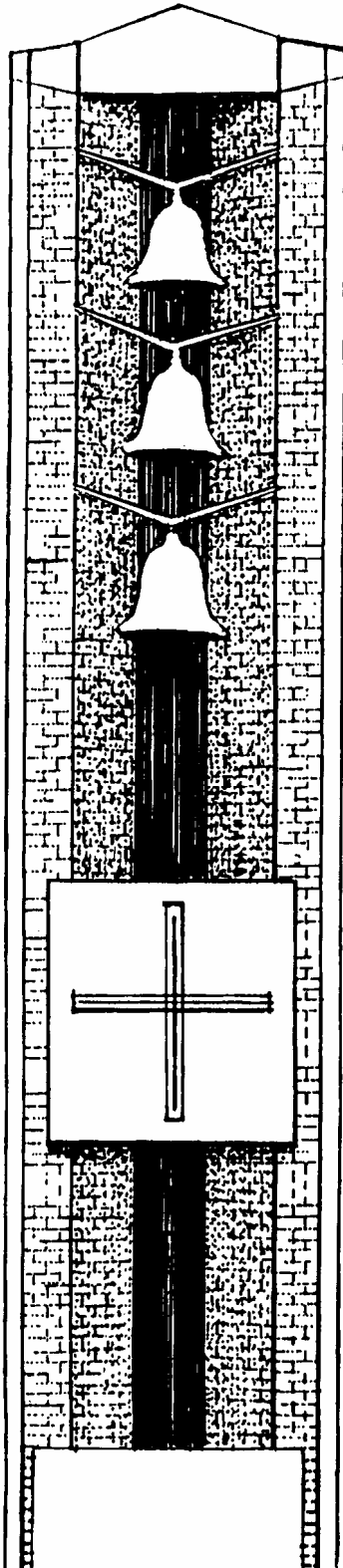


Saint John Fisher Parish

August 9, 2009

Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time



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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: Fred Petolick.

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

www.stjohnfisher.org

That is the address of the new parish website that should be up and running by the time you read this. However, don't expect to find a lot of information there right away; it will take time to get it loaded and edited, and for now, I'll be doing much of that with my very limited computer skills. Also, be careful to omit a period after "st"—something that might come naturally—or you might not find yourself going anywhere.

One of the first things you should be able to do is read the weekly Sunday bulletin online. The parish calendar for the entire year will also be available and will be updated from month to month as new activities and events are scheduled. There will be a link to the school website and complete sacramental information, including all of our information for preparing funerals and weddings. You'll also find updates about our 60th anniversary year final celebration, Fisherfest, and communications from our soon-to-be established Parish Pastoral Council. Eventually, you will be able to make contributions or, hopefully, even buy a Fisherfest raffle ticket online through PayPal.

Because the Sunday bulletin will now be available in this format, we will be cutting down on printed bulletins and saving a few trees. But don't worry, the printed word won't go away entirely; we'll continue to print as many bulletins as we determine are needed each week, and all registered parishioners will still receive special mailings the old fashioned way.

We're grateful to SJF graduate Dan Reed for creating this new avenue of communication for the parish and we hope it will become as effective as the school website has been for the past several years.

Fr. Bob

THE PLACE OF MUSIC IN OUR WORSHIP: PART ONE

While we're experiencing a bit of "down time" in musical accompaniment as we await the completion of our enlarged music area, I thought this would be good opportunity to reflect on this element of worship that has always been so vital in the Church.

It's been just over twenty-five years since the Bishop's Committee on Liturgy of the U.S. Catholic Conference published their powerful document, *Music in Catholic Worship*. This is how they began the section titled *The Place of Music in the Celebration*:

"Among the many signs and symbols used by the Church to celebrate its faith, music is of **preeminent** importance. As sacred song united to words, it forms a necessary or **integral** part of the solemn liturgy."

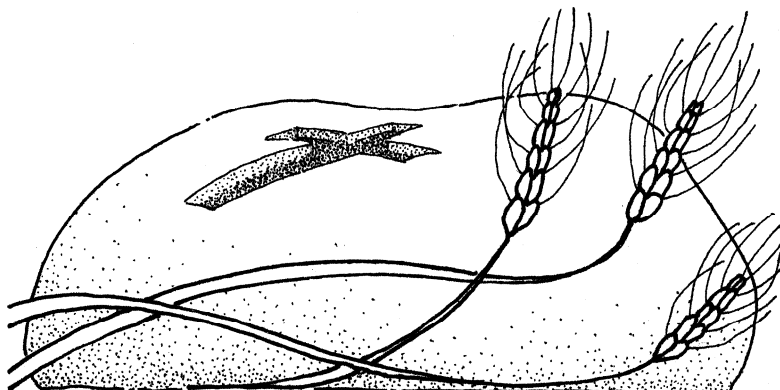
The emphases are mine and I use them to focus this reflection in the hope that we can all appreciate that "integral" part music plays in liturgy and how blessed we are here at St. John Fisher to have such exceptional talent in our own music ministry.

On a fairly regular basis I hear complaints—mostly anonymous—about there being "too much" music at mass. I sincerely hope that those who complain represent a very tiny minority who just don't "get it." Now, some may look at the above quote and hone in on the word "solemn", recalling the old solemn high masses and thinking that music only has a place there. The problem, of course, is that there are no longer "high" and "low" masses; all liturgy is considered "solemn", not in the sense of dull or stogy, but rather a profound and powerful moment of communion with our God. While music is necessarily a minimal part of most daily masses, there is never a time when it can be minimized or marginalized at the Sunday celebration: it **is** of "preeminent importance."

The essential musical moments of mass are probably ones most would not identify that way. Back in my seminary days, after Vatican II and long before the Bishop's music instruction was published, I would have named the four principal hymns—entrance, offertory, communion, recessional—as the most important. But I was wrong. It's what we call the "acclamations" that are primary, and should always be sung: the Gospel Acclamation (usually "alleluia"), the "Holy, holy", the Memorial Acclamation, the "Great Amen" and the "Doxology" or conclusion to the Lord's Prayer ("For the Kingdom, the power, etc.). The last is the only one we don't do here, but we should probably work on that at some point. Next come the "processional" hymns: entrance and communion. We might not think of the communion song as a "processional", but think again: nearly everyone is coming forward to share in the Eucharist; it's really the principal procession of the mass. Next in importance comes the responsorial psalm, followed by the Lord Have Mercy, the Glory to God, the Lord's Prayer, the Lamb of God and, curiously enough, the Profession of Faith, though I honestly have never heard that last one sung anywhere, nor do I think I would want to. The least important musical moments are offertory (Preparation of the Table & Gifts) and the recessional, both of which can take the form of instrumental pieces.

That's long enough for now....part two next week.

Fr. Bob



I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

- John 6:51

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 7:30 p.m. Please join us. For information please call the Rectory (773) 445-6565 or Jerry and Pat Hayes at (773) 239-8428.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION

This Saturday, August 15th celebrates Mary's assumption into heaven. However, it is one of those holy days that are NOT days of obligation when they fall on Saturday or Monday. That means that there will be just one mass next Saturday morning in observance of the holy day—the regular 8:30a.m. mass.

BRIDGE NEWS

The St. John Fisher Bridge Group is forming for the season of 2009-2010. Games are played once monthly in members' homes on a day agreed upon by the players. There is no set day. The season runs from September thru April, followed by a luncheon in May. Day or evening is available. We invite anyone who wishes to join or just has questions to call **Janet Murray (773) 233-8153**. Consider a call. Thank you!

SUMMER MARKET DAY NEWS

Market Day is available for the month of August. Stock up for your Labor Day picnic or bar-b-que. Forms are located at the church entrances and must be turned in by Sunday, August 9th. Internet orders are due by 11:00p.m. on Monday, August 10th.



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

Please bring your favorite appetizer or dessert to share

Questions, contact Sue Clark or Karen McKee (773) 238-4877

Youth Ministry - be part of something BIGGER!



Andrew Tracy

"This week I learned a lot about service to other people. Some people may think it takes great gestures to make a difference, sometimes the smallest things count just as much. We were able to roof and side a house, as well as passing the time talking to the family that lived there and by playing basketball with the kids. Though the latter may seem insignificant, it is easily just as important as the construction.

I also discovered all people are the same. No matter what stereotypes may exist, the bottom line is that all of us have the same needs, desires, and values. Therefore we are all the same."

Colleen Tracy (Adult Chaperone)

"This year was my second trip to Harlan, Kentucky. It was so different from last year because the homeowners of the house were present while we were working. Getting to know this family and know how much they really appreciated us being there is an amazing feeling. We were only working on their home for five days! By giving up just one week of our lives, we changed their lives forever."



Ellen Webb

"The cross around my neck was constant reminder of my word from the beginning of the week: faith. Faith was tremendously important for me throughout the week. At first, Kentucky was difficult for me to get used to. It was the first time I have not only 'roughed it,' but built houses and took a trip to the foreign southern states. As the week progressed I encountered amazing prayer services, and life-changing experiences, my soul and mind grew in faith. Every time I had difficulty nailing in what felt like a 16 inch nail or cutting a piece of siding, I remembered the faith I had in not only myself, but also in God, family, friends, and most importantly, Kentucky. By Wednesday, I was positive that I loved this beautiful place and I had an even

stronger faith in God for making it possible for me to be here. I am so grateful to have learned so many things. Sure, I might have learned how to hammer nail or shingle a roof, but I learned so much more than physical things. I learned to slow down appreciate others and always keep faith, no matter what! Thanks Kim!"

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

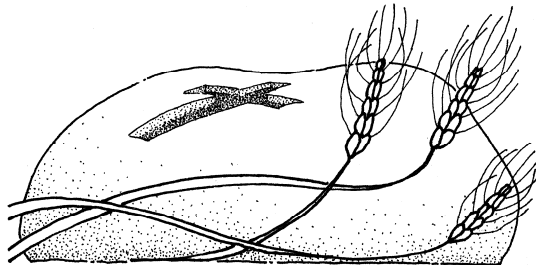
CANTORS/LECTORS

Saturday, August 15

4:00 PM **Cantor:**
Reader:

Sunday, August 16

8:00 AM **Cantor:**
Reader:
10:00 AM **Cantor:**
1st Reader:
2nd Reader:
12:00 PM **Cantor:**
Reader:



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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, August 15

4:00P M 1.) C. Cihocki; 2.) E. Smith; 3.) Sister Kathleen; E.M.1) N. Del Valle (**T**); E.M.2) D. McHugh; E.M.3) Deacon Siska; E.M.4) P. Redmond; E.M.5) M. Redmond

Eucharistic Sacristan: M. Redmond

Sunday, August 16

8:00 AM E.M.1) D. Sosnowski (**T**); E.M.2) K. Furlong; E.M.3) J. Standring; E.M.4) J. Standring; E.M.5) W. Winters
10:00 AM 1.) P. McGlinchey; 2.) P. McGovern; 3.) K. O'Hara; E.M.1) P. McGovern (**T**); E.M.2) S. Spagnoli; E.M.3) R. Riccardo; E.M.4) J. Daly; E.M.5) Deacon Carroll
Eucharistic Sacristans: L. Fitzgerald and A. Schumann
12:00PM E.M.1) D. Garvey (**T**); E.M.2) K. Murnane; E.M.3) Deacon Reilly; E.M.4) J. Frederick; E.M.5) K. McElligott

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE

Monday, August 10

6:30AM Communion Service
8:30AM Mary August — *Kathy and Mitch Sadus*
Joseph Shine — *James Arneberg*

Tuesday, August 11

6:30AM Communion Service
8:30AM Mary Kay McGrath — *Marcella Grady*

Wednesday, August 12

6:30AM Communion Service
8:30AM Joan Cook — *Edward Sherman*

Thursday, August 13

6:30AM Communion Service
8:30AM Thomas Barrett — *Family*
John Reynolds — *Wife*

Friday, August 14

6:30AM Communion Service
8:30AM Mary Jane O'Sullivan — *Adele and Harry O'Sullivan*
Pat Boudreau—*Family*

Saturday, August 15

8:30AM Les Todd—Jan Burns
James Gallagher — *Kathy Biganski and Diane Sowa*
4:00PM Parishioners
5:30PM Wedding of Mary Harvey and Steven Shomody

Sunday, August 16

8:00AM Margaret Signorelli — *Sori Family*
William Andronis — *William and Maureen Hayes*
10:00 AM Eileen Poland — *Ray Reilly*
Larry Graziano — *Lucille Hughes*
12:00AM Mary Jane O'Sullivan — *Harry O'Sullivan Family*
Kitty O'Callaghan — *William and Maureen Hayes*

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.

**STEWARDSHIP =
TIME
TALENT
TREASURE**

SCHOOL NEWS

School Fees Day will be on Tuesday, August 11, 2009 from 9:30 to 10:30a.m OR 6:00 TO 7:00P.M. IN Kane Hall.

All school families must attend School Fees Day to pay the balance of their fees and the first month's tuition, regardless if they pre-registered. If you are not going to be in town on this date, please call the school office (773-445-4737), and we will make arrangements to accommodate you AFTER this date.

Parents of all pre-school and kindergarten students: the school office must have your child's enrollment form, birth and baptismal certificates, updated medical and dental forms and parish identification number on file before the start of the school year in August in order to secure a place in class. To aid you in this task, postcards were sent in June to let you know exactly what was missing from your child's file. Please complete this information as soon as possible. You may mail papers to the school office or leave them in an envelope (marked for the attention of the School Office) at the rectory.

The State of Illinois requires that all kindergarten students present proof of an eye examination by a physician licensed to practice medicine in all its branches or a licensed optometrist. The forms are available in the school office and are due by **October 15, 2009.**

All 6th graders need to submit their updated medical and dental forms. (Forms were sent home with students in May for your convenience). This may be done on School Fees Day or at the very latest, by **October 15, 2009.** Additional medical and dental forms are available in the school office.

Any family with an outstanding tuition balance from the previous 2008-2009 school year is not considered registered for the upcoming school year until all previous bills are paid. Balances should be paid in full before August 1, 2009. If you have any questions, call the parish business manager, Mr. Emmett Williamson, (773) 445-6565.

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. Dismissal**

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. *Dismissal*

Monday, September 7 LABOR DAY - NO SCHOOL

PRE-SCHOOL

Monday, August 31 **4 year Pre-School Open House**
A.M. 9:00-9:45a.m.; P.M. 10:00-10:45a.m.

Tuesday, September 1 **3 year Pre-School Open House**
A.M. 9:00-9:45a.m.; P.M. 10:00-10:45a.m.

Wednesday, September 2 **4 year Pre-School Standard Hours**
A.M. 7:50a.m.-10:45a.m; P.M. 11:30a.m.- 2:20p.m.

Thursday, September 3 **3 year Pre-School Standard Hours**
A.M. 7:50a.m.-10:45a.m.; P.M. 11:30a.m.-2:20p.m.

Friday, September 4 *No Pre-School*

Monday, September 7 *No Pre-School*

All kindergarten and pre-school students will receive a complete schedule of their class times from their teachers on School Fees Day, August 11th.

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. (Continued on next page)

Schools Are Us, 3146 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL (773) 779-0172, and **Martinelli's**, 3517 West 95th Street, Evergreen Park, IL (708) 425-6287 will carry school uniforms. Both stores suggest shopping early to avoid the crowds late in the summer.

Gym uniforms will not be sold on School Fees Day this year. Gym uniforms will be available on a designated evening after the start of school. We hope to have a full inventory that will allow for "cash and carry" purchases.

BOOKS AND FEES—2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR

BOOKS:

K thru 8th Grades	\$175.00	4 year pre-school	\$120.00
K (Half day)	\$140.00	3 year pre-school	\$100.00

FEES:

Archdiocesan Fee	\$ 23.00
Lunchroom Supervision	20.00
Technology Fee/Full time and 1/2 day K	100.00
Technology Fee/Pre-school	75.00
Mandatory Fundraising Fee (Per Family)	175.00
New Family Fee (paid only once)	25.00

2009-2010 TUITION BASED ON FAMILY SIZE

One full-time	\$3,635.00	One FT and 1-4 year old	\$ 5006.25
Two full-time	5,795.00	One FT and 1-3 year old	4,788.00
Three full-time	7,370.00	One 1/2 day K and 2-3 year olds	4,683.50
Four full-time	7,960.00	1-4 year old and 1-3 year old	3,040.00
One 1/2 Day Kindergarten	2,120.00	Two FT and one 1/2 day K	7,200.00
One 4 year pre-school	1,635.00	Two FT and 1-4 year old	7,000.00
One 3 year pre-school	1,405.00	Two FT and 1-3 year old	6,800.00
One FT and one 1/2 day K	5,465.00	Three FT and 1-4 year old	7,755.00
One FT, One 1/2 day K, 1-4 yr old	6,651.00	Four FT and 1-3 year old	8,428.50
One FT, 1-3 yr old, 1-4 yr old	6,341.25		

The use of the **MANNA Program** will provide direct tuition credits to families as well as providing additional funds to the school for future use. This program provides an excellent means of accumulating a sizeable tuition rebate for many of our families. We urge you to continue to support this program or to register for participation for the next school year.

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

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

This year will be the 25th 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! We are happy to announce the following lucky Early Bird winners of \$100.00 each drawn during June and July: Alice Connor, The Holmes Family, Bill and Tammy McArdle, Jerry Newquist and James Ring. 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.

ST. JOHN FISHER FOOTBALL

The St. John Fisher **5th and 6th Grade Football Team** will begin practice on **Monday, August 10th** at **5:30p.m.** at **Bielecki Field**. Players should wear t-shirts, shorts and spikes. Please contact **Frank Kelly (773) 445-6313** or **Tim Bush (773) 233-3286** if there are any questions.

All **7th and 8th grade players** signed up to participate in football, will begin practice on **Monday, August 10th** at **5:00p.m.** at **Munroe Park**. Players must wear shorts, t-shirt and spikes. Any questions, please call **Frank Kelly (773) 445-6313**.

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 14 and 28, September 11 and 25

THE WOMEN'S CENTER UPDATE

The Women's Centers treats those who are pregnant and in difficult situations with compassion, friendship and help. Very often, these women want their babies, but are being coerced into aborting them. With support and encouragement, they are enabled to give birth. Many beautiful "thank you" notes are received after their babies are born.

Urgently needed at the present time are 12 baby cribs, 4 double strollers, 3 toddler beds. 3 small chest of drawers, 7 bouncers, 5 baby swings and pack 'n plays. Infant sleepers, crib sheets, crib bedding, bumper pads and clothing for infants (3 to 9 months) and for boys and girls sizes 4 and up are also needed. The families who receive these items are grateful for your generosity.

Remember to register your Fresh Values card with The Women's Center and a percentage of what you spend at Dominick's will be donated to help support the many programs offered by The Women's Center.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26
Tuesday:	Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday:	Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday:	Jos 3:7-10a, 11,13-17; Mt 18: 21 — 19:1
Friday:	Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday:	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a. 10ab; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Sunday:	Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

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) _____

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.

“CALL MY PEOPLE BACK TO ME” A DAY OF ENRICHMENT

CMJ Marian Publishers is hosting this special event at St. Rita High School on Saturday, August 15th. Doors open at 6:00a.m. Mass will be held at 7:00a.m. Speakers include Father Jim Kelleher and Gloria Anson. A Holy Hour with international Irish tenor, Mark Forrest will begin at 3:00p.m. Saturday evening mass with Father Tom McCarthy will be held at 5:30p.m. Continental breakfast will be available after morning mass. Lunch will be available in the St. Rita cafeteria. Advance registrations at \$35.00 per person can be made by calling (708) 636-3995 or by e-mailing jwby@aol.com. Admission at the door will \$40.00 per person.

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.