

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 9, 2007

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,
that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.



— *Psalm 90:14*

September Rosary – For an increased respect and devotion to the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and broader participation in Eucharistic adoration on First Friday.

Music for Weekend of September 8 & 9:

393 – Praise to the Lord

407 – Only This I Want

498 - O Sacrament Most Holy

504– Sent Forth By God’s Blessing

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — You sent your holy spirit from on high and thus were the paths of those on earth made straight (Wisdom 9:13-18b).

Psalm — In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary (Philemon 9-10, 12-17).

Gospel — Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? (Luke 14:25-33).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38

Friday: Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day

Tuesday: Patriot Day

Wednesday: Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year 5768) begins at sunset

Thursday: St. John Chrysostom; Ramadan (Islamic month of fasting) begins this week

Friday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Saturday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Update on Fr. Timby – Fr. Timby will be present at all our daily Masses this week and hopes to be able to join us for the evening Mission Talks. He is still limited in how much he can speak. He will let you know if he has “speaking time” still available. The growths removed were cancerous, and he will learn what further treatment he will need when he returns to the doctor for evaluation on September 27.

Welcome Fr. Frank Fusare, CFM for Feast

Week – Fr. Joseph Fusare is our celebrant and homilist this week as we kick off Feast Week. Join us Mon-Fri at 6:30 p.m. for our Mission talks by Fr. Frank. Confessions will be heard each evening after Benediction. On Saturday, we will celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lady of Sorrows at 4:00 p.m. Mass with our Feast Day Pot Luck Dinner in the gymnasium immediately following Mass.

Diocesan Silver and Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mass – The diocese will celebrate the powerful witness of marriages that stand the test of time with a special Mass at the cathedral on Sat., Sept. 29, at 11 a.m. with a reception following in Marian Hall. Couples who have been married 25, 50 of 50+ years are invited to participate but must fill out a registration form (found in the vestibule of the church). Registration deadline is September 10, so send yours in today!

Fr. Rick Gantert Memorial Garden – As the construction of the memorial garden in honor of Fr. Rick Gantert draws closer, Fr. Timby will be writing to each parishioner requesting financial and physical assistance in completing this project. The garden will have the Stations of the Cross and stepping stones marking the Chaplet of Our Lady of Sorrows as well as a 5-foot statue of Our Lady of Grace covered by an arbor. A plaque will be placed near the garden listing all who contributed to the success of the project. Be looking for your letter in early September as our Parish Feast Day approached

Pastor’s Bible Study – Fr. Timby is offering a course in the Acts of the Apostles in the same format as the one employed for the study of Revelation last year. This 30-session study will be offered twice each week on Thursday mornings (9:30-11:30) and Sunday evenings (7:00- 9:00). The scripture text is included in the study guide with the commentary and excerpts from various learned Catholic scholars, including Church Fathers, Doctors of the Church, and Popes. The only text that participants need to furnish is the Catechism of the Catholic Church, which are available from the Parish Office. The fee for this study is \$50.00. Classes begin Thursday, September, 27, and Sunday, September 30. Pre-registration in the Parish Office is requested so there will be enough study material available for interested participant

This Week at Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday, September 8th

Mass– 8:15 am
Confessions – 3:00 – 3:30 pm
Mass – 4:00 pm

Sunday, September 9th

Mass 8:00 am & 10:30 am
Spanish Mass 5:00 pm,

Monday, September 10th

Mass - 8:15 am
No School

Tuesday, September 11th

Mass – 8:15 am
K of C Business Meeting 7:30pm Krug Hall

Wednesday, September 12th

Mass – 6:30 am
Gym Practice 3:30 – 5:00 pm
Legion of Mary – 5:15 pm in Lucius Hall
Youth Group after Mass

Thursday, September 13th

Mass - 8:15 am

Friday, September 14th

Mass – 8:15 am

SCHOOL NEWS

September 8, 07 – Eaglefest All Day
September 10, 07 – No School

Thanks to all who participated in “Spirit Night at Chick-Fil-A and Barnes & Noble. We had a lot of fun and showed Memphis the Spirit of OLS! Congratulations to 6th grade who had 70% family participation.



Congratulations! Daniel & Sara O'Brien proud parents of Wesley Parker 6 pounds and 21 inches born Wednesday.

Lay Reader and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion Training – If you are interested in serving the parish as a Lay Reader or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please pick up an information brochure in the vestibule or contact the Diocesan Institute for Liturgy and Spirituality via e-mail at ils@ic.cdom.org or by phone at (901) 725-2714. Please note, participation in these courses requires the approval of Fr. Timby. (Those who were unable to complete all the sessions at the summer classes should make arrangements to complete the classes they missed in order to be commissioned by the bishop.)

ATTENTION Lay Readers – The Lector Guide to the readings for 2007-2008 liturgical year will be available in the sacristy next weekend. Please stop by to pick up your copy. Remember to sign for your copy when you pick up yours so that we can keep track of who picked up these valuable tools to being better readers of God's Holy Word.

A Note on the Parish Census – It is very important that you fill out a new card each week and at every weekend liturgy you attend so that we can have an average number for each Mass. The results of last weekend's survey are very interesting even if many of our parishioners were out of town for the holiday weekend. When filling out the survey cards, remember:

- It is NOT necessary to put your name or address or telephone number;
- Put your age on one side of the card;
- Put your zip code on the other side of the card
- Be sure to have a separate card for each person present, regardless of age.

INVITED

The Good News is that we have all been invited—invited to the Kingdom, invited to be disciples. It's a life-changing invitation, and like so many other such invitations, it requires a great deal of deliberation and discernment. Whether we choose marriage, ordination, single life, or community life, we know the serious planning and consideration that accompany these profound decisions. Like the tower-builder in the Gospel, we have weighed both the monetary and emotional cost. We have pondered and planned our lives in the direction to which we believe God has called us. And while we pray for guidance and acceptance of God's will, we often fail to understand so much. Like Solomon, we turn to God for wisdom and counsel in our life-changing decisions.

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Altar Server Training- If you have made your First Communion and would like to be an altar server please call the parish office (353-1530). Classes will be on Wednesday evening before, during and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass. Adults and entire families are invited to participate in the training. Training begins this Wednesday with a brief meeting after Mass.

Mass Intentions

Saturday September 8th 4:00 pm

Langston/Bray Families+

Sunday September 9th 8:00 am

Fr. Patrick Heenan+

Sunday September 9th 10:30 am

People of the Parish

Sunday September 9th 5:00 pm

James Wright+

Monday September 10th 8:15 am

Nancy Dratnol+

Tues. September 11th 8:15 am

Fr. John Scola+

Wed. September 12th 6:30 pm

Dolores Garza

Thur. September 13th 8:15 am

Jaciel & Dosier Family+

Friday September 14th 8:15 am

Jack Bolgeo+

Saturday September 15th 8:15 am

Lillian Vinturella+

Saturday September 15th 4:00 pm

Ella Mar Zsidi+

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Ministers Schedule – for TODAY

Weekend of September 8th & 9th

*****Please note the dates*****

for the Minister and Altar Server Schedule

4:00	8:00	10:30	5:00
L.Macdonald	M.Hensley	D.Bennis	
N.Vintruella	B.Hall	B.Bustos	
G.Hooten	M.Kissell	J.DeStefano	
Lectors			
J.Pettit	J.Bish	M.Standridge	
Altar Server			
L.Carter	R.Martini	S.Bland	J.Rivera
E.Foote	H.Martini	K.Hissong	S.Roque

***Ministers Schedule – for NEXT
Weekend of September 15th & 16th***

*****Please note the dates*****

for the Minister and Altar Server Schedule

4:00	8:00	10:30	5:00
F.Bursi	P.Stavrum	D.Bennis	
E.Monroe	C.Vasquez	K.Pope	
G.Taulman	T.Acklen	C.Collier	
Lectors			
C.Specht	B.Plessinger	J.Collier	
Altar Server			
E.Foote	B.Hudson	P.DeStefano	A.Zemero
A.Younger	K.Hudson	D.Bailey	J.Villanueva

FALL YOUTH GATHERING – The annual Diocesan Fall Youth Gathering for middle school and high school youth will be Saturday, October 1, at Chickasaw State Park. There will be horseback riding, paddle boats and all kinds of activities. A Mass will be celebrated at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday afternoon. Call our Parish Youth Director, Sharon O’Brien, at 357-7078. Wednesday evening gathering of the OLS Youth Group will resume soon. All young people in grades 7-12 are invited to participate. Watch the bulletin!



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes, this “Treasures” column can seem to be a species of crib-notes for Catholic *Jeopardy*. Indeed, you may never know when knowledge of our particular vocabulary may come in handy. Such is the case with papal bulls, which conjure up all sorts of images, but are actually not what you might expect. A bull is a papal letter on a matter of great consequence, such as a decision about a crisis in the Church, the declaration of a doctrine, the summoning of a council, or the canonization of a saint. It has a more solemn intention than a mere letter or even an encyclical, a teaching letter circulated through the whole Church. Its odd name comes from the Latin *bull*, which is the stamp used to apply a signatorial design to the hot lead, or even molten silver or gold, that seals the decree.

The format for the bull is the name of the pope in Latin, followed by the title “servant of the servants of God,” also in Latin, and then the text. The title of the bull is always the first two words of the text. Some famous papal bulls are *Exsurge Domine* (Arise, O Lord), written against Martin Luther’s Ninety-five Theses in 1520; *Munificentissimus Deus* (The Most Bountiful God), the promulgation of the dogma of the Assumption in 1950 by Pope Pius XII; or *Humanae Salutis* (Human Salvation), by which Pope John XXIII convened the Second Vatican Council in 1962.

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Financial Report for Last Week
August 26, 2007

Envelopes	\$2,980.00
Loose Checks	440.00
Loose Currency/Coin	119.25
Improvements	361.00
Debt	2,273.05
Total Collection	\$6,173.30
Church Budget for the Week	<u>- 5,324.00</u>
Collection Diff for the Week	849.30
Collections Revenues Y-t-D	\$44,288.20
Church Budget Y-t-D	<u>53,240.00</u>
Collections Deficit Y-t-D	(\$8,951.80)

Seeking Work – Francisca Afflito, a parishioner with two children in our parish school, cleans houses and is seeking opportunities. Contact her at (901) 205-3468, anytime.

2007 Parish Census – The Parish Pastoral Council approved a new parish census to be conducted in stages beginning in September, and we need your help. On every Sunday in September each parishioner is asked to take a 3x5 card supplied by the parish and write her/his age on one side of the card and her/his zip code on the other side of the card. Parents of small children are asked to do an individual card for each child. By doing this for an entire month we will get a better grasp of our average weekend attendance, the average and mean ages of those attending OLS, and the areas from which our parishioners come. In October, we will complete new census forms throughout the month. In November, we will reach out to those who are currently registered at OLS but are rarely seen and invite them back to a special “Welcome Back” weekend. We need your help, so please complete a card every weekend in September.

Fr. Timby’s Silver Jubilee Celebration – On July 9th, Fr. Timby entered into his 25th year of service as a priest of the Diocese of Memphis. Next year he will have a formal celebration of his Silver Jubilee and invites those who would be interested in joining with him to plan the festivities to contact the Parish Office ASAP so a meeting can be scheduled in early September at which an exact date can be set and other plans discussed.

School Day Liturgies – The days on which the students of the parish school attend Mass is being changed this year to allow Fr. Timby a better opportunity to teach the children things about the Catholic Church and the Mass at a level appropriate for each age group. Beginning next week, grades K-2 will attend Mass on Tuesday mornings, grades 3-5 will attend on Monday mornings, and grades 6-8 will attend on Thursday mornings. All grades will attend Mass together on the First Friday of each month and various special times through the year. Monday morning liturgies will use the Lectionary for Children and the various Eucharistic Prayers for Children as prescribed by the Church for children who have not yet received the Sacrament of the Eucharist. There will only be musical accompaniment at the First Friday Masses or other All-School liturgies. Adults will still be needed to read and help with the distribution of the Precious Blood.

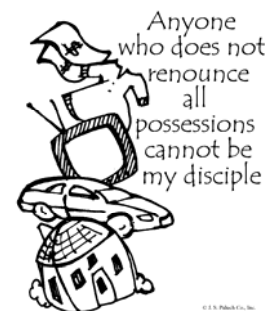


Parishioners in the Hospital:

Sarah Copeland – Baptist ICU Room 1437
Paul Kennedy – Ava Maria Nursing Home -#111-A

Bus Trip Monthly Bus Trip will be Sunday, September 23rd after 10:30 Mass, if you are interested in going, please call Bonita Comans at 412-6700.

LIFE CHAIN 2008 – The annual Life Chain in support of the sanctity of pre-born life will be October 7, 2-3 PM. We need a chairperson or two people to share the responsibility so that we can get as many people out to support life as possible. Call the Parish Office to volunteer to help organize or to participate so we know how many signs to order.



In your prayers please remember: Barbara Allard, Bill & Grace Aspinall, Theresa Baker, June Bennis, Rebecca Bethune, Julius (Sonny) Black, Robert Butler, Trudi Collier, Sarah Copeland, DePriest Family, Margie Ellis, James Essary, Elena Everroad, Rena Frazier, Sue Guinn, Diane Geldin, Linda Gonzales, Eileen Haklitch, Amanda Hall, Peggy Hooten, Michael Jackson, Earline Johnson, Paul Kennedy, Robert Kuehner, Mildred Lewis, Jerry Lynn, Louise Macdonald, Thomas Miller, Bill Nutt, Eudora Mays, Buddy McEwen, Waldyr Poilis, Dr. Cheryl Pearson, James Pinner, Delia Owens, Louisa Reilly, Nancy Sasser, Fran Schmitt, Fr. Bryan Timby, Keith Trenham, Carolyn Walsh, Lewis Wilkinson, Mary Wilson, Mildred Woods and Angie Wright.

Spiritual Journey to Ireland – Join Fr. Timby on a trip to Ireland in September 2008 to explore the Celtic influence of Irish Catholic Spirituality. Dates and exact cost are yet to be determined, but if you would like more information about this pilgrimage contact the parish office. OLS and Holy Rosary parishioners and members of Fr. Timby's family get first call for seats on this wonderful journey to the land of saints, scholars, Guinness and leprechauns (which find their origin in one too many pints of Guinness).



New Missalettes and Hymnals – With the growing Hispanic population in our parish we are faced with the need for bi-lingual missalettes and hymnals. After viewing several samples from different companies and consulting with members of the Altar Guild and members of the Hispanic community, we have chosen the *Unidos en Cristo/United in Christ* missalette and companion hymnal, which comes at no additional charge except the added shipping. The hymnal, also entitled *Unidos en Cristo/United in Christ*, is published every other year while the missalette is issued three times each year. Because the missalette and hymnal are larger than our current annual liturgical aid we will also need new plastic binders to protect them and to keep the pew racks orderly. We will have special collection on the third Sunday of September to help defer the cost of the our new missalettes and hymnals, which combine the best of new music we have come to love with the best of the classical Catholic hymns that we treasure so much.

Help and Hope for Struggling Marriages:

Do you have little or no communication in your marriage? Are you thinking of separation or divorce, or are you already separated or divorced, but want to try again? Retrouvaille, a peer ministry for hurting marriages, consists of a weekend experience and six additional four-hour-long post sessions. The next program in the Memphis area will begin the weekend of October 19-21. For more information or to register, call (800) 470-2230. Also on line at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

WELCOME NEWCOMERS – If you have been attending OLS and would like to register as a member, please contact Carolyn Roberts, our parish secretary, at 353-1530. It is very important to register as a member of a parish, especially if you live outside of a particular parish's geographical boundaries, to insure that your rights to pastoral care are not in question.

Super-Lo Savings Books – The Hispanic community of OLS is offering Super-Lo Coupon books for sale for \$5.00 a book. These books contain over \$100 worth of savings, and if you spend \$50 in a single trip to the grocery store you get your original \$5.00 investment back in additional savings. All proceeds go to the OLS Debt Retirement Fund. See Fr. Timby after Mass to get your coupon book while supplies last. (Discounts are good until 12/31/07.)