

**JUNE 7, 2009**

## Father's Day!

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, June 7 (*The Most Holy Trinity*)

9:15 a.m.- Ernest & Ella Morisak

Sunday, June 14 (*The Most Holy Body  
& Blood of Christ*)

9:15 a.m.- Msgr. Henry F. Psencik &  
Vlasta (Psencik) Mikulec

Sunday, June 21 (*Father's Day*)

9:15 a.m.- Living & deceased  
members of Karl Butschek Family

Sunday, June 28

9:15 a.m.- Living & deceased  
members of the Netardus Family

First Friday, July 3

7:00 p.m.- Albert & Annie Smolik

Sunday, July 5

9:15 a.m.- Dale Schulte

### LECTORS

June 7- Deddie Dobbs

June 14- Anthony Matula

June 21- Garrett Henke

June 28- Daniel J. Matula

July 5- Deddie Dobbs

### CANTORS

June 7- Lucille Klekar

June 14- John Hemmi

June 21- Emily Schimcek

June 28- Richard Rouse

July 5- Lucille Klekar

### ROSARY LEADERS

June 7- Janie Fikac

June 14- Dorothy Schneider

June 21- Ruth Rouse

June 28- Lucille Klekar

July 3 (First Friday)- Angela Hermes

July 5- Janie Fikac

### ALTAR SERVERS

June 7- Mikayla, John & Derek  
Konvicka, Adam Hermes

June 14- Shelly & Shawn Rainosek,  
Jacob Janak, Kelsey Bujnoch

June 21- Eric Klekar, Hunter & Kolby  
Janak, Luke Scherer

June 28- Kyle & Kaitlyn Rother, Samuel  
& Simon Machicek

July 5- Mikayla Jahn, Derek Konvicka,  
Alexus Mizera

### MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

June 7- Ray Janak, Patrick Pesek,  
Mary Urbish

June 14- Evelyn Konvicka, Nancy  
Etzler, Vivian Mozisek

June 21- Patrick Pesek, Janice Rother,  
Angela Hermes

June 28- Edward & Sandra Pustka,  
Evelyn Bujnoch

July 5- Ray Janak, Patrick Pesek, Mary  
Urbish

### CHURCH USHERS

June 7- Roman Henke, Robert Pustka,  
Charles Grafe, Gilbert Urbish

June 14- Leon Matula, Al Svetlik,  
Francis Klekar, Sidney Jasek

June 21- Eugene Gillar, Robert Sciba,  
Alois Bujnoch, Richard  
Sommerlatte

June 28- Bubba Kocian, Scott Blaschke,  
Gilbert Mozisek, Marvin  
Bujnoch

July 5- Roman Henke, Robert Pustka,  
Charles Grafe, Gilbert Urbish

### OFFERTORY GIFT BEARERS

June 7- M/M Robert Sciba

June 14- Margaret Smolik

June 21- M/M Richard Sommerlatte &  
Family

**Happy**



June 28- M/M Allen Steffek  
July 5- M/M Al Svetlik & Family

**From the Pastor's Desk:**

Today, we celebrate the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity. We know that God is one, there is no other. We have been chosen as His own, and through the Spirit, are able to call God "Abba" – Father. Through baptism all nations are called to share in the life of the Son and acknowledge the triune God – the Trinity.

Our St. Mary Parish Picnic is next Sunday. We encourage everyone to help in whatever way you can to make it a success.

We are in the process of renovating the inside of the St. Mary Rectory. This will be paid for by the proceeds of the picnic.

In the past couple of weeks, we have had some tragic deaths. This has affected many people, young and old alike. We are fortunate that we live in a community such as Hallettsville where the church and community come together and pray with and for one another, and support one another especially in times of tragedy.

We thank God for the great faith that is here and ask God to help everyone to continue to be strengthened by this faith. We also pray for those who are still searching for God, that they can share this faith in God and have the hope that comes with it.

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**Our Gift to God:**

	<u>Loose</u>	<u>Envelope</u>
May 3-	\$ 160.00	\$ 726.00
May 10-	\$ 190.00	\$ 377.00
May 17-	\$ 128.00	\$ 463.00
May 24-	\$ 119.00	\$ 304.00
May 31-	\$ 171.00	\$ 332.50
Children's Collection:	\$ 77.51	
Building Repair Fund:	\$ 786.00	

**Mass Attendance**

May 3 – 200; May 10 – 210; May 17 – 215; May 24 – 220; May 31 – 305.

**MESSAGES & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The members of St. Zdislavy KJZT Society No. 53 of Wied will have their quarterly meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 10 at Wied Hall.

KJT #43 Wied meeting on Thursday, June 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the Wied Hall. All members are invited to attend.

Thank you to the St. Isidore Society for donating the flowers for the May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Your kindness & generosity is appreciated.

Thank you note from Miss Angela

Thanks to all that came for my 85th Birthday Party. Special thanks to Fr. John who organized it. Thanks also to Katherine Kahanek for decorating the tables so beautifully. Thanks to all that gave me cards & gifts. Also, thanks to Nancy Etzler for the beautiful birthday cake. May God bless each of you for your kindness. Miss Angela

Dear St. Mary's Church: I would like to thank you for the \$500 scholarship that was awarded to me. It will be used towards my future college plans. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Sincerely, Christopher Greer

**YOUTH SUMMER ACTIVITIES**

Jr. High Camp David Session I –  
June 14-16

Jr. High Camp David Session II –  
June 17-19

Elementary Camp David – June 17  
D-Week (NET TEAM) - June 22 – 25

Rocky Mountain High: July 4 – 12  
(Full with a waiting list)

For more activities and dates, go to

[www.victoriadiocese.org](http://www.victoriadiocese.org) and click on youth ministry.

### CHURCH CLEANERS

June 6- Bernice Schulte, Gerda Janak,  
Evelyn Mozisek  
June 13- Rosalie Tobola, Glenda Tobola,  
Angeline Ulcak  
June 20- Helen Janak (Wied), Gussie  
Kelnar  
June 27- Lucille Klekar, Janice Rother,  
Sue Cinadr  
July 4- Ruth Rouse, Joyce Janak,  
Anita Steffek

### ST. MARY'S CCD FUND

In honor of Miss Angela's 85th Birthday

Al & Cindy Svetlik Family 25.00

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH FUND

In honor of Miss Angela's 85th Birthday

Judith & Donald Opela 15.00

In memory of Patricia A. Steffek

Henrietta Jansky 10.00

Leon & Nancy Etzler 10.00

Daniel & Monica Matula 20.00

### ST. MARY'S MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Patricia A. Steffek

M/M Dennis Jansky & sons 10.00

James Liska 20.00

Rosie Bludau 10.00

Forrest & Carol Sevcik 15.00

Matthew & Martha Bludau 10.00

Michael & Paula Grahmann 20.00

M/M Leon Steinocher, Jr. 15.00

Leah & Casey Joyce 10.00

Kevin & Lara Haas 30.00

August & Josephine Janak 10.00

Dale Janak 20.00

Jim & Marcie Appelt 10.00

Jay & Suzanne Pavlicek 5.00

Royce & Irene Schulte 10.00

John & Evelyn Herman 5.00

Kubena Funeral Home 20.00

Angela Henneke 20.00

Bob & Gloria Haas 20.00

Stanley & Becky Bujnoch 10.00

Gene & Anita Flessner 10.00

Ludwig & Diane Janak 20.00

Allen & Anita Steffek 10.00

Donald & Judy Opela 15.00

Anthony & Jo Matula 20.00

### ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY

In memory of Louis Rother:

Phillip & Evelyn Bujnoch 10.00

Vic & Katherine Kahanek 30.00

Angela Hermes 5.00

Tony & Joyce Bludau 20.00

Mr. & Mrs. Royce Rother 10.00

Jimmie & Sylvia Steffek 20.00

Larry & Barbara Janak 10.00

Marvin & Annette Grahmann 10.00

Robert Sciba Family 10.00

Daniel & Monica Matula 20.00

In memory of Patricia A. Steffek

E. J. & Helen Malick 10.00

Vickie Klimitchek 10.00

Bruce & Gayle Wesson 10.00

Gilbert Mozisek 10.00

Ronnie & Leo Opela 10.00

Pat & Barbara Pesek 20.00

Doug & Tena Steffek 10.00

John & Charlene Pillow 20.00

Vic & Katherine Kahanek 10.00

Frank & Elrose Migl 40.00

Melvin & Joyce Janak 10.00

Robert & Florence Sciba 5.00

Tony & Joyce Bludau 10.00

Stanley & Betty Bujnoch 10.00

Harry & Vernell Macik 10.00

Gussie Kelnar 20.00

James Matula, Jr., Carol Hilscher 10.00

Evelyn & Phillip Bujnoch 10.00

James & Barbara Matula 40.00

Bernice Schulte 25.00

### ST. MARY'S CEMETERY FUND

In memory of Patricia A. Steffek

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Sitka 10.00

Donald & Norma Skelton 10.00

Kay Rother 10.00

Henrietta Hybner 5.00

Debra Smirak 10.00

Joseph & Dorothy Schneider 10.00

Patricia Vaclavik 10.00

Leonard & Frances Pesek 5.00

Mike & Helen Technik 20.00

Mike & Carol Bozka 15.00

Mark & Ruth Schneider 10.00

Tom & Peggy Kostelnik 25.00

Harvey & Vivian Janak 10.00

Marvin & Susan Bujnoch	15.00
David & Glenda Tobola	5.00
Sharon Janak	10.00

# Growing in FAITH™

Discovering **hope** and **joy** in the Catholic faith.

June 2009

## One Minute Meditations

### Love yourself

When Jesus said, "Love your neighbor as yourself," he wanted us to love and care for each other. He also wants us to be good to ourselves and love ourselves in a healthy way. Loving yourself is not the same as being self-centered or self-indulgent. It means seeing your immense value as a child of God.

### Proud Catholics

In a recent poll of U.S. Catholics conducted by the Center of Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA), more than three out of four respondents say they are proud to be Catholic. More than eight in ten consider their Catholic faith to be important in their daily life. (See <http://cara.georgetown.edu> for more information.)

### The bright side

*"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things" (Philippians 4:8).*



## Five ways you can make a difference to your parish

Amazing things happen in our Catholic parishes every day. It is in the arms of our parish that we experience God's love and share that love with friends and neighbors. Every parishioner is important to a parish. Consider these ideas to make a difference to yours:

**Take your rightful place.** As a baptized Catholic, you have the right to a seat at your parish table. You take it when you attend weekend Mass, seek peace from sacraments such as the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and participate in parish ministries.

**Boost the faith of fellow Catholics.** Even the most active Catholics sometimes falter in their

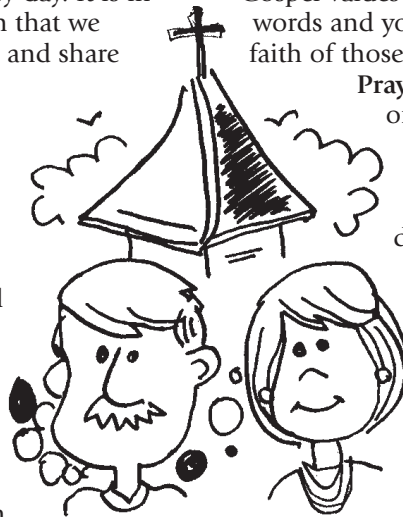
faith. Look for opportunities to share Gospel values through your actions and words and you will strengthen the faith of those around you.

**Pray for your parish.** This is one of the most important contributions you can make. Join parish intentions to your own daily prayer intentions.

**Pray for parish ministries.** Offer prayers for your priests and other religious, and parish staff.

**Build it, serve it, or pay for it.** When there is a need in the parish, don't wait for an invitation. Your parish depends upon your efforts and support.

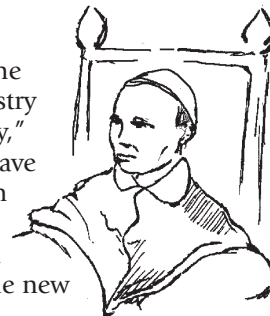
**Help it grow.** Don't be shy about inviting friends, coworkers, or neighbors to join you. Your parish might be the home they've been searching for.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

### Why do Catholics follow the Pope?

All Catholics – including the Pope – follow Jesus. The ministry of the Pope, called the "papacy," was begun by Jesus when he gave Peter "the keys of the kingdom of Heaven" (Matthew 16:19). By doing so, Jesus gave Peter a special role of leadership in the new Church.

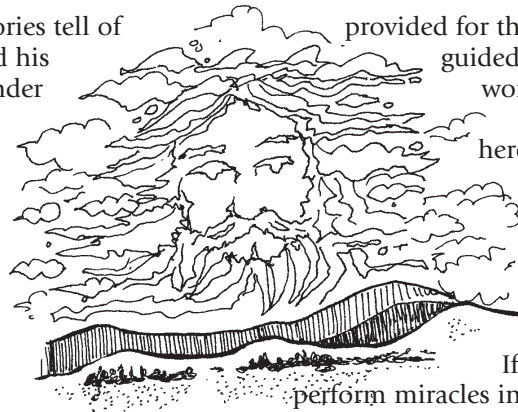


The authority given to St. Peter is passed to his successors who also become head of the Church. The Pope brings unity to the entire community of Catholics and helps us continue Jesus' saving mission.

# Is God still around?

Many Old and New Testaments stories tell of personal encounters between God and his people. As we read them, we may wonder why we don't see or hear him like they did. In fact, God walks with us today in the very same way he walked with the Israelites through the desert. It's God's people who have changed.

**Times change;** God doesn't. The Bible tells of countless times when God gave his people victory in otherwise hopeless circumstances,



provided for them when they had no resources, and guided them in their decisions. God is ready to work as powerfully for us.

**Why the difference?** All the Biblical heroes had one thing in common; they were ordinary people with no power of their own. The difference between us may be that they were more aware of and open to the presence of God in their lives. Through prayer and sacrifice, they were closely connected to God.

If we do the same, God is ready to perform miracles in our lives, too.

## from Scripture

**Mark 5:21-43, Faith in action.**

As the leader of the local synagogue, Jairus was probably pressured by the Pharisees to avoid or reject Jesus. It was a courageous act for him to publicly approach Jesus, bow before him, and beg for a cure for his daughter. Jairus' faith in Jesus was that strong.

On the way to Jairus' home, Jesus was delayed by a woman with a serious hemorrhage. According to Jewish law, her constant bleeding would have excluded her from most



social contact. She thought Jesus wouldn't want to touch her and secretly grabbed his cloak believing that any contact would cure her. In fact, she was cured, but Jesus told her that it was her faith that provided the cure. We should never allow fear of our unworthiness to keep us from God.

By the time Jesus finished with the woman, Jairus was told of his daughter's death. Jesus simply said, "Do not be afraid; just have faith" (Mark 5:36), and Jairus' great faith was rewarded. No matter how desperate your situation may appear, trust Jesus to help. Even death is under his control.

## Feasts & Celebrations

**June 19 - Sacred Heart of Jesus.** The image of Jesus with his heart exposed in unquenchable flame is a reminder of his intense and eternal love for us.

**June 20 - Immaculate Heart of Mary.** In response to a request by Our Lady of Fatima, Pope Pius XII consecrated the world to Mary's gentle and devout Immaculate Heart in 1942, and initiated this feast in 1945.

**June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga (1591).** St. Aloysius prayed vigorously and fasted from age 7. Upon joining the Society of Jesus, he was ordered to cut back in order to study and spend time with the other students. He died while nursing the sick.

**June 24 - Nativity of St. John the Baptist.** The only saint whose birth and death we observe, St. John was Jesus' cousin. He baptized and prepared the people for Jesus' coming. He even baptized Jesus and was later executed for denouncing Herod's marriage to his sister-in-law.



## Q & A I vote pro-life. What else can I do to promote respect for life?

All Catholics are called to protect the dignity of life from conception to natural death. While voting for candidates who pledge to protect life is important, there are also options outside the voting booth.

**Assist pregnancy support centers.** Many centers offer counseling, material assistance, and even provide daycare. Find one in your area and volunteer your time, talents, or treasure in support.

**Speak up.** When you hear or read about a story in the news in which the value of life is demeaned, write a letter to the editor and to government leaders supporting life-affirming and

non-violent solutions.

**Consider becoming a foster parent.** Many local social service agencies are overwhelmed by the number of children whose families cannot care for them. Contact your local social services department to inquire about the necessary training and certifications you'll need to take in a child who needs shelter.



**Visit local nursing homes** and offer residents companionship. Many older people feel forgotten and would welcome the attention.

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