



## Sixth Sunday of Easter, April 27, 2008

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### Dear Friends in Christ:

The theme of this year's annual Catholic Services Appeal is "Christ Be Our Light" and it is meant to emphasize our call to serve the Lord as he guides us in becoming stewards of his many gifts.

To be a responsible steward refers to the Catholic approach to the gifts that God has bestowed upon us. Stewardship is living out a commitment to be Christ-centered with gratitude; justice and love become the fundamental motives for giving back to God. Everything that God has given to us is intended to serve the divine plan. Therefore, our life is to be lived in gratitude toward God. In a variety of ways, we as disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ, share our time, talent and treasure to build up the Church and make our world a better place.

It is exactly this call as stewards that lead us to support the Church in its efforts through the Catholic Services Appeal. Gifts to the Catholic Services Appeal have made ministry possible, both at home and abroad by providing for the poor through Catholic charities; supporting evangelization and religious vocations; as well as working through agencies such as Catholic Human Services.

It has been gratifying to see the wonderful things that you have made possible through your past support of the Catholic Services Appeal. However, as the needs continue, so does our need to ask for your support. Your pledge to the Catholic Services Appeal will help us to continue to preach, to teach, and to serve as stewards of God's gifts in the Diocese of Gaylord and beyond. I am committed to supporting the Catholic Services Appeal as one of the many ways in which we try as a diocesan church, to live out these principles of good stewardship. While the gifts will always be different because we have different possessions ourselves, the spirit of charity must always be the same. I offer you sincere and thankful appreciation for all you have done for the Diocese of Gaylord and your continued support throughout the years.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,  
Patrick R. Conney  
Bishop of Gaylord

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### It's Crib Time

Beginning next weekend the Respect Life Committee will once again have the 'Crib For Life' set up in the gathering space.

The crib will remain up throughout the entire month of May. We will once again be collecting new and slightly used baby items.

All of you have been incredibly generous in your support of this project in the past and I know you will continue to do so. During these difficult economic times our support for young mothers and their babies is even more urgent. All items will be turned over to the Pregnancy Resource Center here in Petoskey. Please be as generous as you possibly can.

Thank you,  
SFX Respect Life Committee

### DIOCESAN CONFERENCE

### RESTORING THE SPIRIT CONFERENCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS

The Diocese of Gaylord is pleased to offer a one-day conference to help understand mental illness. Entitled "Restoring the Spirit, Removing the Stigma," it is designed to inform and empower support people -- friends, family, and ministry personnel -- who can be key in the recovery and life of a person with mental illness. Deacon Tom Lambert, from the Archdiocese of Chicago, a nationally known speaker on topics concerning faith community outreach to persons with mental illness and their families will be the Keynote Speaker. Fr. Bob Malloy, OFM-Cap., Pastoral Director of The Capuchin Kitchen, Detroit will also be a special guest presenter at the event. The conference will be held on May 15 from 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Registration materials can be found on the diocesan website at [www.dioceseofgaylord.org](http://www.dioceseofgaylord.org). There is a \$10 registration fee which includes materials and lunch (\$15 after May 5). In conjunction with this conference there will be a presentation at 7:00 p.m. that evening given by Deacon Tom and Rita Lambert particularly geared to families and friends who have a loved one living with mental illness. There is no charge for the evening event.

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### Registration for Faith Formation Classes

Registrations are being taken for Faith Formation classes for all children not attending St. Francis Xavier Catholic School in the Parish Office or Office of Faith Formation during office hours. Forms may be picked up for new registrations. Classes are provided for Kindergarten through Grade 8.

The Faith Formation Program will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:30 p.m. during the 2008-2009 academic year. For more information, please contact Sr. Kathy at 347-2681.

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### Pop Can Tabs

On May 8, pop can tabs will be sent to Ronald McDonald House. So far, we have collected 265,429 tabs. Keep those pop can tabs coming in. We are over a fourth of the way to belonging to the "Thanks a Million Club" with 265,429 tabs. The tabs turned in go directly to help families during their stay at Ronald McDonald House. This is one of the few fundraisers that doesn't cost money...just effort.

Thank you for your effort.  
Sr. Kathy

### Altar Server Event

**All servers, save August 17 for a fun day in Alpena for the Altar Server Appreciation Day. More information will be coming.**

**SCRIPTURES FOR WEEK OF April 28-May 4**

**Mon:** Acts 16:11-15; Gospel Jn 15:26-16:4a  
**5:30pm Tues:** Acts 16:22-34; Gospel Jn 16:5-11  
*Intention: D. Ben Richardson*  
**8am Wed:** Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Gospel Jn 16:12-15  
*Intention: D. Jerry Brown*  
**8:30am Thurs:** Acts 18:1-8; Gosepl Jn 16:16-20  
*Intention: D. Robert John Gagnon*  
**8am Fri:** Acts 18:9-18; Gospel Jn 16:20-23  
*Intention: John Gibes*  
**5 pm Sat:** 1 Cor 15:1-8; Gospel Jn 14:6-14  
*Intention: D. Earl Kalchik*  
**Sun:** Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Gospel Mt 28-16-20  
**8am Intention: D. Margaret Binnie**  
**10am Intention: D. Ben Richardson**  
**12noon Bay Shore: St. Francis Solanus Parish**

**LECTORS**

**Saturday & Sunday, May 3/4, 2008**

**5:00 pm** Deb Nachtrab  
**8:00 am** Kim Philliben & John Parker  
**10:00 am** Mike LaVictoire & Chuck Spencer

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Saturday & Sunday, May 3/4, 2008**

**5:00 pm** Sue Levitte, Joanie Vargo, Michelle Moose, Audrey Mania, Chris & George Mayer  
**8:00 am** Jim & Mariann Hoffman, Joan Annable, Carla Kanine, Roger & Joyce Clark, Ed Collins  
**10:00 am** Sue Fifer, Chris Daniel, Emily Daniel, Bill & BJ Steffens, Marsey Shuman

**GREETERS**

**Saturday & Sunday, May 3/4, 2008**

**5:00 pm** Greg & Marie Law & family, Jack & Nancy Balchik, Kitty Hramiec, Jerry & Barb Rosevear  
**8:00 am** Russ & Jane Bock, Mick & Barb Stoddard, Jamie & Pam Clark, Dale & Marie Seeley & family  
**10:00 am** Jim & Linda Beno, Steve & Marsey Shuman, Sally Spring, Eric & Chris Daniel & family

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Saturday & Sunday, May 3/4, 2008**

**5:00 pm** Erik & Adam Hosler, Nic George  
**8:00 am** Freddie Liederbach, Connor Reed, Rochelle Seeley  
**10:00 am** Jonah & Christian Chickering, Tyler Rasmussen

**St. Francis Solanus - Bay Shore**

Envelopes \$643.00  
 Loose \$283.25  
 \$926.25

**Liturgical Ministers - May 4, 2008**

Minister of the Word: Bill Blackburn  
 Eucharistic Minister: Eric Kessler  
 Server: Michael Sypniewski  
 Usher: John Wiklanski  
 Offering: Sypniewski family

*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**

**That Jesus rose from the dead is our Faith. That we can be reborn in the Spirit is our Hope. That we can do God's work is our Love. Follow God's call.**

 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, Laura Ilenich, Gregg Hosler, Mike Conflitti, Pat Powers, Paul Lacusta, Tom Steffel, Andrew Francis, Martin & Carol Beer, Jeremy Yell, Carol Lamberti, Andy Mayer, Matthew Royce, Jean Salisz, Patrick Manyian, L. R. Ballard, Susan Fineout, John Fochtman, Loretta Daniels All shut-ins and those in care facilities
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**Persons of Ministry**

Cemetery	Don Paulus	347-2976
Prayer Chain	Margaret Pennell	347-4753
	Bea Wolf	347-2711
Respect Life 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



Let all the EARTH  
 cry out to GOD with joy.

**Sponsor of the Week**  
**Bill's Standard Auto Repair**