

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 24, 2010**

**Stewardship is a way of life.**

**Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:**

Tithing income: for Jan.17, 2010	\$2061.00
Income for Jan 18, 2009	\$2505.00
Income for Jan 20, 2008	\$2487.23
Students	\$ 4.80

**Next week's tithe** will be for the Haitian Relief Fund

**From a Pastor:** "Parishioners of Notre Dame take a bow!!! You have shown again the goodness of your heart. Deacon Anthony was so deeply touched by your love and kindness to him. His story of the missionaries in his native Nigeria touched all of our hearts – and you responded with almost four thousand dollars. As always, your charity was over and above your habitual support of our dear parish. Your inspiring faith and generosity is a more eloquent sermon that any preaching could hope to match!"

Rev. Jude S. Salus, OSB

Notre Dame of Mount Carmel, Cedar Knoll

**Comments from the pew:** "My Mother used to say that 'serenity comes to those who know in their hearts that they are doing the right thing'. For the past year I have doubled my tithe. It is truly a vehicle that has brought serenity to my life. Thanks, Mom!"

A parishioner

**My Good Deed for the Week:** Here's what several of our young people offered as their tithe, in addition to their financial gift. A 1<sup>st</sup> grader said, "I made a get well card for my aunt." A 5<sup>th</sup> grader said, "I helped my mother paint the kitchen." A 3<sup>rd</sup> grader said, "I helped my dad clean the basement."

## *Pastor's Column*

### DE COLORES

The title that you see above is a Spanish expression. The words mean "of colors" and this is the motto of a special spiritual movement in the Catholic Church called the "Cursillo" movement. The motto expresses joy in the variety of God's creation and of people and personalities in His world. You might say different strokes for different folks. We are all of different stripes and colors.

"Cursillo" means "little course" and refers to the keystone of the movement: a joyful weekend renewal of one's relationship with Christ; a short course in Christianity.

It all began in Spain in the late 1940s, when a group of laymen shared their concern about how little their fellow citizens really knew about their faith. Catholicism was cultural, but without conviction for many. Those first leaders designed this getaway weekend to rejuvenate and re-inform their country's casual Christians. Participants left the weekend fervent and anxious to dedicate themselves for Christ and His Church. So successful were these initial efforts that the original leaders were soon joined by a bishop, who was convinced of the movement's value. Today they are all named as the Cursillo founders.

The movement quickly spread throughout the world, with the first U.S. Cursillo held in Texas in the early 1960s. The Diocese of Harrisburg jumped on board early and we have four weekends per

year, two for men and two for women. Soon before he left, Bishop Rhoades appointed me priest/ spiritual moderator for the diocesan Cursillo movement.

The weekend begins Thursday evening in a traditional retreat setting of silence, prayer, and reflection until Friday morning, when things get rocking and rolling. The rest is a roller coaster ride of fun, laughter, and yes, prayer, liturgy, group discussion and talks, most of which are given by the lay leaders. It is, in fact, a lay-led movement, with priests on board to counsel, preach, teach and, of course, celebrate the sacraments. All of this anticipated by about 20 years the call of the Second Vatican Council (1962-65) for more lay empowerment.

I made my own Cursillo weekend my first year of priesthood, in 1984, and I have been priest on about 15 more weekends. The experience is amazing and people leave those three days "on cloud nine." I can't tell you how many have said to me afterward, "Father, I had so many years of Catholic education and I thought I knew it all. I never realized how much there is..."

The next women's Cursillo is Thursday, Feb. 25 until Sunday, Feb 28. Fr. Ted Keating and I are priest-spiritual directors for that weekend. The men's Cursillo is Thursday, March 4 until Sunday March 7. All are at St. Pius X Church, Selinsgrove. You have to report about 7 p.m. Thursday and you're done about the same time Sunday. Many have to arrange Friday off from work.

If you really want to renew your relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church, see me. I'll sign you up. Experience the colors of the faith and love for God. De Colores!

Fr. Bill

### MASS SCHEDULE



**Sunday, January 24** — Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10; Psalm 19:8-10, 15; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27; Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

9:15am – John Zangrilli

**Monday, January 25**– Acts 22:3-16; Psalm 117: 1-2; Mark 16:15-18

9:00 – Agnes Stender

**Tuesday, January 26** --2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Tit. 1: 1-5; Psalm 96: 1-3, 7-8, 10; Mark 3:31-35

**Wednesday, January 27**–2 Samuel 7:4-17; Palm 89: 4-5, 27-30; Mark 4:1-20

**Thursday, January 28** - 2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Psalm 132:1-5, 11-14; Mark 4:21-25

**Friday, January 29** 2 Samuel 11:1-10, 13-17; Psalm 51:3-7, 10-11; Mark 4:26-34-

9:00am - Intention of Elizabeth Cremo

**Saturday, January 30** - 2 Samuel 12:1-7, 10-17; Psalm 51:12-17; Mark 4:35-41

5:00pm (English) – Robert Hurley

6:30pm (Spanish)- Joseph Unitas

**Sunday, January 31**– Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; Psalm 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30

9:15am – Jack Alfonsi

### PARISH NEWS & ACTIVITIES

**CAP (caring about parishioners)** is an outreach committee at Saint Jude Church. We are here to help those in need(recently had

a baby, been hospitalized, had a loss in their family etc.) by showing we care. This may be as simple as providing a meal. Please remember CAP is available and get in touch with Elizabeth Armstrong (527-4869) if you would like to help or if you know someone who needs CAP.

**The Women's Guild** monthly meeting will be this Tuesday, January 26. The Rosary will be said at 6:00 followed by the meeting at 6:30.

**Please bring** in your old palms for burning. There will be a box in the social hall beginning next week.

**COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Tax information** – It's that time again and it's hard to believe. If you would like your tax information please fill out the form below and put it in the collection basket. Thank you.

**Contribution Statement**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

**SACRED HEART SCHOOL**

**Catholic Schools Week 2010 Schedule of Events**  
**Catholic Schools Treasure for Life**

**Saturday, January 30 "Treasure our Friends"**

Savor the Flavors from around the world – Opening night gala at the Lewistown Community Center from 6-10pm; tickets are \$50 per person. Pick up tickets at the Parish Office or Calkins Automotive or Downtown OIP & Grill.



**Sunday, January 31, "Treasure our Faith"**

Pancake Breakfast & basket raffle in school cafeteria, 8am-1pm. Tours of school available to prospective students and their families.

Opening Day Mass at 11am. All families encouraged to attend with children wearing their dress uniform. The mayor of Lewistown will be present for an opening day Proclamation!

**Monday, February 1 "Treasure our School"**

Middle States Convocation in the school cafeteria at 1:15pm. This is open to all parents and to the community by invitation. Children need to wear their dress uniforms.

**Tuesday, February 2 "Treasure our Country"**

Flag raising ceremony at 1:15 by Terry Wade. The children will learn about the US flag, including the proper way it should be folded. Parents and prospective families are invited to attend. Ceremony will be followed by an ice cream social! An ice cream snack with red, white, and blue sprinkles will be provided! This is a day to be patriotic...dress down day in red, white, and blue, jeans are okay!

**Wednesday, February 3 "Treasure our Community"**

Crazy Hat Day! Students can wear their craziest hat with their gym uniform! Chicken & Waffles Dinner – 4:30-6:30pm in the school cafeteria. Prices are \$4 for adults and \$3 for children and additional servings. This event is open to the public and all are encouraged to attend.

SHS Open House – 6-7:30pm-open to the public, school families and prospective families. Faculty will be present to answer any questions.

**Thursday, February 4, "Treasure Our Children"**

Crazy Sock Day- Children can wear crazy socks with their dress uniform. School Mass is at 9am – children will be presented a gift to show that they are our greatest treasures! Parents and parishioners are welcome to join us. Mr. Storm's famous spaghetti lunch for children and staff!

**Friday, February 5, "Treasure our Faculty and Staff"**

The faculty and staff will be shown appreciation with good food and an extended lunch period to enjoy it! Children will all eat together and then play Bingo in the cafeteria with Sister Marlene who will be assisted by 5<sup>th</sup> grade students !

**5<sup>th</sup> grade students** will sponsor a Pep Rally in the school cafeteria at 1:45 PM. Parents are welcome to attend. Gifts will be presented to the faculty staff and bus drivers.

Dress Down Day, as a dress up day – children will wear dress up clothes (no jeans or sneakers).

**Family dance** – 6-9pm in the school cafeteria. This is open to all current and prospective families as well as parishioners. Entertainment will be provided by a DJ and we will have snacks and prizes!

**Service Projects during the week will include:** Reaching out to others" – Valentines made for local senior citizens and a Helping Hands Mission Donation

