

A Message From Fr. Denny

In the next bulletin we will announce the winners of the \$25,000 grand prize and the five \$1,000 winners. The Dinner/Auction is this weekend.

The turn out for the Tuesday Mass and Soup Supper has been great. The turn out for the Friday Fish Dinners has been spectacular. These are great ways to build parish spirit. The Friday Fish dinners raise significant money for the Pantry. The Tuesday Soup Suppers are, of course, free to any and all who come.

I think we could do better with daily Mass attendance and with the Stations of the Cross on Fridays at noon and 7:00 p.m. Parents, you need to build Lenten traditions with your children. Remember, you have a grave responsibility to help them cultivate a spiritual life. To deny them this in favor of other activities is to deny them one of their most important tools in life. Children need to see their parents pray and participate in Catholic devotions. What a great thing, families praying together.

I am taking a couple of extra days off this week. I'll be back on Thursday morning in time for the school Mass.

Peace & Justice Council

It's been a while since we sent anyone to Camp Hope in Mississippi, but the needs are still great. If you might be interested in traveling to the Gulf Coast over Spring Break to help folks still recovering from Hurricane Katrina, please call Fred @ 347-8646 or Barb @347-1253.

There will be a meeting of the Council at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, February 26 in the parish hall (room next to the kitchen)

Have you picked up your envelopes yet? About 80 people **STILL** haven't!!! Please, check the table in the gathering space to see if there is a box in your name. Your name will be taken off of the envelope list if you do not pick them up. It is much too expensive to mail each box out. PLEASE check soon!!

STEWARDSHIP

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

Kids Coins For Kids	\$ 68.77
Cemetery Maintenance Fund	\$ 25.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,718.00
Tuition Angel Fund	\$ 45.00
Endowment	\$ 10.00
Envelopes ()	\$12,305.78
Loose	\$ 1,308.73
Total Collection Last Week	\$15,481.28

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

When Jesus asked the Samaritan woman for a drink of water, He opened the door for a life - changing relationship with Him. Scripture says her testimony drew many others to Him as well. We, too, must be ready to respond whenever and wherever the Lord speaks to us and be prepared for it to change our lives!

Prayers for Clergy & Religious for March

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| 1-Pope Benedict XVI | 16-Fr. James Suchocki |
| 2-Fr. Joseph Reitz | 17-Fr. John Tamulis |
| 3-Fr. Richard Seifferly | 18-Fr. Edwin Thome |
| 4-Fr. Lawrence Sergott | 19-Deceased Priests |
| 5-Religious Brothers/Sisters | 20-Fr. Bernard Tyler |
| 6-Fr. Rolando Silva | 21-Fr. Thomas Vos, ofm |
| 7-Fr. Vianney Sipulski, ofm | 22-Fr. Duane Wachowiak |
| 8-Fr. Richard Sitar | 23-Fr. Joseph Wiekierak |
| 9-Fr. Clarence Smolinski | 24-All Seminarians |
| 10-Bishop Patrick Cooney | 25-Fr. Miro Wiese, ofm |
| 11-Fr. Raymond Sonefeld | 26-Fr. Chad Zielinski |
| 12-Fr. Harry Speckman, ofm | 27-Fr. Robert Zuchowski |
| 13-Fr. Kenneth Stachnick | 28-Fr. William Zwiefka |
| 14-Fr. Dennis Stilwell | 29-Fr. Richard Baranski, ofm |
| 15-All Deacons | 30-Fr. James Barrand |
| | 31-Fr. James Bearss |

Peace & Justice

Fr. Wayne Dziekan, Director of the Secretariat for Justice and Peace, Diocese of Gaylord, will be having Justice and Peace meetings throughout the Diocese. These meetings are open to those who volunteered to be parish contact persons for justice issues and anyone else in the parish or community at large who would like to learn more. The following meeting is the first of an ongoing series of meetings intended to connect the parishes with Catholic Social Teaching.: Wednesday, March 12, 7-9 pm at St. Francis Xavier Parish Please contact Fr. Wayne if you will be attending this meeting to be sure he has enough materials available for all. 231-409-1387 or email him at wdziekan@dioceseofgaylord.org.

Third Sunday of Lent, February 24, 2008

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HighSchoolYouthGroup

HighSchool Youth Group meets this Sunday, February 24 from 5-8pm in the John Paul II Youth Center. This is our second John Paul II Festival Preparation Meeting. Dinner will be provided during the meeting. We will be working on scene construction, the theatrical presentation, and costumes. All teens are needed! If you are looking for a way to be involved without being on the stage - this is a great work-bee meeting to help out with! Parents - if you are looking for a way to be involved - I am looking for someone who can construct a wooden structure for the play and for parents who would like to help provide meals and snacks. Call Liz Gengle if you'd like to help at 347-4133, ext. 27.

Pizza & Apologetics meets this Tuesday, February 26 from 6:15-7:30pm in the John Paul II Youth Center. Join us as we continue with the dvd-series "The Pure Life" with Jason and Crystalina Evert! Our topic for this Tuesday is "Starting Over".

Special thanks to all those who helped with the Soup Supper last Tuesday!

Our MAX 2008 HIGH SCHOOL LENTEN RETREAT is scheduled for **SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2008 FROM 10:00 AM-6:00PM** at the Augustine Retreat Center in Conway! Cost for the day is \$15. A Retreat Team of 13 members from the Militia Immaculata will be there to host our teens in an awesome day full of great talks, prayerful reflection, the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation, dramas, music and more! Registration and donuts will be served beginning at 9:30am. Contact Liz Gengle at 347-4133 to register your teen today!

Juniors and Seniors are invited to attend the **New Life TEC Retreat** sponsored by the Diocese of Gaylord the weekend of March 14-16, 2008 at Camp Daggett. This is an excellent weekend experience for your teen! Visit www.newlifetec.org for applications and information! Call Liz Gengle at 347-4133 with any questions about this powerful weekend experience focusing on the Paschal Mystery. Don't miss it!

SPOTS FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH CONFERENCE at the Franciscan University of Steubenville are open! Send \$30 to reserve a spot for your teen to Liz Gengle at St. Francis Xavier, 513 Howard St., Petoskey. Check out the website www.franciscanyouth.com to preview the promotional video and listen to this year's theme song!

God Bless,
Liz Gengle

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Thank You

We would like to convey our heartfelt thanks to the many people who contributed to the funeral Mass and luncheon for Jean Haase. Fr. Denny expressed perfectly the role our mother/wife played in the family while she balanced a career and community service. Thank you to Fr. Eyob and Deacon Paul Fifer for your assistance with the Mass as well as your visits and prayers while she was in the hospital. Thank you also to Deacon Dennis Duggan for your support and prayers.

We would also like to express our appreciation to Norm Bennett for being the lector during the service and many thanks to Chelle Lints and the choir for the beautiful music. Lastly but certainly not least is our gratitude to Margaret Pennell and all the volunteers who provided and served the superb food at the luncheon!

The Don Hasse Family

Brother Dan's Food Pantry Update

REMINDER: NEXT WEEK IS PANTRY SUNDAY

If you are looking for ideas as to what to put in the carts next week on Pantry Sunday, here are a couple of ideas. Three items that we always seem to run low on are soup, cereal and canned fruits. We could however, use anything that you are willing to share.

Over the last two weeks we served 127 different families which reflects 387 people. We served 7 new families which brings our base count of different families ever served to 1,695. It is truly a blessing to be able to serve so many different families in our community. Thank you!!

Last week we were able to help with the community outreach program, "Project Connect". Several area services worked together to help in special area of interest for those people in need. Brother Dan's ran the kitchen this year. It was a rewarding experience. A special thanks to Terry Beattie for chairing this project for us.

Our Lenten Fish Fry's are off and running. Thank you to everyone who has joined us for dinner. If you haven't given us a try, come on out! We are looking forward to serving you during our annual all you can eat Fish Fry. We have fried and baked fish. All of our food is all home-made and served with love. Share dinner with friends and leave the cooking to us!! Friday's from 4:30 until 7:00 pm in the parish hall. \$8.00 for adults & teens, \$4 for children 6 to 12 and children 5 and under eat free!

We are always looking for new smiling faces to help at the pantry. If you are interested in helping for a couple of hours or maybe would just like a tour, give us a call. (347-7423)

Thank you and God bless you!

For all we do, we do in His name.

SCRIPTURES FOR WEEK OF Feb. 25-March 2

8 am Mon: 2 Kgs 5:1-15a; Gospel Lk 4:24-30
Intention: D. Ralph Daly

5:30pm Tues: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Gospel Mt 18:21-35
Intention: Carol & Leo Guzniczak

8am Wed: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Gospel Mt 5:17-19
Intention: D. Ctherine Frantz

8:30am Thurs: Jer 7:23-28; Gospel Lk 11:14-23
Intention: Vencente Ceniza

8am Fri: Hos 14:2-2-10; Gospel Mk 12:28b-34
Intention: D. Florence Jozwiak

5 pm Sat: Hos 6:1-6; Gospel Lk 18:9-14
Intention: Kohlligian & Nolan families

Sun: Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Gospel 11:1-45
8am Intention: D. Jack & Stella Wodek
10am Intention: D. Michael Wolf
12noon Bay Shore: St. Francis Solanus Parish

St. Francis Solanus - Bay Shore

Envelopes \$210.00
 Loose \$ 61.00
 \$271.00

Liturgical Ministers - March 2, 2008

Minister of the Word: Bill Blackburn
 Eucharistic Minister: Sandi Meyer
 Server: Joey Sypniewski
 Usher: Dave Meyer
 Offering: Mae & Dave Charbeneau

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.

LECTORS

Saturday & Sunday, March 1/2, 2008

5:00 pm Jim Wolf
8:00 am John Parker & Norm Bennett
10:00 am Jody VanSlembrouck & Brian Brachel

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday & Sunday, March 1/2, 2008

5:00 pm Chris & George Mayer, Brian & Teresa George, Austin & Virginia Cole
8:00 am Sylvia Studzinski, Alvaro Artaza, Ann & Larry Hendricks, Gietzen, Vickie Vance, Carla Kanine
10:00 am Bob & Barb Fate, Marsey Shuman, Jim & Linda Beno, Emily Daniel

GREETERS

Saturday & Sunday, March 1/2, 2008

5:00 pm Doug & Mary Ann Calwell & Colin, Frank & Carol Ronan, Nancy Jakab, Ellen Byerlein, Mary Jane Phelan
8:00 am Roger & Joyce Clark, Lyle & Nancy Eaton, Chuck & Bonnie Farrugia
10:00 am Ann Burek, Lisa Rust & Drew, Aleece Balchik, VandenBrink family, Barb Spencer


ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday & Sunday, March 1/2, 2008

5:00 pm Will Barnwell, Kelly Powers, Mary Louise Mooradian
8:00 am Freddie Liederbach, Connor Reed, Rochelle Seeley
10:00 am Ian Burke, Drew Rust

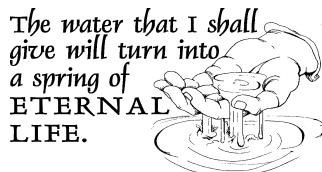
VOCATION VIEW

Only our God can give water fullness of life. Our body cannot survive without water; our souls cannot survive without living water. Now is the time to renew our lives in the waters and spirit of Baptism.

 PRAYER REQUESTS	Carol Reed, Samuel Theodore Kolinski, Kerri Malloy, Carolyn Rostar, Larry Shear, Pvt. Ryan Craig, Mike Dainoviec, Jessica Kohlligian, Karen Golovich, Martha Fate, Peggy Beyers, Therese Skoczylas, Ed Kelbel, Sr., Helen Dyksterhouse, Frank & Gertrude Kline, Lois Brinkel, Mary Ketchman, Ralph Kilpatrick, Betty Riley, Casie Parker, Rose Case, Ryan McCarthy, Sarah Miller, Floyd Francis, Brian Kuebler, Jerry Brown, Laura Ilenich, Gregg Hosler, Mike Conflitti, Pat Powers, Tom Walenta, Paul Lacusta, Tom Steffel, Andrew Francis, Martin & Carol Beer, Jean Haase, Jeremy Yell, Carol Lamberti, Andy Mayer, Matthew Royce
	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
RespectLife Committee	Mike LaVictoire	526-1302
Greeters	Bonnie Farrugia	347-9632
Hospitality	Sally Parish	590-0949
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	347-7423



Sponsor of the Week
Stone Funeral Home