

# The Lord *is my shepherd;* there is nothing I shall want.

Last Sunday we learned that rejecting Mark's message of the coming of the reign of God is not the last word. Resolve to spread this message despite opposition leads to the belief in it that opens the way for its coming. This Sunday we discover that successful witness itself is not the last word in ushering in the reign of God.

We have seen before that Mark likes to make a point by surrounding one passage with two others that deal with the same topic. This has been called the "sandwich" or intercalation technique. In today's Gospel, this technique reveals the culminating step in the life of any follower of Christ, by which they do their part in becoming a means through which God acts definitively.

Today we hear the apostles report to Jesus all they had done and taught" (Mark 6:30). This refers to their casting out demons, preaching, and curing people, that we heard last week (6:7-13). In between these two passages from last week and this week, which form the "bread" of this Markan sandwich, is an account involving Herod (6:14-29). When Herod hears about what Jesus and his disciples are doing, he equates it with the work of John the Baptist (6:16). Next we learn how Herod had John the Baptist killed (6:27-28). This account of Herod's actions, ending with the disciples of John the Baptist coming and taking his body, juxtaposed with the next verse that begins with the apostles returning to Jesus from their mission, links the sufferings of the Baptist with what the apostles can expect (6:29-30).

On the horizon of all effective striving for the reign of God is suffering, the final means through which the reign of God comes.

*Scripture Reflections and Commentaries by  
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## Readings for the Week of July 19, 2009

Sunday	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34
Monday	Saint Apollinaris, bishop, martyr Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1-6; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday	Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, priest, doctor Ex 14:21—15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday	Saint Mary Magdalene Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 63; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday	Saint Bridget of Sweden, religious Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52-56; Mt 13:10-17
Friday	Saint Sharbel Makhluif, priest Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday	Saint James, apostle 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126; Mt 20:20-28
Sunday	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

The St. Ann Novena Evening Prayer will be held Monday through Thursday evening this week at 7 p.m. Please join us in prayer to St. Ann. Novena also prayed after Masses.

**ST. ANN CCD** Our CCD program is in need of a teacher for the upcoming school year. If you are interested in volunteering in this very important children's ministry or would like more information, please call the Parish office at 863-4963.

### A Consistent Ethic of Life

"A wide spectrum of issues touches on the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. As Pope John Paul II has reminded us: "Where life is involved, the service of charity must be profoundly consistent. It cannot tolerate bias and discrimination, for human life is sacred and inviolable at every stage and in every situation; it is an indivisible good" (The Gospel of Life, no. 87).

"Among important issues involving the dignity of human life with which the Church is concerned, abortion necessarily plays a central role. Abortion, the direct killing of an innocent human being, is always gravely immoral (The Gospel of Life, no. 57); its victims are the most vulnerable and defenseless members of the human family. It is imperative that those who are called to serve the least among us give urgent attention and priority to this issue of justice" (2001: US Bishops' Pastoral Plan for Pro-life Activities: A Campaign in Support of Life). *Priests for Life Liturgical resources*

**BAKED GOODS BOOTH for the FIESTA** We are looking for all of your culinary creations to sell during our Fiesta. Our best selling items are cream puffs, brownies and cookies. We would like to offer sugar free items this year as well. Please let me know if you would like to make something. Thank you for your kindness and support: Donna Morgan at 894-9109 or [morgan45015@yahoo.com](mailto:morgan45015@yahoo.com)

**A note from Fr. Leo:** On behalf of the Archbishop of Mbarara, the Clergy and the people of God in the Archdiocese of Mbarara, Uganda East Africa, I am happy to extend heart felt appreciation for the generosity accorded to me when I came to your parish to preach the Mission Cooperative Plan Appeal 2009. Thank you for sharing with our Archdiocese what God gave you. May the Almighty God bless you abundantly!

**RUMPKE RECYCLING** Please take notice of our new blue Rumpke CAN Recycling Container in the parking lot. This is for **aluminum cans only**. Proceeds benefit the St. Ann Roots and Wings (formerly Grant in Aid) School Tuition Assistance program. Rumpke is partnering with Busch Gardens / Sea World and this is free to our School / Parish. With your support we will be eligible for quarterly rewards along with proceeds from the aluminum cans.

ST. ANN'S SPIRITUALITY BOOTH is asking for cash donations to purchase marian/saint statues to raffle off at the festival. We are also looking for rosary donations to have available to those who request them. Cash donations can be dropped in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Spirituality Booth donation" or at the Parish offices, and rosary donations or other religious mementos can be dropped off at the parish offices. If you have questions, contact Angela Goldschmidt at 513-377-7060. Thank you for your support!

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**This Week in our Parish**

**Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:40 a.m. Rosary before Mass  
 10:10 a.m. Rosary before Mass  
**Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:00 p.m. Evening prayers – St. Ann Novena  
**Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>**  
 7:00 p.m. Evening prayers – St. Ann Novena  
**Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
 7:00 p.m. Evening prayers – St. Ann Novena  
 7:00 p.m. Basic Catechism Class  
 8:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul  
**Thursday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
 7:00 p.m. Evening prayers – St. Ann Novena  
**Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**  
 6-11:30 p.m. St. Ann 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Fiesta  
**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>**  
 3:30-4:30 p.m. Confessions  
 4:40 p.m. Rosary  
 6-11:30 p.m. St. Ann 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Fiesta  
**Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:40 a.m. Rosary before Mass  
 10:10 a.m. Rosary before Mass

**URGENT REQUEST** To date, the Fiesta Committee has not heard from anyone interested in serving on a clean up crew. This is a very important activity that we need help with. The more people that help, the easier the job is. Please consider helping the Parish out by volunteering for the clean up part of the Fiesta. *For more information or to volunteer some time please call Fr. Mondiek at 863-4963.*

**P.A.C. Gas / Grocery Raffle Winners:** October, 2008: Mary Lawson, November: Betty Kunzler, December: Jan Fiehrer January, 2009: Carol Soliaday, February: Linda Ross, March: Ron Weber, April: Annette Jones, May: Jan Fiehrer, June: Peggy Schubert, July: Dottie Holderbach. For tickets to win contact Jim Kreke at: 910-0857.

**A Big Thank You** to all who helped with and participated in our Vacation Bible School. It was a huge success. Many thanks to Erin Hingsbergen, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Schaefer, and CREW for all of the hard work and preparation.



ST. Ann VBS 2009  
 100 children and approximately 40 adult/teen helpers



**Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup>** **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 5:00 p.m. Joseph J. Keller - Birthday Remembrance (wife)  
**Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>** **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 a.m. Florence Brockman (George)  
 10:30 a.m. For the Intentions of St. Ann People  
**Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>** **Weekday**  
 7:15 a.m. Daniel Eugene Harrison  
**Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>** **Weekday**  
 7:15 a.m. For the Intentions of Serena Conn  
**Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>** **Mary Magdalene**  
 7:15 a.m. Don Hingsbergen  
**Thursday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>** **Weekday**  
 7:15 a.m. John Boyle Jr. - Anniversary  
**Friday, July 24<sup>th</sup>** **Weekday**  
 7:15 a.m. For the Intentions of Charlotte Minelli  
**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>** **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Celebrant  
 5:00 p.m. William Wolpert  
**Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup>** **Feast of St. Ann**  
 8:00 a.m. For the Intentions of St. Ann People  
 10:30 a.m. Alice Fiehrer

Budgeted Weekly Offering	\$ 12,072.00
07/12/2009	\$ 7,218.47
Year to Date Budgeted Offering	\$ 24,144.00
Year to Date Actual Offering	\$ 20,344.02

The St. Ann Alumni group is selling LaRosa Buddy Cards for \$10.00. This fund raiser will help in the purchasing of new frames for our Alumni graduation pictures as well as our upcoming newsletter. Now who couldn't use a pizza card this summer for those quick or last minute dinner plans!

They will be sold after each Mass on the following weekends: July 18 & 19, July 24 & 25, August 1 & 2.

You can also contact Ruth Madden by phone at 288-2385 or by email at [fightinirish@cinci.rr.com](mailto:fightinirish@cinci.rr.com) to purchase or help with sales. Thank you!

**BADIN FOOTBALL CAMP** Badin H.S. will hold its annual youth football camp for students in grades 1 through 8 on Tuesday through Thursday, July 28-30, from 6-8 p.m. at Joyce Park. Cost \$60 includes tshirt and pizza party on Thursday. Information and camp application at: [www.badinhs.org](http://www.badinhs.org).

**Come join ACES** (Active Christian Enthusiastic Seniors) of St. Julie's on Thursday, August 20. We are carpooling from St. Julie parking lot at 9:30 a.m. Group rate to exhibit "Women & Spirit- Catholic Sisters in America," is \$13.50 includes many exhibits and lunch. Call Diane Miller at 896-4125 for more information. Check out the web site [www.womenandspirit.org](http://www.womenandspirit.org).

SAVE THE DATES

ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH 39<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FIESTA  
 FRI. & SAT, JULY 24 & 25, 2009 6-11:30 P.M.  
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