

**The LORD has done great things  
for us; we are filled with  
JOY!**

Mark 10:46-52 is the last passage before Jesus enters Jerusalem. It is a transition passage between Jesus' instruction of the disciples in 8:27 — 10:45 and his final days in Jerusalem beginning in Mark 11. It is also one of the "brackets" for the instruction of the disciples. Right before and right after Jesus teaches his disciples about suffering and service, we find stories of Jesus healing blind men (8:22-26; 10:46-53). These miracles serve to show how Jesus is attempting by his words to bring spiritual sight to the disciples.

The healings of the blind men are also revealing in how they differ from each other. In the first one a blind man is brought to Jesus, and the people who bring him make the request for Jesus to heal him (8:22). Jesus takes the man aside and first spits and then touches the man. The result is that the man sees dimly (8:23-24). So Jesus touches the man again, and this results in the man being able to see clearly (8:25). This healing comes before all of Jesus' teaching on how to be of service. The progression of the healing suggests how difficult it is to accept the teaching of Jesus and how people have to grow into it.

The healing of the blind man in today's Gospel is different from the other healing in several important ways. First, it is the man himself who approaches Jesus and not other people who bring him up. In fact, this second blind man struggles against many who want him to keep quiet and stop calling for Jesus (10:46-48). Second, Jesus heals him quickly and not progressively (10:52). This healing appears to signify how the disciples may acquire the spiritual perspective that Jesus has been inculcating in them about service. It is by asking, as the second blind man does three times, for Jesus to give them sight. This prayer is the child-like realization that the kingdom is a gift that is received.

*Dennis D. Sylva and Rev. James A. Wallace, CSsR*

**Readings for the Week of October 25, 2009**

Sunday	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52
Monday	Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday	Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday	Saints Simon; Jude, apostles Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19; Lk 6:12-16
Thursday	Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109; Lk 13:31-35
Friday	Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday	Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday	All Saints Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

**Mark Your Calendars! An Event for all Ages!**

St. Ann School will be hosting its first "Wax Museum of Saints" on All Saints Day, Nov. 1, 2009 directly following the 10:30 Mass. The school children in grades 4-8 have researched an assigned saint, and on All Saints Day, they will dress like, act like, and "become" that saint. They will "line the walls" of all three floors of the school building and share with their visitors what their saintly lives were all about. Don't miss this exciting, free event! If you need additional information, please contact Amy Nusky at [Amynusky@zoomtown.com](mailto:Amynusky@zoomtown.com) or (513) 863-0604.

**Where we begin...** "In protecting human life, we must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem. We urge Catholics and others to promote laws and social policies that protect human life and promote human dignity to the maximum degree possible. Laws that legitimize abortion, assisted suicide, and euthanasia are profoundly unjust and immoral. We support constitutional protection for unborn human life, as well as legislative efforts to end abortion and euthanasia" (Faithful Citizenship, US Bishops, 2003). *Priests for Life Liturgical resources*

**St. Ann's Interest Group** is hosting an "Under One Roof" Shopping Event Friday, November 6th from 7:00 - 10:00pm. The event will be located at St. Ann School 3064 Pleasant Ave in Hamilton. Ladies, Here is your chance to buy all your holiday gifts in one place.

Over 35 Vendors and Crafters will be selling their items. Admission is \$3.00 and includes refreshments and door prizes. Wine, Fruit & Cheese, Specialty Desserts and Coffee Bar will be available. Our Chinese Raffle will have over 40 items from the Vendors & Crafters as well as Vera Bradley, Food Network, Gift Certificates etc... Come join us for shopping, food and fun.



*Please remember in your prayers the following members of St. Ann Parish who have been buried from our church.*

Mary Ellen Fischesser, Mary Robuck, Gary Stricker, John Glover, Romilda Robinson, Billy Grosse, Molly Minelli, Chuck Robertson, Rita Shollenbarger, Marjorie Tann and Betty Simpkin.

**CHAPS**

Saturday, October 17, 2009, The Citizens for Historic and Preservations Services, (CHAPS) presented St. Ann Catholic Church with a recognition award honoring The Centennial of St. Ann Catholic Church – for their service to the Lindenwald community. The plaque will be available for viewing in the vestibule of the church. Many thanks to CHAPS for this award. Accepting the award on St. Ann's behalf was Mr. Pete Groh.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**This Week in our Parish**

**Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:40 a.m. Rosary before Mass  
 9:00 a.m. CCD Classes  
 10:10 a.m. Rosary before Mass  
 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Confirmation Commitment Sunday in cafeteria  
**Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A.  
 7:00 p.m. Basic Catechism Class  
 8:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul  
**Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>**  
 3:30-4:30 p.m. Confessions  
 4:40 p.m. Rosary before Mass  
**Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**  
 7:40 a.m. Rosary before Mass  
 8:00 a.m. Deacon George Schmidl here  
 9:00 a.m. CCD Classes  
 10:10 a.m. Rosary before Mass  
 6:00 p.m. St. Ann Youth Ministry

**ST. ANN P.A.C. NEWS**

Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup> the annual P.A.C. *Turkey Festival* will be held from 6-10:00 p.m. Great food and games. Raffle tickets available from Jim Saurber at 896-4024. Volunteers are also needed; please contact Jim Saurber or Ronda True at 868-0244 with your availability.

P.A.C. is still selling 200 tickets for \$5.00 each toward a \$500 Kroger gift card. The drawing is when all 200 tickets are sold (usually monthly). We have tickets available in the school office. You can send in your money (checks make payable to St. Ann P.A.C.). We will send home the stub after filling out the ticket. Thank you in advance for your support!

**Don't miss the Badin High School OPEN HOUSE** - Sunday, November 1st, 1:00-4:00 PM. Badin is an outstanding co-ed high school with successful programs for students of all abilities. Student ambassadors will be giving personal tours. Take the opportunity to speak to faculty, administration, parents, alumni and students. Student visitors will receive a free t-shirt and have a chance to win a mini laptop computer. For more information, contact the school at 863.3993.

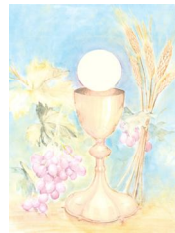
**Hospice of Hamilton** is seeking compassionate-committed volunteers to provide essential service in our Hamilton inpatient care center as well as in our home care program, long-term care facilities, clerical, fundraising and special assignments. A special volunteer training has been set up for the Hamilton/Fairfield/Butler County communities on November 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am to 4pm at the Hospice of Hamilton inpatient unit at 1010 Eaton Ave. Please contact Jo Ann Ropp, Manager Volunteer Services at 792-6982 or [joann\\_ropp@trihealth.com](mailto:joann_ropp@trihealth.com) by November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Pre- registration is required.

**Girls Let's Shop** Ladies, gather your girlfriends and mark your calendar for an evening of shopping at the Queen of Peace Basement Boutique and Bistro. Ladies! Let's Shop will be held on Friday, November 13th, 6:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Over 40 vendors will be showing their wares at the boutique. Admission to this night of shopping will be \$3.00. Queen of Peace is located at 2550 Millville Avenue, Millville, Ohio. If you are interested in being a vendor please call Carolyn Rasche @ 738-1307.



**Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 5:00 p.m. Melentine Heermann – Birthday Remembrance (Roberta)  
**Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 a.m. For the Intentions of St. Ann People  
 10:30 a.m. Elaine Eichhold (Family)  
**Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> Weekday**  
 7:15 a.m. Danny Vitale – Birthday Remembrance (Elvira & children)  
**Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> Weekday**  
 7:15 a.m. Luigi Mantua (Mark, Matia, Jennifer)  
**Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> Simon & Jude, apostles**  
 7:15 a.m. Mary Ellen Fischesser (Roberta Heermann)  
**Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> Weekday**  
 7:15 a.m. Communion Service  
 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church in Hamilton  
**Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> Weekday**  
 8:00 a.m. Tom Eichhold (The Sullivan Family)  
**Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> All Saints**  
 7:30 a.m. Deceased members of the Buelter & Harris families  
 5:00 p.m. William & Clara Kollstedt (Family)  
**Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> All Saints (daylight savings time ends)**  
 8:00 a.m. For the deceased members of the Robert & Lorene Day Family  
 10:30 a.m. For the Intentions of St. Ann People

Budgeted Weekly Offering	\$ 12,072.00
10/18/2009	\$ 8,477.03
Year to Date Budgeted Offering	\$ 193,152.00
Year to Date Actual Offering	\$ 146,742.82
RUMPKE Aluminum cans	\$ 48.40
World Mission Sunday collection	\$ 1,098.00



**First Friday – November 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:30pm confession, 7:00pm Mass**  
**Following Mass –**  
**First Friday Devotions**  
**(Exposition, First Friday devotional Prayers, Benediction)**

**RECYCLING CANS FOR SCHOOL CASH** Recycling aluminum cans saves 95% of the energy used to make cans from virgin ore. Join us by collecting and bringing aluminum beverage cans to our school aluminum bin! The Recycle Challenge – Recycling for the next generation. Visit [www.thecyclechallenge.com](http://www.thecyclechallenge.com). Proceeds benefit *Roots & Wings*.

Come see how **YOU** are part of the bigger picture at **Mount Notre Dame! Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> Noon – 3:00 p.m.** Campus Tours \* Tablet PC Program Information \* Learn about our **17 AP Classes** \* Opportunities for Leadership \* Championship Athletics Find out more at [www.mndhs.org](http://www.mndhs.org) OR Set-up YOUR online profile at [www.mndfuturecougars.com](http://www.mndfuturecougars.com).

**La Salle** welcomes prospective students and their families to the annual Open House on Sunday, Nov. 1 from 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Our Lancer Leaders will lead you on a guided tour around campus where you will learn about our cutting-edge Tablet PC Program, the unveiling of both the Lasallian Scholars Institute & our remodeled curriculum. For questions or information, call Andre Gibson at 513-741-2365.