

# HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH



## June 27, 2010 The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Monday, July 12:

Readings: 389: Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;  
Mt 10:34-1:1

8:15 a.m. Betty Strapp (Mark Lally)

### Tuesday, July 13: *Saint Henry*

Readings: 390: Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24

8:15 a.m. Harry Boyer (Carolyn Boyer)

### Wednesday, July 14: *Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin*

Readings: 391: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94:5-10, 14-15;  
Mt 11:25-27

8:15 a.m. Maria Tata (Tony Eramo)

### Thursday, July 15:

*Saint Bonaventure, bishop and doctor of the Church*

Readings: 392: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19;  
Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30

8:15 a.m. LaVerne McNerny-Miller (Family)

### Friday, July 16: *Our Lady of Mount Carmel*

Readings: 393: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8;  
Ps Is 38:10-12, 16; Mt 12:1-8

8:15 a.m. Raymond Lach (Anne Lach)

### Saturday, July 17:

Readings: 394: Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4, 7-8, 14;  
Mt 12:14-21

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

*Vigil of the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 p.m. For the People of the Parish

### Sunday, July 18: *Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Readings: 108: Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28;  
Lk 10:38-42

8:00 a.m. Alice Kopala  
(Stan Kopala & Family)

11:00 a.m. Antoinette Stocco (Adult Choir)

**Please Remember in Prayer** David Charles Tipton, age 46, of Whitehall who died on July 4, 2010. The Rite of Christian Burial was celebrated for Mr. Tipton on Friday, July 9, 2010, at Holy Spirit Catholic Church at 10:00 a.m. Please keep Mr. Tipton and his family in your prayers. May his soul and the souls of all our faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**Those in Hospitals:** Please keep William Peugh and James Kurash, who have experienced a hospital stay, in your prayers.

### Calling New Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.

Many individuals have expressed an interest in becoming a lector for Mass or an extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion. Now is the time to express your interest. Call the Parish Office, ask to speak to Julie or Colleen, and the names will be recorded. A training session for new lectors and Eucharistic ministers will be held this coming September at dates yet to be determined. If you feel called to these ministries, call the Parish Office, leaving name and telephone number, and before the sessions are held, you will be contacted. Thank you!



## From the Pastor's Desk...

In the first reading of today's Mass, it is emphasized that knowledge of the law of God is important for us. It does not and cannot stop there for us, however. The true, deep meaning of God's law is written in our hearts. An understanding of God's will and purpose for us is not "too mysterious and remote." The true meaning of the law is not to be found in the sky or across the sea. Rather, the author of Deuteronomy wrote: "it is something very near to you... you only have to carry it out."

So, when a scholar of the law approached Jesus, He tells this man the parable of the Good Samaritan. It is a marvelous little story. Those most knowledgeable of God's law – a priest and a Levite – pass by the man, the victim of robbers, who had beaten him, robbed him, and left him half-dead. It was ultimately the man from Samaria – with whom the Jews had little to do with – who acted with compassion. This man acted on his knowledge of the law. This Samaritan lived out the lessons all those inspired by God know. Our love of God reveals itself in compassion for our neighbor.

Who, then, exactly, is our neighbor? This parable is challenging in that "neighbor" is described as anyone in need, anyone whom we meet along the path of our lives, who is beat up, neglected and forgotten. And isn't it interesting that Jesus casts the Samaritan as a hero, after His own recent rejection in Samaria (last Sunday's Gospel). Another lesson becomes clear for us: even those we don't like are capable of good. God has planted His law in the hearts of so many. Act on it.

Have a good week,  
Fr. Bill Arnold

## Parish Offertory Summary The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 4, 2010

Parish Contribution Envelopes (198) (429 people attending Mass)	\$8,792.17
Cash offerings	\$ 272.50
Candles	\$ 112.67
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 50.00
Holy Spirit School Endowment Fund	\$ 105.00
Tuition Assistance	\$ 15.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 10.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$9,357.34</b>

Especially during the summer months, your contributions to Holy Spirit Parish are needed and necessary. When you go on your vacation, please remember your contribution to your home parish Church. Your financial sacrifice will be used wisely. Thank You – God will reward your generosity.

**Looking to Donate Something Different?** The food pantry needs 2-qt. bottles of 100% Juice for our clients. But if you are wondering about a different item from your pantry, the following items are always appreciated as nice "extras" on the top of the grocery bag: popcorn, cake mixes, icing, gelatin, puddings, cookie mixes, snack crackers, cookies, granola bars, raisins, or small bags of chips. If you have any in your cupboard you would like to donate, they are much appreciated! Buy one, if you find yourself at the store.



**Parishioners in Military Service:** If any parishioner of Holy Spirit Parish has a family member currently serving in the military stateside or elsewhere in the world, we would like to compile a listing so as to keep them in our prayers. We are especially interested in the names of those serving in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, or as peacekeepers in any conflict zone or foreign country. If you would, please give us the name, rank, branch of the military, and location of their service. Please call the office or place the information in the collection basket. Thank You.



### **R.C.I.A. Begins in September.**

Individuals often ask "How can I become Catholic?" or "How can I find out more about the Church?" The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is a program designed to help these individuals find out more about our Faith or to provide access to full Communion in the Catholic Church. These next two months – July and August – present a good opportunity for an individual to find out more about the R.C.I.A. If you know someone, assist them in placing a call to the Parish Office to express their possible interest in joining the Church. Remember: Faith is a gift from God, but we can extend the invitation.

### **PSR and Children's Liturgy of the Word Volunteers**

are needed for the 2010/2011 School Year. Anyone interested in becoming a 6th or 7th grade teacher for the 2010/2011 Parish School of Religion (PSR) program, please call De Bukowski, CRE, at 861-1521, ext. 12. PSR Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9:15 to 10:45 a.m. from mid-September to mid-May, excluding holidays.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is held during the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. This class guides the K-Grade 4 students through a children's version of the current Liturgy of the Word Sunday readings including an explanation, craft or activity. Both can have a flexible schedule and training will be provided.

Attendance at a "Protecting God's Children's Session," obtaining a background check, and sign-off on Policy Statements are required. Please visit the web site home page and click on "Policy Handbook" to receive directions and complete items before classes in the fall. The parish web site is [www.holyspiritcolumbus.org](http://www.holyspiritcolumbus.org).

### **Special Bulletin Announcement – Advocating for Haiti**

Fifty years of experience tells Catholic Relief Services (CRS) that a successful approach to rebuilding efforts in Haiti must follow a coherent strategy for long-term sustainable development. Through Catholics Confront Global Poverty, (CCGP) a joint initiative with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and CRS, you can speak out in support of the Haitian people to assure the rebuilding of Haiti is sustainable. Join CCGP today and be part of the network of Catholics advocating for justice and dignity in U.S. policy. Find the latest action alerts and background information in support of Haiti here: [crs.org/ccgp](http://crs.org/ccgp).



### **Communities of Salt and Light**

"Effective social ministry helps the parish not do more, but be more of a reflection of the gospel, more of a worshiping and evangelizing people, more of a faithful community. It is an essential part of parish life"

(U.S. Catholic Bishops, *Communities of Salt and Light*).

**The Knights of Columbus Steak Fry:** All are welcome to attend a Steak Fry Dinner on Friday, July 16, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Council's Hall (located at 4217 E. Main Street) in Whitehall. Cost is \$11.00 which includes steak, baked potato, salad and roll.



**Holy Spirit Festival and Homecoming!** Mark your calendars for August 26, 27, and 28. Our 5th annual Parish Festival and Homecoming will be the "can't miss" event of the summer! This exciting weekend will include great food and entertainment, fabulous items at our silent auction, a \$1,000.00 raffle, rides and games for all ages, and a great opportunity to visit with current school and parish families while catching up with old friends! Please plan on bringing your whole family. Invite your neighbors, and make this year's festival even better than last year's huge success!

Additional raffle tickets for the \$1,000.00 drawing may be returned at any time in the collection basket or by mail or drop off to the Parish Office. When called to volunteer to work, please respond favorably. Remember what matters: What can I do for the common good of my parish? Pray for Good Weather!

**Play Bingo at Holy Spirit** each Monday and Friday in the Church Hall. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. the games begin at 7:00 p.m. Both Computer and Paper Packages are available! Lots of Fun !

**Have You Had An Abortion?** Do you want to talk? Bethesda Post Abortion Healing Ministry 614-309-0157 or 614-309-2651. We are praying for you.

**Mount Carmel East Chaplaincy Services** is seeking individuals to serve as Initial Visitor Volunteers. The initial visitors visit all newly admitted patients in order to welcome them and inform them about the Chaplaincy Department Services available to them while they are in the hospital. This is a Ministry of Hospitality primarily and a good opportunity for retirees and others to help patients in an important way during their hospital stay. Hospital specific training will be provided. Please contact Chaplain Leon Brown, Coordinator of Mount Carmel East Initial Visitors at (614) 234-7268 if interested.

### **Bishop Hartley Lady Hawks Basketball Camp**

All girls entering Grades 4-9 next year are invited to register for the 2010 Lady Hawks Basketball Camp. The camp will be held Monday-Thursday, July 26-29, from 8:30-11:30 a.m. in the Dick Geyer Gymnasium at Bishop Hartley High School. The camp will emphasize individual skills development, small group instruction, and team play in a Catholic Christian environment. The cost for the 4-day camp is \$80.00. Please visit [http://www.bishop-hartley.org/files/athletics/summersportscamps\\_2010.pdf](http://www.bishop-hartley.org/files/athletics/summersportscamps_2010.pdf) to download the camp brochure, or call Bill Heinmiller at 614-475-3390 for more details.