

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time— *August 1, 2010*

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Wasted Work

Nobody likes to waste time. If someone has not done the job and it costs us time and effort, we get angry. If a company promised to deliver by a certain date and it misses the deadline, we are furious. If somebody does the job wrong, and we have to redo it, we hate it. We hate to waste time.

But some of the hard work we do is also wasted. Work may feel valuable because it fills our time. It feels worthwhile if we do it faithfully. But not everything we do has value. Some of it keeps us from doing more important things. Workaholics spend less time with family. People concerned with their own lives may volunteer less for others. Our work and our lives are important, but sometimes not as important as we think.

Oheleth says everything is vanity; everything is worthless. You spend your life gaining wisdom, knowledge and skill, but at the end of your life you give all your property to someone who has not worked for it. You work all day long. You spend your days in sorrow and grief and your nights without rest. The bleak descriptions by this Old Testament writer keep us humble about our work. We may not be as important as we thought.

Perhaps God gets frustrated with us too. Why do we waste our time? The time we spend with God is never wasted at all.

Readings For Next Sunday August 7 & 8

1st Reading...Wis 18:6-9
2nd Reading...Heb 11:1-2,8-19 or 11:1-2,8-12
Gospel...Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

ALTAR SERVERS (Week of August 2)

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| Monday | Noon | Jim Gates |
| Tuesday | Noon | To Be Contacted |
| Wednesday | Noon | Bud Koshewa |
| Thursday | Noon | Steve Sternberg |
| Friday | Noon | Communion Service |
| Saturday | 4:30pm | +J. Bowen, C. Schrodt, T. Ciacio |
| Sunday | 10:00am | +A. Judge, K. Gibson, M. Marti |

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MASS INTENTIONS (Week of August 2)

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| Monday | Noon | Joseph Newton |
| Tuesday | Noon | Cleo Leonhardt |
| Wednesday | Noon | Phoebe Mattingly |
| Thursday | Noon | Rita Carlisle |
| Friday | Noon | Communion Service |
| Saturday | 4:30pm | St. Raphael Community |
| Sunday | 10:00am | Vic Brizendine, Jr. |

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS (August, 2010)

4:30pm....David Worland (cpt), Joe O'Toole, Salvatore Rappa, Dan Murphy, Tom Murphy, **Need 1**
10:00am...Skip Kiesler, (cpt), John Ward, Peter DeZarn, Ken Kaelin, Mike, Jack and Patrick Heeb

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (August 7 & 8)

4:30pm...Team C...**Kathleen Gumbel, Cpt.**, Kevin Raque, Bud Koshewa, Carolyn Marcum, Carolyn Halvasron, Katie Monarch
10:00am...Team A...**Charlie Roth, Cpt.**, Joe & Judi Brashear, Sharon Roberts, Bob & Susan Meyer, John Werkman

LECTORS (August 7 & 8)

4:30pm...Dave Higgins & Rebecca Marcum
10:00am....David Meyer & Maureen Lassiter

GIFT BEARERS (August 7 & 8)

4:30pm...Sherry Eddings
10:00am...Crum Family

Stewardship Reflection

Tithing for July 25.....\$11,095

In the realm of faith, material possessions are a false security.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

7th and 8th Grade:

Thanks to all the Junior High Youth that worked Vacation Bible School. Your time and talent are greatly appreciated.

High School:

Thanks to all the High School Youth that helped at Vacation Bible School. You are great examples to the younger youth in the parish.

Youth Advisory Council will meet on Sunday, August 8, 2010. We still have positions available for those interested. Y.A.C. will be discussing our 2011 mission trip and planning events for the Fall. Contact Nick Cummins, Coordinator of Youth Ministry if you are interested in attending.

Food is Elementary Fundraising Dinner

Saturday, August 7 at 6:30pm
Foxhollow Farm Center
\$50 adults, \$25 children under 12
Benefits program at St. Raphael and other area schools.
For more information email jmackin@olivergroup.com.

The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth invite everyone to the Nazareth Picnic on Saturday, August 28 from 2-8pm on the Motherhouse Campus, near Bardstown, Ky. A fried Chicken dinner will be served in the air-conditioned Motherhouse Dining Room from 2-7pm. Hot-dogs and hamburgers will also be available on picnic grounds. A variety of prize booths will be featured. Raffle items include monetary prizes, a quilt, and other specials. Entertainment and children's activities will be offered throughout the day. For more information or to volunteer please call (502) 348-1500. Come and enjoy!

A Mass for young adults will be celebrated by Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz at 2 p.m. Aug. 1 at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 1960 Bardstown Road. It will be followed by an outdoor picnic and games

St. Joseph Children's Home need volunteers for their 161st annual Orphans' Picnic on August 14, 2010. The St. Joseph's Children's Home is looking for adult men and women to volunteer to work 3-4 hour shifts at a variety of booths and in the dining room. There is free parking in the back lot of the property.

They are also in need of cakes for the Cake Booth. Any flavor or style is appreciated. Cakes can be brought to St. Josephs or we can arrange to pick them up. If you cannot bake a cake, but would like to donate one, call Plehn's Bakery, 896-4438 and for \$7.95 they will bake a cake and deliver the cake to us on picnic day. For more information, please call Debra Thompson, 893-0241, ext. 272. All proceeds from the Orphans' Picnic go directly toward the care of the children. Thanks for your support!

Please patronize the sponsors of our bulletin. Their support makes this bulletin possible. This week's bulletin sponsor is **Gilkey Window Company**.

The Giants Club is looking for parish members who would like to join the **Coaches Committee**. It is a one year commitment. If you are interested please contact John Plumeri, Athletic Director at j.plumeri@insightbb.com or at 905-3063.

CALLING ALL ADULT VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS!! Leagues now forming. Get your team of six together, novice or advanced. Age requirement for playing, 21 years or older, no one under 21 may be in attendance. Call Samantha Wood, 649-4815 or 413-5963 for additional information.

Hand in Hand Ministries invites individuals to join their Immersion Trips to help the poorest of the poor in Belize City, Belize, Nov. 21 to 28. Additional trips are planned to Belize Feb. 6 to 13 and to Nicaragua Feb. 13 to 20. For more information or to apply to participate in one of the trips, call Hand in Hand at 459-9930 or reach them by e-mail at maryheleh@hhministries.com.

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to thank you for your most generous response to our ministry Cross International Catholic Outreach during my week-end visit on April 10-11, 2010. Your donations of \$9,172.52 will have a direct impact in the lives of the poorest of the poor. May the Lord continue to bless all of you for your love and support!

Sincerely,
Father Patrick Collins

A Charismatic Mass of healing will be held Aug. 13 at Our Mother of Sorrows Church, 770 Eastern Parkway. Father Bernard Weber will preside. Music begins at 7 p.m. Prayers for healing will take place after the liturgy.

Summer Hours for the Parish Office
Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:00pm
Friday 8:30am-1:00pm

Please offer your prayers for our sick family & friends in the St. Raphael Parish community:

Mary Lee Anderson, Helen Bethards, Charles Bauer, James Caudill, Richard Chandler, David Charmoli, Victoria Clark, Pat Conner, Robert Coury, Martha Creed, Connor Day, Mary Jeannette Durham, Sara Fante, Daniel Flynn, Frances Gibson, Sue Harris, Anita Hertelendy, Dolores Heuser, Scott Jacob, Rosemary Johnson, Mary Kautzman, Ann Kelton, Betty Kiefer, Damion Kline, George Koestel, Henry Krebs, A.C. Leonhardt, Tina Lomax, Charles Lucas, Andrew McKinley, Tom Meyer, Malinda O'Daniel, John J. Orthober, Ron Parrino, Connie Peters, Dr. Richard Phelps, Angelo Rappa, Tina Ray, Jean Reinstedler, Elfriede Smith, Elmer Smith, Carolyn Sweeney, Dorothy Thomas, Anna Maria Verwest, Jane Wagner, Carol Walls, Joe Welch, Lillian Werkman, Sarah Westerfield, Dorothy Wimsatt

(In an effort to keep the prayer list up-to-date, please notify the Parish Office of any additions or deletions.)