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November 1, 2009

All Saints

HOLY MASSES: October 31-November 1

Sat. 4:00PM Lavern & Mary Ann Rolfingsmeyer/Herb Haake/ L/D John & Eugenia Dierkes Family

Sun. 9:00AM Ollie Albers/Dave Jansen

HOLY MASSES: Nov. 2-8, 2009:

Mon. NO MASS

Fri. NO MASS

Tue. NO MASS

Sat. 4:00PM L/D Henry & Elizabeth Kohnen Family / Francis Frey

Wed. NO MASS

Sun. 9:00AM Ken Holtmann / Ollie Albers

Thu. NO MASS

NEXT WEEKEND Nov. 7-8

LECTOR

Sat. 4:00PM Barb Voss

Sun. 9:00AM Mary Lampe

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Gerry & Ann Kohnen, Jacinta Kohnen, Michael & Phyllis Miller

Hank & Marie Wesselmann, Rich Wuebbels, Rita Nordhaus, Joe Langhauser

GIFTBEARERS

Sat. 4:00PM Kohnen/Frey Families

Sun. 9:00AM Holtmann/Albers Families

MASS SERVERS

Katie Haake, Seth Haake, Alicia Diesen

Evan Albers, Ben Lampe, Alyx Wilkins

ROSARY LEADERS

Sat. 4:00PM Vince & Ethel Albers

Sun. 9:00AM Walter & Carolyn Beer

USHERS

Mike Beer, Maurice Dierkes, Mike Tonnies

Amanda Peters, Pat Peters, Steve Theising

GREETERS

Sat. 4:00PM Maurice & Jenny Dierkes

Sun. 9:00AM Marilyn Haake, Jamie Dumstorff

CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS & HELPERS

Sun. Nov. 8 Jennifer Wempe & Kathy Oertel

Colin Santel, Quinton Huelsmann

Tue. Nov. 3: 7:15AM Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

6:30PM Novena & Rosary Devotions

7:00PM Choir practice...new members welcome! The choir will sing at the 9AM Mass on Nov. 8.

Sat. Nov. 7: 3:00PM Confessions

Sun. Nov. 8: 10AM to Noon Eucharistic Prayer for Pro-Life and Vocations

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING: Envelope: \$2515.00; Loose: \$192.00; Candles: \$37.00; Total: \$2744.00. World Mission: \$3.00; All Saints: \$20.00. Thank You! Thanksgiving (St/ Vincent de Paul): \$5.00; Cemetery: \$5.00. **SISTER PARISH COLLECTION** will be held next weekend Nov. 7 & 8.

ST. BONIFACE PARISH ANOINTING OF SICK is scheduled for Sun., Nov. 1 after the 9:00AM Mass.

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR. This Sunday St. Boniface welcomes many families to the 9AM All Saints Mass. Family members who have lost a loved one since Nov. 1, 2008 are with us this morning as we remember our beloved dead, and especially those who have died this past year from the parish. During the month of November a parish Book of the Dead will be placed at the main entrance of church. You are invited to write the names of any deceased family member in the book, and they will be remembered at every Mass this November. The sacrament of the sick will be celebrated after the 9AM Mass. Just stay in church, or if you are first arriving at 10AM, take a seat by the middle aisle. There was a really good number of people anointed last Saturday. Want to point out a couple of possible eating opportunities this Sunday, which will also help some worthy groups. First, this Sunday the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry of the St. Boniface Conference is sponsoring Soup & Songs at Schoendienst Park. Lots of soup. Lots of song. And all proceeds benefit the local food pantry here in Germantown. Also, on Sunday, the Breese KC is sponsoring a Pork Sausage & Beef Dinner at the Breese KC Hall. Proceeds benefit local PSR programs, including St. Boniface. Support these two worthy causes. One of the good ideas generated from the ministry meeting two weeks ago was a possible way to encourage people to participate at the monthly holy hour at St. Boniface on the 2nd Sunday of the month, from 10AM to Noon. Families with last names A-E are assigned adoration from 10AM-10:30AM; families with last names F-K are assigned from 10:30AM-11AM; families with last names L-R are assigned from 11AM-11:30AM; families with last names S-Z are assigned from 11:30AM-Noon. Obviously this is the honor system. Come as a family. This week I will be on retreat at St. Meinrad from Monday through Friday. No Masses are scheduled during the week. Stay healthy. And dry.

FROM THE DEACON'S BENCH. We'll continue to highlight some of the areas from our Time & Talent Ministry. One popular area is the Prayer Chain. If you want to have a special intention prayed for, call Melinda Knobloch (4781); Geralyn Albers (8144); Marilyn Holtmann (4763) or Ben & Henrietta Koch (4230) and they will start the prayer chain. Another valuable resource is our Bereavement Committee which contacts parishioners who have lost a loved one (Linda Barth-8298 or Mary Haake-4224). We'd also like to remind you of the valuable contributions of our Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (Melinda Knobloch-4781). These last two ministries will have training available during the month of November. Watch for future bulletin announcements.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION BIBLE STUDY: On Mon., Nov. 2 at 7PM in the rectory basement, the St. Boniface Adult Faith Formation Bible Study will begin the fall session by studying The Gospel of Luke, *The Good News of God's Mercy*, Chapter 1, "Surprised by God." In the Gospel's first episode (1:5-25), Luke relates an incident involving an elderly priest named Zechariah who worked at the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem. God sent an angel to Zechariah to tell him that his wife Elizabeth, who was no longer young, would soon bear a child-her first. When this child grows up, he will become known as John the Baptist and will prepare people to follow Jesus. How open are you to major change in your life? How do you deal with the unexpected? How has God enriched your life through surprising interventions? In what areas of your life would you most like to see God intervene? There is still room, so sign up today or contact Deacon Rich at 523-4354.

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 523-42254 or Marie Wesselmann 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 marked "Quilt Donation" by November 8 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.

SOUP AND SONG. There will be a "Soup and Song" dinner on Sunday, November 1, from 11AM to 5PM at Schoendienst Park in Germantown to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. Music is free. \$5 for all you can eat soup (bread, crackers, and drinks). Children 12 and under eat free. Music will be provided by The Prairie Travelers & Friends. 50/50 drawing and Barn Quilt Raffle. Bring your lawn chair. The Food Pantry serves those in need in Albers, Aviston, Bartelso, Damiansville and Germantown.

COAT & SUIT DRIVE. The Altar Sodality is once again hosting a Coat Drive and have also decided to help in the need for men's suits for the Gear Up program by also holding a Men's Suit Drive. There will be a collection box in back of church starting November 5 through November 22 for gently used or new coats (baby, kids, teen, women's, men's) and gently used or new men's suits. All coats will be donated to Catholic Urban Programs and St. Vincent de Paul. Start your holiday giving early by supporting this worthy cause!

ALL SAINTS

Reading I: Revelation: 7:2-4, 9-14 (A vision)

Reading II: 1 John 3: 1-3 (Children of God)

Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12a (The Beatitudes)

Adults: Who are the persons that have helped or inspired me to become a better Christian?

Children: Who is the saint or person that I admire the most and would like to imitate? What have I learned from him or her?

MATER DEI OPEN HOUSE. Mater Dei Catholic High School invites prospective students and their parents to an Open House on Sunday, Nov. 8, from noon to 2:00PM. In addition to receiving information regarding the academic, extracurricular, and spiritual programs, tours of the campus will be given and demonstrations of Edline will be available. For additional information, please call Mater Dei at 526-7216.

ATTENTION FRESHMAN & SOPHOMORES: There will be a Quest experience held at St. James in Millstadt on November 14-15. For more information or an application contact your pastor, religion teacher or youth minister.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS: MATER DEI: Nov. 2: School Board Meeting, 7:30PM; Nov. 6, 7 & 8: Fall Play; Nov. 8: Open House, noon to 2PM; Nov. 9: Mothers & Friends Meeting, 7:30PM; Nov. 11: no school, Veterans Day. **CENTRAL:** Nov. 10: PAWS Meeting, 7:30PM; Nov. 11: no school, Veterans Day; Nov. 16: School Board Meeting, 7:30PM.

CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL – YOUR GIFT HAS WINGS. Thank you to those who have responded to the second mailing from the diocese concerning the CSMA. Here is an example of what your donation can do: The future of our parishes and Church depends on our young people. At Mater Dei High School, that's 500 students from 22 parishes throughout southern Illinois who are benefiting from a Catholic education. Last year over \$17, 500 in financial assistance was provided to families through the high school's CSMA allocation. Please consider a gift to the Catholic Service & Ministry Appeal.

A "DAY OF HEALING: ABORTION HURTS-FORGIVENESS HEALS" will take place in Springfield, IL on Nov. 14 for post-abortive women and men. Whether it has been 2 days, 2 months, or 20 years, healing is available. For more information visit www.respectlife.catholicweb.com under upcoming events or call 1-877-722-4355.

CATHOLIC CRUISE TO WESTERN CARIBBEAN. Come sail away on a 7 night Catholic Western Caribbean Cruise with Fr. Michael Sullivan, Feb. 21-28, 2010 on the Carnival Glory with daily Mass and Rosary offered. Ports of call include Grand Cayman, Isla Roatan and Belize. Prices begin at \$1153 for two passengers which includes all port fees and taxes. For more info call Doug or Eileen at 1-806-399-1785 or dpayttc@aol.com

KARLA SMITH FOUNDATION DINNER AUCTION, Nov. 7 at The Fountains Conference Center in Fairview Heights. Tickets are \$40 per person. To make a reservation please call Emily Smith at 624-0640. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Karla Smith Foundation which provides support for the family and friends of anyone with a mental illness or who have lost a loved one to suicide.

CALLING ALL BAKERS! Please send your favorite recipes to be published in The Messenger during December. Please include your name, parish and city; and if there is some special memory associated with the recipe include that as well. We will print as many recipes and memories as space allows. Deadline to submit is Nov. 23. Please mail to The Messenger, 2620 Lebanon Ave., Belleville, IL 62221 or fax to 235-9605 or e-mail to: cathnews@bellevillemessenger.org

INTERESTED IN USING LESS ENERGY and saving money on your electric bill? Check out a Watt Reader Power Meter from the Germantown Library. It's small, easy to use and measures how much electricity your appliances are using.

PORK SAUSAGE & BEEF DINNER, Nov. 1, from 11AM to 6PM at the Breese KC Hall. Sponsored by the Breese Knights of Columbus. Proceeds benefit local PSR programs, including ours here at St. Boniface!

CHICKEN & BEEF DINNER, Nov. 1, from 11AM to 6PM at the St. Cecilia Parish Center, Bartelso. Sponsored by the St. Cecilia Ladies Sodality.

BREAKFAST, Nov. 1, 8AM to 11:30AM at the Albers American Legion.

POLKA MASS & WURSTMARKT, Nov. 1 at St. Augustine of Canterbury in Belleville. Mass at 10:30AM with the Wurstmarkt beginning at 11AM until 6:30PM. Music and dancing from 1-3 by the Polka Connection.

RUMMAGE SALE, Nov. 5-7 at St. Anthony Parish Center, Beckemeyer. Nov. 5 & 6: 9AM to 8PM, Nov. 7: 9AM to 1PM.

ASA DINNER AUCTION, Nov. 7 at 5PM at St. Dominic Parish Center, Breese. \$35/person, reservations must be received by Oct. 30 by calling 526-2213 or 594-5112.

QUILT & CASH BINGO, Sun., Nov. 8 at Hecker Community Center Hall. Bingo starts at 1:30PM, Chicken & Pork Sausage Plates served from 10:30AM to 1PM.

PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST, Nov. 8, 8AM to noon, St. Anthony Parish Center, Beckemeyer

CHICKEN & PORK ROAST DINNER, Nov. 8, from 11AM to 6PM at St. George Hodapp Hall, New Baden.

CHICKEN DINNER, Nov. 8, 11AM to 5PM at St. Felecity Church Hall in Beaver Prairie. Sponsored by Wheatfield Fire Dept.

