

Vibrations

Summer 2007

Festival Happenings

Friday, June 15

6 PM

Festival Opens

7 PM

The Foremost performs

11PM

Festival Closes

Saturday, June 16

4 PM

Festival Opens

Texas Hold 'Em

Tournament Registration

5 PM

Texas Hold 'Em Tournament

6 PM

Soapbox

Midnight

Festival Closes

Sunday, June 17

4 PM

Festival Opens

6 PM

DJ

10 PM

Major Raffle drawing and
Fireworks at Sunday at 10!

Our Festival Starts SUMMER!

Nothing indicates summer has started to me than when school's almost out and St. Vivian's festival is almost here. Start your summer off right by being part of your parish's festival over Father's Day weekend, June 15, 16 and 17.

It's a good way to see your neighbors, friends, have fun and help raise money for our church and school. It's amazing how the parish comes together every year to produce a wonderful event called the festival. Don't miss the opportunity to support St. Vivian and have fun with your fellow parishioners. This will be the 6th year the festival will end dramatically with Father's Day fireworks, masterminded by our own Tom Bove.

Of course there will be lots of kids' booths and prizes, as well as your favorite food and gambling booths.

What's Happening?

A Texas Hold 'Em Tournament will again be held on Saturday. This is the poker game that continues to be so hot. Plan to see what the fuss is all about and try your hand.

Entertainment is planned every day. The Foremost, takes the stage Friday night. On Saturday the band is Soapbox. On Sunday there will be a DJ to play music that you choose.

Don't Go Away Empty Handed

In the air-conditioned Activity Center you'll find Bid & Buy, as well as Bingo and the cake booth. And the Basket Extravaganza has some spectacular items. These booths depend on the donations of parishioners. It's not too late to donate an item, gift certificate or service. Just drop it off at the rectory.

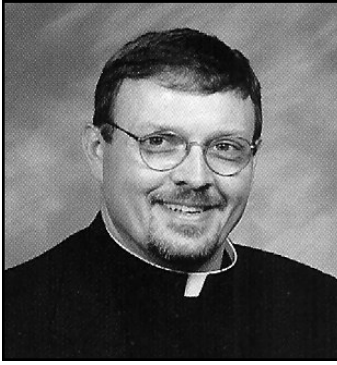
And someone will walk away with the \$10,000 Major Raffle Prize, followed by \$1,000 second prize and \$200 third. One year's tuition to a private school will be raffled off, as well.

It's not too late to help out at the festival. There are many ways, from sponsoring a booth or the fireworks, to managing or working at a booth to babysitting. Just call the festival hotline, 378-5482 or 948-9963.



Excitement builds on Sunday night as Bid and Buy closes.

The Fundamentals of Being an Adult Catholic



If you continue to read this article after you figure out its general gist, you are doing what we Church professionals call Adult Religious Education. Religious education aimed at adults takes many forms. There are articles like this one. There are informative articles in the Catholic Telegraph or other Catholic periodicals. There are also books, lectures, workshops and classes on any number of subjects about or related to faith.

Who Cares?

If you're Catholic and an adult, you should care. Whether we call it Adult Religious Education or Faith Formation, this is about the journey to God which is a lifelong project. Part of completing that project successfully is continuing to add to our understanding of God, of ourselves and of our relationship to God and to our neighbor. If we decide at some point along the line to stop, we choose to remain spiritually at that age. Being an 18 year-old was great fun – when you were 18. However, it didn't take long for being an 18 year-old

to outlive its usefulness. This is just as true whether your goal is to become a mature and productive adult in the world or in the faith. To stop the process is to stagnate and die.

Oops!

Many of us 30, 40, and 50-somethings are victims of a cultural and Catholic blunder. Given all that was happening at the time, it was an understandable mistake, but we are dealing with the consequences all the same. The blunder was that following the Second Vatican Council, American Catholic religious education entered a time when teaching doctrine and dogma as such went out of style. The teachings may have been there, but they were often lost behind a heavy coating of happy colors, shared feelings and "Jesus loves you!" slogans. This led to a great deal of confusion about what we as Catholics really believe. Happy colors, shared feelings and "Jesus loves you!" slogans are all good in their proper place and proportion. However, these don't give you much to hold on to when the realities of human sin or the mystery of earthly death is tearing the world you know out from under your feet. At those moments, the one handhold that might keep you from falling into despair is understanding that we live in a fallen world and how Jesus Christ's coming has redeemed this world.

Allow me to be blunt. For many of us, we have been functioning on a religious understanding that is only at the level of a 6th grader. However, we aren't 12 any more. It's no wonder that many of our contemporaries stopped practicing their Catholic Faith when it seemed to them that what the Church taught was only fit for a 12 year old. However, there's a great deal more to our Catholic Christian Faith than happy colors, shared feelings and "Jesus loves you!" slogans. Adult religious education is about finding out what this "great deal more" is. Even if you feel your religious understanding is better than average, there is always more to learn about God and his ways.

Is This Trip Really Necessary?

No matter what we've been led to believe, salvation is not a bargain in which if we do so much for God, God has to let us into heaven. Sorry, God doesn't owe us anything. And considering all the heartache and headache we put him through, we can't do enough to even make up for our wrongdoing, let alone do enough to put God in our debt. Also, salvation isn't a test that if we get a good enough grade on we get to go to heaven. The grade for heaven is perfection – like Jesus Christ did it. You and I aren't even close. Salvation is about us becoming the kind of people that will survive in the environment of heaven. This will take great changes in us, on the order of an air-breathing creature changing so it can survive under water. These changes will happen as we learn to live according to God's ways. So learning the ways of God and learning to live according to them is necessary.

How do I know all this and how do I know it is true? I know this because I'm an adult Christian who has studied our faith. It's true not because I say it's true (or even because God says it's true – even though He does and that should be enough for us). It's true because the explanations make logical sense and when you pray about them, they resound deep within you as true. If you want to know what the explanations are, I'm afraid you'll have to wait for another article or look them up yourself, and *Mere Christianity* by C.S. Lewis would be a good place to start.

How long is this going to take?

How long is all this adult religious education going to take? That's a good question. What kind of time do you have to give to it? Whatever that is, it's enough. It has to be. You can only do so much. Besides that, you've got a lifetime in which to do it. I don't mean to be flip about this. All I am saying is that you know how much time and attention you can afford for religious education. The only caution I would make is to ask yourself if you tend toward laziness or doing only the minimum. If that's a normal problem for you, you may want to recalculate how much time you can give to religious education with this in mind.

Now that you have your time constraints firmly in mind, what do you need? In the spiritual life, each of us needs prayer time – that is, time spent with God. You can't have a relationship without taking time to be with the other person. So, prayer is at the top of the priority list. One suggestion on prayer is that you pray in whatever way or style you like and in addition to that, take some quiet time in which you let God speak

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to you. That is, once you've said what you need to say or done what you need to do, be quiet. Remain in God's presence for a time – say five or 10 minutes – and see what wells up. Seeking God in stillness and solitude gives God a chance to speak to us. Don't be disappointed if you don't often get direct answers or overwhelming certainty about what God is telling you. Most often God speaks directly to our spirits to get them ready for what he wants us to do. Prayer is always productive even if we don't understand how. When we are young or if we have had some major personal problems, we may need to work on becoming a more mature and more stable person before we can work on becoming a more "holy" person. By "holy" I mean the things we usually think of as holy – more outwardly prayerful and religious, and/or being recognizable as a follower of Christ. As we get older and settle more and more of our personal issues, we make more room for God in our lives, and we might have more time and attention to spare. Those who are working to overcome a personality disorder or an addiction are engaged in what may be the greatest spiritual battle of their life. Therapy, counseling, treatment, support groups and recovery can be very powerful spiritual tools, whether we realize it at the time or not.

So, some people may need to settle a personal issue that keeps getting in the way. Other people need some kind of information. They don't know enough about the Bible, the Church, the Mass or whatever. Others need wisdom or guidance. They don't understand this teaching or what to do with this kind of life experience. And some just need time with the Lord. There are many different stages of the spiritual journey, and each stage requires different material or a different approach. Reading, classes, workshops and lectures are the tools for those in need of information. Mentors, gurus, spiritual guides and directors, teachers, prayer groups and prayer partners are what we need when we seek to put the pieces of life and faith together into a meaningful vision. Contemplation, meditation and solitude take us into deeper encounters with our God. While I have set them out here as separate things, often we need some combination of information, guidance and prayer. Individually, how much of each we need and what approaches are most useful will depend on where we are in our spiritual journey and our own personalities.

What if I get it wrong?

You can't get it wrong, so stop worrying about it. There is no "right" or "wrong" when we are seeking a path to God. There is only what will help versus what doesn't seem helpful. When you try something that doesn't seem helpful, you stop and try something else. Of course, anything that is new will be a little awkward at first, so don't give up at least until you get the hang of it. Some prayers or practices will fit your personality very well. Others are an OK match with you. And still others are as uncomfortable as a sweatshirt that's too small. Trust your instincts. If you are trying to be prayerful and honest, the Holy Spirit won't let you get too far from where you should be.

Also, remember to be patient with yourself. Often there are no outward signs, no leaps of understanding, or no obvious miracles. That only means that God is working quietly within us to get us ready to receive the next installment. We have to grow up enough to understand and accept what will come next. Until that growth is complete we may not be wise enough to understand or mature enough to agree to the changes God wants to make in us.

One word about signs and miracles; when I first became a convinced and committed Christian, the signs and miracles seemed much more bold, pronounced or obvious. I believe that's because my faith was weaker and I needed them more in order to stay convinced. Life is no less miraculous today, but I am more attuned to God's presence and action in the every day. I'm not the child I was then. I don't need the bright toy and loud noises to keep my spiritual attention. Doing the Lord's work is spiritually energizing and motivating. He doesn't need to put on a show to keep me interested like he did when I was a new believer.

How can the parish help?

We've been thinking a great deal about this. We've decided that a multi-phased approach to adult religious education is needed. Some people like classes or study groups that meet multiple times. Some like one-time events because these may be all that they can commit to. Others prefer an article in the Bulletin or in Vibrations so that they can read it whenever they get the chance. Still others need a presentation that works for families so that mom, dad AND the kids can do religious education at the same time. Your parish is trying to be responsive to all these needs. Did you know St. Vivian has an Adult Faith Formation Committee? It seeks to coordinate adult education efforts in the parish and insure that we cover all the areas of continuing faith development. This article is an outgrowth of its efforts. It is presently trying to put together adult religious education on a number of topics. In the near future they will be publishing in conjunction with the Worship Commission a series of articles aimed at helping us understand the prayers and actions of the Mass. There will also be some information forthcoming to help us understand more about Parish Twinning. Also, articles like this one that deal with the basics of spiritual growth will be appearing from time to time. If you have a topic you would like to see more information on, please call or write Anita Bidleman, Jeanne Schaefer or myself. Your suggestions will help us to focus on topics of interest to our parish.

Lectio Divina and Resources

We have a wealth of resources available locally to assist people in their spiritual growth. Monks first codified the practice of reading as a way to promote spiritual growth. In Latin it is called Lectio Divina – "divine" or "holy reading." While the monks read the Bible for an hour each day, the practice works well with other religious material for whatever time an individual can devote to it. Our parish library, the libraries at Xavier,

Mt. St. Joseph, St. Thomas More, and the Athenaeum (seminary) in Mt. Washington, and St. Francis Books on Winton Road, and Good Shepherd

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Parish Twinning Update: Some of New Orleans Still Devastated

In February I visited New Orleans for the first time since Hurricane Katrina. I was relieved to see that around the traditional tourist attractions the spirit of revelry that made New Orleans famous is alive and well. Parades march down Canal Street. Jazz bands play throughout the French Quarter. And the Café du Monde serves up beignets to hungry tourists.

Venturing out of the downtown area, however, I saw that in neighborhoods like New Orleans East, Gentilly Woods, Pontchartrain Park, and the Ninth Ward, nothing is the same as pre-Katrina. Nearly every building is abandoned. Some have just plain collapsed. Windows are either broken or boarded up. And every house wears a spray-painted X like a strange scar stating the date that search-and-rescue crews got there and how many people died before help arrived. Along the main roads there are banks, restaurants, libraries, hospitals, apartment buildings, malls, shopping centers, and gas stations—all of them apparently untouched since the storm.

The overwhelming dilapidation and emptiness led a friend to remark that New Orleans now looks like a third-world country. I've thought about that for a long time and have decided, no, it doesn't look like a third world country at all. It looks like home, just like Finneytown or College Hill, only the life has been ripped out.

But that impression is deceptive. Life remains. Little by little, through courage and determination, the city is renewed.

Strong Sense of Community Remains

Even in the most dilapidated neighborhoods, it didn't take long for me to realize that when Hurricane Katrina ripped through the city, washing away countless homes, businesses, and lives, the things that held intact were hope, wisdom, faith, and a strong sense of community. I saw these attitudes reflected time and time again in the people who have returned to New Orleans, determined to rebuild.

The Bergerons were one family who exemplified these strengths. They evacuated the city before Katrina hit, bringing with them nothing but two days worth of clothes. After the storm, they moved around from hotel room to hotel room, eventually renting an apartment and finding work in Lexington, Kentucky. For several months, with friends, co-workers, and relatives scattered across the country, the Bergerons truly had only each other. When they were finally able to return to New Orleans, they discovered that the flood had ruined their home and everything in it.

As I spoke to her, Mrs. Bergeron hugged her teen-aged daughter and said thoughtfully, "In a way, I'm grateful for Katrina,

because it has brought our family so close together."

Another person I met who modeled wisdom and faith after Katrina, was Marie, the secretary at St. Maria Goretti Church. Marie took me on a driving tour of the parish neighborhood, pointing out the empty shells of buildings that were once major community anchors, such as the shopping mall, the grocery store, and the hospital.

Marie is lucky. She lives in a different part of the city, and when the flood water crested, it stopped at her front porch, sparing her home. Property, home, belongings, memories saved, she still grew teary-eyed as she drove me through what remained of the neighborhood. Moved by her sorrow, I asked her what she did lose to Katrina. She looked around, as if seeing the neighborhood as it looked before the storm, and answered, "I lost my city." Then, she went on to name her many neighbors, friends, and fellow parishioners who either died during or moved away after the storm.

Turning more upbeat, Marie smiled and told me about a big sign that someone has hung near the road along her route to work. The

sign says, "It's just stuff!"

"That's become a refrain for the people of New Orleans," she said. "All the time, you hear people saying, 'I lost my stuff, I lost ALL my stuff...BUT, it was JUST stuff.'"

Monsignor Gauthraux is pastor of St. Maria Goretti Parish. Before Katrina, St. Maria Goretti was a huge parish, serving 3,300 families. Now, many of those families have moved away. However, because the archdiocese does not have the funds to rebuild all the churches damaged in Katrina, three nearby churches are closing and sending their parishioners to St. Maria Goretti. So, while they've lost many families to Katrina, they are gaining families, as well.

Immediately after the storm, Msgr. Gauthraux, many of his extended family, and the parish staff began cleaning out and repairing the parish buildings. His first priority was to renovate the parish center so it could be used for civic meetings, parish meetings, and mass.

Rebuilding a People

Three months after the hurricane, the parish center's doors were opened and St. Maria Goretti celebrated its first post-Katrina mass. Parishioners who had sought refuge in other cities came from as far away as Baltimore, Atlanta, Houston and Baton Rouge to attend this mass and to celebrate their endurance and community. Afterward, people young and old surprised the monsignor by saying, "Father, what I missed most was the



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Church.” He could see that in rebuilding the church, he was not only rebuilding a building; he was rebuilding a people.

Now, almost two years after the hurricane, the parish has renovated its church, parish center, and playground. They celebrate mass three times a week. These have been tremendous accomplishments. Through their own resources and with some outside support, St. Maria Goretti has come a long way.

Nevertheless, as I sat in Msgr. Gauthraux's office, suggesting the possibility of a parish twinning relationship with St. Vivian, one of the many emotions that I read in his eyes was relief—relief that the world hadn't forgotten them, relief that someone cared enough to listen and to do something, relief that help could be offered with no red tape or strings attached.

On July 6, St. Maria Goretti Parish will celebrate its feast day. I'm proud to say, that a handful of St. Vivian parishioners will be there, in New Orleans, celebrating with them. Afterward, we'll begin working out the details of what it could mean for St. Vivian to twin with St. Maria Goretti and what kind of support our parishes can offer one another.

At this point, it is not yet definite that St. Vivian will twin with St. Maria Goretti. During the visit in July, we will explore the possibility of a long-term relationship and determine whether both parishes can be committed to one another. Whether we twin with St. Maria Goretti, or another a parish in New Orleans, it is certain that the St. Vivian community has a lot to offer: prayers, work, financial and civic support, and friendship. But it is also clear that we stand to gain just as much from New Orleanians' witness of faith, hope and community.

If you would like to find out more about parish twinning, please call Jeanne Schaefer at 728-4332.

~Jeanne Schaefer

The Banks Generates an AMOS Success story



On March 29th, the AMOS Project had a meeting at the World Outreach Christian Church. Attendance was impressive with about 300 people there, including

County Commissioner Todd Portune, NAACP President, Chris Smitherman, City Council members John Cranley and Cecil Thomas.

Chaplain Rev. Steve Greiser of Ascension Lutheran Church gave the Invocation. Rev. Greg Chandler, the newly installed AMOS president, opened the meeting. He first called upon Rev. Calvin Harper of Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church to give some background. Rev. Harper talked about the Stadiums that were built in Cincinnati. The deals were done behind closed doors and resulted in huge cost overruns. Very little of the promised local hiring and workforce development for the projects was accomplished.

Rev. James Chisley of Calvary Missionary Baptist Church then talked about the golden rules that should be followed when spending public tax dollars for public projects. He insisted there should be transparency, democracy, inclusion and opportunity for all the citizens. Rev. Chandler then

announced that the AMOS project was withdrawing its support for the Banks Project.

It appeared that the Banks was turning into another project managed out of the public eye. A small group of five white men are making the decisions behind closed doors. This would probably result in a few people making money on the project while the taxpayers would not benefit by local hiring and workforce development.

NAACP president, Chris Smitherman said the NAACP would support the AMOS position. County Commissioner, Todd Portune, pledged to do something about the situation.

On April 4 the City Council and the County Commissioners unanimously voted to add two minority members to the Banks Working Group. Steven Love, president and CEO of the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Commerce and Robert Richardson, president of the AFL-CIO International Union Local 268 were both appointed to the Banks Working Group.

This is an example of the way AMOS works for Social Justice through systemic change. St. Vivian is an active member of AMOS.

~Sue Lennert

St. Vivian Youth Ministry Offers Summer Scholarships

Every year there are many exciting faith-based learning and leadership opportunities offered to young people. While participating in these events can have a profoundly positive impact on the faith of our youth, sometimes the cost can be intimidating. Therefore, the St. Vivian Office of Youth Ministry is now offering small financial scholarships to help support high school and college students who would like to learn about, grow in, and express their faith.

Scholarships are available to registered St. Vivian parishioners who are participating in events that focus on service work, ministry development, or faith formation. Applicants must submit an essay answering the following two questions: 1.) Why do you want to participate in this event? 2.) How might your participation in this event enhance the St. Vivian parish community?

So far, (as of May 2007) three students have been awarded scholarships. Here are excerpts from their essays:

Sarah Kent, age 16—Sarah will use her scholarship to attend the National Catholic Youth Conference, in which over 20,000 Catholic teenagers from across the country gather to renew, celebrate and grow in their faith. “One reason I would like to go on this trip is that it is a great spiritual experience. The prayers and songs are so powerful and inspire my faith to grow. The stories shared motivate me to live my life better. I think that people need to have these types of experiences in their lives. It gives them a chance to not have any worries, get away from stress at home, and just be with God.”

Christopher Zust, age 16—Christopher will use his scholarship award to participate in the St. Vivian/St. Bart Youth Mission Trip

to Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, where he will help rebuild a community devastated by Hurricane Katrina. “I attend Xavier High School, and every day I hear the school’s motto, ‘Men for and with others.’ I want to apply this to my life, and I see this trip as an excellent opportunity to be a man for others...” “The experiences that I have in Mississippi will be brought back with me to St. Vivian. By having experienced the trip first hand, I can better encourage others into active service. I see this trip as an excellent opportunity to do good both in Mississippi, and to help encourage others of my age to get involved in Christian service, as others have influenced me.”

Adam Zust, age 13—Adam will also use his scholarship award to participate in the St. Vivian/St. Bart Youth Mission Trip to Bay Saint Louis. “Most people stay in their houses, watching the TV and all the footage they show of the latest disaster and say, ‘I would love to help, but...’ Well, I don’t want to be one of those people, and this is my chance to go down there and be able to say, ‘Yes! I did help!’ “I want to experience what it is like to help people whose lives have been changed forever by an event they could not control. I want to have the chance to be a messenger of the Lord and be able to bring His love to people through my actions of giving and caring for strangers, just as Jesus calls us to do.”

Please congratulate these students on their willingness to grow in, practice and share their faith. The complete guidelines and application form for the St. Vivian Youth Ministry Scholarship can be downloaded from the youth ministry webpage. For more information call Jeanne Schaefer at 728-4332.

~ **Jeanne Schaefer**

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on Colerain Avenue are all excellent resources for spiritual reading. Also, any of the universities mentioned above offer classes on many different topics of Catholic theology and practice for those who have the time and want the depth and direction the university courses offer. Another resource that many of us have access to is the internet. There are many fine Catholic internet resources available to us. A simple web search on your topic of interest is a good place to start. There are even entire books on line. One site for Christian spiritual literature is Christian Classics Ethereal Library at www.ccel.org/index/classics.html. During my teaching days, I put together a list of internet links for quick reference for my students and this links page is still available at www.fplasalle.net/CWR.html. While this is not an exhaustive list of available sites, I can vouch for the quality of the sites listed.

One other local resource that shouldn’t be overlooked is the neighboring parishes. All parishes offer some kind of enrichment for their parishioners. One of the best kept secrets is that we all would gladly welcome people from other parishes. If you hear of something that catches your interest offered at a parish near by, go check it out. If you feel a little funny about just showing up, call first. I’m sure they would love to have you, but the phone call will put your mind at ease. As one who presents these programs, it doesn’t matter who you are or where you are from, that you want to hear what I have to say is flattery enough to gain you a warm welcome.

Just One More Thing I Have To Do!

Attending to your continuing religious formation may seem like just one more thing you have to do. If you are truly that overwhelmed, I am sorry. However, most of us are busy with many things, some of which are chosen activities. Which of all the activities that occupy your time are important enough to trump your relationship with the Lord? Couldn’t you reprioritize your commitments to make at least a little time available to strengthen your connection to God? Remember, it doesn’t have to take a lot of time and you can find something that matches your interests or questions. It doesn’t have to cost you anything except a little time and attention. The pay off is that you gain a greater sense of God in your life. You won’t find a better offer than that.

~**Father Paul**

Welcome

Patricia Lett
James and Deanna Gilman
John and Jacqueline Weber, Jr.
Herman and Ivis Oyler
Donald and Beth Fogg
Adam and Amanda Borgman
Alfredo and Vicky Roque
Michael Santoro
Timothy and Jennifer Graham

Infant Baptisms

Audrey Marie Bergmann
daughter of Christopher J. and Julie A. Naberhaus Bergmann

Dylan James Snyder,
son of Lance W. and Sarah L. McKenna Snyder

Kelsey Renee Sander
daughter of BJ H and Beth R. Niebling Sander

Michael Thomas Shaw
son of George J. and Anna Todd Shaw

Carson Michael Hinkel
son of Craig M. and Kimberly E. McKnight Hinkel

Hope Denise Oyler
daughter of Herman C. and Ivis D Suggs Oyler

Hailey Christine Oyler
daughter of Herman C. and Ivis D. Suggs Oyler

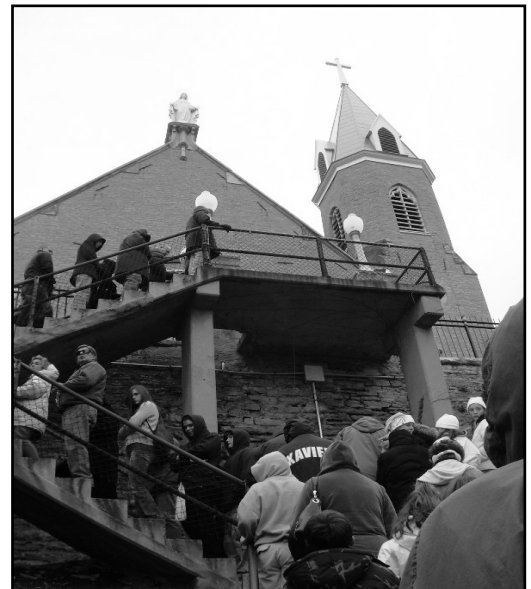
Nathan Michael Weigand
son of Ryan M. and Katherine M. Ward Weigand

Alexander Anthony Dalton
son of Steven Anthony and Crystal Patrice Davis Dalton

Patrick Joseph Grendell-Beyer
son of Dennis Patrick Beyer and Katherine Mary Grendell


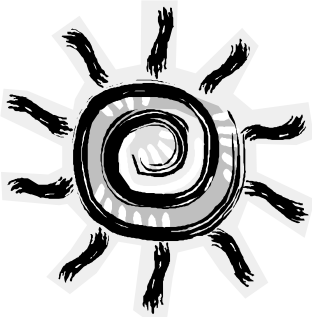
In Memoriam

Doris Surnbrock – January 11
Clifford Fricke – January 15
Robert Terbrueggen – January 18
David Lennert – January 20
Marian Seurkamp – January 21
Mary Sack Webster – January 26
Joyce Frentsos – January 31
Milton Hesselbrock – February 9
Richard Gutzwiller – February 10
Jewell Engelhardt – February 12
Marie Schwartz – February 14
Victor Carrelli – February 24
Rose Slattery – February 28
Josephine Helbling – March 19
Kitten Warner – March 19
Elmore St. Martin – March 31
Hilda Roettele -- May 8



St. Vivian youth prayed the steps at Holy Cross-Immaculata Church on Good Friday.

Calendar of Events for the Parish and School

June		July		
2-3	Mission Appeal Monthly Food Collection	4	Independence Day – Parish Offices Closed	
6	School Track and Field Day	5	Eucharistic Adoration	
7	8th Grade Commencement,	7-8	Monthly Food Collection	
8	Last Day of School	8	Grocery Fund Sales	
10	Grocery Fund Sales	9-13	Vacation Bible School	
15-17	Festival Weekend	17	Baptismal Preparation	
17	Father's Day	28-29	St. Vincent de Paul Collection	
19	Baptismal Preparation	August		
23	Market Day Pick-Up	4-5	Monthly Food Collection	
23-24	Collection for the Holy Father	12	Grocery Fund Sales	
		15	Assumption of Mary – Holy day of Obligation	
		21	Baptismal Preparation	
		19	School Open House & Packet Pick-Up	
		22	First Day of School	
		September		
1-2	Monthly Food Collection	3	Labor Day, Parish Offices Closed, No School	
6	Eucharistic Adoration	9	Grocery Fund Sales	
14-16	Parish Camp-Out	18	Baptismal Preparation	
22-23	St. Vincent de Paul Bundle Weekend	29-30	St. Vincent de Paul Collection	
30	Pet Blessing			

Vibrations Needs You!!

This newsletter belongs to the whole church community. Please think about what you would like to see in Vibrations and call or drop a line. This should be more than a record of what's happened and a list of what's to come. Would anyone like to write a column? Interview parishioners on some topic? Let us know what your parish group is doing? Submit a poem? Let us know about one of the parish's unsung heroes? Or help in any way with the newsletter? Please let us know.

Thanks.

~Pat Frey

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