

## Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 6, 2009

Mass intentions may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances. They will be rescheduled as soon as possible.

### MONDAY, Sept. 7 – Weekday

Col 1:24-2:3 Lk 6:6-11

### 8:00 am – ADELL † Clemens Birenbaum (RF)

### TUESDAY, Sept. 8 – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mic 5:1-4a Mt 1:1-16,18-23

8:00 am – HR, St. Rose Chapel – Mary Shining (GG)

### 8:00 am – Random Lake † Roland & Rosamond Kees, and † Kenneth Schueller (RF)

### WEDNESDAY, Sept. 9 – Saint Peter Claver, priest

Col 3:1-11 Lk 6:20-26

### 8:00 am – Random Lake † Harry Schneider, † Joseph Leggin (RF)

8:00 am – St. Mary, LC – Open Intention (GG)

### THURSDAY, Sept. 10 – Weekday

Col 3:12-17 Lk 6:27-38

8:00 am – HR, St. Rose Chapel † Walter Swietlik (RF)

8:00 am – St. Mary, LC † Lillian Oberst (GG)

### FRIDAY, Sept. 11 – Weekday

1 Tm 1:1-2,12-14 Lk 6:39-42

8:00 am – HR, St. Rose Chapel - Uselding/Wester Families (RF)

8:00 am – St. Mary, LC † Art Ronk (GG)

### SATURDAY, Sept. 12 – Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 50:5-9a Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

### 4:30 pm – Dacada † Ralph & Leona LeFever, and † Clarence, Delores & Ronald Dimmer (GG)

7:30 pm – HR, St. Rose Chapel † Clarence & Katherine Burmesch (RF)

### SUNDAY, Sept. 13 – Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 50:5-9a Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

8:00 am – St. Mary, LC – Living & Deceased Members of the  
Lanser/Lukens Families (RF)

9:30 am – Holy Cross † Alois & Carol Leider and  
- For our Parishioners (JE)

### 10:00 am – RL – Living & Deceased of the Parish and † Walter Buchel (RF)

11:00 am – St. Mary, LC † Chuck Bramm, † Myrtle Hopf, and  
† Donald Glisch (GG)

**Confession Times** – Saturday afternoon at St. Nicholas, Dacada from 3:45-4:15 p.m. Saturday evening at St. Rose, Fredonia from 6:45-7:15 p.m. Sunday morning at St. Mary, Lake Church following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Special arrangements can be made with either priest.

### Question of the Week:

**Key Passage** – For who can learn the counsel of God? Or who can discern what the Lord wills? For the reasoning of mortals is worthless, and our designs are likely to fail. (Wisdom 9:13-14)

**Adult** – How do you try to discover what God is asking of you?

**Child** – When is it hard for you to know the right thing to do?

Who helps you know?

### Mass on Labor Day, Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup> will be at St. Patrick's Chapel in Adell.

**Parish Council Agenda Items – Thurs., September 10 – 7:00 pm – OLL School** - Committee Reports – Sept. Items: Parish Assessment and Renewal Program (Fr. Tom Sweetser, S.J.)

Dr. Rick Erickson, OLL School Principal, has established a "direct line" to him. That cell phone number is 920-447-2665(BOOK).

### Liturgical Ministers

**Dacada 4:30 pm (9/12) Servers:** Brittany & Elizabeth Witters

**Lector:** Gary Feider

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Pat Davis, Leon Jacoby, Michael Kawczynski, Bonnie Steffen

**Ministers of Hospitality:** Richard Depies, Elroy Feider

**RL 10:00 am (9/13) Servers:** Arielle & Dominique Huiras

**Lector:** Jessica Huiras

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** Jane Bichler,

Judith Longrie, Janice Spaeth, Mary Verhage

**Ministers of Hospitality:** Andy Spaeth, Jim Theisen,

Bob & Jacob Wiskerchen

*We pray for the improved health of...* David Moller, Joe/Donna Moller, Roland Klas, Mardell Binder, Don Dressel, Gladys Hagel, Regina Steffen, Brian Ramel, Dolores Schneider, Kathleen Medinger, Fanny Watry, Tom Fitzpatrick

### Our Lady of the Lakes Stewardship Report – August 30, 2009

Offertory Collection: \$285.05

Church Support Received: \$ 3,489.00

Need weekly to meet budget: \$ 5,750.00

**Short (\$ 2,261.00)**

Total Rcvd. 7/1/09-8/30/09: \$ 41,176.67

Total needed to meet budget: \$ 51,750.00

**Short (\$ 10,573.33)**

Minimum financial support requested is as follows:

**Married Couples: \$20.00 per week**

**Single & Mixed Religion Marriages: \$10.50 per week**

\*or **Tithe** – you can join the growing number of parishioners who tithe and give 5% of their gross income. **If you cannot give the requested amount, we ask that you give what you can.**

### FALL FESTIVAL – FALL FESTIVAL INFORMATION:

Envelopes with information regarding our Annual Parish Ham Dinner and Fall Festival to be held on Sunday, Oct. 4th will be handed out at all Masses next weekend, Sept. 13 & 14. Every registered family of our parish will be receiving an envelope and raffle tickets. Envelopes not picked up will be mailed out the week of Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>. To help us save on postage, we encourage everyone to also pick-up envelopes for any family, friends or neighbors who will be out of town next weekend or who do not attend church regularly. Thank you for your help.

### CEMETERY GRAVESITE COSTS TO INCREASE

effective October 1, 2009. Current cost per gravesite: \$250.00 for registered members of our parish and \$500.00 for non-members. Effective October 1, 2009, the cost will be increased to: \$350.00 for registered members of our parish and \$700.00 for non-members.



Food Collection

For the month of September, the **Human Concerns** committee is collecting cereal and paper towels for the Food Pantry. Please drop off items in the back of church on any weekend. Thank you for your support.

### Random Lake Interfaith Food Pantry Open House –

Saturday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> – 11-2 pm – 310 Center Ave, Adell. Come visit the new site of the Food Pantry to view its new facilities. Please bring a donation of non-perishable food items to help restock the shelves of the Food Pantry before your tour.

## Monday, September 7

- 6:15 pm – Rosary – RL

## Tuesday, September 8

- 11:00 am – Mass – Gables on the Pond
- 7:00 pm – Human Concerns Mtg. - School

7:00 pm – Alcoholics Anonymous/Al-Anon – Fredonia (Joe 994-9827)

## Wednesday, September 9

- 6:30 pm – Home & School Mtg.

## Thursday, September 10

- 7:00 pm – Joint Parish Council Mtg. – OLL School

## Sunday, September 13

- 8-10 am – Family Program Session

**Entertainment Book Sale:** Our Lady of the Lakes School will be selling Entertainment books until Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> as a fundraiser for the school. They sell for \$35 and are loaded with valuable savings for food, entertainment, travel and services. These books easily pay for themselves and also make great gifts. If you are interested, please contact any OLL student or Susan at the Parish office at 994-4380.

On Tuesday, September 8 the **Daughters of Isabella** travel to Mount Calvary for lunch at the Sunseed EcoEducation Center. We will meet in the South parking lot of St. John the Baptist at 11:00AM. We will then carpool & caravan to Mt. Calvary. We will LEAVE at 11:15 AM. For information call Judy Heimerl @ 920-564-3942.

**Themes of the Pentateuch** Scripture study. Mondays, Sept. 14, 21, 28 from 3:30-5:00 p.m.- St. Mary Lake Church Parish Center or Tuesdays Sept. 15, 22, 29 from 7-8:30 p.m. Our Lady of the Lakes Parish Office. Learn more about the themes of the first five books of the Bible: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy. Bring your Bible or use one of ours. All are welcome. Contact Deb Hamm to register. 4.5 Scripture clock hours for those who need them.

**Divorce Recovery Series:** The District 10 Parishes are offering a series to help those who are dealing with all aspects of divorce. Marianne Skrobiak, MS, LPC, will lead the group on six Wednesday's from September 15 through October 20 from 7-8:30 PM in the Matthew/ Mark Room at St. James Parish in Mequon. The cost is \$40 per person, with assistance available if needed. Please call Terri Schiller at 262-512-8985 or [schillert@lumenchristiparish.org](mailto:schillert@lumenchristiparish.org) to register.

Prescription and over the counter **drug disposal** is now available 24/7 in the front lobby of the Sheboygan Police Department at 1315 N. 23rd St., Sheboygan. There will also be a waste medication collection event in Random Lake on Saturday, Oct. 3 from 9-11 a.m. at the Random Lake Fire Department parking lot. Watch for flyers posted in the community or call Kathryn Sepstead at 920-994-9815 for additional information.

## **Help needed with Baptisms for the Spanish-speaking**

We are looking for volunteers who are bilingual who could help in the following areas. First, we need bilingual volunteers who could work through a baptism preparation booklet (which is written in Spanish) prior to the baptism. It generally takes less than one hour and could be scheduled according to the volunteer's availability. Second, we need bilingual volunteers who would be willing to translate when an English-speaking priest has to preside over the Sacrament of Baptism for a Spanish-speaking family. If you would be willing to do either of these ministries, please contact Deb Hamm.

**RCIA Help Wanted.** We have a growing number of adults who are interested in serving on a "team" to help prepare other adults who wish to join the Catholic Church. If you might be interested in helping, or if you have questions, please contact Deb Hamm.



## **Pastoral Column**

As I was praying over this weekend's reading, I remembered a gentleman I met in Gloucester, MA, on my 30-day retreat. Twice a week, I went to the local YMCA. One day, as I was working out on an elliptical machine, I was praying about some people in my life who really "repulse" me. People whose negative words and actions have repeatedly hurt people they love. People who seem to only care about themselves. People who mistreat others. People who are constantly gossiping about and judging others. This list goes on and on. We all experience them: people whose lives "smell" of irresponsibility, lack of concern for others, pride, prejudice, "isms" of all kinds, revenge, hatred, and so many other negative characteristics.

As I continued praying, an elderly man got on the machine next to me. He looked—and smelled—as if he had not bathed in quite a long time. As he began to work out, the smell was nearly too much to bear. I nearly gagged several times. Of course, my first thought was to move to another machine. We were only about two feet apart. But rather than moving, I stayed. I closed my eyes and prayed, "God, why did you send this man to me today?" As I prayed, I thought about how many people avoided this man every day. I wondered how often people walked away from this man. I wondered if part of the reason this man was in his present condition was because too many people had avoided him or walked away.

After a challenging 30 minutes, the man left the machine and walked out of the room. His odor lingered, but it somehow didn't seem so bad any more. I continued exercising and thought about those people in my life I'd been praying about before this man joined me. Perhaps all they needed was a little more patience, a little more concern, a little more outreach. Perhaps they needed someone who was willing to face the "smell" and help them deal with the negative issues in their lives. (If I'm honest, sometimes I'm the one who needs others to put up with my "smells".)

Today's second reading tells us to "show no partiality as you adhere to the faith..." The reality is that all of us sometimes make distinctions among ourselves and become judges with evil designs. I invite you to join me as I continue to challenge myself to refrain from judging others. We don't know what anyone else is dealing with that has led to their current situation. If we can react with more patience, compassion and understanding to those who initially "repulse" us, perhaps we will all become better at loving as Jesus does. And let's remember that we all live "smelly" lives from time to time.

Deb Hamm, Pastoral Associate

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> in honor of Labor Day.



23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

