



## September 27, 2009— TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Parishioners,

If you have driven, walked, jogged, or buzzed by the parish house, you will have noticed a considerable amount of activity going on. Finally after two months of inactivity, the project has begun and much has been accomplished. All of this activity has been made possible through your generous donations.

Thus far the master shower, sink and counter have been resurfaced and new hardware, plumbing, and electrical installed or upgraded. Most all of the carpet and other flooring has been removed. The washing machine and dryer are now in the appropriate location: the utility room instead of a closet in the center of the house. One fireplace has been removed (there were two). The electrical plugs throughout the house have been upgraded to three-prong outlets and GFCI's (safety plugs) installed as necessary. Some lighting has been replaced or added. The cinderblock walls have been sheetrocked. Eventually these surfaces will need to be textured and painted.

The kitchen is next. At this point, I am cooking out of my trailer, because the entire kitchen has been pulled apart for the remodel. It's like camping! Gracie, my dog, and I each have one chair upon which we can sit without getting carpenter's dust all over us. Black is a precarious color to wear in this environment as you can imagine. At this time, the countertops are being raised to the standard height, reconfigured and resurfaced, the hood over the range will be vented correctly, the plumbing will be upgraded, and the cabinets will be reconditioned. Once this has been done, the duct work throughout the house will need to be cleaned and the floors

resurfaced with carpeting or tile as appropriate.

It has been wonderful to see the house brought up to new standards. Parishioners with particular business/construction expertise have been involved. Other things that need to be seriously looked at include the replacing or reconfiguring the furnace and upgrading the windows to increase energy efficiency (these will pay for themselves in short order).

As you know, this all takes money, and your wonderful donations have been very encouraging to me. Amidst all this, the parish has been struggling financially. So it is important that you know that this project has been paid for exclusively outside of our normal operating budget and is independent of your weekly donations for the ongoing ministries of the parish. As we start to look towards the end of this project, we estimate that we will run short of funds to complete it. It has been a "pay as you go" type of project. No funds have been or will be diverted from the normal operating expenses to complete it. Instead, I look to you to consider helping, once again, to bring closure to this remodel. Any donations you wish to make should be done independently of your normal stewardship to the parish. Please consider coming to the parish office to make a donation to the "rectory remodel."

Again, thank you for all your support and prayers.

Sincerely

Fr. William Holtzinger  
Pastor

### THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	9/27	8:00 am	Int Bro. Ron Travers
	(RR)	9:00 am	
		9:30 am	
		11:00 am	Parishioners
Monday	9/28	8:00 am	Leona Horak +
Tuesday	9/29	8:00 am	Int. Heather Colleran
Wednesday	9/30	8:00 am	Mary Alves +
Thursday	10/01	8:30 am	Dianne Lee +
Friday	10/02	8:00 am	Larry Smith +
		12:05 pm	Ray Salisbury +
Saturday	10/03	5:30 pm	Int Anne Tltus
	(CJ)	5:30 pm	

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

September 27 through October 4 , 2009

Sunday:	Nm 11:25-29	Ps 19:8,10,12-14	Jas 5:1-6
	Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48		
Monday:	Zec 8:1-8	Ps 102:2,16-23	Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday:	Dn 7:9-10,13-14	Ps 138:1-5	Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday:	Neh 2:1-8	Ps 137:1-6	Lk 9:57-62
Thursday:	Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12	Ps 19:8-11	
	Lk 10:1-12		
Friday:	Bar 1:15-22	Ps 79:1-5,8-9	Mt 18:1-5,10
Saturday:	Bar 4:5-12,27-29	Ps 69:33-37	Lk 10:17-24
Sunday:	Gn 2:18-24	Ps 128:1-6	Heb 2:9-11
	Mk 10:2-16		

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**September 20, 2009: \$8,470**

**So far this month: \$32,195**

**Budget for this month: \$45,500**

Since offertory collections on the last weekend of the month are typically the lowest, it appears we will not make our budget for this month. We will explain more about this next week, including how much below our budget target we likely will be for the month, as well as for the first quarter of the fiscal year. Father Holtzinger, and the Business Manager, with advice and consent of the Parish Administrative Council, will be considering various options to attempt to reduce our operating expenses going forward. As was mentioned before, this will probably involve some further reductions in salary and wage rates and/or hours worked by paid staff. All of us recognize and appreciate how difficult these times are and we accept that we must be good and faithful stewards of the treasure you give to the church. We thank you for your continuing to do whatever you can to support the church. Please continue to pray and discern whether you can increase your personal sacrifice by 3% more than you gave last year.

**FROM THE DESK OF  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Sacramental preparation will begin on October 7th at 6:00PM in room 1 of the Parish Center.

What is Sacramental Preparation? This is the preparing of children to receive First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

Requirements: Two years of religious instruction with special instruction in their 2nd year for the sacraments. We need a copy of their Baptismal Certificate. We do the Sacramental Preparation Class separate so all children come together in their parish. This begins the making of community outside of the private family.

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It is not too late to come to the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Our next session is on Thursday, September 24th, at 6:30PM in Room 1 of the Parish Center.

Our Religious Education Classes start this Sunday, September 27, at 9:30AM. Come to the Skyroom to find out where your child's class will be. We still need Catechists (teachers). Religious Education Classes end at 10:45AM. Please be prompt in picking up your children so the Catechist can make it to 11:00AM Mass, if he or she wishes.

We could use help from the parish for snacks for the Kinders and First Grade.

Please call Terry Knouff at 479-4848 if you have any questions.

**CHECK OUT THESE WEBSITES....**

**Our Archdiocese has a newly revamped website at**

**[www.archdpx.org](http://www.archdpx.org)**  
**or**  
**[www.bustedhalo.com](http://www.bustedhalo.com)**

# YOUTH NEWS

**Youth**

**Mass**

**WE NEED** volunteers to fill of Eucharistic Lectors, Greet- the Choir, and Altar Servers for the 11:00am Mass on October 25th. If you are young and interested in serving our parish, please talk to Hans to sign up!



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**THE TIME IS NOW** to join the YOUTH CHOIR. Our first practice is Monday, September 28th from 6 to 7 in the evening. If you sing or play an instrument, please come!

**High School - THIS SUNDAY'S TOPIC: SOLI-**

**DARITY:** Living as one human family. Don't forget, our youth group sponsors a girl from Guatemala, so bring your spare change to pitch in.



**PARENTS:** Please don't forget to turn in the procedure and permission forms you got from our parent night. And encourage your kids to fill out the front of the packet.



**Mid High - OUR YOUTH NIGHTS** continue this Wednesday, September 30th, from 7 to 8:30, in the Parish Center Skyroom. Please consider sharing your faith by inviting a friend!

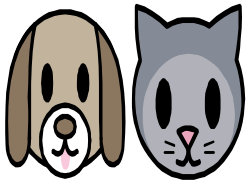
**Confirmation - HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION CLASSES** will start on Wednesday October 7th, and be every other Wednesday after that. Registration forms for these classes are available in the parish office, the parish center office, or in the vestibules of the church.

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## **"PARISH NEWS"**

**THE BAZAAR CRAFTING** group is now meeting in Room 6 of the parish center. This is a time to get together to work on your crafts for the upcoming Bazaar, also a time to just chat and drink some coffee together. We meet every Monday, except holidays, from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. The Christmas Bazaar is November 7th and 8th this year.



**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS!!** Father Bill will be doing the Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 4th, after the 11:00AM Mass. Be sure to bring your pet to be blessed.

**THE PARISH AND FAMILY LIFE COMMITTEE** is beginning to organize a parish-wide potluck to honor our youth on **World Youth Day**, on October 25th, after the 11:00 AM Mass. If you would like to help with this special occasion please contact Maureen Hutcheson at 474-2711.

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO HELP** provide refreshments for our RCIA class, which meets every Thursday at 6:30PM. This is a great way to welcome and show our support for those interested in the Catholic faith. If you would like to help, please call Maureen Hutcheson at 474-2711.

**DIVORCED, WIDOWED, SEPARATED AND RELATIONSHIP RECOVERY** meets every Monday night at 7:00PM in the Parish Center. If you are divorced, widowed, separated or suffering as the result of a relationship, even years later, this is the program for you. For more information call 659-7103 or 474-7574, or just come join us any Monday night.

**TOOLS**—If you would like to become part of a community working toward improving your marriage and enriching your spiritual life, please contact Linda or David at 474-7574.

**THE 3RD DEGREE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OFFICERS** will hold a meeting at 7:00PM on Monday, October 5 2009 at Grand Knight Lavalley's residence, 1741 Gardendale Lane, Grants Pass. All 3rd Degree Officer's are asked to attend.



**DON'T FORGET THE AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IS HERE AT ST. ANNE, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1 in the Parish Center from 10:00AM—3:00PM. Give and help save lives.**

## **FIRST FRIDAY MASS IS THIS NEXT FRIDAY!!**

The First Friday of each month is designated as a day to be consecrated to honoring Our Lord's Sacred Heart. The object of this devotion is to make our Savior Jesus Christ ardently and perfectly loved, and to make reparation for the outrages received by Him in the past as well as the present. All are welcome to join us at either the 8:00AM or 12:05PM Mass on the first Friday of each month, for attendance at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass which is assuredly the best means of honoring and loving the Adorable Heart of Jesus.

### **"CAREGIVER 101"**

Lovejoy Hospice and Rogue Valley Council of Governments are presenting "Caregiver 101" class on Saturday, October 24, 2009, from 8:00AM-4:30PM, at Lovejoy Hospice, 939 SE 8th St., Grants Pass.



A fee of \$20 will be asked, which includes workbook, continental breakfast & beverages. Bring your own lunch or there are nearby restaurants. This will provide powerful tools and hands on caregiving for all friends or family members who are, or will be, caring for loved ones at home. To register or for more info, call 474-1193.

**"It is in forgetting self that one finds:  
It is in loving that one is loved:  
It is in dying that one is born to eternal  
life"**

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## "OTHER NEWS"

**"USING THE GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT IN THE CHURCH TODAY"** is the theme of the 20th So. Oregon Catholic Charismatic Conference. Fr. Odo Recker, OSB from Mt. Angel will be our presenter. The Conference will be held at Sacred Heart Church in Medford, October 9-10. Call Dove Renewal Center at 541-582-2968 or 800-262-3683 (out of area) for information.

**JOIN THE 2009 MEDFORD LIFE CHAIN.** Spend time in silent prayer to end abortion in our country and in our world. Sunday, October 4, 2009, 2:45-4:00PM, corner of Biddle and McAndrews Roads. Pick up a pro-life sign starting at 2:30PM and start praying.

**PREGNANCY CARE CENTER IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR GALA EVENT ON OCTOBER 16, 2009.** They need tables and chairs set up, table setters, set up, food prep (filling ice waters, etc), plating (putting food on plates), and clean up (taking down tables, etc). There are scheduled times for these different chores. If you could volunteer please call Tammy Bloyd at 479-6264. Your help is needed and would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES PREGNANCY SUPPORT & ADOPTION SERVICES** are seeking loving families who are interested in learning more about our Open Adoption Program. We are currently scheduling free Information Interviews, and also offering a two-day Orientation Class scheduled for October 23 & 24, 2009. To schedule an interview, register for Orientation Class, or request additional information, please contact the Pregnancy Support & Adoption Services office in Portland at 503-238-5196. For general questions about our adoption program, please visit our website at [www.CatholicCharitiesOregon.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesOregon.org).



### **ROSARY BOWL NW PRAY 2009**

Join Bishop Kenneth Steiner for the 3rd annual Rosary Bowl NW at the Oregon State Fairgrounds Pavilion Building in Salem, OR, Saturday, October 3rd, 2009. Holy Mass at 10:30 AM, sacrament of reconciliation starting at 9:00AM, Adoration and benediction & Holy Rosary at 12:30PM. Free Admission and free parking. Prayer intentions will include, for world peace, for the family, and for our priests. For more info call 503-285-5200, ext 105 or go to [www.rosarybowlnw.org](http://www.rosarybowlnw.org).

*"Dear God, be good to me, the sea is so wide  
And my boat is so small"*

## **WEEK AT A GLANCE...**

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>Sept 27—Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:30 AM 6:00 PM	Religious Ed Catechist Meeting-Rm 1 High School Youth Group—KYC
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>Sept 28 —St. Wenceslaus</b>
9:30 AM 7:00 PM	Bazaar Crafting Workshop—Room 6 Divorced/Widowed/Separated Support - PC
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>Sept 29—St Michael, St. Gabriel &amp; St. Raphael</b>
6:30 AM	Men's Study Group—Library
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Sept 30—St. Jerome</b>
6:30 AM 9:00 AM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM	Women's Bible Study—Room 4 Legion of Mary—Room 2 Biblia y Catesismo—Room 4 Mid-High Youth Ministry—Skyroom
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>October 1—St. Therese of the Child Jesus</b>
10:00 AM 9:00 AM 6:30 PM	Red Cross Blood Drive—Skyroom Marian Prayer Group—Room 2 RCIA Classes—Room 1
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>October 2— First Friday—Guardian Angels</b>
12:05 PM	First Friday Mass—Church
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>October 3—St. Theodore Guerin</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>October 4—Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:30 AM 6:00 PM	Religious Ed Classes— High School Youth Group— KYC

## **\*\*\*School News\*\*\***



**WE HAD A GREAT TURNOUT FOR BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT.** Thank you Father Paschal for giving us a blessing for the new school year.

**PASS THE WORD!!!** Our School's Pre-K (Ms. Shelley's) class has one open spot.

The Fred Meyer and Grocery Outlet gift cards (Scrip) and the Sonic and Papa Murphys coupon cards will be available for purchase after 9:30 and 11:00 Masses in the church west vestibule (10th St. side).

**EVERY PRODUCTS** now have the "Box Top" Education Food Labels on them and September and October are **DOUBLE "Box Top"** months. Please remember to save for the school. Last year we collected \$1,154 in "Box Tops". Help us exceed that this year.

We kicked off our Jog-A-Thon fundraiser on Monday, September 21st, so find one of our students to make a pledge.

**THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR ANNUAL FUND DRIVE.** We are doing very well. Check out the graphs in the vestibules.