

A Message From Fr. Denny

Two Reminders: I. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated every Wednesday from noon until 1:00 p.m.; also, every Saturday from 3:30p.m. until 4:30p.m. This is now our regular confession schedule.

II. The Polka Mass is on Sunday, October 14 at 10:00 a.m., and the Parish Appreciation Party is at 5:00 p.m. at the K of C Hall. This party is for both SFX & SFS Parishes. All ages are invited. Make it a point to bring the kids.

As you may know, our nursing care facilities and our hospital make a lot of demands on me as patients want to be anointed and to receive Holy Communion. Fortunately, we have Ministers of the Eucharist to take Holy Communion to these facilities. Eucharistic Ministers from Holy Childhood in Harbor Springs also make the hospital rounds. However, only a priest can administer the Sacrament of Anointing. But a priest is not always available in last minute or in emergency situations. When I am not available our two Deacons, Paul Fifer and Dennis Duggan, will represent the Church to pray with patients and their loved ones, even to say the prayers of the dead. They are trained for this. But again, they will not be able to give the Sacrament of Anointing.

If you know in advance that you will be going into the hospital for surgery, call me right away and schedule the Sacrament of Anointing. Don't wait until the last few hours before surgery.

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated at SFX church on Thursday, October 11 at 10:00 a.m. Make it a point to bring loved ones who need this Sacrament to the church. If you cannot do this let us know and we will provide transportation. But we have to know in advance, not at the last hour. We will provide a banquet afterwards.

**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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STEWARDSHIP

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

Kids Coins For Kids	\$ 59.20
Cemetery Maintenance Fund	\$ 7.00
Building Fund	\$ 2,020.00
Tuition Angel Fund	\$ 15.00
Endowment	\$ --
Envelopes (324)	\$11,473.00
Loose	\$ 1,379.23
Total Collection Last Week	\$14,953.43

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

The sin of the rich man in today's parable was not that he was rich, but that he failed to share his wealth with the beggar at his gate. He knew Lazarus, perhaps walked by him every time he came in or out, but did nothing to relieve his suffering. Is there a Lazarus in my life? What am I doing to help?

Prayers for Clergy & Religious for October

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| 1-Pope Benedict XVI | 16-Fr. Daniel Madigan |
| 2-Fr. Lawrence Kelleher | 17-Fr. Dale Magoon |
| 3-Fr. James Kendziorski | 18-Fr. Patrick Maher |
| 4-Fr. George Klimas | 19-Deceased Priests |
| 5-Religious Brothers & Sisters | 20-Fr. Walter Marek |
| 6-Fr. Richard Kosterman | 21-Fr. James Mausolf |
| 7-Fr. James Krasman, ofm | 22-Fr. Gregory McCallum |
| 8-Fr. Richard Kropf | 23-Fr. John McCracken |
| 9-Fr. John Ladd | 24-All Seminarians |
| 10-Bishop Patrick Cooney | 25-Fr. Paul Megge |
| 11-Fr. Norbert Landreville | 26-Fr. Gerald Micketti |
| 12-Fr. Albert Langheim, ofm | 27-Fr. Isadore Mikulski |
| 13-Fr. Donald Libby | 28-Fr. Arthur Mulka |
| 14-Fr. William Lipscomb | 29-Fr. Raymond Mulka |
| 15-All Deacons | 30-Fr. Rubén Muñoz |
| | 31-Fr. Francis Murphy |

Bible Study
Monday evenings at 6:00 pm
Parish Office

Oktoberfest Dinner
October 6 6:00 - 7:30 pm
St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall

Menu: Sausage & Sauerkraut, Pierogies, Green Beans, Rolls, & German Chocolate Cake
Kids Menu also available: Macaroni & cheese and Hot dogs
Cost: \$8 Adults \$5 for kids 5-12 Family \$20 Under 5 free
Everyone Welcome to Join Us for this Fall Celebration!!!

Life Chain



Right to Life of Charlevoix and Emmet Counties will be sponsoring their annual Life Chain on Sunday, October 7th from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm. We will meet in the parking lot of the Knights of Columbus on Charlevoix Ave. in Petoskey. Signs will be available for everyone.

The Life Chain is formed of pro-life people standing side by side along streets and highways throughout the country. In some areas the Life Chains extend for miles and miles.

The purpose of the Life Chain is to draw attention to the ultimate abuse that abortion does to the unborn child and the trauma done to women.

On the same day, Life Chains will form in thousands of cities across our nation for one hour of silent prayer. This is a peaceful way for you and your family to show your commitment against abortion and to pray for the unborn. This event is most remarkable because so many people of all religions get together as one family. Please join us on Sunday.

All Catholic Women Invited...



As part of our Regional Convention at Boyne Mountain Resort, the Regnum Christi women of Michigan invite all women to join us for 8 am Mass with Bishop Patrick Cooney on Friday, October 12. Breakfast will follow for a small fee. Father Dennis Stilwell will be the celebrant for 8 am Mass on Saturday, October 13. Children are welcome to attend both Masses.

For information:

Gloria Findling 231-487-9289 gmfindling@aol.com

Area Happenings:

St. Nicholas Church of Larks Lake is hosting their annual "Autumn Fest" fundraiser on Saturday, October 6, from 6-11:00 pm. at the Center Township Hall in Larks Lake.

This fundraiser will include food, beverages, and a cash bar. There will be door prizes, a raffle and a silent auction and the event will also feature the Countryside Bands as entertainment. Tickets are \$10.00 per person or \$15.00 per couple and are available at the door.

For more information, please call 231-539-8909

Swiss Steak Dinner

Friday, October 12

4:30 - 7:00 pm

Cross In The Woods Family Center

Indian River

Adults: \$8 Children 10 & under \$3



Catholic Charismatic Retreat: October 12,13, & 14 at Augustine Center. Retreat led by James Murphy, an internationally know speaker and teacher. To register or for additional information contact Helen Clark, 231-824-2990. Sponsored by Gaylord Diocese Service Committee.

St. Francis Xavier School News



Blessing of Pets

This St. Francis tradition will take place on Thursday, October 4 at 2:45 p.m. All are welcome to bring pets for blessing. Meet on the school playground. Please, no pets in the building. Rain at 2:15 p.m. is our sign that the event has been cancelled.

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High School Youth Group

High School Youth Group meets this Sunday, September 30 from 6-8 pm for our topic "Sports & Faith". Learn and share great tips on how to bring your faith onto the field! Bring your friends and team-mates!

TEEN & ADULT VOLUNTEERS are needed to help with our Oktoberfest dinner on Saturday, October 6 at St. Francis Xavier in the Parish Hall. We are serving a delicious German meal and everyone's help is needed! Set-up and food-prep begins at 3:00 pm. We will be serving from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Contact Liz Gengle to let her know you are planning on helping at 347-1921.

Pizza & Apologetics is scheduled for October 2, after the 5:30 pm Mass in the JPII Youth Center!

A Tailgate party is scheduled for Friday, October 5 from 6-7pm at Harbor Springs High School Football game! Bring a snack to share!
God Bless, Liz Gengle

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Brother Dan's Food Pantry Update

REMINDER: NEXT WEEK IS PANTRY SUNDAY

Next week is October's Pantry Sunday weekend. Carts will again be at each of the doors for all three Masses. If you are looking for ideas, we are still very low on canned fruit, soup and cereal, but we would be able to use anything that you would like to share. If you miss bringing something in and would like to drop the food or money off later, our doors are open for drop off every day during the week from 9am to 4pm or you can also leave it at the church's ramp doors.

The number of families that we have been serving is going up. Over the last two weeks we served 144 different families which reflects 495 people. We served 18 new families which brings our base count of different families ever served to 1,495. It is truly a blessing to be able to serve so many different families in our community. Thank you!! We wish there was a way for each of you to share the appreciation that we receive from our clients when they come to our pantry. There is not a doubt in anyone's mind, we are helping people in need!

Thank you to everyone that came out for our Annual Golf Outing fundraiser. It was a great time, good food, prizes and a wonderful chance to visit with friends...all while making money for the pantry. Thank you Larry and Nancy Stout for chairing our project.

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 October 1-7

Mon: Zech 8:1-8; Gospel Lk 9:46-50
5:30pm Tues: Zech 8:20-23; Gospel Mt 18:1-5, 10
Intention: D. Ann Beer
8am Wed: Neh 2:1-8; Gospel Lk 9:57-62
Intention: D. Jane Flynn
8:30am Thurs: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Gospel Lk 10:1-12
Intention: D. Norm & Evelyn Thompson
8am Fri: Bar 1"15-22; Gospel Lk 10:13-16
Intention: Peggy & Dick Doyle
5 pm Sat: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Gospel Lk 10:17-24
Intention: D. Patricia Steffel
8am Intention: St. Francis Xavier Parish
10am Intention: D. Stephen & Rose Kolinsky
12noon Bay Shore: D. Lewis Moir

LECTORS

Saturday & Sunday, October 6/7, 2007

5:00 pm Jim Wolf
8:00 am Kolleen Homuth & Bill Kanine
10:00 am Jody VanSlembrouck &

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday & Sunday, October 6/7, 2007

5:00 pm Joanie Vargo, Brian & Teresa George, Michelle Moose, Audrey Mania
8:00 am Mary Tonge, Marielle Rehmman, Roger & Joyce Clark, Vickie Vance, Maureen McCarthy
10:00 am Bob & Barb Fate, Margene Fennell, Gunner Deery, Sally Parish, Pat Baier

GREETERS

Saturday & Sunday, October 6/7, 2007

5:00 pm Mike & Joanie Vargo & family, Goerge & Chris Mayer, Carl Powers & family
8:00 am Ed & Peg Collins, Shari Hoek, Terry Bennett, Bill & Carla Kanine, Joan Annable
10:00 am Jeff & Shawn Haven, Aaron & Rachel Brooks & family Dean & Cheryl Fleury, Mary DeAgostino, Annette Fettig

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday & Sunday, October 6/7, 2007

5:00 pm Kelly Powers, Will Klooster, Tommy Kidd
8:00 am Reilly Philliben, 2 Thompson's
10:00 am Ian Burke, Tom & Joe LeBlanc

St. Francis Solanus - Bay Shore

Envelopes \$418.00
 Loose \$275.50
 \$693.50

Liturgical Ministers - October 7, 2007

Minister of the Word: Sandi Meyer
 Eucharistic Minister: Dave Meyer
 Server: Tim Sysko
 Usher: Gus Sonnenberg
 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.

VOCATION VIEW

Courage! Courage when you follow the Lord. Remember, people may not be convinced, even if one should rise from the dead. Live, in order to convince of resurrection and life.

 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
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
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