



Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Church in Latin America is vibrant, diverse in culture, and grounded in deep faith. We in the Diocese of Erie are privileged to have the opportunity to witness this faith with our own mission outreach program, *Mission of Friendship*, in the Archdiocese of Yucatan, Mexico. In fact, the Diocese of Erie and the Archdiocese of Yucatan have enjoyed a relationship as Sister-Dioceses for the past 38 years. Many of our own parishioners have grown in their own faith through their involvement in the Amigos Sponsorship program and the Sister-Parish program. Some have even had the life-changing experience of visiting the mission.

In order for *Mission of Friendship* to continue, funding is desperately needed. One-half of the proceeds of this year's **Collection for the Church in Latin America** will benefit Mission of Friendship. The remaining 50% of the proceeds will, as always, be distributed to dioceses, parishes, religious congregations, seminaries and other Catholic institutions throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. These essential funds assist in the formation of priests, religious, lay ministers, missionaries, catechists and youth ministers. As a result of your generosity, the Church in the United States was able to fund a record 562 projects in 2007. We hope to continue that crucial support.

The Collection for the Church in Latin America/Mission of Friendship will take place the weekend of **August 8th and 9th**. I am grateful for your past participation, and for the sake of our brothers and sisters in the Archdiocese of Yucatan as well as all of Latin America, I ask that you once again be as generous as possible. Be assured of my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
 Most Rev. Donald W. Trautman, S.T.D., S.S.L.  
 Bishop of Erie

**WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT:**

	July 26, 2009	July 27, 2008
Repairs & Improvements	\$57.00	\$109.00
Missionary	\$0.00	\$20.00
Sacrificial Giving	<b>\$5,802.67</b>	\$5,373.03
Amount Needed	<b>\$7,250.00</b>	
Over/(Short)	<b>(\$1,447.33)</b>	

(\*includes loose money). Last week, out of 680 families of the parish, 270 envelopes (40%) were used, with an **average** Sacrificial Giving donation of **\$21.49**. Your parish depends on you for your weekly donation. Thanks for your sacrifice.

**To All the Ladies of the Parish 18 Years of Age or Older:**

You can forget about the "dish" to pass; you can forget about the table service; you can even forget the ants...but don't you dare forget about the Altar Society summer picnic on Wednesday, August 12th at the Glenwood picnic grounds behind the zoo.



Plan on arriving at 3:00PM so you can try your luck at Bingo or cards. Maybe you'd like to do nothing but chit-chat and chuckle and enjoy the fellowship of the other women. There will be a Chinese Auction again this year.

Dinner will be served at 6:00PM, and tickets are only \$7. Tickets can be purchased after Mass on July 25th and 26th or August 8th and 9th. **NOTE: there will be NO TICKETS SOLD August 1st and 2nd because of the Great Mass.** When purchasing your ticket, please have the correct dollar amount, or a check made out to Sacred Heart Altar Society.

Hold on to your sides because Joy will be presenting more of her hilarious Golden awards. I think the polar bears must wonder what is so funny. Come to the picnic and find out for yourself. For more information, please call Kathy at 459-3685.

**ATTENTION ENGAGED AND MARRIED COUPLES!**

You may have heard about *Natural Family Planning (NFP)* but do you know what it is all about? Do you know that it is not the rhythm method? NFP is a moral effective, and inexpensive way to postpone or achieve pregnancy! Don't miss out on the upcoming classes being offered starting Tuesday, August 11th from 7-9PM in Erie at St. Joseph Bread of Life Center. Find out how NFP can be a part of your life! Call Linda at 898-1476 for more information and learn the safest, healthiest, fastest growing means of family planning.



Once again this year, as we have in the past four years, *The Big Giveaway Program* has an extra fundraiser to support Parish Day. This year's special prize is a **SONY 46-inch Flat Screen HDTV**. **The tickets are \$2.00 each, 3 for \$5.00, and 7 for \$10.**

Anyone interested in selling tickets or buying tickets, please call one of the following people: Norm at 873-7022, Jim at 864-9838, Ken at 864-9149 or stop at the Rectory Office Monday thru Friday from 9:00 till Noon or 1:00 till 5:00.

**As always, your help is very much appreciated**



**CALLING ALL KIDS entering Grades 1-6 - Come to the Summer School of the Sacraments, Sacred Heart's own version of vacation bible school! It will be held on Wednesday through Friday, August 12th, 13th, 14th, from 9:00AM until Noon. There will be art, music, videos, snacks, prayer, and a special class with our own Boo-Boo, the Clown! Sign up by picking up a form in the back of church and dropping it off or mailing it to Sacred Heart Rectory - Attn. SSS. There is no charge. If you have any questions, feel free to call Carolyn Hammer at 866-5940.**

Please remember in your prayers our departed:  
 †**Kathleen Marie Knecht**, sister of Chris Knecht, and  
 †**Lucille Mudge**, sister of Jim Nuber





**Masses For The Week**



**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Monday, August 3rd**

8:30 - Mark Zawacki - Sisters of St. Joseph Associates

**Tuesday, August 4th - St. John Mary Vianney**

8:30 - Evelyn Coverdale - Russ and Jeannine Critchfield

**Wednesday, August 5th - Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome**

8:30 - Ann Krym - Mr. and Mrs. Noel Bradley

**Thursday, August 6th - Transfiguration of the Lord**

8:30 - Tom Brown - Edie and Family

**Friday, August 7th - Pope Sixtus II and Companions - First Friday**

8:30 - Frank Alberstadt - Family

6PM - Wedding of Elizabeth Buettner and Timothy Belczyk

**Saturday, August 8th - St. Dominic**

4:30 - Joni and Hank Stolz - The Sacred Heart Food Pantry

**Sunday, August 9th - The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:30 - For the Parishioners of Sacred Heart Church

11:30 - Tim Conley - Family

**Priest Schedule for August 8th and 9th**

**Saturday, 4:30PM - Fr. Detisch**

**Sunday, 9:30AM and 11:30AM - Fr. Detisch**

The Sanctuary Candle is burning in memory of †**Joseph Krzeszewski** by the Family.

The Bread and Wine is given in memory of †**John Colao** by Janet DiPaolo and the Family.

**Scripture Readings for Next Week**

1 Kings 19: 4-8 Ephesians 4:30-5: 2 John 6: 41-51

**Heartland Hospice of Erie** invites you to join our team. Hospice volunteers make friendly visits with hospice patients, lending a listening ear and warm heart. We are also looking for special people that would like to serve vigil at the bedside of our dying patients. You will receive all the necessary training and support needed. For these and all other opportunities, contact the Volunteer Coordinator at the Heartland Office at 878-5990.



St. Luke Knights of Columbus Monsignor Goodill Council 11229 are holding a **"Big Pig Gig"** at St. Luke Gym "Ehrman Hall, 425 East 38th Street on **Saturday, August 8th**. Cocktails will be at 6:15PM and dinner will follow at 7:15PM. Tickets are \$25.00 per person for a fantastic menu including a pig roast, BBQ chicken, western-style beef brisket, roasted red potatoes, country coleslaw, three-meat baked beans, rolls, watermelon and more. Catering by "The Cab." Includes a complimentary assortment of adult beverages and soft drinks. Live music!! Proceeds to benefit renovations to the St. Luke Blessed Mother shrine. Reservations can be made by mail to Dave Kacprowicz, 2627 Auburn Street, Erie, PA 16508, or call Jamie Bickerstaff at 860-3073 for more information.

**ATTENTION WESTSIDE SQUIRES NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH** - A *National Night Out* sponsored by the United Way will be held on Tuesday, August 4th at 6:00-9PM in the Sacred Heart Audi. There will be food at no charge. Please come and light up the night!

**Monday - Boy Scout Meeting** at 6:00PM in the audi.

**Tuesday** - The **Rosary** will be prayed at 2:00PM in church.

**Thursday** - The **Youth Group** will meet from 7:00-9:00PM in the audi.

**Friday** - Church Cleaning **Team #10** (Kim and Jim Malone's team) is scheduled for Friday, August 7th.

**YOUTH GROUP NEWS** - Jesus said to

them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." John's gospel shows us people who hunger for something deeper than this world can give them. In the book of Exodus it tells us that those who partake in the manna found it sweet and satisfying. Many youth today hunger for love, truth, and hope. Only the Bread of Life can fulfill this hunger that they have. Otherwise they look to fill this need with bad role models and commercialism. We need to constantly remind today's youth that Jesus is the Bread of Life and through Him we will find life sweeter and more satisfying to the soul. Just like any type of bread that you would buy at Panera or Wegmans, the Bread which came from heaven does have a cost. As we are ending our summer, please keep the youth and our events in your prayers. Peace. Jesse



**BIG GIVEAWAY NEWS AND WINNERS**

Congratulations to these **\$50 winners** at the Early Bird Drawing held on Saturday, July 25th: 1945 - Judy Althof, 0261 - Charles Foht, 1749 - Robin L. Pirrello, 0414 - Sue and Terry Erdely, 1950 - Robert and Patty Esper, 1263 - Chris Gressley, 1302 - Beth and Tom Spagel, and 1637 - Bonny Kubia.

Congratulations to these **\$100 winners** - 1744 - Mike Litzinger, 0576 - Marie and Palmer Ziroli, and 1740 - John and Michaela Gersims.

Special Congratulations to Peter and Marie Smith who won **\$250** for having the second from the last number drawn. And (Drum roll please) congratulations finally to Al Sonntag who was the **Special Award Winner of \$4,000**.

As of this writing a total of 1,443 tickets have been sold so far this year for the Big Giveaway. Some few school families have yet to return their sold tickets. So a final figure is not yet available.

There will be no turn-in until further notice.

**FREE COUNSELING FOR PREGNANT WOMEN**



Catholic Charities Counseling and Adoption Services offers **free**, unlimited individual or couple counseling to pregnant women and/or their significant other.

Counseling could include the following topics: relationships, stress, parenting skills, anger management, depression (including post-partum), pregnancy counseling and information.

Catholic Charities Counseling and Adoption Services are at 329 West 10th St. Please call for an appointment at 456-2091.

*Pray For Peace*