



ST. KENNETH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

14951 N. Haggerty Road ~ Plymouth, MI

WITNESS & WORSHIP

BELCZAK'S BULLETIN

There is a story about a man in his home as flood waters began to rise. As he looked out his first-floor window, he saw a man riding by in his boat. The man shouted, "Get in the boat and save your life!" "No," the man replied. "I'm going to pray and trust in the Lord!"

The floodwaters kept rising and soon the poor fellow was looking out the second floor window. Again a man in a boat rode by and implored him to get into the boat and save his life. "No!" came the firm reply. "I'm praying and trusting in the Lord!"

The water continued to rise and soon the man was forced to the highest peak of his rooftop. A helicopter flew by and hovered over his head. The pilot said over the loudspeaker, "We're going to drop a rope ladder. Climb into the helicopter and save your life!" Once more the stranded man, perched high upon the rooftop, replied, "No! I'm going to pray and trust in the Lord!"

As you might expect, the poor man drowned. When he got to the pearly gates, he complained, "I trusted in you, Lord, and I prayed. Why did you let me down?" "I don't know what more I could have done," said God. "I sent you two boats and a helicopter!"

All great things come from a combination of God's help and our toil. All wonderful happenings are a result of a working relationship between God and us. God provides the seed, but it's up to us to make something of the seed. If we want God to give us a blessing (like saving us from a rising flood), we have to take advantage of the resources God has already provided.

Today's gospel lays it on the line with the verse: "Much will be required of a person entrusted with much." If we want God to give us the world, we have to be willing to pay for it. We cannot be the one to whom much is given without being the one of whom much is expected.



MAIL RECEIVED

The following letters were recently received, and are worth publishing for your information.

Dear Father Tom:

Thank you so much for your warm welcome to Saint Kenneth. On behalf of myself and my congregation I want to say how grateful we are for you allowing us to come to your parish for the mission appeal. You were very kind and helpful.

The people of Saint Kenneth are indeed an exceptional group. I was touched by the joyous Spirit so evident at each of the Masses, and also by the interest so many had in our congregation's healing mission. If you would be so kind, would you please thank everyone in the bulletin for their interest and generosity. Be assured of my prayers and the prayers of all our sisters throughout the world. Without the support of people like your parishioners, we would be unable to bring healing and hope to those in our care.

Thank you again! May our loving God bless you with every good thing.

Sincerely,
Sister Cheryl Blanchard
Medical Missionaries of Mary

Dear Friends of Saint Christine Christian Services:

Thank you for the canned goods and hygiene products that your parishioners donated to Saint Christine. We would also like to thank those who graciously deliver these items to us.

Your donations help us keep our pantry supplied so we can continue meeting the needs of the many people who come to us for food. We are very grateful for your support and sincerely thank you for your concern for those who are hungry. May God bless you!

Sincerely,
Annmary Demyan
Director of Volunteer Ministry
Saint Christine Christian Service

Sunday, August 8, 2010

LIVING THE GOSPEL

BELCZAK'S BULLETIN continued

SIGNS OF THE TIMES?

In a non-smoking area: "If we see you smoking we will assume you are on fire and take appropriate action."

On a Maternity Room door: "Push, Push, Push!"

At an Optometrist's Office: "If you don't see what you're looking for, you've come to the right place."

In a Restaurant window: "Don't stand there and be hungry, come in and get fed up!"

Enjoy the summer!

Fr. Tom Belczak

RCIA BEGINNINGS

Each year St. Kenneth's offers a way for people interested in the Catholic faith tradition to explore and discern if God is calling them to membership in the Catholic community. If you or someone you know may have thought about this faith journey, or if you are a baptized Catholic who wishes to be confirmed, please call the Parish Office to receive more information (734-420-0288). We will begin to meet in mid-September on Thursday evenings to explore together.

Journeys need guides and friends along the way. St. Kenneth's needs members of our community to accompany our RCIA seekers as they explore our faith tradition. Perhaps you are being called to offer yourself as a parish sponsor, someone who offers friendship and can make the journey along with candidates. Please call the Parish Office to give your name. It is a truly enriching experience!



UPDATE MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Does our Church database have YOUR family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual Guide Book & Directory (if you haven't already done so). It is time for us update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

Have you changed your phone number? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? Do you want your record published?

If you have not already informed the Church Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the Guidebook and Directory is correct. The Church Office number is 734-420-0288.



September 11, 2010
9:00 AM Shot Gun Start

St. John's Golf Club
44045 Five Mile Rd
Plymouth, MI 48170-2555



All Proceeds To Benefit



dedicated to finding a cure



of the week

On a daily basis, what are some ways to keep yourself "ready for God to act?" How do you pay attention to God's often less than obvious actions?

✠ This Week in our Parish

Sunday, August 8

8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous

Monday, August 9

10:00 AM Senior Exercise
6:45 PM Speak Easy Toastmaster
7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous (Men Only)

Tuesday, August 10

10:00 AM Senior Weaving
6:45 PM Stephen Ministry Supervision

Wednesday, August 11

10:00 AM Senior Exercise
7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

Thursday, August 12

No Meetings

Friday, August 13

No Meetings

Saturday, August 14

No Meetings

Sunday, August 15

2:00 PM Sunday Afternoon MS Support
8:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

meets at

Marycrest Manor Nursing Home
15475 Middlebelt Road, Livonia
the second Thursday of each month
at 6:00 PM
in the Conference Room

Open to all caregivers who are in need of a Support Group. New Members are welcome. For further information, please contact Marycrest at (734) 427-9175.

CHARITY EUCHRE

The August Charity Euchre Tournament will be held on Saturday, August 21, 2010, in the St. Patrick Room of the St. Kenneth Social Hall. Beginners as well as experienced players are welcome. Registration begins at 6:30 PM, with play beginning at 7 PM. Please bring a dish to share with your fellow tournament players. Euchres are .25 each, so come prepared to donate to the designated charity. The September tournament will be held September 18th. For more information contact Cathy Niland at 734-421-7751, or Matt Beaudoin at 734-748-9158 after 5 PM.



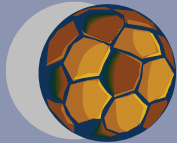
MUSIC FANS

Mark your calendars for an interesting concert performed by 15-year-old organist and St. Kenneth parishioner Justin LaVoie. This "Around the World" program is a free event that will be held at St. John Neumann Parish on Saturday, August 14, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.



CYO SOCCER

St. Edith CYO Athletics is looking for soccer players for this fall's CYO season. Girls and Boys in grades 4 through 8 who are parishioners from St. Kenneth, St. Colette's, St. Aidan and St. Maurice are eligible to participate. The teams play in a pre-season tournament at Ladywood the end of August, with the regular season beginning after Labor Day and running through mid-October. Those interested should contact Ron Wollenweber at 248-888-7629 or at stedithsoccer@gmail.com. You may also visit www.stedithcyo.com



INTRO TO THEOLOGY AT OLCG

Have you ever wanted to be able to better explain the Catholic faith to someone or just brush up on your knowledge of why we believe what we believe? Sacred Heart Major Seminary is offering a two-credit **Introduction to Theology** course this coming fall on-site at Our Lady of Good Counsel parish! Covering the major doctrines of the Church, the course will be taught by Fr. Ed Fride on Mon. evenings from 7:00 – 9:00 pm for 14 weeks beginning Sept. 13. Credits can be applied toward catechetical certification or other pastoral programs or degrees.

It's not too late to get started...the admissions deadline is **August 13**. For more information, please contact the Admissions Office at Sacred Heart Major Seminary at 313-883-8520 or fromm.tamra@shms.edu

Scripture Readings



Week of August 1st

Sunday: 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Wisdom 18:6-9; Psalm 33;
Hebrew 11:1-2, 8-19; Luke 12:32-48

Monday: Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Ezekiel 1:2-5, 24-28c; Psalm 148;
Matthew 17:22-27

Tuesday: Saint Lawrence

2 Corinthians 9:6-10; Psalm 112;
John 12:24-26

Wednesday: Saint Clare

Ezekiel 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Psalm 113;
Matthew 18:15-20

Thursday: Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

Ezekiel 12:1-12; Psalm 78;
Matthew 18:21-19:1

Friday: Saints Pontain and Hippolytus

Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63; Isaiah 12:2-6;
Matthew 19:3-12

Saturday: Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe

Ezekiel 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Psalm 51;
Matthew 19:13-15

Sunday: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

Revelations 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Psalm 45;
1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56

† New Parishioners

On behalf of all our parishioners, we extend a warm welcome to these newly registered members who have joined our parish in the last week.

Gregory & Sharon Knoph
Ed & Barbara Sullivan and their daughter
Megan and sons Eddie and Tommy

† May They Rest in Peace

Thomas M. Rodzik

† Newly Baptized

Brycen Daniel Coon
Born May 24, 2010
Son of Daniel & Rebecca Coon

Flynn Martin Maureen Pouellelaouen
Born May 18, 2010
Son of Guy & Colleen Pouellelaouen

† Newly Married

Nunzio DeCia and Stephanie Swerecki

† Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 7, 2010

4:30 PM Richard Eicher, requested by Sister Mary De Sales
Judy Smock, requested by the St. Kenneth Senior Exercise Group
Helen Finegan, requested by Karen Abraham

Sunday, August 8, 2010

7:30 AM Judy Smock, requested by Richard & Roz Carbott
9:00 AM Ann Early, requested by John Early
Walter Pezda, requested by Jane Pezda
11:00 AM Henry Sapulski, requested by his Family
Rose Isla, requested by Aida Cailipan
In Gratitude for her blessings, requested by Aida Cailipan

Monday, August 9, 2010

9:00 AM People of Saint Kenneth

Tuesday, August 10, 2010

9:00 AM Poul V. Andersen, requested by Patricia Andersen
Ralph & Ann Todd, requested by Patricia Andersen
7:00 PM People of Saint Kenneth

Wednesday, August 11, 2010

9:00 AM **NO MASS**

Thursday, August 12, 2010

9:00 AM Ray Smock (Special Intention), requested by his Family

Friday, August 13, 2010

9:00 AM People of Saint Kenneth

Saturday, August 14, 2010

4:30 PM Frances MacLean, requested by Family & Friends
Judy Smock, requested by Joan Durocher
For the Special Intentions of June Arko

Sunday, August 15, 2010

7:30 AM IHM Jubilarians 2010, requested by Richard & Roz Carbott
Betty Ratkos, requested by Annie Blackwell
9:00 AM Ann Early, requested by John Early
Emilio Conti, requested by his Family
Anne Maki, requested by Bernie & Barb Brennan
11:00 AM Kathryn Stachecki (Special Intention), requested by her Family



Fall Registration for Religious Education

Forms are now available online!



If you have requested a mass intention and would like to take the offertory gifts to the altar at that mass, please notify an usher upon your arrival.

✠ Please Pray for...

Marilyn Bar	Tom Knight	Maria Santoro
Francis Bielecki	Judy LaFerrera	John Shank
Kathleen Brennan	Nicole Maurer	Michelle Skinner
Mary Quinn Brennan	Ruth Meloche	Kathryn Stachecki
Sam Camellire	Bob Miller	Robert Stork
Mary Cassar	Clara Mooradian	Marc Sullivan
Katie Collins	Patricia Moore	Arthur Tervo
Tim Conley	Adele Morelli	Mark Tomasi
Edward Corona	Mary Nagi	Sally Tozer
Alice D'Adamo	Jim Noetzel, Jr.	Debbie Williams
Anne Dauerer	Maurene Nygard	Irene Zelechowski
Raymond Fano	Mike O'Sullivan	Danny Zerafa
Joe Fragale	Mickey Pennybacker	
Justine Gapczynski	Bill Peters	
Jerry Gwizdz	Lottie Plank	
Tim Harrington	Donald Pratt	
George Heger	Joyce Prince	
Gail Jensen	Michelle Row	

To have someone enrolled on the prayer list, please call the church office. Names will be listed for four weeks unless the office is notified that the condition continues and that prayers are still needed.

✠ Pray for our Military

Nathan Albanese, Army	Patrick Madish, Air Force
Anthony Allen, Marines	Shawn Madish, Navy
Ashley Allen, Marines	Tom Newhouse, Marines
Greg Anderson, Navy	Brian Owens, Army
Steven Anderson, Marines	Nyle Pfeefefer, Army
Paul Crandall, Army	Ryan Rays, Navy
Marcus Dandrea, Marines	Sarah Rowe, Coast Guard
Bradley Davis, Marines	Doug Siemonsma, Navy
Greg Davis, Air Force	Bryan Silveri, Navy
Megan Gagnon, Air Force	Charles Simpson, Jr., Army
Rick Giles, Army	Christopher Theodore, Army
Jada Grindstaff, Army	Dennis Thompson, Army
James Hamblin, Marines	Anthony Vennekotter, Army
Shannon Suchora Hill, Air Force	Amber Wald, Army
Deryck Hill, Air Force	

In gratitude for the sacrifices of our loved ones in the armed forces and their families, we are gathering the names and service branches of those currently serving our country, and requesting parishioners pray for these brave people. If you would like to add a person to our Military Prayer Request List, please call Barb at 420-3031.

✠ Advertiser of the Week

**HONEY DO
HOME IMPROVEMENT**

The St. Kenneth *Witness & Worship* is furnished to the parish free of charge. The advertisements that appear in our weekly bulletin completely defray all publishing costs. When you patronize this sponsor or any of our sponsors be sure to thank them for their generous stewardship!

✠ Birthday Blessings

August 8

Kristen Boudia
Allan Bush
Aida Cailipan
Jared Colburn
Robert Duquette
Spencer Harris
Brandon Haycock
Michael Mazur
Megan McCrohan
Gregory Miller
Carole Mueller
Carly Musa
Jen Orris
Thom Polera
Angela Recchia
Evan Rorabacher
Debbie Schommer
Ken Sliwka
Stanley Snyder
Chuck Sprosek
Jen Stempien
Daniel Stover
C. Wold

August 9

Bob Adamczyk
Esther Gordon
Jenna Goudreau
Bob Haar
James Hague Jr.
Ben Hibbard
Joseph Hillebrand
Nina Hundley
Matthew Klebba
Michelle Lingaur
Chris Seubert
Bob Stefan

August 10

Laurie Banka
Grace Borst
Justin Brodzik
Mark Castellano
Sarah Castellano
Frank Farren
Joe Hetu
Mike LaPointe
Teresa Osterhoff
Sheri Patrone
Ella Riley
Judy Saunders
Rachel Staff
Phyllis Urban
Noah Vaitkevicius
Linda VanderLaan
Betty Wise
Joseph Xuereb

August 11

Eric Brasseur
Maureen Brown
PJ Cawley
Frank Griffiths
Frank Levens
Stephen Mitchell
Rich Noelke

Ralph Palis
M. Pariseau
Dennis Pepino
Justin Umin
Michael Vellucci

August 12

Kyle Asher
Lance Blair
Joseph Blair
Matthew Bracey
Joan Cholak
Patrick Daly
Danny Daniels
Rebecca Figura
Regan Henderson
Zachary Jones
Kevin MacDonald
Cheryl Moncion
Rafael Paredes
Diana Predhomme
John Roland
Ray Smock
Martin Spencer
Bob Stork
Kim Sulek

August 13

C. Beaudoin
Sam Cassatta
Madilyn Darling
Stu Durocher
Brooke Hensley
Reece Jones
Chuck Kaiser
Emily LaFontaine
John Lippert
Linda Predhomme
Richard Przesmycki
Susie Redden
Gregory Stevens
Aubrey Tolstyka

August 14

Mary Abdo
Clark Arenberg
Bob Bend
Erin Casey
Darlene Dickinson
C. Dwyer
Hannah Gove
Carol Green
Cassidy Hiller
Kevin Kowalkowski
J. Makowski
Donna Marsonek
Julie Piasentin
Craig Price
Hank Raddatz
Susan Regula
M.A. Rose
E. Simon
Nolan Singer
Amanda Skalski
Laurie Tar
Alex Williams

Stewardship Matters

Many Catholics wince when they hear the word "stewardship." This reaction is prompted by a mistaken notion that stewardship is just another way the Church asks for money. This is not true. Christian stewards recognize God as the origin of life and the source of all we have, all that we are, and all that we will be. Stewardship is a way of life, not simply an appeal for money.

God gives each person unique talents and gifts. I am not limiting my understanding of talents to artists, musicians, or athletes. Our unique talent is the everyday things that each of us loves to do and without much effort, we are surprisingly good at doing. God blesses us with our talents to build God's kingdom in our homes, neighborhood and places of employment.

You may be good and enjoy interacting with toddlers. Unbelievably, not everyone likes to be in the presence of two and three year olds. Share this joyful gift with a sick neighbor who might need a break. You might never thought of hospitality as being a gift, but in sharing hospitality, you welcome a stranger. Some people actually enjoy cleaning – once while I rested in bed for a few days, a friend came to clean my bathroom and kitchen. My friend thought of her effort as disinfecting, but I knew it was her way of building the kingdom and reminding me of God's love.

Remember:
STEWARDSHIP MATTERS

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LITURGY

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday: 9:00 AM
Tuesday: 7:00 PM

No mass on Wednesday

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM,
Holy Days: 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday Thursday, Friday:
9:00 AM-12:00 noon, 1:00-4:00 PM
Tuesday

9:00 AM-12:00 noon, 1:00-4:00 PM
Saturday: 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 PM
Baptism: Contact Office for
Parents' Meeting.

Marriage: Make arrangements six
months in advance for pre-marriage
conference.

REGISTRATION

Come to the office to introduce yourself
during regular parish office hours.

PARISH COUNCIL

4th Monday of each month at 7:00 PM.
All are welcome.

President:

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LAST WORD

Pay attention