

March 7th, 2010

Welcome to Rev. W. Raymond Jarboe who will speak at all the Masses this weekend about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. He will share what he has witnessed about **Food For The Poor's** mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

For a limited time, **Soles4Souls** and Sts. Peter & Paul School will be collecting any new and gently worn footwear and/or donation to ship to earthquake victims in Haiti and other persons in need, whether they are victims of a natural disaster or subject to living in extreme poverty. SPPS will collect these donations during Lent (until Thursday, April 1st). The footwear will be shipped to the Soles4Souls warehouse, in Nashville, where it will be distributed free of charge to people in need. Please send your shoes to school along with a \$1 donation per pair to help cover our shipping expenses.

Sts. Peter & Paul Preschool is taking registrations for the 2010-11 school year. The following sessions will be offered: Monday/ Wednesday/Friday, 4-5 year olds, AM & PM sessions, Tuesday/Thursday, 3-4 year olds, AM session and possible PM session. **Scholarships are available.** Please call the school office, 336-2727, to register your child, or for more information.

Sts. Peter & Paul **Preschool and Kindergarten Screenings** for 2010-2011 is Thursday, March 11th. Please call the school office, 336-2727, to schedule a screening time for your child.

The **paintings** of Mary and Jesus that are in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary altar was painted by Mike Debus, Olathe, KS. If you would like to learn more about Mike and his art please visit the website: fynderskeepers.com and type Mike Debus in the search box.

3rd Sunday of Lent

In Memoriam - The Rite of Christian Burial was celebrated for Ken Rethman on Saturday, March 6th. Let us remember him and his loved ones in our prayers.

Everyone is invited to pray the **Chaplet of the Divine Mercy** each Thursday during Lent, at 7 PM, in church.

Everyone is invited to join the SPPS students for the **Stations of the Cross** each Friday during Lent, at 2 PM, in the Church.

Hospitality Sunday - Please join us for donuts, juice, coffee, and conversation conservation following the 7 & 9 AM Masses this Sunday in the church basement. The host this weekend is the Seneca Boy Scouts. The host next Sunday, March 14th, will be the Children's Church.

The Pro-Life group will **pray the rosary** the first Sunday of each month in the church basement at 3 PM. Please join us this Sunday to pray for the sanctity of life! All ages welcome!

Adult Choir practice is Tuesday, March 9th, at 7:30 PM, in the church.

Day of reflection for homeschoolers on Wednesday, March 10th. Moms (and dads) are invited to a mid-winter reflection day, while the kids engage in age-appropriate activities. Join us at 8:30 AM for juice and rolls. The kids (5 yrs. & older) will go off to their activities at 9 AM with Karen Ceckowski and AGC staff, while the adults attend a conference by Fr. Albert Bruecken. Mass with the monks and lunch follow. Kids have more activities after lunch while the adults attend a conference. We'll close with punch and cookies at 3 PM. (*Suggested donation, including lunch: \$20 per adult, \$10 per child*).

UPCOMING EVENTS

CCD classes this Wednesday, March 10th, K- 8th grade will meet at 6:45 PM, in the parish hall. HS CCD students, 10th-12th grade, meet in the church basement at 7 PM, 9th grade meets at Alan Lierz's home at 6:45 PM. Monitors this week are Tom & Valerie Scott and Roger & Shelly Schmelzle. **Parents, please inform your child's teacher if they are unable to attend class.**

The **HS Choir** will practice on Wednesday March 10th, in the church, at 8 PM. They will sing Sunday, March 14th at the 9 AM Mass.

SPPS students **yearbook orders** are due on Thursday, March 11th.

SPPS **Spring Break** will be Friday, March 12th thru Wednesday, March 17th. Classes will resume on Thursday, March 18th.

If anyone would like to donate an **Easter Lily** to the church in memory of a loved one, it may be ordered at the Seneca Florist, 336-6186. Please order by Friday, March 19th.

We ask you to keep in your **prayers** the following couples who will be married during the months of April, May and June:
Lucas Lackey & Renee Brinker, (4-24); Eric Kohake & Michelle Kramer, (5-8); Brandon Curtis & Nicole Kramer, (6-5).

Contributions this Week: Parish Envelopes-\$10,568.70; School-\$1,158.00; Plate-\$387.12; Ash Wednesday-\$40.00; for a total of \$12,153.82. Your generous sharing of your treasure helps us meet our weekly budget of \$15,000. Thank you for accepting the financial responsibility for our Parish & School.

The yearly payment of \$18 for the **Leaven** is due:

Total amount due - \$10,422.00
Collected to date - \$ 4,550.00
(Still needed) - \$ 5,872.00

If you have not paid for your subscription, please make your payment as soon as possible. The parish must cover the expense for those that do not pay.

Is the Lord calling you to one hour of prayer weekly? **Adorers are needed** for Saturday, 10-11 AM, 11 AM-12 Noon, and 8-9 PM; Sunday, 1-2 PM; and Monday, 1-2 PM. Please call Sue Haug, 336-2297, if willing to take an hour.

FYI - Anyone interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister and/or Lector is asked to please call the parish office, 336-2128. Training session provided.

Needed - Lay ministers are needed to provide communion services at the nursing homes. If you would be available to help please call John and Diane Mulryan, 336-3320.

St. Michael's Church, Axtell, St. Patrick's Day **Soup Supper** Sunday, March 14th, serving chili and chicken noodle soup, bread, and pie, from 5-8 PM, in the parish hall. Games, country store, bingo, and children's games from 5:30-7:30 PM. The auction begins at 8 PM. Adults, \$5.50, children, (6-12 yrs.), \$3, preschool \$ \$1. *Fun for all ages!*

Catholic Heart Workcamp **meeting** Sunday, March 14th, beginning at 7 PM, in the parish hall. Insurance forms will need to be filled out and first payment will be collected. Plans for the pork chop dinner will also be discussed. All campers and a parent are asked to attend!

The Holton K of C and St. Dominic Altar Society **Fish Fry** is Friday, March 19th, from 5-7 PM, in the parish hall. Free Will Offering.

The 6th Annual Baileyville K of C **Fish Fry** is Friday, March 19th, from 5 - 8 PM, in the church basement. The Free Will Offering will be given to those studying for the religious life. *Everyone Welcome!*

The St. Ann's Altar Society is organizing a **CHURCH CLEANING NIGHT** on Friday, March 19th, beginning at 6 PM. Anyone willing to help is asked to bring rags, buckets, vacuums, extendable poles, step ladders, and any other cleaning supplies. *Your help is needed and greatly appreciated!*

The next SPPS **Paper Drive** is Saturday, March 20th, from 8:30 til 10:30 AM. Please keep papers and magazines separated.

The Seneca Knight's of Columbus is sponsoring the **Elk Creek Opry**, on Saturday, March 20th, at the Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Center, featuring Gary Bell and Country. There will be two great shows at 2 and 7 PM. Doors open at 1 PM. Donation at the door, (per show), is \$8, 12 and under free. *Come early and eat a meal.* Soup, sandwiches, and pie will be available. (Ticket price does not include meal.) For more info, contact, Melvin Steinlage, 336-2500, or Gary or Carolyn Bell, 785-364-2749. Proceeds benefit the Seneca K of C Council #1769.

There will be a mandatory **1st Communion parent meeting** Sunday, March 21st, at 4 PM, in the parish hall. The speaker is Kathleen Willis, Kansas City.

The SPPS 5th Grade Class **Pancake Breakfast** is Friday, March 26th, from 7:15 to 9:30 AM, in the SPPS cafeteria. The proceeds from the Free Will Offering will be given to NEK-CAP. *Come enjoy a great breakfast!*

The Apostles of the Interior Life, along with Fr. Steve Sotiroff, will host a **Spiritual Pilgrimage** to Italy, June 11th- 21st, 2010. Cities to be visited include: Rome, Orvieto, Assisi, Siena, Florence, and Loreto. The cost is \$2,799.00, (double occupancy), which includes airfare, hotels, daily breakfast, dinner, and sightseeing tours. Registration and deposit is due by March 1st. For more information or to book a reservation, contact Adriatic Pilgrimages, 800-262-1718, or www.adriatictours.com.

