

July 19, 2009
Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



St. Angela Merici

20970 Lorain Road, Fairview Park, OH 44126
www.samparish.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

4:30 p.m.

Sunday

7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.; 5:30 p.m.

Monday - Friday

6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m.

Saturday

8:30 a.m.

Holy Days

Vigil 5:30 p.m.

6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12 Noon,
7:00 p.m.

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

After 8:30 a.m. Mass on Saturday

Confessions

Saturday 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

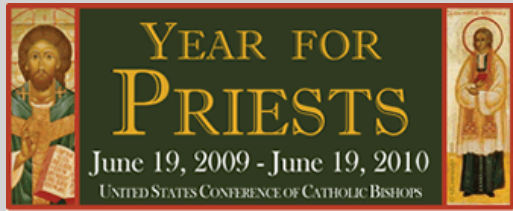
Or by request.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

[AS APPROVED BY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL] St. Angela Merici Church is a community of Roman Catholics, committed to living our faith as disciples of Jesus Christ and members of His Church under the leadership of the pope. Empowered by the grace of the Holy Spirit, we journey to accomplish our mission through the celebration of the Eucharist and all sacraments, a daily life of prayer, proclaiming and living the gospel and reaching out to others in justice and charity. We strive to provide abundant spiritual, educational and social opportunities to all parishioners, both young and old. Together with our patron, St. Angela and all the saints in heaven we proclaim, "Soli Deo Gloria - Glory to God alone."



WHAT YOU ARE IS GOD'S GIFT TO YOU:
WHAT YOU DO WITH YOURSELF IS
YOUR GIFT TO GOD.

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

Monday, July 20 — Apollinaris, bishop & martyr

6:30AM Anna T. Prusak

8:30AM Sidney & Anastasia Ludorf

Tuesday, July 21 — Lawrence of Brindisi, priest & doctor of the Church

6:30AM Communion Service

8:30AM Eva & Louis Rancatore

Wednesday, July 22 — Mary Magdalene

6:30AM Ida Barnak

8:30AM Anne McConville

Thursday, July 23 — Bridget of Sweden, religious

6:30AM Communion Service

8:30AM Eddie, Kevin & Robbie Calvey

Friday, July 24 — Sharbel Makhluf, priest

6:30AM Bruce Bender

8:30AM Communion Service

Saturday, July 25 — Feast of James, apostle

8:30AM Margaret Moran Knopf

11:30AM Katie Matia & Dan Gibbons, Nuptial

2:00PM Jessica Rigato & Jonathan Boron, Nuptial

4:30PM Fr. Robert Hoban

Sunday, July 26 — Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Deceased of the Eble Family

9:00AM Dr. John McLaughlin

11:00AM Anne Kordish

5:30PM Mass for the Parish

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

Monday — Thursday:

9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Please call 440-333-2133 for an appointment if you wish to see a priest.

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PARISH STAFF:

The Rev. Michael J. Lanning, *Pastor*

The Rev. Gregory F. Schaut, *Parochial Vicar*

The Rev. Mr. James L. Agrippe, *Deacon*

The Rev. Mr. Kevin McKenna, *Deacon*

Mr. Erick Lupson, *in Diaconate Formation*

Mr. David Tidyman, *Director of Music Ministries*

Mr. Bob Burian, *Director, Contemporary Ensemble*

Mrs. Linda Heiss, *Director of Religious Education*

Mr. Michael Schwark, *Youth Minister*

Mrs. Therese Whitmore, R.N., *Parish Nurse*

Mrs. Linda Corcoran, *Bulletin Editor, bulletin@samparish.org*

Bulletin / Insert Deadline: 10 days prior to publication.

SCHOOL:

School / Preschool 440-333-2126; Extended Care 440-356-8054

Mrs. Denise Modic Urban, *School Principal*

Mrs. Christine Kutz, *Preschool Director*

Mrs. Julie McGovern, *Extended Care Director*

New Parishioner Registration: Call the Parish Center.

Religious Education Classes: Preschool, Sunday 11:00 a.m.; Grades 1-8 and Special Needs, Monday 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

R.C.I.A.: This formation for adults who wish to become Catholic begins in early September. Call the Parish Center.

Natural Family Planning Classes: Contact Timothy and Mary Ellen Jakubisin at 440-779-5793, or go to www.ccli.org

Baptisms: Second, third, fourth and fifth Sundays at 12:15 p.m. Arrangements must be made in advance with one of the priests. Pre-Baptism class is required.

Marriages: Couples should consult the priest of their choice at least 6 months before the wedding date. Call the Parish Center.

Ministry to the Sick / Homebound: Anointing of the Sick, Communion for Shut-Ins. Call the Parish Center.

Funerals: Arrangements must be made at the Parish Center before any publication in the newspaper.

CLUSTER PARISH SCHEDULE

St. Christopher Church, 20141 Detroit Rd., Rocky River

Sat. Vigil Mass: 5:00PM

Sunday Masses: 7:00AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:00 Noon

Weekday Masses (Mon.-Fri.): 7:15AM, 11:00AM

Confessions: Saturdays 3:30-4:30PM

IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

We hope you are enjoying the quieter, more relaxing days of summer. Here are a few reminders for the week ahead:

Sunday, July 19 — Food Sunday

Thursday, July 23

5:00PM	Market Day Pick up	Social Hall
7:00PM	Social Justice Commission	Social Hall

Friday, July 24

7:30PM	Prayer Group	PC West
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FROM OUR BISHOP...

Thank you for your expression of sympathy upon the death of my brother Albert.

Your kindness has comforted his wife Nancy, his children Kate, Andy and Matt, and myself at this time of his death.

Strengthened by our Catholic faith and hope in everlasting life and by your support, and so many others, we go forward trusting in God's love for Albert.

With my prayerful gratitude, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop Richard Lennon

WEDDING BANS

III	Katie Matia & Dan Gibbons	July 25
III	Jessica Rigato & Jonathan Boron	July 25
I	Lisa Pacanovsky & Patrick Retko	August 8

**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!
ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23 ? 12 NOON



We are currently looking for many volunteers to make this another successful picnic; we would especially like to see all church groups involved in some way. Please leave your name and number with the Parish Center and someone will contact you soon.

FOOD SUNDAY IS THIS WEEKEND Please drop your non-perishable and canned foods in the bins found at all church entrances. Collected goods will be distributed by the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY: Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/
Mk 6:30-34

MONDAY: Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42

TUESDAY: Ex 14:21--- 15:1/Mt
12:46-50

WEDNESDAY: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Jn
20:1-2, 11-18

THURSDAY: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-
20b/Mt 13:10-17

FRIDAY: Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23

SATURDAY: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

NEXT
SUNDAY: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-
6/Jn 6:1-15

REST IN PEACE Pray for Anne McConville. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE Today the gospel tells us that so many were coming and going, they had no leisure even to eat. Does that sound like your home? Don't give in to that! Like Jesus, find ways to be together as a family. Seize the moment to be together in the Lord's presence.

OREMUS PRO INVICEM (Pray for each other) *In your prayers, please remember those in need of healing, especially:* Jerry Corrigan, Clyde Gunsallus, Terry Healy, Karl Helfrich, Margaret Jones, Patricia Kaminski, Angela Kerrigan, Gerry Kerrigan, Dr. Greg Knittel, Angelina Lapp, Norma Mingus, Elizabeth Prusak, Evelyn Prusak, Lucian Rego, and Mary Videc. *If you, or one of your family, would like to be included in this list, please contact the Parish Center. Unless notified, names will remain on our prayer list for one month.*

DO WE HAVE YOUR EMAIL?

In an effort to be "greener" and more efficient in the way we communicate, we would like to have the email addresses of our parishioners on file. Please take a moment to forward your address to: dataprocessor@samparish.org

Dear Friends,

Thanks go to our young **YOSA** members who addressed the community regarding their trip to Appalachia this summer. They were warmly received by the parish at each of the weekend Masses and did a spectacular job. I'm always proud of the accomplishments of our young people here at St. Angela Merici. They are bright, talented, and committed to their faith in action. May God bless their work and outreach to the poor and needy this year once again. Actually, they should be returning in just a short time from their experience down south.

While pouring through the mail the other day, I ran across the summer issue of the Jesuit **Retreat House** newsletter. The executive director is Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, SC, and she wrote about summer as a time to relax and to ease our stressful minds and hearts. Summer is a perfect time, she wrote, to take a step back, find our center, and seek peace. She reminded her readers that Jesus often did the same thing in His life to renew His energy and focus. We, too, need to take some quiet time for ourselves, and many people do this by taking time for a retreat.

A retreat, she wrote, is a type of summer vacation for the spirit. A person can go to a retreat house like the Jesuit Retreat House in Parma to stroll the grounds in prayer, to spend time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, to partake in a group or a privately directed retreat. We just need time to find our way. We need some quiet space, to find silence amidst all the noise. Sometimes it is better not to go away on a more stressful, activity-prone vacation; rather than that, sometimes we should take time to **rest, reflect, and reconnect with God**. A retreat house is a sacred setting for taking such time, for programs of growth and development in our contemporary Church and society. If you have never had a retreat, this might be the year to think about making one.

We as priests are expected to make a retreat each year. This is beyond our presbyteral, or priestly, meetings that take place on a regular basis. Actually, this year our priests will be joining priests from all over the state of Ohio and from every diocese and eparchy in Ohio to **meet in Columbus** for two days of reflection on issues that confront us. This year the focus will be on marriage in the Church and how we may continue to minister to married couples and engaged couples. This convocation will take place in early November.

This past month the Church **completed the Year of Paul**. The jubilee helped us to define Paul's pivotal role in the Church. The pope helped

all of us sketch a detailed portrait of the man considered to be the model of Christian conversion and the archetypal missionary. He is truly a role model for us as we take up the work of evangelization in our area with St. Christopher's and with our whole diocese. Like Paul, we need to be ready to sacrifice ourselves for Christ and for others. This Pauline flair is an integral part of our Church's history and contemporary spirituality. May God continue to bless our efforts through Paul's intercession.

Now, of course, we have the **Year for Priests** as our focus for spirituality. The pope has reminded us priests to strive for holiness and to see our ministry as indispensable for the Church and world. The world needs good priests. We need to encourage strong and faith-filled young men to take up this vocation as they hear God's call in their lives. As priests, we have seen such trauma in the past years when we have witnessed along with everyone else the terrible damage that can be done when a priest strays from what is most important in his life. I know that we constantly pray that the devastation caused by the sexual abuse crisis will never happen again and that those who suffered will consistently receive the love and care that they need. That is why we have been given the model of Saint John Vianney to help us in our priestly lives. This simple French curate/priest had a heart filled with divine love, a love that all of us need if we are to do the work of Christ in the world.

Please pray for priests this year especially. We need such prayer if we are to meet the challenges of our age. We need to deepen our commitment to renewal for the sake of a more forceful and incisive witness to the Gospel, as the pope has urged us. The work is there. In the world today there are 408,024 priests. In 1977, the number of Catholics per priest was 1,830. Today there are 2,810 Catholics per priest. Surely, we need more men willing to take up this humbling yet thrilling way of serving Christ in His Church.

By coincidence, a good friend gave me **a relic** of Saint John Vianney some years ago. It sits on my desk and has for some time. This year it, of course, has such deeper meaning for me as I take up my task as pastor here at St. Angela Merici. I know that I make frequent mistakes and missteps in my ministry. I hope that you will forgive me my foibles and my human weaknesses. None of us can do such work alone; we need the support of the community to keep going forward. All the pastors I

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know and respect feel the same way. That is why we pray for one another at each and every Mass to make sure that our lives are constantly centered on Christ and His work in the world. I guess that all of us need to heed the words of the Gospel more and more and to listen to the quip of a good writer who once said, "*When all is said and done, there is more said than done.*" Amen.

Fr. Greg is leaving this week for his vacation up north. Please keep him in your prayers that he will have a restful time away. I'll be off sometime in August and in the fall when the schedule permits. Once August comes, we begin the busy time of year for school, PSR, Vacation Bible School, gearing up for all our fall and spring programs, etc. Lots to do for the Lord. We'll need our wits about us and our willingness to pitch in together. As I mentioned above, a retreat is a good experience to have before the race of the year begins. Keep our great parish staff in your prayers, too, that we may have another wonderful and successful year together in our ministry.

Did you finish any **good books** yet this summer? Time is still available for us to do so. *My Life with the Saints* is still a great read, and I recommend it highly. Also Merton's *The Seven Story Mountain* is a great paperback or library book to pick up. Let me know how you like either one.

Lots of baptisms and weddings this summer and fall already. One other point that I hope you will keep in mind. Please remember if you are anticipating going into the hospital or have been feeling poorly of late to call and arrange a time for the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**. Actually, we would be most happy to celebrate this sacrament with you when you come to Mass on the weekends or the weekdays. Just let us know your need, and we'd be very happy to help you out. You can make an appointment for the office or just see us in church. We may be planning a communal anointing service in the late summer or fall, so watch for the dates to come.

Also, our **extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion** and those who might wish to take up this ministry will have the chance to go for formation in September and October. Watch for the dates that we'll post in the bulletin come August. We always need people for this ministry. More on this later.

Hope your summer is good. God bless all who are traveling and who are engaged in summer projects, summer school, summer jobs, etc. **Oremus pro invicem. Soli Deo Gloria.**

Father Michael J. Lanning, Pastor

LITURGICAL ROLES

(JULY 20-JULY 26)

WEEKDAY SERVERS**Monday, July 20**

6:30AM Maureen Loftus, Claire Wilber

8:30AM Paige Rombach, Katie Jones

Tuesday, July 21

6:30AM Communion Service

8:30AM Brian Patton, Dylan Schmiedl

Wednesday, July 22

6:30AM Maureen Loftus, Claire Wilber

8:30AM Paige Rombach, Katie Jones

Thursday, July 23

6:30AM Communion Service

8:30AM Brian Patton, Dylan Schmiedl

Friday, July 24

6:30AM Maureen Loftus, Claire Wilber

8:30AM Communion Service

Saturday, July 25

8:30AM Brian Patton, Dylan Schmiedl

11:30AM JP George, Alex Krueger

2:00PM Mitch Moran,

Katie Whitmore

WEEKEND SERVERS (JULY 25-26)4:30PM Derek Corea, Rachel Keck,
Brennan Kilbane, Jamie Szado7:30AM Tommy Blankenship, Joe
Sikon, Elizabeth Gottschalk9:00AM Matt Mahmet, Robyn Pearce,
Kathe Pocker, Ben Rydzewski11:00AM Matthew Fagan, Greg
Jakubisin, Sarah Freeman,
Bryan Ambrogi5:30PM Kevin Haagensen,
Erin Gallagher,
Taylor McCluskey**LECTORS (JULY 25-26)**

4:30PM Jeff Szemplak, Dan Leach

7:30AM John Jeziorowski,
Scott Garapic

9:00AM Bob Austria, Erick Lupson

11:00AM Mike O'Donnell,
George McBride

5:30PM Joe Lee

YEAR FOR PRIESTS

What is the Priesthood?

Priests in the Catholic Church may be categorized as either diocesan or religious. Both types of priests have the same priesthood faculties, acquired through ordination by a bishop. Differences lie in their way of life, type of work, and the Church authority to which they are responsible. Diocesan priests commit their lives to serving the people of a diocese, a church administrative region, and generally work in parishes, schools, or other Catholic institutions as assigned by the bishop of their diocese. Diocesan priests take oaths of celibacy and obedience. Religious priests belong to a religious order, such as the Jesuits, Dominicans, or Franciscans. In addition to the vows taken by diocesan priests, religious priests take a vow of poverty.

Preparatory study for the priesthood may begin at the college level or in theological seminaries after college graduation. Programs emphasize and support religious formation in addition to a regular, college-preparatory curriculum. Young men are never denied entry into seminaries because of lack of funds. In seminaries for diocesan priests, scholarships or loans are available, and contributions of benefactors and the Catholic Church finance those in religious seminaries—who have taken a vow of poverty and are not expected to have personal resources.



Excerpt from: ClevelandCatholicPriesthood.com



FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE ARMED SERVICES

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Jason Actis, Stephen Barnie, Jason Ivan Bauman, Amanda M. Borngen, Tim Budzar, Christopher Ceren, Aaron Cimo, Terrance Fagan, Jack Finucan, Derek Fix, Michael Flynn, Jessica France, Jonothan Gottschick, Christopher Hirsch, Michael Hodge, Nathan Jones, Michael Keaton, Justin Kehn, Joseph Kocel, Dane Krebs, Kenneth Kurz, Derek Lisowski, Jeffrey Lynch, Antonio Martinez, Elizabeth McKenna-Cloud, Dan Meleason, Michael Medgyessy, Peter A. Mooney, Andrew Munshower, Zachary Netzler, Ryan Overbaugh, Thomas Oxley, Robin Pacheco, Christopher Popovic, Lawrence Ruggiero, Scott Saghy, James Schafer, Raymond Schmotzer, Paulo Shakarian, Bernadette Sielski, Brian Skalecki, Thomas Skalecki, Ken Stein, Daniel Stuewe, Ryan Walters, Charles Werner, Patrick Whitmore, Jeffrey E. Wick, and Bryan Winters. *Please keep all of our armed forces stationed here and in foreign lands including those disabled by war in your prayers.* **PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SUBMIT THE NAMES OF SERVICE MEMBERS FOR INCLUSION IN THIS SPACE.**

THANK YOU ST. ANGELA MERICI PARISH

We received a thank you letter from Christina Ronzio, Diocese of Cleveland Office of Worship, regarding the formation session for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, which was held at St. Angela Merici on June 22. In her letter, Christina writes:

"Certainly the evening was one of great energy as your parish welcomed over 1,000 people. My deepest gratitude and appreciation goes out to all the wonderful people of your parish who helped to ensure the evening went flawlessly. The attention to detail and the extra effort to make all feel welcome, including the auxiliary police officers, was exceptional. Please extend my thanks to all who were involved. We couldn't have done it without their hard work!"

CYO SPORTS SIGN-UP DEADLINE: AUGUST 1 The deadline to register for CYO Cross Country, Football and Girls Volleyball is August 1. Fees and physical forms can be picked up and dropped off at the Parish Center with participant information prior to the deadline. Any sign ups after this date must get Sports Boosters' Board approval. Football \$100, Volleyball \$100, Cross Country \$75. If you are interested in coaching, please call Kathy English, 440-331-6625.

FREE STUDENT LOAN SEMINAR Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union is sponsoring a FREE Student Loan Seminar on Tuesday, July 21st at 7:00PM at the Credit Union—St. Charles Main Office. Learn options for financing your or your student's education. Register with Kelly at 440-888-2558 x244.



A JOURNEY OF FAITH

Registration is now taking place for an exciting journey of faith coming this Fall called the RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This journey is open to all who are seeking to come into the Catholic Church at Easter next year. This process is open to anyone who has never been baptized, been baptized in a different denomination and would like to become Catholic and receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, or who have never been Confirmed. All of you can take part in this journey. It is a journey that is personal, communal and spiritual. Most importantly, is a journey, whereby God leads you into a deeper relationship with Him into a community of faith.

If you or someone knows of anyone who would be interested in being a part of the RCIA, please contact Fr. Greg at the Parish Center, and he can give you more details.



WALK ON THE WILD SIDE SATURDAY, AUGUST 22 CLEVELAND METROPARKS ZOO

**100% OF THE PROCEEDS GO
DIRECTLY TO YOSA!!!**

The Diocese of Cleveland is sponsoring a walk-a-thon for Catholic Youth Ministry programs, specifically for, but not limited to, the National Catholic Youth Conference. The NCYC is going to be held this November in Kansas City and St. Angela Merici has 10 teens and 3 adults making the pilgrimage. NCYC will have an estimated attendance of 25,000 teens from across the U.S. coming together for one weekend to celebrate and share our Catholic faith. **Please consider taking part in this fundraiser walk or offer to make a monetary pledge to sponsor one of St. Angela's walkers.**

ANYBODY IS WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WALK! Registration includes a FREE t-shirt and FREE all day entry into the zoo and rainforest on August 22nd!! Check-in for the walk through the zoo is at 8:00AM and there will be fun activities, refreshments, music and door prizes, all concluding by 11:00AM. You then have access to the zoo and rainforest for the rest of the day!

The Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office is also looking for a few more corporate sponsors to help underwrite some of the administrative costs of this event so that ALL proceeds can go directly to parish youth ministry programs. Please call Michael at the Parish Center if you have any connections!

Please call Michael at the Parish Center as soon as possible either to walk or to sponsor a walker with a monetary pledge — registrations to walk should be in by August 1st and pledges can be collected up until August 22nd.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council is primarily an advisory group that assists the pastor and the parish staff in the spiritual life of the parish. They do so by offering suggestions and serving to share information/ideas/reflections from fellow parishioners. Get to know our PPC members:

Dave Brindza	Dean Cotton
Scott Garapic	Dr. Isabel Guadiz
Marjory Heyd	Connie Kytler
Eugene LaValle	Joe Lee
Mike O'Malley	Trena Pacetti
Kathleen Proctor	Elaine Stephens

The PPC met earlier in July and covered the following topics:

- Welcome to Fr. Greg Schaut and introduction of new PPC members
- Scout Eagle project presentation regarding landscaping at corner of W. 210 and Lorain Rd.
- Financial review
- School enrollment update
- School window replacement funded by *Carnivale* proceeds
- Summer maintenance projects
- Social Justice initiatives
- Evangelization
- Parish Picnic & Welcome Back Day set for August 23
- Update on parish clustering with St. Christopher
- Parish picture directory
- *Carnivale for All* date reserved for February 6, 2010

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Registrations are now being processed for the 2009/10 PSR program. If your child attended PSR last year, a registration packet was recently mailed to your home. Please complete this and return it promptly. If your child will be NEW to our program this fall, please call the Religious Education office at 440-333-2133 to enroll your child in PSR. Registration material is also available at the Parish Center.

WHEN AND WHY WAS SUNDAY DESIGNATED A DAY OF REST?



Before Sunday was designated as a day of rest by the emperor Constantine in the fourth century, it was already a special day in the life of Christian communities. Sunday had become a distinctive day because of its association with the day on which Jesus rose from the dead. Celebrating that day by gathering and remembering what Jesus had done for all humanity seemed natural and appropriate.

The first account of Sunday gatherings comes from Justin Martyr in his "Apology," written around the year 150. Justin explains why Christians assemble on Sunday: "We gather on the day of the sun because it is the first day, when God transformed darkness and matter and made the world; on this same day Jesus Christ, our Savior, rose from the dead." It seems obvious that this practice was already well established by Justin's time.

From earliest times, every Sunday was and is still understood to be a celebration of Easter and of the entire paschal mystery. From the time of Constantine when Christianity became the dominant religion, Sunday became a day of rest for all. This day was to be used to connect more deeply with God and one another through prayer, reflection, communal gatherings and acts of kindness and mercy, especially towards those in need. Sunday was to be the day in which Christians re-created themselves into what God had intended from the beginning.

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Church Picnic
SUNDAY, AUGUST 23



FREE FAMILY FESTIVAL The Catholic Family Festival, <The Fest> is on Sunday, August 9 from 12:00 Noon to 10:00PM at the Center for Pastoral Leadership (Borromeo Seminary) in Wickliffe. Join 27,000 teens, young adults, and families for a day of inspiration. Enjoy live music by Christian recording artists Jars of Clay, Brandon Heath and others! The day will culminate with an outdoor Mass and fireworks. <The Fest> is FREE thanks to our generous sponsors at Notre Dame College, Chick-fil-A and 99.5 The Fish. More information can be found online at www.theFEST.us or by calling 440-943-7662. See you at <The FEST>.

AROUND TOWN

We have received notice of the following opportunities in our area:

YOUNG ADULTS IN THE CITY On Saturday, July 25 from 9:00AM-1:00PM, young adults are invited to volunteer with the Office of Migration and Refugee Services. We will be shelving volunteer donations, accounting for stock and possibly preparing an apartment for a new refugee family migrating to Cleveland. To register, please call Laura at 216-228-9516 or email mjvogel@clevelandcatholiccharities.org. This event is sponsored by the Catholic Charities Youth & Young Adult Ministry and CYO Office in the Diocese of Cleveland.

IGNATIUS VOLUNTEER CORPS Retired? Take an Urban "Splash" with us and find out how the Ignatius Volunteer Corps can change your life! Join us Friday, July 31st, 9:30AM-3:00PM, starting at St. Patrick's Church at 3902 Bridge Avenue. No Fee. Reservations are necessary. Please visit the Cleveland section on www.ivcusa.org for details of the day and/or call 216-574-6300 for reservations.

FREE HOME FORECLOSURE FAIR The Neighborhood Assistance Corporation of America (NACA) and U.S. Congresswoman Marcia L. Fudge are hosting a free home foreclosure fair on Sunday, July 19 and Monday, July 20 at the Wolstein Center, 2000 Prospect Ave., Cleveland. The NACA saved 30,000 American homes last year. You, or someone you know, can save the home! Valuable information will be available.

BEDSIDE ANGELS is a new service for patients at Fairview Hospital who have limited visitors, are unconscious or actively dying. The bedside angel will spend time sitting at the bedside of a patient, talking to them and providing the warmth of another human being. They will meet with the patient at various times during the patient's hospitalization. If you or anyone you know could benefit from visits of a bedside angel while at Fairview Hospital, please don't hesitate to contact Linda O'Donnell at 216-476-7417.



ATTENTION...ALL PARISH AND SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS & COACHES...

By Michael Schwark

Anybody who has attended a live Virtus training session should now be registered online, right?!?!? This is the 6th and last article in a series about registering online with the *Virtus: Protecting God's Children* website, checking your own compliance and printing a certificate of your attendance. These six articles are posted on our Parish Web site for anybody who may have missed reading them or would like to go back to them at a later time.

As we have previously established, the Virtus Web site provides a wealth of information about keeping our children safe, but also in general about creating safe environments in all of the communities we are a part of. There are many current features that deal with newer forms of technology, including cell phone use and social networking Web sites. Here are some other features the Virtus Website has to offer...

In your internet browser's address bar, type

www.virtus.org, and press Enter.

Before you even log in, there are some useful tools along the left side of the page...

Click on "Preview the Protecting God's Children Program."

There is a short summary of the *Protecting God's Children* initiative as well as an 11-minute video that previews the entire program and why this is important.

Click on "Parent's Handbook on Preventing Sexual Abuse."

There is a nice three-page Adobe PDF file with great resources and tips about age-appropriate discussions to have with children regarding sexuality and how to create a safe environment for your children.

Click on "Acronyms and Other Internet Shorthand" for a comprehensive list of acronyms used when communicating via text message, Twitter, Facebook and instant messaging -- LOL J

Click on "Ministry of Service and Stewardship." This is a training module on the idea of stewardship—sharing your time, talent and treasures with the community. An excellent training tool for those engaged in the work of service in the broader community.

Click on "Contact Information" to contact the National Catholic Risk Retention Group if you have any comments, questions or concerns about the Virtus training program or the Web site.

Once you have logged in to the Virtus Web site, there are many more valuable resources including self assessment quizzes to see how well versed you are in areas of protecting your family and those with whom you minister.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding volunteer compliance at St. Angela Merici Parish or School, please call Michael at the Parish Center or email yosa@samparish.org.

OFFERTORY / FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT

FISCAL YEAR
(July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010)

July 12, 2009

In-Pew collection	\$ 24,612
Online collection	\$ 1,138
Collection total	\$ 26,936
Amount budgeted	\$ 26,000
Budget to date	
(\$26,000 x 1 week)	\$ 26,000
Collections to date	\$ 58,199
Collection surplus/(deficit) to date	\$ 6,199

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of the parish.

Don't forget our **Guardian Angel Tuition Assistance Fund** envelopes.

Your contribution goes directly to our parish and only our parish. The fund is used to help our own families who truly want a Catholic education for their children but who are experiencing some financial difficulty at this time. The more money we receive, the stronger the fund will be and the more families we will be able to help. All disbursements are kept strictly confidential.

SAM SHARES FOR SUMMER FUN

Hosting a cookout this summer, or a graduation party? Before you go shopping, pick up your Giant Eagle, Honey Baked Ham or Heinen's SAM Shares. If your summer involves travel, you will definitely want to stop by the Parish Center to purchase gas cards: BP, Marathon, Shell, Speedway and Sunoco are all available. Perhaps your summer vacation will be a little more local. Then, get your AMC Theater or Blockbuster certificates and follow up with one of your favorite eateries: Donatos Pizza, Chuck E Cheese, Applebee's or Domino's Pizza. Your purchases now can help save tuition dollars later. SAM Shares are available for purchase in the Parish Center during regular business hours.