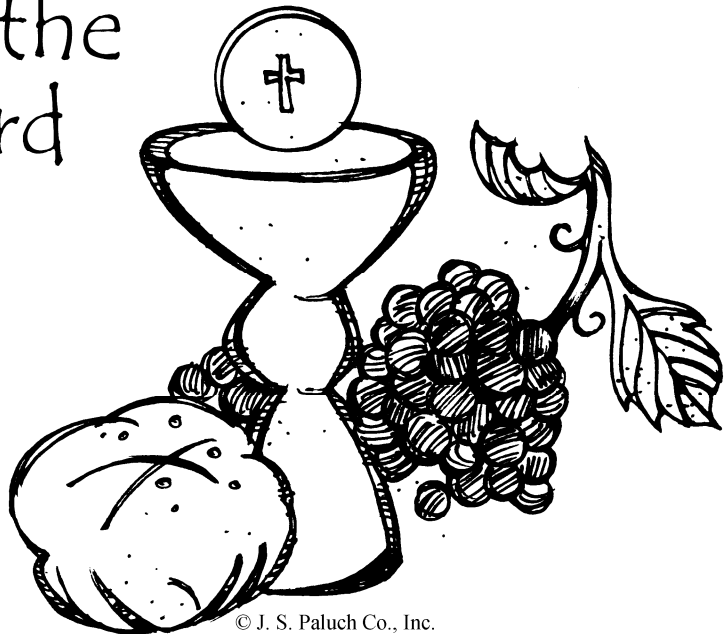


# Saint John Fisher Parish

August 16, 2009

Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Taste and see the  
goodness  
of the  
Lord



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## **Weekend Liturgies**

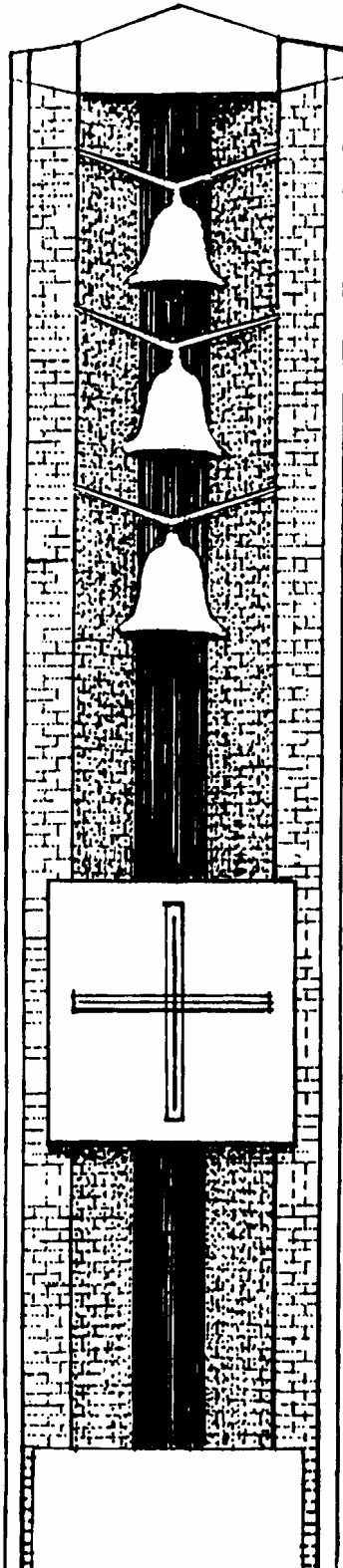
4:00 P.M. Saturday

8:00, 10:00 A.M., and 12:00 Noon Sundays

## **Weekday Morning Liturgies**

Monday through Friday 6:30 A.M. Communion Service

Monday through Saturday 8:30 A.M. Daily Mass



## ST. JOHN FISHER PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Catholic Community of St. John Fisher, formed by the gospel, nourished by the Eucharist, and united by love, are called to celebrate the kingdom of God and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ in word and action.

## REST IN PEACE

Please remember especially in your prayers this week: Edward O'Donnell; James Healy, brother of parishioner Kay Abney; Mary Jane Kiehl, mother of parishioner Michael Kiehl; Joan Dugger, sister of parishioner Ruth Riccardo.

## PRAYER SUPPORT FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

*We would like to keep parishioners and all those who are serving in the military in our prayers, especially: MSG Kevin Daley; Sp4 James Garrity; Sp4 Kevin Garrity CPL Thomas Leonard, USMC; Recruit Raymond Doran; Daniel Wagner; Pvt 1st Class Michael Carroll, USMC; PFC Lane Kreisl, 82nd Airborne; Major Eric Dougherty, USMC; Lance Cpl Kevin Butler, USMC; Lt.jg Meghan Ryan; Pvt. Christopher Dinaso; PFC Ryan Hensley; AW2 Devin E. Williams, USN; PFC Steven Folliard; Sgt. John T. LaGiglia; Captain Michael McCann, US Army; Kevin Roche; Steve Ayon; Pvt. Anthony Schmidt; PFC Terrance Wilson, US Army; Lance Cpl. Robert Brennan Carroll, USMC; Lt. Patrick F. McInerney, USN.; 1st Lt. Patrick Tierney, USMC; Kyle Sellers, USAF; Lance Cpl Brennan C. McDonald, Jr., USMC; LCPL Jack Fitzpatrick, USMC; AN Joseph L. Boyce, USN; Darin Oberhart, USN-MA1; Sgt. Thomas Hopman, USMC*

## SUMMER MISSION APPEAL

MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS



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Next weekend, August 22-23, Sister Joanne Vander Heyden, a Franciscan Sister of the Sacred Heart whose Motherhouse is in Frankfort, IL., will be here at all the Masses to speak to you about the missionary works of her community. The Franciscan Sisters are a Catholic women's religious congregation with a 130-year history in the United States doing works of neighborly love. They co-sponsor hospitals, long-term care facilities, and serve in several schools and parishes in Illinois, Indiana and California. Since 1964 they have ministered in Brazil at Icoaraci and Barcarena, near the mouth of the Amazon River, and most recently have opened another mission at Curucamba. The Sisters form small base communities to teach and spread our Catholic faith. They accompany and assist the people who live in some the most impoverished regions of Brazil. Your generosity will help to support and further this important work among the poorest of the poor.

## MASS MOVEMENT – AUGUST 17 THRU 29

No, this isn't a call to organize a demonstration for some worthy cause, but an announcement about the movement of the 8:30a.m. morning mass to Kane Hall during the next two weeks while the re-flooring of the sanctuary takes place. During that time, the 6:30a.m. communion service will be cancelled. Beginning Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, both will return to the church. Saturday 4:00p.m. and Sunday masses will remain in the church. Funerals that need to be celebrated during these two weeks will take place at St. Bernadette (with one of our priests presiding) unless the family wishes to contact another parish.

If you are a **Lector or Eucharistic Minister** and have any difficulty getting up and down stairs, you might want to get a substitute for the weekend of August 22-23, since there will be a number of uneven surfaces to cross in the sanctuary while the work is in progress.

And more mass movement....We had planned to begin the morning mass switch to **8:15a.m.** on September 1<sup>st</sup> to make it easy to remember; but it's probably best to have that move coincide with the return from Kane Hall to church on August 31<sup>st</sup>. So remember: the new weekday morning mass time will be **8:15a.m. throughout the year, beginning Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**. If you missed my announcement of this several months ago, the reason is simple: it's for the benefit of our school children and teachers whose day begins at 7:50a.m. All our school children from K thru 8 attend mass once a week, but the 8:30a.m. mass time created an odd first period—too long for homeroom and too short to start another class and still get to mass. An 8:15a.m. mass will allow our students and teachers to have more quality time in class while still giving them the spiritual boost of attending mass each week. Our hope is that this earlier time won't inconvenience anyone; it might even help those who want to attend mass but have to rush or leave early to get to work.

If anyone will need the chair lift to get down to Kane Hall for these two weeks, please let me know sometime this week so each of the priests can have the key available for you. I trust that this brief inconvenience will be worth it once all the work is completed.

*Fr. Bob*

## GOOD NEWS!

We can finally say with confidence that Fr. Arthur WILL be staying here at St. John Fisher. He will remain as a resident priest rather than a part-time associate, while he assumes full-time responsibilities at the Marriage Tribunal. However, most of you won't notice too much of a change, since he will still be celebrating weekday and weekend masses as he has for the past four years. The only difference is that he will be less likely to attend other parish functions, though I'm sure he will be present here as much as his full-time job at the Tribunal allows.

I'm very happy that things worked out this way for us; but more importantly, we should hope that Fr. Arthur will be happy with his more demanding job at the Pastoral Center. I know he will appreciate all of us keeping him in our prayers.

*Fr. Bob*

**STEWARDSHIP =  
TIME  
TALENT  
TREASURE**

## THE PLACE OF MUSIC IN OUR WORSHIP: PART TWO

As we prepare for the completion (sometime next month) of our enlarged choir and music space, it's good to continue a reflection on liturgical music, with the focus this week on those who make the music. The U.S. Bishops' document, *Music in Catholic Worship*, says this about the musical part played by each of us in the liturgy:

“In liturgical celebrations each one, minister or layperson, who has an office to perform, should do all of, but only, those parts which pertain to that office by the nature of the rite and the principles of the liturgy. Special musical concern must be given to the role of the congregation, the cantor, the choir and the instrumentalists.”

If we boil all that down to everyday language, it simply means that we all have a part to play, no one should steal anyone else's part, and in the end, we're all in this together.

Some of us grew up in a church that might be called “musically imbalanced.” By that I mean that, unless we sang in a choir, there wasn't much for us to do musically as a “congregation.” When I was a kid, I remember enjoying Benediction, Holy Hours or novenas as much as mass primarily because we got to sing. I may not have known what I was singing—usually in Latin—but I felt so much more a part of the whole experience. After Vatican II, I remember how excited I was the first time I was at a mass that began with an “Entrance Song” that we all could sing together. Unfortunately in those days, I was basically tone-deaf, so I don't know how much anyone around me enjoyed the experience.

In the decades since Vatican II, the place of music in worship has continued to evolve to the understanding expressed in the above quote, namely, that we all have a part to play but no one does it all. We're fortunate to have three wonderful choirs—the Adult Choir, the Ensemble and the Children's Choir—along with a group of talented and dedicated instrumentalists. But they are **not** there to entertain us. Sometimes, of course, there will be a choir piece before mass or after communion or the instrumentalists will provide an intro to a piece of music. But most of the time, the choir is there to support **us** in our musical worship, and it's **our** responsibility to join in, as best we can, even if we might think we're tone-deaf. The Cantor or Leader of Song has a role similar to the choir's, primarily during the hymns and acclamations. But at other times, particularly during the responsorial psalm, the gospel acclamation and some versions of the Glory to God, we take on an “antiphonal” relationship with the Cantor, an alternating form of song: the Cantor sings the verse and we sing **only** the refrain. No one else should usurp the Cantor's part at those times—not the priest, the deacon or anyone else in the assembly—no matter how much we might like to sing. The priest also has a musical role, particularly in introducing the acclamations and in chanting the Preface to the Eucharistic Prayer.

“Music is of **preeminent** importance....an **integral** part of the solemn liturgy.” That should be a powerful challenge for every Catholic Christian to do our musical part, in every liturgy, to give praise and thanks to our loving God.

*Fr. Bob*

### AN INVITATION

*Please join the 12 parishes of our Deanery*

*In celebrating*

*Bishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller's*

*25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood*

*August 16, 2009*

*Christ the King Parish*

*9235 South Hamilton Avenue*

*Mass 2:00p.m.*

*Reception immediately to follow*

## **Youth Ministry - be part of something BIGGER!**

### **A FEW THOUGHTS FROM OUR KENTUCKY MISSION TRIP....**

***IT'S OUR WAY OF SAYING THANKS...WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!***



#### **Meghan "Jigsaw" Doran**

"This trip made me realize that doing some small projects could be a giant part of another person's life. With my own two hands, I can change the world by sharing my gifts and helping make other people lives better. Not only did we change the lives of other people, but our lives were changed by the people around us. While building houses that will last a lifetime, we are also building friendships that will last forever. Doing service in Kentucky means so much because when you return home you appreciate what you have so much more, and you learn what is really necessary to live."

#### **Mary Carole Scannell**

"This week was an amazing experience. This trip to me was more than fixing a roof and siding a house. I created friendships, grew as a person, and found God in unlikely places. Through this trip, I learned even the smallest gestures can change people world. When I took a break during the day to meet the family we were helping I realized that being here meant more to them than I really understood. Local people in the town were very grateful for what we were doing but didn't understand why. As Kim said, "If God wanted you here you came here this week." I felt I was supposed to be on this trip and had an indescribable time."



#### **Deacon Larry Antonsen (Adult Chaperone)**



"As a first timer and as the 'grandpa' of this group, because I'm old enough to be, I've been blown away this week. I actually went on my first teenage retreat almost 30 years ago, and every time I've been involved with young people, I see the power and beauty of God! And it was like that this week! I've seen people come together with love. When I looked at the work we did and saw the tears in Tabitha's eyes as we were leaving, I knew that we had been doing God's work all week. So thank you to all my 'grandchildren' for bringing God alive in my heart and for helping me stay young!"

Questions? Comments? Concerns? Please feel free to contact the Director of Youth Ministry, Kim Madonia at 708.275.8922 or e-mail at [youtharethefuture@hotmail.com](mailto:youtharethefuture@hotmail.com)

## CANTORS/LECTORS

**Saturday, August 22**

4:00 PM **Cantor:**  
**Reader:** P. Brandt

**Sunday, August 23**

8:00 AM **Cantor:**  
**Reader:** M. F. Hayes  
10:00 AM **Cantor:**  
**1st Reader:** S. Mahoney  
**2nd Reader:** D. Mahoney  
12:00 PM **Cantor:**  
**Reader:** E. Hynes

**Be Filled  
with the  
Spirit**



## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**Saturday, August 22**

4:00P M 1.) A. Kozek; 2.) W. Wahlen; 3.) P. Tierney; E.M.1) W. McCloskey; E.M.2) K. Kozek (T); E.M.3) P. Hayes; E.M.4) R. Mahoney; E.M.5) M. Waldron

**Eucharistic Sacristan: M. Redmond**

**Sunday, August 23**

8:00 AM E.M.1) T. Szarzynski (T); E.M.2) A. Duffy; E.M.3) G. Finn; E.M.4) M. Kozek; E.M.5) N. North  
10:00 AM 1.) J. Rooney; 2.) J. Folliard; 3.) M. Rooney; E.M.1) Deacon Siska; E.M.2) P. McGovern (T); E.M.3) C. Galvin; E.M.4) P. McGovern; E.M.5) N. Riggio  
**Eucharistic Sacristans: L. Fitzgerald and A. Schumann**  
12:00PM E.M. 1) J. Miller (T); E.M.2) M. Condon; E.M.3) Deacon Carroll; E.M.4) P. Ashe; E.M.5) D. Gardner

## MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE

**Monday, August 17**

6:30AM **NO** Communion Service  
8:30AM Mary Kay McGrath — *Edward O'Brien Family*

**Tuesday, August 18**

6:30AM **NO** Communion Service  
8:30AM Guenter Arlt — *Rena Arlt*  
Margaret Konen — *Robert Konen*

**Wednesday, August 19**

6:30AM **NO** Communion Service  
8:30AM William Leary — *Leary Family*  
Ag Organ — *Jan Burns*

**Thursday, August 20**

6:30AM **NO** Communion Service  
8:30AM Murphy and Breen Families — *Mary Murphy*  
Mary August — *Kathy and Mitch Sadus*

**Friday, August 21**

6:30AM **NO** Communion Service  
8:30AM Raymond Arndt—*Wife*  
Vera and Mary Cusack — *Margaret M. Cusack*

**Saturday, August 22**

8:30AM Marge Signorelli — *Gene, Pat and Peg White*  
4:00PM Parishioners

**Sunday, August 23**

8:00AM Mary Krause — *St. John Fisher Women's Club*  
John F. Mulry — *Mike and Laura Healy*  
10:00 AM Alvin J. Bielak — *Paul and Cheri Foertsch*  
Margaret Signorelli — *Jim and Carolyn Brett*  
12:00AM Valerie Waldron — *Family*  
Iris Martin — *Folliard Family*

**If you are contemplating making a will or changing your will and plan to leave something to charity, please keep St. John Fisher Parish in mind. A bequest to your parish continues your love and concern for your parish long after your life on earth has been completed.**

**LOVE ONE ANOTHER**  
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# SCHOOL NEWS

## BACK TO SCHOOL REMINDERS!

The schedules for the first week of school/pre-school are as follows: Please note that classes begin at 7:50a.m.

Wednesday, August 26	First Day of School (K-8)	7:50 - 11:30a.m. <i>Dismissal</i>
Thursday/Friday, August 27-28	Full Days of School (K-8)	7:50a.m. - 2:25p.m.
Monday—Thursday August 31—September 3	Full Days of School (K-8)	7:50a.m. to 2:25p.m.
Friday, September 4	7:50a.m. to 11:30a.m.	<i>Dismissal</i>
<i>Monday, September 7</i>	<i>LABOR DAY - NO SCHOOL</i>	



### **PRE-SCHOOL**

Monday, August 31	<b>4 year Pre-School Open House</b> A.M. 9:00-9:45a.m.; P.M. 10:00-10:45a.m.
Tuesday, September 1	<b>3 year Pre-School Open House</b> A.M. 9:00-9:45a.m.; P.M. 10:00-10:45a.m.
Wednesday, September 2	<b>4 year Pre-School Standard Hours</b> A.M. 7:50a.m.-10:45a.m; P.M. 11:30a.m.– 2:20p.m.
Thursday, September 3	<b>3 year Pre-School Standard Hours</b> A.M. 7:50a.m-10:45a.m.; P.M. 11:30a.m.-2:20p.m.
Friday, September 4	<i>No Pre-School</i>
Monday, September 7	<i>No Pre-School</i>

The **Hot Lunch Program** will not begin until **Thursday, October 1, 2009**. Order forms will be distributed to the classrooms after the start of the school year. Milk and water will be available as of Monday, August 31st. Students should bring their bag lunches to school on all full days of school in September.

Students (K through 8th) should be in full uniform for the first day of school, August 26th. Khaki or navy walking shorts or capris are part of the school uniform and maybe worn *until October 1st*. Shorts can not be more than 2 inches above the knee.

## PARISH PICNIC—AUGUST 29—MUNROE PARK



Please join us at the Annual Back to School Picnic on Sunday August 29 at Munroe Park. The picnic will kick-off with **Noon** mass at the park. Please note there will no Noon mass at St John Fisher that day. After mass, complimentary hot dogs, brats, and chips will be served. Pop and water will be available for a nominal charge. The SJF Holy Name Society will be hosting the day. There will be games, beanbag tourney, raffles, and a special Early Bird Fisherfest drawing at the picnic. This is a great way to kick-off the start of the school year so grab some neighbors or come on up and meet some neighbors.

**We will see you there!!!**

### **Fisherfest News**

A special raffle drawing will be held at the parish picnic. All tickets will be eligible for the Procrastinator drawing and the grand raffle. Buy your ticket now and have more opportunities to win.

**Megabracelets (\$40) will again be available this year starting at Book Days.**

## FISHER FEST 2009 – CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF FAITH, FAMILY & FUN

### 2009 SJF 25th Anniversary Fisher Fest Raffle is here!!!!!!!!!!!!

This year will be the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. John Fisher “FISHER FEST”. With this impressive milestone we would like to make the 2009 FF Raffle more exciting than ever before. We are pleased to announce that this years Grand Prize has been increased to \$30,000.00. In addition we have increased prize amounts and added new CASH prizes including 10 new \$100.00 Bi-Weekly Winners for even more opportunities to WIN!

**Buy your tickets NOW!! Remember all purchased tickets are eligible for each and every “Early Bird Drawing” so increase your odds and buy now! . Purchase your ticket now and you may be among the August Early Bird winners!**

Tickets will be sold outside the Church after all masses or in the Rectory. If you have any questions or need a ticket delivered, please call **Kevin Kaplan 773.908.2886**.

*SJF Raffle Committee is looking for volunteers for 25th Anniversary Fisher Fest Raffle. Please contact Kevin at number above if interested.*

Tickets will be sold outside the Church after all masses or in the Rectory. If you have any questions or need a ticket delivered, please call **Kevin Kaplan 773.908.2886**.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

... *St. Bernadette School* hosts Annual Ribfest on Saturday, September 12, 2009 from 4:00p.m. to 11:00p.m. Ribfest features secret recipe ribs from local barbecue chefs, a beer tent with live music by the local band Etcetra, kids games and raffles. Anyone interested in entering the Rib cooking contest should contact Kelly Zawisza (708) 422-1842.

... *The Sisters of the Congregation of St. Joseph offer a Grief Recovery Outreach Program* beginning on Monday, September 14th and concluding on November 16th. The program will be held at The Well, 1515 West Ogden Avenue, LaGrange Park, from 7:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. Cost of \$160.00 includes all ten sessions and materials. For more information, contact Cecilia (708) 528-0200. To register, visit [www.csjthe.well.org](http://www.csjthe.well.org) and go to the registration tab.

... *Illinois Right to Life Committee* invites all to the 2009 Luau for Life. This Polynesian themed fundraiser will be held on Wednesday, August 19, from 6:30p.m. to 8:30p.m. at Chicago Trader Vic's, located at 1030 North State Street. Mai Tai's beer, wine and Hawaiian appetizers are included in the \$40.00 (advance) ticket price, \$50.00 at the door. For more information, call IRLC (312) 422-9300 or visit [www.illinoisrighttolife.org](http://www.illinoisrighttolife.org)

... *Vicariate V Ministry Commission* offers an Evening of Centering Prayer at St. Germaine Parish (98th and Kolin Avenue in Oak Lawn) on Thursday, September 10th, 7:00-8:30p.m. Bet Brophy will be the facilitator of this evening. This program is free. Call Carol Conway (708) 636-5060 for more information.



*Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you.*

*- John 6:53*



## BACK TO SCHOOL COFFEE AND DONUTS

Please join the Women's Club for Back-To-School Coffee Donuts on August 26th at 8:25a.m. in Kane Hall.

### SUPPORT THE REST SHELTER THIS SUMMER

The **REST Shelter** continues to provide a safe place for homeless women, and every other Friday, volunteers from St. John Fisher provide an evening meal, prepared just for them. We are the only group that has consistently provided this kind of support to the shelter and we can be very proud of our contribution. We are so grateful for the many parishioners who have faithfully sent donations and given up their Friday nights to help out at the shelter. And the need continues .... if you want to do something good for someone less fortunate, here's your opportunity. *Paper products, breakfast cereals, Koolaid and sugar, and ice tea mix* are always appreciated. If you are able to provide some or all of the meal, the sign up sheets to volunteer are found on the bulletin board by the priest sacristy. Please consider giving up one Friday evening this summer. You'll be glad you did! We leave around 7:00p.m. and return before 11:00p.m. Please include your phone number on the sign up sheet. If you have any questions, please call **Betty Kort (708) 425-1805** or **Don Skonicki (847) 530-2317 or (773) 238-6932**.

**Upcoming dates at the shelter will be: August 28, September 11 and 25**

### SAVE THE DATE!!!

The final event celebrating St. John Fisher Parish's 60th anniversary will be the **Parish Homecoming on Saturday, October 17, 2009**. The event welcomes all adult parishioners, past and present, as well as all adult graduates. There will be food, beverages, music and the opportunity to connect with each other.

**The next planning meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 19th in Kane Hall at 7:30p.m.** Please join us. For information please call the Rectory (773) 445-6565 or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773) 239-8428.

### WELCOME! WELCOME!!

We extend a warm welcome to the following newly registered parishioners of St. John Fisher Parish:

*William and Jeanne Barcelona*

*Erin Godfrey and Reed Ortell*

*Robert F. Hennessy*

*Tequilla Staniel*

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22  
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19: 23-30  
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16  
Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Mt 22:1-14  
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40  
Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12  
Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ps 34; Eph 5:21-32 (2a, 25-32); Jn 6:60-69

## FISHERFEST 2009 NEEDS YOU!

SEPTEMBER 18 — 19 — 20

*Would you like to meet some wonderful and fun people?*

*Do you enjoy good food and great live entertainment?*

*Do you want to get involved but NOT over-committed?*

If you answered “YES” to any of these questions, we have the perfect opportunity for you! Show **YOUR** support for St. John Fisher by volunteering some of your time (even a couple of hours\_ and talent to help in the year’s biggest **FUNdraiser!**

Simply fill out the form below and return it to the rectory office or in the Sunday Offertory Collection baskets. A committee member will contact you.

Please indicate which area you are interested in helping and the time most convenient.

Friday evening      Saturday afternoon      Saturday evening      Sunday afternoon      Sunday evening

Ticket Booth      Security      Refreshments      Kid’s Area      Set-up/Take Down

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Time(s) Available: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Area(s) \_\_\_\_\_

## 2009 FALL INTRAMURAL SOCCER REMINDER

### Kindergarten thru Eighth Grade

This is the final reminder for registration of St. John Fisher’s fall intramural soccer league for children of the parish entering Kindergarten through eighth grade. **All St. John Fisher school and CFF children are welcome.**

Anyone who forgot to turn in equipment last fall, please call. It will help greatly as we are currently planning for this upcoming season. Thanks to all of the volunteers who make this program such a success!

**All registrations are due by August 20th.**

## GOD IS CALLING YOU! ANSWER THE CALL!

The Quigley Scholars Program, established by Cardinal Francis George in 2007, honors the 101 year tradition of High School Seminary in the Archdiocese of Chicago by continuing to call young men to consider the priesthood of Jesus Christ in a new way. Young men in Catholic or public high school, who are baptized practicing Catholics are invited to call Father Peter Snieg at the Quigley Alumni Office (773) 973-9706 for more information about this program.

### **PARISH PRIESTS**

Rev. Robert Kyfes, Pastor  
Rev. Arthur Marat, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Marion Soprych, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Thomas J. Purtell, Pastor Emeritus

### **Associate**

Rev. Thomas McCarthy, O.S.A.

### **Deacons**

Deacon Robert Carroll                      Deacon Raymond Reilly  
Deacon Couple Tom and Mary Siska

Sister Jean Anne McGrath, C.S.J., **Principal**

Elena Chermak, D.Min., **Dir. of Religious Education**  
**(773) 238-1851**

### **Music Directors**

Michael Carso, **(708) 396-2738**

Alan Bukowiecki

**(312) 403-2512**

Kim Madonia, **Youth Minister (708) 275-8922**

### **SACRAMENTS**

**Baptisms:** Sundays at 1:15 P.M.

Baptismal Preparation Class, 11:30 A.M. First Sunday of Month. Contact Rectory for details. A Baptismal Preparation Program is a requirement in the Chicago Archdiocese.

**Reconciliation: Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

**Saturdays 3:00 to 3:45 P.M. or by appointment**

**Marriage:** Arrangements are to be made at the Rectory at least **six months** before the wedding. One partner must be registered and actively practicing the faith at St. John Fisher at least 6 months before any wedding date will be set. Both parties must be at least 19 years of age.

**Communion for Homebound Parishioners:** Members of our parish family who are ill or homebound, please call the parish office and a Minister of Care will bring communion to your home at your convenience.

**New Parishioners:** New Parishioners are most welcome and formal registration is essential for the sacraments, letters of sponsorship, etc. Please call the Parish Office to fill out a registration form.