

August 16, 2009: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me.” – Jn 6:56-57
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LITURGY

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS

Sunday, August 16 (Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58)

8:00 am- Ryan & Shawn Drozd
10:30 am- Francis Mark Hagendorf

Monday, August 17 (Jgs 2:11-19/Mt 19:16-22)

7:00 am- Angeline Pustejovsky
10:00 am- Anton, Betty & Antonia Mikulenska (H’ville Rehab)

Tuesday, August 18 (Jgs 6:11-24a/Mt 19:23-30)

7:00 am- John & Rosie Berger

Wednesday, Aug. 19, St. John Eudes (Jgs 9:6-15/Mt 20:1-16)

7:00 am- Dominic Loth
8:05 am- Charlie J. Wagner, Sr.

Thursday, Aug. 20, St. Bernard (Jgs 11:29-39a/Mt 22:1-14)

7:00 am- Mary M. Steffek
10:00 am- Charles “Buddy” Rohan (Stevens)

Friday, Aug. 21, Pope Pius X (Ru1:1,3-6,14b-16,22/Mt 22:34-40)

7:00 am- Living & deceased members of John & Laura Grahmann Family
8:05 am- David Janak, Sr.

Saturday, August 22, Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Mt 23:1-12)

5:30 pm- Dennis Smirak

Sunday, August 23 (Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32/Jn 6:60-69)

8:00 am- For our Parish Family
10:30 am- Bennie, Lucille & Otto Linhart

Bulletin Sponsor: In memory of Johnny Rainosek by the Family.

Radio Broadcast Sponsor: Laurence & Carol Bludau.

Vigil Light Sponsors: In memory of Herbert Bludau & V.C. Labay by Laurence & Carol Bludau Family.

Our Gift to God: Envelopes-\$5,161.50; Loose-\$1,158; Children’s-\$27; Catholic Education Envelopes-\$895.

Anniversaries:

Glenn & Pat Pagel	50 years	Aug. 16
Steve & Donna Kossa	35 years	Aug. 17
Laurence & Carol Bludau	30 years	Aug. 18

Flowers at the Altar of Sacrifice are in honor of Laurence & Carol Bludau’s 30th anniversary. Flowers at the podium are in memory of Frank & Roselee Henke, Frank Jurena & Stella Smolik by Dustin & Kristy Jurena Turner.

Promise of Marriage: Sandy Horton & Keith Foxell on August 22; Malori Bohuslav & William Palasota on August 29.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of *Ludwig Steinberg* of our parish family. *May he rest in the peace of Christ.*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

-St. Andrew Parish Picnic, Hillje.

MONDAY, AUGUST 17

-Rosary & evening prayer, 5:30 p.m. in church.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

-Quilting Circle, 9:00 a.m., KC Hall of Fame Room.
-Serra Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Jalisco’s Café.
-K.C.’s Officers Meeting, 8:00 p.m., KC Hall.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

-Spiritual Book Study, 6:30 p.m., Mary’s House.
-Divine Mercy Prayers, 7:30 p.m., Church Cry Room.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

-Baptism Preparation Class, 9:00 a.m. in the Rectory. Please call the Rectory in advance to register.
-Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church Picnic, Cistern. Polka Mass 10 am. Fried Chicken & Sausage Dinner 11 am. Auction, bingo, country store, game booths, music.
-Holy Rosary Church Bazaar, Rosenberg. BBQ Beef, Chicken & Sausage Meal 11 am. Auction, games.

AMONG OUR SICK: Hubert Grahmann, Alvin Rosenauer, Odessa & Doug Blumberg, Josie Ohnheiser, Clint Brewer, Mason Leibham, Riley Mika, Mary Bonorden, Annette Krupala, Anthony Corte, Amanda Conniff, Margaret Timm, Harry Jackson, Helen M. Appelt, Luke Bludau, Mary Kaiser, Michael Kutac, Rosalie Simpson, Ed Aulick, Paige Haas, Anita Kallus, Hubert Etzler, Jeff Zavesky, Renae Ross, Alma Jurena, Kate Kopecky, Michael L. Drozd, Bill Biehunko, Lindal Finley, Frank Fishar, Pam Dornak, Clayton Patek, Suzanne Romano, Mary Agnes Grahmann, Raymond Dornak, Bill Bludau, Alice Kocian, Anita Bohuslav, Theresa Steffek, Betty Toman, MacKenzie Fogle, Henri Mae Patek, Jennifer Lackey, Louise Pesek, nursing home residents & the homebound.

Parish Finance Council Meeting, 6:00 pm, & Parish Advisory Council Meeting, 6:30 pm, at Mary’s House on Monday, August 24.

We are scheduling pictures for August 25-29 & Sept. 1-5. Sign up will be held after all Masses on August 22 & 23 or you may call Linda Pavliska at 798-3253.

Group pictures will be taken in church after the 8:00 am Mass on **August 23** of Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Ushers & Altar Servers, and on **August 30** of Lectors, Cantors, Organists & Rosary Leaders. Members of these ministries are urged to be present.

Residents of Hallettsville Rehab & Stevens will have their pictures taken on **September 8** beginning at 10:00 a.m. If you would like to be present for your loved one’s picture taking, you are welcome to attend.

Honoring our Troops ... We will have a page honoring military personnel who are members of Sacred Heart Church. Please drop off a picture of your loved one at the Rectory so we can include them on our military page.

Father, hear our prayers & bless us with the gift of rain!

From the Desk of Father John

("Mass" continued from last bulletin)

Talk to your teens about Mass. If your teen loves to go to Mass, use this opportunity for faith sharing that strengthens your teen's relationship with you and with God.

If your teen is indifferent or doesn't like going to Mass, explain that there are some things in life that we do because they are good for us – whether we feel like doing those things or not. Mass is not about feelings. It is about giving ourselves to God. It is about discovering what purpose God has for our lives.

The best way to help your teen is by the witness of your own faith. If they see that the Mass gives meaning to your life, they will begin to search for that meaning in their own lives.

The End.



The Youth ConneXion



August 30: End of Summer Bash beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the Youth House.

September 13: CHAMPS will begin monthly gatherings at the Youth House. More information to follow.

Music Practice: Mondays, 5:00–6:30 pm, Youth House.

Religious Education (CCD) Janice Busselman ~ 798-3124

CCD registration is now underway. Registration packets have been mailed to previously registered families. If you have a new student to register, please come by the Rectory to pick up a new family packet. If you have any questions, please call Janice at 798-9164.

Prayer for Rain: Almighty God, we are in need of rain. We realize now, looking up into the clear, blue sky, what a marvel even the least drop of rain really is. We place our trust in You. Look on our dry hills & fields, dear God, & bless them with the living blessing of soft rain. Then the land will rejoice, & the rivers will sing Your praises, & the hearts of men will be made glad. Amen.



SACRED HEART QUILTING CIRCLE

In memory of Lucille Etzler:

Johnny & Pat Scherer 20.00

SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Alphonse Steffek:

Deacon Jerome & Evelyn Grahmann 15.00

In memory of Louis Rother:

Bill & Virginia Grafe 25.00

In memory of Lucille Etzler:

Peoples State Bank 10.00

Marcus & Marjorie Grahmann 20.00

SACRED HEART CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

In honor of Bill & Sweet Hrcncir's 60th Anniversary:

James & Joyce Bucek 15.00

Sacred Heart Parish Fall Picnic – September 6th

The Fall Picnic is almost here! If you have any cattle, antiques or other interesting items you would like to donate to the Auction, please call the rectory as soon as possible to give us ample time to advertise the items. Cash donations are also being accepted at this time.

Cattle: Marcus & Marjorie Grahmann- 20 mon. crossbred heifer.

Auction: Terry Bludau- 2 caps; Dorothy Nagelmueller- antique rocker; Ella Mae Bludau- doll cradle; Fr. John-Queen-size (91x100) *Quilters Flower Garden* Quilt.

Cash Donations: Georgie Henke-\$75; Leo & Evelyn Hoffer-\$500; Eddie & Catherine Kosh-\$100.

Sacred Heart Catholic School News ~ (361) 798-4251

First Day of School: Monday, August 17.

Band Booster Meeting: Tuesday, August 18, 5:30 p.m. Band Hall.

Booster Club Kickoff Hot Dog Supper: Wednesday, August 19, 7:00 p.m., Family Center.

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There was a man who lived on the edge of a small Midwestern town. He kept to himself, had his groceries delivered, and never ventured past his own front gate. No one made an effort to know him, and it stayed that way for nearly sixty years. When the man passed away, it was found that he had no family. The state-appointed lawyer for his estate ordered everything in his home sold or disposed of. Upon entering his home, the auctioneers found nearly every wall of the home covered in beautiful oil paintings, created by the man no one knew. He had a beautiful gift, yet he kept it to himself, and in doing so he deprived so many others of its beauty.

Today's Gospel reading from John continues the theme of Jesus as the bread of life. He tells those listening that whoever eats His flesh and drinks His blood will have eternal life. We hear these words at every Mass as the priest recites the similar words from the Last Supper. We hear them so often we might not even react to their true meaning. Yet imagine hearing them for the first time that day with Jesus! The people, who have already witnessed His miracles, still refer to Him as "this man." They cannot believe.

We approach the altar solemnly, reverently. The host is placed in our hands; "the body of Christ." We are offered the cup; "the blood of Christ." And with each gift, we respond, "Amen." And it is in that amen that we are truly saying, "Yes, in receiving the true body and blood of Christ, I am becoming the body and blood of Christ and wish to share it with others." Our faith, our belief in God's saving grace, "is a treasure of life which is enriched by being shared" (CCC 949). 2009 Liturgical Publications Inc



SACRED HEART SCHOOL OPERATING FUND

In memory of Lucille Etzler:

Arthur Etzler, Jr. 25.00

In memory of Patsy Steffek:

Dorothy Sullivan & Family 60.00

SACRED HEART EARLY CHILDHOOD & DAYCARE

In memory of Lucille Etzler:

Rhonda & Stanley Brown & family 10.00

Mike Patek & family 10.00