

### MASS INTENTIONS



#### Monday, June 29

St. Peter and St. Paul

**No Mass**

#### Tuesday, June 30

The First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church  
6:00 PM Mass † Charles Hromidko  
Eucharistic Adoration following 6 PM Mass

#### Wednesday, July 1

Blessed Junipero Serra  
7:15 AM Mass † Jennifer Carson Mapes

#### Thursday, July 2

7:15 AM Mass † Wayne Saaki

#### Friday, July 3

St. Thomas; First Friday  
7:15 AM Mass † Joseph Polansky

#### Saturday, July 4

St. Elizabeth of Portugal  
9:00 AM Mass † Patricia Hinz  
4:00 PM Mass † Harold Schaubroeck

#### Sunday, July 5

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
8:00 AM Mass St. Ludmila Parishioners  
10:30 AM Mass Personal Intention

#### **Pilgrim Statue in the home of:**

Nancy Vermeersch - 3502 Pioneer Ave SE  
June 28 - July 3. Rosary prayed at 7:30 PM

**Prayer Line:** Let us pray for your needs 390.1277

#### **Readings for the Week of June 28, 2009**

**Sunday** Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15;  
Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

**Monday:** Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18;  
Mt 16:13-19

**Tuesday:** Gn 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27

**Wednesday:** Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Mt 8:28-34

**Thursday:** Gn 22:1b-19; Mt 9:1-8

**Friday:** Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

**Saturday:** Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17

**Next Sunday:** Ez 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a

Born to a new life in Christ and joined to our faith community through the water of Baptism, we welcome:



**Nicholas Raymond Mittelstadt,**  
son of Chad and Julie Mittelstadt

**Congratulations to Alexis Gatrell and Robert Benion** who recently celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage in our Church. May God bless them as they begin to walk together the lifelong journey of Christian married life.



#### **Our Condolences**



**The Parish Community** extends its sympathy and prayers to the families of Cathleen Johanns and Patricia Sweeney who recently passed away.  
May they rest in peace.



#### **FROM THE PASTOR**

**In today's second reading,** Paul describes Jesus' willingness to be at the service of others, regardless of his preset plans or agenda, as his becoming poor for our sake. By letting go of all things, his freedom, his glory as God, and even his ability to live his life as he chose, Jesus has given away himself to make us rich, to fulfill our need for love and life. Jesus' example calls forth a similar graciousness in his followers. Changing plans and graciously adjusting his priorities enabled Jesus to heal and call forth deeper faith from not one person but two, and then many others. Because he was open and sensitive to the needs of others, however and whenever those needs presented themselves, Jesus was able to extend the healing and forgiveness of God to all who would receive them. Jesus' willingness to be inconvenienced and to allow others' needs to set his agenda continues to challenge us, to whom Jesus has entrusted His ministry. Summer is often a time of different schedules and changed routines. We have plans for lots of things. I encourage you to join me in taking the opportunities summer presents to be there for others when their needs become known to us, to make your prayer each morning "that I will allow the concerns others bring to me to change my day, and become my priority." You will likely see as we do in the gospel, healing and life returned are the result, and God will be glorified!

On that note, I want to thank all of those who made helping at the Kolach Festival a priority for their household. So close to the end of the school year, I do know it is not the most convenient time. Some who help generously at other times are not able to help at this time.

That is certainly understandable. But we had less help this year than in the past. I wish I could say otherwise. We still have an initial gross income amount to report of \$101,986 so it was a success in that regard. We had new parishioners who made this an opportunity to meet new friends which is really what the Kolach Festival is about. But overall, we had more volunteer slots left unfilled, or covered by people who took an extra shift.

We cannot be the communion of faith and love that will bring others to Christ he told us to be, if we don't live that shared life and make life together a priority!

As everyone gets busier, we will need to make a priority giving a bit of our time. Jesus was willing to let the needs of others determine where he went and what he did. From celebrating the Eucharist, to working together for shared goals, to how we pass on faith to the next generation, the example of Jesus this weekend challenges us to ask "are my priorities those of the Kingdom?" Fr. Tom

**Please note** that on July 4 Mass will be at 9:00 AM.

On the anniversary of our nation's birth, we might use this Mass to pray for our military and emergency service personnel who risk life and limb to make our life together possible.

**Music Coordinator position** has been accepted by Linda Lehmann! We are delighted that Linda, who has been part of music leadership as an accompanist and cantor and coordinator since joining the parish more than a few years ago, is willing to take on this half-time role. Please support her work by first singing your parts of the liturgy from your place in the assembly!

Secondly, by offering your gifts for leadership as she has done to keep enhancing our sung praise of God "from whom all blessings flow." God's blessings will be flowing to us through her ministry to us! Thanks Linda!

**Anointing of the Sick** will be offered **at ALL Masses** the weekend of July 18 & 19. Who may be anointed? Anyone suffering from a serious or chronic illness or facing major surgery may celebrate this sacrament. Old age with physical weakness may be a reason for anointing even if no serious illness is present. Children may be anointed if they understand they are seriously sick and can ask God for help. A recurrence of major illness may be a cause to be anointed, even if anointing has previously taken place. *Anointing is not primarily for the dying.* The sacrament is meant to strengthen those who are facing a serious life change because of illness, and to assist them by providing spiritual reinforcement. Please plan to arrive a few minutes early to receive your name tag. If you know of anyone who needs transportation, please do what you can to help, or call the Parish Center.



**During certain times of the year:** the season of Lent, May, July, September, November, and the Christmas season; you will find near the St. Ludmila statue votive area a table with the photos of parish family members in military service. We invite you to keep them in your prayers as they sacrifice their safety and time with family in service to us. If you have a direct family member you would like included in our memorial area, please contact:

Lori: [lorimcmann@hotmail.com](mailto:lorimcmann@hotmail.com) 721.6150 or  
Sue: [Susjmar@aol.com](mailto:Susjmar@aol.com) 366.1684



## Appreciation

**Thanks to** all the ladies and gentlemen who answer the call for funeral dinners either by setting up, cleaning or bringing food. You are such an important part of this wonderful and important ministry. It would not be possible without you. Would you be interested in serving the parish in any of these areas? Call Ann 396.9154. Thank you.

**Xavier Foundation** wishes to recognize and thank your parish's business appeal leaders who helped raise more than \$98,000 for the 2009 Business Appeal. Our thanks and appreciation goes to Brad Joens and John Locher.

**Thank you to** the Senior Citizens who came and enjoyed a delicious meal and our entertainer Chet Sheetz. We had approximately 30 people who enjoyed the meal and fellowship. Chet sang songs, played his guitar and told jokes in a delightful program. Thanks to Jeanne Ross for filling in at the office while I organized the dinner. Thanks to all who helped set up and clean up after.

**Thank you to** Tricia Fuller, Nancy Macek, Janet Hayek, Charity Schneckloth, Karen Doyle, Denise Benish, Bette Krall, Sally Welsh, Esther Benesh, and Kathy Shelton for their help in cleaning the Parish Center. They were unable to complete all the cleaning and another session will be scheduled during July.

**Thank you to God's Housekeepers** for the week of **June 14:** Sally Welsh, Bob/Karen Doyle, Mary Brecht, Denise Pudil, Kelly Hiserote, Denise Benish, Fran Musel, Angie Rohret, Rosann/Natalie Sandersfeld, Jim/Lorilei Christner, and Joyce Janovec.

**Thank you parish volunteer secretaries** the week of **June 14:** Jeanne Ross and Mickey Betz.

## Sacramental Preparation

**Sacrament of Confirmation for Adults: Are you an adult who has never received the Sacrament of Confirmation?** St. Ludmila will be offering a 5-week program this summer on the Sacrament of Confirmation. This program



is for baptized adult Catholics over 18 years of age who have received First Communion and are seeking Confirmation. This summer series has been condensed into a format that fits the busy lives of those working full time, as well as college students. For more information and registration form: call St. Ludmila Parish Center 362.7282; or contact Deacon Manning at: [DeaconManning@aol.com](mailto:DeaconManning@aol.com) or 654.6915.

**Additional Information:** This summer series has been condensed into a format that fits the busy lives of those working full time, as well as college students.

- Summer sessions will be in the St. Ludmila Parish Center
- Sunday evenings: 7 PM - 9 PM
- The classes will run for 5 weeks: July 12 through Aug 8
- With a mandatory Retreat on Sat, Aug 8 10 AM- 3 PM
- Confirmation will be celebrated Sat, Aug 8 - 4PM Mass
- Information: Stop by St. Ludmila Parish Center for an information sheet & registration form

**Welcome To Our Parish Family!**

Raymond and Mildred Burns  
Casey and Michele Doyle and family  
Daniel and Stacie Haugen and family  
Jay and Michelle Kruse and family  
Francis Tarasi

**The Altar & Rosary Society** will hold their next meeting on Mon, June 29 at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall. **All** ladies of the parish are welcome to attend! Please join us!

**All Liturgical Ministers including Altar Servers and Ministers of Hospitality:**  
Contact Tom/Jeanette Niccolai 363.6115, if you should be **temporarily** removed because of illness or vacation for the months of August and September or if you want to minister at a different Mass, please call by **July 12**.

**From Our Children's Envelopes**

These past weeks the kind deeds and prayers offered back to God who inspires all the good we do included -



Praying For:

- All baptized babies
- Praying for the hurt and homeless
- Let my dad have a Happy Father's Day

Kind Deeds:

- Taking care of the dog
- I helped setup Kiddieland
- I cleaned out my mom's car

**Youth Ministry**

**A number of St. Ludmila** senior high youth assumed special leadership roles in our parish and our archdiocese for the 08-09 school year. Serving on the St. Ludmila Parish Council were Prairie senior Dawn Waite and Xavier junior Mackenzie Philipp, while Prairie senior Mackenzie Manternach and Jefferson junior Justin Cervantes were the youth representatives to the St. Ludmila Liturgy Committee. At the archdiocesan level Jefferson senior Bo Anderson and Xavier junior Chrissy Roberts served as members of the Archdiocesan Youth Commission; in addition, Bo was elected to a one-year term as youth representative to the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council. A big thank you to all of these fantastic youth leaders for your willingness to serve our Church by sharing your goodness, your giftedness, and your positive spirit . . . you rock!

*We have plenty of Vino Kolach Wine (red and white) available to purchase for \$15*

*We also are selling wine/beer glasses: \$3.50 each; \$12 for 4*

*Contact Kim Gradoville 632.1767 to purchase*



**ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS**



**SUNDAY, June 28**

3:00 PM Social for Father Augustine Davis, SH  
4:00 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 6 PM

**MONDAY, June 29**

6:30 PM Altar and Rosary, SH

**TUESDAY, June 30**

5:00 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 6:30 PM

**WEDNESDAY, July 1**

No activities/meetings scheduled

**THURSDAY, July 2**

10:00 AM Legion of Mary, PC  
5:00 PM Church Cleaning, Leader Carole Palas  
6:30 PM Liturgy, PC

**FRIDAY, July 3**

No activities/meetings scheduled

**SATURDAY, July 4**

No activities/meetings scheduled

**SUNDAY, July 5**

4:00 PM Bingo (school doors open) games begin 6 PM

**C/CH: Church, PC: Parish Center, SC: School, SH: Social Hall**

**In Our Community**

**The St. Vincent de Paul Center** truck pick-up system has been operating since last fall with volunteers from St. Pius X and Knights of Columbus Council #5390. They now ask for additional volunteers from other parishes and organizations. This involves a commitment of about 4 hours or more on Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday mornings once or more often a month. Ground level lifting is required. CDL is not necessary. Contact one of the following: Phone Center 365.5091; Jim Hynes 393.9783; or Merle Ries 363.3347. Benefits are out of this world! Thank you. Pray for us, Robert Crawford - President of Cedar Rapids District Council of St. Vincent de Paul.

**Sister Michelle Hayek** originally from Toledo, is celebrating 60 years as a Sister of Notre Dame. Sister Michelle served in St. Ludmila School as the principal for three years. Today, she enjoys part-time retirement in Wahoo, NE, and continues as a substitute teacher at Newmann Junior-Senior High School. She will be honored at a celebration at St. Patrick Parish in Tama on the first weekend in August. "Best Wishes" may be sent to her at 3501 State St, Omaha, NE 68112.

**The Varsity Football Staff** at Xavier will host a football camp for athletes entering grades 5 - 8. The camp will be Monday through Wednesday, Aug 3-5 from 5-7PM at Xavier. Cost: \$25 which includes a camp T-shirt. Call Coach Dave Sullivan 294.6636 ext. 331 for more info.

**Catholic Singles Group** offers men and women 18 years and older an opportunity to expand their social and spiritual life and to meet new friends. Contact Lori 447.9218 or by e-mail: [lbyrne10@hotmail.com](mailto:lbyrne10@hotmail.com) or Teresa at 210.1557 for more info.