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Office is open 8:30-4:30, Mon.-Fri.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 3, 2006

DAILY LITURGIES AND INTENTIONS:

Monday	September 4	Weekday
	8:00 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Tuesday	September 5	Weekday
	8:00 a.m.	Bob Schwab
Wednesday	September 6	Weekday
	8:00 a.m.	Dominic Esposito
Thursday	September 7	Weekday
	8:00 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Friday	September 8	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	8:00 a.m.	Phyllis Deger
Saturday	September 9	Peter Claver, priest
	4:00 p.m.	Albert & Irene Pfeifer
Sunday	September 10	Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
	7:30 a.m.	Charles F. Mentrup
	9:00 a.m.	St. Mary Community
	10:30 a.m.	Bea Skinner
	12:00 noon	Anne Zavada
	6:30 p.m.	Julius Schlater



"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile ..."

John 6: 60-69



Just a couple of thoughts I thought were interesting. What we leave in our children is more important than what we leave to our children. And finally, every moment you're angry you lose a minute of happiness.

NOTE the weekday and Sunday Mass schedule changes

OUR GIFT IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S GENEROSITY: The collection last weekend was \$9,173.50 (266 envelopes); children's offering \$11.00 (13 envelopes). **Thank you for your generosity** and continued support. Please continue to use your offering envelopes. Only those using envelopes can be given a yearend statement.



STAY AT HOME PICNIC! The St. Mary Annual Parish Picnic will be September 17 in our Parish Center and parking lot! Regular weekend Mass schedule. The picnic will begin at 12:30. We'll have pot luck, burgers and 'dogs, fun, games, and fellowship with all the comforts of home. Keep watch for further information.

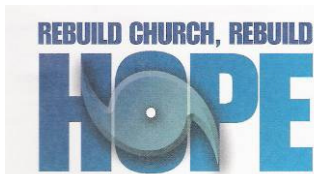
IN OUR PARISH

MAY GOD BLESS Haley McGill and Michael Patterson, as they exchanged their solemn marriage vows on August 26, 2006.


ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	NEW NOON MASS , no 6:30 p.m. this week
Monday	LABOR DAY
Wednesday	Youth at Food Pantry at 4:45 p.m. Youth Ministry picnic planning meeting at 7:30 p.m.
Friday	ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK HERE THRU SUNDAY
Sunday	FIRST DAY OF PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

OOPS



WE FORGOT! The special collection to support our brothers and sisters in the New Orleans and Biloxi diocese will be taken today. It has been about a year since Hurricanes Katrina and Rita devastated the Gulf coast of this country. Recovery is slow and expensive. This collection will focus on rebuilding churches, schools and other parts of parishes' infrastructure which are needed to rebuild people's hope. Please be generous in extending them support in the form of donations and prayer.

 **ELECTIONS ARE COMING!** In September three seats on the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will be open. The council consists of nine elected members each serving a three year term with a possibility of a second term. Three seats become open every year. Prior to the election nominations are welcome and encouraged. If you would like to serve on the PPC or know someone who is willing, please submit name and phone number to Fr. Chuck. You may submit a name by putting a note in the collection basket, calling him at 937-746-5404, mailing or email to fatherchuck@stmaryfranklin.org.



Parish School of Religion

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10. Thanks to all of you who have registered your children. Our catechists are prepared and looking forward to our opening this week. If you have not yet registered your child(ren), please do so this weekend. **Fill out the goldenrod registration forms and drop them in the collection or get them to the rectory during the week.** Pre-K and K will be 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m., grades 1 through 4, and one 6th grade class will be 9:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., grades 5 through 8 will be 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.



IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAS AN INTEREST IN LEARNING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH NOW IS THE TIME TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

Meetings for those inquiring about the Catholic Faith for the purpose of possibly becoming a member of the Catholic Community are beginning this month on Wednesday evenings in September at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room in the Parish Center. Please, contact Tom Cox at 937-746-1404 or tomcox@stmaryfranklin.org to let him know you are coming.



LADIES! You've turned your calendars to September— now put a big pink **X** on Thursday the 21st. It's the first fall meeting of the St. Mary Ladies' Society! It will be at NOON in the Parish Center. Remember to bring a bag lunch—desserts and beverages will be provided. And don't forget to bring a sample of the crafts you've been working on!

YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU: Is there some way you can use your talents to help others through the parish? If you would like to help in some way think about your talents and how you can share them with the parish family. The best families work together to achieve their goals. We have been blessed with dedicated parishioners and need more to come forward. Our dedicated members need to match our growth and expand our scope of activities.

- With an added weekend Mass we need more Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, servers, sacristans and usher/greeters. Call the office for training. Don't wait to see if a training meeting fits your schedule. Make the offer and training will happen.
- Cleaning and simple clerical help is always needed. If you have the time and talent call the office and hear our brains sorting through all the things we wish we could get done.
- There is a need for adults to supervise children one night per week for about an hour and a half. If you can help, please call Sue at 937-748-2402. If you can help one night per month it would be a great help.



COUNTING MY BLESSINGS: After much prayer and consideration I believe God is calling me to focus my time and attention on my own family. It has been an honor and a privilege to be part of the St. Mary's Family for these past 6 years. Goodbyes are as much a part of our lives as the seasons of the year. The word goodbye - originally "God be with ye" or "Go with God" - was part of the recognition that God was a significant part of the going. Goodbye is a blessing of love, proclaiming the belief that God goes with you and you are never alone.

I count as one of my greatest blessings the chance to be a part of such a welcoming community. I am very grateful for the opportunity to have served as the Director of Youth Ministry. I pray that you are blessed with all that you need to continue being the sign's of God's friendship you have been for me and each other.

With Blessings, Lisa Lepper

PARISH PICNIC: Volunteers are needed to help plan the children's games for the picnic. We will be having a planning meeting on Wednesday, September 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Room. We can use all the help we can get! Hope to see you there!

GIRLS...WHAT DOES YOUR LIFE REVOLVE AROUND? Why not join other teen girls as we travel to Columbus, Ohio September 8-9 to attend The Revolve Tour Conference. This new event, just for teen girls, is a day and a half with great music and speakers who will talk about real life issues. Call the Parish Office at 937-746-5404 for ticket availability.

PUT YOUR FAITH INTO ACTION:

Franklin Food Pantry: Wednesday, September 6 from 4:45 p.m.

Parish Picnic: The St. Mary Parish Picnic will be Sunday, September 17 from 12:30-4:30 p.m. On the parish grounds. Volunteers are needed to help with the children's games and slip and slide. Please call 937-746-5404 to sign up to help!

Welcome

If you are visiting or worshipping with us for the first time we welcome you to our weekly celebration. We pray that you experience a friendly, prayerful environment and will visit us often.

If you are interested in learning more about our parish or wish to join our parish family please call 937-746-5404. or visit the Parish Office in the house **Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

SMILE! We are going to have our pictures taken! Mark your calendar for the last week in October and the first week of November. Olan Mills will be here to take photographs for a new pictorial directory of our parish family. We have a coordinator, Monica Burbaker, who has done the planning now she needs a little help signing up families for appointments on the weekend of September 23-24. If you would like to help Monica with sign ups or later, with phone call reminders or hosting the actual photographing give her a call at 748-3796. This is a great way to meet parish members.



WE HAVE A NEW WWW SITE Check out www.stmaryfranklin.org. We hope this will make parish news easier to find and contacting staff easier to do. As all things go the site will change until we have everything we need on it so keep checking. Thanks to the Web committee and the work done by Toby Dials we have an excellent site.



TIME FOR FALL HOUSE CLEANING! The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be here from Friday, September 8 through Sunday September 10. Here is a great chance to help yourself by cleaning out the unneeded clothing, linens and kitchenware and help others by bringing them to the parish parking lot to be distributed to those who need them.



TOOLS NEEDED: A student at Warren County Career Center who's family is being helped by SVdP is in need of hand tools to take part in his classes. If you have any tools or would like to help in purchasing what is needed please call Sue at 748-2402 to get this young man started.

EACH YEAR DURING LENT, the teachers gave the students in the 2nd grade PSR class an opportunity for almsgiving. This year the 2005-06 class gave \$5.05 which was recently donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The charity of these young students is to be commended.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING: With the new noon Mass and with people moving and moving on we need to increase our number of Eucharistic Ministers at most Masses. There will be a training for anyone interested in serving our parish in this ministry on Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. We welcome those who have served in other parishes as well as anyone who feels called to serve.

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULES:

September 9-10	4:00 p.m. Sat.	7:30 a.m. Sun.	9:00 a.m. Sun.	10:30 Sun.	12 noon Sun.	6:30 p.m.
Servers	Vince Haenni Leo Haenni	Claire Brownfield David Brownfield	Nicholas Mathes Carrie Mathes	Taylor Schlachter Kyle Rote		Nick Barker Jessica Barker
Eucharistic Ministers	Norm Pfeifer Jackie Pfeifer Bette Reznor	Kristine Brown L. Brownfield Tim Cable	Gary Mathes Amy Mathes Dave Potts Doug Schaaf	Richard Hobe Teresa Hobe Anne Langsdale, M. Whiteley	Karen Streit	Ed Koslow K. O'Brien D. Kapolka D. Kinsworthy
Lectors	Mark Haenni	Mike Hutchinson	Ken Fish	Rich Hobbs		Jeff Gross
Gift Bearers	Ambach Family		Guffey Family			Onderko Family

PARISH LIFE INFORMATION

Office Phone No. 937-746-5404

Office Hours 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Monday—Friday

Anointing of the Sick: Call immediately in case of a serious illness. Hospitals can no longer call for you.

Communion to the Homebound: Call the rectory to arrange a visit.

Reconciliation: Call the rectory for an appointment.

Matrimony: Call the rectory for an appointment before setting a date. Six months of preparation are required.

Baptism: Preparation is required before Baptism, preferable during pregnancy. Call the rectory to make arrangements.

Bulletin Deadline: noon the Tuesday before the weekend. E-mail notices to Annelpasmf@sbcglobal.net.

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Lonnie Acree	937-748-2960	Andrea Dapkus	937-885-0487	Jackie Pfeifer	937-384-0282
Rocky Adams	937-743-0226	Dan Fedders	937-746-4123	Mary Steed	937-746-6571
Eileen Avellano	937-748-0043	Pat Monnin	937-885-1630		

CHECK OUT ALL THE READING MATERIAL AVAILABLE One avenue of adult education is to read. We make reading material available in several ways. On the radiators and racks in the back of church are a variety of materials which can be taken for your use. The parish lending Library is located in the Parish Center and is self-serve. Check it out. There many titles and subjects as well as videos and tapes.

BEYOND THE PARISH

THE SOUTH DAYTON Separated, Divorced, Widowed Support Group will meet Sunday evening, September 3, in the Incarnation Church Parish Activity Center at 7:30. All are welcome. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. For information call Bill or Arline: 937-291-1428.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED by Hospice Care of Middletown. Duties are from answering the phone to visiting patients or helping with special projects. If you are interested contact Kathy Farler, Volunteer Coordinator at 513-424-2273

WOMEN CALLED AND GIFTED, a women's day retreat will be held Saturday, September 23 at the Church of the Transfiguration in West Milton. Brochures are available on the radiators or check www.transcatholic.com or 937-698-4520.

IS YOUR MARRIAGE HURTING IN ANYWAY?

Has your marriage grown cold, distant, unloving or uncaring? Then please consider Retrouvaille (ret'ro-vi) - a program designed to help heal and renew marriages. Retrouvaille is for marriages that have lost some of their spark, for marriages having difficulties in communication and even those marriages on the edge of separation or divorce. The next program begins September 22-24. For more information call 513-398-337 or www.cindayretrouvaille.org. Other weekends and locations are available. Call for details.

FENWICK HIGH SCHOOL is participating in a Foreign Exchange Student Program. If you have an interest in hosting an student in your home for a school year or two quarters please contact Betty Turvy at 513-727-1500 pr c1_turvy@swoca.net. All students are English speaking and are still being placed for the current school year.

Thought for today

You are called to be a person of integrity. Live in a way that shows that God is your center.
(Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)