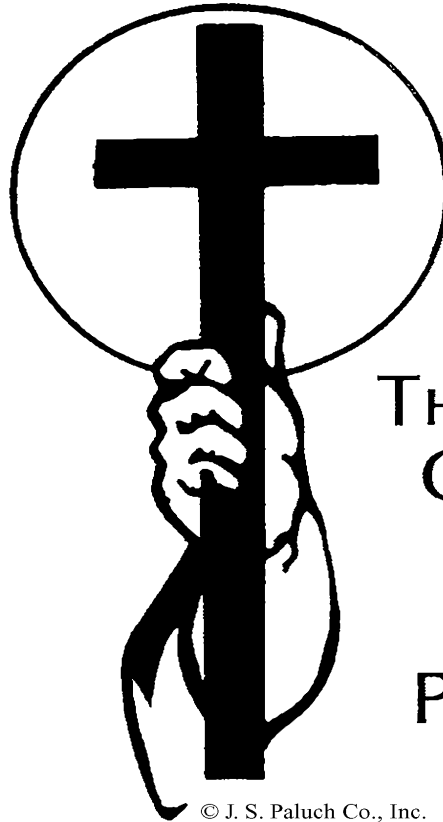
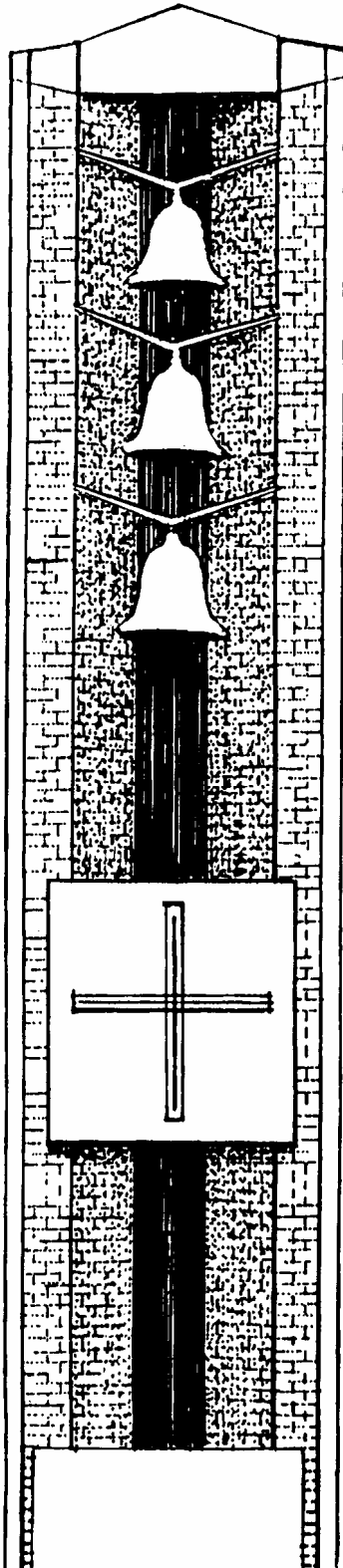


Saint John Fisher Parish

September 27, 2009

Twenty-sixth 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 8:15 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.

PROMISE OF MARRIAGE

There is a Promise of Marriage between the following couples during the month of October:

Susan Ryan and Richard Michalak
Mary Nitsche and Francis Blake
Maureen Loftus and Timothy Brennan
Danielle McIver and Edward Killeen

REST IN PEACE

Please remember especially in your prayers this week: Michael H. Kelly, III, father of parishioner Timothy Kelly; parishioner Joseph Sosnowski, husband of Deborah.

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 Kreisler, 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. Captain 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

CONGRATULATIONS!

Thank you to all who supported the Fisherfest 2009 raffle and congratulations to the following who were winners in the Fisherfest Procrastinator's Raffle Drawing on Sunday, September 13th.

\$500.00—Meade-Harmon Family

\$100.00—Joe O'Brien

\$100.00—Anna Duggan and Bernie Sexton

\$100.00—Carol Harrigan and Mari Roche

\$100.00—Joe and Meg Zwick

\$100.00—P. Poynton, Jim, John and Rick Metz, D. Maher

And congratulations to the winners of the Fisherfest Grand Raffle!

\$30,000.00 — Mary O'Grady

\$5,000.00 — Frank and Mary Ann Schlessner

\$1,000.00 — Steve Huson

\$1,000.00 — Earner Family

The following each won \$500.00 at the Grand Raffle Drawing: *Long Family, Mary Ellen and Bart Clifford, Patsy Carrane, McNamara Family, Larry and Kay Abney, Jerome Brockhaus, and Jim O'Keefe.*

THANKS TIMES TWENTY-FIVE

to all the Fisherfest committee members (especially Paul Dachota who will thank everyone except himself), volunteers, sponsors, vendors, donors and to all of YOU who bought a raffle ticket, a mega bracelet, food, beer, whatever It takes the efforts and generosity of many, many people working together patiently and energetically to make Fisher Fest a success year after year — although sunshine and starry nights also help a lot! This 25th anniversary year of Fisher Fest is a great prelude to the big conclusion of our parish 60th anniversary year on Saturday, October 17th. For more information on that event, look elsewhere in today's bulletin or check the website this week.

Fr. Bob



MUSIC MINISTRY — ST. JOHN FISHER CHOIRS

Please consider singing in one of our parish choirs. We have an Adult Choir, Teen Choir and Children's Choir. No experience is necessary but of course, helpful. The rehearsal schedule is listed below. Maybe give the choir a through Thanksgiving or Christmas to see if you like it. Any questions, call *Michael Carso (708) 396.2738*.

Adult Choir — Thursday evenings—7:30p.m.—9:00p.m

Teen Choir — Wednesday evenings—8:30p.m.—9:30p.m.

Children's Choir — Thursday afternoons—2:30p.m.—3:00p.m.

Rehearsals began the week after Fisherfest: September 23-24

PARISH HOMECOMING

The final event celebrating St. John Fisher Parish's 60th anniversary, the **Parish Homecoming**, will take place on **Saturday, October 17, 2009**. This event welcome all adult parishioners, past and present, as well as **all** adult graduates. The celebration will begin with mass at 4:00p.m. and end at midnight. Music will be provided by Rich Gardner and feature The Operators. Food, catered by Franconello's will be available at a nominal price. Tickets are \$25.00 in advance and \$30.00 at the door. Advance tickets can be purchased after all weekend masses, during Wednesday Manna sales and at the Rectory beginning on Monday, September 21st. Special apparel commemorating our 60th anniversary can be ordered during these times. Join us for a fun filled evening. For information please call the Rectory (773) 445-6565 or Jerry and Pat Hayes (773) 239-8428.

SJF WOMEN'S CLUB

It's time for the first Women's Club meeting of the year!

Please join us for pizza, drinks and BINGO.

Visit with old friends and meet some new ones!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2009—7:30P.M.

STEWARDSHIP = TIME - TALENT - TREASURE

LITURGY: THE THINGS WE DO, THE WORDS WE USE – PART IV

I've used a lot of space in the previous three installments of this series to talk about the second part of the title: *The Words We Use*. I suppose it's time we move into the first half and reflect on some of the actions that are part of our worship.

Processions take up a minimal amount of time in the liturgy, but they're more important than you might think. When we *process* in the context of the mass, it's not just about getting from one place to another. Take the **entrance procession**, for example. Is this just something we do to get the altar servers, the lector, the deacon and the priest into the sanctuary? If that were the case, we could save some time and effort by just popping out from the sacristy; one verse of a song would suffice to get us there. Obviously, there must be something more to it, but here's an example of what it's not. When I first arrived at a previous parish, the leaders of song were in the habit of introducing the entrance (or gathering) hymn by saying: "Now let's stand and greet our celebrant by singing..." I quickly put an end to the use of that formula the day the entrance hymn (on a Marian feast day) was "Hail Holy Queen!" It still cracks me up whenever I recall that now, but at the time, I was not amused. The fact is: the **entrance procession** is about the entrance of **all** of us into the liturgies of Word and Eucharist. Since it wouldn't be very practical to try to line up everyone in the gathering space in the back of church before every mass, the principal ministers of the liturgy become symbols of the gathering of the entire assembly. That's also why the entrance (or "gathering") hymn shouldn't stop when the ministers arrive at the sanctuary: it's not just about getting them "from one place to another" but about gathering all of us into a community of prayer and praise and thanks.

The second procession which takes place at mass is the **gospel procession** in which the deacon or priest brings the Book of the Gospels from the altar to the ambo while the altar servers approach the ambo with their candles. Like the entrance procession, this action could certainly be done much more simply, but once again, getting "from one place to another" isn't the point. The procession with the Book of the Gospels occurs as we stand and sing the gospel acclamation, praising the Good News which is about to draw us from Word into Eucharist. These are not simply the words of the Old Testament prophets or the New Testament letter writers—as important as those are—but the words of Jesus himself, as remembered and recorded by the four evangelists ("proclaimers of the Good News"). The standing, singing and *processing* prepare us for that unique proclamation. And if you have been at the liturgies of Holy Thursday or the Easter Vigil, you will have noticed that we extend the *gospel procession* even farther, with the servers leading the deacon or priest around the sanctuary. That more extensive procession is really the ideal, but it probably has more impact if it is only used sparingly.

The next procession is what we commonly call the **offertory procession**, though the correct name for this beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist is the *Preparation of the Table and Gifts*. When I celebrate classroom masses with our eighth graders during Lent, I always ask them why this procession is necessary. Wouldn't it be much easier if the bread and wine were already there on the altar so that all I needed to do was reach out and take them? But, here we go again: it's not about what's easy, but about what it all means. The gifts of bread and wine aren't my gifts, nor are they even God's gifts; they're **our** gifts. They are indeed the "work of human hands" and they need to come from and be presented by members of the worshipping community. We present simple bread and wine to God so God can return them to us as the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.

That leads us, not directly but symbolically, into the fourth procession of mass: the **communion procession**. If you think about it, of all the liturgical processions, this is the only one which is necessary on a practical level and which really looks like a procession. All the members of the assembly (who are able to do so) are called forward to share in the Eucharist. That very movement is an expression of faith and a declaration of our desire to receive the amazing gift that is being offered. But it's about much more than "receiving" the Eucharist, and herein lies the connection to the *offertory procession*: just as the simple gifts of bread and wine are brought forward to become the Body and Blood of Jesus, so we bring ourselves forward in the *communion procession*, ready and willing to be transformed by our communion with Jesus and with one another, into the Body of Christ, his real and living presence in our world. The significance and importance of this procession is primarily what prompted us, several years ago, to eliminate the Eucharistic Minister position at the middle of the church. Unless there is an issue of extraordinary distance or excessive crowding, (as at Holy Name Cathedral) the liturgical expectation is that all who are able to do so join in the *procession* to the sanctuary for communion. (Continued on the next page)

The other reason for eliminating the mid-church communion positions was that the parish priests, who had not been part of the assembly at mass, were stationed there—something that is forbidden by liturgical law. Only those who are present for the entire mass can share the Eucharist at mass; priests are not permitted to just pop out of the sacristy to help with communion.

The final procession of mass is, of course, the closing procession or *recessional*. Just as the *entrance procession* symbolically gathers **all** of us into the time of worship, so the *recessional* isn't just a matter of creating an exit strategy for the ministers. It's about **all** of us being sent out (remember "ita missa est"?) to live the faith we've just celebrated. Because the *recessional* symbolically involves the entire community, it follows that no one should be leaving the church until the conclusion of this final procession. Of course, one could also argue that it's just good manners to stay in church until the mass is over. Is it possible to imagine ourselves in the time of the historical Jesus, being invited to sit at table with him, then getting up and leaving before the meal was finished? Not likely, I hope!

Because I'll be on vacation for several weeks, this series will probably be on vacation as well, unless I become miraculously inspired in the next few days. When it does appear, Part V will deal with more of the things we do at mass and, for the most part, take very much for granted: sitting, standing, kneeling, bowing and genuflecting.

Fr. Bob

**ALL SCOUTS SIGN –UP
BOYS, CUB and GIRL SCOUTS
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th — 11:00a.m. to 12:30p.m. — KANE HALL**

We are always looking for parent help!
For Cub Scouts, please call *Pete Gribble (773) 445-4229*
For Boy Scouts, please call *Steve Schergen (773) 238-7913*
For Girl Scouts, please call *Cabrini McLnerney (773) 779-4548 or Norine Vestal (773) 895-0063*
Looking forward to seeing you at Scout Sign-up!

CHILDREN'S CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB



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The book this month is titled [Angel in the Waters](#) by Regina Doman. This book is a beautiful "10 minute read" which covers topics related to Guardian Angels and the right to life both celebrated and recognized in the month of October. The Book Club will meet on Monday, September 28th at 6:30p.m. in the rectory basement. There will be a donation basket passed to cover the cost of the craft and to give a copy of the book to our school library. For more information or for a copy of the book, contact *Amy Goggin (708) 499-2090* or email Gogginreg@comcast.net

THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

This year marks the 15th anniversary of the publication of Pope John Paul II's encyclical "The Gospel of Life" and the Topics he deals with are still very current today as health care and other right to life issues are debated in Congress. The Mother's Spirituality group has invited Dr. Madonna Murphy, St. John Fisher parishioner and Professor Education and Theology at the University of St. Francis to speak to all interested parishioners about this encyclical on Wednesdays, October 14th and October 28th at 8:00p.m. in the rectory basement. Copies of this encyclical will be made available for a small printing charge for those who call (773) 233-0594 or e-mail mmurphy@stfrancis.edu .

Save the date: Starting on Wednesday, January 13th Father Bob has agreed to facilitate The Great Adventure Bible Study by Jeff Cavins. We will cover the study titled A Quick Journey Through the Bible. For more information you can visit the website, www.greatadventureonline.com . This is open to **all parishioners**. We will meet every two weeks on Wednesdays at 8:00p.m. There will be a \$22.00 charge for the student pack and orders will be made in Mid-December. Call *Amy Goggin (708) 499-2090* if you would like to participate.

R.C.I.A. - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

This program is for:

- 1.) non-baptized adults who are interested in the possibility of becoming Roman Catholic;
- 2.) adults baptized in a Protestant tradition who want to know more about Roman Catholicism;
- 3.) baptized Catholic who would like to complete the sacraments of Christian Initiation and have not had the benefit of much Catholic education.

Anyone interested in the R.C.I.A. program is invited to an introductory meeting on **Tuesday, September 22nd, in the rectory**. The meeting will **begin at 7:30p.m.** and **conclude by 9:00p.m.** For more information,. Call Father Marion at the rectory. The phone number is (773) 445-6565.

P.S. St. John Fisher parishioners and friends: You may have neighbors, relatives and friends who don't know about the R.C.I.A. program unless you tell them. Invite them to give Father Marion a call.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION (FORMER C.C.D.) NEWS

We are about to begin an exciting year of Children's Faith Formation for students in grades 1-8. **Our opening day is Sunday, September 27th.** Classes will be held on Sundays in the school from 8:45 to 9:45a.m., September through April approximately three times a month. Registration will be taken in the rectory beginning on Saturday, September 5th. Students who were not baptized at St. John Fisher should provide a copy of their baptismal certificate.

We look forward to welcoming new and returning families and their children. Please come to the rectory to register (the rectory is open every day). Tuition fees are as follows:

Fees: Tuition/Materials (Checks payable to Office of Religious Education)

Parishioners

\$ 90.00 + \$15.00 = (\$105.00).....	1 child	\$140.00 + \$15.00 = (\$155.00)
\$130.00 + \$30.00 = (\$160.00).....	2 children	\$160.00 + \$30.00 = (\$190.00)
\$130.00 + 45.00 = (\$175.00).....	3 children	\$160.00 + \$45.00 = (\$205.00)
\$130.00 + \$60.00 = (\$190.00).....	4 children	\$160.00 + \$60.00 = (\$220.00)

Non parishioner:

For more information, please contact *Elena Chermak, Director of Religious Education (773) 238-1851* or echermak@sjsfschool.net

BETWEEN JOBS MINISTRY

In some way we have all been touched by the weakened economy. Many of us know someone who has lost a job. It might even be you. The **Between Jobs Ministry** is for those looking for employment AND those who can offer their help. Could you lend time to help us brush up on computer skills, Microsoft and Internet searches? Or volunteer to review a resume or hold a practice interview? We want to identify job opportunities ... can you assist with strategies for networking? If you're between jobs or want to help those who are, please join us for about an hour after the 10:00am mass every Sunday in the rectory basement. Ask for Deacon Tom.

GENEROSITY WEEKEND — OCTOBER 3rd & 4th

Thank to all in our parish community who so generously donate non-perishable food items during our monthly Generosity Weekend Food Drives. The donated food items are given to Chicagoland parishes and organizations who help families in great need. Please plan on bringing a can or two of food to any of the weekend masses on October 3rd or 4th to assist this outreach effort to those in need our help. Suggested items include:

Peanut Butter & Jelly	Soups (all kinds)	Macaroni & Cheese	Coffee / Tea / Cocoa
Pasta Sauces	Baked Beans	Tomato Sauce	Instant Potatoes
Pasta Products	Cans of Chili	Pancake Mix	Fruit Juices
Baby Foods	Crackers	Canned Fruit	Powdered Milk
Cereal / Oatmeal	Tomato Paste	Canned Vegetables	Flour / Sugar / Salt

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!



Kevin Kozek

"This week was one of the most challenging and rewarding weeks of my life. We helped repair a house that belonged to Miranda, Alexis, and Ali by re-shingling the roof, residing the house, straightening their roof, and making their lives better. A small group of us also helped finish shingling an elderly lady's home. Everyone we helped this week was so grateful for what we were doing and they appreciated our help. They were nice, thoughtful, and helped lift our spirits when we were struggling because we knew that what we were doing was for them and in their best interest. This week, it did not really matter about schedules or what you could or could not do. It was about helping and reaching out to others by improving their homes. We all learned many life lessons. We all were put to the test this week and

we all responded positively; ready to help. We made many friends, not only in our teams, but also with those whom we helped; making the reward much greater."

Tina O'Shea (Adult Chaperone)

"On a worksite with 38 teens, it was difficult to find constant work for all of them. Their anger at this was inspiring to say the least. In a world completely outside their comfort zone, the teens were upset when they couldn't help out. They wanted to put their whole hearts and two hands to work to change the world for the people of Harlan. For a whole week that is exactly what they did. Let the teens inspire you and watch as they continue on this magnificent God-filled journey."



Martha Savory

"We have been preparing for this trip for so long with all of our fundraisers. When we got to Kentucky on day one, I was scared. It was a week in a completely different place full of hard work, lots of bugs, and it was extremely hot. But by the end of the week none of that mattered. This was literally a life changing experience. Being in Kentucky, answering someone's prayers was very rewarding. Throughout the trip, I developed stronger friendships with people I knew, and I met a ton of new people. Together our hard work made someone's dreams come true. The people of Kentucky were our inspiration and we helped each other out when the going got tough. I had the time of my life in Kentucky and have made memories that will last a lifetime. I can not wait to go back next year!"

DROP - IN SCHEDULE:

ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FROM 6:30 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. ON:

September 30th @ MHR (Convent 2nd Floor) * Oct 7th @ SJF (Rectory Basement)

We hope to see you on Wednesday! Feel free to invite your friends!

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, October 3

4:00 PM **Cantor:**
Reader: D. Brennan

Sunday, October 4

8:00 AM **Cantor:**
Reader: R. Kroll

10:00 AM **Cantor:**
1st Reader: S. Mahoney
2nd Reader: R. Carroll

12:00 PM **Cantor:**
Reader: J. Joyce



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, October 3

4:00PM 1.) J. McVady; 2.) M. Jurek; 3.) C. Bicek; E.M.1) N. Rooney (T); E.M.2) M. Waldron; E.M.3) J. Rooney; E.M.4) W. Wahlen; E.M.5) Deacon Siska

Eucharistic Sacristan:

Sunday, October 4

8:00 AM E.M.1) D. Zondlo; E.M.2) J. Wolfe (T); E.M.3) Deacon Reilly

10:00 AM 1.) P. Gribble; 2.) L. Fitzgerald; 3.) S. Murnane; E.M.1) M. Leeder; E.M.2) K. Sullivan (T); E.M.3) T. Broderick; E.M.4) C. Broderick; E.M.5) G. Gribble

Eucharistic Sacristans: L. Fitzgerald and A. Schumann

12:00PM E.M.1) R. Bertucci (T); Deacon Carroll; E.M.3) R. Walsh; E.M.4) W. Kresse; E.M.5) M. Fried

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE

Monday, September 28

6:30AM Communion Service
8:15AM Deborah Fried — *Margaret Fried*

Tuesday, September 29

6:30AM Communion Service
8:15AM John E. Konen — *Robert Konen*

Wednesday, September 30

6:30AM Communion Service
8:15AM Mary Kay McGrath — *Harry and Adele O'Sullivan*
James W. Dowd — *Cecile Soich*

Thursday, October 1

6:30AM Communion Service
8:15AM Janet Miller and Family — *Regina Arndt*

Friday, October 2

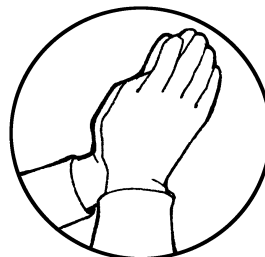
6:30AM Communion Service
8:15AM All Souls Remembrance
Nancy Kral — *Marge Reynolds*
4:30PM Wedding of Susan Ryan and Richard Michalak

Saturday, October 3

8:15AM Ruth Klinsky — *Amy Biganski*
2:00PM Wedding of Mary Nitsch and Francis Blake
4:00PM Parishioners
5:30PM Wedding of Maureen Loftus and Timothy Brennan

Sunday, October 4

8:00AM Tom McGreal and Lucille Mitchell — *Tom and Mary Lu McGreal*
James W. Dowd — *Cecile Soich and Nancy Pelzman*
10:00 AM Marion Shallow — *Janet and Jim Revane*
Mr. and Mrs. John Mulry — *Tim and Liz Shanahan*
12:00AM William Welcome — *McArdle Family*
Fred Infelise — *Tom and Eileen Krippel*



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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.

A LETTER FROM THE CARDINAL

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend, we celebrate Seminary Sunday in the parishes of the Archdiocese of Chicago. On this occasion, we honor the ministry of the many priests who serve you so faithfully each day, as well as those who are preparing to serve you with that same charity in the future.

As part of the Church's observation of the 150th anniversary of the death of St. John Marie Vianney, patron saint of parish priests, Pope Benedict XVI has declared 2009/2010 the *Year for Priests*, hoping to highlight the mission of those who have been called to the ordained priesthood in the 21st century. Centered around the theme, "Faithfulness of Christ, Faithfulness of Priests," the *Year for Priests* began on June 19, 2009 and will end on June 19, 2010 with a World Meeting of Priests in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican.

Here in the Archdiocese of Chicago, Mundelein Seminary is a place where vocations to priesthood are discerned and strengthened. Each year, as I ordain the graduates of Mundelein Seminary to the priesthood of Jesus Christ, I do so with confidence that they have been formed for fidelity and service. The best example of the work of the seminary is reflected in the quiet and compassionate ministry of your pastor and parish priest as, each day, they live their ordination commitment to bring Christ to you in word and sacrament. I thank them for their good example and you for your prayers and financial contributions which provide our future priests with the education and environment they need to "prepare well" to serve God's faithful. I ask you to pray for those whom God is now calling to the ordained priesthood from among our families and friends. Talk to young men you know whom you judge would be good priests, encourage them to explore the possibility of priesthood.

In a special way, during this Year for Priests, I ask you to remember your bishops and parish priests each day in prayers. You and your intentions are in my own prayers. Thank you and may God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Chicago

A PILGRIMAGE – CATHOLICS PRAYING FOR RACIAL JUSTICE

All people in the Archdiocese are being invited to attend a prayer pilgrimage throughout Cook and Lake counties on Sunday afternoons from now through October 11th. The brief, simple services at each church will offer prayers for an end to discrimination and injustice in our society. The theme is "Break down the walls that separate us and unite us as a single body."

St. John Fisher was asked to be one of three prayer sites in our Vicariate because of the enthusiastic response from our parishioners a number of years ago to the invitation to participate in the racism and ethnic sensitivity workshops sponsored by Archdiocesan Office for Racial Justice. Although we live in a fairly non-diverse community, the larger Church in Chicago includes people of many races and even more nationalities. Although we don't worship together each week or even interact with each other on a regular basis, we're always called to recognize our unity in the Lord—our "common adoption" as sons & daughters of God, as brothers and sisters of Jesus, as members of the Body of Christ in this world.

The prayer pilgrimage in our Vicariate will take place on **Sunday, October 4th** and will begin at St. Denis at **2:00p.m.** A bus will be available there for all who might want to take advantage of that transportation for the afternoon. The service here will begin at approximately **2:45p.m.** near the statue of Mary at the end of the Rectory driveway. (In the event of rain, it will take place in church.) The pilgrimage will conclude at St. Linus, with the service there beginning around 3:30p.m.

All are welcome to join in all three services or simply the one here at St. John Fisher. For a listing of pilgrimage sites in other Vicariates, go to dwellinmylove.org.

October 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 GENEROSITY WEEKEND Homecoming Homecoming Dance Kane Hall
4 GENEROSITY WEEKEND Baptism	5	6 Women's Club Social 7:30p.m.—Kane Hall	7 Boy Scouts 7p.m.—Kane Hall Athletic Comm. Board 7:30p.m.—school	8	9	10 Market Day
11	12	13 School Board—7:30p.m. School conference room	14 Boy Scouts—7p.m. Rectory meeting room	15 Blessing of Pets 4:00p.m. Rectory driveway	16	17 60th Anniversary Final Celebration Mass at 4:00p.m..... Party following in Gym & Kane Hall
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Children's Book Club 6:30p.m. Rectory meeting room	27	28 Boy Scouts—7p.m. Rectory meeting room	29 Holy Name Octoberfest 7p.m.—Kane Hall	30	31 Anointing of the Sick 4:00p.m. mass

PARISH PRIESTS

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

Associate

Rev. Thomas McCarthy, O.S.A.

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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. A marriage preparation program is a requirement in the Archdiocese (Pre-Cana, Discovery Weekend, etc.).

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: We welcome you! Please introduce yourself to us. We ask that you register in the rectory office.