

**LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS FOR TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME,
JUNE 20/21, 2009**



MINISTERS

(Follow this schedule only)

	Ministers of the Word	Ministers of Holy Communion
3:30 p.m.	Eileen Corwin	Bob Corwin
		Pat Rohde
12:00 p.m.	Gary Schluep	Mary Lou Schluep
		Gemma Smith
		Kadee Knowles
2:00 p.m.	Hispanic Mass	



MASS SCHEDULE

- Sunday, June 14**
12:00 noon Charles & Jessie Spangler (Family)
2:00 p.m. Daniel Garcia (Maria Felipa Sanchez)
- Monday, June 15**
8:00 a.m. Bill Tolbert and Fr. Frank (Pat Tolbert)
- Tuesday, June 16**
7:00 p.m. Communion Service
- Wednesday, June 17**
12:00 noon Gordon Bolon
(Gary and Mary Lou Schluep)
- Thursday, June 18**
7:00 p.m. Communion Service
- Friday, June 19**
8:00 a.m. Michael and Mary Osip
(JoAnne Fitchpatrick)
- Saturday, June 20**
3:30 p.m. Charles Uhl (Bill and Jackie Soards)
- Sunday, June 21**
12:00 noon Charles Fisher (Fisher Family)
2:00 p.m. Ignacia Jimenez and Paulino Gonzales
(Lina)



**BENEDICTION every Wednesday Morning
at 11:30 a.m.**



STEWARDSHIP NEWS

Weekly Need.....\$2,100.00

Collection Week of June 7th
Envelopes and Loose\$1,782.00
Variance-\$ 318.00
(that rates 3 ☹☹☹ faces)

We're doing pretty well considering it is summer. Thank you.



Please fill out the birthday slips with your name and birthday and drop it in the collection basket. Thanks.



*Body and Blood
of Christ*

A FUNNY THING HAPPENED WHILE VISITING ISRAEL

A Jewish businessman in Chicago sent his son to Israel for a year to absorb the culture. When the son returned, he said, "Papa, I had a great time in Israel. By the way, I converted to Christianity." "Oy vey," said the father. "What have I done?" He took his problem to his best friend, Ike. "Ike," he said, "I sent my son to Israel, and he came home a Christian. What can I do?" "Funny you should ask," said Ike. "I too sent my son to Israel, and he also came home a Christian. Perhaps we should go see the rabbi." So they did, and they explained their problem to the rabbi. "Funny you should ask," said the rabbi. "I too sent my son to Israel, and he also came home a Christian. What is happening to our young people?" And so they all prayed, telling the Lord about their sons. As they finished their prayer, a voice came from the Heavens: "Funny you should ask," said the Voice. "I too sent my Son to Israel..."



FR. MIKE'S SERMON FOR CORPUS CHRISTI

(Do not read before Mass)

A water bearer in India had two large pots, one hung on each end of a pole that he carried across his neck. One of the pots had a crack in it, and while the other pot was perfect and always delivered a full portion of water at the end of the long walk from the stream to the master's house, the cracked pot arrived only half full.

For a full two years this went on daily, with the bearer delivering only one and a half pots full of water to his master's house. Of course, the perfect pot was proud of its accomplishments, perfect to the end for which it was made. But the poor cracked pot was ashamed of its own imperfection, and miserable that it was able to accomplish only half of what it had been made to do.

After two years of what it perceived to be a bitter failure, it spoke to the water bearer one day by the stream. "I am ashamed of myself, and I want to apologize to you."

"Why?" asked the bearer. "What are you ashamed of?"

"I have been able, for these past two years, to deliver only half my load because this crack in my side causes water to leak out all the way back to your master's house. Because of my flaws, you have to do all of this work, and you don't get full value from your efforts," the pot said.

The water bearer felt sorry for the old cracked pot, and in his compassion he said, "As we return to the master's house, I want you to notice the beautiful flowers along the path."

Indeed, as they went up the hill, the old cracked pot took notice of the sun warming the beautiful wild flowers on the side of the path, and this cheered it some. But at the end of the trail, it still felt bad because it had leaked out half its load, and so again it apologized to the bearer for its failure.

The bearer said to the pot, "Did you notice that there were flowers only on your side of your path, but not on the other pot's side? That's because I have always known about your flaw, and I took advantage of it. I planted flower seeds on your side of the path, and every day while we walked back from the stream, you've watered them. For two years I have been able to pick these beautiful flowers to decorate my master's table. Without you being broken the way you are, he would not have this beauty to grace his house."

There is a reason why Jesus chose bread from all the elements of this earth to contain His Divine Presence. Scripture always notes that Jesus "broke" the bread. Bread *must* be broken in order to become food for life. Jesus' Body had to be broken on the Cross in order to give us the greatest Grace ever known – Eternal Life. Every time the bread is broken at Mass, picture Jesus saying to you, "You will find Me in your brokenness. I am there with healing when sickness tries to break your mind and body. I am there with hope when failure attempts to break your spirit. I am there with Mercy when sin strives to break your soul. When you are broken by loneliness, rejection, fear, and grief, Love will spill from My Pierced Side and Broken Heart to restore you." Remember, it was the disciples on the road to Emmaus who recognized Jesus only in the breaking of the bread.

Blessings...Fr. Mike





June 16th 6:45 p.m. ROSARY
 7:00 p.m. PARISH COUNCIL
 June 17th 6:30 p.m. SPANISH CLASS
 June 18th 6:45 p.m. ROSARY
 June 20th 9:00 a.m. ROSARY
 4:30 p.m. CONTINUING EDUCATION
 WITH FELLOWSHIP



The St. Benignus Knights of Columbus meet the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Contact Grand Knight John Baal (981-3102 or squarerootman@roadrunner.com) for information.



St. Vincent de Paul Society is open for business at these times:

1st and 3rd Thursday from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
 2nd and 4th Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

If an emergency, call Fr. Mike at 937-403-2510.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

- Greenfield Church League Softball begins on June 28 and continues until August 9.** Games are on Sundays from 1:00 until 6:00 p.m. Please contact Craig Campbell (this year's manager) or John Baal if you would like to participate. Lady softball players are especially welcomed.
- The Knights of Columbus are still accepting teams, as space allows, for the golf tournament to be held on June 27 at Valley Vista Golf Club in Bainbridge.** Shotgun start will be at 12:00 noon. Parishioners are invited to donate items for door prizes or to be hole sponsors. Please see Don Salzano, John Baal, or Gene Kropfelder.
- Katie Paugh, St. Benignus CRE, makes the following announcements:**
 - Kids' Night: Bible story, craft and cookout, grades K-6th, July 8th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. and August 12 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.
 - St. Benignus Youth Movie Night: grades 7-12, July 22 at 5:00 p.m., pizza and a great movie.

- We are going to "spruce up" our junior high classroom. If you would like to donate a futon, bean bag chairs, or any other neat seating, please contact Katie Paugh at 937-403-7190 or e-mail at markandkatiepaugh@yahoo.com.
- Confirmation will be Sunday, April 25, 2010. If you are in grades 7-12 and are ready to be Confirmed, please call Katie Paugh, or send an e-mail with your name and grade to let me know you are interested, ASAP. The Archdiocese needs to know how many students will be Confirmed.
- I am searching for a high school teacher. High School PSR will be moved to Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. (same time as the other grades).

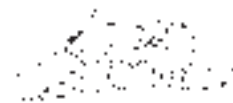
4. Ladies Auxiliary will be setting up a booth at the Wheels of Progress Festival in Greenfield on July 17th. Plans now for the kids include a duck pond and a wheel to spin for prizes. Workers are needed. If you can spare a few hours, please volunteer. Contact Kristy Bockrath at kbockrath4088@scpwildblue.com.

5. St. Benignus will be accepting bids for the mowing and trimming of the cemetery for 2009. Anyone interested should contact Pat Hays at 937-763-4297 by June 15th.



CLARIFICATION ON HANDLING THE COLLECTION

I want to thank the conscientious work of Richard and Debbie Neu and Don Salzano who state they have been handling the collection according to Archdiocesan rules for many years. They assure me the other collection counters are also in compliance. I want to thank all the counters for donating their time on a Sunday afternoon to accurately count and deposit the collection when they could otherwise be enjoying themselves doing more fun things. The area of concern is not on Sunday but the Saturday collection and the money collected at the Hispanic Mass. I will make sure that the money is handled during those Masses according to Archdiocesan procedures. Whoever (including myself) takes the money to the locked file cabinet on Saturday or after the Sunday Hispanic Mass must be accompanied by another person.



Any information that needs to go into the St. Benignus bulletin must be submitted to edbourdase@yahoo.com by 12:00 noon Tuesday of the preceding week.



CHOIR PRACTICE will take place Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. before the Communion Service. We need new members! We'll take any voice, no matter how bad you think it is. Call Kristy Bockrath at 937-361-6590.



If you want your child to have a great Catholic education, please consider sending your child to St. Mary Catholic School. St. Mary Catholic School is accredited with the Archdiocese, offering Preschool through 3rd grade. Our children score in the top 5% compared with other children in Ohio. I say Mass for the children who are taught the basics of the Catholic Faith. Now that a common Pastor joins St. Mary and St. Benignus, St. Mary School is offering to St. Benignus parishioners the "in-parish" *lower* tuition rate for your child.

Tuition Rates:

1st child: \$2,186.00
 2nd child: \$1,864.00
 3rd child: \$1,544.00

This is a heckuva-good-deal for a quality education! If you are interested in enrolling your child, please call Fr. Mike. Thanks

TODAY IN HISTORY

50 YEARS AGO, JUNE 14TH...Fr. Ed Lawler was the Pastor in those days (1956-1962). He reported that at the first Mass, 101 people attended with a donation of \$66.99, plus \$1.50 from the children. The second Mass was attended by 81 parishioners who donated \$44.75 plus 88¢ from the children. I think the second Sunday Mass was said at 10:45 a.m. Do any of the elders know what time the first Mass was said on Sunday? Was it at 7:20 a.m. on Sunday like the rest of the week?

25 YEARS AGO, JUNE 10TH...Fr. Tom Gavin was Pastor in 1984 till September 2nd. Fr. John Minic would take over on September 9th. Fr. Gavin married James Joseph and Nancy Zoldak the previous Saturday. St. Benignus had a Bingo back in 1984. St. Michael, New Vienna, was still open at this time. They had a 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass with a collection of \$46.25 this week. St. Benignus collected \$303.75. The servers for this weekend were Travis and Dean O'Connor at 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Charley Hawkins and Dane Iseman at 11:00 a.m. Sunday. Lectors were Kathy Flynn and Karen Lukas.

10 YEARS AGO, JUNE 13TH...(Fr.) Ron Cooper was the Pastor (1993-2003). St. Benignus and St. Michael were celebrating 100 years of sharing the same Pastor. To mark the occasion, both parishes would have their summer picnic together on August 22. The picnic would be held at Chris and Angie Murphy's home (from St. Michael Parish). The servers for this week were Seth Everhart, Jonathon Iseman, Tom Schottelkotte and Kadee Jackson. Lectors were Terry Starkey and Debbie Neu. Distributors were Rachel Tangeman, Jessie Spangler, Rosie Pitcher and Mary Lou Zoldak.



APHORISM: A SHORT, POINTED SENTENCE EXPRESSING A WISE OR CLEVER OBSERVATION OR A GENERAL TRUTH.

- The nicest thing about the future is that it always starts tomorrow.
- Money will buy a fine dog, but only kindness will make him wag his tail.
- If you don't have a sense of humor, you probably don't have any sense at all.
- Seat belts are not as confining as wheelchairs.
- A good time to keep your mouth shut is when you're in deep water.
- How come it takes so little time for a child who is afraid of the dark to become a teenager who wants to stay out all night?
- Business conventions are important because they demonstrate how many people a company can operate without.
- Why is it that at class reunions you feel younger than everyone else looks?
- Scratch a cat and you will have a permanent job.
- No one has more driving ambition than the boy who wants to buy a car.
- There are no new sins; the old ones just get more publicity.
- There are worse things than getting a call for a wrong number at 4:00 a.m. It could be a right number.
- No one ever says, "It's only a game," when their team is winning.
- I've reached the age where the happy hour is a nap.
- Be careful reading the fine print. There's no way you're going to like it.
- The trouble with bucket seats is that not everybody has the same size bucket.
- Do you realize that in about 40 years, we'll have thousands of old ladies running around with tattoos? (And rap music will be the Golden Oldies!)
- Money can't buy happiness – but somehow it's more comfortable to cry in a Corvette than in a Yugo.
- After 50, IF you don't wake up aching in every joint, you are probably dead!!
- Always be yourself because the people who matter don't mind, and the ones who matter, don't matter!