

St. Christopher Catholic Church

June 25, 2006
1000 Michigan, Marysville
364-4100



KEEPING IT SIMPLE

by Fr. Art Baranowski

What do summer and today's gospel have in common? Both are about keeping life simple.

Summer usually slows us down to notice what we have been missing all along. The days are longer and many people have vacation time. We go to cottages and to lakes. We take walks, work in our gardens, ride our bikes, stay outdoors until the mosquitoes drive us in, and take life a little easier. We slow down, for a change, and notice life. Life is simpler.

The gospel today is not at all about slowing down but the gospel is about noticing. And, the gospel is about keeping it simple. Our boat is in a terrifying storm and we seem to be sinking. The experience of being overwhelmed—having too much to do and having too much coming at us—is where we are most of the time these days (except summertime).

So, what are we asked to notice? Certainly, we notice the storm all around us. How could you not notice that!

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CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

Christ Renews His Parish (CHRP, for short) is an experience for men and for women (separately) to build up a personal openness to Christ and to renew this Catholic Parish. The CHRP weekend is put on by men for men and by women for women. It involves an entire Saturday and a morning and afternoon of Sunday held right here at St. Chris and is open to all adult parishioners past high school age. The next CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH weekends are:

September 8 & 9
Men's CHRP

September 23 & 24
Women's CHRP

Call the Parish Office, 364-4100 for contact names and numbers and for more information.



This Sunday's Gospel

Mark 4, 35-41

Jesus can sleep through the violent storm because he trusts his Father and has peace. In the Scriptures and in the Catholic tradition, the boat often is seen as the church (ourselves) tossed about by many storms of life. Who is this Jesus, that even the wind and sea obey him!

1. In your estimation, what is the greatest challenge we face as a church? How much does what happens to God's Church affect you in a personal way?
2. Think of one of life's storms that you have faced, recently. Stay with that storm and with your feelings. How did you face that storm?
3. If Jesus really is the Son of God, what is one practical difference that could make in your life this week?

Next Sunday's Readings

Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24

2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15

Mark 5:21-43

**WEEKLY
CALENDAR**



Sunday, June 23, 2006

9:30 a.m. Baby/Toddler Sitting
Ages 10 months –3 yrs.

9:30 a.m. Children's Church
Ages 3 yrs– Kindergarten

Monday, June 26, 2006

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

Thursday, June 29, 2006

6:00 p.m. Pastoral Musicians

Sunday, July 2, 2006

No Baby/Toddler Sitting

Ages 10 months –3 yrs.

No Children's Church

Ages 3 yrs– Kindergarten

PETER'S PENCE

2006 Collection

Next week, our parish will participate in the Peter's Pence Collection for the Works of the Holy Father. Please join in solidarity with the more than one billion Catholics worldwide in providing immediate emergency and disaster relief to our brothers and sisters through the pope's special appeal. Thank you!

Parish Directory

There are still some time slots open on Friday, July 7 and Saturday, July 8 to have your picture taken for the directory. Call Karen Grenstiner at 364-1969 to schedule your appointment.

If you would like to be in the directory, but are unable to schedule do to scheduling conflicts, you may drop off a picture to the parish office at no charge.

We still have a few 8x10 pictures in the parish office of those parishioners who had their picture taken, and received a free 8x10. Please pick up your picture or call the office at 364-4100.

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But, what do we—what do I—focus on? Where I direct my vision and what captures my attention: those are the gospel questions.

I cannot escape the storms or all the busyness of life. Life does get complicated and overwhelming. I can't always change life and I cannot control all the forces raging outside and inside of myself. But, I can control what I focus upon. The gospel is clear: Christ is right there in that boat with us.

If Christ is there with me, my simple task is to keep my sights on him. Look at him. Focus on him. Focusing on Christ is called prayer. Without daily consistent prayer, Christ and his gospel is only one short message among all the words coming at me. Christ becomes one more person in the crowd. But, focusing on Christ and letting his words get into me each day will change me. He will change me.

So, both this gospel and the summer are about keeping life simple.



**CSA
Goal for 2006
\$54,944**

*371 parish members
have gifted to CSA
and St. Christopher
\$49,826*

*Yet to respond 747.
We only need \$5,118 to meet our
goal.*

We are at 91%!
*Thank you to those who have
pledged.*

**Remember to Keep in
Your Prayers**

Sarah Bular, Stephen Dillon, Patti Lorf, Lorraine Rubbel, 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, Virginia Tracey, Connie Green, Corey Aspey, Leo & Betty Visga, Ralph & Nancy Ceglarek, Dorothy Smarch, 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, 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.



**Attention
Free Piano**

*Call Melissa Duso if interested
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I Joseph Lucas & Angela LaDuke
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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.

**Weekend Liturgy
July 1 & 2, 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	Hattie Zukowski by Frank & Betty Zukowski Tom & Maxine Smith 60th Wedding Anniversary	Lucille Tinsey by daughter Alice Landra	Elizabeth Eastlake by Bob & Mary Ann Sheehy	Parishioners of St. Christopher
Celebrant	Fr. Britz	Fr. Baranowski	Fr. Baranowski	Fr. Baranowski
Lector	Joe Pavlov Mike Rumley	Jill Kammer Bob Sheehy	Martin Fraschetti Karen Fraschetti	Jon Bilina Bill Bier
Eucharistic Minister	John VanTiem Mike King Marilynn Pavlov Richard Clark Jack Quinlan	Julie Lee Donna Orr Gay Venia Elizabeth Moore Sue Bewersdorff	Esther Pelliccia Julia Szczygiel Adam Taylor Mary Jo Jewell Kathy DeVigili Dieter DeVigili Beth Graham	Loel Azarcon Eugene Mozal Russell Hill Liz Bachler Laurie Bachler Kathleen Moore Joanne Wesch
Cantor	As Assigned	As Assigned	As Assigned	As Assigned
Altar Servers	Spencer Rumley Sean VanTiem	Cara Maertens	Stephanie Erb Jenna Furchak	Emmanuel Canto
Hospitality Ministers	Paul Urben Jason Finn Ken & Angie Shoff	David, Jane, Luke Dusellier Mark Fraley	Greg, Sandy, Megan, Matthew Schuster Bonnie Wylin	Sam, Karen, Nick Militello Kim, Ryan, & Allison Champion

**Weekday Mass Intentions
June 26, 2006 – June 30, 2006**

Monday, 9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.	Bea Cowger , by Ed & Barb Dziribinski
Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.	Irene Brow , by Rich & Joan Sieman
Thursday, 9:00 a.m.	James Newson , by Fran Marion
Friday, 9:00 a.m.	Florence Prentice , by Dorothy McGraw & Family



Sunday, June 25
Jb 38:1, 8-11
2 Cor 5:14-17
Mk 4:35-41

Monday, June 26
2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18
Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 27
2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36
Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday, June 28
2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3
Mt 7:15-20

Thursday, June 29
Vigil: Acts 3:1-10
Gal 1:11-20
Jn 21:15-19
Day: Acts 12:1-11
2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18
Mt 16:13-19

Friday, June 30
2 Kgs 25:1-12
Mt 8:1-4

Saturday, July 1
Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19
Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday, July 2:
Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24
2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15
Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

**Financial Stewardship At
St. Christopher's**

June 17 & 18.....\$8,294.03
Children..... 1.00
Peter's Pence.....39.00

Stewardship Thought...

St. Paul reminds us in the second reading that Christ died "so that those who live might live no longer for themselves." What we give to and do for others, we give to and do for Jesus!



**Bus Trip For
Widowed Of All Ages**

Meet with *Widowed Friends* for a bus trip to Montreal, Quebec City and the Island of Coudres. Trip includes 6 nights, 6 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 5 dinners, guided tours, visits to Ste. Ann de Beaupre, Notre Dame, a gaming stop and more. Trip starts on Sept. 23rd until Sept. 29th. Costs \$599 per person (dbl. occupancy). \$75 deposit due by July 21st. Call Gerry 586-795-0477 or Gloria 248-922-1417 as soon as possible to reserve.

Movie Review Line

Are you confused about which movies are appropriate for your family this summer? Call the Movie Review Line of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at 800-311-4222 or visit www.usccb.org.

If you'll be away from home some weekend, and need to find the location and Mass schedule of the nearest Catholic church, log onto www.Masstimes.org.



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