

PASTORAL TEAM

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Parish Staff

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LITURGICAL DIRECTORY

Weekend/Sunday Mass Schedule

5:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy (Vigil)
6:00 p.m. Epiphany (Vigil)
7:30 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
8:00 a.m. Epiphany
9:00 a.m. St. Benedict the Moor
9:30 a.m. St. Mary of Mercy
10:00 a.m. Epiphany
12:00 p.m. St. Benedict the Moor
12:00 p.m. St. Mary of Mercy
5:00 p.m. Epiphany

Weekday Mass Schedule

St. Benedict the Moor

9:15 a.m. Thursday (according to school schedule)

Epiphany

7:00 a.m. Wednesday and Friday
12:05 p.m. Monday through Friday

St. Mary of Mercy

6:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday
12:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Benedict the Moor

8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. Sunday

Epiphany

11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Monday through Friday
5:15 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. Saturday

St. Mary of Mercy

11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Monday through Saturday
12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Monday through Saturday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

St. Benedict the Moor (1st. Saturday of the month)

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Epiphany

Wednesday, following 7 a.m. Mass - 11:45 a.m.
Friday, following 12:05 p.m. Mass - 5:00 p.m.

St. Mary of Mercy

Tuesday, following 7:30 a.m. Mass - 11:45
Thursday, following 12:00 p.m. Mass - 5:30 p.m.

Epiphany

Novena to the Sorrowful Mother
Fridays following 12:05 Mass
Novena to St. Rita of Cascia
Mondays following 12:05 Mass

St. Mary of Mercy

Miraculous Medal **Novena**
Mondays 12:30

St. Benedict the Moor

Novena to St. Benedict the Moor

*In the Footsteps of Jesus
Year for Priests*

There is an old story about Jesus meeting a man who crying at the side of the road. When Jesus asked what was wrong, the man replied that he could not see. So Jesus cured him. After awhile, Jesus met another man who was crying. "I cannot walk", the man explained. So Jesus cured him. Then Jesus met a third man who was crying, "I am a priest", the man said. So Jesus sat down and wept with him. *Why would Jesus weep?*

Pope Benedict XVI tells us that a priest "faces his Master's fate". Like Jesus, a priest experiences the world's *incomprehension* of God, *indifference* towards God, and *rejections* of God. But the Pope goes on to explain that a priest also *experiences Christ's joys* Priests are consecrated in Christ so they can speak and act in Jesus' name, celebrate sacraments, minister to those in need, and lead the faith community. Like Jesus, priests lay down their lives for those entrusted to them by the Father, following in the footsteps of the Lord.

In this *Year for Priests*, we ask you to pray this week for the following priests who would appreciate your prayers:

Fr. John Ayoob, Fr. Anthony Bacher, CSSp, Fr. John Bachkay, Fr. James Bachner, Fr. Gabriel Badurina, TOR, Fr. Charles Baptiste, Fr. Patrick Barkey, Fr. Martin Barkin, Fr. John Batykefer, Fr. John Bauer

*Pray daily for our parish priests;
Pray for the deacons and seminarians of our diocese.*

Intention of Pope Benedict XVI

The Holy Father's general prayer intention for August:
"That public opinion may be more aware of the problems of millions of displaced persons and refugees, and that concrete solutions may be found for their often tragic situation".

His mission intention is "that those Christians who are discriminated against and persecuted in many countries because of the name of Christ, may have their human rights, equality and religious freedom recognized, in order to be able to live and profess their own faith freely.

Remember these intentions in your prayers.

Golden Wedding Celebration

The Diocese of Pittsburgh is again planning its annual Golden Wedding celebration for couples who have been married 50 years. This year's celebration will take place on Sunday, November 8, 2009 with a Mass at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul Cathedral. A reception will follow in the lower hall of the Cathedral. If you are a couple celebrating 50 years and would like to receive an invitation, please call the church office or drop us a note, **no later than September 6, 2009.**

Teachers Needed!

St. Benedict the Moor School is in need of two teachers: a part-time Spanish Teacher, and a part-time Art teacher. If you are interested or would like further information, please contact Sr. Margery Kundar, school principal at 412-682-3755.

Adoption Seminar

Catholic Charities will host an "All About Adoption" Seminar, September 16 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at its administrative offices located at 212 Ninth St., downtown. The session will provide an overview of the types of adoptions available through Catholic Charities, details and process, legal issues and fees. For more information and to register call 412-456-6960.

Festival News

Can you help us secure sponsors for the upcoming festival? See the flyers in the vestibule of each church. Can you become a Festival Sponsor? Opportunities range from \$5,000-**Full Festival Sponsor**, \$250-**Stage Sponsor**, \$150-**Table Sponsor**, \$100-**Booth Sponsor**, \$25-**Festival Angel**. Just put your name, address, phone number and how you want you or your company name to appear along with the sponsorship fee in an envelope and get it to one of the parish offices by way of the collection or carrier pigeon. **We also need you to VOLUNTEER!** Please call Fr. Tom to add your name to the list of those who have already signed up! Have you called in yet?

Readings for the Week of August 9

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Eph 4:30-5:2/Jn 6:41-51
Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26
Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Mt 18:1-5,10,12-14
Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a,11,13-17/Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/
Lk 1:39-56
Next Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58



St. Benedict the Moor School

Registrations for the 2009-2010 school year is open during this summer for children Kindergarten through 6th. Grade. Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Call the school office at 412-682-3755 for further information. (We remind you that the first day of school is August 27th.)

Thank You! Thank You!

Thanks be to God and to all of you parishioners, family, friends and advertisers for your support in making our 120th Anniversary Celebration a great success! God bless all of you!

Second Collection Today

Last week you heard Fr. Wilhelm Malasi speak of his mission in the Diocese of Moshi, located in Tanzania, East Africa. The second collection this weekend will be for his mission. Please be as generous as your means allow.

**Knights of Peter Claver
Ladies Auxiliary**

The Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary will be celebrating 100 years of the Noble Order on Sunday, September 13, 2009 at the 10:00 Mass at St. Charles Lwanga, Holy Rosary Church. Bishop David Zubik will be the principal celebrant. All are welcome to attend the Mass. In honor of the 100 years celebration, the Ladies are selling patrons. If you wish to be a patron please see Grace Walker. Thank you for your support!

Post-Abortion Healing

Rachel's Vineyard, a weekend retreat designed to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds of abortion, will be held August 21-23 at the Spiritan Center in Bethel Park. The retreat is sponsored by Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Pittsburgh. To register or for more information call Toni Jester at 412-352-5348.

Happy Birthday To You!

Lydia Austin, James Harden (Aug. 9); Yvonne Gasigwa, Sally Ikiki, Mary Ann Ritter (Aug. 10); Jumbe Phiri (Aug. 11); Meagan Jones, Peggy Young, Vicente Zamarripa-Zoucha (Aug. 12); Florence Agwoh, Dawn Marie Hinton (Aug. 13); Lucretia Tabb (Aug. 14); Kirk Burwell, Dorothy Coleman, Jocelyn Ditumona, Roselene Donatien (Aug. 15).

MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. BENEDICT THE MOOR

(†) DENOTES DECEASED

Sunday, August 9 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:00 a.m. Carol Tucker-Walker †
 by the Ritter Family
 12:00 p.m. Mass for the Parish

Sunday, August 16 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:00 a.m. June H. Davis †
 by the Ritter Family
 12:00 p.m. Mass for the Parish

Attention, Parish Ministries!

We are embarking on an important process to help ensure that each of our ministries is able to function in excellence and grow in abundance. We are asking the Chairperson/Contact of ministries to look for a mailing from the Pastoral Council. The mailing will speak of this impact, and should arrive by August 15th.

Pray For Our Sick and Hospitalized

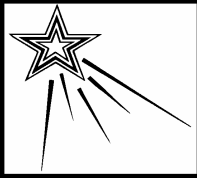
The following requests our prayers: Mary Bropleh, James Burwell, Rosemary Carter, Priscilla Charles, Lydia Francis, Brenda Glenn, Ruth Haston, Florence Hester, Elouise Humphrey, Joyce Johnson, Theresa Lewis, Nathaniel McKenzie, Betty Muse, Josephine O'Connor, Mary Seay, Alan Stewart, Lucretia Tabb, Barbara Tucker, Adelaide Wilson.

Great Opportunity for a Scholarship!

Syracuse University has **10 Partial Scholarships for African American Men and Women** interested in studying Architecture. Mark Robbins, Dean of the School of Architecture is seeking young men and women of color interested in pursuing a **five year professional degree in Architecture**. He says he is deeply committed to bringing diversity to his field and has scholarship money set aside to partially cover education costs for 10 students. Syracuse University's School of Architecture has a great reputation and this seems to be a terrific opportunity. Contact Mark Robbins, 315-443-2256 or Michelle Klock, 315-443-0790. Go for it!! Who would not?

Last Week's Stewardship

9:00 a.m.....	\$2,735.04
12:00 p.m.....	\$1,687.79
Mailed in contributions	\$715.00
Total (Thank You!)	\$5,137.83



Church Envelopes

As you pick up church envelopes in the vestibule you will notice that a line has been added on which to write the date. We would appreciate your attention to that line and list the date (including the year) each time you complete the remainder of the information. This will help us greatly in our accounting, as well as saving us from having to write it on each envelope we handle. Thank you so much for your time and consideration!

Sanctuary Lamp

The 14 day candle burns at the Blessed Sacrament Altar to signify the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle and His sacred presence in the Church. During the weeks of **August 9 and 16**, this candle burns in **memory of Rev. Richard P. Scherer (birthday remembrance) by Ken Scherer Family.**

Monthly Remembrance

The altar wine and hosts to be consecrated during the Masses for the month of **August** is offered in memory of **Louis J. and M. Virginia O'Neil**, deceased.

Pray for the Sick, Homebound and Hospitalized

We ask you to remember the following in your prayers ~ Mary Barry, Dee DiPofi, Chrystil Dougherty, Margaret Hagan, Vince Lusardi, Carmella Magnelli, K. Prosser, Joe Schramm, Mary Beth Starosielec, Jodi Stebler, Dan Simsick

*Pray for those on the streets of violence
in our neighborhoods and in our country.
Pray for peace!*

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**Pittsburgh Irish Festival**

The 19th Annual Pittsburgh Irish Festival will be held September 11-13 at *Riverplex* (between Waterfront and Sandcastle), West Homestead. A special Gaelic Mass will be celebrated in the Irish language on Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Celebrate the Irish heritage and culture through authentic foods, entertainment, traditional dance, etc. For more information call 412-422-1113.

**Family Perspective**

Jesus tells us in today's gospel to "stop complaining among yourselves." Family conflict is inevitable but constant whining destroys relationships. We may feel *better*, but others feel *bitter*. Address differences honestly and respectfully. Don't make them personal attacks.

**MASSES THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY**

(†) DENOTES DECEASED

**Saturday, August 8** **St. Dominic**  
 4:00 p.m. *Wedding ~ Muir/Schoen*  
 6:00 p.m. Luigi & Pasqua Pacini † MAP

**Sunday, August 9** **19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 a.m. Fr. Richard P. Scherer † (B/Day)  
 Ken Scherer Family  
 10:00 a.m. Mass for the deceased of our Parish  
 5:00 p.m. Francis T. O'Connor † (Anniv)  
 Thomas O'Connor, Jr.

**Monday, August 10** **St. Lawrence**  
 12:05 p.m. James & Ruth Murphy † (Anniv)  
 Daniel & Joyce Murphy

**Tuesday, August 11** **St. Clare**  
 12:05 p.m. William Sangl † Ursula Sangl

**Wednesday, August 12** **St. Jane Frances de Chantal**  
 7:00 a.m. Simon Whaby † Simone Hickey  
 12:05 p.m. Frances Allison † (Anniv)  
 Rose Torregrossa

**Thursday, August 13** **Weekday**  
 12:05 p.m. Philomena Runco † (Anniv)  
 Theresa Runco

**Friday, August 14** **St. Maximilian Kolbe**  
 7:00 a.m. John Bernard Dougherty †  
 M/M John Chapman  
 12:05 p.m. Wisdom Family (Liv & Dec)  
 Robert S. Wisdom

**Saturday, August 15** **Assumption, Blessed Virgin Mary**  
 4:00 p.m. *Wedding ~ Bell/Radage*  
 6:00 p.m. Bruno Tripodi † (Anniv) G.D.

**Sunday, August 16** **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 a.m. Mass for the deceased of our Parish  
 10:00 a.m. Bernard Brannigan † Pat Doherty  
 5:00 p.m. Frank & Helen Smutsky †  
 M/M John Ridilla

**Last Week's Stewardship**

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|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1st Collection .....            | \$1,279.00        |
| Restoration.....                | \$1,073.00        |
| <b>Total (Thank You!) .....</b> | <b>\$2,352.00</b> |



**Feast of the Assumption**

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrates her being taken up body and soul into heaven when her earthly life was finished. The Church's teaching on the Assumption was formally proclaimed a doctrine by Pope Pius XII in 1950. We take heart that one day our bodies will also be united with God after our death.

**Catholic Men's Fellowship**

CMF meets this Thursday after the 6:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary of Mercy, Lawless Hall

**Good Grief**

The Good Grief Support Center brings families together who are struggling with grief after the death of a loved one. The center, offered free of charge, can benefit newly bereaved as well as families who are continuing to work through their grief. Registration is required. Call Diana at 412-224-4700.

**Ministry Position Open**

Catholic Charities Parish Social Ministry Office is looking for a Parish Resource Specialist to work out of the Pittsburgh office. This position requires a college degree, understanding of social ministry at the parish level, and possess strong communication and computer skills. Bilingual skills are a plus. A PA driver's license, car and Act 33 clearances are required. Send resume by August 23 to: Director of Human Resources, 212 Ninth St., Pgh., PA 15222 or patd@ccpgh.org.

**Class Reunion**

The St. Basil High School Graduating class of 1959 is holding its 50th Class Reunion on Saturday, September 26, 2009. They are trying to locate some of the classmates and ask that they contact one of these people: Ray 412-881-0314; Mary Jo, 412-835-6567 or email: Rknavish@comcast.net; wdensmore1253@comcast.net

**Homeless Outreach**

PDP Safety Ambassadors assist homeless individuals to obtain meals, shelter, medical assistance, and other services provided by a number of organizations. For more information, call 412-325-0152.

**Last Ethnic Days at Kennywood!**

Scottish Day, Friday, Aug. 21; Jewish Day, Sunday, Aug. 30; Croatian Day, Saturday, September 5.

**MASSES THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY OF MERCY**

- Saturday, August 8** **St. Dominic**
  - 12:00 p.m. Mary C. Brennan & deceased of Family
  - 5:00 p.m. In Honor of the Sorrowful Mother by Dario Lorenzi
- Sunday, August 9** **19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
  - 7:30 a.m. In Honor of the Sorrowful Mother by Dario Lorenzi
  - 9:30 a.m. Mass for the People
  - 12:00 p.m. Regina D. Zangrelli, deceased by Rose Mary Apel
- Monday, August 10** **St. Lawrence**
  - 6:30 a.m. John Cardinal Wright, deceased
  - 7:30 a.m. Betty Boston, deceased by Mary Enright
  - 12:00 p.m. Mary Check, deceased by Pat Metz
- Tuesday, August 11** **St. Clare**
  - 6:30 a.m. In Honor of the Sorrowful Mother by Dario Lorenzi
  - 7:30 a.m. Robert B. Truel
  - 12:00 p.m. Irene C. Roche by Rose Mary Apel
- Wednesday, August 12** **St. Jane Frances de Chantal**
  - 6:30 a.m. Tony Mele by Frank Rapp
  - 7:30 a.m. James Baggett by Ken Horoho
  - 12:00 p.m. Mrs. Mary D. Regan by Daughter, J.B. Regan
- Thursday, August 13** **Weekday**
  - 6:30 a.m. Edward Groff
  - 7:30 a.m. Meredith Berman (health) by John Polteno
  - 12:00 p.m. Brothers & Sisters by Hilda Zaiden
- Friday, August 14** **St. Maximilian Kolbe**
  - 6:30 a.m. Edward Groff
  - 7:30 a.m. Sam & Nancy Santoro by Frank Rapp
  - 12:00 p.m. Will & Mary Apel by Rose Mary Apel
- Saturday, August 15** **Assumption, Blessed Virgin Mary**
  - 12:00 p.m. Christine Sapienza by Floyd & Carol McKain
  - 5:00 p.m. Mass for the People
- Sunday, August 16** **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
  - 7:30 a.m. Armand & Patricia Massicci, (40th Anniv) by Family
  - 9:30 a.m. St. Rocco by Scolieri Family
  - 12:00 p.m. William Baumgarten by Fred & Kathleen Hann

**Last Week's Stewardship**

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|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1st Collection .....            | \$2,654.00        |
| Parish Share.....               | \$780.00          |
| <b>Total (Thank You!) .....</b> | <b>\$3,434.00</b> |

**SACRAMENTAL MINISTRIES**

**Infant Baptism:** To schedule, call Deacon Reynold Wilmer, 412-281-3141, x 5.

**Adult Baptism and Children (RCIA):** Call Deacon Reynold Wilmer.

**Reconciliation (Confession):** See the Directory for the schedule or call for an appointment.

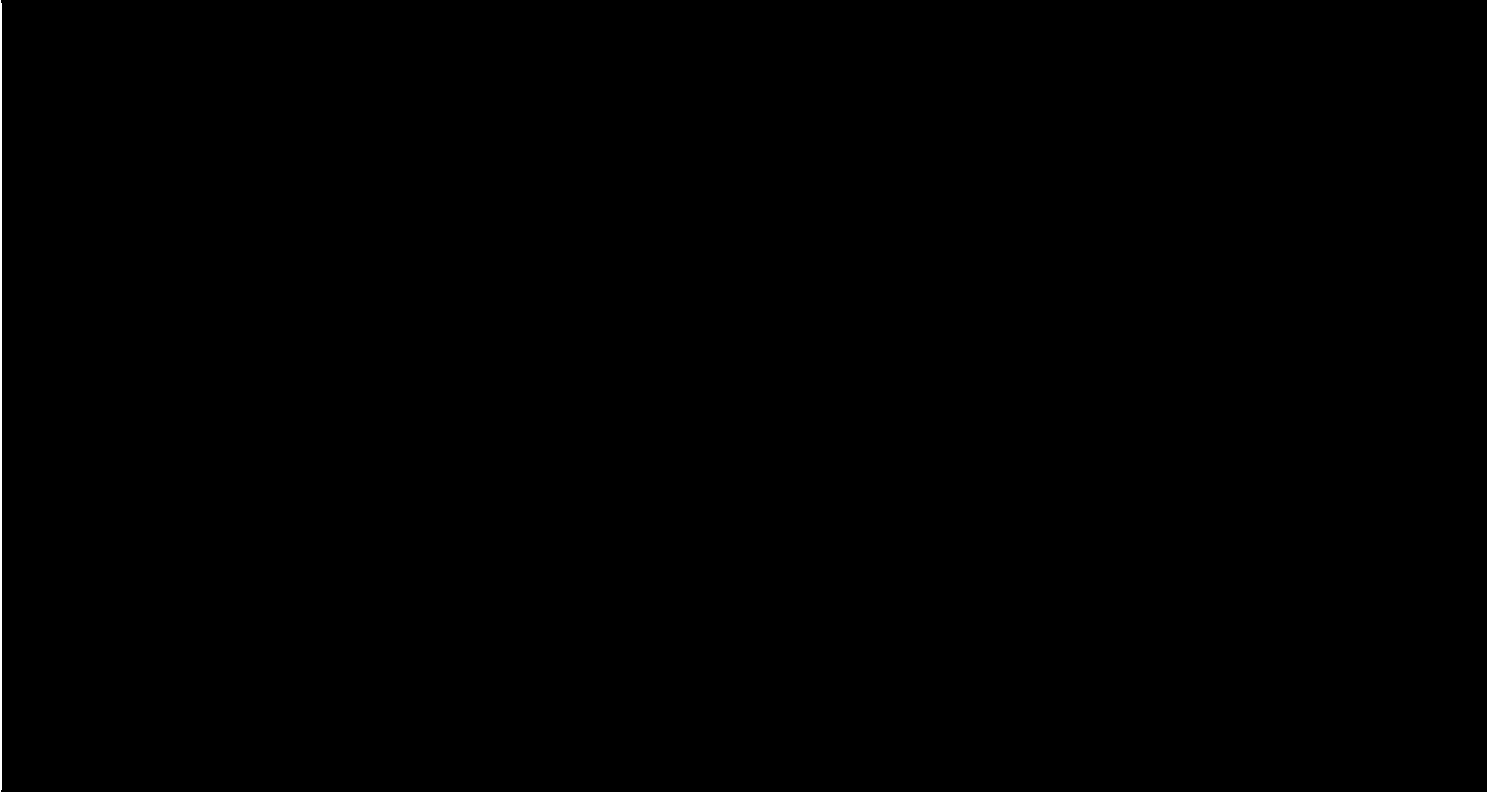
**Holy Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick:** For those who are sick and confined to home or those who are seriously ill, call the Parish Office for a priest to visit.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Couples planning to marry are to contact our Deacon at least six months before the desired date. Marriage preparation is required.

**Religious Vocations:** If you feel called to the Diocesan Priesthood or Religious Life, contact Fr. Carmen, Fr. Tom or Sr. Marlene.

**Inactive Catholics** are warmly welcomed back to our Faith. Call the Parish Office.

**New parishioners** are invited to join our Catholic community. Call the Parish Office.



**Pastoral Council Chairs**

Janice Simmons, St. Benedict the Moor Church  
Epiphany Catholic Church  
Interim Pastoral Council, St. Mary of Mercy Church

**Business Office Hours**

St. Benedict the Moor Church  
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Epiphany Catholic Church  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
St. Mary of Mercy Church  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

***The Center City Parishes Membership Form***

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ONE:  New Registration  Change of Address  
 Moving Out of Parish  Need Envelopes

CHECK ONE:  
 St. Benedict the Moor  
 Epiphany  
 St. Mary of Mercy

Please drop membership form into the offertory basket or mail to Rectory.

Note: Use of this form does not automatically register you with the church. You will be contacted to arrange an appointment. Thank you.

**CHURCH NAME: CENTER CITY PARISHES**

**CHURCH NO.: 042**

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

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Any special instructions go here.

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