

St. Paul Parish Newsletter

February 2013



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Parish News



Our Annual Parish meeting will be held on Sunday, February 10th inside the social hall following the 10:00am Mass. We will be voting for the following offices of the Parish Committee:

Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Recording Secretary, 3 Board of Directors, 3 Auditors and 1 Tribunal person.

Requirements are that you have been a member of the church for 1 year and have met your financial obligations. Anyone that is interested in one of these positions, please see Cleric Angelo Pierro, Nominating Committee Chairperson, so your name may be added to the voting ballot.

Please mark your calendars for this important meeting. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting. Remember, as a member of this church, you have a voice and a vote at this meeting.

Lenten Season



The season of Lent begins on February 13th, Ash Wednesday. There will be one Mass with the distribution of ashes at 10:00am. At 6:00pm there will just be the distribution of ashes.

Stations of the Cross



Stations of the Cross will be at 10:00am on the following Friday dates:

February 15th, 22nd
March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd

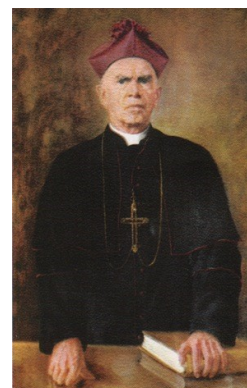
There will be one Friday night Stations of the Cross which will be announced at a later date by Father Mark.

Happy Valentine's Day



February 16, 1953

60th Anniversary of death



**Prime Bishop
Francis Hodur**

Francis Hodur was born near Krakow, Poland. He emigrated to the U.S. in 1893. That same year, he was ordained as a priest. On the March 14, 1897, Father Hodur became pastor of St. Stanislaus Cathedral, Scranton, PA. On Sept 29, 1907, Father Hodur was consecrated bishop by Old Catholic Bishops in Utrecht, Holland.

Spaghetti Dinners



Come and bring your friends to our weekly all you can eat spaghetti dinners on Fridays 4:00-7:00pm. Dinners include salad, roll & butter and your choice of a free beverage, either coffee, iced tea or lemonade. Adults are just \$5.00 and Children 12yrs and younger are FREE. There are also homemade desserts from our Ladies ANS Society for only \$1.00 each. If you are bringing a large group, please contact Bob Canfield at 352-433-8654 and let him know how many in your party and what time you will arrive, and he will reserve your table(s) for you.

YMS of R Men's Group

The next YMS of R meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 6th at 9:00am at Cal's Restaurant in Belleview. All men from the parish are encouraged to attend. If you are new to the parish, this is a good opportunity for you to meet some of the men of our parish.



St. Paul Choir

We have a fantastic, spirited choir here at St. Paul's, under the direction of Charley Stoykovich. We are still looking for singers for our Saturday Mass. Anyone interested in joining the choir can meet here at the church on Tuesdays at 6:00pm for practice.



Ladies Adoration Society

All praise and glory to God. We thank him for our great success.



February is a busy month for our society, as we prepare for our Victorian Tea, complete with lace table cloths and china tea cups – Saturday, February 16th, 12:00 high noon to 3:00pm. **This event is now sold out!**



January 31st thru February 1st - our annual ANS retreat at the beautiful Lake Yale Conference Center. Our theme this year is "Hope in Your Heart". This promises to be one of our best.



February 13th is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Each Friday after Stations of the Cross the church will remain open until 5:00pm for the ladies of the ANS Lenten devotions. All members of the church are welcome to participate anytime throughout the day.

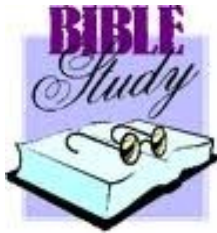
In His Service,

Dori Canfield, ANS President



We welcome our new members of our church family who have joined in the month of January.

Charlotte Stoykovich
Ray Dwyer



Father Mark is conducting bible class on Thursdays, 10:00am at Church On The Square in The Villages. This ongoing class is for everyone interested in finding out more about their faith. Father Mark brings us many pearls of Scripture each week and whether you are a first time bible reader or an astute learned scriptural connoisseur, there's something special in the Word of God for everyone. You are encouraged to bring a friend.

Backpack Program



This is another of our school support programs that we are helping out with. Teachers distribute care packages to families in need. **Sample size** personal care products are most appropriate. There are plastic bins in the back of the church to drop off these supplies.



Birthdays

- 1st** Shawn Doome
Kathy Elstad
Ron Smith
Amanda Steven
- 2nd** Bernice Karson
- 3rd** Diane Guffey
- 7th** Marilyn Clark
Gerald Rosinski
- 11th** Michelle Cople
Emily Maciok
Jean Pierro
- 12th** John Lipka
Charley Stoykovich
- 14th** Don Klein
- 17th** Jean Rykaczewski
- 18th** Dominick Suarez
- 19th** Marilyn Hetzer
- 21st** Esther Hunt
- 22nd** Alice Andrew
- 25th** Lisa Chadwick
Becky Hulbert
- 26th** Stephanie Cople
- 29th** Debie Ball



Anniversaries

- 10th** Ron & Judy Pereyo
Kevin & Amanda Stevens
- 13th** Bob & Wanda Pace
- 14th** Bob & Dori Canfield
- 15th** Sandy & Kathy Elstad
- 27th** Howard & Joanne Q. Doran

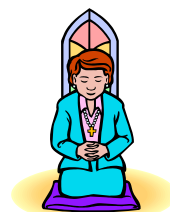
* Members, if your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please inform Debbie Niznik.

Special Offering Envelopes



The month of January was designated for the *Music Scholarship Fund*. Parish members are encouraged to donate to this fund by using your Music Scholarship envelope. Also, if you are not a member and would like to donate to this fund, please use a Love Offering envelope that are in the church pews and mark it "*Music Scholarship Fund*." This fund is used for giving scholarships to PNCC members who pursue music education.

Womens Prayer Group



The Ladies Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday, February 6th and 20th.

Rosary at 3:00pm

Prayer Group at 3:30pm.

All the ladies of the parish are welcome.

An Evening with Father Mark

One of the most important outreach, parish building events we have, is scheduled for Friday, March 8, 2013 at 7:00pm at The Church On The Square in The Villages: **"Another Evening With Father Mark & Friends."** Father Mark will be the evening's emcee and he's sure to bring some funny to the room! Our Music Director and newest world-celebrated tenor, Fernando Varela will be performing along with our fantastic vocalist Marissa Pfouts, Oscar Feliu and internationally acclaimed, Maestro Hector Garrido! This will be a lot of fun and we are running it as a benefit concert for the advancement of our Back Pack Program, serving the homeless children of Lake, Sumter and Marin Counties. Everyone should be at this, representing our church. Please remember to wear your name badges that evening and please get some business cards from Father Mark, so when you speak with someone that evening, you can hand them a card. This is the most important outreach program our parish performs, so please attend this event and support our parish. Tickets are now available for purchase at the Villages Box Offices and are the same price as last year (\$17) Hurry to get those great seats!

Words for Thought

*For though we have never
yet seen God, when we love each other
God lives in us and his love within
us grows ever stronger.*

1 John 4:12 TBL

St. Paul Hold'em Tournament



On Sunday, March 10th, following the 10:00am Mass, we will be holding our annual Texas Hold'em Tournament in the social hall. There will be a donation of \$20 per person. This donation will be a fund raiser for the church. Tickets will be available in the middle of February. Remember the winner will be receiving an almost 4ft trophy and will have a special parking space in front of the church for a year!



Sunday Coupon Flyers

Debbie Niznik wants to thank all of you for bringing in your Sunday coupon flyers each week. She will let everyone know at the annual meeting on Sunday, February 10th, how many free items she was able to pick up for the Clean Kids Back Pack Program since the beginning of November 2012. When your finished going through your coupon flyers, instead of throwing them out, please bring them to church and put them in the plastic bin top drawer marked Boxtop & Labels for Education. This will be an ongoing project for the Clean Kids Back Pack Program.



Our next **Back Pack Scramble** will be held at the Hacienda Hills Golf and Country Club in The Villages, on Thursday, May 2, 2013. There will be a lunch and dinner banquet. Shotgun start will be at 2:00pm. Details are on the flyers in the social hall. You won't want to miss the amazing prize opportunities at this tournament. Please contact Susan Hilt ASAP for your reservation: 352-307-2129. Please do not email Debbie Niznik as she is not involved with any of the scheduling for the golf tournaments. Please contact Susan Hilt with any questions you may have. This next tournament is going to be beyond incredible!!!! Check out the flyer!!!