

**Pastor's Greetings**

I have been intrigued by the correspondence between the Twelve Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous and the essential components of moral conversion from sin. Historically, at least one of the developers of AA was an Irish Catholic, who knew intimately the dynamic and effects of going to Confession. Breaking the grip of sin has powerful similarities with breaking addiction. And, just as an alcoholic who goes into recovery will never **not** be an alcoholic, a sinner in conversion by God's grace is never in this life **not** a recovering sinner. Since conversion is also required in an authentic Christian life and certainly for the fruitfulness of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, I wondered how I might transpose the insights of the twelve steps with a view to Confession and moral conversion from sin. What follows is a rather free paraphrasing, extension, and application of what AA's twelve steps suggest to me, with some variation of order.

[1] Recognize and admit: my habitual sins and the flaws in my character which leave me vulnerable to temptation and at risk of sinning. [2] Admit that on my own, without the grace and help of God, I do not and, in fact, cannot avoid sin; but that with God's grace and divine assistance I can avoid sin and grow in love. [3] Decide to turn my will and my life over to God, seeking to pray unconditionally, "God's will be done in me." [4] Make a probing, courageous, and unsparing examination of conscience, remembering all my sins which have been confessed and absolved and those which have not. [6] Ready or prepare myself for God to remove, according to God's will and time, all the defects in my character. [5] Admit to God, to myself, and in the Sacrament of Reconciliation the exact account of my misdeeds, especially mortal sins, not admitted or confessed before. [7] Express contrition and ask God's pardon, that Christ take my sins away in the blood of his cross. Accept sacramental absolution and extend it's grace in my heart to all who have done me wrong. [8] List all those whom I have harmed and determine in Christ to make amends insofar as it is possible. [9] Make amends directly if possible but not so as to cause further injury or harm to others. Accept and enact the reforming practice or penance which will lead me to spiritual freedom.

[10] Examine my conscience regularly for any wrong doing and promptly admit when I am wrong, asking pardon of those offended.

[11] Pray to improve my awareness of God's presence and my knowledge of God's will, humbly asking for the grace and power to carry it out. [12] As I awake to God and grow in awareness of grace, then I spread the good news of God's mercy.

By living these steps or the personal and spiritual actions they describe, I clean up the debris of my life and my world with Christ. I am mindful that some of the debris and damage was done by me and some by others. Whoever is in Christ, shares with him the ministry of the clean-up (atonement). It is like cleaning up a territory after a war—removing the destroyed buildings, clearing up the rubble, burying the dead, sweeping for mines, and disposing of unexploded ordnance. The rebuilding and the making of peace, the planting and the repopulating, the restoration of prosperity—all these remain to be done by God's gifts in Christ and the Holy Spirit. In part, the Church has called this the "temporal punishment due to sin." The story of redemption proceeds by God's grace and in God's time.

The path of conversion from sin and from habits of dependency or addiction is actually the Christian path of carrying one's cross in the company of Jesus Christ. It is a lived praying of the cross. By conforming one's life after the mystery of the Cross, one is delivered from any and every enslavement, any habitual evil. It is all accomplished by the power of the grace that is offered us in Jesus Christ and by the obedience of faith available through prayer and the Sacraments of the Church. As the ground of sin is cleared away, then God offers conversions of new creation and loving union. Fr. Richard

**OCS Pre-Registration**

The Owensboro Catholic Schools pre-registration is currently being held for the 2010-2011 school year. If you would like more information about enrollment and financial aid, please contact Karen Gross at the Central Office at 686-8896.

**Gospel:** Luke 10:25-37 (The Good Samaritan)

### Adults

What situations or circumstances have summoned me to compassion and taught me the practical side of the commandment of love?

### Children

How can I love other people as God loves them?

**Religious Education Pre-Registration/Registration** will take place during the month of July. Registration packets will be available in the vestibule during the month of July. Thanks!!! If you have any questions, please contact Nancy at the parish office, 684-4745.

**Information For Growth (IFG)** A new session has been set up online for anyone who would like to take the assessment online. The new session begins on 6-21-10 and ends 7-31-10. The IFG may be assessed at <http://ifg.caltesting.org>. Then click on downloads and follow the download prompts. The session ID is TT\_VVMO5362 and the password is ifg123. If you haven't taken the assessment, you may do so anytime during the session time frame. You will receive by email a confidential report of your IFG score. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy at the parish office, 684-4745 ext. 205 or by email [nmtg54@aol.com](mailto:nmtg54@aol.com).

### SPX Altar Servers

Parish Altar Servers, mark your calendars and hold the date of Saturday, August 7th, for a trip to Mammoth Cave National Park. We are planning a picnic & cave tour. This is in appreciation for your ministry and there is no charge to our servers. Fr. Richard

### **Please support our Advertisers on the back of our bulletin. They make this bulletin possible.**

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### **St. Pius X Women's and Men's Retreat**

We will hold a men and women's retreat on Saturday, July 24, beginning at 8:30am with registration. The retreats will begin at 9:00am and end at 4:00pm. The topic for this year's retreat for both men and women will be "What were you thinking?" **The men's retreat will be directed by John Little, and the women's retreat will be directed by Martha Little.** Please check your calendars and plan on joining us for prayer, conversation and discernment. More information to come.

### OCHS SOCCER TEAM HOSTING GOLF SCRAMBLE

Saturday, August 7th at Panther Creek Golf Course at 7:30am, come early to register. \$200 per team, drinks and lunch provided. Cash payout and door prizes. Contact Kim Tignor at 925-5434 for more information or to register.

**The Diocese of Owensboro together with the family** of Ryan Matthew Harpole invite you to the Ordination of the Diaconate through the laying on of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit by The Most Reverend William Medley, Bishop of the Diocese of Owensboro, at St. Peter of Antioch Catholic Church 201 East Market St. at 10am, Waverly, Ky on August 14th, 2010.

**Incoming High School Juniors thru Young Adults** - there will be a Teens Encounter Christ weekend at Christ the King Church, Madisonville, July 24-26. Info: [www.wkytec.org](http://www.wkytec.org)

**ST. PIUS X  
YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Up Coming Dates  
High School Laser Tag  
July 17 2-3:30**

There is no cost youth. All incoming freshmen and returning high school youth are invited for fun and laser blasting!

**Youth Ministry Cookout**  
Saturday July 31 (after 5pm Mass) 6:30-???  
More information to come

**Congratulations Newly Confirmed!**

St. Pius X would like to congratulate the youth who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, April 18 2010.

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| Nicholas Benson  | Meagan Millay          |
| Haley Burr       | Katlyn Moore           |
| James Cecil      | Shane Nash             |
| Aubrey Clark     | Cody Payne             |
| Ryan Clark       | Jessica Payne          |
| Jonah Damin      | Reece Payne            |
| Katherine Duty   | Jacob Roberts          |
| Brittani Hawkins | Logan Robinson         |
| David Hayden     | Brian Storm            |
| Austin Howard    | Patrick Thielen        |
| Elizabeth Howard | Sarah Thielen          |
| Samuel Johnson   | Hunter Thompson        |
| Justin Krampe    | Michael Thomson        |
| Kaitlyn Martin   | Elizabeth Wechtenhiser |
| Sarah McDonald   | Casey Zoglmann         |
| Jared Millay     |                        |

**For information on Youth Ministry events contact  
Matthew Hunt 270 684-4745 ext 206.**

**"Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers by what you say and do, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity." I Timothy 4:12**

**Musicians Schedule-July 17 & 18**

- 5:00pm Roger & Margie
- 8:00am Rosemary, Paula, Linda & Tracie
- 11:00am Jubilation

**Vocation Crucifix-July 17 & 18**

- 5:00pm Agnes Powers
- 8:00am John & Carolyn McCarty
- 11:00am Jerrod & Sara Beyke

**God's Housekeepers - July 12-17**

Phyllis Whitaker, Ed & Linda Calhoun, Charlotte Hedges, James & Cheryl Gerteisen, Linda Logsdon

**SCRIP Schedule -July 10th & 11th**

- 5:00pm Stacey Potts  
Rex & Laura Carmon
- 8:00am Dan & Barbara Durbin  
David & Holly Johnson
- 11:00am Chris & Julie Carwile  
Roy & Rhonda Johnson

**SCRIP Schedule**

- 5:00pm Mary Lou Storm  
Keith & Cathy Franey
- 8:00am Joan Hayden  
Mark & Donna Howard
- 11:00am Gene & Becky Krampe  
Rob & Kathy Edge

**OCHS Volleyball Hosting Golf Scramble**

A Golf Scramble will be hosted to benefit OCHS Volleyball.

- Saturday, July 17
- Ben Hawes State Park
- 8:00 am Shotgun start
- 18 holes using scramble format
- Individuals welcome or form your own team
- \$50 per person or \$200 per team
- Drinks and Lunch Provided
- Cash payout and Door prizes
- Mulligans, skirts, throws, etc. will be sold
- Hole Sponsorships Available for \$100
- Contact Charlie Barr at (270) 929-1607 for more information
- In the event of bad weather the make up date is Sunday July 25th at 8:00 am

**Mass Intentions - July 12—18, 2010**

12-Mon.	8am	Amy Meredith
13-Tue.	8am	Mary Hamilton
14-Wed.	6pm	Tony Mayfield
15-Thur	8am	Ron Thomas
16-Fri	8am	Tammy Tucker
17-Sat	5pm	Harvey & Marie Johnson
18-Sun	8am	Kenneth Hagan & Family
	11am	Parish Family
	8pm	Joe Boehman, Sr.

**Stewardship Update:** Thank you to those who have responded to our efforts. If you have not yet picked up your packet, please stop by or call the parish office at 684-4745 Ext. 214. Completed forms may be dropped in the collection basket, mailed, or brought by the parish office. As members of this truly amazing parish family, and the Body of Christ, it takes each of us doing our part to make up the whole.

*Marisa Cooper, Parish Administrator*

**Rest In Peace:**

**Margaret Menche**, Mother to Larry Menche  
**Charles J. Bryant**, Father to Charles R. Bryant  
 Eternal Rest Grant Unto them O Lord.

**Dear Friends of Saint Pius X Parish...**

I would like to take this opportunity to Thank You for your generous donation that helped to furnish my home. I am very humbled by the generosity shown to me. When I moved in last weekend and walked into the house, I was overwhelmed with feelings of love and kindness. Every time I enter my home, I feel the goodness of the people of this diocese. Please know that you are in my daily prayers. I ask you to remember me in yours, also. May your days of summer be blessed with God's peace and restful spirit.

Sincerely,

Most Rev. William F. Medley  
 Bishop of the Diocese of Owensboro

**Tithing's-July 4, 2010**

<b>Goal</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>14,072.00</b>	<b>14,196.96</b>
<b>Children's Coll.....</b>	<b>.140</b>
<b>Parish Relief.....</b>	<b>249.00</b>
<b>St. Vincent de Paul.....</b>	<b>5.00</b>

***Stewardship ~ May 2010***

<b>Total Income.....</b>	<b>77,097.61</b>
<b>Total Expenses...67,477.21</b>	
<b>Difference.....</b>	<b>9,620.40</b>
<b>YTD Income.....</b>	<b>712,211.39</b>
<b>YTD Expenses....</b>	<b>717,004.23</b>
<b>Difference.....</b>	<b>(4,792.84)</b>

**Capital Campaign-July 4, 2010**

<b>Goal</b>	<b>Actual</b>
<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>2,221.33</b>

***Capital Campaign ~ May 2010***

<b>Total Income.....</b>	<b>5,668.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses.....</b>	<b>9,544.07</b>
<b>Difference.....</b>	<b>(3,876.07)</b>
<b>YTD Income.....</b>	<b>120,906.63</b>
<b>YTD Expenses.....</b>	<b>112,070.54</b>
<b>Difference.....</b>	<b>8,836.09</b>
<b>New Balance as of 5/31/2010.....</b>	<b>425,586.17</b>

**Daycare – May**

<b>Total Income.....</b>	<b>38,771.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses.....</b>	<b>36,549.08</b>
<b>Difference.....</b>	<b>2,221.92</b>
<b>YTD Income.....</b>	<b>413,034.08</b>
<b>YTD Expense.....</b>	<b>398,697.11</b>
<b>Difference.....</b>	<b>14,336.97</b>

**Stewardship: Luke 10:25-37**

“Rabbi, why do Jews always answer a question with a question?” The rabbi responded, “And why shouldn’t we?” Jesus is a Jew. When the scholar of the (Jewish) law asked him, “Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus answered with a question, “What is written in the law?” The scholar quotes *Deuteronomy 6:5 You shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart, being, strength and mind* and *Leviticus 19:19 . . . and your neighbor as yourself*. The scholar knew the law. It had been handed down by Moses. But the scholar (a lawyer) looks for a loophole: “Who is my neighbor?” Jesus answers this question with the story of the Good Samaritan, then ask, “Which one, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robber’s victim?” The scholar answers, “The one who treated him with mercy.” The scholar had no other choice. If we are true believers in Jesus, neither do we. Jesus challenges us to want for our neighbor what we want ourselves. And everyone is our neighbor, no matter how unlovable they may be.

## Liturgical Roles

### Praying Hands Prayer Chain-Call 929-4914, 281-4729 or 686-8098, dgfas@earthlink.net

Becky Howard, Louise Miles, Richard Horn, Charles Aud, Chann Harris, Pat Yeckering, Christina Downing, Linda McKinney, Donna Powers, James Martin, Billy Brackett, Mandy Lloyd, Johnnie Dunbar, Robin Spinks, Kenneth Wright, Susan Sweat, Barbara Alvey, Cody Cox, Mike Murphy, Tony Hamilton, Debra Morse, Billie Quisinberry, Louise McDaniels, Dale Greenwell, Wendy Phelps, Laura Donahue, Aline Garrett, Pam Kehr, Mary Collins, Ann & James Wood, Roger Warren, Barbara Stites, Terrence Miller, Morgan Young, Lukas Hall, Robert Massie, Robert Newton, Nancy Bickett, David Baker, Scott Carter, Sharon Clary, Marsha Bradley, Edward Dowdy, Marvin Morris, Brigit Jones, Brian King, Carol & Gerald Head, Glenn Grigsley, James Cummins, Ethel Larossa, Anna Clements, Becky Smith, Sue Willet, Kim Burcham, Deanna Wright, Tracy Blair, Norbert Smith, Jr., Paul Smith, Jo Ann Kimmel, Eleanor Richey, Theresa Wilkerson, Mary Hoover, Larry & Martha Stites, Preston Chappell, Dylan Evans, Jason Chambers, Lori Stanley, Eugenia Shultz, Easton Pedley, Ray Riley, Mike Marsh, Jerry Clark, Anthony Clark, Bernice Bertke, James Barnett, Emily Storm, Carol Atwell, Tom Franey, Deborah Watts, Joseph Roach, Mary Jo Jones, Kristi Rehrauer, Pamala Chapman, Sharri Browning, David Leach, Todd Melton, Helen McCarty, Kathleen Kirk, Amy Cox, Barbara Carrico, Vicki Troutman, Joe McCrystal, Brooklyn Kessenger, Christina Booth, Tara Phelps, David Vanover, Rhonda Williams, Tim & Zoila Davis, Jan Mulligan, Kathleen Wettstain, Erika Vandiver, Ron Thomas, Neil Devine, Lisa Russellburg, Judy Byrer, Earl Cecil, Shane Isbill, Megan Boarman, Charles Mayfield, Margaret Fischer, Joe Raley, Mary Ellen Clark, Morgan Nave, Nichole Gowen, Terra Stone, Melissa Manning, Wesley Cook, J.C. & Jeanette Mayfield, Linda Jackson, Jonathan Boarman, Larry Murphy, Jayden Hamilton, Mike Aud, Jennifer McDaniels, Gary Noel, Martha Froehlich, Crysta Morris, Gail Harrison, Mary Jo Smith, Hugh Higdon, Ellen Roby, Louise Mills.

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**Military Prayer List:** 1 SG. David Bernosky, Ft. Dix, New Jersey, L/CPL Jimmy Wolter, Afghanistan, Airman David M. Smith, T. Sgt. Kevin Payne, SGT John R. Zaremba, LTC Jason Jones, Sgt. Robert Timothy Wells-Afghanistan, Airman Kaleb Hedden—Iraq, SFC Erick Weber-Iraq, Third Tour, Daniel Scott, Fort Huachuca, Arizona, Brian A McDaniels, Marine Corp, Ben Hedges, US Army, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

### July 17 5:00pm

**Euch.** Kathy Clary/B-1, Carol Schlachter/C-1, Father/B-2, Agnes Powers/C-2, Keith Franey/B-3, Wilsie Ward/C-3, Peggy Castlen/B-4, Laura Naviaux/C-4, Larry Freels/Bal-B, Stacey Freels/Bal-C  
**Gifts** Joey & Vicki Dickens  
**Lectors** Carol Schlachter, Laura Naviaux  
**Greeters** Martha Walker/D-1, Tammy Millay/D-2, Tom & Libby Johnson/D-3 & 4  
**Servers** Samuel Johnson, Nicholas Driskill  
**Ushers** Steve Hollman, Vince Hayden, Tommy Velotta, Jeff Fulkerson

### July 18 8:00am

**Euch.** Catherine Barnett/Capt.B-1, Joseph Hayden/C-1, Father/B-2, Carol Payne/C-2, Robert Johnson/B-3, Charlotte Hedges/C-3, Pat Storm/B-4, Wil Storm/C-4, Charlie Moore/Bal-B, Amy Silvert/Bal-C  
**Gifts** Ed & Tammy Mattingly  
**Lectors** Tom Conrey, Ellen Dugan-Barrette  
**Greeters** Mike & Donna Hamlet/D-1 & 2, Jerry Wells/D-3, Jennifer Olssen/D 4,  
**Servers** Jessica Thomson, volunteer  
**Ushers** Ed Mattingly, David Goetz, Danny Morris, Gary Warren

### July 18 11:00am

**Euch** Gail Ray/Capt.B-1, Gail Estes/C-1, Father/B-2, Sheila Wechtenhiser/C-2, Chace Clements/B-3, Taylor Edge/C-3, Dillon Nash/B-4, Doris Millay/C-4, Vince Millay/Bal-B, Christie Campbell/Bal-C  
**Gifts** Gary & Nettie Noel  
**Lectors** David & Pat Jones  
**Greeters** Gary & Beverly Estes/D-1 & 2, Brenda Thomas/D-3, Becky & Morgan McCubbins/D-4  
**Servers** Andrew Clark, Volunteer  
**Ushers** Wayne Zoglmann, David Zoglmann, Andy Lawless, Robert Edge

**Thanks To All Liturgical Ministers**

**Weekly Readings for:****July 11 through July 18, 2010****Sunday:** Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14,17,30-31,33-34,36,37; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37**Monday:** Is 1:10-17; Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23; Mt 10:34-11:1**Tuesday:** Is 7:1-9; Ps 48:2-8; Mt 11:20-24**Wednesday:** Is 10:5-7,13b-16; Ps 94:5-10,14-15; Mt 11:25-27**Thursday:** Is 26:7-9,12,16-19; Ps 102:13-14ab, 15-21; Mt 11:28-30**Friday:** Is 38:1-6,21-22,7-8; (Ps) Is 38:10-12,16; Mt 12:1-8**Saturday:** Mi 2:1-5; Ps 10:1-4,7-8,14; Mt 12:14-21**Sunday:** Gn 18:1-10a; Ps 15:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

**Copies of the Diocesan Policy** dealing with sexual abuse of minors or vulnerable persons are available in the pamphlet rack in Church.

**Rediscover Your Marriage** – The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, not a sensitivity group, not a seminar, or a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the August program beginning with a weekend on Aug 13-15 call 270-683-1545 ext. 357 or email: [sherryvincent@insightbb.com](mailto:sherryvincent@insightbb.com) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

Summer is in full swing now that school is out so you before you forget...enroll your little one in preschool. Cathedral Preschool, located at 600 Locust Street, has served Owensboro families since 1986. Their program is designed to complement the role of Christian parents in providing for the development of their child. Classes offered are 2 day, 3 day, or 4 day. There are a few openings left for 3-year old and 4-year old children. Call 926-1652 for more information about enrollment for the fall or check the website at [www.ststephencathedral.org](http://www.ststephencathedral.org)