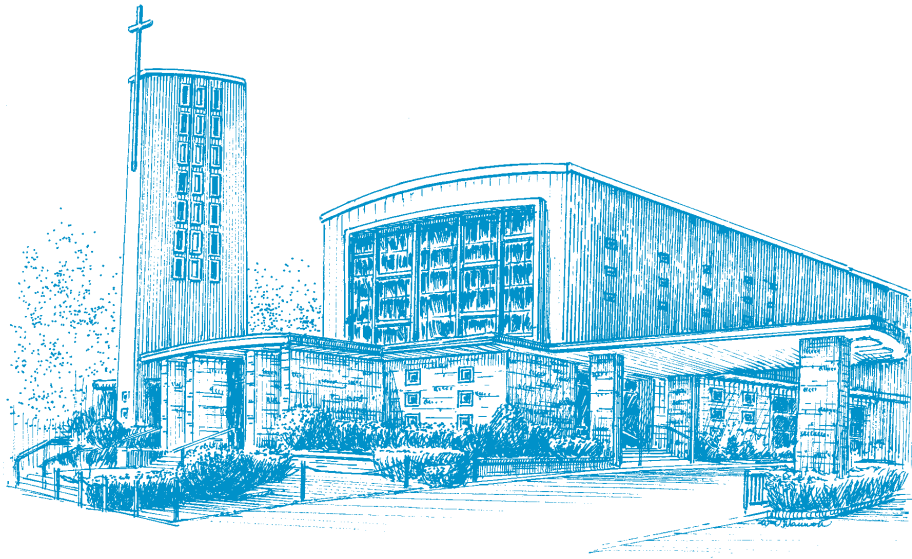


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RITE OF RECONCILIATION:

(Confession) 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM, Saturday or by appointment.
Weekday Confession held at 7:00 to 7:15 AM.

PARISH REGISTRATION:

At the rectory during office hours.
Regular Office hours 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM daily.

WEDDINGS:

Arrangement must be made with one of the priests at least six months before the date of the wedding. Confirm desired date at the church before making other arrangements. At least one of the engaged persons (or their parents) must be a registered and active parishioner of St. Priscilla. Weddings are not scheduled on Sunday.

BAPTISMS:

English Baptisms will be held on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 1:30 PM. Polish Baptisms will be held on the first and third Sundays. Attendance at Baptismal Preparation class is mandatory. Register by calling Rectory.

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Evening: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 - 9:00 - 12:15 PM
Polish Mass: 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday-Friday: 6:30 & 8:00 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:

7:00 PM Vigil Mass, 6:30—8:00—11:00 AM (English)
9:00 AM—7:00 PM (Polish)

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Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time **June 1, 2008**

“Everyone who listens to these words of mine
and acts on them will be like a wise man
who built his house on rock.”

— *Matthew 7:24*

Spiritual Reflection

Our Scriptures this weekend speak to us about God's word. In our first reading, we hear these words of Moses, "Take these words of mine into your heart and soul. Bind them at your wrist as a sign, and let them be a pendant on your forehead." Moses speaks of symbols to help his people truly take in the Word of God. Symbols can be powerful, or they can be empty. We can look at a variety of people living immoral lives, yet wearing the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ as jewelry, and the bigger and flashier the better. Still, these symbols become more flash and show than a sign of their real relationship with God.

"I set before you here, this day, a blessing and a curse: a blessing for obeying the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin on you today; a curse if you do not obey the commandments of the LORD, your God, but turn aside from the way I ordain for you today, to follow other gods, whom you have not known." We first listen and take in the Word of God. Then we begin to apply it in our lives. The Commandments God gives us are not to restrict or hamper us. They're not to keep us in slavery, but to allow us to be free. Obeying God's Commandments brings a blessing. When we do obey them, then we know we're on the right path.

It seems that every time we turn on the television these days, we see the results of another disaster. There have been floods, tornadoes, cyclones, fires and more. They all have something in common. They leave devastation and misery. Homes and businesses are destroyed and people are suddenly homeless.

Sometimes people think more about their beautiful ocean or beach frontage and try not to think of the danger a huge wave or a big storm could bring. Other times they just don't build safely. Economy usually compromises safety. And now we're called to build.

In building a spiritual life too, we can easily economize. We can earnestly keep seven or eight of God's Commandments and give up on the rest. We can make a "show" of living God's word, but deep down inside follow other voices. We can talk and talk and talk. And God might have to say to us, "Quiet down now, and listen with your ears... not your mouth!"

"Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock." We know that Jesus died for us and prepares a place for us. Our faith is crucial, that's for sure. But if we are truly faithful people, then our faith leads to action. We come to believe that we are brothers and sisters to one another. We come to see the importance of coming to Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of obligation. We are reminded of the commitment we made to our children when we promised to bring them to Church each week and to teach them to live as Christ taught us, by loving God and neighbor. These building blocks are so basic, yet provide such a strong foundation!

So we listen to God's word and allow it to permeate the depths of our being. We accept the blessing of the Commandments of the Lord and follow them. We build our house on solid ROCK. We'll find that we're safe and secure.

We have a chance this summer to listen, act and build rightly. We can build on rock when we make sure that we're attending Mass and following God's other nine Commandments. May we seize opportunities to build strongly, and help our children and grandchildren build on strong foundations of faith as well. Have a good week!

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Pastor's Notes**Catholic Women's Club**

Tuesday, June 3rd

5:00 PM

Church—Mass or prayer service.

After Church, we will go to McGowan Hall for our Pot-luck Dinner and Post President Night.

Ladies, please bring your favorite dish for our last meeting until the fall.

Have a safe summer!

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In many parish churches, more rarely in monastery churches and cathedrals, the tabernacle with the Blessed Sacrament is visible from a doorway or aisle in the church. Normally, a person is to give the proper sign of reverence, a genuflection, when passing in proximity to tabernacle. The word "genuflect" comes from Latin roots meaning bending (or flexing) the knee. A common-sense exception to the rule is for a sacristan who is taking care of the church and can't be genuflecting every thirty seconds during a vacuum run. Also excepted are persons in procession entrusted with important symbols of the Lord's presence. So, a crossbearer or a minister carrying the Gospel book, or ministers on their way to their Communion stations do not genuflect. For everyone else, the usual sign of reverence for the Lord's presence in the Blessed Sacrament is to genuflect on the right knee.

The oldest form of reverence during prayer in our tradition is standing; kneeling or genuflecting is a sign borrowed from old civic practice. The posture of kneeling, even on one knee, is a sign of submission. Servants would take this position before their masters in the ancient world. It said: I'm not running away, I'm yours, I'm here for you. This is what your genuflection says when you enter a Catholic church where the place of reservation of the Blessed Sacrament is visible to you: I'm yours. —Rev. James Field, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

Mass Intentions for the week



NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (1)

- 7:30 — St. Priscilla Parishioners
- 9:00 — +Salvatore Desimone (Family)
- +Josephine Jaykowski (E. Sloan & E. Gale)
- +Lucja Kokot (Hart & Nelson Families)
- +Felicitas Kaffka (Helen, Alex & Family)
- 10:30— O spokój i wieczną światłość dla Victora Burzyńskiego (Rodzice)
- W int. Piotra o łaskę Ducha św., wyzwolenia od zła, o życie w miłości do Boga i ludzi
- +Karolina Czerwonka
- 12:15— Nicholas & Natalie Alleva 40th Wedding Anniv.
- +Father Willis Darling
- 6:00 — Za Parafian św. Pryscylli

MONDAY (2) Weekday / Marcellinus and Peter, martyrs

- 6:30 — +Mary R. Motto Birthday Remembrance (Daniel G. Manczak Family)
- 8:00 — +Harry & Beatrice Siers (Lorraine DuPlantis)

TUESDAY (3) Charles Lwango and companions, martyrs

- 6:30 — Michael & Lori Pacer—Anniversary (Aunt)
- 8:00 — +Francis Calkin (Evelyn Cademartrie)

WEDNESDAY (4) Weekday

- 6:30 — +Estelle Pekarik (Bill & Elaine Balog)
- 8:00 — +Mary R. Motto 38th Death Anniversary (Daniel G. Manczak Family)

THURSDAY (5) Boniface, bishop, martyr

- 6:30 — +Dominador Pamatmat Death Anniv. (Family)
- 8:00 — +Anna Zagajewski (Daughter)

FRIDAY (6) Weekday / Norbert, bishop

- 6:30 — For All Poor Souls in Purgatory (Barcebal Family)
- 8:00 — +Harriet Marienfeld 2nd Death Anniv. (Jim Miketta)

SATURDAY (7) Weekday

- 8:00 — +Mr. & Mrs. Grundel (Son & Daughter)
- 12:00— WEDDING MASS: **MARTA WYSOCKA & RADEK KOŁUSZKO**
- 2:00 — WEDDING MASS: **CATHERINE MANALANG & DAVEY HILADO**
- 4:00 — +John Czekaj (Daughter)
- +Andrew Doppel (Mom & Dad)
- +Michael & Evelyn Martino (Family)
- +Raymond Miller (Miller Family)
- +Katherine Willard (Katie)
- +Rose Nardi (Family)
- Health & Blessings for the School Sisters of St. Francis
- +William Baum (Lorrie Kraft)
- +Nice Pontarelli (Family)

Rest in Peace 

Karolina Czerwonka
Virginia M. Geroulis
Isabella Monno

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (8)

- 7:30 — +Charles Willard (Daughter Lucy)
- 9:00 — +Chester Kusmider (Wife, Daughters & Jim)
- +Salvatore Desimone (Family)
- +Frank Izzo Birthday Remembrance (Daniel G. Manczak Family)
- +For the Deceased Members of the Szorkin Family
- +Margaret, Peggy, Bridget Leyden (Leyden Family)
- +Patricia Stroinski
- 10:30— +Stanisława Sławuszcowska (Rodzina)
- +O spokój duszy Stanisławy Tarasiuk 3 miesiące po śmierci (Wójcik Family)
- +Miłosierdzia Bożego o wieczne zbawienie dla Emilii i Stefana Góra oraz Stanisławy i Jana Kular oraz zmarłych z rodziny
- W int. Piotra o łaskę Ducha św., wyzwolenie od zła, o życie w miłości do Boga i ludzi
- +Karolina Czerwonka
- +Michael Lazarski
- 12:15— +Karl Miketta 29th Death Anniversary (Jim Miketta)
- Special Intention for Stephanie
- +Germaine Susin
- +Robert S. Hulchiy Birthday Remembrance (Family)
- +John Louis Zirko
- 6:00 — Polska Msza św.



WEDDING BANS

III. Marta Wysocka & Radek Kołuszko
III. Catherine Manalang & Davey Hilado

BAPTISMS



Andrew Joseph Hanacek

Our Weekly Offering	May 18, 2008
Currency	\$ 4,853.00
Checks	\$ 2,886.00
Loose Coin	\$ 4.14
Total	\$ 7,743.14
Weekly Goal	\$ 10,000.00
Budget Year to Date	\$440,000.00
Collections Year to Date	\$374,602.08
Under Budget	\$<65,397.92>

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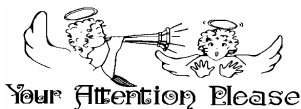
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Have you ever sat in the pew and listened to the Lector reading the scriptures and thought how great it is to deliver God's message?

It would be nice to hear more voices deliver the message of God during the weekend masses. The more that parishioners are involved, the more our parish flourishes.

If you are interested, please contact the Rectory at (773) 545-8840 ext. 221.

Thank you in advance!



Christine Achtel - George Adamick - John Alongi - Donald Arnet - Joseph Bargi - Rita Bobowski - Mary Ann Bonk - Meg Butler - Robert Calkins - Dorothy Castronovo - Jane Conley - Maria Clancy - Nancy & Richard Crabtree - Tarcisio DeBiase - Erminia DeSimone - Frances G. Diprima - Leo Divito - Sister Edwarda Doyle - Myles Druffel - Edward Drzymala - Lorraine DuPlantis - Gene Fuentes - Angiolina Gervasio - Mary Gudel - Jennifer Hebda - Sean Henaghan - Mariana Hernandez - Mildred Ingallinera - Krzysztof Kadzielawa - Janet Kaplan - Chester Kmiec - LaVerne Kmiec - Allyson Krajewski - Walter Krawczyk - Giuseppe Lamanna - Angela Lazio - Romona Lugowski - Mary Lynch - Dorothy Major - George Major - Carlos Mariduenia - Felicita Martinez - Donald Mohr - Donna Mohr - Frances Montana - Mikey Muka - Frank Nasca - Dolores Nielsen - Stefan Nowik - Wilma Oaks - Catherine O'Brien - Colleen O'Donnell Craig - Leonard Olbrisch - Lorie Pacer - William Panzella - Phyllis & William Peterson - Dolores & Richard Piela - Russ Plambeck - Bernice Plicner - Donna Pomierski - Debbie Pope - Daniel Pope - Florence Pope - Shirley Potempa - Antonio Puccio - Rachael Reece - Stanley Renda - Stephanie Rhodes - Rosemary Rios - Angelo Rocco - Augusto Sandoval - Phyllis Scully - Josephine & Antonio Sevenhouse - Amy Sherod - Stephen Sierzega - Patricia Slowik - Mary Smolenski - Louise Sowa - Mary Spiewak - Adeline Spitzzeri - Eugene Stalmach - Frank Stelka - Odette Stinar - Bob Suwalski - Victor Szatkowski - Marilyn Tamburrino - Marlene Tucker - Helen Tyc - Patricia Tytro - Edward Watrach - McKenna Weber - Robert Welch - Tina Wellnitz - George Young - Nora Zacharski - Joan Ziffra

If you know of any parish member, family member or friends who are homebound and in need of our prayer, we would like to add their names to our **Pray for...** list.

If you would like to be taken off of our **Pray for...** list because you are no longer sick, please contact the rectory at **773 545-8840**.

Catholic Funerals – Part 1

“YOUR RIGHTS & EULOGIES”

Last November, the month of All Souls, an informative brochure, entitled “Your Catholic Rights”, printed by the Archdiocese, was distributed to our parishioners. Death is not easy to ponder, but, at one time or another, either we or our loved ones are called back to the God who made us. Understanding these “rights” before the time we are called upon to make funeral arrangements for a loved one or even pre-arrangements for ourselves, will make those decisions more informed.

The Funeral Rite is in three parts: the Vigil at the funeral home, the Funeral Mass and the Committal at the Cemetery. As stated in the brochure, *“The Church expects those who have been baptized as Catholics to take full advantage of the Order of Christian Funerals.”* From time to time at St. Priscilla, and at other parishes, when a life-long practicing Catholic dies, their family asks that a priest just come to the funeral chapel or to the cemetery for some prayers. Sometimes, there are no funeral services at all. This is denying the deceased their full RIGHTS as a Catholic. Perhaps in your own family, there are those who have fallen away from the Church but will make funeral decisions even for you. Please make your wishes clearly known to them, verbally, in writing or in pre-arrangements, for the full Rites of a Catholic burial.

The brochure is clear in the importance of the homily and its emphasis on the Mystery of the Resurrection spoken by a priest or deacon. The subject of a “eulogy” often arises. In July of 2000, Pope John Paul II approved the following clarification in the General Instructions to the Roman Missal: *“At the funeral Mass, there should as a rule be a short homily, but never a eulogy of any kind.”* The Vatican has made this clarification because of some grave abuses during the Sacrifice of the Mass. Before this policy was implemented in January of 2005 at St. Priscilla, we witnessed grave abuses when relatives wished to speak during the Mass and had little or no knowledge of what was appropriate or inappropriate during the Sacrifice of the Mass. Such eulogies have their origins in the Protestant tradition and have, over the years, been allowed in some Catholic churches. Unfortunately, these eulogies speak little or nothing about the faith life of the deceased which we celebrate during a funeral Mass. Most often, these eulogies recount the life experiences of the person, their likes and dislikes, their hobbies and even their vices. These are important memories to recount, but in an appropriate setting.

At St. Priscilla, eulogies are not permitted during the Funeral Mass. We suggest, rather, that such words of remembrance can be spoken at the funeral chapel during the wake or immediately before leaving the chapel for the church. A eulogy can also be offered after the committal service at the cemetery or at a luncheon which might follow. These settings offer the opportunity to publicly remember the deceased, speaking of any aspects of the person’s life without the constraints of the liturgical dignity which the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass demands.

Copies of “Your Catholic Rights” are available in the lobby of the rectory. We sincerely hope that the brochure and the information in this article will assist you in making truly Catholic decisions for yourself and your loved ones when such occasions present themselves.

NEXT WEEK: CATHOLIC CREMATION