

A Note From The Pastor



My Dear Parishioners,

Two and a half years ago, I joined these communities of Most Holy Redeemer, St. Canice and St. Patrick during a difficult time of merging and clustering of the parishes. When I came, as St. Paul wrote to the Corinthian community, "I did not come with skillful words of wisdom and learning. I came to you in weakness and fear...my message was not delivered with skillful words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of spirit and power of God's Spirit, so that your faith must rest not on human wisdom, but on the power of God". (I Cor. 2:1-5)

I came to you with an open mind to share your faith and to learn from your wisdom and I have continued to over the past years. You not only shared your faith, wisdom, culture and traditions with me, you also offered a place in your hearts for me. And I offered a place in my heart for you too, and you all will have a place in my heart. Those past years were of satisfaction and fulfillment for me even though we had to get through the difficult process of merging and clustering. I received wonderful support from these three communities. I do not claim that we have done enough and the merging and clustering is complete. We have to do a lot. A lot of work remains undone and has to be completed.

I have a lot of limitations and I humbly admit them. I am pretty sure that I could not do justice to these communities as they expected and deserved. Still you tolerated me with patience, love and understanding. Thank you for that. You rejoiced in my small virtues, smiled at my faults and put up with my poor language skill. If I have been a cause of pain or bad example to anyone I do sincerely apologize for it. Forgive me and forget. I tried to be open and honest with you in my dealings and relationships. Disagreements occurred, but never led to revenge or hatred. Everyone is a friend to me. You touched me with human and divine love. Wherever we are and whatever we do, we do it for the Lord. We all do the work of the Lord. And the work of the Lord is not complete until the last individual also has a chance to put his or her share into it. God is not finished with any of us nor of any community. May we not put a period or full stop where God only puts a comma. May the good Lord take these communities to his heart and lead to newer and greener pastures! The greatest prayer ever prayed in the whole world is just two words long. I pray for you with these words, "THANK YOU"!

My new address: St. Ignatius Church
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Annandale, MN 55302
320-274-8828 (office) 651-689-1323 (personal)

Father George Kallumkalkudy, CMI

**All Are Welcome to
Fr. George's Farewell Party
This Weekend – after Masses**

Knights of Columbus 889 Korner

(17 Third Street NE – Ph.507.334.4918)

The Knights of Columbus is not just a fraternity in name. It is a brotherhood of Catholic men who each play a part in improving the world around them, one community at a time. They stand together in faith, dedicated to uphold the principles they cherish while lending their support and strength to parish, home and fellow Knight. Ask a Knight for more info.



Fall Festival - October 5th!!!

Our Fall Festival is Sunday, October 5th so please keep the date open as we will need workers in almost every area: Kitchen, Dining Room, Bingo, Country Store and Kids Activities.

Raffle tickets are now available to pick up. Tickets are \$2 each and registered families will be given 35 tickets to purchase or sell. Tickets **MUST** be paid for when picked up. We will hold checks until October 5th so you have time to sell them.

Area Church Festivals ...



***Church of the NATIVITY, Cleveland, - Men's Chicken Dinner and Parish Festival, Sunday August 3rd.**

Broasted chicken, baked potatoes, creamy cucumbers, baked beans, homemade pie & beverage. Live music, antique car show, silent auction, beer garden, raffle, games, coffee bar, much more highlight this rural celebration. Mass at 8:30 a.m. Food served 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Adults: \$10, Kids 6-12: \$5; Tots 5 & Under – Free! Cleveland is 6 miles E of St. Peter on MN Hwy 99. Church is across the street from the water tower!

***Church of Immaculate Conception, Lonsdale Parish Festival on Sunday, August 3, 2014.**

10:00 a.m. Polka Mass with the IC Church Choir. Baked Chicken, Hot Ham Dinner, homemade rolls, kolacky and pies, served buffet style 10:30 a.m.- 2 p.m. Adults - \$12, Children (ages 0-10) - \$6. Take-outs available. Air conditioned Civic Center open to eat takeout dinners. Live Entertainment, Prize Drawings, Snack Bar, Refreshments, Homemade Bakery Booth, Ice Cream Stand, Country Market & Crafts. Bingo, Raffle Wheel, Used-A-Bit Shop, Split-The-Pot, Chance booth, Children's Games, and FUN FOR ALL AGES!

***Church of Holy Trinity, Veseli Annual Ho-Down Sunday, August 17, 2014. 10:00 a.m.** Polka Mass at 11:00 a.m.. Chicken Cookout starting at 11:30 a.m. Continuous Music Noon to 6:15 p.m., Bingo, Children's Games, Variety Raffles, Country Store, Homebaked Goods, Food & Refreshments, Prizes & Cash Drawings. Come join us for the day.

***St. Canice Festival, Kilkenny – September 21st**

***Most Holy Redeemer Festival – September 28th**

Area Catholic Schools ...



Bethlehem Academy

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

Coming up at B.A. ...

Cardinal Golf Classic Friday, August 1st at Legacy Golf Course. Registration now open on-line at www.bacards.org, or contact Sue at 334-3948.

B.A. SMART Challenge Ride to raise funds for student financial assistance is coming up Aug. 7-9. Due in large part to Father Kevin's encouragement, you helped him to raise over \$20,000 of the \$52,000 raised last August. Please consider making similar donations this year, and please pray for our riders and their safety on this 240 mile ride. Go to www.smartchallenge.myevent.com, to donate to any of the following riders: Teresa Erpenbach Rosenthal, Emily Donahue, Franz Boelter, Jason Hillesheim, Matt C. Wagner, Pete Nass, John Antram, Joe Burgess, Kris Brazil, Sherri Langfeldt, Jake Kohl, Bob Jandro, Tonya Dunn, Brad Huckle, and Brian Skluzacek. Fathers Kevin and Erik will be participating the second day of the ride! Checks made out to BA may also be mailed to the school (SMART Ride in memo line and any specific rider designation). On behalf of our students, thank you so much!



Most Holy Redeemer Catholic School

(PreK through 8th Grade)
205 Vine Ave West, Montgomery
(507) 364-7383 (mosthrs.org)

Happy Kolacky Days Weekend! Kolacky Days is a grand celebration of community. Our parishes are an integral part of the community. As a parish school, we will be represented well this weekend. First, of the twelve candidates for Kolacky Royalty, seven attended HRS! At HRS, we help to lay the foundation for strong, confident young women who are focused on their faith! We are proud of all of the candidates for Kolacky Days – it is a big commitment to run and be in the spotlight for nearly a month as they prepared. Congratulations to all the girls. Be sure you stop by the HRS Food stand in the Park and Saturday on Main Street. We'll be selling our delicious steak and chicken sandwiches as well as our summer hamburgers with all the fixings! Stop by and fill up with HRS while supporting our students.

KOLACKY DAYS PARADE: HRS invites you to join us as we go 'OUT WEST' on the HRS float this year. Children and families are invited to dress in "western attire" and cowboy/girl hats. Meet us at 11:30 a.m. to ride! All children and families invited!
AUGUST 1 – JOIN US AT THE HRS 9th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT! Still time to register a team

or sponsor a hole on the course. Contact Dave Winge with questions at: davewinge@hotmail.com or 364-5105. Or call the school at: 507.364.7383.

HIGHLIGHTS/ADVICE FROM HRS GRADUATES:

Brady Michaels – My favorite memories from HRS was learning to ski at Buck Hill, Christmas classroom parties, and other special events. I enjoyed the time with my friends. I remember coming to Little Lambs at HRS. It was here that I made friends for life. My tip to future graduates is to do all your homework and come to class prepared. It also helps to be organized!! Have fun and enjoy yourself at the best school you will ever go to – HRS!

Zach Tuma – My favorite memory was going to Eagle Bluff and crossing the Tree Tops. The mini classes also taught me a lot and I loved the HRS lunches. Of course for me, gym was my favorite class and I really loved playing dodge ball! I also liked to serve at Church. My advice: always turn in your homework and make the teachers smile!

Registration for the 2014-15 school year is open and availability in most grades. Call or go online to learn more. Scholarships available: 507.364.7383 or mosthrs.org.

Blessings, Mindy Reeder – Principal

NATIONWIDE MASS TIMES

Nationwide Mass times and church locations can be found by calling 1-410-676-6000 (there is a charge) or by visiting website www.Masstimes.org

Please let us know:

If anything has changed in your family or you would like more information.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ home / cell

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

I/We:

- _____ would like to register at St. Patrick.
- _____ have a new address.
- _____ have a new phone number.
- _____ want to be removed from parish
- _____ would like information on:

Drop in the collection basket or mail to the office.

Archdiocesan Information

Summer – A Time to Heal We have a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat (Catholic version) the weekend of August 1-3, 2014. This summer, take some time away and give yourself the gift of healing. If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of children to abortion, come and experience the compassionate love of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities retreats are open to anyone impacted by abortion - women, men, grandparents, siblings, and health care professionals. The next retreat is August 1-3, 2014 in the Twin Cities area. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313, or see www.rvineyardmn.org.

"The retreat has started the road back to perpetual returning to God. Regardless of the passage of time, never feel it is buried so deep that it does not need to be addressed before it can be healed."

Sacrament of Confirmation for those with Special Needs

Do you know anyone with special needs or mental or physical disabilities age 16 or older, who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Classes will be held on Saturday, August 16th and 23rd at 9:30 – 11:30 AM. Both classes are mandatory for guardians and candidates. Pre-registration is required. Thank you in advance for your help in reaching out to all God's people. For more information, please contact Deacon Sean or Joan Curtan at (651) 291-4543 or email us at curtans@archspm.org.

Divorced & Separated Retreat

A retreat for Divorced & Separated Presented by: Rose Sweet, *is open to all single, divorced and separated Christians* at Christ the King Retreat Center, 621 First Avenue South, Buffalo, Minnesota 55313-1399. For info call 763-682-1394 or 763-682-3453.

Registration: Friday August 29th at 7:00pm --
Concludes: Sunday August 31st at 12:45pm

2014 Rediscover: Catholic Celebration

October 3 & 4, 2014

Minneapolis Convention Center

Catholics from across the Archdiocese are invited to celebrate a faith journey to the *Horizon of Hope!*

Friday Evening, Oct. 3 – Young Adult Night

6:30 PM – 11:00 PM (Doors open at 5:30 PM)

Saturday, Oct. 4 - Due to the exciting full line-up, please note the NEW EARLIER START TIME!

8:00 AM – 5:15 PM (Doors open at 7:00 AM)

Tickets on sale now at Rediscover-faith.org! If you have questions, email Rediscover@archspm.org or call 651-291-4411.

St. John Paul II Champions for Life Awards *Nominate someone today!*

Do you know of someone who devotes his or her time helping the poor, elderly, disabled, pregnant, or is committed to praying for Respect Life issues? He or she may be our next Champion for Life! The Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis is looking to honor those who respect life at our annual St. John Paul II Champions for Life Awards. To submit a nomination or for more information, go to "Events" at archspm.org.

If you have questions, please contact Sharon Wilson: wilsons@archspm.org or 651-291-4506.

Please pick up a copy of Extension magazine in the back of church.

Catholic Extension helps Catholics in areas where resources are scarce. For example, it funds the building, repair and renovation of churches, in fact, it has helped build more than 12,000 churches since 1905. It also supports women religious and priests, their parishes and ministries, in some of the poorest places in our country. Catholic Extension builds and strengthens our Catholic faith.

In this issue, you will meet some of the most inspiring Catholics who have devoted themselves to serving both God and our country. You'll read about a veteran couple who are pioneering a new path toward veteran care. You'll meet a young seminarian who loved to fly but knew he had a higher calling. And, you'll meet a military chaplain who connects with soldiers who have returned from duty, ensuring they have the support they deserve. As you salute our flag this summer, think of these Catholic heroes in our midst.

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