

## Compendium, Catechism of the Catholic Church

### 154. What are the characteristics of the people of God?

One becomes a member of this people through faith in Christ and Baptism. This people has for its *origin* God the Father; for its *head* Jesus Christ; for its *hallmark* the dignity and freedom of the sons of God; for its *law* the new commandment of love; for its *mission* to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world; and for its *destiny* the Kingdom of God, already begun on earth.

#### Today's Readings

Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52 (149)

Monday

**October 26**

Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17 (479)

Tuesday

**October 27**

Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21 (480)

Wednesday

**October 28**

Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16 (666)

Thursday

**October 29**

Rom 8:31b-39/Lk 13:31-35 (482)

Friday

**October 30**

Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6 (483)

Saturday

**October 31**

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1, 7-11 (484)

Sunday

**November 1**

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a (667)

### Seeing the Son of David

Readings: Jeremiah 31:7-9 Psalm 126:1-6 Hebrews 5:1-6 Mark 10:46-52

Today's Gospel turns on an irony—it is a blind man, Bartimaeus, who becomes the first besides the apostles to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. And His healing is the last miracle Jesus performs before entering the holy city of Jerusalem for His last week on earth.

The scene on the road to Jerusalem evokes the joyful procession prophesied by Jeremiah in today's First Reading. In Jesus this prophecy is fulfilled. God, through the Messiah, is delivering His people from exile, bringing them back from the ends of the earth, with the blind and lame in their midst.

Jesus, as Bartimaeus proclaims, is the long-awaited Son promised to David (see 2 Samuel 7:12-16; Isaiah 11:9; Jeremiah 23:5). Upon His triumphal arrival in Jerusalem, all will see that the everlasting kingdom of David has come (see Mark 11:9-10).

As we hear in today's Epistle, the Son of David was expected to be the Son of God (see Psalm 2:7). He was to be a priest-king like Melchizedek (see Psalm 110:4), who offered bread and wine to God Most High at the dawn of salvation history (see Genesis 14:18-20).

Bartimaeus is a symbol of his people, the captive Zion which we sing of in today's Psalm. His God has done great things for him. All his life has been sown in tears and weeping. Now, he reaps a new life.

Bartimaeus, too, should be a sign for us. How often Christ passes us by—in the person of the poor, in the distressing guise of a troublesome family member or burdensome associate (see Matthew 25:31-46)—and yet we don't see Him.

Christ still calls to us through His Church, as Jesus sent His apostles to call Bartimaeus. Yet how often are we found to be listening instead to the voices of the crowd, not hearing the words of His Church.

Today He asks us what He asks Bartimaeus, "What do you want me to do for you?" Rejoicing, let us ask the same thing of Him—what can we do for all that He has done for us?

~ St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology ~ [www.salvationhistory.com](http://www.salvationhistory.com)

## Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

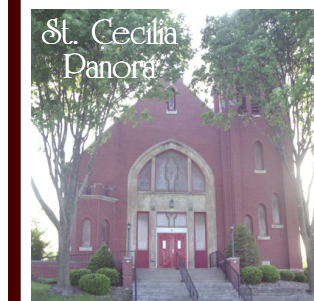
October 25, 2009



St. Patrick Bayard



St. Mary Guthrie Center



St. Cecilia Panora

Our Mission: To authentically hand on the Catholic Faith by leading people to Jesus in the Eucharist; so that our living Savior will help us to Know Him, to Love Him as He desires, to use our gifts to Serve Him, and to fulfill our purpose of living with Him in Heaven.

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#### Mass Schedule & Intentions for this week:

**Mon.** 5:30 pm (St P) Mass -- Kathryn Walstrom

**Tue.** 5:30 pm (St M) Mass -- Shayla Gilbert

**Wed.** 8:00 am (St C) Mass -- Leon & Donna Kennebeck

**Thu.** 8:00 am (St C) Mass -- Nick Murtaugh

**Fri.** 8:00 am (St M) Mass -- Leon Garreau

**Sat.** 4:30 pm (St P) Mass -- Lucille Walstrom

**Sun.** 8:30 am (St C) Mass -- Arthur & Lorna Tiefenthaler

**Sun.** 10:30 am (St M) Mass -- StC & StM & StP Parishioner's

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**St. Cecilia**

Tuesday

3:30—7:00 pm

**St. Mary**

Wednesday

3:30—5:00 pm

**St. Patrick**

Sunday

9:00—10:00 am

**Stewardship  
Gifts  
Last  
Week** 

**St Cecilia** 1,536.00

**St Mary** 773.50

**St Patrick** 825.26

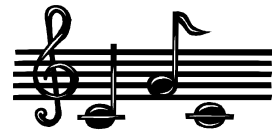
The RINI flu has been receiving a lot of publicity and various organizations and churches have been taking precautions to lessen the number of people infected. As a result, we will not be offering the sacred blood of Christ at Mass and will also no longer shake hands at the sign of peace. When the flu-season is over we will resume our normal practice.



**St. Mary Knights of Columbus** will sell boxes of tootsie rolls following Oct 18 & Oct 25 masses



Attention: Choir Members! The Ecumenical Christmas/Advent Service will be Wednesday, December 9th at the Methodist Church starting at 7:00 pm. We will have practice for our choir on November 1, 8, 29 and December 6 immediately following the 10:30 mass. Practice will last one hour. You will find music in your church boxes. Anyone interested in singing with our choir contact Bonny at 641-755-3771 or just come to a practice.



## Catholic Radio

### GPS for your soul !

KWKY 'Faith Matters'  
1150AM Catholic Radio, Des Moines IA

AVE MARIA RADIO on the Web  
[www.avemariaradio.net](http://www.avemariaradio.net)

### The Doctor Is In

Dr. Ray Guarendi, Noon - 1 pm Tues-Thur  
From Dr. Ray...My aim is to help you raise great kids. It is to bolster your self-confidence as a parent, and to put authority into your hands, where it belongs.

To paraphrase a wise person, parenting is too important to be taken seriously. So we'll also relax and laugh, whenever and however we can.

As a father of 10 (honest, ages 10 through 22) and a clinical psychologist, author, public speaker and national radio host, families have been my life.

Whatever I can do to help you learn, laugh and stand strong as a parent, I'm willing. We'll cover parenting and families from every direction, from toddlers to teens, child discipline to parenting skills, and adoption to adolescence. You name it; we'll talk it.

You will enjoy Dr. Ray even if your kids are grown!

These new CD's have been put in of our churches. Please make use of these to increase your understanding of your Catholic Faith and to better share it with others.

**CD TITLE: From Mormon Missionary to the Catholic Faith**  
**PRESENTOR: Thomas Smith**

Thomas Smith was raised in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and can trace his lineage back seven generations. In this talk, he shares his beliefs and incredible experiences as a Mormon missionary in Alabama and how this led him to convert and become a Protestant minister and later enter the Catholic Church. Mr. Smith is a popular speaker and the author of "Inside Mormonism".

**CD TITLE: Rebuilding the Christian Civilization**  
**PRESENTOR: Dr. Scott Hahn**

Is it too late to reverse our "culture of death"? Pope John Paul II didn't think so. That is why he devised a grand strategy called the New Evangelization with the ultimate goal of building a "civilization of love". Dr. Scott Hahn, lay theologian, presents the biblical blueprint for the Holy Father's building project, along with practical steps we can use to implement this plan in our own homes.

**CD TITLE: Seven Reasons to be Catholic**  
**PRESENTOR: Dr. Peter Kreeft**

Dr. Peter Kreeft is a world-renowned philosopher and best-selling author of over 35 books. Drawing from the treasured wisdom of such great spiritual thinkers as St. John of the Cross, Thomas Aquinas, C. S. Lewis, and Cardinal Newman, he helps us to understand why truth trumps everything! Listen as he clearly presents seven undisputable reasons why every person should indeed be Catholic.

**CD TITLE: The Bible Made Me Do It**  
**PRESENTOR: Tim Staples**

Tim Staples was raised Baptist and served as an Assembly of God Youth Minister. He used his extensive biblical knowledge to attack the Catholic Church but when he was challenged on his beliefs, a two-year search for truth led him right to Catholicism. Now he uses that same incredible gift to defend the Faith and help others to embrace the beauty and richness of Catholics

**CD TITLE: The Seven Levels of Intimacy**  
**PRESENTOR: Matthew Kelly**

True intimacy means sharing who we really are with another person. We have to move beyond the clichés in conversation and get beneath the surface which involves taking a risk because in doing this, our weaknesses and imperfections will be made known. Matthew teaches practical ways to share ourselves more deeply with those we love and change the way we approach our relationships forever.



## St. Mary's Harvest Brunch Sunday November 1, 2009

**Brunch—Bake Sale—Raffle**  
**10:00 A.M. — 12:30 P.M.**

Made to order omelets, rolls, muffins, fruit, juice, milk, coffee  
Free will donation

**Raffle tickets \$1 or 6 for \$5; Raffle Items:**

Two \$100 Chamber Bucks—by Dean Flanery  
\$100 Cash—Marvin & Dorothy Finnegan  
Digital Camera—Jim & Janice Vandevanter  
Christmas Wreath—Dick & Connie Ziller  
Wine Bottle Light—Dick & Connie Ziller

Two \$50 Hometown Foods Gift Certificates—Don & Rhonda Reinhart  
Callaway Golf Bag—Father Peters  
5 Altar & Rosary cookbooks

Anyone wanting to make donations to the raffle please call Jane Hall at 747-3116. We will accept donations up to the time of the brunch. For food or money donations, contact Geri Tews 747-2839 or Kim Patrick 757-1605.

ATTENTION: Evangelization groups and all parishioners:

The 7th and final session for season one of "On A Journey Together: Awakening to Christ" will be Sunday, November 1st at 4:45 p.m. at St Cecilia's in Panora. **Dr. Tom Neal, a dynamic speaker and professor of Theology will be with us – this is an opportunity you won't want to miss!!** A meal will be served following the meeting.

Since we have a speaker/guest who will be travelling, all small group members from all 3 parishes are asked to come to one location (St Cecilia's) for this meeting.

In addition, all parishioners are invited to session 7 whether or not they've been participating in the small groups.

Please RSVP on or before Wednesday, October 28th to:  
[cdziller@netins.net](mailto:cdziller@netins.net) OR, by calling a member of the core team:

- Wayne & Sonja Hennessey at 439-2256
- Mark & Barb Moore at 755-4363
- Hans & Sue Seeman at 755-4060
- Dick & Connie Ziller at 755-3345 or Cell Phone 515-371-1405

Taste of Panora -- Over the Top fundraiser for the Panora Library; Sunday, October 25, 9:30 to 1:00  
Sample over 30 recipes

### Guthrie Center Harvest Dinners

Wednesday, October 28: 11 am - 1 pm Community Bible Church at the Guthrie Center Activity Center  
Sunday, November 1: 10 am - 12:30 pm Brunch - St. Mary's Church

## Regular Schedule

### 1st Weekend

Food Pantry Weekend  
please bring nonperishable items

### 1st Wednesday

Altar & Rosary Aug-May 5:30 pm  
StM Knights of Columbus 7 pm

### 1st Friday

Coffee & Rolls following  
8:00 am Mass at St Mary's

### 4th Monday

StC Knights of Columbus 7 pm

### Per Notice

St Cecilia CCW  
St Patrick Ladies Guild

### StC Religious Formation

Sunday's following 8:30 Mass

### StP Religious Education

Wednesdays K-6 Class 4:00—5:00  
7th -8th Class 5:30—6:30  
9th-12th Class 7:00—8:00

### StM Generations of Faith

2nd Wednesdays; Sept. - March  
(Dec: 1st Wednesday)

**Mark this date on your calendars:**  
**November 22nd - St. Mary Church**  
**Centennial Mass with Bishop Pates**

### ST P MINISTERS next weekend

**Lector** Terry Vitzthum  
**EM** If no deacon - 1 volunteer  
**ST C MINISTERS next weekend**  
**EM** If no deacon - 1 volunteer  
**Gifts** Ed & Dee Buchanan  
**Greeters** Tom & Page Arganbright  
**Lectors** Jim & Dee Dice  
**Servers** George Appleseth, Hannah Appleseth, Hunter Kuta  
**Usher** Jeff Arganbright, Richard Arganbright, Joe Louis, John McDermott  
**Video** Mark Moore

### ST M MINISTERS next weekend

**EM** If no deacon - 1 volunteer  
**Gifts** Bob & Barb Flanery  
**Greeter** Sandy Eivins  
**Lectors** Dennis & Kim Patrick  
**Server** Patrick & Maria Ahrens  
**Usher** John Eivins  
**Song Leader** Kim Betts