



### Eucharist: Food, not Reward

The holy Eucharist is not a reward for saints; it is food for sinners.

Jesus did not die on the cross for us because we deserved it, but so that we might be declared deserving. He did not allow his body to be broken for us; he did not pour out his blood for us because we were worthy, but to make us worthy.

In the same way, the Lord does not allow his body to be broken for us on the altar; he does not allow his blood to be poured out for us on the altar because we are deserving or worthy. He knows that we are neither, which may be the very reason why he wants so badly to come to us and to receive us into communion.

On occasion, sometimes in the sacrament of reconciliation itself and sometimes in a conversation outside confession, people will bear their souls about a burden that they are bearing because of something that they have done and that they now regret terribly. They often say that they felt so bad and were so sorry, but that they "went to communion last Sunday anyway." They wince when they make that last statement, assuming that they have sinned further and expecting to be scolded. But like many priests I say, "Good! You needed communion then. Maybe more than you ever needed it before, you needed communion. Maybe at that moment you were more worthy to receive than you have ever been before. It is good that you received communion. You were hungry. The Lord wanted to feed you."

At Mass on Sunday, right after the priest tells us, "Happy are those who are called to his supper," we admit, "O Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed." When we are weary, weak, worried and worn – when we know, really know, that we are not worthy – it is then that the Lord wants most to give himself to us.

The Eucharist is not a reward for saints; it is food for sinners. "Take, and eat. Take, and drink, all of you."

*Father Rob Waller*

### Reverse Tithing Sweepstakes and Fr. Rob's 60th Birthday

Wouldn't it be great if we could raise \$60,000 for Fr. Rob's 60th birthday? It would definitely make his birthday happier, and we could pay our end of the year bills with no deficit. The first place winner would win \$6,000 and 10 people would win \$600 each. Additionally, we will be holding a reception for both the sweepstakes and Fr. Rob's birthday after the 7 pm Mass, on Monday June 29th. Let's fill the Church to celebrate our community and how blessed we are.

Shirley Soellner, Pastoral Associate for Facilities and Finances



#### Monday, June 29, Sts. Peter & Paul

7:00 p.m. Isabelle Waller (Peter & Kathy Holenchak)

#### Tuesday, June 30, Holy Martyrs of Rome

7:30 a.m. Patricia Huxell (Soellner Family)

#### Wednesday, July 1, Blessed Junipero Serra

7:30 a.m. Jack Litzinger

#### Thursday July 2

7:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

#### Friday, July 3, St. Thomas

9:00 a.m. James Roberts (Trombley Family)

#### Saturday, July 4, St. Elizabeth of Portugal

7:30 a.m. Pat Rohrig (Tom Keane)

5:15 p.m. Special 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Intention for George H. Rogers (Herbert Wottlè)

#### Sunday, July 5, Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Angelo Ballachino (Carl Ballachino)

9:30 a.m. Dolores Rumble (Martha Riehle)

11:00 a.m. People of St. Andrew Parish

#### SEM Villa

10:00 a.m. Special Intention for David Wenstrup (Mary Wenstrup)

#### SEM Terrace

11:00 a.m. Mahlon Smith (Kim Smith)

#### Vocation View

Many people need a healing touch. Open your heart to the possibility that God may choose you to be a healing touch as a priest, sister, or brother. (Mark 5:21-43)

## Please pray for

the sick, shut-ins, nursing home residents and hospitalized members of our parish.

Parishioners who are homebound and would like to receive communion or a visit, please call the parish office.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** all of our deceased, especially Joe Tone, who died on Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> and for Charlie Theuring's sister, Kathryn Fels. May she rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.

#### Serving in the Armed Forces

Let us offer our prayers and our care now, and work to bring all military personnel of all nations back to their families safe and sound and whole. If your son, daughter, grandchild, niece, nephew or any family member is serving in the military, please call the Parish Office.

#### First Communion & SASEAS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Pictures

can be picked up in the Parish Office during office hours (8:00 am - 4:00 pm) or call the Parish Office, 831-3353 to obtain them after hours.



*A chance to receive 10% back of what everyone gives!*

There is still time to purchase your reverse tithing sweepstakes tickets! The grand prize (10% of total ticket sales) will be awarded as well as ten 1% prizes on Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup> after the 7:00 pm Mass. You can return your tickets to the parish office or in the collection basket. If you need additional tickets, please contact the parish office. Thank you again for your response and generosity. We hope to eliminate/reduce the \$58,000 parish deficit as a direct result of this program.

During the summer months  
the Parish Office will close at 4 pm on Friday

**Bingo Parent Team #9 Workers for June 30**

Cunningham, J. DiSalvo, R. DiSalvo, Duncan, Haskins, Swing, Teter & Wilson

**Baby Bottle Blessing Campaign**

Don't forget to return your baby bottles to the basket by next weekend July 4 & 5 even if empty. Thank you for helping us save precious lives with your spare change. Need it to be picked up? Call 575-0138.



**Wedding Banns**

II. Amanda Pendergest & Tommy Begley  
Wedding, July 11, 2009 at 2:00 pm

I. Jamie Lee Hittner & Philip Steven Woodward  
Wedding, July 18, 2009 at 7:00 pm

**Baptism Program**

July 12, 2009 at 12:30 pm in the Meeting Room of the Parish Center. This program is required for parents of children who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism at St. Andrew. Both parents are encouraged to attend, along with the Godparents. Many come before their child is born. Next session: September 13. If you will be attending the July program, please call the Parish Office, 831-3353.

**Mission Trip Welcome Home Event**

Come join the Youth Group's Chicago Mission Trip Team on Sunday, July 12 at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall. We will have cake, cookies, and soft drinks along with a slideshow of pictures from the trip. The team will also share some of their experiences of serving the people in Chicago. We hope you can join us! Please RSVP by emailing Catherine, [smile@cinci.rr.com](mailto:smile@cinci.rr.com) by Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>.

**FOR THE WOMEN OF THE PARISH...**

TAKE A BREAK FROM YOUR HECTIC LIFE - Christ Renews His Parish will host a very special women's retreat weekend at St. Andrew, August 1 & 2. Take advantage of this unbelievable opportunity to take time for yourself, meet other women of the parish, strengthen your spiritual side, and listen to other women speak about their life experiences. You will come away from this weekend feeling renewed and refreshed! Please contact us to add your name to the guest list. For additional information or to register, please contact Melissa Hudson, 575-1826 or Laura Hogue, 248-8072.



To the following students from St. Xavier High School who achieved honors for the Second Semester of the 2008-09 academic year.

**First Honors**

Brendan Roa

**Second Honors**

Andrew Majoras

Thomas Rapping



We would like to ask for your prayers for our friend and coworker, Christi Schwieter, who is ill and under the care of hospice. A medical benefit bank account has been opened in Christi's name at 5/3 Bank. Any monetary donation to help defray medical costs would be greatly appreciated. To donate, you may

stop in at any 5/3 Bank location or mail a check payable to Christi Schwieter's Benefit Account to Terri Imming at 1764 Cottontail Dr. Milford, OH 45150 or to Sharon Gordon at 6092 Balsam Dr. Milford, OH 45150. Thank you in advance for your prayers and generosity.

The Seton Preschool Staff



**Gifts for God**

**Parish Support June 21, 2009**

We need an average of \$14,900 per week in our Sunday collection.

Sunday Envelope Collection (331).....	\$9,938.00
Sunday Loose Collection.....	\$163.93
Dimes Collection.....	\$5.20

**REVERSE TITHING SWEEPSTAKES RECEPTION**

Immediately following the June 29<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm Mass, there will be a reception in the Church Hall (basement) to draw the winners of the RTS. Additionally, we will be celebrating Fr. Rob's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. Light refreshments will be provided.

**SCRIPS**

Besides buying St. Andrew gift certificates for graduation, weddings, and birthdays, you can purchase our gift certificates to use when you go to dinner and the movies, and to buy clothing, groceries and gasoline. You can add additional income for our parish just by using our gift certificates for your everyday needs.

**ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER - EFT**

is easy, convenient and safe. You can make your Sunday offering, offerings to Preservation of the Beauty of the Church, SVDP and SALT through your EFT form. You can obtain a form on our website - [www.standrew-milford.org](http://www.standrew-milford.org) - or call the Parish Office for a form.

St. Andrew Choir Members

Thank you for the continuing support of the Paul Choral Project, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Worship Office and the Cincinnati/Dayton/Miami Valley Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians. Recently we received a check from you for the amount of \$100.00 to use for the project. Thank you for your generous and continuing support of the Paul Choral Project,

Gratefully yours, Timothy J. McManus, M.A. Chapter Director

**Bulletin deadline**

**For the July 5<sup>th</sup> bulletin will be Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 10 am**

in writing to the Parish Office or e-mail: [standy@cinci.rr.com](mailto:standy@cinci.rr.com)

**SCRIP Program**

Enclosed in this week's bulletin is an order form for the Scrip Gift Cards available through St. Andrew Church. Every purchase helps St. Andrew and is money you would normally spend for a movie, dinner, shopping, etc. Due to the long holiday weekend, we will not be selling cards after all masses the weekend of July 4 and 5. PLEASE DROP YOUR ORDER IN THE COLLECTION BASKET THE WEEKEND OF JULY 4 AND 5. Your gift cards will be available for pick up after all Masses the weekend of July 11 and 12. Thank you to all who support this program each month. We appreciate the extra effort you make to support St. Andrew through this fundraiser! Questions, please call Cheryl Dahling, 722-2539 or Carolyn Wuerfel, 248-9336.

**Sponsor of the Week**

Jim Miller Automotive Services

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

*Monday, June 29*



Drawing for the

winner of the Reverse Raffle

Will take place after the 7:00 pm Mass in the Church Hall  
with Reception to follow

7:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting Parish Office,  
Room #1

*Tuesday, June 30*

7:00 pm BINGO (Team #9)  
Parish Center

*Wednesday, July 1*

9:30 am Wednesday Bible Study Meeting Room,  
Parish Center

6:30 pm Men's Softball SEM  
Villa Fields

7:00 pm Toastmasters Meeting Room,  
Parish Center

*Thursday, July 2*

7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Parish Office,  
Room #1

7:00 pm Christ Renews His Parish Men's Team #7  
Andrew's House

*Friday, July 3*

Parish Office Closed in Observance of Independence Day

## Ministries Spotlight

### *Caregiver Assistance Network Support Group*

Whatever your age, you are a caregiver if you provide care that helps a person who is frail, elderly or disabled. The Caregiver Support Group at St. Andrew and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is co-sponsored by Catholic Social Service of Southwest Ohio. Caregivers meet the first Tuesday of the month for 1 ½ hours. The purpose of the meetings and the group is:

- To help caregivers learn to take care of themselves and to know that they are not alone.
- Provide opportunities to express feelings in a supportive, non-threatening and non-judgmental atmosphere.
- Provide understanding of normal aging as well as abnormal changes that need attention.
- Share what works and what doesn't work in caregiving.
- Improve the quality of relationships of caregivers and care-receivers.