



St. Fidelis Parish
125 Buttercup Road
Butler, Pa 16001
June 20, 2010

Gifts of the Holy Spirit

All of us love to receive gifts. Who better to give gifts than the Holy Spirit, who gave us our life and watches over us as we grow and develop? The beauty of the gifts that we receive from the Holy Spirit reflects the beauty and goodness of the Giver. It is important to understand that Jesus opened his heart and spilled out love on people who were sick and healthy, mentally disturbed and 'normal', sinful and forgiven. The Holy Spirit is the profound principle of Love within the Trinity, and as such loves in the same manner as Jesus did ~embracing us all in our humanness and frailty.

As we open ourselves to the Holy Spirit, the gifts take root and develop. Eventually they become habitual dispositions, e.g. our standard way of seeing God and life; and our natural way of acting in the world. These gifts are given to us so that we can mature into wholesome disciples of Christ, witnesses to the wonders of God in our lives and the life of the world.

The Gift of Knowledge gives us a true idea of the created world in relation to God: it is not a substitute for God, as we tend to make it. There is a certain humbling character that the Gift of Knowledge imparts—our way of looking at life is not the most accurate and this gift opens our mind and heart to the reality of God just as God is —without our interpretations.

The Gift of Understanding perfects, deepens and illumines faith as to the meaning of revealed truth, adding new depths to the mystery to which we consent. It gives us a penetrating insight into the truths of faith at the same time that it reveals to us a realistic view of our own weakness.

The Gift of Wisdom provides us with God's view of things, a kind of divine perspective on reality that penetrates through events and perceives the divine

presence and action at work, even in very tragic and painful situations.

The Gift of Wonder and Awe in God's Presence (Fear of the Lord) keeps us true to ourselves and to God. To be faithful to one's conscience is characteristic of this Gift. Wonder and Awe is about loyalty to one's own personal integrity: to do what one believes is right no matter what the stakes are. As this gift grows stronger our trust in God expands.

The Gift of Courage enables us to pursue the difficult good on the spiritual journey. It gives us energy to overcome major obstacles in the way of spiritual growth. It sustains people in great ministries (obvious and not), and keeps us faithful to the small duties of daily life.

The Gift of Reverence awakens in us a child-like attitude toward God and also a sense that everyone is our brother and sister. This gift enables one to see all things in God and God in all things. Heroic and total forgiveness of one's enemies is the most mature fruit of the Gift of Reverence.

The Gift of Counsel suggests what we are to do in the long range as well as in the details of our daily lives. Its inspirations are usually practical, concrete and down to earth...The Gift of Counsel is flexible and free of preconceived ideas. This Gift gives us a peaceful inclination to continue what we are doing or to change what we are doing. Silence both interior and exterior helps us to become attuned and sensitive to the promptings of the Spirit's Counsel.

The above article was gleaned from Thomas Keating's book: Fruits and Gifts of the Spirit. Lantern Books. New York. 2007.

2010 Mass Schedule and Intentions

If you intend to take up the gifts, please notify the usher before Mass.

Saturday, June 19	Intention	Given by:
4:00pm Lyndora	+George Eberhardt	Wife & Family
6:30pm Meridian	+Wally Gryback	Jack & Judy McClelland
Sunday, June 20		
8:00am Meridian	Living and Deceased	
9:00am Lyndora	+Clarence Osche	Daughter Ada
10:30am Meridian	+Catherine Daugherty – 2 nd Anniv. Remb.	Matt, Patty & Rachel Konieczny
12:00N Meridian	+Living and Deceased, especially Paul, Martin & Joseph	Nancy & Marty
Monday, June 21		
6:55am Meridian	+Billy Rotunda	George & Lucy Rotunda
	Mary Ellen & +Regis Cupps – Wedding Anniv. Remb.	
Tuesday, June 22		
8:00am Lyndora	+Loretta Gonka – Anniv. Remb.	Al & Janet Smith
	+Virginia Yossa – Birthday Remb.	Dean & Edna Morrow
Wednesday, June 23		
6:55am Meridian	+Albert Werner	Donna & John Smith
	+Marlene Vecchio	Mary Rozic - Mother
Thursday, June 24		
8:00am Lyndora	+Mary A. Sheppeck	Timothy Andreassi
	+Faithful Departed Remembrance	
Friday, June 25		
6:55am Meridian	+Esther (Birth. Remb.) & Gardiner McClelland	Jack & Judy McClelland
	+Phyllis Gillespie – Anniv. Remb.	Family
Saturday, June 26		
4:00pm Lyndora	+Irene Natali	Margaret Sheppeck
6:30pm Meridian	+Paula Mercer	Peggy Mercer
Sunday, June 27		
8:00am Meridian	+Thelma Duffy	Marsha & Ron Weleski
9:00am Lyndora	+Mary A. Sheppeck	Bolek, Marina & Sam Hoszwa
10:30am Meridian	+Eileen H. Rimer	Bob & Diane Hoehn
12:00N Meridian	+Living and Deceased	

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday	<u>Lyndora</u>	4:00 pm
	<u>Meridian</u>	6:30 pm
Sunday	<u>Lyndora</u>	9:00 am
	<u>Meridian</u>	8:00am
		10:30 am
		12:00 N

RECONCILIATION:

Meridian: Every Saturday from 12N to 12:30pm.

Lyndora: 1st Sunday of the month; 45 minutes before Mass.

ROSARY: Lyndora site: 25 minutes before the Masses.
Meridian site: Sunday mornings 20 minutes before each Mass (with the exception of the noon Mass) and following the morning Masses in Meridian.

SICK & HOMEBOUND: The sacraments are available to those who are unable to attend Mass due to sickness, age or incapacity. Please call the rectory to make arrangements. If you are scheduling elective surgery and would like to be anointed prior to surgery, please call the rectory as soon as you have the date.

Pastor: Reverend James F. Murphy, D. Min.

Parochial Vicar: Rev. George J. Palick (724-287-5531)

Deacon: Deacon Toby Gaines, M. Ed.

Pastoral Associate: Mrs. Ethel Galli

Director of Religious Education: Mrs. Joan Pilat
724-482-2362 e-mail: stfidelisccd@gmail.com

Youth Minister: Mrs. Chris Williams
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Music Director: Mrs. Cookie Salak

Parish Social Minister: Mrs. Joannie Soldner
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Parish Secretary: Mrs. Ellen Wehr
e-mail: ellen1@zoominternet.net

Liturgical Coordinator: Mrs. Terri Piroch

Director of Evangelization & Planning:
Dr. Ginney K. Duffey, Ph.D.
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Butler Catholic School: Sr. John Ann, Principal
724-285-4276

Parish Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9am – 2pm.

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, June 26, 2010

4:00PM Lyndora

Lector: Susan Oliver
Euch Min: S. Rodack, J. Graham, M. Schmidt
Altar Server: Angela Kovac

6:30PM Meridian

Lector: James Neutrelle
Euch Min: M. Cavanaugh, A. Neutrelle, L. Schirra
Altar Servers: Schirras, M. Blose

SUNDAY, June 27, 2010

8:00AM Meridian

Lector: Thomas Cleary
Euch. Min: J. Hinchberger, D. Staab, S. Eury
Altar Servers: K. Zoelle, L. & B. Eury

9:00AM Lyndora

Lector: Gene Zawrotuk
Euch. Min: R. Weleski, D. Law, J. Zawrotuk
Altar Server: Jordan Cratty

10:30AM Meridian

Lector: Matthew Konieczny
Euch. Min: J. Kaufman, P. Werner, J. Pepmeyer,
M. Lansinger, P. Henricks
Altar Servers: R. Konieczny, A. & N. Huff

12:00Noon Meridian

Lector: Amy Mavrodis
Euch. Min: L. Smith, J. & J. Kline
Altar Servers: Stocks, D. Andreassi

BAPTISM: Baptism class is required. Please call the office to schedule.

BAPTISMS: After the 12 Noon Mass on the 1st & 4th Sundays and during the Noon Mass on the 3rd Sunday. Parents are encouraged to attend baptism class prior to the child's birth.

MARRIAGE: Couples contemplating marriage should contact Fr. Murphy or Fr. Palick at least six months prior to the date of the intended marriage. Pre-marriage instructions are required.

FUNERAL LUNCHEONS: Please note: A two-day notice is necessary for a funeral luncheon.

LYNDORA: Call Mary Ann Sheppeck (724-282-7157) or Rosemary Pawlowicz (724-283-8451).

MERIDIAN: Call Judy Graham (724-482-4001) or Cleo Tritch (724-283-2265).

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Registration forms available in the vestibule or online at the parish website. Complete and place in the collection basket or mail to the office.

CENTERING PRAYER: is held for 20 minutes weekly following the 8 a.m. Tuesday Mass in Lyndora.

MARIAN PRAYER GROUP meets the first and third Monday of each month at 7:30pm.

THE CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY is prayed every Thursday after the 8:00am Mass at Lyndora. Please come and pray with us.

St. Fidelis Vision Statement: St. Fidelis Parish is a Catholic community, guided by the Holy Scriptures and Church tradition, working toward the Kingdom of God on earth.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

Income 6/13/10	\$11,106.00
Mission co-op	\$2,294.82
Parish Share, 2010	\$2,540.00
Building Improvement Campaign (BIC)	\$940.00

Peter's Pence Collection

Next weekend, June 19/20, the Annual Peter's Pence Collection will be taken up. This annual collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to those throughout the world who suffer from war, oppression, disease and natural disasters. This annual collection is a powerful way for Catholics around the world to shed the Light of Christ on those who are most in need. Please be as generous as your means permit.

Altar Society Schedule:

June 20, 2010 – Ginny Lang

VBS: It's not too late to sign up for Vacation Bible School!

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Tuesday, June 22nd at 2:00pm in the double classroom.

The Benedictine Oblates will meet on Thursday, June 24th at 7:00pm at the Meridian church. Fr. Anthony Grossi will be the speaker. This meeting is open to the public and everyone is welcome.

A **Healing Mass** will be held on Monday, June 21st at 7:00pm at St. Christopher at the Lake Church in Prospect. Fr. Bill Kiel will be the celebrant. Rosary begins at 6:30pm. Enrich and feed your soul through the Holy Spirit. Refreshments in the church hall following Mass and the blessing.

Registration is happening now for CCD and for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is the method that St. Fidelis uses to teach the faith to our young children ages 4 through Kindergarten. We have mailed registration forms for this program, along with regular CCD registration forms, to the families in the Religious Education Database. If you would like to register your child for either Good Shepherd or CCD for the 2010-2011 year, and did not receive the mailing, please fill out the forms that are at the back of each church. You can place it or them in the collection basket, or mail to the Religious Ed Office. As always, the \$10 fee for Good Shepherd or the \$50/family fee for CCD should not prevent your child/children from being enrolled. We have scholarships available. The Good Shepherd Program is limited to 24 children during the Sunday morning and Monday evening sessions, and 12 during the new Thursday afternoon session. The Good Shepherd Program will be filled on a first-come-first served basis. The CCD program is not limited. Contact Joan Pilat (724-482-2362) or stfidelisccd@gmail.com for information or with questions.

CHRIST = SAVIOR

In the Gospel reading for the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary time, we hear Jesus and the disciples discussing Jesus' messianic identity and the qualifications needed to follow him. Jesus challenges the disciples to accept his own suffering as part of his destiny, as well as embrace suffering as one of the conditions for true discipleship.

The first reading from the prophet Zechariah is a good illustration of Israel's prophetic tradition speaking to the idea of suffering as a key component to the messianic age. The Book of Zechariah is fourteen chapters in length, with the first half of the book dated to the early period of Israel's restoration after the Babylonian Exile, about 520 BC. The final chapters, including today's reading, belongs to a later (unknown) period in Israel's history, most likely in the 400s BC. It is these final chapters, especially chapters 9-12, that the Gospel writers use to frame Jesus' final entry into Jerusalem, as well as his death on the cross. (Note how Matthew and John use Zechariah 9:9 in describing Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. See Mt 21:5; Jn 12:14-15.) In today's first reading, Zechariah prophesies the key role of suffering in the salvation of Israel. John picks up on this prophecy as he details the piercing of Jesus' side on the cross (see Jn 19:34, 37). Like the suffering servant oracle of Isaiah 52:13-53:12, today's first reading from Zechariah teaches us that Jesus' suffering and death was foreseen by some of Israel's prophets.

In the Gospel reading, we hear Peter's confession of Jesus' identity as "the Christ of God" and the role of discipleship connected to Jesus' first passion prediction. Scholars believe that Luke inherited this story from Mark in written form. This accounts, at least in part, for the rather awkward "rebuke" that Jesus retorts back to Peter and the disciples as Peter correctly identifies him as "the Christ of God." In preserving Peter's confession and Jesus' first passion prediction, Luke dropped the startling exchange between Peter and Jesus in which Peter "rebuked" Jesus for speaking about himself as a suffering Messiah (see Mk 8:32-33). By emending Mark in this way, Luke was able to preserve the basic integrity of this tradition without advancing Mark's negative portrait of Peter. Within the synoptic Gospel tradition, the role of suffering in Jesus' messianic identity and as a condition for discipleship is well-attested (see, for example, Mk 8:31-38; Mt 10:37-39; 16:21-28; Lk 14:25-27). To the earliest followers of Jesus, the likelihood of physical suffering was very real. For this reason, both Jesus and the Gospel writers integrate suffering into the definition of discipleship.

We continue with Paul's Letter to the Galatians for the second reading. Galatians offers us some of Paul's most profound insights into the mystery of Jesus Christ. Today's short reading is no exception. The Greco-Roman world in which Paul lived was radically divided along social, cultural, and gender lines. In his ongoing quest to unite Jewish and Gentile Christians around faith

in Christ versus works of the law, Paul saw all people who professed faith in Christ as "children of God." As "children of God," all Christian disciples inherited the promises made to Abraham and his descendents – a chosen people, subject to suffering but also destined for divine grace and blessings.



Born to New Life: We ask your prayers for the families of Tom Duggan, Mary Mascia and Joseph Walek who passed away recently. May these souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, continue their journey to new life in the presence of God in the heavenly kingdom. Amen.

Christian Women's Guild Prayer Chain:

The Christian Women wish to share their love and concern for others by extending their ministry of the prayer chain to the entire parish.

The names of the sick and hospitalized will be published in the bulletin for three weeks unless otherwise requested. Requests must be given to Mary Ellen Cupps, 724-482-2500 or Fran McConnell, 724-789-9433 by Noon on Mondays. Please remember: Doreen Albin, Andy Anderson, Joyce Aquaviva, Tootie Betres, Juanita Birckbichler, Alice Bradley, John Burlett, Steve C., Eva Chavez, John Chuba, Karen Conrad, Sandy Davidson, John Dottle, Frank Druda, Jim & Diane Ellis, Jeanine Furman, John Gibson, Sheila Gibson, Mary Harris, Mary Ann Hein, Betty Herbert-Pendelton, Ruth Holben, Tom Horvatic, James, Jenna, Frank K., Kelly & Erin, Ashley Kline, Jay Dale Kolander, Mike Konieczny, Rose Ann Konieczny, Lillian Kostecky, Marsha Kowal, Barb Lucas, Lynne, Alan M., Carol M., Scott McCue, Owen McKinnis, S. McElroy, Sandra McNees, Megan, Mikayla, Matthew Noto, Tim O'Farrell, Lisa Aquaviva-Pansaniti, Mark Panichelle, Ed Pawlowicz, Rosemary Pawlowicz, Mary Beth Reges, Joe Ritson, Veronica Rozic, Michael Rupert, Pamela Salopek, Marge Sherman, Michael Simms, Kathy Stringer, Barney Slupe, Carolyn Smolen, Stephen, Ryan T., Russ Thomas, Adam Troutman, those in the military and for all special intentions in your prayers.

Butler Deanery Eucharistic Adoration Chapel: The following hours are open at the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel located at St. Michael the Archangel Church, 432 Center Ave., Butler: Tuesday: 12 midnight-1am, 2-3am, 4-5am; Wednesday: 2-3am; Thursday: 11-12 midnight; and Saturday: 11am-12 Noon. To sign up as a regular adorer or sub, call Linda Spohn at 724-283-2555.

Proper Dress for Worship

Please show proper reverence for the Mass and the Blessed Sacrament by remembering to dress respectfully. Now why is our attire here so important? It is not to impress God. God is not impressed with what we wear, but proper dress is important for us; it puts us in the right frame of mind for worship. When we dress up for a dinner we remind ourselves that this is a special occasion, not just any ordinary event. Dressing respectfully for Mass reminds us, and those who see us, that we are about to encounter our Savior and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, and this is a special occasion.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Supplies are arriving every day and we THANK YOU! But there is still plenty on the list. Please call or email the Religious Ed Office so that we don't get too much of one thing and none of another: 724-482-2362; stfidelisccd@gmail.com

string mop
clear packing tape
bucket
15 Pringles Baked Wheat Stix
12 bags square pretzels
12 bags of 42 oz M & M's
8 bags of Skittles
3 boxes of 25 oz Honey Nut Cheerios
8 bags of 16 oz mini marshmallows
20 bags of bite-size BLUE corn chips
10 chunks of 8 oz mild cheddar cheese
50 boxes of blue jello
16 tubs of 16 oz whipped topping (not lite or squirt-on)
one 5 lb bag of gummy worms
10 boxes of blue dots
1600 brad fasteners
8 packages fabric markers
10 packages regular markers
3 rolls of duct tape
6 wading pools to borrow
40 nerf or sponge balls
10 empty spray bottles

10 small blankets to borrow
10 sheets to borrow
8 benches to borrow
4 boxes Saltine crackers
24 rolls of stretch gauze
4 rubber large snakes
10 bungee cords
3 clear plastic shower curtains
8 boxes of 13 oz chocolate graham cracker crumbs
fresh fruit for Friday: red and green grapes, watermelon cubes, cantaloupe balls and pineapple chunks
6 ½ cup measuring cups
250 blue plastic dessert plates
1.5 oz paper condiment cups - 250
400 9 oz clear plastic wide cups
long plastic stirrers
200 heavy-duty or plastic dinner-size plates
markers and pens (36 of each)
12 pack pads of post-it notes
teddy bears or other stuffed animals (7)
a few large bags of Starburst candies

Youth Group Scoop – 6-12 grades

Mark your calendar:

Butler County Park Office will provide the youth of St. Fidelis with a Red Cross Babysitter's Training Class. This class is designed for ages 11-15. The class emphasis will be on prevention, safety, responsibility, leadership and professionalism. The class can only hold 10-15 participants. The date will be determined when/if we have enough interest. Cost is \$49 and will last approximately from 9am -4pm. Lunch will be provided. Contact Chris to sign up.

Vacation Bible School: Plan your summer now! Vacation Bible School, June 28-July 2, needs your help every day or any day that you are able. You may be crew leaders for the children and youth, or helpers in the craft room or the kitchen, or help with the Bible story station and do a bit of acting or help outside with the games.

Walking Stations of the Cross Clean-up and Picnic: Saturday, July 10th. Details to follow.

Gaugua Lake – Wildwater Kingdom: July 17th. Come and let loose on the water slides, wave pool or family activity center. **\$40 and a signed Consent to Treat will reserve your spot.** Cost includes bus transportation, admission to the park and a meal ticket. Bus will leave church parking lot at 9am and return at 9pm. Chaperones needed. Plenty of seats are still available.

Butler Community Dinner hosted by St. Fidelis Youth Group: Tuesday, July 27th. Come and give back to the Butler community that supports us so well. We will be cooking, serving and cleaning up. Adults are also needed in the kitchen. Contact Chris if you are able and willing.

August 8th Pirate Game: Pirates vs. Colorado Rockies. 1:35 start. **\$20 and signed Consent to Treat by July 1st** will reserve your seat on the bus and ticket to the game. Chaperones needed. Bus will leave church parking lot at noon.