

St. Veronica

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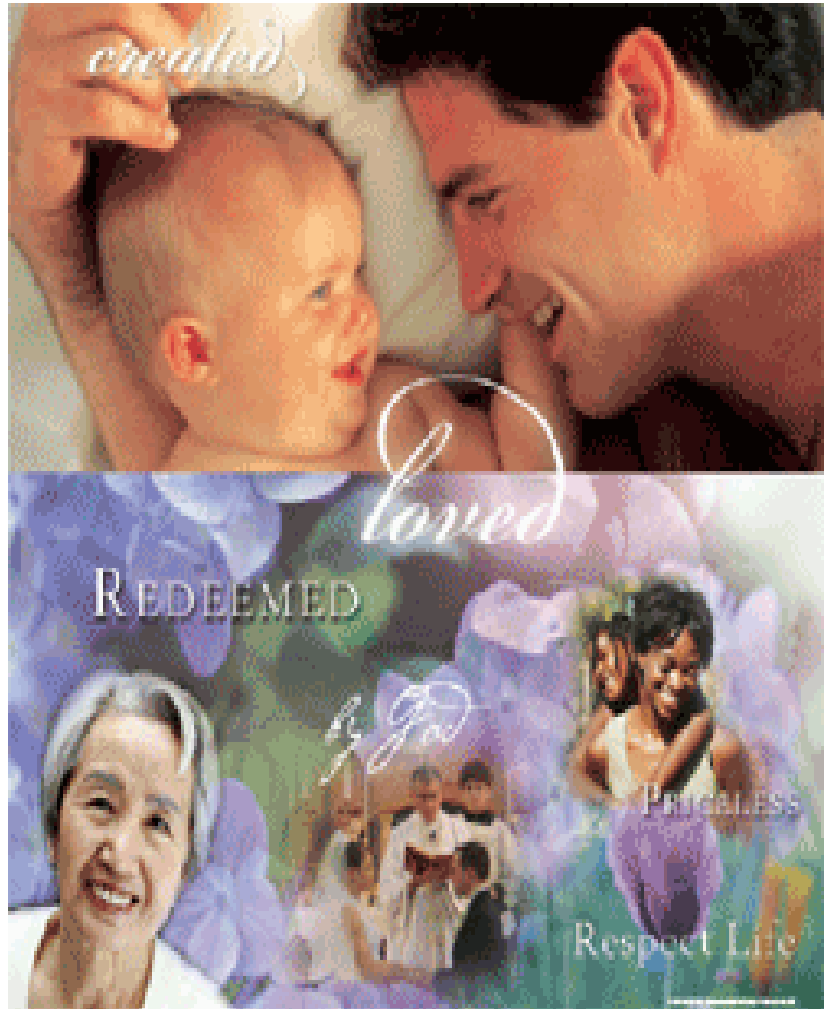
ST. VERONICA PARISH!

If you are visiting St. Veronica from another parish or if you are new to the area, we are very pleased that you have chosen to worship with us in our faith community.

We welcome you to become a member of our parish family. Please call the parish office or visit our website www.saintveronica.org if you are interested in membership.

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Dear Lord,
We live in a world today
that believes a person to be valuable
only if they are useful to ourselves or others.
Today, people who are inconvenient to some
are believed to have no rights.
We pray today that mothers considering abortion
will instead let their children live and grow.
We pray today that the elderly and infirm
will be valued as members of our society.
We pray for the poor, the condemned,
the disabled, and the outcast.
Help us, Lord, to build a culture of life
because you, our creator, are the author of us all. Amen
LPI, 2007



A Message from Father Mark

Archbishop Dolan said in his Catholic Herald column, "It's time to ring the bells, send up white smoke, and shout it from the rooftops: We're going to have a Capital Campaign to raise \$105 million for the noble cause of Catholic education and faith formation in our parishes and the wider needs of the community of Southeastern Wisconsin." The Campaign is called "Faith in Our Future" due to the urgency and great needs of the Archdiocese. Following months of consultation with the Priest Council, the College of Consulters, the Finance Council, three town hall meetings, and a lay board of respected area business leaders the final decision was to "go ahead." The campaign will be held in "waves" with 15 pilot parishes having begun the campaign this fall. Our parish is looking to be a part of the campaign in October 2008 or January 2009.

What are the reasons for the campaign? The Archbishop stated very clearly three major factors. "My invitation to you is sincere and urgent: I am asking, I am praying, I am hoping that you will take this drive very seriously. First, we must be serious about stewardship. We need to humbly and gratefully recognize that everything we have is a gift from God. We put him first in our life and return a portion of those gifts back to him and his church with consistent sacrifice and generosity, by donating our time, talent and yes, our money."

"The days when we can finance the church we love by throwing a couple of bucks in the collection basket, or depending upon another bake sale or raffle, are over." Stewardship is the only way to go, as a reliable return to God and his church for the first fruits of our harvest. Our "Faith in the Future" Capital Campaign has as a first goal, not to raise money, but **formation** in stewardship.

Second, we need a Capital Campaign to unite as Catholics and make an act of faith in the future of our church. The Archbishop mentioned that for five years he has heard many people speak to him about the gloom, scandals, and problems facing the church. "We need a cause to bring us together as Catholics, to show that, in spite of all her flaws, we love the church, we need our church. We need to have Faith in Our Future! We are Catholic, which means, we care not only for our parish, but for the wider church that makes up the archdiocese. So 60% of what you raise stays in your own parish, to take care of your own needs and 40% will be used for the wider needs of the 700,000 Catholics in southeastern Wisconsin."

Third, the final reason, we need the money. "Our efforts in Catholic education and lifelong faith formation in our parishes and for our people cost a bundle. The need to improve and build upon the existing programs that form our children and the leaders and catechists is essential." The Archbishop also said, "We have a sacred duty to use your money only for the reason it is given, not for the costs of the sex abuse scandals or to pay off archdiocesan bills. Our lay leaders have insisted that your money go into a trust which is carefully guarded and accounted for."

This is the direction in which this campaign is designed. "I predict that there will be skeptics and critics who will shout out that they are angry at the church, that this is a stupid idea... We can listen to them or we can have Faith in our Future."

Blessings, Fr. Mark

Benediction

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and Eucharistic Adoration will take place this Sunday, OCTOBER 28, 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 Sunday that is in the fourth full weekend of the month. *I warmly recommend, to pastors and to all the faithful, the practice of Eucharistic adoration. Adoration outside Holy Mass prolongs and intensifies what has taken place in the liturgical celebration and makes true and profound reception of Christ possible.* (Pope Benedict XVI) At 10:00 we will conclude with Benediction, the ceremony of praise and blessing.

Mass of Remembrance

On Friday, November 2 at 7:00 p.m., the parish will have a Mass of Remembrance. At this time, we remember those who have been buried from our parish within the past year. If you have a family member who passed away during this time but who was not buried from St. Veronica's and you would like to have them remembered during this service, please call the parish office and give your name and the name of your loved one. We will include them in this special prayer.



St. Veronica Brunch

Join us on Sunday, October 28 in Johnson Hall for all you care to eat strawberry pancakes, sausage, eggs, ham, rolls, muffins and beverages. Serving time will be from 9 am – 1 pm.



St. Veronica's Delicious "Fish Fry"

Friday, November 2 from 4 –7 pm in Johnson Hall. Our baked and fried cod is made in non-cholesterol oil. Also featured are fresh baked desserts. Adults \$8 and children \$4 (3-12). Carry Outs available.

We would like to offer our guests homemade desserts. If you want to bake a dessert or two for our fish fry, please feel free to drop them off in Johnson Hall on Friday, November 2.

Thrift Shop will also be open during the meal. Stop by to see what type of bargains they have!!!

**Mark Your Calendars
"All Committee Day"
Sunday, November 4 12-1 pm
in Johnson Hall.**

Human Concerns



Post -Abortion Support Group

Beginning on Saturday, November 17, there will be a post-abortion support group beginning here at St. Veronica. The group will meet from 10 – 11 am in the Parish Office Meeting Room. All who have experienced the pain from abortion are welcome. All information shared in the group will be confidential. Please contact Cathy Souhrada, 747-8790.

Blood Drive

St. Veronica will host a Blood Drive on Friday, November 23, in the Assisi Room. Plan ahead and plan to be there.

St. Veronica's Giving Tree

The Giving Tree will be sponsored by Human Concerns again this year. The tree will be up in early November, so that parishioners have plenty of time to bring a gift. For more information or to offer to help, contact Cathy Souhrada, Human Concerns Chair, 747-8790.

A thank you to all who attended our first speaker series presentation by Sr. Shawnee Sykes. We had over 50 people at the event. The next scheduled speaker is nationally-known stem cell expert, Dr. David Prentice. He will address the stem cell/cloning issue: The Sell Behind Stem Cell. He will be speaking on January 13, 2008. Location to be announced.

Saint V's Pantry

Saint V's Pantry served 665 men, women, and children 3-days-worth of healthy food in the month of October. Thank you for your kind and generous support! St. V's Pantry uses approximately 600 bags a month. We could use your recyclable grocery-size plastic and paper bags. Please bring them to the parish office or leave them next to the "feed the hungry" stand in Church. Again, thank you.



The Parish Community welcomes and rejoices in the recent Baptisms of:
*Carly Antczak, Bryce Budney,
 Alexander Fleming, Annie Ladd
 and Lilly Puerling*

Prayer Network

In September, there were more than 101 requests for our prayers called in to our Prayer Network or written in our parish Book of Intercessions.

Intentions included: Employment - Family guidance - Family healing -

Healing from accidents, surgery, illness, depression etc. - Peace after the death of a loved one - Peaceful death - Good medical test results - Safe travels - Special intentions - Spiritual guidance - Success in job - Success in school - Thanksgiving.

Please remember all prayer requests in your prayers. Become a part of Pope Benedict XVI's prayer group. The general intention recommended by the Holy Father for OCTOBER is: (Minority Christians) That Christians who are in minority situations may have strength and courage to live their faith and persevere in bearing witness to it. The mission intention is: (World Mission Day) That World Mission Day (10/21) may kindle a greater missionary awareness in every baptized person. <http://apostleshipofprayer.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
7-9 am	Jeanette Kuechenmeister	481-6224
9-12 pm	Dorothy Butzler	481-3608
12pm-3 pm	Lucille Devine	529-8570
3-5 pm	Cecilia Bonczkowski	744-9406
5-7 pm	Helen Rewolinski	744-4139

Dedication of our New Pro-Life Monument

St. Veronica Respect Life Committee and Knights of Columbus 4614 Cardinal Stritch Council cordially invites you to the dedication of our new pro-life monument on October 28. Archbishop Timothy Dolan will preside at our 10:30 mass and the dedication ceremony which will immediately follow in front of church. The monument with an image of Our Blessed Mother is in memory of God's Unborn and all who have been wounded by abortion. Our hope is that this area for reflection and prayer may bring healing and peace to all people who have been hurt by this tragedy in their lives.



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

Caregiver Support Group

All caregivers are invited to join with others who share their experiences. Through listening and exchanging ideas, caregivers can glean new insights and feel supported by others who understand. *Shepherd House 3221 S. Lake Drive; First Wednesday of every month; 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.* Registration is not necessary for this group

Open Door Free Health Clinic

The Open Door Free Clinic, for the uninsured and underinsured, will be open this Wednesday, October 31.

The clinic is located inside
 Unity Lutheran Church,
 1025 E. Oklahoma Ave.

Sign-in time is 5:30 pm and the medical staff will see patients from 6:00-8:30 pm.





St. Veronica's Winter Festival
Mark your calendar!

Sat., Nov. 10 2-8 pm

Serving stuffed chicken breast dinner,
3-7pm (adults \$8.50, kids \$4)

Sun., Nov. 11 9am-1pm

Enjoy a delicious Brunch with personalized omelets

All weekend: cookie walk, games, silent auction, gift shop and more!!

Please help with our Winter Festival

- To volunteer for a shift: Kathy (897-0246), or sign up after church the next 2 weekends
- Willing to donate items for silent auction: Contact Mike (489-9614) or leave in ushers' room/parish office
- Donate decorative or other items for the gift shop: Jaci (744-6006) or Lydia (477-8678)
- Would you like to bake goodies and bring them to Johnson Hall Saturday, Nov. 10
- Would you like to purchase or sell raffle tickets? Pick them up in ushers' room or parish office!

Lectionary Link

This week Jesus tells the parable of the proud Pharisee and the repentant tax collector. The Pharisee thanked God but he was boastful in the way he approached his prayer. The tax collector recognized that he was in need of forgiveness and asked that it be given. Jesus reminds the audience that sincere prayer is always heard.

Adult: How often have you prayed this week? How have you prayed?

Child: Have you tried not to think you are better than other people?

Readings for the Week of October 28

- Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/
Lk 18:9-14
- Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17
- Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21
- Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Lk 13:22-30
- Thursday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
- Friday: Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/
Jn 6:37-40
- Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1, 7-11
- Next Sunday: Wis 11:22-12:2/2 Thes 1:11-2:2/Lk 19:1-10



The Annual Stewardship Report has been mailed and all parishioners should have received it. Remember to update and return the yellow Parishioner Renewal Form included in your packet by Friday,

November 30. If you haven't received your packet, contact the office. Please read this weekend's bulletin for more information regarding the "Optional Automatic Withdrawal" program also available.

Health Topic Sunday -Diabetes
November 3 and 4, After all Masses
Blood Pressure Screening after each Mass in
God's Cozy Corner (on a limited basis)

All About Diabetes

Diabetes is a disease in which the body does not produce or properly use insulin. Insulin is a hormone that is needed to convert sugar, starches and other food into energy needed for daily life. The cause of diabetes continues to be a mystery, although both genetics and environmental factors such as obesity and lack of exercise appear to play roles.

There are 20.8 million children and adults in the United States, or 7% of the population, who have diabetes. While an estimated 14.6 million have been diagnosed with diabetes, unfortunately, 6.2 million people (or nearly one-third) are unaware that they have the disease.

In order to determine whether or not you have pre-diabetes or diabetes, health care providers conduct a Fasting Plasma Glucose Test (FPG) or an Oral Glucose Tolerance Test (OGTT). Either test can be used to diagnose pre-diabetes or diabetes. The American Diabetes Association recommends the FPG because it is easier, faster, and less expensive to perform. Have you ever been tested for diabetes? Learn more about what symptoms to look for and whether you need to discuss this disease with your doctor. Stop by the table in the front hallway of the church for more information.

A copy of Sr. Shawnee Sykes speech in Powerpoint will be available for those who could not attend, plus more of the Bioethics information offered in September. Marie Koszuta RN

P.S. Health Ministry members are invited to staff the Health Topic table and/or help with taking blood pressures on Nov 3 and 4. Please call me at 481-6341 or e-mail picklesrn@earthlink.net if you can join me. Thank you.

A Note From The Desk Of Kate Sponholz

I just returned from a retreat for music ministers sponsored by the National Association of Pastoral Musicians. People came from as far away as Florida, Pennsylvania and Texas to attend this retreat. One thing that I was struck by is the wide variety of situations in which my colleagues find themselves. Some are from parishes so small that there are no cantors and fewer than ten choir members. Some are from downtown parishes with no real residential community. They have no choir except for feasts and holy days and their choir members are paid singers. Some are from large communities where they are one of two or three paid musicians on the staff. All are dedicated to serving God and their parishioners.

We are so fortunate here at St. Veronica's to have so many dedicated, volunteer musicians. Our cantors, choir members and volunteer instrumentalists serve because of their love of God, love of music and love of our parish. They share their gifts with us and enrich all of our prayer. Please take the time to tell our volunteer musicians how much you appreciate their ministry. As the German philosopher Nietzsche said, "Without music, life would be a mistake."

When the Saints Go Marching In

Throughout the month of November, we will continue the tradition of Saint Trivia. Watch the bulletin and play along.

~Mass Intentions~

Sunday, October 28-30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am 15th Anniversary of St. Veronica
Prayer Network
Schroedl Family of Wenta Monuments
† Alyce Budnik (Family)
† Josephine Wojciechowski (Family)
10:30 am For Our Parishioners
Monument Blessing with
Archbishop Timothy Dolan

Monday, October 29

8:15 am Communion Service

Tuesday, October 30

No Morning Mass

6:30 pm † Ed Ostrenga (H. & S. Becken)

Wednesday, October 31

8:15 am † Elizabeth Huberty (Family)

Thursday, November 1 All Saints Day

8:15 am † Billy Skurzewski (Family)

7 pm For Our Parishioners

Friday, November 2 All Souls Day

8:15 am † Mary & Woodrow Bushman

7 pm Mass of Remembrance

Saturday, November 3

4:30 pm † Ronald Brzozowy (Family & Friends)
† Cornelia Wisniewski (Rodney Graham Fam.)
† Irene Markowski (R. Roberts)
† Theodore & Jane Stubinski (D. Stewart)

Sunday, November 4 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am For Our Parishioners

10:30 am † Rupert Jonas (Family)

† Greenen Family (Family)

Parish Meetings and Events

Sunday, October 28

8:30 am	RCIA	Assisi
9 am	Pancake Breakfast	JH
10:30 am	Monument Blessing with Archbishop Timothy Dolan	Church
10:30 am	STAA Family Mass	Church
7 pm	Women's Bible Group	Assisi

Tuesday, October 30

5:15 pm	Bible Study	POMR
7:30 pm	AA	Seton

Wednesday, October 31

11 am	AA	Seton
3 pm	Server Training	Church

Thursday, November 1

9 am	Stewardship Mailing	Assisi
7 pm	Special Ed	Assisi
8 pm	Adult Choir	Church

Friday, November 2

4 pm	Fish Fry/Thrift Shop	JH
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Saturday, November 3

9 am	Food Pantry/Thrift Shop	
1 pm	Jesus Day	JH
6 pm	St. Veronica/St. Paul YM	Library

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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.

Christian Formation

Adult Ministry

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA group will be attending the Rite of Welcome for Shannon Knudson who is a member of St. Paul on October 28. Please pray for the catechumens, candidates, sponsors, and the RCIA team as they journey together in faith.



Fun Facts for Faithful Kids

October 31 is the feast of All Hallows Eve or Halloween. It is the day before a very important feast day in the church. Do you know the name of that feast?

November 1 is All Saints Day or All-hallows (*all holy*). It is a Holy Day of Obligation which means we come to church to pray and thank God. On this day, we celebrate the saints - special friends of Jesus. Today we honor those saints who do not have a special feast day on the calendar. They are men and women who are heroes of the church because they show us how to live as Catholics. Why not look up the life story of your patron saint? Are you like him or her?

November 2 is All Souls Day. The month of November is dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory. This feast is a great day to remember and pray for all those who have died, especially anyone you know. Both November 1 and 2 are important in the Hispanic community with festivities in honor of relatives who have died. The days are called Día de los Muertos or Day of the Dead. For more information about this special day go to www.mexconnect.com/mex/feature/daydeadindex.html

Advent Parish Project – Names for Jesus

Advent will soon be upon us and it is time to prepare. Beginning next weekend, the Advent parish project will be available at the order of worship stands. The parish will focus on the title Jesus has been given throughout the centuries. Many of these names can be found in the Scriptures. Each family household will be invited to take one project and consider how you will prepare for the coming of Jesus. The instruction card explains when the project should be returned.

Poinsettia Sale

Everyone loves to have a Poinsettia plant for the Christmas season. It is time for the annual fund raiser for STAA and the Religious Education program. Why not order one and support the Religious Education program? Proceeds are used to purchase resource materials used in the program and the parish library. These beautiful large plants come from Custom Grown Greenhouse, a local business. *Sale dates are Oct. 28 – Nov. 26. Color choices are red, white, jingle bell, monet (pink), and plum. Cost is \$7.50 per plant. Pickup times are Dec. 7; 3-6pm and Dec. 8; 8-10am. Order forms are on the bulletin board strips at church entrances, the parish communication board near the elevator or call Karen, 481-0777. Thank You for supporting the Religious Education Program.*

Catholic Kids Corner

Elementary Religious Education

Daylight Savings Time

Children and parents are enjoying a well deserved week off due to teacher convention. Classes resume November 4. Parents are reminded that daylight savings time ends **Sunday, November 4 at 2AM** so don't forget to turn the clock back and enjoy an extra hour of sleep before class. Grades 3 & 4 children and parents will go to Johnson Hall for Scripture Sunday.

ME GROWING UP, KNOWING ME, MAKING CHOICES

Did your child receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in grade 2 or grade 4? Do you see your 5th or 6th grade son or daughter challenged by greater responsibilities and situations which stretch their decision making? This reflection session provides an opportunity for problem solving with our Catholic principles in mind. A guest speaker, decision making scenarios, discussion, problem solving and support from tried and true approaches to knowing ourselves pack this leadership opportunity for

intermediate age youth. *Grades 5 & 6 boys and girls; Nov 6; St. Augustine Church Hall, 2530 S. Howell Ave.; 6:15-7:30pm. No cost for this presentation.*

Children's Liturgy of the Word November 4 will be the next Children's Liturgy of the Word. Children **ages 4 – 8** are invited to follow the prayer leaders to the parent room on the Norwich side of church. The children hear the Scripture readings, a short reflection, the Creed and Prayers of the Faithful in age appropriate language.

First Reconciliation Jesus Day

First Reconciliation students and Confirmation candidates will become buddies for a day. They will explore the Ten Commandments and learn how the Parable of the Lost Sheep can help them understand the wonder of God's Forgiveness. They will also go "fishing" for answers in the fish pond, play a card game, and make a lamb craft. The session is *Nov. 4; 1-2:30pm; Johnson Hall. Parents with questions should contact Karen, 481-0777.*

Youth Ministry

Interested in playing CYM Basketball? We are now organizing the teams for both high school boys and girls. There will be an informational meeting for players and parents on Tuesday, November 6, at 6:30PM in the school library at St. Veronica. Call Jeff Montoya for more information.

Confirmation Retreat Chaperones Needed for our retreat on November 17-18. We are looking for a couple of adults (21 years and older) to help with the retreat. If interested in helping please call Jeff Montoya.