



MINISTERS



Liturgical Appointments for August 2/3

| | Ministers of Altar | Ministers of Hospitality | Ministers of Word | Ministers of Holy Communion |
|------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 5:30 p.m. | Volunteer | Jennifer Link | Kelli Cole | Michael Bradford |
| | | | | Linda Bradford |
| | | | | Rose Lushek |
| 8:00 a.m. | Paige Loudin | Craig & Ellen Turner | Creed Culbreath | Marilyn Rosselott |
| | Emily Loudin | Dennis Lafferty | | Jane Cadwallader |
| | | | | Mike Moses |
| 10:00 a.m. | Kieran Bainbridge Conlon | Shawn Bowie Conlon | Tim Koehl | Debbie Ballein |
| | Quinn Banan Conlon | | | Joyce Combs |
| | | | | Jenny Hart |



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, July 27

- 8:00 a.m. Healing for Shirley Tucker & Deceased of the Schmidt Family, the Robinson Family and the Wendell Family (Bob & Joyce)
- 10:00 a.m. Stephanie Shriver & Kathleen Van Zant (Michelle & John Salyer)

Tuesday, July 29

- 9:15 a.m. Jim Dean (Judy Cowman)

Thursday, July 31

- 7:00 p.m. Ray Houk (Arlinghouse Family)

Saturday, August 2

- 9:00 a.m. Al Rumpke (Steve & Margie Rumpke)
- 5:30 p.m. Healing for Jeanne Beery (Tara & Jeff Beery)

Sunday, August 3

- 8:00 a.m. Betty Lou Moses & Carrie Wright (Zoey Wright & Zipetta Gueguen Maval Moses)
- 10:00 a.m. Adam Sharp (Fr. Mike Paraniuk)



BENEDICTION EVERY THURSDAY AT 6:30 P.M.

Happy Birthday

- July 28 Danny Barber
- July 30 Larry Andrews
- August 1 Gary Baker, Russ Groves
- August 3 Peyton Bayless



Sacrificial Giving

Weekly Need\$ 4,500.00

Collection July 19/20

Envelopes & Loose.....\$ 4,009.17
 Variance-\$ 490.83
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School Support: \$13.00 ... Building Fund: \$87.00 ... St. Vincent de Paul: \$275.00 ... Votives: \$0.00 ... Buck-a-Month: \$5.00 ... Peter's Pence: \$20.00 ... Mission: \$1,033.28



Offering Total

 YTD NEED STARTING 7/5/14 \$13,500.00
 YTD COLLECTED \$12,479.00
 VARIANCE-\$ 1,021.00
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\$323,425.06
 Debt on Fr. Luehrmann Hall

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

1. **The 2014-2015 RCIA Sessions will begin on Tuesday night, August 5th at 7:00 p.m.** We will be meeting in the church library/preschool room. If you or anyone you know is interested in investigating the teachings of the Catholic Church, we invite you to join us on that night and subsequent once weekly evenings to discover the beauty and depth in the teaching of the Church that Jesus, Himself, built. Please contact Jim Hehl at 937-364-6556 or Joyce Combs at 937-764-2030 with any questions or an RSVP if you desire.
2. **Our love and prayers go out to Patti, Tara and Steven Karnes as well as the family of Adam Sharp. At a family vacation in Lake Cumberland, Adam tragically died in a wave runner boating accident. Adam and Tara have been dating for several years. He was very close to the Karnes family. We support them in their sorrow. Adam is now in the hands of God in Heaven after 19 years on Earth.**
3. **As a show of support and solidarity with these two families who grieve the loss of Adam, the bulletin will contain no jokes or funny pics this week.**
4. Youth Group had an AWESOME time at Coney Island on July 16th. A huge thanks goes out to Karen Humphries and Tami Florek and all the students who attended. We had a BLAST!!! **Next Youth Group gathering is August 2nd from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at St. Mary Church for all students grades 7-12. Hope to see you there.**
5. **I want to make abundantly clear to our Parish Community that even though WLRU Radio is a ministry from St. Mary Church, NO CHURCH MONEY IS BEING USED FOR THIS MINISTRY. This ministry is privately funded. I hope this dispels any rumors to the contrary. God Bless America.**

FR. MIKE'S SERMON FOR THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY

When I was 12 years old and my cousin Christon was 10, we both got bicycles for our birthdays. Mine was a shiny almost all chrome bike from Sears and Roebuck. Christon got a red Western Flyer which sells for a lot of money today. We bragged how fast our bikes could go.

One day Christon says to me, "Let's race and see who is faster." And so we raced on a sunny Saturday morning in 1963 down a gravel road back alley between two streets in Conway, Pa. It was nip and tuck, but I pulled out ahead. I thought, "Wow. I'm gonna win this! That will shut him up." Then tragedy struck. A little girl playing in a sandbox jumped out into the alley. I hit her head on. It would have been better if I just ran over her. But her clothing somehow got caught in my pedal. I could not move the pedal in reverse to stop the bike. I dragged her down the gravel road for quite a few feet. When the bike finally stopped she got up and ran somewhere while wailing at the top of her little voice. I didn't know where she went.

A few hours later my dad received a call from the girl's mother. Someone witnessed the accident who knew both me and the little girl. I was in such shock I never told my dad about the accident. He was furious when he found out. I broke the little girl's collarbone, plus cuts and bruises. He had to pay the hospital bill. A whopping \$35.00 dollars! He made me go down to the little girl's house and apologize to her and her mom.

I was so scared. I got this lump in my throat as I knocked on their kitchen door and heard, "Come in." I now stood before the girl and her mom. I will never forget what I saw – the girl bruised and bloodied, with her arm in a sling. I apologized profusely. I never meant to hurt her. I wish I could take it back. There was an uncomfortable silence as I stood in that kitchen. It seemed like an eternity. I was waiting for her mom to just yell at me and tell me how bad I was. I stiffened like when you know the school bully is going to hit you.

The mom simply said, "Making a mistake does not make you a bad kid." There was this pause. The girl spoke. "We forgive you...do you want a cookie?" I was so relieved! I didn't know whether to shout "alleluia" or pee my pants. We sat down to a glass of milk and oatmeal raisin cookies. To this day, those cookies still remind me about the mercy they showed to a scared little boy. Two years later I went to the seminary.

At the funeral of a 27-year-old guy who died from a drug overdose, I started the sermon with words that I believe were divinely inspired, "You don't have to be perfect to be loved by God." I believe this young man went to Heaven. Even though he did a bad thing, made a tragic mistake, he was not a bad person. This is the treasure of God's Kingdom – your failures, your flaws, your sins and your mistakes can never stop God loving you. So if God forgives you, there is no reason to beat yourself up with guilt. That is bad. Jesus says, "What is bad...throw it away." An unknown author wrote, "You can't take back anything you've already done, but you can face up to it. And let God do the rest."