

Will My Kids Have Faith?

Along with, "Will they have the right schools, will they have good health, will they have the right friends, will they have a good soulmate?" is the question closest to the heart and the most eternal, "Will they have faith?" Sean Reynolds of our Archdiocesan Youth Ministry Office will present his nationally acclaimed presentation of "Will Our Kids Have Faith?" There is a choice of times and places: today (if you are reading this right now after Sunday Mass) here at St. Andrew, Sunday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement, and again (the same presentation) at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton on Tuesday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. Parents of children who will be confirmed or receive their first communion this year might be particularly attracted and enticed to attend. All parents should find this program of benefit. Join other parents who are asking the same question, "Will our kids have faith?"

Jamaican Missionary Visits

Next weekend, October 3-4, Father Gary Wiesmann will speak at all the Masses. He is the Director of Mission Awareness for the Diocese of Mandeville, Jamaica, West Indies. The question went through my mind, enough so for me to pick up my cell phone to call Father Jim Bok in Jamaica to ask him if that is the diocese of his parish. There are three dioceses in (on) Jamaica: Kingston, Montego Bay (Father Jim's) and Mandeville (Father Gary Wiesmann's). All three, according to Father Jim are poor: money-poor and personnel-poor. Father Jim gives Father Wiesmann a "thumbs up; he's really very good, I've heard." He has been very kind, cooperative, energetic and passionate. In person, he will probably be even more so.

Oktoberfest and New Parishioners: Danke

At our first Parish Pastoral Council meeting one member suggested that the Council might want to create and raffle off a "German basket" to help our Men's Holy Name Society to pay for the picnic. Another suggested that maybe new parishioners could be given a "free chance" on the basket. One member is also part of the St. Andrew Welcome Connection, the group of faithful, dutiful and persevering parishioners who make calls and visits to welcome everyone who joins St. Andrew. You could feel the idea building in enthusiasm and investment. So, all "new" parishioners, that is, everyone who has joined St. Andrew since the last Oktoberfest, stop by the Parish Pastoral Council table, and let them give you a "danke" for becoming a part of us – and let them give you a free chance on basket of German items.

You Think about What You Give

An ongoing study of the giving patterns at our parish indicates that parishioners think about what they give: "This is an extremely positive sign in that your people are actually planning weekly donations. More people are using EFT (electronic funds transfer) and are using collections envelopes this year. At many area parishes the giving is much more random and spur of the moment. The parishioners of St. Andrew are more planned givers than spontaneous givers. St. Andrew has been less likely to be affected by the latest financial alerts or fluctuations in gas prices." Nice!

Father Rob Waller

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 28

7:00 p.m. Special Intention for all the Sick Members of our St. Vincent de Paul Family

Tuesday, September 29, St. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

7:30 a.m. Bishop Carl Moeddel (Soellner Family)

Wednesday, September 30, St. Jerome

7:30 a.m. Len Phillips (Deacon Tim & Marcy Schutte)

Thursday, October 1, Therese of the Child Jesus

7:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Friday, October 2, Guardian Angels

7:30 a.m. Frances Behrends (The Holenchak Family)

11:45 a.m. Sandra Matthes (Soellner Family)

Saturday, October 3

7:30 a.m. Ruth Gaetz, Birthday Remembrance (Ed & Barb Schreiber)

5:15 p.m. Ethel Kirchner, Anniversary of Death (Family)

Sunday, October 4, 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Merrill & Ivelia Curless, Wedding Anniversary Remembrance (Allen & Marilyn Birkle)

9:30 a.m. Cheri Schneider (Evelyn & Charlie Saffin)

11:00 a.m. People of St. Andrew Parish

SEM Villa

10:00 a.m. Daniel Krimpenfort (Clare Krimpenfort)

SEM Terrace

11:00 a.m. Richard Vonderheide (Ralph & Lenora Covert)



PLEASE PRAY FOR all the sick of our parish, our shut-ins, nursing home residents, recent hospitalized parishioners and hospitalized.

Pray for the deceased of our parish, especially Alice Rushing's brother, Jack Roth and for Patricia Hyer's mother, Anna May Wash. Please pray for them and all our faithful departed friends and relatives.

Serving in the Armed Forces

Let us offer our prayers and our care now, and work to bring all military personnel of all nations back to their families safe and sound and whole. If your son, daughter, grandchild, niece, nephew or any family member is serving in the military, please call the Parish Office.

Vocation View

All who serve in the name of Jesus will receive a reward. Encourage someone you know who would be of service as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister. (Mark 9:38-43)

Love your parish? Like meeting new people?

The Welcome Connection is looking for Parish Sponsors to contact new families and extend a parish welcome. It takes minimal time and our Sponsors find it personally rewarding. If you would be interested in joining this important parish ministry, please contact Teri Brownfield: tbrownfield@cinci.rr.com or 677-1187.

News from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish

Father John Corapi is coming to Cincinnati on July 17, 2010 at the Cintas Center. This event is the most anticipated and largest event Father Corapi will do in 2010, among his select few appearances. If you have interest in attending, we've got a block of 50 tickets reserved for the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish. The tickets are in the lower bowl section of the Cintas Center (not the floor) and are \$45/each. Please stop in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish office to pre-purchase your reserved seat by Monday October 25th. These will be sold on a first come first serve basis. (Checks may be made out to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton.) We may be able to get additional seats if there is a large

response to this event. Tickets will be distributed from the parish office the week of November 2nd.

Sacramental Prep (Confirmation & First Holy Communion)

TONIGHT, Sunday, September 27, the program "Will Our Kids Have Faith?" will be presented to the parents of children who will be celebrating their First Holy Communion or Confirmation in 2010. All parents are invited, even if your child is not receiving these sacraments next year. This program will be in the Church Hall beginning at 7:00 pm and another presentation will be Tuesday, September 29 at 7pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. **Confirmation students** (who have just completed eighth grade and wish to be confirmed in 2010) and their parents are reminded of the Information Meeting scheduled for Monday, October 5th beginning at 7:30 pm in the Church (Please note that there will not be a 7 pm Mass on October 5th).

Ladies Sodality Meeting

This Monday, September 28 beginning at 6:30 pm in the Church Hall. If you'd like to get involved in a group and get to know some fellow parishioners, come try us out! We welcome ladies of all ages and hope to see some new faces. Any questions, please call Janet Hartmann, 248-1844

Bingo Parent Team #9 Workers for September 29

Cunningham, J. DiSalvo, R. DiSalvo, Duncan, Haskins, Swing & Teter.

SMILE Youth News

Product Study Reminder - Don't Forget: If you signed up for the Product Study for the Youth Group, it is this Wednesday, September 30. Call or email the Youth Office if you need to know your time. We still need more volunteers!! Please call the Youth Office, 831-8318 if you can help. This is a major fundraiser for the program. Thank you in advance for your help!

Help Make Sleeping Bags for the Homeless

Saturday, Oct. 3 from 9 am – 12 noon in the Parish Center. No special talent is required. If you can tie your shoes, you can help assemble the sleeping bags. This is a wonderful opportunity for the entire family. Also, this is a great way for students to get service hours. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Schutte, 248-1055 or maryschutte@hotmail

What Does It Mean to be Catholic?

October 4th Topic – "Invitation to The Feast" – Why do we come to Sunday Mass? An obligation – or a truly meaningful experience? Come join us on Sunday mornings, 10:45 am until 12 noon in the Meeting Room of the Parish Center

Eucharistic Adoration

will begin Wednesday, October 7th, 8am – 12 pm. Parishioners and non parishioners may come and go during Adoration whenever they wish. However, to ensure someone is always present adoring Jesus in the monstrance, we are in need of Eucharistic Guardians who commit to adoration for one hour each month. Please prayerfully consider whether you are able to commit to be a scheduled Eucharistic Guardian. If you are interested in being a scheduled adorer or a sub, please call or email with the time that will work best for you. JoAnne Lacey, 831-1836 jolacey3@aol.com, or Jerry O'Toole, 368-6746 jotoole@usavingsbank.com.

Preparation for First Reconciliation

will be on Thursday, October 8 or Wednesday, October 14. Parents need to attend one of these sessions if they wish for their child to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The meetings will be at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall.

COME AND SEE...

Where: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton **When:** October 24-25

Calling all men of the parish, you are welcomed at our next Christ Renews His Parish Retreat Weekend! An excellent opportunity to be with other parish men and renew an awareness of God in our life. Check your calendar and call for information as space is limited. Dave Dombrowski, 607-0632. The cost is free, a gift from the parish.

SCRIPS PROGRAM

Enclosed in this week's bulletin is an order form for gift cards available for purchase through St. Andrew Church. These are the same gift cards you would purchase from a retailer or restaurant. We will be selling cards after all Masses next weekend, October 3 & 4. If you would like to place an order for cards not carried in inventory, your order may be placed October 3 & 4 weekend and available for pick up after all Masses the weekend of October 10 & 11. Thanks for your support. Questions, please call Cheryl Dahling, 722-2539 or Carolyn Wuerfel, 248-9336.



St. Andrew Music Ministry

The St. Andrew Adult Choir practices just began last week. If you like to sing, please come and join us for a great musical season. Remember, when you sing, you pray twice! Please call the office 831-3353 to sign up.

Weekly St. Andrew Bulletin

If your son or daughter is going away to school, service or work, or if you are going to be out of town for any length of time and would like the bulletin sent to you or e-mailed, please notify the Parish Office.

Sharing God's Gifts. September 20, 2009

We need an average of \$14,250 per week in our Sunday Collection
Sunday Envelope Collection (354).....\$10,329.00
Sunday Loose Collection.....\$533.04
Dimes Collection.....\$8.20

LEAVING A LEGACY OF LOAVES" SOCIETY - Do you want to leave a Legacy to St. Andrew Church? You can do so by leaving St. Andrew in your will; no gift is too small. Additionally, St. Andrew Church can accept estate jewelry, real estate, insurance policies, or Charitable Trusts. In appreciation of this, you will become a member of the "Leaving a Legacy of Loaves" Society. Just tell Fr. Rob you want to designate a gift in your will for St. Andrew, and you will be included in this group.

THE WINTERFEST COMMITTEE IS STILL LOOKING FOR RAFFLE AND SILENT AUCTION ITEMS. Baskets, gift certificates and gift items are need items for both. If you have something you can donate, please contact Shirley in the Parish Office or Catherine in the Youth Office, 831-8318.

Thank you for the memorials we have received

In memory of Pat Deem

Eddie Ivers Glynn and Judy Johnson
Evelyn Habermehl

In memory of Jack Roth

Alice Rushing for the Choir Handbell Fund

Respect Life

"...they call us to prayer and efforts defending the rights and meeting the needs of all human beings along life's spectrum. Having said "no" to attacks on innocent human life, we need to affirm a great "yes" to the full range of human living and flourishing." (Cardinal Justin F. Rigali USCCB Committee on Pro-life Activities.)

Thank You to Our Sponsor of the Week

Susan L. Kleine, LPCC
Faith-based Mental Health

Bulletin deadline is Monday at noon in writing
e-mail: standy@cinci.rr.com

3rd Annual Austin Elfers Walk to Remember

November 1, 3:00 pm - Miami Meadows Park, Milford
Registration forms available @ www.austinjelfers.webs.com.
More Info contact: 732.1343, or cdelfers1@fuse.net or
madilly30@yahoo.com

TODAY OKTOBERFEST RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE SOLD. Take a chance to win an overnight stay at Glenlaurel in Hocking Hills, Bengal's tickets, Gift Certificates to Kroger's, Skyline Chili & Texas Roadhouse. Look for more information on Oktoberfest in today's bulletin and plan to join us next Sunday, October 4th at the Miami Boat Club

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, September 28

6:30 pm Franciscans Meeting Room, Parish Center

6:30 pm Ladies Sodality Meeting
Church Hall

7:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting Parish Office,
Room #1

Tuesday, September 29

7:00 pm BINGO (Team #9)
Parish Center

7:00 pm Christ Renews His Parish Women's Team #7
Andrew's House

7:00 pm "Will Our Kids Have Faith?" Parent Program
Seton Campus

Wednesday, September 30

9:30 am Wednesday Bible Study Meeting Room,
Parish Center

3:00 pm SMILE Product Study
Parish Center

7:00 pm Toastmasters Meeting Room,
Parish Center

Thursday, October 1

6:00 pm Stewardship Committee
Parish Office

7:00 pm Choir Practice
Church

7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Parish Office,
Room #1

7:00 pm Christ Renews His Parish Men's Team #7
Andrew's House

7:00 pm Christ Renews His Parish Director's Workshop
Parish Office

Friday, October 2

7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Parish Office,
Room #1

Saturday, October 3

9:00 am Welcome Connection
Parish Library

9:00 am Healing Ministry Business Meeting
Church Hall

9:00 am Sleeping Bags for the Homeless
Parish Center

Sunday, October 4

9:30 am & 11:00 am PREP Classes

9:30 am RCIA Meeting Room,
Parish Center

10:45 am What Does It Mean To Be Catholic MR,
Parish Center

2:00 pm OKTOBERFEST Miami
Boat Club