

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
JUNE 27, 2010

Monday, June 28, St. Irenaeus
8:15AM Mike Korando by Bruce & Mary Brown
Tuesday, June 29, Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles
8:15AM Cleo Shemonic by Southern IL Transfer
Wednesday, June 30, First Martyrs of the Church of Rome
10AM Communion Service at St. Ann's
Thursday, July 1, Blessed Junipero Serra
No Mass
Friday, July 2
8:15AM Ed & Virginia Blechle by Ethel Horton
Saturday, July 3, St. Thomas
5:00PM For the Parish
Sunday, July 4, Independence Day
9:00AM Leonard Naeger by Lois

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK JUNE 27TH THROUGH JULY 4TH

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| Sunday | Fr. Gene on Vacation |
| Monday | Fr. Gene on Vacation Mass at 8:15 with Fr. Jeff Moore 11AM - 1PM K of C Luncheon No School Board Meeting |
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| Wednesday | Fr. Gene on Vacation 10AM Communion Service at St. Ann's |
| Thursday | Fr. Gene on Vacation No Mass |
| Friday | Fr. Gene on Vacation 8:15AM Mass with Fr. Jeff Moore |
| Saturday | 5PM Mass |
| Sunday | 9AM Mass |

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR: The Pilgrim experience of going by foot to Santiago de Compostella, the shrine of St. James, reaches its high point a month from now at the feast of the Apostle. By now, tens of thousands of pilgrims are already on the road. Typically, they cover twelve to twenty miles a day through rough territory. The difficult journey and the often primitive lodging facilities are made bearable by the joy of the pilgrims, their songs and prayers. When their journey is documented properly, they receive the scallop shell, a reminder not only of James the fisherman, but also his call to fish for human beings and to baptize the nations. In the Middle Ages, those who wore this badge on their hats were granted lodging and hospitality wherever they went. Next to the palm, the sign of a Jerusalem pilgrim, the scallop shell was most highly prized. In the Middle Ages, some people so enjoyed the pilgrim road, although it was filled with discomfort and danger, that they spent most of their lives on the road. Today, some people take up the route for exercise, but are drawn gradually into the spirituality of the journey. As you make your summer travels, always fold in an element of pilgrimage: a long walk through beautiful countryside, a visit to a church, a prayer of gratitude for your journey through life's hills and valleys.

SERVERS SCHEDULE, July 4, 5PM, Justin Bert, Olivia Moore;
9AM, Morgan Atchison, Kalyn Wingerter

OUR GIFT TO GOD for June 20th: \$5,328.00 from 166 env.;
V. Lights, \$46.00; Children, \$5.00.

CONGRATULATIONS to these students who are on the Gibault Honor Roll for the fourth quarter: Corey Hogrefe, Haley Riebeling, and Megan Wagner.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Rings and jewels are not gifts, but apologies for gifts. The only gift is a part of thyself.

PRO LIFE - Using brain scans an international team of scientists has taken a look inside the brains of patients diagnosed as being in a "vegetative state." These patients, the images clearly showed, were living silently—their minds apparently active, the scans showing brain activity like that in any healthy conscious person. (*New York Times*, 2/4/10) This counteracts the arguments that such patients are "in a vegetative state," and can be starved to death as Terry Schiavo was in 2005.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will take place here at St. Mary's from July 12 through July 16th. We are in need of volunteers to assist with the children's small groups. Please contact Cheryl Gross if you are willing to give of your time to VBS....826-2526 or 853-2678.

PETER'S PENCE - Today we support the Holy Father in his charitable works. The Peter's Pence Collection is taken up worldwide in an effort of solidarity to support the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disaster and others in need of emergency assistance. Pope Benedict XVI has said, "God's love . . . gives us the courage to continue seeking and working for the benefit of all" (*Caritas in Veritate*, no. 78). Cast the love of Christ upon the world – please be generous in today's collection.

FAITH IN THE MARKETPLACE: The Messenger wants to recognize Catholic business leaders and/or managers who take their faith to work with them – into the marketplace. We need your help to find these people and recognize them for living and sharing their faith with their co-workers. To nominate an individual for this recognition, you must have first-hand experience with the nominee at work or in their business. Deadline for nominations is July 1, 2010. Finalists will be recognized at a special reception and dinner Sept. 18. For more information and nominating materials, please contact The Messenger at 233-8670 or email cathnews@bellevillemessenger.org or fax 235-9605.

YOU'RE INVITED: Save the Date!! St. Vincent de Paul Friends of the Poor Walk, Sat., Sept. 25, 2010, Althoff Catholic High School, Belleville, Registration 8AM - 11AM. St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Red Bud, Annual Picnic & Chicken Dinner, Friday, July 9th and Sat., July 10th. St. Michael, Paderborn Parish Picnic, July 3. Upcoming TEC weekend: St. Mary's Carlyle, Oct. 9-10, 2010.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL at St. Mary's is from July 12 - July 16th, 6-8PM. To participate children must be 3 years old by July 12th. VBS includes children Preschool through Grade 6. This year's theme is "Son Quest Rainforest." Registration forms are located at the main entrance to church. There is no prescribed fee but donations are most welcome.

HELP SUPPORT OUR TROOPS: The Veterans Outreach and Education Center (VOEC), a not-for-profit organization located outside Scott Air Force Base, needs YOUR HELP. We need names, APO addresses and return dates for locally deployed troops. We will send them "Packages of Care". We also need the items to send in these packages....snack foods, toiletries, fun items, love from home. For additional information about our organization, please visit our website - www.voec.org, contact us at voec4051@yahoo.com or call us at 904-294-0130. Contacts from individuals or groups are most welcome. Thank you for your consideration and help.