



Clarion

A WEEKLY BULLETIN OF THE ST. ANNE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Thank You

Dear St. Anne Community:

The kindness, generosity and love that you embraced me with last weekend was overwhelming. I will, of course, offer personal thanks, but I know full well that my words will be inadequate to express what is in my heart and will always be a life-giving treasure.

To the hundred of parishioners and friends who made the wonderful Saturday evening party possible, I want you to know that you 'knocked me out.

To Angela Nordgren and Courtney Murtaugh, who guided and directed the great event—my undying gratitude, and to all who worked so hard and long—my special thanks.

You will hear more about how I feel in the future, but, for now, my most deeply felt blessing and love to all of you!

Fr. Jack

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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St Anne

Catholic Community

OUR MISSION

We, a Catholic Christian people rooted by Baptism, take as our challenge the mission of Jesus: to build the Kingdom of God, standing in solidarity with the poor. We are committed to:

- Welcoming** • Welcoming all people and providing a sense of belonging to people at every stage of life
- Creating** • Creating a place of enjoyment, excitement and fun for people of all ages
- Healing** • Healing, reconciling and reaching out in caring service to others
- Reaching Out** • Serving those in need, especially the broken, through generous gifts of time, talent and treasure
- Serving** • Gathering at Eucharist and celebrating the Sacraments of the Church and the sacramental moments of our lives
- Gathering** • Telling and sharing the Living Story of Jesus
- Sharing**

So challenged, we pray that the Holy Spirit fills us and empowers us so that we may become the Living Presence of Jesus in our contemporary world.

CELEBRATING SACRAMENTS

WEDDINGS

I Heather Sattler and John Dials
II Kelly Lardner and John Haradon

Friday, October 2nd, 4:00 p.m.

Michelle Mayer and David Stephens

Saturday, October 3rd, 1:00 p.m.

Daria Sak and James Thompson

Saturday, October 3rd, 3:00 p.m.

Stephanie Peters and Adam Kneisler

BAPTISMS

Kendall Ann Lohmeyer (Corryn and Jason)

REMEMBERING...

Monday, September 28th

8:15 St. Anne Perpetual Mass Society

Robert B. Roller—*John and Terrie Rosengren*

Tuesday, September 29th

8:15 Donald Begley—*Rebecca and Jonathan Hirsch*
Elizabeth Pawlowski—*The Gillis and Pawlowski Families*

Anne and Jim Gervasio—*The McNeela Family*

Wednesday, September 30th

8:15 Mary Glowacki—*Bill and Maureen Terry*

Thursday, October 1st

8:15 Margie Holmes—*The Berquist Family*

Friday, October 2nd

8:15 St. Anne Perpetual Mass Society

Ralph Anderlik—*The Family*

Saturday, October 3rd

8:15 Sophia Loster—*The Thomas Family*
Mass of Anticipation

5:15 Anna and Joseph Rudolph—*Joe Rudolph*

Mary Heider—*The Egan Family*

Sunday, October 4th

7:15 People of St. Anne

9:00 Rita Kurfess—*Evelyn Kurfess*

Teresa Bowes—*Kay Gillespie*

Fred Willi—*The Family*

William Logue—*Donna and Ken White*

Jean Pirone—*Don and Barbara Kenney*

11:00 Joan Walker—*The Walker Family*

Lorraine Arnold—*Jane M. Larson*

Leo Rowekamp—*Sam Vitro*

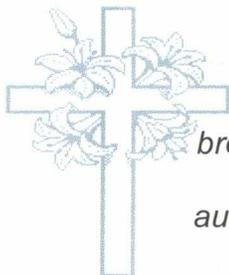
Maureen Herr—*The Dasburg Family*

Joseph Santoro—*Carl and Pat Patek*

5:15 Danny Black—*The Lynam Family*

RESTING IN PEACE

Richard Anderson,
brother of Barbara Karins;
Sr. Mary Gilbert,
aunt of Renee Diak-Witek;
Elizabeth Luzwick,
mother of Perry;
Peggy Mueller,
mother of Maureen Slott;
Norbert Thoma,
husband of Charlotte and father of
Kathy, Donna, Judie and David



Welcome to the 21st Century! St. Anne Youth Ministry and the Wonderful World of Facebook

In reflecting on my 13 years as the Director of High School Youth Ministry here at St. Anne, one word comes to mind—*change*. When I started this job in the summer of 1996, I struggled with getting things going. It was difficult to communicate with the teens of the parish because there was no real foolproof way to reach them. Those were the days of endless phone calls and voicemail messages, resulting in constant frustration in trying to find a way just to gain entry into the world of teenagers. Their world and their culture seemed to me like a secret club, and I did not have the password to get in the door.

Since then, things have changed considerably. With the advent of the internet, it has become increasingly easier to reach students and to try to involve them in things here at the parish. In fact, I am not sure how anyone ever did this job in the past without the benefit of e-mail and text messaging. In many ways, all this modern technology has made my job easier, but in other ways, it has posed problems. I can't say that I miss the never-ending hours on the phone, but I do struggle to keep up with the most current technology and new ways that people communicate with one another. Just a few years ago, I could e-mail people and get a response rather quickly—not so anymore. Teens rarely check e-mail accounts because they have turned to the newest, hippest, most connected form of communication—Facebook.

In case there is anyone in the world who doesn't know what Facebook is, it is an online social networking website that allows people to keep in touch and communicate. The basic idea: create an account, then find the accounts of people you know, and become their "friend" (send them a "friend request" which gives them a chance to say yes or no). Once you are their "friend," you can send them messages, pictures, or invite them to be friends with other people you know. Yes, the term "friend" has now become a verb.

I fought the urge to get involved in Facebook because I just wasn't sure if I wanted to be *that* connected. The more that technology advances, the more it seems to inch its way into my life, and I feel it is slowly, but surely, taking over. This, combined with the fear I have about how vulnerable it makes me to the outside world, has caused much hesitation in deciding whether or not this is a good idea.

In spite of how I feel about the site itself, I can't escape the fact that *68 million* people use it. It is the 5th most trafficked site in the world. I have decided that one thing is for certain: something so influential in the lives of our teens should not be ignored. I resisted the pressure to start a profile page for our ministry, but it has become painfully apparent that I can no longer do my job effectively unless I do.

So, St. Anne Youth Ministry is moving to the next level in cyber-activity. We will be launching our very own Facebook profile page. While I feel this is something that needs to happen to best serve our young church, I also realize how important it will be to make sure that we all stay safe as we communicate in this

new way. Because of this, we will be setting the following ground rules:

St. Anne Youth Ministry Facebook Policies:

1. St. Anne Youth Ministry will never search for friends. In order to be included on our 'friend' list, you must send a friend request to us, and we will then confirm or deny based on the guidelines we have set.
2. Facebook is designed for people 14 and older. We will not confirm friend requests from anyone younger than 14 without written permission from their parents.
3. This site is open to teens only. We will not confirm friend requests from adults unless they are volunteers for Youth Ministry programs.
4. We will not confirm friend requests from anyone who is not known to us. You must be a teen who is listed as a member of St. Anne parish in order for us to confirm your request.
5. We reserve the right to remove anyone from our list who puts our ministry or anyone involved in harm's way.
6. While we may post photos from Youth Ministry events and activities, we will not allow "tagging" of photos, allowing strangers to access names and personal pages of our friends.
7. All information displayed on our profile page must reflect Catholic teachings and values. Anything posted that does not will be deleted.
8. We want to remind everyone that we can not assume any degree of privacy on the internet. Anything that is posted will remain forever for the entire world to see and share, so post accordingly.
9. Also, remember that what we post contributes to the real life impression we make on others, so think about what you want that impression to be whenever you decide what to post.

PARENTS: Please be assured that all privacy settings on our page have been established with the utmost care and concern for safety and security.

If you would like to know what those settings are, email enelson@stannebarrington.org.

The St. Anne Youth Ministry Facebook Page is listed as: **St Anne Youth-Ministry**

Come find us!

St. Anne Catholic Community

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekly Offering for September 20, 2009

Sunday Offering Envelopes used: 459	\$34,549.00
Direct Debit/Credit Card Offerings: 226	\$9,000.00
Grand Total for the Week	\$43,549.00
Budget for Operating Expenses	\$42,000.00
Difference	+\$1,549.00

Year to Date Collection vs. Budget

Year to Date Sunday Collection	\$473,561.00
Year to Date Budget	\$504,000.00
Difference	-\$30,439.00

Year to Date Extraordinary Collections

Sharing Parishes	\$15,763.00
Archdiocesan Required Collections	\$930.00
Complete the Journey/Debt Reduction	\$81,805.00

Finance Notes

Well, the time has come. Our parish audit is scheduled for this coming week, **September 28th-October 2nd**. We will have the results of the audit within the month, and, at that time, we will present you with both the results and the annual report. We are hoping that the annual report will be in your hands sometime late October or early November.

Again, the audit is a matter of procedure when a new pastor is assigned to a parish. It is an audit of Archdiocesan 'Best Practices,' and we look forward to the suggestions that may come from a through look at how we have and will conduct business within the parish.

Fr. Bernie and Margaret Buckstaff

WEDDING FAIR

Planning a wedding at St. Anne's or for a family member? Just want to get out for an evening of beautiful music? Future brides and grooms are invited to **St. Anne's Wedding Liturgy and Music Fair, on Monday, September 28th**, from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., in the chapel. Please R.S.V.P. to the liturgy office by calling **847.620.3064**, or email rcooney@stannebarrington.org so that we can prepare enough handouts. There is no charge for this evening. All are welcome, even if you are *not* getting married!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Christine and Thomas **Kamedula**

Louise and Sean **O'Farrell**
(Cullen, Barrett)

Kathy and Jean-Alix **Peralte**
(Maya)

Joanne and Robert **Roig**
(Sydney, Maggie, Julian, Isabelle)

MASS INTENTIONS

The 2010 Mass book will open for intentions beginning **Monday, September 28th**.

KIDCHOIR

KidChoir is open to children in the **2nd grade and older**. Junior high age children are encouraged to either be in KidChoir or the Teen Choir that sings at the Sunday 5:15 p.m. evening Masses. **Rehearsals** for KidChoir are on **Tuesdays**, from 6:00 - 6:45 p.m., in the Parish Center conference room. KidChoir sings for the 11:00 a.m. Mass on the first Sunday of every month (**October 4th, November 1st, December 6th**) and at special times like Thanksgiving (9:00 a.m.) and Christmas Eve (2:30 p.m.). Rehearsals are as follows:

September 29th	October 6th
October 13th	October 20th
October 27th	November 3rd
November 17th	November 24th
December 1st	December 8th
December 15th	December 22nd

Our "kick-off" sign-up and rehearsal will be on **Tuesday, September 29th**, and the Kid-choir will sing at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, October 4th**. St. Anne School children: the required participation in Kidchoir rehearsals enables you to be in the choir and to audition for the cantor or song leader at school Masses. For more information, call **Rory Cooney** at **847.620.3064**.

Seminary Sunday

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

Office of the Archbishop



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September 26-27, 2009

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This weekend, we celebrate **Seminary Sunday** in the parishes of the Archdiocese of Chicago. On this occasion, we honor the ministry of the many priests who serve you so faithfully each day, as well as those who are preparing to serve you with that same charity in the future.

As part of the Church's observation of the 150th anniversary of the death of St. John Marie Vianney, patron saint of parish priests, Pope Benedict XVI has declared 2009/2010 the *Year for Priests*, hoping to highlight the mission of those who have been called to the ordained priesthood in the 21st century. Centered around the theme, "Faithfulness of Christ, Faithfulness of Priests," the *Year for Priests* began on June 19, 2009 and will end on June 19, 2010 with a World Meeting of Priests in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican.

Here in the Archdiocese of Chicago, Mundelein Seminary is a place where vocations to the priesthood are discerned and strengthened. Each year, as I ordain the graduates of Mundelein Seminary to the priesthood of Jesus Christ, I do so with confidence that they have been formed for fidelity and service. The best example of the work of the seminary is reflected in the quiet and compassionate ministry of your pastor and parish priests as, each day, they live out their ordination commitment to bring Christ to you in word and sacrament. I thank them for their good example and you for your prayers and financial contributions which provide our future priests with the education and environment they need to "prepare well" to serve God's faithful. I ask you to pray for those whom God is now calling to the ordained priesthood from among our families and friends. Talk to young men you know whom you judge would be good priests; encourage them to explore the possibility of priesthood.

In a special way, during this *Year for Priests*, I ask you to remember your bishops and parish priests each day in prayer. You and your intentions are in my own prayers. Thank you and may God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Francis Cardinal George".

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I.

Archbishop of Chicago

Parish Listening Sessions

Dear People of Saint Anne,

Saint Anne Church has a long and rich history of being a dynamic and vibrant parish community. As our parish mission statement proclaims: *We are a Catholic Christian community, rooted in our Baptism and called to welcoming, creating, healing, reaching out, serving, gathering and sharing the living story of Jesus, while becoming the presence of Christ in our contemporary world.*

However, it helps now and then to take a step back and take a longer and larger view of where we are currently and where we are going in the future as a faith community. As someone who is in the process of becoming your new pastor here at Saint Anne:

1. I would like to have the opportunity to hear your comments regarding the strengths, gifts and spiritual treasures that you have discovered here as parishioners of Saint Anne— in which you take great pride.
2. I would also be interested in hearing your observations of concern or what you see as our challenges at this moment in our parish history.
3. Most importantly, recognizing that this is your parish community, I believe it would be a powerful moment to hear you speak of your sense of our spiritual progress as a People of God and to listen to your hopes and dreams as we move into the future, attempting to grow an even more engaged, focused and responsive Catholic Christian Faith community.

Listening Session Dates:

Wednesday, October 7th

1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 8th

7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

These sessions will be held in the Church. They will be facilitated by Dr. Kevin Murphy, a clinical psychologist and organizational consultant. Along with myself, members of the Parish Council will be present. The core parish staff will not be in attendance. They felt that this would allow for a greater freedom of conversation and dialogue. I hope you can make time to attend one of these Listening Sessions.

Peace,

Father Bernie Pietrzak

Generations of Faith

We just concluded our first event for *Generations of Faith* this year. Thank you to the many parishioners who joined the various ministries which comprise *Generations of Faith* and made the sessions a success! Your time, hard work and dedication are very much appreciated.

As we work our way through the catechism, this year our topics are *Prayer and Spirituality*. Our first session explored *What is Prayer?* Many attendees were surprised to learn that prayer is actually a dialogue with God that God initiates. So while we may think that praying to God is *our* idea, in reality it is only because God speaks to us first, that we can pray. When we pray, what is actually happening is that we are responding to God's Spirit that lives in us. God's initiative of love comes first; our own first step is always a response.

The adult presenter was **Friar Johnpaul Cafiero**, who received rave reviews from the attendees. Friar Johnpaul explained that it is through prayer that we nourish our relationship with God. "God is our ultimate lover – the one being who loves us just the way we are, with all our nooks and crannies. So it's natural for God to want to know how you are doing." He also stressed that one of the most important aspects of prayer is listening. "Prayer isn't just about us talking to God. Listening is about being attentive to the Spirit that is in us. We must remember that God gave us one mouth and two ears – obviously God intended that we should listen more than we speak."

While we are most familiar with vocal prayer, Friar Johnpaul spoke about the two other expressions of prayer that are less well known: meditation and contemplation. Meditation is a quest to understand the why and how of the Christian life, in order to adhere and respond to what the Lord is asking. He explained meditation as "active reflection." Whereas contemplation is the gift of simply being with God, to experience God's loving presence and intimacy.

Friar Cafiero also covered the different forms of prayer. He said we might use the acronym ACTS to remember them: adoration (praising God for being God), confession (admitting our failures and asking God for forgiveness), thanksgiving (thanking God for all our gifts) and supplication (a petition to God made on behalf of ourselves or others.)

The Friar also praised the parents and family members who attended the *Generations of Faith* sessions. He said, "I want to honor you for attending tonight. Because your kids are watching you – they may not always hear what you say – but they definitely see what you do. By taking the time to be here tonight with your children, you are showing them that your faith is important to you and by extension, that their faith should be important to them. Believe me; it *will* make an impression on them."

And that's one of the primary objectives of *Generations of Faith*!

You can visit Friar Cafiero's website at www.friarjp.com.

Connections



Connections Annie's Alley HALLOWEEN Dance

Friday, October 9th

The Haunted St. Anne Parish Center Gymnasium

7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

\$10.00 per person

7th and 8th Grade Only

Special effects, laser show and music provided by Woolson Production Group

REQUIRED FOR ADMITTANCE:

- A current 2009-2010 photo ID from Barrington Middle or St. Anne Middle Schools. If you do not have an ID, a parent must chaperone the entire dance.
- Costumes must be appropriate
- Dress code will be enforced
- Cell phone use during the dance is prohibited
- All students are required to be picked up inside the gym by a parent

QUESTIONS? Call **847.382.5300 ext.400.**

WE ARE IN NEED OF CHAPERONES.

Please keep in mind, without chaperones, attendance will be reduced or the event will be cancelled!



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YOUTH MINISTRY

MIDDLE SCHOOL JOURNEY

Registration is now open for JOURNEY groups, which begin the first week of October. All middle school students have been emailed a registration form with a chance to choose their group for the coming year. If you have not received an email, call the Youth Ministry office at 847.620.3072.

FIRST COMMUNION

Parents wishing to enroll their second grader for First Communion in the spring may do so at a parent meeting this fall.

SECOND GRADE PARENT MEETINGS

Sunday, October 4th, at 12:30 p.m.

OR

Thursday, November 5th, at 7:00 p.m.

ALL SESSIONS WILL BE HELD IN THE HOSPITALITY ROOM

(We are unable to provide babysitting at these meetings.)

THE ST. ANNE LIBRARY

As we bring our summer activities to a close, we begin to settle into a new routine of activities and commitments. Fall may be a good time to set aside some quiet time for reading and learning. St. Anne has an extensive library of magazines, books and audio-visual materials for adults and young people. Children, too, will find eye-catching and interesting books, videos and DVDs that will both challenge them and teach them values, virtues and religion. There are many choices also for family enrichment and enjoyment.

The library is operated on a self-serve basis and is very accessible on the mezzanine level above the Gathering Space. Stop by, browse, sign out materials, or just relax and read in a comfortable setting.

2010 CALENDARS

We are collecting 2010 calendars—don't throw them away! We will find a home for them with nursing home patients as part of their Christmas baskets/gifts. A small bin will be in the Gathering Space for collection. For more information, call Project Hope at 847.381.5721.

ST. ANNE PLAYGROUP

St. Anne parents/caregivers are welcome to the Playgroup every **Thursday** morning from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., in the nursery of the Parish Center. Children, from newborn to kindergarten age, can play with a wide range of toys, while moms play along or socialize. For more information, contact **Nicole Higgins** at 847.381.7544 or nicolerhiggins@comcast.net.

CONFIRMATION

PARENT INFORMATION AND ENROLLMENT SESSIONS (Parents only)

Parent Enrollment sessions are for the **parents** of any new candidate who is entering the Confirmation preparation process in the fall of 2009 (candidates must be entering at least their 9th grade year to begin the process).

FALL PARENT SESSIONS:

Tuesday, October 20th, at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 8th, at 10:30 a.m.

ALL SESSIONS WILL BE HELD IN THE HOSPITALITY ROOM

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

The feast of the Holy Rosary is celebrated in the month of October. The simplicity as well as the profoundness of the prayers contained in the Rosary give honor, not only to the Blessed Virgin, but also to the Blessed Trinity - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The prayer of the Rosary is the prayer of the Word of God - the Gospel.

We are a privileged people to be able to praise God through this beautiful Bible-based devotion. Won't you please remain after the 8:15 a.m. Mass on **Saturday, October 3rd**, to pray this revered prayer?

YOUNG AT HEARTS TRIP

The Young at Hearts will be going to the Basilica of Holy Hill, Hubertus, Wisconsin, on **Thursday, October 15th**. If you are a senior who would like to come along, please contact **Sister Margaret** at 847.381.5799 before **Tuesday, October 6th**. The cost of the trip is \$50.00 and includes lunch.

Youth Ministry

SOUP SUPPERS

Sponsored by St. Anne Youth Ministry

One form of outreach to the less fortunate offered by Youth Ministry is our trips to Chicago to serve soup to those who make Chicago's night time streets their home. We will be working with "The Night Ministry" — a group organized to build relationships with these people and empower them to meet their own needs — twice monthly throughout the colder months in the North Town and Humboldt Park areas of Chicago.

The Night Ministry's "Health Outreach Bus" travels the area every single night offering assistance to the homeless of all ages. The bus offers everything from medical assistance and clothing to a warm place to sit for a while and talk. The bus also offers a "Curbside Soup Kitchen" which serves a hot soup meal to the people who come for help. Each night they ask organizations from all over the Chicagoland area to help out by providing soup and volunteers to help serve. This is where St. Anne Youth Ministry comes in.

Join Youth Ministry by **servicing soup**
to the homeless in Chicago

- From St. Anne, a group of 6 teens and 2 chaperones leave at 4:00 p.m., and return between 9:30 and 10:00 p.m.
- Adults who wish to chaperone will be assigned first. When the chaperone positions are filled, teens can begin to sign up. (Teens who accompany a chaperone will be assigned when the chaperone signs up.)

Join Youth Ministry by **making soup**
and **sandwiches** for the homeless in Chicago

- Soup must be made for each supper night
- Sandwiches can be made to accompany the soup
- About 200 dinners are served for each soup supper



SOUP SUPPER DATES FOR 2009-2010:

Wednesday, October 14th
Tuesday, October 27th
Wednesday, November 11th
Tuesday, November 24th
Wednesday, December 2nd
Wednesday, December 9th
Wednesday, January 13th

Tuesday, January 26th
Wednesday, February 10th
Tuesday, February 23rd
Wednesday, March 10th
Tuesday, March 23rd
Wednesday, April 7th
Tuesday, April 20th

We also need 10 gallons of soup to take with us each month, and we need small groups or individuals who can give a little bit of their time and resources to make it! You may volunteer to make anywhere from 2½ gallons to all 10, whatever works for you. The soup needs to be hot and at St Anne Youth Ministry office by 3:45 p.m. on the day of the soup supper. We will give you insulated 5-gallon containers to put it in. Please talk to the people and groups you know to see if you can help.

For more information or to volunteer to attend a soup supper,
contact **Trish Buelow** at TrishBuelow@comcast.net.

To volunteer to make soup for a soup supper,
contact **Lynn Cushwa** at lynn@cushwafamily.com.

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QUOTES ON PRAYER

By Sister Lauretta Leipzig, Pastoral Associate/Director of Adult Education

Recently in an article published in the *Catholic Digest*, Sister Melannie Svoboda listed five quotes on prayer taken from her book, *Traits of a Healthy Spirituality*. I found them interesting and worth passing on to you.

- *Pray as you can, and do not pray as you can't. Take yourself as you find yourself; start from that.* (Dom Chapman) Wherever we find ourselves in the moment that is where we start our prayer. Our days' emotions differ, including depression, worry, happiness, joy, sadness...that is where we start our prayer.
- *God walks amid the pots and pans.* (St. Teresa of Avila) Although there are some places that are very conducive to prayer, any place can be a good place to pray. Outdoors, indoors, on the way to shopping, standing in a line, doing the everyday tasks around the home...all can be places of prayer.
- *Of all things we do, prayer is the least practical.* (Abraham Heschel) There are occasions when we see the results of our prayer and we thank God. But most of the time we do not. Sister Melannie suggests that we do not pray to get something, but to love Someone and to become the person God is calling us to be.
- *The only way you can fail at prayer is to not show up.* (Thomas Keating) All the teachings of Jesus reminds us to persevere in prayer. If we follow that directive and keep on showing up for prayer we have prayed well.
- *A lot of trouble about prayer would disappear if only we realized – really realized – that we go to pray not because we love prayer, but because we love God.* (Hubert Van Zeller) Prayer is not an end in itself. It is the means to the end which is love of God and the fulfilling of God's will. It is the "meeting of two loves."

Loving God, teach me to pray.
Teach me to lift my mind and heart to You,
to converse with You, to allow a meeting of our two loves.
Help me to be honest in my prayer,
expressing to You my deepest needs and desires.
Help me to keep showing up for prayer
even when I think my prayer is inferior, difficult, or boring.
Keep reminding me that any place is a good place to converse with You.
God, I thank You for the times my prayer has been consoling,
and I thank You for the times it has been disturbing –
those times You have invited me to change my mind, my attitude, my plans.
And may I remember that I pray not to get results,
but to love You and to become the person You are calling me to become.

NOTE: In keeping with the theme of prayer at *Generations of Faith*, watch for an article in the UPDATE pamphlet entitled "Pathways of Prayer" in next week's *Clarion*.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA is formally beginning sessions consisting of Scripture, prayer, and presentations on our Catholic beliefs and traditions. Are you an adult who has not been baptized, has been baptized in another faith tradition, or has been baptized Catholic but has not received the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation and are interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church? **You are very welcome!** Sessions begin **Monday, September 28th**, in the Hospitality Room, at 7:30 p.m. We are eager to have you join us in this process with other adults who are beginning their journey of study and spiritual formation. "Walk-ins" are welcome. For more information, please call **Sr. Anna Marie at 847.381.5793**.

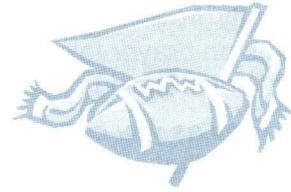
House of Hope



Every leaf speaks bliss to me,
fluttering from the autumn tree.

Emily Bronte

Welcome, Fall!



We are ready for the cool and colorful days ahead at House of Hope Resale. A great selection of furniture, fall accents, cozy sweaters, books, toys, shoes and purses has just arrived! Come and explore all that is new for the fall season.

Keep us in mind for all your entertaining needs – we have dishes, cookware and all the extras that hosts need the most. And don't miss our 'spooktacular' assortment of Halloween costumes, ready for tricks and treats. Hurry in before they *disappear!*



We are looking for elves to stock the shelves!



Preparations are underway for our annual Holiday Open House on **Wednesday, November 11th**. If you enjoy friendly conversation, sparkly things and decking a hall or two, consider putting in a little "elf time" for Project Hope. Daytime and evening (Tuesdays and Thursdays) hours are available – join us as often as you like! Holiday bakers are also needed for a cookie sale we are adding to this year's festivities. For more information, please call **Project Hope** at **847.381.5721**.

Donations are needed

We are in need of additional fall and winter clothing, furniture and holiday items for our upcoming open house fundraiser. Donations may be made at the Project Hope office, Monday – Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., or at House of Hope Resale during our business hours, Wednesday – Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

All donations are tax-deductible, and a receipt is provided.

All proceeds stay local and help families in crisis right here in our community.

Pick up service is available for larger items.

Your contributions are greatly appreciated!



House of Hope Resale Shop

Heirlooms & Treasures

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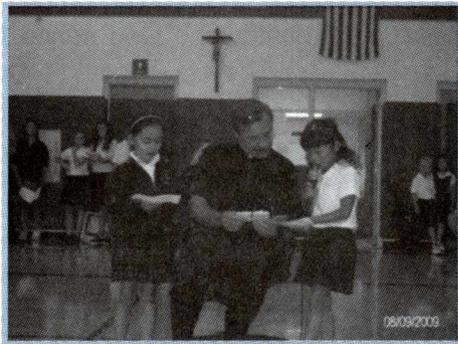
St. Anne School Welcomes Fr. Bernie



Wednesday, September 9, 2009

St. Anne School had a wonderful assembly for our new pastor, Father Bernie. It was an extremely warm welcome and there is more to come from St. Anne School.

Each grade had a little bit to share with Father Bernie. Representatives from each grade shared some kind words and prayers for him, the school and St. Anne Catholic Church.



Overall, the assembly was a great success, and the enthusiasm from the students and Father Bernie's warm reception of the event was felt throughout the school.

Father Bernie shared his support of Catholic education and asked students to do their best in their school work in all of their classes.

At the end, Father shared his enthusiasm for Chicago sports, especially the Cubs. He had the school show their support for the Chicago Bears by having a Bears/Packers day the following school day. The entire school showed their overwhelming support by sporting Bears' apparel.

Father Bernie,
welcome to St. Anne School and Parish!



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The Weekly Article from Ronald Rolheiser

GOD JUDGES NO ONE

By Ron Rolheiser, O.M.I.

There's a question about God's goodness as old as religion itself: How can an all-good God send someone to hell for all eternity? How can God be all-merciful and all-loving if there is eternal punishment?

It's a false question. God doesn't send anyone to hell, and God doesn't deal out eternal punishment. God offers us life, and the choice is ours as to whether we accept that or not.

God, Jesus tells us, doesn't judge anyone. We judge ourselves. God doesn't create hell, and God doesn't send anyone to hell. But that doesn't mean that hell doesn't exist and that it isn't a possibility for us. Here, in essence, is how Jesus explains this:

God sends his life into the world, and we can choose that life or reject it. We judge ourselves in making that choice. If we choose life, we are ultimately choosing heaven. If we reject life, we end up living outside of life and that ultimately is hell. But we make that choice; God doesn't send us anywhere. Moreover, hell is not a positive punishment created by God to make us suffer. Hell is the absence of something, namely, living inside of the life that's offered to us.

To say all of this is not to say that hell isn't real or that it isn't a real possibility for every person. Hell is real, but it isn't a positive punishment created by God to deal out justice or vengeance or to prove to the hard-hearted and unrepentant that they made a mistake. Hell is the absence of life, of love, of forgiveness, of community, and God doesn't send anyone there. We can end up there, outside of love and community, but that's a choice we make if we, culpably, reject these as they are offered to us during our lifetime. Hell, as John Shea once said, is never a surprise waiting for a happy person; it's the full-flowering of a life that rejects love, forgiveness, and community.

Sartre once famously stated that *hell is the other person*. The reverse is true. Hell is what we experience when we choose ourselves over community of life with others. Human life is meant to be shared life, shared existence, participation inside of a community of life that includes the Trinity itself.

God is love, scripture tells us, and those who abide in love, abide in God, and God abides in them. In this context, love should not be understood primarily as romantic love. The text doesn't say that "those who fall in love" abide in God (though that too can be

true). In essence, the text might be reworded to say: "God is shared existence, and those who share life with others, already live inside of God's life."

But the reverse is also true: When we don't share our lives, we end up outside of life. That, in essence, is hell.

What is hell? The images the bible chooses for hell are arbitrary and vary greatly. The popular mind tends to picture hell as fire, eternal fire, but that is only one image, and not necessarily the dominant one, in scripture. Among other things, scripture speaks of hell as "experiencing God's wrath", as "being outside" the wedding and the dance, as "mourning and weeping and grinding our teeth," as being consigned to the "Gehenna" (a garbage dump outside of Jerusalem), as being eaten by worms, as fire, as missing out on the banquet, as being outside the kingdom, as living inside a bitter and warped heart, and as missing out on life. In the end, all these images point to the same thing: Hell is the pain and bitterness, the fire, we experience when we culpably put ourselves outside of the community of life. And it is always self-inflicted. It is never imposed by God. God doesn't deal death, and God sends nobody to hell.

When Jesus speaks of God, he never speaks of God as dealing both life and death, but only as dealing life. Death has its origins elsewhere, as does lying, rationalization, bitterness, hardness of heart, and hell. To say that God does not create hell or send anyone there does not downplay the existence of evil and sin or the danger of eternal punishment, it only pinpoints their origins and makes clear who it is who makes the judgment and who it is who does the sentencing. God does neither; he neither creates hell nor sends anyone to it. We do both.

As Jesus tells us in John's Gospel: "God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, the light has come into the world, and the people loved darkness rather than light ... I judge no one."

He doesn't need to.

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Liturgical Ministry Schedules

Note: this schedule does not reflect recent "swaps" or changes made either online or offline with other ministers

Monday, September 28, 8:15 AM

Fr. Jack Presider
Holsworth, K. Serv (1)
Moran, E. Serv (2)

Tuesday, September 29, 8:15 AM

Fr. Bernie Presider
Miller, J. Serv (1)
Miller, C. Serv (2)

Wednesday, September 30, 8:15 AM

Fr. Tom Presider
Tisbo, A. Serv (1)
Nelson, Jessica Serv (2)

Thursday, October 1, 8:15 AM

Fr. Bernie Presider
Hirsch, Addie Serv (1)
Burny, G. Serv (2)

Friday, October 2, 8:15 AM

Fr. Tom Presider
Moran, E. Serv (1)
DiMichele, J. Serv (2)

Sunday, October 4, 9:00 AM

Fr. Bernie Presider
Weaver, Rita MC
Weaver, Rick MC
Jagmin, E. Captain
Doersching, E. Serv (1)
Krout, K. Serv (2)
Krout, D. Serv (3)
Florian, A. Lector (1)
Lymperis, M. Lector (2)
Albanese, M. EM
Albanese, J. EM
Brindise, M. EM
Clark, J. EM
DeGrazia, L. EM
Fasano, P. EM
Freda, J. EM
Kantarski, M. EM
Kurowski, M. EM
Lesniak, M. EM
Pederson, Scott EM
Pederson, Susan EM
Rojek, L. EM
Tarulis, G. EM
Wirt, A. EM
Wirt, D. EM

Saturday, October 3, 5:15 PM

Fr. Tom Presider
Wroblewski, F. MC
Gabrielsen, K. Captain
Kowalski, R. Serv (1)
Clifford, M. Serv (2)
Gabrielsen, B. Serv (3)
LaCesa, I. Lector (1)
LaCesa, J. Lector (2)
Barnett, M. EM
Carollo, P. EM
Lowery, L. EM
Quinn, E. EM
Schiller, M. EM
Schiller, J. EM
Trausch, D. EM
Trausch, E. EM
Tuszynski, A. EM
Tuszynski, J. EM

Sunday, October 4, 11:00 AM

Fr. Tom Presider
Kendal-Ward, E. MC
Kolasinski, W. MC
Hirsch, C. Captain
Divito, J. Serv (1)
Graft, J. Serv (2)
O'Connor, J. Serv (3)
Amatangelo, K. Lector (1)
Reinhart, H. Lector (2)
Beattie, S. EM
Brown, D. EM
Carlson, S. EM
Condill, C. EM
Corwin, M. EM
Diaz-Jimenez, E. EM
Goodwin, K. EM
Gupta, S. EM
Huntemann, D. EM
Kaeser, S. EM
Magnanenzi, K. EM
O'Shea, N. EM
Remback, R. EM
Sprehe, L. EM
Van der Voort, J. EM
VanNest, D. EM

Sunday, October 4, 7:15 AM

Fr. Tom Presider
Badsing, S. MC
O'Neill, M. Captain
Guarnieri, E. Serv (1)
Frey, S. Serv (2)
Miseyka, J. Serv (3)
Roeckell, M. Lector (1)
Lolli, F. Lector (2)
Barra, C. EM
Garcia, F. EM
Guarnieri, D. EM
Guarnieri, A. EM
Huynh, J. EM
Oakley, S. EM
Ciganek, T. Int

Saturday, October 3, 8:15 AM

Fr. Tom Presider

Saturday, October 3, 9:15 - 10:00 AM

Fr. Bernie Confessions

Sunday, October 4, 5:15 PM

Fr. Bernie Presider
Abbate, J. MC
Abbate, R. MC
Donoghue, Bo Captain
Horcher, N. Serv (1)
Murray, E. Serv (2)
Burrell, M. Serv (3)
McSorley, A. Lector (1)
Ganis, J. EM
Gilligly, L. EM
Hays, D. EM
McSorley, J. EM
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Reed, B. EM
Sibley, Jan EM
Sibley, Jeff EM
Werner, J. EM
Wink, Ken EM
Wink, Kelly EM
Wisniewski, J. EM
Wisniewski, H. EM
Foster, D. Int

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Monday: Zechariah 8:1-8/Luke 9:46-50
Tuesday: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14/John 1:47-51
Wednesday: Nehemiah 2:1-8/Luke 9:57-62
Thursday: Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Luke 10:1-12
Friday: Baruch 1:15-22/Matthew 18:1-5, 10
Saturday: Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29/Luke 10:17-24
Sunday: Genesis 2:18-24/Hebrews 2:9-11/Mark 10:2-16

Sharing the Living Story

26TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR, 2009 (137B)

First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

- ²⁵ The LORD then came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses.
Taking some of the spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed it on the seventy elders;
and as the spirit came to rest on them, they prophesied.
- ²⁶ Now two men, one named Eldad and the other Medad,
were not in the gathering but had been left in the camp.
They too had been on the list, but had not gone out to the tent;
yet the spirit came to rest on them also, and they prophesied in the camp.
- ²⁷ So, when a young man quickly told Moses,
"Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp,"
- ²⁸ Joshua, son of Nun, who from his youth had been Moses' aide, said,
"Moses, my lord, stop them."
- ²⁹ But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake?
Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!
Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!"

Responsorial Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14. *The precepts of the LORD give joy to the heart.*

Second Reading: James 5:1-6

- ¹ Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries.
² Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become moth-eaten,
³ your gold and silver have corroded,
and that corrosion will be a testimony against you;
it will devour your flesh like a fire.
- You have stored up treasure for the last days.
- ⁴ Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud;
and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts.
- ⁵ You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure;
you have fattened your hearts for the day of slaughter.
- ⁶ You have condemned;
you have murdered the righteous one;
he offers you no resistance.

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

- At that time, John said to Jesus,
- ³⁸ "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name,
and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us."
- ³⁹ Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him.
There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name
who can at the same time speak ill of me.
- ⁴⁰ "For whoever is not against us is for us.
- ⁴¹ Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ,
amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.
- ⁴² "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin,
it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck
and he were thrown into the sea.
- ⁴³ If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off.
It is better for you to enter into life maimed
than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire.
- ⁴⁵ And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off.
It is better for you to enter into life crippled
than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna.
- ⁴⁷ And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out.
Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye
than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna,
- ⁴⁸ where 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.'"

Sharing the Living Story

This gospel pericope, or Lectionary passage, continues Mark's story of the disciples "on the way" to Jerusalem as the metaphor for his community to understand "the way" of discipleship. Once again, the key is found through the psalm refrain: *The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart*. All three of the pericopes to be read today speak against the exclusivity that humans practice; it is these human attitudes that go against the precepts of the Lordⁱⁱ and give but fleeting joy to our hearts.

Don't be exclusive, Jesus says to John, who tried to stop a stranger from casting out demons. Jesus points out: he may not be "one of us," but he is doing powerful works in my name.ⁱⁱⁱ

It is the same point in the Hebrew scripture today.^{iv} Although originally on the list of those chosen, Eldad and Medad were not among "the group in the tent." How dare **they** "do God's works" back in the camp, away from the group? Joshua implores, *Moses, my lord, stop them*. Moses is emphatic, oh, I wish that *all* the people (and not only those "within the tent") would do God's work – would that all of them would receive the Lord's spirit. Jesus and Moses both say it: you are asking the wrong question! It is not a question of "ins and outs," for in God's view, all are **in**, and *anyone who is not against us is with us*. Mark is clear to his community: only those are out who chose to take themselves **out**. The Mediterranean culture does not quite understand this - the disciples, the ones who followed Jesus, as well as the ones who read Mark, certainly "don't get it." Contrary to the cultural values, no one is "in" because of birth, or station in life or any other category that humans can define. The only thing that will put you "outside" is what is inside you - you yourself will exclude yourself. Mark says that the goal of

the law, and the message of Jesus, is simple and direct: we are to be as much like God as possible. So Mark warns his people in graphic language: *If your hand is your difficulty, cut it off! ... If your foot is your undoing, cut it off! If your eye ...* This hyperbole underscores that whatever it is that *leads us astray*, that keeps us from being in the group that is God's group, must be "cut off." This surgery is on our illusions and attitudes and appetites; it is life saving. We cannot continue to avoid taking on the responsibility to work against institutionalized rape of the powerless - the "child" that Jesus embraces in the pericope for last week (Mark 9:36).

The Letter of James is equally explicit. Attachment to wealth, especially that gotten from exploitation of others (v.4-6) to the extent of denying others a share (*You have stored up treasure for the last days*), will *devour your flesh like fire*. Can the following be mistakenly interpreted?

Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers, who harvested your fields, are crying aloud; and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts.

Little wonder, then, that *the precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart!*

In our own time, there are things that bear examining in the light of these scriptures that show that the kingdom is **inclusive** with regard to material and non-material things – that all of God's creatures are invited into the entire resources of the human community. To look at one area: the economic condition in which the world is right now. Governments of state and their local governments are having a difficult time meeting budgets.

All this scripture, all the explanation: So What??

Think of the impact on the quality of life in the lower economic levels. What is scripture's answer to this exclusion from the material resources of the community? National Geographic (Sept. 2003) estimates that today in the world community, 27 million people are held in perpetual slavery. They are physically restrained, forced into labor, controlled by violence, and their debt is manipulated so it cannot ever be repaid; their children's lives are mortgaged to the system. What is the scripture's answer to this exclusion from freedom?

FOOTNOTES:

ⁱ Gehenna: an actual location, outside Jerusalem, which had an evil reputation owing to practices like child sacrifice (e.g. 2 Kings 23:10). In the literature of the rabbis, it became known as a place of punishment of sinners by fire. In the New Testament, it is used as imagery and not as literal theological detail that the wicked will be consumed by fire. The truth about judgment and punishment, however, remains throughout the N.T. (McKenzie, *Dictionary of the Bible*, p. 300)

ⁱⁱ It is remindful of the pericope of a few Sundays ago (22nd Sunday, Mark 7:21-): Jesus says, *all these evil things come from within and it is this that defiles a person*.

ⁱⁱⁱ See footnote above. Again, what counts is what comes from within.

^{iv} Numbers 11:16-29

Other Happenings

Priesthood Vocation

A program of discernment and formation for adult men interested in the priesthood will begin in October. For more information, call **Fr. Joe Noonan** at **847.312.534.8298** or email jnoonan@archchicago.org.

Mental Health Education

The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) hosts a Family-to-Family education program. For more information, call **847.496.1415** or visit namibarringtonarea.org.

ONGOING EVENTS

Prayer Service for Peace

A prayer service for peace in the Middle East will be held at Lutheran Church of the Atonement, Barrington, on the **15th** of every month, at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call **847.381.0243**.

Taizé Prayer Invitation

A taizé prayer service is held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Viatorian Province Center, Arlington Heights. For more information, call **Karen** at **847.637.2125**.

To Be Joyful Again

A nondenominational support group for those who have lost a significant other meets the first and third Thursday at 7:00 p.m., at Holy Family, Inverness. For more information, call **Elaine** at **847.705.9886**.

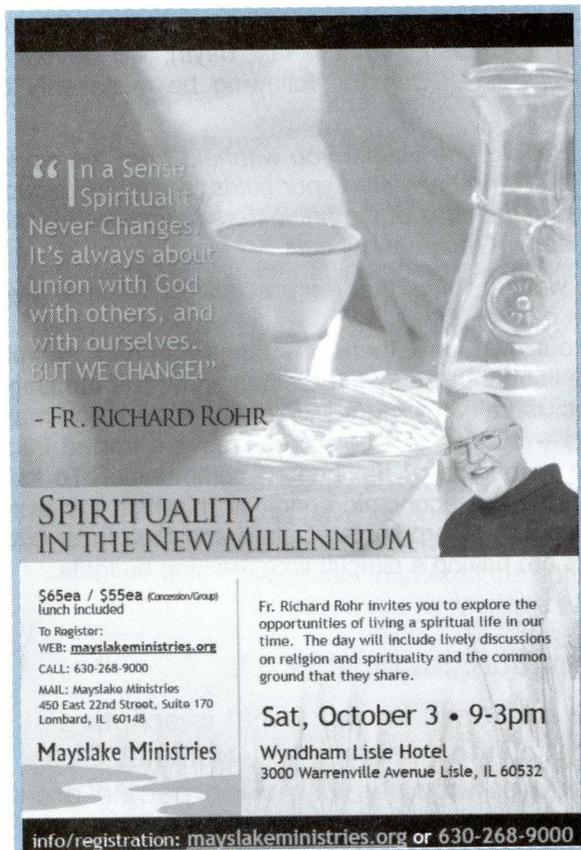
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CROP Walk – Sunday, October 18th

CROP WALK

Sign-up for walkers and sponsors will be held in the Gathering Space the weekends of October 3rd/4th and 10th/11th.

Community Offerings/Needs

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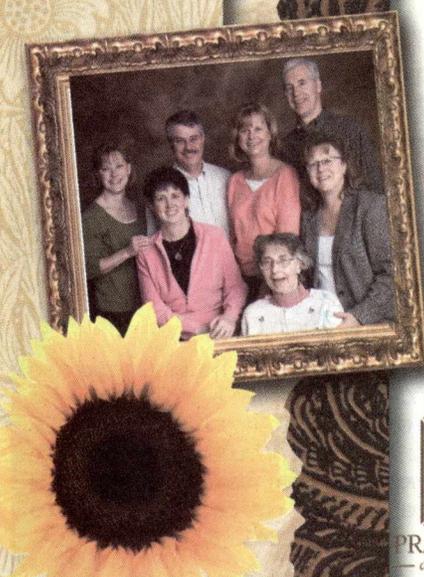
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