

Bulletin # 910050.207

St. Vincent Church
164 West Market Street
Akron, OH 44303-2395

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Attn: Eileen Halaiko

MESSAGES: Good afternoon everyone. Hope you are all doing well. Take care, Eileen

Saint Vincent Church



February 7, 2010

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Rectory

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Bulletin Deadline:

12:00 Noon Monday in Writing

Masses: Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM • Sunday: 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 AM
Weekdays: 6:30 AM • Saturday: 6:30 AM
Holy Days: 6:30, 9:00 AM and 5:30 PM

Confessions: Saturday: 11:00 to 12:00 Noon and Thursday before First Friday; 3:30-4:30 PM

Eucharistic Holy Hour: Wednesday: 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Rosary: Saturday at 4:40 PM

Parish Registration: New Parishioners are most welcome and should register at the rectory as soon as possible. If moving out of the parish, please notify the rectory.

Baptisms: It is necessary that parents attend a Baptism Preparation Program before the Baptism of their first child. Baptism Preparation classes can be completed at either St. Hilary (Sr. Marlene, 330-867-1055) or at St. Sebastian (Marival Ciarlariello, 330-865-5905). Call either parish for times and registration details. Proof of attendance should be presented to St. Vincent Church prior to the baptism.

Marriages: Couples intending to marry should call at the rectory at least SIX MONTHS prior to the marriage. It is required to have copies of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation records, if these Sacraments are not received at St. Vincent. Wedding times on Saturday are at 12:00 Noon or 2:00 PM.

Parish School of Religion (PSR) Pre-School - 8th: Classes are September through May. Classes are held in St. Vincent Grade School on Sundays from 10:15 AM to 11:15 AM.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (Convert Classes): Classes begin in September. For information, call 330-535-3135.

Hospital/Sick/Shut-in Visitation : Please notify the Rectory when a parishioner is hospitalized, shut-in or ill.

Funerals: Please notify a Priest as soon as possible regarding arrangements, either personally or through the funeral director.

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Masses for the Week

SATURDAY, February 6, 2010 * St. Paul Miki, martyr, and his companions

5:00 PM Joseph David and Helen David

SUNDAY, February 7 * 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Day of Consecrated Life; Boy Scout Sunday

7:00 Frank Kosla

9:00 Cathy Basil

11:00 Mass of Thanksgiving for the 40th Wedding Anniversary of Joe and Mary Beth Dobo

12:00 noon **Baptism** of Odin Robert Meeker

MONDAY, February 8 * St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine Bakhita

6:30 Steve Michael



TUESDAY, February 9

6:30 Leander Mattes

WEDNESDAY, February 10*St. Scholastica

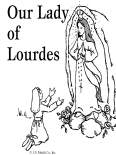
6:30 Mass For Our Parishioners

7:00 PM Holy Hour in Church



THURSDAY, February 11 * Our Lady of Lourdes * World Day for the Sick

6:30 Ralph Bernard



FRIDAY, February 12 * Lincoln's Birthday

6:30 Betty Harris

SATURDAY, February 13

6:30 Living and deceased Members of the Holy Name Society

5:00 PM Greg Sheeks—Anniversary

SUNDAY, February 14 * 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 Michael Beskitt

9:00 Jo Ann and Ned Boland

11:00 Michael Ziga



**COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, January 31, 2010
Thanks for your Support!**

Weekly Budget.....	\$ 15, 500.00
Collection of January 31.....	\$10,002.23
Children's Envelopes	\$37.03

THANK YOU!

WHERE GOD IS We cannot go where God is not. And where God is all is well. — Anonymous

KRUMBS FROM THE KRAKER-BARREL

WIPE THE SLATE CLEAN



You know what today is, don't you Minnie?

Let me think about it, boss. Let's see, last night all the priests were here for the big dinner we serve. That means today must be Sunday.

That's right, Minnie, and you know what Sunday means.

I sure do, boss. That means I have to go over to church to greet all the people and collect my treats.

You've got it right, Minnie, are you ready to go?

I think I am, boss, but sometimes I worry that you may not want me to go to church with you.

Why do you say that, Minnie? I've never said you can't go.

No, you haven't, boss, but sometimes you go without telling me, and I was wondering if that meant you really didn't want me to go.

Can you think of any reason I might feel that way, Minnie?

Sometimes it's hard to figure out what you're thinking, boss, but I could guess at what your reason might be.

And what would that be, Minnie?

Oh, you know, boss, my behavior in church has not always been what it ought to be.

That's for sure, Minnie. There were times that people had trouble praying with all the racket you made with your barking. I think some of them were actually afraid you were going to hurt them.

I know, boss, I was terrible. That's why I wasn't sure you wanted me to go to church with you anymore. I could understand if you asked me to stay home.

Well, Minnie, it's good that you are able to recognize the mistakes you made. If you remember how you behaved in the past, you will be able to correct yourself. On the other hand, you can't let your mistakes keep you from doing what you are supposed to do as a church dog.

I'm glad to hear you say that, boss. I think I was beginning to get a little down on myself, and not sure I was able to be the kind of church dog you want me to be.

Minnie, you need to remember that you're the dog I chose to be our church dog, and if it takes some time for you to learn how, I'm willing to work with you on that.

You mean you've forgotten the way I used to be.

I haven't forgotten; I've forgiven.

What a boss, boss! C'mon, let's go.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: Because of hospital privacy regulations it is increasingly important for you to notify the parish when you or someone close to you is going into the Hospital. It is also recommended that prior to your admission to a Hospital that you request the Priest to administer the Sacrament of the Sick. This can be done in a short prayer service following any of the weekend Masses.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK
is Thursday, February 11, 2010.

Prayer For One Who is Sick

Lord Jesus, it is not Your will that Your people should suffer, and yet, I remember so well how You took on suffering for us all. Keep me now from losing hope as I face once again my infirmity. I feel the pain and ask of God, "Let this cup pass from me."

As I kneel with You in the garden, may I welcome another day with a prayer that echoes yours: "Not my will but Thine be done." Let me never forget how to laugh, for laughter is Your gift to me to undo depression and heal the hurt of a sickness I cannot control. Then I will gladly walk Your way, to join in Your sacrifice of love, and I will not dwell upon the pain that leads my thoughts away from You.

Take me into Your gentle embrace, for I know that whatever this day brings, You have paved my way with Your tears and redeemed me with Your victory. *Amen.*



Congratulations to

Mr. and Mrs. Joe and Mary Beth Dobo

On the occasion of their
40th Wedding Anniversary.

God bless you and your Family.



WELCOME to St. Vincent's Parish Community **Odin Robert Meeker**, Son of Colin and Maria Meeker, who will be baptized at Noon on Sunday, February 7th.

God bless you and your Family.



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 7, 2010

I will give thanks to you, O LORD,
with all my heart, for you have heard
the words of my mouth.

— *Psalm 138:1*

GOD'S CALL

In today's scriptures we hear three instances of people receiving and responding to a call from God. These accounts follow the pattern of most scriptural call

narratives: a divine presence appears and speaks; the person expresses fear or unworthiness, receives encouragement, and finally responds to God's call. Today's first reading shows an unworthy Isaiah responding to the Lord's call, "Here I am; send me!" (Isaiah 6:8). In the second reading Paul tells us that, even though he had persecuted the church, he was called to be an apostle. In the Gospel, despite Simon Peter's protest that he is a sinner, Jesus calls James, John, and Simon to follow him. They leave everything they have and follow Jesus—that is, they become Jesus' disciples. These scriptures can challenge us to take stock of our lives. How do we experience Jesus' call to discipleship in our lives? How well and faithfully are we responding? © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE Today is *World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life*. This special observance invites all in the Church to reflect on the role of women and men who are consecrated to Jesus in a special way through the profession of vows and a life dedicated to prayer and service. With thankful hearts we pray for our religious Sisters, Nuns, Brothers, Priests, and Monks. We also remember those women who consecrate themselves as Virgins and those who are consecrated in Secular Institutes as single people. May we encourage our young people to explore these vocations as they seek to serve our Lord. For more information about Consecrated Life please contact the Diocesan Vocation Office at 440-943-7630, or go to www.churchvocations.com.

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SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND *Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe*. Great needs remain in the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Some parishes still need a proper place to celebrate Mass; some dioceses cannot maintain necessary social and charitable works; most cannot support basic pastoral work. Today, we ask you to donate generously to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Give faith to the future.

2010 CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL

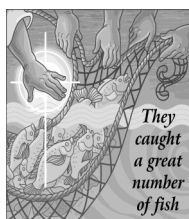
"...trust in the Lord; hope in the Lord." Jeremiah 17:7

The 2010 CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL begins in earnest this weekend. Please read the tabloid about the Appeal that has been included with this bulletin.

Next weekend, February 13-14, an in-pew commitment process will take place. All who have not received the mailing, or have not had a chance to respond to it, will be asked to consider making a generous pledge to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond to it. There is a box on the envelope that you will receive next weekend where you can indicate that you responded by mail.

This is not a “special collection.” As the requests for the services of Catholic Charities increase and government funding of their programs decrease, it is absolutely necessary for each of us to do what we can to assure the needs of those who depend on Catholic Charities are met. Each of us is encouraged to consider a pledge of support that will be billed over several months.

The theme of the Appeal is taken from the Readings of the Day for next weekend. We ask that each parishioner consider the plight of those served by Catholic Charities. The, reflect upon the gifts God has given to each of us. Place your trust and hope in the Lord as you consider your gift. Based upon these reflections, determine how much you will return in gratitude for the gifts you have received. *Please pray for the success of this important Appeal.*



FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

Today's Gospel places Jesus standing next to a lake when a crowd suddenly appears and presses upon Him. So much for a quiet moment alone! Jesus did not rebuke the people or send them away. He did enlist Simon Peter's help. All of us have experienced the times that we longed for a quiet moment but family obligations pressed in upon us. Like Jesus, we must not neglect those who depend on us. And, don't be afraid to ask for help!

For married couples who are experiencing tension in their relationship, that they might face their differences with generosity, openness and forgiveness. *Let us pray to the Lord.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

CONGRATULATIONS to the following winners of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw competition: Dalton Cresswell, Brian Tavolier, Dominic Davis, Bradley Walter, Drew Petras, Sarah Robinson, Aaryn Robinson, and Karmen Urdiales. Further congratulations to Bradely Walter and Karmen Urdiales, who won their age groups in the District competition and are eligible to compete in the regional competition at Avon Lake, Ohio.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following Archbishop Hoban High School students from St. Vincent who received scholastic honors for the Second Quarter of the 2009-10 school year. **Highest Honors:** Elizabeth Green, Maeve Kallenbach, Margaret Woods, Natalie Rothenbuecher **High Honors:** Jacob Belair, Meghan Donohue **Honors:** Sarah Belair, Joseph Fallucco, Chelsea Schobert.

Youth Ministry News

Senior High Youth Ministry for February

Festival of Praise and Confirmation Retreat Music

Practices Monday Feb. 8, at the LaVictoire Home 7-8:30 p.m.

Confirmation Retreat Planning Sessions Wednesdays

Feb. 10, 17, 24 in St. Sebastian Byrider Hall 7-8 pm

17 - Ash Wednesday

6:00 pm Mass at St. Sebastian

Confirmation Planning Session 7-8 pm Byrider Hall

22 - St. Sebastian Confirmation Festival of Praise

Topic is Theology of the Body—St. Sebastian church Music rehearsal 6-7 pm, Meeting 7-8:15 pm

Junior High Youth Ministry for February

5 - St. Vincent School Dance —St. Vincent Gym, 7-9 pm \$5.00

19 - Father/Daughter Dance Set Up (Service Hours)

St. Sebastian Zwisler Hall, 2:30-5:00 pm

22 - St. Sebastian Confirmation Meeting for 8th grade

Topic is Theology of the Body—St. Sebastian Church 7:00 – 8:15 pm

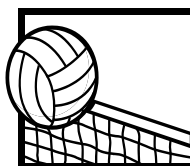
Check it out! Calendars, flyers and permission forms are now available on the St. Sebastian website www.stsebastian.org Look under the Faith Formation section and choose Youth Ministry.

Call Cathy Sivec with questions

St. Sebastian- 330 836-2233

St. Vincent- 330 535-3135 ext. 11

Email at cathy@stvinentchurch.com



ONCE AGAIN IT'S ALMOST CYO VOLLEYBALL SEASON.

All interested coaches and players (boys and girls) in grades 3-8 should contact Karen Layne at 330-869-2388 by February 21.

R.C.I.A CLASS will meet on Monday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the Scullen Meeting Room. The topic for this week's meeting is “Sacramentals and Popular Devotions”.

ST. VINCENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

REGISTRATION DAY for parents who wish to enroll their children for the 2010-2011 school year will take place

on **Wednesday, February 10, 2010** in the school. Parents may register between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and must bring their child's birth certificate, most current report card (for entering grades 1-8), and a Baptism certificate if your child is Catholic. A non-refundable registration fee of \$25 is required to fill out enrollment applications. Kindergarten students must be 5 years old by September 30, 2010. Pre-Kindergarten students must be 4 years old by September 10, 2010. This registration day is for families who do not currently have children attending St. Vincent School.

HOLY LAND GIFTS After all the Masses **next weekend**, February 13 and 14, there will be a display of hand made articles for sale in the Family Center including nativity scenes, crucifixes, rosaries, the last supper and many other beautiful religious articles. Due to the recent interruption of the tourist trade, over 100 Christian families in Bethlehem, make their livelihood through the sale of their handmade olive wood Religious articles. Thank you for supporting this project to keep the Christians present in the holy land of Jesus' birth. May God bless you.



FOOD BANK The weather is cold and hearty foods are essential to the needy and their families. Please don't forget our neighbors as you sit at your tables. We especially need stews, pasta and pasta sauce in cans, oatmeal, baked beans, crackers, jelly (no glass), canned meats and tuna for our weekly bags. Please keep up the good work. We are grateful for anything you give us. May God bless you. **St. Vincent de Paul Society and Auxiliary.**

AN ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING will be held on Monday, February 15, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in Corrigan Hall—please enter through the Family Center Doors. **COME HELP US GROW! BE A VITAL PART OF YOUR PARISH.**

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS! "Batten down the hatches" and get ready for the fun event of the year! **Mark your Calendars and save the date for Saturday, March 20, 2010**, for the Altar Society's **"AN IRISH SPRING FLING"** Wine Tasting and Beer Fest Fundraiser with proceeds to benefit the Fr. Corrigan Tuition Assistance Fund!. A great evening is promised to all for this exciting and new event. More details to come. You don't want to miss this—**March 20, 2010 in Corrigan Hall!** Questions? Contact Jerry Kelly at 330-376-9227 or Marilyn McCafferty at 330-836-3924.

MEETING NOTICE: The parish Social Justice Ministry "...and Justice for All" will meet on **Sunday, February**

21, in St. Sebastian Byrider Hall, following the 9:00 a.m. liturgy. The ministry meets regularly at this time on the third Sunday of the month to discuss the documents of our church and how they relate to current issues. All are welcome. Contact Mary Tschantz at 330-864-0646 or by e-mail at Tschantz.mary@att.net for more information.

ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA(c. 1869-1947)February 8 "Save Darfur!" That cry echoes around the world and in the heart of the Church, where a child of Darfur is one of our newest saints: Josephine (her baptismal name) Bakhita ("Lucky One," the slave-traders' nickname). Kidnapped at nine, sold in Sudan's slave-markets, flogged daily till covered with scars, Bakhita was finally bought by Italians and taken to Italy. There Bakhita discovered a "Master" who had himself been flogged to redeem her from slavery! "I am truly loved," she thought, "and awaited by this Love." Baptized, she often kissed the baptismal font, exclaiming, "Here I became a daughter of God!" For fifty years as a Daughter of Charity, Bakhita provided cheerful hospitality to all who knocked at the convent door. In her final illness, she relived slavery's horror: "Please, loosen these chains," she begged the nurse. "They are so heavy!" Her last words were: "Our Lady! Our Lady!" John Paul II canonized her in the Jubilee Year 2000, praising God for leading her "from abject slavery to the dignity of being your daughter and the Bride of Christ."—Peter Scagnelli, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.



2010 EASER LILY DONATION

During the Easter Season we think of our loved ones, past and present. The Altar Society extends an opportunity for you to remember your loved ones. A flower donation of \$10.00 will be used to enhance the beauty of our Altar at Easter and **throughout the year**. Please make your donations payable to St. Vincent Altar Society and either mail them to the parish office at 164 W. Market Street, Akron, OH 44303, or put them in an envelope **Clearly marked "Easter Lily Donation"** and place them in the collection basket.

The deadline for donations and intentions to be **printed** is Thursday, March 18, 2010. **Thank you!**

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