

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We have two full weeks of summer to enjoy before the beginning of school on September 2nd. Let's hold onto summer as long as we can. At St. Philip's School we are excited to welcome 36 new pre-K students and 15 new students in grades K-8. A special welcome to Mrs. Anne Will, our new music teacher, the new pre-K families, and the eight new families in the upper grades that will be beginning school with us this fall.

We are looking forward to a new year of Life Teen. Life Teen is our youth ministry outreach to students in grades nine through twelve. This year we will be incorporating our Life Teen Mass into our Saturday evening Mass schedule. One Saturday Mass each month will be the Life Teen Mass. You will note the teens as our lectors, greeters, Eucharistic Ministers, and ushers. The Life Teen Band will play at each of these Masses and the homily will speak to our youth directly. Following each Life Teen Mass we will have a large group activity.

The first Life Teen Mass will be on September 6th @ 5:30pm. Our Life Teen schedule for the year is: October 4th, November 1st, December 13th, January 3rd, February 7th, March 21st, April 25th and May 16th. We had hoped to keep the same weekend each month, but have you looked at our students' schedules? We had to schedule around a few things like Prom and Winter Formal.

In September we will be having an event much like the Middle School Passport party with a progression of activities (to be announced) throughout the evening. We do need your help, however. Each month the upcoming event will be announced and Fr. Tony, Abbie and I will be inviting parents and interested parishioners to give us a hand. If you can only help on one of these evenings, that is just fine, we are glad to have you. If you are available on September 6th please call Abbie Kohler at the parish office at 444-4262.

Enjoy the summer and know that you are in my prayers.

In Christ,
Fr. Vincent

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Fr. Antony Fernando

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Principal:
Carol Rettinger

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Debra Olson
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Sister Parishes:

St. Charles Pennington
Saturday at 4:00 PM

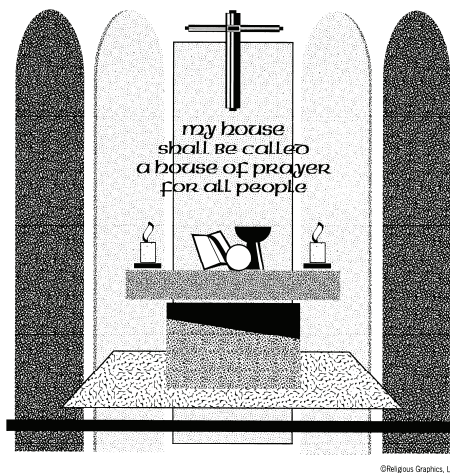
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Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 17, 2008

May God bless us all
to the ends of the earth!

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, August 18:

8:30 AM Mass
+John and +Evelyn Schuiling
by Walter and Mardene Schuiling

Tuesday, August 19:

7:30 AM Marian Devotions/Chapel
12:10 PM Mass +Bob Pickett
by Cy and Peach Murphey
7:00 PM Stewardship Committee/Kateri

Wednesday, August 20:

8:30 AM Mass +Tillie Theroux
by George Theroux
12:00 PM BACM Recital/Church

Thursday, August 21:

8:30 AM Mass
+Art Miller by Fran and Family
1:00 PM St. Jude's Circle Meeting/Kateri
5:00-8:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament/Chapel

Friday, August 22:

8:30 AM Mass +John Lehman
by Charlie and Mary Lyons
9:00 AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/
Chapel
10:30 AM Mass (Goldpine) +Bea South
by Roberta Werstlien

Saturday, August 23:

8:30 AM Mass +Bernice Reitmeier
by Al and Doris Swedmark
9:00 AM Reconciliation
2:30 PM Merschmen/Haman Wedding/
Church
4:00 PM Mass (Pennington)
Sherry Scott—Special Intentions by a friend
5:30 PM Mass +Mary Fellows
by Hank and Angel Krigbaum

Sunday, August 24:

7:30 AM Mass +Marty Gits
by Larry and Jane Senger
9:00 AM Mass For the People
10:15 AM Rosary for Peace/Chapel
11:00 AM Mass +Mr. and +Mrs. Stanton
Anderson by Margaret and Cele Maus

**Readings for the week of:
August 18 to August 24**

Monday, August 18:

Ez 24:15-24 • (Ps) Dt 32:18-21
• Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday, August 19:

Ez 28:1-10 • (Ps) Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35c-36b
• Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 20:

Ez 34:1-11 • Ps 23:1-6
• Mt 20:1-16

Thursday, August 21:

Ez 36:23-28 • Ps 51:12-15, 18-19
• Mt 22:1-14

Friday, August 22:

Ez 37:1-14 • Ps 107:2-9
• Mt 22:34-40

Saturday, August 23:

Ex 43:1-7ab • Ps 85:9ab, 10-14
• Mt 23:1-12

Sunday, August 24:

• Is 22:19-23 • Ps 138:1-3, 6-8
• Rom 11:33-36 • Mt 16:13-20

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

August 23/24

USHERS:

5:30 PM Dave Hiscock, Bill Kunze, Dick Lehmann,
Rich Marsolek
7:30 AM Gary Bruns, Don LaVoy, Bob Murray, Jim Wiltse
9:00 AM Bob Aitken, Phil Hodapp, Glenn McLean, Norm Ricard
11:00 AM Lloyd Lind, Cy Murphy, Peach Murphy, Marty Yerbich

SACRISTANS:

5:30 PM Jim LeClaire **7:30 AM** Terry and Trish Jones
9:00 AM Mark Studer **11:00 AM** Patt Rall

GREETERS:

5:30 PM Terri Chmielewski, Lois Jenkins, Theresa Kunze
7:30 AM Dianne Dockendorf, Wayne Dondelinger,
Patricia Hadrava
9:00 AM Judy Hede, Jen Johnson, Barb Myhrer
11:00 AM Mickie Coe, Bob Welle, Jeanette Welle

SERVERS:

5:30 PM Jack Johnson, Kelli LeClaire, Thomas Oustad
7:30 AM Erin Jones, Megan Jones, Lauren Weaver
9:00 AM Kaitlyn Berglund, Kenzie Kane, Taylor Kane
11:00 AM Jack Boyer, Sam Boyer, Ethan Youso

READERS/INTERCESSIONS:

5:30 PM Connie Anderson-Aagard, Kris Jensen, Candy Barthel
7:30 AM John Bloberger, Carolyn Dondelinger,
Audrey Wiechmann
9:00 AM Jim Hess, Pete Keeley, Sue Bruns
11:00 AM Ernie Rall, Mary Lou Peters, Dick Rossman

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION:

5:30 PM Mary Swanson, Jim LeClaire, Mary Dufault,
Heidi Hiscock, Mary Westrum, HELP, HELP, HELP
7:30 AM Patti Van Camp, Terry Jones, Audrey Wiechmann,
Susan Dondelinger, Jim Schneider, Carolyn Dondelinger,
HELP
9:00 AM Sharon Zarrett, Mark Studer, Clark Chambers,
Jerry Daniels, Stephanie Downey, Wally Ethen, Doug Gish,
Louise Gish, Jim Gorham, Dan Shea
11:00 AM Steve Steele, Paulette Kassa, Tim Kassa,
Theresa Steele, Pat Welch, Mary Yerbich, HELP, HELP,
HELP, HELP

MUSICIANS:

5:30 PM Linda Wolf/Renae Donaghue/Leah Wolf/Jennifer
Leisenheimer
7:30 AM Margaret DeMers/Lynn Maltais
9:00 AM Folk Group
11:00 AM Folk Group

HOSPITALITY:

7:30 AM Todd and Pat Bartels
9:00 AM Sue Burlingame, Stephanie Downey,
Ed & Gerri Daigle
11:00 AM Gail Haubrich, Rosemary Pulczynski, Ann & Pat Welch

Stewardship of Financial Resources:

Fiscal Year July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009

Contributions received the weekend of: 8/10/08 – Week #6

Envelopes	
Weekly	\$ 13,535.03
Loose Plate	\$ 1,004.76
Children's	\$ 51.80
Total	\$ 14,591.59

Fiscal Year to Date: 8/10/08 - Week #6

Amount Contributed	
Envelopes	\$ 92,061.98
Loose Plate	\$ 6,992.32
Children's	\$ 422.51
Total	\$ 99,476.81

"They gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. (II Corinthians 8:3)

Stewardship: A Habit of the Heart.

"Brunch with the Bishop"

What: Join Bishop Michael Hoepfner and the St. Rebecca's Circle for brunch!

When: 10:00 AM, Saturday, October 4, 2008.

Where: Cathedral Parish Dining Room
702 Summit Ave, Crookston

Why: A great social opportunity and a chance to hear the Bishop's thoughts on our moral world.

Who: All interested parties ages 16 and older are welcome.

Extra Information: Limited seating is available. Please RSVP no later than September 19th to the Cathedral Parish Office at (218) 281-1735. This is a free will offering event, and the proceeds will benefit the Cathedral Living Room renovation project, sponsored by St. Rebecca's Circle.

Blood Pressure Checks!

There will be blood pressure checks this weekend! Stop by the St. Thomas Moore room after each mass if you would like to have your blood pressure checked.

INFORMATION & ACTIVITIES

Bemidji Area Church Musicians

2008 SUMMER RECITAL SERIES

August 13, Noon to 12:30 PM

Featuring: Joe Henry, piano and organ
St. Philip's Church
701 Beltrami Ave



Free-will offering to support music scholarships. Lunch will be available following the recital—cost to be announced.

Back to School Donations

The Salvation Army was able to serve over 500 children with backpacks and school supplies for the 2006/2007 year.

To donate school supplies for the 2008/2009 school year to help meet the needs of students who may not have supplies, please bring in items and leave them in the decorated box in the Social Hall. Thank you for your generosity!



North Country Regional Hospital Blood Drives

Thursday, August 28th 9 AM– 4 PM

Friday, August 29th 9 AM— 1 PM

Please contact Shannon Westhoff at 333-5565 to register.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

CLASS: Parents or prospective parents who wish to present a child for Baptism are asked to attend a session scheduled for **Sunday, August 24th at 10:15 AM** in the Kateri Room. Please call the parish office at 444-4262 to sign up if you plan to attend this session, or if you need more information.



MINISTRY DAY

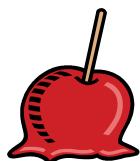
The Diocese of Crookston will hold its **Ministry Day** for pastors, teachers, youth ministers, catechists and all parish ministers on Thursday, August 21, 2008, from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM at Sacred Heart Church and School in East Grand Forks, Minnesota. The day's theme is: "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship", taken from the 2007 document of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Registration fee is \$25 per person, which includes lunch. Forms may be printed from the home page of the website: www.crookston.org, or are available at your local parish or Catholic school. For further information, call the Chancery at (218) 281-4533.



Fall Festival Happenings

Fall Festival Committee Meeting:
August 28th

Raffle Tickets are now on sale!
\$2.00 each
Fabulous, amazing, magical prizes



ST. JUDE'S CIRCLE MEETING

St. Jude's Circle members would like to extend an invitation to any interested ladies of St. Philip's to attend our August meeting. The date is Thursday, August 21, 2008, beginning at 1:00 PM in the Kateri Room. Judy Dooley will conduct the opening prayer. Co-hostesses will be Alice LaCoursiere and Terre St. Onge. For more information or if you need a ride, please call Sharon Zarrett at 751-1606.

Scripture makes clear the challenge before us in deciding our role in the right to life debate. Jesus says, "Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me." (Matthew 25:46) If we do nothing for the protection of the unborn, surely the least among us, then we do nothing for Jesus.

LOVE
is the command of the Lord

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BACK TO SCHOOL NEWS!

GIVE YOUR CHILD THE GIFT OF A CATHOLIC EDUCATION.....

St. Philip's School offers a quality religious and academic education to students in pre-kindergarten (age four) through eighth grade. Please contact Carol Rettinger, principal, for additional information at 218-444-4938.



Catholic
Education

Attention All High Schoolers!

Life Teen Masses moving to Saturdays once a month 2008-2009

Our Life Teen Band will be leading music at the 5:30pm Saturday night Mass once a month throughout the 2008-2009 school year. The dates for Life Teen Masses are set for:

Saturday...

September 6 th	October 4 th
November 1 st	December 13 th
January 3 rd	February 7 th
March 21 st	April 25 th
May 16 th	*Baccalaureate

9th-12th graders: A Life Teen Social event will happen either before or after each monthly Life Teen Mass. Keep your eyes & ears open for more details...and if you have any good ideas for what you'd like to see happen at these events, let Abbie know!

Middle School Passport Party THIS WEEK!!!

Registration begins Thursday at 6:30pm here at St. Philip's!

Pick-up Friday morning 7am here at St. Philip's!

In between that time we'll be mini-golfing, bowling, watching a midnight movie, dancing the night away with our new friend DJ Bill Lage (from the twin cities) and swimming @ the BSU Rec center.

Register by Wednesday August 20th! But call as soon

as possible because it's first come first served with registration & available space!



Adults: The more the merrier chaperoning our Passport Party!

To keep 70+ middle schoolers safe & awake all night long we need lots of adults sharing their time and energy to be present at the different events. Even if you're only available for a few hours, we would love to have you join in the fun of our farewell to summer event!

Call Abbie for more details and with any questions! All adults must complete or have completed Safe Environment training, Abbie has the



RELIGIOUS FORMATION

444-5849

Helping Our Children and Youth Grow in Their Catholic Faith

RELIGIOUS FORMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION AND CLASS REGISTRATION

for Preschool, Elementary, Middle School and High School

will be held

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27—6:30 PM

at St. Philip's Church

It is important to register your children at this time!

Fr. Vincent, Kris Jensen and Abbie Kohler will provide parents with information regarding Religious Formation classes and Youth Ministry.

Religious Formation classes are primarily for children/youth who attend public schools, however any child/youth is welcome to attend Religious Formation classes. Children preparing for sacraments must either be attending Religious Formation classes or St. Philip's School.

From more information contact Kris or Abbie.

CONFIRMATION PARENT SESSION

A Confirmation Parent Session will be held on **Thursday, September 18, 6:30 PM** at the Social Hall. This session is for parents of youth who are in 11th grade who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. One parent must attend the session. At the Parent Session we will discuss Confirmation, the parent's role, schedule, guidelines and concerns. This will be the only parent session for Confirmation offered this year. This is a parent only session. Questions should be directed to Kris.

FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENT SESSION

First Reconciliation Parent Session will be held **Wednesday, September 24th at 6:30 PM** in the Social Hall. This Parent Session is for parents who will be preparing their child for First Reconciliation this year. First Reconciliation is for children who are in at least 2nd grade. It is recommended that the child receive the sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving First Eucharist. A parent must attend the session in order for the child to receive the sacrament. This is a parent only session. The Parent Session includes an overview of the sacrament and the preparation program. This will be the only parent sessions offered for First Reconciliation this year. Questions should be directed to Kris.