

SEPTEMBER 10, 2006: TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CALENDAR:

Monday, September 11: Weekday

1 Corinthians 5:1-8; Luke 6:6-11

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Regina Subler

10:00-11:30 Bible Study in Heritage Park

3:15-4:15 p.m. CCD (D) Grades 1-6

7:00 p.m. RCIA (D)

7:00 p.m. Prayer for New Beginnings (D)

Tuesday, September 12: Weekday

1 Corinthians 6:1-11; Luke 6:12-19

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Pauline Busse

7:30 p.m. D of I Meeting (D)

Wednesday, September 13: St John Chrysostom

1 Corinthians 7:25-31; Luke 6:20-26

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Gale Blakeley

6:15-6:50 p.m. Youth Group (D): Grades 9-12

7:00-8:00 p.m. CCD (HF): Grades 1-12; D 7-12

8:00 p.m. Worship Commission Meeting (D)

8:15 p.m. New Beginnings Core Group (D)

Thursday, September 14: Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Florence Groff

Exposition after Mass until Benediction (8:30 p.m.)

3:00-4:00; 7:00-8:00 Sacrament of Penance

Friday, September 15: Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27; John 19:25-27

6:30 a.m. Communion Service

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Evelyn Bigham

Saturday, September 16: St. Cornelius

1 Corinthians 10:14-22; Luke 6:43-49

1:30 p.m. Subler/Krickenbarger Wedding

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Agnes Bornhorst

Sunday, September 17: Twenty-Fourth Sunday

8:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Mass (HF): Parishioners (CCD Open House)

11:00 a.m. Mass (D): Parishioners (CCD Open House)

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday: If we listen to the Lord we shall find him helping us (Isaiah 50:5-9a). Do we allow the Lord to walk behind us (Psalm 116)? Faith demands action or it has no life (James 2:14-18). The Lord wants us to follow him, not our idea of him (Mark 8:27-35).

BAPTISM

Next pre-baptismal program: Today at 1:00 p.m. for new or expectant parents. We baptize at any Sunday Mass.

WEDDINGS AND MARRIAGES

Marriage Encounter, the weekend of September 22-24 can enhance your marriage. Please call 1-800-547-1251 Code 00. On November 3-5 the Marriage Encounter weekend will take place at Maria Stein.

Retrouaille (French for Rediscovery) can help you save your marriage. Please call 1-800-470-2230 for more information.

WEDDINGS

Olivia Krickenbarger and Tyler Subler plan to marry at St. Denis on Saturday, September 16.

D OF I MEETING

The Daughters of Isabella will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday in St. Denis church basement.

PROJECT RACHEL, AFTER ABORTION

The Archdiocese sponsors Project Rachel for healing after abortion. Call 937-492-4449 for more information.

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS: September 16 & 17, 2006

5:00 p.m. Mass (D): Saturday

Ushers: Group 2; *Lector:* Dennis Mestemaker

Eucharist: Bonnie Phlipot, Therese Pohlman, Brittany Reed (P) Jane Pierron, Marvin Pierron, Ryan Rose, Dan Saintignon, Judy Pierron, Sandy Pierron, Don Brocious, Katie Mestemaker (C);

Servers: Brooke Pierron, Jessica Barga, Michael Heaton

Gifts: Dave & Cheryl Huelskamp Family

8:00 a.m. (D): Sunday

Ushers: Group 9; *Lector:* Gary Huelskamp

Eucharist: Ryan McMaken, Linda Meyer, Carl Meyer (P) Paul Meyer, Mary Jean Meyer, Shirley McMaken, Jim Nerderman, Sharon Pepiot, Betty Poly, Justine Raterman, Mary Lou Nerderman (C); *Servers:* Stephanie McMaken, Casey Rismiller, Ann Borchers; **Gifts: Jerry & JoAnn Wilker**

9:30 a.m. Mass (HF):

Ushers: Lewis May and William Baltes

Lector: Louise Grilliot; *Eucharist:* Melvin Stucke (P) Jeff Wuebker and Alena Barga (C); *Servers:* Rick and Jeff Mayo and Brittany Bruns; **Gifts: Lewis & Alma May Family**

11:00 a.m. Mass (D):

Ushers: Group 12 & 16; *Lector:* Lori Griesdorn

Eucharist: John Schmitmeyer, Matt Schmitmeyer, Kristen Schulte (P) Peggy Borgerding, Michael Schmitmeyer, Ted Schmitmeyer, Janet Turner, Katie Schrader, Reyna Shardo, Kristen Smith, Deacon Jack (C);

Servers: Joe Gehret, Matt Stover, Dan Schrader

Gifts: Ron and Mary Gehret Family

VOCATION VIEWS

Ask God to open your ears to hear his call and free your tongue to proclaim his good news. Consider serving God as a priest, brother or sister.

WELLNESS TIPS

Body: Eat small, frequent meals throughout the day. **Mind:** Compromise. **Spirit:** Be kind.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS BULLETIN BOARD

This month's display has information on cataracts. Feel free to check out the information.

PRAYER MEETING

We meet on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement to pray, read scripture and sing to God for the success of our parish renewal program, New Beginnings, as well as any other concerns you may have. God answers all prayer. Thank you for all your support for the parish renewal.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH NEEDS A NEW ROOF

It will cost \$12,036 to replace the roof. As of September 5, we have received \$8,850.00 for it. Thank you for your generosity.

RCIA, INITIATION INTO THE CHURCH

We resume our series on the Rite for Christian Initiation of Adults and children of school age. Please invite non-Catholic spouses and friends and others to check us out. We meet Mondays, starting tomorrow at 7:00 p.m. No strings attached.

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY, 2006

Today we celebrate Stewardship Sunday. We take time to thank God for his many gifts and to show this gratitude by sharing our time, talents and treasures with others in our church and the community.

FATHER DAVE

Stewardship Sunday flows from our faith that God owns us and has given us everything we have. The prophet Isaiah saw God's gift at work in the healing of the blind, deaf, mute and lame. He also saw it in desert streams and as water for the thirsty ground. The Lord Jesus restores the gift of sound and speech to a man who could not hear or speak well. I wonder how he used God's gifts afterwards.

Not only our senses, but also the talents we bring to our daily occupations, has God given us. He gives them, not for us to own, but for us to use. The word talent comes from an ancient piece of money, which the Lord used in a parable to describe the good and faithful steward. If we owned our time, our talent and our treasure, then we could do what we want with them. But since we do not own them, we must ask the Lord what he wants to us to do with them.

God wants our gifts the way parents want gifts from their growing children: as signs that we have learned the lesson of loving as God loves. We need to give gifts to God in his Church, just as children need to give their parents gifts, to express our love for him.

THE LITURGY

I spoke last week about giving thanks to the Lord. This week I want to focus on the Eucharistic Prayer. The word Eucharist means thanksgiving. The Eucharistic Prayer has eight chief elements:

- 1) Thanksgiving, especially in the preface, but the whole prayer forms one act of thanksgiving and blessing.
- 2) Acclamation that joins heaven to us, in the Holy, Holy.
- 3) Epiclesis (which means the invocation of the Holy Spirit) over the bread, wine and us.
- 4) Narrative of the institution and consecration.
- 5) Anamnesis (which means the remembering), which we usually call the Memorial Acclamation.
- 6) Offering, which follows the anamnesis, in which we offer the Father in the Holy Spirit, Christ our sacrifice, and ourselves as well.
- 7) Intercessions, prayers of petition.
- 8) Doxology, with its Amen. which expresses glory to God.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Women's Retreat – Saturday, September 23: "Women Called and Gifted", at Transfiguration Church. Call 937-698-4520.

CCD NEWS

We have all our teachers for Holy family and the upper grades at St Denis. We need teachers for grades 2, 5 and 6 at St Denis. Please contact Linda at 526-3957. You can help pass our faith to the next generation. Classes begin tomorrow and Wednesday. We expect our teachers to work for certification, not to start out certified.

We shall have an "Open House" next Sunday after the 9:30 and 11:00 Masses. Meet your child's teachers and see the projects being displayed. Coffee, juice and donuts will be served.

WEST OHIO HEALING FIELD

A large field of flags commemorating our fallen soldiers, veterans, law enforcement, firefighters and EMS personnel will be at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein, September 9-12.

JOURNEY HOME

Come join us at Journey Home today, at 7:00 p.m. (D)

WELCOME

We welcome all here, whether longtime residents or newly-arrived, whether Catholic or not, whether interested in the Catholic Church or not. If you have a comment or would like to register or give a change of address, please fill out the form below and put it in the collection basket or mail it to the office.

Name: _____ Address: _____
 ZIP: _____ Phone: _____



"Ephphatha!" -- that is, "Be opened!" -- Mark 7:34

COLLECTION
September 3, 2006
Holy Family (need \$1500):

Loose (49)	\$ 257.25
Envelopes (43)	\$ 622.00
Total	\$ 879.25
Katrina	\$ 46.00
Roof	\$ 1175.00

St Denis (need \$6500):

Loose (193)	\$ 932.00
Envelopes (217)	\$ 4042.90
Total	\$ 4974.90
Katrina	\$ 1.09

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~ YOUTH MINISTRY ~

Junior High Youth Group: Junior high will have youth group this fall on the first Wednesday of each month.

Fall Retreat: The annual Fall Retreat will be Saturday and Sunday September 23-24. The theme this year is "Indescribable!". Forms and flyers are available at the church exits, at the youth ministry table down the basement, and in the youth office. You will not want to miss it.

Youth Group: We will begin youth group meetings on Wednesday, September 13, from 6:15 p.m. to 6:50 p.m. at St Denis. All high school students are welcome.

Youth Ministry Bake Sale: We will have a youth ministry bake sale on the weekend of September 17 after all the Masses. You can drop off donated baked items Thursday, September 14 through Sunday morning, until 10:30 a.m.

Youth Ministry Sessions Holy Family: We will have youth ministry sessions at Holy Family on the last Wednesday of the month of September, October, November, January, February, and March. The sessions will be for seventh through twelfth grade and will run from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. during CCD.

FALL HARVEST HAPPENINGS TRIP

We have arranged a bus trip to Bearcreek Farms in Indiana for Friday, October 6. We shall leave at 11:30 a.m. and return at 7:30 p.m. Activities available that day will be quilt workshops, quilt and scarecrow displays, a straw maze, many specialty shops, a musical review and dinner. Bus fare costs \$30; the musical review and dinner cost \$23 more. Call the office at 526-4945 by September 21 to reserve your seat.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

This ten-week program starts September 19, and continues on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. It costs \$15.00. Call the office this week to register.

NEW BEGINNINGS CORE GROUP MEETING

The Core team meets Wednesday in the church basement at 8:15 p.m.

HAND-CARVED RELIGIOUS ART ON SALE TODAY

The Bethlehem Christian Families have come this weekend to sell hand-carved religious art. They represent the Christian wood carvers of Bethlehem. They rely on tourists to make a living, but the situation in Bethlehem makes this very precarious. The Abufarha Family represents them to help them keep their jobs and homes in the Holy Land. They came several years ago.

You can support them by browsing among their wares after Mass today.