



**Got Stuff?
The Youth Group
will be accepting
donations for
their annual
rummage sale**

Dear Parishioners,

And so as we work our way through July, let us give thanks for time off, for "down time," and a chance to relax. Unfortunately Sundays have become work days, shopping days, and worst of all - kids' sports days. The meaning of family, rest, and visiting relatives has been lost. The whole concept of "sabbath": resting and blessing God for our gifts has been lost on the present generation, and our society is the worse for it.

As you vacation, thank God. As you enjoy your garden, thank God. As you boat or fish, or simply sit outside, thank God. You will appreciate life more, and God's goodness will become more apparent to you.

Peace and prayers,
Fr. Bill

RAFFLE

It's not too late to turn in your raffle tickets. Congratulations to the following raffle ticket winners for Sunday, July 5, 2009:

\$100- Keith Nowak

\$25- Keith Nowak (sold \$100 winner)

\$25 winners-

Tom McGee, Norb Rickelmann, Ray Rust,
Margit Nemeth, Gus Johnson, Becki Kelly,
Kurzawa Family

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you know someone who may be interested in becoming Catholic? Have you ever invited another to explore the Catholic Faith? For more details about this process, please call the Parish Office at 734-878-3161.

Faith Formation Information

- **ALL Registration for Sunday Session 09-10 and Confirmation Preparation 09-10 (9th graders) must be completed and turned in no later than August 7th. Any questions/concerns please contact the Faith Formation/Religious Ed. Office (734-878-2217).**
- **The following forms need to be completed before your child/children can be signed up for a class/session. These forms are currently on the parish website www.stmarvpincknev.org under Religious Education. If for some reason you are unable to complete the Electronic Fund Transfer form – please contact the Faith Formation Office – 734-878-2217.**

Forms Needed for Registration

Electronic Fund Transfer (one/family)

Registration Form (one/family)

Health History Form (one/child)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS!

The annual rummage is on its way! We will start collecting your treasures August 10th and 11th from 9:30am – 7:00pm. The sale runs August 12th -15th. We cannot take the following items: **furniture, televisions, records/tapes, curtain rods, trophies, hard cover books, shoes/boots, and infant car seats.**

KNIGHTS KORNER SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

July 2009

Eucharistic Adoration—July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

General Business Meeting—July 14

Blood Drive—July 16

Fourth Degree Golf Outing—July 19

Rosary Altar Society Bazaar—July 25

Officers Meeting—July 29

Lansing Lugnuts Baseball—July 31

July Knight of the Month: Eric Meyers

July Family of the Month: Brian Hayes

Visit us at www.glmikofc.org

The Knights of Columbus announce their new council officers for 2009-2010.

Chaplain—Fr. William Wegher

Grand Knight—Jason Reifschneider

Deputy Grand Knight—John Reifschneider

Chancellor—Eric Meyers

Recorder—Kevin Schang

Treasurer—Bill Kangas

Advocate—David Flowers

Warden—Earl Blackburn

Inside Guard—Kevin Spaulding

Outside Guard—Anthony O'Branovic

Trustee (3yr)—Julian (Dave) Iwanski

Trustee (2yr)—Phil Meilak

Trustee (1yr)—Robert Barba

BLOOD DRIVE

**St. Mary's Annual Blood Drive
will be held on Thursday, July 16th
from 1pm to 6:45pm in the multi-use room.
Please donate if you are able!**

A GREAT SUMMER EVENT FOR CATHOLIC FAMILIES!

Bring the entire family (or come by yourself) to enjoy an outdoor Mass, Praise and Worship music, Eucharistic Procession, Confessions, lunch, and a scavenger hunt! It's the **Third Annual Catholic Family Day** at the Bread of Life Retreat Residence in Ann Arbor on Saturday, August 1st from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Further details are available at www.eucharisticlife.org. The suggested donation of \$10 per person or \$30 per family includes a hot dog lunch. Please call 734/332-9733 to register. Walk-ins welcomed.

SUMMER SCRIPTURE DAYS

The 16th Annual Summer Scripture Days are scheduled for August 11 – 13, 2009 in Bethany House at St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt. Rev. Dwight Ezop will present "The Gospel of John, Ch. 1 thru 10". Brochures and registration information are available by contacting Catholic Charities at 517-342-2465.

UNITED WAY DAY OF CARING

The 8th Annual Day of Caring is Wednesday, August 19, 2009. The Day of Caring is an event where volunteers from across Livingston County come together on one day and lend their skills and time to help local non-profit organizations and individuals in need of assistance.

The Day of Caring is a tremendous day for our community, for those who receive assistance, and for the hundreds of volunteers who work to improve the lives of others.

Sign up to volunteer for either a morning or afternoon shift! Recruit neighbors and friends, and work together as a team. Please contact the Livingston County United Way at 810-494-3000 for more information about the Day of Caring -or- if you wish to nominate an organization or individual! You may also visit our website: www.lcunitedway.org

ATTENTION SENIORS

St. Joseph, Howell, is having a tour to Our Lady of Consolation Basilica National Shrine in Carey, Ohio, on Tuesday, August 18, 2009. The tour departs at 7:30am and returns at 6:00pm. Cost for this trip is \$45.00. For reservations and information please contact: Rosemary Ruby at 517-545-3153.

Please pray for those who are serving in the Armed Forces, especially:



William V. Backlund III, Tim Begley, Christopher Bullion, Gabe Campbell, Jason (Hennigan) Cecchetti, Fred Dehn, Matt Ducummon, Jeff Gabel, Michael Ganzak, Erik Hennigan, Kevin Martin, Michael McInerney, Sean Rooker, Anthony Sparks, Jonathon Stepp, Kenneth & Sherri Streu, Jesse Sutton, Kurt Whitlow

Freedom Isn't Free!

HELP WANTED

Teacher Aide: St. Mary's Catholic School, Charlotte seeks an individual to join our faith family who has a passion for teaching and a commitment to Catholic education. This position serves as a Teacher Aide working up to 19.5 hours per week to help support the day-to-day operations of the teaching staff for our growing school. For more details, visit <http://dioceseoflansing.org/employment/jobpostings.html> Please send a letter of interest, resume and at least three letters of recommendation no later than July 17th, 2009 to:

St. Mary's Catholic School
Aide Search Committee
905 St. Mary's Blvd
Charlotte, MI 48813

Part-time receptionist: Livingston County Catholic Social Services has an opening, 12-18 hours a week. Applicant must have computer knowledge and be flexible. Send resume to: 2020 E. Grand River, Ste. 104, Howell, MI 48843. Fax: 517-545-7390 or e-mail to: lcass@sbcglobal.net

Report for July 5, 2009 **Parishioner Donations** **Giving Back To The Lord**

	<u>Weekly</u>
Offertory	\$ 13,849.90
Debt Reduction	\$ 1,761.89
	\$ 15,611.79

Thank you for your generous donations!



Losing a job is one of the most stressful events that can happen to a person. It feels personal even when it is part of a mass corporate layoff or the closing of a business. Involuntary unemployment evokes a lot of emotions, from anger to sadness. It is easy to become depressed. Grief over the loss of part of one's identity or purpose is common. The difficulty of the experience can depend on the degree of emotional investment one had in the job. The aftermath of job loss also has a significant impact on family members, who are dealing with their own fears and other concerns. If you (or a family member) has lost a job and are dealing with the transition it brings, you can request a BeFriender to be a companion on your journey. BeFrienders provide a listening presence that is respectful and nonjudgmental. To request a BeFriender, call the parish office at 734-878-3161.

LOST & FOUND

Money Clip: Lost on grounds during the festival weekend.

Girls Purse: Found in church last weekend.

Youth Ministry

Website: <http://youth.stmarypinckney.org/>

Remember: *Jesus doesn't take a Summer Vacation so, STAY CONNECTED and continue to grow spiritually and in communion with our parish family!*

HS Youth Group Schedule

Date:	Time:	Event:
07/15		NO Youth Group
07/22	6:30pm-8:30pm	Youth Group
07/24	1:00pm-4:00pm	HS Youth Olympics
07/25	TBD	Altar Society Bazaar (Serve and Sell)
07/29	6:30pm-8:30pm	Youth Group
08/05		NO Youth Group
08/09-15	TBD	Rummage Sale

If you have an questions please call Rebecca at 734-878-2217 ext. 203 or email rkeiser@stmarypinckney.org



**WHAT AN OUTDOOR
MOVIE NIGHT FOR
MIDDLE SCHOOL
YOUTH?**

SERIOUSLY?

**YEP, MIDDLE
SCHOOL YOUTH
ROCK!**

Join other 6-8th grade youth for a night under the stars both Hollywood and Celestial! **The movie will be announced soon. Time: 8:30-10:30pm. Admission: Beverage to Share. Place: The Most Hip Place in Town- St. Mary Grounds!** (Whoa! "Hold the Phone!" Seriously Rebecca, "Hip?" Check the decade!)



High School Youth
Summer Olympics!

**Will the record for the
Marshmallow Challenge
be broken?
What will be IN
the balloons this year?**

**Take the HS Summer Olympic Challenge and
find out!**

DATE: July 24, 2009

TIME: 1:00-5:00 PM

PLACE: St. Mary Grounds by Gym.

ENTRY FEE: PRAYER! You'll need it ☺

Middle School Youth Group!

Middle School Youth Group regular meetings will resume in the fall. But, here are some exciting summer activities!

07/24	8:30pm-10:30pm	OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT!
07/25	TBD	Altar Society Bazaar (Serve and Sell)
08/09-15	TBD	Rummage Sale
08/21	TBD	MS Youth Olympics

Call or email Rebecca Keiser with questions!

YOUNG ADULT MASS & PICNIC SUNDAY, JULY 19

Come on out to Independence Lake for Mass and a picnic with young adults from around the Diocese. Catch up with old friends and make some new ones!

Check out the details & RSVP on

Facebook - [Livingston YAM](#)

or email Shannon at LivingstonYAM@gmail.com

LIVINGSTON YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY CORE TEAM...is growing!

Don't miss out on your chance to be on the cutting edge of this exciting new opportunity! If you are 18 - 35 and looking for a way to energize your faith, meet new people and serve others, contact Shannon on **Facebook - [LivingstonYAM](#)** or LivingstonYAM@gmail.com.

Attention Mid-life Singles: If you are looking to grow in your faith life, meet new friends, and feel like you belong, a **REFLECT** Singles Retreat is for you!

Singles (ages mid-30s to mid-50s): register today for a life-changing weekend retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center in DeWitt, Mich. (10 mi. north of Lansing) on August 14-16, 2009. Cost is just \$135, which covers meals, lodging, and materials.

Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Call 989-450-0993, visit www.reflectsingles.com, or e-mail us at reflectsingles@yahoo.com for more details.

DIVORCE & BEYOND

Have you experienced a divorce? Or, are you currently in the process of seeking a divorce? Do you know someone that is going through a divorce? Or, who has gone through a divorce but is still wrestling with the social, spiritual or psychological aspects of the divorce?

This may be the information and support that you or that special person that you know is looking for. Co-hosted by the parishes of the Livingston Region and Livingston County Catholic Social Services, this education and support group is available for you. Topics will include:

- The Process of Divorce, Self-Image, Stress, Anger, Blame and Guilt, Loneliness, Forgiveness, Happiness, and Pathways to Growth.

Divorce and Beyond is for people who are already divorced or have filed for divorce. It examines what happens to most spouses going through marital breakup. It helps participants understand what they are going through and that others have gone through the same things. Finally, it suggests activities for making divorce a growth experience.

WHEN: Friday evenings, 7:00 – 8:30pm.

September 18 – November 20, 2009

WHERE: St. Mary Magdalen

2201 Old U.S. – 23, Brighton

REGISTRATION: Sr. Maryetta Churches, 810-229-8624

FACILITATORS: Deacon Jim Chevalier & Sr. Maryetta Churches, St. Mary Magdalen & Mark T. Robinson, Livingston County Catholic Social Services

There is a \$10.00 fee for the program materials and we are not able to provide child care at this time.

MASS INTENTIONS

Are you having trouble choosing a gift for that someone special? You could consider having a Mass Intention in their honor. We also offer Mass Intentions for those loved ones who are deceased. There is no better way to show our love for someone than to offer our prayers for them. Please give our parish office a call at 734-878-3161 if interested in this unique gift.

Faith Filled Activities For Summer

- Treat yourself to a retreat of some sort, even a very simple getaway for prayer.
- Do a little spiritual reading.
- Take in a little nature, mindful of Who's behind all the beauty.
- Eat dinner together as a family as often as you can.
- Spend time with other families – relatives or otherwise- as a way of building the communion to which God calls us.
- Get involved in a simple service activity as a family, discussing it together both before and after.
- Pray together as a family.

The Festival



St. Joseph Catholic Church
NEW Church at the corner of Mast Road &
North Territorial, Dexter, Michigan

Friday, July 17th

7pm Concert in the NEW Church

Three Men and A Tenor

For tickets contact: 734-426-8483

Saturday, July 18th & Sunday, July 19th

Craft Show, 50/50 Drawings, Food Court, Bake Sale, Kids Games, Dunk Tank, Bingo, Las Vegas Tent, Dancing, Cake Walk

Everything Under the Tents – Rain or Shine

FREE Admission

For more information call 734-426-8483 or visit

www.stjosfestival.com

Practice Random Acts of Kindness!

- Visit a neighbor with a bouquet of flowers for no reason at all.
- Send a letter to a teacher you once had letting him/her know about the difference they made in your life.
- Buy a cold drink for your entire row at the baseball game.
- Say “thank you” to someone who helps you and really mean it. You might want to look into their eyes, smile, and, if they are wearing a name tag, say their name as well.
- Let the person behind you in line at the grocery store go ahead of you.
- If you know someone who is going through a bad day or a difficult time in life, make it better by doing something-anything-to let him or her know someone cares...and don't let on who did it!
- Buy a big box of donuts or chocolates for the office next to yours.

MASS INTENTIONS –July 12 - 19

Sunday, July 12 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am: For Our Parish

11:30am: In Memory of Ron Bozek by Men's Club

Monday, July 13 – St. Henry

9:00am: Communion Service

Tuesday, July 14 – Bl. Kateri Tekakwitha

9:00am: Communion Service

5:00pm: In Memory of Al Hoard by Men's Club

Wednesday, July 15 – St. Bonaventure

9:00am: In Memory of Don Trefney by Wick Family

Thursday, July 16 – Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

9:00am: In Honor of Mrs. Holly Oakes by Mrs. Joan Weber

Friday, July 17

9:00am: In Honor of Dan Hall by Mayer Family

Saturday, July 18 – St. Camillus de Lellis

8:30am: In Memory of Irene Perreman

By Therese & Bernie Kurzawa

5:00pm: In Memory of Patrick Regan by Ann Donahue

Sunday, July 19 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am: In Memory of Tom Olst by Family

11:30am: For Our Parish

COMMUNION SERVICE LEADERS

July 13-14: B. Rea, J. Wilson

July 20-21: D. Denome, D. Hall

WEEKLY READINGS –July 12 - 18

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14/Mk 6:7-13/Ps 85

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34-11:1/Ps 124

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24/Ps 69/Ps 69

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27Ps 103

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30/Ps 105

Friday: Ex 11:10-12:14/ Mt 12:1-8/Ps 116

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21/Ps 136

OUR PRAYER LIST

May God's healing hand reach out and hold you:

Ron Bartek, Jennifer Brough, Rachel Campbell, Celeste Cheesman, Ed Cheesman, Fred Czaja, Marie Denome, David Dudek, Mike Hardin, Linda Landau, Christine Osmialowski, Eugene Sobolewski, David Tucker

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus sent the twelve out two by two. This is a good reminder for us all that we are not alone on this journey, and that there is greater power when we unite and walk with other believers. How often do we rely on the encouragement, support, and understanding of others as we walk upon the road less traveled? What is it we hear...where two or three are gathered in My name, I am there as well. Let us join hearts and hands and boldly walk in the steps and truth of Jesus.

Bulletin articles are due on Tuesdays at noon!

LAY MINISTERS – July 18 – 19

ATTN: Eucharistic Ministers

Starting the weekend of June 27th – June 28th you will be **SELF SCHEDULING** when you want to serve our St. Mary's Parish Community as an Eucharistic Minister. Don't forget to check in Meeting Room A as you come to Mass each week to see if you are needed to serve at the Mass that is about to start. Thank you for your willingness to serve and for trying this new system during the next few months.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

5:00pm: Please sign up before the Mass you want to serve.

9:00am: Please sign up before the Mass you want to serve.

11:30am: Please sign up before the Mass you want to serve.

Proclaimers of the Word

5:00pm: P. Miller, L. Wack

9:00am: T. Barrett, P. Candy

11:30am: L. Mable, G. Mable

Ushers

5:00pm: B. Beck, P. Carney, W. Peltier, P. Meilak, B. Outwater, R. Denome

9:00am: J. Muller, T. Wilson, D. Aten, N. Rickelmann, P. Gabli, B. Wetzel

11:30am: M. Charboneau, M. Corwin, J. Kukalis, B. Sabo, J. Streu, B. Tinlin

Greeters

5:00pm: T. Kenny

9:00am: Meldrum Family

11:30am: B. Mayer, A. Mayer

Altar Servers

5:00pm: E. Miller (Cross), S. Wack, J. Jasinski

9:00am: K. Nagy (Cross), J. Modafferi, R. Modafferi

11:30am: J. Birdsong (Cross), J. Mable, N. Lefebvre

Offertory Gifts

5:00pm: Please sign up.

9:00am: John Polich Family

11:30am: Eric Shannon Family

Home Chalice Program

9:00am: John Polich Family

Linens - July: R. Miller, M. Sheehan

Cleaning the Altar – July: Eileen Avery

Collection Counters

July 13: M. Sheehan, N. Rickelmann, H. Menosky

July 20: M. Glynn, M. Ulman, R. Layman

Marriage Bann III

David Rogowski – Valeria Dias