

Pastor's Column

Now that I am back from Indiana on Vacation with my sister and family, I find that I always have a lot of catching up to do so there isn't much for me to report on this weekend... I am also realizing that it's only 2 weeks until Labor Day and the unofficial end to summer. It's always amazing how quickly time seems to fly by especially over these summer months. One moment you are on summer break and the next moment the school year and meeting year begin all over again. So much for those projects we wanted to accomplish while the weather was good... And yet, there is something good about this – life is not always about getting stuff done, nor can we live as if we are always on vacation. The seasons and changing of the seasons seem to give us balance.

One important invitation: this coming weekend, August 24th, there is a family day event hosted at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine from 12noon until 5pm concluding with Mass. See the flyers stuffed in this bulletin for more details. We know that there are many things in this world that try to pull us apart, that make for division as our Gospel of this weekend speaks of. We have to remember to keep the Lord at our center and then everything else will fall into place – that is how we find the fire and zest for life in every circumstance and with everyone. Regardless of the seasons of life, it is important to cherish those whom we continue to journey with – our family, our friends, and our Lord. What a great opportunity in our own backyard to gather among these people together with others throughout our Diocese this coming weekend. Thank you to the Shrine whom we are good neighbors with for hosting, as well as Catholic Parenting Initiative and Our Lady of Victory Services for providing this Catholic social to help us build up our faith and families together in Christ who holds us all together. It promises to be a wholesome event for our young families and Church. I hope to see you there.

Peace

~Fr. Luke