

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Friends,

How often do we look only at the present moment when it comes to assessing whether something is a success? Is this the healthiest way to proceed?

Did you know that Henry Ford forgot to put a reverse gear in the first car he manufactured? In 1957, he then bragged about the "car of the decade" - the Edsel. It was renowned for doors that wouldn't close, a hood that wouldn't open, paint that peeled, a horn that stuck and a reputation that made the automobile impossible to resell. Looking at Ford's company on the whole, he didn't starve.

Thomas Edison spent two million dollars on an invention that never came to fruition. But, when you look at the larger picture, he did do alright, after all, didn't he?

When he was ten years old, Albert Einstein's teacher in Munich told him, "You will never amount to much!" Do you think his schoolmaster was a little mistaken?

The owner of a newspaper once told a young artist by the name of Walt Disney that he "didn't have any creative, original ideas." It's sort of funny how the uncreative kid went on after developing Mickey Mouse to create an empire that is the paragon of originality.

In 1962, the Decca Recording Company turned down the opportunity to work with an unknown group called the Beatles because the firm thought that groups with guitars were "on their way out." Thank heavens Ed Sullivan didn't agree with Decca.

Enrico Caruso's first voice coach told him that he sounded like "wind whistling through a window." To this day every tenor is compared to Caruso who went on to become the most famous of them all.

Simon Newcomb, who lived in the last century, once said that "flight by machines heavier than air is unpractical and insignificant...utterly impossible." I wonder if Orville and Wilbur Wright ever heard of Mr. Newcomb.

If the future of the Christian faith were measured by the crucifixion of Christ, then it would never have been seen to have a future. It was the resurrection which cemented its vitality and assured its growth.

So often today I hear and meet folks who are convinced that the future of Catholicism is in jeopardy because of all the tension which the Church is now experiencing. History teaches us that nothing could be further from the truth. It seems to me, that as in the past, the difficulties which the Church is currently facing are actually opportunities for growth which will catapult us into the future stronger and more secure.

For example, I hear so often that the many youth who are leaving Catholicism for other faiths of denominations will weaken us. I think the opposite will occur. I find now that there is a renewed vigor on the part of many clergy and laity to manifest the vitality of Catholicism in areas like liturgy, preaching and religious education, just to name a few.

Our future is bright!



Love,

Fr. Dave

FUNERAL LUNCHEON CAPTAIN for July is Irma Hill, Co-Captain is Margaret Schletter.

SCAT DRIVERS - July 4, Joseph Buckley & Barb Kuhn.

Schedule of Liturgies

June 26-July 4

SATURDAY, June 26, Vigil: 13th Ordinary Sunday

4:30 PM Larry Baumgartner; Ann Poignon;
Paul & Anna Thome

6:30 PM Carl & Mary Lucius; Keith Price

SUNDAY, June 27, 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St. Mary Parish Family

10:00 AM Francis Theis; Adam Perna; Marie Hartzell;
Michael & Alphonsine Milette

11:30 AM Virginia Welter; Herman Seitz; Rita Keller

MONDAY, June 28, Irenaeus, bp., martyr

7:00 AM Mass at St. Francis Convent

8:30 AM Hubert & Dorothy Elchert;
Paul & Anna Thome

TUESDAY, June 29, Peter & Paul, apostles

6:30 AM Communion Service

8:30 AM Ed & Pauline Boehler

4:30 PM Mass at St. Francis Convent

WEDNESDAY, June 30, Weekday

7:00 AM Mass at St. Francis Convent

8:30 AM Tom & Mary Alice Marinis;
Special Intentions of Ellen Elchert (80th B-D)

THURSDAY, July 1, Weekday

6:30 AM Communion Service

8:30 AM Maurice Lupica

4:30 PM Mass at St. Francis Convent

FRIDAY, July 2, Weekday

7:00 AM Mass at St. Francis Convent

8:30 AM Zablocki - Huth Families; Special Intention

SATURDAY, July 3, Vigil: 14th Ordinary Sunday

1:30 PM Aaron Gressman - Jessie Comer Wedding

4:30 PM Paul & Maria Panuto; Joseph & Alexandrine
Bernard; Emil & Genevieve Walk;
John Ruehle

6:30 PM Regina Bogner

SUNDAY, July 4, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM St. Mary Parish Family

10:00 AM Alvin DeMonte; Francis Theis;
Franklyn Ambrose; Mary Jean Brickner;
Michaelina Paulus; Vera Sheeley; Paul
Sheeley; Vincent & Margaret Gaietto,

11:30 AM Arthur & Margaret Steinmetz; Herman Seitz



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED:

Cadence Theresa Marie Frankart, Ethan Thomas Sauber, Lacey Jo Gibson, Marco Charles Milazzo. We pray that the parish family will assist the parents as they guide them along the path of faith.

CCD REGISTRATION FORMS have been mailed to all families previously registered in our CCD program. Families who are new to our parish or have an incoming 1st grader are asked to complete a registration/pledge form that can be found in the entrances of the church. Please return the completed forms to the parish office. For more information, contact Rose Gaietto in the parish office, 447-2087, ext. 33.

CHARISMATIC MASS & HEALING SERVICE will be June 28, 7:00 PM at Millersville, St. Mary, 875 SR 635, Helena. We invite you to come pray and sing with us. Together we will seek the blessing of our Father, the healing touch of His Son, and rest in His Holy Spirit.

BINGO WORKERS for today, June 27: Coordinator, Mike Lucius; Gate, Mike Lucius; Instants, LeRoy Coleman, Carolyn Price; Floor, Berta Alvarado Poland, Dave Huss, Beth Mullen; Concessions, Theresa Keefe.

GOD SQUAD YOUTH GROUP

Adoration, June 27, 8:00 PM, we welcome those coming back from Steubenville and for those who couldn't attend.

NOTE: During the summer months, there will be no General meetings or Dead Theologians Society. Meetings will resume in the Fall.

Adoration will take place every other Sunday at 8:00 PM; the next Eucharistic Adoration will be July 11, at 8:00 PM. Have a great summer and see you all in the Fall!

SUMMER IS HERE, but don't forget your Sunday Mass obligations. Visit different churches while on your vacation and to learn of Mass times nationwide, visit www.masstimes.org.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS to the family and friends of *Gaetta A. Murray, (83), Zacariah T. Hess, (18), Frederick J. Rubeck, (53), and Patricia Bakies, (73).*



We pray the bereaved may find comfort as the soul of their loved one enters into the eternal realm of our Almighty God.

ST. MARY SCHOOL will be closed for the month of July. The school office will reopen August 2. Tuesdays' will continue to be Scrip days. For the month of July, please pick - up & drop - off orders in the parish office.

ST. BERNARD SCHOOL is sponsoring an adult air/motor coach trip to New York City, August 13, 14, 15, & 16. For more information, please contact Ben Lash, 419-492-2693.

VIDEO/DVD TAPES of First Communion and Graduation are in the parish office. If you ordered a tape, please stop in the parish office.

AMERICAN HOST FAMILIES are needed for the French Exchange Organization. From July 1-22, or August 5-26, 25 French teens will be in our area. They speak English, have their own pocket money, and are fully insured. If interested, please contact Susan Platt, platt78@aol.com.

FOR ALL THE MEN AND WOMEN who are serving our great country, please continue to pray that they will soon be home with their loved ones.

Sacrificial Giving — June 20, 2004

Description	Amt.	Env.
Amt. Needed Each Sunday	\$ 13,000.00	430
Sunday Offering	\$ 10,705.67	
(Includes loose money & checks)	\$ 1,140.67	
Difference -	\$ 2,294.33	
Ascension	\$ 5.00	1
Easter	\$ 25.00	1
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 10.00	1
Initial Offering	\$ 20.00	4
Deposit	\$ 10,765.67	
Peter's Pence	\$ 30.00	2
Tuition Assistance	\$ 24.00	5
High School Offering	\$ 8.50	11
Children's Offering	\$ 42.75	51
Total Sunday	\$ 10,870.92	

"52" Club Winners

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| 1. Bernard J. Steinmetz Family | 4. Mary Burkart |
| 2. Karen Obringer | 5. John & Dorothy Kummerer |
| 3. Dan & Fay Corfman | |

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Today's gospel reminds us that once we set our "hand to the plow" of parenting and marriage, we "cannot look back." That is what a commitment is: we have said YES, not to what was or could be, but the unknown. Follow Jesus who was "resolutely determined" to live His commitment, even to death.

MISSION AWARENESS WEEKEND will be July 11. We will have a speaker from the Office of Global Concerns. One missionary said, "I couldn't do this if I didn't know that the church at home stands with me." Let's show that we DO stand with our missionaries through our support of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Thank You To Our Sponsor Of The Week!

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UPCOMING FESTIVALS:

OLC Parish Festival, Carey, June 27, 11:00AM-11:00 PM.

Saint Aloysius Church, Republic, June 27, 4:00-11:00 PM, cafeteria style dinners will be served. A silent auction will be held from 6:00 – 10:00 PM.

Holy Trinity Church, Bucyrus, June 27, BBQ chicken dinners start at 11:00 AM. Carryouts available.

Sacred Heart Parish, (between Crestline & Shelby on St. Rt. 61), July 25, 11:30 AM - 10:00 PM. BBQ chicken and ham dinners will be served until 6:00 PM.

A.S.A.P.



There's work to do,

Deadlines to meet;

You've got no time to spare,

But as you hurry and scurry-

ASAP - ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER

In the midst of family chaos,

"Quality time" is rare.

Do your best; let God do the rest -

ASAP -ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER

It may seem like your worries

Are more than you can bear.

Slow down and take a breather -

ASAP - ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER

God knows how stressful life is

He wants to ease our cares.

And He'll respond to all your needs

ASAP - ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER.

With thanks to Frank Rezick.

ST. MARY SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB

Sunday Night BINGO

...in the Recreation Room of St. Mary School

Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Early birds at 6:30 p.m.

Two Specials

Two Jackpots

Handicapped Accessible * Snacks Available