

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Sunday, July 27 ♦ 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or Mt 13:44-46

Monday, July 28 ♦ No Mass

Tuesday, July 29 ♦ St. Martha

11:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of Reichert Family
(AnnRose Reichert)

Jer 14:17-22; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday, July 30 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Jim Darby (Mike and Cathy Agriesti)

Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-46

Thursday, July 31 ♦ St. Ignatius of Loyola

11:30 a.m. Joe Dury (Linda Henry)

Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53

Friday, August 1 ♦ St. Alphonsus Liguori

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

Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58

12:00 p.m. Novena to Our Sorrowful Mother

7:30 p.m. All-Night Eucharistic Vigil
(Intention of Presider)

Saturday, August 2 ♦ Weekday

7:30 a.m. All-Night Eucharistic Vigil
Closes with Benediction

11:30 a.m. Darlene M. Manley
(Domenic, Michael & Joseph Manley)

Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday, August 3 ♦ 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Linda Laird Brown (Al Roehrenbeck)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

Is 55:1-3; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

+ Please remember in your prayers our homebound parishioners, and those who are ill: Jodi Elgin, Sandra Hilbert, Robert Hackett, Walter Jakeway, Susan Luck, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Marilyn Scott, Patty Stover, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

Support St. Lawrence Haven – Today!

Attention, all our “Lil Larry” sandwich makers. Today is our opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass in the Cum Christo Center.

BISHOP'S 2014 ANNUAL APPEAL
CHRIST THE SURE FOUNDATION

Pledges are still being accepted

BAA Campaign for 2014 has received 65 pledges for \$30,347.00, which is 183% of our 2014 goal. **Since we have exceeded our goal of \$16,564.92, every dollar pledged and paid over goal comes back directly to the parish to help pay for the new church wooden flooring.** And by the way – free from Diocesan 6% 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 3rd

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 3rd. Your generosity will support pastoral work that engages parishioners and fosters the faith.

Talk with Bishop Campbell

Connect with Bishop Campbell Tuesday, August 5th on AM 820. This is a great opportunity to ask Bishop Campbell questions about Catholic teachings during his monthly call-in program, *From the Chair*, on St. Gabriel Catholic Radio. Calls begin at 5:00 p.m. Call (614) 459-4820.



WELCOME!!

If you are not yet registered in our parish, please drop this form in the collection basket:

() Yes, I would like to register in Holy Cross Parish:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone no. _____

E-mail: _____

THANKS

JULY 20, 2014 OFFERINGS

Designated Collections

(Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)

Mass Attendance

9:00 a.m. = 74

11:00 a.m. = 80

Offertory \$ 2,511.00

Repair Fund..... \$ 35.00

Less 6%

Diocese Tax.... (\$ 152.76)

Net to Parish: ... \$2,393.24

THE WORD

What is the kingdom of God worth to you? Throughout our lives we engage, usually subconsciously, in cost-benefit analyses, trying to balance cost and risk on one hand with the potential gains on the other. This might seem a somewhat cold-hearted approach to take toward faith, but Jesus' parables in today's Gospel seem to imply that if we reflect on the matter we ought to see that gaining the kingdom of heaven is worth any cost, worth any risk.

The great seventeenth-century mathematician and philosopher Blaise Pascal is famous for his "wager" regarding religious faith. He said that if we weigh the potential benefit of faith (gaining eternal life) against the cost (a life of religious devotion) and the risk (being wrong and there being no eternal life), it seems perfectly reasonable to have faith. This is not, of course, meant to be any sort of proof of the truth of religious faith. Rather, Pascal's point is the same one made in today's parables: the kingdom of heaven is something of such surpassing good that even the slightest chance of it being real should make us willing to surrender everything we have in order to gain it. Faith in an uncertainty is a small price to pay for the promise of eternal life.

But even we who are believers, who have made the risky choice for faith, sometimes undervalue the gift of God's kingdom. Unlike Solomon in our first reading, we seek a long life or wealth or power over others rather than the pearl of great price, which is the wisdom of God's kingdom. Reflecting, as Pascal did, on the infinite value of what God offers us in the kingdom ought to lead us to live wholeheartedly for God.

–What things do I value most? What am I willing to risk in order to have those things?

–Where does God fall in the order of priorities I have for my life?

from "Living the Word"

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Entrance Hymn	878	To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King
Gloria	1223	Gloria Simplex
Psalm	page 336	Lord, I love your commands.
Gospel Acclamation	1187	Missa Pacem
Preparation of Gifts	928	How Firm a Foundation
Eucharistic Acclamation	1188-1193	Missa Pacem
Communion Hymn	629	Lord, You Have the Words
Closing Hymn	882	How Great Thou Art

Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) **Sunday, July 27, 2014, Support to St. Lawrence Haven – Sandwiches, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.**
- 2) **Saturday, September 27, 2014, Confirmation at 11:00 a.m. for Grades 6-10, at St. Ladislav Church.**



Bake Sale

This Friday, August 1st, St. John Chrysostom, 5858 Cleveland Avenue, Columbus, will be holding their First Friday Sale from 4:00-6:00 p.m. We will have cabbage rolls (holubki), noodles and cabbage (haluski), pirohi (4 different fillings), and baked goods. We hope to see you there! As always, thank you for your patronage.

Upcoming Catholic Youth Ministry Events – CYO Girls Volleyball

Parish teams for high school girls volleyball are being formed. Deadline for teams to sign up is September 4.

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Evalyn Hammonds, CYO Commissioner, 614-286-5725, evalynh22@gmail.com.

Catholic Young Professionals

Calling all Catholic Young Professionals! The Catholic Foundation invites you to attend a free networking event for Catholic Young Professionals on August 21. We'll meet at Dempsey's Restaurant on August 21, from 4:30-6:30 p.m., and then head over to the free Gin Blossoms concert at the Columbus Commons at 7:00 p.m.! Light drinks and appetizers will be provided. Visit catholic-foundation.org for more information. Reservations are encouraged, email Craig Heppner (CHeppner@catholic-foundation.org) or find our Catholic Young Professionals group on Meetup.com. We look forward to meeting you!

Retreat for Married Couples

Saturday, September 13, 2014

Featuring celebration of Mass and reflection by Bishop Frederick F. Campbell and presentations by Dr. Greg and Lisa Popcak, hosts of *More 2 Life Radio* and authors of *Parenting With Grace* and *A Marriage Made for Heaven: The Secrets of Heavenly Couplehood*. The retreat will be held from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at St. Agatha Church, Upper Arlington. Cost is \$75.00 per couple and includes a light breakfast and buffet lunch provided by Berwick Catering. For more information and to download the registration form, please visit <http://familylife.coltsdioc.org>.