

**16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 19, 2009**

FROM FATHER KUNKEL

Today's Readings

16th Sunday
Jer 23: 1-6
Eph 2: 13-18
Mk 6: 30-34

Readings for 7/26/09

17th Sunday
2 Kgs 4: 42-44
Eph 4: 1-6
Jn 6: 1-15

MASS INTENTIONS JULY 20, 2009

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Marie Dolivka
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	John Behr Joseph Blacket Ellen Dumer (B)

(SI) Special Intentions (B) Birthday (A) Anniversary
(H) Health

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Each week's bulletin will list the names of person's known to be in ill health. Names are included in this listing by contacting the parish office. A name may be continued on the list, simply by calling the office.

Please pray for: Gloria Baronian, Catherine Beyer, Helen Blahus, Charles Crandall, Angela Dionne, Jerome Dolivka, Simon Driesen, Liz Fournier, Irene Frager, Diana Glos, Melissa Griffin, , , Michelle Hall (Mark), Ellen Heaps, Jo Anne Heaps Vida Hedrick, Gary & Cindy Hogan Jessica Hynes, Sandy Janiski, Agnes Kelly, Diana Keys, Tracy Knox, Bonnie LaPausky, Lorraine Heaps Lilley, Eddie Lott, Doug Mauzy, Bonnie Morris, Don Ryan, Thomas W Scheiber, David Traskey, James E. Webb, James E. W. Webb, Joseph Weidner, Gary Williamson.

SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF 07/26/09

Ministry	Sat 4 pm	Sun 8 am	Sun 9:30	Sun 11:15
Priest	HK	HK	HK	HK
Lector	C. Yost	V. Nowak	M. Krechel	T. Driesen
EM	D. Hughes	A. Chaney	L. Hebert	M. Rudell
	B. Mank	J Siegmund	M. Childress	N. Novicki
	L. Fritz	B. Weber	S. Furst	D. Friedman
	P. Fritz	B. Nowak	L. Panzer	S. Friedman
Server	M. Pitz	A. Usselman	M. Mislak	M. Girswold
	T.Sersen		L. Kline	C. Hushon
	C. Sersen	K. MacKey	N. Krechel	H. Hushon
Sacristan	S. Martin	A. MacKey	P. Kline	A. Hushon

BAPTISM

Through the Holy Waters of Baptism, we welcome into St. Mary's Faith Community....Brody Andrew Schmidt, son of Michael & Angela



Isn't that the way it always happens? You've just settled into your favorite chair to watch your favorite television show, and the phone rings! In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus and his apostles had just settled into a nice quiet resting, place, and the crowds came calling. What is it that these people were looking for from Jesus? Even better, what are we looking for?

Let me tell you what I'm looking for. I'm looking for a parish that knows what it is, that realizes that it is not just a group of people randomly thrown together by geography, but purposely called by God. I'm looking for a parish that understands that it does not just exist for itself; that knows, although it is very blessed with a good spirit and has a right to take care of itself and improve itself, it has a reason for existence outside of itself.

I'm also looking for a parish that is called into being to be a holy community, a people set apart from their surrounding culture, a light on a mountain, a witness to God's goodness, an example of human happiness and a promise of divine bliss. I'm looking for parishioners who know who they are, people who see themselves not primarily as parishioners of this parish or citizens of America or consumers of mammon - not even as spouses or parents or teenagers or children, but fundamentally as followers of Jesus Christ!

I'm looking for parishioners who are not controlled by their culture or pressured by their peers or driven by their desires. I'm looking for parishioners who are lured into goodness by their lovable God.

So, what are you looking for? It's hard to say out loud in a crowd, so let me guess. Most of us, most of the time, follow Jesus at a safe distance. But if we ever dared to come up and interrupt him like those crowds in Sunday's Gospel; and he turned around and asked us, "What do you want?" - would you just stand there and stare? Jesus would understand. He would look straight at us and announce, "You're looking for someone to know you better than you know yourself, aren't you? You're looking for someone to love you more than you love yourself, aren't you? You're looking for someone closer to you than you are to yourself aren't you? Well, you can stop looking! You already have all that! It is I."

ALTAR FLOWERS

In memory of Wanda Montoro by Daughters Sandi Hanky & Sue Detorie. In memory of James Verchow on the 1st anniversary of his death by his wife. If you would like to have a loved one either remembered or honored with a donation of flowers please call Sue Dieter at 410-836-1641.



PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to Your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights of life, liberty and the purist of happiness. Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people.

Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will.

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death". Lead us into a new millennium of Life. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen!

FINANCIAL REPORT, JULY 12, 2009

Envelopes contributors-Weekly	\$ 5, 551.50
Offertory Loose	855.50
Capital Campaign Pledges	6,148.22
Diocesan Collection	894.50
Poor Box	102.46
Envelopes Used	181
Attendance	592

SUMMER CONTRIBUTIONS

Now that summer is here, I would like to take this opportunity to wish al of you a happy and safe summer. Our parish is dependent on your contributions, especially during vacation season. We, as you, must still pay the utilities, salaries, etc.

If you use parish contribution envelopes and are away for some weekends, I ask you to please make up your contribution the following weekend.

You can also consider joining ParishPay. Your contributions will always be here even if you are away basting in the sun. The forms can be picked up in the vestibule of the church or call the parish office, Ext. 11.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks for your continued generosity.
Fr. Kunekl

MILITARY FAMILIES

The following are names of parishioners or their relatives who are currently serving our country in the military. May they feel the support and comfort of the prayers we offer for them.

Aaron Benjamin Leyko	Ensign Karen Twigg Ritchie
PFC James Borchardt	Major Randy Staab
Lt. Joseph Healy	MS Rose Leftridge
Michael Rezabek	Capt. Nate Koss
Sgt. Benjamin Yost	PFC Derek Knight
HM3 Christopher Baker	CPO James Fish
Capt. Craig Richters	Colonel William Fowler

Stg. William Royston	Colonel Tom Mikolinis
James Wheeler	PFC James Hale
CPO Anthony Clavijo	PRAN Richard D. Awalt III
SPC Sam W. Balzanna III	PZ2 Robert Thacker
AC Julia R. Gerick	Capt. Timothy Monaghan
Sgt. Matthew Warne	Private Vance Chapman
Anthony Cirillo	Sgt. Donnie Billin
Private Jason Snyder	Master Sgt. Richard D. Hughes
Daniel Culver	Lt. Scott Hebert
2 nd Lt. Charles Gruver	SGT. Eric Hoopert
PV2 Emril Getscher	Master Sgt. Larry Goulden
LCPL Joseph M. Wheeler	Major Sean Wilson
Sgt E-5 Harry Patterson	Pv. Samuel Bursell
Zachary Paup	Lt. Col Neil Salkowski
MM2 Michael Nickel	PVT Estee Lawrence
PFC James Raab	

Please remember in your prayers the brave men and women serving in our Armed Services. Pray for them, their families, for their safe return and peace. If you have loved ones serving in the military at this time of crisis, please call the parish office 410-879-4015 ext. 10.

HELP NEEDED!!!

Would you like to give some of your time to count the Sunday Collection? The collection is counted on Monday morning starting at 9:00 a.m. and there are 5 teams of counters. So you count every fifth week. Two new counters are needed and you must be 21 years of age or older. Please call Barbara, Ext. 11 to volunteer. Stan & Carla Markowski will be retiring after many years of counting and I would like to thank them for their dedication and support. You will be missed.

CATHOLIC REVIEW SUBSCRIPTION

Anyone receiving the Catholic Review received a letter in the mail this past week concerning the cost of the Catholic Review. In order to reduce some of our expenses the Finance Ministry, with Fr.'s approval, has decided to implement a new policy for the subscription process. Beginning this fiscal year, July 1st, anyone wanting to receive the review must pay for the subscription. The cost to the parish each year is approximately \$5,000.00 and we are trying to cut cost to the parish. Along with your letter of explanation you also received a renewal request. Please complete the renewal form and return no later than August 1st. We feel this will help our budget for the coming years.

If you do not received the Catholic Review and would like to please call the office for information.

Thank you for your support. Finance Ministry

KEY HOLDERS- RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BLDG.

Anyone with keys to the Rel. Ed. Bldg. Please return them to Barbara Sadler. Please place your keys in an envelope with your name and the reason you have keys. These keys will not work anymore once we open the new Parish Center. However we do want all keys turned in as soon as possible so we can get an accurate number of new keys ordered. Any questions call Barbara, Ext. 11.

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATIONS

Faith Formation registrations for next year have been mailed. Tuition will remain the same. Extra registration forms are available in the rectory if needed.

RCIA – If you or some one you know is perhaps interested in becoming Catholic, a new Inquiry Class will begin the First Tuesday of August. Call Janet Young in the Parish Office for further information, ext. 12.

High School Faith Formation: Wanted: Fun loving and question-asking adults to join parish youth in their faith journey. This year we will have 6 mini courses of three weeks each. Call Janet, ext. 12 if you would like to join in the fun. Classes will meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm-8:00pm. We moved our time so the Choir could have the Church on Thursday.

Children's Faith Formation needs you. If you would like to share your faith with children, grades Kindergarten through Eight, now is the time to let Janet Young, ext. 12, know your name and phone number. Actual grade level teaching time will be shorter next year and there is strength in numbers in our one room school house model in the Church. Our Sessions meet on Tuesday at 5:15pm and Wednesday at 4:45pm and 6:30pm.



We need catechists for the following classes:

Early Wednesday: Grades 1, 6, 7 and 8

Late Wednesday: Grades 1, 2 and 4

All of catechist vacancies were caused by school or work situations.



Children's Faith Formation
NEEDS A PERSON TO LEAD SONGS
DURING THE EARLY PART OF EACH
SESSION.

This is a perfect volunteer experience for a mom or dad who's child is in that session. Please call Janet Young, ext. 12, in the parish office if that person is you.

YOUTH MINISTRY

YOUTH MINISTRY PLANNING MEETINGS

Did you know that you can help plan events? Do you like to work with others? Do you want to improve your leadership

skills? If so, then come join us at our monthly Youth Ministry Planning Meetings. Youth and parents welcome. Summer date August 5th we meet at 7:00p.m. in the Rectory. You can make a difference.

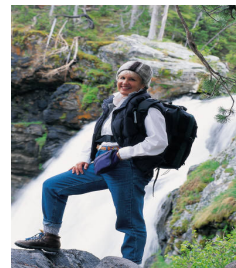
SUMMER SERVICE PROJECT

This summer we will be working at "Our Daily Bread" soup kitchen in Baltimore on Saturdays. Do you have a desire to serve and help our brothers and sisters in Christ? Come join us on August 15th. We will leave the church parking lot at 8:00 a.m. and return at 2:00 p.m. Give Ms. Rachel a call so I can send you an information sheet and permission form. STAND certified drivers are welcome. Help make a difference, let us serve one another.



DAY HIKE

For all the 6th - 12th grade youth. Come join us for a Day Hike to Falling Branch Waterfall on July 31st. We will meet at the playground at 12 noon with a bagged lunch, sunscreen, towel and water shoes. After lunch we will hike to Falling Branch Waterfall and enjoy some fun in the sun!!! Permission slip needed.



IRON BIRD BASEBALL GAME YOUTH MINISTRY FUNDRAISER

Our annual "Ironbirds Ballgame" for families of the Parish will be Sat. Aug. 1, 2009. It will include a free hat and fireworks. Tickets are on sale now. You can pick them up in the Parish Office. Cost of tickets is \$12.00.



CASCADE LAKE

BUS TRIP

Make sure you mark your calendars for August 4th when we will be headed to Cascade Lake for a day of Fun In The Sun. Cost is \$25.00 per person. We will leave at 12:45 p. m. at St. John Hydes and return at 10:00 p.m. Permission slips are due by July 27th.



PARISH ACTIVITIES

BIRTHRIGHT CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER BABY SHOWER UPDATE

St. Mary's Respect Life Committee thanks all parishioners who donated baby gifts/supplies/money during our annual baby shower.

If you wished to participate but forgot that it was taking place this past weekend, we encourage you to send a check made out to BirthRight with a note that the check is in conjunction with St. Mary's baby shower. Please send the check directly to:

BirthRight Pregnancy Center
38 E. Gordon Street
Bel Air, MD 21014

Thank you for all you do for Life!

FACE THE TRUTH TOUR 2009

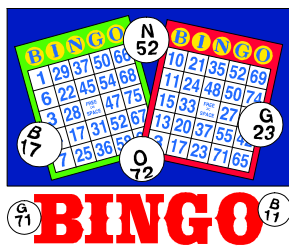
St. Mary's Respect Life Committee encourages parishioners to participate in one or more stops along the "Face the Truth Tour" during the week of July 27-July 31, 2009. Stops closest to our parish include Thursday's Towson stop 7:30 a.m.-9:00 a.m., Friday's White Marsh stop 11:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m., and Friday's Business Route 1 stop 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. The complete itinerary is posted in the vestibule of the church.

For additional information about the "Face the Truth tour," please go to the Defend Life website at www.defendlife.org.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Monday, July 20, 2009	
7:30 p.m.Baptism Prep
7:30 p.m.Scripture Study
Wednesday, July 15, 2009	
6:30 p.m.Cont. Music
Saturday, July 25, 2009	
Maintenance Collection
Sunday, July 26, 2009	
Maintenance Collection

**ST MARY'S
LUNCHEON BINGO
TO BE HELD AT
WHITEFORD
AMERICAN LEGION
TUESDAY,
AUGUST 4, 2009**



Join us for a relaxing day of bingo and lunch. While we are under construction on the Religious Education Building the Whiteford American Legion has been gracious to let us rent their hall for our monthly Bingo, Doors open at 10:00 a.m. and the low price of \$7.00 include admission, lunch and a regular bingo packet of 16 games, 3

cards to a sheet. For a small additional fee special games and extra bingo packets can be purchased. The Menu for August 4th is:

Subs: Ham & Cheese & American Cold Cut
Tostitos Chips & Ice Cream & Cookies

Jack-pot for next month will be \$325.00 in 59 numbers or less.

We also need help on Monday & Tuesday. If you can give some of your time please call Nancy @ 410-692-6363, Pat @ 410-836-1891 or Cheryl @ 410-557-9157.

RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE

Its that time again – time to make your appointment to donate blood at our next scheduled Bloodmobile.

WHEN - Thursday, August 13th

TIME - 1 to 7 p.m.

Appointments every 15 minutes

WHERE - Highland Presbyterian Church
701 Highland Rd.

Because of ongoing construction we will be having the Bloodmobile at Highland Presbyterian Church – another one of the churches which make up the group called North Harford Interfaith. Highland has been gracious enough to lend us their facility while St. Mary's is unavailable.

Highland is located south on Route 543 to RIGHT on Highland Road – follow around to church parking lot on the left. Highland Church is opposite the Old Highland School.

To make your life saving appointment please call in MD Theresa Driesen at 410-457-0451, in PA Jancie Bowman at 717-382-4198.

Remember – summer vacation time means a decrease in the number of donors and an increase in the number of accidents. Please consider donating.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Your children don't need to miss VBS because of construction this year. Bethel Presbyterian Church in Jarrettsville has invited us to join them for "Crocodile Dock".

Registration forms for "Crocodile Dock" at Bethel Presbyterian Church in Jarrettsville can be found in the back of the church.

When

Sunday, July 26 -Thursday, July 30

Time

5:30 pm - Dinner optional
(\$2 fee)

6:00 pm- 8:15 pm - VBS
(\$10. fee)

Ages

Kindergarten to 5th grade



For more information, check the back of the church or contact Denise Cicero @ 443-243-2180.

There will be a volunteer meeting at Bethel Presbyterian on July 20th at 4:00 p.m. for any adults or teens who wish to help out.