

**September 20, 2009**

There is one message in all of the readings today, and it's a challenging one: "Put Yourself Last." We want to be first, to be the best, to be the most important. This isn't the way of Jesus. St. James asks, "Where do wars and conflicts among you come from?" Let us make ourselves ready to hear his answer, to hear today's word and to ask God for the grace to live in accord with what we hear.



 **Eucharistic Celebrations**

- Sun. 8:00 a.m. Margaret Murphy  
Janice Garner
- 10:00 a.m. Martha Douglas  
People of the Parish
- Wed. 5:30 p.m. Nelson Vessell
- Thurs. 8:15 a.m. Bill & Rosemary Beard
- Fri. 7:00 a.m. John T. Koch
- Sat. 5:30 p.m. Elizabeth Stearns, Ann.  
Clarence Passmore Family
- Sun. 8:00 a.m. Mary O'Donnell
- 10:00 a.m. Melissa Smith McCutcheon, Ann.  
People of the Parish

**ALTAR MINISTERS - SEPTEMBER**

**5:30 p.m. Ministers of Eucharist:**  
George & Peggy Walley, Kim Ahrens, Bill & Joni Albright, Debbie Allen, Jim Mudd - alt.

**Minister of the Word:** Colleen Closser

**8:00 a.m. Ministers of Eucharist:**  
Kenny Buckman, Fran Hays, Harley & Evelyn Hirner, Sara Hooley, Tara Peters, Ann Walker - alt.

**Minister of the Word:** Alex Dowil

**10:00 a.m. Ministers of Eucharist:**  
Barb Anderson, Lynn Anderson, Linda Beard, Lori Catalpa Gary & Barbara Broughton, Donna Hemme - alt.

**Minister of the Word:** Dr. Rick Baumann

**Greeters - September**

- 5:30 p.m.** Don & Joyce Kesner, Jim Closser
- 8:00 a.m.** Greg & Diane Addison, Gail Terrill
- 10:00 a.m.** Sheila Boehmer, Doris Nichols, Joyce Jones

**Servers - Sept. 26-27**

- 5:30 p.m.** Tyler Johnston, Erac Kaiser, Evan Kaiser
- 8:00 a.m.** Jackie Dowil, Alana Jacobson, Darrell Kelso
- 10:00 a.m.** Jack Baumann, Megan Beilsmith, Noah Bieniek

**REMINDER - 10 A.M. MASS NEXT WEEKEND IS OUR PICNIC AT THE K OF C GROUNDS - NO 10 A.M. MASS IN CHURCH!**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES** began this past Wednesday. Call Sr. Virginia if you need to sign your children up for Religious Ed. classes, 221-1078.

**RCIA** classes for The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults began Thursday, Sept. 3rd. Anyone interested please call Sr. Virginia ASAP at 221-1078.

**PARISH PICNIC...Sunday, September 27th at 10:00 a.m. at the K of C grounds**

Families with last names A-J - bring 2 liter drinks

Families with last names K-Z - bring a dessert  
For information call Dan Whelan at 221-3892.

*Together we can study what we believe,  
how we worship, how we live, and  
how we pray!*

**WHY CATHOLIC?  
Sign up TODAY!**

Last week's answer: The domestic church is the family, a community of grace and prayer, a school of human virtues and of Christian charity.

**YEAR FOR PRIESTS** In this "Year For Priests" please pray for these priests of our diocese: Msgr. Greg Higley, Fr. Joe Hoi, Fr. Russell Judge, Fr. Gerry Kaimann, Fr. Phil Kane, Msgr. Ralph Keyes, Fr. Bill Korte

**SUNDAY PRE-SCHOOL GOSPEL LESSON**

The Sunday Pre-School Gospel lesson will begin on Sunday, October 4th during the 10 a.m. Mass. The lesson is for 3, 4, & 5 year olds. The volunteer leaders have graciously said "Yes" again this year to prepare the lesson and present it to the little ones. Father will call them up right before the first reading and give them a blessing, and they will follow their leaders downstairs to St. Michael's Hall. They will come back to join their family before communion.

***WE ASK ETERNAL REST O LORD FOR THE SOULS OF: Darlene Chaplin,*** sister of

- Dorlene Lawson, of our parish
- Zada Repp**, mother of Donna Meyer and mother-in-law of Jane Evanoff, both of our parish
- George Beshears**, uncle of Myrtle Kamrowski, of our parish
- Helen Higgins**, sister-in-law of Etta Glueck, of our parish

**THIS WEEK   
IN OUR PARISH**

**Sun. 9/20 CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**

**8 & 10 a.m. Masses** - all are welcome!  
*Why Catholic?* sign-up weekend  
**9 a.m.-Noon - Open House at Holy Family School**  
**11:00 a.m. Confirmation Information Meeting** - for  
 H.S. juniors, seniors & their parents - St. Michael's Hall  
**1:30 p.m. Pro-life Deanery Meeting** - St. Michael's  
 Hall  
**6:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Meeting** - rectory  
**7 p.m. Women's CRHP Meeting** - St. Michael's Hall

**Tues. 9/22**

**6:30 p.m. Retreat Session** - Fr. Kramer's class in the  
 St. Anthony Room  
**7 p.m. *Why Catholic?* Team Meeting** in St. Michael's  
 Hall  
**7 p.m. Perpetual Help Devotions** - Holy Cross Chapel  
 Ilasco, MO - all are welcome!

**Wed. 9/23**

**5:30 p.m. Mass** in the chapel - all are welcome!  
**7-8:15 p.m. Religious Ed. Classes** in school  
**7-8:30 p.m. Stewardship Training Meeting** in  
 St. Michael's Hall

**Thurs. 9/24**

**8:15 a.m. Mass** in church - all are welcome!  
**7-9 p.m. RCIA** - St. Michael's Hall

**Fri. 9/25**

**7:00 a.m. Mass** in the chapel - all are welcome!  
**9 a.m. Friday to 8:30 a.m. Saturday -  
 Eucharistic Adoration** in the chapel - all are welcome!

**Sat. 9/26**

**9-10:30 a.m. Registration for Butch Wilson  
 Memorial Horseshoe Tournament** - K of C grounds -  
 play in the tournament begins at 11:00 a.m.  
**5:30 p.m. Mass** - all are welcome!

**Sun. 9/27**

**8 a.m. Mass** in church - all are welcome!  
**9 a.m. Mass** at Holy Cross Chapel, Ilasco, MO  
**10:00 a.m. Parish Picnic & Mass - K of C grounds**  
 Be sure to mark on your calendars that there is no  
 10 a.m. Mass in church...it is at the K of C grounds.  
**7 p.m. Women's CRHP Meeting** - St. Michael's Hall



**Your Gifts To God  
 And Parish...**

Offertory Budget 52 wks.	\$ 1,041,248.00
Needed to Date 11 wks.	225,665.00
Received to Date	215,590.98
Over (Under) for Year	( 10,074.02)
Needed Each Week	20,515.00
Received Sept. 12-13	19,075.58
The total for Sept. 12-13 is comprised of:	
Regular Envelopes & Loose	14,004.64
Youth Envelopes	25.94
Stole Fees	75.00
Donations	3,895.00
Masses	40.00
Cemetery	400.00
School Support	610.00
Religious Ed.	25.00

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**Building Fund** **167.00**  
**AIM** **1,398.57**

**ATTENTION CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

**AND PARENTS!!** An informational meeting about the  
 Confirmation program will be held in St. Michael's Hall  
**TODAY Sun., September 20th following the  
 10:00 a.m. Mass for high school juniors, seniors, and  
 their parents.** All must attend and pick-up the  
 Confirmation schedule. Thanks to those juniors and  
 seniors who called the parish office to sign-up!

**SAVE THE DATE...A CELEBRATION OF**

**PARENTS** Parents are the first educators in their  
 child's faith. Last year, the Diocesan Vocation Office  
 held Mother's Teas across the Diocese. This year, in  
 honor of the Year for Priests, we are hosting "A  
 Celebration of Parents", a night to assist parents in  
 discovering God's call for their child at Baptism. The  
 emphasis will be on the ordained diocesan priesthood.  
 The evening begins with Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by  
 a reception, and a joint presentation of priest and parent.  
 The evening concludes by 9:00 p.m.

**Holy Family will host a "Celebration of Parents" on  
 Tuesday, October 20th.**

Everyone who is interested in promoting a vocation  
 friendly culture is welcome to attend! RSVP to the  
 parish office at 221-1078 or to the Diocesan Vocation  
 Office at 573-635-9127 ext. 211 or you can email:  
**followme@diojeffcity.org**. More information is  
 available at **www.discoverthepriesthood.org**.

**FLU SEASON ALERT!**

With the cold and flu season approaching and in light of the suggestions by health officials regarding hand washing and sanitizing, we have placed hand sanitizer at the church entrances. We encourage you to use these to keep healthy while in church. However, if you are experiencing flu-like symptoms, please stay home to keep from infecting those around you! Thank you for your cooperation in this important matter.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOTBALL POOL**

The Knights of Columbus is again sponsoring the annual Pro football pool. A donation of \$20 buys two - 2 team combinations, good for the whole 17 week regular season. Each week the combination scoring the most total points wins \$80. Second place pays \$40, 3rd place \$30, and low pays \$25. For more information or to purchase a ticket contact Mark Dowil at 248-3754.

**WHY CATHOLIC? SIGN-UP TIME!**

Sign up for *Why Catholic?* is this weekend. The cost is \$10 for Book 1, *The Profession of Faith, What We Believe*. U.S. Catholic Catechisms will be available next weekend (optional) for \$20.00.

If you aren't sure and want to look at Book 1, please come down to St. Michael's Hall and look over Book 1, consider joining in to learn and grow in your Catholic faith. Any questions please call Geri Graves, 221-3410 or DeAnne Wickens at 248-8246.

**2nd Annual Butch Wilson Memorial**

**Blind Draw Horseshoe Tournament** is being held next Saturday, September 26, 2009 at the Knights of Columbus grounds.

**Registration 9-10:30 a.m. - Tournament starting at 11:00 a.m. - \$10.00 Entry per player**

Food & beverages available

Kids activities/Door Prizes/Raffles Last year's proceeds were donated to Holy Family School. This year's proceeds will establish the Butch Wilson Memorial Scholarship. Come join us for a fun-filled day! **Rain date: October 3rd** For more information call: Dusty Wilson (573) 231-2744

***SPECIAL THANKS TO...***



***FOR PROVIDING INTERNET SERVICE TO  
HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL!***

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK - Sept. 20-27**

Sunday: Wis 2:12,17-20 Ps 54:3-4,5,6-8  
Jas 3:16-4:3 Mk 9:30-37  
Monday: Eph 4:1-7,11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-13  
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8,12b,14-20 Ps 122:1-5  
Lk 8:19-21  
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9 (Ps) Tb 13:2-4,6-8  
Lk 9:1-6  
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8 Ps 149:1-6,9 Lk 9:7-9  
Friday: Hg 2:1-9 Ps 43:1-4 Lk 9:18-22  
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9,14-15a (Ps) Jer 31:10-13  
Lk 9:43b-45  
Sunday: Nm 11:25-29 Ps 19:8,10,12-14  
Jas 5:1-6 Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

*"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."* Mark 9:35

**Adults** Do I know people who are struggling because of loss, sickness, or economic hardship? How can I serve them?

**Children** Do I realize that those who I do not like are still loved by God?

**MENTOR RECRUITMENT** Families and Communities Together (F.A.C.T.) of Marion County is seeking adults to make a difference in the life of a child. One hour (per week), one adult, one child... **ONE POWERFUL EXPERIENCE!** Interested?... Contact F.A.C.T. at 221-2285 or email: **factmentor@socket.net**.

***CONGRATULATIONS TO...*** Our newly elected Parish Council Officers: **President** - DeAnne Wickens **Co-Vice Presidents** - Sue Sculley/Colette Markell **Secretary** - Geri Graves

**We thank** Ken Zielinski, our outgoing president and DeAnne Wickens, our outgoing vice president for their work for the parish, and all of our members who faithfully serve the parish on their respective committees. We especially thank Barb Steinman, our recording secretary for her volunteer years of service to the parish.

**We Welcome new members** - Tony White who is representing the Finance Committee and Joni Albright who is representing the Worship Committee.

May God continue to bless our parish with faithful stewards!

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**Middle School Youth Group Schedule** (6th, 7th & 8th graders)

I'm sorry to announce that our youth group will be unable to attend the 2009 Youth Rally this year as there are scheduling conflicts. However, mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

**Sunday, September 20th** at 6:30 p.m. - meet at the rectory - youth group meeting and planning session.

**Sunday, October 24th - HAUNTED HOUSE and Bon Fire.** We will meet and sit together at the 5:30 p.m. Mass. After Mass we will head off for spooktacular fun!



**Sunday, November 8th (tentative date): Third Annual Rake N' Run** - details coming later

**Saturday, November 21st** - Youth group meeting at the rectory (time to be announced)

Contact ***Sue Sculley*** with any questions at 248-7415 or by email: **babsverdel5@yahoo.com**

**October School Homecoming & Parish Fund Raiser** A homecoming and parish fundraiser will be held October 1st, 2nd, and 3rd at the K of C Hall. Each night will have snacks or dinner and a cash bar.

**Make checks payable to Holy Family Church** - \$20 per person per night. (\$50.00 for all three nights) Each night your ticket includes a raffle ticket for numerous prizes. Friday evening will feature a reception for Msgr. Louis McCorkle. An auction will be held on Saturday. Your donation will include \$20 credit toward a successful bid. When you donate an item you will receive the same \$20.00 credit and have free admission.

To donate or become a host family please call David Scyoc at 517-896-2105.

**We Thank:** The Knights of Columbus Council #907 for the use of the hall and their help

**Auction gifts:** Gene & Pat McKenzie - glassware; Carol Scyoc - two paintings; John & Adele Paschal - two framed prints; Norwoods Golf Club - two gift certificates for 18 holes of golf; Quincy Notre Dame Foundation - three complimentary all sport passes to boy's athletic events; Hannibal High - sports passes; Bob & Barb Brummer - two handmade rosaries; Ron & Shirley Marchlewski - crystal decanter and six crystal cups; Bob & Mary Welch - antique & fine glassware, pottery & books; Linda & Buddy Purvis - babysitting; Hannibal LaGrange College - t-shirts

**for hosting guests:** Laura Smith; **for volunteering:** Bill Willett & Laura Smith

**We are in need of more donations, volunteers and host families.** Guests will donate \$30.00/\$35.00 to our church for each night spent with a host Call David Scyoc at the above number or the parish office, 221-1078 if you can help.

**HOMECOMING/PARISH FUND RAISER WEEK**

Golf at Norwoods Golf Club on September 29th, 30th and October 1st - Norwoods will donate \$5.00 per golfer to the parish as part of our fund raising efforts. No tee time is needed; however, you must start before noon and tell the starter that you want \$5.00 to go to Holy Family Church. The cost is \$25.00 for 18 holes with cart and everyone is invited to play.

**HOMECOMING FUNDRAISER WEEKEND** (turn in to parish office)

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

Thurs. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Fri. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Sat. \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Less \_\_\_\_\_ auction gifts @ \$20.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**OR** \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50.00 for 3 nights = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Less \_\_\_\_\_ auction gifts @ \$20 - \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**OR:** My gift to Holy Family \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I will be a host family - Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ (check one) call me at: \_\_\_\_\_ (phone)



**ROSARY IN OCTOBER...** The Rosary will be said before the Masses during October. The Rosary will start 30 minutes before Mass. All are welcome in this month of Mary to join us in prayer before Mass!

**NOTICE...** If you know of someone who is lonesome, lonely, or homebound, who would enjoy having someone drop by for a visit and/or communion, please call Deacon Gene Pierce at 221-5314. If you would leave a name and phone number they will be contacted. Thanks!

**RETREAT SESSIONS** Hannibal - Tuesdays - 6:30-9:30 p.m. - September 22; October 6 & 20; Nov. 3 & 17 - Holy Family Church - St. Anthony Room (back door of church) - call 221-1078 for more information  
Book - "A New Earth" by Eckhart Tolle - read Chapters I & II - with reflection paper. If you know of anyone who might be interested - spread the word and invite them. The cost is \$50 for the semester. For more info. contact Fr. George J. Kramer - 573-897-2061 or email Fr. George at [gk@midamerica.net](mailto:gk@midamerica.net)

***How to explain that destroying pre-born human life is wrong*** by Fr. John Carl Lombardi, MSF *published in St. Louis Review, Sept., 2009*

First of all, let us go to one of the Psalms in which David speaks of God's intimate and enduring love for him even before he was born. We hear David praying, "*You formed my inmost being: You knit me in my mother's womb...My very self You knew; my bones were not hidden from You, when I was being made in secret*" (Psalm 139: 13-15).

There are other biblical passages, such as Genesis 1:26-27, that confirm the truth that the child in the womb, at whatever stage of development, is a fully human person known and loved by God, sharing the great dignity and value of every human person created by God in His image.

There is no getting away from the fact that the Bible condemns murder, the wrongful taking of innocent human life. Since children in the womb are regarded as human persons in Scripture, killing them is included in this prohibition.

In addition, we should note that Jesus shows special concern for children because of their vulnerability and is explicit in his condemnation of those who hurt "these little ones." So the Church, in keeping its example and with the consistent teaching of ancient Scripture and tradition, condemns abortion as a particularly monstrous crime. Since, the first century, the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. The Catechism of the Catholic Church says that a direct abortion, that is, an abortion willed either as an end or a means is "gravely contrary to the moral law." (CCC 227).

Infanticide occurs when an infant is intentionally killed or allowed to die through neglect, often because a child suffers from some disability. Embryonic stem-cell research, however noble may be its medical objectives, involves the destruction of unborn children at the embryonic stage. Consequently, the Church condemns these practices as gravely immoral on the same grounds it opposes murder in any form. But I would like to make it perfectly clear that the Church does not condemn other forms of stem-cell research that do not require the destruction of human embryos.

For similar reasons, the Church condemns human cloning. This practice involves the manipulation and manufacturing of living embryos for commercial or other purposes, as if they were merchandise to be used by others rather than children who share the innate dignity of all human beings.

Finally, the Church insists that the human right to life of the innocent, and to the dignity of all, should be defended by civil law. This right is not merely a religious matter, but a part of the universal natural law that should be recognized by all civilized societies. *Fr. Lombardi, a priest of the Missionaries of the Holy Family, is associate pastor of St. Wenceslaus Parish in South St. Louis.*

### **AROUND THE AREA...**

**Sun., Sept. 20th** - Open House at St. Joseph Church, Palmyra, MO from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m....come and see the new windows featuring the 16 scenes from the life of Christ. The K of C will serve a meal at the church hall.  
**Sat., Sept. 26th** - St. Rose of Lima Garage & Bake Sale, 1009 North 8th St., Quincy, IL from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. - plenty of parking, all are welcome!