

***Give thanks to the Lord,  
His love is everlasting.***

The reading from the Gospel of Mark about Jesus stilling the storm that erupted on the Sea of Galilee is part of a larger Markan treatment of the fear that stands in the way of receiving Jesus' word in a way that may be fruitful in us. The section that just preceded today's Gospel was an extended discourse that addressed how one is fruitful by accepting the word of Jesus (Mark 4: 1-34). Mark is noteworthy in this respect. Whereas Matthew writes that it is necessary to understand the word and Luke says that one must "embrace it with a generous and good heart and bear fruit through perseverance," Mark writes simply that accepting Jesus' word makes one fruitful (Mark 4:20; Matthew 13:23; Luke 8: 15).

Unlike Matthew and Luke, Mark does not record much teaching of Jesus before this passage calls for the acceptance of his word in order to be fruitful. There are brief rejoinders by him, defenses both of those who believe (1:8b-9; 2: 17, 19-22; 3:33-35) and of the priority that the coming of the reign of God takes over everything else (2:25-28; 3:4). One finds no large block of teaching material before this point in Mark, however, as one finds, for example, in the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew and the Sermon on the plain in Luke. The one exception, and it is a brief one, is Jesus' contradiction of the claim that he is possessed by Beelzebul (3:23-29). The reason for this exception is clear. The only teaching that Jesus has initiated in Mark's Gospel is the claim, "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel" (1:15). The claim that Beelzebul controls Jesus asserts instead that Beelzebul's reign continues unabated.

The "violent squall" (4:37) at sea provokes terror in the disciples. Jesus' response implies that if they had faith they would not be terrified (4:40). Similarly, when they arrive on the other side of the sea the people will exhibit a fear that causes them to ask Jesus to leave them (5: 15). This is caused by Jesus' exorcising from a man a large number of demons. When they cross the sea again, a woman who is healed when she secretly touches the cloak of Jesus is filled with "fear and trembling" when Jesus asks who has touched him (5:31,33). Again Jesus contrasts faith and fear (5:34).

Today's Gospel is part of a series of Markan passages articulating the perspective that accepting the arrival of God's reign means the violent overthrow of the forces of evil in the world. God's reign comes not smoothly but through upheavals in our lives.

*Scripture Reflections and Commentaries by  
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***Happy Father's Day!***

**Readings for the Week of June 21, 2009**

Sunday	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41
Monday	Saints Paulinus of Nola, bishop; John Fisher, bishop, martyr; Thomas More, martyr Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33' Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday	Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15; Mt 7:6, 12-14 Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17
Wednesday	The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80
Thursday	Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16; Ps 106; Mt 7:21-29
Friday	Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128; Mt 8:1-4
Saturday	Saint Cyril of Alexandria, bishop, doctor Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-50, 53-55; Mt 8:5-17
Sunday	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43 Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19

**The Media and Respect for Life** "An important and serious responsibility belongs to those involved in the mass media, who are called to ensure that the messages which they so effectively transmit will support the culture of life. They need to present noble models of life and make room for instances of people's positive and sometimes heroic love for others. With great respect they should also present the positive values of sexuality and human love, and not insist on what defiles and cheapens human dignity. In their interpretation of things, they should refrain from emphasizing anything that suggests or fosters feelings or attitudes of indifference, contempt or rejection in relation to life. With scrupulous concern for factual truth, they are called to combine freedom of information with respect for every person and a profound sense of humanity" (John Paul II, "The Gospel of Life," n. 98). *Priests for Life Liturgical resources*

**2009 PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION** Next week our parish will take up the Peter's Pence Collection. This Collection allows the Holy Father to cast the light of Christ upon the world by providing emergency assistance to those who need it most around the globe. Please be generous in next week's Peter's Pence Collection.

**EACH moment you spend before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament** brings blessings upon you. "So now, O children, listen to me; instruction and wisdom do not reject! Happy the man who obeys me, and happy those who keep my ways. Happy the man watching daily at my gates, waiting at my doorposts; For he who finds me finds life, and wins favor from the Lord." Proverbs 8:32-35. You may come to adoration at any time, day or night, CALL 863-4963.

**ATTENTION ST. ANN ALUMNI:** We are still in need of your help so that we may complete our graduation picture collection. We still need the following years: 2002, 1991, 1990 and the 1970's and older. You can email us: Anne Sander at [anneol@cinci.rr.com](mailto:anneol@cinci.rr.com), or Ruth Vogt Madden at: [fightinirish@cinci.rr.com](mailto:fightinirish@cinci.rr.com) or call 898-2411. Thanks for your help!

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**This Week in our Parish**

**Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>**

7:40 a.m. Rosary before Mass  
10:10 a.m. Rosary before Mass

**Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

7:00 p.m. Spirituality Committee meeting

**Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 p.m. Basic Catechism class  
8:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul

**Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**

3:30-4:30 p.m. Confessions  
4:40 p.m. Rosary

**Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**

7:40 a.m. Rosary before Mass  
10:10 a.m. Rosary before Mass

**ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS** Raffle Winners - The winner of \$250 of gift certificates was Marge Boyle. The \$150 winner was Marge Tann and the third winner of \$100 was Marion Schroer. Congratulations and thanks to all who participated.

**MEMORIAL BRICKS** We will be placing another Memorial Brick Order at the end of June. If you are interested in placing an order, please pick up a form and turn it in soon.

**ST. ANN'S FIESTA MERCHANT BOOTH** is asking for donations. We are looking for brand new merchandise, gift cards, gift certificates and free food cards. Please consider asking the company you work for to make a donation. Please drop off items at the back of church or at the Parish offices. If you have questions, contact Rhonda Feenstra at 844-6192 or Ruth Madden at 898-2411. Thank you for your support!

**PRINGLE CANS NEEDED:** The Fiesta is in need of both FULL (uneaten) and EMPTY Pringle cans. If each parishioner brought in one full and one empty Pringle can we would have plenty. There is a box in the back of church for you to leave them in. Thank you!

**Unique Designs in Fairfield** will be holding a fundraiser for the Joe Toerner Benefit fund on July 26 from 1-4pm. The will offer \$15 haircuts and will be donating 100% of the proceeds to the benefit fund. Joe has been diagnosed with ALS and this fund will help to offset significant costs associated to the medical care and equipment needed. Questions, contact Unique Designs at 829-7776 or visit [www.friendsofjoe.info](http://www.friendsofjoe.info) for information on this and upcoming events.

**The Joe Toerner Benefit** will be held on Friday, August 21, from 7-12 am at Jungle Jim's Oscar Center. Joe has been diagnosed with ALS. This evening will include an evening of food, drink and celebration (of Joe's life) as well as a live and silent auction. Tickets are \$50 each. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Lori Lamb at 737-4539 or Rick Kunkel at 608-6829 (For more information). Also see [www.friendsofjoe.info](http://www.friendsofjoe.info).

**EUCARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED** Schroder Manor is in need of individuals who would be available to bring Holy Communion to their Catholic residents. Day and time can be at your convenience. To volunteer call Lauren Marsh - Pager 660-0285 or Cell 236-7859.

**Badin High School** still has openings in its Laffalot Summer Camp being offered the week of July 6-10. For more information or to register, please call Pat at 313-2076, or go to the Laffalot website at [www.laffalotcamps.com](http://www.laffalotcamps.com).



**Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1:30 p.m. Caitlin Wolf & Ben Huxel [Wedding]  
5:00 p.m. For the deceased members of the Women's American / Italian Society

**Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. Tess Fontaine (Sue Emmons)  
10:30 a.m. For the Intentions of St. Ann People

**Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Weekday**

7:15 a.m. Don Hingsbergen (Mary Lou Cox)

**Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Weekday**

7:15 a.m. William Kirchoff (Family)

**Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>**

**The Nativity of John the Baptist**

7:15 a.m. Ruth & Russ Jones (Tom Jones Family)

**Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Weekday**

7:15 a.m. Richard Roesch (Mr. & Mrs. Norbert Doellman)

**Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Weekday**

7:15 a.m. Fred Schneider (Family)

**Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Celebrant

5:00 p.m. Ted Schuster (Max & Carol Kiep)

**Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. For the Intentions of St. Ann People

10:30 a.m. Patrick Russell (Family)

Budgeted Weekly Offering	\$ 12,072.00
06/14/2009	\$ 7,330.39
Year to Date Budgeted Offering	\$ 593,600.00
Year to Date Actual Offering	\$ 475,017.73

**ABITIBI** \$ 39.97 *Landfill space saved in cubic yards: 8.33*

**The St. Ann Vacation Bible School** deadline has been extended! Please register soon! The parish office has registration forms. Call Erin Hingsbergen at 856-8945 for more information!

**Our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Historical Booklet** has arrived and is available for purchase in the parish office. The cost is \$10.00. These make a great keepsake for anyone who has ever been a part of the St. Ann family.

**DONATE YOUR INACTIVE CELL PHONES** (No chargers, accessories, etc.). You will be helping the St. Ann Respect Life committee. Boxes are located in church; place your used cell phones there. Thanks for your help in this easy fund raiser.

**ST. ANN GUIDEBOOK & DIRECTORY** will be published again this year. Advertising dollars pay for the printing and mailing. NOTE: If you do not want to have your name, address or phone number published, please call or email the Parish office.

**A Celebration of the Pauline Year: Concert and Hymn Festival** Friday, June 26, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains, downtown Cincinnati. St. Ann's Hamilton is being represented humbly by Barb Schmidt. Everyone is welcome!

**K of C The Knights of Columbus** will be gathering donations of canned goods before church services on Jun 27 and 28. You can deposit your canned goods in the barrels located at the main church exit. All donations will be given to help feed the less fortunate.

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