

**“GOD, HOW COULD YOU DO THIS TO ME”?**



The only survivor of a shipwreck was washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him, and everyday he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed forthcoming. Exhausted, he eventually managed to build a little hut out of driftwood to protect himself from the elements and to store his few possessions. One day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames with smoke rolling up to the sky. The worst had happened! Everything was lost! He was stunned with disbelief, grief, and anger. "God, how could you do this to me?" he cried. Early the next day he was awakened by the sound of a ship that was approaching the island. It had come to rescue him. "How did you know I was here?" asked the weary man of his rescuers. "We saw your smoke signal," they replied. It's easy to get discouraged when things are going bad, but we shouldn't lose heart, because God is at work in our lives, even in the midst of pain and suffering. Remember that the next time your little hut seems to be burning to the ground. It just may be a smoke signal that summons the grace of God.

**JOIN US FOR WEEKDAY MASS**

Summer mornings are cool and comfortable. Before the heat of the afternoon join us for mass at 8:30 AM Monday through Friday in our rectory chapel. You can park in our big lot and come into the chapel by using our handicapped accessible ramp. No more steps to climb. You may want to come early for the rosary at 8:10 AM.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

Our Religious Education Program will begin on Sunday, September 19. Classes will start at 9:00 AM and conclude at 10:10 AM. The program is for students in grades K - 8. Registration forms will be available at the entrances to the church beginning August 28 & 29. For more information call Dominick Bullotta at 724-228-0518.

**PARKING SPACES ON BRUCE STREET**

It has been brought to our attention that those parking on Bruce Street are parking too far down on the right side of the street. The other concern is those who are using the handicapped parking space should not be parked so the car is on the sidewalk. This makes it very difficult for those trying to turn left or right onto Henderson Avenue. It is a very busy street, so please try to do your part by making it as safe as we can for our parishioners, friends, and neighbors.

**STEWARDSHIP - August 14 - 15, 2010**

Regular Offertory: .....\$4,108.00  
 Missionary Co-Op: .....\$2,329.30

Every Christian should express his stewardship of possession by sharing generously, through proportionate giving. God blesses every Christian steward who uses his talent, his time, and his contributions in His service for His greater glory. Such stewardship is what helps the members of our parish grow in their discipleship.

**4TH ANNUAL 5-K RUN/WALK**



The Immaculate Conception Parish Mission Race/Walk/Kids Treasure Run is scheduled on Saturday, September 18, 2010. They are looking for people to participate by running, walking, or volunteering. Race details are located at the

doors of our church. Please contact Diane at 724-263-7574 or Gina at 724-747-5006. You may also email at [dkita@comcast.net](mailto:dkita@comcast.net) or [ginaiuliucci@comcast.net](mailto:ginaiuliucci@comcast.net) for more information. Thank you in advance for helping to support the meaningful service projects of the Immaculate Conception Missionaries.

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION**



The Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.) is a process by which non-Catholics, baptized or non-baptized, are received into the Catholic Church. This process is also for adult Catholics who have not been instructed in the faith and/or who have not received the Sacraments. There are many people in our neighborhoods searching for faith, searching for a place to belong, a place to re-discover their God, and a place in which to express beliefs, and a place to worship. This fall we will begin this process and I am calling on you, the members of St. Hilary Parish family, to extend an invitation to family members, neighbors, and friends who may be searching for information about the Catholic Faith or who are in need of receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. This R.C.I.A process not only enhances the faith of the candidates involved, but it has been proven to enlighten the faith of the entire parish, through praying and worshiping together as a Community. If you know of anyone who may be interested in this process, please call the parish office at 724-222-4087. Thank you.

*Fr. O'Neil*



**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time** (August 21 - 22)

- 4:00 PM Boots & Theresa Vankirk (Daughters & Kirk)
- 8:00 AM Mary Vidmar (Family)
- 10:30 AM Our Parish Family

**Monday, St. Rose** (August 23)

- 8:30 AM John J. Pagano (Family)

**Tuesday, St. Bartholomew** (August 24)

- 8:30 AM M/M Joseph Kulla (Family)

**Wednesday, Weekday** (August 25)

- 8:30 AM Jeanne Kutchman (Libby Kutchman)

**Thursday, Weekday** (August 26)

- 8:30 AM John Syrek (Dr. Ron & Connie Salvitti)

**Friday, St. Monica** (August 27)

- 8:30 AM Eva Borkowski (Peggy O'Neil)

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time** (August 28 - 29)

- 4:00 PM Stella Smith (Jean & Jon Pittman)
- 8:00 AM Marie Urbanik (Robert & Patricia Capito)
- 10:30 AM Our Parish Family

**Liturgical Schedule: August 28 - 29**

**Altar Servers**

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| 4:00 PM  | M. Stultz | C. Roberts |          |
| 8:00 AM  | M. Frio   | Z. Ford    | J. Ford  |
| 10:30 AM | E. Kulla  | P. Kulla   | M. Clark |

**Eucharistic Ministers**

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| 4:00 PM  | T. Brandt     | N. Brandt  | P. Kulla |
| 8:00 AM  | H. Kudrav     | E. Petrie  |          |
| 10:30 AM | M. Nehrebecki | B. Paletta | K. Sulc  |

**Lectors**

- 4:00 PM J. Pittman
- 8:00 AM B. Aul
- 10:30 AM G. Fonner

**WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Turn a good marriage into a great one. The next weekend is September 24 - 26 at the Four Points Sheraton, Pittsburgh. For more information call Jay or Judy at 412-635-7775. You may also visit the website at [www.wwme-pittsburgh.org](http://www.wwme-pittsburgh.org). or facebook WWME SW PA!

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The fresh flowers at our Altar have been given this week In Memory of **Joseph Magnone** (Coyle Family)

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

The light before the Blessed Sacrament burns this week In Memory of **Benjie Graham** (Graham Family), Health of **Julie Veltri** (Thelma & Emma Paletta), **M/M John Salvini** (Gary & Juanita).

**MARY CANDLE**

The light before Our Blessed Mother burns this week In Memory of **Andrew & Patricia Gniewkoski** (Dolores Bednarski), Health of **Aldine Zullo** (Thelma & Emma Paletta), **Ruth Comfort** (Thelma & Emma Paletta).

**JOSEPH CANDLE**

The light before St. Joseph burns this week In Memory of **Sam Paletta** (Joyce Paletta), **Paul Veltri** (Jennie Kulmoski & Carol Roberts), **Ben Graham** (Graham Family).

**PRAYER LIST**



Michael Puskarich, Mary Romano, Jennie Lewis, Ricky Zacour, Martha Greco, Rita Salvini, Dorothy Sorice, Aldine Zullo, Mary Tomich, Bud Junkins, Dolores Brezinski, Robert Puskarich, John Salvini, Mary Trusnovic, Joe Mancuso, Gus Mancuso, Valerie Zollars Grabowski, Julie Veltri, Gemma Ross, Phyllis Capo, Mike Chunderlik, Donald Brookman, Marie Kopko.

Remember in your prayers all of our men and women in Iraq and Afghanistan, especially those who have asked for our prayers: Ryan Insana & Gene Shearer.

**A RETREAT FOR GRIEVING SINGLES**



The loss of a spouse through death, separation or divorce is one of life's most traumatic experiences leading to nearly unbearable feelings of loneliness and grief. The Beginning Experience weekend program helps grieving single-again persons travel through the darkness of their grief toward the future with renewed hope. The next weekend will be held October 1-3, 2010 at the Gilmory Center in Moon Twp., PA. Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. For more information, contact the Office for Adult and Family Faith Formation at 412-456-3160, or [familylife@diopitt.org](mailto:familylife@diopitt.org) or make a confidential call to Steve Smith at 412-367-4948 or 412-720-8694.

**CANDLE AND FLOWER REQUESTS**

We have openings for altar flowers, sanctuary lamp, Mary and Joseph candles. Remember your departed loved ones or honor your living loved ones in this very special way. Please drop your written requests in the offertory basket.