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October 26, 2008
Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

HOLY MASSES: October 25-26

Sat. 4:00PM Art & Bertha Wessling 50th Wedding Anniv./Vince & Eleanor Wessling & Joyce Kuhl
L/D Joe & Sandy Leonard Family

Sun. 9:00AM Frank Beckmann/Rita Hemker/Lucille Karpel/L/D Charlie Mueller Family

HOLY MASSES: October 27-Nov. 2, 2008:

Mon. NO MASS

Fri. NO MASS

Tue. NO MASS

Sat. 4:00PM Ken Holtmann

Wed. NO MASS

Sun. 9:00AM Larry Pingsterhaus & Dolores Pingsterhaus

Thu. NO MASS

L/D Lawrence & Frances Beckmann Family & Michael Wellen

NEXT WEEKEND (November 1-2):

LECTOR

Sat. 4:00PM Linda Haake

Sun. 9:00AM Donna Schroeder

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Joan Theising, Barb Voss, Diane Gomez, Dave & Marilyn Jansen

Rita Nordhaus, Joe Langhauser, Albert Becker, Donna Schroeder, Greg Cook

GIFTBEARERS

Sat. 4:00PM Holtmann Family

Sun. 9:00AM Pingsterhaus/Beckmann Families

MASS SERVERS

Emily Peters, Kayla Mattson, Nick Hitpas

Claire Langenhorst, Nick Wolters, Melissa Wolters

ROSARY LEADERS

Sat. 4:00PM Joan Theising

Sun. 9:00AM Frank & Rita Nordhaus

USHERS

Roger Kohrmann, Mike Korte, Maurice Spihlmann

Steve Theising, Russ Voss, Rich Wuebbels

GREETERS

Sat. 4:00PM Jan Schwierjohn, Lorinda Jansen

Sun. 9:00AM Rich & Kathy Haake

CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS

Nov. 2 Carl & Melissa Kuhl

Mon. Oct. 27 7:00PM Bible Study Class, rectory basement

Tue. Oct. 28: 7:15AM Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

6:30PM Novena and Rosary Devotions

7:00PM Choir practice. New members welcome! The Choir will sing at the 9AM Mass on Nov. 9

Sat. Nov. 1: 3:00PM Confessions

STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS: Envelope: \$2416; Loose: \$211; candles: \$12; TOTAL: \$2639. Religious Retirement: \$7; Communications: \$2; Mission Sunday: \$255; Thank You! **SISTER PARISH COLLECTION** will be held next weekend, Nov. 1st and 2nd.

WELCOME to the newest member of our parish family DYLAN JOSEPH MARKUS, son of Craig & Suzanne (Hewlett) Markus who will be baptized on October 25 and BRETT MICHAEL DEERING, son of Kevin and Lisa (Tonnies) Deering who will be baptized on Nov. 2.

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR: Next Sunday, Nov. 2, is the feast of All Souls. The church has always remembered our beloved dead in a special way during the month of November. All St. Boniface parishioners who have died since Nov. 1, 2007, will be remembered in a special way by their families and by the parish at the 9AM Mass on Sunday, Nov. 2. At the end of the Sunday Mass on Nov. 2, all are invited to walk to St. Boniface Cemetery for a short prayer service for all parishioners buried in the cemetery. This Sunday I will be leaving right after the Sunday morning Mass to baptize a great niece of mine at Holy Cross Parish in Wendelin, IL, my home town and parish. I know how many nephews and nieces I have. I'm not so sure about the number of great nieces and nephews any more. I'm not getting older, am I?? I will be gone this coming week, Monday through Friday, on retreat at St. Meinrad Seminary in St. Meinrad, Indiana. I'll be back Friday night. I have been making Fall retreats at St. Meinrad for about 10 years now. Stay healthy.

THE ST. BONIFACE BIBLE STUDY GROUP continues to explore St. Paul's 1st Letter to the Corinthians Chapter 6. In this section Paul teaches us that respect for one another is a sign of our Christianity. We should learn to deal with one another in the love that Jesus has for us. This respect for one another means that we must also look upon ourselves with respect also. Our bodies are Temples of God, so we must learn not to abuse them. Is he telling us to cut back on the rich foods and alcohol, to get enough sleep and to reduce stress? You betcha! Let's try this week to treat ourselves and others with respect.

A QUILT SOLICITOR will contact you soon to request your contribution for next year's picnic. We are trying to assign each family to a group that will be responsible for a donation of a quilt each year. Only one person per group will be contacted. Each group should decide among themselves who is responsible for obtaining the quilt this fall to avoid confusion at picnic time. Quilts must be hand quilted and must be 90 inches wide and 108 inches long. The size is very important! Call Mary Haake at 523-4224 or Marie Wesslemann at 523-4467 if you have any questions. If you choose to give a cash donation, please give the money to your solicitor or put it in the collection basket in a separate envelope marked "Quilt Solicitor" by November 9 so we don't have to contact you a second time. When you tell your solicitor that you will put your donation in the collection basket, we expect to receive it shortly so we can purchase quilt making supplies.

KARL ZIMMERMANN AND HIS BAND will be playing at the 5:30PM Liturgy at St. Dominic in Breese on November 8. A concert and sing-along will follow the Mass. All ages are encouraged to attend. Karl and his band are the musicians at the annual Diocesan Youth Conference.

READINGS & QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: Loving your neighbor as yourself

Reading I: Exodus 22: 20-26 (The compassion of the Lord)

Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 1: 5c-10 (Turned toward God)

Gospel: Matthew 22: 34-40 (The greatest commandment)

Adults: What prejudices block God's love from flowing out from me to others?

Children: How can I make God number one in my life?

A PORK SAUSAGE & BEEF DINNER BENEFITING PSR PROGRAMS will be held Sunday, Nov. 2 from 11AM to 6PM at the Breese KC Hall, sponsored by the Breese Knights of Columbus. St. Boniface PSR has benefited from this in the past, please support this dinner.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS. Mater Dei: Nov. 3: School Board Meeting, 7:30PM; Nov. 7-9: Fall Play.

MATER DEI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL cordially invites prospective students and their parents to an Open House on Sunday, Nov. 9 from noon to 2PM. Information regarding the academic, extracurricular, and spiritual programs will be available as well as guided tours of the school and Edline demonstrations. For additional information please call Mater Dei at 526-7216.

ATTENTION ALL ADULTS AND TEENS: Fr. Steven Beatty from Cathedral Parish is coming to St. Rose Parish to speak on St. Paul and his relevance to our Christian lives. He has visited where St. Paul preached. Please make plans to attend this special Jubilee Year of St. Paul event on Sunday, October 26 from 7 to 8PM in St. Rose Cafeteria.

WHERE DO THE CANDIDATES STAND ON KEY ISSUES. A non-partisan guide to the positions of the 2008 Presidential Candidates on various issues of concern is available on the communion rail in back of church. Also available: A Prayer for our Nation as we Prepare to Elect our Leaders.

HEALING THE BROKENHEARTED...COMFORTING THOSE WHO MOURN. Project Rachel does precisely that in helping both men and women heal from the wound abortion leaves. For confidential help, please call 1-800-618-HEAL (4325)

VOTE PRO-LIFE! The causes that lead to such painful decisions as abortion are of course many and complex. If, on the one hand..., the Church never tires of reaffirming that the sacred value of every human being's life originates in the Creator's plan, on the other hand, she encourages the promotion of every initiative in support of women and families in order to create the favorable conditions in which to welcome life, and the protection of the family institution founded on the marriage between a man and a woman. Not only has permitting recourse to the termination of pregnancy not solved the problems that afflict many women and a fair number of families, but it has also made another wound in our society, unfortunately, already burdened by deep suffering.

For Christians an indispensable field for the apostolate and for Gospel witness is always open; to protect life with courage and love in all its stages. It is necessary to witness concretely that respect for life is the first form of justice to apply. For those who have the gift of faith this becomes a mandatory imperative, because the disciples of Christ is called to be increasingly a "prophet" of a truth that can never be eliminated: God alone is the Lord of life. Every person is known and loved, wanted and guided by Him. Here alone lies the deepest and greatest unity of humanity: in the fact that every human being puts into practice God's one plan, originates in God's same creative idea. One thus understands why the Bible says: whoever profanes man, profanes the property of God (cf. Gn 9:5). Pope Benedict XVI, Address to the Members of Italy's Pro-Life Movement

KARLA SMITH FOUNDATION DINNER AUCTION, Sat., Nov. 1, at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows. Tickets are \$35/person. Proceeds from the event are used to assist the families and friends of individuals who have committed suicide or suffer from mental illness. For additional information or to purchase tickets contact Judy Phillips at 618-567-6876.

QUILT OF THE MONTH WINNERS: Aug: Mary Yurkouch, Chicago, IL; Sept: Dolly Book, Germantown; Oct: Dolores Schroeder, Germantown.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY is in need of PAPER Bags. If you have any please bring by the Village Hall or leave on the front porch of Mary Eversgerd.

GERMANTOWN AMERICAN LEGION CHICKEN & PORK ROAST DINNER, Sunday, Oct. 26 from 11AM to 6PM.
Homemade dressing, homemade desserts!

KNC COSTUME JUDGING will take place Oct. 31 at 6PM at the tennis courts at Veterans Park for children in 5th grade on down.

DAISY. We are looking for Kindergarten and First Graders who – like exploring the outdoors, like to do arts and crafts, like to sing, like to make new friends. Your Germantown Daisy Troop, along with the brownie Troop, will meet once a month. For more information on this and on joining, please contact Perri Wesselmann at 523-4326. I can't wait to meet you!

SPASSFEST COMMITTEE is in need of a chairperson(s) for the Quilt Auction and for the Soda/Popcorn Stand. If interested please call Darlene Beer or Jim Lampe at 523-4202.

GERMANTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY is in the process of updating its movie collection. We ask that you remember us when cleaning out your no longer wanted DVD's.

BOY/CUB SCOUT ALUMINUM CAN DRIVE, November 29th, have cans out by 10AM. Help recycle! **SCOUTING FOR FOOD BAGS** will be distributed on November 15 and will be picked up again from the end of your driveway on Nov. 22. All food and paper goods goes to our local food pantry. Please be generous!

GYA MEETING, Oct. 26 at 10AM in the rectory Basement.

QUILT BINGO, Nov. 2, St. Rose Gym. Doors open at 5:30PM, bingo at 7PM. All handmade quilts.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT, Nov. 8, doors open at 6PM, tournament begins at 7PM, \$10/person. Bartelso Grade School, sponsored by the Bartelso PFC.

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