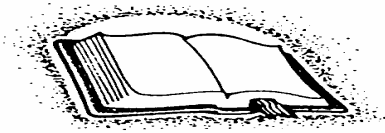


Weekly Scripture  
Readings

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time**

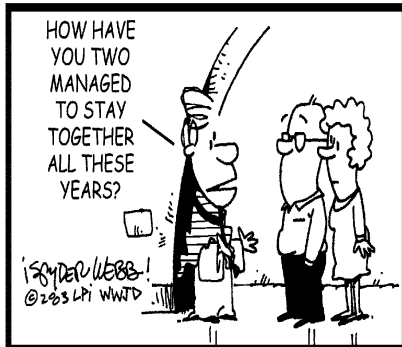
Of Personal Concern . . .



- Mon.:** Jonah 1:1-2:1,11  
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Luke 10:25-37
- Tues.:** Jonah 3:1-10  
Ps. 130:1-4,7-8  
Luke 10:38-42
- Wed.:** Jonah 4:1-11  
Ps. 86:3-6,9-10  
Luke 11:1-4
- Thurs.** Malachi 3:13-20b  
Ps. 1:1-4,6  
Luke 11:5-13
- Fri.:** Joel 1:13-15;2:1-2  
Ps. 9:2-3,6,8-9,16  
Luke 11:15-26
- Sat.:** Joel 4:12-21  
Ps. 97:1-2,5-6,11-12  
Luke 11:27-28
- Sun.:** Wisdom 7:7-11  
Ps. 90:12-17  
Hebrews 4:12-13  
Mark 10:17-30

Insights from Fr. Flood

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**A Family Perspective**

Today's gospel is about a "new math". In a Christian marriage, 1 + 1 does not equal 1 or 2, but 3. Each person retains their own unique identity, but together create another identity (the "one flesh" Jesus speaks of in the gospel) which is greater than the sum of the individuals. Christian marriage is a challenge to be greater than ourselves.

**In Sympathy**

Our loving prayers and deepest sympathy are extended to the families of **Alice Stanley** and **Elaine Shulok** who were called to their eternal rest last week. Please pray for them and all our departed friends and relatives.

**Wedding Banns**

- Banns II - James Sanfilippo & Sara Coles  
Banns I - Ryan Mills & Becky Teagarden  
Banns I - Steve Balcerzak & Tracy Mead

**Baptisms**

We are happy to welcome the following children to our parish family: **Cassandra Ann & Chloe Nichole** - daughters of Melissa Wobser, **Aubrey Madison** - daughter of Brett & Sarah Ransom, **Cayden Nicholas** - son of Jack & Krista Drury, **Steven Patrick & Savannah Beryl** - twins of Michael & Kimberly Schaffer, **Jocelyn Frances & Annette Evelyn** - daughters of William & Christa Means. May God bless them and their families!

**Cathedrals Across America:** Oct. 7 at 12 p.m. EWTN will broadcast a Mass in honor of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary live from Our Lady Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, Toledo.

**Catholic Chronicles:** Current issues of the "Catholic Chronicle" are available on the book stands in the Commons and main vestibule.

**Lost & Found:** A woman's ring was found in Church 9/20/09. If you lost a ring, please call the parish office to identify.

**Special thanks to our bulletin sponsor of the week - Berardi's Family Kitchen**

Stewardship Way of Life

- Week of 9/27/09  
Envelopes 468  
Weekly - \$15,898.20  
Monthly - \$ 1,404.00  
Total Collection - \$17,302.20  
2.5% Tithe - \$433.00 to be held for emergencies  
Team 2 to count on 10/5

**Please do not tape or staple your envelopes**

*The phrase in today's psalm, "May you see your children's children", is really a prayer for a long life. The good steward knows that every day is a gift from God, to be lived with joy and thanksgiving. "May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives."*

**RUN SO AS TO WIN! (1 Cor 9:25)***Living and Sharing the Faith*

Our parish cherishes the call of the Church to provide fun and meaningful ways for members to grow in their understanding and practice of the Catholic Faith.

Here at St. Mary's we start strong from the very beginning. Each Sunday so many of our little ones can gather for simple lessons and songs and prayers with *Children's Liturgy of the Word* during the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses, while parents and older sisters and brothers can worship at Sunday Eucharist. During these same Sunday Mass times, our pre-school age children have the chance to learn the faith in the remarkable hands-on Montessori style program brought over from Italy called *Good Shepherd*.

Jesus tells His apostles to "Let the little children come to me." And how we labor at St. Mary's for Jesus' instructions to be lived and shared! Our excellent Catholic school includes the *Early Childhood Center* where children ages 18 months to five years of age receive outstanding opportunities to learn in a spacious, secure and clean facility. *Day Care* is open 12 months of the year from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and *Pre-School* is in session from August through June making it possible for our little ones to be nurtured marvelously in body, mind and soul.

Our parish reaches out to our grade school students unable to attend our Catholic school with outstanding programs of religious education. Trained catechists work hard to make sure these students have at least 75 minutes of solid religious instruction each week as they contend with all their busy activities. The Holy Sacraments are at the heart of our catechetical efforts. Excellent preparations for Confession, First Holy Communion and Confirmation mark our efforts so that our younger children will be grounded solidly in the faith and live it proudly.

Of course we dare not stop there as a parish! I especially am proud of the important place our parish makes for our high schoolers. *Sandusky Life Teen* is a part of an international Catholic movement that serves the Church by providing amazing resources and faith experiences that help lead high school teens closer to Christ. This is accomplished through a vibrant Eucharistic spirituality and by creating opportunities for teens to learn and share the faith.

Our younger adults can find numerous outreach opportunities and refreshing initiatives like the *Theology of the Body Adult Study Group* on the first Saturday night of each month. And as many of them plan to receive the Sacrament of Marriage, they benefit mightily from direct interaction with priests, deacons and lay couples who help them prepare well for married love.

Time and again we hear from our adults of all ages that they realize that faith formation never stops. *Weekly Bible Studies* for men and women along with numerous service opportunities in and around our parish are available. I wish to draw special attention to our parish *Community Supper* whose rotating teams provide a weekly Wednesday evening hot meal to those less fortunate in our area at a neighboring Protestant church.

In a world that so challenges the teachings of Christ and His Church, I am encouraged by our parish commitment to understand and live the faith which we have received.

**Sun., October 4**

- 7:30 a.m. Norbert Wensink  
Coletta Lawrence (Ann.)  
Mary Louise Hohler  
9:30 a.m. Arthur & Emily Scheck  
Elizabeth Nath  
Kathryn Ohlemacher  
Fr. Richard Ohlemacher  
11:30 a.m. Rosemary Kaman  
Margaret Ballas  
James Keller, Jr.  
5:00 p.m. For the Parish

**Mon., October 5**

- 8:15 a.m. Alma "Bunny" Geason (Ann.)  
George Icsman

**Tues., October 6 - Sts. Bruno & Marie-Rose Durocher**

- 8:15 a.m. Special Intention  
Bill Steele

**Wed., October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary**

- 8:15 a.m. George G. & Raymond (Ann)  
Hemminger

**Thurs., October 8**

- 8:15 a.m. Shelley Gearheart  
Peter Verock (Ann.)

**Fri., October 9 - Sts. Denis & John Leonardi**

- 8:15 a.m. David Hermes, Sr.  
Rudolph Scheck (Ann.)  
LeRoy Mesenburg

**Sat., October 10**

- 8:15 a.m. Kay Brengartner  
Joseph Capizzi - 30 days  
4:00 p.m. Clarence & Hildegard  
Stockdale  
Dorothy Wagner  
Marguerite & Walter  
Anderson  
Class of 1949

**Sun., October 11**

- 7:30 a.m. Rosie Sinwald (Ann.)  
Virginia Ritzenthaler (Ann.)  
9:30 a.m. Albert (Ann.) & Mary Hartley  
Gladys Young  
11:30 a.m. Anthony & Bernetta Pfefferle  
F. Leo & Madelyn Groff  
Joseph & Geraldine  
Strickfaden  
5:00 p.m. For the Parish

**Tips for a Better Life**

Take a 10-30 minute walk every day. And while you walk, smile. It is the ultimate anti-depressant.

Sit in silence for at least 10 minutes each day.

Buy a DVD and tape your late night shows and get more sleep.

Live with the 3 E's - Energy, Empathy & Enthusiasm.

## School News

**Oct. 7** - School pictures, Grades K-3  
**Oct. 7** - Mass Grades 7-12, 2 p.m. St. Mary's Church  
**Oct. 8** - Mass Grades K-6, 8:15 a.m. St. Mary's Church  
**Oct. 9-10** - Homecoming Activities

**Oct. 15** - PSAT test  
**Oct. 16** - Teacher In-Service Day, NO SCHOOL PreK-12,  
Daycare OPEN

### Alumni, Parents & Friends of Sandusky Central Catholic School Homecoming is October 9-10!

**Friday, Oct. 9** at Zierolf Field: 4:30-8:00 p.m. Classic Car Cruise-In; 6:15 p.m. Alumni Flag Football Game; 7:45 p.m. Unveiling & Signing of THE ROCK!

**Saturday, Oct. 10** - 6:30 p.m. CCAB & Friends Tailgate Party across from Strobel Field; 7:30 p.m. SMCC vs. Clyde; alumni cheerleaders, band members & football players will gather to form the tunnel for our team!

See [www.sanduskycentralcatholic.org](http://www.sanduskycentralcatholic.org) for more details.

### Sandusky Life Teen



**Quote of the Week:** "To love God is something greater than to know Him."  
St. Thomas Aquinas

**October 4<sup>th</sup>:** Come one, come all to the absolute best thing around. The Pope is coming and we are going to be giving away a million dollars. Don't believe me? Is that because you don't **Trust Me**? Come check out why we can't always trust human promises, but we can always trust God's promises!

**October 11<sup>th</sup>:** We will have three visitors coming to tell their accounts of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord. Come Join in **the Heart of Mystery**.

**Remember teens, not all Life Nights are the same, so even if you have checked us out once,  
Come Join In Again!**

We would like to thank who ever gave the anonymous donation to Sandusky Life Teen this past week. Your gift and generosity is greatly appreciated! It will go towards outreach to our teenagers.

## Other Items of Interest

SMCC 2009 Year Book "The Bell" is available at the high school office.

**Evangelization Thought & Quote:** Our example and actions do preach an eloquent sermon, but there are times when we must be verbal and vocal, and give a reason for the hope that is in us, as St. Peter tells us: "Be ready at all times to answer anyone who asks you to explain the hope you have in you, but do it with gentleness and respect." (1 Peter 3:15-16)



Please pray for the safety and protection of our policemen and women, area firefighters and all our parishioners serving in the military.

**Prayer Network:** Remember that there is a network of over 30 parishioners praying daily for specific requests. If you have a prayer need, call Pauline & Stephanie at 419-626-4373. Please pray for our shut-ins at home, in nursing homes or in the hospital. If they desire, Communion, call the parish office at 419-625-7465.



Be sure to check out our Music Ministry web page for informing, educational, and interesting articles about music and liturgy. You will find such articles as: "This Sunday's Music", "The Organ at St. Mary's Church", "Music for Your Wedding", "This Month in St. Mary's History", "This Month in Music History", "Monthly Videos" as well as articles on the upcoming Advent and Christmas seasons, and so much more! The site is updated weekly and a new article is posted almost weekly as well. Become involved by leaving a question on the "Liturgical or Musical Questions" article. The site is very easy to navigate and is very user friendly and interactive. To get to the Music Ministry web page, go to our Parish website: [www.stmarysandusky.org/](http://www.stmarysandusky.org/) then go to "Volunteer Opportunities" in the sidebar and click on "Music". When you get to the music page, go to "Click **here** for the St. Mary's Music Ministry website" and "Presto" you are there! We eventually hope to work the parish website to make it easier to go to the Music Ministry web page. Log on and check it out!

<b>SUN., Oct. 4</b>	After All Masses	Donut Sunday	Parish Commons
	7:30 am	Mass	Church
	9:30 am	Mass	Church
	9:30 am	Childrens Liturgy of the Word	Parish Commons
	9:30 am	Good Shepherd Program	Parish Center
	10:30 am	7th Grade PSR Class	Lower Room
	11:30 am	Mass	Church
	11:30 am	Childrens Liturgy of the Word	Parish Commons
	11:30 am	Good Shepherd Program	Parish Center
	12:30 pm	8th Grade PSR Class	Lower Room
	5:00 pm	Mass	Church
	5:00 pm	Sandusky Life Teen Mass	Holy Angels Church
	6:00 pm	Dinner & Life Night	Holy Angels Church
<b>MON., Oct. 5</b>	8:15 am	Mass	Church
	9:00 am	Cleaning Team #3	Church
	5:00 pm	Bulletin Deadline	Office
<b>TUE., Oct. 6</b>	8:15 am	Mass	Church
	6:00 pm	Holy Hour for Life	Church
	6:30 pm	Rosary	Church
	7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study	Commons
	7:00 pm	RCIA	Sts. Peter & Paul - Faith Formation Center
<b>WED., Oct. 7</b>	8:15 am	Mass	Church
	4:00 pm	NO Community Supper	First Congregational Church
	5:45 pm	Parish School of Religion (PSR)	Sandusky Central Catholic School
	5:45 pm	Fit-N-Faith	Sandusky Central Catholic School - Library
	7:00 pm	Contemporary Choir Practice	Church
<b>THU., Oct. 8</b>	8:15 am	Mass	Church
	5:00 pm	Cleaning Team #8	Church
	7:00 pm	Men's Basketball	Sts Peter and Paul School - Gym
	7:30 pm	Parish Choir Practice	Church
<b>FRI., Oct. 9</b>	8:15 am	Mass	Church
<b>SAT., Oct. 10</b>	7:00 am	Men's Bible Study	Lower Room
	8:15 am	Mass	Church
	4:00 pm	Mass	Church

**Confessions 1/2 hour before every Mass.**

**Servers, Lectors & Distributors, please check your schedules for your appointed times to serve.**

### Ministry Highlights

**COMMUNITY SUPPER** prepares and serves a hot meal to those less fortunate in our area every Wednesday, except the first Wednesday of the month, from 4-5:30 p.m. There are eight teams, working once every eight weeks. Teams work from 1:30 to 6:00 pm. There is also a need for bakers at home who bring in desserts each week. For more information or if you are interested in becoming involved, call Karen Bush 419-341-5559.

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 Mission Statement**

**Inspiring believers to imitate  
 Jesus Christ,  
 receive the Holy Sacraments,  
 and live in the heart of the  
 Catholic Faith.**

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## Community News

**Oct. 4** - Cancelled - Seasonal Flu Shots at Sts. Peter & Paul's Gathering Space.

**Oct. 7** NO Community Supper Program this week. Team 5 resumes on Oct. 14.

**Oct. 7** - Daughters of Isabella, K of C Hall, 7:15 p.m. for a business meeting. Deacon Milt Opper will have a memorial service for deceased members and a communion service. Refreshments will be served.

**Oct. 10** - St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, Marblehead Fall Craft Festival from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Hall and on the parish grounds. Food and craft items available. St. Mary Church is located right next to the Marblehead Lighthouse on SR 163.

**Oct. 10** - St. Boniface Chicken BBQ dinners, 215 Oak St., Oak Harbor from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (or sold out).

**Oct. 11** - Sts. Peter & Paul Parish **11:45 Mass** will be celebrated in Italian with **Fr. George Gallaro** presiding. Even if you don't have a drop of Italian blood in your veins, you won't want to miss this celebration. How exciting will it be to hear the beautiful words of our Liturgy spoken in the melodious language of Italy? There will be a reception following Mass to continue the celebration. Please join in the festivities and fellowship of what is sure to be a memorable experience.

**Oct. 14** - Sts. Peter & Paul Parish will host its annual **Sr. Adult Retreat Day**, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The day includes breakfast, lunch, Mass at noon and a featured presentation by Fr. Gerald Cernowski speaking on Senior Spirituality. There is no charge, but please call to register 419-625-6655 to have a correct head count for the luncheon.