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May 18, 2008
Most Holy Trinity

HOLY MASSES: May 17-18, 2008

Sat. 4:00PM John, Clara & Johnny Winkler, Tod Hintz & Ervin Winkeler/Judy Athmer

Sun. 9:00AM Alois Wuebbels

HOLY MASSES: May 19-25, 2008:

Mon. NO MASS

Tue. NO MASS

Wed. 7:45AM L/D Alvin Wuebbels Sr. & Alvin Jr. Families
Frances & Bernard Leonard

Thu. 7:30AM Lydwine Brueggemann

Fri. 7:45AM Vince & Rita Hemker / Claire & Tom Boevingloh

Sat. 4:00PM Valeria & Robert B. Kuhl / Judy Athmer

L/D Joe & Sandy Leonard Family

Sun. 9:00AM Veteran's / Ray Albu / Smiley Haake

NEXT WEEKEND (May 24-25):

LECTOR

Sat. 4:00PM Joan Theising

Sun. 9:00AM Legion Members

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

Walter Beer, Colette Hitpas, Judy Kampwerth, Maggie Peters, Joan Young

Legion Members

GIFTBEARERS

Sat. 4:00PM Kuhl/Athmer/Leonard Families

Sun. 9:00AM Veterans/Albu/Haake Families

MASS SERVERS

Brenden Tonnies, Alexis Tonnies, Mary Jo Hollenkamp

Legion Members

ROSARY LEADERS

Sat. 4:00PM Vince & Ethel Albers

Sun. 9:00AM Dennis & Mary Jane Loepker

USHERS

Mike Beer, Mike Tonneis, Ken Brauer

Legion Members

GREETERS

Sat. 4:00PM Henrietta Koch & Helen Leonard

Sun. 9:00AM Darlene Beer & Mary Langenhorst

CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS & HELPER

NO CHILDRENS' LITURGY MEMORIAL WEEKEND

Tue., May 20: 7:15AM Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

6:30PM Rosary & Novena Devotions

Sat., May 24: 3:00PM Confessions

STEWARDSHIP OFFERINGS: Envelopes: \$3,279.00; loose: \$219.00; Candle: \$12.00. TOTAL: \$3,510.00. Catholic Home Mission Appeal: \$5.00; Sister Parish: \$5.00; Rice Bowl: \$3.96. Thank You! **CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL:** 124 families have pledged a total of \$23,908.00 towards our parish goal of \$33,00.00. **CEMETERY COLLECTION.** Next weekend St. Boniface will hold a second collection for our cemetery. Envelopes are in with your regular set.

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN has been the Church's voice in the media: educating, entertaining, inspiring and informing the public about Gospel values. The CCC plays an important role in our Church and society. It is supported solely through an annual parish collection that merits our continued support. Envelopes are in with your regular set.

WELCOME to the newest member of our parish family, BRYLEE ELIZABETH DEERHAKE, daughter of Terry & Kristi (Santel) Deerhake, who will be baptized next Saturday at the 4PM Mass.

THE CHOIR will sign at the 9AM Mass on May 25.

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR. This Sunday St. Boniface recognizes all those [arishioners, young and old, who are graduating. The parish also welcomes Paul Lindauer and the youth group from St. Peter's Cathedral who are with us at the Sunday 9:00AM Mass this morning, leading us in song. I found this Mother's Day story. It's only a week late. **THE SOUNDS OF MOTHER'S DAY.** On Mother's Day all over the country, grateful moms are pushed back into their pillows, the flower on their bird-of-paradise plant (which blooms every other year for fifteen minutes) is snipped and put in a shot glass, and a strange assortment of food comes out of a kitchen destined to take sight from a good eye. A mixer whirls out of control, then stops abruptly as a voice cries, "I'm telling." A dog barks and another voice says, "Get his paws out of there, Mom has to eat that!" Minutes pass and finally, "Dad! Where's the chili sauce?" then, "Don't you dare bleed on Mom's breakfast!" The rest is a blur of banging doors, running water, rapid footsteps and a high-pitched, "You started the fire! You put it out!" The breakfast is fairly standard: a water tumbler of juice, five pieces of black bacon that snap in half when you breathe on them, a mound of eggs that would feed a Marine division, and four pieces of cold toast. The kids line up by the bed to watch you eat, and from time to time ask why you're not drinking your Kool-Aid or touching the cantaloupe with black olives on top, spelling out M-O-M. Later in the day, after you have decided it's easier to move to a new house than clean the kitchen, you return to your bed where, if you're wise, you'll reflect on this day. For the first time, you children have given instead of received. They have offered to you the sincerest form of flattery: trying to emulate what you do for them. And they have presented you with the greatest gift people can give: themselves. There will be other Mother's Days and other gifts that will astound and amaze you. But not one of them will ever measure up to the sound of your children in the kitchen on Mother's Day whispering, "Don't you dare bleed on Mom's breakfast!"

-Erma Bombeck

PARISH DIRECTORY PHOTO APPOINTMENTS. We will have volunteers at tables before and after the masses this weekend, May 17-18 and the weekends of May 24-25 and May 31 and June 1 to schedule your family or yourself for our parish directory. Lifetouch Photography will be here June 3-7, July 15-19 and July 22-24 to begin photographing families for our new parish

directory. **REMINDER:** If you recently had or are going to have a family photo taken by another photographer and would like to submit that picture for the directory please obtain a release form from the photographer for Lifetouch to use their prints.

CLINTON COUNTY CITIZENS FOR LIFE wish to thank everyone who supported the Rose-for-Life project on Mother's Day, especially those who purchased roses and those who volunteered. The \$500 raised is used in our area for pro-life education and baby supplies.

WELCOMING COMMITTEE. We would like to welcome new residents moving into the Germantown community. If anyone is aware of a relative or friend or neighbor moving to Germantown or who has recently moved to the community please contact Bob Beckmann, 523-4774, or Denice Jansen, 523-8118. Thank you.

A MEAL FOR THE POOR. The cluster parishes of St. Boniface, St. Mary, Carlyle, St. Teresa, Marydale sent 241 frozen meals made by the parishioners to Cosgrove's Kitchen on April 13. Thank you to all who participated! Job well done.

WOUNDED HEROES FOUNDATION WRIST BANDS. The 4th Degree Knights of Columbus have undertaken a project to help wounded soldiers with care packages, shaving kits, phone cards, underwear, outerwear and other items that are needed and not provided by the military. The Sir Knights will be here at St. Boniface offering a wristband for a requested donation of \$3 each or 2 for \$5 that boldly reads ONE NATION UNDER GOD this weekend, May 17 and 18. All proceeds go directly to the Wounded Heroes Foundation (www.woundedheroesfund.net) who provide and deliver the needed items directly to the wounded soldier.

READINGS & QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Theme: The Living Bread from Heaven

Reading I: Deuteronomy 8: 2-3, 14b-16a (Manna from Heaven)

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 10: 16-17 (The Bread is One)

Gospel: John 6: 51-58 (The Bread of Eternal Life)

Adults: How can I be nourishment or a listening ear this week for someone who needs help?

Children: How do I treat my friends inschool, and how do I show respect for everyone in my family?

ST. BONIFACE YOUTH MINISTRY is selling **KRISPY KREME DONUTS TODAY**, Sunday, May 18 before and after Mass. The proceeds benefit the Summer Softball expenses. Advance orders may be placed through Catherine Gebke at 523-4662.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. SONWORLD ADVENTURE PARK registration is taking place. Forms may be found in the entrance of church.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE GRADUATES with us today. May your future be bright and successful!

YOUTH MINISTRY MEETING, Sunday, May 18 at 6PM in the rectory basement. Very important that all youth participating in Softball League attend.

CAMP ONDESSONK, the youth camp of the Diocese of Belleville, is taking registrations for our summer camps. Sessions are one week and open to boys and girls ages 10-15. Traditional camps feature horseback riding, archery, hiking, and water sports in a rustic setting. Adventure programs specialize in rock climbing, backpacking, and horseback riding for campers 12-15. A special 3 day session for 8-9 year olds, and a Family Camp are available as well. Camp opens June 6, and runs for 9 weeks. Call 618-689-2489 to register, or visit www.ondessonk.com.

SCHOOL SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME CELEBRATE 175TH ANNIVERSARY. In 2008, the School Sisters of Notre Dame are celebrating the 175th Anniversary of their founding with a special liturgy at 2PM, Sunday, June 1 at the Cathedral of St. Peter, 200 W. Harrison St., Belleville. The Most Reverend Stanley G. Schlarmann, DD, Bishop Emeritus of Dodge City, Kansas, will be celebrant and homilist for the Mass with Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton, PhD, STD, Bishop of Belleville, in attendance. The Mass is open to the public.

NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS 2008 ROUNDTABLE SERIES, May 27, 11:30AM to 1PM. "There's Something About Mary: Her Role in Today's Catholic World", will be presented by Fr. Dominic Holtz, O.P. Is Mary still relevant in this age of technology? Cost: \$20 (lunch included) Call 394-6272 for more info or to register.

THE BELIZE CHILDREN'S PROGRAM needs your help to make a difference in the life of a child. With the help of caring and loving families in Southern Illinois and Eastern Missouri, our program has been able to assist the medical needs of over 300 children from Belize, Central America. This year we have 36 children with medical needs, waiting to come to Shriner's Hospital in St. Louis for treatment. We are in search of host families to take these children into their homes, help them through their surgery, and then send them back to their families with a chance for a better life. Will you offer to make a difference? Is there someone that you know that would open their home and their heart to one of these children? For information and application, please contact Charlene Brennan at 293-9120 or Christine Lashley at 397-0439.

QUARTOSECENTENNIAL MEMORABILIA BOOK order forms are available in back of church. Book orders placed before June 30 are \$10 each; after June 30, \$12.

GERMANTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY currently has on display a beautiful collection of woven baskets. They are of various shapes, sizes, colors and some even include beading. All were handmade by Rose Detmer.

STEEPLE CHASER TRIP. EZN Travel, Breese is hosting an escorted 1-day "Steeple Chaser" trip on June 5 to St. Louis Old Cathedral, Trinity Lutheran Church, New Cathedral, lunch, and Missouri Botanical Garden. The cost is \$79 per person. Call 526-2201 to register or for more info.

GYA FALL SOCCER REGISTRATION, Sunday, May 18, 8AM to 11AM in the school cafeteria for Kindergarten through 8th Grade (2008-2009)

RUMMAGE SALE, May 29-31 at St. Bernard parish Center, Albers. Sponsored by the Ladies Sodality.

BOY/CUB SCOUT ALUMINUM CAN DRIVE, May 31, have cans out by 10AM. Help recycle!

RELAY FOR LIFE POKER RUN, May 31 at Scooter's Pub sponsored by Greg's Gang. Sign-up starts at 1PM, run starts at 2PM.

CHICKEN DINNER, June 1, 11AM to 5PM, St. Gertrude Church, Grantfork. Country Store.