



The

# Messenger

All Saints Parish



September 2010

## WILL YOU HELP OUR POOR?

The All Saints Society of St. Vincent de Paul has been making an average of 6-8 home visits per month to people in need. The assistance we give is primarily help with rent or utilities. Due to the downturn in our economy, we are receiving more calls for help and

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the needs are becoming greater and greater. Agencies throughout the city also are experiencing dwindling funds.

Most of the homes we go into have residents who have lost their jobs, are physically, mentally or emotionally disabled, or have medical conditions among other issues. These people really need all the assistance that we can possibly give.

As Mother Teresa has written, "We should not serve the poor like they were Jesus. We should serve the poor because they are Jesus". We are asking you to search your hearts to see where you might help. Is God calling you to become a member of the Society or to give a one-time or an ongoing donation? Please prayerfully consider what you can do.

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." (Mt. 25:40)

### **Altar Society**

The Altar Society will sponsor a Woman's Retreat again this year on Saturday, Oct. 9, starting with Mass at 8 am. Fr. Oborny will be speaking on the topic "How God Calls Us to Serve Him".

Morning refreshments and lunch will be provided. Father will also hear confession following retreat and before lunch. Please look for RSVP forms at the church entrances for more information.

### **All Saints Child Care Center Openings**

As of August 19, 2010, All Saints Child Care Center has been operating for 19 years under the direction of Gail Arnold. Currently we have openings for the following age groups Toddler age 1 and walking alone, 3 and toilet trained, and age 4. Please contact the Center Office at 682-2205 if interested.



### **Greetings to All Saints parishioners:**

I hope that everyone had a safe and active summer. It's hard to believe that school has started again. I wish luck to all of the grade and high school students in our parish.

Several activities occurred this summer – Vacation Bible School, gathering of recipes for the cookbook, and Burger Burn. Without the help of volunteers, these activities could not have been a success.

I would like to thank everyone who submitted recipes for the All Saints Cookbook and pre-orders. The goal is to have the cookbooks delivered in time for the Multicultural Dinner. I want to remind everyone that the proceeds of the cookbook will be used to refurbish and restock the parish kitchen in the gymnasium.

On Sunday, August 29, 2010, the Asian community was selling a variety of Asian food items. It sure smelled wonderful in the gathering area. It is my understanding that the proceeds will be used to help those less fortunate in our parish. I hope that the parishioners supported this cause.

As the school year begins, please keep the students, teachers and parents in your prayers. Also, if you have an opportunity to volunteer in any way, remember you are using your time and talent that God has given you.

Mary Jenkins

Parish Council President

### **Medical Equipment**

For those of you who are not able to get medical supply equipment such as bath chairs, walkers, canes, and bedside toilet seats there are some available. We do not have all models, shapes, or sizes but we do have a few available from the parish nurse's closet. The only requirement is that you return the equipment when you are finished so that others may also benefit.

To use this equipment, please call Helen Wales, parish nurse, at home at 612-0696. If she's not at home, be sure to leave a number on the answering machine, and she will return your call during her non-working hours.



Our equipment is obtained through donations from families who no longer use their equipment or parishioners who happen to come across equipment and donate it to the parish nurse's closet. Thank you all for your donations. We currently have many walkers of all shapes and models, but we are currently out of our bath chairs, and we are in need of some for other parishioners. If anyone has unneeded bath chairs to donate to All Saints Parish Nurse Cupboard, we would be grateful. If you have borrowed and want to return it to All Saints, but you need it picked up please call Helen and Bill Wales for pick-up at 612-0696.

## Social Justice Commission

### Homebound Communion

Any member of All Saints Parish who requests communion due to inability to go to church may call to make arrangements. Homebound members of the Parish are invited to receive communion weekly if they notify Helen at 612-0696. Members of All Saints who have moved to a nursing home should contact Helen at 612-0696 or Loretta at 685-6740 so that we can assist in helping them receive Communion from the Home Bound Ministers.

All homebound members of the parish who are on the homebound list at this time who may be hospitalized or away from home for some other reason should remember to notify Helen at 612-0696 so the lay ministers do not make an unneeded visit. Please call prior to 9:00 a.m. Sunday morning. Otherwise we will attempt to be sure be sure the homebound parishioner is safe and not in need of emergency assistance.

For all parishioners of All Saints Parish, please remember it is not the hospitals' duty to notify the church of parishioners in the hospitals, it is the family's duty. It is a privacy of information issue. Please remember it is a family responsibility. We never get info from The VA Hospital or Riverside.

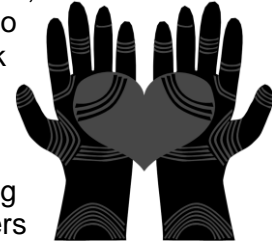
### BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC

The Parish Nurse Blood Pressure Clinic is available after all Masses the second Saturday and Sunday of each month. Any nurse available to assist with these clinics, please contact Helen at 612-0696 or Mary at 681-0939.



### Works of Love

On November 13, 2010, the All Saints Social Justice Commission is sponsoring a Works of Love from 9 AM until Noon. During Works of Love, parish volunteers do seasonal yard work such as cleaning gutters, trimming bushes, raking leaves, and washing windows for members of our parish who are physically unable to do those things for themselves. If you need to have work done at your home or would like to volunteer to help some of your fellow parishioners, contact Dan McAdam at 733-9757 [dmcadam@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dmcadam@sbcglobal.net), or John and Loretta Shark 675-6740 [sharkl@cox.net](mailto:sharkl@cox.net).



### TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR

I would like to thank Mary Niles Yaw for her years of volunteering as Transportation Coordinator. Mary has recently resigned as volunteer due to health reasons.

Because of her resignation, All Saints is asking if someone would like to volunteer as the new coordinator. The role of the coordinator is to assist those who need rides to church or medical appointments and schedule these rides with a volunteer driver.



If you have any questions, please contact Mary Jenkins at 652-9303.

## All Saints Cook Book

At this time we would like to thank everyone who helped to put this our parish cook book together. First, to Susan Rolfes who did the data entry of most of the recipes that were submitted. Second to the people who proofed all the recipes and found all the inconsistencies. This was a very tedious job. Third, to Cathy Ludwick who helped do the second proof reading to find missed errors. Fourth, to the people who volunteered to take orders after each Mass for three weeks. Lastly to every ones who sent in recipes to make our cook book a huge success. We have over 760 recipes to publish. We took pre-orders until September 5, 2010. We are expecting to have to books ready to pick up in November.

Books will be available to purchase as long as they last for \$17.00 each for those who did not pre-order.

## ELECTION YEAR

In their document "Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility from the Catholic Bishops of the United States," the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops states:

In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation. This obligation is rooted in our baptismal commitment to follow Jesus Christ and to bear Christian witness in all we do. As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* reminds us, "It is necessary that all participate, each according to his position and role, in promoting the common good. This obligation is inherent in the dignity of the human person. . . . As far as possible citizens should take an active part in public life" (nos. 1913-1915).

Are you registered to vote?



## Knights of Columbus

We would like to thank the parishioners for making the “Burger Burn” on August 28, successful. The weather cooperated, the food was tasty, and good conversation was enjoyed by those attending.



The Knights of Columbus is always looking for new members. Any practicing Catholic man over 18 is eligible to become a Knight. We are looking for more men to help us with our activities throughout the year. More people mean more projects that can be done. If you are even slightly interested in finding out more about becoming a Knight, call Deril Hosford, 640-5571.

**Some of our upcoming activities include:**

Carry-out BBQ – September 24-26

Tootsie Roll Drive – October 9-10

Concession stand at Postcard Show – October 16-17

Widow's Mass (honoring wives of deceased Knights) – November

Sometime in January and February, we hope to have a Soup Supper for parishioners. More details will come as the time gets closer, so be watching for more specific information.

The Knights of Columbus is also beginning to provide coffee and donuts after the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses every Sunday. We hope you will join us and your fellow parishioners in some fellowship. We appreciate your donations to help offset the cost of this service.

You can see that the Knights of Columbus have several projects coming up. We thank you for your continued support.

Deril Hosford, Grand Knight

**ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES**  
**ADULT FORMATION**  
(3r's & Adult Education)

Another exciting season of Adult Formation is under-way! Adult Formation sessions feature various speakers throughout the year. The sessions will take place at 7:00 pm. Watch the bulletin for locations. Also look for the schedule that will be attached to the bulletin and available in the Gathering Area. There are a variety of sessions that are sure to spark everyone's interest.

**Sept. 9** – Bridges out of Poverty presented by Danny Johnson

**Sept. 19** – “Bully” Prevention by Jim Williams

**Sept. 21** – Let's talk about Drugs and Alcohol by Silvia Landers

**Oct. 7** – “The Drexel Fund” by Dan McAdam

**Oct. 11** – What We Listen To-We Remember by Silvia Landers

**Oct. 28** – Revisiting the Roman Rite by Fr. Mike Nolan

**Nov. 2** – In the Presence of Angels I'll Adore You by Fr. Jarod Leis

**BIBLE STUDY**

This year we will review The Acts of the Apostles. Again we will meet on Monday nights at 7 pm in the West meeting Room of the church. Each week we will cover approximately one chapter with a 50 min. video and some discussion. The book of Acts shows the work of Christ continuing beyond His resurrection as He empowers believers with the Holy Spirit to do His work. Feel comfortable to just come and listen and/or just read one chapter a week, come when you can. There are no pre-requisites for these sessions. If you would like more information, call Marilyn or Don Grommesh at 684-4075.

**ON-LINE LEARNING OPPORTUNITY**

The Diocese of Wichita has joined 34 other dioceses to establish a partnership with the Catholic University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation. The partnership will allow the diocese to offer a variety of courses for adults via the internet at a reduced cost.

The online courses allow any adult who might have difficulty in taking a course in a classroom setting to do so when it is convenient for them, you can even work at 2 o'clock in the morning, if you want. The courses, which last about five weeks, are cycled seven times a year. Course categories include Catechesis (8 courses), Catholic Doctrine (5), Church History (2), Communications (4), Ecclesiology (4), Liturgy, Prayer and Sacraments (6), Marianist Studies (7), Scripture (4), Social Justice and Morality (11), and World Religions (1).

They are open to anyone for \$40 per course. They are available for 1.5 to 3 CEUs or 15 to 30 hours of credit.

For more information visit the website at <http://vlc.udayton.edu/>.

## Religious Education News

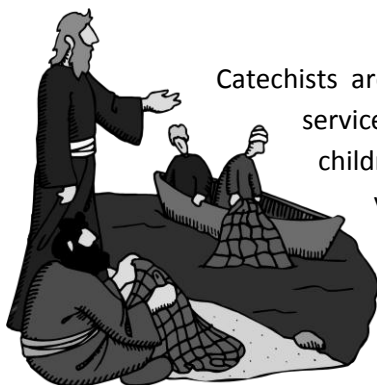
### CONFIRMATION



Our sophomores will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation this year at All Saints. Registration has already taken place and sessions started on Sept. 12, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm in the St. Agnes Room. Please remember our Confirmation candidates in your prayers.

### CATECHETICAL SUNDAY 2010

In the United States, more than half a million catechists serve in the nation's parishes, missions, and schools. The dedication and commitment of these catechists is something that deserves to be celebrated. The annual celebration of Catechetical Sunday is an occasion for recognizing, affirming and supporting their efforts through a formal rite of commissioning. All Catholics, especially parents, are called to renew their commitment to hand on the faith and to serve as witnesses of the Good News in ways that are more formal but just as important. This celebration will take place at All Saints Sept. 19, during the 10:00 am Mass. Catechists of all ministries will be recognized. Please support our catechists and let them know how much they are appreciated.



### WHAT IS A CATECHIST?

Catechists are those who are called to serve through teaching, witness, prayer, service, and building community. Catechists minister to adults, youth and children in a variety of programs: parish school of religion, Catholic school, youth ministry, sacramental preparation, RCIA, adult education, Generations of Faith, and more. Through word and example, catechists teach the Catholic faith and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

### PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN FOR ADULTS (VIRTUS)

This is a facilitated session that makes adults aware of what they can do to prevent child sexual abuse. All church employees and volunteers who minister with children (18 yrs. and under) or work with youth programs are expected to attend one of these mandatory sessions. Sessions are available throughout the diocese. Check the Catholic Advance or the Virtus website ([www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org)) to find places, dates and times. Another session will be offered at All Saints on Jan. 6. Watch the bulletin for details.

### RCIA

RCIA is off to a great start. The candidates and catechumens met once a month for inquiry sessions from April through Aug. We have 17 adults that are now being introduced to the basic teachings of the Church and meeting regularly on Tuesday evenings. Please remember to keep them in your prayers as they undergo this part of their journey of faith.

## SUNDAY MORNING PRESCHOOL

Sunday Morning Preschool is a program for children ages 3-5 (not in kindergarten) to learn more about their faith. The sessions will take place during the 10:00 Mass. Our program will use the Seeds material from Pflaum Publishing. Seeds is a program based on the Sunday Gospel readings. It was developed for ages 3-5 and is centered on Jesus' Gospel message with instructions in Catholic doctrine, sacraments, songs, videos, prayers and seasonal lessons aligned with the weekly Mass liturgy.

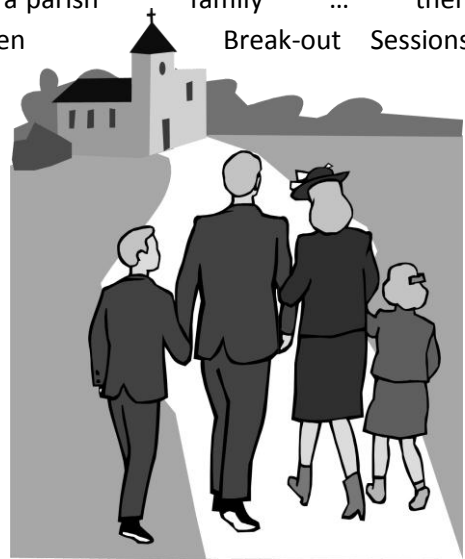
Cost for the program is \$20 for a family's first child and \$15 for each additional child. Course material will be provided. Call Sandy at 682-1415 if interested in enrolling your child.

## GENERATIONS OF FAITH

Yearning for something to steady you amid the frantic pace of modern life? Is it a deeper understanding of our Faith? Then Generations of Faith is for you ... and for your children ... and for your spouse ... and for your parents ... and for those with special needs, and for couples ... and for singles ... for teenagers ... for retired people ... for empty nesters ... FOR EVERYONE.

Generations of Faith is gathering together and sharing a meal as a parish family ... then experiencing an exciting overview of our gathering's theme ... then Break-out Sessions all on the same theme for all people according to their stage in life ... finally we all come together to share what we've learned ... and conclude with prayer and Home-Kits to continue Generations of Faith in your home. All in about the time it takes to watch a movie!

We are beginning a new exciting year concerning "The Best Kept Secret of the Catholic Church!!!" Join us for the first session on Sunday, Oct. 3 from 4:30 – 7:00 in the gym. Mark your calendar for Dec. 1, Feb. 20, and May 4, for the other events. Registration forms will be in the Gathering Area until Sept. 19, which is the deadline for registrations.



Generations of Faith is for our whole parish family...and we won't be complete without you!!!