

TWENTY - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Friends,

A kind hearted gentleman was walking through Faurot Park one very hot summer afternoon, listening to the chirping birds and looking at the children playing. As he was sauntering down a path, he spied an old man, rod in hand fishing over a beautiful bed of red geraniums.

"My, my," he said to himself. "What a sad sight indeed. That poor old guy is fishing over a bed of flowers. I ought to help." So the kind fellow walked over to the elderly guy and said, "What are you doing, my friend?"

"Fishin, sir," came the reply.

"Oh, fishin', huh. Well, how'd you like to come with me and have a cold beer?"

The old man stood up, put his rod away and followed the kind stranger to the corner bar. He ordered a nice large glass of beer and even a fine cigar. His host, the kind fellow, really felt good about helping the old guy, and so he asked him, "Excuse me Mister, but how many did you catch today?"

The old guy took a sip of beer and a puff on the expensive cigar and said, "You're the seventh today, sir!"

Oh, don't we just hate being caught like that? We'll say to ourselves things like, "I should have seen it coming." Our pride is offended and we wonder how and why it happened to us! Did you ever notice, though, that when it happens to another, we might think that we'd never be so foolish? "Once burned, twice shy," we say. Having been "caught" we'd all like to think that our cautious attitude will prevent a recurrence. But maybe we need to be caught - by ourselves.

Have you ever noticed how easy it is to fool ourselves? This is especially true when we harbor attitudes that are less than noble or engage in activities that are unhealthy or sinful. Instead of feeling foolish we may unconsciously avoid any regret or guilt by claiming that our attitudes or behavior are in concert with the rest of society, or simply by allowing ourselves to accept them due to their habitual exercise by us. While in the case of being caught by another, our pride is injured, here our pride may blind us to what we are becoming.

The Christian tradition is replete with examples of persons whose pride blinded them to their unhealthy behaviors - take Saul of Tarsus, for example. But due to grace, these persons eventually caught themselves in their pretense and changed their lives.

Perhaps we might consider examining our own behaviors and actions in these days, to catch ourselves in the act, so to speak. To become aware of those moments when we are indeed witnessing to the gospel of Jesus and glory in it, and when we might also be fooling ourselves, and need to grow.

Love,



SCAT DRIVERS for Sept. 4 are Larry & Diane Wadsworth.

TOWN HALL MEETINGS AT ST. MARY for the Tiffin Catholic Schools will be held September 6 & 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the café and September 7 at 3:30 p.m. in room 22. Please plan on attending one of these meetings to answer some questions or provide your much needed feedback.


Schedule of Liturgies

August 27 - September 4

- SATURDAY**, August 27, Vigil: 22nd Ordinary Sunday
 4:30 PM Bob & Margaret Elchert 50th Anniversary; Dorothy Hess; Doris Heminger; Martha Fleck
 6:30 PM Liv. & Dec'd of the Peter & Mary Welter Family; Candelario & Consuelo Booc
- SUNDAY**, August 28, Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Liv. & Dec'd Members of the Jay & Thomas Schilling Families; Ellen Kapelka
 10:00 AM Michael & Maria Gaietto; Betty Baltes; Charles & Corrine Thom; John J. Fiegelst
 11:30 AM St. Mary Parish Family
- MONDAY**, August 29, Martyrdom of John the Baptist
 7:30 AM **Communion Service at St. Francis Convent**
 8:30 AM Hubert & Dorothy Elchert; Clyde H. & Clyde F. Roszman
- TUESDAY**, August 30, Weekday
 6:30 AM Communion Service
 8:30 AM Angeline Gaietto
 4:00 PM **Mass at St. Francis Convent**
- WEDNESDAY**, August 31, Weekday
 7:30 AM **Mass at St. Francis Convent**
 8:30 AM Evelyn Heil; Marge Panuto
- THURSDAY**, September 1, Weekday
 6:30 AM Communion Service
 8:30 AM Regina Bogner; Mike & John Zablocki
 11:15 AM **Mass at St. Francis Convent**
- FRIDAY**, September 2, Weekday
 7:30 AM **Mass at St. Francis Convent**
 8:30 AM Robert Weller & Janet Weller Young; John, Bill, & Tom Huss
- SATURDAY**, September 3 Vigil: 23rd Ordinary Sunday
 4:30 PM Carl & Mary Ley; Francis Theis; Manfred & Marci Harlett 65th Wedding Anniv. Joseph & Cecelia Schleter; Karl A. Kerschner
 6:30 PM St Mary Parish Family; Ray & Norma Bushkuhl 55th Wedding Anniv.
- SUNDAY**, September 4, Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Joseph Keefe; Flavius Steinhauser
 10:00 AM Joseph & Sonia Gaietto; Evelyn Ward; Marie Hartzell; Kathryn L. Terry
 11:30 AM Irene Baker; Evelyn Heil



WE WANT TO WELCOME ALL OF OUR NEWLY registered parishioners to Saint Mary Church. We are delighted to have you join our spiritual family! If you would like to register, please call the parish office at 447-2087. Be sure to let us know if you are a Eucharistic Minister, Choir Member, Lector, or Usher.



OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS to the family and friends of *Nathaniel James Harrison (4 month old fetus)*. We pray the bereaved may find comfort as his soul enters into the eternal realm of our Almighty God. 

MASS MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR SEPT. 3 & 4

	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Euch. Minst. Team:</u>
4:30 p.m.	Marguerite Bernard	A
6:30 p.m.	Carol Keefe	D
8:00 a.m.	Diane Moyer	G
10:00 a.m.	Mark Zimmerman	K
11:30 p.m.	Lois Palau	N

BINGO WORKERS for today, August 28; Coordinator: Kathy Huffmon; Gate: Kathy Huffmon, Lisa Russell; Instants: Doug Wilhelm, Buzz Russell; Floor: Dan Burkart, Jim Huffmon, Opal Goodin; Concessions: Marsha Marinis.

GOD SQUAD

 *The God Squad Band* needs vocalists and musicians for the 2005-2006 school year. Call Kathy at 447-2717 for more info. 

ST. MARY SUNDAY MASS FOR SHUT-INS will be on Time Warner channel 21 at 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. today.

A FULL TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT is needed in the area of Alumni and Development at Calvert High School. Computer skills are required. Contact principal Tony Mass at 447-3844 for more information.

EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS training for ages 16 and up will be held immediately after the 11:30 Mass on September 18. Any young adult interested in distributing at the God Squad or weekend Masses should plan on attending. Special guest lecturer will be Wanda Mills.

URSULINE CENTER ART SHOW, 4035 Indian Rd., Toledo, on September 11, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. There will be a silent auction and a 50/50/drawing. Admission is free, donations accepted.

CALVERT ALUMNI WEEKEND is September 4 & 5. Mass will be held in the gym at 10:00 a.m. with music by God Squad.


CALVERT ALUMNI & FRIENDS GOLF OUTING will be held September 3 beginning at 8:00 a.m. The \$25.00 fee includes 4 person, 18 hole golf and lunch at Seneca Hills Golf Course. Carts are extra. Please call Jack Felton at 447-2717 by August 26 to make reservations.



CALVERT ALUMNI BAND WILL PERFORM at the football game on September 3. Practice will be September 2, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. and September 3, 9:00 a.m. - noon at Calvert High School. For more information contact Judy Hafley at 447-9997.

2005 FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am in the midst of them!" When parents gather their family "in His name" God is really present and our family becomes a sacrament. This is priesthood of parents.

FUNERAL LUNCH CAPTAINS for September are Dave and Marge Fisher, co-captains are Max and Marie Dell.

August 21, 2005	<i>Offering</i>	
	<i>Total</i>	
	Total \$	Env.
Amount Needed Each Sunday	\$ 13,000.00	
Sunday Offering	\$ 11,272.87	437
Difference -	\$ 1,727.13	
(Includes loose money & checks)	\$ 814.02	
Repair and Maintenance	\$ 53.00	6
Initial Offering	\$ 10.00	2
Assumption	\$ 199.00	33
Deposit	\$ 11,534.87	
Tuition Assistance	\$ 10.00	2
High School Sunday Offering	\$ 5.00	5
Children's Offering	\$ 39.10	43
Total Sunday, 2005	\$ 11,588.97	
Total Sunday, 2004	\$ 10,382.11	

"52" Club Winners

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| 1. Jeff & Kevin Schilling | 3. Samuel Mathias Jr. |
| 2. Karen Vela | 5. Tom Buccione |
| 4. William Jacoby | |

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED, Porter Fields Martin, Kaylor John Nolan Reynolds, and Emma Rae Kelly. We pray that the parish family will assist their families as they guide them along the path of faith.



DIVORCECARE SEMINAR/SUPPORT GROUP BEGINS September 7. DivorceCare is a video series combined with support group discussion. Meetings will be held at Sacred Heart Church, Fremont every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. For more information or to register, contact Sr. Dean, 332-7339.

BLOOD PRESSURE READINGS WILL begin again on the first full weekend of the month. The parish nurses will be here before and after all Masses on Saturday and Sunday. The next readings will be September 3 & 4.

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Thank You To Our Sponsor Of The Week!

GOLF SCRAMBLE HOSTED BY OUR LADY OF HOPE, Attica, will be September 10 at 8:00 a.m. There will be cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams and prizes on every hole. Contact Nan Schumacher at 426-7131 for more information.

TIFFIN CALVERT GIRLS CLUB is seeking donations for the school children in Mosul, Iraq. They need simple school items such as pens, pencils, paper, notebooks and erasers. Basic health care items are needed such as peroxide, rubbing alcohol, gauze and other basic items. Drop off site is Glory Bee, 70 S. Washington St. No glass or sharp items please.

25TH/50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Couples who live faithful lives of mutual love and support have the gratitude of the whole church. October 9 at 3:00 p.m. at Rosary Cathedral in Toledo, couples who have celebrated or are celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th year or more wedding anniversary in 2005 are invited to a special Mass in their honor. Please call Tiffany at 447-2087 to reserve your seat **by August 31.**



ST. MARY CHURCH WILL ACQUIRE HAND BELLS through a generous donation. We will be forming 2 children and 1 adult ensembles. We are looking for 8 adults who are interested in playing. Rehearsals will be Thursday evenings at 6:30. It is helpful if you can read music but tutoring session will be available. Please see Michael after any of the weekend Masses

THE HANDICAP RAMP is on our "honey do" list. Please bear with us until the work is completed. Thank you.

ST. MARY SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB
Sunday Night BINGO
 ...in the Recreation Room of St. Mary School
 Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Early birds at 6:30 p.m.
 Two Specials Two Jackpots
Handicapped Accessible * Snacks Available