

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH, ST. LOUIS, MO #34



### Monday, August 6th

6:30 a.m. The Purgatorial Society

8:00 a.m. Catherine Kuhn

### Tuesday, August 7th

6:30 a.m. Severin & Ruth Gadell

8:00 a.m. Junias E. Speas

### Wednesday, August 8th

6:30 a.m. Leona "Lee" Jones

### Thursday, August 9th

6:30 a.m. Casey Family Intention

### Friday, August 10th

6:30 a.m. Phil Meyer "Happy Birthday"

8:00 a.m. Garza & Fritz Family

### Saturday, August 11th

4:30 p.m. Parishioners

### Sunday, August 12th

8:00 a.m. Erine Weber

10:00 a.m. Jeff Goldone "Happy Birthday"

### Weekly Collection for FY 2007

Week of July 29, 2007 \$6,642.70

Average for FY 2007 \$6,525.40

Budgeted Average FY 2008 \$7,909.62

Donations to the Mission Co-Op on 7/21/07 \$1,381.50  
129 Envelopes Used

From the



Pastor's Desk

Fresh from vacation time, I realize again that I like the term "recreation", as it was originally meant—re-creation. When we break from our routine and go somewhere else (it even can work being fulltime at home for a change), we stop our usual habits and practices of how we go through a day. New influences, like nature or relatives (both are formidable) give us a new set of stimuli to respond to. I find that after a few days, my own powers of decisions and values re-emerges, but in a new context—everything's changed just a bit: Re-Created. This year I again had a lot of time with family, and a week of strong time at the ocean nearby. I value these days to get me off my beaten tracks a bit, and see all powers of nature and people fresh.

After all, we've had very contemplative readings these weeks. "Martha, Martha (the unceasing kitchen putterer), your sister Mary has chosen the better portion, to sit at my feet for awhile." And the prayer of Jesus, fit for a person of any religion: Our Father in heaven, your name is holy. Thy kingdom come on earth.

And not to worry, work has continued on the parish. The staff has taken turns on their own away times and kept things running well. I've met with our people and those from the Archdiocese to plan for our renovation and repair needs. We're entering an extremely active phase of parish life. May we all continue to find the "Mary" within us, and respect each others' needs and styles.

### RCIA



This acronym stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. By means of this rite and formation program we welcome new adult believers to the church. The program begins early fall and culminates with the celebration of the Easter sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about what it is to be Roman Catholic, contact Peter Hesel at 776-0363 for more information.

### SCRIPTURE REFLECTION by Peter Hesel

You can't take it with you. Today's scriptures might flippantly be summarized in this adage. Today we are given a sober reflection and an urgent exhortation to consider what really matters, what endures.

The first reading is filled with existential angst: our labor, our grief, our practical wisdom - all are wasted effort, vanity of vanities. The Gospel seems to echo this message, reflecting on the folly of trusting in possessions and in self. But unlike the nihilistic tone of Qoheleth, Jesus teaches that life itself is our treasure, not the material goods we possess.

It has been said that the richest place on earth is a cemetery, because there is buried inestimable wealth: unrealized human potential. What a waste. But Christ is opposed to all that is wasteful: the hoarding of the rich, the despair of the sinner, mindless lack of urgency, soulless lack of compassion.

As followers of Christ we understand our need for a savior. While we cannot entirely transcend all concerns with our material surroundings, these concerns can be transformed by identifying our deepest desire. "If you were raised with Christ," St. Paul writes, "seek what is above. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.



School  
News

Beginning August 1st to the 24th SMOS  
School hours are 9 am to Noon. First day  
of School is August 27, 2007.



Summer



## Calendar of Events

**Monday, 8/6**—SNIA 7p CH, School 8th graders 6:30p—9p RB

**Tuesday, 8/7**—Christian Formation Comm. 7p RMR, Men's Club 8p CH

**Thursday, 8/9**—Eucharist Adoration 9a-10p

**Saturday, 8/11**—Pastorial Facilitators 10am RMR

**Sunday, 8/12**—Social Justice 11:30—1pm RMR, Justice Faith after Masses RB, DuBourg Swing Dancers 6:30-8p CH



**PLEASE NOTE:** The following notices have been approved by Fr. Tom or the Rectory Staff.

### BIG SCREEN MOVIE

The Southwest Garden Association is sponsoring a big screen movie on August 11 at the pavillion in Tower Grove Park. The movie is the classic "Casablanca". The movie starts at 8:00 pm. The Bishop DuBourg swing dancers will perform at 7:30 pm. Just bring a lawn chair. It is free!!!

### ANNUAL KIRCHENFEST

St. Augustine of Canterbury in Hecker, IL will be holding their Annual Kirchenfest on Saturday, August 18th at Hecker Community Center Grounds and Building. Mass will be at 3pm and 5pm. Old fashioned fried chicken and pork sausage dinners including homemade dressings, German potato salad and other side dishes will be served at 3pm. There is also quilt/cash bingo, music, silent auction and a washer tournament. For more information you can call 618-473-9955.

### NEW SPECIAL CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

The Department of Special Education of the Archdiocese of St. Louis is announcing the opening of the St. Gemma Center. This is a program for Children with Autism and Developmental Disabilities aged 6—12 years. We are located at 15712 Clayton Road in Ellisville. Classes will begin Sept. 5th. Speech/language therapy will be provided and occupational therapy will be available. Please contact Ann at 533-3454 ext. 231 for more information or for an admission application. If you would like to make a donation to assist with start up costs, contact Sandy at 533-3454 ext. 229.

### CATHOLIC OFFICE OF DISABILITY MINISTRY

This year's fundraiser will be a Fun Run that will begin at Cardinal Rigali Center, go to Kenrick-Glannon Seminary and finish back at the Cardinal Rigali Center. It will be held on Saturday, September 15th beginning at 10:30am with registration beginning at 8:45am. If you pre-register fees are \$20 for individuals, \$50 for family (up to four). Registration fees the day of the race will be \$25 for individuals an \$60 for a family. For more information call 792-7185 or go online [www.stcatholics.org/codm](http://www.stcatholics.org/codm).

### ALTAR SERVERS

Sat. August 11th—4:30 p.m.

Tiara Fitzpatrick, Sean & Jackie Bittick



Sun. August 12th—8:00 a.m.

Leo Mitchell, Gabrielle & Madeline Hantak

Sun. August 12th— 10:00 am

John Barron, Nick Conway, Katherine Heses

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat. August 11th—4:30 p.m.

Carmela Garza, Sr. Mary Jo Ritter

Sun. August 12th—8:00 a.m.

Joyce Herleth, Bob Herleth, Barb Lenzini, TBA

Sun. August 12th—10:00 a.m.

Prudence Kramer, Kristen Ritter, Pat McGovern, Richard Buthod, Virginia Coates-Favron, Walter Hoff, Jerrod Gerstner, Julie Jones, Patty Duffy



### LECTORS

Sat. August 11th—4:30 p.m.

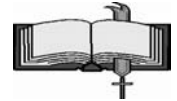
Kathy Petersen, Bob Malon

Sun. August 12th—8:00 a.m.

McGraw Milhaven, Bob Waltermann

Sun. August 12th—10:00 a.m.

Suzanne Bruce, Stephaine Ramey



### GREETERS FOR AUGUST

4:30 p.m. Lucille Shirley

8:00 a.m. Martha Brake

10:00 a.m. Patty Hendrickson



### COFFEE & DONUTS 08/12/07

Donut Pick-up: Tom & Ginger Purcell

Coffee for August: Mary Brake

Donut Clean-Up: Jerrod Gerstner



### DRIVERS

08-11-07 John Lenzini

08-12-07 Gary Pey

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

August 5 through August 12, 2007

Sunday: Eccl 1:2;2:21-23 Ps 95:1-2,6-9

Col 3:1-5,9-11 Lk 12:13-21

Monday: Dn 7:9-10,13-14 Ps 97:1-2,5-6,9

2 Pt 1:16-19 Lk 9:28b-36

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13 Ps 51:3-7,12-13

Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2,10-14

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2,25-14;1,26-29a,34-35

Ps 106:6-7a,13-14,21-23 Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13 Ps 95:1-2,6-9 Mt 16:13-23

Friday: 2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2,5-9 Jn 12:24-26

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13 Ps 18:2-4,47,51ab

Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9 Ps 33:1,12,18-22

Heb 11:1-2,8-19 or 11:1-2,8-12

Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40