

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Sunday, August 25 ♦

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

11:00 a.m. Andrew A. Roberts
(Warren & Carolyn Roberts)

Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

Monday, August 26 ♦ NO MASS

Tuesday, August 27 ♦ St. Monica

11:30 a.m. Special Intention for Fr. Michael Watson
(Paul & Charlene Pardi)

1 Thes 2:1-8; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday, August 28 ♦ St. Augustine

11:30 a.m. All the Souls in Purgatory (Vince Staley)

1 Thes 2:9-13; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday, August 29 ♦

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

11:30 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

1 Thes 3:7-13; Mk 6:17-29

Friday, August 30 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Darlene M. Manley (Richard Denezza)

1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday, August 31 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Darlene E. Manley (Nellie Denezza)

1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday, September 1 ♦

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Margaret & Elsie Haninger
(Glenn Haninger)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24; Lk 14:1, 7-14

+ Please remember in your prayers our homebound parishioners, and those who are ill: Jodi Elgin, Sandra Hilbert, Elizabeth and Robert Hackett, Jestina Jones, Susan Luck, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Marilyn Scott, Jeanne Sharp, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

St. Lawrence Haven – September 22nd

Attention, all our “Lil Larry” sandwich makers. The next opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven is Sunday, September 22nd, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Cum Christo Center.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES DURING MASS.

Assumption Collection – Results

Thank you for the generosity and support of the Assumption collection held last week. \$620.23 was contributed.



INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process for interested persons to learn about and become a member of the Catholic Church. The experience of learning with other adults in a relaxed supportive atmosphere has been, for many, a lifetime “high point.” Is now the time for you to have such an experience?

We begin on Thursday, September 12th, but for more specific information we encourage you to contact Fr. Jerry or Sister Anne before that date (frjerry@columbus.rr.com, sranne@columbus.rr.com or 224-3416).

Holy Cross PSR Open House

Families with children preK-K (ages 3-6) are invited to a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Open House on Sunday, September 8, from 10:00-11:00 a.m. on the 2nd floor of the church. The stairs to the 2nd floor can be accessed through the sacristy. Come and see the atrium, learn about the program, ask questions, and enjoy coffee, juice and donuts. PSR starts Sunday, September 22, 2013. Each session begins at 10:00 and ends at 11:30 a.m. Questions? Contact Debi Matthews at matthews9244@sbcglobal.net, (h) 614-861-1746, or (c) 614-329-5727.



Music for our Patronal Feast

We shall prepare for our patronal feast special Mass by gathering all singers on August 25, September 1, and September 8 to review the music for the liturgical celebration of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Please gather in the balcony at noon on each of those Sundays and Kelly will lead all through music that lifts up the Holy Cross of our Savior. Those who like to sing are invited to attend.

THANKS

AUGUST 18, 2013 OFFERINGS

Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offertory	\$1,971.00
	Votives	\$ 620.63
Mass Attendance 9:00 a.m. = 79 11:00 a.m. = 65	Repair Fund.....	\$ 120.00
	Less 5% Diocese Tax...(\$	135.58)
	Net to Parish:	\$2,576.05

THE WORD

The first image is found in Hebrews. No talk of being father’s “little darling” or mother’s “favorite pet” here. We get a companion of God as a father who disciplines his child, even “scourges” every son he acknowledges. Now that certainly is a tough image to take, especially in a culture so attuned to the horrors of child abuse. But the time of the Letter to the Hebrews was a different culture, subscribing to the old adage “Spare the rod and spoil the child.” What is important is the notion of discipline. So let’s set the scourge aside and take up the issue of discipline – the discipline necessary to run a race, to “strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees, (to) make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed.” Healing what is weak is the goal of this discipline.

The second image is Jesus as the gatekeeper who is telling us that the gate into the kingdom is a narrow one, so strive (there’s that note of discipline, again) to enter it. Jesus isn’t into numbers and doesn’t answer the question asked. He simply urges us to be strong enough to get through the gate. And any claims of “You knew me years ago, Jesus” or “You knew my mother and grandmother” won’t matter. Furthermore, prepare to be surprised when you see at who is getting through the gate into the kingdom.

The bottom line today: Strive, discipline yourself – feeling entitled won’t get you in.

– Is discipline necessary in your life? What kind?

– What is the key to getting through the “narrow gate?”

– from “Living the Word”

August 25, 2013 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Entrance Hymn	954	By All Your Saints Still Striving
Gloria	Worship Aid	Community Mass
Readings	Missalette p 56	
Psalm	Missalette p 57	
Gospel Acclamation	Missalette p 58	
Preparation of Gifts	750	Take Up Your Cross
Eucharistic Acclamations	Worship Aid	Community Mass
Communion Hymn	229	Humbly Let Us Voice
Closing Hymn	805	Faith of Our Fathers

Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) **Sunday, September 15, 2013 – Patronal Feast Day – 10:00 a.m. Mass only, followed by Reception.**
- 2) **Sunday, October 6, 2013 – Organ Concert by Kelly Doman at 3:00 p.m.**

Catholic Men’s Luncheon Club

Bobby Williams, founder and director of the Women’s Care Center Foundation, will address the next Catholic Men’s Luncheon Club on Friday, September 6th, at St. Patrick Church, Downtown Columbus.

Holy Mass at 11:45 a.m. followed by Lunch and Speaker until 1:00 p.m. No reservations necessary. \$10.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend!

The Catholic Men’s Luncheon Club meets on the First Friday of each month (excluding January, July and August.) For information on the many activities of Columbus Catholic Men, go to ColumbusCatholicMen.com.



Bake Sale

St. John Chrysostom’s First Friday Sale will be held next Friday, September 6th from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. St. John is located at 5858 Cleveland Avenue. We will have halubki (cabbage rolls), halushki (noodles and cabbage), pirogi, and various baked goods for sale. We hope to see you there!

You Make All the Difference...

You can improve the quality of life of an isolated senior or disabled adult. You will help bring hope, brighten the day, offer support, and ease loneliness and isolation by becoming a Friendly Visiting Volunteer, visiting 1-3 hours a week with a matched person in need. Volunteer to be a trained Friendly Visitor or volunteer as a family (minors must be accompanied by a parent/legal guardian).

Interested? Please contact Jody O’Dell with Catholic Social Services at 614-857-1225 or jodell@colscs.org to learn more about this rewarding opportunity.



IN SICKNESS AND IN HEALTH

Learn how to use important tools to help your relationship withstand life’s ups and downs: Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next two Marriage Encounter weekends this year are September 20-22 and November 15-17, both in Central Ohio. For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 740-746-9003 or visit our website at www.wmecolumbus.org.