

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
AUGUST 22, 2010

Monday, August 23, St. Rose of Lima
8:15AM Scott Mathis by Donna Parker
Tuesday, August 24, St. Bartholomew
8:15AM Cleo Shemonic by Southern IL Transfer
Wednesday, August 25, St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz
8:15AM Ed & Virginia Blechle by Ethel Horton
Thursday, August 26
No Mass
Friday, August 27, St. Monica
8:15AM Blanche Vasquez by Bruce & Mary Brown
Saturday, August 28, St. Augustine
5:00PM Art Maes by Family
Sunday, August 29
9:00AM For The Parish

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK AUG. 22ND THRU AUG. 29TH

Sunday	Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday	11AM-1PM K of C Luncheon 7PM School Board Meeting
Tuesday	8:15AM Mass at Parish House
Wednesday	10:30AM Mass at Three Springs 7PM Parish Council Meeting - Parish House
Thursday	Fr. Gene's Day Off
Friday	8:15AM Opening School Mass in Church
Saturday	5PM Mass
Sunday	9AM Mass

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR: Eastern and Orthodox Christians share a love for the Byzantine liturgy because it is during the Eucharist that the Church is most true to its identity, expresses its integrity, and discovers its vocation. Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians celebrate essentially the identical liturgy, with only very slight variation. It is a fairly complex ritual weaving together three separate layers of prayers: a liturgy prayed in the sanctuary by priests, often hidden by a curtain or screen, a liturgy sung by the assembly and led by a deacon in front of a screen formed of painted icons, and a third layer of private prayer by the priest who prays in support of the deacon and the faithful. It is an eyes-wide-open experience, gorgeous in visuals, and filled with the sound of God's people singing prayer. The energy of the worship centers on the presence of Christ largely through an awareness of heaven touching earth when the Church gathers to celebrate. In the late twentieth century, Latin Rite Catholics were encouraged to embrace a style of worship that was "full, conscious, and active," a value that has never been lost in the East. The liturgy has great impact in its beauty, in its poetry and contemplation, and by the actions of bowing, signing with the cross, and chanting that are required of the assembly. Contact with the Eastern Church reveals some key values that have been obscured in our own Church and are slowly being recovered.

SERVICES SCHEDULE: Aug. 29th, 5PM, Taylor Straight, Laura Liefer; 9AM, Steven Colonel, Mikayla Atchison

OUR GIFTS TO GOD for Aug, 15th: \$5,798.00 from 170 env.; Assumption, \$1,084.00; Children, \$2.00; V. Lights, \$29.00

YOUR ASSISTANCE IS REQUESTED: During the summer months to properly cool the entire Church it is necessary to have the fans running beneath the balcony. **PLEASE DO NOT TURN THESE FANS OFF.** The air conditioning unit under the balcony relies on the fans to move the cool air forward. If you find it too cool under the balcony or have difficulty hearing, you are encouraged to move to the front of the church nearer to the altar.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand.

WEST DEANERY LADIES MEETING: West Deanery Council of Catholic Women Fall Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 16 at St. John the Baptist in Red Bud. Registration begins at 9AM in the gym. Cost is \$8.00. Fr. Dan Jurek will talk about his recent visit to Nigeria. The afternoon speaker will be Carolyn Gilster Wylie "My Mother's Whistles". Everyone welcome. For more information please contact Joan Derringer at 859-3871 or Alice Ohms at 853-2338.

SMORGASBORD - Once again the ladies of our parish will be hosting their always popular smorgasbord at Popeye's Picnic. The meal will be held at the Knights of Columbus hall on September 12, 2010. Serving will be from 11AM to 2PM. The menu will feature the best fried chicken anywhere along with chicken and dumplings, ham, spinach salad, vegetables, and an array of delicious desserts with drink included. The cost will be \$8.00 adults and \$5.00 children under 12 years old. Carry-outs will be available.

CHESTER AREA CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY: We cordially request your presence in celebrating the "Three Year and Three Month" anniversary of the Chester Area Christian Food Pantry. Located at 128A Koeneman Acres, on Tuesday, August 31, 2010 from 2 - 6PM. Light refreshments will be served and tours given. At 5PM donors and volunteers will be recognized. We hope you can join us so we may officially thank you for your past and future support. For more information, contact the pantry at (618)826-3141 Mon, & Wed. 9 to 2.

NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS: 2010 Roundtable Series, August 31, 2010 - 11:30AM - 1PM, "The Kingdom of God" Presenter: Ann Garrido, D. Min. In the Gospels, Jesus speaks repeatedly about a mystery called the Kingdom of God. He prays for its coming. What is this Kingdom of God and how can we recover its centrality in our faith lives today? Cost: \$20 (lunch included). For more information or to register call 618-397-6700 ext. 6281.

ST. MARY'S FUNDRAISER: At this year's Popeye Picnic St. Mary's will be sponsoring a "THEMED BASKET" stand. Chances will be sold to win the baskets. We are asking your creativity in making "themed baskets" (for example, a Carwash Basket which could include a bucket, chamois, sponges, tire spray, car wax...) Each basket should be worth \$15-\$25. If you prefer, a monetary donation of this amount can be made or individual items can be donated where the committee will assemble them for you. Please return the Baskets to Church (where the Advent Giving Tree is normally located) by August 29th. If you have any questions, please call Dee Shemonic at 826-4410 or Diane Kerkhover at 826-2229.

PSR - PSR Classes for K through Grade 8 are to begin on Sunday, Sept. 19th. New Students and Kindergarten students are particularly important to register ahead of time. Classes will be in the Parish house following the 9AM Sunday Mass until 11AM. Fee per family is \$75.00. For further information and first time registration, please contact Cheryl Gross, 826-2526 or 853-2678.

RCIA - RCIA is scheduled to begin on Tues. Evening, October 5th. Do you know someone interested in the Catholic faith? Please invite them to join us. For further info. Contact Fr. Gene (826-2444) or Cheryl Gross (826-2526 or 853-2678).

THE FOLLOWING IS THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR ST. MARYS CHURCH / SCHOOL AND K. C. COUNCIL #3790* DURING THE POPEYE PICNIC WEEKEND.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2010

BEER STAND*	4:00P.M. – 12:00 MIDNIGHT	IN FRONT OF K.C. HALL
BBQ & FISH STAND*	4:00 P.M. 9:00P.M.	IN FRONT OF K.C. HALL
POKER STAND	4:00 P.M. – 11:00P.M.	N. SIDE OF GYM
BASKET STAND	4:00 P.M – 10:00 P.M.	S.M. PLAYGROUND
WINE TASTING	7:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M.	IN THE K.C. HALL

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2010

BEER STAND*	1:00 P.M. – 12:00 MIDNIGHT	IN FRONT OF K.C. HALL
BBQ & FISH STAND*	1:00P.M. – 10:00 P.M.	IN FRONT OF K.C. HALL
POKER STAND	1:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M	N. SIDE OF GYM
BAND	1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.	ACROSS K.C. HALL
CLIMBING WALL	1:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.	N.E. K.C. HALL
BASKET STAND	1:00 P.M. – 10:00 P.M.	S.M. PLAYGROUND
BAND	5:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.	ACROSS K.C. HALL
WINE TASTING	7:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M.	IN THE K.C. HALL

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2010

BEER STAND*	1:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.	IN FRONT OF K.C. HALL
BBQ STAND*	2:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.	IN FRONT OF K.C. HALL
POKER STAND	3:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.	N. SIDE OF GYM
SMORGASBORD	11:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.	INSIDE K.C. HALL
BASKET STAND	3:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.	S.M. PLAYGROUND
50/50 DRAWING*	8:30 P.M.	CENTRAL STAND