# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

In the Gospel of today we have the parable of the sower. The farmer goes out to sow the seed and it is placed in varying types of soil. A person who hears the word of God and understands it reaps a rich and fruitful harvest. In the first reading Prophet Isaiah speaks of the power of the word of God. It is like the rain that comes to the earth to make it fertile and fruitful by germinating the seed for the sower and bread for the ones who eat; so also the word of God is meant to bear plentiful fruit in men's heart. It brings life and joy where there was only death and sorrow. In the second reading Paul refers to the fact that all humans and all creation suffer because of sin and he assures us that the present sufferings are nothing compared to future glory.

The greatest miracle of all isn't found at Lourdes, or Fatima, or Medjugorje, it's found in those around us, in those who are, in spite of terrible odds, yielding up love, kindness, caring, and sensitivity thirty, sixty and a hundred fold. And so, as Christians, keep on planting God's good seeds in the lives of those near to you. For God Himself has said through His prophet Isaiah that His Word shall go forth from His mouth "... and it shall not return to me void, but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

This week the parish took a break from the slow summer. It was active and alive with the vacation bible school program. The theme this year is Jesus' love is one-of-a-kind. The hall and classrooms were decorated so well. And the sweet voices of the children were heard throughout. It was absolutely a great joy to see them celebrate God's love by singing and learning. I want to thank all of those that spent their time preparing for this week-long journey. A special thanks to Trish and Marie and Beth and all the youth group support. Your time and talents are appreciated. And I'd like to thank all the parents for taking the time to bring their children and for sharing God's love with them.

Yours in Christ, Fr. Sojan Punakkattu



## **Mass Intentions**

Monday, July 14 8:30am Benjie—75th Birthday

Req. by Letty Alvarez and Family

Tuesday, July 15

8:30am Repentance/Forgiveness/

**Thansgiving for SEAS Parish** 

Req. by a parishioner

Wednesday, July 16

8:30am Jim and Terri Horan 20th Wedding Anniversary

Thursday, July 17

NO MASS

Friday, July 18

8:30am †Herb Stenger-Anniv. Of Death

Req. by Mary Stenger

Saturday, July 19

4:30pm †Ellen Smith

Req. by Merrielee Legath

<u>Sunday, July 20</u>

8:30am †Michael Rocque

Reg. by Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Dorsey

11:00am For the People

Offering for the weekend of July 6, 2014

\* Please note that our monthly obligation to St. John Paul II School is \$2,346.69.

Thank you for your generosity!

# In Our Parish

Monday July 14

Tuesday July 15

Wednesday July 16

Thursday July 17

Friday July 18

Saturday July 19

3:30pm Reconciliation

4:30pm Mass

Sunday July 20 8:30am Mass 11:00am Mass



#### **IN MEMORIAM**

Frank Casale Charles Gloetzer

Please pray for those who have passed away and for their loved ones to be comforted. Thank you.

## ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH

Don Maxwell 7/16/2011 Ken Kuffell 7/17/2010 A. Salvatore Romeo 7/19/2010

Eternal rest grant to them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

If you would like to have flowers at the altar for a special occasion or in memory of a loved one, please contact the parish office. Donation for the flowers is \$35

## **PRAYER LIST**

Cathy Donaldson Edie Tortoriello Debbie DePasqua Debbie Vitti Darlene Sims Jack Denbow Bill Duss Lee Reading Jerry Grudowski Art Trebon Thomas Brennan Sandy Grudowski Mary Manning Mabel Schneider

Readings for the Week of July 13, 2014 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Sunday **Time** Is 55:10-11; Ps 65; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin Is 1:10-17; Ps 50; Mt 10:34-11:1

**Tuesday Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church** Is 7:1-9; Ps 48; Mt 11:20-24

**Wednesday** Is 10:5-7, 13b-16; Ps 94; Mt 11:25-27

**Thursday** Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 102; Mt 11:28-30

Friday Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest Is 38:1-6, 7-8, 21-22; Ps 38; Mt 12:1-8

**Saturday** Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10; Mt 12:14-21

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary** Sunday **Time** Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 86; Rom 8:26-27;Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

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#### FOOD PANTRY FUNDRAISING THANK YOU!

Our St. Elizabeth Ann Seton food pantry is the grateful beneficiary of the Caribbean cruise parish fund-raiser this past April. We recently received checks totaling \$1,125 from Royal Caribbean and from Lenore Deck of Travel World. We would like to thank all those parishioners who took part in the cruise—a nice way to combine pleasure with philanthropy. Special thanks to Ray and Carol Agnese and to Lenore Deck for all their efforts in coordinating this profitable and beneficial fundraiser.

#### LIGHTHOUSE CD OF THE WEEK

### **SIGNS OF LIFE**

In this informative and dynamic presentation, Dr. Scott Hahn guides us to a deeper faith through the Old Testament historical roots that underlie Catholic beliefs and practices. Dr. Hahn clears up common misconceptions about specific liturgical rituals and traditions, and responds thoughtfully to the objections raised about them. CD's are available in the back of the church for a \$3 donation. Check can be made payable to St. Elizabeth.

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOCIAL **JULY 21ST**

All members are encouraged to attend the social with their families. We are extending an invitation to all who wish to attend our social. It is a covered dish dinner—if you can bring a dish it would help; if not we would love to have you attend anyway. Refreshments will be provided. Doors to the parish hall open at 5:30 pm with dinner at 6:00 pm. COME AND ENJOY DINNER WITH FRIENDS!



We warmly welcome new parishioners, seasonal visitors and guests. St. Welcome Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish believes in the "Stewardship Program" com-

mitted to serving the Lord with our God-given time, talents and treasure. Please fill out a registration form. Registration forms can be found on the table by the front door of the church or at the parish office.

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



We would like to thank the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Council of Catholic Women for their generous contribution for supplies and decorations for our 8th Annual Vacation Bible School—Weird Animals. This year our children learned Jesus Loves You, no matter what. We had a week of fun, learning our faith through crafts, games, bible stories and yes, even snack. We collected food for our Food Pantry and monetary donations to fund clean water for those children around the world that don't have it. We would also like to thank the Knights of Columbus Council 15624 for their contribution to supply the food for our snacks and miscellaneous supplies. Another fun Vacation Bible School concluded with Mass led by Fr. Sojan and a luncheon. Thank you to all who participated in any way.

Marie Korsiak—VBS Director Trish Schult—Coordinator of Religious Ed.

