

A Message From Fr. Denny

Beginning Wednesday, October 3, 2007, private confessions will be heard in church in the Reconciliation Room every Wednesday from now on. The Saturday 3:30 p.m. confession schedule will remain intact. I will be in the Reconciliation Room each of these days for one hour. I hope that this additional opportunity will make the celebration of the sacrament more convenient for you. It is important that all Catholics make use of this sacrament regularly and often. No doubt about it, we all need it.

On Tuesday, October 9, 2007, at noon, there will be a Holy Hour and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. we will do this once a month. Each month we will focus on a particular need in our church and world for which to pray. In October the focus will be Respect Life. I hope that many of you will take advantage of these opportunities.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will take place on Thursday, October 11, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. This will take the place of the normally scheduled 8:30 a.m. school Mass. A meal will be provided afterwards.

Sunday, October 14, 2007, is Stewardship Sunday. This is the weekend that you will be invited to sign up for the various parish ministries. **AT 5:00 P.M. THERE WILL BE AN APPRECIATION PARTY AT THE K OF C HALL. ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH ARE INVITED FREE OF CHARGE. THIS IS A THANK YOU PARTY FOR ALL THOSE MEMBERS WHO SHARE THEIR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE WITH THE PARISH. THERE WILL BE A LIVE POLKA BAND, FREE FOOD AND DRINK. COME ONE AND ALL. BRING THE CHILDREN.**

Sunday, October 14, 2007, the 10:00 a.m. Mass will be a Polka Mass.

Dear Fr. Dennis,

Thank you for the opportunity to preach on behalf of Cross International Catholic Outreach at St. Francis Xavier and St. Francis Solanus this past weekend. Please convey my gratitude to the parish community for their warm welcome and generosity. Blessings on your ministry!

Fraternally,
Fr. Ron Mrozinski

Please pray for the following ministries and if you feel you might be able to help or just want to learn more, please call.

Br. Dan's Food Pantry	Mary	347-7423
Habitat for Humanity	Jim	526-5716
Nehemiah Homeless Shelter	Pat	347-9000
Community Free Clinic	Niki	487-3600
Pregnancy Resource Center	Judy	348-3388
Migrant Worker Ministry	Fred	347-8646
Family Support Group	Kate	347-5557

STEWARDSHIP

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

Kids Coins For Kids	\$ 64.22
Cemetery Maintenance Fund	\$ 35.00
Building Fund	\$ 3,173.50
Tuition Angel Fund	\$ 95.00
Endowment	\$ 5.00
Envelopes (381)	\$15,318.50
Loose	\$ 2,259.09
Total Collection Last Week	\$20,950.31

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

The dishonest manager in today's parable knew how to manipulate money to his own advantage. But the Gospel warns that no one can serve both God and money. Which do I serve? Is my stewardship such that anyone can tell?

Golf Scramble



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in the 3rd Annual St. Francis Xavier Golf Scramble. Once again we had a large turnout and beautiful weather. Everyone had a wonderful time. The prize winners were as follows:

The winning team with a score of 37:

Tim & Lizette Bondy / John & Sharon Budek

Longest Drive Winners:

Men: Don Paulus **Women:** Bev Schuch

Closest to Pin:

Men: Jim Wolf **Women:** Phyllis Linck

Longest Putt:

Bev Schuch

Mark your calendars for the 3rd Sunday in September 2008, when we will hold the 4th Annual St. Francis Xavier Golf Scramble.

Thank you again,
Mike LaVictoire



On Tuesday evening September 25, we will once again be conducting weekly inquiry sessions for those in the process of decreeing their call to be Catholics. We hope to see both those who have never been baptized as well as those of other faiths who share a common interest in learning more about the Catholic faith.

We will be meeting at the Parish Office, 513 Howard St., from 7 to 8:30 .m. If you have questions please feel free to call Deacon Dennis at 348-6638.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 23, 2007

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High School Youth Group

High School Youth Group meets this Sunday, September 23 from 6-8 pm in the John Paul II Youth Center for "The Meaning of Suffering and the Power of Prayer". Looking especially to the witness of Padre Pio as an example of suffering and prayer and how God uses it to transform us. Our evening will include a special Italian twist in honor of this great saint! Don't miss it!

Pizza and Apologetics are up and running! Don't miss the opportunity to share in some fellowship, food (pizza, of course!), and faith - as we dive into various topics that will enrich and educate us in our Catholic Faith! We meet after the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Tuesdays in the Youth Center.

A Guy's and Girl's Night Out are scheduled for Thursday, September 27 from 6:00-7:30 pm. The Guy's are playing miniature golf, the Girls are going to Applebee's. Let Trevor or Katie know if you are planning on attending!

A tail-gate party is also scheduled for this Friday, September 28 at Petoskey's High School Football game. Join us at 6:00 pm for dinner and to watch the game!

God Bless, Liz Gengle

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St. Francis Xavier/St. Francis Solanus Parish Appreciation Party

**Sunday, October 14, 2007
5:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Petoskey K of C Hall

In recognition of all parish members, with gratitude and appreciation, for the gifts of time, talent and treasure so generously shared to fulfill the mission of the Church. Please join your fellow parishioners for some well-deserved esprit de corps and camaraderie!

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Social Security Information Luncheon

Presented by:

Brian Mandeville

Claims Representative with Social Security

October 17th at 11:00 am

St. Matthew Church Parish Hall

1202 Boyne Ave., Boyne City

Topics: Retirement; Survivors; Disability; Medicare A, B, and the new D, and More!

Program and Lunch

NO CHARGE

Open to the General Public

Oktoberfest Dinner

All parishioners are invited to High School Youth Group's "Oktoberfest Dinner" at St. Francis Xavier's Parish Hall on Saturday, October 6 from 6:00-7:30 pm. Join us for some traditional German cuisine and a fun way to celebrate the fall - while supporting a great cause! All proceeds go to benefit the High School Youth Minsitry Program's Summer Faith Journeys.



Married Couples

Would you attend a seminar to enhance your job or to increase your salary? Why not give your marriage the same attention? Enhance your good marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

The next weekend is October 26th-28th. Registration is limited. For more information or to register, call 989-275-5427 or email drew@voyager.net OR view a 20 minute video about the weekend at <http://www.wvme.org/new.html>

Faith Formation Registration

There will not be any walk-in registrations allowed on Wednesday evening, Sept. 26th. You must register beforehand in the parish office. Remind your friends.

Sr. Kathy (347-2681)

Spiritual Direction with Michael Fonseca

Another spiritual growth opportunity is presenting itself to the parishioners of St. Francis and surrounding area. Michael Fonseca is returning to us this Fall for group spiritual direction. The first meeting will be on Tuesday, October 2, from 7-9 p.m. at the rectory.

Michael serves the Diocese of Gaylord, has authored books on discipleship, and has extensive spiritual direction experience based on Jesuit spirituality. For more information and to register please call Sally Spring, 347-0366, Millie Fettig, 347-4412 or the SFX parish office.

"Let the Wounds Speak"

An Ecumenical Celebration

of

Franciscan Reconciliation

Cross in the Woods Shrine

Wednesday, October 3 at 7:00 pm

Eve of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

Everyone is invited to participate in a Reconciliation Ritual with the Franciscan Friars of Cross in the Woods The ritual includes, Hymns, Prayers, Reconciliation Passages from St. Francis, Times for Sharing our Wounds and Brokenness, Placing Symbols of Suffering at the foot of the Cross. (Symbols may be pictures, written articles, etc.) Reception following the rite with Almond Cookies and Punch

SCRIPTURES FOR WEEK OF September 24-30

Mon: Ex 1:1-6; Gospel Lk 8:16-18
5:30pm Tues: Ez 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Gospel Lk 8:19-21
Intention: For strengthening families
8am Wed: Ez 9:5-9; Gospel Lk 9:1-6
Intention: Marian Peace Center
8:30am Thurs: Hg 1:1-8; Gospel Lk 9:7-9
Intention: Bud & Audrey Mania
8am Fri: Hg 2:1-9; Gospel Lk 9:18-22
Intention: D. John Salisz
5 pm Sat: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab' Gospel Jn 1:47-51
Intention: D. Frank & Margaret Assenmacher
8am Intention: Sandra Smith
10am Intention: D. Gertrude Coyne
12noon Bay Shore: Fred & Kathy Kolar - 40th Anniv.

LECTORS

Saturday & Sunday, September 29/30, 2007

5:00 pm Deb Nachtrab
8:00 am Kim Philliben & Bill Kanine
10:00 am Rachel Brooks & Dave Schneider

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday & Sunday, September 29/30, 2007

5:00 pm Chris & George Mayer, Austin & Virginia Cole, Phyllis Linck, Sue Levitte
8:00 am Carol Schwartzfisher, Denn Nason, Mary Putters, Ed Collins, Alvaro Artaza, Frank & Julie Holzschu
10:00 am Mary Tonge, Marsey Shuman, Bud & Mary Riley, Suzanne Holguin, Gunner Deery

GREETERS

Saturday & Sunday, September 29/30, 2007

5:00 pm Barbara Mayer, Jennifer Mayer, Audrey Mania, Annette Hannan
8:00 am Gordon & Carolyn Bourland, Dean & Nancy Jo Eaton, Rob & Kim Kronberg, Jeane Blanz, Sue Lawry, Olive Hoffman, Marielle Rehmann
10:00 am Sally Parish, Joan Shear, Jennifer Muller, Roy & Mary Ellen Pulaski, Theresa Golding, Bob & Barb Fate

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday & Sunday, September 29/30, 2007

5:00 pm Lucas & Sam Robbins, Will Klooster
8:00 am Craig Schoenith, Luke Tillotson, Austin Willson
10:00 am Morgan Davis, Dylan & Karla Kane

St. Francis Solanus - Bay Shore

Envelopes \$737.00
 Loose \$257.00
 \$994.00

Liturgical Ministers - September 30, 2007

Minister of the Word: Bill Blackburn
 Eucharistic Minister: Gus Sonnenberg
 Server: Michael Sypniewski
 Usher: Eric Kessler
 Offering: Dave & Sandi Meyer

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

Do you think it is the Lord who is motivating you to make lots of money, to use people, to grab for power or to attend to the needs of others?

 PRAYER REQUESTS	Carol Reed, Samuel Theodore Kolinski, Kerri Malloy, Carolyn Rostar, Larry Shear, Pvt. Ryan Craig, Mike Dainoviec, Jessica Kohlligian, Karen Golovich, Martha & Robert Fate, Sr., Peggy Beyers, Therese Skoczylas, Ed Kelbel, Sr., Helen Dyksterhouse, Robert Pung, Frank & Gertrude Kline, Lois Brinkel, Mary Ketchman, Ralph Kilpatrick, Betty Riley, Casie Parker, Penny Pemberton, Rose Case, Ryan McCarthy, Sarah Miller, Floyd Francis, Brian Kuebler, Geri Brown, Laura Ilenich, Gregg Hosler, Michael J. Foltz, Mike Conflitti, Pat Powers, Molly Walenta, Paul Lacusta, May Nessen, Lewis Malec, Tom Steffel 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



Sponsor of the Week
Dr. Michael W. Koskus