

THE DRIFT

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A Note From The Vicar

Beginning with this issue of the vicariate newsletter, it doubles in size to two sheets (four pages, one of which is advertisement). Hopefully, we will be able to make more helpful information available to you on a bimonthly basis. It is always good to know what neighboring parishes are doing. No one parish can do everything, but together, much more can be done. Also, please take a look at our advertisers, and consider giving them your business; because of them, there is no cost to us to produce this newsletter.

The shortage of Catholic priests is now well known within the Church. We are certainly feeling it here in the archdiocese of Detroit. This year, for the first time in recent memory, the archdiocese had only one ordination. Fr. Anthony Camilleri was ordained by Cardinal Maida on May 26. It is always a priority for me personally to attend priest ordinations, because of the priestly fraternity that we share. Every ordination mass is an opportunity to recommit myself to my vocation, as well as to show my support to my new brothers in fraternity. Fr. Anthony has been named the associate pastor of St. Joseph in Lake Orion. Please pray for him and all of the men who are currently in formation in the seminary. Please do whatever you personally can to help others to be aware of the great need for more priests, religious, deacons, and lay leaders in the Church. Finally, encourage and support anyone that you know whom you think shows signs of a priestly or religious, or church vocation.

July always brings some transitions in the Church. Here in the Blue Water vicariate, we officially welcome Fr. James Lopez as pastor of Our Lady on the River parish. This new parish consists of the churches of Holy Cross in Marine City, St. Catherine in Algonac, and St. Mark on Harsens Island.

As we enjoy the days of summer, let us not neglect our faith. Daily prayer, mass on weekends, spiritual reading, and quiet reflective time help us in this regard. When you are out of town, find a church where you can worship. When you go to mass, please remember to be conscious of how you dress, that it is appropriate for public worship and not a source of distraction to others. Remember that your parish continues to function when you are away-try to make up your financial support in the Sunday collection when you return. Wherever you go, whoever you encounter, be a proud witness to your Catholic faith-opportunities for evangelizing are everywhere. You just never know when God will use you to touch someone who needs it.

Vivian's Via Rosa Spirituality House

Vivian's Via Rosa Spirituality House is a place of quiet beauty for prayer and reflection. It is located at 2150 Watkins Lake Road in Waterford, Michigan on the Lourdes Campus. We welcome all who would like to have a private, guided or directed retreat, a day of prayer or a team planning session. The spirituality House is opened year round. The cost is \$40.00 per day with adjustments for overnight stays and half days. For more information please call Sister Joan Marie Jereb at (248) 674-3587 or e-mail her at vvrspiritualityhouse@hotmail.com.

Catholic Services Appeal Underway

The 26th Catholic Services Appeal comes to the Detroit archdiocese in a time of economic challenges and uncertainties. Yet, the work of numerous and engaging ministries in the name of Church continues and, in many cases, is needed now more than ever.



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- and much more

Information Sessions

Tuesday, August 14

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Clinton-Macomb Library

40900 Romeo Plank (tentative)

Thursday, August 16

10:00 am - 11:00 am

St. Clair Shores Public Library

22500 Eleven Mile Rd.

Please call to reserve a seat

(586) 412-8054

Walk-ins Welcome

RSVP of Macomb - A program of Catholic Services of Macomb Corporation for National and Community Service

Upcoming Events

AUGUST 19 - St. Vincent de Paul - Golf Outing: Leaning Tree Golf Course, Wales, MI.

AUGUST 25 - 26 - Family Fest: St. Mary Queen of Creation, New Baltimore, MI.

SEPTEMBER 1 - Fall Festival : St. Catherine Church, Algonac, MI.

SEPTEMBER 3 - Articles due for the September issue of The Drift

SEPTEMBER 9 - Harvest Dinner : Holy Cross Church, Marine City, MI.

SEPTEMBER 14 - Mexican Dinner : Our Lady of Guadeloupe Mission, Port Huron, MI

SEPTEMBER 15 - Hispanic Month Dance: Our Lady of Guadeloupe Mission, Port Huron

SEPTEMBER 21 - International Day of Peace

SEPTEMBER 28, 29, 30 - Fall Festival: St. Mary's, St. Clair, MI.

SEPTEMBER 30 - Fifth Sunday at Five: Vespers and Concert series - 5:00 pm, Holy Cross Church. Following Vespers (Evening prayer), a short service of music and prayers - FREE. Contact 810-765-3586 or go online at www.holycrossonline.net for more information.

OCTOBER 5 - 7 - Fall Festivities : St. Augustine, Richmond, MI.

OCTOBER 6 - Taste Fest : Immaculate Conception, Ira Twp., MI.

OCTOBER 12 - Fish Fry : Our Lady of Guadeloupe, Port Huron, MI.

OCTOBER 14 - Holy Trinity Parish Dinner & Raffle: St. Joseph Parish Center, 1403 7th Street, Port Huron, MI - 12:00 Noon until 5:00 p.m.

OCTOBER 25 - Taste Fest: St. Edward's on the Lake, Lakeport, MI.

A complete list of events may be found at the Blue Water Vicariate web site at:

www.bluewatervicariate.org.

To submit information to be included in the Blue Water Vicariate calendar of events please E-mail your information to **info@bluewatervicariate.org**.

Bethany East

Summer Breeze Dance - July 28th, 8:00 pm - 12:00 am at the Holy Ghost Orthodox Church in Sterling Heights. Cost is \$10.00 and includes snacks and refreshments. All Bethany dances are smoke free. Contact Loretta (586) 264-0284.

Coffee & Conversation - July 27th, 6:00 pm for dinner at Rams Horn. 7:00 pm for coffee. Contact Eileen (586) 777-0530.

Bethany is a Catholic organization that provides spiritual, social and educational assistance to divorced or separated Christians through peer-to-peer ministry.

Bethany East has no formal membership or yearly fees. One need only attend the various functions to be a member. An admission charge at our meetings and functions is necessary to help defray expenses. All of the events are meant to provide a friendly, non-stressful, non-threatening, non-competitive atmosphere. You can be with others of separation or divorce. No event requires a date. Events are planned with the single person in mind. Reservations are necessary for some events and deadlines will be strictly adhered to. The spiritual dimension of the group does not come from the Spiritual Committees. It is God shining out in each one and sharing Himself clearly in the caring each shows for the others, as well as the generous giving and sharing of themselves. In helping others, we best help ourselves.

Adoption

Catholic Services of macomb (CSM) celebrates 50 years of offering domestic infant adoption services to the Macomb County and surrounding areas. The agency has placed in excess of 2000 infants in adoptive homes since 1957.

Pregnancy and parenting services include birth mother education and decision-making processes, development of an adoption plan or planning for parenthood. Services for adoptive couples include home study, education, and supervision through the finalization of the adoption. Project Hope provides material assistance, community resources, and baby supplies.

Catholic Services of macomb provides services to birth and adoptive families in Clinton Township, Warren, and Lapeer. Pregnancy counseling services can also be provided off site according to the birth parent need.

For additional information regarding programs and services, please call the Clinton Township office at (586) 416-2300.

Ministry to Youth in Detention

A Pastoral Ministry Outreach to youth detained in facilities located within the Archdiocese of Detroit. It is focused on expressing restorative justice, providing education to promote leadership and advocacy that each detained individual is valued in God's eyes. Our continued goal, to implement, LIFECoaches, as a means to minister to youth at-risk. LIFECoaches is a group mentoring, life-skills, curriculum-based program, with one-to-one ration, mentor to youth, that assists youth by empowering them to visualize a future beyond detention when the re-enter into society.

REQUIREMENTS

We are seeking individuals who are:

- 19 years of age and older who are caring, understanding, non-judgemental and able to adapt to diverse populations.
- Able to travel within Wayne County (various locations), Macomb, Oakland, and St. Clair Counties.
- Willing to go through Michigan State Police and Department of Human Resources Abuse and Neglect Background checks.
- Available to attend a one-day, training session either on Friday, September 28 OR Saturday, September 29, 2007 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at Sacred heart major Seminary.
- Willing to commit to the program.

For more information contact:

Ida Johns, MA, LLPC

Coordinator, Ministry to Youth in Detention;


305 Michigan Ave, Detroit, MI 48226; (313) 237-056

E-mail: YMDetention@aod.org

Blue Water Vicariate Directory

Including Weekend Mass Times - (Please Call For Daily Mass Schedule)

All Saints Parish (Memphis) Phone: 810-392-2056 Masses: Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 10 am	St. Christopher Parish (Marysville) Phone: 810-364-4100 Masses: Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 8 am, 9:30 & 11:30 am
Holy Cross Parish (Marine City) Phone: 810-765-3568 Masses: Sat. 5:30 pm, Sun. 8 am & 9:30 am	St. Edward on the Lake (Lakeport) Phone: 810-385-4340 Masses: Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 9:30 am & 11:30 am
Holy Rosary Mission (Columbus) Phone: 586-727-7263 Masses: Sun. 12:00 pm	St. Joseph Parish (Port Huron) Phone: 810-984-2689 Masses: Sun. 7:30 am & 11:00 am
Immaculate Conception Parish (Ira Twp.) Phone: 586-725-3051 Masses: Sat. 4:30 pm, Sun. 8 am, 10 am & 12 pm	St. Mark Parish (Harsens Island) Phone: 810-748-3820 Masses: Sat. 4:30 pm, Sun. 10 am
Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission (Port Huron) Phone: 810-985-5212 Masses: 1st & 2nd Sunday only: 9:00 am	St. Mary Parish (Port Huron) Phone: 810-982-7906 Masses: Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 8 am, 9:30 & 11:30 am
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Emmett) Phone: 810-384-1338 Masses: Sat. 7 pm, Sun. 7:00 am & 11 am	St. Mary Parish (St. Clair) Phone: 810-329-2255 Masses: Sat. 4:30 pm, Sun. 7:30 am, 9:30 & 11:30 am
Sacred Heart Parish (Yale) Phone: 810-387-2998 Masses: Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 9 am	St. Mary Queen of Creation (New Balt.) Phone: 586-725-2441 Masses: Sat. 4:30 pm, Sun. 7:30 am, 9:30 & 11:30 am
St. Augustine Parish (Richmond) Phone: 586-727-5215 Masses: Sat. 5 pm, Sun. 7:30, 9:30 & 11:30	St. Philip Neri Parish (Columbus) Phone: 586-727-7263 Masses: Sun. 8:00 am
St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish (Algonac) Phone: 810-794-3301 Masses: Sat. 4 pm, Sun. 11:30 am	St. Stephen Parish (Port Huron) Phone: 810-984-2689 Masses: Sat. 4 pm, Sun. 9 am



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Audience with Pope Benedict XVI - A Tour of Italy

Many people have enjoyed a general audience with Pope Benedict XVI. Is 2007 the year for your tour to Italy and a visit with the Pope? This is your opportunity to do just that and take in the best of Italy.

This trip is scheduled for November 27 - December 7, 2007. Included in the tour will be:

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If you would like to consider this journey of a lifetime, for only \$2,399.00 p/p/d/o, contact Fr. Cavellier (586) 791-5450 at St. Valerie of Ravenna Parish for a tour brochure or any other information.

Andiamo !!!!



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For Widowed Men & Women

ANNUAL PICNIC

Widowed men and women are invited to come to the Widowed Friends "American Summer Celebration" for outdoor activities, catered American picnic foods, cards, dominos, bocce, etc. in a safe setting. Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 29th from 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm at Springdale Park in Birmingham (near Woodward & Big Beaver). Cost is \$17.00. RSVP to Shirley (586) 268-4830 or Angie (586) 566-0416.

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