

## Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time — February 27, 2011

### Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time A 1 *Isaiah 49:14-15*

#### Forsaken, Forgotten

A teacher might forget you. So might the boss you once had. Classmates—your good friends from school—even some of them will forget you years after graduation.

You may feel forgotten by systems. If you are unemployed, it feels like the government does not know you. If you cannot get medical attention, it feels like the doctors abandoned you. If no one at the parish returns your phone call, it feels like the church has forgotten you.

But a mother never forgets, does she? A mother would never forget about the child she bore. Even if the child died, ran away from home, or was given up for adoption, a mother would remember. Wouldn't she?

The prophet Isaiah raises a doubt because even mothers are human. If you were ever coldly received by a mother who suffered dementia, or if you were ever spurned by a mother who rejected a personal choice you made, you know it is possible. A mother, in spite of herself, could forget—or turn away.

The fear of loneliness and abandonment haunts many a human life. We crave the compassion that comes from someone who knows us, loves us, and remembers us. Yet even those to whom we feel close may one day not be there.

There is One who never forgets. Even when we feel abandoned, lost, or betrayed, even when we cannot feel the love, God never forsakes us and never forgets.

#### Readings For Next Sunday

##### March 5 & 6

1st Reading...Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32  
2nd Reading...Rom 3:21-25,28  
Gospel...Mt 7:21-27

#### ALTAR SERVERS

##### (Week of February 28)

**Monday Noon** Jim Gates, M. O'Hara, T. Clark  
**Tuesday Noon** To Be Contacted, E. Twyman, E. Azzara  
**Wednesday Noon** Bud Koshewa, H. Lane, E. Archer  
**Thursday Noon** Steve Sternberg, M. Marti, A. Brown  
**Friday Noon** **Communion Service**  
**Saturday 4:30pm** +A. Halvarson, C. Buchart, C. Schrodt, D. McFarland  
**Sunday 10:00am** +J. Penezic, A. & B. Durbin, E. Azzara  
**+denotes Crossbearer**

#### MASS INTENTIONS

##### (Week of February 28)

**Monday Noon** Mary A. Bell  
**Tuesday Noon** Dot Thieman  
**Wednesday Noon** Louis Preher  
**Thursday Noon** Mary Ann Schroering  
**Friday Noon** **Communion Service**  
**Saturday 4:30pm** St. Raphael Community  
**Sunday 10:00am** Dec. Mem. of Kayo & Betty Schneider Families

#### HOSPITALITY MINISTERS

##### (March 5 & 6, 2011)

**4:30pm....**David Worland (cpt), Joe O'Toole, **Need 4**  
**10:00am...**Leonard & Mary Lou Meyer, Howard & Marlene Meyer, Bob & Susan Meyer, Angela Denham

**\*\*New Mass Times will begin March 12/13 weekend**

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

##### (March 5 & 6)

**4:30pm...Team C...**Kathleen Gumbel, *Cpt.*, Kein Raque, Bud Koshewa, Linda Knop, Carolyn Halvarson, Katie Monarch, Joe Blocker

**10:00am...Team A...**Charlie Roth, *Cpt.*, Joe & Judi Brashear, Sharon Roberts, Bob & Susan Meyer, John Werkman

#### LECTORS

##### (March 5 & 6)

**4:30pm...**To Be Contacted  
**10:00am...**To Be Contacted

#### GIFT BEARERS

##### (March 5 & 6)

**4:30pm...**Melissa & Hamilton Thiersch  
**10:00am...**Tim & Catherine Schroering

## Stewardship Reflection

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Paul reminds us that trust is one of the key elements of stewardship. For a steward is not the owner, but one who has been entrusted with the care of the possessions of another. God is the owner of all and we are His stewards.

### YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**High School:** Youth Ministry will serve food on **Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>** to workers at the Habitat for Humanity site. Please contact [nkcummins@bellsouth.net](mailto:nkcummins@bellsouth.net), if you're a youth interested in helping serve food.

### Fish Fry News

**2011 Lenten Fish Fry...**The fish fry dates this year are March 4th, 11, 18th and 25th and April 1st, and 15th. We will once again publish a dessert schedule for all grade levels on edline and principally speaking. We are currently scheduling volunteers online at: [www.mysignup.com/2011fishfry](http://www.mysignup.com/2011fishfry). Any time you can donate to this important Fundraiser is greatly appreciated!

**Fish Fry House Points Opportunity!!...**Students and Parents can earn House Points by volunteering for Fish Fry Cleanup Crew on several of the fish fry dates. To sign up please go to [www.mysignup.com/fishhousepoints](http://www.mysignup.com/fishhousepoints).

### **WHY Catholic? is an opportunity for you:**

- To Grow in your Faith –learn the truths of your Catholic faith and deepen your understanding of God
- To Talk about God – you are offered little opportunity to stop and reflect on your spiritual life. Small Communities give you the time, the space, and the direction to reflect on your relationship with God & others
- To put Faith into Action –through Baptism, you are called to reach out to others
- To meet new people – praying with others and reading the Bible together brings us closer.
- To find Community – meet people with the same values

**Why Catholic?** Because... As Catholics it is our responsibility to grow in our knowledge and our faith formation of and for the Church. Why Catholic? is a great process for individuals to increase their knowledge and to continue journeying alongside Christ with their fellow brothers and sisters. SIGN UP!! For more information visit us online at <http://www.archlou.org/whycatholic> or contact the parish office (502-458-2500).

Assumption High School's senior class will be hosting a "Senior Prom" for senior citizens at Assumption High School on Saturday, March 12 from 2-4pm. The Bob Holt and Prime Time Band will play music enjoyed by the seniors. There is no cost, but please call in advance to reserve your place: Patty King at 454-8402, ext 2594.

### Ash Wednesday Schedule

Mass will be at 12 noon and 6:00pm.  
School Mass will be at 8:15am

Father Clarence Howard will be celebrating the **Golden Jubilee** of his ordination to the priesthood on Saturday, May 28, 2011 at 5:00pm at St. Bernadette Parish. If you wish to attend this celebration and the reception afterwards, please contact Kathy Jean Easley, Pastoral Associate at St. Bernadette Church at 502-425-2210 ext 103 or email [easleyk@saintbernadettelouisville.org](mailto:easleyk@saintbernadettelouisville.org).

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### **Mass Schedule Change...Effective the weekend of March 12 and 13, the weekend Mass schedule will change.**

The Saturday evening mass will be moved to 4:00pm and confessions will be heard every Saturday from 3:00 – 3:30pm. An additional mass is being added to Sunday. The Sunday mass schedule will be 8:30am and 10:30am.

### Honor Thy Children Safe Environment Training Program

The Archdiocese of Louisville is committed to ensuring that children and youth who worship, study or participate in church-sponsored activities can do so in the safest and most secure setting possible. In an effort to fulfill this commitment, all employees or volunteers who have regular contact with children or youth are required to participate in one of the Safe Environment Training Workshops. For more information go to [www.archlou.org](http://www.archlou.org). Please contact your parish organization or committee chair for details on providing proper documentation before volunteering to work with children or youth.

### 2011 SCHEDULE of WORKSHOPS

Date	Time	Location	
3/7/11	6:30 p.m.	St. Gabriel	Gym
3/14/11	6:30 p.m.	St. Thomas More	Cafeteria
4/25/11	6:30 p.m.	Holy Trinity	Cafeteria

### **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES 2011 STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

The Catholic Cemeteries cordially invite you to the Way of the Cross for Young Christians during Lent to be celebrated on:

**March 11th at 1:00 p.m. at Calvary Cemetery.** We will gather at the St. Phillip Neri Cross in Section 35. Students from St. Agnes School will host this event.

**March 18th at 1:00 p.m. at St. Louis Cemetery.** We will gather at the Priest Section behind the flag pole. Students from St. James School will host this event.

**March 25th at 1:00 p.m. at St. Michael Cemetery.** We will gather at the Priest Section. Students from Nativity Academy at St. Boniface will host this event.

**April 1st at 1:00 p.m. at St. John Cemetery,** located in the intersection of 26<sup>th</sup> Street and Duncan Street, with entrance on Duncan Street. Students from St. Raphael the Archangel School will host this event.

**April 8th at 1:00 p.m. at Calvary Cemetery.** We will gather at the flag pole, near the Newburg Road entrance. Students from St. Thomas Aquinas Home School Group will host this event.

**April 15th at 1:00 p.m. at St. Michael Cemetery.** We will gather at the Priest Section. Students from St. Nicholas Academy will host this event.

Walking distance is about 300-400 yards. Severe weather will cancel. If you have any questions on any of these events please call the Catholic Cemeteries Office at (502) 451-7710.

### **Please offer your prayers for our sick family & friends in the St. Raphael Parish community:**

*Mary Lee Anderson, Dorothy Baker, Sue Anna Barrett, Helen Bethards, Charles Bauer, Cynthia Burkhead, James Caudill, David Charmoli, Robert Coury, Martha Creed, Connor Day, Mary Jeannette Durham, Karl Kalbleisch, Sara Fante, Daniel Flynn, George Gates, Frances Gibson, Jay Gibson, Jeanne Gravatte, Sue Harris, Anita Hertelendy, Dolores Heuser, Jennifer Hood, Scott Jacob, Rosemary Johnson, Ann Kelton, Ed Kemper, Damion Kline, Henry Krebs, Maureen Lawless, A.C. Leonhardt, Tina Lomax, Charles Lucas, Andrew McKinley, Michael Meany, Tom Meyer, Diane O'Connell, Malinda O'Daniel, John J. Orthober, Ron Parrino, Connie Peters, Dr. Richard Phelps, Angelo Rappa, Tina Ray, Jean Reinstedler, Jim Schneider, Elfriede Smith, Dorothy Thomas, Anna Maria Verwest, Jane Wagner, Carol Walls, Joe Welch, Sarah Westerfield, Dorothy Wimsatt,*

**(In an effort to keep the prayer list up-to-date, please notify the Parish Office of any additions or deletions.)**