



## Pastor's Column

### **WHITE, WHITE, RED – GREEN IN BETWEEN**

That's how I see it for the next three weeks. Despite this now being Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar, which means green as the standard vestment color, the next two Sundays are "white Sundays." This weekend is Trinity Sunday, next weekend is Corpus Christi (both calling for white chasubles or outer vestments) and then June 28-29 is the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul (red for the blood of martyrs). No green in sight for the next three Sundays.

I'm looking forward to that last feast. Most years it falls in the middle of the week and is enjoyed only by the daily Mass crowd. This year it falls on a Sunday. Usually Holy Mother Church drops saint's days altogether when they fall on Sunday, in favor of the Lord's Day. The saint's day is just not celebrated at all for that year; at least not officially.

Not so with Peter and Paul. They're just too big. Major apostles. An exception is made for them and that means I get to talk about them to the Sunday crowd this year.

I like that because I get to delve into stuff I like: Church history, papal authority, ancient basilicas holding mysterious tombs. I talk about Saints Peter and Paul and their time in Rome, their martyrdoms, their burial sites, how they got the Church started.

Did you know that, according to ancient legends, St. Peter was crucified upside down where St. Peter's Basilica now stands and that he is buried underneath that magnificent structure? Did you know that St. Paul was beheaded in Rome and is buried underneath the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls? Both basilicas were built after the deaths of those apostles, of course, precisely to commemorate their deaths and grave sites.

Some think that the two saints might not have gotten along that, because Paul jumped on board a little late in the game and was very assertive, in tension with Peter's already established top authority. In one of his epistles, Paul even boasts a little bit about publicly rebuking Peter on a point of church order.

But they are considered together as co-founders of the Church at Rome and when you walk into St. Peter's Piazza, there they are, together. A statue of Peter stands at one end of the plaza, holding the keys to the Kingdom, and a statue of St. Paul stands at the other end, holding a sword, the instrument of his martyrdom. Together, forever. There's a lesson in that for all of us.

That's red, the color of blood, because Peter and Paul were both put to death for the Faith. Red is also used at Pentecost, symbolizing the fire of the Holy Spirit.

The white feasts speak for themselves. White is the color of celebration and joy and of spiritual triumph, suitable for Trinity and Eucharist. The color gold may be used as well.

### **Stewardship is a way of life.**

### **Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:**

<b>Tithing Income: June 08, 2014:</b>	
Regular:	<b>\$ 6,580.00</b>
Loose:	<b>\$ 1,457.00</b>
<b>Children's Offering:</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>ONLINE GIVING</b>	<b>\$ 1,950.00</b>
<b>Tithing Income TOTAL For June 08, 2014:</b>	<b><u>\$ 9,987.00</u></b>
<b>Tithing Income: June 09, 2013</b>	<b><u>\$ 8,081.00</u></b>

### **Mass Attendance:**

**Weekend of June 08, 2014 - 447**  
**Weekend of June 09, 2013 - 448**

### **Next Week's Tithe:**

**Backyard Ministries**  
**EWTN**

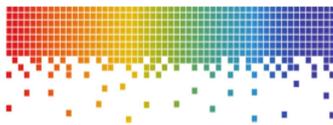
### **This Week's Tithe:**

**Catholic Communications Campaign**

### **Tithe Week of 6/08/14:**

**Pentecost Collection to Fund Education of Future Priests & Care of Sick Priests**      **\$ 999.00**

**Pastor's Comments:** Children's offerings are often very small, sometimes even \$0, other times \$1.00 or \$1.50, for an entire weekend. Are we teaching our children sacrificial giving? Are we setting the example, walking the walk as well as talking the talk? Teenagers can tithe summer job money. Kids could tithe allowances; why not? It starts at the home but the home has to start doing it.



COLLECTION FOR THE

Catholic Communication Campaign

**FAITH | WORSHIP | WITNESS**

**How the Good News gets around . . . to you.**  
**June 14 – 15, 2014**

Green is most weekdays in between, with an occasional red for a martyr or white for a saint who dies peacefully on his death bed but mostly not. Mostly it's green, the color of plant life and of growth.

The point? How about this: Keep growing through the church year and never stop. Be prepared for the red of martyrdom, if need be. Experience the white of joy, triumph and God's approval. Oh yeah, and have a happy summer while you're at it.

Fr. Bill

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### June

#### Sunday: 06/15/14: Most Holy Trinity

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

#### Monday: 06/16/14:

Mass/7am/Church

**Parish Ladies Mtg/6pm/K of C Hse. Market St.**

#### Tuesday: 06/17/14:

Mass/7am/Church

#### Wednesday: 06/18/14:

Confessions/6:30 pm/ Church

Mass/7:00 pm/ Church

#### Thursday: 06/19/14:

Mass/9am/Church

#### Friday: 06/20/14:

Mass/7am/Church

#### Saturday: 06/21/14:

Confessions/3:00pm/Church

Bielski/Egolf Wedding/1pm/Church

Mass/4pm/Church

#### Sunday: 06/22/14: Corpus Christi

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

#### Monday: 06/23/14:

Mass/7am/Church

#### Tuesday: 06/24/14:

Mass/7am/Church

#### Wednesday: 06/25/14:

Confessions/6:30pm/Church

Mass/7:00 pm/ Church

#### Thursday: 06/26/14:

Mass/9am/Church

#### Friday: 06/27/14:

Mass/7am/Church

#### Saturday: 06/28/14:

Confessions/3:00pm/Church

Mass/4pm/Church

#### Sunday: 06/29/14: Sts. Peter & Paul Apostles

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

#### Monday: 06/30/14:

Mass/7am/Church

### July

#### Tuesday: 07/01/14:

Mass/7am/Church

#### Wednesday: 07/02/14:

Confessions/6:30 pm/ Church

Mass/7:00 pm/ Church

#### Thursday: 07/03/14:

Mass/9am/Church

#### Friday: 07/04/14:

Mass/7am/Church

#### Saturday: 07/05/14:

Confessions/3:00pm/Church

Mass/4pm/Church

#### Sunday: 07/06/14:

Mass/7:30 & 11am/Church

## LITURGICAL NOTES:

*Mass Intentions for the Week*



### And Weekly Readings

#### Sunday, June 15 Holy Trinity

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9; Daniel 3:52,53, 54, 55; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18

7:30 AM Samuel & Adelene DeVecchis

11:00 AM Michael Del Vecchio

#### Monday, June 16

1Kings 21:1-16; Psalm 5:2-3,4-6,7; Matthew 5:38-42

7:00 AM Helen Berich

#### Tuesday, June 17

1Kings 21:17-29; Psalm 51:3-6, 11 & 16; Matthew 5:43-48

7:00 AM Charles Davis

#### Wednesday, June 18

2Kings 2:1,6-14; Psalm 31:20,21,24; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

7:00 PM Harry Sanders

#### Thursday, June 19

Sirach 48:1-14; Psalm 97:1-7; Matthew 6:7-15;

9:00 AM Leonard J. McCoach

#### Friday, June 20

2Kings 11:1-4,9-18,20; Psalm 132:11 -14, 17-18

7:00 AM Ann Vasiloff

#### Saturday, June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga

2Chronicles 24:17-25; Psalm 89:4-5,29-34; Matthew 6:24-34

4:00 PM Noreen Swineford

#### Sunday, June 22 Corpus Christi

Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16; Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20;

1Corinthians 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

7:30 AM Sarah Stoicheff

11:00 AM Battista Family

**Van Transportation to Mass:** The following is the

#### Van schedule:

Jun 15 - Russell Krug

Jun 22 - Dave Kaniecki

Jun 29 - Mel Reed

**Memorialize Sanctuary Candles:** The following

dates are **available: August 10, 17, 24** Cost is \$20.

Call the office to make arrangements.

*Sanctuary Candle for June 14<sup>th</sup> - June 21<sup>st</sup>*

*In Loving Memory of:*

*Michael J. & Kathryn Z. Porpotage*

*With Love from Their Family*

**Memorialize Flowers:** If you would like to memorialize flowers at the altar or ambo (pulpit) please call the parish office to schedule. The following dates are **available: June 29.**

*Altar Flowers for June 14<sup>th</sup> - June 20<sup>th</sup>*

*In Loving Memory of:*

*Michael Del Vecchio*

*With Love from his Family*

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHOIR DIRECTOR

Sacred Heart of Jesus Music Ministry is looking for a choir director for our adult choir. The choir consists of an average of twenty members from high school age up. Responsibilities include leading three or four rehearsals a month, directing at Masses and special services at which the choir sings, and working with the parish music director in planning events and selecting music. The choir's season runs from mid-September through early May. Qualifications include the ability to instruct and direct choral music (part singing) and leadership skills. Education in a music field strongly recommended. Ability to provide accompaniment (piano and/or organ) is desired, but not required. Salary is commensurate with experience and abilities. **Please send letters of interest and resume to: Rev. William Weary, Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 9 N Brown St, Lewistown PA 17044 or email to [frweary@sacredheartlewisstown.com](mailto:frweary@sacredheartlewisstown.com).** Any questions related to the position please contact Tony Hallinan, Music Director at (717)248-9437 or [aqhdmh@verizon.net](mailto:aqhdmh@verizon.net)



### Sister Sez...

**The Question? Read Matthew 6:9-15 and Matthew 18:23-34.** What is the condition Jesus puts on the prayer for forgiveness in the Our Father? What is the promise and the warning of that condition? What does the parable of the Unmerciful Servant suggest to us about the importance of the slights we receive compared with the sins God has forgiven us?

**The Answer:** Jesus says that if we do not forgive, we will not be forgiven. The promise is: if we humble ourselves in forgiveness, our father will do the same for us, but if we do not, so will we be denied forgiveness. The parable demonstrates

that the debt our neighbor owes to us is truly nothing compared to the debt we owe to God for all of our sins, which he has pardoned through His own Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Therefore, we must forgive generously, as we have been forgiven with ultimate generosity.



**Celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversaries with Fr. Bill and Fr. Jayson on Wednesday July 9<sup>th</sup> after the 7pm Mass.** The liturgy committee will be hosting a Wine and Cheese reception (if you would like to bring Hors d'Oeuvres or dessert you are welcome to), In honor of the anniversaries of Fr. Bill and Fr. Jayson. The Committee is taking up a collection for gifts for both. Please turn in your generous donations to the Parish office by July 7<sup>th</sup> **thank you in advance.** You can also put your donation in the collection basket in an envelope Marked for the Parish Secretary – Anniversaries. Thank you again in advance!



**Attention Parish Ladies,** In order to maximize our efforts for the good of the Parish, the Ladies Guild and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus are merging into one group. **On Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm** at the Knights of Columbus house on Market St, we will be holding our re-organizational meeting. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. *ONE mission, ONE Group... and ONE heck of a Good time!*



**Attention Parish Youth (Grades 8-12):** On Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> Fr. Bill is planning a Day at Greenwood Furnace State Park. The Day will begin with Mass at the Chapel, followed by a picnic, swimming and hiking. **Call the Parish Office to sign up! 242-2781.**

**Save the Date for the Annual Parish Picnic, on Sunday, September 07<sup>th</sup> at the Orange Pavilion at Derry Park!!**



**Come and Enjoy VBS 2014 June 22<sup>nd</sup> - 26, 2014 from 6:00pm -8:30 pm.** Ages 3 years to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. St. John's Lutheran Church. 120 N. Main St., Lewistown. **To register call 248-8733.**



## COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS



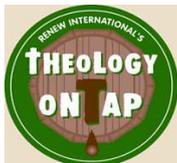
What can you do to ensure the protection of religious freedom at home and abroad? The U.S.

Bishops have called for a Fortnight for Freedom from June 21 to July 4, 2014. The two-week celebration will focus on the theme, "Freedom to Serve," emphasizing the link between religious liberty and service to the poor and vulnerable. Please visit [www.fortnight4freedom.org](http://www.fortnight4freedom.org) for more information on this important time of prayer, education, and action in support of religious freedom!



The St. Thomas More Society of Central PA will be celebrating and honoring our patron saint on Monday, June 23, 2014 at 12 noon with a Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Harrisburg

celebrated by Bishop Ronald Gainer, D.D., J.C.L. All are invited to attend. The St. Thomas More Society of Central PA was founded by a group of lawyers who desired to, in part, provide assistance to all interested members on moral and ethical issues, confronting the practice of law and on matters of state and national legislation.



**Theology on Tap – Harrisburg ... hits the roof!** Join us for a Summer Social up on the roof of Ceoltas on 2nd Street. "The Thatch", as this open-air rooftop bar is called, is the perfect location to kick back and socialize with other young adults from the Harrisburg area. We'll meet there on **Wednesday, June 25th at 6:30 p.m.** All 21-39 year olds are welcome – single, married, practicing Catholics or those still searching. For info and to RSVP click on the Harrisburg links at:

[www.hbqdiocese.org/theologyontap](http://www.hbqdiocese.org/theologyontap)



**Save the Date!** For an opportunity to see outstanding Catholic theologian, author, and biblical scholar, **Dr. Scott Hahn**, on August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – New Oxford H.S. Cost is \$15, which includes lunch. Doors open at 9 am. The conference is being sponsored by Immaculate Conception Parish, New Oxford. **For more**

information, contact Mr. Pete Socks, Conference Coordinator. If you are interested in Catholicism, the Bible, or apologetics, then get the word out...this is one you do not want to miss!



**Mark your calendars for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Mitre Cup Golf Tournament** to benefit benevolent care at St. Anne's Retirement Community. The tournament will be held on

Thursday, June 26, at the prestigious Bent Creek Country Club, with shot gun start at 1 p.m. Golfers can choose the side on which they prefer to play: The Blue Team – Team Harrisburg; or, the Red Team – Team Lancaster. Another way to support St. Anne's Retirement Community, if you are a golfer or not, is through the "Golf Balls from Heaven" special event. Donations of \$50 per golf ball or \$100 for 3 golf balls will give you a chance to win the \$2,500 prize! The golf ball that falls closest to the target will be the winner. Only 375 golf balls will be sold. Need not be present to win. We are especially excited to announce that Bishop Ronald Gainer will be joining us! Reserve your spot at the tournament, purchase "Golf Balls from Heaven", and/ or join us for our cocktail reception and dinner to find out which team is victorious! For more information contact Mary Jo Diffendall, at [717-285-6539](tel:717-285-6539) or please visit our website for more information and to register online [www.StAnnesRetirementCommunity.com](http://www.StAnnesRetirementCommunity.com)



**School office summer hours are:**

**Tuesday – Wednesday 9am – 12pm**  
**Thursday 9:00am to 1:00pm**



**The Middle States accreditation status for Sacred Heart School will soon end.** Volunteers from the school, church and community are being recruited to begin the self-study process required for reaccreditation. If you are interested in the mission, beliefs and growth of Sacred Heart School, and are willing to commit to being part of this future planning process, contact the principal at 248-5351.