

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — July 5, 2009

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Speaking When No One Listens

Whenever you have something to say, not everyone is going to listen. Some people will roll their eyes. Others will wait until you're done and then change the subject. You don't always get the admiring audience you want.

For some reason, this never stops God from putting passion into the human heart. Our faith becomes a part of us. We link our identity to it. When we see someone challenging something we believe in, we cannot keep quiet. We have to speak up.

It feels good to say what we think. It feels good to let the strongest beliefs inside us have voice and air. It feels good to have other people know what matters the most to us.

But some people don't listen. They do not heed the word we speak. They patronize us with kind looks or light applause.

But God keeps putting the word into the human heart.

When Ezekiel spoke God's word to people who were hard of face and obstinate of heart, God knew the word might not change them. But some good would come. "They shall know that a prophet has been among them."

Even if people do not listen to our words, they know that a prophet was there.

Readings For Next Sunday **July 11 & 12**

1st Reading...Am 7:12-15
2nd Reading...Eph 1:3-14 or Eph 1:3-10
Gospel...Mk 6:7-13

ALTAR SERVERS

(Week of July 6)

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. Hamilton, C. Hoehler, T. Spalding
Sunday	10:00am	+A. Cherry, J. Cherry, D. Chandler

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MASS INTENTIONS

(Week of July 6)

Monday	Noon	Bob Blair
Tuesday	Noon	Phoebe Mattingly
Wednesday	Noon	Communion Service
Thursday	Noon	Communion Service
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	Louise S. Lynch
Sunday	10:00am	St. Raphael Community

***if you have a mass scheduled for July 8,9,15,16,22 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 11 & 12)

4:30pm...Team A...George Gates, *Cpt.*, Mike Armes, Judy Fieldhouse, Don Bayers, Joan Raap, Cleo Leonhardt, Marty Purcell
10:00am...Team E...Bee McCormick, *Cpt.*, Tom McCormick, Jeff Spoelker, Gerry Cambron, Ann Spencer, Jack Sullivan, Jan Pardieu

LECTORS

(July 11 & 12)

4:30pm...Dave Higgins & Abbie Creed
10:00am....Tom Fleischer & Horace Lynch

GIFT BEARERS

(July 11 & 12)

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

Stewardship Reflection

Tithing for June 28.....\$16,193

Stewardship is a faith response. Christ could not perform good works without faith. Neither can we. If faith without works is dead, so are works without faith.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Junior High: Junior High Youth Group will be going to the Movies on July 6th. Please contact Nick Cummins at: nkcummins@bellsouth.net for more information.

Senior High: Senior High Youth Group will be going to Laser Blaze on July 8th from 7 until 9pm. The cost is \$15. Tag, you're it!

Opportunity to Travel:

National Catholic Youth Conference or **NCYC** will be held November 19-22, 2009 in Kansas City, MO. Our parish is allowed to take up to **6 youth group members**. NCYC is for High School Youth Group members that *actively participate* in their parish programs. Two years ago the Archdiocese of Louisville took 300 hundred youth to Columbus, Ohio. We joined 20,000 other young Catholics in prayer, mass, small group sessions, and worship. More information about NCYC will be available at High School youth nights on Thursdays from 7 to 9 pm.

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!

St. Raphael Football Clinic

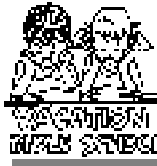
For all St. Raphael parish kids grades 3 - 8 interested in football. This is a voluntary clinic that is free of charge.
July 7-9 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm
To sign up/questions call Jeff Hofmann 664-6760

If you have recently moved or had a change in your phone number, please indicate these changes on the back of the yellow mailing envelope that your regular Sunday contributions are in. However, you are more than welcome to call the Parish Office directly and make these changes over the phone. Thank You!

"God's Beautiful Design for Married Love" is an opportunity to discover the benefits of using Natural Family Planning in a marriage. A panel will address the theological, medical, and concrete applications on Tuesday, July 14, 7-8:30pm at St. Margaret Mary. Registration is necessary for seating - call Carolyn at 636-0296 ext 1256. Come listen and learn.

Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers to help update donated computers and repair donated bicycles. In addition, the agency also is in need of household items for refugee families. To volunteer or donate, call Chris Clements at 502-636-9263, ext. 125.

Healing Service Conducted by Fr. Bernie Weber, C.P. at Holy Family Church Tuesday, July 14 from 7-9 pm. All are welcome.



Vacation Bible School

July 20-24

During Vacation Bible School (VBS), the children will spend a whole week discovering more about the Catholic Mass and deepening their love for Jesus in the Eucharist through faith teachings, music, games, crafts and snacks! While having fun doing activities they will learn about the Mystery, the Gift, the Celebration, the Meal and the Call of the Mass. Additionally the participants will be introduced to the virtues of Patience, Peace, Unity, Faith & Generosity. In order to make VBS a wonderful experience for the children of St. Raphael, we need adult volunteers. If you are interested in helping, please call Carolyn Marcum at 472-8429.

Highlands Community Ministries Senior Services' Meals on Wheels program needs volunteers to pre-pack meals for clients on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and for drivers to deliver meals from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. For information, contact Donna Douglass at 459-0132. Senior Services is located at 2000 Douglass Blvd.

Picnic News...The picnic committee would like to thank all those that volunteered and help make this years picnic a "Giant" success. Thanks to all those who gave their time, talent and treasure. It was certainly appreciated. Plans and suggestions are underway to make 2010 even better. Please remember to return your signs to the back of church.

St. Raphael Parish,

The family of Bob Bethards wishes to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the prayers, the mass and the support during his funeral. Especially Fr. Jim Hackett, Deacon Robert Dever, Don Watson and the Choir, the Eucharistic Minister and the Altar Servers. Also, special thanks for the great service of Bereavement Committee, that provided and served the food to our friends and family after the Mass and to the Parish Staff that brought it all together. God bless you all.

Day Spring will have a yard sale July 11 from 9 a.m. to noon in Stuart Hall at St. Margaret Mary Church, 7813 Shelbyville Rd.

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 Knel, George Koestel, Henry Krebs, A.C. Leonhardt, Cleo Leonhardt, Phyllis Lippy, Marilyn Malone, Andrew McKinley, Tom Meyer, Bob Moore, Charlotte Nall, Malinda O'Daniel Ron Parrino, Connie Peters, Dr. Richard Phelps, Jack Raque, 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.)



Happy 4th of July!