

Pastor's Greetings*Christian Burial*

At the end of the Funeral Mass there is a prayer of commendation of the deceased person to God. After that prayer, if the assembly is to proceed to the cemetery, all are invited to rise and take the body or the remains of the departed sister or brother to its place of rest. If the disposition of the body or remains is to take place on a later date or in another, distant city, then there is a prayer of taking leave of the deceased brother or sister. The Church has prayers for most circumstances of dignified disposition of the earthly remains, e.g., burial of body or ashes in the earth, or entombment, even burial at sea. The Church disapproves of any act which disrespects the mortal remains (e.g., scattering the ashes in a favorite flower garden) or which signifies disbelief in the final resurrection of the dead. We respectfully return the earthly remains to the earth, to the sea, or to the "elements" (such as in time of natural disaster the use of funeral pyres). The prayer of committal goes something like this:

Because God has chosen to call our brother/sister *N.* from this life to himself, we commit his/her body to the earth [or the deep or the elements or its resting place], for we are dust and unto dust we shall return. But the Lord Jesus Christ will change our mortal bodies to be like his own in glory, for he is risen, the firstborn from the dead. So let us commend our brother/sister to the Lord, that the Lord may embrace him/her in peace and raise up his/her body on the last day. *Order of Christian Funerals [219]*

It is then envisioned that the burial will proceed, or at least be accomplished at the end of the prayers. More commonly today, however, sometimes because of inclement weather, or length of time, or the unsightliness of burial equipment, families and friends leave the body or remains in a cemetery chapel or above the grave at the end of the prayers and depart. The burial or placement of the deceased is most often done these days without family or friends present. I am even struck by the apparent absence of earth at the grave, for all is covered by green carpets and flowers. More and more the connection with the earth, or even with a tomb, is hidden from the mourners. As an act of completion, pallbearers are asked to place their boutonnieres on the casket, while the family is given flowers retrieved from the floral spray. These are modern and respectable customs. But following that, while taking my leave with the family, I often look back to the casket, temporarily unattended, as the cars depart the cemetery. It all seems unfinished to me.

I enjoy the kindness and friendship of many in the funeral home and cemetery services. I find their helpfulness, care, and consideration to be genuinely compassionate. They are overwhelmingly a blessing to those who mourn. I believe that they want to spare mourners the sight of the bare and rough earth and the view of the machinery as it works to lower the casket into vault and earth. This cannot be done with absolute delicacy. I also wonder if too great a desire for delicacy is not depriving Christians of actually burying their dead, of closing the earth over the departed to await the resurrection. Rarely these days, but some still request to witness the lowering of the casket into the vault and earth. Some family members even assist this action and apply a shovel or two of dirt, participating in the act of burial. Very often when the ashes of cremation are to be placed in the grave, and after the temporary carpet over the cavity is pulled back, a family member does the honors of lowering the box into the earth. It is usually very moving and has a sense of completion, of one having done one's earthly duty to the deceased. It completes the corporal work of mercy, i.e., burying the dead. In those cases in which we leave the cemetery with the remains not finally placed, I readily agree to return later with family for the committal prayers at the now filled grave or tomb. Most sense a need or duty to finish this act of respect. I fully agree. "Remember, O Human, you are dust, and unto dust you shall return" for time, awaiting the last trumpet. Fr. Richard

International Barbecue Festival & SPX

We honor the SPX Cooking Team and the many, many parishioners who volunteered with them in the wonderful event of community and cooking which led to SPX winning **First Place in Mutton, First Place in Burgoo**, and overall **Grand Champion** of the Festival. These outward signs of the parish team's generosity, skill, taste, and cooperation are deeply appreciated. What keeps the crew alive through the years and generations, however, is the good heartedness, generosity, and friendship running deep and true in this faith community. Prizes are fine indeed, but there is a richer reward in knowing how much this contributes to our parish family and the sense of a job well done. So many contributed. The regulars of the cooking team formed the core of the effort. Parishioner Volunteers (many regulars at the festival and all ages) helped every step of the way. Alice came through again with about forty new hats this year. The sandwich business was brisk and just about all the barbecue sold. Praise God for such goodness. Fr. Richard

Gospel: Luke 24:46-53 (Taken Up Into Heaven)**Adults**

What are the most influential Christian beliefs in my life? In what ways do these beliefs shape who I am and what I do?

Children

What can I do this week that will show I am a Christian?

Religious Education/Faith Formation May Schedule

May 16th Regular session

May 23rd Regular session

May Saints

May 18 St. John I, Pope

May 21 St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions

May 23 Pentecost Sunday

May 20 St. Bernardine of Siena

May 22 St. Rita of Cascia

May 25 St. Bede the Venerable;
St. Gregory VII, Pope;
St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi

May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury

May 26 St. Philip Neri

RCIA MAY SCHEDULE

May 19th Prayer CCC#2559-2565

May 26th Fruits and Gifts of the Holy Spirit CCC#790-791, 798, 951, 1267, 1830-1832

Breakfast

St. Pius X Parish Breakfast will be Sunday, May 23rd after the 8am Mass.

Special Collection for Furnishing New Episcopal Residence

The Diocese of Owensboro contacted pastors and pastoral councils with an invitation to assist in the furnishings for the new Episcopal residence being built for Bishop William Medley. Floor plans were provided and desirable furnishings listed. St. Pius X Pastoral Council and Finance Committee recommended that we announce a special collection to provide an opportunity for parishioners to assist with the project. A second collection will be taken at each Mass on the weekend of May 29-30. Any donations may be made to St. Pius X, Notation: Bishop's New Home. The total collected will be offered in the name of the parish.

Training for New Ministers

We have scheduled training and orientation for new or renewing Ministers of Holy Communion, Saturday morning, May 22, in the church at 10:30am (this follows the jail ministers 9am meeting). Fr. Richard

Old Fashion Tea Party for Ladies

Ladies Summer Tea Party, which will be held on July 11th, is in need of a few items for our silent auction. Any donations of new hand crafted items, floral arrangements, quilts, gift cards or anything of interest would be greatly appreciated. Donations will be accepted until June 25th. Any questions or for pickups please call Mary Jo Westerfield at 281-4771 or Alicia Wells at 688-8324. Thank You.

Spiritual Direction Training Program 2010-12

Applications are now being accepted for the next Spiritual Direction Training Program, which will begin the week of Oct. 18, 2010 at Mount Saint Joseph Conference and Retreat Center. The two-year program consists of four weekly training sessions each year. Participants receive intense training, practice, and supervision by a coordinating team. The fee includes tuition, meals, and accommodations. Appropriate for beginners and experienced spiritual directors. Contact Sheila Blandford at 270-229-0200, ext 427, or sheila.blandford@maplemount.org, by Aug. 31. A brochure can be found at www.mscenter.org

**ST. PIUS X
YOUTH MINISTRY**

Middle School F.L.I.G.H.T Night

Sunday, May 16: ODYO End of Year Bash at
St. Mary Magdalene (7-9pm)

Food, fun, and live music from The Lee Roessler Band!

Up Coming Middle School Dates

Sunday, May 23: Human Foosball (depending on the weather) & Star Trek:
Embracing Who You Are (4-5:30pm)

Sunday, May 30: Alleluia is the Word (4-5:30pm)

High School E.P.I.C. Night

Sunday, May 16: ODYO End of Year Bash at
St. Mary Magdalene (7-9pm)

Food, fun, and live music from The Lee Roessler Band!

Up Coming High School Dates

Sunday, May 23: Human Foosball (depending on the weather) & Star Trek:
Embracing Who You Are (6-7:45pm)

Sunday, May 30: Alleluia is the Word (6-7:45pm)

Youth Movie Night Discussion

Wednesday, May 19 from 7-9pm in the Youth Room
Movie: Facing the Giants

Trash for Cash

The SPX Youth Ministry has a fundraising opportunity
which will also help the Daviess County area. On
Saturday, May 22 and Saturday, June 5 (8-11:30am). This
opportunity is open for both middle & high school. Sign
ups will be in the Vestibule.

Driver License/Youth Mass

Sunday, March 23 at the 11am Mass there will be a
blessing of students' driver license. Student drivers will
also receive a small gift. The Mass will be youth oriented
with music performed by Jubilation and youth musicians.

**For information on Youth Ministry events contact
Matthew Hunt 270 684-4745 ext 206**

**"Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young.
Be an example to all believers by what you say and do, in the
way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity."**

I Timothy 4:12

**ST. PIUS X Children/Youth Picnic
June 6, 2010—Noon-3:30 p.m.**

St. Pius X Children/Youth and their families are
invited to a picnic celebrating the ending of School
and Religious Ed. Program and the beginning of
Summer Youth events and Vacation Bible School.
More details later!

Musicians Schedule-May 22 & 23

5:00pm Choir
8:00am Tracie
11:00am Jubilation

Musicians' meeting May 18th at 6pm.

God's Housekeepers—May 17- 22

Vocation Crucifix-May 22 & 23

5:00pm Jeff & Kristy Fulkerson
8:00am Nick & Carolyn Howard
11:00am Ryan & Karen Wahnsiedler

SCRIP Schedule—May 22 & 23

5:00pm Stacy Potts,
Rex & Laura Carmon
8:00am Julie Cox
Joseph & Jane Brand
11:00am Gerald & Bonnie Castlen
John & Kim Boarman

PICNIC 

Picnic Day is Saturday, June 12. Capital Prize tickets
are available. The capital prize raffle tickets contribute
the largest percentage to the picnic profits so sell, sell,
sell! Stuffed toys are still needed for the Toy Stand!
The country store is also in need of homemade or new
items. Items for the country store and stuffed toy stand
can be brought to the office during office hours, 9-
12noon & 1-4pm. We ask that each family bring 2
cakes to the parish hall on the Friday or Saturday of the
picnic. This is a great way to make money because all
cakes are donated, so we need lots and lots of cakes!
Please remember to help us in praying for a successful
picnic! Thank you and please feel free to contact us
with any questions. Let us know if you would like to
volunteer at the picnic and do not currently have a job
at the picnic. This is a great way to meet all the
wonderful people of our parish!
Candice Lanham 314-0221 and Sean Lane 684-4555

The Diocese of Owensboro is sponsoring *Grief Camp
for Kids* on Saturday, July 24, 2010 at Mount St.
Joseph Retreat Center . The camp is for young people
between the ages of 6 and 16 that have experienced
the death of a relative or close friend. Our goals are to
offer an opportunity for young people to commemorate
and remember loved ones and to help them better
understand the feelings associated with loss and
grief. The day will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at
2:00 p.m. There is no cost. Register by calling the
Family Life Office at the Pastoral Center 270-683-1545
or on line @ www.rcdok.org. Click on Ministries and
then click on Family Life under the Topical Index.

Mass Intentions - May 17—23, 2010

17-Mon.	8am	Herbert Johnson
18-Tue.	8am	Tony Wheatley
19-Wed.	6pm	Debby Stallings
20-Thur	8am	Dennis Hayden
21-Fri	8am	Ruth Ann Thompson
22-Sat	5pm	Pat Burns
23-Sun	8am	Helen Wagner
	11am	Parish Family
	8pm	Rick Clary

Tithing's-May 9, 2010

Goal	Actual
13,360.00	13,081.13
Children's Coll.....	4.30
Parish Relief.....	75.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	20.00
Barbeque Festival.....	13,435.75
Barbeque Festival Awards.....	2,753.00

Stewardship ~ March 2010

Total Income.....	82,058.48
Total Expenses...53,528.02	
Difference.....	28,530.46
YTD Income.....	567,785.83
YTD Expenses....	559,734.38
Difference.....	8,051.45

Capital Campaign-May 9, 2010

Goal	Actual
3,000.00	1,599.33
Capital Campaign ~ March 2010	
Total Income.....	8,079.10
Total Expenses.....	10,370.83
Difference.....	(2,291.73)
YTD Income.....	109,717.80
YTD Expenses.....	92,982.40
Difference.....	16,735.40

Daycare

Total Income.....	44,418.00
Total Expenses.....	29,938.77
Difference.....	14,479.23
YTD Income.....	331,461.48
YTD Expense.....	313,000.19
Difference.....	18,461.29

Census & Stewardship Update: Thanks to all who have returned their Census and Stewardship Forms. We still have 367 packets (57%) that have not been picked up. In an effort to save the parish the time and expense of mailing these out, you may pick them up at the Parish Office. If after hour arrangements need to be made, please call Marisa at 684-4745 Ext. 214.

Stewardship information is also available on our website at:

<http://www.stpiustenthparish.org>.

For those who choose, the online Commitment Form is interactive and is sent to my email address.

Thank you for your support to this effort.

Marisa Cooper, Parish Administrator

Pack 120 Cub Scouts would like to welcome any boy going into the 1st through 5th grade, or age 7 through 11. If you are interested in being a Cub Scout please call John Davis - Cubmaster at 270-485-2819 after 5:00 pm.

Some of our Summer Time Activities are:

Day Camp - Yellow Creek Park
June 14th thru June 18th

Squire Boone Campout - Mauckport, IN
June 25th thru 27th

Newport Aquarium Overnight - Newport, KY
July 9th thru July 10th

Slugger Museum/Louisville Bats Game & Campout
Louisville, KY August 28th thru 29th

Birthright needs our help!

Please take a baby bottle home with you and bring back in two weeks with cash, check or change included. May God's Blessings pour richly upon you and your families....Thank You!!!

Stewardship: Jesus knew that his disciples who witnessed his life, death and resurrection; who learned from his actions; and who listened to his teachings, would one day pass away. Other generations would believe in Him through the word of the eye witnesses. Jesus also knew others would only believe the witnesses if their words matched their actions. Jesus intended that each generation be the custodian and steward of faith in Him, and that each generation accept the responsibility to *pass on that faith by word and action, by what they say and do.* To pass on a true faith we must know our faith. To know our faith we must study and learn more each day. That takes time and effort. Do we know and live our faith in such a way that we are passing it on to future generations as Jesus intended? Are we being good stewards of our faith? When is the last time we made an effort to learn more about our faith? If you have to stop and think, its been too long.

**Praying Hands Prayer Chain-Call 929-4914,
281-4729 or 686-8098, dgfas@earthlink.net**

Becky Howard, Louise Miles, Richard Horn, Charles Aud, Chann Harris, Mary Coy, Pat Yeckering, Christina Downing, Linda McKinney, Donna Powers, James Martin, Billy Brackett, Mandy Lloyd, Johnnie Muncey, Robin Spinks, Kenneth Wright, Susan Sweat, Barbara Alvey, Cody Cox, Mike Murphy, Tony Hamilton, Debra Morse, Billie Quisinberry, Louise McDaniels, Dale Greenwell, Wendy Phelps, Laura Donahue, Aline Garrett, Pam Kehr, Mary Collins, Ann & James Wood, Roger Warren, Barbara Stites, Terrence Miller, Morgan Young, Lukas Hall, Robert Massie, Robert Newton, Nancy Bickett, David Baker, Scott Carter, Sharon Clary, Marsha Bradley, Edward Dowdy, Marvin Morris, Brigit Jones, Allen Payne, Brian King, Carol & Gerald Head, Glenn Grigsley, Louis Payne, James Cummins, Ethel Larossa, Anna Clements, Becky Smith, Sue Willet, Kim Burcham, Deanna Wright, Tracy Blair, Norbert Smith, Jr., Larry Elliott, Paul Smith, Jo Ann Kimmel, Jane Smith, Dicki Conkright, Eleanor Richey, Theresa Wilkerson, Mary Hoover, Larry & Martha Stites, Preston Chappell, Dylan Evans, Jason Chambers, Lori Stanley, Eugenia Shultz, Easton Pedley, Christine Mulligan, Ray Riley, Mike Marsh, Jerry Clark, Anthony Clark, Bernice Bertke, James Barnett, Emily Storm, Harlan Best, Cayden Browning, Carol Atwell, Tom Franey, Deborah Watts, Joseph Roach, Mary Jo Jones, Kristi Rehrauer, Pamala Chapman, Sharri Browning, David Leach, Todd Melton, Helen McCarty, Kathleen Kirk, Amy Cox, Barbara Coomes, Barbara Carrico, Vicki Troutman, Joe McCrystal, Brooklyn Kessenger, Christina Booth, Tara Phelps, David Vanover, Rhonda Williams, Tim & Zoila Davis, Jan Mulligan, Kathleen Wettstain, Erika Vandiver, Ron Thomas, Neil Devine, Lisa Russellburg, Judy Byrer, Earl Cecil, Shane Isbill, Megan Boarman, Charles Mayfield, Margaret Fischer, Joe Raley, Mary Ellen Clark, Morgan Nave, Don Nonweiler, Sue Leeper, Nichole Gowen, Terra Stone, Melissa Manning, Wesley Cook, J.C. & Jeanette Mayfield, Linda Jackson, Kim & Kenny Terry, Jonathan Boarman, Larry Murphy, Jayden Hamilton, Mike Aud, Jennifer McDaniel, Gary Noel, Martha Froehlich, Crysta Morris, Gail Harrison, Wade Montgomery, Natasha Brown, Mary Jo Smith.

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**Military Prayer List:** 1 SG. David Bernosky, Ft. Dix, New Jersey, L/CPL Jimmy Wolter, Afghanistan, Airman David M. Smith, T. Sgt. Kevin Payne, SGT John R. Zaremba, LTC Jason Jones, Sgt. Robert Timothy Wells-Afghanistan, Airman Kaleb Hedden—Iraq, SFC Erick Weber-Iraq, Third Tour, Daniel Scott, Arizona, Brian A McDaniel, Marine Corp.

**May 22nd 5:00pm**

**Euch.** Tommy Velotta/B-1, Libby Johnson/C-1, Father/B-2, Truby Velotta/C-2, Steve Clark/B-3, Lois Hoskins/C-3, Sandy Langdon/B-4, Peggy Castlen/C-4, Carol Schlachter/Bal-B, Laura Naviaux/Bal-C  
**Gifts** Deborah & Carroll Payne  
**Lectors** Dennie Zoglmann, Bayly Zoglmann  
**Greeters** Beverly Aud/D-1, Jane Strehl/D-2, Doug Langdon/D-3, Steve Clark/D-4,  
**Servers** Abbie Stallings, Paul Conder  
**Ushers** Tom & Tim Blair  
 Joey Dickens, Doug Crowe

**May 23rd 8:00am**

**Euch.** Charlotte Hedges/Capt.B-1, David Fleischmann/C-1, Father/B-2, Charlie Moore/C-2, Cathy Foster/B-3, Alicia Wells/C-3, Pat Storm/B-4, Amy Silvert /C-4, Maria Thompson/Bal-B, Wil Storm/Bal-C  
**Gifts** Evelyn Stacik  
**Lectors** Tom Conrey, David Haynes  
**Greeters** Cathy & Andrea Williams/1 & 2, Dan & Barbara Durbin/D-3 & 4  
**Servers** Jessica Payne, Jessica Thomson  
**Ushers** Larry Murphy, Nick Howard  
 Ed Mattingly, Dan Higdon

**May 23rd 11:00am**

**Euch** /Capt.B-1, /C-1, Father/B-2, /C-2, /B-3, /C-3, /B-4, /C-4, /Bal-B, /Bal-C

**Gifts****Lectors**

**Greeters** David & Pat Jones/D-1 & 2, Jeff & Michelle Jones Family/D-3 & 4

**Servers****Ushers**

**Note: The Youth Liturgical Ministers will be taking the roles at the 11am Mass on May 23.**

**May 16 through May 23, 2010**

**Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3,6-9; Eph 1:17-23;  
Lk 24:46-53

**Monday:** Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3b,4-5acd,6-7b;  
Jn 16:29-33

**Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11,20-21;  
Jn 17:1-11a

**Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30,33-36b;  
Jn 17:11b-19

**Thursday:** Acts 22:30;23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a,5,7-11;  
Jn 17:20-26

**Friday:** Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2,11-12,19-20b;  
Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday:** Acts 28:16-20,30-31; Ps 11:4-5,7;  
Jn 21:20-25

**Sunday:** Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1,24,29-31,34;  
1 Cor 12:3b-7,12-13; Jn 20:19-23

**From the Office of Wisdom**

Spring Day of Wisdom will be on May 20th at the Catholic Pastoral Center 600 Locust St. Owensboro. Cost for the day \$6. Preregister by sending check made to the Diocese of Owensboro to above address.

Deadline for reservations is May 18th.

**OCS** is sponsoring an Elementary Soccer League open to all boys and girls entering 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade for the fall of 2010. This league will be open to all OCS students and students who attend a parish religious education program. An informational meeting will be held on Thursday, May 20 at 6 pm at OCHS Soenneker Hall. If you have any questions please contact Coach Durand Engineer at [Duand.engineer@owensborocatholic.org](mailto:Duand.engineer@owensborocatholic.org)

**OCHS Boys Basketball Summer Camp**

Boys entering 4<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup> grade-June 7<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup>  
8:30 am - 12:00 Noon-Elementary K-3 Campus Gym  
Cost is \$45 per camper. For more information contact Coach Ben Murphy at [BMurphy@dcps.org](mailto:BMurphy@dcps.org)

**OCHS Summer Football Camp**

Boys entering 4-9 Grade-June 15-16 at Steele Stadium at Kentucky Wesleyan College-8 am to noon each day  
\$25 per player. For more information, contact Owensboro Catholic High School football coach John Edge at [john.edge@owensborocatholic.org](mailto:john.edge@owensborocatholic.org)

**For more information log onto**  
[www.owensborocatholic.org](http://www.owensborocatholic.org) under 'camps'