



Liturgical Appointments for July 23/24, 2016

	Minister of Altar	Minister of Hospitality	Minister of Word	Minister of Holy Communion
5:30 p.m.	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Joan Wright
				Rose Lushek
				Renee Hagan
8:00 a.m.	Cohen Myers	Mike Moses	Jeff Bedard	Denise Battistine
	Ryan Howland	John Turner		Jim Lehn
				Shannon Tise
10:00 a.m.	George Kuntz	Spencer Brown	Abby Kelly	Jill Hopper
	Audrey Jones			Carol Chambers
				Patty Reinholz



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 17

- 7:40 a.m. **WLRU ROSARY BROADCAST**
- 8:00 a.m. Jack Clifford (Lori Clifford)
- 10:00 a.m. Thelma & Joe Butler; Lewis & Lida Behm (Bill & Janet Butler)
- WLRU MASS BROADCAST**

Monday, July 18

- 10:00 a.m. **WLRU ROSARY BROADCAST**

Tuesday, July 19

- 9:15 a.m. Stanley & Rosemary Feder, Ted & Bea Combs, Noel & Skip Lambert, Adam Grim (Joyce Combs)

Thursday, July 21

- 7:00 p.m. Earl Berger (Arlinghaus Family)
- WLRU MASS BROADCAST**

Saturday, July 23

- 9:00 a.m. Gail Hollen Smith (Amanda)
- 5:30 p.m. Mary Moran & the Moran Family Deceased (Marissa, Bettina & Mike)

Sunday, July 24

- 8:00 a.m. Mike Louiso, Barb Holden, Ray & Rosetta Barber (The Barbers)
- 10:00 a.m. Margaret Hayburn, Rick Wray, Katie Buskirk, Gloria & Lex Hawk, Claira Matheny, Theresa Hayburn, Clare Sears, Orin Mabry (Patty & Steve Sears)
- WLRU MASS BROADCAST**



BENEDICTION EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:30 p.m.

Sacrificial Giving

Weekly Need\$ 4,500.00
 Collection for July 9/10
 Envelopes & Loose\$ 4,659.00
 Variance.....+\$ 159.00
 (2 ☺☺)

School Support: \$0.00 ... Building Fund: \$545.00
 St. Vincent de Paul: \$20.00 ... Votives: \$28.00
 Buck-a-Month: \$9.00 ... Mass Stipends: \$40.00

YTD NEED STARTING 7/3/2016.....\$ 9,000.00
 YTD COLLECTED\$ 9,850.00
 VARIANCE.....+\$ 850.00
 (9 ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺)



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 Debt on Fr. Luehrmann Hall

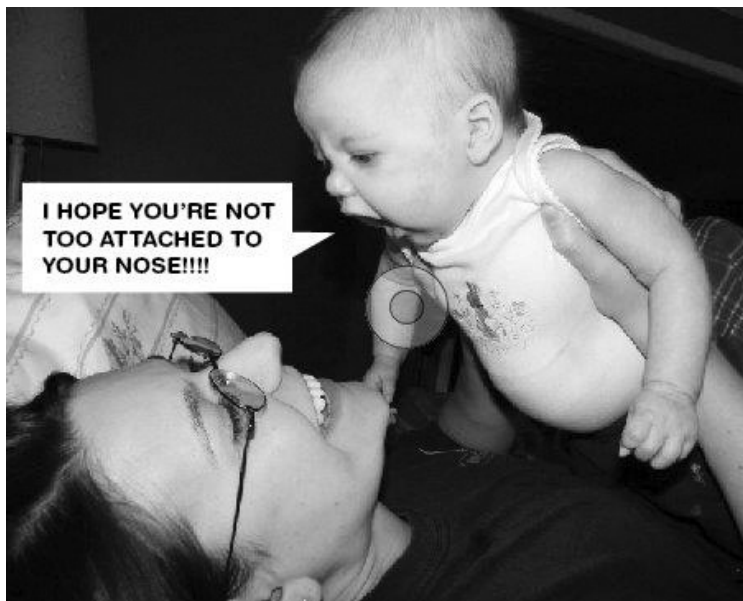


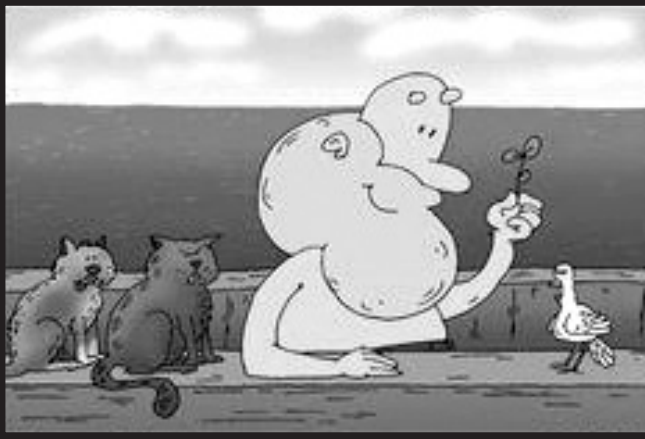
Happy Birthday!

- July 18Rick Cornele
- July 19Cookie Boler, Ann Ernst
- July 20Sidney Bayless, Bill Butler
- July 22Bill Combs
- July 23Adam McGinnis

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

- **St. Mary Catholic School is in need of a volunteer Librarian.** It is a part-time position (two to three hours per week) with Preschool-Grade 5 students. If interested, please contact the school at 840-9932 (ext. 4). The rewards are immeasurable! Thank you...Principal Darlene Smith
- **A huge thank-you to St. Mary Parish! Due to the hard work of our teens and the great support of our amazing parish, we will be sending 13 teens to the Steubenville Youth Conference from July 22-24.** Please keep these teens in your prayers as they experience this spiritual retreat. They are: Marissa, Jonah, Ethan Humphries, Samantha Bullock, Tess Ernst, Katie Boden, Kaitlin Hess, Abby Gillespie, Chloe Griggs, Brian Shanahan, Quinn Conlon, Ryan Harless, and Brennen Priest. We will be praying for all of you!
- **A special thank-you to the Youth Group for paying for the church and school landscaping.** The youth raised money during Bingo in the concession stand. This is just one small way they give back to support St. Mary.
- **Prayer through Scripture Class will begin July 20, 2016, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Hall.** Please RSVP by calling the school line at 937-840-9932, ext. 2 or emailing stmarycre@cinci.rr.com. We need to know the number so we have enough handout prepared.





YOU THROW THE CATS
OVERBOARD
AND I'LL TELL
YOU WHERE
I FOUND THE
BRANCH.

THIS IS MY JOB



IT'S SODA PRESSING

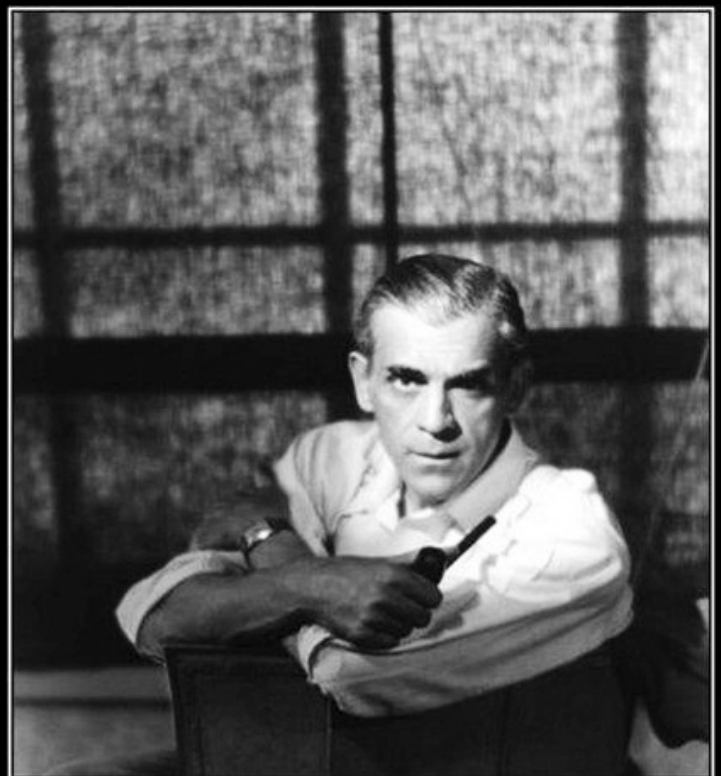


You Want to
Eat This!



ONLY JOB IS TO
LOOK CUTE AND
POOP.

NAILS IT.



BORIS KARLOFF

Frankenstein's Monster, The Mummy, Fu
Manchu, Satantic Worshiper, Mad Scientist,
Body Snatcher and all around nice guy.

FR. MIKE'S SERMON FOR THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY

This one line from the Bible has stumped me for years, "Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church..." Is St. Paul saying God has an "affliction quota" that must be met, sort of like a policeman who has a quota of how many traffic tickets he has to write? I don't believe that. So what does he mean? The following is my prayerful attempt to make sense of it.

The afflictions Jesus endured on the Cross produced an infinite amount of Grace. Grace means God gives you His Love even though you don't deserve it. It is different from justice and mercy. Justice is getting what we deserve. Mercy is not getting what we deserve. Grace is getting what we do not deserve. The afflictions of Jesus on the Cross once and for all completely gives God's Love to you and me who did not earn it by anything we did. It is a total free gift from God to you.

Imagine this Grace, this Love Jesus earned for you, as an infinite amount of money stored in a bank. It's all there, but a withdrawal needs to be made. That's where afflictions come in. God can use even our afflictions to dispense Grace not only to ourselves but to another soul. Affliction is God's opportunity to dispense His Grace. The afflictions of Jesus made the deposit. Our afflictions make the withdraw. Thus, we can unite our sufferings to Jesus' sufferings to help Him dispense His Grace on behalf of another soul where it is lacking. St. Paul felt called to use his own sufferings as a ministry of giving Grace to the Church where it was lacking.

I will explain all this heavy theology using a story I learned at the Monster Bash about the Frankenstein actor Boris Karloff. The year 1945 saw Boris at his lowest. He was making lots of money, but his personal life was a mess. He suffered two big afflictions. His fourth wife Dorothy was ready to divorce him and take away his only child, Sara. He spent many weeks in the hospital recuperating from surgery to his back that he injured in 1931 trying to carry the massive, heavy weight of his Frankenstein costume. He was alone and without work.

Knowing his affliction, famous producer Val Lewton offered Boris the chance to make a comeback. Boris would star in his new Hollywood movie called "The Body Snatcher." Val even got a very sick Bela Lugosi into the film. Boris and Val hit it off immediately and became very good friends. They worked so well together that this movie today is considered Karloff's finest performance. The movie was a box office smash. It brought Boris the professional acclaim he needed so desperately. Filled with the deepest appreciation and respect, Boris looked at his friend after shooting of the film ended, shook his hand and uttered these words, "Val, you resurrected me from the living dead. You restored my soul." God used Karloff's afflictions as an opportunity to dispense the Grace of His Love to a lost soul.

God can use your afflictions as an opportunity to love you even more. God can use you to help dispense His Grace to others in their afflictions so He can love them even more. So many people need God's Grace. Let's get busy giving it away and bringing lost souls to God. I close with the fourth line of an old Gospel Hymn:

*Going forth with weeping, sowing for the Master,
Though the loss sustained our spirit often grieves;
When our weeping's over, He will bid us welcome,
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.*

(A sheave is a soul)