

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Sunday, June 25 ♦ Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Paul J. O’Dea (Tom Duffy)
11:00 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Holy Cross Family
– Jer 20:10-13; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

Monday, June 26 ♦ NO MASS

Tuesday, June 27 ♦ NO MASS

Wednesday, June 28 ♦ St. Irenaeus

11:30 a.m. Dr. Glenn J. Haninger (Joan H. Fruin)
– Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Mt 7:15-20

Thursday, June 29 ♦ Sts. Peter and Paul

11:30 a.m. Rev. Clemens Rhode (Riethmueller Family)
– Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16; 13-19

Friday, June 30 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Paul and Anna May White
(Mary Anne White)
– Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Mt 8; 1-4

Saturday, July 1 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Living/Deceased of Cullinan Family
(Jeanne C. Brown)
– Gn 18:1-15; Mt 8:5-17

Sunday, July 2 ♦ Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Janet Joffre (Annrose Reichert)
11:00 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Holy Cross Family
– 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

+ Please remember in your prayers our home-bound parishioners, and those who are ill: Michael Baker, Betty Cockran, Richard Deneski, Herbert Froesch, Sr., Sally Groom, Robert Hackett, Julie Litsinberger, Susan Luck, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Vicki Meyer, Marilyn Scott.

St. Lawrence Haven – July 30th

Attention all our ‘Lil’ Larry” sandwich makers. Sunday, July 30, 2017 is our next opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Holy Cross School.

Table with 2 columns: Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese) and Mass Attendance. Rows include Offertory, Mail-In, Repair Collection, Mail-in Repair, Less 6% Diocese tax, and Net To Parish.



WEDDING BANNS

Prayerful best wishes to Brandon Edgar & Jenny Balingcongan and Steven Lemaster and Andrea Smith who will be married in our Parish Church on Saturday, July 15.

2017 Bishop’s Annual Appeal - ROCKS!

The Bishop’s Annual Appeal continues to move forward with 239% of our goal of \$16,042.55 being pledged and 76 pledges so far. Since we have exceeded our goal, every dollar pledged and paid now comes back directly to the parish. Fr. Dwayne thanks you for your continuous generosity to date.

SAFETY ISSUE

A stranger recently entered and looked around the sacristy during a Sunday morning Mass. To avoid having this happen in the future, the sacristy door will be locked five minutes prior to the start of Mass. Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers: Avoid being locked out at the last minute. Please check in at the sacristy 10 to 15 minutes prior to your assigned Mass time to make your presence known.

Peter’s Pence Collection Today!

This Sunday, our diocese will take up the Peter’s Pence Collection, which provides the Holy Father with the assistance needed to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged victims of war, oppression, disease, and natural disasters. Since there will only be ONE collection today, please place your Peter’s Pence Donation Envelope in the same basket with the regular envelopes and your generosity will cast the love of Christ on our church and in our world.

WELCOME!!
If you are not yet registered in our parish, please drop this form in the collection basket:
I would love to have you as a member – Fr. Dwayne
()Yes, I would like to register in Holy Cross Parish.
Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone no. _____
E-mail: _____

THE WORD

When I was a choir director, my choir sang a song based on Luke 12:32: "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom." While we learned the piece I asked people to share their fears. Some answers were the future, change, a past secret being made public, rejection, being alone, and death. We discussed whether or not we could control or alter any of those fears and realized that we had little or no control over any of them. So what could we do to "have no fear"? Trust God's promise to be with us to find a way to face whatever comes.

That reflects Jeremiah's wisdom: "The Lord is with me, like a mighty champion: my persecutors...will not prevail" (Jeremiah 20:11a). Being aware of God's presence, God's grace, makes all the difference. We know the overflowing gift of God's grace through Jesus Christ, as our second reading proclaims. St. Frances de Sales notes that when we realize God's all-encompassing presence, we experience a safety that grows in us day by day in proportion as God's grace grows in us, for grace brings forth confidence and confidence is never confounded.

Have no fear, little flock – which is easier said than done, but is not impossible. Try this exercise. Recall that you are always in God's presence. With that awareness name your fears. Take a deep breath and give those fears to God as you release that breath. Then breathe deeply into your entire being the all-encompassing presence of God. Have no fear.

- *Whom or what do you fear?*
- *What has calmed your fears in the past?*

"Living the Word"

Mass Intentions

One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead, and the greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass since the fruits of the Mass are the very fruits of Jesus' redemption. Mass stipends (offerings) are \$10.00 each; only one offering per Mass. All Mass intentions will be listed in the bulletin. We are in need of daily Mass intentions. Please contact Mike Agriesti by regular mail, or drop a note into the collection basket on Sundays or email admmike@columbus.rr.com to schedule a Mass.

Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) **June 27 to July 25, 2017 – No Tuesday evening devotion or 6:15 p.m. Mass.**
- 2) **September 3, 2017 – Mission Appeal Sunday at both Masses.**

Repair Fund Collection – July 2nd

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

Yellow Mission Co-Op Envelope in Your Recent Package of Contribution Envelopes

Mission Appeal Sunday is scheduled for September 3rd. If possible, please put aside this Yellow envelope until then. Thanks for your cooperation.

God's Spirit Is Calling. Will You Answer?

There will be a training session for anyone who feels the Spirit's nudge or urging to proclaim the Word and/or share God's body and blood with all brothers and sisters at Holy Cross. Meet Mary Anne in the front pew on the St. Joseph side of the Church after the 11:00 a.m. Mass TODAY (June 25th, 2017) to join our group of Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. If today isn't possible, give Mary Anne a day and time and she will train you at your convenience.

Men's Silent Retreat

The annual Catholic Laymens' Fall silent retreat is at St. Therese's Retreat Center, 6:00 p.m. Friday, September 8 through 12:00 noon Mass, Sunday, September 10. In reflection sessions, Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, will lead men to appreciate the power of the Holy Spirit by developing his theme "To Have a Relationship with the Holy Spirit, His Mercy is Everlasting." The total cost is only \$150.00. Make your reservation now and consider bringing a friend! Contact Charles Kielkopf at (614) 268-0175 or email kielkopf.1@osu.edu or Eric Lutz at 614-949-5905 or James Allan at 614-403-7831.