

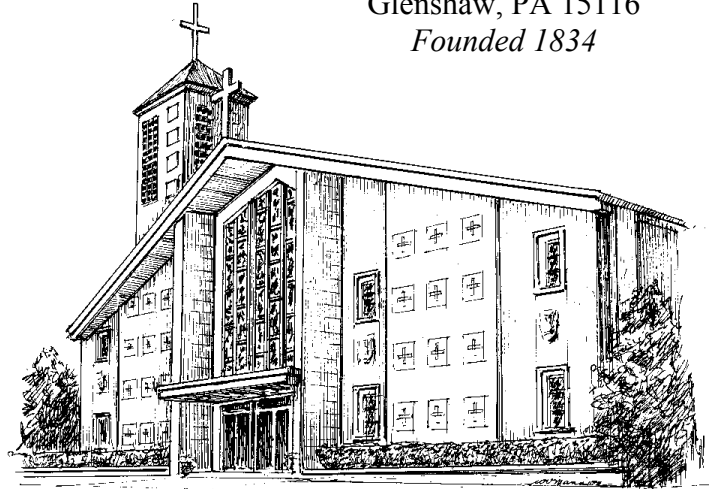
PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
June 14, 2009

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SUNDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Sunday at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

DAILY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday at 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 11:00 a.m. until final penitent is finished

BAPTISM

On Sunday twice a month after parental interview

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Twice a year in a communal celebration
Individually upon request

MATRIMONY

Saturday weddings at 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m.
Notification at least 6 months in advance

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at 12:00 noon

BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

Today we gather to celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, known as "Corpus Christi" in latin. Today's Solemnity is one of those "transferred" days in that it is actually placed on the liturgical calendar for this past Thursday. Since this Solemnity is NOT a Holyday of Obligation in the United States, as it is in many countries of the world, the bishops of our country elected to have it moved to Sunday. This decision is based upon the significance of this day in that it would be lost to most Catholics, who would not be on hand to celebrate on a weekday. Its importance reminds us of the need for each of us to have a "eucharistic relationship" to the Lord Jesus as we gather each Sunday to celebrate the mystery of his dying and rising.

WELCOME FIRST COMMUNICANTS

As part of the celebration of this day, we have invited all those children who celebrated their First Eucharist this year to join us at one of today's liturgies. All parishioners in attendance will notice the "first communion pictures" of these young people as part of the décor of our sanctuary. A framed picture celebrating their First Eucharist will be given to each child as a gift from the Parish Family commemorating this important day in their lives. May these children continue to gather with us each Sunday at the Altar of the Lord!

CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING

All members of the Cemetery Committee are reminded of their meeting set for Monday of this week, June 15th beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory. The Committee is now in the process of developing the plans for the construction of a mausoleum in our cemetery. We remind those who would be interested in an above ground burial that the mausoleum is NOT connected to the Pledge Campaign, but it is built by those who are willing to prepay for their chosen crypt. Those prepaying will be given a much better price than those who wait until the mausoleum is built to purchase their crypt.

TEMPORALITIES COMMISSION MEETING

Member of the Temporalities Commission will be meeting on Wednesday of this week, June 17th beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory. The Committee is putting the last minute details to the new roof for the school set to occur at the end of this month. The Committee is also working on the plans for those improvements to our property once Phase Three of the Pledge Campaign is completed. This includes all five of the items described in the packet that was sent out last week. All parishioners are asked to check their packet for these items.

MATCHING FUNDS AVAILABLE

A whopping **\$250,000** is possibly available to our Pledge Campaign **IF** --- IF we can match that amount with our personal pledges. Members of the Capital Campaign Committee (CCC) are now seeking these matching funds from parishioners. We hope that all those contacted will take advantage of this magnificent opportunity to complete the Third Phase of our campaign. Once we have this amount, we will be able to complete the improvements of our sacred grounds as originally planned.

STILL PAYING ON YOUR PLEDGE?

We encourage those who are STILL paying on their pledges to complete their commitment as soon as possible. The debt still remaining from the \$3.5 million project of these past five years is only \$50,000. Once those still paying on their pledges have completed their payment, this debt will be completely eliminated. This opens up the way for the Third Phase of our Campaign. What a magnificent testament to the generosity of so many parishioners that this Pledge Campaign has done so well!

COUNCIL GOAL FOR 2009 (part 4)

As the Pastoral Council fleshes out the Goal for 2009 based on the survey results of last year, the Council will create a plan that will increase the "ownership and participation" of all parishioners. The Council has sent out a letter to parishioners concerning their role in this process. We hope that all parishioners will stay alert to the Open Forum evening set for September of this year.



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**FESTIVAL
FLASHES**

ONLY 11 DAYS LEFT! Check page 6 of this bulletin for updates about ... volunteers ... bake sale ... flea market ... basket auction ... craft booth ... Meanwhile ... raffle returns may be made at this time and sponsors are encouraged to send in your \$100 for a specially made sign for your business or company ... delicious meals are scheduled for all three nights ... new rides have been added this year ... a Steeler raffle has an unbelievable number of memorabilia ... children's games include the return of the duck pond ... and real live fireworks as a Saturday night finale!



LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, June 14, 2009 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

4:00 p.m. Elaine & Scott Wentzel - Carol
 6:00 p.m. Living & Deceased in Our Parish Family
 7:30 a.m. Nancy Sanders - Family
 9:00 a.m. Mary Louise Wagner - Family
 11:00 a.m. Susan F. Lanzino - Harry & Janice

Monday, June 15, 2009 - Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Frances Mottillo - Tom & Carole, Andy & Kris,
 Greg & Rachel
 10:00 a.m. John Ferber - Carol Lydon

Tuesday, June 16, 2009 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Joan Marmarosa - Anna Mae & Joe Snyder
 10:00 a.m. Maribeth Burnikel - Joan & Roz

Wednesday, June 17, 2009 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Giuseppe & Giovanna Barbieri - M/M Gregory Distillo
 10:00 a.m. Dolly Podorski - Sister, Mary Ann

Thursday, June 18, 2009 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Grace Piano - Florian Bechtold
 10:00 a.m. Eugene Louis Falconio - Phyllis & Pat Falconio

Friday, June 19, 2009 - The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00 a.m. Mary O'Connor - Marie Hunkele
 10:00 a.m. Mildred Hvostal - Rege & Children

Saturday, June 20, 2009 - The Immaculate Heart of Mary

8:00 a.m. George C. Betz, Sr. - Mary Louise Betz
 2:00 p.m. Wedding of David Reber & Kristen Hoover
 4:00 p.m. Deceased of the Frank Bigler Family - Daughter, Lucie
 6:00 p.m. Thomas E. Exler, Jr. - North American Martyrs
 Faculty & Staff

Sunday, June 21, 2009 - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Ann Kowaleski - Family
 9:00 a.m. Albert Richert - Bill & Linda Richert
 11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Weekly Activities at a Glance

Sunday (Church) 9:00AM - Baccalaureate Mass
 June 14 (Marian Hall) 11:00AM - Liturgy of the Word for Children

Monday (Rectory) 7:00PM - Cemetery Commission Meeting
 June 15 (Church) 7:00PM - Lectio Divina

Tuesday (Church) 2:45PM - Children's NPH Choir Practice
 June 16

Wednesday (Marian Hall) 1:30PM - 55 Specials - Bingo/Cards
 June 17 (Rectory) 7:00PM - Temporalities Commission

Sunday (Marian Hall) 8:30AM - Parish Breakfast
 June 21

HEARTFELT

I WOULD RATHER SAY FIVE WORDS DEVOUTLY WITH MY HEART THAN FIVE THOUSAND WHICH MY SOUL DOES NOT RELISH WITH AFFECTION AND UNDERSTANDING.

-ST. EDMUND THE MARTYR

LAST PARISH BREAKFAST TILL FALL Sunday, June 21

Marian Hall after the 7:30 & 9 AM liturgies
 Serving food from 8:15 AM to 11 AM

Come celebrate the men in your life and enjoy our delicious menu of breakfast foods. The Knights of Columbus will be there after the 9 AM liturgy.

The Most Holy Body And Blood of Christ



The cup of salvation I will take up,
 and I will call upon the name of
 the Lord.

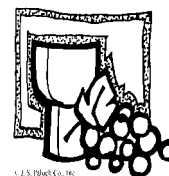
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BANNS OF MARRIAGE

III. David Reber (St. Ferdinand) & Kristen Hoover (St. Mary)

May 7, 2008	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	780	\$20,700.17
Cash/Loose Checks	-	\$1,079.00
Children's Offertory	36	\$51.61
Catholic Relief	2	\$20.00
Peter's Pence	1	\$10.00
Ascension	3	\$21.00
Parish Share 2009	22	\$970.00
Parish Needy	136	\$1,967.00
Total	980	\$22,851.78

Daily Readings



Drink from
 the cup of
 salvation

June 15: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42

June 16: 2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48

June 17: 2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

June 18: 2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15

June 19; Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9, Is 12;
 Eph 3:8-12, 14-19; Jn 19:31-37

June 20: 2 Cor 12:1-10; Lk 2:41-51

June 21: Jb 38:1, 8-11; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41

SACRAMENTAL LIFE



BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

Jonathan Francis Kandravý
Bridget Creed Cardinal
Caroline Elizabeth Cardinal
Gianna Rae Hornick

Congratulations to their parents, godparents, and grandparents. Please join us in welcoming their into our *Parish Family!*

FESTIVAL OF PRAISE

Bishop Zubik and the Pittsburgh seminarians will be hosting a FESTIVAL of PRAISE on Monday, June 29th from 6:30pm until 9:30pm at St. Paul Seminary. This celebration of Faith is for young Catholics- high school, college, young adults in their 20s and 30s along with priests from all over the diocese will be there! Adoration and the opportunity for confession along with food and friendship! This event is **FREE** and requires no RSVP. Call Jim Finn, our pastoral associate 412.486.4100 if you would like to go and need a ride!

A VOCATION VIEW

By sharing the body and blood of Christ we are sealing our covenant with God. We are given the gift of life and asked to share it with others. Give thanks for this sustaining gift.

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME

sponsors wonderful summer activity for parents, caregivers and children five years of age and under every Wednesday during June and July, beginning at 9:30 A. M. in the Children's Liturgy Room in the church. PRAY AND PLAY DAY is informational and devotional and fun for all. After the activity we head down to Middle Road Park to play and get to know each other better. Older siblings are welcome during the summer. Call Monica to find out more at (412)492-0242. All are welcome!

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

In the gospel today Jesus tells his disciples "you will meet a man...follow him...he will show you." Every child needs "a man" to "follow" who gives them direction, not so much by words, but by "showing." Fathers are called to "the man," the "show-man."



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PARENTING POINTERS

Try a "tech free day." No TV, no computer, no cell phone, no video games...it may seem like cruel and unusual punishment but it can also be a challenge. Of course you have to choose a day that is not tech

dependent, but it can teach you and your children how to savor human relationships and how to be resourceful.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Do you and your spouse have different shopping personalities? Is he utilitarian while you are a recreational shopper? Are you a bargain hunter while she shops as therapy? Instead of getting annoyed with each other, try to understand.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing for Feast of the Body & Blood of Jesus

"We are one body, one body in Christ..." is not only a catchy song but a deep theological truth. Those baptized into Christ truly ARE ONE BODY since Jesus gave his own blood as the blood of the new covenant. Why is blood such a powerful image for representing commitment? How do you **participate** in the sacrifice of Jesus? How do you **revere** His gift of himself in the Eucharist? "Body of Christ, save us; Blood of Christ inebriate us...that we may go forth loving and serving YOU. Amen.

LECTIO DIVINA... "collation"... a collection of persons devoted to listening to the Word of God. All welcome to participate in a one hour session THIS Monday, June 15, 7:00-8:00 PM. Meet in our chapel beside the church foyer. The Word for reflection will be from the gospel of Mark 4:35-41. Come—get on the Mark !!! Go !!!

Families of Children/Youth who attend PUBLIC SCHOOLS, if YOU need a copy of the Registration Form for our 2009 – 2010 Catechetical Season, contact our office at 412-486-5521 or ccdoffice@stmaryglenshaw.org

MINISTRY WITH MIDDLE SCHOOLERS –Grades 6-7-8 and parents/guardians, welcome to contact Mr. Ron Stone with YOUR ideas for monthly gatherings. Send inquiries to ccdoffice@stmaryglenshaw.org att: Mr. Ron.

Summertime Drop in and PLAY at the JAM: Jesus and Mary Youth House **every Wednesday** 6:00-8:30 PM begins June 17. Contact Lee Ann Trout for details, 412-492-8043 or leeanntrout@verizon.net.

Bible Enrichment opportunities

Registration deadline for July and August programs will be at our Parish Festival. Children and Adults welcome at each program.

- ◆ 4 evenings June 28-July 1, 6:30-8:30 PM - "Paul in Rome and the Underground Church"
- ◆ Tuesday evenings in July, 6:00-8:30 PM- "POWER ZONE" - summer sports camp!
- ◆ **Son Rock Kids' Camp**, Aug.10-14, 9:30 AM- Noon

REGISTRATION FORMS are available at the display board in our church foyer.

THEATER OUTING ...LAST CALL ...if you enjoyed *Late Night Catechism*, don't miss Sister's newest, *Till Death Do Us Part*. Group rate ticket \$30 each if we have ten or more to go on Saturday, June 20, 5:30 PM show at City Theater, South Side. Car pool from St. Mary's at 4:40 PM or dine out and meet at the theater. Call Rose at 412-486-5521.

YOUTH MINISTRY COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

Get a head start on your service hours. If you will be a Confirmation candidate for 2010 or will be in Grades 9 – 12 next year, then call the CYM office to work our booth at the Parish Festival. We run the children's games. It is great fun and you can chill in the Catacomb if we are not busy and if we have an adult to supervise the room:

Thur., June 25 - 5:30 to 8:30 PM or 6:30 to 9:30 PM

Fri., June 26 - 5:30 to 8:30 PM or 7:30 to 10:30 PM

Sat., June 27 - **THREE SHIFTS:** 4:15 TO 7:15 PM,
6 TO 9 PM OR 7:30 TO 11:15 PM

CALL the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409 to sign up for your shift. We also need certified adult leaders to help with supervision.

CATHOLIC YOUTH DAY Kennywood Park Tuesday, July 7, 2009

**Begins with 11 AM liturgy celebrated with
Bishop Zubik in Pavillion #5
WHY IS THIS DAY SPECIAL?**

**It brings teens together from around the diocese.
Dah...the Bishop will be there.**

Great free concert from 9 – 10 PM!

**Kick-off for new vocations website so there will be
cool giveaways and freebies for everyone who partic-
ipates in Catholic Youth Day.**

Tickets are \$21.50 and must be ordered and paid for by Monday, June 22. Make check out to St. Mary Parish and leave at the rectory for Barb Belski. You must provide your own transportation to and from the Park. Those teens traveling with our CYM team must have a signed consent form, which can be obtained at the rectory or Faith Formation office and must accompany the payment. Our CYM team will not be responsible for any teens who have not pre-registered and who do not have a signed consent form included with their payment.

CLASS OF 2009

BOTH HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE

Call in your information by Monday, June 15 if you missed our Baccalaureate today, we will publish all of the graduates in the June 21 CYM column – include your name, the school you graduated from and your future plans i.e. school or a job by calling 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

NO DROP IN OR OPEN GYM THIS WEEK.

Call the CYM line for current information on our social, spiritual and service activities for teens and young adults at 412-492-9344 or 412-486-4100, extension 409 or email belskib@verizon.net

ST. MARY REGISTRATION FOR 2009-2010



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St. Mary School is now accepting applications for the 2009-2010 school year. We offer a 3 and 4 year old preschool program as well as kindergarten through 8th grade programs. Children MUST be five years old by September 1st in order to register for kindergarten. Parents/guardians are asked to provide the child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate, and copy of the child's social security number when registering. A \$100 registration fee, which will be applied to the child's tuition, is also required at the time of registration. For more information or to arrange a tour, please call the school office at (412) 486-7611. Come and see what we are all about!

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS - The school office will be open from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Monday through Thursdays, during the month of June. It will be closed for the month of July, but phone messages will be returned during July. The office will reopen Monday, August 3rd.

SCRIP OFFICE - The summer hours for the Scip office will be from 8:00 – 10:00 AM on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays throughout June and August. In July, the office will be open on Mondays and Fridays only from 8:00 – 10:00 AM. Thank you for your continued support of our certificate program.

175th ANNIVERSARY HAPPENINGS

- ◆ As part of our 175th Anniversary celebration during the PARISH FESTIVAL, there will be a Polka Mass on Saturday, June 27th at 5:00 P. M.
- ◆ Former parishioners are welcome to come back for the Polka Mass at 5pm, ethnic dinner following Mass and the opportunity to mingle with old friends and neighbors at the Festival.
- ◆ The **Grand Finale** of the Festival will be professional fireworks at 10:00 p.m. All are invited to enjoy this spectacular display.
- ◆ Mark your calendars for **Saturday, October 17th** Your participation in the HISTORICAL MUSICAL is needed to MAKE IT HAPPEN! Call the rectory for more information.
- ◆ **CASTING CALL**
You are history! The Historical Musical will truly be history when you participate. When you were younger you may have participated in theatrics.
- ◆ **WE NEED YOUR TALENT NOW!** All age groups are needed to make the October 17th Musical successful. Call if you can help in any way. There are openings for sixty-five performers to reduce rehearsal time. Call Tom 412.486.5030 or Jim at 412.486.4100.

OUR PARISH NEWS

Festival Happenings

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like to volunteer at the festival for a few hours, please call ANNE ZEIS at 412.487.7520. There are time slots open for the game booths, food booths, and the Flea Market. Bring a friend and make a new friend while helping our festival be a success.

ST. MARY BAKERS

Once again it's time for all parishioners to share your "baked goodies" which will be enjoyed by all who attend the Festival Dinners and purchase them at the Bake Sale. Bake goods are needed for each dinner and the bake sale which will be held each night of the festival in Marian Hall. Please bring your desserts, pies, cakes, cookies to the church hall anytime after 1:30PM each day and label for dinner or for Bake Sale or double your recipe and make one for each! The following is a guideline if your name begins with:

A thru H - Thursday, June 25

I thru P - Friday, June 26

Q thru Z - Saturday, June 27

Thank you in advance for baking and donating a "double batch" of bake goods. God Bless the hands of our wonderful bakers!

FLEA MARKET

New and used items needed in **GOOD and CLEAN** condition! NO clothing, magazines or gym equipment! Small items of furniture accepted! Spring cleaning? Your unwanted "valuables" can become someone else's treasures. Drop off dates and times are: **June 15 through June 19** - 12:00noon to 3:00PM and 6:00 to 9:00PM each day in our Parish School. **Items are NOT to be left unattended ANYWHERE on the Parish grounds.** Help is needed to sort and price our treasures! Please call Mary Ann Coholich at 412-486-0165, if you can help!

BASKET AUCTION

The Basket Auction Committee is now searching for donations and volunteers. In order for the Basket Auction to be successful we need your assistance. We invite you or anyone you know who would like to donate their time and/or talent to assist our committee with soliciting donations, setting up or the selling of tickets to contact: Judy Fritsch, 412.487.2368 or Kathy DiGirolamo, 412.486.0508. Please let us know if your ministry wants to donate. We are accepting cash donations. Thank you!

CRAFT BOOTH

Thank you so much to all crafters who have donated wonderful homemade items to our booth year after year. We do appreciate your generosity and the craft booth as made a lot of money for the church as a result. We are again asking for all types of new craft items that we can sell at the festival. Please call Debbie Boyd at 724-449-5790 with questions for pick-up! Thank you!

GOOD NEWS TO SHARE



Holy Communion Ministers, Readers and Altar Servers

The next schedule for your ministries will be mailed out before the end of June. Please contact Susan Urso, Parish Secretary, in the Rectory Office by Wednesday, June 17th, if there are dates that you will not be able to serve due to unavailability in July through September. Thank you!

FLAG DAY

Traditionally celebrated today, June 14, is a reminder that our flag stands for our country's history and hopes for the future.

LAST CALL - Faith Enrichment to be held in our St. Mary School, Room 23 for Adults and High School Youth - - **Mary, Teaching and Ministry**, with Dr. Ed Scheid, June 15 thru 19, 9:00 AM till Noon. Call 412-486-5521 register.

MARKET DAY pick up THIS MONDAY, June 15, 6:30 PM in Marian Hall. Helpers needed at 5:00 PM to sort and pack orders. There will NOT be a Market Day in July; next date will be August 20th. Thanks to ALL patrons and helpers at our Market Days.



PRO-LIFE

Meeting - ALL welcome, Monday June 15, 7:00 PM in St. Mary School Room 23- enter by the library.

ACTION NEEDED to contact U.S. Senators and representatives to oppose the Embryonic stem cell research bill. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' website has sample message and more details. See www.USCCB.org.

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry

Thank you to Brownie Troop #634, 2nd Grade, St. Mary School, for donating Girl Scout Cookies and for all who donated in the white boxes in church. Blessings, Sr. Lois

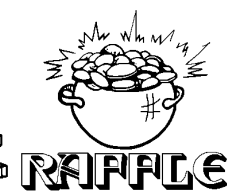
Dentists Needed: Catholic Charities Free Health Care Center Dentists... your time and skills are needed at the Catholic Charities Free Health Care Center. Due to overwhelming demand for dental care among the working uninsured, there is an increased need for dentists who can volunteer in our downtown Pittsburgh location. You set your schedule, we'll provide the parking and a great team atmosphere! For more information, please contact Roberta at 412.456.6697.

ANNIVERSARY TRIP TO ST. JOHN NEUMANN'S SHRINE IN PHILADELPHIA

Hurry and make a reservation for this July 18-19 trip to Lancaster and Philadelphia. Get ready for fun, good food and fellowship with an opportunity to visit the church where St. John Neumann is buried. Call Mary Ann at 412.486.0165.

Central Catholic Vikings Football

The Viking Youth Football Camp will be held on June 22nd through the 24th at Central Catholic High School for all boys entering grade 4 through 9 in the fall. Please contact Mike Kennedy at 412.571.0265.



PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS

by James P. Finn

Father's Day is fast approaching, giving us the opportunity to talk about fatherhood. Each year in June, this special day gives us a chance to thank and pray for our biological fathers whether living or living in our memories and our spiritual fathers, our priests.

Once a man becomes a father, once he contributes to the creation of new life, there is no turning back. He is a father for good, with the responsibilities that go with it. Children learn through healthy modeling of behaviors. Actions do speak louder than words and we know that FAITH is caught more than taught. It is not an easy task to father a child, but it is a God-given gift and a great responsibility. God is with us, in our troubles and our joys, if we allow him to lead. Fatherhood is not something alien to the male soul; it is written into the heart of every man. While no earthly father will ever be like our Father in heaven, God does give certain graces to men who accept and embrace the vocation of fatherhood. Learning to be a good father means learning to love. We know fathers cannot do their job apart from their wives and we recall the words of the former president of Notre Dame, Father Hesburgh: "the greatest gift a father can give his children is to love their mother."

At St. Mary's, we experience the rewards of involved and loving fathers each weekend at our liturgies and daily at the many activities their children participate in. Most fathers want their children to have good memories and feelings about their interaction during childhood, adolescence and adulthood. Continue encouraging your children, no matter their age and have a consistent presence in their lives. Above all, pray for them by name and share your beliefs, ethics and connect with them by working and playing together.

Read PROVERBS 22:6 and take courage! Your efforts will pay off!

Lest we forget our "spiritual fathers", our priests, remember to pray for them too. A good opportunity to support our priests begins on Friday, June 19th, the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Pope Benedict XVI has declared a **YEAR OF THE PRIEST**. The yearlong celebration will end on June 19, 2010 during the World Meeting of priests in St. Peter's Square.

May all our fathers, grandfathers, and godfathers realize the great responsibility and gift they share! May all be blessed during this life-long process that includes many challenges and many rewards.