

<u>COLLECTIONS:</u>	<u>Collected</u>	<u>Expected</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Week of May 4 th	\$ 17,288	\$ 15,000	\$ 2,288
Fiscal Year to Date (July 07- June 08)	\$775,935	\$705,000	\$ 70,935

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday –	Jas 1: 1-11 Mk 8: 11-13
Tuesday –	Jas 1: 12-18 Mk 8: 14-21
Wednesday –	Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26 Jn 15: 9-17
Thursday –	Jas 2: 1-9 Mk 8: 27-33
Friday –	Jas 2: 14 Mk 8: 34-9: 1
Saturday –	Jas 3: 1-10 Mk 9:2-13
Sunday –	Ex 34: 4-6, 8-9 2 Cor 13: 11-13 Jn 3: 16-18

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Novena of St. Therese the Little Flower

As we conclude our Easter season, and revel in Christ's triumph over sin and death, I would like to invite you to join me in the following novena prayer, through the intercession of St. Therese the Little Flower, for me and my classmates as we prepare to celebrate the 4th anniversary of our ordination to the priesthood on May 22nd. A novena is a prayer that is prayed for nine consecutive days for a specific intention, offered through the intercession of a particular saint.

The Novena is entitled a **Prayer for a Holy Life**. "Model of virtue and purity, St. Therese, help me I beg, by your powerful intercession with Jesus and Mary, to imitate your cleanness of heart and your great hatred for sin. Help me avoid anything that might lead me to sin; give me the courage to give up anything sinful; teach me to sacrifice anything, even life itself, rather than offend God. Watch over my entertainment, friendships, reading, work, and play, all the busy and the leisure moments of my life, so that all these things may help me to grow in holiness. Extend your powerful protection also to all those who are dear to me, to all for whom I wish to pray, to all Catholics everywhere and to every person, all of whom are made in the image and likeness of God and are called to eternal life. Ask for me also, I pray, the favors which I wish to obtain through this holy *novena*. *Amen (3 Hail Marys)*."

Blessings,

Fr. Eric

JUST A NOTE

We will celebrate the sacrament of baptism on May 18th at the 11:00a.m. Mass.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers Helen Sauer, Robert Hamberg and Mary Heeg who have recently died.

ATTENTION PSR SECOND GRADERS

FIRST COMMUNION PICTURES ARE HERE AND MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE CHURCH OFFICE BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

WEDDING BANNS 3rd TIME

Tiffany Swigert of St. Jude and Joe Sparhawk of St. Jude.

WEDDING BANNS 1ST TIME

Donna Ostendorf of St. Jude and Steve Kroger of St. Jude

Maria Spears and Hinge in Concert

On May 24th at 7pm St. Jude's is proud to present, Maria Spears and Hinge in concert. So mark your calendars and get your tickets and be sure to attend a dynamite evening packed full of amazing music. All proceeds go to support our young people attending World Youth Day 08.

MAKING HOLY HOURS before the Blessed Sacrament on the altar is an especially important way of praying for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Here are the schedules at neighboring parishes for each day of the week.

Monday: St. James, W.O.-after 8:30a.m. Mass-6:00p.m.

Tuesday: St. Ann, Groesbeck-1:00p.m.-8:00p.m.

Wednesday: St. Ignatius of Loyola-10:00a.m.-5:00p.m.

Thursday: Our Lady of Visitation after 8:30a.m. Mass-10:00p.m.

Friday: St. Jude-after 8:30a.m. Mass-5:00p.m.

Saturday: Our Lady of Lourdes-9:00a.m.-3:30p.m.

Holy Spirit Center in Norwood, Ohio (about 15 minutes from St. I's) has Perpetual Adoration. For more information, call Keith Merz @ 574-4522.

CLASSIC MOVIE NIGHT--UPDATE

On Thursday May 22nd at 7pm St. Jude is proud to present our first Classic Movie night for adults. Our movie selection is the classic *Father Goose*. Father Goose is a fantastic movie that takes places during the early days of World War II in the South Pacific where "Walter Eckland (Grant) is coerced by his old friend, Commander Frank Houghton (Howard), into becoming a coast-watcher for the Allies. Later, Houghton finds a replacement. The only

problem is, Walter has to retrieve him from a nearby island in enemy-infested waters. When Walter goes there in a dinghy, he unexpectedly finds Frenchwoman Catherine Frenau (Caron) and seven young schoolgirls under her care stranded there. She informs him that the man he came for was killed in an air-raid. He reluctantly takes them back with him. And this is where the real fun begins.” So plan on joining us on Thursday May 22nd in the undercroft at 7pm to see this classic Cary Grant and Leslie Caron film. We will provide the popcorn and drinks will be \$1.

PSR Registration Now Underway!

The deadline for early registration, May 31st, is fast approaching. The fee for early PSR registration is \$70.00 per child. After May 31st, the fee for PSR registration will be \$90.00 per child. Reduced fees are available for program volunteers. Please indicate on the registration form if you would like to volunteer. Registration forms were sent home with the PSR students on the last night of class. If you need a registration form, they are available in the parish office. If your child is new to the program, please include a copy of their Baptismal certificate along with your registration.

Online contributions:

We are now offering to our parishioners, the ability to make donations through the use of credit card or Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT). It's an easy, convenient and safe way for your Sunday offering. You may make a onetime contribution or set it up the way you usually donate; weekly, monthly or annually. For parishioners who still want to put something in the basket as it goes by, or for the school families your next set of envelopes will have a box you can check to indicate an electronic contribution. Visit our home page at www.stjudebridgetown.org and following the instructions. If you have any questions concerning this please contact the Parish Business Office.

ROSARY ALTAR INSTALLATION LUNCHEON...

Installation of Officers and Luncheon to be held Sunday May 18, at Kenning's Circle "K" Restaurant, 6166 Bridgetown Rd., following 11:00 a.m. Mass. Payment must accompany reservations - \$5 R/A members, \$15 for non-members. Prepaid reservations may be made by contacting Irma Sand, 451-3640. Deadline for reservations is Tuesday, May 13th. Reservations and/or cancellations cannot be accepted nor refunds issued after May 13th.

ATTENTION LADIES - The Rosary Altar Society meeting is May 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the undercroft. Once again we will be treated to the beautiful and talented voices of our Children's Choir. They always provide us with an evening of great pleasure and we look forward to their performance this year. Following our business meeting, your hostess committee will provide you with pleasure of another genre; delicious homemade desserts. Bingo will close the evening. If you need transportation call our Transportation Coordinator, Mary Ann Standriff, 598-1024. We look forward to seeing you at this our last meeting before

summer break. Until our next meeting in September, we wish you a safe and happy summer.

THIRD ANNUAL FAMILY ROSARY RALLY Sunday, May 18th @ 2:00 p.m. at Elder High School Stadium. Music, Rosary, Benediction Lasting about 1hr. Free parking, Handicap Access to Stadium

CUB SCOUT NEWS

There will be a SPRING SIGN-UP for Cub Scouts on Tuesday, May 13th, at 7pm in the parish center meeting room 3. There will be an informational session for new scouts... returning scouts can simply sign-up. Cost is \$40 for the Spring (will be \$45 in the Fall). There will be reps from the Boy Scouts of America available that night.

FOOD FOR THE BODY/FOOD FOR THE SOUL

The body needs a source of energy through out the day to exist. The soul has essential needs as well that needs to be nurtured. One way to nurture the soul is reading The Catholic Telegraph. Throughout the year, The Catholic Telegraph will keep you informed about our faith through stories that make up the fabric of our lives. These are your stories about your church. So subscribe today by calling (513)421-3131 ext496 and we'll sign you up immediately and bill you for \$24 for a year subscription. For food for the soul, read and subscribe to The Catholic Telegraph today.

The American Chronic Pain Association has formed a new Chapter in Bridgetown. If you would like to learn to deal with your pain in a positive way and become a person and stop being a patient, come to one of our weekly support meetings. For more info contact Jill McNamara @ 720-2828..

Additional Eucharistic Adoration

The Blessed Sacrament is now exposed for Adoration each week during Tuesday evening confessions, beginning at 7 pm. St. Jude also hosts Eucharistic adoration all day Friday, and celebrates more formal holy hours the 3rd and 4th Tuesday evenings each month. When there are 5 Tuesdays in a month, the 5th Tuesday celebration will feature praise-and-worship music.

Respect Life – Pentecost Voice

The Holy Spirit, who came on Pentecost, gave voice to the apostles to proclaim the truth of the Gospel. The Spirit, the Soul of the Church, continues to enable the Church to speak, and enables us to speak in our individual capacity. As Bishop Elio Sgreccia, Vice-President of the Vatican's Pontifical Academy for Life has said,

"The Church must speak out in today's context on fundamental rights, the right to justice, the right to peace, but above all and in the first place, the right to life. If the

Church did not speak, did not proclaim the truth, it would be abandoning its duty; it would be unfaithful to society, to the good of society. Therefore, its precise duty is the very liberty to intervene with word, and also with example -- the example of promoting human life, of intervening for the salvation of mankind."

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MUSIC AND WORSHIP CORNER

Music Ministry Mass Schedule

5/18	4:30 – Cantor	8:30 – Cantor	11:00 – Choir
5/25	4:30 – Cantor	8:30 – Cantor	11:00 – Choir
6/1	4:30 – Children	8:30 – Cantor	11:00 – Choir
6/8	4:30 – Choir	8:30 – Cantor	11:00 - Youth

The adult and children's choirs will be taking a summer break after June 8, though the youth choir will be singing at one or two Sunday Masses each month through June, July, and August.

VOCATIONS VIEWS

Congratulations: Later this month (May 22), Fr. Eric will celebrate the 4th anniversary of his priestly ordination. Thanks, Fr. Eric, for answering God's call to priesthood. St. Jude is lucky you're our leader! We love our pastor! Bonus math: Ask Deacon Jim how many years he's been a deacon...In what year will Fr. Eric have that many years service?

Priesthood Ordination: This coming Saturday, May 17, 2008 at 11:00 am at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral in Cincinnati. Three transitional deacons (Jason Bedel from St. Martin of Tours, Ryan Ruiz, and Ed Pratt who edits much of the 'Vocations Views' content) will be ordained priests for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Pray for them.

Fast Fact: Pope Benedict XVI celebrated his 81st birthday while visiting the USA on April 16.

Something to Consider: If we love, we know the presence of God. Take time to be aware of God's loving presence. Be open to the Holy Spirit. (John 14:23-29)

On the Web: www.usccb.org – the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Remember in Prayer: Dan Hess from Holy Trinity, Coldwater, studying for the priesthood at Mt. St. Mary's seminary. Pray for all discerning God's call.

Written by Rev. Mr. Ed Pratt, V Theology, Mt. St. Mary's of the West Seminary

Prayer for Priestly and Religious Vocations: O Almighty Eternal God, look upon the face

of Your Son, and for the love of Him Who is the eternal High Priest, have pity on Your priests. Remember, O most compassionate God, they are but weak and frail human beings. Stir up in them the grace of their vocation, which is in them by the imposition of the bishop's hands. Keep them close to You, lest the enemy prevail against them, so that they may never do anything in the slightest degree unworthy of their sublime vocation. May they wholeheartedly devote themselves to prayer and penance; be examples of humility and poverty; shining models of holiness; tireless and powerful preachers of the Word of God; zealous dispensers of God's grace in the sacraments. May their loving devotion to Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament and to Mary His Mother be the twin fountains of fruitfulness for their ministry. Amen.

PTO items:

Drum roll...the Box Tops check has arrived! This past year all those little squares equaled \$2,364 for St. Jude! Thank you to Marsha Stowe and all of her volunteers who trimmed and cut the labels so we could get proper credit. Keep saving over the summer...every single square makes a difference!

New volunteers stepped right in....Thank you to Anita Seibert, Tracy Kroger and Kay Watts who will be taking over Market Day this summer! DeeDee Doerflein and Lynn Busche will be passing the baton to them. Their years of service are deeply appreciated! Market Day makes over \$5,000 a year for PTO which goes directly back into projects and support for the school.

Last week you received your registration packet which was full of many volunteer opportunities. Please give careful consideration to each one and spend a couple of hours helping out the school, your kids, and yourself...it feels great! We are looking to return to adding a full Hot Lunch program next year Monday - Thursday and will need the support of the cafeteria volunteer to make it successful.

Remember...."volunteers are not paid because they are worthless...but because they are priceless!"

BINGO WORKERS FOR FRIDAY, May 16th: Cara Gilardi, Tina Paff, Bea or Jeff Hammersmith, Kelley Goins, Kathy Sullivan, Jenny Beckham, Jim Gersen, Joe Buse, Dan Cole, Maureen Marschall, Vicki Powell, Terri Gaskin and Colleen Klosterman. **CALLER:** Matt Schamer

Cub Scouts...Thanks to Everyone for an Awesome Campout!!

There will be a SPRING SIGN-UP for Cub Scouts on Tuesday, May 13th, at 7pm in the new gym. There will be an informational session for new scouts... returning scouts can simply sign-up. Cost is \$40 for the spring (will be \$45 in the fall).

There will be reps from the Boy Scouts of America available that night. See ya there! This month's Pack Meeting is Wednesday, May 21st, 7pm, cafeteria.

AREA HAPPENINGS

St. Dominic Church Festival May 23rd 6-11p.m. May 24th 5-11p.m.
May 25th 3-11p.m.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY FESTIVAL FRIDAY, May 16TH - 6-11
Saturday, May 17TH - 5-11 p.m. Sunday, May 18TH - 3-10:30p.m.

SERVERS FOR THE WEEK OF May 12th

Monday-	6:30 a.m. Tori Weber, Emma Powell
Tuesday-	8:15 a.m. Anthony Bauer, Craig Mullen
Wednesday-	8:15 a.m. Taylor Maas, Shelby Mitchell
Thursday-	8:15 a.m. Andrew Holiday, Alex Singler
Friday-	8:15 a.m. Courtney Reder, Corbin Jasper
Saturday-	8:30 a.m. Joseph Miller, Steven Maurer 4:30p.m. Kyle Heinrich, Tyler Rickett, Natalie Phipps
Sunday-	8:30a.m. Zach Auciello, Alex Wendling, Michael Paff 11:00a.m. Tom Elder, Cameron Jameson, Luke Stowe

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY-May 12

2:30 Cub Scout Den 2 (café)
6:00 Cub Scouts Den 6 (U)
7:30 Rosary

TUESDAY-May 13

9:15 Pathways Program (mr 1)
2:30 5th Grade Girl Scouts (café)
6:00 2nd Grade Brownies (café)
6:30 Rosary Altar (U)
7:00 Confessions
7:00 Cub Scout sign ups (mr 3)
7:30 Boy Scouts (café)

Wednesday-May 14

11:30 Legion of Mary (mr)
1:00 seniors (mr)
7:00 7th Grade Girl Scouts (café)
7:00 Cub Scout cmte mtg (mr 1)
7:45 Shepherds

THURSDAY-May 15

9:00 Women's Prayer (Kitchen)
6:30 Child Protection Orientation (Isaak's office in Undercroft)

FRIDAY-May 16

9:15 Exposition

7:00 Bingo

SATURDAY-May 17

7:00 Men's Prayer (mr)

7:00 Women's Prayer (U)

3:30 confessions

SUNDAY-May 18

10:55 Preschool (S)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY-May 12

6:30 – Priest Intention

TUESDAY-May 13

8:15 – Marian Riga-Paul & Connie Lewis

WEDNESDAY-May 14

8:15 – Edward Back-Anniv Rem-Wife

THURSDAY-May 15

8:15 – Laura Jane Koester-Kathy Mullins

FRIDAY-May 16

8:15 – Special Intention of Matthew Tressler-Mickie Gummer

SATURDAY-May 17

8:30 – Ken Trippel-The other halves

4:30 – Living and deceased of the parish

SUNDAY-May 18

8:30 – Richard Stall-Birth Rem-Ginny

11:00 – Living and deceased members of Rosary Altar

Bid-N-Buy Update

THANK YOU! to all who hosted neighborhood parties and to all who attended or donated to one. The results are greater than our wildest expectations!

Because of these donations, the Bid-n-Buy will have some exciting new items to offer. From \$1,500 in various gift cards to a flat screen tv, a laptop, a GPS, margarita maker, a grill, patio cooler on wheels, Wii game console and much more. There are still a couple of parties to go! Put down on your shopping list things that you want to buy this year at St. Jude's Bid-N-Buy. Remember Father's Day, Graduations (don't forget your college-bound child will need a computer) and those summer weddings and birthdays. Stay tuned for exciting changes in the bid-n-buy this year that will make it easier for you to enjoy.

Grand Raffle

Raffle tickets were mailed out this week. Your help in selling the three slips of tickets is very appreciated. Win a trip to the 2009 Masters Golf Tournament, or a Harley Davidson XL1200N or \$10,000 cash! Raffle tickets can also be purchased online from the St. Jude website(www.stjudebridgetown.org) with a credit card or electronic funds transfer.

BOOSTER NEWS

BULLDOG BASKETBALL SUMMER SKILLS CAMP SIGN-UPS - It is not too late to sign up for the summer skills camp. I will be accepting registration forms (available on the Boosters' website) until May 12th; cost is \$20, a separate fee from the family plan or sports sign up fees. Checks payable to St. Jude Boosters. Please send forms to John Dressman, 3939 Von Rissen Ct., Cleves, Ohio, 45002 or drop off forms on May 12th at the concession stand at Field #1 between 6:30 and 8:00pm. Any questions e-mail me at j_dressman@yahoo.com.

FINAL FALL SPORTS SIGN UPS - The final Fall Sports Sign Up for 2008-2009 School year will be Thursday, May 8th, from 7:00-8:00 PM in the Undercroft. The Fall sports covered by this sign up are Soccer (1st-8th grade), Football (K-8th Grade), Girl's Volleyball (4th - 8th grade), Golf (Boys 7th & 8th grade), and Cheerleading (K-8). Fees are \$45.00 per sport, or \$360.00 for the Family Plan, which covers eight (8) sports sign ups. There is also a \$25.00 Booster Fee per family, which is payable now, even if your family is not playing any fall sports. Any sign-ups after this date cannot be guaranteed a spot on the teams.

MAY BOOSTER MEETING - come join us on May 8, 2008 at 8:00 pm in the Undercroft for our monthly Booster meeting. It is election night for the new Booster Board and a chance to say a big "Thank You" to some departing members. Please plan on attending, cast your vote and say "Thank You" for the impact the departing members have had on our parish!

Girls' Basketball: Congratulations to the 5/6 A team for finishing second in their league. In addition to finishing 7-3 in league play, the girls also won the Seton tournament and came in second in the Mercy tournament. Team members include: Haley Dannemiller, Emma Hatch, Julia Kennedy, Hannah Kern, Nicole Mielke, Courtney Reder, Katie Spurlock, and Brooklynn Sturwold. The team was coached by Julie Dalton and Brian Hatch.

THE 10TH ANNUAL COLLEGE OF MOUNT ST. JOSEPH BASKETBALL CAMPS - For Girls and Boys. Fundamental Day Camp - 6/23-26 - Ages 7-14 - Camp Runs 8:30-3:30 Mon-Thurs. Cost \$130.00 if registered by June 1; \$150 for registration after June 1. Basketball Position Camp - Ages 12-17 - 4-7 PM - \$75.00 per session or \$130.00 for both. Guard Camp - 6/23-24 Big Man Camp - 6/25-26 **FOR REGISTRATION AND FURTHER INFORMATION: LARRY COX @ 513-244-4929 or email LARRY_COX@MAIL.MSJ.EDU WEBSITE: WWW.MSJ.EDU/ATHLETICS**