



Next weekend we will be having our mission Cooperative speaker for the year. We are happy to have Father Robert Conway Speak at all of the Masses. Fr. Conway has served the church as a Precious Blood Missionary in Chili and Peru. The Mission Cooperative Program reminds us of the Missionary Character of our Christian Faith

DAILY LITURGIES AND INTENTIONS:

- Monday, June 2 Weekday
8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Communion
- Tuesday, June 3 **Charles Lwango & companions, martyrs**
8:00 a.m. Vince Ross
- Wednesday, June 4 Weekday
8:00 a.m. Mary Hartsfield
- Thursday, June 5 **Boniface, bishop, martyr**
8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Communion
- Friday, June 6 Weekday
8:00 a.m. Bob Burns
- Saturday, June 7 Weekday
4:00 p.m. Gary Harvey
- Sunday, June 8 **Tenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**
7:30 a.m. Living and deceased of the Ladies Society
9:00 a.m.* Edna Quigley
10:30 a.m. Sharon Wallpe
6:30 p.m. St. Mary Community

* Co-operative nursery available in Parish Center

9th Sunday in Ordinary Time: The story goes that Alex Jordan's boss, an architect, fired Alex one day, telling him he couldn't design a cheese crate, let alone a house. So Alex set out to prove him wrong, and in 1945 began building a house atop Deer Shelter Rock in Wisconsin. This 14-room home attracts thousands of visitors each year, tangible proof that Alex's boss-Frank Lloyd Wright-was wrong.

Today's Gospel reading from Matthew presents us with a particular challenge. In it, Jesus asks us to look inward to our faith and allow every aspect of our lives to flow from our belief in God. He warns that merely "talking the talk" isn't the way to enter the kingdom of heaven. Our faith-built upon the rock of the very core of our hearts-is the only true way, and if we do so we can withstand anything.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that often the Church is referred to as the building of God. Jesus referred to himself as the stone which the builders rejected but would become the cornerstone for the Church (CCC 756). By succession through Peter and the apostles, we have also become the building stones of the Church; to keep the foundation strong we must keep our faith as strong as that first cornerstone.

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WELCOME INTO THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Lotis Dylan Wert daughter of David and Bernadette Wert was baptized May 24, 2008.

ELIJAH CUP - from our parish family table to your family



table. Would you and your family pray for vocations for one week during meals with Fr. Jim's ordination chalice and patent on your table? This week the Walters Family will be presented the Elijah cup at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The next scheduled families are:

- June 8 Hutchinson Family at 7:30 a.m.
- June 15 Green Family at 10:30 a.m.

Call Rich Hobbs at 937-743-2485 to schedule a weekend or use the e-form at the parish website: <http://www.stmaryfranklin.org>.

Thought for today

How firm is your foundation of faith? Listen to Jesus' words and use them as the solid rock on which to build your life. Consider ministry in the Church. Matthew 7:21-27)

FIRST COMMUNICANTS AND THEIR FAMILIES:

Please feel free to pick up your banners from inside the church. They are a wonderful reminder of your First Communion. Last year, a number of them were never retrieved so take yours home the next time you come to church.

OUR GIFT IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S GENEROSITY:

May 24-25

\$9,734.50	219 envelopes	Catholic	4 env.
\$10.00	11 children	Telegraph	\$96.50

Thank you. Your dedication to the continued fiscal health of the parish is greatly appreciated. Only those who use their contribution envelopes may request a yearend statement of contributions.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	HS Youth Ministry at 7:15 p.m.
Monday	Education Commission at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Craft Session at 10:00 a.m. Summer of Service Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Youth at Food Pantry at 5:00 p.m. Rosary at 6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Executive at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.
Friday	Church Cleaning at 8:30 a.m.
Saturday	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting at 9:00 a.m.
Sunday	HS Youth Ministry at 7:15 p.m.



ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Over the next few months, a new group of inquirers into the Catholic faith will be forming. The group will be exploring the basics of the Catholic faith and talking about responding to the call of Jesus Christ to "Come, follow me." This process, called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), is open to all: Catholics and non-Catholics alike. If you're interested, please call Deacon Steve at 937-476-1404.

LADIES! The deadline to make your reservations for St. Mary Ladies' Society Spring Luncheon at the Aron Wright House is Monday, June 9. Please call Diane Kinsworthy 937-746-6958 to reserve your place and send your check for \$15 to her at 3086 Moyer Dr., Franklin, OH 45005. This promises to be a beautiful event. We will enjoy a delicious luncheon in the dining room of this wonderfully restored home. We will also hear about its history and be able to tour the beautifully appointed rooms. This is the last get-together for the Ladies' Society until September. So, mark your calendars! Thursday, June 19, at NOON at the Aron Wright House on Rt. 73 in Springboro!



It's time to think about **SPRING CLEANING!** We need to dust and polish our church and the time to do it is this Friday, June 6. We will gather in the kitchen of the Parish Center at 8:30 a.m. and then we'll go to the church and make it shine! All cleaning volunteers are welcome!



St. Mary's will host a **FREE KITCHEN** on Wednesdays during June. This is open to seniors, singles, families, as well as anyone in need of a meal and fellowship. We will serve dinner from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO COOK, SERVE, SET-UP AND CLEAN-UP.** The free kitchen was approved by Fr. Jim and the Parish Council on a trial basis. All food and supplies will be donated by various local businesses, churches and organizations -- not monetary support from the parish. This will only work if we have plenty of help, so please call one of the following parish members to volunteer: Rocky & Rose Adams 743-0226, Ken & Debbie Fish 743-8118, Mark & JoAnn Givens 743-9687, George & Regina Gogol 748-2003, or Jeff & Vicki Rohde 748-0836.

IT'S THE LAST CHANCE MUFFIN SALE TIME! If you just can't get enough of the famous oversized muffins, plan to stock up on June 14 and 15. This will be the last muffin sale until fall. All proceeds from this sale will help support our parish Youth Ministry Mission Trip. Muffins will sell for \$2 each or 3 for \$5 – buy more and save.



WE NEED MORE SERVERS: St. Mary Parish welcomes students in the fifth grade and higher to become Altar Servers. An initial training session is scheduled for Friday, June 13 at 10:00 a.m. Students interested in this important ministry should talk to their parents and register for training. If you want to serve but cannot come June 13 please register anyway so a future training session can be arranged. Information and reply sheets are available on the radiators. If you have questions call Anne Langsdale at 937-746-5404.



Interfaith Hospitality Network of Warren County

Connecting people who care with people in need.

IHN will be at St. Mary's -- June 15 thru 29 – IHN is a association of churches in Warren County who lend a hand to families who face homelessness. Up to five families will stay overnight in the Parish Center throughout the two week period. They spend the day at the IHN building in Lebanon or at work. They will be served dinner and breakfast here each day. Two parishioners are needed to stay overnight each evening. We also need volunteers to prepare and serve dinner each night. Living room furniture and 5 table lamps with shades are needed also. Call Rocky at 937-743-0226 if you can help in any way.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL works with the food pantry to help the needy in our area. The food pantry is out of money so we are getting many requests for help with rent, utilities, shut-offs and water bills. We cannot help every one who calls. We ask the client to pay part of the bill.



It looks like we will be out of money by the end of the month. June is 5th Sunday SVdP collection month. Please help by donating money and prayers. We need guidance to make good decisions. During the summer, we are meeting the 3rd Saturday of the month, 9:00 in the Parish Center.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: For those Catholic men that want to join the Father Chuck Mentrup Council 14400, we are having a First Degree initiation meeting on Sunday, June 1st, at St. Francis of Assisi parish in Centerville. This is located on the corner of Cloyo and Wilmington Pike. Candidate call is 2:00 p.m. The First Degree will start promptly at 2:30 p.m., and the doors will be locked, so arrive early. Please contact Dave Potts, 937-748-2387, to get specifics. We are always looking for new members. This will probably be the last First Degree meeting until after August, so please don't miss out.



Q Why will we hear so many selections from Paul's letter to the Romans at Mass this year?

A Paul's letter to the Romans is a formal document written to a community that Paul had not visited or known. He is writing from Corinth around the years 57-58, introducing himself to the Romans, asking for their support in his missionary work, while presenting his message and teachings concerning Jesus.

This letter presents the best exposition of Paul's theological reflection and spirituality. It is rich in insights about fallen humanity, God's saving grace in Christ, justification and salvation, life in the Spirit, the fate of Jews who have rejected Christ, and ultimate trust and reliance on God's mercy.

Exhortations to love one another and not to judge each other round out what some call Paul's "gospel."

The letter struggles with the key issue pertinent to Christian living, namely justification or salvation through faith alone. Christians for generations have argued whether it is faith that saves or good works that save. Luther's battle cry was faith alone. Catholics insisted that good works were essential. Paul asserts that both are necessary for salvation to take hold. Justification is a free gift from God in Christ to which Christians must respond in faith. But all Christians must show that faith operative in their actions.

We take time during these summer Sundays to reflect and pray over these core issues in Christian living. How will you make Paul's words part of your prayerful reflection and sharing with others?

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We are looking for fresh ideas and ways to make our Parish Picnic a **celebration** of our parish's growth! *Please* come share your thoughts on activities and events for every age. The St. Mary Family Life Commission is meeting on June 12 at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendar to join us!

WANT TO SEE BEAUTY AND THE BEAST? St. Mary Ladies' Society is sponsoring a LaComedia Dinner Theater Trip on Thursday, August 21. This is open to EVERYONE, husbands, parents, children, friends, and neighbors. The cost is \$39.00 per person (gratuity not included); for children 11 and under is \$25.00. Please call Marge 513-423-9332 for information and to make your reservation. Please make checks payable to St. Mary Ladies' Society and send them to Diane Kinsworthy, treasurer, 3086 Moyer Dr., Franklin, OH 45005. Reservations and payment MUST be received by July 9.



ARE YOU LOOKING FOR SERVICE HOURS? I am looking for high school students who would like to earn service hours this summer to help with Summer of Service and Walk Our Talk. Summer of Service runs for one week from June 16 through June 20, and Walk Our Talk is a 48-hour retreat from July 21 through July 23. If you can help with either or both of these programs you will earn service hours and have a lot of fun. Call Janet Huelsman to volunteer at 937-974-8709, or send me an email – janethuelsman@stmaryfranklin.org

SUMMER OF SERVICE MEETING: We will have a meeting on Tuesday, June 3 at 7:00 p.m. for parents and participants of the Summer of Service program. If you have registered, or would like more information before you do, please plan to attend this important meeting. Deadline to register for Summer of Service is Friday, June 6!

REGISTER FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!



Rainforest Adventure Vacation Bible School is coming to St. Mary Parish from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, Monday, July 28 to Friday, August 1. Mark your calendars for this treetop Bible blast! Meet all the

characters from the rainforest: Shari the butterfly, Bill the Toucan, Tad the Frog, Esme the macaw, and Cleo the Monkey as they help you explore God's Wondrous Love in the Tree Top Canopy. Rainforest Adventure is for grades K-5 and you can register in two ways: go online today at <http://toolkit.thevbplace.org/StMaryFranklinOH> (also linked from the parish website) and click on Student Registration or stop by the registration table outside church after the 4:00, 9:00, 10:30, or 6:30 Masses the weekend of June 14-15. The fee per child is \$20 with a limit of \$50 for a family and can be paid at the registration weekend no matter how you register. Swing into a Rainforest Adventure right here at St. Mary's!



CHRISTMAS CRAFTERS will meet on Tuesday, June 3, at 10:00 a.m. to paint the wooden cats we sanded and the puzzle wreaths. Please wear painting clothes. We will also continue to work on the snowman toilet seat covers. Questions? Call Diane at 937-746-6958.

JOIN US IN JUNE!

June 1 – High School Youth Night – 7:15
 June 8 – High School Youth Night – 7:15
 June 9 – Mission Trip Team Meeting – 6:30
 June 14 – 15 – MUFFIN SALE!
 June 16 – 20 – Junior High Summer of Service
 June 22 – High School Youth Night – 7:15
 June 29 – High School Youth Night – 7:15

BEYOND THE PARISH

ATTENTION INTER-FAITH COUPLES: If you and your family share your Christian faith within two different church traditions, and would like to be encouraged and enriched in that experience, consider joining other couples at a gathering June 27-29 in Louisville. Contact the Family Life Office, Archdiocese of Cincinnati at 513-421-3131 for more information.

RECOVERY RETREAT – Fr. Jerry O’Brien, SJ will lead a Recovery Retreat for Women July 11-13 at the Jesuit Spiritual Center. The retreat is for women recovering from alcohol and chemical addiction who are involved in a 12-step recovery process. Fr. O’Brien is a professor of philosophy at Boston College and has been giving 12-Step retreats for 25 years. For information, or to register, call 513-248-3500, ext. 10, or visit www.jesuitspiritualcenter.com.

JOIN the 2nd annual Middletown Great Strides to Cure Cystic Fibrosis!!! Through the simple act of walking, you can make a difference in extending the quality of life for those affected by CF. Help make CF stand for Cure Found. Middletown Bike Path, Bicentennial Commons, Saturday, June 7, 2008, Registration 9:00 a.m. 5K Walk 10:00 a.m. For more information www.cff.org or Tracie Owens 513-727-8108

THE FRANKLIN-SPRINBORO PUBLIC LIBRARIES are looking for volunteer tutors to read with 45 students in grades one to four. Tutoring experience is not required but a tutor must have passed the eighth grade. The program runs from June 9 through August 8. One two-hour orientation program on June 3, 5 or 6 is required and 12 one-hour tutoring sessions throughout the summer. Applications and information are available at the libraries or on the website www.franklin.lib.oh.us.

HELP REFUGEES by volunteering with Catholic Social Services. All are legally admitted by the Department of State with work authorization and need help obtaining employment shortly after arrival. Volunteers assist in identifying potential employers, working out public transportation and helping the refugee prepare for a job. Language skills in French, Somali or Arabic are helpful but not required. Call Cindy at 513-241-7745 ext. 287 to volunteer.

PROJECT RACHEL SUPPORT GROUP: A time for healing and reconciliation following the loss of a child due to abortion. For more information call our confidential help-line at 513-784-0531.

NEXT WEEK’S MINISTRY SCHEDULES:

June 7-8	4:00 p.m. Sat.	7:30 a.m. Sun.	9:00 a.m. Sun.	10:30 a.m. Sun.	6:30 p.m. Sun.
Servers	Marisa Werling Matthew Werling	Peter Schaaf Jack Schaaf	Julie Brockman Isaac Brewster	Amanda Everts Taylor Schlachter	Josh Plandowski
Eucharistic Ministers	Norm Pfeifer Jeff Calton Lynne Calton Bette Reznor	Doug Brooker Diane Kinsworthy Larry Strimpfel	Karen Adams Tom Adams Carolyn Cusumano Anna Marie Brewster	Judy Beatty Connie O’Neill Tina Rychlewski Betty Mueller	Andrea Dapkus Carlos Yepez, Regina Gogol Ed Koslow
Lectors	Lynn Wurzelbacher	Mike Hutchinson	Joan Raberding	Walt Beatty	Mark Givens
Gift Bearers	Traud	Foley	Ball		Duckett

Readings for the Week of June 1, 2008

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58
 Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Mk 10:17-27
 Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Mk 10:28-31
 Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25/Mk 10:32-45
 Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12/Mk 10:46-52
 Friday: Dt 7:6-11/1 Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30
 Saturday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Lk 1:39-56
 Next Sunday: Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32/Rom 3:21-25, 28/Mt 7:21-27

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OUR DOORS ARE OPEN: No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., no matter what your own self-image; you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at St. Mary Parish.