

# St. Christopher

## Catholic Church

July 2, 2006  
1000 Michigan, Marysville  
364-4100



### **Freedom! Freedom!**

by Fr. Art Baranowski

Another 4th of July celebrates the freedom of our country. On this date, we declared our independence from England and went our own way. Now, we are free, right?

Freedom is not that easy. For one thing, freedom is a goal for a country, but that goal has to be sought in each generation. Today, we may be free of Britain, but there are many other barriers to the freedom of our citizens.

Many Americans are limited in their rights. Each citizen has one vote, but there are many influences in the way decisions are made besides the vote. Special interest groups with lobbyists and money influence the political decisions, too.

If you don't believe that, look at the kind of people in the country's prisons. Why do minorities and poor people make up the vast majority of the prison population? Why do corrupt executives from Enron and other companies have years of trials and get off with mild sentences? Their crimes are terrible and have ruined many people's lives and savings.

The point is that America has to be created and recreated over and over again. Freedom didn't just happen on July 4, 1776. The commitment of citizens to their country's freedom for all its people is a never ending fight. Here are a few suggestions for the fight for freedom.

- Finding out the facts that lie behind the news stories. That means going beyond what the media presents and what politicians say. Try watching the Canadian News Channel, for example, or listening to National Public Radio.
- Become aware of the Catholic position on issues. The pope and the bishops of our country take Christ and his teachings and make connections to what is happening in the world. There is a whole social justice teaching that our church has. What do you know of that teaching?

### **This Sunday's Gospel**

Mark 5, 21-43

Two desperate people go beyond their fears and let their faith guide them to Jesus. Jairus risks the ridicule of his fellow synagogue officials. The afflicted woman risks the anger of the crowd and possibly Jesus' anger. A lot of people brushed up against Jesus on that day as the crowd hemmed him in. But, these two people touched him with faith so Jesus could give health to the afflicted woman and life after death to the 12 year old girl.

1. The woman with the hemorrhages was afraid at first to ask Jesus for what she needed. Have you ever been this way? Why or why not?
2. Do you believe that Jesus has the power over life and death? How does this belief affect your life?
3. Who is someone you do not notice well that you could help materially or spiritually?

### **Next Sunday's Readings**

*Ezekiel 2: 2-5*

*2 Corinthians 12:7-10*

*Mark 6: 1-6*

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR



**Sunday, July 2, 2006**

No Baby/Toddler Sitting

Ages 10 months – 3 yrs.

No Children's Church

Ages 3 yrs– Kindergarten

**Monday, July 3, 2006**

*Office Closed*

No CRHP Team/ Quest Rm.

**Tuesday, July 4, 2006**

*Office Closed*

**Thursday, July 6, 2006**

3:00 - 9:00 p.m. Parish Directory

Photos Taken /Rm. 1

**No Pastoral Musicians**

**Friday, July 7, 2006**

3:00 - 9:00 p.m. Parish Directory

Photos Taken /Rm. 1

**Saturday, July 8, 2006**

10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Parish

Directory Photos Taken /Rm. 1

4:00 p.m. Reconciliation

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## **PETER'S PENCE**

*2006 Collection*

Today our parish participates in the 2006 Peter's Pence Collection for the Works of the Holy Father. Please help the pope provide immediate disaster relief and emergency aid to those suffering the effects of war, natural disaster, or oppression throughout the world. In doing so, we join one billion Catholic brothers and sisters in acting to share God's love in the world. Thank you.

Please visit [www.usccb.org/ppc](http://www.usccb.org/ppc) for more information.

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- Become selectively involved. You cannot change the world, but you can change a small area and you can choose to make a difference.
- Try to see the country from another's point of view, especially from the bottom of the heap. There are millions of Americans called the "working poor". They work very long hours, or two jobs to maintain a very basic standard of living with no health insurance or possibility of vacations. How would they see the political decisions on the evening news? What could you learn from their point of view?

This 4th is meant to celebrate the past, but to be a commitment to today's freedom and there is work to do for us.



II Joseph Lucas & Angela LaDuke  
II Benjamin Dussia & Nicole Curley

### Parish Directory

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

### 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.

## Remember to Keep in Your Prayers

Pete Dazer, Sarah Bular, Stephen Dillon, Patti Lorf, Lorraine Rubbel, Connor Moran, Kathleen Neumann, Bob Danhausen, 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.

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#### Post Abortion Ministry

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### St. Christopher Church

#### "Memorial Fund"

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**Weekend Liturgy  
July 8 & 9, 2006**

Day/Time	Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Sunday, 9:30 a.m.	Sunday, 11:30 a.m.
<b>Mass Intention</b>	<b>Marie Downs</b> by Maggie St. John <b>Maxine White</b> by her husband	<b>Virginia Krueger</b> <b>(6 months)</b> by her family	<b>John Andrew Miller</b> <b>(10th Anniversary)</b> by his wife	<b>Mary Warren</b> by James Warren & Family
<b>Celebrant</b>	<b>Fr. Baranowski</b>	<b>Fr. Baranowski</b>	<b>Fr. Baranowski</b>	<b>Fr. Britz</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Joe Ellery Andrew Cieslinski	Mike Finch Deem Boldyreff	Allison Warsinske Don Jewell	Chris Sass Rachel Sass
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Mariol Schmitt Jack Quinlan Jerry Ayotte Myrt Lautner Roman Lautner	Gay Venia Linda Tokarski Charlotte Carufel Poppy Goddard Gayle O'Donnell	Liz Bachler Laurie Bachler Bernie Newby Flo Herlihy Jerry Huber Julia Szczygiel Richard Clark	Lisa Jones Tracy Daud Terri Landschoot Kathy Robison Monica Myers Joanne Wesch Cheryl Azarcon
<b>Cantor</b>	As Assigned	As Assigned	As Assigned	As Assigned
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**Weekday Mass Intentions  
July 3, 2006 – July 7, 2006**

<b>Monday, 9:00 a.m.</b>	No Mass
<b>Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.</b>	No Mass
<b>Wednesday, 9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Jack Murray</b> , by his family
<b>Thursday, 9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Antoinette Detroyer</b> , by Jean & Dick O'Connor
<b>Friday, 9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Carolyn Schroeder</b> , by her family

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

June 24 & 25.....\$8,008.81  
Children..... 3.00  
Peter's Pence.....655.00

**Stewardship Thought...**

Today's reading from St. Paul explains the "divine economy" of stewardship- "The relief of others ought not to impoverish you; there should be a certain equality. Your plenty at the present time should supply their need so that their surplus may in turn one day supply your need."

**1st Annual Golf Outing**  
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**Readings of the Week of  
July 2, 2006**

**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

**Monday, July 3**

Eph 2:19-22  
Jn 20:24-29

**Tuesday, July 4**

Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12  
Mt 8:23-27

**Wednesday, July 5**

Am 5:14-15, 21-24  
Mt 8:28-34

**Thursday, July 6**

Am 7:10-17  
Mt 9:1-8

**Friday, July 7**

Am 8:4-6, 9-12  
Mt 9:9-13

**Saturday, July 8**

Am 9:11-15  
Mt 9:14-17

**Next Sunday, July 9**

Ez 2:2-5  
2 Cor 12:7-10  
Mk 6:1-6

**34th Annual  
Immaculate Conception Church  
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Friday, Saturday & Sunday



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