



Today let us focus on the reaction of Philip to Jesus' multiplying the five loaves and two fish to feed about five thousand (John 6:1-15). This reaction clarifies the evangelist John's perspective on how to derive enough from life to be open through prayer to the powerful working of God in our lives.

Philip is the disciple who always wants more. Thus, when Jesus asks where they can buy "enough" food to feed such a large crowd, Philip responds that even with two hundred days' wages they could not procure enough for a morsel for each (6:5, 7). Later, when some Greeks want to see Jesus, it is to Philip that they communicate this wish and Philip and Andrew convey this information to Jesus (12:20-22). This event follows right on the heels of a "great crowd" welcoming Jesus to Jerusalem, one so great that the Pharisees claim that "the whole world has gone after him" (12:12, 19). Philip is part of the process of attempting to increase the acclaim. Finally, at one point during his last discourse Jesus claims that to see him is to see and know the Father (14:7). Philip replies, "Master, show us the Father and that will be enough for us" (14:8). This is the disciple who is always looking for something else to confirm his faith.

Jesus' final response to Philip redirects the disciple's focus. The "more" that Philip is looking for is implicit in what he has already experienced in Jesus, and particularly in the works that Jesus has performed (14: 10-11). If Philip wants more it will be present through him. Jesus assures him that greater works than Jesus has done will be done through the disciple who believes and asks for such works (14:12-13). In order to be the medium of the divine "moreness" Philip needs to believe in this excess on the basis of the power that he has already experienced Jesus exercising in his life.

Philip must look to this past (such as today's multiplication of the loaves and fishes) as the basis for his expectation of more works to be done through him rather than to the future for more signs to be done for him.

*Scripture Reflections and Commentaries by
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Readings for the Week of July 26, 2009

Sunday	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15
Monday	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday	Saint Martha Ex 34:29-35; Ps 34; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday	Saint Peter Chrysologus, bishop, doctor Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84; Mt 13:47-53
Friday	Saint Ignatius of Loyola, priest Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday	Saint Alphonsus Liguori, bishop, doctor Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

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.

Abortion and Contraception

"It is noteworthy that as acceptance and use of contraception have increased in our society, so have acceptance and use of abortion. Couples who unintentionally conceive a child while using contraception are far more likely to resort to abortion than others. Tragically, our society has fallen into a mentality that views children as a burden and invites many to consider abortion as a "backup" to contraceptive failure. This is most obvious in efforts to promote as "emergency contraception" drugs that really act as early abortifacients.

"With Pope John Paul II we affirm that contraception and abortion are "specifically different evils," because only "the latter destroys the life of a human being," but that they are also related (The Gospel of Life, no. 13). It is important to remember that means that are referred to as "contraceptive" are, in reality, sometimes also abortifacient. An end to abortion will not come from contraceptive campaigns but from a deeper understanding of our human sexuality, and of human life, as sacred gifts deserving our careful stewardship" (2001: US Bishops' Pastoral Plan for Pro-life Activities: A Campaign in Support of Life).

Priests for Life Liturgical resources

**HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT
BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults or "R.C.I.A." is a program for those considering the possibility of joining the Catholic Church. Perhaps you are a Catholic, but were never confirmed. The R.C.I.A. is a great way to remember forgotten lessons. Perhaps you are a cradle Catholic who simply would like to relearn the basics.

Classes are now forming for R.C.I.A. here at St. Ann Church that will be held Wednesday evening's beginning in September. If you are interested, please phone the Parish office or email the secretary at slmcabee@gmail.com.

Join us Saturday, August 29th at 6:30 PM for a contemporary Catholic music concert presented by **ROMANS** in the church parking lot after the 5:00 Mass. As part of the St. Ann Centennial celebration, this concert is being provided free of charge. Grilled items and soft drinks will be available to purchase, and donations will be accepted.

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, August 30, 2009; 10:30 a.m. Mass. This will be the closing Mass for St. Ann's Centennial year. The Most Reverend Archbishop Dennis Schnurr will be the main celebrant. There will be a reception to follow in the school cafeteria. Look for more information in upcoming bulletins.

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.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This Week in our Parish

Sunday, July 26th
 7:40 a.m. Rosary before Mass
 10:10 a.m. Rosary before Mass
Wednesday, July 29th
 8:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul
Saturday, August 1st
 3:30-4:30 p.m. Confessions
 4:40 p.m. Rosary
Sunday, August 2nd
 7:40 a.m. Rosary before Mass
 10:10 a.m. Rosary before Mass

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Rosary Society Luncheon- The August luncheon will be held on Tuesday, August 4th at 11:30 AM at the Olive Garden on Dixie Highway. Be sure and get your Olive Garden Gift card.

Rosary Society Board Meeting - A meeting of the officers and board members will be held on Tuesday, August 11th at 7:00 PM at 898 Corwin Ave.

ROSARY SOCIETY 500 TOURNAMENT

The Rosary Society 500 Tournament has an opening for 1 couple. Games are played on the 4th Monday of the month. For more information please call Daria Mitchell at 870-9134.

A FRANCISCAN EXPERIENCE

Open to young adult women age 17 and older, who are interested in experiencing the life of the Franciscan Daughters of Mary. Share with the Sisters' in their prayer life, daily responsibilities and pro-life Mission. For more information call Mother Seraphina: 859-491-3899.

Badin High School Catham Club Drawdown Tickets are now on sale for the annual Badin Catham Club Drawdown Fish Fry. Mark your calendars for Saturday, August 15th at 6:30 PM, in the Pfirman Family Activity Center. Tickets are \$50 including dinner, beverages, and the Drawdown. An additional ticket for dinner and beverages only is \$10. The grand prize is \$10,000 and a second prize of \$1,000. Only 500 tickets will be sold. For tickets or information contact Theresa Stenger (738.5223 or bts1923@roadrunner.com), Jo Hartman (856.7379 or joiohart@fuse.net), or call Badin High School at 863.3993.

Badin Cheerleading is hosting its annual cheer clinic Saturday August 1st from 10-2 in the main gym. The cost is \$40 per girl which gets them instruction, lunch and T-Shirt! Registration forms at www.badinhs.org. If you need further information contact Jane Schlichter at 894-6035.

Stephen T. Badin Class of 1974 35th Class Reunion: Saturday, August 29, 2009, from 7 p.m. - ?at Ryan's Tavern, 241 High St., Hamilton, OH. \$20 per person, appetizers and cash bar. Send check payable to Badin High School Class of 1974 to: The GBR Group, 1220 Eaton Ave., Hamilton, OH 45013. Any questions, e-mail Mary Reimer at mreimer@gbrgroup.com or call at 513-737-4500.



Saturday, July 25th **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 5:00 p.m. William Wolpert
Sunday, July 26th **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 8:00 a.m. For the Intentions of St. Ann People
 10:30 a.m. Alice Fiehrer
Monday, July 27th **Weekday**
 7:15 a.m. Bill Kirchhoff (The Wilke Family)
Tuesday, July 28th **Weekday**
 7:15 a.m. Dick Tegge (Steve & Margaret)
Wednesday, July 29th **Weekday**
 7:15 a.m. Dolores Bach (Rosemary Hingsbergen)
Thursday, July 30th **Weekday**
 7:15 a.m. For the Intentions of John & Bert Vilkoski on their 60th Wedding Anniversary
Friday, July 31st **Weekday**
 7:15 a.m. For the Intentions of Karen Larkin & Family (The Gibbemeyer Family)
Saturday, August 1st **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 7:30 a.m. Intentions of the Celebrant
 5:00 p.m. Don Hingsbergen (M/M Michael Hingsbergen)
Sunday, August 2nd **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 8:00 a.m. For the Intentions of St. Ann People
 10:30 a.m. Tom Pottenger (Family)

Budgeted Weekly Offering	\$ 12,072.00
07/19/2009	\$ 6,647.32
Year to Date Budgeted Offering	\$ 36,216.00
Year to Date Actual Offering	\$ 27,726.34

Used Cell Phone Fund Raiser for Respect Life Committee \$ 23.50

Please continue to donate used cell phones. Thank you!

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 24 & 25, August 1 & 2.

You can also contact Ruth Madden by phone at 288-2385 or by email at 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.

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.