

Theme: The disciple is messenger, the message is the good news, but how is it best communicated? When we ourselves become the message, converted by what we preach and the word we have heard.



Masses For The Week

Saturday, July 4

8:00 AM 10th Anniversary: Florence Clevenger

4:30 PM Memorial: John McIntyre

Sunday, July 5

8:00 AM For the People of St. Peter Claver

10:00 AM Memorial: Mary Jane Simoneau

11:30 AM Memorial: Joseph Abissa

Monday, July 6

6:30 AM Memorial: Gerald Griffin

Tuesday, July 7

6:30 AM Mass

Wednesday, July 8

6:30 AM Mass

Thursday, July 9

6:30 AM Memorial: Marion Merritt

Friday, July 10

6:30 AM Memorial: John O'Gorman

Saturday, July 11

8:00 AM Memorial: David Smith & Elizabeth Pericolosi

4:30 PM Memorial: John Siczewicz

Sunday, July 12

8:00 AM For the People of St. Peter Claver

10:00 AM Memorial: William Lloyd

11:30 AM Memorial: Paul Lafreniere



Our St. Peter Claver Family warmly welcomes **Adam & Elizabeth Culbert, daughter Anna, son Charles;** and **Julie Melanson** who recently registered in our parish.

BABIES AND CHILDREN

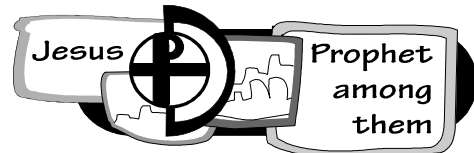
Babies and children are most welcome in our Church and at our services. For your convenience and comfort our Cry Room or "Quieting Room" is a convenient place for parents to still hear and participate at Mass while calming an unhappy child.

HELP WANTED!!!

If you don't mind - It would be most helpful for our record keeping if you would please include the amount on the outside of your offertory envelopes. Thank you.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Today's gospel is so familiar, it hurts! The home town folks couldn't accept the presence of God in Jesus. After all, they had seen him grow up. We can easily make the same mistake if we don't see God present in the ordinary routines of family life. "The Lord be with you" is a statement of fact. Believe it. Live it.



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Ezekiel is moved to respond to the call of God and to accentuate his teaching with a direct reference to the Word of God.

Second Reading: II Corinthians 12:7-10

Paul had questioned the value of his suffering, and God replied, "My grace is enough for you, for strength is made perfect in weakness." Paul then realized that although he was weak against persecution, he was strong in faith.

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6

Jesus could do little for those in his own part of the country, for their lack of faith in him was so great. Therefore, he spent much of his time teaching in neighboring villages instead.

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CATECHISTS RECRUITMENT FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR

If you are interested in serving in our teaching ministry as a catechist sharing the faith that we celebrate, contact Janine Cote at 521-2904 or via e-mail at spcnel@sbcglobal.net. No experience necessary. Tuition fee is waived for children of catechists and co-catechists.



ARE YOU MOVING OR DOWNSIZING?

The Office of Religious Education is currently in need of replacing a few of the TV's and DVD players in their classrooms. Any new or gently used 13 or 19 inch Televisions and DVD's players would be most appreciated. Thank you!

XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

We congratulate Matthew J. Kycia for his dedication and commitment to his studies who recently made the fourth semester honor roll at Xavier High School.

HAVE A SAFE AND WONDERFUL HOLIDAY!!!



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

BASED ON OUR PARISH BUDGET FOR 2009, THE BUDGET HAS BEEN SET AT \$9,231 FOR THE WEEKEND COLLECTION. THE FOLLOWING REFLECT THE FIGURES THROUGH THE END OF JUNE.

OFFERTORY AS OF:	BUDGET	ACTUAL
5/31/09	\$193,851	\$198,151
6/30/09	46,155	35,408*
Year to Date	\$240,006	\$238,466

*Includes ParishPay contributions of \$4,907

YTD BEHIND OF OFFERTORY GOAL: (\$1,540)

JUNE EXPENSES: Archdiocesan Tax: \$1,777; School Support Tax: \$1,777; Payroll: \$30,665; Insurance: \$1,590; Parish Office Expense: \$2,047; Repairs/Maintenance \$9,240; Employee Benefits: \$3,575; Utilities: \$2,954; Religious Education: \$7,505; Sacramental & Liturgical: \$1,133; Events & Social: \$2,308

PARISHPAY

It's getting to be that time of year again. Families will be traveling during the next few months, and some will be leaving for the entire summer. But, don't forget about us! Now is the perfect time to sign up for ParishPay to keep your contributions coming in just like our bills! And just think you won't have to worry about using the "Catch-Up" envelope in the fall. Where ever you are and what ever you are doing this summer, make it a safe and happy one!

SAVE THE DATE!



New England experiences an extreme blood shortage during the summer months. Thousands of patients rely on the generosity of volunteer donors to survive. These patients are our neighbors, family members, co-workers and friends. Many people say they have not given blood because they have not been asked. Consider yourself asked and help to ensure that no patient goes without the blood they need. Ms. Madelyn Filomeno, a parishioner, has organized a blood drive from 1:00 – 6:30 pm on Monday, August 10 here in our Parish Hall. If you donate on a regular basis and would like to donate at Madelyn's drive, please save the date! The need is real! The need is now!



ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to commemorate a special day by donating flowers for the altar for weekend Masses, please call the Beth Ryan (561-4513) and she will be happy to assist you.

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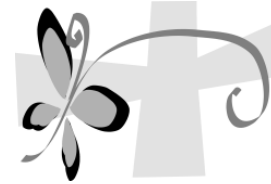
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STEWARDSHIP CORNER

During this time, we celebrate the independence of our country. We would do well to echo the psalmist, saying, "Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for His mercy." May we always recognize and use wisely the gifts of freedom and abundance He has showered upon us.

LITURGY NEWS



BAPTISMAL CATECHESIS PROGRAM

The next presentation of the Baptismal Catechesis Program will be held on Thursday, July 23 at 7:00 pm in the Music Room of the Parish Center. Parents anticipating the Baptism of a child at St. Peter Claver during the months of August and September should call the rectory office at 561-4235 to sign-up for the workshop. Godparents are also encouraged to participate. Parents must be registered members of St. Peter Claver Parish and regularly attending Sunday Mass in order to have their child baptized in our parish. The selection of godparents should be done with careful thought.

SCHOOL NEWS

EDUCATION FOR A LIFETIME

Catholic schools provide students with an "education for a lifetime", preparing them morally and academically to face this world's challenges. By selecting a school that offers your children a 100% graduation rate, you give them the advantage they need for a bright future. To explore enrollment opportunities at your local Catholic schools, visit www.catholicsschoolshartford.org today!

TABOR HOUSE GIANT TAG SALE...

and Auction will be held to benefit Tabor House, residences in Hartford founded by the Sisters of St. Joseph for homeless persons with HIV/AIDS.

Location: Sisters of St. Joseph Convent 27 Park Rd, West Hartford

Date: July 16, 5:00 – 8:00 pm, Wine & Cheese Preview

July 17, Noon – 8:00 PM - Admission

July 18, 8:00 – 1:00 PM – Free Admission

Donation drop-off times:

Week of Sale, Mon., Tues., Wed. – 8:30 am - 3:00 pm Tag Items (except clothes, books, large furniture, and computers) and/or Baked Goodies will be most welcome. For more info, contact David at 860-523-9136.