

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH, ST. LOUIS, MO #34



Monday, August 20th

6:30 am Casey Family Intentions

8:00 a.m. The Purgatorial Society

Tuesday, August 21st

6:30 am Catherine Kuhn

8:00 a.m. Severin & Ruth Gadell

Wednesday, Aug. 22nd

6:30 a.m. Kathy Rauschenbach

Thursday, August 23rd

6:30 a.m. Deceased Gilsinn Family

Friday, August 24th

6:30 a.m. Junias E. Speas

8:00 a.m. Florence R. Speas

Saturday, August 25th

4:30 p.m. Walter Shirley

Sunday, August 26th

8:00 a.m. Earl Brake

10:00 a.m. Our Parishioners

Weekly Collection for FY 2007

Week of August 12, 2007 \$5,987.00

Average for FY 2007 \$6,729.72

Budgeted Average FY 2008 \$7,909.62

99 Envelopes Used



BAPTISM

WELCOME to our newest parish member, Jakob Henry White, son of Wayne White and Julie Padberg-White, of our parish family. Congratulations on the baptism of their child. We send them along this Christian parenting path with our prayers.



*From Death
to New Life*

Our sympathies and prayers go to the family of Alice Chase, one of SMOS teachers. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.



RCIA

This acronym stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. By means of this rite and formation program we welcome new adult believers to the church. The program begins early fall and culminates with the celebration of the Easter sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about what it is to be Roman Catholic, contact Peter Heses at 776-0363 for more information.

Sunday I mentioned a **From the**



writing from Robert Greenleaf, "Servant Leadership", with a description that has long helped me: living life on two levels.

One level is practical, engaged, taking care of this world's matters; the other is detached for vision, seeing one's responsibilities in a longer sweep of history and destiny. Times of prayer are essential for me to get some sense of the latter, the "why" of it all, and where it's all trying to go. Teilhard de Chardin continually focuses my vision on all things being recapitulated in Christ, the "pleroma" or fullness Paul speaks of. Fresh from vacation (sort of) and a grand vision renewed by the vastness of the ocean, I've been dropping into my world of vision and "place in the grand scheme", even as things are very busy here.

To give you some idea of my here-and-now duties, I've had 5 marriage preparations this week; also we celebrated the funeral liturgy here for Alice Chase who taught here for five years and had a major impact. I've worked with committees involving Finance, Stewardship, School Board, and the Bosnian Collaborative networking group. So there is plenty for me, as I'm sure for you, that keeps me grounded in the needs and progress of the world as it is day-to-day. Being "ready for the master's return," as last week's gospel calls us, involves stepping out of this mode at times to see the large vision and immense resources we have to work with. I like telling you how important this is to me, and perhaps giving an example of how both levels bring life.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

by Peter Heses

In Eastertide we celebrate the springtime of God's love. The risen Jesus greets his friends with a gift of peace. Today's gospel sounds a dissonant chord as Ordinary time turns out to not be so ordinary.

In this late summer time we might be lulled by the oppressive heat, and want to contemplate nothing weightier than a summer novel by the pool. Rest and relaxation can, indeed, be very healthy and very holy. But today's gospel reminds us that responding to Jesus seriously is not easy or comfortable.

How is it that Jesus, who the night before he died prayed that all might be one, today says that he has come to cause division? Even where division is most painful – at home.

A human being who seeks to achieve personal integrity is striving to create unity and harmony among the diverse elements of his/her existence. The goal of integration is a desire for a kind of peace within. And yet, the road to this kind of maturity may be an arduous journey. We are inherently full of contradictions, goals, beliefs, desires and habits that pull us many different ways. We have to sever some ties, let go of some baggage, reject some assumptions, if we are to grow toward wholeness. The grain of wheat must fall into the ground and die if it is to bear fruit.

Following the gospel will create some division, within us and between us. But only by facing the challenges and struggles of discipleship can we burn with the fire that is the divine love of the Holy Spirit. Ordinary time is time to change the world.

Calendar of Events

Monday, 8/20 - Ladies Aux., 7p, CH; Chesterton, 7p, RB
Tuesday, 8/21-Worship, 7:30p, RMR
Wednesday, 8/22-Athletic Assoc., 7p, RB;
 Finance, 7p, RMR; Administration, 8p, RMR
Thursday, 8/23-Eucharist Adoration 9a-10p Side Chapel
 Kdg. Open House, 5-7p School
Saturday, 8/25-PTA Back-to-School BBQ School Yard
Sunday, 8/19-Highlander Comm Mtg., RMR, 11:30a
 DuBourg Swing Dancers 6:30-8p CH

Community News

PLEASE NOTE: The following notices have been approved by Fr. Tom or the Rectory Staff.

The International Institute and 125 ethnic organizations will present **Festival of Nations** on Aug. 25 (10-7 p.m.) & Aug. 26 (10-6 p.m.) in Tower Grove Park. It is a multi-ethnic celebration featuring traditional dance and music, ethnic food, cultural and educational exhibits, folk art demonstrations, and international market. Admission is free.

Help raise funds for **Birthright** mothers by participating in the sixth annual 5K Run/Walk hosted by the Friends of Birthright Scholarship Committee. This is an event for the whole family with a 5K Race, mile Fun Walk, and a 1/4 mile Youth Run with Fredbird! Registration begins at 7:30 a.m., the Race and Fun Walk begin at 8:30 a.m., and the Fredbird Run begins at 9:15 a.m. \$40/family, \$15/individual in advance. For more info. call Susanne at 968-6836.

The **YMCA Book Fair** is one of the projects that support programs of the YMCA, specifically, their youth and literacy programs. This year's event is Aug. 24th through Aug. 29th. There is a \$10 admission on Aug. 24th from 4-10 p.m. All other days are free. Come browse the wide selection of books, tapes, records, videos, CDs and DVDs. Half price day is Aug. 28th and \$7 Bag/Box day is Aug. 29th.

Time to claim your true power and inheritance? Come to the **"HEALING POWERLESSNESS"** retreat sponsored by **Tree House Healing Ministry**. Unhealthy powerlessness leads to feelings of inadequacy, self-doubt and fear. Jesus became obedient unto death in order to restore us to our true power and inheritance. Come and receive all that Jesus has for you! Retreat will be led by Sister Cecelia Ann Loomer, SFCC **Sept. 7-9 (7:30 Fri. eve. thru 2:00 Sun.) at Mercy Center** 2039 N. Geyer Rd, St. Louis. Cost: \$90 for commuters, \$165 for residents. (+\$25 late fee after Aug. 24). Call 314-427-7768 to register or get more information.

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. August 25th—4:30 p.m.

Ben Thomas, Tiara Fitzpatrick

Sun. August 26th—8:00 a.m.

Henry Schneider, Gabrielle Hantak, Lisa Marx

Sun. August 26th— 10:00 am

Kate Sudholt, Leo Mitchell, Christian Blouin-Weers



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. August 25th—4:30 p.m.

Ginger Purcell, Tom Purcell

Sun. August 26th—8:00 a.m.

Bob Waeltermann, Sr. Mary Jo Ritter, TBA,TBA

Sun. August 26th—10:00 a.m.

Helen Halter, Julie Hesed, Pat McGovern, Rose Mary

Murphey CSJ, Mimi Newsham Mahoney, David

Richardson, Rob Garavaglia, Joe Hagen, Patty

Hendrickson



LECTORS

Sat. August 25th—4:30 p.m.

Betsy Mahony, Eileen Ruddy

Sun. August 26th—8:00 a.m.

Rochelle Schneider, Prudence Kramer

Sun. August 26th—10:00 a.m.

Mary Peterson-Harter, Pat Bittick



GREETERS FOR AUGUST

4:30 p.m. Lucille Shirley

8:00 a.m. Martha Brake

10:00 a.m. Patty Hendrickson



COFFEE & DONUTS 08/26/07

Donut Pick-up: Linda Holdinghaus

Coffee for August: Mary Brake

Donut Clean-Up: Sean & Cheryl Thomas



DRIVERS

08-25-07 Carmela Garza

08-26-07 Sean Thomas

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

August 19 through August 26, 2007

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6,8-10 Ps 40:2-4,18 Heb 12:1-4
Lk 12:49-53

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19 Ps 106:34-37,39-40,43-44
Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a Ps 85:9,11-14 Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15 Ps 21:2-7 Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a Ps 40:5,7-10 Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Rv 21:9b-14 Ps 145:10-13ab,17-18
Jn 1:45-51

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3,8-11;4:13-17 Ps 128:1-5
Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 66:18-21 Ps 117:1-2 Heb 12:5-7,11-13
Lk 13:22-30