

June 28, 2009
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Talitha
koum!

Little girl,
I say to you,
arise!

The girl arose
immediatley and
walked around.
At that they
were utterly
astounded.



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OUR LADY OF KNOCK
CHURCH



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Our "Partners In Mission" journey continued as we offered a special blessing on our Ushers and Greeters last week. This week we commemorate the efforts of the Ministers of Care who bring Communion to the homebound of the parish. Some are temporarily confined as they recover from hospitalization. Others have a more serious issue that can last months or even years. As we highlight these ministries, our goal is to extend an invitation to you to become part of these ministries by approaching any member of the parish staff. At the same time, recent arrivals to the parish may not be aware of these services for a member of the family. Call the rectory to start the ball rolling.

The summer provides easier demands for services from the parish. In order to help our budget, there will no longer be Office Hours after 5 PM Monday through Friday starting July 1st. If you need keys for the hall or the church, please pick them up before 5 PM. The answering machine will be available for messages and services that the staff can take care of on the following day. I appreciate your understanding in this matter.

I encourage our young adults to take advantage of the Theology on Tap program described elsewhere in the bulletin. Parents! Please pass the message on to your young adults coming home from college or who are still living at home. The first speaker is my classmate – Fr. John Cusick – who is truly an engaging speaker.

The offices for Christ Our Savior Catholic School are closed until August 3rd. The answering machine will be checked regularly for any business or inquiries about school registration. Many questions can be answered by going to the school website www.christsaviorscatholicsschool.org.

Next Saturday is the 4th of July. We will have our special holiday Mass at 9 AM instead of our usual First Saturday at 8:30 AM. With the holiday, the parish office will be closed on both Friday and Saturday.

Please pray for me, as I do you.

Fr. Pat



YOUNG ADULTS: WE WANT YOU!

If you are a young adult, in your twenties or thirties, married or single, we want to keep you informed about a special summer program our parish will be hosting: **THEOLOGY-ON-TAP**.

We are aware that many young adults who attend Mass in our parish might not be registered. We want to make sure, registered or not, that all young adults are informed about **THEOLOGY-ON-TAP**.

Please send your name, address and e-mail along with the names, addresses and e-mail addresses of any other young adults who might be interested in learning about **THEOLOGY-ON-TAP** to Our Lady of Knock Church Rectory, 501-163rd Street, Calumet City, IL 60409.

The first of four **THEOLOGY ON TAP** sessions will take place on Monday, July 13th. from 7:30—9:30PM. Speaker will be Fr. John Cusick. The topic will be "*Recognizing God in Everyday Events: Is There More Than Meets the Eye?*"



ORDINARY TIME PARTNERS IN MISSION

This week there will be a special prayer of blessing for our Ministers of Care, those volunteers who have been trained and commissioned to take the Holy Eucharist to the home bound who are unable to attend Mass, either on a temporary or long-term basis. Members of the ministry of care share the Gospel message and offer encouragement and comfort to those who cannot attend Mass.

Family members are encouraged to contact the Rectory if someone in the family is in need of a home visit by a Minister of Care or a priest.

If you feel the call to serve as a Minister of Care, please feel free to speak with one of the Ministers of Care after Mass today, or call the Rectory for more information.



INDEPENDENCE DAY

As Independence Day draws near, we think of the men and women of the military who serve with courage and competence, some far from home. How does the Church accompany them? In 1939, Pope Pius XII created an independent jurisdiction of the Catholic Church called the “Military Vicariate.” In 1985 Pope John Paul II created the “Archdiocese for Military Services, USA.” Spanning the globe and serving nearly one and a half million Roman Catholics, more than one thousand priests minister in hospitals, on military bases of all the armed forces, on ships at sea, and on the battlefield. The AMS does not ordain priests, but accepts priests on loan from religious orders and dioceses.

In 1824 a Jesuit priest named Adam Marshall enlisted in the Navy and died at sea in 1825. He was assigned as a “schoolmaster,” but he sought out and ministered to Catholic sailors. Twenty years later, President Polk was worried that the war with Mexico was seen as anti-Catholic, so he recruited two Jesuit priests to serve in the army as chaplains. At the time of the Civil War, only about ten percent of Americans were Catholic. Military policies forced Catholic soldiers to attend Protestant services. The Church protested this rule, and many priests volunteered to become chaplains. Their witness and the courage of the “Nuns of the Battlefield” (several orders of sisters who assisted Civil War victims) helped temper prejudice against Catholics and pave the way for the life and ministry of this vigorous and unique archdiocese.

—Rev. James Field, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.



MARKET DAY

The next Market Day pick up will be Wednesday, July 8th in the Parish Hall from 4-5PM.

Order forms are available at the church doors and can be returned to the box in the vestibule or to the rectory. Be sure to stock up because the next Market Day pick up will be in September.



SPRED SUMMER OUTING

It is important that our Spred Community remain connected during the summer months. So a special outing is planned for each month.

Our June event took place at Gaelic Park in Oak Forest. Spred Catechists along with our Spred friends and their families joined with many other physically and emotionally challenged young people and their families for wonderful day together.

The day began with a joyful outdoor Mass celebrated by Bishop Kelleher. Our friends seemed especially interested in the bagpipers who accompanied the Bishop and his concelebrants to the altar!

After the Mass, a great Irish brunch was served to all. This was followed by a raffle in which every young person present won a prize. The remainder of the day was filled with lots of fun outdoor games.

This yearly event is sponsored by Gaelic Park free of charge to our special friends.

Many thanks to Gaelic Park and their overwhelming generosity!



A special Mass will be offered here at Our Lady of Knock Parish in observance of the 4th of July Holiday. Mass will take place at **9:00AM** on Saturday, July 4th.

Please note that the Rectory office will be closed on Friday, July 3rd and Saturday, July 4th.

FOOTSTEPS IN FAITH

Even though it seems that summer is just starting we have only 11 weeks until our classes begin in the fall. Watch the bulletin for information about registration and be sure and share the information with friends and neighbors.

Peace,
Cathy



FAMILY RESOURCE ROOM

Our Family Room will be closed this Friday so that our volunteers can get a jump on the holiday week end, but that usually means our Monday is busier. Since most of our moms are expecting their babies within a month of their visit, one of most popular items are infant sleepers. Please keep your eyes out for these items when to are prowling the garage sales for a great deal.

And since most babies spent most of their time sleeping, eating, and doing what comes naturally diapers and wipes are always much needed and much appreciated items. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.



GARAGE SALE

Our Indoor Garage Sale with the proceeds to benefit the parish will be **Saturday, October 10th** and the first meeting to plan this event will be **on Sunday, July 26th** after the 10:00 Mass in the school hall. We would appreciate any ideas or suggestions you might have to make this activity a great success.

You changed my mourning into dancing;
O Lord, my God,
forever will I give you thanks.

—Psalm 30:13



PARISH PICNIC UPDATE

We all know that the most important item when planning a picnic is the menu so our committee spent a lot of time on this topic. After much discussion we decided that with your ticket you will get: homemade sloppy joes on a bun, hot dogs with all the trimmings, and chips. Coffee and ice water will also be provided or you can bring your own beverages. And since a picnic is not complete without side dishes and desserts we are asking every family to bring either a side dish or dessert for the sharing table.

Next week we will tell you about some of the activities that are being planned. Please don't forget to bring to the rectory your donation of treasures to be used as prizes for the raffle, bingo, and door prizes. Remember, mark your calendar for **Sunday, August 23rd** after the 10:00 AM Mass.

Picnic Committee

THANK YOU FOR ANSWERING A MOTHER'S PRAYER

Catholic Charities thanks everyone who gave to the 2009 Mother's Day Appeal. In a time of tremendous need, you are our greatest resource. We are a safety net for people with nowhere else to turn. We will work with people in crisis for as long as it takes to become self-sufficient. This letter we received from a grateful mother really belongs to you:

"I desperately wanted to change my situation and succeed. You encouraged me through each phase, determined not to let me give up, but to remain hopeful. Thank for being there when I needed you the most."

Thank you so very much for your caring response and generous contribution. All of us working together are rebuilding lives and restoring dignity.

Learn more at www.catholiccharities.net
or call (312) 655-7012



July, 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>The hand of the Lord feeds us</i></p> <p><small>©Religious Graphics, Ltd.</small></p>			1 Bible Study 1PM	2	3 Dust Busters #5 9AM (Rectory Office is Closed)	4 4th of July Mass 9AM (Rectory Office is Closed)
5 Bldg/Maint Coll.	6 Bible Study 9AM Rosary 7:15PM	7 Bapt. Prep. 7:30PM	8 Market Day 4-5PM	9	10	11 Dust Busters #6 8AM
12 Mission Coll.	13 Bible Study 9AM Theology on Tap 7:30P Adoration/ Holy Hour 5-7:15PM	14	15 Bible Study 1PM	16	17 Dust Busters #2 9AM	18
19 Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast 7:30AM- 11:30AM	20 Bible Study 9AM Rosary 7:15 PM Theology on Tap 7:30PM	21	22	23	24 Dust Busters #3 9AM	25
26 SOS Collection	27 Bible Study 9AM Rosary 7:15PM Theology on Tap 7:30PM	28	29 Bible Study 1PM	30	31 Dust Busters #4 9AM	



Liturgy Intentions

SUNDAY (13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

8:00 AM—Violette Straka
 (Gary, LuAnn & Neil Thomas
 Kay & Webb Watkins) (Fr. Fenske)
 10:00 AM—Carl Jenkins
 (Cheryl) (Fr. Lyons)

MONDAY (PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES)

7:00 AM **Mass**—Purgatorial Society of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish
 8:30 AM Service—Intentions of All Parishioners of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish

TUESDAY (WEEKDAY)

7:00 AM Service—Intentions of All Parishioners of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish
 8:30 AM **Mass**—Robert & Mary Downey
 (Friend)

WEDNESDAY - NO LITURGIES

THURSDAY (WEEKDAY)

7:00 AM Service—Purgatorial Society of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish
 8:30 AM **Mass**—Gary Voyda
 (Rev. Donald J. Fenske)

FIRST FRIDAY

7:00 AM **Mass**—Intentions of All Parishioners of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish
 8:30 AM Service—Rev. John J. Ahern
 (Our Lady of Knock Parish)

SATURDAY (INDEPENDENCE DAY)

9:00 AM **Mass**—Lillian Lewandowski
 (Frank & Arlene Kaslewicz)
 (Fr. Fenske)

SATURDAY (VIGIL: 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

5:30 PM—Intentions of All Parishioners of
 Our Lady of Knock Parish (Fr. Lyons)

SUNDAY (14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

8:00 AM—Mildred VanDuyn
 (Wanda & Leroy Wartman) (Fr. Lyons)
 10:00AM—Mary & George Hodgson
 (Family) (Fr. Fenske)



DUSTBUSTERS

Group # 5, CATHY KNETL, Captain, please
 be at the church on Friday, July 3rd at 9AM.

Wedding Banns

I & II-Janine Knetl & Joshua Mlynarcik
 III-Kerry Kolasa & Gerry Garcia

Wedding

Sunday, June 28, 2009

11:30am

Kerry Kolasa and Gerry Garcia



Our Lady of Knock Parish Stewardship Report

SUNDAY COLLECTION June 21, 2009

REQUIRED BUDGET	TOTAL ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
\$7000	\$5666	-\$1334

Fiscal-Year-To-Date

REQUIRED BUDGET	TOTAL ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
\$357,000	\$309,194	-\$47,806

CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES	NUMBER	TOTAL
	6	\$7.00

No. Of Envelopes Used:	215
Average Donation Per Envelope	\$ 25.01
Peter's Pence:	\$762.00



A MESSAGE FROM DEACON TOM

Did you ever think about the distractions in daily life? We know they are everywhere. All of us must live through those days when we are caught in a traffic jam, the computer crashes, and the dog ate my homework. The way we handle these distractions is important. When we find ourselves frustrated by the minor distractions of life, we need to catch ourselves, stop and take a deep breath, and center our thoughts on God.

Although it may seem at times difficult to rise above the distractions of everyday life, we must remember we do not have to struggle alone. God is here. He is eternal, faithful, and has infinite patience and love. All we need to do is to reach out to Him and He will refresh our sense of perspective and bring peace to our hearts.

So, starting today, make a promise to focus your thoughts on things that are really important. Things like your faith, family, and friends. Don't allow the day's interruptions to lead you off course. Take a little time to figure out what is interfering with your life and faith. Then try to minimize those distractions or eliminate them altogether.

Distractions are everywhere! But, thankfully, so is God.

Please keep us in your prayers,

Your brother in Christ

Deacon Tom

OUR LADY OF KNOCK PARISH

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Weekend Masses: Saturday, 5:30 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
Weekday Services: (M, T, TH, F) 7:00 AM & 8:30 AM
Holy Day Vigil: 6:00 PM
Holy Day: 7:00 AM & 8:30 AM, 7:00 PM
Confessions: Saturday, 4:30-5:15 PM

Baptisms: Second & Fourth Sundays of the month at 1:00 PM. Preparation Class (required if 1st Child), 1st Tuesday of Month, 7:30 PM.
Marriages: Call Rectory for arrangements at least 4 months prior to planned date.
Change of Address or New Registration: Call Rectory during business hours Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

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