

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2009

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Dear Parishioners:

I am grateful that Fr. Joe O'Shea was able to celebrate the Mass at Holy Redeemer so that I could get away for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. The Fourth is one of the major celebrations of our family, and this is actually my first weekend away since last August when we had the visiting Maryknoll priest.

In preparing some notes for the bulletin, I thought I would re-read the Declaration of Independence, the source of the holiday. Much of the document is the list of grievances against the British government in their treatment of the thirteen colonies. In the opening remarks, the Declaration twice acknowledges the role of God in human life. The Declaration notes the "peoples" have an entitlement to self government based on "laws of nature and of nature's God." The Declaration further refers to the fact that "all men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights."

Even at the time of the Declaration, there was an incomplete understanding of just to whom those rights of personhood applied. Nevertheless, the fundamental starting point of a Creator was affirmed. If we are consistent with the Declaration that got us started as a nation, we would not avoid going to our Creator (even without absolute unanimity about how He reveals) for continued guidance. The acknowledgement of a Creator as a source of basic human rights is a fundamental starting point for the acknowledgement that all morality, in as much as it relates to upholding or denying the dignity of the human person, must ultimately refer back to a Supreme and Divine Authority. For we Catholics, that Supreme and Divine Authority is God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We should never be shy of expressing our view as to what we think is morally right and wrong, and the fact that our convictions include both a religious perspective and philosophical logic is no excuse to be silenced.

In Christ,

#### Mass Schedule

Sunday 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 am

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm

Monday—Friday 7:30 am

Saturday 8:30 am

#### Confessions

Saturday 4:00-5:00 pm

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 8:00 am—7:00 pm

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HOLY REDEEMER PARISH!

Mother Joseph Catholic Cemetery of Vancouver—vancouver's historic Catholic cemetery, serving Holy Redeemer Parish and Vancouver. Call 694-2537 for information on available space.

## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY, 07/05/09	MONDAY, 07/06/09	TUESDAY, 07/07/09	WEDNESDAY, 07/08/09
7:30, 9 and 11 a.m. Masses —Ezekiel 2:2-5 <i>Psalm 123:1-2, 3-4</i> <i>2 Corinthians 12:7-10</i> <i>Mark 6:1-6</i>	7:30 a.m. Mass — Genesis 28:10-22a <i>Psalm 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab</i> <i>Matthew 9:18-26</i> <i>Intention: Eleanor Sentesy+</i> 10:00 am—Marian Movement	7:30 a.m. Mass — Genesis 32:23-33 <i>Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b &amp; 15</i> <i>Matthew 9:32-38</i> <i>Intention: Othelia Anderson+</i>	7:30 a.m. Mass — Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a <i>Psalm 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19</i> <i>Matthew 10:1-7</i> <i>Int: Patrick &amp; Mary Scanlon+</i> 8:00 am—Adoration 7:15 pm—Finance Meeting
<b>No coffee &amp; donuts after Mass</b> <b>Happy 4th of July!</b>			

- ◆ Our **1st Annual Parish Picnic** is scheduled for **Sunday, August 16th** after the 11:00 a.m. Mass at Pacific Community Park just up the street from us! We are in need of a general count of attendees so we can plan accordingly. Look for your invitation as you enter church next weekend! There will be picnic team members available after Mass to collect your RSVP's.
- ◆ Volunteers are needed to sign up for a weekly hour of **Adoration** before the Blessed Sacrament. The hours needing additional volunteers are 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. If you can help, please call Valerie Weinhart at 989-9366 or the parish office at 885-7780.
- ◆ Holy Redeemer's **3rd Annual Hot Dog Bash** will be next Sunday, July 12th, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. If you have not done so already, please let us know if you are planning to attend! You may call Chris Martin at 260-0281 or email him: [exkama@msn.com](mailto:exkama@msn.com) or call the parish office at 885-7780.
- ◆ **A special thank you** to those who turned out to help get our first four rows of pews installed. A large turnout made quick work of unloading the truck. The smaller assembly and installation crews were effective and the process was done in a timely manner. Thanks also to those who continue with landscape and irrigation work under the direction of Denver and Dorothy Wear. We keep moving forward!
- ◆ Archbishop Brunett will be returning to Vancouver in November to support fundraising efforts for Seton Catholic High School. **Three people from Holy Redeemer Parish are needed** to join the inter-parish team that will work on the planning and tasks associated with his annual dinner at the Heathman Lodge on Sunday, November 8, 2009. A luncheon meeting for volunteers will begin at noon on Wednesday, July 15, at Seton Catholic High School. Please contact Terry Prill at 921-7594 if you would be interested in serving on this team.

### OTHER CATHOLIC HAPPENINGS

- ◆ **The Knights of Columbus** are sponsoring a **Red Cross Blood Drive** on **July 11th** from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the parish center. Please sign up for this life-saving opportunity after Mass this weekend.
- ◆ **St. Joseph Catholic Church** has a **new Mass schedule** beginning July 1, 2009. The Saturday Vigil Mass will be at 5:00 p.m. On Sunday, Masses will be at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon and 5:30 p.m.
- ◆ Do you work during the day and are unable to attend morning Mass? **Our Lady of Lourdes Church** (4701 NW Franklin Street) invites you to share in the Lord's Supper every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ **Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School** is seeking candidates to fill a **classroom aide** position. This is a part-time position, approximately 15 hours per week. The ideal candidates should have experience working with children, an ability to foster social and academic growth, and the ability to collaborate with other teachers, staff and parents. Interested candidates should send a resume and cover letter to Brian Anderson, Our Lady of Lourdes School, 4701 NW Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA 98663.

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THURSDAY, 07/09/09	FRIDAY, 07/10/09	SATURDAY, 07/11/09	SUNDAY, 07/12/09
7:30 a.m. Mass —Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5 Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 Matthew 10:7-15 Intention: Michael Bruhn+ 6:30 pm—VBS Planning Mtg. 7:00 pm—Bible Video Series	7:30 a.m. Mass — Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30 Psalm 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 Matthew 10:16-23 Int: Eunha Ranft—birthday	8:30 a.m. Mass —Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26a Psalm 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 Matthew 10:24-33 Intention: Michael Bruhn + 9:00 am—KC Blood Drive 4:00 pm—Confessions 4:00 pm—Music Practice 5:30 pm—Vigil Mass	7:30, 9 and 11 a.m. Masses — Amos 7:12-15 Psalm 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:7-13 4:00 pm—St. Baldrick's Meeting  <i>Coffee &amp; donuts after Mass</i>

**PLEASE REMEMBER . . .**

. . . . . these members and friends of Holy Redeemer Parish in your prayers:

Dorick Beaudoin, Elmer Bowers, Shannon Brasher, Margaret Brien, Jenny Bulder, Leonard Cebula, Patti Cline, Michelle Coles, Joanne Condon, Cuddy DeMarco, Nicole Garcia, Martha Garrison, Gustafson Family, Myrtha Hammer, Eloy Heniff, Christine Jensen, Michelle Kell, George Konzek, George Lorbeer, Sam Marx, Harold Ordway, Mike Palmer, Greg Patton, Harold Potts, Lillian Ranft, Ginny Rayniak, Peter Ripplinger, Sheree Robert, Pat Scott, Mary Senescu, Alicia Soares, John Wagner, William & Corinne Wagner, and Jane Woodman.

Phone 885-7780 to add a name to the prayer list. Let us know if a name should continue for more than 4 weeks.

**Bulletin Sponsor of the Week:**

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**Baptisms:** Please arrange for pre-baptism preparation by contacting Fr. Mitchell at 885-7780. Arrangements should be made well in advance of child's birth. For adult baptisms, see RCIA;  
**Weddings and Funerals:** Please call Father Mitchell at 885-7780. Archdiocesan policy requires six months for wedding preparation;  
**RCIA and Learning About The Catholic Faith:** Everyone is invited to learn more about the faith or seek to become a Catholic. New classes will begin in Fall. Please contact Jessica Gustafson, Pastoral Assistant for Sacramental Life at 885-7780;  
**Annulments:** Confidential information is available through Father Mitchell at 885-7780;  
**Pastoral Care:** Requests for ministry to the sick, homebound, disabled, incarcerated, or indigent are received through the parish office;  
**Catholic Cemeteries:** Clark County has several Catholic cemeteries: Mother Joseph Catholic Cemetery, downtown Vancouver; St. John Parish, Vancouver; Holy Cross Cemetery, Washougal (operated by St. Thomas in Camas); and St. Mary of Guadalupe, Ridgefield. Details are available through the parish

**STEWARDSHIP!**

*During this time, we celebrate the independence of our country. We would do well to echo the psalmist, saying, "Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for His mercy." May we always recognize and use wisely the gifts of freedom and abundance He has showered upon us.*

**Offertory for June 27/28—\$14,977.25      Children's Offering—\$26.25**

The children also did their chores very well and were good for their brother when their mom was gone!