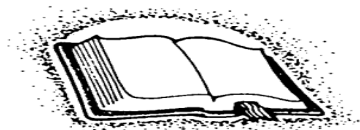


## Scripture Readings

## The Assumption Of The Virgin Mary Of Personal Concern . . .



**Family Perspective** - "Blessed is the fruit of your womb" can be said to all mothers, because every child is "blessed" and a child of God upon whom God "looks with favor." We cannot earn this blessing. God's love is a free gift to each of us. This is our deepest identity and destiny.

### Banns III - Allyson Seiler and Adam Kowaleski

**Welcome** to our newest parish family - Donald, Jennifer, Michael, Nicholas, Olivia, Julia, and William Cundiff.

**Congratulations** to St. Mary's High School graduating classes of 1960 celebrating their 50th reunion, and 1970 - celebrating their 40th reunion this weekend. Please pray for all living and deceased class members.

**Annual Diocesan 25th/50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration** for those couples married 25, 50 & 60 or more years in the year 2010 will be held on Sunday, October 24, 2010 at 3:00PM at Rosary Cathedral. For reservations call St. Mary's Parish office at 419.625.7465. **RSVP deadline is Weds. September 15.**

### Eucharistic Ministry Instruction will be given on **Saturday, Sept. 11th, 9-10 AM.**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) assist the priest in bringing the Body and Blood of Christ to the Assembly. This ministry is performed as a service to God, with love for the Eucharist and for the people of God. Instruction is for anyone called to become a Eucharistic Minister, or who may already be a Eucharistic Minister but would like a refresher course. We will begin the morning with 8:15 Mass if you are able to attend. Deacon Bill Burch will provide the instruction in the Commons at 9:00 AM. Please call the Parish Office 419-625-7465 to express your interest.

### Religious Education News:

- **Good Shepherd Program** will be hosting an Open House of our two Atriums the weekend of Sept. 4th & 5th after all Masses. Atriums are located in the old Parish Center building on the front church parking lot. Stop by and check out our space and meet our catechist's.
- **Good Shepherd and Religious Education registration deadline is Aug. 16th.** If you misplaced or did not receive your mailing, the forms are available online at [stmarysandusky.org/parish\\_forms.html](http://stmarysandusky.org/parish_forms.html)
- **Next 10 Great Dates Night is Friday, August 20th, 6:15** in the Commons, babysitting available

**Hospitality Ministry** - Are you able to help for no more than 1 -2 hours per month? No meetings to attend or committee work. Our St. Mary's hospitality group is in need of volunteers to cook from home and/or serve at special events. Please consider how your talents could contribute to our parish life. Call Shannon at 419.684.9040.

**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Oktoberfest is Saturday Sept. 25** We are in full speed getting ready for this year's Oktoberfest. Right now we are looking for cooks and bakers to join us to make German casseroles &/or German desserts. There are so many opportunities to help out. Please consider donating your time & talents. Contact Beth Downey 419-239-1233 or [Bethdowney@hotmail.com](mailto:Bethdowney@hotmail.com) (SP&P); or Stella Chavarria 419-625-0466 (HA); or Shannon McCabe 419-684-9040 (SM).

**RCIA** is seeking candidates and sponsors for this fall's Faith Formation program which begins Thursday, August 19th in the former Sts. Peter & Paul School. . If you or someone you know is discerning this process, please contact Marty Klupp at 419.626.9351.

- Mon:** Ezekiel 24:15-23  
**8/16** Deuter 32:18-21  
Matthew 19:16-22
- Tue:** Ezekiel 28:1-10  
**8/17** Deuter 32:26-28,  
30,35cd-36b  
Matthew 19:23-30
- Wed:** Ezekiel 34:1-11  
**8/18** Psalms 23:1-6  
Matthew 20:1-16
- Thu:** Ezekiel 36:23-28  
**8/19** Psalms 51:12-15,18-19  
Matthew 22:1-14
- Fri:** Ezekiel 37:1-14  
**8/20** Psalms 107:2-9  
Matthew 22:34-40
- Sat:** Ezekiel 43:1-7b  
**8/21** Psalms 85:9ab,10-14  
Matthew 23:1-12
- Sun:** Isaiah 66:18-21  
**8/22** Psalms 117:1-2  
Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13  
Luke 13:22-30

## Insight from Fr. Flood



*From Fr. Dave's desk.....*

While on vacation with my family earlier this month, there were regular late night conversations taking place around a fire pit. For sure, the topics varied wildly and had a differing range of seriousness – religion, politics, parenting, work, sports, etc... In our family, anything and everyone is fair game. After the children were in bed for the night, the adults assembled together to debate and solve the great issues of our lives and day.



One night there was an interesting foray about our Catholic Faith. Not too long ago reported bizarre and outrageous activities of Mel Gibson brought forth a volley of comments about Catholicism. My brother-in-law shared with us a sarcastic comment he had heard at work. Recounting the episode, a colleague of his was rehashing the litany of troubling allegations involving Mel Gibson only to quip "Who knew Catholicism could be so interesting!"

This comment upset my brother-in-law as much as it did me.

Let me frame it differently to make certain the point is not missed. Just imagine the topic was about Bernie Madoff, the guy who swindled people out of millions and millions of dollars with the ponzi scheme. Suppose somebody was recounting all of Madoff's unethical behaviors and despicable crimes only to conclude with the statement, "Who knew Judaism could be so fascinating!"

What do you imagine to be the outcry that would follow such a preposterous statement? Why, then, ought a similar statement blaming Catholicism as the source of all Mel Gibson's woes to be any less offensive?

Is Buddhism to be blamed for Tiger's repulsive and sickening actions? Yes, that does sound ridiculous and if I were Buddhist it would upset me. Where was the outcry against those who sought to posit Catholicism as the cause for Mel Gibson's fall from grace?

Several influential people have made statements insinuating that Mel Gibson's misbehaviors were not caused by his sinful soul, his drinking, his dysfunctional childhood – pick your cause as there appear to be many – but rather they are caused by and product of his Catholicism.

Even the seemingly obsessive interest in Mel Gibson's alarming allegations might be a function of deep prejudice against Christianity and, more specifically, Catholicism.

Hollywood is filled with hundreds of dysfunctional people, many of whom have been found guilty of horrendous crimes. There is no lack of unethical tales and sordid stories to be told about many in this crowd.

So, then, what are we to make of what sure felt like an endless fascination about Mel Gibson's problems?

How are we not able to conclude that some hold a vicious anti-Catholic bias and recently have used Mel Gibson's troubles to club Catholicism? Admittedly, this conjecture might be born of the fact that Gibson has been a very public advocate of Catholic Christianity.

Be assured, I am not for a single second defending any of Mel Gibson's eerie comments and disturbing behaviors which have been reported. Quite the contrary - I hold what most people do that his reported words and actions are as disturbing as they are disgusting.

*Fr. Dave*

**Mass Intentions**

**Sun., Aug 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

- 7:30am - For the Parish
- 9:30 am - For the Parish
- 11:30 am- For the Parish
- 5:00pm - For the Parish

**Mon., Aug 16**

- 8:15 am - Robert Grohs
- Kelly Schulz
- Donald Erney

**Tues., Aug 17**

- 8:15 am - Edna Neubauer
- Herman Pohlman
- Sr. Teresita Manner

**Wed., Aug 18**

- 8:15am - Myra Anderson
- Bernice Cecil
- Martha Brown

**Thurs., Aug 19**

- 8:15 am - Gladys Schippel
- Elizabeth Helm
- Joan Kromer

**Fri., Aug 20**

- 8:15 am- Norbert Wensink
- Greg Gerhart
- Richard & John Stanley

**Sat., Aug 21**

- 8:15 am- Beverlie Ritzenthaler
- James Malahy
- Norbert C. Krebs
- 4:00pm - Clarence & Hildegard Stockdale
- Jack Etherington, Sr.
- Norman Koelsch
- St. Mary's Class of 1950 - 60th Anniversary

**Sun., Aug 22**

- 7:30am - Sinwald, Nosal, Forrest
- Richard C. Andrea
- 9:30 am - Robert & Teresa Baum
- Brad Rudolph
- Elaine Fischer
- 11:30 am- Aurora & Daniel Ramon
- Linda Iceman
- 5:00pm - For the Parish

**Stewardship Way of Life**

**Week of 8/08/2010**

Envelopes	519
Weekly -	\$ 17,471.25
Monthly -	\$ 3,917.00
Assumption	\$ 50.00
Total Collection	\$ 21,438.25

Team # 2 to count on Monday 8/16

*Please do not tape or staple your envelopes*



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## Sandusky Life Teen

### *Message from Brittany Taylor.....*

Throughout the month of August, I am visiting all three Catholic Churches here in Sandusky. At each of these beautiful churches I am making a challenge to the adults of the parish to pray one Hail Mary, every day for the youth of Sandusky. This is not a huge time commitment, but imagine how many tens of thousands of Hail Mary's could be offered up to our Blessed Mother everyday on behalf of our teenagers! Perhaps as you pray the Lord will move in your heart to volunteer your time as a youth minister to our teenagers.

Sandusky Life Teen has three different ministries for the adults in our community. Below you will

find a brief explanation of each ministry. If you would like to learn more about a specific ministry, please call or email me at the contact information listed in the back of the bulletin. Peace and Prayers, Brittany

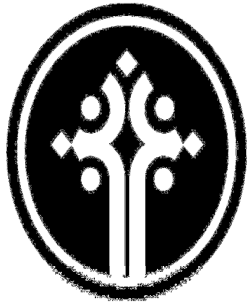
**CORE Team:** The CORE Team is the backbone of Sandusky Life Teen. This group of adults take the time to plan each of the Life Nights and to minister to the teenagers through small groups and teachings.

**Hospitality Teams:** The Hospitality teams consist of four to five adults (Typically parents) who plan, serve and clean up one of the Life Teen dinners every month.

**Prayer Partners:** The Prayer Partners ministry is our newest ministry. These are individuals who would like to volunteer with our teenagers, however, cannot find the time to be on CORE Team. These adults would volunteer to come in and spend time with our teenagers one Tuesday or Thursday a month in our Upper Room.

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### Fill the Boat!

**Goodtime I will be hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual SMCC Alumni Sunset Cruise, Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>.** The Goodtime will depart from the Jackson Street Pier in downtown Sandusky at 7:00 pm and will return at 9:00 pm. The event is being sponsored by the SMCCHS Alumni Association and local businesses and is open to all St. Mary Alumni and their families no matter the year.

With the help of Goodtime owner Joe Lamb (class of 1988), the event has been a huge success the last 2 years. All money raised will be used for tuition assistance for current and new students attending Sandusky Central Catholic School.

Specially priced discount tickets are available for \$12 through Dave Mehling 419-625-4768, or Gary Erney 419-626-5389. Tickets will also be available the night of the cruise. You may bring your own snacks and food.

This will be a great opportunity to meet new friends and catch up with members of the Panther family, so we hope to see you there!

**Educating Our Children in the Truth** - Nationally known youth speaker, **Fr. Larry Richards** of the Diocese of Erie PA, will speak here on **Tuesday August 24, 6:30-8:30PM** at SCCS high school gym, The Den. We invite all, especially our youth, to attend this special opportunity to deepen their faith while hearing Fr. Richards address many of life's profound issues. The presentation is free and open to the public.

**Panther Football Club Flag Football** - There will be a mandatory sign-up for any boys entering Kindergarten thru 3rd grade in Sandusky Catholic Schools who want to play flag football. Sign-up will be on **Monday August 23rd** at Zierolf Field, from 5-6:30PM. Any questions or concerns please contact Jason Samstag 419.656.6019.

**Uniform exchange - Sunday August 15 and Monday August 16** from 11AM to 1PM. Still located in basement of SCCS elementary building. Please use entrance on Decatur St. Call Yvonne Kiser with any questions at 419-357-0544.

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**Lyman Harbor will donate \$1 to St. Mary's** for every omelet purchased each Sunday from 8AM - 1PM. Omelet breakfast is \$6.95. 1615 First St., 419.62-LYMAN. Enjoy fellowship with your family, earn donation for the Church.

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**Thank you from Little Sisters of the Poor.....**Dear Fr. Nuss,

Thank you so much for allowing us to share our love and concern for the needy elderly with your parishioners. The amount that was contributed to our mission was \$4, 415, 98. The money collected from your parish will be used directly for the needs of the residents of the Sacred Heart Home. It is always very rewarding for me to go to the parishes to pray with the parishioners and thank them in person. It is with much gratitude, we acknowledge our benefactors when our ministry is supported.

I am quite aware of our poor economy and realize the donations are truly given from the heart-given from what one has and not too often from an abundance. Assuring you of my prayers and of all the Little Sister of the Poor and residents they care for here at our Home.  
Yours in Christ, Sr. Margaret.

**WEEKLY PARISH CALENDAR**

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<b>SUN Aug 15</b>	<b>The Assumption Of The Virgin Mary</b>		
	9:30 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word (Grades K-2)	Parish Commons
	11:30 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	Parish Commons
	1:00 pm	Baptisms	Church
<b>MON. Aug 16</b>	9:00 am	Church Cleaning Team #1	Church
<b>TUE. Aug 17</b>	6:00pm	Holy Hour for Life	Church
<b>WED Aug 18</b>	4:00pm	Community Supper Team - Summer Team	
<b>THU Aug 19</b>			
<b>FRI Aug 20</b>	1:00pm	Church Cleaning Team - No Cleaning	
	6:15 pm	10 Great Dates	Commons
<b>SAT Aug 21</b>	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study	Lower Room
	1:30pm	Wedding of Allyson Seiler & Adam Kowaleski	Church

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND August 21 & 22**

	Aug 21 4:00 PM	August 22 7:30 AM	August 22, 9:30 AM	August 22 11:30 AM	August 22 5:00 PM
<b>Servers</b>	Nick Lewis	Theresa Kromer	Ethan Sennish	Armelle DeRiso	Adam Oltman
	Grant Puckrin	Adam Lynn	Albert Vargas	Colette DeRiso	Selwin Kallumkal
			Ben Vargas	Noelle DeRiso	
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## ***Other Items of Interest***

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**Catholic Identity-Our Faith** sessions are being offered for the Sandusky Catholic community by Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish. This program provides a basic overview of our Catholic Faith and is a good refresher course for everyone from "cradle Catholics" to those new to the Church. It is open to all area adult Catholics who have a desire to deepen their understanding of their faith while sharing their thoughts and their personal faith stories with others. The sessions will be held once a week for 18 weeks from 6:30pm – 8:30pm starting **Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010**. You can registration by calling the Parish office at **419-625-6655**. Come for a memorable experience!

**St. Bernard Summer Festival, New Washington - Aug 21**, begins 5PM; Aug. 22 BBQ dinners Noon to 6PM. Bingo, crafts, games, and musical entertainment into the evening.

**St. Stephens, Toledo, Hungarian Festival, Aug. 15th**, Noon to 9PM. Famous Chicken Paprikas dinners, Hungarian dance groups, and bingo.

**Taize Service** at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine, **Weds. Aug. 18, 7PM**. 419-483-3435 for more information

**Rome Pilgrimage** Sisters of Notre Dame are hosting a pilgrimage to St. Peter's Rome and Assisi for young single women (college age -35), May 10-19, 2011. Staying at SND Motherhouse in Rome. Contact Sr. Marilyn Marie Ellerbrock at 419.474.5485 x2204 or