

OFFERTORY

Offertory Budget.....	1,489,997.00
YTD Actual.....	1,225,315.42
Weekly Budget	28,653.79
Offertory -- 5-11-08	23,538.96
Catholic Charities	3,168.93
Pride in Our Past - Faith in our Future	
.....	30,323.02
Parish Debt (as of 5-17-08)	241,566.35
“Pride in Our Past - Faith in Our Future”	
Pledged	3,090,183.93
Received	1,180,415.04

The Gospel today is sometimes called “ the Gospel in miniature” because it so concisely sums up the Gospel message. In even more condensed form, “God loved... God gave...” is the paradigm for stewardship — we give because we love.

FLOWERS



The flowers on the Main Altar this weekend are in honor of Mary and Stan Wapinski on their 65th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Mary and Stan.



The Tabernacle Vigil Candle (May 18 to May 31) is in honor of Sr. Andrea Callahan and the Ursuline Sisters on their 150th Anniversary in Columbia and is given by Carmen Novellas.

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA THE FOUR MARKS OF THE CHURCH

Each Sunday in the Creed, we profess to believe in “one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church”. Dr. Scott Hahn, Catholic theologian, explains how these four “marks” distinguish the Catholic Church from other Christian denominations. He then shows how these four characteristics are rooted in the ancient Christian faith revealed in scripture and in the lived experience of the Catholic Church.

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS ww.cym1.com

Today our youth are invited to meet us at Pop’s Pizza in 5 Points from 11:45 AM - 1:00 PM. Just bring \$2 for a drink.

The deadline for our trip to the Franciscan University Youth Conference in Steubenville, Ohio, June 26 to 29 is TODAY, (May 18.) Call John at 238-6131 to register.

VOCATION VIEW

Come along in our company. Welcome the Trinity — Father, Son and Spirit — to guide you on your journey. Listen to these companions on the way. (Ex. 34:4-6, 8-9)

Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish

Providence: Barbara Kalb

SCHOOL NEWS



Dear Parish Friends,

Things are winding down at school - only three weeks to go! As we have been praying our special devotions to the Blessed Mother this month, we have remembered you. We are very grateful for the tremendous support from our parish. Please plan to join us this Friday, May 23, at 9:00 AM for our special May Procession and Mass. This is a wonderful tradition held for many years at our school, and it is really something special.

This week:

- May 19 2:00 PM Early Dismissal - Teachers will review the techniques employed all year in differentiated instruction
- May 21 K4 park and sprinkler party! 7:00 PM. Choral Music and Band Concert at Saint Martin de Porres Church
- May 22-23 Happy Bookseller selling summer reading books in the Library
- May 23 May Procession and Liturgy at 9:00 AM

SAINTS SOCCER CAMP

Registration is now underway for the SAINTS Soccer Camp. Camp will be held the week of June 16 to 20 from 9:00 AM to Noon at Woodland Park on Olde Knight Parkway (behind the VA Hospital). The camp is open to boys and girls from 5 to 15 years of age (campers will be separated by age and ability) and will be directed by Saint Joseph Athletic Director, Todd Wilkinson. Applications are available at the church and school offices and in the literature rack in the nathex of the church. The fee is \$65 which includes a camp T-shirt. Please pre-register by Friday, May 30. For further information, please contact Todd at 540-1908.

The application form is also available online at: www.stjosephcolumbia.org/youth_athletics.html

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

is extended to the family of Patricia Seymour (mother of Keith Seymour). May her soul rest in peace.

SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK

Please remember in your prayers seminarian Mr. Philip Gillespie Pontifical College Josephinum 7625 N. High St. Columbus, Ohio 43235-1498

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration is now open for our 2008-09 Religious Education Program. The fees are \$40 per child, or \$120 per family until July 31. On August 1 the fees increase to \$50 per child, or \$150 per family.

In order to secure your place in our program prior to open registration in August, registrations, along with fees, should be completed and returned to the parish office. You may also download the form from the parish website at:

www.stjosephcolumbia.org/religious_education.html

or stop by the parish office. Religious Education classes resume on Wednesday, September 3.

Photographs of First Communion and Confirmation students may be purchased by going to www.pictage.com and typing in "St. Joseph's First Communion 2008" or "St. Joseph's Confirmation 2008".

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

The following children received the Body and Blood of Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion

May 10, 2008

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| Kaley Marie Barklage | Harrison McLin Maddox |
| Edward James Barron | Samuel August Manning |
| Callie Elizabeth Beal | Kalie Jane Mathis |
| Joshua Alan Brady | Margaret Chapin Michel |
| Russell Powers Castell | Michael Daniel Murawski |
| Terence Neil Chapman, Jr. | Hannah Elizabeth Oliver |
| William Brice Chontos | Euriasiah-Skye Sinclair N. Porter |
| Mallory Murphy Cleary | Herbert Lee Kross K. Porter |
| Jacob Wright Collins | Ford Bolton Pugh |
| Alexander Lloyd Crosby | Abigail Maria Putnam |
| Alexandra Frances Dodson | Patrick Edward Reedy |
| Bennett Augustine Egan | Alex Khoi Robertson |
| Riley Elaine Elenz | Kathleen Alice Ross |
| Abigail Mary Grace Estes | Lane Marie Scarborough |
| Regan Ferguson Fosmire | Caroline Pinckney Speir |
| Lauren Maria Frierson | Thomas Patrick Sutcliffe |
| Isabella Nicole Gentile | Megan Margaret Syrbe |
| Ellen Kathryn Haile | Cameron Harvey Taylor |
| Margaret Sinclair Hardin | Carl Edward Thayer |
| Erin Grace Hauptmann | Aaron Nicolas Train |
| Audrey Catherine Hayes | Madeline Louise Turnipseed |
| Sarah Elizabeth Hinnant | Calvin Bryan Vacchio |
| Lindsay Steele | Maxwell James Ward |
| Hollingsworth | Warren Joseph Whittington |
| William Paul Kennedy | Helen McIver Williamson |
| Kelsey Elizabeth Christine Kirby | John Daniel Winterstein |
| Clay Gregory Leonard | |
| Mark Andrew Loeffler | |

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 18

- 8:15AM Mr. William Killoy +
- 10:30 AM Pope John Paul II +
- 12:15 PM Mrs. Maria Alvarez +
- 5:30 PM Mr. George Goodwin +

Monday, May 19

- 7:30 AM Rosary

Tuesday, May 20

- 7:30 AM Pope John Paul II
- 5:30 PM Harriet & Norbert Josten +

Wednesday, May 21

- 7:30 AM Mr. Jose Ramon Suarez +

Thursday, May 22

- 7:30 AM Mr. Frank Walker +

Friday, May 23

- 7:30 AM Mrs. Maria Alvarez +
- 9:00 AM Mr. Charles Patrick +

Saturday, May 24

- 5:30 PM Mr. Christopher Rivera (I)

Sunday, May 25

- 8:15 AM Fr. Lee A. Selzer +
- 10:30 AM Mr. Pasquale Biondi +
- 12:15 PM Victoria, Maria & Thomas Struzik +
- 5:30 PM Brenice Elias & Cass McCarter +

RCIA

Inquiry Classes for those who are interested in finding out more about joining the Catholic Church will begin on Tuesday, May 27 at 6:30 PM in Room C of the Education Building. There is no obligation – only an opportunity to learn about the Church and her teachings. For more information, call Nettie Taylor at 540-1906.

SINGLE/SINGLE AGAIN SENIORS

The monthly meeting of the Single/Single Again Seniors will be held on Sunday, May 18, 3:00 PM at Richland Pines, 651 Polo Road, Bldg. 300. The menu is salads and sandwiches. Please call Elaine Coakley, 462-2162 or Briditte Shilbeck, 788-4933 regarding what to bring. All Single/Single Again Seniors are welcomed to this social and are invited to bring a friend.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

St. Joseph VBS will be July 7 to 11 from 9:00 AM to noon.
NOTE: these are new dates!!

Registration details will be in next week's bulletin.

HOME WORKS

Home Works of America is sponsoring two weeklong summer sessions in Columbia from June 8 to June 15.

Middle School Session, rising 6, 7, and 8 graders

Senior High Session, ages 14 and older

Volunteer teens & adults are needed to repair homes for the elderly & disadvantaged. A planning meeting is scheduled for both sessions on Thursday, May 22 at Benedict-Allen Community Development Center at 2001 Two Notch Road. starting at 6:30 PM (pizza and soda will be served). For more information, please call Hank Chardos at 781-4536.

ORATORY RELIGION CAMP

The Oratory camp is a one week experience in prayer, play and sharing for children ages 6-12 yrs old. We have a daily schedule of religion class, lunch, afternoon activities of arts and crafts, swimming and sports, dinner and then an evening program. The counselors are all volunteers! There are two one-week sessions: July 14-19 and July 20-26. For more information please visit the camp website:

<http://www.oratorycamp.com>

or call Dominique at (704) 825-9244 after 6 PM.

MILITARY LIST

Please keep these parishioners and family members on active military duty in your prayers.

Jim Burns, Bill Kundinger, Adger Brown III, Gary Brockington, Julio Soto, Jr., Matthew Brown, Gene Byron Williams, Kevin Fitzsimons, Richard Santiago, Jennifer Frances Stewart, Allan Simmons, Jessica Jackson, Ian Marrone, Chad Kinard, Sherri Woo, Anthony Matthew Wilson, Mike Taylor, John Paul Jean, Alan Kirby III, Paul Munnerlyn, Anthony Coetzee, Matthew Wagner, Robert Formeck, Dan Formeck, Michael Trumbell, Dustin Macfarlane, Ross Ott, Robert Coleman and Charles Wheeler.

To add names, please call Frank Stiglbauer at 787-7701.

BE A HOST FAMILY THIS SUMMER IRISH CHILDREN'S SUMMER PROGRAM

Looking for a fun-filled summer while staying in Columbia? Want to do something that has a real impact on promoting peace? Would you like to expand your family's cultural experience? The Irish Children's Summer Program is celebrating their 25th summer of bringing children, ages 9 and 10 years old, from Belfast, Northern Ireland to the Columbia/Lexington area. **They are now recruiting host families and hope you will consider opening your home from June 27 to August 3.** You can make a difference in the life of a child and help promote peace. For more information, please call, Katie Herbkersman at 776-6497.

TIME TO DANCE "BASIC LATIN DANCE"

DANCE INSTRUCTORS:
SAL & JANICE DiMARIA

No fee required! No partner required!

St. Joseph Parish Hall/Gym
Fridays, May 23 & 30
From 10:00 to 11:00 AM

It will be easy! It will be fun!

Just Come!

WISH LIST SO YOU WANT TO KNOW HOW YOU CAN HELP?

Here is a sample of some of the items the teachers and students have on their wish list.

Please call the school to see the complete wish list or if you can donate one of these items:

Smart Board
for the new Science/Advanced Math Lab

Televisions & DVD/VCR Players

Large Children's Rug

Computer Flash Drives

Electric Pencil Sharpeners

Class Sets of Student Dictionaries

Brio Train Set

Gift Cards to:

Target, Staples, Educational Wonderland

Pinatas

Jump Ropes

Tambourine and other Musical Instruments

Year of Tuition for a Child \$4,680

Volunteers - always needed