

# St. Veronica

ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE

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**WELCOME TO THE  
CATHOLIC FAITH  
COMMUNITY OF**

**ST. VERONICA PARISH!**

If you are visiting St. Veronica today 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, visit our website [www.saintveronica.org](http://www.saintveronica.org) or pick up a new member packet in the kiosk near the church elevator.  
Thank You.

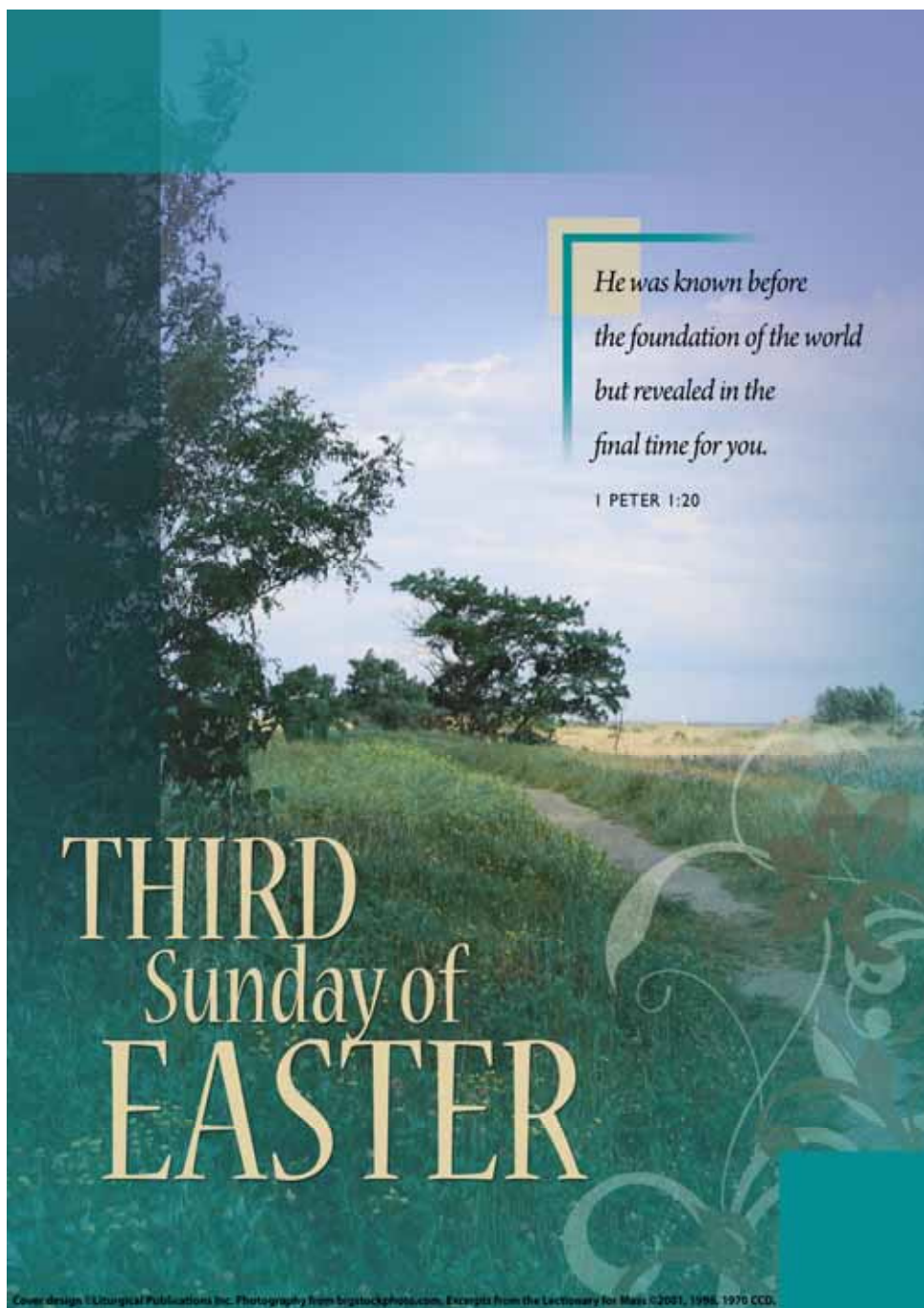
## Sacraments

**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.



*He was known before  
the foundation of the world  
but revealed in the  
final time for you.*

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THIRD  
Sunday of  
EASTER



### A Message from Father Mark

This weekend, we encounter the wonderful Emmaus event in which the disciples recall the story of the life of Jesus and experience his presence through the breaking of the bread. This gospel is significant for us because we share the same experience when we tell the story of Jesus and share in the Eucharist.

To tell the story is noteworthy because we don't simply tell the story but actually live the story of Jesus. Remember Holy Thursday, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples? After he had finished he reclined at table and questioned his disciples, "Do you understand what I just did for you?" Now you must do the same for others." Jesus gave us an image of what the church is supposed to look like, feel like and act like. Our position, whether as washer or washed, servant or served is a difficult task yet that is the story we are to live out in our daily lives. We don't simply tell the story but rather we live the story. The only way we live the life of Jesus is to know him and follow him. Remember when Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" After a number of suggestions were voiced Peter speaks the truth, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus tells Peter that he didn't come to his answer on his own but that His heavenly Father revealed the truth to him. As we listen week after week to the Scripture readings and homily we are given the task of incorporating into our lives the images and actions of Jesus. We don't do this on our own but rather we wrestle with the mission of Jesus just as the early disciples did as they came to know and love the Lord.

As the disciples walked along the road with Jesus to Emmaus they recounted the many works and wonders that Jesus did for people. The disciples knew parts of the story but as Jesus pointed out to them the greater picture as he said, "How slow of heart you are to believe what the prophets wrote?" Jesus recounts what was said of himself back to the days of Moses and the prophets. Jesus opened their minds by pointing out what needed to take place in order for scripture to be fulfilled.

We carry on with the task of living out the story of Jesus. We are reminded that we may not understand at first, but we will come to understand. The more we live the story the more we embrace the life of Jesus. The disciple's eyes were opened after Jesus broke the bread; the action and the story came together at that moment. The action was significant because Jesus asked his disciples to remember him through this action. That action touched a central core in them that helped them feel his presence. We share in the experience every Sunday by recalling the Lord's life, death and resurrection. When we gather for the Eucharist, we are like the disciples on the road to Emmaus. We are asked to live the Eucharist by becoming and living the life of Jesus. We invite others to join us around the table by setting our differences aside, by forgiving one another and praying for each other. The Eucharist is not simply breaking bread but an action of sharing ourselves with those whose lives need Jesus. It is an action of serving and being served, of washing feet and having our feet washed. It is telling the whole story by being Jesus when we are with one another.

*Blessings, Fr Mark*



### Vine & Stein Social

Wine & Beer Tasting  
Saturday, April 19  
St. Veronica's - Johnson Hall  
Wine & Beer Tasting from 7-9 pm.  
Cost \$15 per person  
Light buffet, Entertainment,  
Raffles. Cash Bar until 10 pm  
Tickets available after all Masses  
or at the door.  
Call Phyllis Logan, 747-1715

Theme: *We recognize Jesus when we hear His story and in the breaking of the bread.*

Question for Children: *How do you know Jesus?*

Question for Youth: *The two disciples recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Think back to when you received your first Communion. Is it still as exciting to receive?*

Question for Adults: *How often do you meet Jesus in the Eucharist? What stops you from coming more often?*

### Highlights from Holy Week

Here are a few things that made Holy Week stand out for me this year:

**Palm Sunday**...seeing all the young people involved in acting out the Passion

**Holy Thursday**...watching the procession and hearing everyone sing the Tantum Ergo

**Good Friday**...our intimate service in (spite of) the snow

**Holy Saturday**...seeing and hearing the bustle as the church was made ready for the Great Vigil...hearing the wonderful stories of our history as a church...seeing Ron's face when he came out of the baptismal pool, truly a new creation

**Easter Sunday**...hearing everyone sing, "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!"

**And always**...the privilege of praying with this community.

Take time to reflect on the things that stood out for you as well. Savor the riches of this most joyous of seasons.

Happy Easter! *Kate Sponholz*

**Picture Found** A donation to the parish thrift shop included a 6x9 well preserved picture of two couples (possibly a wedding) in the early 1900's. One of the women is listed as "Emmy Wessel". If you can help us return this to her family please call the parish office, 482-2920.



**Mark Those Calendars!**

Our next speaker series event will be on Sunday, April 20, from 11:30 -1:00. The event will feature a panel discussion of end-of-life issues.

Our presenters will be:

*Fr. Mark Payne, Barbara Lyons, Wisconsin Right to Life Executive Director, Jean Godfroy, R.N., Oncology Nurse, and Tom Potter, J.D., attorney.*

The panel will present an overview of these issues, with further in-depth presentations in the future.

The event will feature light fare and will follow the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Veronica. Event will be held in Johnson Hall. For more information, contact JoAnn Gates, 482-0823.

**Grief Support Group**

We will meet on Saturday, April 5 from 10-11 am in the Parish Office Meeting Rm.

**Breast Cancer Awareness Walk**

This year hundreds of thousands of people will face the news “you have breast cancer.” Parishioner Char Zeller, is putting together a team to walk and raise funds for the American Cancer Society Making Strides Against Breast Cancer® Walk. The team will be honoring another parishioner who is fighting this disease. The walk is May 3, registration 8 am (kickoff breakfast at 7:30-8:30 am); route begins in O’Donnell Park.

Would you like to walk with Team “We Believe” or make a donation? For information call Char Zeller, 744-0994.



The Parish Community of St. Veronica wishes to express its sympathy and promise of remembrance in prayer to the families of Thomas Galbraith and Giles Sheridan. Our hope and prayers are that they are enjoying that fullness of happiness and peace in their heavenly home.

**Human Concerns**

**Prayer Network**

In March, there were more than 134 requests for our prayers called in to our Prayer Network or written in our parish Book of Intercessions.

Intentions included: Birth of a healthy baby - Employment - Family guidance

- Healing from accidents, illness, surgery, depression - Peace - Peace after death of loved one - Safe travel - Sale of house - Special intentions - Spiritual guidance - 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 APRIL is: (Proclamation of the Resurrection) That Christians may not tire of proclaiming with their lives that Christ’s resurrection is the source of hope and peace. The mission intention is: (Future Priests) That the future priests of the young Churches may be formed to evangelize their nations and the whole world. <http://apostleshipofprayer.org> “Set aside time to pray for an end to abortion and to receive strength from the Lord. Our ‘great campaign in support of life’ will require all the resources God has given us. It will take time. It will take much prayer, fasting, and sacrifice. Pray for the protection of human life and invite others to do so.” Homily of Cardinal Justin F. Rigali, Chairman, USCCB Committee for Pro-Life Activities, National Vigil for Life Opening Mass, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. January 21, 2008. [www.usccb.org/prolife](http://www.usccb.org/prolife)

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

Intentions left on a Captain’s answering machine will be taken care of



**St. V’s Pantry-Food of the Month**

From time to time, the question is asked: “*What food do you need in the food pantry?*” The specific food item requested for the month of APRIL is **pork and beans**. Donations may be dropped off in the Ushers room or brought to the parish office. Thank you.

**Recycled Bags for Food Pantry**

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.



**Free Clinic**

The Open Door Free Clinic for the uninsured and underinsured will be open on: Wednesdays April 9, 16, 23 and 30. The clinic is located inside Unity Lutheran Church, 1025 E. Oklahoma. Sign-in time is 5:30 pm and the provider will see patients at approximately 6 pm.

**Lectionary Link**

Today is the third Sunday of Easter. In the Gospel we learn about the appearance of Jesus to the disciples as they returned to their home. Imagine their disappointment at the death of Jesus. They had followed Him for years and it seemed that His ministry was a failure. They needed to have the story of Jesus explained and then experience the sharing of a meal to recognize Jesus.

*Adult: At what recent meal did you experience the presence of Jesus?*

*Child: When do you feel closest to Jesus?*

**Readings for the Week of April 6**

- Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35
- Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35
- Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51
- Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Jn 6:60-69
- Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10



St. Veronica Parish wishes to extend heartfelt gratitude to all of our wonderful donors. Your contributions are used to enhance our church environment for the upcoming holy season in memory of your loved ones (*in italics*) listed below. This list is complete for all memorials received after March 9.

Anonymous, *Alice & James Krause*  
 Anonymous, *Norma Cassata*  
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 M/M/M Kenneth Brooks, *Michael Brooks/Frank Brooks*  
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 Lucille Kulinski, *Lawrence Kulinski*



Dolores Lagina, *Joseph A. Lagina*  
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 Nancy Markowski, *Irene Markowski*  
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 Dani Sutter, *Doores & Matt Steffens*  
 M/M Henry Tessmer, *John, Kathleen & Jack Witeck/  
 Henry & Charlotte Tessmer*  
 Regina Torcivia, *Chris & Antoinette Torcivia*  
 Chris Zylka, *Zylka Family*  
 Susan Tuma, *Jackie Stachowiak*  
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 Michelle A Fugina, *Mary Vnuik*  
 M/M Bruce Davie, *Bruce Brown*  
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 M/M Donald Schaewe, Jr. & Family, *Tom Schaewe*  
 M/M Michael Preston, *Jeanette Marsolek / Cathy Preston*



### Additional Donations

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| Anonymous          | M/M Joseph Filapek, Jr. |
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| Sharon Dukelow     | M/M Steven Schreier     |
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### Papal Visit 2008 -April 15 –20

Pope Benedict XVI will make his first visit as the spiritual leader of the Catholic Church to the U.S. this

April. The six-day trip will begin in Washington, D.C., and continue to New York City. The trip is historic, especially since the Holy Father will address the United Nations General Assembly, meet with President George Bush and visit Ground Zero. There will be several public events during the visit, including Mass at Nationals Park in Washington and Yankee Stadium in New York.

Parishioners can comment on the upcoming trip at a blog set up by the USCCB. Visit: [www.usccb.wordpress.com](http://www.usccb.wordpress.com) to read already posted entries.



We have finished our third quarter of school and we continue to be so very busy with many activities. Many of our students are busy preparing for our spring play, *Pinocchio*, which will be April 23 and 24 in Johnson Hall. There will be afternoon performances at 1:30 p.m. and evening performances at 7 p.m. I invite all of you to attend our play on one of these days. Not only do our students memorize lines for the play, they also perform solo's and help with the lighting and stage. This play is directed by our K5 teacher, Mrs. DiMeo, with help from our music teacher, Mrs. Brooks, and some of our other teachers; Mrs. Antholine, Mrs. Charney and Ms. Fera. And of course, this play would not be as wonderful as it is without all the support and help from our parents. Thank you to all.

We continue to take registrations for the 2008-2009 school year. Some of our classes are filling up fast, so if you are interested in our school or a tour, please call 744-1214 x4. You can also look us up on the web; [www.thomasaquinasacademy.com](http://www.thomasaquinasacademy.com).  
*Principal, Mary Stallmann*

## ~Mass Intentions~

### Sunday, April 6 Third Sunday of Easter

8:30 am For the Parishioners  
 10:30 am † Walter Banach (Family)  
 † Anthony Balistreri (Family)  
 † Wynth Ohlinger (Family)

### Monday, April 7 John Baptist de la Salle

8:15 am Communion Service

### Tuesday, April 8

8:15 am † Ignacio Zaragoza (Family)  
 6:30 pm

### Wednesday, April 9

8:15 am † Robert Schwingstahl (Family & Friends)  
 † John Lipinsky (Son)

### Thursday, April 10

8:15 am

### Friday, April 11

8:15 am

### Saturday, April 12

4:30 pm † Betty Dereszynski (Family)  
 † Sharon Lemmer (J. Lemmer)

### Sunday, April 13 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:30 am † Joseph Ploszay (L. & R. Ploszay)  
 † Conrad Kania (R. Bieszk)  
 † Charles Borkowicz (C. Borkowicz)  
 10:30 am For the Parishioners

## Parish Meetings and Events

### Sunday, April 6

|         |                     |              |
|---------|---------------------|--------------|
| 8:30 am | RCIA                | Assisi       |
| 9 am    | SRE                 | School       |
| 6 pm    | Confirmation        | Johnson Hall |
| 7 pm    | Women's Bible Group | Assisi       |

### Monday, April 7

|         |                     |      |
|---------|---------------------|------|
| 6:30 pm | St. Vincent de Paul | POMR |
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### Tuesday, April 8

|         |                |        |
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| 7 pm    | Respect Life   | POMR   |
| 7 pm    | Parish Council | Assisi |
| 7:30 pm | AA             |        |

### Wednesday, April 9

|       |                      |              |
|-------|----------------------|--------------|
| 11 am | AA                   | Seton        |
| 6 pm  | Dartball             | Johnson Hall |
| 6 pm  | Building and Grounds | POMR         |

### Thursday, April 10

|         |                  |              |
|---------|------------------|--------------|
| 1:15 pm | Community Elders | Johnson Hall |
| 7 pm    | Adult Choir      | Church       |

### Saturday, April 11

|       |               |      |
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| 10 am | Grief Support | POMR |
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### Sunday, April 12

|          |                          |              |
|----------|--------------------------|--------------|
| 8:30 am  | RCIA                     | Assisi       |
| 9 am     | SRE                      | School       |
| 11:30 am | St. Paul/St. Veronica YM | Johnson Hall |
| 6 pm     | Dartball                 | Johnson Hall |
| 7 pm     | M.A.L.E.S.               | POMR         |
| 7 pm     | Women's Bible Study      | Assisi       |

## Offices:

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## Parish Council and Liaison Members 2007-2008

*Pastor*, Fr. Mark Payne

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*Vice-Chairperson*, Nick Karabon, 481-9165

*Agenda Secretary*, Christina Mascitti, 745-9013

*Trustee Treasurer*, Ken Widenski, 482-2417

*Trustee Secretary*, Patti Jeffers, 427-4069

*Building & Grounds*, Mike Zilinski, 482-4448

*Christian Formation*, Rodger Nelson, 571-0121

*Parish Life & APC*, Monica Phillip, 744-1697

*Prayer & Worship*, Lynn Larson, 489-9148

*STAA Board*, Judi Caruso, 744-1554

*Stewardship*, Robin Decker, 483-5485

## Parish Financial Stewardship for the Week of 3/16

|                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Offertory               | \$ 1,871.58         |
| Stewardship             | 9,222.06            |
| Feed & Shelter the Poor | 296.00              |
| Fr. Mark's Wish List    | <u>791.00</u>       |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>\$ 12,180.64</b> |

## Rite of Christian Initiation Corner

As a parish, we continue to pray for the newest members of the Catholic faith community. This week our new Catholics will be discussing "Being Catholic and Celebration of the Eucharist" in addition to the Lectionary readings. If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church or receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist please call Karen, 481-0777, or email [karenbushman@saintveronica.org](mailto:karenbushman@saintveronica.org)

### 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.

### Mammogram Website

Do you spend time on a computer? Take a few moments to help ensure that poor women can receive free mammograms. [www.thebreastcancersite.com](http://www.thebreastcancersite.com) is sponsored by numerous businesses which will fund mammograms. All you need to do is visit the site and click. This is an easy way to help others, maybe even someone you know.



### Family of the Home

[www.familyandchurch.org](http://www.familyandchurch.org)

This website offers resources for Catholic families. Monthly topics, prayer resources, and activities are featured. This month the topic of the month is SERVICE. There are many suggestions for getting your family involved in a service project. Also, in the family activity section, there are ideas for discussion how much time each member invests in family activities.

### Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is national Child Abuse Prevention Month. It is most appropriate that Child Abuse Prevention Month is held during the Easter season. There is no better time than Easter to celebrate the protection of our most valuable gift from God-our children. Source:

[www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/preventionmonth](http://www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/preventionmonth)

## Christian Formation

### Youth Ministry

Youth Interfaith Service Retreat - April 25-26 - For the third year in a row, the SE Milwaukee Interfaith Covenant Community will be sponsoring a day of service by our Youth for our community. You can be part of this exciting event!

- Planning Team Members Needed! Join us to help plan the event. Adults and Youth Welcome—attend the planning meeting on Sunday, April 6 at 5 pm St. Veronica Church enter off the parking lot to Johnson Hall.
- Worksites Needed! Know someone who is elderly or otherwise in need of help? We will do yard work, wash exterior first floor windows, complete small projects such as painting, etc. Contact Jeff Montoya for an application.
- Adult Chaperones and Drivers Needed! Help supervise the students doing the service work including driving the students to the worksites. Contact Jeff Montoya for an application.
- And of course, Youth Participants Needed! Open to students in grades 7-12. Be part of the fun and make a difference in our community. Sign up by April 14. Contact Jeff Montoya for a permission slip.

### Sharing Faith with Your Child

Each week, we offer parents a faith theme and how to weave it into ordinary family life. Ideas come from 52 Simple Ways to Talk with Your Kids about Faith by Jim Campbell. This week we consider **Setting Priorities**. Start the conversation by sharing with your child the role God has played in your life. Ask your child how he or she sees serving God as a family priority. Brainstorm together what kind of activities your family can perform that will help each of you become closer to God.



### Catholic Kids Corner

#### Love Letters to Jesus

During the First Eucharist mini retreats, the children wrote a message to Jesus.

They wanted to tell Jesus about the retreat and their preparation for the sacrament. For the next few weeks, we will be sharing some of those letters.

*Dear Jesus: I enjoyed eating lunch with my friends at the retreat. Thank you for my puppy and mom and dad. Thomas D.*

*Dear Jesus: I liked the church search it was fun. I am thankful for my family, my house and my pet fish. When I receive Communion I can be part of His family and I get to celebrate. Emma J.*

*Dear Jesus: I enjoyed making the unleavened bread. Thank you for my life, my cat and my family. Noah B.*

### Elementary Religious Ed 2008-09

Changes will be made in the elementary program beginning in September. Students will attend classes twice per month. Each session will include teaching and attendance at the 10:30 Mass with their classmates. Children must have one year of religious education prior to preparing for First Eucharist and Reconciliation. Families not currently attending Religious Education but have children attending a public school are encouraged to call or email the office and leave your name, address, and the names/grades of students so we can add your family to the registration mailing list. Forms will be mailed in June.

### Fun Facts for Faithful Kids

April 7 is the feast of St. John Baptist de la Salle. St. John was a teacher but at the time, you would only teach one child at a time. He thought it would be a good idea to put several students in the classroom together. This idea became popular in France and then went to other parts of the world. How many children are in your class?

April 7 is also World Health Day. Did you know that there are many boys and girls who never get a chance to see a doctor and that they cannot get medicine when they are sick? Say a special prayer for all of the people who help to keep us healthy.