



ST. KENNETH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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WITNESS & WORSHIP

BELCZAK'S BULLETIN

Today, we pause as a nation to celebrate our nation's independence. Because the holiday falls on a Sunday this year, most businesses will celebrate on Monday, July 5th. This entire weekend we will gather with friends and family to enjoy the warm summer temperatures and partake in a rich feast of food and drink. One good way to begin our day off work on Monday is to come to Mass as a family and thank God for the gift of freedom and for the countless blessings, which have been bestowed upon our country. The Eucharist will be celebrated in church at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 5th. I hope to see you there!



Happy Fourth of July! Remember freedom does not mean freedom from all things that restrict us. It is freedom to take our responsibilities more seriously, to care for those in need, to promote justice and peace. Perhaps we need to declare our independence from smoking, drinking too much, pigging-out, over-spending, gambling, and the gravest of all sins of omission: failing to say, "I love you" to those who are nearest and dearest.

CHANGE IN OFFICE HOURS

Our Parish Office will be closed for the holiday on Monday, July 5th. If there is a pastoral care emergency, please call the office 734-420-0288 ext. 11 and leave a detailed message for me. Phone calls will be returned in a timely fashion.

While cleaning my desk I stumbled across the following article – I think it is worth repeating.

LITTLE THINGS IMPACT KIDS FAITH DEVELOPMENT

by **Barbara Fornasiero**

One of my former colleagues had a favorite expression, "Don't sweat the little things. Life is really just a bunch of little things." Parents may translate this into the child raising admonition to "pick your battles" – choosing not to argue with children over irritating yet inconsequential acts, and focusing efforts instead on changing habits or practices that may have lifelong, negative repercussions.

I do not know that this philosophy holds true in matters in faith, though. I am starting to think that it is the little things we do in our faith life that will provide the greatest dividend to our children. Consider the rather small weekly investment of time required to worship weekly.

As a relatively experienced religious educator, I had no delusions about the Mass attendance of our students. Still, I was disheartened when one class was polled on whether they attended Mass weekly. Less than 20 percent did. The question about praying before meals was met with the same dismal response. I trust these statistics are an aberration, but I fear they may not be too far off the mark within many Catholic communities, regardless of the socioeconomic background, parish size, or other qualifying factors.

Attendance at religious education classes (or a parochial school) is an important component in the faith development of children, but its potential to help build a long-term spiritual relationship with God is jeopardized when not accompanied by regular participation at Mass. Is it better than no religious instruction at all? Absolutely, but why not give a child the added benefits of gaining a deeper understanding of our faith and sharing it with the greater Catholic community at Mass.

For those who do attend Mass regularly as a family, one of the smallest extras can be getting to church early. Try to focus not on the time Mass begins, but on the time necessary to leave the house in order to arrive at Mass with a comfortable cushion of time remaining. If we aim to be on time for the weekly basketball game, shouldn't we show at least the same amount of respect for church?

Imparting faith to children extends beyond Mass. Again, it can be small gestures that have the greatest impact. My friend Kris makes the sign of the cross on her children's forehead each morning. She wants them to consciously know that God is with them throughout the day and will help them handle whatever challenges school may introduce.

My sister in law Kathy starts her children's day with an informal prayer asking God to help them to do what he wants them to do. In the evening, they do an inventory of their actions that day and again ask God to help them make the right choices (one of my favorite themes in child raising).

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Sunday, July 4, 2010

LIVING THE GOSPEL

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Our children are bound to face even greater moral and societal dilemmas than our generation is experiencing now – as frightening as that prospect may be. If we can complement their religious education (whatever its form) with attendance at Mass, daily prayer, and other small affirmations of our faith, we stand a much better chance of raising spiritual children who can meet the bigger challenges in life with an unwavering belief system.

If only in this one aspect of our lives, “sweating the little things” may be good advice!

Q: Where was the Declaration of Independence signed?

A: On the bottom!

Enjoy a pleasant week!

Fr. Tom Belczak

FIRST SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE JULY 10 & 11



Next weekend's food collection will be used by St. Christine's Food Pantry in Detroit. Please bring non-perishable items, such as canned goods, coffee, peanut butter, jars or box products, personal care items, and non-perishable household cleaning items to the Gathering Space in church. Your generosity helps us continue to provide for those most in need. Also, we always need paper grocery bags.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE BY BUD OZAR

The Gospel today is clear: Peace comes to a “household if a peaceful person lives there.” Peace starts with your ability to forgive, to correct without attacking, to accept the ways of others, and to recognize that a different opinion is not a personal rejection. It is actually your own peace which you give to your family.

In today's Gospel the apostles were giddy with their new power (“Even the demons obey us!”). On this July 4th weekend, Jesus cautions us that power is easily misused to dominate or manipulate others. True power is meant to “free captives,” especially those handcuffed by grief, chained to unresolved conflict, jailed inside a timid personality or imprisoned by illness.

Who says you can't go back?... ST AGATHA ALL ALUMNI REUNION

AUGUST 21, 2010!!
Handy Park, Redford
(aka Capitol Park)
10 AM - 10 PM

For ALL graduates, students and teachers, faculty and friends of St Agatha Grade & High Schools and St Katharine Drexel VHS, and members of St Agatha Parish!!
www.redfordaggies.com

Pack your lunch or bring your grill, bring your family and friends, for a day filled with fun, love and laughter! Bring your baseball/softball gear and lets get some games going! Area for soccer/football too, and a skate park for your kids, or the kid in you! For more information, or if you'd like to donate your time/services in getting the word out or by providing something you think may be a welcome addition to this event please contact Jan at cometrocketmom@yahoo.com.

STEPHEN MINISTERS ARE HERE TO

We are here to listen,
Not to work miracles.

We are here to help care receivers discoverer what they are feeling,
Not to make the feelings go away.

We are here to help care receivers identify their options,
Not to decide for them what they should do.

We are here to discuss steps with care receivers,
Not to take the steps for them.

We are here to help care receivers discover their own strength,
Not to rescue them and leave them still vulnerable.

We are here to help care receivers discover they can help themselves,
Not to take responsibility for them.

We are here to help care receivers learn to choose,
Not to make it unnecessary for them to make difficult choices.

We are here to provide support for change.

Call the St. Kenneth office at 734 420-0288 to be connected to a Stephen Minister.



of the week

Where do you see the message of Christian faith being rejected in the world today? What is your response ?

✠ This Week in our Parish

Sunday, July 4

8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous

Monday, July 5

Office Closed

7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Men Only)

Tuesday, July 6

10:00 AM Art Group

10:00 AM Senior Weaving

Wednesday, July 7

10:00 AM Senior Exercise

Thursday, July 8

No Meetings

Friday, July 9

No Meetings

Saturday, July 10

No Meetings

Sunday, July 11

8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous



Ahoy Mates! Captain Gretchen says THANK YOU to all the crew members who participated and crew leaders and first mates who volunteered and led activities for our High Seas Adventure vacation bible school from June 21st - June 25th. We had a wonderful time sharing our faith!

CHARITY EUCHRE

The monthly St. Ken's Charity Euchre Tournament will be held Saturday, July 17, 2010. Doors open at 6:30 PM, games start at 7 PM in the Social Hall - St. Patrick Room. Registration is \$5 which goes towards the designated Charity. Please bring a dish to share. Don't forget your quarters -euchre's are \$.25 each. All are welcome - beginners as well as experienced players. The August 2010 tournament will be held August 21, 2010. For more information contact Cathy Niland at 734-421-7751 or Matt after 5 PM at 734-748-9158.



THANK YOU...

for the generous outpouring of love and support from this wonderful faith community. We have been overwhelmed by the many cards, gifts, mass cards, spiritual bouquets, kind words and heart felt gestures of support. Our beloved Judy is deeply missed but our burden is lifted by the love of this St. Kenneth community.

With Gratitude, The Smock Family

Fall Registration for Religious Education

Forms are now available online!



LET'S STAY CONNECTED!



If you have disconnected your "land line" and a cell phone is now your primary phone number, please call Barb Brennan or Rosie Marsh at the parish offices so we may update our records! THANKS!



In an effort to keep all of us safe, please **do not** park your car in the exit driveway. Should the need arise (and it has), it does not leave enough room for an emergency vehicle to enter or exit. It also backs up the exit traffic once Mass is over as two lanes cannot be formed in the exit drive. Thank you for your cooperation.

† New Parishioners

On behalf of all our parishioners, we extend a warm welcome to these newly registered members who have joined our parish in the last week.

Jon & Julie Degenfelder and their daughters Zoe and Mya
Gerianne Merritt
Raymond & Mary Wall

† May They Rest in Peace

No Funerals

† Newly Baptized

Kyle Matthew Gurgel
Born February 11, 2010
Son of Kevin & Elizabeth Gurgel

† Newly Married

Vincent St. Louis and Patricia Krisniski
Anthony Morelli and Danielle Miller

Father's Day Intentions for those who did not appear on the flyer in the June 20th bulletin

Living

Zabicki, Ludwik

Deceased

Jastrzebski, Frank
Jastrzebski, Mitch
Jastrzebski, Tadeusz
Miller, Robert
Segieda, John
Segieda, Joseph
Plewacki, Teddy
Natan, Adam

† Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 26, 2010

4:30 PM Ernest Minni, requested by St. Kenneth Senior Exercise Group
Robert & Jean Stork (Special Intention), requested by Eugenia Mech

Sunday, June 27, 2010

7:30 AM Armand Samouelian (4th Anniversary), requested by Michele Samouelian
Betty Ratkos, requested by the Laurel Park Mall Walkers

9:00 AM Ann Early, requested by John Early

11:00 AM Richard Eicher, requested by Karen Meyers
Jean Sutton, requested by Katie Carmody
Judy Smock, requested by Chuck & Laura (Capiris) Mahnken

Monday, June 28, 2010

9:00 AM John & Anna Storm, requested by John Storm

Tuesday, June 29, 2010

9:00 AM Maria Abraham, requested by Jim & Cheryl Wachlarz
Poul V. Andersen, requested by Patricia Andersen
Ralph & Ann Todd, requested by Patricia Andersen
Harry Turner (4th Anniversary), requested by Sharon Turner

7:00 PM Judy Smock, requested by Tim & Kathleen Harrington

Wednesday, June 30, 2010

9:00 AM **NO MASS**

Thursday, July 1, 2010

9:00 AM Mary Lou Phenev, requested by Joanne L. Moening
Judy Smock, requested by Nancy Eicher

Friday, July 2, 2010

9:00 AM Armand Samouelian, requested by the Samouelian Family

Saturday, July 3, 2010

4:30 PM Mary Lou Phenev, requested by Joanne L. Moening
Judy Smock, requested by Nancy Eicher

Sunday, July 4, 2010

7:30 AM Betty Ratkos, requested by the AI & Jean Meredith

9:00 AM Ann Early, requested by John Early

11:00 AM Marc Sullivan (Special Intention), requested by his Family
Bill Fendelet, requested by Judy & Ken Massingill
Michael Camilleri (1st Anniversary), requested by Sam & Carmen Camilleri
Lionel Vamatta, requested by Kristin Sarafian



If you have requested a mass intention and would like to take the offertory gifts to the altar at that mass, please notify an usher upon your arrival.

✠ Please Pray for...

Bonnie Arrington	Eric Laming	Michelle Skinner
Marilyn Bar	Nicole Maurer	Robert Stork
Francis Bielecki	Brendan Meyer	Marc Sullivan
Kathleen Brennan	Kathy Milczarski	Arthur Tervo
Mary Quinn Brennan	Adele Morelli	Peggy Thompson
Helen Clinansmith	Mary Nester	Mark Tomasi
Elaine Concors	Jim Noetzel, Jr.	Sally Tozer
Tim Conley	Terry Noetzel	Sharon Zain
Alice D'Adamo	Maurene Nygard	Irene Zelechowski
Peg Dannemiller	Mike O'Sullivan	Danny Zerafa
Anne Dauerer	Mickey Pennybacker	
Raymond Fano	Bill Peters	
Chuck Fugate	Lottie Plank	
Justine Gapczynski	Donald Pratt	
Jerry Gwizdz	Theresa Reitano	
Tim Harrington	Michelle Rowe	
Blair Jenness	Maria Santoro	
Judy Laferrera	Shannon Scott	

To have someone enrolled on the prayer list, please call the church office. Names will be listed for four weeks unless the office is notified that the condition continues and that prayers are still needed.

✠ Pray for our Military

Nathan Albanese, Army	Patrick Madish, Air Force
Anthony Allen, Marines	Shawn Madish, Navy
Ashley Allen, Marines	Matt Mosteiko, Army
Greg Anderson, Navy	Tom Newhouse, Marines
Steven Anderson, Marines	Brian Owens, Army
Paul Crandall, Army	Nyle Pfeefefer, Army
Marcus Dandrea, Marines	Ryan Rays, Navy
Bradley Davis, Marines	Sarah Rowe, Coast Guard
Greg Davis, Air Force	Doug Siemonsma, Navy
Megan Gagnon, Air Force	Bryan Silveri, Navy
Rick Giles, Army	Christopher Theodore, Army
Jada Grindstaff, Army	Dennis Thompson, Army
James Hamblin, Marines	Anthony Vennekotter, Army
Shannon Suchora Hill, Air Force	Amber Wald, Army
Deryck Hill, Air Force	

In gratitude for the sacrifices of our loved ones in the armed forces and their families, we are gathering the names and service branches of those currently serving our country, and requesting parishioners pray for these brave people. If you would like to add a person to our Military Prayer Request List, please call Barb at 420-3031.

✠ Advertiser of the Week

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✠ Birthday Blessings

July 4

John	Bleau
Judith	Casey
Kevin	Cox
John	Drogosch
Carmel	Formosa
John	Haldane
Victoria	Maes
Jenna	Montemayor
John	Oliverio
Sandra	Osip
Deborah	Schultz
Thomas	Zdrodowski
Paula	Zondlak

July 5

Nancy	Baidas
Marissa	D'Agostino
Bill	Demmer
Sharon	Ebejer
Evelyn	Goudreau
Kimberly	Lepish
Douglas	Muldoon
Michelle	Olivero
Scott	Pheiffer
Trenton	Priester
Betty	Volstromer

July 6

Mark	Avery
Mandy	Brodzik
Jason	Button
Kim	Byrne
R.	Caille
Marco	Caruana
William	Clauson
Mary	Collins
Christian	Gietzen
Denise	Glenn
James	Green
Bill	Holka
M.	Lyczak
Kenneth	Martek
Anthony	Samotis
Brian	Tetreau
Morgan	Vick

July 7

Sean	Baluha
Thomas	Bawden
Ellen	Clauson
Roy	Coloma
Zachary	Detmer
Donald	Diaz
Laura	Elder
Lauren	Fallu
Mark	Forsthoefel
Daniel	Gill
Camryn	Huhn
Joyce	Hunt
R.	Kalisz
John	Lubisco
Seamus	O'Hare

Jack	Pevovar
Sue	Saydak
Leo	Sochacki
Mary Jo	St. Louis

July 8

Angela	Bolhouse
James	Buzard
Kristen	Casey
Kathy	Esper
Sean	Fedoronko
Tracey	Garza
Jason	Guck
Isaac	Keibler
Kristen	Kessler
David	Lijewski
Zachary	Mabey
Nicholas	Mancini

July 9

Michael	Adzima
Grace	Apligian
Lola	Barker
Laura	Bisinger
M.A.	Blaszkiwicz
Bari	Boulter
Francis	Cahill
Mitchell	Deacon
Emily	Doren
Maureen	Dunne
Cormac	Egan
William	Huggins, Jr.
Nancy	Kostin
Noelle	Mayer
Maria	Mitchell
Irene	Mizerowski
Eric	Oberliesen
Craig	O'Donnell
M.	O'Neil
Betty	Pace
Rachel	Schafer
Avery	Tolstyka
Karen	Wilson

July 10

Rafael	Apaza
Katelyn	Barker
Esther	Buzuvis
Lauren	Chalker
Allison	Diakow
Troy	Dumond
Kenton	Ellis
Donald	Esper
James	Hague
Maureen	Karby
Erin	McMahon
Diana	Ondusky
Virginia	Osenkowski
Carissa	Patrone
Warren	Stowe
Matthew	Zinkosky

Stewardship Matters

A STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

Almighty and ever-faithful Lord, gratefully acknowledging Your mercy and humbly admitting our need, we pledge our trust in You and each other.

Filled with desire, we respond to Your call for discipleship by shaping our lives in imitation of Christ. We profess that the call requires us to be stewards of Your gifts. As stewards, we receive Your gifts gratefully, cherish and tend them in a responsible manner, share them in practice and love with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

We pledge to our ongoing formation as stewards and our responsibility to call others to that same endeavor. Almighty and ever-faithful God, it is our fervent hope and prayer that You who have begun this good work in us will bring it to fulfillment in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Remember:
**STEWARDSHIP
MATTERS**

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LITURGY

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,

Friday: 9:00 AM

Tuesday: 7:00 PM

No mass on Wednesday

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM,
Holy Days: 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday:
9:00 AM-12:00 noon, 1:00-8:00 PM

Thursday, Friday

9:00 AM-12:00 noon, 1:00-4:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 PM

Baptism: Contact Office for
Parents' Meeting.

Marriage: Make arrangements six
months in advance for pre-marriage
conference.

REGISTRATION

Come to the office to introduce yourself
during regular parish office hours.

PARISH COUNCIL

4th Monday of each month at 7:00 PM.

All are welcome.

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LAST WORD

Kingdom of God