

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Sunday, July 28 ♦ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Health of Steve Haninger Family
(Glenn Haninger)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
Gn 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

Monday, July 29 ♦ NO MASS

Tuesday, July 30 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
Ex 33:7-11, 34:5-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday, July 31 ♦ St. Ignatius Of Loyola

11:30 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday, August 1 ♦ St. Alphonsus Liguori

11:30 a.m. Sr. Mary Ann Creely (Family)
Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53

Friday, August 2 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Darlene M. Manley (Cindy & Bob Regina)
Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34-37; Mt 13:54-58

12:00 p.m. Novena to Our Sorrowful Mother
7:30 p.m. All-Night Eucharistic Vigil
(Intention of President)

Saturday, August 3 ♦ Weekday

7:30 a.m. All-Night Eucharistic Vigil
Closes with Benediction
11:30 a.m. Darlene E. Manley (Mary Lou Fulgenzio)
Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday, August 4 ♦ Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
11:00 a.m. Patty Manley (Kim & Mitch Manley)
Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

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

St. Lawrence Haven – August 18th

Attention, all our “Lil Larry” sandwich makers. The next opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven is Sunday, August 21, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Cum Christo Center.

Kudos!

Prayerful best wishes to Austin Bland & Jamie Rea, who will be married in our Parish Church Saturday, August 24.



Loving To Our Neighbor

Not Too Late To Make A Pledge

BAA Campaign for 2013 is progressing well. The committee has received 76 pledges for \$ 31,824.00 which is 197% of our 2013 goal of \$16,185.00. **Since we have reached our goal, every dollar pledged and paid over goal comes back directly to the parish to help pay for the new church aisle wooden flooring. And by the way – free from Diocesan 5% tax!!**

We are also asking every parishioner (and guest) to participate in this year’s appeal. No gift is too small. Thank You!

Latin America Collection – August 4th

Although approximately half of the world’s Catholic population lives in Latin America, the Church in the region is losing members at an alarming rate to other faiths or migration in pursuit of a better life. These tensions can contribute to the destabilization of families and faith communities. You can **keep faith with the Church in Latin America** through your support of this collection next Sunday, August 7th. Your generosity will support pastoral work that engages parishioners and fosters the faith.



RETREAT for MARRIAGE COUPLES

“Spicing Up Married Life, Nourishing Our Faith: A Retreat for Married Couples” will be held on Saturday, September 14, 2013, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at St. Agatha Church, Upper Arlington. Featuring celebration of Mass and reflection by Bishop Campbell and presentations by Fr. Leo Patalinghug, host of EWTN’s cooking show. Cost is \$75.00 per couple. Register online: www.FamilyLife.colsdioc.org.

IMMIGRATION REFORM

In June, the U.S. Senate passed a long-awaited comprehensive immigration reform bill. Next, the House of Representatives will take up the measure which appears to have roadblocks to passage. This is a critical time for advocacy. USCCB’s Justice for Immigrants Campaign encourages the faithful to make phone calls to House members and sign an electronic postcard calling on Congress to pass comprehensive immigration reform this year. To participate, visit www.justiceforimmigrants.org.

THANKS

JULY 21, 2013 OFFERINGS

Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offertory	\$1,956.62
	Votives	\$ 10.00
Mass Attendance 9:00 a.m. = 82 11:00 a.m. = 87	Repair Fund.....	\$ 20.00
	Less 5% Diocese Tax...(\$	99.33)
	Net to Parish:.....	\$1,887.29

THE WORD

In this delightful story from the book of Genesis, Abraham is presented as being on such intimate terms with God that God not only talks things over with Abraham, but responds to Abraham's gentle nudging. Notice how Abraham first "draws nearer" to God, asking if God will really sweep away the innocent with the guilty. Then he increases the pressure: "Should not the judge of all the world act with justice?" Quite a bit of chutzpah there! In the end, God momentarily yields to Abraham's persuasive – and persistent – intercession.

Jesus urges his disciples to persist in prayer to God, after teaching his prayer to them. This great prayer is the basis for our approaching God with persistence. We are told to call God Father, and then to make two prayers of praise and three petitions to God. Those praying move from blessing and praising God's name and sovereignty to asking for our most basic needs: bread, forgiveness, and deliverance from evil. Jesus follows the gift of his prayer with advice and encouragement.

His advice is to persist; his encouragement is to remember that God is a father who loves his children. God will not refuse the gift of the Spirit to those who have been buried with Christ and have already been raised with him in baptism. As the author of the Letter to the Colossians remind us, God brought you to life along with Christ even when you were dead in sin. How could God refuse us anything that was truly good for us?

– Do you have the confidence that God will hear your prayers?

– Do you ask for the Holy Spirit to help you in your prayers?

– from "Living the Word"

Connection Newsletter

We are seeking your input on what should be included in the next newsletter: e-mail to admmike@columbus.rr.com or call 614-224-3416, ext. 5 – THANKS!!!



Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) **Thursday, August 15, 2013 – Feast Day of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Holy Day of Obligation – Mass at 11:30 a.m.**
- 2) **Wednesday, August 21, 2013 – Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Rectory.**
- 3) **Sunday, September 15, 2013 – Patronal Feast Day – 10:00 A.M. Mass only, followed by Reception.**

Job Opening

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish (Grove City) is looking for a full-time custodian. The hours would be 1:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Passing a background screening and completion of the VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children" course are mandatory. This position requires previous school/parish custodian experience. If you are interested, please call AJ Alvarez at the parish office (614-875-3322) to complete an application.



Men's Retreat

Men's silent retreat at St. Therese's Retreat Center, 6:00 p.m. Friday September 6 through noon Mass, Sunday, September 8: Drawing from the spirituality of the Trappist monk, Matthew Kelly, Fr. Mark Ghiloni, pastor London's St. Patrick's, will lead conferences on letting God find us in daily life. The total cost is only \$130.00. Contact Tim Kennedy at (614) 855-2105 or timjkennedy@yahoo.com.

Annual Banquet

Pregnancy Decision Health Center's Annual Banquet with Keynote Speaker Peggy Hartshorn, Ph.D. Register today for the PDHC Annual Fundraising Banquet on Thursday September 12, 2013 at Villa Milano, Columbus or Friday September 13, 2013 at Fairfield Christian Church, Lancaster. PDHC helps women in unexpected pregnancies make a life affirming decision for their child. Join us for a wonderful evening and support this life saving ministry. Register online at pdhc.org/banquets-2013/ or by calling 614-888-8774, ext. 6120. Space is limited

July 28, 2013

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Hymn	690	God, Our God of Distant Ages
Gloria	Worship Aid	Community Mass
Readings	Missalette p 39	
Psalm	440	In the Sight of the Angels: Psalm 138
Gospel		
Acclamation	Missalette p 41	
Preparation of Gifts	730	Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayer
Eucharistic		
Acclamations	Worship Aid	Community Mass
Communion Hymn	615	See Us, Lord, about Your Altar
Closing Hymn	906	Praise to the Lord