SERVICE CELEBRATION FORMATION SHARING

Clarion

A WEEKLY BULLETIN OF THE ST. ANNE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

And he spoke to them at length in parables,

saying, "A sower went out to sow...

some seed fell among thorns,

and the thorns grew up and choked it.

But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit,

a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.

Whoever has ears ought to hear."

~ Matthew 13:3, 7-9

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Volume 4, No. 33 ~ This People is the House of God ~ July 13, 2008

St Anne Catholic Community

OUR MISSION

We, a Catholic Christian people rooted by Baptism, take as our challenge the mission of Jesus: to build the Kingdom of God, standing in solidarity with the poor. We are committed to:

Welcoming
- *Welcoming* all people and providing a sense of belonging to people at every stage of life.

Creating
- *Creating* a place of enjoyment, excitement and fun for people of all ages.

Healing
- *Healing, reconciling* and *reaching out* in caring service to each other.

Reaching Out
- *Serving* those in need, especially the broken, through generous gifts of time, talent and treasure.

Serving
- *Gathering* at Eucharist and celebrating the Sacraments of the Church and the sacramental moments of our lives.

Gathering
- *Telling* and *sharing* the Living Story of Jesus.

Sharing

So challenged, we pray that the Holy Spirit fills us and empowers us so that we may become the Living Presence of Jesus in our contemporary world.

Resting in Peace

Patricia Burns, *sister of Brian Dunkel;*
Valeria Kowalski, *mother of Gregory*;
William J. Steinbock, *uncle of Jim Nelson;*
Eileen Margaret Strei, *mother of Patrick, Christopher, Michael, Thomas, Melecia, and Mary Ellen*

Celebrating Sacraments

Baptisms

Sofi Lillian **Thornton** (Kristin and Dennis)

Weddings

I Jamie Niemuth and Seth Sabel
I Moira Lee and Andrew Quathamer
I Rebecca Poetz and Blake Booher
II Kristen Vannice and Russell Clancy

Saturday, July 19th, 3:00 p.m.
Melissa Kane and Matthew Juskiewicz

Remembering...

Monday, July 14th
8:15 St. Anne Purgatorial Society
Stella Pertile—*The Lopez Family*

Tuesday, July 15th
8:15 St. Anne Perpetual Mass Society

Wednesday, July 16th
8:15 William Becker—*Jim and Eileen Perille*

Thursday, July 17th
8:15 Donald Klass—*Barbara Klass*

Friday, July 18th
8:15 St. Anne Perpetual Mass Society

Saturday, July 19th
Mass of Anticipation
5:15 Donald W. Schulze—*Mr. and Mrs. R. Moran*
Arthur Cramer—*Richard and Maribeth Kuhn*

Sunday, July 20th
7:15 People of St. Anne

9:00 James Dillinger—*The Nordli Family*
Don Janes—*The Meehan Family*
Thanksgiving for Annie's Attic—*Project Hope*
Krsto Nikolich—*Sophia and John Nikolich*
Fiona Carrick Frecklington—*Anne and Jerry Grimmonpre*

11:00 Tom Deger—*Dottie Deger*
Mary C. Morgan—*Gordon and Alice Comerford*
Rick Lesley—*The Meehan Family*
Toni Savas—*Mary Prisby and Family*
Ruth Tinuicci—*George and Diane*

5:15 James Mahoney—*The Rory Cooney Family*

Stewardship of Treasure

Weekly Offering for July 6, 2008

Adult Offering (463 envelopes) $30,705.00
Loose Cash $1,387.00
Pro-rated "Parish Pay" offering $8,288.77
(Weekly share of Monthly "Parish Pay" Automatic Checking/Credit Card Giving)
Youth and Children Offering (0 envelopes) $0.00
Grand Total $40,380.77

Amount needed to meet Operating Expense *and* Loan Interest Payments $47,000.00

Collection Shortfall ..... ($6,619.23)

Sharing Contributions (27 envelopes) $1,592.00

Past 4 weeks:
Average Weekly Offering $39,599.02
Average Weekly Shortfall ..... ($7,400.98)
Total Shortfall ..... ($29,603.92)
Fiscal YTD Shortfall (1 week) ..... **($6,619.23)**

Building Debt as of July 7, 2008

Outstanding Loan Balance with Archdiocese **$2,000,000.00**

Less Pledged Funds payable through 2009* $1,100,511.00
*includes "Complete the Journey" and other pledges

Total long-term Parish Debt **$899,489.00**

Monthly Interest Payment (5.92%) $9,866.66

Monthly Debt-Reduction Collection (green envelope) ** $1,203.00
Fiscal YTD (1 week)

** Please do not put "Complete the Journey" pledge payments in the green envelopes. Thank you.

If you are considering paying off an existing pledge, call **Carol Helmers** at **847.620.3051** for the balance due.

"Complete The Journey" Totals (as of July 7th, 2008)

Total Amount of Pledges and Gifts: ***$2,755,592.00***

Amount Still Needed to "Complete the Journey": ***$899,489.00***

Number of Pledges and Gifts: ***519***

(number received in past week: ***0****)*

Year-end Shortfall Collection

Results to date: ***$73,500.00***

Welcome New Members

Leslie and Kyle **Beaird**
Theresia and James **Doyle**
(Andrew Doyle, Melissa Swanner)
Jennifer **O'Connor**
Marichu and Rob **O'Donnell**
(Lindsay, Jack)
Michael **Thomas**

ST. ANNE COMMUNITY THEATER

Help Wanted!

WHO: HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO NEED COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

WHEN: THURSDAY, JULY 24TH

WHERE: ST. ANNE PARISH CENTER

EVENT: ST. ANNE COMMUNITY THEATER'S BENEFIT PERFORMANCE

TIME: 3:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.

SPACE IS LIMITED.

CALL MIKE YEHL AT **847.382.5300 EXT. 325** TO VOLUNTEER.

St. Anne Community Theater

announces

this summer's musical

www.stannetheater.com

or call 847.382.5300 ext. 400

Weekends July 18th-26th

Tickets are on sale NOW!
847.382.5300, ext. 400

Project Hope/The Paulina Messina Fund

Picnic in the Park

Fundraiser for Paulina Messina

Saturday, July 19th

Citizens Park, Barrington
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Family fun...games, Baggo competition...live music ("Second Time Around")

Face painting...raffle prizes, pizza, hot dogs, drinks, ice cream...and MORE!

Attend the picnic and help too!

Approximately 15-20 volunteers are needed for two hour shifts.

Teens are encouraged to volunteer for community service hours!

For more information or to volunteer,

call **Cari Zwick** at **815.970.2328** or email carilz@comcast.net.

Never doubt that a small group
of thoughtful,
committed people
can change the world.

Indeed, it is the only thing
that ever has.

-Margaret Mead

To all 2008 Annie's Attic volunteers,

In recognition and appreciation of your hard work and dedication to helping others in need, we invite you to join us for a special mass Sunday, July 13th at 9:00 AM.

Continental Breakfast will follow at 10:15 in the cafeteria.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Sr. Lorraine Menheer &
2008 Annie's Attic Chairwomen

Every Effort Makes a Difference. Every Kindness Builds Hope.

Reflections

By Sister Lauretta Leipzig, Pastoral Associate and Director of Adult Education

An Extraordinary Message

In this season of ordinary time, we try to make an extraordinary effort to make the Lord's presence more apparent to the world. This effort makes us a little more God-like in our outlooks and a great deal more humane in our behavior towards our brothers and sisters.

We are able to attempt this as individuals and as a community only because the Lord is working in our midst here and now. The Holy Spirit sends us out to bring to the world the message that God continues to love humanity. God does this because that was the promise made to us when Jesus returned to the Father at the time of his Ascension.

We know that the Lord's love for us is unconditional and infinite, yet, our love for one another is fatally flawed. Someone once wrote: "We fail to recognize our total dependence on God. We fail to see how our sins rob us of our own dignity and scar the ones we care about the most. We fail to acknowledge our responsibility for creating mini hells on earth. We are unable to contemplate what the abuse of our freedom is doing to humanity and what fate awaits us if we do not repent.

In several of the gospels, Jesus pointed out that the person's need to be forgiven was more urgent than the need to be physically healed. More specifically, let us examine the story of the paralytic. The man's friends carried him to the place where Jesus was. There was no doubt in their minds that Jesus could heal him. We can only imagine that on his journey to reach the Lord, the man must have been filled with hope. As he was brought through the streets, passersby must have looked upon him with great pity. Because society at that time considered illness as a punishment for the person's sins or behavior, he must have felt shame or a burden to his family and friends. Guilt, anger with himself and with God for his afflictions, and perhaps even bitterness and ingratitude towards those who did the most to help him were stirred up inside him.

Nevertheless, he allowed himself to be lowered into the room where Jesus was teaching. Immediately he heard Jesus' words, "my son." We have to think that those two words alone must have pierced him and changed him. He was called a child of God! The man stood tall, picked up his mat and walked out under his own power!

Were those words spoken for the man's sake alone or were they spoken for the edification of all in the room? The people exclaimed, "We have never seen anything like this!" Does this story, though we have heard it so many times, fill us with a sense of awe? What relevance does it have to our lives?

We need faith to see that the Lord is working in our midst as well. All of us need reassurance that we are children of God, that our sins are forgiven and that we can carry the message of God's love for humanity to the world.

An Invitation

If you are looking for a place to belong,
a community with whom you can share your questions and beliefs,
perhaps you would like to find out a bit more about the Catholic church.

You will be most welcome.

Our community of St. Anne has something very special to offer,
and we would like to share it with you.

For more information, call
Sister Anna Maria Dressler at **847.381.5793**.

St. Anne Catholic Community

GENERATIONS *of* FAITH

NEXT UP:
Sacraments Overview
Tuesday, September 9th
Wednesday, September 10th
Friday, September 12th
Saturday, September 13th
Monday, September 15th
Wednesday, September 17th

Generations of Faith
2008-2009
Series 1: Sacraments overview
Series 2: Eucharist
Series 3: Baptism/Confirmation
Series 4: Reconciliation
Series 5: Anointing of the Sick
Series 6: Matrimony/Holy Orders

We are pleased to announce that there is a new schedule for the upcoming sessions of *Generations of Faith.* **Please note that these dates are different than those previously published.** The school schedules as well as the time it takes to design and implement each *Generations of Faith* session were the primary considerations in selecting these dates. The ideal is to not have other parish activities occurring during the sessions of *Generations of Faith.* However, since the calendar was already filled, we are going to have to co-exist with several other functions. All *Generations of Faith* teams will ensure that other functions will not be disturbed by our activities. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact **Susan Stengren** at **847.620.3071** or sstengren@stannebarrington.org.

GOF DATES FOR 2008-2009:

SERIES 1	SERIES 2	SERIES 3	SERIES 4	SERIES 5	SERIES 6
Tues. 9/9	Tues. 10/21	Tues. 12/2	Tues. 2/3	Tues. 4/14	Tues. 6/2
Wed. 9/10	Wed. 10/22	Wed. 12/3	Wed. 2/4	Wed. 4/15	Wed. 6/3
Fri. 9/12	Fri. 10/24	Fri. 12/5	Fri. 2/6	Fri. 4/17	Fri. 6/5
Sat. 9/13	Sat. 10/25	Sat. 12/6	Sat. 2/7	Sat. 4/18	Sat. 6/6
Mon. 9/15	Mon. 10/27	Mon. 12/8	Mon. 2/9	Mon. 4/20	Mon. 6/8
MONDAY SESSIONS LIMITED TO ADULTS AND HIGH SCHOOL TEENS-SEE BELOW FOR EXPLANATION					
Wed. 9/17	Wed. 10/29	Wed. 12/10	Wed. 2/11	Wed. 4/22	Wed. 6/10

Please be advised that:

- Monday night sessions will begin at 7:00 p.m. instead of 6:00 p.m.
- Enrollment at the Monday night sessions will be limited to high school teens and adults
- Childcare and sessions for children will not be offered on Monday night
- Presentations will be geared toward adult learners and high school aged adolescents

CHOOSING DATES FOR 2008-2009

Registration materials stated that passwords and usernames to select specific dates for the upcoming year would be available as of June 15th. Our registration system is in the process of being modified. Therefore, we will notify parishioners via the bulletin and our St. Anne website, www.stannebarrington.org, when date selection may commence. Thank you for your patience.

GENERATIONS of FAITH

REGISTRATION FORM 2008-2009

YOU WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CHOOSE YOUR SPECIFIC SESSION DATES THROUGH OUR ON-LINE PROCESS ON A FIRST COME-FIRST SERVED BASIS. ONCE THIS FORM IS COMPLETED IN ITS ENTIRETY AND RECEIVED BY OUR ADMINISTRATORS, ALONG WITH YOUR FINANCE WORKSHEET AND PAYMENT, YOU WILL BE GIVEN AN ACCESS CODE TO CHOOSE YOUR DATES. ***All Generations of Faith participants must be registered St. Anne parishioners.*** To make an appointment to join the Parish, please call the Parish Office at **847.382.5300**. Your Generations of Faith registration cannot be processed until this step is completed.

Family Name: _____

Address: _____
No. Street **Apt. #**

_____
City **State** **Zip Code**

Home Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

Email: _____

We need an e-mail address to send the access code to choose your dates—please do not leave this blank.
If you do not have e-mail access, we will contact you by telephone about choosing dates.

Please list each participant's Name and Age/Grade/Grad Year in the appropriate section
(include last names if they are different from the family name)

AN ADULT MUST ACCOMPANY ANY CHILDREN WHO HAVE NOT YET BEEN CONFIRMED.
WE CANNOT ACCEPT REGISTRATIONS FOR CHILDREN ONLY.

LEVEL 1: ADULTS **How Many?** _____

Name: _____ HS Grad Yr. _____
Name: _____ HS Grad Yr. _____
Name: _____ HS Grad Yr. _____
Name: _____ HS Grad Yr. _____

LEVEL 2: HIGH SCHOOL **How Many?** _____

Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____
Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____
Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____
Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____

LEVEL 3: MIDDLE SCHOOL **How Many?** _____

Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____
Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____
Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____
Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____

LEVEL 4: ELEM. SCHOOL **How Many?** _____
(Please list kindergarteners under pre-school)

Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____
Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____
Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____
Name: _____ Grade 08-09 ____

LEVEL 5: PRE-SCHOOL **How Many?** _____
(Ages 4-Kindergarten)

Name: _____ Age _____
Name: _____ Age _____
Name: _____ Age _____

LEVEL 6: INFANT/TODDLER **How Many?** ____
(Ages 0-3)

Name: _____ Age _____
Name: _____ Age _____
Name: _____ Age _____

PLEASE SEND US INFORMATION ABOUT:

- ☐ First Eucharist/First Reconciliation (2 yr. process starting in 1st grade) Candidate Name(s): _____
- ☐ Confirmation (2 yr. high school process starting 9th grade or older) Candidate Name(s): _____
- ☐ RCIA (Adult Baptism/Eucharist/Confirmation) Candidate Name(s): _____

Mail this form along with your payment and finance worksheet to:
Generations of Faith, 120 N. Ela St., Barrington, 60010

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH

GENERATIONS of FAITH

FINANCE WORKSHEET

You will have the opportunity to choose your specific session dates through an on-line process. Once this form is completed in its entirety and received by our administrators along with your registration form and payment, you will be given an access code to choose your dates by the end of July.

FEE SCHEDULE FOR ANNUAL PASS (August 2008-July 2009):

Number of people in household	Regular registration fee
1	$105.00
2	$210.00
3	$310.00
4	$415.00
5+	$500.00

Annual pass fees include all meals and materials for all six Living Faith sessions.
FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AFTER MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st

☐ **Snowbird Special: $70.00 per person** (September, October, April and June sessions)

☐ **Single Session: $20.00 per person**

Head of household (First and Last name, please) _____

Number of household members who will be participating in Generations of Faith: _____

Number of *current* St. Anne School Students who will be participating in Generations of Faith: _____

Payment Method: ❑ **Check** ❑ **Credit Card**

Amount Paid/Charged: $_____

Credit card users, please complete the following:

CREDIT CARD ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Account number: _____

Circle one: Visa MasterCard Discover American Express*

Expiration date _____/_____

Name as it appears on card: _____

Billing address: _____

*Due to higher transaction costs charged to the parish,
we prefer that you do not use American Express, but we will accept it if that is your choice.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE IS AN $8.00 PROCESSING FEE THAT WILL BE ADDED TO CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS

Mail this worksheet along with your payment, registration form and volunteer survey to:
Generations of Faith, 120 N. Ela St., Barrington, 60010
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH

GENERATIONS of FAITH

Generations of Faith
2008-2009

New Payment Options:

Please note that there are some changes to the fees for the upcoming year of ***Generations of Faith***. The Annual Pass for all 6 sessions of ***Generations of Faith*** is the same price that was part of the registration packet, namely:

FEE SCHEDULE FOR ANNUAL PASS (August '08 - July '09):

Number of people in household	Regular registration fee
1	$105.00
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5+	$500.00

However, the following options are also available:

St. Anne School Students

There is **no charge** to be enrolled in *Generations of Faith* **for any student currently enrolled in St. Anne School**. For example, if you are a family of five and have two children who attend St. Anne School, your cost will be for three people – not five. If you have already registered and sent in payment for your St. Anne students, please contact **Doris Kelsch** at **847.620.3068** for a refund.

Snowbird Special: **$70.00 per person**
4 sessions: Sacrament Overview (September), Eucharist (October), Baptism and Confirmation (April), Matrimony & Holy Orders (June)

Single Session: **$20.00 per person**

Payable only by check or cash

We want to ensure that anyone who wants to attend *Generations of Faith* is able to do so. For anyone who needs different payment options than those listed above, please call **Doris Kelsch** at **847.620.3068** to make arrangements.

If you have not yet registered, there is a registration form and finance worksheet on the previous pages. Please complete it and send it in with your payment.

If you have already sent in your registration form and payment – thank you! You will be receiving your password by e-mail or phone before the end of July. The password will allow you to select the specific dates for each session.

BY SUSAN STENGREN, DIRECTOR OF GENERATIONS OF FAITH

PLEASE NOTE:
Families Preparing for a Baby's Baptism

Families who have attended Session 1 in preparation for their baby's Baptism are reminded that there is a Session 2 on **Sunday evening, July 20th,** at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

Celebrate Summer and Support Faithjustice Programs

The Faithjustice Committee is having a summer Fair Trade sale after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on **Saturday, July 19th,** and after the morning Masses on **Sunday, July 20th.** Proceeds from the sale will be split between the St. Anne bed net effort and Catholic Relief Service's "A Greater Gift"/SERRV International Fair Trade Program. The bed net effort is part of our year-long effort to help stop the spread of malaria in Democratic Republic of the Congo. The Fair Trade Program provides investments in a variety of marketplace opportunities for small-scale farmers and artisans.

A number of items will be available at the sale, along with Fair Trade chocolate, tea and coffee. All of the items are handmade by artisans in a number of countries, and they are paid fair market prices for their goods. Thank you for your support of Fair Trade products and their producers.

Special Project Hope Requests

- ***Cars, vans and trucks*** in safe running condition for families who require transportation to obtain/maintain employment. We are very grateful for the donations already received.
- ***Room to rent.*** Young woman needs room to rent (no more than $300.00 per month.)
- ***Computer***. 2 years or newer - XP or Vista operating system.
- Clean ***mattresses***, ***box springs*** and ***frames*** for twin, double and queen size beds.
- Extra wide ***wheelchair*** for a disabled woman.
- ***Nanny***. Project Hope seeks nanny for 11 yr. old boy. Daily from 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Possible live-in, college student, pay negotiable. Call **Dean** at **847.877.2321**.

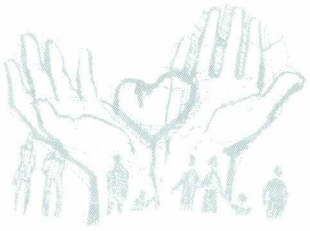
For more information on the above requests, call **Project Hope** at **847.381.5721**.

Couples' Bridge Players Needed

The St. Anne Couples' Bridge League is looking for three couples to join the group. We play the second Saturday of each month from September through May (excluding December), and each couple hosts twice a year. If you are interested or have any questions, call **Maureen** or **Gary Pratscher** at **847.381.2341** or email mpratscher@aol.com.

Women Bridge Players Needed

The St. Anne Women's Bridge group needs new players. We play the third Thursday of each month at 10:00 a.m., from September through April. If you are interested, call **Ruth Degner** at **847.854.9857**.



St. Anne Ministry of Care

Are you a compassionate person
who cares about those in need?

Are you a good listener with a sense of humor?

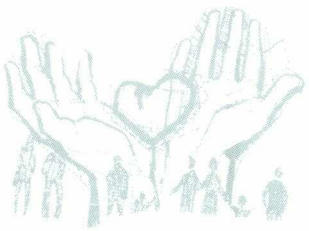
If so, **WE NEED YOU!**

As ministers of care,
we bring the Eucharist, prayer and compassion
to those who are unable to attend weekly Mass.

We visit Good Shepherd Hospital, Sunrise Assisted Living,
The Garlands, Greencastle, Alden Estates, and
Lake Barrington Woods as well as the homebound.

If you feel the Spirit is calling you,
call **Mary Hoffing** at **847.382.2148**.

Interviews for the fall training session will begin in July.
Don't delay—answer the call!



CONFIRMATION ENROLLMENT '08-'09

Parents of candidates interested in preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation must attend a Parent Enrollment session before any student can begin his/her preparation. Candidates must be in at least 9th grade to begin Confirmation preparation

Parent sessions will be held periodically between now and November, so please plan to attend one of these 45-60 minute meetings to get all the information you need in order to be fully informed about what the parish expects from those who wish to be confirmed.

FORMS FOR ENROLLMENT CAN ONLY BE OBTAINED BY ATTENDING ONE OF THESE INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS—

PARENT MEETING DATES:

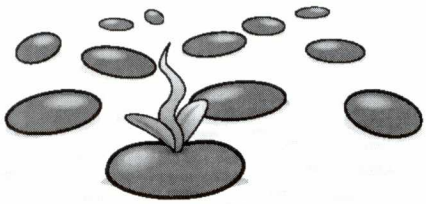
EARLY BIRD SESSION

Wednesday, August 6th
7:00-8:00 p.m. ~ Thane Hall

FALL SESSIONS

Sunday, September 14th
Sunday, September 21st
Sunday, October 5th
Thursday, October 9th
10:30-11:30 a.m. ~ Hospitality Room

Parents must attend one of these Early Bird sessions to enroll
in time for the August Generations of Faith series.



The seed fell on good ground

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Help Jesus tell the story of the farmer sowing the seed. Add words and pictures to the story.

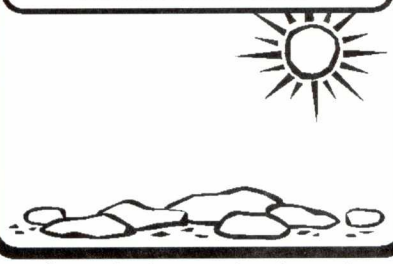
A farmer scattered ____ in a field.

Draw the farmer sowing seed.

Some seed fell on the road and was...

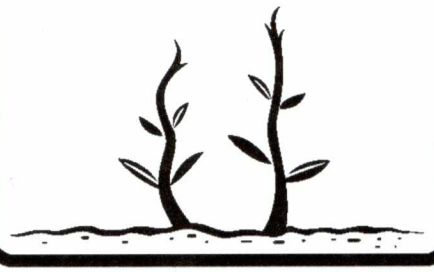
Write down what happened to the seed.

Some seed fell on rocky ground where the soil was not deep; the plants that grew withered in the ___.



Draw what happened to the seed which fell on rocky ground.

Some seed fell among thorns, which choked the plants that grew.

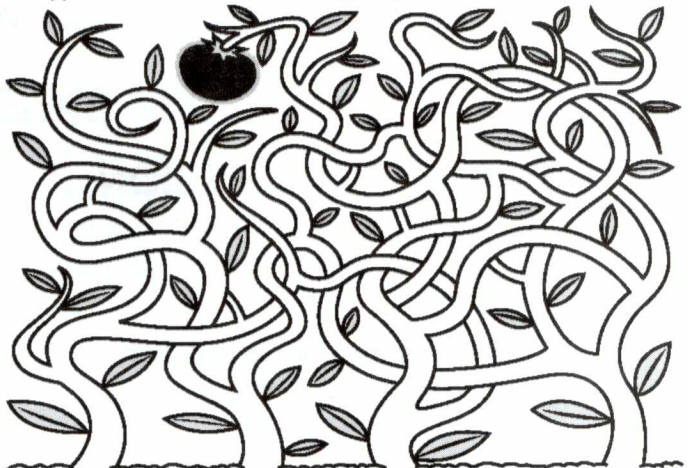


Draw thorns choking the plants.

But some seed fell on good ground and...

Write down what happened to the seed that fell on good ground and draw a picture of it.

The Word of God is like seed that needs good soil. How can we be like good soil for this seed?



Which of these four plants is the one bearing fruit?

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Minister Schedule

Monday, July 14, 8:15 AM

P. Stallone	Serv (1)
A. Kurzydlowski	Serv (2)

Tuesday, July 15, 8:15 AM

E. Guarnieri	Serv (1)
E. Jagmin	Serv (2)

Wed, July 16, 8:15 AM

S. Miseyka	Serv (1)
N. Schuberth	Serv (2)

Thursday, July 17, 8:15 AM

M. O'Neill	Serv (1)
K. Holsworth	Serv (2)

Friday, July 18, 8:15 AM

J. Graft	Serv (1)
C. Wills	Serv (2)

Saturday, July 19, 5:15 PM

S. Doody	MC
F. Wrobleski	MC
C. Kurzydlowski	SerCap
A. Duffy	Serv (1)
K. Duffy	Serv (2)
D. Zakrzewski	Serv (3)
M. Wedinger	Lec (1)
J. Nolan	Lec (2)
P. Carollo	EM
P. Criel	EM
W. Fischer	EM
L. Kantroski	EM
J. Schiller	EM
M. Schiller	EM
P. Schneider	EM
M. Schneider	EM
J. Schutter	EM
J. Sieger	EM

Sunday, July 20, 7:15 AM

M. Kaminski	MC
J. Burny	SerCap
A. Campbell	Serv (1)
E. McLaughlin	Serv (2)
N. Divito	Serv (3)
D. Foster	Lec (1)
D. Tyrpin	Lec (2)
A. Aquino	EM
C. Barra	EM
L. Bataille	EM
S. Beattie	EM
D. DeJesu	EM
J. Doherty	EM
T. Ciganek	Int

Sunday, July 20, 9:00 AM

R. Brown	MC
Georgene Farman	MC
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This Week's Readings

Monday:	Isaiah 1:10-17/Matthew 10:34-11:1
Tuesday:	Isaiah 7:1-9/Matthew 11:20-24
Wednesday:	Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16/Matthew 11:25-27
Thursday:	Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Matthew 11:28-30
Friday:	Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Matthew 12:1-8
Saturday:	Micah 2:1-5/Matthew 12:14-21
Sunday:	Wisdom 12:13, 16-19/Rom 8:26-27/Matthew 13:24-43

15th Sunday of the Year, 2008

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

Thus says the LORD:
[10] Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth,
making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows
and bread to the one who eats,
[11] so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth;
my word shall not return to me void,
but shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.

Psalm 65: *The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest* (Luke 8:8)

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

[1] On that day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea.
[2] Such large crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat down,
and the whole crowd stood along the shore.
[3] And he spoke to them at length in parables, saying:
"A sower went out to sow.
[4] And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path,
and birds came and ate it up.
[5] Some fell on rocky ground, where it had little soil.
It sprang up at once because the soil was not deep,
[6] and when the sun rose it was scorched, and it withered for lack of roots
[7] Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it.
[8] But some seed fell on rich soil, and produced fruit,
a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.
[9] Whoever has ears ought to hear."
[10] The disciples approached him and said,
"Why do you speak to them in parables?"
[11] He said to them in reply,
"Because knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven
has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted.
[12] To anyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich;
from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away.
[13] This is why I speak to them in parables,
because they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand.
[14] Isaiah's prophecy is fulfilled in them, which says:
You shall indeed hear but not understand, you shall indeed look but never see.
[15] Gross is the heart of this people,
they will hardly hear with their ears, they have closed their eyes,
lest they see with their eyes and hear with their ears
and understand with their hearts and be converted,
and I heal them.
[16] "But blessed are your eyes, because they see,
and your ears, because they hear.
[17] Amen, I say to you, many prophets and righteous people
longed to see what you see but did not see it,
and to hear what you hear but did not hear it.
[18] "Hear then the parable of the sower.
[19] The seed sown on the path is the one
who hears the word of the kingdom without understanding it,
and the evil one comes and steals away
what was sown in his heart.
[20] The seed sown on rocky ground
is the one who hears the word and receives it at once with joy.
[21] But he has no root and lasts only for a time.
When some tribulation or persecution comes because of the word,
he immediately falls away.
[22] The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word,
but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word
and it bears no fruit.
[23] But the seed sown on rich soil
is the one who hears the word and understands it,
who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

Living Story

These next four Sundays use parables to continue to explore the challenges to being a disciple in *God's* kingdom. Succinctly, a parable is "a **metaphor** or **simile** drawn from nature or common life, arresting the hearer by its vividness or strangeness, and leaving the mind in sufficient doubt of its precise application to tease it into active thought."[i] It is a story of a situation which, because it is very familiar to the hearer, is used to illustrate another reality which is not as easy to describe in common, down-to-earth terms. A **metaphor** is a statement that identifies one thing with another: *You are the salt of the earth...*(Mt 5:13) in which the disciple is identified with the common item salt (or, today's vv.3-9). A **simile** compares one item with another by using like or as: *The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed...*(v.31). Sometimes these parables, these comparisons, become quite long and have characters, some dialogue, a plot and a setting, e.g., the Good Samaritan story (Lk 10:30). They still make their point by using everyday objects and commonplace scenarios from real-life situations such as cleaning house, growing grapes, the rivalry between two brothers, the preparations for a wedding, or a story of a mugging in a bad part of town; they are an endless source of spiritual meaning. It is a favorite teaching mode for Jesus and it is common, even expected. Certainly Matthew's community understood it to refer to something other than what was described. Jesus is often shown using parables to reveal some aspect of God's kingdom. Parables do **not** simply present a moral teaching. They are designed to make us **see** differently, to see how solicitous is our God in his love, and how present he is in our lives [see Dodd above]; this necessitates a response that, by its nature, stimulates in us a radical reorientation. The story of the Good Samaritan, for example, is not a pious story about being compassionate, but a radical challenge to consider as "neighbor" those whom we had previously viewed as "enemy." Dodd's "active thought" is our dialogue with the parable that engages us intimately in a very real struggle. The truths parables contain, combined with this struggle we have in "understanding," can spring to life in our hearts as a revelation of the **mystery of God's kingdom.**[ii] This asks of us to change the lens through which we view life – to shift our paradigm.

The Parable of the Sower (3b-9). What is the probable effect on Matthew's hearers?[iii] In that world, sowing preceded plowing, so there would be the tendency to be liberal in spreading seed. Nevertheless, the way described here still seems wasteful; if the sower were a landowner, the peasant audience would despise his waste of precious seed. If the sower is a farmer or day laborer, the peasant would sympathize with careful sowing, but it ends up wasting seed anyway because of difficult conditions. Usually, a four to fivefold return on sowing could be expected. A hundred, sixty or thirtyfold is beyond understanding. If it is a wasteful landowner who realizes such a profit, it is hardly "good news" to a peasant. But if it were a peasant who reaps such a benefit then the yield would cover the share owed to owner, as well as seed for the following year, and the taxes, but still sustain the family. Moreover, the parable now makes sense, since it is clearly God and not human effort that produces this abundance. This is a story of *God's* prodigality - his loving and providing nature that cares for the peasant; no matter the ground on which the seed falls, God will bring forth a yield. The seed, which is the word of God, will work its work. The short pericope in the first reading certainly says the same: *Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down...so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth...*it *shall do my will, achieving the end for which I sent it.* These both are about the inexorable growth of the kingdom! It is less about the hearers and the sower and the "receptivity" of the ground, and more about God's work. Paul says it in the Romans passage: *creation itself will be set free...and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God...*

The remainder of the gospel pericope involves an explanation of why Jesus is speaking in parable (10-17) and an "interpretation" (18-23) that most scholars consider to be an addition by the early church and an argument that the "word of God" must be heard, understood and acted upon.

So What? This may be a story of God's prodigality. (See vv. 11 and 14 of the psalm.) However, in today's view of agricultural practice, sowing seeds without regard to the ground on which it falls would seem to be a waste. What other conclusion might one draw from this story, say, from the point of view of the preparedness, or the action of the ground? That is, **is** there something required of **us** besides simply being waiting empty vessels? Is it simply a matter of luck that we might be rocky ground, or rich soil?

FOOTNOTES:

[i] From Dodd, quoted in *The Gospel of Matthew,* Daniel J. Harrington, S.J., p198

[ii] Except as noted, my discussion is adapted from *The Catholic Student Bible*, Jean Heisberger, Gen. Ed., p.31ff

[iii] John J. Pilch, *The Cultural World of Jesus, Cycle A,* p. 109ff

Other Happenings

Theology on Tap

Holy Family Parish, Inverness, will host *Theology on Tap,* for young adults on Monday nights, beginning **Monday, July 14th,** at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call **847.907.3450.**

Picnic in the Park for Paulina

Picnic in the Park for Paulina will be held on **Saturday, July 19th,** at Citizens Park to benefit the Messina family, St. Anne parishioners who are dealing with cancer. For more information, visit www.paulinamessina.com.

Joyful Again

Holy Family Parish, Inverness, will host a faith-based workshop for all widowed persons on **Saturday, July 19th-Sunday, July 20th.** For more information, call **708.354.7211.**

Nigerian Children's Clothing Drive

The Good Shepherd Hospital Emergency Department will collect clothing and backpacks for children in the eastern part of Nigeria on **Thursday, July 24th,** from 3:30-5:00 p.m., and **Friday, July 25th,** from 7:00-9:00 a.m. For more information, call **Eunice** at **630.237.4701.**

Catholic Family Conference

The Office of Family Life of the Rockford Diocese will sponsor a Catholic Family Conference **Friday, July 25th-Sunday, July 27th,** at Elgin Community College. For more information, visit www.catholicfamily.dpsrfd.org.

Life's Healing Journey Weekend Retreat

Missionaries of the Sacred Heart will sponsor a retreat on **August 8th-10th,** at Bishop Lane, Rockford. For more information, call **630.892.2371**

Catholic Charities LOSS Meetings

Meetings for those who have lost a loved one to suicide will take place locally on **Wednesday, August 20th,** at Holy Family, Inverness, and on **Thursday, August 28th,** at Carmel High School, Mundelein. For more information, call **312.655.7283.**

Hesburgh Lecture on Immigration

Guest lecturer Allert Brown-Gort, Associate Director of the Institute for Latino Studies at the University of Notre Dame, will discuss Catholic social teaching and immigration, the economics of immigration, and the current immigration debate in our country on **Sunday, August 24th**, from 2:00-4:00 p.m., at St. Martin de Porres High School, Waukegan. Question and answer session, refreshments, free admission. Sponsored by the Notre Dame Club of Lake County. For more information, contact **Chris Burke** at twistagogo@aol.com.

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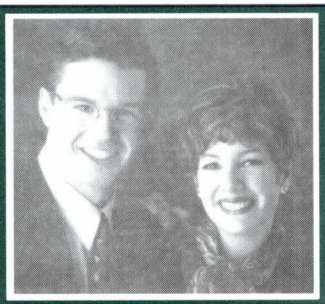

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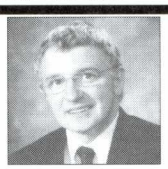
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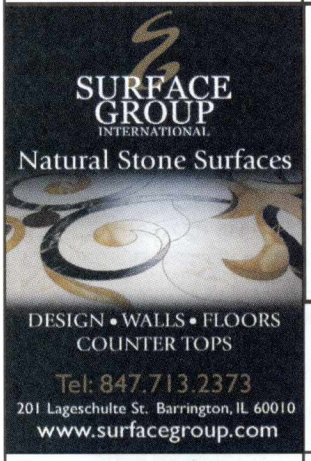

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Sunday: 7:15, 9:00*, 11:00* a.m., 5:15 p.m.
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