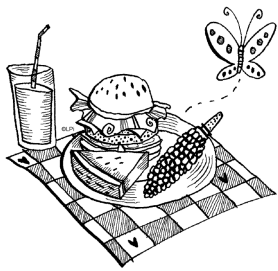


**Pastoral Council Corner**

**Save the Date:  
Sunday, June 14  
Church Picnic at  
Northmoreland Park  
Details to follow!**

CARDINAL MAIDA ACADEMY will be holding Information and Registration meetings for parents and students who will be entering Pre-School (3 yr olds), Pre-Kindergarten (4 yr olds), or Kindergarten in the Fall of 2009. The meetings will be held on Thursday, May 28 at Cardinal Maida Academy during the following times: Pre-School meeting will be from 9:30-10 a.m., Pre-Kindergarten meeting will be from 1030-11 a.m. and Kindergarten will be from 10-11 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at 724-568-3304.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

June 22—26

9 a.m.—12 Noon

(WILDWOOD FOREST)

If you did not get a registration form, they will be available at the entrances of the church. If you have any questions, please call Beth Kendle, 724-727-3240 or the Parish Office, 724-478-4958.



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**PIZZA & PAINTING PARTY**

Is scheduled for VBS School on

Thursday, June 11,

6 p.m.—11 p.m.

Any time that you can give would be appreciated.

*"If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete."*

The SECOND COLLECTION today will be for Catholic Communication Campaign. Please Help Us Continue to Spread the Good News. PLEASE BE GENEROUS.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY, MAY 21, IN OBSERVANCE THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.

Thursday, May 21, The Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation. Check the bulletin for the Mass Schedule.

**2009 OUR DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL**

Thus far we have received in gifts and pledges \$55,890.00 from 385 prospects. If you have not as yet made your gift, prayerfully consider the gift, you will give. Remember the gifts made over our goal will be returned to the parish for our parish needs. Please return the forms ASAP so that we can successfully bring this year's campaign to a close. **THANK YOU!!!!**

Dear Parish Members:

Our Sunday bulletin is a primary way we use to communicate with you. Through our arrangement with the Liturgical Publications Inc., the parish does not pay for the bulletin printing, which saves us thousands of dollars every year. Our bulletin is supported through the generosity of the advertisers—many of whom are our own parish members. Most are members of our local community. Tell the business owner that you appreciate their support of our parish through their advertising in the bulletin. This is one small way we can work within our own community to weather these challenging times. *A strong and vibrant parish is good for our community and a strong business community is good for our parish.*



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Sunday,  
Church Hall  
Doors open at  
5:15 p.m.  
Bring your  
family &  
friends

**MEMORIAL CANDLES**

In memory of Theresa Zaccagnini by the family

In memory of Orlando "Lundy" Naccarato, Love you Pap, Gabi

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

In memory of Leo Stoltz by his wife & family

**PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS** who are hospitalized, invalids or seriously ill at home; Sal Fasano, Lenora Martier, and all the sick who need our prayers.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING INSTRUCTION** ~ CM-BBT is a medically based, highly effective NFP method that can be used to avoid, postpone or plan pregnancy. The next CM-BBT Method of Family Planning Session is scheduled for Monday, June 1, at 6 p.m. at the Catholic Charities office in Greensburg. PRE-registration is required. Contact Mary Ann Newhouse at Catholic Charities at 724-837-1840, ext 658 for additional information or to register for this or an upcoming class.

**PHONE TREE FOR PRAYERS**, we have parish members who have joined us in our chain of prayers and we will pray for your needs. They will be praying always in the name of Jesus Christ, Our Lord. If you have a request for special prayers, you can begin the "**Phone Tree for Prayers**" by calling Fran Milie 724-568-3044 or Josephine Moliterno 724-567-7359.

**OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD**  
**May 9 & 10**

Sunday Collection.....\$7,002.00  
Children's Collection.....7.00  
Loose Collection.....419.00  
Utilities.....107.00

**May the Lord bless you for your financial sacrifice to your Parish.**

**GOOD NEWS**

**May 17, 2009, Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/ 1 Jn 4:7-10/ Jn 15:9-17

A priest, a minister, and a rabbi walk into a bar. The bartender looks up and says, "What is this, some kind of joke?"

OK, comedy is hard. It can be especially hard on the listeners (um...readers) if the would-be comic uses a tired old joke and doesn't deliver it that well.

Should humor be used around religious topics? Is faith funny? If it's not good to make fun of what is holy—we certainly should avoid sacrilege—should we make fun with what is holy?

Isn't humor good for us? What is more human? What happens if we laugh well? We may give up false holiness. We might cough out a false self. The head thrown back, the laughing out loud, the letting loose of hot air, the tears in our eyes—these may be a good way to deflate the ego, to not be too attached to our own self.

An old argument revolves around the question, did Jesus laugh? Scripture says he wept. But did he laugh? Are we allowed to read between the lines? His understanding of people in the parables, his attention to kids, his love for regular people—all look like they are rife with humor. How human do we think Jesus is?

Have you ever seen someone do something dumb? If you love the person, even though you have to point out what happened, you also have to put your arm around the person and laugh a little. You might just end up laughing together.

Whom do we usually let down our guard with? Do we laugh with our spouse? our kids? our parents? our families and friends? Can we let our guard down with God?

How else would we know the God of love?

**Dan Finucane**

**Readings for the week of May 17, 2009**

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/ 1 Jn 4:7-10/ Jn 15:9-17  
Monday: Acts 16:11-15/ Jn 15:26---16:4a  
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/ Jn 16:5-11  
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22---18:1/ Jn 16:12-15  
Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/ Jn 16:16-20  
Friday: Acts 18:9-18/ Jn 16:20-23  
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/ Jn 16:23b-28  
Next Sunday: Ascension of the Lord: Acts 1:1-11/ Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/ Mk 16:15-20

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## Mass Intentions of the Week

### Saturday, May 16, Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter

4:00 p.m. † Tony & Mary Peila

### Sunday, May 17, Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. For the Parish/Rosary Society

10:30 a.m. † Edivige, Frank & Louis Carricato

### Monday, May 18, Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. † Lawrence & Helen Reilly (An.)

### Tuesday, May 19, Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. † Frances Cappo

### Wednesday, May 20, Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. † Tony Ferrante (An.)

#### Vigil: The Ascension of the Lord

4:00 p.m. † Louis Roberto, Sr.

### Thurs., May 21, The ASCENSION of the LORD

9:00 a.m. † Vincent Putignano (An.)

6:30 p.m. † John & Anna Dezzutti & Ella  
Grossman

### Friday, May 22, Easter Weekday

9:00 a.m. † Joseph & Jackie Maffeo

9—12 N Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

### Saturday, May 23, Easter Weekday

8:30 a.m. † Frank Locorotondo

4:00 p.m. † Rose Peterson

### Sunday, May 24, Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. † Jeffrey Cocco (An.)

10:30 a.m. For the Parish



### May 23 & 24

4:00 p.m.- Ashley & Aaron Waner

8:00 a.m.- J. Reynolds & A. Pullet

10:30 a.m.- Joey Caporali &  
D. Carino