

St. Christopher

Catholic Church

June 11, 2006
1000 Michigan, Marysville
364-4100



Being Practical about God

by Fr. Art Baranowski

There is so much to do and so much to take care of each day. Be practical. Who has time for God?

In the U.S. and around the world, plenty of people pursue a relationship with God on a daily basis. Like everybody else, these people have careers, are raising children and grandchildren, and are managing a house with its expenses. But, these God-seekers are less driven and less ego-centered. God makes a tremendous difference in their lives and for their lives.

God is practical.

God ultimately is about love. This universe was created out of love and is given to us as an expression of love. My own existence is an act of love. I didn't have to be, after all. Most surprising, God wants to give me himself—to share his own life with me!

The following quote is attributed to a medical man and a Jesuit priest named Pedro Arrupe.

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Religious Ed. Registration

Registration forms have been mailed out for Fall 2006. If you did not receive one and want to register your child for R.E., please call the office at 364-4100 ext. 204.

Classes are filling up quickly. If a particular class time is important to you, register now to ensure a spot.



This Sunday's Gospel

Matthew 28, 16-20

The Greek word "baptize" means to be immersed or to be drowned. In the Hebrew culture of Jesus' day, the name of someone meant the person himself or herself. So, to be baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit means to be immersed or drowned in God. We share in the very life of the Trinity.

1. How did God become real to you?
2. What role does Jesus play in your knowing or loving God?
3. To whom are you being sent to make God known? How will you do this?



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Goal for 2006
\$54,944

*347 parish members
have gifted to CSA
and St. Christopher*
\$46,536.

Yet to respond 771.

We are at 85 % !

New Parishioner Meeting

Wednesday, June 14
7:00-8:00 p.m.
Social Hall

***Look the parish over and see
about joining.***

Next Sunday's Readings

Exodus 24: 3-8
Hebrews 9:11-15
Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sunday, June 11, 2006

9:30 a.m. Baby/Toddler Sitting
Ages 10 months –3 yrs.
9:30 a.m. Children's Church
Ages 3 yrs– Kindergarten
1:00 p.m. Baptism
2:00 p.m. Retreat– Youth Ministers
4:30 p.m. Dinner– Youth Ministers

Monday, June 12, 2006

7:00 p.m. Administration Mtg.
7:00 p.m. CRHP Team/ Quest Rm.

Wednesday, June 14, 2006

6:00 p.m. Pastoral Musicians
7:00 p.m. New Parishioner Mtg.

Saturday, June 17, 2006

2:00 p.m. Wedding-
Jennifer Way, Ronald O'Connor
4:00 p.m. Reconciliation

Sunday, June 18, 2006

9:30 a.m. Baby/Toddler Sitting
Ages 10 months –3 yrs.
9:30 a.m. Children's Church
Ages 3 yrs– Kindergarten



Banns of Marriage

III Ronald O'Connor & Jennifer Way

Cantors Needed

Cantors lead us in the sung prayer after the first Scripture reading. The parish needs cantors of all ages. If you can sing, then use the gift God gave you for God's church. Here is all you need:

- * Be a registered parishioner.
- * Be willing to join the other music ministers each week to grow in the faith of the church
- * Be open to improve.

Call the parish office or Melissa Duso. 364-4100, extension 205.

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He was a Spaniard and was stationed in Hiroshima when the atom bomb fell on the city. Arrupe was with the first team that went in to tend the victims. He saw terrible mutilation and intense suffering and the memories never left him. For Pedro Arrupe, God makes a practical difference for living.

"Nothing is more practical than finding God, that is, than falling in love in a quite absolute way.

What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you will do with your evenings, how you will spend your weekends, what you read, who you know, what breaks your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude.

Fall in love, stay in love and it will decide everything."

This Sunday's Feast of the Holy Trinity reminds us that the purpose of life is to let God love us and then to love God back. Every other goal in life falls under this one overriding purpose of loving God back. Every work and endeavor has value to the extent it helps you to find God loving you. Loving God is the only goal worthy of you. Focus on your purpose.

We need helpers for
Children's Church.

(Children ages 3-5.)

Sundays 9:30-1030 a.m.)

If you are interested, please call the office-364-4100.

Thank you.

Remember to Keep in Your Prayers

Connor Moran, Kathleen Neumann, Bob Danhousen, Donald Burgett, Sr., David Renshaw, Michael Healey, Mae Ward, Roy Cencich, Jose Ramirez, Jeremy Grzech, Kevin Shaw, Gayle Smith, Helen Robinson, Joyce Farrell, Virginia Tracey, Connie Green, Corey Aspey, Patrick Owens, Leo & Betty Visga, Ralph & Nancy Ceglarek, Dorothy Smarch, Simone Stern, Barbara Rumley, Dorothy Horn, Maria Miller, Bill Soboleski, Elizabeth Wessel, Maureen Pochodylo, Greg Riley, Lori Charette, Helen Ferris, Albert Kubek, Kathy & Karen Carty, Kyle Clayton, Patrick McCarthy, Bernard Shafran, Loreen Metheny, Helen Senik, James Newson, Florence Ferris, Marlene Konik, Mary Blessinger, Dominic, Gino & Jordan Pecoraro, Russel Rumsey, Doris Godi, Barbara Stockwell, Harvey Brodeur, Mary Hodges, Patricia Pavlov-Leins, Jean Brockdorff, Kyle Stivers, and those who care for them.

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Sunday-7 p.m. Al-Anon/Alateen

Our Lady of Guadalupe
South Park Community Center
3110 Goulden St., Port Huron

Friday-8 p.m. Al-Anon

Mercy Hospital
1st Floor Conference Rm.
2601 Electric Ave., Port Huron

For more area locations and times call the office 364-4100.

**Weekend Liturgy
June 17 & 18, 2006**

Day/Time	Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Sunday, 9:30 a.m.	Sunday, 11:30 a.m.
Mass Intention	Parishioners of St. Christopher	Joseph Augustyn (3 yrs.) by Neil & Jackie Hamann Bill (19 yrs.) & Pat (1 month) Fuller by her family	Joan Kosmowski by Ted	Richard Hobson by Lori & Matthew
Celebrant	Fr. Baranowski	Fr. Britz	Fr. Baranowski	Fr. Baranowski
Lector	Bob Sheehy Mike Finch	Ron Horbes Charlie Andrews	Chris Sass Jon Bilina	Joe Ellery Bill Bier
Eucharistic Minister	Dorothy Burgess Myrt Lautner Roman Lautner Vince Pecoraro Judy Pecoraro	Ron Nurenberg Fely Nurenberg Gay Venia Gayle O'Donnell Donna Orr	Adam Taylor Julie Lee Mary Jo Jewell Julia Szczygiel Beth Graham Laurie Bachler Liz Bachler	Deanne Quain Skip Randall Gabrielle Randall Gary McCallumore Terri Landschoot Tracy Daud Cheryl Azarcon
Cantor	Greg Kobe	Evelyn Carl	Kathy Roehl	Charlotte Donahue
Altar Servers	Spencer Rumley Joe Rogers	Ryan Watson	Michael Schultz Stephanie Erb	Emmanuel Canto
Hospitality Ministers	Jerry & Lorraine Frendt Mike Kapus	Craig, Nancy, Craig & Nate Hohf	Keith, Paula, Angela, Laura, & Bret Bluhm Lavonne Cloutier	Ron & Michelle Matthys Jerry Youngblood Rusty Dellofano

**Weekday Mass Intentions
June 12, 2006 – June 16, 2006**

Monday, 9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.	Kathrine Pochodylo , by Max & Maureen Pochodylo
Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.	Jack Murray , by John & Janet Vermeesch
Thursday, 9:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving, Lou & Marian Dunn , 10 yr. Anniversary
Friday, 9:00 a.m.	Bea Cowger , by Helen & Melvin Gerstenberger

Financial Stewardship At St. Christopher's

June 3 & 4.....\$11,266.00
Children..... .52

Stewardship Thought...

Today's second reading reminds us that we are the adopted sons and daughters-the heirs-of God. We are good stewards of our inheritance when we share our faith and fulfill Our Lord's command to "go...and make disciples of all the nations."

Widowed Friends

Widowed men and women of all ages are invited to celebrate Mass together on Sunday, June 25th at 2:30 p.m. at St. Columban Parish, 1775 Melton, 1/4 mile n. of 14 Mile between Woodward and Coolidge. Enter building at the door near the back parking lot. Stay for refreshments and the opportunity to meet new friends. For more information, call Margery 248-666-4826.

**Readings for the Week
Of June 11, 2006**

Sunday, June 11

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40
Rom 8:14-17
Mt 28:16-20

Monday, June 12

1Kgs 17:1-6
Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday, June 13

1 Kgs 17:7-16
Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday, June 14

1 Kgs 18:20-39
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday, June 15

1 Kgs 18:41-46
Mt 5:20-26

Friday, June 16

1Kgs 19:9a, 11-16
Mt 5:27-32

Saturday, June 17

1Kgs 19:19-21
Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday, June 18

Ex 24:3-8
Heb 9:11-15
Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Catholic Schools

The Blue Water Vicariate has approved a new plan where each parish in the vicariate is financially supporting Catholic school education. This new agreement now allows any family who actively supports their vicariate parish to send their children to any Catholic school in the Blue Water Vicariate and pay the lower vicariate tuition rate. If you have been wanting your child to go to Catholic school but could not afford the out of parish rate, this plan now makes a Catholic school education more affordable for you. Catholic schools close to St. Christopher's parish are:

- **St. Mary's in St. Clair**, preschool-8th grade
- **St. Mary Academy in Port Huron**, preschool-5th grade
- **St. Augustine in Richmond**, preschool-8th grade
- **McCormick Catholic Academy**, grade 6-8
- **Cardinal Mooney Catholic High School**, grade 9-12



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