

**LITURGICAL APPOINTMENTS FOR TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME,
SEPTEMBER 12/13, 2009**



(Follow this schedule only)

	Ministers of the Word	Ministers of Holy Communion
3:30 p.m.	Pat Hays	Debbie Kennedy
		Joyce Napolz
12:00 p.m.	Pam Rudisill	Debbie Neu
		Jim Merkowitz
		Rose Merkowitz
2:00 p.m.	Hispanic Mass	

FR. MIKE'S SERMON FOR AUGUST 30TH

(No reading before Mass per Dylan Boler)

A lady in an old, faded, dyed yarn, cheap gingham dress and her husband, dressed in a homespun threadbare suit, stepped off the train in Boston and walked timidly, without an appointment, into the **Harvard University President's** outer office. The secretary could tell in a moment that such backwoods, country hicks had no business at **Harvard** and probably didn't even deserve to be in Cambridge.

"We'd like to see the president," the man said softly.

"He'll be busy all day," the secretary snapped.

"We'll wait," the lady replied.

For hours the secretary ignored them, hoping that the couple would finally become discouraged and go away.

They didn't, and the secretary grew frustrated and finally decided to disturb the president, even though it was a chore she always regretted.

"Maybe if you see them for a few minutes, they'll leave!" she said to him.

He sighed in exasperation and nodded.

Someone of his importance obviously didn't have the time to spend with them, and he detested gingham dresses and homespun suits cluttering up his outer office. The president, stern faced and with dignity, strutted toward the couple.

The lady told him, "We had a son who attended Harvard for one year. He loved Harvard. He was happy here. But about a year ago, he was accidentally killed. My husband and I would like to erect a memorial to him, somewhere on campus."

The president wasn't touched. He was shocked.

"Madam," he said, gruffly, "we can't put up a statue for every person who attended Harvard and died. If we did, this place would look like a cemetery."

"Oh, no," the lady explained quickly. "We don't want to erect a statue. We thought we would like to give a building to Harvard."

The president rolled his eyes. He glanced at the gingham dress and homespun suit, then exclaimed, "A building! Do you have any earthly idea how much a building costs? We have over seven and a half million dollars in the physical buildings here at Harvard."

For a moment the lady was silent. The president was pleased.

Maybe he could get rid of them now.

The lady turned to her husband and said quietly, "Is that all it costs to start a university? Why don't we just start our own?"

Her husband nodded. The president's face wilted in confusion and bewilderment.

Mr. and Mrs. **Leland Stanford** got up and walked away, traveling to **Palo Alto, California**, where they established the university that bears their name, **Stanford University**, a memorial to a son that Harvard no longer cared about.

I believe God will judge me by how I treat those who I think can do nothing for me. People will forget what you said. People will forget what you did. But people will never forget how you made them feel...and neither will God.



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 6

12:00 noon Charles Uhl (Ellis & Hildred Fullwiler)
2:00 p.m. Hispanic Mass

Monday, September 7

9:00 a.m. Marianne Rohde s
(Anniversary of Death September 8)

Tuesday, September 8

7:00 p.m. Communion Service

Wednesday, September 9

12:00 noon Vic Rohde (Steve & Cindy Lewis)

Thursday, September 10

7:00 p.m. Communion Service

Friday, September 11

8:00 a.m. Joy Iseman (Ann Marie Gunderman)

Saturday, September 12

3:30 p.m. Charles and Jessie Spangler
(Ann Marie Gunderman)

Sunday, September 13

12:00 noon Azalea Corwin
(Gary and Mary Lou Schluep)
2:00 p.m. Hispanic Mass



STEWARDSHIP NEWS

Weekly Need\$ 2,100.00

Collection Week of August 30th

Envelopes and Loose.....\$ 1,521.28

Variance.....-\$ 578.72

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Thanks for your generosity to the Missions of \$325.00 dollars and still counting.

YTD NEED\$18,900.00

YTD OFFERINGS (starting July 5, 2009).....\$17,303.88

VARIANCE.....-\$ 1,596.12

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Collection Counters for today: Jim & Margaret Block.

Collection Counters for next week: Don & Sharyn Salzano.



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



Happy Birthday

- September 7 Emily Davis
- September 8 Marie Diekan
- September 9 Rose Fisher Merkowit
(if Rose owned a wine company,
it would be called the
Merkowitz-Manischewitz Vineyards)
- September 10 Cathy Givens
- September 11 Michael Repula
- September 12 Joseph Moore
- September 13 Bob Corwin



IN OUR PARISH

- September 8
6:00 p.m. CHOIR PRACTICE
6:45 p.m. ROSARY
- September 9
6:00 p.m. SPANISH CLASS
- September 10
6:45 p.m. ROSARY
- September 11
9:00 a.m. ROSARY

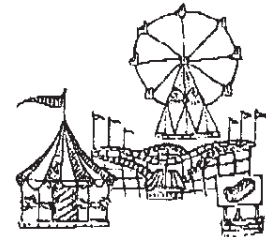


St. Vincent de Paul Society is open for business at these times:

First Thursday, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Third Thursday, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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



Parish Festival

The St. Benignus October Fest and the Parish Picnic have been combined to form the new **ST. BENIGNUS PARISHFEST**. It will take place **Sunday, September 20th, after the 12:00 noon Mass at the farm of Jerry Lee Parker. Mark your calendar.**

St. Benignus Parish Fest
Sunday, September 20, 1:30-5:00 p.m.

Parker Farm
2093 Pricer Ridge Road
South Salem, Ohio

Food, Fun, Fellowship
Picnic place setting, food and drinks provided.
Please bring a small dessert. BYO Adult beverages.

Directions:

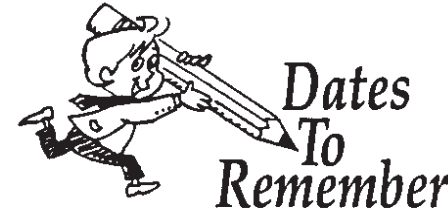
1. Start out going **SOUTH** on **S. 2ND STREET** toward **SOUTH STREET**.
2. Turn **LEFT** onto **SOUTH STREET**.
3. Turn **LEFT** onto **S. MCARTHUR WAY**.
4. Turn **RIGHT** onto **OH-138/OH-28/OH-41/JEFFERSON STREET**. Continue to follow **OH-28/OH-41**.
5. Turn **RIGHT** onto **OH-41**. Go 4.1 miles.
6. Turn **LEFT** onto **UPPER TWIN ROAD/CR-9**. Go 1.7 miles.
7. Turn **RIGHT** onto **PRICER RIDGE ROAD/CR-20**. Go .8 miles.
8. **2093 PRICER RIDGE ROAD** is on the **RIGHT**.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH



PSR begins on September 20th with Open House and Registration from 11:30 a.m. until the start of Mass. RCIA will have a "Meet and Greet" during this time.

The Ladies Auxilliary is having its first meeting on September 15th at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Frances Dettwiller's house.



1. SVdP Spaghetti Dinner – Saturday, September 19th, at 4:30 p.m.
2. SVdP Meeings – Sundays, September 13, October 11, November 8, at 10:30 a.m.
3. Parish Council Meetings – None in September; October 13, November 10, December 8, second Tuesdays, at 7:00 p.m.
4. Ladies Auxiliary Meetings – September 15, October 20, November 17, after Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Communion Service
5. PSR starts Sunday, September 20.
6. St. Benignus K of C meets October 7, November 4, December 2, First Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.
7. St. Benignus K of C Pancake Brunch served September 6, October 4, November 1, at 1:00 p.m.

TODAY IN HISTORY

50 YEARS AGO, SEPTEMBER 6TH...Fr. Lawler encouraged all parents to make sure their Elementary and High School children attend the CCD, which would start Saturday, September 12th, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Next Sunday, all fathers and their sons were encouraged to receive Holy Communion together. The Holy Name Society men were encouraged to receive Communion as a group by sitting in the front pews.

25 YEARS AGO, SEPTEMBER 2nd...This would be Fr. Gavin's last Masses at either St. Benignus or St. Michael Church. Fr. Gavin would have two farewell parties – after the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Michael and after the 11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Benignus. Fr. Gavin would assume the pastorate of St. Mary Church in Dayton. He served there from 1984 till 1990. He died there on June 17th, 1990, at the age of 63.



10 YEARS AGO, SEPTEMBER 5th...The Parish Bus Trip would leave St. Benignus at 8:00 a.m., and St. Michael at 8:30 a.m. Parishioners from both Churches would visit the Basilica of the Assumption in Covington, KY, and the Khron Conservatory in Cincinnati.

The "LITTLE" Things

As you might remember, the head of a company survived 9/11 because his son started kindergarten.

Another fellow was alive because it was His turn to bring donuts.

One woman was late because her Alarm clock didn't go off in time.

One was late because of being stuck on the NJ Turnpike Because of an auto accident.

One of them Missed his bus.

One spilled food on her clothes and had to take Time to change.

One's Car wouldn't start.

One couldn't Get a taxi.

The one that struck me was the man
Who put on a new pair of shoes that morning,
Took the various means to get to work
But before he got there, he developed
A blister on his foot.
He stopped at a drugstore **to buy a Band-Aid.**
That is why he is alive today.

Now, when I am
Stuck in traffic,
Miss an elevator,
Turn back to answer a ringing telephone...

All the little things that annoy me.
I think to myself,
This is exactly where
God wants me to be
At this very moment.

Next time your morning seems to be
Going wrong,
The children are slow getting dressed,
You can't seem to find the car keys,
You hit every traffic light,
Don't get mad or frustrated;
It may be just that
God is at work watching over you.

May God continue to bless you
With all those annoying little things
And may you remember their possible purpose.

Pass this on to someone else, if you'd like.
There is NO LUCK attached.
If you delete this, it's okay:
God's Love Is Not Dependent On E-Mail!!
(That's the cool part.)