

Thoughts Along the Way

Incense

The smells of barbecue, fresh-baked bread and evergreen arouse our noses. They also fill us with warmth and welcome. Smells enhance our worship as well. The wax of candles, the bouquet of wine and the perfume of chrism bring delight to Catholic faithful. But our most famous smell comes from incense. It signals the solemnity of our common prayer.

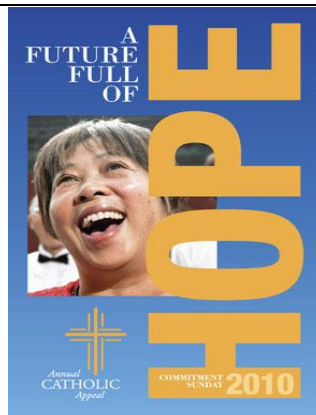
The occasions for incense range from the ordinary to the exalted. If we wanted, we could use incense every day of the year, but we generally reserve it for big occasions.

Several parts of the Mass call for incense. When the entrance procession forms, incense may lead the way. When the presider reaches the sanctuary, he may incense the cross and altar in reverence. In the Gospel procession, the deacon or priest may follow incense to the ambo, where he incenses the book before reading. After the gifts come to the altar, the celebrant may incense the bread, the wine, the altar and the cross. Then a deacon or another minister may incense the priest and the people. When this happens, we stand up to receive the incensation. It's a stylized way of receiving the incense with the dignified humility of guests accepting a refill. During the eucharistic prayer, when the priest shows us the Lord's Body and Blood, a minister kneeling near the altar may incense this sacred banquet.

Other occasions invite incense too. At a funeral, we incense the remains of the faithful departed. At exposition of the Blessed Sacrament we incense the monstrance. During solemn processions, incense takes the lead.

In the Scriptures, incense symbolizes prayer. Psalm 141:2 says, "Let my prayer be counted as incense before you" (NRSV). Revelation 8:3-4 says, "Another angel with a golden censer came and stood at the altar; he was given a great quantity of incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar that is before the throne. And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel" (NRSV). Incense delights the eye as well as the nose. As smoke rises mysteriously to the heavens, it bears our prayers aloft.

*Fr. Matthew
Pastor*



Annual Catholic Appeal

Please join in supporting the Annual Catholic Appeal

The Annual Appeal funds Retired Priest' Medical Care, Priest' Pension, Sisters' Retirement, Deacon and Seminarian Formation, Hospital and Criminal Justice Ministry, Catholic Schools, Campus Ministry Centers, Marriage Tribunal, Catholic Youth Organization, and Catholic Community Services.

Your Pledge, no matter the amount, will make a difference --- funding ministries for our *youth*, our *community*, and our *faith*.

If you cannot make a gift at this time, please complete the envelope indicating "Prayer" as your gift, return it, and we will not send you a follow up letter.



**Only 15 more days until...
SonQuest Rainforest VBS!!!
July 26th -30th 12:30pm-4:30pm**

Registration for VBS will be after Sat/Sun Masses in July.

Registration fees are \$20/child (up to \$50/family) and include an iron-on transfer, CD, and week full of fun learning about God's love!

To make VBS a success, we need adults & teens who can share their gifts of time and talent! Leaders are needed for: Assembly, Skits, Bible Theme, Bible Verse/Games, and Recreational Games! And, we need teen guides for all grades (K-6)!

(This is a great way to earn your school commitment hours!)

We welcome all volunteers to join us at our upcoming meetings:

Sunday @ 12:30pm on July 25th for VBS set-up

A list of donation items needed is available in the back of the church.

Any contribution is greatly appreciated!

Please contact Kelly Beech with any questions at (253) 375-7661 or see Parish Website at

www.holydisciples.org

July 11, 2010

THIS WEEK AT HOLY DISCIPLES PARISH

July 12

Faith Formation Commission-7:00PM

Baptism Prep-7:00P

July 13

Martial Arts-7:30PM

Wednesday, July 14

Rosary-8:40AM

Mass-9:00AM

Exercise Class-10:30AM

New Creation Choir-7:00PM

Safe environment Program Training-6-30PM

Justice in Action-7:30PM

Thursday, July 15

Rosary-8:40AM

Mass-9:00AM

RCIA-7:00PM

Inquiry-7:00PM

Friday, July 16

Rosary-8:40AM

Mass-9:00AM

Exercise Class-10:30AM

Martial Arts-7:30PM

Saturday, July 17

Hispanic Bible Reflection-3:30PM

Mass-5:00PM

Sunday, July 18

Mass-8:30AM

New Creation Choir-9:00AM

Mass10:30AM

Parish Picnic-1:00PM

Need of Prayer

DEPLOYED PARISHIONERS

Aaron, Alex, Anthony, Bill, Conrado, Damian, Dave, Denise, Dennis Dominic, Don, Donald, Eric, Greg, James, Jeff, Jessica, Joe, John, Joseph, Kim, Mark, Michael, Noel, Richard, Rick, Ryan, Sara, Sam, Thomas, Tim, and Tyrel.

“Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as you protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform in our time of need. Amen.”

Please remember these individuals in your thoughts and prayers:

Tim Kelly, Charles Malouff, Shirley Pierson, Dick Tourtelot.

If the names of the ill have been in the spoken Prayers of the Faithful for a month or more, they will then be remembered in our prayers from this list in the bulletin.



PARISH PICNIC

Join your fellow parishioners for our annual picnic on Sunday July 18 at 1:00pm to 4:00pm on the parish grounds. There will be entertainment, games for all ages, raffles, and a potluck dinner. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided by the parish. Bring your favorite dish to share. No desserts, please. Ice cream sundaes will be provided. There will be games for all ages and smoothies for sale. Raffles to benefit World Youth Day 2011 will be held. If you'd like to help or have questions, call Katy Marzano 253-847-7417 or Becky Kjellson 253-468-8920.

LITURGY- July 17th & 18th

Sacristans:

Helen Aichner, Sheri/Melanie Hodson, Bev Gillitzer.

Reminder -Eucharistic Ministers helping in the celebration of Mass:

5:00PM-Tony & Diane DePersio, David Goreczny, Bud & June Guimond, Mimi Lampert, Ken & Marcia Maertens, Marianne Rojas.

8:30 AM-Alan Beck, Frank Chamberlain, Dee Craig, Don Fouraker, Peggy Hager, Michael Hodson, Michelle Jacobs, Gloria Jean, Walt Kuehlthau.

10:30AM-Jenny Inderbitzen, Nora Schindler, Susan Taylor, Jan Smith, Mary Tillman, Francisco Velasco, Connie Villanueva, Roselia, Catindig, Theresa Day.

Reminder - Lectors helping in the celebration of Mass-Pat Arruda, Pat Boyes, Tony Huff, Margaret Kinsey, Mike Foster, Peggy Walker.

Altar Servers for July 17th & 18th

5:00PM-Nicholas, Joe, Brian.

8:30AM- Nicholas, Jack, Duncan.

10:30-Nicholas, PJ, Amitie.

LITURGY

Readings from the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 30: 10-14; Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37

Readings from the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:1-10a; Colossians 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42

HOLY DISCIPLES HOSPITALITY

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour will resume in September, if you wish to help please stop by the office and leave your name.

FOOD BANK NEEDS FOR JULY

This month the food bank's needs are: Pancake mix and syrup.

The Knights of Columbus will match our donations up to \$50.00. Thank you for responding to the needs of our community.

All parish volunteers working with children or vulnerable adults are required by the Seattle Archdiocese to take the 3 hour "Safe Environment" Course. The course will be offered here at Holy Disciples on Wednesday, July 14th at 6:30 p.m. Please sign up for this class or one at another location by going to www.seattlearch.org

World Youth Days Movie Night

The first movie of the summer is "Up." The movie is rated PG. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops rates this movie as **A-I -- general patronage.** The movie will start Friday, July 9, at dusk. Bring your family and friends and a blanket or chairs. There is no cost; donations will be accepted. We'll have popcorn, pop, and other concessions for sale.

"BREATHE"

Question of the Week

Children:

Jesus tells us to love today. Name a time when you showed your love for your family or friends during the past week or two?

Youth:

The Samaritan reached out to a stranger and helped him. Who are the strangers who you could reach out and help in the coming week or month? How will you respond?

Adult:

Jesus tells us today to love God, our neighbor and our self. How will you love God this week? How will you love your neighbor this week? How will you love yourself this week?

K-6th: Please remember our sponsored mission kids with your offering envelopes. Envelopes can be placed in the collection basket during the offertory.

JH/SH: As you begin to plan your calendars for the coming year please note we are changing the youth group meetings to Wednesday afternoons in response to teens who need to do their homework on Sunday afternoons! More details will follow along with some event dates. The team is working out the details over the summer.

Households: Please remember that if you need Safe Environment Protection training it will be offered at Holy Disciples on Wednesday, July 14 beginning at 6:30 pm. Our new staff members, Tom and Rosemary O'Brien-Wilson will do the training. Registration for the class must be completed online. Call Jack in the parish office for details.

INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION

Parent preparation classes for Baptism will be held on the following Mondays: July 12 & 19 at 7:00 p.m. Both evenings are required. You may want to attend while awaiting the birth of your baby or after the birth.

Godparents are encouraged to attend with you.

Childcare is available by reservation. To register, please call Rosemary in the parish office 253-875-6630.

FIRST COMMUNION

Pictures, certificates, and banners are available for pick up in the parish office at 875-6630. Contact Carmen to make arrangements outside of office hours.

THE PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY is looking for any Medical Personnel; who would be willing to help take blood pressure readings on Sunday, July 18th, at our Parish Picnic. Please contact Eileen Weeg at 253-820-4141. Thank you.

YOUTH OUTREACH 2010

Our mission team has been requested to bring donated items benefitting the Agape Food and Clothing Bank. If you would like to contribute please choose items from the following categories:

Food: spices, coffee, tea, snacks, pasta sauces, juice, beverages, tortillas, canned goods, boxed goods, soup, white or corn flour, dry pinto beans, baby food, formula, diapers, sugar, rice. **Please do not contribute any dairy products, fresh or frozen meats, cheese, or eggs.**

Clothing: t-shirts, sweatshirts, socks, pants, belts, work shoes, skirts, dresses, long sleeved shirts, baby blankets, sweat pants, hats, blankets, sandals

Toys: board games, card games, balls, stuffed animals, books, art supplies, school supplies, cars, dolls, jump ropes, bubbles, sidewalk chalk

Personal hygiene: shampoo, conditioner, soap, pads, tampons, toothbrushes, toothpaste, tissue

Monetary donations will also be accepted. Checks can be made out to Agape or to Holy Disciples.

YOUTH OUTREACH 2010

Please see the barrel in the vestibule of the church and from the following list please donate what you can in support of the Agape Food and Clothing Bank. When our team departs for their mission trip (July 25-30) they will be taking what has been gathered with them.

Please see the list above

We ask that you include in your prayers the following students as they prepare for their trip in 2 weeks:

Michael Ames, Hannah Andrascik, Hannah DeFleron, Alex Glaze, Steffi Goreczny, Hayley Magnuson, Davis Root, Emily Schlegel, Caleb Schmidt, Christopher Shetler, Tiffany Shetler, Rebecca Weller, Brandon Weller, Christopher Woyak and adult leaders Tina Schmidt, Joe Root, Mary Goreczny, Becky Denton, and Roger Andrascik. We continue to pray for our work partners from Our Lady of Lourdes, Vancouver.

July 11: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, when Jesus asks "which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robber's victim?" The scholar of the law answered, "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus then said, "Go and do likewise."

This week you can also "Treat the poor with mercy" by putting a donation in the St. Vincent de Paul collection can.

Parish Stewardship Fiscal Year 2010

July 1, 2009 thru June 30, 2010

Total FY 2010 Offering Budget: \$592,150

Week 1 July 4, 2010

Weekly & Year To Date Offering Status

Your Finance Council is still working to finalize the budget for the new fiscal year. For now, here are the collection results:

Weekly:

Stewardship:	\$ 13,104.00
Capitol Campaign:	\$ 2,618.00

Parish Mortgage Loan & Payment Status

Total Loan Amount:	\$ 2,836,486.44
FY '09-10 Interest Paid To Date:	\$ 170,793.85
FY '09-10 Principal Paid To Date:	\$ 25,329.15
FY '09-10 Total Payments:	\$ 196,123.00

Other Donations:

Food Bank	\$ 295.00
SVDP	\$ 35.00
Peter's Pence	\$
Other	\$

Annual Catholic Appeal

ACA Goal	\$ 66,604.00
Total Pledged (95% of Goal)	\$ 63,046.00
Amount to reach Goal	\$ 3,558.00

Thanks for your patience!

Justice For Immigrants - Lets Learn the Issues

A Myth:

The War on Terrorism Can Be Won Through Immigration Restrictions

No security expert since September 11th, 2001 has said that restrictive immigration measures would have prevented the terrorist attacks-instead, the key is effective use of good intelligence. Most of the 9/11 hijackers were here on legal visas. Since 9/11, the myriad of measures targeting immigrants in the name of national security have netted no terrorism prosecutions. In fact, several of these measures could have the opposite effect and actually make us less safe, as targeted communities of immigrants are afraid to come forward with information.

Source: Associated Press/Dow Jones Newswires, US Senate Subcommittee Hears Immigration Testimony, Oct. 17, 2001