

**PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!**

**Mass Schedule and Intentions**

**Sunday, September 9 • Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 a.m. Patrick & Martha Walsh  
(Walsh & Burkey Families)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross  
Wis 9:13-18; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

**Monday, September 10 • Weekday**

11:30 a.m. James Manley (Dick & Betty Morbitzer)  
Col 1:24-2:3; Lk 6:6-11

**Tuesday, September 11 • Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Orfeo Angelo (Dennis Wilcox)  
Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19

**Wednesday, September 12 • Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Intention of Sally Byrne Long (Judy Pishitelli)  
Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday, September 13 • St. John Chrysostom**

11:30 a.m. Susie Stover (Lori Scholl)  
Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38

**Friday, September 14 • Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Martha Walsh (Paula Burkey)  
1 Tim 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday, September 15 • Our Lady of Sorrows**

11:30 a.m. Deceased of Cullinan Family  
(Jeanne C. Brown)

1 Tim 1:15-17; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

**Sunday, September 16 • Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

10:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross  
Num 21:4-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

**MASS SCHEDULING POLICY:** In order to accommodate as many requests for specific dates as possible, we cannot schedule more than five at one time. Requests without a specific date are scheduled as openings permit. Please include the suggested offering of \$10.00 (for each Mass) when the request is made. Thank You!

**+ Please remember in your prayers** our homebound parishioners, and those who are ill: Hilda Barrett, Charles “Sonny” Bellamy, Rosemary Fee, Sara Fingerlin, Marianne Garrison, Michael Hanrahan, Chris Igel, Jestina Jones, Edith Kowalsky, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Mary Miller, Mary Scholl, Marilyn Scott, Sheila Shirey, Margaret Trainor, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

<b>THANKS!</b>	
<b>SEPTEMBER 2, 2007 OFFERINGS</b>	
<b>Designated Collections</b> (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offertory..... \$2,050.35 Votives..... \$ 27.00 Novena/1st Friday .. \$ 0.00 Repair ..... \$ 1,010.00 Less Tax ..... (\$ 154.36) <b>Net to Parish ..... \$2,932.99</b>
<b>Mass Attendance</b>	
9:00 a.m.: 54	
11:00 a.m.: 79	

**Congratulations!!**

Prayerful best wishes to Jason Neely and Maggie Laird, who will be married in our Parish Church this coming Saturday, September 15, 2007.

**Religion Classes**

Religion classes for Holy Cross parishioners K-3 will begin on Sunday, September 23 at 10:05-10:40 a.m. Please contact Sr. Pat or Debi Matthews before September 20.

**Choir Practice at Holy Cross**

Holy Cross Church Choir will be singing for our annual patronal homecoming celebration, the EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS, on September 16, 2007, 10:00 a.m. Mass. **Rehearsal will be today following the 11:00 a.m. Mass in the church.** Daniel Di Santo will be leading our choir this year.

**Help Wanted!**

- The parish is in need of assistance in these areas:
- a “handy type person” to perform minor work when the need arises.
  - a skilled computer person who can set up and print mailing labels for our quarterly newsletter.
  - additional wedding hostess(s) to assist with wedding day celebrations.

Please contact the office (224-3416) if you can help out in these areas.

**Dominican Associates Info Sessions**

The Dominican Sisters of St. Mary of the Springs is holding an information session for those interested in learning more about the Dominican Associate program on Saturday, September 15 at 10:00 a.m. This session will be held at the Martin de Porres Center at St. Mary of the Springs, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus. Associates are lay people, both men and women, who feel drawn to the Dominican mission in their daily lives – in their workplaces, neighborhoods, families and parishes. If you have any questions about Dominican Associates, please contact Anita Davidson, Coordinator, at 614-416-1054.

**Charity Chicken Dinner**

St. Margaret Knights of Columbus will have a Charity Chicken Dinner on Saturday September 22, 2007, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at St. Margaret Church, 1600 N. Hague Avenue, Columbus. The dinner includes BBQ and Oven-Roasted Chicken, Potatoes, Green Beans, Corn, Rolls and Dessert. Adults \$7.00, Children \$4.00. Public welcome. For information, call 507-2074.

**THE WORD**

When the Gospel advises us to turn our back on father and mother and family and even on ourselves – maybe it’s not about rejecting but about becoming able to live the Gospel more maturely, about releasing our grip on the past and growing up. Maybe letting go of childish things is the cost and also the wisdom of the God who waits patiently for us.

One of life’s tasks, it seems, is to learn the balancing act between loving without possessiveness and relinquishing without indifference or abandonment. In truth, perhaps we never really learn to balance the two. We mostly lean in the direction opposite where we are at the time, until we suspect we may have leaned too far and switch directions. It’s a wisdom we come to that’s worthwhile for parenting but also for marriage and one’s profession and growing old and just about everything else that life serves up.

This balancing is also at the heart of faith and discipleship. It’s how we come to recognize the hand of God in our lives, by living in such a way that God has the freedom to rearrange the pieces and so bring us to fuller life. It’s the wisdom that teaches us how to be a disciple but also the sort of discipleship that brings us to wisdom. It’s also the light shining forth in today’s reading from the book of Wisdom.

**-from “Living the Word”**

† **9 September 2007** †

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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❖ **Hymns are not announced** ❖

**The first reading begins on page 36**

**9:00 a.m. – Ron Barrett, organist**  
**11:00 a.m. – Dan Di Santo, organist**

**Gathering Hymn** *To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign Lord*  
(#717)

**Responsorial Psalm** *In every age, O Lord, You have been our refuge; you have been our refuge.*  
(#23, page 37)

**Gospel Acclamation** (#24, page 38)

**Offertory Hymn** *Jesus Christ, by Faith Revealed*  
(#711)

**Communion Hymn** *Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All*  
(#973)

**Closing Hymn** *God’s Blessing Sends Us Forth*  
(#864)

**Special Parish Date**

Mark your calendars for the following important dates for the parish:

- 1) Sunday, September 16, 2007 – Parish celebrates Exaltation of the Holy Cross at 10:00 a.m. Mass, followed by a reception.
- 2) Sunday, October 14, 2007 – Annual Parish Spaghetti Dinner

**Grandparents Day**

Today is Grandparents Day and there will be a special blessing given to all grandparents at each Mass.

**Repair Fund Collection – Today!**

A second collection will be taken up for the repairs on the church and Rectory. We thank you in advance for your continuous support of this program.

**Bishop Hartley Presents**

“Hair Folly-cles at Our Lady of Perpetually Glorious Haidos High” on Sunday, October 7 at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20.00/person. For tickets, please contact Mrs. Kathy Arnold at 614-855-0241. Wear something on your head or the Little Sisters of Funicello will pop a Kleenex and bobby pin on you. Catholic School Girl attire encouraged! If you need a good laugh, this show is for you!

**Women’s Fall Retreat**

A silent retreat sponsored by the Catholic Laywomen’s Retreat League will be held the weekend of October 5-7, 2007 at St. Therese’s Retreat Center. It is open to all Catholic women in the Diocese. Fr. Leo Connolly will present GOD IS LOVE ....AND SO WHO ARE WE?, based on the papal encyclical of Pope Benedict XVI, Deus Caritas Est. Registration deadline is September 28, 2007. For more information, call Sue Dondelewski at 614-863-3108.

**Diocesan Family Rosary Day Celebration**

This year our Diocesan Family Rosary Day celebration will be at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, October 14th, in Christ the King Church, 2777 E. Livingston Avenue, Columbus. The homily will be given by Msgr. Frank Lane, Pastor of St. Margaret of Cortona Church, Columbus. Bishop Campbell will preside at this one-hour ceremony and will celebrate Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

**Attention, Prayerful Single Men!**

The Fathers of Mercy in South Union, KY, is having a vocations retreat October 19-22. Also Gethsemani Abbey in Trappist, KY, is offering a “Live-in Experience” vocational retreat October 1-8 and the weekend of October 12-14. Learn about these exciting vocations firsthand. These retreats are very popular so make your reservations soon. There is no cost but space is limited. For more dates and information, call toll free at 1-800-221-1807.