



MINISTERS



Liturgical Appointments for August 30/31

	Ministers of Altar	Ministers of Hospitality	Ministers of Word	Ministers of Holy Communion
5:30 p.m.	Volunteer	Volunteers	Charles Kelso	Joan Wright
				Carol Chambers
				Rose Lushek
8:00 a.m.	Emily Altman	Mike Moses	Volunteer	Denise Battistine
	Paige Loudin	John Turner		Jim Lehn
				Creed Culbreath
10:00 a.m.	Quin Tormod Conlon	Colin Brown	Jerry Piezer	Jill Hopper
	Kieran Toran Conlon			Jerry Leibold
				Patty Reihloz



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 24

8:00 a.m. Betty Lou Moses & Susan Moses
(Rosemary McHorg)
10:00 a.m. Ken Shull (Fr. Mike Paraniuk)

Tuesday, August 26

9:15 a.m. Mary Jane Diebold (Maggie Van Frank)

Thursday, August 28

7:00 p.m. Cathy & Ray Kiley
(Wm. & Lynn Koehler)

Saturday, August 30

9:00 a.m. No Mass
5:30 p.m. Cathy Kiley (Wm & Lynn Koehler)

Sunday, August 31

8:00 a.m. Elwood Walker & Harold Baker
(Gary, Joyce and Alex Baker)
10:00 a.m. Bob Van Frank (Maggie Van Frank)



BENEDICTION EVERY THURSDAY
AT 6:30 P.M.

Happy Birthday

August 25Sandy Kilbarger
August 26Bryce Corns, Jennifer Howland, Linda Morgan
August 27Keith Addington, Dave Gunderman
August 29Ryan Howland, Mary Tamborski
August 30Emily Loudin, Jim Powell, Brandon Wilson
August 31Sharon Hedrick



Sacrificial Giving

Weekly Need\$ 4,500.00

Collection August 16/17

Envelopes & Loose.....\$ 5,305.79
Variance\$ 805.79
(8 ☺☺☺☺☺☺☺☺)

School Support: \$2.00 ... Building Fund: \$92.00 ...
St. Vincent de Paul: \$231.00 ... Votives: \$55.53 ...
Buck-a-Month: \$1.00 ... Mass Stipends: \$5.00



Offering Total

YTD NEED STARTING 7/5/14 \$31,500.00
YTD COLLECTED \$31,062.27
VARIANCE-\$ 437.73
(4 ☹☹☹)



\$319,430.90
Debt on Fr. Luehrmann Hall

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

1. The Annual "Walk For Life" is upon us. Call Shirley Amshoff to join her in walking for the unborn. The walk takes place 9:00 a.m. at the SOPC on 135 West Walnut Street on Saturday, September 20th. You can sponsor a walker or make a donation. Call Shirley at 393-4404 and make St. Mary #1 again in giving for life.
2. The St. Angela Merici Festival will be held on Sunday, August 31, from Noon till 10:00 p.m. Great Chicken and Roast Beef. Henry Burwinkel went to this festival for something like 50 years straight. Now he gets good fried chicken in Heaven made by the Colonel himself.
3. Youth Group, join us for a Buck Run Bonfire Blast! At the Florek's home (4245 Buck Run Dr., Hillsboro) September 6th from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Any questions, call or text Karen Humphries at 763-3354. Hope to see you there!
4. Parish School of Religion, for grades Kindergarten to 12th, will start on September 14, 2014. Packets are in the Narthex. Contact the PSR office at 840-9932, ext. 2, if you have any questions.

THE GOLDEN YEARS

Several days ago, as I left a meeting at our church, I was looking for my keys. They were not in my pockets. A quick search in the meeting room revealed nothing.

Suddenly, I realized I must have left them in the car. Frantically, I headed for the parking lot. My wife has scolded me many times for leaving the keys in the ignition. My theory is the ignition is the best place not to lose them. Her theory is that the car will be stolen. As I burst through the doors of the church, I came to a terrifying conclusion. Her theory was right. The parking lot was empty.

I immediately called the police. I gave them my location, confessed that I had left my keys in the car, and that it had been stolen. Then I made the most difficult call of all, "Honey," I stammered. "I left my keys in the car, and it has been stolen."

There was a period of silence. I thought the call had been dropped, but then I heard her voice. "Idiot," she barked, "I dropped you off!" Now it was my time to be silent. Embarrassed, I said, "Well, come and get me."

She retorted, "I will, as soon as I convince this policeman I have not stolen your car."

A PLAY ON WORDS

John Deere's manure spreader is the only equipment the company won't stand behind.

If you don't pay your exorcist, you get repossessed.

Sleeping comes so naturally to me, I could do it with my eyes closed.

When William joined the army he disliked the phrase "fire at will."

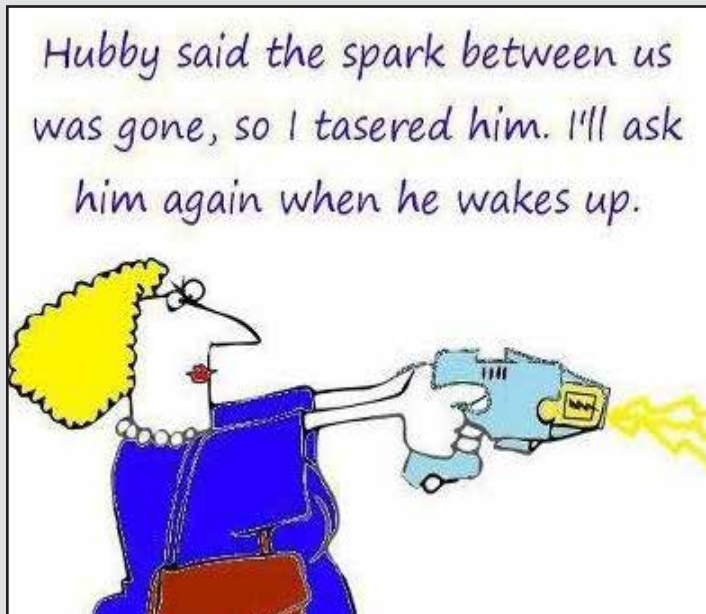
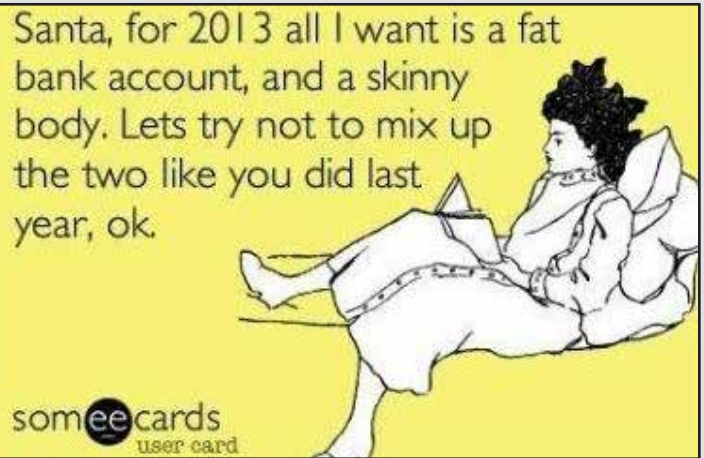
I used to be addicted to soap, but I'm clean now.

A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.

Did you hear about the guy whose whole left side was cut off? He's all right now.

A dentist and a manicurist married. . . . They fought tooth and nail.

A new type of broom came out, it is sweeping the nation.



FR. MIKE'S SERMON FOR THE ASSUMPTION (FOR THE MANY WHO MISSED IT)

(Editor's note: I was asked by several parishioners to put this sermon in writing. They felt it was so good it deserved an encore....)

When I turned twelve in 1963, my parents felt I was "a big boy now." I earned the privilege to stay up late on Saturdays to watch "Chiller Theatre" that showed old horror flicks. All by myself in our darkened house made those movies even scarier. When the movies ended I would switch channels to the local PBS station, WQED, that broadcast "Stargazers" right before the station signed off at 1:00 a.m. Jack Horkheimer moderated the show. I always laughed at his toupee that looked so fake it sometimes sat crooked on his head. But he really knew the stars! He talked so beautifully about the constellations and the stars and the vastness of the universe. He always ended his show with the catchy phrase, "And Remember, Keep Looking Up!"

The Feast of the Assumption, when the Blessed Virgin Mary never died but was assumed body and soul into Heaven, reminds us to "keep looking up" to Heaven. Every thought we think, every word we say, every act we do should bring us closer to our final goal – to be with God in Heaven. Achieving this goal should shape our entire life down here on Earth. Always ask yourself this question, "Is how I'm living my life bringing me closer to Heaven or not?"

Heaven is so real to me. How many dying children whom I helped to cross over saw deceased loved ones who came to take them to Heaven? Many of these Heavenly souls they never met in this life, but those souls knew them. And there are facts to prove this. How does a little girl dying of cancer know the secret nickname of her mother because Grandpa, who died 30 years ago, whispered it into his granddaughter's ear before taking her up to Heaven? How can a teenage boy miraculously wake up from a two-day coma, sit up in bed, and describe in detail the "people of the Light" who are coming for him? He described one light as "a little baby girl" whom the other Lights claimed to be his sister. He never knew that he had a sister who was stillborn. That mother cried tears of joy knowing her two children would be joined forever.

When you look up to the sky on a dark night, luminous with millions of stars, know that your loved ones are out there looking down on you. When you close your eyes for the final time and draw your last breath, don't be afraid to open the door before you. On the other side will be Mother Mary, Jesus and all your loved ones waiting to celebrate you home. When I am troubled down here, I keep looking up to the joy that awaits me. "Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God ...In My Father's house there are many mansions..."