

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY	June 28 NO MASS
TUESDAY	June 29, Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles 6:30 p.m. +Abe & Eva Hesselschwardt
WEDNESDAY	June 30, First Holy Martyrs 9:00 a.m. +Rita Beatty
THURSDAY	July 1, Blessed Junipero Serra 6:30 p.m. +Clarence Meyer
FRIDAY	July 2 9:00 a.m. +Joseph W. Herr
SATURDAY	July 3, St. Thomas 8:00 a.m. +Pro-Life 5:00 p.m. +Paul Coressel
SUNDAY	July 4, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Nolan Family 10:00 a.m. +Elodie & Herman Steffel 11:30 a.m. +James & Helen Hetz

+ signifies the intention is for a deceased person

LITURGICAL ROLES

July 3:	SATURDAY – 5:00 P.M.
E. Ministers:	L. Vance*, F. Stritt, D. Wagner, D. & D. Weisgerber
Lector:	Beth Rath
Servers:	T. & B. Rath, E. Burns
Greeter:	D. & P. Wagner, E. & C. Weaver
July 4:	SUNDAY – 8:30 A.M.
E. Ministers:	R.* & C. Kehnast, K. Herman, C. Rath, B. Rath
Lector:	P. Lightle
Servers:	A. Herman, J. & M. Seibert
Greeter:	J. Bernal Family, B. Westrick
July 4:	SUNDAY – 10:00 A.M.
E. Ministers:	M. Roessner*, R. Small, S. Strickler, B. Weber, Tom Weber, J. Wiles, G. Zimmerman
Lector:	C. Sines
Servers:	L. Wiles, M. & N. Hammersmith
Greeter:	M. & N. Meyer, Bill Stanton Family
July 4:	SUNDAY – 11:30 A.M.
E. Ministers:	E. Martinez*, M. Mojica, M. Nezick, R. & L. Perez
Lector:	A. Frank
Servers:	A. Frank, A. Decker, G. Eustler
Greeter:	M. Wisda, M. & J. Koch
Brookview:	C. & R. Kehnast
Twin Rivers:	J. Drown/B. Rath
Hospital:	F. Commisso
Homes:	R. Deitrick, J. & P. Gillis, C. Rath, K. Herman

SUNDAY OFFERTORY REPORT

Collection Counters Tuesday: July 6th: E. Ott,
E. Westrick, C. Schira, B. Sheets

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS	6/20/2010
Sunday Envelopes & loose cash (225)	\$ 7,766
Children's Envelopes (4)	\$ 3
TOTAL	\$ 7,769
WEEKLY NEED	\$ 10,800
Projected Year to Date Need - 51 wk	\$550,800
Actual Year to Date Collections	\$511,885
Year to Date	LOSS (38,915)

SUNDAY MASS ATTENDANCE: 1007

The parish office will be closed the week of July 5 - 11. The telephone will be monitored for emergencies. There will be the regular Masses. Please have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Our thanks to Sr. Mary Dean Pfhaler, S.N.D. who represents the Toledo Diocese's Office of Global Concern for the Propagation of Faith this weekend.

Family Perspective: The gospel reports Jesus "set his face to go to Jerusalem" and his disciples could not dissuade Him from this commitment. The life changing commitments of marriage and parenting bind a family together. "No one puts a hand to the plow and looks back" because commitments "set our face" to a future we create.

2010 Collection for the Works of the Holy Father: Today we support the Holy Father in his charitable works. The Peter's Pence Collection is taken up worldwide in an effort of solidarity to support the most disadvantaged victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters and others in need of emergency assistance. Pope Benedict XVI has said, "God's love...gives us the courage to continue seeking and working for the benefit of all." (*Caritas in Veritate*, no.78). Cast the love of Christ upon the world – please be generous in today's Collection.

Celebrating Seniors: (INVITE A FRIEND) Tuesday, July 6th: Rosary starting at 10:40, Mass 11 a.m., followed with lunch. Program will be **Rev. Dr. Charles Singler**, Pastor of Holy Rosary Cathedral, Toledo. Fr. Singler will speak about the new Mass missal.

ACA Appeal: Thank you to those who have generously made their pledge to the ACA campaign. Of our parish goal of \$24,161, 60% or \$14,572 has been pledged from 128 families Please continue to send your pledges to the diocesan office or drop them in the Sunday collection basket. There are ACA envelopes in the bulletin holders

FAITH FORMATION

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Vacation Bible School, the *HIGH SEAS* “Exploring the Mighty Love of God,” was wonderful! There are so many people to thank. The most important is our director Addie Batt. She is such a hard-worker and so loving. Addie, “You are Beautiful”!

YOUTH MINISTRY: Join us this **Tuesday at 2** (this week until 4:00) for Games and Snacks.

Happy Birthday to Dom Romero, Zach Morris, and Sara Gomez.

See the Catholic cuisine website to celebrate the feast of St. Thomas on July 3 with Thomasstriezel, St. Thomas Fingers. Enjoy Mexican food on July 1, the feast of Father Junipero Serra, who founded a chain of missions in California.

See the Youth Group newsletter at stjohndefiance.org.

Vegetables Needed for Food Pantry: Fresh produce is something the Food Pantry is not able to supply regularly, and now is the time when home gardeners are wondering who all they can give their surplus to. We are the answer to your problem! Just drop off any extra you have to the Food Pantry at St. Mary, and we will see that our clients get it. We have some refrigerator space that we can use for fresh produce. We thank you for your generosity! The Food Pantry is always looking for people who would like to help out. Just give them a call at 419-782-2776.

Lectors, Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion – Please remember to keep your commitment to the ministry and to your schedule. Please also remember, that if you are not able to minister on the day and time you are scheduled, it is your responsibility to find someone else to take your place as a sub.

Sewer Project Update: The projected work date for boring between Third & Fifth Street is the week of June 28. Areas where the contractor is working will be closed to through traffic. Please use parking behind the church and enter through the atrium once they have begun boring in front of the church. Thank You!

NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!

The parish is **NO LONGER** collecting **ALUMINUM CANS** or **BATTERIES**. **PLEASE DO NOT** place aluminum cans behind the garage or batteries in the Atrium. *THANK YOU!*

**First Friday Adoration will be held on
Friday, July 3rd from 9:30 am until 5 pm.**

FAMILY LIFE

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PARISH DIRECTORY: Have you signed up for your directory picture yet? If not, you will be receiving a phone call from one of our volunteers this next week to make an appointment. We want to make this directory inclusive to all our parishioners and remember, having your picture taken entitles you to a free directory and free 8x10 photography. Please help us be successful.

If you are homebound and would like someone to come to your home to take your picture please contact the parish office; we would be happy to come and take a photo; you will also receive a free directory.

If you are not homebound and would like to submit a picture for our directory, there is a \$10.00 fee; that fee goes to LifeTouch who will be producing our directory.

If you have any questions this week about the directory pictures please contact Cheryl Urivez at 419-576-0471.

Haiti Relief: “When much has been given a man, much will be required of him. More will be asked of a man to whom more has been entrusted.” Luke 12:48

I offer a sincere thank you to all the people of the Diocese of Toledo who gave so unselfishly of themselves to help the people of Haiti after the January earthquake. Our people have donated a total of \$795,145.02 in that effort. \$600 thousand of that was donated through our Diocese and the balance of \$195 thousand was sent directly to CRS in Baltimore. Our brothers and sisters throughout the United States have contributed a total of \$141.1 million dollars. CRS is spending roughly 25% of these donations for immediate relief and the balance will be used over the longterm to assist with the massive rebuilding effort that will be needed. We have received much from God and are now using that to help His people. *Deacon Paul White*

First Saturday of Reparation: The first Saturday of the month is a day set apart for Our Lady to form us into the image of her Son. It is for making reparation for the insults, sacrileges and indifference committed against our Mother. It is time for family to come together and pray and to feel the presence and joy of god. Come this Saturday, July 3 for Mass at St. John’s beginning at 8 a.m. followed by video teaching, rosary and confession.

The latest issue of the *Catholic Chronicle* print edition is available this weekend (June 26-27). Be sure to pick up a copy before you leave church today. If you are not able to locate the paper, please ask an usher for assistance.



Congratulations to Dennis & Abbey (Miller) Sobceki on the baptism of their daughter, Brianna Lynn.

SCHOOL NEWS

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Holy Cross Catholic School Summer Time News: What a joy it was to celebrate the end of our first year at our new school! The family picnic was just the right way to celebrate and say thanks for a good first year! Summer vacation has barely started but we have been busy at Holy Cross Catholic School preparing for the coming school year.

Our attention has turned to how Holy Cross Catholic School will continue to provide the highest possible academic standards for all our students, Pre-K through 6th. New for the coming year will be that each of our upper grade teachers (Grades 3-6) will teach within their area of expertise: Mrs. Dawn Rohn in the area of Science, Mrs. Paula DeCola in the area of Reading/ English, and Mrs. Jill Mack in the area of Social Studies/ History. We welcome Mrs. Pam Lightle on the faculty for the coming year. Mrs. Lightle will be joining our upper grade teachers to teach in the area of Mathematics. We welcome Mrs. Mary Jones as one of our two Kindergarten teachers for the coming year. We know she, along with Kathy Greiwe, will create a learning environment that is loving, caring and safe for our Kindergarten students.

We celebrate all our long time teachers who bring a combined experience in teaching of over 240 years. This is experience we can trust and is priceless in achieving our mission of education. Religion classes will continue to be taught daily including sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion. Mass will be celebrated every Wednesday as we anticipate the construction of our new Chapel. We know that an environment filled with religion and faith will inspire our students to know, love and serve God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Some signs of progress: Parking has been expanded on the west side of the school (Clinton Street) and the large parking lot to the east of the building (Power Dam Road) to enable more parking spaces for weekly Mass and school functions. Our Capital Campaign continues to go forward as we close in our goal. Thank you.

Thank you to all who are supporting our education ministry at Holy Cross Catholic School – our efforts have been blessed and will continue to be blessed with God's grace. May God who has begun these good things in us, bring them to completion!

Sr. Lynda Snyder, Principal
Fr. Todd Dominique, Superintendent

Mission Statement

*Holy Cross Catholic School of Defiance
Provides a superior academic education
Which guides each student toward Lifelong service
and Christ-centered Decision making*

Attention Campers: The Annual Church Campout is July 23-25 at Huggy Bear Campground near Van Wert, Ohio. Please call 419-968-2211 to reserve your spot before June 30. Any questions call Dan & Deb Potter at 419-395-1062 or Doug & Deanna Zimmerman at 419-395-1924.

Stewardship and the Sunday Readings: "For the whole law is fulfilled in one statement, namely, *You shall love your neighbor as yourself.*" Paul repeats the very words used by Jesus about loving neighbor. The whole of stewardship is fulfilled in living out this command to love your neighbor as yourself. Said another way, embracing stewardship as a way of life, leads to living this great commandment. Embracing stewardship and loving your neighbor as yourself are mutually fulfilling.

NOCAC Summer Cooling Program: The HEAP Summer Cooling Program will once again be available in 2010 from July 1st through August 31st. This program provides assistance with the cost of summer cooling (electric bills) up to \$175. on a current electric bill and can provide a free air conditioner to eligible households residing in Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding and Williams counties. To be eligible you must be 60 years old and within 200% of the poverty guidelines or under 60 with a medical condition documented by a medical professional. To receive a payment towards the electric bill a disconnect notice is not required. Please contact NOCAC at 419-784-5393

Readings for the Week of June 27, 2010

Sunday:	1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21; Ps 16; Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62
Monday:	Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50; Mt 8:18-22;
Tuesday:	Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
Wednesday:	Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 50; Mt 8:28-34
Thursday:	Am 7:10-17; Ps 19; Mt 9:1-8
Friday:	Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119; Mt 9:9-13
Saturday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 117; Jn 20:24-29
Sunday:	Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12,17-20



I Michael Graziani & Paulina Martinez – July 17, 2010