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## Parish News

On Thursday, August 11th, 19 church members volunteered to sort 40,000 donation items from our Clean Kids Backpack Program in our social hall. Items were sorted in about 3 hours in the morning and the volunteers came back at 3:00pm to help load a truck that would take the items to the Marion County School Office. Superintendent of Schools for Marion County, George Tomyn came with the truck and the press. Father Mark gave an interview about the Clean Kids Backpack Program and a group picture was taken that afternoon. Pictures of the day are below.



Clean Kids Backpack Donations in the backroom of the social hall to be sorted.



Father Mark with George Tomyn



Group picture with George Tomyn, Superintendent of Schools in Marion County

## Special Offering Envelopes

The month of September is designated for the *Spojnia Manor Fund*. Parish members can donate to this fund by using their Spojnia Manor 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 "*Spojnia Manor Fund*". This fund is used for an assisted living home for the elderly.

## YMS of R Men's Group

The next YMS of R meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 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

Hi everyone. Well I'm finally back. It's been a long haul, but I am doing well. So many things to tell you. First and most important thank you for all your prayers that mean so much to me - the visits, cards, and gifts always kept me smiling.

Summer break is over and our next meeting will be Sunday, September 25th after the 11:00am Mass inside of the church. We will discuss upcoming events and dates. Father Mark will also be presenting Lydia Kowalski Cane, our newest member, with her medal.



The Christmas Cookie Tray Raffle is December 17th and 18th. Details will be discussed at our meeting. Let's make this the best one yet!



Retreat 2017 at the Lake Yale Conference Center in Leesburg will be held on January 12th, 13th and 14th - so mark your calendars. Once again this will be a great event! Price for a single room is \$194 and includes 3 days and 5 meals - a great price. The double room is \$144 each for 3 days and 5 meals. I have secured our speaker Gaye Martin. She is delightful, very knowledgeable, speaks locally and also travels all over the country to speak. All the ladies of our church family and friends are welcome.

If anyone is interested in joining our Society, please come to our meeting and see what we are all about, or give me a call at 352-233-9961. I would be delighted to speak with you.

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Adoration Society of the most Blessed Sacrament (ANS)

We always thank you Dear Lord for your never ending support and our great success.

In His service, Dori Canfield

*President, The Adoration Society*





Father Mark's bible study class will start back on Thursday, October 6, 2016 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.

## 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.



## Birthdays

- 2nd Billie Barkow
- 3rd Veronica Phillips
- 4th Kenny Koledge
- 7th Joyce Walczak
- 8th Karen Burden
- 9th Gail Lazenby
- 12th Dottie Edmiston
- 13th Sharon Pierce
- 15th Maura Mack  
Jane Wdowiak
- 17th Sally Gummoe
- 18th Gene Ladik
- 19th Steve DeWitt
- 20th Jeanne Arruda
- 22nd Michalina Ryk
- 23rd Jack Adinolfi  
Dian Gerstner
- 24th John A. Rykaczewski
- 25th Elaine Beckler  
Lena Botor  
Charlotte Stoykovich
- 26th Betty Krey
- 27th Paula Derkowski  
Fred Dowling
- 28th Carol Basta
- 29th Joan Pallotto
- 30th Bill Morin  
Betty Ruffolo



## Anniversaries

- 1st Steve & Mary Beth Autry
- 3rd Walter & Jeanne Arruda
- 26th Ivan & Mary Jane Madore
- 27th Alan & Sally Kilshaw
- 28th Jim & Josie Runnels

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



On Saturday, October 8th 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.



## 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.

## 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

*Before anything else, above all else,  
beyond everything else, God loves us.  
God loves us extravagantly, ridiculously,  
without limit or condition.  
God is in love with us...God yearns for us.*

Roberta Bondi

## Finding Peace in the Face of Loss Support Group

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.

In response to folks desiring better understanding and to help foster a more peaceful spirit, Father Mark has approved the establishment of a support group here at St. Paul's. The next meeting for the *Finding Peace in the Face of Loss Support Group* will meet inside the social hall on Saturday, September 3rd following the 10:00am Anointing of the Sick & Intentions for Departed Mass.

## St. Paul's Breakfast Buffet Begins October!



Sunday morning breakfast buffet in our social hall will begin on Sunday, October 2, 2016. The Sunday morning Mass times will be adjusted to 8am with the buffet running from 9am – 11am. The 11am Mass time and 4pm Saturday Mass will remain the same.

Enjoy a spectacular all-you-can-eat buffet filled with lots of different breakfast items to select. Pancakes will be made to order at the kitchen window and the buffet will include: French toast, farm fresh scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, corned beef hash, home fries, fresh fruit, bagels & cream cheese, cereals, along with Complimentary coffee, milk and iced tea. All for only \$10! Children 9 & under are only \$5! When you add up all the extra costs from what restaurants advertise, you typically pay far more than meets the eye.

Now, here's the other really cool part: If you are a customer at our Friday night spaghetti dinner, you will receive a \$1 discount coupon to that Sunday's Breakfast Buffet!