
CSSR Justin Mills, Japan, grandson of Dessie Clark



I hope you had a good week. Today is the 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time. We take a break from the Gospel of Mark and go to chapter 6 of the Gospel of John for the story of the miracle of the loaves. This is John's Eucharistic chapter. In the rest of the chapter which we will hear from in the coming weeks, Jesus proclaims Himself to be the Bread of Life.

Welcome Fr. Phil Riney.

This Sunday the 26th at the 5:30 Mass, Fr. Michael Crump will be saying Mass for us. He is the son of Ben and Thelma Crump of our parish. He was ordained in Texas on the 18th. Welcome Fr. Mike and congratulations.

I will be conducting a retreat at Gasper River on the 3rd, 4th and 5th of August. There will be Mass Monday morning of that week but not Tuesday and Wednesday.

Our picnic is just around the corner on the 8th of August. A lot of work has already gone into planning for this event. You have been helping as well selling your picnic tickets. Keep up the good work. We pray for just the right weather for our picnic.

It won't be long before our parish feast day is upon us – August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption. Since the feast falls on a Saturday, it is not an obligatory holy day. We will celebrate it with Mass at 10am. After the Saturday night Mass, we will have an ice cream social.

The following people have graciously consented to put their names in the parish council nominee hat. Kim Barnett, Denny Mann, Nancy Byrum, Barbara Cecil, Kathy Latta, Tony Powers and David Marshall. We will be filling two vacancies on the council and will draw the names out of a hat. Pray for them so that the Holy Spirit will guide us in our selections.

We continue to pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit on the choice of our next bishop.

Have a great week.

Calendar for the Week

Rosary is prayed Mon.—Thurs, 4 PM

**Mon. No Mass at 6:30 AM
Bunko, 1:00 PM, Youth Room**

Tues. NO Mass at 6:00 PM

Wed. NO Mass at 6:30 AM

Thurs. No Noon Mass

Fri. Noon Mass

**Sat. Confessions, 12:30 –2:00 PM
Mass 4 PM**

**Sun. 18th Sunday Ordinary Time
Mass at 7, 10 AM, 5:30 PM
No Coffee and Donuts until Fall
No Youth Group in summer
AA Meeting, 7:30pm, school cafeteria**

Readings for the Week

July 26 through August 2, 2009

Sun: 2 Kgs 4:42-44 Ps 145:10-11,15-16,17-18 Eph 4:1-6 Jn 6:1-15

Mon: Ex 32:15-24,30-34 Ps 106:19-23 Mt 13:31-35

Tues: Ex 33:7-11;34:5b-9,28 Ps 103:6-13 Mt 13:36-43

Wed: Ex 34:29-35 Ps 99:5-7,9 Jn 11:19-27

Thurs: Ex 40:16-21,34-38 Ps 84:3-6,8,11 Mt 13:47-53

Fri: Lv 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34b-37 Ps 81:3-6,10-11 Mt 13:54-58

Sat: Lv 25:1,8-17 Ps 67:2-3,5,7-8 Mt 14:1-12

Sun: Ex 16:2-4,12-15 Ps 78:3-4,23-25,54 Eph 4:17,20-24 Jn 6:24-35

Parish Council Members

Sharon Bell	729-4270
Marty Bumm	926-6443
Charlie Castlen	683-3426
Charlotte Cecil	683-0499
Tim Goetz	684-8275
David Graham	683-4665
Troy Haleman	691-0633
David Jarboe	683-5108
Ben Miller	685-2143
Rick Moman	683-6555
Darryl Murphy	683-8437
Phil Riney	926-8945
Elaine Williams	684-5116
Darlene Kazlauskas	684-3891

Safe Environment

Copies of the Diocese of Owensboro's policy dealing with sexual abuse of minors or vulnerable person is available in the Parish Office and on the Diocesan web site (www.Owensborodio.org) The Bishop and Diocesan Review Board want to help anyone who has been abused in the past or is currently suffering from abuse. You may phone the Pastoral Center, 683-1545, to report an allegation of abuse. **If you need to attend a Safe Environment Workshop, contact Jan at the Parish Office. You may now take the training online at www.shieldthevulnerable.org**

TV Mass

Mass will now air on Channel 72 at 10:30 am. If you have Time Warner's digital cable the Mass can also be seen at 11am on Channel 311. It also broadcasts from News 25 (cable chaneel11) at 6am. All those with satellite can get the Mass on local Channel 25 at 6am.

**Donations may be made to Gideon Productions.,
515 East 22nd St.
Owensboro, Ky. 42303**

Picnics

- July 18, St. Peter. Stanley, 4pm
- Aug. 1, Blessed Sacrament, Noon
- August 8, Blessed Mother, 4 pm,
booths open at 2pm**
- Sept. 13, Mount St. Joseph, 11:30am
- Sept. 19, St. Stephen, 11am
- Sept. 26, Immaculate, 3pm
- Sept. 27, St. Mary of the Woods, Whitesville, 11am
- Oct. 24, Carmel Home

Words of Life

*"I see God in the eyes of every child...Every life is precious to God, whatever the circumstances."
Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

St. Stephen Preschool

**Openings still available for 3,4, and 5 year olds
Call 926-1652
Visit website: www.ststephencathedral.org**

**Parish Nurses Needed
For 1st Aid at Our Picnic**

*Please call Michele Linn if you can volunteer for an hour in our First Aid Station at Our Picnic
691-9589
Or email:linnfam5@bellsouth.net*

Do you love children? Do you love your faith?

If so, we could use your help! Our Religious Education Program still need alternate teachers for K, 1st, and 3rd through 8th grades. If you think God may calling you to serve the parish in this way, please call Nicholas Hardesty (683-8444, ext. 26) or send him an email (nicholashardesty@gmail.com).