

A Note From The Pastor



Already we are nearing the end of the summer vacation season. Time really flies, doesn't it? A hundred years now are just not what they used to be. Some schools are already open for business, the rest will soon follow. Hope your summer went well, and I hope the rest of this year goes well for you. My prayer is that you enjoy peace and happiness. May all your dreams come true! Our parish is returning to regular schedule and business. Parish festivals are three to four weeks away. Let us, as a community of faith, hope and love, work with renewed spirit and energy in building up a vibrant community and living out our faith with integrity and commitment and become true witnesses of Christ.

The central theme of today's first reading and the Gospel is humility. It is a quality of being courteously respectful of others. It is the opposite of pride and boastfulness. Rather than saying, "Me first," humility allows us to say, "No, you first." Humility is the quality that lets us go out of our way to meet the needs and demands of others. Friendship is dissolved over angry words, resentment divides us, prejudice separate people and malicious gossip destroys reputations. To live in harmony with others, we need to cultivate the virtue of humility.

Fr. George Kallumkudy, CMI



The next Baptism Class is Sat., September 7th at Most Holy Redeemer Church in Montgomery at 9:30 a.m.

Classes are required IF this is your first child or it has been more than 2 years since your last class. Call 507.364.7981 to register.

Two Parties THIS Weekend...

Fr Sebastian Farewell ...This weekend we say goodbye to Fr. Sebastian as he will return to India and continue his ministry. All are invited to a reception (with pizza & cake) after both Masses (Aug. 31st & Sept. 1st) to wish Fr. Sebastian well.

Mary Kuchinka Happy Birthday! Mary, will celebrate her 100th Birthday on Tuesday, September 3rd. She and her family will attend our 10:30 a.m. Mass Sunday, Sept. 1st and she will be guest of honor at a reception in the social hall following. **All are welcome** to come and celebrate with her. Pizza, cake, Ice cream & Punch served.

If you haven't submitted a photo for our Church Pictorial Directory – please do so by Sept. 15th. Remember – if you didn't take the photo yourself you need a letter from the photographer giving us permission to use the photo.



Parish Country Picnic – October 6th!



Worker Sign-up: Please sign up for the job you want ASAP. Workers are needed!!!

Alcohol Awareness Training – Thurs., Sept. 12th, 7 - 9 p.m. If you plan to bartend at our Country Picnic you **MUST** attend this training or have attended another within the last year. A sign-up sheet is located by the parish office.

Raffle Tickets! We ask each registered family to purchase/sell at least 70 Raffle Tickets. Tickets MUST be paid for when you pick them up. We will hold your check to give you time to sell your tickets. If you sell your tickets they will not cost you anything. Last year this proved to be a success. We look for even better sales this year. Thank you for supporting your Parish!

No Pull Tabs at this year's Picnic! To replace that income we are selling chances on an **Intarsia Hummingbird**, donated by **Alvin David**, which can be seen and tickets purchased at Masses.

Picnic Lunch: Hot Dogs, Brats, Pulled Pork from Rice County Pork Producers, Homemade Sauerkraut, Homemade Baked Beans, Homemade Coleslaw, Chips, Dessert, Beverage.

Country Store: Start planning now as to what you can bring - vegetables, fruits, jams, jellies, canning, baked goods, plants and crafts.

Are you struggling with an abortion?

Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat in the Twin Cities area. The retreat combines discussions, spiritual exercises, reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Resurrection. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. For more info contact Nancy @ 763-250-9313 or rvr-nancy@usfamily.net The cost is \$160.00 for meals, room and all retreat materials. Financial assistance is available. Go to Rachel's Vineyard website at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Knights of Columbus 889 Korner

(17 Third Street NE – Ph.507.334.4918)

The KC Hall is available for weddings, anniversaries, fundraisers, dinners, graduation parties and family gatherings. Call Rick Scheil at 507.334.4918 for information.



Our Saturday Mass moves from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. beginning September 7, 2013

Area Catholic Schools ...



Bethlehem Academy

105 Third Ave. SW, Faribault
507.334.3948 www.bacards.org)

Coming up at B.A. ...

Homecoming: Oct 11th and 12th
Pepfest - October 11th at noon, parade follows
Football game - October 12th at 6:00 pm.

Have a safe and fun Labor Day weekend!

Holy Redeemer School

(PreK through 8th Grade)

205 Vine Ave West, Montgomery
(507) 364-7383 (mosthrs.org)



MHR students arrive back on Tuesday. At Open House, HRS families enjoyed a Pizzeria supper and met new teachers joining the HRS team. Despite the heat of last week, smiling faces and excited voices connected throughout the hallways. HRS teachers spent last week attending workshops and doing last minute preparations for the school year. Throughout the summer and during this last week teachers attended special workshops and classes to enhance their teaching methodology. This past summer, teachers attended:

- Staff Book Study: "Rediscover Catholicism" – began last year and staff met this week for further study and discussion.
- Technology Training: Smart Boards; Study Island; Cornerstone; Google Instruction
- Blood Borne Pathogen & Safety training: As well as online training for preventative maintenance and fire safety.
- Positive Discipline Techniques: Ideas were shared and resources available to staff to further implement a reflective classroom
- Language Arts & Reading Methodology Training: Classes to help implement stronger reading strategies within each classroom.

Later in the year, staff will be attending additional Language Arts and assessment training as well as CPR and First Aid updated certification.

JOIN OUR FAMILY: *Are you new to our community or parish? Are you looking for academic excellence in a faith-filled environment? Come check us out. The beginning of the school year is a great time to join our family, Prekindergarten to Grade 8.*

KEEP COLLECTING: Last year through your help we collected over \$5,000 in cash & school supplies. Keep turning these in at church/ school

- ^Milk Caps/Labels ^Campbell Soup
- ^Labels Cartridges ^Pop cans & Pop Tabs
- ^Coborn Receipts Education points ^BoxTops

Please pray for the start of our new school year. We are blessed by the families and students of our schools. We need everyone's prayers for a safe, healthy, faith-filled, academically excellent school year!

Blessings, Mindy Reeder – Principal

Area Church Festivals:

September 8th

Our Lady of the Prairie, Belle Plaine - Sept 8th Mass @ 10 a.m., Chicken & Ham Dinner cafeteria style 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Take-outs available, Country Store, Crafts, Raffle, Children's Games, Wood & Quilt Auction, Bingo, Ernie Stumpf Band 11a.m. – 2 p.m.

I. C. Marysburg, Madison Lake – September 8th Outdoor Mass at 10:30 followed by a Pork Tenderloin dinner, a full range of side dishes & home made pie. Hot dog meals for kids served 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.. *Live Music by the Mary Guentzel Quartet*, beer tent, Farmer's Market, Bake Sale, Raffle, Root Beer Floats, games for all ages, and much more will highlight this rural celebration.

Address: 27528 Patrick St., Madison Lake

St. Nicholas, Carver - September 7th & 8th

Saturday: Noon till 8:30 p.m. Streamer 5K, Noon - Cribbage Tournament, 4p.m. Bluegrass Mass & Chicken Dinner, 5:30 p.m. Carver Creek Bluegrass Band, 8:30 p.m. Fireworks. **Sunday:** 8 a.m. – Noon Pancake & Homemade Sausage Breakfast, 1:30 Bluegrass Band, Food Garden featuring Memphis style Pork Lunch and Chicken Dinner, 2:30 p.m. Bingo, 5 p.m. Raffle & Drawings, **Both Days:** Country Store, Beer Garden, Silent Auction, Games for all. **Address:** 412 – 4th St. W. Carver 952-448-2345 www.stnicholascarver.org

St. Canice, Kilkenny - Sunday, Sept. 15 Mass @ 10 a.m., Serving Chicken & Ham Dinner cafeteria style 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There are Games, Refreshments and Music by the Czech Lites. Air Conditioned and Handicapped Accessible.

St. John the Baptist, Jordan - Sept. 14 & 15 **Saturday:** Polka Mass at 5 p.m. 6 p.m. Bean Bag Tournament, food, beverages & Music. **Sunday:** Mass at 8 & 10 a.m., Chicken & Bon-in Ham Dinner 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., Quilt Auction @ 3 p.m., Kids Activities, Silent Auction, Bingo, Baked Goods, Handcrafted Items, Country Store, Music, Games for all Plant & Flower Raffles & More.

St. John's UCC Germanfest, Faribault - Sunday, Sept. 29th. German Buffet 11 a.m.-2 p.m. & 4-6 p.m. (No reservations) Live Old-Time Music: "Tim Chlan&Friends (11-1), Ray Sands (1-3) Stuttgart Three (3-6). 3 p.m. Polka Service. Bake Shop, Christmas Store, Quilt Show, Petting Zoo, Apple Jelly, Authentic Costumes, Rootbeer, Bingo, Farmer's Market. Call 507.334.6550.

St. Patrick, Shieldsville – October 6th

10:30 a.m. Mass, Picnic Lunch - Pulled pork (RC Pork Producers) Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Brats, Homemade Sauerkraut, Coleslaw, & Cookies., Kids Activities, Beer Garden, BINGO, Cake Walk, Country Store, Czech Area Concertina Club, Intarsia Hummingbird Raffle, Meat Raffle, \$4,000 in Cash Prizes (see information in bulletin or pick up a flyer to post)

Holy Redeemer, Montgomery – Sept. 22nd

Divine Mercy, Faribault – September 29th



2013 Rediscover: Catholic Celebration

Detailed Day Schedule Online

October 12, 2013

Saint Paul RiverCentre

Make sure to check out the updated schedule of the day for the event with times online at **Rediscover-faith.org**. You can register now for this event either online or call 651-291-4411 for assistance. We expect this event to fill up in the next month. **BUS TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FROM ST. PATRICK IF WE HAVE ENOUGH INTEREST.** Cost is \$7 per person. Departure time TBD. Call/email the St. Patrick office to register for the bus ASAP.

Rediscover: faith 2014 Speakers Series

Fall Talks Begin September 16

New Locations - Same Talks as Early 2013

Talks from Spring Also Offered in Fall at Four New Locations: Wayzata, Coon Rapids, UST Campus in Saint Paul and Eden Prairie

See for yourself why these talks drew 12,000 attendees in early 2013. The Rediscover: faith Speakers Series is a great opportunity to invite a friend or family member who is asking the big questions in life – and experience a faith-building evening together.

All four talks held this spring will be repeated in fall 2013 in four new locations. These talks are led by engaging speakers who harness multi-media to help unpack the big ideas central to our Catholic faith and, most important, show us how those ideas lead to a deeper, more meaningful connection with God in our lives.

All talks are **free** of charge and all begin at **7:00 p.m.** Each talk runs **90 minutes** total – including hospitality time at the church. **No registration necessary!**

Join fellow Catholics for one or all of these insightful talks – and bring a friend or family member with you!

Rediscover: meaning - Finding God's Purpose for My Life

Talk 1 in the Rediscover: faith Speakers Series is a response to the tug of the big questions: Who is God? What is God's purpose and plan for my life? Take a break from the hustle and bustle of life and join fellow Catholics in exploring your faith and your relationship with God.

Presented by Father Peter Laird

- Monday, September 16 – Holy Name of Jesus, Wayzata
- Tuesday, September 17 – Epiphany, Coon Rapids
- Wednesday, September 18 – James B. Woulfe Alumni Hall, Anderson Student Center, University of St. Thomas Saint Paul Campus
- Thursday, September 19 – Pax Christi, Eden Prairie

Rediscover: belonging - Living in Communion with God

Talk 2 shows us how personal sin weakens our relationship with God and reveals how living the life we are called to through our baptism unites us with God and to our family of faith.

Presented by Father Michael Keating

- Monday, September 30 – Holy Name, Wayzata
- Tuesday, October 1 – Epiphany, Coon Rapids
- Wednesday, October 2 – Woulfe Alumni Hall, Anderson Student Ctr, UST, St. Paul Campus
- Thursday, October 3 – Pax Christi, Eden Prairie

Rediscover: strength - Overcoming Life's Challenges through God's Grace

Talk 3 explores how the sacraments put us in real contact with the living Lord, who gives us the strength and power to overcome the challenges of life. With particular focus on the great beauty and mystery of the Mass and the abundant graces of the Eucharist, this talk helps explain how God provides the physical to humans as a way to connect us to the divine.

Presented by Father Andrew Cozzens

- Monday, October 21 – Holy Name, Wayzata
- Tuesday, October 22 – Epiphany, Coon Rapids
- Wednesday, October 23 – Woulfe Alumni Hall, Anderson Student Ctr, UST, St. Paul Campus
- Thursday, October 24 – Pax Christi, Eden Prairie

Rediscover: The Way - Keeping God at the Center of My Life

Talk 4 is the culmination of the speakers series with a discussion about what it means to live out a Christian life in the Church, and keep God at the center of our lives. It is an exploration of how prayer, service to others, and acceptance of God's great gift of the sacraments lead to true and lasting happiness in this life and the next.

Presented by Deacon Joseph Michalak

- Monday, November 4 – Holy Name, Wayzata
- Tuesday, November 5 – Epiphany, Coon Rapids
- Wednesday, November 6 – Woulfe Alumni Hall, Anderson Student Ctr, UST, St. Paul Campus
- Thursday, November 7 – Pax Christi, Eden Prairie