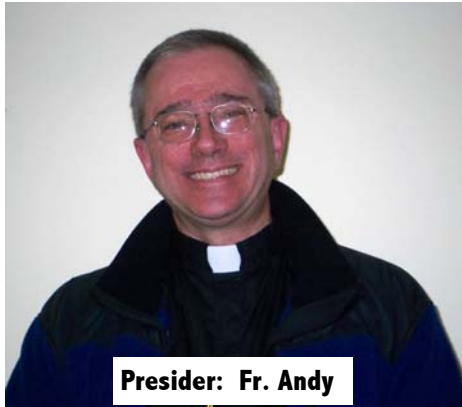


RCIA Classes: will start Tuesday, October 7, at 7pm in O'Neill Hall. If anyone is still interested in joining the class they should contact Shirly @ 262-9654. Thank you, parishioners, for praying for the RCIA. We have a nice size class signed up this year. Please continue to pray for the RCIA program. Thank you.



President: Fr. Andy

Survey Results of the Generations of Faith time: of 201 votes, 89 clearly chose Sunday at 1/3:30pm as the best time for the program. Sunday 5/7:30pm was 45 votes, and Wednesday had 67 votes. The first session will be November 23 at 1pm; please stay tuned for further updates.

Loving Hearts, Caring Hands Day of Caring is Saturday, October 11th at 1pm-3pm at the hall. Here is an opportunity to do a kind service for our elderly in the community. We will be washing windows, raking things, and putting things away for winter. If you can, please bring your rakes and window cleaning supplies.

Meetings:

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting on October 11th, 10am in the Hall. This meeting is a required meeting. Please bring your child's baptismal record if not baptized here at Our Lady of Perpetual Help.
 Generations of Faith team meeting Monday at 6:30pm; anyone who wishes to come is welcome.
 Confirmation Class on October 13 at 5:30pm at the hall.
Baptismal Class for parents is scheduled for October 21 at 7pm in the hall. Please call to register: 262-5542.



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Bulletin for October 5, 2008

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard sent messengers to collect his share of the harvest from the tenant farmers, but there was not a single good steward on the property! God is the owner, we are the tenants. What sort of stewards are we?

Saturday, October 11, 2008 5:00pm	Sunday, October 12, 2008 9:00am	Sunday, October 12, 2008 11:30am
Eucharistic Ministers:		
Cathy Atkinson Cheryl Hammarstrom Steve Hammarstrom Bill Sadler Charlotte Sponsel	Cindy Irwen Theresa Carroll Ron O'Lena Tonilyn Spring Remy Spring	Shirley Aleckson Thelma Antila Marguerite McIntosh Marylou Nushart Lynn Senette
Lectors:		
1st reading: Monty Murray 2^{ns} reading: Tamara Slone	1st reading: Laurie Kapp 2nd reading: Eli Woodvine	1st reading: Jean Kudyba 2nd reading: Jackie Swanson
Altar Servers:		
Grey Hansen	Jacob O'Lena Kyle Shassetz	Georgie Forrest Willa Forrest
Mop & Bucket: 10/6 — 10/11 , Mark Glassmaker family Collection Counters: 10/12 , Kathryn Dunnagin & Cathy Haas		

Calendar October 6 — October 12, 2008

October 6, Monday: Noon Eucharistic Service

Morning prayer, 7:30am
 Generation of Faith Team meeting, 6:30pm

October 7, Tuesday: Noon Eucharistic Service

Morning prayer, 7:30am

October 8, Wednesday: Noon Eucharistic Service

Morning prayer, 7:30am

October 9, Thursday: Noon Eucharistic Service

Morning prayer, 7:30am
 Reconciliation: 11—11:45am
 Eucharistic Adoration starts after noon service

October 10, Friday: Noon Mass

Morning prayer, 7:30am
 Eucharistic Adoration continuous from yesterday, ends before noon Mass

October 11, Saturday: 5pm Mass

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting, 10am
 Reconciliation, 4:00pm

October 12, Sunday: 9:00am, 11:30am Masses

Good Stewards of All God Has Given Us

God is the source of all things. God calls us to be accountable, as any steward is accountable, for all the things that God has given to us. We are accountable for 100 percent of all we have in our possession. That means all of our time, our talents or gifts, and our treasure. Tithing helps us to manage better than 100 percent. To be able to tithe absolutely requires that we learn to manage well all that we have and all that we are. Every one of us can learn about money, about ourselves, about God as we grow in our ability to be good stewards of all that God has given us.

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Please Note the Changes Below:

Because We, as a Parish, are committed to using our gifts for the Oktoberfest scheduled for October 24-25, and many hands will be needed, we are moving the Stewardship weekends to November 1/2 and 8/9 after all Masses.

Annual Stewardship Drive ...

"The Lord does us the honor of placing his confidence in us and calling us to the ministry, showing us his mercy. This call is not reserved for a few it is for everyone, each in his own state of life." ~Pope John Paul II~ Join us after Mass on **Sat/Sun November 1st & 2nd** and also on **Sat/Sun November 8th & 9th**. Please take this opportunity to share your time & talent with our Church family & win a prize in the drawings being held after the Stewardship Drive. Find out what ministries are in need of your talents. "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace. ~1Peter 4:10~

Teen Night is this Sunday October 5th at O.L.P.H. from 5 to 8 p.m. Come join us for faith, fellowship and fun as we celebrate a teen-centered, family-welcome mass, a teen-only dinner and a few rounds of laser tag at Hawk's Games. Permission slips are in the foyer next to the teen bulletin board. Transportation to Hawk's Games will be provided. Cost is \$5 per teen; financial-need scholarships are available. For more information, contact Adam Bell at 262-4956.

Worry ---NO! Thanksgiving ---YES!

"Do not worry about anything." That's the good news for today taken from Paul's letter to the Philippians. Worrying about what we can't control is useless and ultimately harmful. We know that medical science has closely tied worry to heart trouble, blood pressure problems, ulcers, thyroid malfunction, migraine headaches, and a host of stomach disorder, among others. The bottom line is:

worry and anxiety are not good for us --- not good for our bodies, not good for our spirits.

Corrie Ten Boom spoke of the unraveling effects of worry, when she said, "worry does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow, but it empties today of its strength." When St. Paul tells us not to worry about anything, he doesn't just stop there. He also tells us that we should pray for what we need, and do it with thanksgiving in our hearts. He wants us to ask for what we need but to be thankful at the same time. Some people say that we should thank the Lord ahead of time for the favors for which we are asking. For example, if I'm praying that I pass my examination, I should thank the Lord for my passing mark even before I receive it. I'm not sure this is what Paul is talking about, but it seems a bit presumptuous to assume that God is going to give us exactly what we ask for.

Perhaps Paul is reminding us that we need to have a grateful spirit in our lives and in our prayer because he tells us that the result of our prayer will be the gift of peace --- a peace which surpasses understanding. If we receive the peace of God, then it follows that we won't worry about anything. Having God's peace in our hearts means knowing that all is well in the universe because God is holding all things in safety. As someone has so wisely said: "**Do not be afraid of tomorrow; for God is already there.**" Peace!

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Journey to Bethlehem

As the daylight fades and the cold weather approaches, we have a tendency to become less active. The busyness of the upcoming holidays pervades our activities. One way to renew our spiritual, mental and physical well-being is to pray and to get our bodies moving. Why not combine the two?

The Health Ministry team is sponsoring a "Journey to Bethlehem," which is designed to exercise our body, mind and spirit as we get closer to Advent and prepare for Christmas. Here's how it works.

- Joseph and Mary traveled from Nazareth to Bethlehem as they anticipated the birth of Our Savior. You too can make this journey and behold the miracle of the season.
- Participants receive a small devotional booklet with scripture and reflections that provide encouragement for the trek. Each week you will have an opportunity to reflect on the sacredness of the journey and log how many "miles" you have "traveled."
- You can choose to do something other than walking/jogging. Twenty minutes of any physical activity is equal to one mile.
- The goal is to collectively log our miles as a congregation and "arrive" in Bethlehem by Christmas week.

The Journey begins October 19, 2008!

For More Information

*RUTH ANN TRUESDELL
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New Ideas for Oktoberfest !

Raffle tickets are available in the foyer for the chance to win three \$500.00 prizes, one \$1000 prize and one \$2500 prize. There are only 100 tickets being sold at \$100 each. You can split the cost of tickets with friends if you wish.

The dinner tickets for October 25th are also on sale now for \$20 per person.

Another added activity is a used book sale. Bring in your books and we will try to recirculate them at a reduced cost.

Lastly, there will be a Country Store with lots of canned, baked, or homemade items. So warm up your stove or oven and get out some extra special recipes to donate to this fun venture. Ethnic foods sounds like a great idea!

Don't forget we need items for the vocal and silent auctions also. See You there !!!