

A Message From Fr. Denny

Okay, if you attended Mass this weekend at SFX you heard our pitch about debt reduction through increasing the Sunday Offertory Collection. Every person who considers himself or herself a responsible member of SFX parish is expected to help reduce our debt by increasing their Sunday offering. We need to raise an extra \$14,000 each month to make our monthly payment, or \$3,231 per week. You will receive a mailing from the parish this week. Look for it and give it your attention right away. Pray over it and make your pledge to increase your weekly offering by X amount of dollars. A guide to giving will be included in the mailing, plus a pledge form. You may take care of it right away and send it to the rectory, or you can make your pledge during the Mass you attend this coming weekend, February 10 & 11.

LET ME STRESS THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH MUST PARTICIPATE IN THIS DEBT REDUCTION PLAN. We are talking about a lot of money. The burden will be made light if everyone helps to carry it. Please do your part.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

The celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life on February 4, which was first instituted in 1997 by Pope John Paul II, has a two-fold purpose. First, it is a way in which the entire Church can demonstrate its esteem to those persons who have chosen to follow Christ in this special way, and second, it is intended as a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their commitment and rekindle the offering of themselves to the Lord.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Celebrated annually on February 11, the World Day of the Sick is a time for Christians the world over to express their solidarity with those who are ill, a solidarity arising from an awareness of the mysterious nature of suffering and its place in God's loving plan for each individual.



STEWARDSHIP

is what I do after I say "I Believe"....

Kids Coins For Kids	\$ 65.50
Cemetery Maintenance Fund	\$ 10.00
Building Fund	\$ 2,385.00
Tuition Angel Fund	\$ 10.00
Endowment	\$ 10.00
Envelopes (323)	\$10,146.75
Loose	\$ 1,168.90
Total Collection Last Week	\$13,806.15

"What return shall I make to the Lord for all he has done for me?"

In today's readings, both Isaiah and Peter hear the call of God and feel themselves unworthy. But, reassured by the Lord, both answer and follow. Do I hear the Lord asking, "Whom shall I send?" Am I prepared to answer 'Here I am. Send me!'?

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High School Youth Group

Cross-Country Skiing is this Sunday, February 4! We will meet at 1:30 pm outside the John Paul II Youth Center and board the bus for a fun afternoon on the trails at Boyne Mountain! We will return by 5:30 pm - just in time for the Super Bowl! Don't miss this fun excursion in the spirit of John Paul II! No evening meeting - have fun with your families at your Super Bowl Parties!



High School Youth Group will meet again for a Sunday Night Meeting on February 11, from 6-8 pm in the John Paul II Youth Center!

Pizza and Apologetics will meet this Tuesday, February 6, from 6:15-7:30 pm in the John Paul II Youth Center. The teens have really been enjoying the Mark Hart Series, T3 - The Teen Timeline - in which we journey through salvation history in a fun, engaging, and intellectual way. Join us for a thick slice of faith (and pizza!) every Tuesday Night!



Looking for a great summer faith experience for your teen? Want to send your teen on a summer trip that helps lead them closer to Jesus Christ and His Church? Look no further! Send your teen on the High School Youth Conference to Steubenville this June 22, 23, and 24, 2007! Call Liz Gengle at 347-4133 for more information today!

God Bless,
Liz Gengle

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Cooks Needed

Sr. Kathy is looking for a team of people to prepare lunch for the Family Confirmation Retreat on March 10 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. A cook is also needed. Lunch will be served at 12:30. The menu will be simple. Please call Sr. Kathy at 347-3651 to volunteer.



Brother Dan's Food Pantry Update

"We know that we live in Him and He in us, because He has given us His spirit."

~1 John 4:13~

And His spirit surely lives at the Pantry. We know this because of all the good things that we are able to accomplish with everyone working together doing His work. During the last two weeks we had 147 family visits which reflect 432 people. 18 of those visits were from families using our pantry for the first time.



Thank you to everyone who shared with us during January's Pantry Sunday weekend. We received a couple of grocery carts of food and \$1,489.00 from St. Francis Solanus, the Sacramentines and all 3 Masses at St. Francis Xavier. With words of joy, a client told us this week, "You don't know how much we appreciate you."

St. Francis Locks of Love Hair Raising Event
The St. Francis Xavier school children invite all family and friends to donate hair to Locks of Love. Several St. Francis students are cutting off 8 inches or more of their long hair to donate to this organization. Locks of Love provides hair to make wigs for sick and diseased children who have lost or cannot grow their own. If you have a big heart and long hair please join us in donating to this worthy cause. For more information or to donate hair please contact Lynn Fantozzi at 231-313-4603.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

We all can learn how to handle stress from today's gospel. When pressured by the crowd, Jesus got into a boat and "went out a short distance and taught" Juggling parenting, scheduling, and work can be stressful. Parents need space also. A "short distance" is a good parenting tool.

CURSILLO WEEKENDS

Cursillo Weekends are planned at the Augustine Center in February and March. The Men's Cursillo will be held February 22-25, and the Women's Cursillo on March 9-11. The weekends begin at 7:00 p.m. Thursday and end approximately 5:00 p.m. Sunday. The purpose of the Cursillo Movement is to make Christian community possible in family, social and work situations. The Cursillo method takes a Christian beyond a passive belief in God to a daily interaction with God and His people. It helps one become more committed to Christ and provides a simple means to persevere and grow in holiness while building God's kingdom on earth. If you would like more information or to register for the event, contact Deb Harris at 989.821.5670.

CONCERT AND MINISTRY WORKSHOP WITH MARTY HAUGEN

St. Luke the Evangelist Music Ministry is proud to host composer Marty Haugen for a concert and full day workshop for ministers scheduled for March 9 and 10, 2007. For the past 25 years, Marty has presented hundreds of workshops and concerts across North and Central America, Europe, Asia and the Pacific Rim. Details for the event are forthcoming, immediate questions can be directed to Sean Whelan at 231.533.9250.



We recently received several checks that will go towards making a big difference for the pantry. We received \$300 for our First Annual Santa Golf Scramble that Springbrook Golf Club hosted for the pantry. Not bad for two days before Christmas! We also received a check for \$525.00 for the Christmas concert that was held in December by the Vivace School of Music & Arts and members from area churches. It was a great concert. They will be performing again in a couple of months, again for the pantry. Homestead Furniture Collection made a \$500.00 donation. We also received \$2,250.00 from the employees of Circuit Controls. They built a gazebo from scrap wood and raffled it off among their employees. From scrap wood to feeding people in need! Thank you to all of these business' and all of you who shared your special gifts with us during the Christmas season.

We are running low on blankets and coats for adults, especially the larger sizes. If you have old blankets, coats or boots and you're looking for a place to take them, come and drop them off at our door!



Thank you and God bless you!
For all we do, we do in His name.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Married couples: Are you looking for a pleasant treat for the two of you? Why not give each other the gift of a weekend together? A Marriage Encounter is planned for February 9-11, 2007 at the Augustine Center in Conway. Contact Ilene and Andy Taylor at 989.275.5427 for more information and to register.

SCRIPTURES FOR WEEK OF February 4-10

Sun: "Come after me and I will make you fishers of men."

What is one theme of each reading? What is my reaction or response to each reading?

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8
 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
 Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Is there a phrase or verse to memorize and store in my heart?

8am Intention: *D. LaVerne Fratto*
10am Intention: *Joshua Mercer - birthday*
12:00 Bay Shore: *St. Francis Solanus Parish*

8:00 am Mon: Gn 1:1-19; Gospel Mk 6:53-56
Intention:
5:30pm Tues: Gn 1:20-22:4; Gospel Mk 7:1-13
Intention: *L. & D. Jerry Louwers family*
8am Wed: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Gospel Mk 7:14-23
Intention: *Michael & Lanette Hoffman & children*
8:30am Thurs: Gn 2:18-25; Gospel Mk 7:24-30
Intention: *D. Fred Burrows*
8am Fri: Gn 3:1-8; Gospel Mk 7:31-37
Intention: *L. & D. Lorraine Colwell family*
Sat: Gn 3:9-24; Gospel Mk 8:1-10
5 pm Intention: *Don & Jean Haase*

LECTORS

Saturday & Sunday, February 10/11, 2007

5:00 pm Tom Nagurka
8:00 am Mary Lee & Bill Huber
10:00 am Julie Gudmunsen & Mike LaVictoire

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday & Sunday, February 10/11, 2007

5:00 pm Chris & George Mayer, Janet Pflughaar, Jonaie Vargo, Jennifer Muller, Michelle Moose
8:00 am Carol Schwartzfisher, Denn Nason, Carla Kanine, Ed Collins, Alvaro Artaza, Mary Putters
10:00 am Lisa Rasmussen, Jim & Linda Beno, Emily Daniel, Bud & Mary Riley, Jim Holtz

GREETERS

Saturday & Sunday, February 10/11, 2007

5:00 pm Michael & Laura Ilenich, Jack & Nancy Balchik, Kitty Hramiec, Jerry & Barb Rosevear
8:00 am Russ & Jane Bock, Mick & Barb Stoddard, Jamie & Pam Clark, Dale & Marie Seeley & family, John Schrei
10:00 am Jim & Linda Beno, Steve & Marsey Shuman, Greg & Marie Law & family, Eric & Christ Daniel & family

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday & Sunday, February 10/11, 2007

5:00 pm Lily Sloan, Tommy Kidd, Kelly Hoffman
8:00 am Reilly Philliben, Austin Willson, Rochelle Seeley
10:00 am Alexis Donovan, Gabbi VandenBrink, Shea

Whitmore

St. Francis Solanus - Bay Shore

Envelopes \$322.00
 Loose \$299.31
 \$621.31

Liturgical Ministers - February 11, 2007

Minister of the Word: Dave Meyer
 Eucharistic Minister: Sandi Meyer
 Server: Michael Sypniewski
 Usher: Gus Sonnenberg
 Offering: Babs & Dick Kutcipal

Prayer Chain: Sandi Meyer 347-6190

"O, Come Let Us Adore Him"


St. Francis Xavier Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Adoration on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
 7:00 am to 10:00 pm

Entrance on South side of church (ramp side) off State St.

VOCATION VIEW

God does not ask you to be successful : God does ask you to be faithful. Put your vocation ahead of your career.



LeiAnn (Locke) Hunter, Carol Reed, Samuel Theodore Kolinski, Kerri Malloy, Carolyn Rostar, Sara Scholl, Larry Shear, Pvt. Ryan Craig, Duncan Livingston, Mike Dainoviec, Jessica Kohlligian, Karen Golovich, Martha & Robert Fate, Sr., Ann Beer, Christine Umscheid, Peggy Beyers, Therese Skoczylas, Ed Kelbel, Sr., Helen Dyksterhouse, Dorothy Batterbee, Robert Smolinski, Robert Pung, Frank & Gertrude Kline, Lois Brinkel, Mary Ketchman, Ralph Kilpatrick, Betty Riley, Casie Parker, Penny Pemberton, Rose Case, Ryan McCarthy, Tim Geottes, Sarah Miller, Ned Fenlon, Floyd Francis, Brian Kuebler, Geri Brown, Laura Ilenich, John Ternes
 All shut-ins and those in care facilities

Persons of Ministry

Cemetery	Don Paulus	347-2976
Prayer Chain	Margaret Pennell	347-4753
	Bea Wolf	347-2711
Right to Life	Jeanine Connaughton	347-3805
Greeters	Bonnie Farrugia	347-9632
Hospitality	Sally Parish	582-3282
Coffee Hours	Carol Gietzen	347-6935
	Mary Ellen Pulaski	347-4648
Newcomer's	Jim & Linda Beno	347-7926
Health Ministry	Suzanne Holguin	347-4133
Peace & Justice	Fred Liederbach	347-8646
Br. Dan's Food Pantry	Mary Moellering	347-5092

Sponsor of the Week
Behan Construction