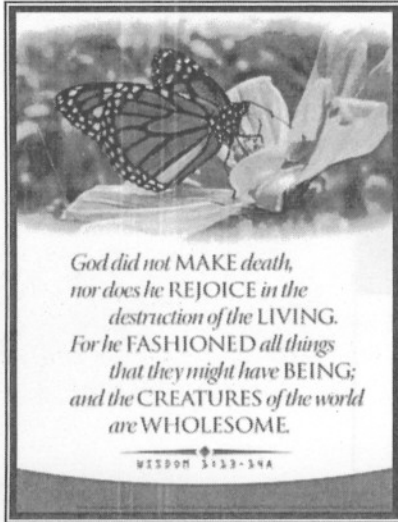


13th SUNDAY—ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 28, 2009



REFLECTION

Whether we are threatened with death by the chaos of a storm at sea or physical failures on land, Jesus calls out to us: "Do not be afraid; just have faith." But Jesus brings a more personal touch to this tale of two untouchable women.

These two desperate women, a dying girl and a bleeding woman. Jesus touches them and they both touch him—the woman through her own faith, the little girl through the faith of her father. It seems that healing depends on a flow between healer and the one being healed. We are so blessed because God allows for a surrogate.

Today let us pray for those who are in need of the healing touch of Jesus, for those who care for them, and for those who suffer with them.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekend of June 21, 2009

Offertory Collection — \$5992.25

Budgeted Collection Amount
\$8,100.00

Thank you for your sacrificial offering to your parish.

FESTIVAL
OCTOBER 8 – 12, 2009

Festival Chair:

Brian Butterfield

It is hard to believe that it is time again. We have scheduled our first Festival Meeting for Tuesday, June 30th at 6:30 PM. Anyone that is interested in helping to plan this year's festival is more than welcome to attend. I have just one request, please bring your positive attitude — it sure makes for a more enjoyable and life-giving experience for all. Hope to see you at the meeting!!!



PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

May the glory of Independence Day
Remain in mind in heart
May we cherish our hard-won freedom
That it never falls apart.

Because those who walked before us
Believed in freedom's cause so much
We can carry forth a torch
Of honor and 'In God We Trust'.

That first Independence Day
Now more than two centuries past
Must live forever in our thoughts
Never forgotten - never a lapse.

It is a precious land we hold
In safekeeping for our children
That they, as we, may enjoy
Lives bountiful, worth living.

May God's blessings ever
Ring out over all our land

Have a Blessed Week.
Sister Dorothy

ST. BARTHOLOMEW PARISH

YOU ARE INVITED...

Fr. Dave Bonnar has asked me to extend an invitation to all of the parishioners of St. Bartholomew's to his installation as Pastor of St. Bernard's Parish. Please come and pray with him as he assumes this new ministry assignment.

Sunday — July 19th

7:30 PM MASS

St. Bernard's Parish
311 Washington Road
Mt. Lebanon, PA

JUST A REMINDER!!!



St. Bartholomew School can use your help in getting ready for the 2009-2010 school year. If you can spare some time over the summer, they can use your help. Please contact the school if you are available. 412-242-2511

FESTIVAL OF PRAISE!

Monday, June 29 — 6:30 to 9 PM

ALL ARE WELCOME:

High School, College, 20s, 30s!

O'Connor Hall, Saint Paul Seminary
2900 Noblestown Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15205

Bishop Zubik and Pittsburgh Seminarians are hosting a Festival of Praise at Saint Paul Seminary, where young Catholics and priests from all over the Pittsburgh Diocese will gather for a night of:

Praise and Worship
Adoration and Confession
Food and Friendship

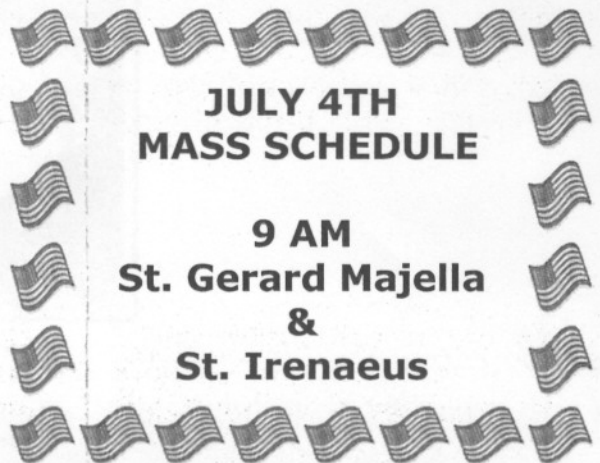
As you have probably seen from the previous bulletins, we have not been reaching our offertory collection budget goal.

After a lengthy discussion with our finance council, making special note that the financial situation of not only the parish but of our parishioners is very tenuous at this time. It is with this in mind that we have decided to initiate a

\$1.00 Campaign.

We are asking all of our parishioners at this time, if you are able, to increase your weekly donation by \$1.00. This might not sound like a lot of money, and individually it is not. Collectively as a parish community, a \$1.00 increase in your envelopes could potentially increase our weekly collection total by at least \$600 to \$700, which is the total number of envelopes received each week. If we look even further, this could potentially yield \$2,400.00 a month and \$28,800.00 a year.

I know this is a lot to ask at this time, but if you are able, I ask you to search your hearts and make your decision. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.



**ST. BARTHOLOMEW
CLASS OF 1985**



St. Bartholomew's School, Class of 1985 is planning a reunion. They are in the process of locating fellow classmates. If you are an alum, or have contact information for someone who graduated in 1985, please email **Laura McCarthy** at LauraAnnMcCarthy@aol.com, or call her at 412-241-9156.

Rachel's Vineyard, a weekend retreat designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held August 21-23, 2009 at the Spiritan Center in Bethel Park. In a confidential and supportive atmosphere, Rachel's Vineyard demonstrates God's love, forgiveness, and compassion to women and men struggling with abortion's aftermath. Sponsored by Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Pittsburgh. To register or for more information, call Ann Depner or Karen LaFrance at 412-456-6999, or call Toni Jester at 412 352-5348 before 8/14/09. Registration information also available at www.ccpgh.org



MONDAY June 29, Peter & Paul, Apostles

10:00 AM Otha Fink (St. Bart's Ladies of Charity)

TUESDAY June 30, First Holy Martyrs of The Holy Roman Church

8:00 AM St. Irenaeus

9:00 AM St. Gerard Majella, St. Joseph

WEDNESDAY July 1, Weekday

8:00 AM St. Irenaeus

9:00 AM St. Gerard Majella, St. Susanna

7:00 PM **Holy Hour**

THURSDAY July 2, Weekday

10:00 AM John Stack (Theresa Baughman)

FRIDAY July 3, Thomas, Apostle

10:00 AM William Maguire (Joanne Maguire)

SATURDAY July 4, Vigil, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM St. Gerard's, St. Irenaeus

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Deceased Thomas & Anna Hupert Family (Aileen & Andrew Olsakovsky)

SUNDAY July 5, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Joe & Tillie Corpora (Daughter)

10:30 AM People of the Parish



Please remember in your prayers the sick, shut-ins, and hospitalized members of our Parish.