

TODAY ~ please welcome Father Larry Bower, who will be speaking on Food For The Poor. Please prayerfully make a pledge and/or gift today to help alleviate the extreme poverty of Central America.

Vandergrift Festa Italiana announcing the following: June 21, 27 and July 3, at 3 p.m. Channel 35 PCNC, featuring Parishioners and Italian Festival Committee Members, Raising Awareness For Our Community Food Banks. Please watch the above notice on your T. V.

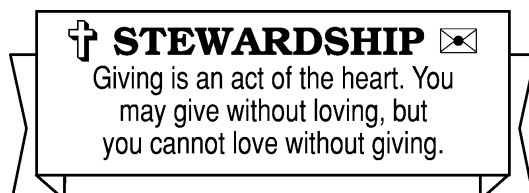


ALTAR SERVERS ~ if you no longer can serve or you desire not to serve, would you please notify the office 724-568-2331.

ALSO.....we are accepting boys and girls who are going into the 3rd grade or older for altar servers. Our church is in need of your time and talents as Altar Servers. If you are interested in serving on the altar close to God, please call the office 724-568-2331.

“Rediscovering the Beauty of Our Catholic Vocation” ~ Catholic Business & Professional Women’s Association is sponsoring a Communion Breakfast for all women on Saturday, June 27, St. Emma’s Retreat Center. Speaker: Molly Dennis, Director of Evangelization, Holy Family, Latrobe. The morning includes: Registration @ 9 a.m., Confessions, Rosary, Mass with Fr. Joseph L. Sredzinski, followed by brunch and our speaker. Cost: \$15. For reservations call: Betty Nemchik: 724-668-7436 or Liz Yantos: 724-8371861.

SUMMER ATTIRE: Please remember, as we get into warmer weather, that some clothes are appropriate for church and others are more appropriate for the beach, gym or casual activities and not suitable for Mass. Please dress appropriately and observe a spirit of reverence while in church.



YOUR PRAYERS are requested for the repose of the souls of Margaret Blanciak, of our parish and Mario Fulgenzi, brother of Henry Fulgenzi of our parish. Mario lived with Henry and his family before he retired and returned to his home in Italy several years ago. Mario is survived by his wife and two sons. We ask God to comfort the families and friends in their time of sorrow.



ANY RESIDENT WHO DID NOT RECEIVE THEIR APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TO VANDERGRIFT / OKAHOMA AMBULANCE SERVICES, PLEASE CONTACT THE AMBULANCE OFFICE AT 724-568-3864.



Readings for the Week of June 14, 2009

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
 Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15
 Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37
 Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Lk 2:41-51
 Next Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41
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While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, “Take it; this is my body.” Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many.” Mk 14:22-24

SANCTUARY LAMP

In memory of Guido & Carmela DePaul by the family

MEMORIAL CANDLE

In memory of George & Gaetano Donnis & Stephen Hlincik by the family

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In memory of Earnest Supansic, Sr. by the Stokes family

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS who are hospitalized, invalids or seriously ill at home; Ann Corsi, Amelia Bertino, Pearl Karawsky, Louis Cocco, Frank Sazalsky, Sal Fasano, Velma Petrarca, Larry Morganti, Louis Caravaggio and all the sick who need our prayers.

What A Sale



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TRASH & TREASURE ~

Rosary Society, please bring donations for the Trash & Treasure Sale to the church hall beginning Monday, June 22 through Thursday, June 25. The sale will be June 26 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and June 27 from 8 a.m. to Noon. Refreshments

available.

THANK YOU to all of you that gave up your time either to eat or work at the pancake breakfast. The donation raised will help with my medical expenses.

Thank you,
Chrystal D'Angelo

**OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD
June 6 & 7**

- Sunday Collection.....\$7,278.00
- Children's Collection.....2.00
- Loose Collection.....498.36
- Utilities.....217.00

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

dear Padre

June 14, 2009, Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

What is an icon?

How is an icon different from a regular painting of a saint?

Cheryl

Dear Cheryl,

In general usage, the word icon means any symbol or image. In the Church, however, it refers to an image that depicts Bible stories or holy people. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, icons spread the Gospel with images instead of words (1160).

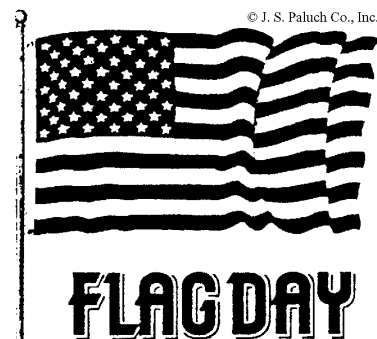
The word icon comes from the Greek word eikenai, "to be like." Icons originated with the Eastern Church.

Even though an icon is an image created with paints, icons are written, not painted. Icon writing, called iconography, is a vocation as well as a talent.

But all painted representations of the saints, Mary, and Jesus are not icons. The difference between a painting of Mary and an icon of Mary is that iconographers follow strict rules and standards set forth in Eastern Church canon law and Christian tradition. Well rooted in God's Word, icons are rich in symbolism. The colors, gestures, and shapes speak spiritually to invite us to pray and worship.

Icons can be written on almost any surface, but historically most were written on wood and had a gold-leaf background. One example of this type of icon is Our Lady of Perpetual Help, which is believed to have been written in the thirteenth century. It, like all liturgical icons, brings us deeper into the Divine: the overflowing, over-whelming love of God for everyone.

Kevin Fraher, C.Ss.R.



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Mass Intentions of the Week

Saturday, June 13, St. Anthony of Padua

4:00 p.m. † Anthony J. Powlak (An.)

Sun., June 14, Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

8:00 a.m. For the Parish

10:30 a.m. † Orlando Capretto (An.)

Monday, June 15, Weekday

8:30 a.m. † Stephen & Elizabeth Kardos

Tuesday, June 16, Weekday

8:30 a.m. † Raffaella DeBiasio (An.)

Wednesday, June 17, Weekday

8:30 a.m. † Mario & Theresa Massetto (An.)

Thursday, June 18, Weekday

8:30 a.m. † Joseph Arteritano (An.)

Friday, June 19, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:30 a.m. † Joseph DePanicis (An.)

9—12 N Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat., June 20, The Immaculate Heart of Mary

8:30 a.m. † Joseph & Rose Ferraccio (An.)

1:00 p.m. Wedding: John Palmer & Tanya

Barclay

4:00 p.m. † Pamela J. Fasano

Sun., June 21, 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. For Parish/Living & Dec'd Fathers

10:30 a.m. † Angeline & Filex DeMolin (An.)



JUNE 20 & 21

4:00 p.m. – D. Carino & L. Emmerson

8:00 a.m. – A. J. & Deana Callipare

10:30 a.m. – Marissa Molnar & N. Shannon