

AUGUST 7, 2005

# St. Priscilla Family

## NEWSLETTER



### FR. JIM'S JOURNAL

In today's Gospel reading we hear Matthew's account of how the disciples were out in a boat at night. They became frightened when a storm suddenly came up. Jesus, walking on the water, came to save them. When Peter recognized that it was Jesus walking on the water, Jesus invited him to get out of the boat. Peter began to walk on the water, until he became frightened and began to sink. Jesus reached out and saved him.

God is frequently calling us to get out of the boat of security in our lives. We look to many things for security, money, power, position, and control. The only real security is in Jesus Christ. We need to trust in God. He will be with us always, and help us with all of the difficulties we face.

One of the things that remains constant in our lives is change. Change is hard, even if we know it is change for the better. When change is imposed from outside ourselves, it becomes that much more difficult. But Jesus is calling us to embrace that change. Jesus is calling us to get out of the boat. Jesus is calling us to get out of our comfort zone.

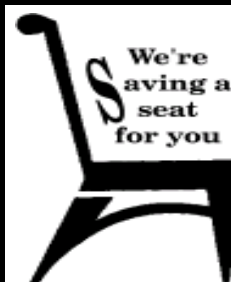
Fr. Ray is a good example for us on how to trust God and get out of the boat. He is embracing change. He is getting out of his comfort zone. He is following God's call to serve the people of Afghanistan. May God bless him and be with him as he undertakes this important ministry.

All of the parishioners of St. Priscilla have some changes to embrace. I know it is difficult to lose Fr. Ray; he is such a great priest. I cannot be Fr. Ray, but I will do my best to serve the needs of the parishioners here at St. Priscilla. Thank you to so many of you for getting out of the boat and welcoming me.

It will also be a change having a group of new parishioners come from St. Agatha. So many of you have already gotten out of the boat and welcomed St. Agatha parishioners to St. Priscilla. St. Agatha parishioners are a little nervous, hoping they will be accepted. I am certain you will continue to get out of the boat and help them blend into the parish.

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*"We are not some casual or meaningless product of evolution. Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary."*

Pope Benedict XVI,  
Homily, Mass of Installation  
April 24, 2005

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**Parish Life this Week**

- Aug 7 7:00P KofC Ofcrs Mtg
- Aug 11 7:00P Bible Study
- Aug 13 7:30A Mens Fellowship
- Looking Ahead**
- Aug 15 7:30P KofC Gen Mtg
- Aug 17 12:30P 50+ Club
- Aug 18 7:00P Bible Study

**Question of the Week**

**In** Matthew 14:27-29, Jesus tells his frightened apostles, "Take courage it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come."

*Adults:* Where in my life can I step out in Christ to help someone in need?

*Children:* Where might I need to have more trust and faith in my life?



- Monday, August 8**  
**Dominic, priest**  
Dt 10:12-22 Ps 147:12-15, 19-30  
Mt 17:22-27
- Tuesday, August 9**  
Dt 31:1-8 (Ps)Dt 32:3-4,7-9,12  
Mt 18:1-5,1-,12-14
- Wednesday, August 10**  
**Lawrence, deacon, martyr**  
2Cor9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-9  
Jn 12:24-26
- Thursday, August 11**  
**Clare, virgin**  
Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17 Ps 114:1-6  
Mt 18:21-19:1
- Friday, August 12**  
Jos 24:1-13 Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 22, 24  
Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday, August 13**  
**Pontian & Hippolytus martyrs**  
Jos 24:14-19 Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8,11  
Mt 19:13-15
- Sunday, August 14**  
**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Is 56:1, 6-7 Ps 67:2-3, 5-6,8  
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 Mt 15:21-28

*"Take Courage,  
it is I;  
do not be afraid."*

Matthew 14:27



**Weekly Mass Intentions**

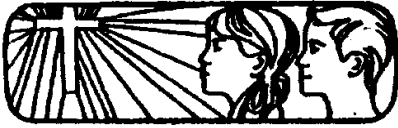
- Sunday, August 7th, 9:00am**  
**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Deceased Members of Fragnoli, Morelli & D'Agostino Families by M/M B. Vettriano  
Harold Riffenburg by Wife  
Shirley Riffenburg by Mother  
Giacinda & Umberto Tartaglia by Family  
Joseph DiPonio by Jim & Betty Fogolini
- Sunday, Aug 7th, 11:00am**  
Edmund Mazark by Ed & Peggy Contway  
Jewel Frank by 50+ Club  
Arthur P. Olst by Wife
- Monday, August 8, 8:00am**  
Ben Picano by Joni & Peaches
- Tuesday, August 9, 8:00am**  
Deceased Members of Contway Family by Ed & Peggy Contway
- Wednesday, August 10, 8:00**  
Bob Colomina by Velma Colomina  
Craig Colomina by Velma Colomina
- Thursday, August 11, 8:00am**  
Joe Butler by Richard & Lynn Nolke
- Friday, August 12, 8:00am**  
Rose Daly by Bob & Margaret Kelley  
Richard McCarthy by Rita Johns  
McCarthy  
Benny Socolovitch Months Mind
- Saturday, August 13, 4:30pm**  
Deceased Ushers  
Tom Olst by Friends
- Sunday, August 14, 9:00**  
**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Mario Corsi by Wife & Family  
Charlie Dickey by Parents  
Florence Goodlesky by M/M Kozicki  
Charles Heil by Family
- Sunday, August 14, 11:00am**  
Elizabeth Monendo Months Mind  
Joseph Marinko by Andy & Anne Marinko  
John Marinko by Andy & Anne Marinko



Paul & Alice Szostak

DATE	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS
<b>AUGUST 13</b> 4:30PM	Caroline Nosel	John Gallagher, Angie Griggs, Dottie Hoeffel, Tom Hoeffel, Terri Jones	Candace Silvers <i>Volunteer</i>
<b>AUGUST 14</b> 9:00AM	Mark Tuttle	Marge Kelley, Jim Kennedy, Dave Koos, Dorothy Thrasher, Kathy Tuttle	Julie Depowski Susan Depowski
<b>AUGUST 14</b> 11:00AM	Corinne Bruder	Pat Barill, Pat Bastien, Barb Bouchard, Kay Kermod, Connie Lark	Victoria Gorecki Artie Gorecki

Please remember to arrange a substitute if you are unable to serve on date assigned.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Now is the time to register for fall Religious Education Classes. Classes are scheduled to begin on September 21 and 22 for Grades 1-8 All registrations must be received by September 1st to ensure a space. Classes are filled on a first come first served bases.

Two sessions are already filled:  
8th Grade Thursday  
7th Grade Wednesday at 4:30

Sessions are available for children 3 years old through 8th grade.



We will be available after all masses on August 20 and 21 to accept registrations. Registration forms can be dropped off at the Religious Education Office.

## CATECHISTS ARE NEEDED

Please consider becoming a catechist. Your help is needed for the following sessions:

Wed. 4:30 Grades 1, 2, 3  
Thurs. 4:30 Grades 3 and 5

Contact Joni Benson to find out if you qualify, 248-476-4702.



We also need volunteers to lead Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sundays during the 11:00 Mass. We hope to get enough volunteers for this ministry so each team will be scheduled once every six weeks.



## R.C.I.A

The next Inquiry session will be Thursday, August 25th at 7:00 PM. Our topic will be, "A Look Inside the Church, People and Places." Any adults interested in learning more about the Catholic faith are invited to attend.

You are welcome to bring a guest with you. Those who would like to become catholic will be invited to join weekly Sunday morning classes beginning in September. If you have questions or would like more information please call Joni Benson at 248-476-4702.

I am looking for fully initiated Catholics who would like to be part of the RCIA Team. Team members take turns leading the discussions each week on the Sunday readings. Contact Joni if you are interested.





**Mark Your Calendars!  
The Parish Mission  
is coming!  
September 24—28, 2005**

Fr. Jim Marchionda, OP will preach at all Masses on the weekend and morning mass Monday thru Wednesday, followed by evening services each day.

Plan on joining us for some spiritual renewal through prayer, preaching and praise.

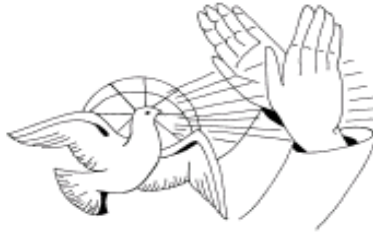
**O**n August 15th the Church celebrates the Assumption of Mary. This year it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. Please join us to celebrate this Marian feast day by attending the 8 AM Mass

**St. Priscilla  
KNIGHTS OF  
COLUMBUS  
COUNCIL #13731**

Our regular business meeting will be held on Monday, August 15 at 7:30 PM.

*"...To everything there is a season  
and a time to every purpose  
under heaven..."*



**...a time to be born...  
...a time to love...**

**...a time to heal...:** Harld Mackler, Eleanor Rakozy, Joseph Schwartzenburger, Mary Kennedy, Michelle Manikowski, Antonia Diponio, Ed Potocki, Delores Grenier, Sister Cheryl Ann Grenier, Virginia Coughlin, Gary Ostrander, Don & Jean Schicker, Christopher Francis, Rose Vincent, Audrey Negro, Tobey Noel, Denise Blackwell, Ray Wirtz, Baby Nicholas, Ron McKinney, John Pawlowski, Harvey Letourneau, Freddy Kunz, Elaine Pomaville, Suzanne Sands, Julie McCammon, Thomas Durkin, Dino Manolatos, Joann Pilchak, Vern Johnson, Nancy Obsenik, Jackie Bender

**...a time to die... Ben Picano**

**Please hold our Service men and women in your prayers...**

Fr. Raymond H. Bucon, Adam Hachey, Robert Albro, Michael Lanctot, Richard Bastien, Robert E. Oldani, Seth Janisse, Patrick Steenburg, Christopher Masel, Ryan Masel, Robert Uren, Jr., Fletcher Armstrong, III, Michael Goodrow, Dan LeClere, Tanya Dudek, Nicole Pawlowicz, Nicholas Mitchell, Ryan Bierschbach, Dennis Soper.

(Please send us your names for this list).

To have someone from your family enrolled on the prayer list, please call the church office. Names will be listed for one month unless the office is notified that the condition continues and that prayers are still needed.

### Prayer

*Gracious God, your handiwork is evident from dawn to dusk. Forest and sky, sea and mountain, bayou and desert reflect your majestic power.*

*Every new life reveals your creative love.*

*As I look in awesome wonder at your miraculous creation, help me discover you at work in me.*

*Let me hear your tiny whispers, answers to prayer.*

*Let me respond to your bold invitations, encouragement in faith.*

*When I falter, If I should fail, hold me up, rescue me!*

*You alone are my God and savior. Amen*



### Team 2

**Floor Operator:** Lue Jarrett, Bill Statetzny, Kevin Brown, Dolores Murphy, Dick Schmidt, Veronica Finch.

**Cashier:** Kopy Kopasz

**Door Captain:** Bernice Pawlowicz, Peggy Contway, Lue Jarrett.

**Bookkeepers:** Jackie Bender and Bernie Paquette.

**Kitchen:** Connie Majeske, Anne Hoger, Carole Krol, Ann Brissette., Paula Petersen.

### PASTOR

Rev. James McNulty

### DEACON

Rev. Mr. Robert Fitzgerald

### DIR. OF REL. EDUCATION

Joni Benson

### YOUTH MINISTER

Priscilla Steenburg

### DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Jeanne Marie Muraski

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Religious Ed. Office 248-476-4702  
Parish Hall 248-476-6462  
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### MASS SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY 4:30 PM  
SUNDAY 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM  
WEEKDAY (Monday.-Friday) 8:00 AM  
HOLY DAY 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM**

### OFFICE HOURS

**Monday—Thursday 8:30AM-4:30PM  
Friday 8:30AM- 12:30PM**

### BAPTISMS

Baptisms are celebrated the 4th Sunday of the month. Please call the office to register for the Baptism preparation class. Dates are published in the bulletin or you may call for a schedule. After class completion, arrangements for Baptism must be made by calling the parish office.

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:00 PM and after morning Mass

### SICK CALLS

Please notify the Parish Office so arrangements can be made.

### WEDDINGS

Please contact the Parish Office a minimum of six months prior to the wedding date.

### PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Rev. James McNulty	248-476-4700
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I am looking forward to being with you full time in September. I am ready to get out of the boat and jump into everything at St. Priscilla. I am counting on all of you to get me oriented to the parish. I am looking forward to getting to know all of you.

It looks like we will all be together in embracing change in our lives. We will all be getting out of the boat together. May we all participate in doing God's creative work in reaching out to help one another. If we begin to sink, Jesus will save us!

Love and Peace,  
Fr. Jim

**Retired...Living Alone?**

Did you know that Mercy Villa Marie is an independent living, retirement community that offers more than just an apartment. They have a dining room, lounge activities and entertainment in addition to affordable plans that include home cooked meals and house-keeping and much, much more.

Located behind St. Edith Church off of Newburgh Rd. in Livonia. Call 734-464-9494 for more information

**Puzzles Needed...**

Mercy Villa Marie is in need of puzzles. Our residents really like puzzles around 750 pieces. If you would like to make a donation, please drop them off at the office during business hours, Mon-Fri 8:30AM-4:00PM.

***Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving,  
Let us joyfully sing psalms to him...***

Over and over again God's holy Word invites us to worship. Should it come as a surprise to us that the principle reason for our coming together as a community is to give glory and praise to God by participating in the Mass as well as by the witness of our lives?

Each facet of parish life is important but ministry of the worship commission members is directly related to liturgical life: enhancing the worship space, working in close cooperation with the music minister and planning special services in order to enrich the prayer life of the parishioner, such as: Healing Masses, May Crowning, Men and Women's Prayer Breakfasts.

It is exciting to have a hand in helping fellow parishioners (and ourselves) grow closer to God as we look at ways "to give God the glory." If you would like to be a part of this spiritual work, just call 248-476-6440. We will be exchanging ideas at 6:45PM on August 8th and again on September 9th. Won't you please join us?

**Your Parish Worship Commission**

***Youth Ministry News!***

Well, here we are! The St. Priscilla pilgrims are off to World Youth Day in Cologne, Germany. On September 13, 2003 we started planning this awesome event-now, today, we're leaving!!! We thank you for all your support; financial and spiritual. We ask that you continue to pray for us as we tour Spain, France and Germany. We will be praying for ALL parishioners at St. Priscilla every day and especially during our overnight vigil with Pope Benedict.

**Not to be overshadowed are the St. Priscilla pilgrims that are staying home.** They will be starting their pilgrimage on August 19th and celebrating the overnight vigil along with the "away" pilgrims via satellite link-up. We are ONE group in two locations. We are all pilgrim people, all called to seek the Divine. Please pray for our home pilgrims as well. We will all be back at the end of August (23rd) and will share our stories.

*"As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God...When shall I come and behold the face of God?" Psalm 42:1 & 2*

Peace! Priscilla



**News from Fr. Ray**

I finished my training at Ft. Benning on Friday (7/29) and scheduled for departure on Sunday. I go with faith and confidence...Faith in God and confidence that I can bring a piece of home to our military personnel overseas.

Ministry is defined as bringing the Gospel to the point of people's needs. I feel that this mission to Afghanistan will lead me to a new style and a new understanding of bringing Jesus to others. May God protect all our military personnel as they do their jobs at the bidding of a grateful nation.

I'll write when I arrive in-country.

Keep the faith, Fr. Ray

E-mail: [ray.away@us.army.mil](mailto:ray.away@us.army.mil)

**Mass for Widowed**

Widowed men and women of all ages are invited to celebrate Mass together. This event is sponsored by WIDOWED FRIENDS of the Archdiocese of Detroit.

**Sunday, August 28th,  
2:30PM**

**St. Columban Church  
1775 Melton**

(1/4 mile north of 14 Mile  
Between Woodward and Coolidge)

Enjoy refreshments and fellowship after mass in a safe and friendly setting. Call Margery (248) 666-4826 for additional information.

For your convenience use the entrance at the rear of the building.

**DISCERNING A VOCATION IN TODAY'S CULTURE**

AN OVERNIGHT RETREAT FOR MEN 16 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER WHO ARE DISCERNING THE PRIESTHOOD

WITH

**BISHOP EARL BOYEA**  
RETREAT DIRECTOR

**FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, AUGUST 12-13, 2005**  
(RETREAT BEGINS AT 7:00 PM FRIDAY AND ENDS WITH 4:00 PM PRAYER SERVICE ON SATURDAY)

**SACRED HEART MAJOR SEMINARY  
2701 CHICAGO BLVD., DETROIT, MI 48206**

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED PLEASE CONTACT THE VOCATION OFFICE TO REGISTER AT 313-237-5875 BY MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2005

*JESUS SAID: "COME AND YOU WILL SEE" JOHN 1:39*

**Bethany**

Looking for some fun while making new friends? Why not join Bethany...a Catholic organization providing peer support to divorced and separated of all Christian faiths.

For details, visit [www.bethanyofsoutheasternmichigan.org](http://www.bethanyofsoutheasternmichigan.org) or contact Carol at 248-390-7771 or Michelle at 313-996-8644 to locate one of the six very active chapters in the Detroit area.

**WALK—IN**

**Infant and Childhood Immunizations  
Wednesday, August 17th 5:30-8:00 PM**

St. Mary Mercy Hospital - Auditorium

\$10 per child / per visit

Please use Five Mile Rd entrance and follow the signs.

Parents or legal guardian must accompany the child and are asked to bring along all past immunization records.

For more information call Community Outreach at 734-655-8940 or 1-800-494-1650 (available for infants and children up to age 18)



It was another Fun Filled Picnic...A special *Thank You* to all the volunteers that did so much to help make this year's event so memorable. And to all of you who attended, brought a dish to share and helped create memories. We wonder though, who had more fun, Hannah Iannarelli or Fr. Jim !!!

Thanks again, Your Social Committee



## *Editor Instruction Sheet*

**Issue Date:** 10 July 2005  
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zero Extra copies of this week's issue

### **SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

100 fewer bulletins this week

**RATING:**      **EXCELLENT**      **GOOD**      **FAIR**      **POOR**

### **COMMENTS ON LAST WEEK'S ISSUE:**

### **PLEASE CONTACT ME REGARDING:**

### **SUPPLIES NEEDED:**



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