

Calendar

..... A Word from Victoria

- 13 11th Sunday**
Mass: 8:30, coffee hour following
Mass: 10:30, coffee hour following
AA Meeting: 6pm - Church Basement
- 14 Monday**
Communion Service: 9am - Church
- 15 Tuesday**
Mass: 9am - Church
Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am-7pm - Church
- 16 Wednesday**
Communion Service: 9am - Church
- 17 Thursday**
Mass: 9am - Church
- 18 Friday**
Mass: 9am - Church
- 19 Saturday**
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 3:30pm
Mass: 5pm
AA Meeting: 7pm - Benincasa Basement
- 20 12th Sunday**
Mass: 8:30, coffee hour following
Mass: 10:30, coffee hour following
AA Meeting: 6pm - Church Basement
- 21 Monday**
Communion Service: 9am - Church
- 22 Tuesday**
Mass: 9am - Church
Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am-7pm - Church
- 23 Wednesday**
Communion Service: 9am - Church
StrengthsFinder Introduction: 7pm - Benincasa
- 24 Thursday**
Mass: 9am - Church
- 25 Friday**
Mass: 9am - Church
- 26 Saturday**
Baptism Class: 2pm - Benincasa
Sacrament of Reconciliation: 3:30pm
Mass: 5pm
AA Meeting: 7pm - Benincasa Basement
- 27 13th Sunday**
Mass: 8:30, coffee hour following
Mass: 10:30, coffee hour following
AA Meeting: 6pm - Church Basement

Though we have been in Ordinary Time since Pentecost, this is the first Sunday when it will be clear. The past two Sundays we have celebrated the Feasts of the Holy Trinity and the Body and Blood of Christ. The color of the vestments has been white since Easter and we have had extra candles and flowers. Now we are back to green, the six altar candles only, and summer flowers as they are available from our gardens.

In many ways this past year has been "ordinary." We have not been focused on raising money for a new facility or on building the new facility. We have been able to return to "ordinary" parish and school life. Of course, life is never "ordinary" or dull; every year brings its own excitement. We have welcomed a new principal, and she has brought new focus and new changes. We have been enjoying the gift of our new hall and plaza and there has been new excitement even around our usual "ordinary" events as well as new events now possible in our new facility and plaza.

Not surprisingly, we have also begun to attend to matters of "ordinary" upkeep of our buildings and grounds. Because we have focused so much for the past several years on the new facility, we have not been attending to "ordinary" maintenance issues. Though we know we will have to do a debt reduction campaign in the next year or so, we do have to tend to some matters now. As one person said: Even while we are paying our home mortgages, we continue to make improvements and repairs on our houses. In the same way, we need to take care of some issues even while we are paying the loan on our new facility.

You may have noticed that we are having the exterior of the church, Benincasa Center, and Siena Center painted. We are also roofing the Siena Center and the preschool/art portable, and repairing the flat roof at the Church. We are using some of our savings to take care of these needs.

I have also spoken about the need to repair/replace the exterior church doors. The north and south doors are in the worst shape. We have been exploring many options—replacement or refinishing, new hardware or reusing the old hardware. The Facilities Committee is still in the process of exploring these options. If you have experience or expertise in this area, please do not hesitate to offer your suggestions.

We will use some of our rebate from the Annual Catholic Appeal to do the work on the doors, but the cost will exceed what we will receive. It is likely that the cost per door will range from \$3500 to \$6000 depending on the condition of the door and the need to replace hardware. We have already received donations from parishioners specifically for the doors. If you would like to make a contribution to the door fund, you may do so at any time; be sure to mark it clearly.

As much as I love the great seasons and feasts of the church year, I am also happy when we return to the slower pace of Ordinary Time. Painting, roofing and door issues seem quite "ordinary" after building a new facility and plaza. Thank you for generosity in matters grand and "ordinary."

Victoria

Parish Stewardship

June 6, 2010

Regular Collection: \$10,267.00

Annual Catholic Appeal

Pledged Amount: \$66,000.00

Readings for June 20th
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zechariah 12:10-11

Galatians 3:26-29

Luke 9:18-24

Readings for June 27th
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1Kings 19:16b, 19-21

Galatians 5:1, 13-18

Luke 9:51-62

PRAYERS

Bob Barone	James McNamara
Luis Batayola	Mary Roberts
Kay De Ambrosio	Effie Rohner
Evan Dubicki	Sylvia Sheehan
Martha Harris	Julia Simon
Frank Martin	Chris Young

PRAYERS

Announcements

Baptisms

The next date for baptism of infants and young children is the weekend of July 24-25 at any mass. Parents must meet with Victoria and must attend a class with other parents. The class to prepare parents will be Saturday, June 26 at 2pm in the Benincasa Center. Please contact Victoria at the parish office to set up a meeting, to register for the class, and to set a date for baptism.

StrengthsFinder

We have been using the StrengthsFinder assessment as a means of discovering or becoming clearer about our God-given talents. This tool helps us to know ourselves, to strengthen our relationships, and to become good stewards of our talents in this community and beyond. There will be two sessions for those who are interested in learning more about StrengthsFinder and in taking the assessment. This is a great tool for all relationships, for career discernment, for general self-knowledge. There will be a two-session introduction to StrengthsFinder, that includes taking the assessment, on Wednesdays, June 23 and June 30 at 7pm in the Benincasa Center. There is a \$15 charge for the book, normally \$25 retail. For more information or to register for the class, contact Victoria at the parish office. All are welcome. Bring your friends, your partners, your family.

Jr. High Summer Service - Adult Male Chaperones/ Drivers Needed

The Jr. High students are heading down to Hoquium, Wa for a week of service immersion this summer. We will need help on Wednesday, July 21st and Thursday the 22nd overnight. We are looking for adult male chaperones willing to spend sometime with the group that week. Contact Shannon Fleming Bray.

Vacation Bible School - HELP!

We are looking for nautical items of all sorts to use as props for the VBS. A ships wheel, ships bell, ropes, sail, a dingy, compass, telescope, etc. Please let us know if you are able to loan us any of these items. Also, We are looking for creative minds to help us visualize (and perhaps create) the props for our "high seas adventure". We will be having a brainstorming meeting soon. Your talents and vision are much needed. Please contact ShannonFleming@stcatherineparish.net or (206) 324-8800 ex. 110

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- Increased self awareness
- Stronger command of pastoral helping skills, renewed relationship with God
- Contributing to the community and world, by serving others
- Pastoral leadership skills
- Helping others see where God is working in their lives
- Trained lay minister, giving skills to live out the baptismal call

Plan to attend an Information Meeting on Jun 14 from 7 – 8:30 pm at St. James Pastoral Care Center, 907 Columbia St. Seattle, 98104 or on Jun 16 (same time) Holy Family – 7045 120th Ave NE – Kirkland 98033. Please RSVP (or for more information) to Tom Curran at 206-760-0583 Ext 4 or tomcurran@cabriniministry.org (Espanol: Margarita Gallo 206-760-0583 Ex 2 or margaritagallo@hotmail.com)