

St. Veronica

CONGREGATION ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE

353 E. NORWICH ST. • MILWAUKEE, WI 53207



*You were buried
with him in baptism,
in which you were
also raised with him
through faith
in the power of God,
who raised him from
the dead.*

COLOSSIANS 2:12

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A Message from Father Mark

This column could be entitled, “The Gifts, the Giver, and the Gifted.” We all have had the experience of receiving a gift: for a birthday, Christmas, anniversary, or maybe as a complete surprise. Do you remember how you felt after receiving the gift? There can be incredible feelings of gratitude, joy and happiness. Sometimes tears can be shed due to the joy the individual is experiencing. Reception of a gift can also be humbling. We ask ourselves, “Why me?” A feeling of being unworthy of the gift could also enter our minds. Yet whether we feel that we deserve a gift or not doesn’t make any difference, because we will continue to receive and give gifts.

How does the giver feel when giving a gift? First, he or she contemplates what would be of interest or value to the recipient. Then there comes the search for that perfect item. The gift is carefully wrapped and a feeling of excitement grows as the time for presenting the gift edges closer. Finally, there can be joy and relief when the recipient expresses happiness upon opening the gift. How does God react to all of us when He gifts us? How do we react towards God having received God’s gifts? In the Gospel of John, Jesus spoke deeply and profoundly about what He considered a wonderful gift given to Him by God the Father - His disciples. “Father, they are your gift to Me. I wish that where I am they also may be with Me, because You loved Me before the foundation of the World” (Jn 17:24-25). Jesus shared His joy of receiving the precious gift of His disciples with the giver of the gift, His Father.

Our Faith acknowledges the fact that we are constantly receiving gifts from God. Our lives are a gift. Our health is a gift. Our talents, friendships and other relationships are gifts. It is through God that we live and move and have our being. We have not earned our life; God has freely given it to us. God freely has gifted us in a myriad of ways. How do we react to these gifts? Are we grateful? Do we show some appreciation for the gifts that God has bestowed upon us? Have we taken the time to reflect upon the many gifts given to us from God?

Every Sunday at Mass we have an opportunity to share our gifts by being the giver and the gifted. We offer to God ourselves, our prayers, our time, and our treasure. We know that what we offer is not a surprise to God. What we offer to God should certainly be thoughtful, just like giving a gift to a family member or friend. How would you like God’s gifts given to you to be half hearted or an afterthought? As we ponder what it means to be gifted and what it means to give a gift, keep in mind that God has given us exactly what we need. There is nothing “off hand” about any gift bestowed upon us from God. Therefore, when we offer our time, talent and treasure, it also needs to be deliberate and thoughtful. When Jesus thanked his Father in John 17:24-25, he was grateful to his Father. Jesus wanted the gift of his disciples to be ALWAYS close to him. Please take some time this week to recognize how you respond to God for the many gifts granted to you. How do we share our gratitude towards God for these gifts? What is our responsibility for these gifts? What is our response of thanksgiving for having received the many gifts from God?

Next week, we will focus on our responsibility for the gifts bestowed upon us.

Blessings, Fr. Mark

Benediction

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Eucharistic Adoration will take place THIS Sunday, JULY 29, during the time between the Masses. Jesus truly present in the Sacred Host will be exposed to view in the monstrance on the altar. Plan to spend some quiet prayer-time in adoration and thanksgiving after the 8:30 Mass or before the 10:30 Mass. This opportunity for prayer will be offered on the **fourth Sunday** of each month. "Let us beseech the Lord to reawaken in us the joy at His presence and that we may once more adore Him. Without (Eucharistic) adoration, there is no transformation of the world." (Pope Benedict XVI) At 10:00 we will conclude with Benediction, the ceremony of praise and blessing.

Facilities Coordinator-Part Time

St. Veronica Congregation is seeking to fill a 25 hour per week Facilities Coordinator position. Three or more years of experience in the operations of buildings and grounds and/or facilities preferred. The candidate we seek will be responsible for but not limited to: contract negotiations with suppliers and construction firms; manage major repairs or new construction; oversee weekly meetings to schedule projects with maintenance staff; work in collaboration with the Buildings and Grounds committee. A basic knowledge of HVAC, electrical, plumbing and mechanical equipment is necessary. The individual must be a team player, with excellent communication skills. Occasional evening and weekend hours will be necessary. An employment packet can be downloaded from the parish website at www.saintveronica.org. Applications can be mailed to: Carla Jager, St. Veronica Congregation, 353 E. Norwich Street, Milwaukee, WI 53207; or emailed to carlajager@saintveronica.org. If you have questions about the position, please contact Carla Jager at 414-481-0777. Applications must be received by September 14, 2007.

Congratulations to the Grand Prize Raffles Winners

1st Prize-Rosa Zielski

2nd Prize- Christine Rozewicz

3rd Prize- Paul Russart

Human Concerns

Spiritual Adoption

Progress Report: Sixth Month

I'm six months old now. I just opened my eyes. Before today, they were sealed shut for protection. I wonder what you look like. I can hear sounds too! It's great to have someone praying for me. My picture is on the 6th Month Poster: "Watch Me Grow" displayed in the Whitnall and Norwich corridors.

"Why is abortion a bone in the throat of contemporary culture? Because we all know intuitively that it violates the rules that make a loving, civilized culture possible. We also know that far from being a 'victimless' crime, abortion kills an innocent passenger and maims the unknowing driver."

David Andrusko, NRL News, 3/07

Rice Bowl Thank You

Even though this notice is after Easter, I would like to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU once again to all those who contributed to Operation Rice Bowl. St. Veronica collected a total of \$1,127.08. 75% of the collected funds went to the sponsored programs through Catholic Relief Services, and the remaining 25% stayed in the archdiocese to help alleviate hunger and poverty in our community.

Summary of the Human Concerns Survey

While the number of survey responses was smaller than anticipated, the suggestions offered some new ideas for Human Concerns.

The average length of time that people were members of the parish ranged from six months to 50 years.

Most people who responded fell into one of three categories:

1. 40-49 years of age; 2. 60+; 3. 50-60.

Most people knew what Human Concerns was and did, though not all people could identify what the various subcommittees were or did under the Human Concerns umbrella.

The list of ideas was quite extensive, but the four most common were:

- A. Starting a grief support group;
- B. More outreach to the faith community through social action and service – transportation to Mass and doctor's appointments; minorities; unemployed ministry.
- C. More outreach to school children and their families, involving both in Mass activities;
- D. More activities and outreach to young people, especially teens.

Thank you so much for all of your input and ideas. Some of the ideas belong to other committees and will be sent to the appropriate committee.

Cathy Souhrada, Human Concerns Chair, 747-8790.

Prayer Network

In your prayers this week, please remember all the requests called in to our Prayer Network or written in our parish Book of Intercessions. We average **48 prayer requests** a week.

Please continue to pray for world peace and for the safety of our military, also for all educators, for all civic and religious leaders, for vocations to the priesthood, the diaconate, and religious life. The general intention recommended by Pope Benedict XVI for JULY is: (Common Good) That all citizens may participate actively in working to achieve and maintain the common good. The mission intention is: (Help for Missionaries) That all Christians, aware of their missionary duty, may actively help those engaged in the evangelization of peoples. www.apostlesofprayer.org. "As a society we are witnessing the fruits of the abortion mentality. Is it any wonder that we have created a culture of violence? We need to repudiate all forms of violence. Jesus offered the way — demanding but fruitful. Prayer does change hearts. The current culture of violence will yield only to that spiritual force that first touches and then changes individual hearts. Prayer does work and it must be our instrument of change." Homily of Washington Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl, Pro-Life Mass, National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. January 22, 2007. (www.usccb.org/prolife)

| TIME | CAPTAIN | PHONE |
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| 7-9 am | Jeanette Kuechenmeister | 481-6224 |
| 9-12 pm | Dorothy Butzler | 481-3608 |
| 12 pm-3 pm | Lucille Devine | 529-8570 |
| 3-5 pm | Cecilia Bonczkowski | 744-9406 |
| 5-7 pm | Helen Rewolinski | 744-4139 |



Open Door Free Health Clinic

The Open Door Free Clinic, for the uninsured and underinsured, will be open on Wednesday's, August 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29.

The clinic is located inside Unity Lutheran Church, 1025 E. Oklahoma Ave. Sign-in time is 5:45 and the medical staff will see patients from 6:30-8:30pm.

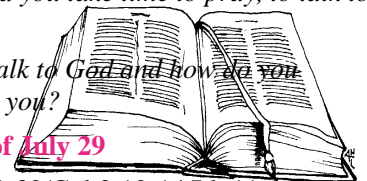
Please note the clinic now has a telephone number, 481-1778, which also gives the dates it is open, as well as a website which is www.opendoorfreeclinic.org

Lectionary Link

This week we hear that faith in prayer is important. Jesus teaches us to ask, to seek, and to knock. He uses the image of a neighbor who is insistent that his need be filled. The need is filled if only to get the borrower to GO AWAY. God's way of giving greatly exceeds that of even human parents.

Adults: When this week did you take time to pray, to talk to and listen to God?

Children: Where do you talk to God and how do you listen to what God says to you?



Readings for the Week of July 29

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| Sunday: | Gn 18:20-32/Cb1 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13 |
| Monday: | Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Mt 13:31-35 |
| Tuesday: | Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Mt 13:36-43 |
| Wednesday: | Ex 34:29-35/Mt 13:44-46 |
| Thursday: | Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Mt 13:47-53 |
| Friday: | Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Mt 13:54-58 |
| Saturday: | Lv 25:1, 8-17/Mt 14:1-12 |
| Next Sunday: | Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21 |



Please Pray For...
George Chasco and Tom Philbert

Symposium at Cardinal Stritch University to Focus on Lay Ministry

The Saint Clare Center for Ministry Formation at Cardinal Stritch University will present an innovative and important daylong symposium on campus Aug. 10, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. focused on the compelling questions facing lay leadership in the Catholic Church today.

The symposium also will mark the grand opening of the Center, which, as part of the University's Religious Studies Department, facilitates degree and certificate programs for lay people who want to work in the Church.

The symposium will feature a keynote address by Bishop Richard Sklba, auxiliary of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, on lay ecclesial ministry in the Archdiocese, as well as a presentation by Dr. Rick McCord, a national expert on lay ministry with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Both speakers will discuss lay ministry in light of the US Bishops' 2005 document, "Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord," which requires four areas of formation for lay ministers: pastoral, human, spiritual and intellectual. The Saint Clare Center is the first university program in the nation that was designed specifically to focus its work on the formation requirements outlined in that document.

The symposium, which is co-sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Secretariat for Family, Laity and Youth, also will include panel discussions highlighting the panorama of lay ministries serving the people of the Church today. Cost is \$15.

For more information or to register, contact Mary Foley at 410-4405. or flyers available on bulletin board next to parish library..



Help Wanted

STAA is in need of volunteers to help paint inside the school. Will count toward service hours. Contact Mrs. Mary Stallmann, after August 1 at 744-1214 for more information.



Mensajero Católico Moves to New Timeslot

Beginning Saturday, August 4, Mensajero Católico, the Archdiocese of Milwaukee's weekly Hispanic radio program, will air from 8-9 a.m. on La Gran D, 104.7 FM. The show had been airing in the 7-8 a.m. timeslot since its debut on July 15, 2006.

Mensajero Católico, hosted by Otilio Fernandez, features inspirational readings, religious music and Catholic community announcements of meetings, activities and events.

Summer Challenge

Adult Catholics are encouraged to continue learning and growing in their faith. We will be offering a new quiz each week for the rest of the summer as a fun way to add to your store of knowledge. There are also numerous Catholic websites which offer information on various topics. We will mention a different site each week.

This week's featured site is <http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html> sponsored by Creighton University which is a Jesuit institution. This is a terrific site and offers a daily meditation, weekly guide to prayer, Stations of the Cross and online retreat in English, Spanish, Russian and Japanese. It also offers "Praying with Alzheimer's patients. Answers to the weekly quiz will be given elsewhere in the bulletin.

1. Which of these is NOT a requirement to be a Catholic godparent?
(a) be over the age of 16; (b) have received all three sacraments of Initiation;
(c) not be the child's parents; (d) be a relative of the child
2. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" is called
(a) a Commandment; (b) a Beatitude (c) the Golden Rule; (d) a Precept of the Church
3. This word means, "Yes! Let it be so!"
(a) Alleluia; (b) Amen; (c) Hosanna; (d) Shalom
4. The fourth and most recently declared mysteries of the Rosary are
(a) Mysteries of Light; (b) Joyful; (c) Sorrowful; (d) Glorious
5. The number of choirs of angels. (Extra credit for naming them)
(a) 5; (b) 7; (c) 9; (d) 11
6. The Sacrament of Healing which is celebrated when one is in danger of death or has an extended or serious illness. Formerly known as Extreme Unction
(a) Scapula; (b) Angelicum; (c) Healing Waters; (d) Anointing of the Sick
7. The Creed recited during Mass and is named after the city which held an ecumenical council
(a) Roman Creed; (b) Nicene Creed; (c) Athenian Creed; (d) Alexandrite Creed
8. Which of these is not one of the four marks of the church
(a) hierarchical; (b) catholic; (c) one; (d) holy
9. The word "catholic" means
(a) religious; (b) same as "Christian"; (c) universal; (d) welcome
10. The Greek word for messiah or "chosen one" It is a title for Jesus
(a) Ichthys; (b) Savior; (c) Christ; (d) Hypostasis

"I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." Lk 11:9-10

Parish Financial Stewardship for the Week Ending 7/15

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| Offertory | \$ 704.97 |
| Stewardship | 21,563.99 |
| Feed & Shelter the Poor | 1024.00 |
| Fr. Mark's Wish List | 2404.00 |
| Special Collection for | |
| Missionary Cooperative Plan | <u>50.00</u> |
| Total | \$25,746.96 |



The Parish Community of St. Veronica wishes to express its sympathy and promise of remembrance in prayer to the family of Ann Jacobs. Our hope and prayer is that he is now enjoying that fullness of happiness and peace in his heavenly home.

~Mass Intentions~

Sunday, July 29-17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am For our Parishioners
10:30 am † Edward Kaluzny (Daughter)

Monday, July 30

8:15 am Communion Service

Tuesday, July 31 Ignatius of Loyola

6:30 pm † Ed Ostrenga (K. Sweet)
† Gordon Kovales (Family)

Wednesday, August 1 Alphonsus Liguori

8:15 am † Cornelia Wisniewski (G. Breiwa)

Thursday, August 2

8:15 am † Joe Kotlowski, Sr. (Family & Friends)
† Joe Kotlowski, Jr. (Family & Friends)

Friday, August 3

8:15 am † John Lipinski (Son)
† Stan Payne (Family & Friends)

Saturday, August 4

4:30 pm † Patricia Russart (C. Gilewski)
† Sharon Lemmer (Family)

Sunday, August 5-18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am 50th Wedding Anniversary of
John & Elizabeth Ledvina
† Harriet Matte (Friends & Family)
† Elizabeth Huberty (Family)
† Selma Kowalski (N. & C. Goral)
† Mary Wegner (Family)

10:30 am For our Parishioners

Parish Meetings and Events

Tuesday, July 31

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| 6:30 pm | Health Ministry | POMR |
| 7:30 pm | AA | Seton |

Wednesday, August 1

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| 11 am | AA | Seton |
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Thursday, August 2

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| 9 am | Stewardship Mailing | Assisi |
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Saturday, August 4

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| 9 am | Food Pantry/Thrift Shop | |
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Parish Council Members 2006-2007

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Offices

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Principal Mary Stallmann

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Answers to Summer Challenge 1d; 2c; 3b; 4a; 5c; 6d; 7b;
8a; 9c; 10c. The choirs are angels, archangels, thrones,
dominions, virtues, powers, principalities, cherubim, and
seraphim

Sacraments

Baptisms: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on
the first and third Sundays of the month. Contact the
parish office to pick up registration materials. Parents are
required to attend one Baptismal preparation class.

Marriage: We celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage for
only our registered parish members. Please phone the
parish office one year in advance to schedule a meeting
with the priest, before you book other arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick/Pastoral Visits: We are always
willing to stop by your home or hospital. Please notify us
when you or a family member is in need of a visit. The
hospitals do not notify us. Anointing of the Sick will
occur after every weekend Mass on the 2nd Sunday of
each month.

Reconciliation: 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 3:30 pm before
the 4:30 pm Mass and every 3rd Thursday following the
8:15 am Mass. **4b**

Adult Ministry

Laptop Computer Needed

Are you or your business planning to upgrade your laptop and have one you no longer need? The Religious Education program and parish are in need of a laptop for various types of programming uses. If you have one that you would like to donate please call Karen, 481-0777.

Pick N Save Number

Religious Education for St. Veronica/ St. Paul has a charity number for Pick N Save grocery stores. If you would like your charitable donation to be credited to Religious Education please use code #815830. If you want to change your existing designated charity just mention our number at the service desk and they will update your card. Thank you.

RCIA

Have you or someone you know expressed an interest in being baptized into the Catholic Church? Do you know someone who was baptized but did not receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? Please extend an invitation to participate in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Through this process, the Catholic Church welcomes new adult members. Be an evangelist – invite a friend or family member to consider the Catholic way of life. For more information, please call Karen, 481-0777 or email karenbushman@saintveronica.org

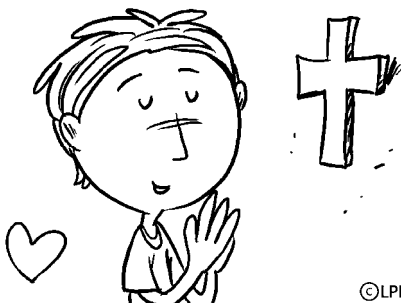
St. John Kanty's

100th Anniversary Festival Fun Day

Sunday, August 5, 10:30 am-7 pm
2840 S. 10th Street

Chicken Dinner, Live Music,
Silent Auction, Church Raffle and
Variety Booth.

Come join our celebration!



Youth Ministry

Confirmation Registrations have been mailed to youth who will be in 11th grade and at least 16 year old this coming year which is the age for Confirmation. If you believe you are eligible to receive Confirmation this year and did not receive the Confirmation forms, you may download the forms from the parish website or contact Jeffrey Montoya. **Registrations are due by August 31, 2007.**

Youth Ministry Calendars have been mailed to youth who are registered for grades 7-10. **Please return your session selection card by August 24, 2007.** If you have any questions, or if you have not yet registered for Religious Education grades 7-10, please contact Jeffrey Montoya or consult the parish website for more information and registration forms.

Catholic Kids Corner

Religious Education Registration

We continue to accept registrations for the 2007-08 religious education programs for school children in grades K5 – 6. These classes are held on Sunday mornings, 9-10:15am, in the STAA school building. Classes will begin in early September however early registration ensures sufficient catechists and supplies. A year of Religious Education classes is required prior to a child preparing for First Reconciliation and Communion. A registration form can be downloaded from the website www.saintveronica.org or call the Religious Ed office for more information.

Fun Facts for Faithful Kids

July 29 is the feast of Martha, the sister of Mary and Lazarus. They were very good friends of Jesus. He often came to their house for dinner. Martha is the patron saint of cooks, housewives, and hotelkeepers. Do you like to cook? Then say a quick prayer to Martha as you begin your preparations.

Marquette University High School and Marquette University will be celebrating the feast of St. Ignatius Loyola on July 31. St. Ignatius is the founder of the religious order of priests called the Society of Jesus or Jesuits. The life of St. Ignatius was changed when he was hit by a cannonball and had to spend months in bed. While recovering, he read the lives of the saints and decided to become a “soldier for Christ”.

August 1 is the feast of a very intelligent saint, Alphonsus Liguori. St. Alphonsus became a lawyer at the age of 16! But he changed careers and decided to

become a priest. Like St. Ignatius, St. Alphonsus started a new religious order of priests called the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer or Redemptorists.

“In 1492 Columbus sailed the oceans blue.” This rhyme was meant to help children learn when Christopher Columbus set sail to find a passage to India. He left Spain using three ships – the Nina, the Pinta, and the Santa Maria on August 3. It was very brave but he knew God would be with him and the crew. Would you like to discover a new land, maybe on a different planet?



Photo Contest 2007

Entries are being accepted for Catholic Herald Parenting's 2007 cover photo contest. To enter, send a vertical, color photograph

of a child or children in your life taken in 2006 or 2007. Eight winning photos will appear on the covers of Catholic Herald Parenting during the next year, beginning with the September issue. Along with the entry, include *subject's name, age; parents name and parish affiliation; and the name of the person who took the photo.* Digital photos must be minimum 170 dpi at 10" wide. Photos should be sent to **Catholic Herald Parenting; PO Box 070913; Milwaukee, WI 53207** or email to chnonline@archmil.org. Contest deadline is Friday, Aug. 3, 2007.