

# HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

July 25, 2010

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday, July 26:** *Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Readings: 401: Jer 13:1-11; Dn 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35  
8:15 a.m. David Charles Tipton (Parish Gift)

**Tuesday, July 27**

Readings: 402: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13; Mt 13:36-43  
8:15 a.m. Jon Fowler (Family)

**Wednesday, July 28**

Readings: 403: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18;  
Mt 13:44-46

8:15 a.m. For the People of the Parish

**Thursday, July 29:** *Saint Martha*

Readings: 404: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6b  
607: Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

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

**Friday, July 30:** *Saint Peter Chrysologus, bishop and doctor of the Church*

Readings: 405: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58  
8:15 a.m. Special Intention (Fr. Robert Schneider)

**Saturday, July 31:** *Saint Ignatius of Loyola, priest*

Readings: 406: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34;  
Mt 14:1-12

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

*Vigil of the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 p.m. Louise H. Irwin (Elizabeth Ferguson)

**Sunday, August 1:** *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Readings: 114: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17;  
Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

8:00 a.m. Donald Betts (Friends of Mary Blanks)

11:00 a.m. Daniel R. Udeck, Jr. (Bob & Diane Udeck)



**Please Remember in Prayer,** the following members of our parish family who have experienced hospital stays: Carolynn Heinmiller and Rita Siemer.



### 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.

### From the Pastor's Desk. . .

The message of today's readings is that we should expect God to hear and answer prayer, but we must also persevere. Abraham's remarkable exchange with God brings to mind the extraordinary bargaining skills some individuals possess. Notice, however, what Abraham is asking of God: forgiveness for a sinful city. Because of God's patience and mercy, God follows His servant and friend, Abraham, "down the ladder" if you will. If he (Abraham) can find only ten virtuous men in the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, He (God) would spare the entire city for the sake of so few. In prayer and petition, Abraham is persistent. God, in turn, is generous, patient, and merciful.

The Gospel reading, of course, equates the generosity and goodness of God with that of a father. A father wants to give his children good things and a good father finds ways to do so. A good friend is also always willing to help a fellow friend, if not out of friendship, then in response to the patience and persistence of the friend in need. We should not equate repetitive, patient prayer with bargaining, as if we control God. We do not. The words of the "Our Father" do remind us, however, that we should unceasingly "seek" and "find" those things which conform to God's will – honoring God's name, the coming of the kingdom, forgiveness and being spared the final test – temptation and evil. These are the gifts and goods that God seeks to give to us – His children. Because of this close relationship, we may dare to call him "Father."

Have a good week, stay cool,  
Fr. Bill Arnold



### Baptisms

We congratulate and welcome the following newly baptized into our community of faith:

**Jillian Paige Emerson (July 18, 2010)**

Daughter of Benjamin and Alicia Emerson

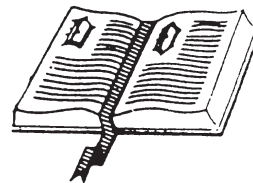
**Zori'anna Nichelle Powell (July 18, 2010)**

Daughter of Amy Matunas

**Chelsea Anne Doon and Kylie Lynn Doon (July 22, 2010)**

Daughters of Patrick and Crystal Doon

May God bless them, their Godparents and their families.



### 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. A training session for new Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers will be held this coming September at a date to be determined. If you feel called to these ministries, call the Parish Office, leaving name and telephone number; before the sessions are held, you will be contacted. Thank you!

**Bulletin Deadline:** Submit items for the August 1st bulletin by Tuesday, July 27th, at 5:00 p.m. Fax number: 614-861-3746 or e-mail: [bulletin@holyspiritcolumbus.org](mailto:bulletin@holyspiritcolumbus.org).

**Parish Offertory Summary**  
**The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 18, 2010**

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| Parish Contribution Envelopes (164)<br>(484 people attending Mass) | \$6,408.85        |
| Cash Offerings   | \$ 400.75         |
| Candles  | \$ 64.21          |
| St. Vincent de Paul  | \$ 100.00         |
| Holy Spirit School Endowment Fund                                  | \$ 15.00          |
| Tuition Assistance   | \$ 75.00          |
| <b>Total Contributions</b>   | <b>\$7,063.81</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.

**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.



**Holy Spirit Festival and Homecoming!**

We invite you to celebrate Holy Spirit Parish and show your support at the 5th annual Parish Festival and Homecoming on August 26th, 27th, and 28th. Each night of the Festival includes live entertainment, exciting rides, a silent auction, \$1,000.00 raffle drawing for Saturday night, great food and more! It's a special weekend of fun for all of us, with the future of Holy Spirit School and Parish bringing us together. Visit [www.holyspiritcolumbus.org/Festival.html](http://www.holyspiritcolumbus.org/Festival.html).

Three ways you can help are:

- 1) Silent Auction Prep Days: August 3rd, 4th and 5th, from 10:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Come help sort donations, build baskets, and prepare bid sheets. Come anytime during the posted hours. Babysitting may be available!!
- 2) Two student volunteers are needed for babysitting during these hours. Hartley High School students can get their 25 hours of service done before the school year starts!!
- 3) Donations are needed for the Auction!! They can be dropped off at the Parish Office or dropped off at the Church Hall on the days listed above. Call Tracy for questions or for volunteering (614-562-4082).

Be sure to help sell or buy more Festival Raffle Tickets, too! Tickets cost \$1.00 each or a book of 6 for \$5.00 – the receipt has a great reminder of our event right on the back! Extras are available at the Parish Office (861-1521, ext. 24).

**Play Bingo at Holy Spirit** each Monday and Friday in the Parish Hall. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; the games begin at 7:00 p.m. Both Computer and Paper Packages are available! Lots of Fun!

**A Music Ministry Workshop** will be held on Wednesday, August 4th, at 6:30 p.m. This workshop will focus on the identification and singing of different musical intervals, solfège, reading music in both modern notation and neumes (Gregorian notation) and developing a better choral sound. This workshop is intended for those who wish to actively participate as part of Holy Spirit's Adult Choir this year, but is open to all (high school aged and older) who wish to learn more about music. Call 861-1521, ext. 38, or e-mail [matthewmeloche@hotmail.com](mailto:matthewmeloche@hotmail.com) for more information.

**The Happy Spirits Meeting** will take place on Thursday, August 5th, at 1:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. If you are over 50...please come join us. We will be having an Ice Cream Social. Those planning to attend are invited to bring a favorite side dish to share. Please come with ideas for our summer picnic planning. The picnic is scheduled to take place on September 2nd at the Whitehall Community Park. For more information, please call Bob Udeck at 861-6568.

**The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program** of Catholic Social Services (serving Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Licking, Madison, Pickaway, and Union Counties) is in need of volunteers. The program seeks resolution of problems and advocates for the rights of residents of long-term care facilities with the goal of enhancing the quality of life and care of residents. To learn more or sign up to become a Volunteer Ombudsman Associate, call 614-221-5891 or 1-800-536-5891.

**Keep Faith: Support the Church in Latin America.** Although approximately half of the world's Catholic population lives in Latin America, the Church in the region is losing members at an alarming rate. They are drawn away from the Church by other faiths and are often obliged to migrate in pursuit of a better life. These tensions can contribute to the destabilization of families and faith communities. You can keep faith through your support of next week's collection. Your generosity will support pastoral work that engages parishioners and fosters the faith. The Church in Latin America needs your help. Please use the specially marked envelope and place your contribution in the regular collection. Thank you!

**PSR and Children's Liturgy of the Word Volunteers** are needed for the 2010-11 School Year. Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a 6th or 7th grade teacher for the 2010/11 Parish School of Religion (PSR) program? 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.

Please call De Bukowski, CRE, at 861-1521, ext. 12, for details.

**The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry needs:**

**Canned Fruit      Canned Pork and Beans**

However, any nonperishable food item you would like to donate is greatly appreciated. Your help is always needed. Thank you for your continuous generosity.