

From the Pastor's desk

Dear parishioners and friends,

This week the Gospel tells us the story of the multiplication of the loaves and fish. What a wonderful story: we clearly see how God wants us to be involved in His work – He takes the little we have and turn it into a miracle, a blessing for many. The story is filled with Eucharistic tones, words that we hear at Mass: Jesus took the bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it.

Last week I had yet another meeting with the Committee created by the Bishop for the Implementation of the **New translation of the Roman Missal**. The goal of this committee is to make recommendations to the Bishop on how to implement all these changes throughout the dioceses. It's not only a matter of learning new words but most especially learning how to live and celebrate the Mass. Learning the new words will be the easier part – we will have new cards in the pews. But how can we learn to live the Mass? How many times I hear people saying to me that they stopped going to mass because “they don't get anything out of it?”

The “new” words come from a more faithful translation of the Latin text, which is the normative text throughout the world. This does not mean that the “old” translation (which we are still using) is wrong. It's just not as sharp. The new translation will allow us to enjoy a language that is rich and proper to a ritual like that Mass, a language that also reflects the Biblical foundation of our prayers and doctrine and the rich tradition that comes from the Fathers of the Church. It may sound a bit more challenging but I am sure that after a bit it will become second nature to us.

The most classic example is the greeting after the priest says: “The Lord be with you.” We will answer: “And with your

spirit” instead of “And also with you.” Why this change? What do you think these words point to?

The major parts that have changed are the *Confiteor* (“I confess to Almighty God..”), the *Gloria* (“Glory to God in the highest”), the *Creed*, the preface Dialogue, the *Sanctus* (“Holy, holy , holy...”), the responses to the Mystery of Faith (the response, “Christ has Died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again” will not be used again) and the response after “This is the Lamb of God...”

Soon, I will put something in the bulletin that will help us (I hope) to better understand these changes. It is my hope that we will find these changes as an opportunity to grow in the understanding of the Mass so that we link Worship and our Daily Life more deeply. Weekly Catechetical meetings will also be offered so that we can dialogue about the Mass.

Formation, therefore, will be a strong motif this upcoming year. In order to help us, I have asked **Mrs. Kim Zarif** to act as temporary Director of Religious Education. Kim has been an active member of our parish for the past 6 years and is a former DRE of St. Edmond's. She has agreed to volunteer for this very important ministry. The program will continue as always, and I strongly encourage everyone to pre-register for classes.

On August 6-7, we will welcome the little sisters of Jesus and Mary who will share with us their experiences in ministering to the people of God.

In Christ,

Fr Stanislaw

The Parish Bible Reading for the Month of August will be “Genesis”

PRESIDER'S INTENTIONS

July	30	Saturday
Bethany	5:00pm	Alois & Mary Cerv
Holy Savior	5:15pm	Deceased Members of the Heady Family

July	31	Sunday
St. Mary's	7:00 a.m.	Wil Engle
Holy Savior	8:30 a.m.	Jim Sheehan
Holy Savior	10:00 a.m.	Walter & Patrick Kaszuba

August	1	Monday
8:30 a.m.		Frank DiFilippo

August	2	Tuesday
8:30 a.m.		Deceased Members of the Montoque Family

August	3	Wednesday
8:30 a.m.		Marie & James Baranowski

August	4	Thursday
8:30am.		John & Al Marchese

August	5	Friday
8:30 a.m.		Prayer Service-Adoration

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“Behold, I come to do your will.”

En Theos

Enthusiasm for the Faith

Some people say that living together before marriage helps you be more certain that a couple will get along when they are married. It seems logical, but my parents and priest do not approve. Wouldn't marriages be better if couples lived together before they married?

It might seem logical but actually living together before marriage diminishes your chances of success. Several people have examined the success rate and found that couples who live together before marriage do not do as well as couples who don't. Why? People will attribute it to many things, but I would offer this. Love is essentially a choice. We choose to spend time together, to get to know one another, to share ourselves and our interests. Bonds of love and friendship are built and strengthened because of our choosing to separate and come together again. A good example of this is the life of priests. While priests are assigned together at the same parish, they might very well become good friends. They share the same mission, living space and concerns. But sometimes when one is transferred, they do not speak for months or even longer. Why? There was no choice. The relationship was built on things other than interpersonal relationship. Couples who live together can short circuit the process of developing the interpersonal and intimate bond that is the basis of a marriage and end up unknowingly building their relationship on common tasks, shared living space, and financial interdependence. Time, repetition, choice and love are all part of building a marital bond.



1st Collection
\$8,438.41

2nd Collection
\$1,054.69

We are always grateful to the Lord for all your generosity and kindness. May the Lord continue to bless you always.

In an effort to be certain that all of our sick are considered in your prayers, we have placed all their names in the Book of Sick in the rear of church. If you are unable to list them yourself, please feel free to contact the parish office and we will do it.



You can have a **Sanctuary Candle** burn weekly at St. Mary, Star of The Sea or Holy Savior Church in memory of a deceased loved one or for a special intention. The intention and the donor will be announced in the bulletin, please call the parish office to reserve your week. The Candle at Holy Savior for the week of July 31st is in loving memory of Mike Mackin and Sharon Mackin from Mom and Dad.

The Diocese of Wilmington will sponsor a "Priest Discernment Vocation Retreat" weekend, 19-21 August, at the Jesuit Center in Wernersville, PA. This retreat is open to single men, ages 18 – 40, who believe God might be calling them to the priesthood. The cost of the retreat is \$100; some need based assistance is available. For more information, contact Father Joe Cocucci at 302-654-5920 or jcocucci@cdow.org.

SPECIAL SUMMER SPEAKERS & COLLECTIONS

July 30 & 31 – The Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Tootsie Roll Drive to support children & adults with intellectual disabilities.

August 6 & 7 Joseph House Ministries, Salisbury, Little Sisters of Jesus & Mary

August 27 & 18 Hands Together, Haiti Catholic Missions
Fr. Chris Beretta

Bazaar Committee

We have been receiving such lovely household items from our parish and community friends. PLEASE, keep them coming! REMEMBER, WE ARE ALSO ACCEPTING TOYS & JEWELRY! Also, please remember that we do not accept any form of electronics or clothing. Bring them by the parish center on Wednesday's between 9 & 12 as that is when the elves are here to receive them. They also do crafts during that time and all are welcome to join in. If you cannot make that time, please call the parish office to be certain someone will be here to receive your items.

Raffle ticket sales are going well! After eight weeks, our total income from the 50/50 is close to \$4,000! REMEMBER, THE MORE YOU BUY, THE MORE YOU CAN WIN. Mark your Calendar: The bazaar is on November 18th & 19th with Breakfast on the 20th!

I.S.O.P.

We will be continuing our events at our parish for our visiting International Students this month and thought you may want to see the schedule.

Tuesday, Aug 2 – Breakfast 7-9

Sunday, Aug 14 – Lunch with the Bishop

Tuesday, August 16 – Breakfast 7-9

Tuesday, August 23 – Dinner 6-9

Tuesday, August 30 – Dinner 6-9

We are excited about welcoming our neighbors from many other countries! If you feel that you would like to help in any way, please contact Anne Marie Conestabile at 410-422-7464 or annemarie@cetusa.org

Kitchen Crew:

Just a little reminder that we will not be having our dinner this Friday. We will start them up again in October. Our Kitchen Help have been working so hard at their full time jobs, they are not able to be here and we want to assure you of an excellent meal and service that you are used to. We are continuing the Breakfasts and will see you all on August 21st come rain or shine.

Save the Date:

Free Signature Portrait & Free Parish Directory (for participating families).

Sign up on October 8, 9, 15 & 16.

Portraits will be taken on November, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8 & 9. Bring the entire family.

Portraits by Olan Mills!

Faith Formation

I have a question for you: do you like to garden? Plant a seed, water it, feed it, nurture it, and watch it grow? Watch it yield beautiful flowers, fruit or vegetables?

Remember Jesus' parable about the Sower. There were 4 scenarios: a sower threw some seed on a path, but some birds snatched it up. Some seeds fell on rocky ground, but because it could not take root, it grew a little, but soon withered away. Then some seeds fell among thorns, which the thorns choked the little seedling. But ultimately some seed fell on fertile ground and produced fruit!

So what was Jesus trying to tell us? The seeds represent the Word of God, and the sower is... can you guess? Jesus, right! But we must nurture that "seed" for it to grow within us.

If you are one of those people, the "gardener", who nurtures the "seed" the Word of God yourself, then we would love to have you on board to help in our faith formation classes this fall. You could work with children, adults, or anywhere in between. If you would like to learn more becoming a catechist or catechist aide, please contact me; I would love to talk with you about it.

And finally, we are so excited about the many plans we have for both young and "seasoned" in our 2011-2012 faith formation calendar! If you haven't registered your child yet, please do so as soon as possible, as we are planning for the upcoming year now.

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*From the desk of Mark J. Record,
Principal...*

Enrollment for the 2011-2012 school year will again exceed our expectations. We currently only have availability in our 1st and 8th grade classes. We would like to extend this information first to our supporting parishes to enable your children to fill the remaining spaces. Please contact Valerie Sharp, Director of Admissions to set up a tour of our state-of-the-art facility.

The Admissions Office will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the remainder of the summer.

Our school office summer hours of operation are 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. daily, Monday through Friday

If you shop at Harris Teeter, Giant, or Food Lion, please be sure your store accounts are linked to Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School. These need to be **LINKED EVERY FALL.**

You can sign up your VIC card at www.harristeeter.com and go to the **Community** drop down box then click **Together in Education** program. Find the **Link to Your School** listed on the left of your screen and fill out your information. Our **code is 6845**. Your card will be linked for the entire school year. This program does not interfere with your VIC savings or cost you any money!

Please use the Food Lion web-site (www.foodlion.com) and click on **Community OutReach**, then **MVP Rewards** tab and then **Register Your MVP Card** to link your MVP number to Most Blessed Sacrament. You will need the school ID# **211883**.

To link your card with Giant, you will need our school **ID 04563** and **password NJNG** when you visit their website (www.giantfood.com) and then click on **Our**

Stores then **A+** to register.

We are grateful for the support that we receive through these programs. To date, we have received:

Harris Teeter: \$612.00
Giant Food: \$371.00
Food Lion: \$250.00
Box Tops for Education: \$900.00
Campbell Soup Labels: \$400.00

Please remember to continue to drop-off Campbell Soup labels and Box Tops for Education labels at our school office or at collection sites at your parish.

IMPORTANT DATES

August

16th New Parent Orientation, 4:00 p.m.
MBSCS Cafeteria

Family Picnic, ALL families invited,
5:00-7:00 p.m. MBSCS Gymnasium

17th MBSCS School Board Retreat,
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Holy Savior,
Connell Center

Word of Life: August 2011

Go beyond your impulses

“Behold, I come to do your will” (Heb 10:9).

These words are actually taken from a verse of Psalm 40, and the author of the Letter to the Hebrews has put them in the mouth of the Son of God in his dialogue with the Father. In doing so the author would like to emphasize the love that the Son of God had when he became man in order to fulfill the work of redemption in obedience to the will of the Father.

These words are part of a passage through which the author wants to demonstrate the infinite superiority of Jesus’ sacrifice compared to the sacrifices made according to the old Law. Those sacrifices offered to God were animals or things external to the human being, but what Jesus did was different. His intense love led him during his life on earth to offer the Father his very own will, all of himself.

“Behold, I come to do your will.”

These words provide the key to understanding the life of Jesus. They help us to grasp its deepest aspect and the golden thread that runs through all the events of his life on earth: from his childhood, the years of his private life, the temptations, his choices, his public life, all the way to his death on the cross. In every instance, in every situation, Jesus sought only one thing: to fulfill the will of the Father. And he accomplished it in a most radical way, that is, he never did anything outside of what was expressed in that will, and he refused even the most striking suggestions that were not in full agreement with it.

“Behold, I come to do your will.”

These words help us understand the great lesson that the whole of Jesus’ life offered. That is, that the most important thing to do is to fulfill not our own will, but the will of the Father. It means being able to say “no” to ourselves in order to say “yes” to him.

True love of God does not consist in beautiful words, ideas and feelings, but in effective obedience to his commandments. The sacrifice of praise that he expects from us is to lovingly offer him the most intimate thing we possess: our will.

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How can we put this passage into practice? This is also a sentence that emphasizes the fact that the Gospel goes against the current in so far as it goes against a very basic human tendency: to fulfill our own will, to follow our own instincts and feelings.

This sentence is also one of the most annoying for modern men and women. We live in an age that exalts the ego and celebrates individualism. Freedom is seen as an aim in itself, and self-satisfaction as the fulfillment of the person. Whatever gives pleasure is considered the guideline for making one’s decisions and the secret to achieving happiness. But we all know the disastrous consequences that the pursuit of this culture can lead to.

A culture based on satisfying one’s own will stands in complete opposition to that of Jesus, which is totally oriented towards fulfilling God’s will and produces the wonderful effects that he promises.

Let us try to live this passage by choosing the will of the Father, making it the guide and motivating force of our whole life, as Jesus did.

We will thus set out on a divine adventure, for which we will be eternally grateful to God. Through it we will reach holiness, and many hearts will be touched by God’s love.

Chiara Lubich

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