

**Our EYES are fixed on  
THE LORD,  
pleading for his MERCY.**

**Saturday, July 4:**

5:00 p.m. Mass

**Sunday, July 5:**

9:30 a.m. Mass

**Monday, July 6: Weekday, Maria Goretti, virgin & martyr**Gn 28: 10-22a, Mt 9: 18-26  
No Mass today**Tuesday, July 7: Weekday**Gn 32:23-33, Mt 9:32-38  
No Mass Today**Wednesday, July 8: Weekday**

Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a, 17-24a, Mt 10: 1-7

8:30 a.m. Mass

**Thursday, July 9: Weekday, Augustine Zhao Rong, priest & martyr & his companions, martyrs**

Gn 44: 8-21, 23b-28, 45:1-5; Mt 10: 7-15

8:30 a.m. Mass

**Friday, July 10: Weekday**

Gn 46: 1-7, 28-30, Mt 10: 16-23

8:30 a.m. Mass

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Am 7: 12-15, Eph 1:3-14, Mt 6: 7-13

**Saturday, July 11:**

5:00 p.m. Mass

**Sunday, July 12:**

9:30 a.m. Mass

**TREASURES TO TRINKETS SALE**

Sacred Heart Christian Service is sponsoring a rummage sale—August 27-

29. Donations for the rummage sale are appreciated (no electronics, computers, phones, etc.) They may be dropped off at the Parish Center (weekdays). If you have items to donate, but are unable to bring them to the Parish Center, please call the office at 673-2276.

**DID YOU KNOW: 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY**

This 4<sup>th</sup> of July, 2009, Americans will commemorate the 233<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the approval of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental

Congress—the act that set the 13 American colonies on their road to national sovereignty.

On the first Independence Day, commemorating the signing of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the U.S. had consisted of 13 colonies under the rule of England's King George III. At the time there were approximately 2.5 million people living in those 13 colonies. This 4<sup>th</sup> of July there will be more than 304 million people in the U.S.

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, JULY 11 & 12****LECTORS:**

5:00 p.m. Gerard Kolanowski

9:30 a.m. MariAnn Saenen

**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:**

5:00 p.m. Paul Langlois\*

Lynne Petiprin, Art Rollend

Karen Cody, Mary Knoll

9:30 a.m. Jerry Lasceski\*

Sue Lasceski, Vic Guzman

Bob &amp; Pat Chisholm

**ALTAR SERVERS:**

5:00 p.m. Jared Burkey, Jerzy Kolanowski

9:30 a.m. Daniella Babcock Lorenz Licudine

**GREETERS:**

5:00 p.m. Jill, Stephanie Brink, Cheree Szidik, Art Rollend Family, Pat Strozeski

9:30 a.m. Mary Terbush, Daniella Babcock, Norma, Bob Berry, Mario D'Addezio

**USHERS FOR JULY:**

5:00 p.m. Dan Monville\*, Austin Hessling

Dale Hasenleder, Dolly Emery

9:30 a.m. John Kopko\*, Doug Prosser

Chris Taylor, Charles Pistro

**CANOEING THE MANISTEE RIVER & CAMP-OUT**

A fun-filled time is awaiting those who would like to participate in a canoe trip & camp-out on August 1 & 2. Parishioner Norbert Jankowski has offered his cabin for the excursion. (Just west of Grayling).



We will leave the Parish Center (car pool) on Saturday, August 1 @ 9:00 am. Please bring your tent (if possible). We will enjoy canoeing, hotdog roast, s'mores, games and lots more. On Sunday, August 2 we will rise and shine, go to Mass @ 10:00 am, pack up and head home. Canoe Rental is \$27.00, hot dogs & s'mores provided. Please bring snacks & drinks. Feel free to bring friends. Under 16 years need to be accompanied by an adult. Info: Call Ann @ 673-2276.

**REAL FAITH**

On a cellar wall in Cologne, Germany, an unknown World War II fugitive from the Nazis left a beautiful testimony of faith. Workers found the inscription while clearing away debris from a bombed-out house. It read:

"I believe in the sun  
Even when it is not shining.

I believe in love,

Even when I do not feel it.

I believe in God, even when he is silent."

The fugitive's faith invites me to speak to God about my faith. What do I say?

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Sacred Heart Parish would like to congratulate all married couples who will be celebrating wedding



anniversaries this year (January 2009 through December 2009) in any five-year increment, such as 5 yr., 10 yr., 20 yr., 25 yr., 50 yr., or any year past 50. Couples are invited to share in the Wedding Anniversary Mass Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup> (9:30 am). A special blessing will be given to these couples. After Mass you are invited to join in a reception at the Parish Center. Please bring your framed wedding picture. RSVP the Parish office @ 673-2276 or 673-2346.

**PARISH SUPPORT**

Weekly Need.....\$5800.00  
 Last Weekend.....\$5019.82  
 478 Envelope Holders... 176 Envelopes used last weekend

**14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*(Mark 6: 1-6)*

Because people did not have family names in Jesus' day, there were three different ways one could distinguish two people who had the same name.

First of all, a common designation was where the person lived. Simon of Cyrene, Joseph of Arimathea, and Mary of Magdala are good examples. A problem occurred, however, if the two people with the same name came from the same place.

In that case, friends and acquaintances may have identified the person by occupation. Simon the fisherman, Joseph the carpenter, and Levi the tax collector are just a few examples. Modern last names such as Baker, Smith, and Cook originated in this way.

Finally, ancient people sometimes distinguished a person by who his father was. One of the apostles was James, the son of Zebedee, and another was James, the son of Alphaeus. This custom also found its way into different foreign languages and led to modern last names such as Janowicz, which is Polish for "son of John," and Fitzgerald, which is Irish for "son of Gerald." Thus, those who knew Jesus called him Jesus of Nazareth (where he grew up), Jesus of Capernaum (where he lived during his public ministry), Jesus the carpenter, Jesus the rabbi, or Jesus the son of Joseph. Any one of these names would have been appropriate.

Jesus left Nazareth as a simple carpenter but he returned as a famous rabbi with his own disciples. People throughout Palestine heard of his reputation and respected him, but the people in his hometown gave him a lukewarm reception.

In today's Gospel, the people of Nazareth marvel at Jesus' ability to preach and they ask one another if he isn't the carpenter and the son of Mary. Notice that they do not call Jesus the son of Joseph. Either Joseph was already dead or they meant this as an insult. By not recognizing Joseph as the father of Jesus, they may have been implying he was an illegitimate child. Therefore, Jesus' homecoming was less than a big success.

**FOR REFLECTION**-It's easy for us to remember that Jesus is God but difficult to think of him as also human. Jesus did not walk around with a neon sign on his chest flashing the words "Worship me, I'm God!" Jesus was just as human as you and I are, and he sometimes experienced what it is like to be hurt and rejected. The next time you feel down, go to Jesus with your problems. He knows what you are going through because he went through the same thing himself.

**CSA 2009**

Parish Target.....\$48,500.00  
 Pledges.....\$40,266.00  
 Balance Needed..... \$ 8,234.00

We are grateful to all those who have sent in their pledge/payment for our Catholic Services Appeal. If you have not already done so, please send in your CSA pledge as soon as possible. May God bless you for your generosity.

†**FAITH FORMATION NEWS†**

**SAGINAW DIOCESE 2009 YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP CAMP**

Discipleship Camp is a one-week outdoor camp for Catholic youth grades 9-12 (2009/2010 school year). Discipleship Camp will be held at Camp Timbers near West Branch, August 12-16, 2009. The theme for camp this year is "If I Lead...Will You Follow?" The objective of the camp is to inspire and form young Catholic leaders. Activities include swimming, boating, volleyball, basketball, Mass, Reconciliation, catechesis, and inspiring testimonies. More details and enrollment applications can be found by contacting Ann Reinelt (673-2276) or by visiting [www.Saginaw.org](http://www.Saginaw.org). Scholarship money is available.



**SACRED HEART HANDBELL CHOIR**

The members of the Sacred Heart Handbell Choir recently performed for the residents of the Medical Care Facility. The Handbell Choir members performed several songs from their repertoire and also led the residents in a sing-a-long with Handbell accompaniment. The choir members ended the season with a trip to Dairy Queen. Members of the Handbell Choir are: Thomas Bodeis, Nicholas Bodeis, Mary Ann Edwards, Anne Foley, Mary Gettel, Noah Smith, Olivia Wasik. The Handbell Choir is open to 7-12 grade members of the parish and any interested ADULTS who have a little experience in reading music.

The Handbell Choir rehearses on Monday or Thursday evenings, 7:00-8:00, starting on September 14, and participates at one of our weekend Masses once a month. Info: Mary Gettel, @ 673-8281.



**THE NEARNESS OF GOD**

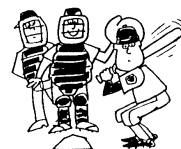
The Lord is near to all who call upon him,  
 To all who call upon him in truth. (Psalm 145:18)



**BULLETIN ADS**

**Brian Morano**, representing **Diocesan Publications** (our Bulletin Publisher) will be at the parish soon. He will be renewing present advertisements and seeking new ones. If interested please call the parish office (673-2346). We feel this is an excellent service and that the sponsors get good coverage with their ads. THANKS TO YOU, and **DIOCESAN PUBLICATIONS**, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish.

**TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME**



Everyone's welcome to sign up and have a fun-filled evening cheering on the Great Lakes Loons as they battle the Cedar Rapids Kernels.

**Where:** Dow Diamond, Midland  
**When:** Sunday, July 19 @ 3:05 pm.

We will leave the Parish Center @ 1:40 pm and return @ approximately 7:00 pm.

**Transportation:** Private Vehicle/Car Pool

**Cost:** \$9.00 per ticket. (Food not included)

**Please call the Parish Center by July 12 to sign up @ 673-2276.**