



This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul. Pope Benedict XVI has proclaimed for the church a special year to honor St. Paul the apostle beginning with this Feast. It is interesting that Peter and Paul did not always agree on the nature of the church from the very beginning, as we have many disagreements today. But, amidst the conflict, the Church grew. We have faith that the Holy Spirit will lead us into the future amidst the conflict and disagreements in our church today.

DAILY LITURGIES AND INTENTIONS:

- Monday, June 30, Weekday
8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Communion
- Tuesday, July 1, Weekday
8:00 a.m. Bob Burns
- Wednesday, July 2, Weekday
8:00 a.m. Mary Hartsfield
- Thursday, July 3, **Thomas, apostle**
8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Communion
- Friday, July 4, Weekday
9:00 a.m. Those Serving in the Middle East
- Saturday, July 5, Weekday
4:00 p.m. Paula Kay Marcum
- Sunday, July 6, **Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**
7:30 a.m. Eichholz & Howard Families
9:00 a.m.* Gary Harvey
10:30 a.m. St. Mary Community
6:30 p.m. Callsen Family

* Co-operative nursery available in Parish Center

Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul, Apostles: On October 12, 2007, Pope Benedict XVI inaugurated the "Bronze Door," the nearly 400-year-old but newly refurbished principal entrance to the Vatican Apostolic Palace in Rome. In his remarks, the Holy Father said, "this door assumes a symbolic and spiritual significance. Those who come to meet Peter's successor pass through here." It is Benedict's hope that those who pass through these doors will feel his embrace.

Jesus asks his disciples two very important questions: Who do the people say the Son of Man is, and who do you say that I am? Imagine Jesus' joy in Peter's response, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Peter didn't hesitate in speaking from his heart, and was rewarded with the embrace of Jesus Christ and the authority to govern the Church. What can we learn from Peter's immediate, heartfelt response?

When we recite the Apostles' Creed, we renew to ourselves our mission as members of the Church to be apostolic, to carry out the message of Christ's love to the world (CCC 863). Just as Peter was acknowledged for his true faith received from God, and just as Paul and the apostles traveled throughout the land, we are called to know the gift of God's grace, and to share our gift whenever and wherever possible.

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WELCOME INTO THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Zachary Liam and Ethan Nathaniel May sons of Eric and Kimberly May were baptized June 21, 2008.

ELIJAH CUP - from our parish family table to your family

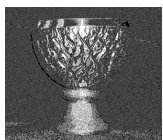


table. Would you and your family pray for vocations for one week during meals with Fr. Jim's ordination chalice and paten on your table? This week the Kinsworthy Family will be presented the Elijah cup at the 7:30 a.m. Mass. The next

scheduled families are:

July 5 R. Adams Family at 4:00 p.m.

July 12 Zachowski Family at 4:00 p.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>.

OUR GIFT IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S GENEROSITY:

June 21-22

\$8,109.00	215 env.	Peter's Pence	\$1,135.00	66 env.
\$7.00	8 children	Telegraph	\$24.00	1 env.

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

Monday	Decree on Child protection at 7:00 p.m. WOT Parent Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Christmas Crafters at 10 a.m.
Wednesday	Rosary at 6:30 p.m.
Friday	Independence Day —Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Thought for today

Be an example of faith to your brothers and sister; let your faith inspire others to come to know Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the living God. (Matthew 16:13-19)



DONATIONS FOR THE LEND A HAND PROJECT



are due by Monday, July 7. Please attach the hand to your donation and bring it to the Parish Office. The Mission Team of 16 high school youth and 6 adults will travel to Harlan, KY on July 13 for a week-long Work Camp. We must supply all our own meals, cleaning and work supplies. Your helping hand makes it possible for us to help others. Thank you for lending a hand to support the parish Mission Trip!!

THE BIBLE STUDY “LANDS OF THE BIBLE” has concluded. “Lands of the Bible” took participants on a visual and spiritual journey to the Holy Land. If you didn’t get a chance to take part, it will be held again in the fall. Watch the bulletin at that time on how to register for this unique approach to the study of Scripture.

CHRISTMAS CRAFTERS - Come join the fun on Tuesday, July 1, at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Center.



We will be making Uncle Sam Santas. You will need to wear painting clothes and bring a 6 inch clay pot, six inch clay saucer, and an empty 48 oz. juice can. I think this little guy will be fun to make. Questions? Call Diane at 937-746-6958.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Today is the 5th Sunday collection for St. Vincent de Paul. We have been averaging about 20 calls per day. Our average monetary help is \$250 per client family; mostly to help get or keep utilities. We require the client to help with the bills before we finish the payment. SVdP helps people in crisis. We cannot help everyone who calls. Through counseling and referrals, we try to help clients budget. Recently we have not been able to help with money. We had been down to about \$100 in our treasury. We continue to give referrals and try to help clients when they call. We ask your continued support so we can continue the work of St. Vincent de Paul. Our next meeting is July 19, 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. Thank you for your continued support.



CHRIST OUR HOPE

The 2008 Peter’s Pence Collection - Your generosity allows the Holy Father to bring hope—through timely and effective emergency assistance—to our suffering brothers and sisters throughout the world. In solidarity with the Holy Father, we Catholics participate in works of goodness that distinguish us as followers of the Gospel. Please pray for the Holy Father, and please give generously to the collection.



Parish School of Religion



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION REGISTRATION information is available on the radiators at all church doors. If you did not receive registration information through the mail, pick it up along with a registration form for each of your children and register for PSR classes which begin in September. Classes are for Pre-K (at least age 4) through Grade 8. Register on or before June 30 and the fee is \$50 per child, with a maximum of \$120 per family. After June 30, the fee is \$60 per child with a maximum of \$130 per family. Forms can be returned by mail, dropped off at the parish office, or put in the collection basket. If you have questions, please contact Deacon Steve at 937-746-1404.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Congratulations to brother knights Gary Beall, Chad Pfoutz, Brian Rebholz, and Keith Rebholz, for completing their Second and Third Degree's on June 22. These degrees are lessons on Unity and Fraternity respectively. New members are always welcome. Please pick-up some Knights of Columbus literature in the back of the Church. Our Membership Director is Dave Potts 937-748-2387.

This Saturday, June 28, we are assisting the High School Youth Group by cooking hot dogs at the Kroger store in Springboro to raise funds for their Summer Mission Trip in July. Come on out, bring the family and support our Youth. Food and drinks will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

This Sunday, June 29, the knights will be serving up hot dogs and burgers at Kroger's from noon to 6:00 p.m., to raise money for Warren County Right to Life and as a general fund raiser for the Father Chuck Mentrup Council 14400. Bring the family out for a good meal and help support our local Pro-Life organization this Sunday. Anyone (parishioners, knights, families) wanting to help set-up, cook, or clean-up, please give Rocky a call 937-743-0226.



St. Mary's is hosting a **FREE KITCHEN** on Wednesdays from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. until July 2. It is open to seniors, singles, families, anyone in need of a meal and fellowship. **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO COOK, SERVE, SET-UP AND CLEAN-UP.** 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.

Q Why are the Feast of Peter and Paul on June 29 and the Feast of the First Holy Martyrs on June 30 celebrated together?

A Both feasts highlight the sacrifices that people are willing to make in order to be faithful to their values and beliefs. Peter, Paul and the first martyrs all died during the first persecution of Christians under the Emperor Nero, between the years 64 and 68.

The Roman historian Tacitus tells of a great fire that broke out in Rome in July of 64. It lasted ten days, during which almost two-thirds of the city was ruined. Many suspected Nero started the fire. To remove any suspicion, Nero blamed the Christians. Persecutions ensued and many Christians were killed during the entertainments near the Vatican Hill stadium. Peter, Paul and many of the early Christians died during this persecution. Since Paul was a Roman citizen, he could not be killed like the others. Rather, he was taken to the Ostian Way and beheaded. Legend tells that Peter and Paul met on their way to their respective places of death, a moment beautifully captured in many icons. They embrace, both anxious concerning their fates, yet at peace knowing that they have "fought the good fight, have won the race, and that a crown of victory awaits them" (cf. 2 Timothy 4:7). Major churches now tower over the traditional sites of their martyrdom.

How do you maintain fidelity and faith when bombarded with situations in today's world that challenge your beliefs?

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SUMMER OF SERVICE WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

Last week we had 14 junior high students led by 3 high school volunteers for our S.O.S. retreat. The participants worked at the Franklin Food Pantry and the Harding Museum; they visited the shut-ins at Franklin Ridge and helped with the First United Methodist Church free lunch program. These kids worked hard to wash and steam clean all the Parish Center tables and chairs as well as cleaning and organizing the church basement. It was a lot of work rewarded by a fun social activity each day. S.O.S. was a wonderful Christian learning experience that would not have been possible without the help of our parent volunteers. Thanks to everyone who helped make this first-time retreat a success.

WALK OUR TALK REGISTRATION MEETING:

Register for "Walk Our Talk" and find out more information about this 48-hour retreat for freshman at the **Informational Meeting on Monday, June 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.** Cost for the retreat is \$95 which includes the dorm room and all food and materials for the 48 hours. "Walk Our Talk" runs from July 21 – July 23. **Register at the meeting.** Contact Janet Huelsman at 937-746-8709 or email janethymismf@sbcglobal.net for more information.

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GOOD NEWS! The Co-op nursery during the 9:00 a.m. Mass is open all summer. Check it out and give yourself a little quiet time for prayer.

JULY WILL BE A BLAST!

- July 13–18 Work Camp Mission Trip
- July 21–23 Walk Our Talk
- July 27 High School Youth Night – Activity to be announced

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS ONLY ABOUT A MONTH AWAY!

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 a week of 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. You can register by: going online at <http://toolkit.thevbssplace.org/StMaryFranklinOH> (also linked from the parish website) and click on Student Registration; or pick up a registration form off the radiators in back of church. The fee per child is \$20 with a limit of \$50 for a family and can be mailed, put in the collection, or dropped off at the parish office. Swing into a Rainforest Adventure right here at St. Mary's!



IT TAKES A LOT OF SUPPLIES TO PUT ON OUR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL.

If you'd like to help with food and supplies for this year's VBS, the following items are needed: 500 6 oz. Styrofoam cups, 400 8" Styrofoam plates, 400 plastic knives and spoons, 400 napkins, 80 granola bars (no nuts), 7 loaves of cinnamon swirl white bread, 7 packages (8 oz.) of fruit-flavored cream cheese, 80 chewy fruit snack single packs, 1 large jar of maraschino cherries, 3 large containers of non-dairy whipped topping, 1 large box of raisins, 6 boxes of cherry fruit rolls, 2 large bags of red licorice twists, 10 bags of bugle-shaped corn chips, 10 cans of light brown frosting, 2 bags of chocolate chips, and 2 bags of red gum drops. Please drop off your donations at the parish office. Any donations would be greatly appreciated!



THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS JULY 14.

BEYOND THE PARISH

ST. LEONARD FOUNDATION will host its 5th annual 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, July 12 on the scenic campus of St. Leonard Senior Living Community, 8100 Clyo Road, Centerville. Registration/check-in begins at 7:30 a.m., race begins at 8:30 a.m. Awards will be presented at the breakfast at 10:00 a.m. to the top three males/females as well as awards in seventeen age groups. Registration is \$20 by June 19 and includes t-shirt and breakfast. Registration is \$25 after June 19 through race day (t-shirt not guaranteed). Breakfast for non-entrants is \$8 for adults, \$6 for children under 12. Register online at www.stleonard.net/foundation. For information, Darlene Williamson, at 937-439-7153.

ATTENTION ALL MARRIED COUPLES: Too busy? Take a time-out to reconnect! A Worldwide Marriage Weekend is a low-key, common-sense experience for a husband and wife who want the “spark” of feeling like newlyweds again and always. The next two weekends are July 11-13 in Florence, KY and September 12-14 at Cliffview Retreat Center. Weekends fill up quickly so call now. For more information contact Keith and Lori at 1-800-547-1251 code 00 or visit <http://www.esharing.org/>.

ST. RITA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF Annual Fest is July 11, 12 & 13. Free Charter bus service to and from Tri-County Mall. Call 513-771-7600 for more information. Chicken, spaghetti and fish dinners all 3 days.

THEOLOGY ON TAP DAYTON SOUTH for Young Adults in their 20s & 30s will meet at the **Fox and Hound Restaurant** in Centerville for food and drink and lively discussion about things that matter to young adults and the Catholic faith. We gather at 7:00 p.m. and the speaker begins at 7:30 p.m. Join us **July 10—How to Find Your Prince or Princess without Kissing a Lot of Frogs: Keeping Your Head and Heart Working Together**, presenters: Dan & Vickie Wade. Our jobs require us to learn certain skills, but when it comes to relationships, we don’t think we need to know anything special. That’s one of the reasons why so many relationships turn sour. This lively discussion focuses on things you need to know to build and keep loving relationships. There is no charge for attending. Food and drink is on your own, however. All young adults are welcome. For more information, contact the Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry at 937-223-1001 or visit our website: www.CatholicCincinnati.org/yamin/TOT.

NEXT WEEK’S MINISTRY SCHEDULES:

July 5-6	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	Arizona Craycraft Brian Fry	Allison Moore	Reggie Gast Rhys Gast Mae Gast	Amanda Everts Colette Telatko	AJ Schriml Kate Schriml
Eucharistic Ministers	Norm Pfeifer Pat Monnin Bette Reznor Karen Streit	Doug Brooker Kristine Brown Larry Strimpfel	Gary Mathes Amy Mathes Doug Schaaf Cathy Zaenglein	Judy Beatty Connie O’Neill Tina Rychlewski Betty Mueller	Greg Mahle Ron Onderko Regina Gogol Jeff Rohde
Lectors	Lynn Wurzelbacher	Mike Hutchinson	Walter Mauck	Walt Beatty	Brian Howard
Gift Bearers	Ambach	Duckett	Williams		Gast

Readings for the Week of June 29, 2008	
Sunday:	Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Monday:	Am 2:6-10, 13-16/Mt 8:18-22
Tuesday:	Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Mt 8:23-27
Wednesday:	Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Mt 8:28-34
Thursday:	Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29
Friday:	Am 8:4-6, 9-12/Mt 9:9-13
Saturday:	Am 9:11-15/Mt 9:14-17
Next Sunday:	Zec 9:9-10/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

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