

My Dear Friends in Christ,

Our Holy Father chose as his theme of World Communications Day 2004 "The Media in the Family," emphasizing the ways in which the print and broadcast media can add richness to our lives when used to touch, heal and sustain the faith of readers and viewers, especially families. By supporting the Catholic Communications Campaign, we respond to the Holy Father's plea that the media enrich the family life, not damage it. The collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign will be taken up in the Diocese of Erie next weekend. This annual collection helps fund our television Mass for the homebound, our diocesan publications, radio outreach and website – all of which promote the life-giving ministry of our parishes, schools and charitable agencies. Also, our Communications Office is in the final stages of creating a new evangelization initiative designed to enrich, inspire and enlighten family members of all ages. Your past support has made such a positive difference in making the "Good News" part of the media available to our families. With your help we can continue to inspire others to answer Christ's command to love one another as he has loved us.

*Bishop Donald W. Trautman*

**SECOND COLLECTION** There will be a second collection next weekend for the Catholic Communication Campaign. Please be as generous as possible.

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE** Today's gospel teaches us to be smart investors: "Where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." Jesus tells us to invest in those "entrusted" to us because they are an "inexhaustible treasure." Invest wisely – invest yourself in your family.

### **SCHOOL NEWS**

**SCHOOL OFFICE** is open from 9am-3pm. There are still openings available in Pre-3 through Grade 8. If you or anyone you know is looking for a quality Catholic education, please call us at 455-1387.

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL** is Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. More information in next week's bulletin.

**ANNUAL UNIFORM SALE AND EXCHANGE** will take place today and on Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> in the cafeteria from 8am until Noon. There will be a variety of school uniforms available. You can either exchange out grown uniforms for larger sizes or purchase "gently worn" uniforms at bargain prices. Also the School Store will be open and fully stocked with all your back to school supplies! All proceeds benefit the Blessed Sacrament PTC.

**ATTENTION SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS, COACHES, ROOM PARENTS, SCOUT LEADERS, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS, CAFETERIA VOLUNTEERS** and any one else who has contact with the children at Blessed Sacrament School and/or Parish. The Diocese has mandated that you *must attend* a one hour in-service on child protection. Following are the dates and times that the in-service will be held:

Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at Noon in the cafeteria  
Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm in the cafeteria  
Thursday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm in the cafeteria  
Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am in the cafeteria

Please call the School Office [455-1387] or the Parish Office [454-0171] to RSVP for the in-service that is convenient for you.

**PARISH DAY 2004** Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> is the big day! All raffle tickets that were not picked up were mailed this past week. If you did not get a packet either in the mail or at church please call the Parish Office. Return your sold tickets by August 22<sup>nd</sup> for our early bird drawing for a \$100 gift certificate to the Millcreek Mall. Additional tickets are available at the Parish Office and are available after all the Masses today. For \$5.00 you have the chance on three great prizes: \$10,000 grand prize, \$2,500 second prize and \$1,000 third prize. We are still in need of volunteers to sell tickets at all the Masses for upcoming weekends. **School Families...** just a reminder, for every 5 additional tickets you sell your name goes in the drawing for three tuition prizes. If interested in selling tickets after Mass, call the Parish Office. Please return your response sheets that are included in this week's bulletin indicating what ways you can share your time and talent at Parish Days. You can drop those off in the collection basket or at the Parish Office.

**THEME BASKETS** We are still in need of items for our theme baskets. Below are items for some of the theme baskets from our school children, you can donate those items or any item that you wish, the committee will make up additional baskets based on what items are donated.

**Pre-3 "Candles and Scents"** - Lotion, body wash, candles, etc.

**Pre-4 "BBQ"** – utensils, sauces, brushes, aprons, mitts

**Kindergarten "Family Game Night"** – board games, puzzles, cards, dominos, gift cert. for bowling or miniature golf

**First Grade "Fun For Me"** – Crafts and activities for school aged children

**Second Grade "Kitchen Gadgets"** Dish towels, utensils, pots & pans, cookie cutters, pot holders, gift cert. for Linens N Things, etc

**Third Grade "Welcome to My Garden"** Garden tools, fall bulbs, seeds, gift cert. for Mason Farms, Gerlachs, etc

**Fourth Grade "It's a Tail Gate Party"** Money towards a table top propane grill

**Fifth grade "Movie Night"** Movie bucks, movie cards, DVD's videos, popcorn, "movie" candy

**Sixth Grade "Say Cheese"** Film, disposable cameras, frames, scrapbook supplies, photo albums

**Seventh Grade "Gift Certificates Galore"** pizza, movies, department stores, gas, grocery stores, etc

**Eighth Grade "Scratch for Cash"** Instant Lottery Tickets

Any questions on the Theme Baskets, please call Helen Imler at 864-5779 or Pam Zbrzezny at 836-0320

**THANK YOU** The High School Youth Group would like to thank everyone who supported their car washes and bake sales and for all the generous donations that have come in. Please keep the students and Father Mike in your prayers this week while they are in Kentucky and please know that you will be in their prayers as well.

**MAINTENANCE PERSON** Blessed Sacrament is in need of a part time maintenance person. Job involves light maintenance, cleaning and help with snow removal in the winter. Please send or drop off your job related experiences to the Parish Office.

**RCIA** Classes will start on Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the Basement Meeting Room for those who are interested in becoming Catholic or who would like to learn more about their faith. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please pray for all of the sick and shut-in of our Parish Family.

### Wedding Banns

III – Kelly McMillen and Eric Baumann

II – Danielle Cicero and Mark Woods

Congratulations to Marissa Ford and Jim Kalie  
who were united in marriage last Friday.

Baptized into the Christian Community  
through the waters of Baptism:

**KYLE MARCUS COOPER**

Son of Gary and Judy [Hinkel] Cooper

Mass of Christian Burial was given to Robert Pietrzak.

The prayers and sympathy of the Parish Family were  
extended to his family. May he rest in peace.

**PARISH HERITAGE ROOM** Justin Pino, our visiting seminarian, organized all of our archives as part of his summer project. Our “Parish Heritage Room” is filled with old bulletins, photographs, newspaper articles, the original Baptismal font and much more. Feel free to stop by the Parish Office Monday – Friday from 8-3 to visit our room and see for yourself the “Story of Blessed Sacrament.” Many thanks to Justin for the great job he did and we wish him the best of luck when he returns to St. Mary’s Seminary in Baltimore this fall.

### 31 CLUB VOCATIONS – MASS REMINDERS

Monday 8/9 – Jack Hoffman

Tuesday 8/10 – Mary Zbach

Wednesday 8/11 – Carrie Sciamanda

Thursday 8/12 – Eleanor Fratus, Mary Alice Haibach

Friday 8/13 – Ed Zbach, Theresa DeDad, Mary Luciano

Saturday 8/14 – Joanne Holmes

Sunday 8/15 – Rita Firch

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2005** Pilgrims of all ages are invited to attend World Youth Day (WYD) 2005 to be held in Cologne, Germany next August. This 17 day trip includes “WYD” week in Cologne plus a tour through Italy including: Siena, Assisi, Florence, the Vatican and more. For more information email Ross Miceli at miceli006@gannon.edu or call 814-771-1807.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or Ez 16:59-63;  
Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15

Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132;

1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

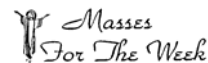
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45;

1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

### POSSIBILITIES

All things are possible for one who believes, more to one  
who hopes, even more to one who loves. —St. Lawrence

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE** will burn this week before the Blessed Sacrament in memory of Margaret Somjai from Donna Minnig and Leo & Doris Shulkosky.



### **Monday, August 9 – St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross**

7:00 +John and Edith Magraw / Family

8:00 +Genevieve & Jean Wolf Brown / Kay & Wally Bender  
[Birthday]

### **Tuesday, August 10 – St. Lawrence**

7:00 +Freida Dombrowski / Dr. Raymond L. Dombrowski  
[Anniversary]

8:00 +Margaret Somjai / Family [Birthday]

### **Wednesday, August 11 – St. Clare**

7:00 +Patrick Reinsel / Ann Giolitto [Anniversary]

8:00 +James Kuneman / Ed, Kathleen & Maddine Ciesielski

### **Thursday, August 12 - Weekday**

7:00 +John & Gertrude Kobylka / Kobylka & Sisak Families

8:00 +Dorothy Schick / Mary Jane Steimer & Family [Anniver]

### **Friday, August 13 – Sts. Pontain and Hippolytus**

7:00 +Emily Eiberio / John Facchiano

8:00 +Leo Shulkosky / Shirley Carideo [Wedding Anniversary]

### **Saturday, August 14 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2:00 \*McMillen / Baumann Wedding

5:15 +John DeDad / Family [Birthday]

### **Sunday, August 15 – 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 \*People of the Parish

9:00 +Clara Albrecht / George Albrecht & Family

11:00 +Florian Florek / Paul & Dolores Adams

7:30 +Concetta Coy / Family [Anniversary]

### SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

August 1, 2004

Weekly Need:	\$ 9,319.23
Adult Offering:	\$ 7,503.00 538 envelopes
Loose Collection:	\$ 755.00
Youth Offering:	\$ 32.88 37 envelopes
Total:	\$ 8,290.88

*Thank you for your generous support of our parish needs.*

*Please remember Blessed Sacrament Parish in your Will.*

*This assures our Parish continued financial strength.*

### SINCE JULY 1, 2004 (START OF FISCAL YEAR)

Offertory Budget YTD:	\$ 46,596.15
Offertory Received YTD:	\$ 31,757.43
Surplus/Deficit:	\$ -14,838.72

### ANNUAL CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Assessment:	\$ 56,699.00
Pledged to Date:	\$ 30,459.00
Paid to Date:	\$ 24,614.00
# of Pledges:	346

### CAPITAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Pledged to Date	\$ 503,422.06
Paid to Date	\$ 398,767.80
# of Pledges	698

*Blessed Sacrament Parish  
Erie, Pennsylvania*

*August 8, 2004*

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