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21st Sunday In Ordinary Time



This Parish exists to carry out the mission of Our Lord Jesus Christ on Earth. By our participation in the Holy Mass, the perfect act of worship, the saving power of Jesus is realized in our individual lives, families, communities and in the world. Our outreach helps extend the reign of Jesus into all the dark corners of the world. As we gather as a family here in this holy place we experience a foretaste of our own destiny...Heaven! If you are a visitor, welcome! If you are a returning member, welcome home! We are really glad you're here. And remember, YOU are passionately loved by Jesus Christ!

**Readings for the Weekend, September 2nd & 3rd
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

FIRST READING—(Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8) Second Reading—(James 1:17-18,21b-22,27)
Gospel—(Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23)

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Pat Armstrong, Benny Bakane, Laura Blake, Margaret Mary Blake, Michael Blake, Mike Box, Debbie Box, Jonathan Box, Lindsey Box, Carol Briton, Gregory Burks, Julie Bussey, Bill Carroll, Josie Carruba, Pat Carter, Kimberly Cather, Rhonda Ciovacco, Ellie B. Clark, Baby Matthew Copeland, Joyce Cornelius, Ilene Cox, Darlene Cruce, Angie Cusimano, Harold Dill, Elizabeth Duchock, Faye Nell Erwin, Mary Fadlevich, Baby Caitlin Ferino, Doris Fieselman, George Foley, Lucille Fontenot, Liddie Fowler, Charles Franklin, Joe Gagliano, Chad Galloway, Annie George, Brenda Hawkins, Willie Haynes, Dan Hensley, Guy Hicks, Betty Sue Horton, Sonny Humphrey, Audra Hyde, Sheri Irvin, Paul Johnson, Robin Johnson-Jeffreys, Jack Jones, Virginia Jones, Baby Emma Claire Jordan, Joann Jordan, Donna Kotlik, Barbara LaDay, Erica Lee, Jim Lee, Kenny Lee, Margie Lee, Pearl Letanosky, Felicia Linkons, Eleanor Littlefield, B.J. Long, Don Maddox, Laura Maddox, Rose Mangen, Jim Mankoski, Nancy M. Manzella, Julio Martinez, Gail McCarrick, Jo Melton, Marie McNutt, Louise Meadows, Frances Messina, Mary Milko, Rose Marie Mitchell, Rose Monte, Pearl Newberry, Rick Nogosky, Vita Barrile Pauley, Gina Perkins, Jan Plan, Charlene Plunkett, Glenda Powers, Brittney Pugh, Pete Ragusa, Virginia Reeves, Danny Rosetta, Jerry Rucker, Joe Russo, Vita Russo, Chris Ruthven, Bill Sanders, Dale Savage, Martha Selman, Valerie Shevlin, Kim Sloan, Paula Smith, Baby Jack Smith, Joe Stack, Catherine Sullivan, Rose Taylor, Mildred Tidwell, Linda Towers, Mike Vines, Lena Vizzinia, Donald Vodosia, Katie VonHagel, Jinnie Walsch, Janice Whatley, Leonard Watson, Adam Whitley, Shelby Grace Wood, Brad Wright, Gatham Wyatt and Nisa Zanaty. Please keep these, all the sick and their caregivers in your prayers. If you know of anyone who should be added to or removed from this list please contact the church office.

OUR CONDOLENCES to the family and friends of Cruz Wathen and Carroll Karch. May God grant them eternal peace.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS: especially our families, friends and loved ones who are currently in active military service: Christopher Cates, Becky Hodges and Barbara Salvagio. Please keep all of our brave men and women in your prayers. If you know of anyone who should be added to or removed from this list please contact Pegi in the Church office.

I WANT TO THANK the people of St. Patrick for their prayers, cards, and phone calls that I received during my surgery and recovery. I know that I would not have done as well as I have without your prayers. *Janice Whatley*

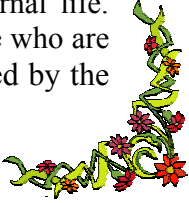
CHOOSE LIFE: “Young people realize that if we don’t speak out about what happened to Terri (Schindler), about what is happening to innocent disabled Americans every day behind closed doors of nursing homes and hospices, if we don’t fight it with everything we’ve got, it will happen here.” Joleigh Little, *NRL News*, 4/06. Let us pray for all husbands and wives, mothers and fathers that they may protect and nurture each life given to them as a gift from God.



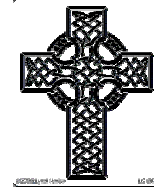


PASTOR'S CORNER

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time: Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Choose to follow and serve God with your whole life. (John 6:60-69) Let us pray that for those who are making important life decisions, may they turn to God for wisdom. (Vocation View sponsored by the Serra Club)



FAITH FORMATION



TEACHERS & TEACHERS HELPERS in Kindergarten thru Grade 8 are asked to attend a meeting on Sunday August 27th Immediately after the 10am Mass in the Family Life Center.

ALL NEW TEACHERS are required to attend the New Catechist workshop that will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows School on Sunday August 27th from 1-4:30pm. Youth Protection 1 will be offered at this meeting as well.

YOUTH PROTECTION: anyone working with the Youth of St. Patrick, either through SPIRIT, Faith Formation, Choir, Fun Friday or the Christmas Program must have completed Youth Protection 1. If you do not have a card of certification please contact the office so that we can make arrangements for you to take this course.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES for all grades, Kindergarten thru High School, will begin on Wednesday September 6th 2006. Time: 6:30 **SHARP** to 7:50 pm.

RCIA will begin Wednesday, September 6th at 6:35 – 7:35 in the St. Joseph Parish Hall. Registration forms are located on the table in the Narthex.

THE ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS will begin this Sunday August 20th @ 8:45am. We will finish the book of Genesis and start on the book of Exodus.

"INTERESTED IN CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOLING?" Contact Mig Williams at 901-766-0947 or alw3@bellsouth.net. First Friday meetings begin Sept.1, 2006 at the St. Michael Catholic Church Memphis, TN."

MINOR HIGH SCHOOL'S marketing students have asked us to remind parents that research shows that parent involvement increases a child's success in school. Minor High Parent Night is this Tuesday, August 29th. PTA at 6:30pm and "Meet The Teachers" at 7:00pm.

YOUTH GROUP SCOOP

SPIRIT SUNDAY! for Grades 6-8 is today (Sunday) from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the SPIRIT Room. Domino's Dominates the menu as we'll enjoy pizza, wings, cheese sticks and more from Domino's. We extend a special invitation to those in 6th Grade to join us. Call the office for more information.

KNIGHTLY NEWS

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LADIES AUXILIARY: The Dave Ramsey's financial peace class will begin on Tuesday night August 29th at 7:00 pm.

WANT A FREE DAVE RAMSEY CLASS? The Knights of Columbus are offering one Dave Ramsey course to anyone in the parish. All you have to do is pay \$1.00 and sign up. If your name is drawn, then you get your kit and 13 week course free. You can only sign up once. Please see Robbie Smith, Louis Muro or one of the Knights after Mass in the narthex to enter your name (if it is a couple you get one ticket). The drawing will be on Sunday August 27.



CHOIR NOTES



ABSOLUTE PRESENCE: Rehearsal on Thursday, August 31 at 6:30 pm to prepare for Sept 12th at Holy Infant of Prague Parish. We will return to weekend rehearsals following this practice.

LAST CALL for Choir members for Season I (Sept – Dec). We will begin learning Advent and Christmas music this coming Monday, August 28th, so join us now!! If your schedule works best after the first of the year, we begin our Season II in January, 2007, when we prepare for Lent and Easter.

CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM - We are looking for creative ideas for the Children's Christmas Eve program and someone to organize that presentation. Please call Janet Rubino if you are interested. We can help you out with looking through previous years programs and adding your ideas to make 2006 Christmas extra meaningful.

ON THE WEB

DID YOU KNOW that Knights of Columbus Council 10567 has set up a Memorial Page for each of its 13 deceased Knights? We would love for you to share your memories of any of these great men and you can do so directly from the St. Patrick Web site. Just go to **Knights of Columbus** and click on **Knights of Columbus Council 10567**. Scroll down and click on the **In Memoriam** link. You will see the name of each deceased Knight on the right. Just click on the name and you will go to that person's page. To submit information, just click on the enclosed link and you will be able to send Louis J. Muro an e-mail with the information you want to share. May the souls of these men rest in peace and let us all share our memories so they will never be forgotten.

GET INVOLVED

CATHOLIC COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATES, Juniors and Seniors in high-school interested in working with children and youth who are mentally retarded, in a Saturday morning Greater Birmingham Area city-wide program of religious education, are invited to a training workshop on Saturday, September 9th. The training workshop will be held 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 Noon at St. Aloysius Catholic Church and School, 751 Academy Drive, Bessemer, AL 35022. For information or directions, please contact the church office.

THE TABLE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS: The table is a group of people who believe that no one in Birmingham should have to go hungry or eat out of the garbage. We provide meals that are prepared and served with love. The number of hungry people participating in The Table continues to grow. We are making a difference. We can't stop now but we need your help! Please consider volunteering in August. For information on how to get involved please contact the church office.

BIRMINGHAM CURSILLO Men's Cursillo Weekend is September 7th-10th. Women's Cursillo Weekend is October 26th-29th. Both at Sacred Heart Monastery in Cullman. If you want to learn more about Cursillo ("3 Days with Christ"), or are looking for that spiritual renewal in your life, then call the church office.

MAGNIFICAT, a Ministry to Catholic Women will hold their August Breakfast on Saturday August 26th at St. Elias Maronite Rite Catholic Church. The guest speaker will be Rebecca Conaty. Tickets will be available through August 24th for \$7.00. No tickets will be sold at the door. For more information please see the pamphlet on the bulletin board or call the church office.

JUST A REMINDER: Anita Skocik is still collecting items for the Pine Apple mission in Pine Apple Alabama. The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet with the support of the Edmonite Brothers provide health care, senior day care, dental care, a mental health clinic, meals-on-wheels, and a head start program to the poorest of the poor covering a 10 county area in Southwest Alabama. They need disposable diapers, linens, gowns, walkers, crutches, Ensure and other needed items. For pick up or further information please call the church office.

SPRING HILL COLLEGE'S adult theology program Christian Social Ethics, (Fr. Frederick Gunti) will be taught at the Diocesan Offices in Birmingham for 6 Saturdays from 9am to 4pm starting September 9th. For more information please contact the church office.

BALLROOM DANCE WITH CURT & WENDY JOHNSON: Ever wanted to Cha Cha or Rumba? Well now you have a chance to learn these and three other ballroom dances right here at St. Patrick. Classes are \$5.00 each class (paid at the door). They will be held Monday nights from 7:30 – 8:30pm in the gym. Come for one or come for all starting September 11, 2006. For more information please see the flyer on the bulletin board.

RETROUVAILLE: This is a highly successful program that teaches couples to communicate in positive and non threatening ways. The Retrouvaille program is Catholic in origin but is always open to couples of all faith traditions. The next week-end in Birmingham will be Sept. 8th – 10th. For more confidential information, or to register, please call the church office. Remember, the best gift a couple can give their children is to Love each other.

FIRST FRIDAY and FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

First Friday, September 1

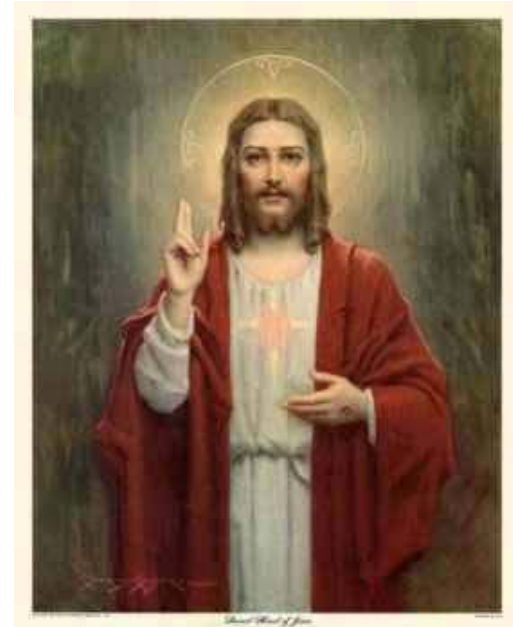
HOLY MASS IN HONOR OF THE
SACRED HEART OF JESUS

9:00 am

ADORATION OF THE
MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

9:30 am - 3:30 pm

SIGN UP IN THE FOYER TODAY



First Saturday, September 2nd

HOLY MASS IN HONOR OF
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

12:00 pm

Mass Schedule: August 26th – September 2nd

Saturday	08/26	5:00pm	Joe Lee
Sunday	08/27	10:00am	Mass for the People
Monday	08/28	No Mass	
Tuesday	08/29	9:00am	Ruby Rosato †
Wednesday	08/30	6:00pm	Mary Jo Langford †
Thursday	08/31	9:00am	Eileen Brunson
Friday	09/01	9:00am	Ruby Rosato †
Saturday	09/02	12:00 Noon	Sam Tudisco †
Saturday	09/02	5:00pm	Logan Wise

Weekly Events and Meetings

Sunday	Aug. 27	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – Mass 10 AM Faith Formation Teachers Meeting <u>Immediately</u> after Mass Spirit Sunday (Grades 6-8) 5-7pm Kateri Circle Adult Bible Study 8:45am
Monday	Aug. 28	Choir Rehearsal – 6:30
Tuesday	Aug. 29	Dave Ramsey Class 7pm
Wednesday	Aug. 30	Legion of Mary 8:45 am
Thursday	Aug. 31	
Friday	Sept. 01	First Friday Mass 9am Adoration 9:30 – 3:00 ; Benediction 3pm
Saturday	Sept. 02	First Saturday Mass – 12 Noon (Sunday Vigil Mass 5pm)
Sunday	Sept. 03	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Mass 10 AM

BULLETIN NOTICES: Please have any bulletin notices in the office by **noon Wednesday.**

LOST AND FOUND: There are several articles in lost and found. Please call the Church Office for assistance. Any items left in lost and found over three weeks will be distributed to the poor through the Catholic Center of Concern or other appropriate outlets.

DAILY MASS-ROSARY-NOVENA PRAYER : **Daily Mass is at 9am Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and 6pm Wednesday. A Rosary, the Daily Prayer for Vocations and the Miraculous Medal Novena Prayer will be prayed at 30 minutes before Daily Mass begins. A Rosary is prayed at 9:30 a.m. in the church every Sunday morning and at 4:30 p.m. each Saturday evening. Volunteers are requested to lead the Rosary at each occasion. The Primary Intention of the Rosary prayed is: ‘An End to Abortion’.**

DAILY MASS MINISTRY: Volunteers are needed to be Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion during daily Mass. If you are coming to Mass please check the sign-in sheet in the Narthex. If no one is down to serve and you would like to, just sign your name on the appropriate line. We currently have a number of openings for this month that we need to fill. If you are able to help with this ministry please sign the sheet in the Narthex.