

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time B 1
Numbers 11:25-29

The Annoying Choices of the Spirit

When other people overstep their boundaries, we usually object. We don't need the inexpert help of well-meaning busybodies who get in the way.

The problem is especially strong when people step into our own area of expertise. If you have devoted your life to a craft or skill, it's not right for some amateur to take more attention than you receive. If you trust your own advisors, you don't need help from someone who does not fully understand the situation.

However, the Holy Spirit has a very annoying habit of offering us help through people who otherwise shouldn't have much influence at all.

Take Eldad and Medad, for example. In the Book of Numbers, God sent some of the spirit that was on Moses to the seventy elders, and they prophesied. But Eldad and Medad were not in the gathering at the time. The spirit came to rest on them anyway.

When Eldad and Medad came back to the camp, they prophesied, too, but a young man complained about it to Moses. They had overstepped their boundaries. "Stop them," he pleaded.

But Moses wished that God would send the spirit of prophecy on all the people.

Sometimes God speaks to us through people we'd rather not listen to at all.

Readings For Next Sunday
October 3 & 4

1st Reading...Gn 2:18-24
2nd Reading...Heb 2:9-11
Gospel...Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

ALTAR SERVERS

(Week of September 28)

Monday	Noon	Joe Thomas, C. Raymond, K. Conway
Tuesday	Noon	To Be Contacted
Wednesday	Noon	Bud Koshewa
Thursday	Noon	Steve Sternberg
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	+N. Spoelker, T. Clark, J. Bowen
Sunday	10:00am	+A. McCormick, R. Ballinger, M. O'Hara

+denotes Crossbearer

MASS INTENTIONS

(Week of September 28)

Monday	Noon	Dec. Mem. Of the Thomas & Lally Family
Tuesday	Noon	Dottie Karibo
Wednesday	Noon	Phoebe Mattingly
Thursday	Noon	Linne Holland
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	St. Raphael Community
Sunday	10:00am	Louis Spoelker, Jr.

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS

(October, 2009)

4:30pm....David Worland (cpt), Joe O'Toole, **Need 4**
10:00am... David & Joan Winkler (cpts), Steven & Grace Sternberg, Karen Willinger, Richard Link, Roland & Nubia Miracle

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

(October 3 & 4)

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

(October 3 & 4)

4:30pm...Rebecca Marcum & Zach Montgomery
10:00am....Lisa Hartung & Jim Mueller

GIFT BEARERS

(October 3 & 4)

4:30pm...Mark & Jean Deignan
10:00am...Delaney Family

Stewardship Reflection

Tithing for September 20.....\$11,258

The practice of stewardship should not provoke quarrels and factions. There are many different ways a person or a parish can practice stewardship. Anyone who is trying to practice stewardship is part of a common journey in faith.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

7th and 8th Graders

Junior High Youth group will host a cookout on Tuesday, **September 29th** at 6PM. We will have food and refreshments.

High School

High school youth advisory board will be meeting on Thursday, **October 1st** to plan activities for October and November. This event is from 6:30-8:30PM.

Special Thanks

We here at Saint Raphael's Youth Ministry would like to give a special thanks to all the youth who, helped set up, supported and walked in the Saint Vincent De Paul's friends of the poor event at Churchill Downs. Great job youth group!

Queen's Daughters luncheon and card party will be held October 1 from 10am-2pm at Audubon Country Club. The event will include silent auction and country kitchen. The cost is \$22 and reservations are required. Call 896-6753.

Highlands Cup 5K Run/Walk and Pancake Breakfast, Saturday, October 3. For more information please contact Stan Esterle at HCM - (502) 451-3695

Catholic Charities Senior Services, is again partnering with other community agencies for the **Semi-Annual Expired Drug Toss Days in May at three sites** in Jefferson County. This collection offers a safe way to dispose of pharmaceuticals and protects our water, soil and air from harmful contaminants. Items accepted include, tablets, capsules, creams, ointments, eye drops, and nasal sprays. All pills should be placed in one zippered plastic bag and personal information should be marked out on vials before arriving the drive-through site. For more information call Jackie Gahlinger at **637-9786**. The site for St. Raphael Parish is:

Middletown Christian Church (500 North Watterson Trail 40243) Saturday, October 10 from 10am-2pm.

"**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, October 13, 7-8:30pm at Basilica of St Joseph, 110 N. Fifth Street, Bardstown, in the Maloney Room. Registration is necessary for seating. Call Carolyn at 502-636-0296, ext 1256. Come listen and learn.

Monday Fund Day to Support Highlands Community Ministries - Monday, September 28, 11 am - midnight Eat at O'Shea's Family of Restaurants: O'Shea's, 956 Baxter, Flanagan's, 934 Baxter, or Brendans, 3921 Shelbyville Road where 100% of days proceeds support HCM.

New Beginnings, a support group for the widowed, separated and divorced, meets at 7 p.m. each Thursday at Church of the Epiphany, 914 Old Harrods Creek Road. For information, call 425-2772.

Save the date for the 3rd Annual Taste of St. Raphael
Saturday, January 23, 2010

Silent auction items are now being accepted, please consider making a donation (via a themed basket, your creative skill, your access to fun destinations, dinners, ball game tickets, sports memorabilia, etc.) towards this fun event that benefits St. Raphael School classrooms and facilities. Contact Jennifer Neal, Auction Chair at 1234neals@insightbb.com and/or visit www.tasteofsr.org to view photos from last year's full event and watch the 2010 event grow!

Volunteers are needed to serve in Catholic Charities' elderly refugee program that serves clients age 60 and over. Volunteers work one-on-one with a refugee on communication skills, cultural orientation and citizenship classes and serve as chaperones for field trips. Hours are 10 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Resurrection Episcopal Church, 4100 Southern Parkway. For information, call 636-9263, Ext. 125.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S INITIATIVE Breakfast. Author Laraine Bennett will speak on "**Revealing the Beauty of Temperament**". Saturday, October 10, 9:00A.M -11:30 A.M. at the Standard Country Club. Ms. Bennett will offer inspiration, real life tips and solutions in understanding our temperament. Cost is \$30 and proceeds **benefit Louisville Archdiocesan Seminarians**. For reservation call Leigh Jarboe at 812-786-1350. Sponsored by Louisville Regnum Christi Women.

The **Hunger Walk** 2009 Miles for Meals a 5k Race & Walk Sunday, October 18 at Waterfront Park. Last year's Hunger Walk provided over 200,000 meals to our neighbors in need. Register online: www.thehungerwalk.org or call Dare to Care Food Bank (502) 966-3821.

Could you spare one hour a week to help a child?... Brooklawn's Tutoring Program needs adults to work with some of our high school students in math or reading. Our experience has shown that one-on-one time spent with the boys improves their willingness and ability to learn. Tutors are matched with individual students and will meet once a week for about an hour. Tutoring sessions occur at Brooklawn on Monday's through Thursdays from 3:30-7pm. Please contact Literacy Coordinator Christina Clements at 515-0446 for more information. You can make a difference in a child's life!

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

Bernadine Allbritten, Mary Lee Anderson, Helen Bethards, Charles Bauer, Mary Rose Brizendine, 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, Charles Lucas, Marilyn Malone, Andrew McKinley, Tom Meyer, 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, Marty Wiehebrink, Dorothy Wimsatt,

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

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