

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time— *July 11, 2010*

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Difficult Decisions

The most difficult decisions to make are the ones in which we cannot tell right from wrong. We feel drawn by one solution, but we are not sure why. Are our motives pure? Is the reason we find one option attractive a reason that is ignoble? Or are we truly choosing what is good for ourselves, for those we love, and for those we do not know.

Sometimes a decision is hard because both options seem bad. We do not want to choose because we will feel sad once we make the choice. But not choosing also brings its frustration and sorrow.

When the answer is not clear outside us, we turn inside ourselves. We pray. We ask God for a sign. We look for some clear direction. Sometimes God is silent. Sometimes God speaks.

Moses told his people that the task is not as hard as they might think. God's command is not up in the sky. You do not have to look for someone to go up there and bring it back. God's command is not across the sea. You do not have to find someone to cross over and get it. No, God's command is something very near, "already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out."

If we live our lives in the spirit of the gospel, we know what the answers to our dilemmas should be. We only have to carry them out.

Readings For Next Sunday July 17 & 18

1st Reading...Gn 18:1-10a
2nd Reading...Col 1:24-28
Gospel...Luke 10:38-42

ALTAR SERVERS **(Week of July 12)**

Monday	Noon	Jim Gates
Tuesday	Noon	To Be Contacted
Wednesday	Noon	Bud Koshewa
Thursday	Noon	Steve Sternberg
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	+M. O'Hara, A. Bland, M. Graft
Sunday	10:00am	+A. Halvarson, A. Grant, D. McFarland

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MASS INTENTIONS **(Week of July 12)**

Monday	Noon	Ervin Denham
Tuesday	Noon	Henry J. Schoo
Wednesday	Noon	Joseph Sauter
Thursday	Noon	Jeffrey Perry
Friday	Noon	Communion Service
Saturday	4:30pm	St. Raphael Community
Sunday	10:00am	Bill Kern

HOSPITALITY MINISTERS **(July, 2010)**

4:30pm....David Worland (cpt), Joe O'Toole, Chuck Armes, Ray Krebs, Pat Brown, **Need 1**
10:00am...Steve Haag Jr., (cpt), Tim Haag, Steven Haag Sr., Terry Haag, Brian Bientz, Mark Kaminski, Brian Hickey

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS **(July 17 & 18)**

4:30pm...Team C...Kathleen Gumbel, *Cpt.*, Kevin Raque, Bud Koshewa, Carolyn Marcum, Carolyn Halvarson, K. Monarch
10:00am...Team D...Dolores Lally, *Cpt.*, Frank Lally, Mary Lou Craven, Pet Markwell, Bill Wagner, John Mudd, Joan Cissell

LECTORS **(July 17 & 18)**

4:30pm...Debbie Chandler & Tom Hamilton
10:00am...Danny McFarland & Marty Carraro

GIFT BEARERS **(July 17 & 18)**

4:30pm...William, Deborah & Ashton Clemons
10:00am...Michael & June Corbell

Stewardship Reflection

Tithing for July 4.....\$13,147

Jesus answered this question by telling the story of the Good Samaritan. His answer was: "the one who showed compassion." The definition of compassion is one who feels with another. A steward makes every effort to feel what one in need is feeling.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

7th & 8th Grade: It's not too late to sign up to work Vacation Bible School and earn house points. Please contact Nick Cummins at 458-2500 ext. 141 to help.

High School: High School youth group will be eating with the homeless at the Cathedral's Lunch program on Tuesday, July 13. After lunch, we will help renovate their kitchen area. We will have a car caravan that will leave at 10:30am from St. Raphael that day. For more information, contact Nick Cummins at 458-2500, ext. 141.

How can you fill your freezer with delicious, easy-to-make meals for your family and help St. Raphael School? Market Day Is The Answer!! St. Raphael will have a Market Day truck sale in the school parking lot on Wed., July 21st from 7-7:30pm. Please place your order by Fri., July 16th. Order online at www.marketday.com or call Jennifer Neal at 452-9805.



Vacation Bible School July 26-30

This summer, bring your kids to SonQuest Rainforest Vacation Bible School (VBS)—an experience of discovery they'll never forget! Best of all, SonQuest Rainforest will take your kids beyond what they can explore with their senses to discover a living spiritual relationship with Jesus Christ. In order to make VBS a wonderful experience for the Children of St. Raphael, we need adult volunteers. If you are interested in helping, please call Nick Cummins, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, at 458-2500 ext. 141. Registration forms are available at the doors of church or online at www.saintraphaelchurch.org.

HELPING HANDS COLLECTION—School Supplies—July 24 & 25... Highland Community Ministries and Sister Visitor Center both serve low-income individuals and families in our area. Currently they are in need of the following: pencils, pens, colored pencils, crayons and 2-pocket folders. Paper: wide-ruled notebooks, graph, college ruled, Notebooks—3 subject assignment, composition and steno notebooks. Tablets: Grades 2 and 3, pocket dictionaries and thesaurus, any new or gently used uniform items. In addition, the Sister Visitor Center is always in need of personal hygiene supplies. Any over the counter medicines are also needed.

If you would like to help with this, or any other Helping Hands Collection, please call Debbie Tross at 807-3466.

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To All New Incoming Eucharistic Ministers: For those who are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister, the Archdiocese of Louisville Office of Worship requires all new ministers to attend 2 training sessions (2 hours each). The next scheduled session is Saturday, July 31 & Aug 7, 2010 @ St. Margaret Mary. The training is 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM for both days. Please contact John Raque @ 459-0841 for registration and additional information. We are now in need of new ministers and welcome those interested in this ministry. Thank you.

Summer Hours for the Parish Office

Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:00pm

Friday 8:30am-1:00pm

CALLING ALL ADULT VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS!! Leagues now forming. Get your team of six together, novice or advanced. Age requirement for playing, 21 years or older, no one under 21 may be in attendance. Call Samantha Wood, 649-4815 or 413-5963 for additional information.

Chris Hertelendy representing **Diocesan Publications** (our Bulletin Publisher) will be at the parish soon. He will be renewing present advertisements and seeking new ones. If interested, please call the parish office. We feel this is an excellent service and that the sponsors get good coverage with their ads. THANKS TO YOU and DIOCESAN PUBLICATIONS, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish.

Catholic Charities' Migration & Refugee Services, 2911 S. 4th Street, a special resettlement service program for refugees through the Archdiocese of Louisville is having a "Back to School Drive" for the month of July and August. Particular school supply items that are needed for refugee children include back packs, rulers, erasers, glue, scissors, pencils, pens, colored pencils, markers, folders, notebooks, wide rule paper, and school uniform attire (navy blue and khaki pants, white and blue colored dress or polo shirts). In addition, gently used furniture is always needed along with numerous household goods such as towels, washcloths, pillows, clock radios, lamps, twin/full bed sheet sets, cleaning supplies and various kitchen utensils. Volunteers are also needed. Call Chris Clements, 636-0296, ext. 125.

St. X Moms Club will hold their annual sale of boys' and men's quality clothing (nothing smaller than boy's size 16) on Saturday, July 31st from 8:30am—1:00pm. It will take place in the school's cafeteria, located at 1609 Poplar Level Road. Get bargain prices on gently used casual and dress clothing for boys and men. The public is welcome. Collection of clothing will take place in the school's cafeteria on Friday, July 30 from 10:00am to 12:30pm and 3—6:00pm. For more information, contact Laurie Griffin, 966-9047 or 759-0826 or lauriegriffin@bellsouth.net

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

Mary Lee Anderson, Helen Bethards, Charles Bauer, James Caudill, Richard Chandler, David Charmoli, Victoria Clark, Pat Conner, Robert Coury, Martha Creed, Connor Day, Mary Jeannette Durham, Sara Fante, Daniel Flynn, Frances Gibson, Sue Harris, Anita Hertelendy, Dolores Heuser, Scott Jacob, Rosemary Johnson, Mary Kautzman, Ann Kelton, Damion Kline, George Koestel, Henry Krebs, A.C. Leonhardt, Cleo Leonhardt, Tina Lomax, Charles Lucas, Andrew McKinley, Tom Meyer, Malinda O'Daniel, John J. Orthober, Ron Parrino, Connie Peters, Dr. Richard Phelps, Angelo Rappa, Tina Ray, Jean Reinstedler, Elfriede Smith, Elmer Smith, Carolyn Sweeney, Dorothy Thomas, Anna Maria Verwest, Jane Wagner, Carol Walls, Joe Welch, Lillian Werkman, Sarah Westfield, Dorothy Wimsatt

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