

A reflection from the Pastor
In today's gospel, Jesus is firing up his disciples and tells them that he has not come to establish peace on the earth, but division. For most of us, hearing this as modern day disciples, we may ask is that a misprint. How could the Lord of all life and love, Jesus, make this claim? And yet we know that his message was met with some resistance as he walked the face of the earth. Ultimately, Jesus is saying that if your life is not about building the kingdom of heaven, then it must be re-purposed. And sometimes, building up the kingdom by doing the will of the Father, means leaving behind those who seek to do their own will. Division is really a wake-up call to accepting truth; to be divided still leaves open the possibility of accepting that truth and being converted and re-joined in the ways of Christ and the Church. Pray this week, that you might know what God's will is in your life, and those things that don't help you to build up his kingdom – think about letting them go – no matter how difficult the division.
Fr. Ty

Pray for the repose of the soul of
Jesse B. Garcia
who died August 13, 2007.
**May his soul and the souls
of all the faithful departed.**

Catholic Daughters of the Americas
If you are a member of this ladies organization, please mark the following dates of the meetings for the upcoming year on your calendar.

2007	2008
September 11	January 8 August 12
October 9	February 12 September 9
November 13	March 11 October 14
December 11	April 8 November 11
	May 13 December 9 (summer mtgs to be announced)

* All meetings are at 7:00 p.m. in the Heritage Room.
October: Tamale Fundraiser Preparation
All encouraged to assist in this fundraiser.

Liturgy / Mass Schedule and Intentions
August 21 – August 26
Note: Daily Mass is in the Heritage Room.

Tuesday, 21st 8:00 a.m. Mass – *Magdalena Partida+*
Pope Saint Pius X by *Pablo Garcia*

Wednesday, 22nd 8:00 a.m. Mass - *Tommie Matchett Sr. +*
Queenship of B.V.Mary by *Matchett Family*

Thursday, 23rd 8:00 a.m. Mass - *Rudy Hernandez*
by *Carolina Hernandez*

Friday, 24th 8:00 a.m. Mass – *Lillie Bomersbach*
Saint Bartholomew

Saturday, 25th 5:15 -5:45 p.m. Penance
5:40 p.m. Rosary – *leader: Carol Sutton*
6:00 (vigil) Mass – *Carl Brzozowski +*
by *the Hillyer Family*

Sunday, 26th 7:30 a.m. Santissima Rosario
20th Sunday OT 8:00 a.m. Mass – *Santos Govea*
by *Sabas Guerrero*
10:00 a.m. Mass – *Pro Populo*

Readings for August 26
First Reading - Isaiah 66:18-21
Second Reading – Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13
Gospel – Luke 13:22-30

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Lectors
Saturday 6 p.m. Carol Sutton, Lisa Canales
Sunday, 8 a.m. Martina Aguayo, Elida Cortina
10 a.m. Ismael and Gracie Perez

Ministers of the Precious Blood
Saturday 6 p.m. Paulette Brandl, Jeanette West
Sunday 8 a.m. Santos and Mary Alvarado
10 a.m. Mary Helen Garcia, Margaret Escalante

Gift Bearers
Saturday 6 p.m. Tommy and Jeanette West
Sunday 8 a.m. Pete/Elena Guerra
10 a.m. Ramona Torres, Anthony Torres


Ushers
Saturday 6 p.m. H. Cardona, A. Escalante, I. Martin, A. Chamberlain
Sunday 8 a.m. H. DeLuna, L. Rivera Jr., T. Cabral, E. Ledezma
10 a.m. A. Rodriguez, A. Reyes, J. Troncoso, S. Torres

Altar Servers
Saturday 6 p.m. Gabriella & Madeline Canales
Sunday 8 a.m. Maurizio Ledezma, Volunteers
10 a.m. Angelica, Michael, Jason Valenzuela

Yard Maintenance Crew
Raymond Brandl, Tom West, Edward Garcia,
Rodney Neubauer, Robert Liserio, Trinidad Gomez

R.C.I.A.
Interested in becoming a Christian? Know someone who is? Invite them to come to our next **inquiry meeting, September 1, 2007 at 10:00 in the Conference Room.** This informal meeting will give those who are interested time to ask questions before the official process toward the Easter Sacraments. If you know someone who has not been confirmed or made their First Communion and are an adult, please recommend them to this meeting. Also those interested in being on the team should contact Fr. Ty for more information.

Last Sunday's Collection:

 **General: \$ 1861.44**

Around the Diocese...

August 19 St. Andrew Hillje – Summer Festival
6.50 a plate – BBQ and Sausage 11:00 a.m.

August 26 Cistern Picnic –Fried Chicken/Sausage 6.50

Sept. 2 St. John Bosco, Vanderbilt Picnic
BBQ brisket/sausage \$6.50 a plate


Sept. 2 OLG – Cuero Jamaica
Mexican Dinner \$6.50

Sept. 2 Sacred Heart – Hallettsville Picnic
Adults \$7.00 Children \$4 (Stew/Fried Chicken)

Sept. 2 Shiner Catholic Church Fall Picnic
Adults \$7.00 Children \$4 (Stew/Fried Chicken)

Sept. 9 St. Joseph – Inez Picnic
Brisket/Sausage \$7.00

Sept. 30 Turkey Dinner – St. Patrick's Bloomington

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Catechists Mark your Calendars!

* **September 16 – Catechetical Sunday**
Commissioning of teachers at 10:00 a.m. Mass

* **Diocesan Catechetical Conference**
The Twentieth Annual Conference for Catechesis and Ministry will take place at Holy Family Parish in Victoria on Saturday, September 29, 2007. Two keynote presentations and thirty-eight workshops will be offered. Bishop David E. Fellhauer will preside at the 4:15 evening Liturgy. Early registration ends on Monday, Sept. 24. Additional information may be obtained by calling the Catechetical Office at 361-573-0828, ext. 24.

Parish Meeting Calendar - August

21 Teacher Inservice/Supper R.E. Hall


23 Safe Environment Training 7 Heritage
For new teachers/aids/volunteers

25 Altar Server Training 10 am -12 Church
Session II

25 Baptismal Preparation Class 10-12 Heritage

Fall Scripture Class
Understanding the Bible
The fall scripture series will be a comprehensive look at the bible. The classes will cover the expanse of both Testaments and we will then decide which book we will look at more specifically toward the end for the spring. Mark your calendars, **Tuesdays, October 23–November 27 in the Heritage Room. 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.**
All adults are invited to attend. Religious Education teachers are strongly encouraged to attend. If you don't have a bible, one will be furnished.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING
The second session of training for new servers will be **Saturday August 25 from 10-12 in the Church.** Present servers may also attend to assist and go over practices. Pray, serve, and be holy!



Fall Turkey Dinner 2007

Date: September 30, 2007 (only 42 more days)



Time: Plates to go begin around 9 am
Serving Begins at 11:00 a.m.

Place: St. Patrick's Parish Hall

Menu: Turkey, Gravy, Dressing, Corn, Cole Slaw, Cranberries, Cake Dessert

WAYS TO HELP – WHAT'S NEEDED

Auction Items - The auction generates a lot of fun and money for the parish. Search for interesting things that will generate good bidding. Contact Deacon Fred or Patty Soto, auction chairmen for more information or to donate. I am putting in a painting this year!

Silent Auction – This year, we will have a silent auction for smaller prizes donated to facilitate bidding on larger items. It will be set up and people will be able to bid as soon as the hall opens.

Raffle Prizes – you may donate the prize, money toward the purchase of a prize, gift card, or gift certificate. Sign up sheet in Church. Or you may call Gracie Perez, Raffle Chairman at 897-2053.

Meat Donations – Please sign up in the church. The Knights will also be taking donations, the weekends of September 9, 16, and 23.

Canned/Bottled Drinks – This year we will add an outdoor kids game, where you will have to ring a bottle to win a drink. If each parish family could bring two-six packs that would help us in this goal. If you can donate more, great. We need a chair for this kids game.

Country Store - Home-made and craft items and baked goods. If you are baking and don't mind, please include a ingredients list to help those who might want to buy – but might have allergies. Mrs. Marie Boedeker is chair of the Store, and this year she promises to have a special section! Stay tuned.

Cakes for Cake Walk – Each family please bake at least two cakes. The cake walk is a crowd favorite, lets give them some delicious treats.

Still need:

- Chairman for Drink Booth – someone to sale drinks, please call Carol Sutton for more info. 648-9878
- Chairman for Outside kids games, please call Carol Sutton for more info. 648-9878

MOST IMPORTANT

Volunteers to assist in Preparation: I cannot stress enough, the more we have, the better we do in terms of building community and yes in the fundraiser. As you know, this turkey dinner began almost fifty years ago – and its success was due to the fact that families worked as one parish family, which we are – please make every effort to assist.

Mark your calendars:

Monday, September 17, 2007 8:00 am Parish Hall

- Preparation of dressing in hall kitchen
- Please come and help

Saturday September 29, 2007 7:30am Parish Hall

- all to help stuff bread bags
- bake, ice, and stuff cakes
- assist with food preparation.

Sunday, September 30, 2007 A.S.A.P.

- all to help with food lines –
 - o please sign up for shifts
- kitchen dish washing, etc.
- trash detail
- hospitality to visitors
- Contact Carol Sutton, General Chairman, to volunteer or sign up in Church

Stay tuned for more updates!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES 2007-2008

Registration: Open to all **registered parishioners** with children from grades 1-12.
Dates for registration (NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN BEYOND THESE)
✓ **Sunday August 19, 2007** After the 10:00 a.m. Mass – 12:00 noon
Registration officially closes at 12:00 noon

Schedule: This year the schedule will follow two blocks:

Grades 1-6 Wednesdays 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Grades 7-12 Wednesdays 7:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

- Mass will be held as a group once a month with grade levels planning the liturgies.
- **Twice a semester, the students will all come together for a faith building session:**
 - Prayer, the Mass, Reconciliation, Morality
- The sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession will be celebrated Advent and Lent.
- **Candidates for First Holy Communion will have sessions every first Sunday with Fr. Ty from 9:00 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. and then attend Mass as a group at 10:00 a.m.**
- This year, one parent will be asked to attend their child's class each week as a guest.
- **Quinceñera class for all those in the 7th grade.**
- The schedule will be provided at registration.

Dates: **Teacher Inservice and Dinner Tuesday, August 21, 2007** 6:30 p.m. in Heritage Room

Beginning date: August 22, 2007 **Opening Mass 7:00 p.m. in the Church**

First day of class: August 29, 2007 Grades 1 – 6 6:00 p.m. in the Hall

Grades 7 – 12 7:15 p.m. in the Hall

First Holy Communion: May 4, 2008 **10:00 a.m. in the Church**

Last day of class: May 14, 2008

Confirmation 2008: Sunday, May 18, 2008 **3:00 p.m. in the Church**

Fees: **Registration fee: \$15**, which helps to cover books and other materials for use throughout the year.

We still Need: Teachers for four grades, **Aids, Security**

Contact Information: Please **contact Ramona Torres** for more information during registration dates and times (see other page)

No registrations will be taken at the parish office.

Parish Hall number: **897-1398**