

#### St. Paul Parish Newsletter



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#### History of Father's Day in the US

Modern version of Father's Day celebration originated in United States of America and thereafter the tradition spread in countries around the world. The world owes thanks to Ms Sonora Louise Smart Dodd a loving daughter from Spokane, Washington as it is because of her struggle that Father's Day saw the light of the day.

The idea of Father's Day celebration originated in Sonora's mind when she per chance listened to Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Fairly mature at the age 27, Sonora pondered if there is a day to honor mother then why not for father? Sonora felt strongly for fathers because of the affection she received from her own father Mr. William Jackson Smart, a Civil War veteran. Sonora's mother died while childbirth when she was just 16. Mr. Smart raised the newborn and five other children with love and care.



Inspired by Ms Anna Jarvis's struggle to promote Mother's Day, Ms Dodd began a rigorous campaign to celebrate Father's Day in the United States. The Spokane Ministerial Association and the local Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) supported Sonora's cause. As a result Spokane celebrated its first Father's Day on June 19, 1920. Though there was initial hesitation, the idea gained gradual popularity all over the United States and Father's Day came to be celebrated in cities across the country.

Looking at the heightened popularity of Father's Day in the United States, President Woodrow Wilson approved of this idea in 1916. President Calvin Coolidge too supported the idea of a national Father's Day in 1924 to, "establish more intimate relations between fathers and their children and to impress upon fathers the full measure of their obligation". After a protracted struggle of over four decades, President Lyndon Johnson signed a presidential proclamation declaring the third Sunday of June as Father's Day in 1966. Then in 1972, President Richard Nixon established a permanent national observance of Father's Day to be held on the third Sunday of June. Sonora Louise Smart Dodd was honored for her contribution at the World's Fair in Spokane in 1974.



Sonora died in 1978 at the age of 96. Besides doing the noble job of giving father's their due recognition, Sonora gained appreciation for her artwork and her writing for children's book on the Native Americans of Spokane. To mark her significant contribution towards society, a monument was constructed at the YMCA in Spokane.

Taken from the website of: www.fathersdaycelabration.com

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#### Confirmation Class YMS of R Men's Group



The YMS of R Men's Group will be taking a summer break until the fall and will resume at that time.



On Sunday, July 10, 2016 at the 11:00am Mass, our Confirmation will receive the sacrament of Confirmation from our Diocesan Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski. Please

save the date for this special occasion.

#### 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 and Sunday Masses. Anyone interested in joining the choir can meet here at the church on Tuesdays at 6:00pm for practice.



### **Ladies Adoration Society**

#### **Prayer Blankets**

A big thank you to the Ladies that take the time to knit or crochet these beautiful blankets. Blessed by Deacon Angelo, these blankets are given to individuals experiencing difficult times. A sign of healing, peace, joy and spiritual support for those receiving it, for they are not alone in their struggle.

If any of you have need for a blanket you can contact me at 233-9961 or doricanfield@gmail.com

In his service,

Dori Canfield, ANS President



#### The Yarn's Journey

By: Tish Hoar

As the yarn's journey starts,

It becomes a prayer that comes from the blanket maker's heart,

The yarn becomes a journey of silent prayer,

Through it's twists and knots, the prayer is still there,

The quiet clicking or the swish of the yarn,

Tells you the prayer is still going on,

The Blanket maker adds on another skein,

The prayer is anew and doesn't wane,

As time goes by and the blanket maker's mind sometimes wanders,

The yarn goes on and prayerfully ponders,

A prayer is said and the stitching subsides,

The yarn comes to an end and is knotted and tied,

It begins a new journey and given with prayer,

It's Hope, Faith and Love the recipient wears,

But in the silent echoes you can prayerfully hear,

The prayers, the quiet clicking, and the swish of the yarn,

The yarn never ceases and its silent prayers are still going on...

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Father Mark's bible study class on Thursday mornings is now on a summer break and will return in the fall. The return date will be announce at a later time.



#### Greeting Card Club

The date for the next Greeting Card Club meeting will be announced by Father Mark and an email with the date will also be sent out to everyone. If you haven't had the chance to find out about our greeting card program, please join us that day for a fun and worthwhile outreach project. The Lenten Season is a perfect time to put your faith into action in this easy and creative way.



## Backpack Program

Our mainstay charitable program provides local homeless school children with personal care/hygiene items all year round. Please drop off items anytime on the rectory porch or at church on Sundays in the bins at the back of the church.



#### **Birthdays**

1st Olga Stuck

**3rd** Joe Apichella Dori Canfield

4th Richard Gurzynski

5th John L. Rykaczewski

6th Elaine Smith

8th Diane Clair

**12th** Mary Jane Madore Arlene Mungavin

14th Beverly Long

16th Nancy Padden

17th Jana Cetner Brennan Ken Hoffmann

18th Richard Klenoski

19th Jack Brennan

20th Dick Nowak

**21st** Arlene Fera John McCarthy

22nd Leo Ianaro

**26th** George Clark

27th Jenny Robinson

29th Paula Suarez



## **Anniversaries**

2nd David & Cindy Yackowski

4th Rick & Marie Aneiro

5th Jeffrey & Dian Gerstner

8th Father Tom & Carol Basta

16th Rich & Diane Clair

22nd James & Kim McClearn

**24th** James & Beverly Long

29th Bill & Paula Derkowski

**30th** Fred & Lucy Dowling Stan & Ellen Kustron

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

# Special Offering Envelopes

The month of June is designated for the *Clergy Pension Fund*. Parish members can donate to this fund by using your Clergy Pension Fund 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 "*Clergy Pension Fund*".

#### Golf League



Our church golf league meets each Tuesday of every month at 8:30am at Spruce Creek Del Webb in Summerfield. Golfers are paired into groups of 4 players in scramble format. If any men or women are interested in joining our fun league, please contact Susan Hilt at 352-307-2129. Bring your friends. All are welcome. Sign up sheets will be posted in the social hall.

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#### Spaghetti Dinners



Come and bring your friends to our weekly all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinners on Fridays from 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 \$6.00 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 352-454-8673. Please let him know how many are in your party and what time you will arrive, and he will reserve your table(s) for you.

#### Words for Thought

God made my life complete
when I placed all the pieces before him.
When I got my act together,
he gave me a fresh start ....
God rewrote the text of my life
when I opened the book
of my heart to his eyes.

Psalm 18:20,24 The Message

#### Finding Peace in the Face of Loss Support Group

Father Mark has approved the establishment of a support group here at St. Paul's to be led by Diane Hollinsworth. This is not a traditional bereavement group as the scope of the program includes any kind of loss. The next meeting will be held in the social hall following the Saturday 10:00am morning Mass for Anointing of the Sick & Intentions for Departed on June 4, 2016.

## Boxtops & Labels for Education





Even though school will be out for the summer, we are still collecting box tops & labels for education. In the back of the church there is a plastic bin for you to drop off your box tops & labels.

For more information about these programs, check out their websites at:

www.boxtops4education.com www.labelsforeducation.com

### **Sunday Coupon Flyers**



Debbie Niznik wants to thank all of you for bringing in your Sunday coupon flyers each week. Debbie has been on a mission to get as many free or next to free items for our "Clean Kids" Back Pack Program and she

needs your help. If you receive the Sunday newspaper, and you just throw out the Sunday coupon flyers or you just cut out a few coupons and throw the rest of the flyer away, **STOP** and bring the flyers (even if the cut one still has a coupon or two still on it) and put them in the Boxtops & Labels for Education plastic bin drawer inside the church. Debbie has a way of finding free samples online and donates them to our Back Pack Program. When she finds some really good items she sends out emails to everyone, so they too can donate the samples or they can keep them. So let's see how many items Debbie can find with your help. Thank you.