

LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS FOR THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME,
JUNE 27/28, 2009



(Follow this schedule only)

	Ministers of the Word	Ministers of Holy Communion
3:30 p.m.	Pat Hays	Dan Allison Teresa Allison
12:00 p.m.	John Baal	Nancy Bennett Jim Block Betty Daugherty
2:00 p.m.	Hispanic Mass	



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 21 – Father’s Day

12:00 noon Charles Fisher (Fisher Family)
2:00 p.m. Ignacia Jimenez and Paulino Gonzales (Lina)

Monday, June 22

8:00 a.m. Jack Schluep (Schluep Family)

Tuesday, June 23

7:00 p.m. Communion Service

Wednesday, June 24

12:00 noon Jenny Lagaly (Shayne Family)

Thursday, June 25

7:00 p.m. Communion Service

Friday, June 26

8:00 a.m. Jose Camotes (Mary Lou Schluep)

Saturday, June 27

3:30 p.m. Deceased Members of Spangler Family

Sunday, June 28

12:00 noon Jim Burton (Burton Family)
2:00 p.m. Josefa Granera (Norma Cruz)



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



STEWARDSHIP NEWS

Weekly Need\$2,100.00

Collection Week of June 14

Envelopes and Loose\$ 1,405.00
St. Vincent de Paul\$ 632.41
TOTAL\$ 2,037.41
Variance-\$ 62.59

(that rates only *one* ☺). We’re inching closer to our first happy face. I’ll have to throw a party when we get there.

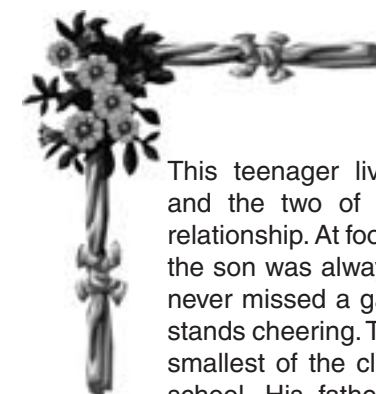


Please fill out the birthday slips with your name and birthday and drop it in the collection basket. Thanks.



IN OUR PARISH

June 23 6:45 p.m. ROSARY
June 24 6:30 p.m. SPANISH CLASS
June 25 6:45 p.m. ROSARY
June 27 9:00 a.m. ROSARY
4:30 p.m. CONTINUING EDUCATION WITH FELLOWSHIP



FR. MIKE’S FATHER’S DAY SERMON
(Do not read before Mass)

This teenager lived alone with his father, and the two of them had a very special relationship. At football matches, even though the son was always on the bench, his father never missed a game; he was always in the stands cheering. This young man was still the smallest of the class when he entered high school. His father continued to encourage him but also made it very clear that he did not have to play football if he didn’t want to. But the young man loved football and decided to hang in there. He was determined to try his best at every practice, and perhaps he’d get to play when he became a senior. All through high school he never missed a practice nor a game, but remained a bench warmer all four years. His faithful father was always in the stands, always with words of encouragement for him.

When the young man went to college, he decided to try out for the football team as a “walk-on.” Everyone was sure he could never make the cut, but he did. The coach admitted that he kept him on the roster because he always put his heart and soul into every practice, and at the same time, provided the other members with the spirit and hustle they badly needed.

The news that he had survived the cut thrilled him so much that he rushed to the nearest phone and called his father. His father shared his excitement and was sent season tickets for all the college games. This persistent young athlete never missed practice during his four years at college, but he never got to play in the game. It was the end of his senior football season, and as he trotted onto the practice field shortly before the big playoff game, the coach met him with a telegram. The young man read the telegram and he became deathly silent.

Swallowing hard, he mumbled to the coach, “My father died this morning. Is it all right if I miss practice today?” The coach put his arm gently around his shoulder and said, “Take the rest of the week off, son. And don’t even plan to come back to the game on Saturday.”

Saturday arrived, and the game was not going well. In the third quarter, when the team was ten points behind, a silent young man quietly

slipped into the empty locker room and put on his football gear. As he ran onto the sidelines, the coach and his players were astounded to see their faithful teammate back so soon. “Coach, please let me play. I’ve just got to play today,” said the young man. The coach pretended not to hear him. There was no way he wanted his worst player in this close playoff game. But the young man persisted, and finally, feeling sorry for the kid, the coach gave in. “All right,” he said. “You can go in.”

Before long, the coach, the players and everyone in the stands could not believe their eyes. This little unknown who had never played before was doing everything right. The opposing team could not stop him.

He ran, he passed, blocked and tackled like a star. His team began to triumph. The score was soon tied. In the closing seconds of the game, this kid intercepted a pass and ran all the way for the winning touchdown. The fans broke loose. His teammates hoisted him onto their shoulders. Such cheering you’ve never heard!

Finally, after the stands had emptied and the team had showered and left the locker room, the coach noticed that the young man was sitting quietly in the corner all alone. The coach came to him and said, “Kid, I can’t believe it. You were fantastic! Tell me what got into you? How did you do it?”

He looked at the coach, with tears in his eyes, and said, “Well, you knew my dad died, but did you know that my dad was blind?” The young man swallowed hard and forced a smile, “Dad came to all my games, but today was the first time he could see me play, and I wanted to show him I could do it!”

LORD,
Bless
Our
Fathers!



HAPPY FATHER’S DAY!





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

1. **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.

2. **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 12th, 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 to 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. Please let me know 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).

3. **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.

4. **Please pray very hard** for Sherri Wilson, wife of Jim Wilson, who has just been diagnosed with stage 4 liver and colon cancer. Doctors will aggressively administer treatment immediately. We ask God to give her a miracle of healing. I ask that the parish support Jim and their sons, Les and Wes, in this their time of need. May God bless them all.



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



DID YOU KNOW?

I had the extreme pleasure of visiting the Greenfield vacuum cleaner/small appliance museum run by Mike Hays (Pat's brother). In his home there must be over 500 appliances including mixers, coffeepots, toasters, and blenders. He must have at least 400 vacuum cleaners. Some of the items in his collection date back to the turn of the century (the very first Kitchen Aid mixer made in 1917). Your Pastor also is a collector as I have over 400 radios. Finally, I met someone who doesn't think I'm crazy. In Mike Hays I have found my "soul mate" ☺. Looking at his vacuum cleaners brought back a very happy memory for me when I was 5 years old in 1956. I remember the "Kirby Sweeper" salesman giving a demonstration to my mother by having her use her old Electrolux canister sweeper and then the salesman swept the same area of the rug using a Kirby. He then showed mom all the dirt her old sweeper missed by dumping it on a newspaper. Mom was hooked and she has owned only two Kirby sweepers since 1956. Mike's collection had both models for my mother's 1956 Electrolux sweeper and the Kirby she bought. I also have about 50 Dormeyer small appliances and Mike has some of those as well. So I want to assure Mike's mom, Margaret Hays, that her son is not a crazy junk collector. I would call him "the curator of American antiques."

TODAY IN HISTORY

50 YEARS AGO JUNE 21ST...Fr. Lawler announced Bishop Paul Leibold would administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, June 25th at 7:30 p.m. Servers for this week were David Bussard and Fred McMullen.

25 YEARS AGO JUNE 17TH...This was Father's Day in 1984, therefore the Sunday Bingo was canceled. Games would resume next week with the "C" team in charge: Pat Hays, Ann Marie Hadley, Vickie Everhart, Gertrude Steltenpohl, and Gwenyn Stanton.

10 YEARS AGO JUNE 20TH... The Parish was planning a daylong bus tour for September 11th where parishioners from St. Benignus and St. Michael would visit the Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption in Covington, KY, to hear an organ recital. They would also visit the Krohn Conservatory. Nancy Black was the contact person for this Parish Day Trip.

Written By Regina Brett,
90 years old, of *The Plain Dealer*, Cleveland, Ohio

"To celebrate growing older, I once wrote the 45 lessons life taught me. It is the most requested column I've ever written."

My odometer rolled over to 90 in August, so here is the column once more:

1. Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
2. When in doubt, just take the next small step.
3. Life is too short to waste time hating anyone.
4. Your job won't take care of you when you are sick. Your friends and parents will. Stay in touch.
5. Pay off your credit cards every month.
6. You don't have to win every argument. Agree to disagree.
7. Cry with someone. It's more healing than crying alone.
8. It's OK to get angry with God. He can take it.
9. Save for retirement starting with your first paycheck.
10. When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile.
11. Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.
12. It's OK to let your children see you cry.
13. Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
14. If a relationship has to be a secret, you shouldn't be in it.
15. Everything can change in the blink of an eye. But don't worry; God never blinks.
16. Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.
17. Get rid of anything that isn't useful, beautiful or joyful.
18. Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.
19. It's never too late to have a happy childhood. But the second one is up to you and no one else.
20. When it comes to going after what you love in life, don't take no for an answer.
21. Burn the candles, use the nice sheets, wear the fancy lingerie. Don't save it for a special occasion. Today is special.
22. Over prepare, then go with the flow.
23. Be eccentric now. Don't wait for old age to wear purple.
24. The most important sex organ is the brain.
25. No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
26. Frame every so-called disaster with these words: "In five years, will this matter?"
27. Always choose life.
28. Forgive everyone everything.
29. What other people think of you is none of your business.
30. Time heals almost everything. Give time time.
31. However good or bad a situation is, it will change.
32. Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.
33. Believe in miracles.
34. God loves you because of who God is, not because of anything you did or didn't do.
35. Don't audit life. Show up and make the most of it now.
36. Growing old beats the alternative – dying young.
37. Your children get only one childhood.
38. All that truly matters in the end is that you loved.
39. Get outside every day. Miracles are waiting everywhere.
40. If we all threw our problems in a pile and saw everyone else's, we'd grab ours back.
41. Envy is a waste of time. You already have all you need.
42. The best is yet to come.
43. No matter how you feel, get up, dress up and show up.
44. Yield.
45. Life isn't tied with a bow, but it's still a "gift."