

Monday, June 22nd

7:45 a.m. Nancy Rinaldi

Tuesday, June 23rd

7:45 a.m. John Mark Jacoby

Wednesday, June 24th

7:45 a.m. Florence and Robert Hurley

Thursday, June 25th

7:45 a.m. Intentions of the Jacoby Family

Friday, June 26th

7:45 a.m. Alma Van de Steeg

Saturday, June 27th

5:30 p.m. Leonard Bronikowski

Sunday, June 28th

7:30 a.m. Eva Bucheri

9:30 a.m. Intentions of St. Paul Parishioners

11:30 a.m. Bernard Misner

6:00 p.m. Rudy Bizon



*They were filled with great awe
And said to one another,
'Who then is that whom even wind and sea obey?'*
(Mark 4:41)

St. Augustine of Hippo, the great bishop, preacher, and writer, died in 430, during the decline of the Roman Empire. His writings are part of the great patrimony of the Church. He gave a particularly insightful sermon on today's Gospel text, when Jesus calms the stormy sea.

He notes that each of us is like a ship at sea, with Christ *dwelling through faith in our hearts*. (Ephesians 3:17) Someone offends us---that's like a high wind. We get angry over something----that's like a wave. These winds and waves stir up our emotions, we are in a tizzy; our hearts are whipped up into a frenzied storm. We long for revenge. We long to retaliate. If we follow through, however, we will shipwreck.

As we plot to settle scores, Augustine says, we are forgetting that Christ is right there in our boat, in our heart. "Christ is asleep in you. . . .You have forgotten his presence. So wake Christ up, remember Christ; let Christ stay awake in you, think about him." If we do that, by recalling Christ's words and commands, we will remember that he asked the Father to forgive those who were crucifying him. We will remember his promise, *'Forgive, and you will be forgiven.'* (Luke 6:37) This awakening of Christ within us will restrain our anger and return calmness to our heart.

So, Augustine concludes, when "the driving wind should stir up in us a tumult of emotions, let us not despair but awaken Christ, so that we may sail in quiet waters, and at last reach our heavenly homeland."

I am on vacation today, with plans to return next Saturday. See you next Sunday, God willing.

Msgr. Robert C. Gibbons, Pastor

Vacation Bible School. This past week we had our Vacation Bible School, "Under the Big Top!" The circus theme was executed with marvelous creativity by our wonderful and dedicated staff and volunteers. Participating in the program this year were 132 children. Thanks to everyone who did their part to make this program a great experience for our parish children.



Is what I do after I say "I believe"...

Offertory total for Sunday, June 14, 2009:

256 Envelopes.....	\$	7,753.00
Loose.....	\$	1,599.00
AOP (debit).....	\$	1,943.00
AOP (credit).....	\$	0.00
Total.....	\$	11,295.00

The love of Christ impels us.
(2 Corinthians 5:14)

Our good stewardship is prompted
by Christ's love for us.

- Websitestpaulstpete.com
- Parish Offices.....727-822-3481
- Pastoral Associate.....Annamaria Dickhaus
- Admin. Assistants.....Charie Wassmer & Mary Carney
- Outreach Ministry.....Sr. Kathleen Stagnaro, OSF
- Youth Ministry.....ext. 12
- Organist & Choir Director.....Paul Dixon
- St. Vincent de Paul Societyext. 50
- Children's Center.....ext. 18
- Prayer Team.....727-894-8846 or jhdmary@aol.com
- School.....Mrs. Elizabeth Fulham, Principal
727-823-6144
- Counseling Ministry.....Mary Ann Holtz, LMHC
727-327-5045



St. Paul Says

*“So whoever is in Christ
is a new creation:
the old things have
passed away, behold,
new things have come.”*

2 Corinthians 5:17



YOUTH NEWS

Enjoy Your Summer!

The new Lector/EM and altar server schedules are available on line. Please be sure to check the parish website. Hard copies are available in the sacristy for those who don't have computer access.


Covecrest Camp. Seven of St. Paul's high school youth this week will be at Covecrest, a Catholic Life Teen Summer Camp in the Northeast Georgia mountains. They will be accompanied by adult team members of our high school youth ministry program. The camp website describes the experience: "Each week-long camp includes the perfect balance of enough time to encounter Christ and plenty of time to play. Every week, a line-up of dynamic hosts, talented musicians, and dedicated priests serve along with camp staff to encourage a deeper relationship with Christ for any camper." <http://camps.lifeteen.com/covecrest.asp>

Sunday nursery is available for children (ten months old to five years old) during the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses. Located in the St. Paul's Children's Center, at the west end of the first floor of the parish center. Experienced adult supervision.

RCIA sessions for 2009-2010 will begin in the middle of September after the summer break. In the meantime, try to bring a friend or a family member or a co-worker to Jesus. Remember that the Apostle, Andrew, first found Jesus and brought his brother, Simon Peter, to Jesus. Also, Philip introduced Nathanael to Jesus. (John 1:40-42, 44-47).

Catholic Cruise for Charity with Fr. Bob Gangolu, SAC. January 24-30, 2010. Daily Mass. Six days on the beautiful new ship, Freedom. Prices starting from \$399.00. Sailing to Ocho Rios, Jamaica, Grand Cayman, and Key West. Charity benefits St. Vincent de Paul & Mary's Outreach for Women. Call Susan Dwyer at 727.360.7575 for a free brochure and more information.

St. Paul Columbiettes Third Annual Bunco Social. Open to the whole parish and friends. Come for food, fun, and cash prizes. (Bunco is a very easy- to-learn dice game and so much fun to play.)
 When: Saturday, June 27 Time: 6:45 p.m.
 Where: Parish Center Blue Room Cost: \$5.00
 Bring: A dish to share



Please pray for the healing of the sick
and the consolation of the afflicted, especially:

Msgr. Robert Gibbons	Eleanor Farrell	Marie Grilli
Frederick Stagnaro	Gerry Howe	Joe McCourt
Margaret Macking	Ray Victorio	Joe Baxter
Rosemary White	Carol Baer	Michael Baer
George Locascio	Barbara Webb	Amy Wauker
Sr. Germaine Bevans	Regina Abruntilla	Carmen Madison
Sr. Mary Fennick	Debbie Clayton	Jim Soule

If you would like to add a name to this list, please contact the parish office.

Fr. Corapi Video Talk. Please join us on Wednesday, June 24, at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center for another evening with Fr. Corapi. At our last gathering we heard Fr. Corapi's talk "Wake up America". The talk generated some very spirited discussion from the 17 men and women that attended. The schedule for the next two sessions:

June 24th "Sex-sacred not evil"
 August 8th "Addictions"

We plan to gather every other Wednesday evening through August. For more information or to RSVP please contact Mario Vitrano at mariovitrano1@aol.com or 727.251.6849.

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Boxes. Contributions to the Poor Boxes, at the doors of the church, totaled \$714.25 for May 2009. These funds go directly to assist the poor who live within the territorial boundaries of our parish. They help pay for food, rent, utilities, and transportation. The parish also contributes \$750.00 monthly from the Sunday offertory to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your continued generosity to the Poor Boxes is urgently needed.

Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University. If Financial Peace University has changed your life for the better, consider paying it forward by helping bring this program to others. If you or someone you know is a graduate of the Financial Peace University Course and would be willing to facilitate a Fall Session, please contact Tom Baggett at 727.894.8302 or tbaggett@pscufs.com. The time commitment is minimal but the impact of this ministry is often life changing for those who take the class.



Green Team. "Work conscientiously toward making your dwelling place, local community and Florida more environmentally healthy places in which to live." (FCC)

Buy locally produced groceries and other items to save on the use of gasoline for transport.

Grow your favorite vegetables in your own garden. Eat fresh foods free of pesticides!

Support state and federal bills that encourage wind and solar sources for energy.

Host Families Needed for Foreign Exchange Students. EF Educational Homestay Programs is looking to place high school age students from Spain with volunteer host families for *four short weeks* this summer from **July 4 – August 3**. Host families are asked to provide a bed, an extra plate at the table, transportation to and from a bus stop, and a warm welcoming environment. The course center this year is Woodlawn Presbyterian, so host families in Woodlawn do not need to worry about transportation. For more information contact the Local Program Leader, Mary Elena, at 727.512.9285 or the regional office at 866.480.4089.

Stewardship Reflection. St. Paul reminds us in the second reading that Christ died 'so that those who live might live no longer for themselves.' What we give to and do for others, we give to and do for Jesus! (2 Corinthians 5:15)

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store Donations Needed. Please remember to donate your unwanted, but in reasonably good condition, furniture, appliances, and household goods to the SVDP Thrift Store which helps feed the hungry at the SVDP Food Center. Call 727.328.2730 for pick-up. Thanks for your generosity.

Married Couples. 'Now may there be such a Oneness between you that, when One cries, the Other will taste

salt.' Want to glory in the oneness that comes from your deep love? Come on a worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next WWME weekend is July 24-26 in Brooksville. For information call 813.270.7832 or go on-line to www.wwme-tampabay.org.

Respect Life announcement. Our nation's largest abortion provider, *Planned Parenthood*, is expanding in St. Petersburg. They have moved to a larger location with plans to increase abortion services. It's Time to Pray! This is not a protest. We will pray and petition God for mercy and for the end of abortion in our country. Time and Location: Saturday, June 27, 8:30-10:00 a.m. at 10051 5th St N, St Pete. (Turn west onto 99th Ave N. off of 4th Street N.) The peaceful prayer rally will be at the end of the sidewalk on the corner on 5th St. and 99th Ave N. For questions, contact Phyllis at 727.480.3253 or Sabrina Burton Schultz at 813.246.6916.

**Parish Capital Campaign Update
as of May 31, 2009**

Amount Pledged	\$2,316,214.86
Amount Paid	\$1,812,000.34
Balance	\$ 504,214.52
Number of families pledging	673
Average gift	\$3,441.63

*The campaign has been financing the renovations of our church & school buildings.
With the funds now being paid, we are paying off the cash advance loan that financed last summer's renovation of the south wing of the school.
It's not too late to make a pledge!
Call the parish office or e-mail
parishoffice@stpaulstpete.com*

**Annual Pastoral Appeal 2009
Diocese of St Petersburg
as of June 9, 2009**

Our parish's assessment.....	\$169,022.00
Total pledged	\$46,727.45
Number of pledges.....	268
Average pledge	\$174.36

Over 300 St. Paul's families made pledges to last year's Annual Pastoral Appeal. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge or gift to the APA for 2009. Envelopes for this purpose are in your monthly envelope packet, or you may pledge on-line at www.diostpete.com/apa

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sacrament of Baptism: A Parent, who is a practicing Catholic, should prepare for the Baptism of a child by contacting the parish office, preferably before the arrival of the child. Adults seeking Baptism or desiring to join the Catholic Church should call the parish office or contact a parish priest.

Sacrament of Holy Marriage: Couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance. The Catholic party is expected to be attending mass regularly.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Those who are being admitted to a hospital should receive this sacrament at Mass whenever possible. The infirm may receive the sacraments regularly at home by calling the parish Outreach office at 727.822.3481.

St. Paul Catholic School & St. Paul Children's Center: Our parochial school provides an outstanding Catholic education for children from pre-kindergarten (beginning at age 3) through 8th grade. Our children's center provides quality day care for children age 2 and under.

Parish Membership: Every Catholic household is encouraged to register in the parish. You may register on the first Sunday of the month by attending the information meeting held in the Parish Center after the 9:30 a.m. mass. St. Paul's parishioners strive to be good stewards of God's gifts. Christian stewardship includes a sharing of time, talent and treasure with the parish community. Each household is expected to accept its responsibility for the welfare of the parish and its educational and charitable ministries by participation in Sunday Mass, active involvement in the parish, and by weekly use of the church support envelopes.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, June 21

10:30 a.m. Parish Coffee and Doughnuts - Cafeteria

Monday, June 22

10:30 a.m. Bible Study – Gold Room

7:00 p.m. WCRHP – Blue Room

Tuesday, June 23

7:00 p.m. K of C – Blue Room

Wednesday, June 24

1:00 p.m. Legion of Mary – Blue Room

7:00 p.m. Fr. Corapi Video – Craft Room

7:30 p.m. C & L - Pink Room

Thursday, June 25

3:15 p.m. Rosary – Chapel

7:00 p.m. MCRHP – Craft Room

7:00 p.m. Folk Group – Church

Friday, June 26

Saturday, June 27

6:00 a.m. SHARE Distribution - Gym

7:00 p.m. Columbiettes Bunco Social – Blue Room