St. Paul Parish Newsletter October 2015

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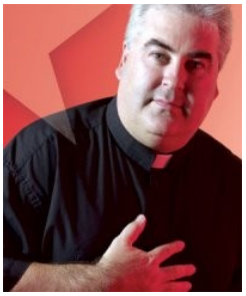

Parish News

Father Mark's bible study class will start back on Thursday, October 1st at 10:00am here at St. Paul's social hall. This ongoing class is for everyone interested in finding out more about their faith. We will be returning back to the book of Romans, Chapter 7. You are encouraged to bring a friend.

The Confirmation Class will start back on Thursday, October 1st following the Bible Study Class around 11:15am. Father Tom Basta will be teaching this class. If you have any questions about this class, please see Father Tom or Father Mark.

On Saturday, October 3rd at 10:00am, we will have a service for ***Blessing of the Animals.*** We encourage everyone to attend this service with your beloved pets. It will be held outside under the canopy in front of the church.

On Saturday, October 10th is our monthly *Holy Mass of Anointing of the Sick & Intentions for Departed.* Following the Mass, the *Finding Peace in the Face of Loss Support Group* will meet in the social hall. Loss is never easy and somehow the effects of losses are more keenly apparent throughout the holiday season. Loss has many faces - the passing of a loved one, the loved one who is still present but incapacitated through trauma or disease, personal changes in your own ability to participate in life as you once did due to illness or other circumstances, and loss of family or loved one's presence due to moving, imprisonment, or addictions. It is also present in the feeling of helplessness with the loss of employment and the subsequent impact and anxiety of the financial stresses that ensue. These are just a few of the circumstances in life that leaves us struggling to find the peace and strength to move forward.

After their summer break, the Parish Committee will meet back on Sunday, October 18th following the 11:00am Mass for a meeting inside of the social hall. All members are invited to attend this meeting.

Confirmation Class

The Confirmation Class taught by Father Tom Basta will resumes on Thursday, October 1, 2015 following the Bible Study Class around 11:15am. This class is for those individuals that are 14 yrs old and above. If you have already made your Confirmation and would like to sit in on the class, you are welcomed to do so. Please bring your bibles. If you have any questions about this class, please see Father Tom or Father Mark.

YMS of R Men's Group

The next YMS of R meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21st 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 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

Thank you dear Lord for our great success.

We have an exciting year coming up with many new fundraising ideas. We will announce them each month in our newsletters so please watch for them.

Adoration Society Retreat 2016 will be held January 21st, 22nd and 23rd at the beautiful Lake Yale Conference Center in Leesburg. Our keynote speaker will be the Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski - our own Bishop Stan. Rooms are booking up fast so if you are interested, have questions or would like to attend please contact me - Dori Canfield (352) 233-9961 or doricanfield@gmail.com . All ladies of the parish are welcome.

A big ANS welcome to our two new members: Barbara Lochiatto and Joyce Doblosky.

Thank you all for your support. It's going to be a great winter season.

Prayer Blankets

We are in need of Prayer Blankets. If you can knit or crochet and would like to make a blanket, we would be so grateful. To date we have gifted 80 plus blankets. These blankets are made with love and filled with prayers. Offering great comfort and support they receive a beautiful blessing by Deacon Angelo before they are given to whoever is in need of one. The blanket size is about 32 by 32 inches. This is just a guide, it does not need to be exact. If you have questions, please call Dori Canfield at 352-233-9961,

Stuffed Animals

St. Paul Parish member, Lydia Kowalski Cane is asking for our help to collect new and barely used stuffed animals. Lydia brings the stuffed animals to children at local hospitals where she lives in Gainesville, Florida. We will be collecting the stuffed animals until the end of November. There is a tub inside of the church for you to drop off the stuffed animals.

Father Mark's bible study class will start back on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at 10:00am here at St. Paul's social hall. 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.

Birthdays

4th Donna Martin

5th Judy Brennan

7th Pauline Gadbois

9th Dave Ebacher
Gertrude Kucharski
Lawrence Phillips

11th Bob Pitel

12th Jeffrey Gerstner

13th Joyce Taddei

15th Will Nordman

18th Verna Kopka

20th Al Walczak

21st Marlene Kress

25th Rick Aneiro

29th Margaret Sottosanto

30th Ann Marie Cipriano

Anniversaries

1st Andy & Joan Pallotto

3rd Dick & Sharon Pierce

11th Wally & Peg Brosig

12th George & Marylin Andel

13th John & Barbar Yunker

19th Kenny & Joyce Koledge

21st Merlin Decuir & Diana Tatum

23rd John & Elaine DalNegro
Jack & Joyce Doblosky

24th Ron & Judy Mierzwiak
Lawrence & Veronica Phillips

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

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. There's help along the way and you'll be making cards before you know it! The cost is about $15 per month per person and proceeds benefit our church.

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.

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.

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

This is the real gift: we have been given the breath of life, designed with a unique, one-of-a-kind soul that exists forever-whether we live it as burden or a joy or with indifference doesn't change the fact that we've been given the gift of being now and forever. Priceless in value, we are handcrafted by God, who has a personal design and plan for each of us.

Special Offering Envelopes

The month of October is designated for the ***Bishop Kardas Memorial Fund.*** Parish members can donate to this fund by using their Bishop Kardas Memorial Fund envelope. Also, if you are not a member and would like to donate to this fund, please use a Love Offering envelope located in the church pews and mark it ***"Bishop Kardas Memorial Fund".*** This fund is used to help maintain the cottages and apartments located in Davie, Florida that belong to the Diocese.

Boxtops & Labels for Education

Schools are back in session, so we will continue 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

5th Annual "Backpack Scramble" Helping Our Tri-County Homeless Children

Our next **Back Pack Scramble** will be held at Eagle Ridge at Spruce Creek Country Club, 13605 Del Webb Blvd, Summerfield, FL on Sunday, December 6, 2015. There will be a lunch and dinner banquet for players only. Registration is at 11:00am. Shotgun start will be at 12:45pm. 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!!!