

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — July 19, 2009

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Uniting the Flock

When parents hand children over to other caretakers for the day, they rightly expect that those in authority will dutifully watch the kids. When religious and civil leaders accepted responsibility for the people of Israel, God rightly expected that they would watch the people with care.

It didn't happen. They failed. Through Jeremiah, God told the leaders of Israel that they were like hired shepherds who scattered the sheep and drove them away.

Several consequences resulted. God punished the irresponsible leaders, gathered the remnant of the chosen people back together, and appointed new leaders who would do the job right. God also promised something more. God promised to "raise up a righteous shoot to David," a king who would govern wisely and do what is just. We Christians believe that that prophecy was fulfilled in the coming Jesus, who rules as a righteous king.

God is no happier with bad leadership than parents are when caretakers mistreat their children.

Whom has God placed in your care? If God were to assess your leadership, how would you score? If God could use you to unite rather than scatter, what actions would you take?

Readings For Next Sunday July 25 & 26

1st Reading...2 Kgs 4:42-44
2nd Reading...Eph 4:1-6
Gospel...Jn 6:1-15

ALTAR SERVERS (Week of July 20)

Monday	Noon	Joe Thomas
Tuesday	Noon	To Be Contacted
Wednesday	Noon	Bud Koshewa
Thursday	Noon	Steve Sternberg
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	+M. Gumbel, R. Ballinger, B. Gumbel
Sunday	10:00am	+A. Bland, L. Sturgill, J. Gates

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MASS INTENTIONS (Week of July 20)

Monday	Noon	Dan Creed
Tuesday	Noon	Ray Fogarty
Wednesday	Noon	Communion Service
Thursday	Noon	Communion Service
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	Louis Gallitelli
Sunday	10:00am	St. Raphael Community

***If you have a mass scheduled for July 22 or 23, please call the Parish Office to reschedule.

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS (July, 2009)

4:30pm....David Worland, Cpt, Joe O'Toole, Ray Krebs
10:00am... Steve and Terry Haag, (cpts.), Steve Haag, Jr., Tim Haag, Brian Bientz, Don Axman, Jeff and Christina Wessling

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (July 25 & 26)

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

LECTORS (July 25 & 26)

4:30pm...Mark Raque & Krissy Raque
10:00am....David Meyer & Anne Raymond

GIFT BEARERS (July 25 & 26)

4:30pm...To Be Contacted
10:00am...To Be Contacted

Stewardship Reflection

Tithing for July 12.....\$15,253

Stewardship does not mean you should pack your life full of more and more activities till there is no time left. Christ tells us to take a break once in awhile. Part of stewardship of time is rest.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Junior High: Junior High Youth Group is going to Glass Works on Monday, the 27th of July. We will meet at the Youth Basement at 9:30 and get back at 2pm. The cost is \$5.

Senior High: Senior High is having Outdoor Game Night on Wednesday the 29th of July. We will be playing: capture the flag, flashlight tag etc. The grill will be in full effect! The event starts at 7pm and ends at 9pm.

Holiday World

Youth group is going to Holiday World on the 21st of July. This event is open to both Junior and Senior High Youth groups. If you are a youth that is interested in going please contact Nick Cummins at nkcummins@bellsouth.net.

If you are a parent interested in chaperoning, then please contact Nick Cummins at 458-2500 ext. 141. All adult chaperones must have safe environment training and background checks on file in the parish office.

The cost of the trip is \$36 dollars, which includes tickets and transportation. We will meet at 8am at the Youth Basement on the day of the trip. Hope to see you there!

Thanks!

The parish would like to thank the youth who worked the soda booth during the picnic. Everyone did an excellent job. Good work youth group!

Helping Hands Collection — School Supplies — July 25/26

Highland Community Ministries and Sister Visitor Center both serve low income-individuals and families in our area. Currently they are in need of the following items: Pencils, pens, colored pencils, crayons, folders (2 pocket), paper-wide ruled notebooks, graph, college ruled, notebooks—3 subject, assignment, composition, and steno notebooks, tablets—grades 2 & 3, pocket dictionaries and thesaurus, and any new or gently used uniforms items.

In addition to school items the Sister Visitor Center is always in need of personal hygiene supplies (soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorants, etc.). Any over the counter medicines are also needed (Tylenol, Aleve, Advil, Allergy Medicine, Baby Aspirin, etc.).

The Archdiocese of Louisville Deacon Office is currently accepting applications for the next Deacon Formation Class which will start July 24, 2010. If you are interested in the Permanent Diaconate and want to learn more about the application, selection and the four-year training process, there will be a Deacon Information Session on Sunday, July 26, 2009 at Incarnation Parish, 2229 Lower Hunters Trace, Louisville, KY, from 2 - 4 PM. If married, your wife should also attend, if possible. Reservations are not necessary. For more information, please call the Deacon Office at 636-0296 or email to Diaconate@archlou.org.

Volleyball Tryouts are coming up!!!

7/27 Monday & 7/29 Wednesday 5-6:30pm for 3rd & 4th graders
7/27 Monday & 7/29 Wednesday 7-9pm for 7th & 8th graders
7/28 Tuesday & 7/30 Thursday 6-8pm for 5th & 6th graders

***Samantha Wood is the volleyball coordinator. If you have any questions or cannot make tryouts please email Samantha at samanthalwood@yahoo.com.

Catholic Charities Senior Services presents its 7th "Annual Senior Day" Thursday, August 6 at Bellarmine's Frazier Hall. Speakers will be Bob Mueller of Hosparus and Lynn Harrelson of Senior Pharmacy Solutions. Exhibitors, light refreshments and door prizes included. Doors open at 9am, program starts at 10am. Cost per senior is \$5, due by July 31, \$10 after July 31. Send name, phone #, & check (no cash please) to:

Senior Day
2911 South 4th St.
Louisville, Ky 40208

For more information please call Jackie Gahlinger at 637-9786.

Catholic Charities' Migration & Refugee Services, 2911 S. 4th Street, a special resettlement service program for refugees through the Archdiocese of Louisville is having a "Back to School Drive" for the month of July and August. Particular school supply items that are needed for refugee children include back packs, rulers, erasers, glue, scissors, pencils, pens, colored pencils, markers, folders, notebooks, wide rule paper, and school uniform attire (navy blue and khaki pants along with white and blue colored dress shirts or polo shirts). In addition the following items are always needed: lamps, couches/sofa, kitchen tables with chairs, dressers/chest of drawers, full and twin size beds (frames, mattresses, and boxsprings) and numerous household goods (such as towels, washcloths, pillows, clock radios, lamps, twin/full bed sheet sets, mop buckets, laundry baskets, mops, brooms, dust pans, sponges, light bulbs, waste baskets, pots and pans, and various kitchen utensils). Volunteers are also needed. Please call Chris Clements, Community Resource Developer, at 636-9263, ext. 125.

Tuition Booklets...If paying tuition on a monthly basis for the upcoming school year, you will be receiving your blue envelopes through the mail. As a reminder your first tuition payment is due August 1.

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

Bernadine Allbritten, Helen Bethards, Charles Bauer, Lucille Bauman, Jo Ann Carroll, James Caudill, Richard Chandler, David Charmoli, Victoria Clark, Pat Conner, Robert Coury, Martha Creed, Connor Day, Mary Jeannette Durham, Sara Fante, Daniel Flynn, Kay Forsthoefel, Frances Gibson, Sue Harris, Marcella Horney, Mary Kautzman, Damion Kline, Albert Knabel, George Koestel, Henry Krebs, A.C. Leonhardt, Cleo Leonhardt, Phyllis Lippy, Marilyn Malone, Andrew McKinley, Tom Meyer, Bob Moore, Malinda O'Daniel Ron Parrino, Connie Peters, Dr. Richard Phelps, Tina Ray, Jean Reinstedler, Joesph Sauter, Elfriede Smith, Elmer Smith, Dorothy Thomas, John Tichenor, Anna Maria Verwest, Jane Wagner, Carol Walls, Mary Warken, Lillian Werkman, James Whelan, Dorothy Wimsatt,

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