



# *Missionaries of Faith*

Pray and Give Generously on  
*World Mission Sunday*

October 21, 2012

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## From the Pastor

**Missions.** Today is World Mission Sunday. Please support the Church’s missionary activity with your prayers and your financial contributions.

**Sing to the Lord!** Several of our school students led the singing at Mass last week as **Maria Wargolet** continues to recover from her recent knee surgery. Special thanks to **Kate Volk, Allie Niebrugge, and Maddie Thompson** who did an outstanding job as song leaders without any musical accompaniment.

**Year of Faith.** The new Year of Faith officially began on Thursday, October 11. This Year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of Vatican II and the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication of the new Catholic Catechism. The theme of the year is “New Evangelization.” Each one of us is called to deepen our commitment to the Faith and to call others to join us. We are urged, also, to review the documents of Vatican II and to spend time studying the Catechism. One of the early slogans of the Church was “faith seeking understanding.” During the coming months, we pray for the grace of a deeper faith and we study to more fully understand the Catholic Faith.

**Reminder.** I will be in Chicago for Provincial Council meetings from the 19<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>; I will go straight to St. Louis for the province’s annual Leadership Workshop from the 22<sup>nd</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup>. If all goes as planned, I will be back home on the evening of the 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Hurray, Fr. Vernon.** Fr. Vernon will celebrate the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, October 28, as part of the celebration of his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination. There will be a reception afterward in the grade school gym. Please join us as we celebrate this important milestone for a very special priest.

**Interviews.** The Confirmation class is in the process of meeting with various staff members. These individual interviews are part of the final preparation for the Confirmation liturgy which will be celebrated on November 28. Please support the confirmandi with your prayers and encouragement.

**Bread for the World.** Bread for the World is an agency that works to combat world hunger. Each fall, they ask parishes throughout the country to take up a special collection. Their suggested Sunday was 10/21, but that coincided with World Mission Sunday. Instead, we will take up a collection for Bread for the World next Sunday, October 28. Please help.

**All Saints.** Looking ahead, please remember that All Saints day is November 1. This is a holy day of obligation, so watch for our special Mass schedule. Please note that we have decided that the evening Mass on November 1 will be at 5:30 in hopes of accommodating more people.

Many thanks to the **Teutopolis Monastery Museum** board who recently gave a \$1000 donation to the parish. It is through the generosity of many people--both parish members and non-parishioners--that we are able to maintain and extend the ministries of the parish. Thank you!

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### COME, ENJOY

A clergyman had been invited to speak at a big banquet. After the dinner, the noise level in the room kept getting louder and louder. All the people were talking and joking and laughing and having a wonderful time.

Finally the Master of Ceremonies turned to the speaker and said, “Shall I introduce you now, or shall we let them go on enjoying themselves for a while?”

I invite you to the 10:30 Mass Sunday, October 28th to praise and thank the Lord for the past 50 years I had as a Franciscan priest. I hope and pray the Lord will give me many more wonderful years. On June 13, 1962, Bishop Pinger ordained my 13 classmates and myself to the priesthood here in St. Francis Church.

After Mass, come to the Grade School Auditorium and enjoy yourself. There will be no speeches to prevent you from enjoying yourself! Look over the photo albums of my ordination, first Solemn Mass and other pictures of memorable occasions. The reception will conclude at 3 pm.

Fr. Vernon Olmer, O.F.M.

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## Liturgy Schedule 29th Week in Ordinary Time October 22-28

Monday,	Mass at 6:30 am & 12:10 pm
Tuesday,	St. John of Capistrano Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Wednesday,	St. Anthony Mary Claret Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Thursday,	Mass at 6:30 am & 12:10 pm
Friday,	Mass at 6:30 & 8:05 am
Saturday,	Mass at 8:00 am & 5:30 pm
Sunday,	30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass at 7:00, 8:45, 10:30 am

### Confession Schedule

Saturday, October 27 - 3:30-4:30 pm

### Liturgy of the Hours with Friars

Monday-Friday -- 11:45 am & 4:45 pm

### Mass Intentions

Monday, October 22, 2012	Genevieve Schniederjon +
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Thursday, October 25, 2012	Genevieve Schniederjon +
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Friday, October 26, 2012	Genevieve Schniederjon +
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### Stewardship of Treasure

	<u>Sunday</u> 10/14/12	<u>Total Fiscal</u> Year
290 Adult envelopes	7,927.50	124,491.50
Other	453.00	8,214.47
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,380.50</b>	<b>132,705.97</b>
<b>GOAL</b>	<b>9,900.00</b>	<b>158,400.00</b>



## Parish Calendar

### Monday, Oct. 22

- CCW mtg., 7:00 pm, St. Clare Hall
- DeColores Board mtg., 7:00 pm, Mus. Mtg. Rm.

### Wednesday, Oct. 24

- Children's choir, 3:30-4:30 pm
- Teen choir, 6:00-7:00 pm
- Jr. Hi. & High Sch. Religion, 7:20 pm

### Thursday, Oct. 25

- Divorce & Beyond, 6:30-8:30 pm, St. Clare Hall
- Adult choir, 7:00-8:00 pm

### Friday, Oct. 26

- Halloween Dance, 8:30-10:00 pm, Gr. Sch. Gym

### Saturday, Oct. 27

- Confessions, 3:30-4:30 pm

### Sunday, Oct. 28

- Priesthood Sunday
- Father Vernon's Jubilee celebration, 10:30 Mass with reception to follow
- B & B Sunday, 8:00-9:30 pm, St. Clare Hall

### Sing-Along

St. Francis Singers and Friends will be singing at Lakeland Nursing Center on Thursday, Oct. 25th at 10:30 am.



## Pray for the Sick

Please remember in your prayers: Cathy Green, Renae Roepke, Eddie Siemer, Cheryl Ann Huber, Chris Utz, Anna Habing, Mack Kitten, Jim Koester, Tom Vonderheide, Jack Hardiek, Chuck Stevens

### Newly Baptized

**Dominic Joseph Mette,**  
Son of Kevin and Lisa (Drees) Mette

**Finley Boots Witges,**  
Son of Tyler and Kaitlin (Hinkle) Witges

Welcome to our Faith Family!



## Homebound Ministers

Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion to the homebound for Sunday, October 28th are: Theresa Funneman 821-4867 & Carlene Rauch 857-6296.

## RCIA

If you know of anyone who may be interested in more information about the Catholic Church, St. Francis offers two options. Sunday mornings following the 8:45 Mass and Tues. evenings at 7:00 p.m. both in the museum meeting room offer opportunities for anyone who may be interested. There are no requirements only a desire to get to know more. This week's topic is: Sacrament of Reconciliation.

## Bible Study

Our next session will be on Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in St. Clare Hall. Come join us as we gain insight into the lives of recently canonized women. Bring your lunch and join the conversation after the film. Our next great woman: St. Bakhita.

## Protecting God's Children training

will be Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, in St. Clare Hall from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Members of St. Francis CCW are invited to attend. Anyone else is always welcome. Please call the parish office to register for materials.

## B & B Sunday

Bring your Bible and favorite beverage and join us in St. Clare Hall from 8:00-9:30 p.m. Come enjoy Bible discussion in a relaxed atmosphere. See how God continues to weave His story into ours.



William and Maranda (Heuerman) Martin and children: Sophia, and twins: Augustus and Grace have registered as a new family in the parish.

## Holy Humor...

A Catholic nun who was living in a convent next to a construction site noticed the coarse language of the workers and decided to spend some time with them to correct their ways. She decided she would sit with the workers and talk with them while eating her lunch. Holding her brown bag with her sandwich in it and sporting a big smile, she walked up to the group and asked: "Do you men know Jesus Christ?" They shook their heads. One of the workers looked up into the steelworks and yelled out, "Anybody up there know Jesus Christ?" One of the steelworkers yelled down, "Why?" The worker yelled back, "Cause his wife's here with his lunch."

## Religious Education News

**GRADE SCHOOL-** Thanks to all children, parents, catechists, teachers, helpers of the Grade 5 Halloween Mission Bake Sale. The total amount collected and all the prize winners will be announced in next week's bulletin.

Religious education fee bills and report sheets for children in grades 3 to 6 will be sent through the mail the last week of October. Please review the information on the report sheets with your child before signing and returning these with your child to the religion teacher.

**PRE/K** Sunday morning religion classes take place in the museum dining room during the 10:30 Mass. (You may enter through the high school religion office door on the East side of the parish building or at the glass door entrance on the West side.)

**JUNIOR HIGH** - Grade 8 classes are studying the second period of Church History—the development and living out of the creeds. Grade 7 is studying the book on the Code of Catholic Living—the Commandments, Beatitudes, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy in the book "Did Adam and Eve Have Bellybuttons?"

Report sheets and book bills will be sent through the mail the end of October. Please sign and return to the junior high catechists after reviewing these with your youth.

## HIGH SCHOOL

**Freshmen** – Bring a jacket next week to deliver pumpkins during class!

If you signed up for the MR Breakfast going on TODAY, please be sure to be at your shift on time! Thanks!

## Youth Notes:

Jr. High Halloween Dance is scheduled for Friday, October 26 from 8:30 – 10 pm at the TGS Gym! Come be your spooky selves & dance the night away after Trick or Treat! All junior high students who are St. Francis parishioners or who attend Unit 50 school are welcome to attend this dance! Please see the website for the dance permission slip.



## Stewardship Corner

Sharing our talents arises from the fact that God has given each of us the ability and gifts to do certain things well, and we are to develop those talents for the good of others.

**CCW October Meeting.** All ladies of the parish are invited to the October CCW meeting on October 22, 2012 at St. Clare Hall starting at 7:00 pm. Sr. Pierre will be our guest speaker.



**Thank You!**

Ladies of St. Francis, you are amazing! Because of your generous donation of time, fabric and sewing machines, 410 Christmas stockings were donated to the Fish-Catholic Charities Christmas Store.

The “Spirit of Christmas” is alive and well at St. Francis parish. Elves from the Workshop included the following ladies: Donna Breer, Jane Vogt, June Grunloh, Dolores Kroeger, Louise Sheehan, Rita Pals, Mary Hardiek, Lois Kreke, Ann Hotze, Jane (Robbie) Ruholl, Nancy Hoene, Linda Waldhoff, Penny Beckman, Jean Habing, Marisa Schabbing, Jeanette Westendorf, Ruth Drees, Kelsey Swingler, Joan Buehnerkemper, Chris Stephens, Kathy Willenborg, Zita Niebrugge, Rita Habing, Karen Pruemmer, and Angie Hotze. Please accept our apology, if any names were omitted.

**40 Days for Life**

Thanks to the prayer volunteers who came to pray at Planned Parenthood this past Wednesday. Prayer volunteers may also join others in prayer at Planned Parenthood on Tuesday, Oct. 23, from 9 am to 5 pm. Lord, unite us in prayer and fasting for the unborn. We ask you to unite us for the workers in the abortion industry, for the poor women and men who are crushed under the guilt of what they have done, for the people that drive their friend, daughter, sister, mother or aunt to the clinic for their abortion. Lord, we ask you to unite all of those working on the sidewalk to be the true hands, feet and mouth of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Attention Volunteers**

An Appreciation Dinner will be held on Thursday, November 15, 2012 for all Monastery Museum, Paper Depot and Recycling volunteers and their spouse or friend. All volunteers who have helped once or oftener during this past year, with any of these are invited to attend. The dinner will be at 6:00 pm at Kountry Kitchen restaurant. Please call reservation in by November 6, 2012 to Hank and Norma Hawickhorst 857-3500; Eleanor Gebben 857-3619; or Ray and Joyce Vahling 857-3586.



**New Advocates**

The Office for Tribunal Services is offering a training session for New Advocates. Advocates are trained in learning the various options and requirements and then work closely with the Tribunal Staff in helping those who seek nullity or dissolution of their previous marriage(s). A two-day training is being offered on October 24 & 25 at St. Anthony of Padua in Effingham, 9:00-4:30 each day. Lunch will be provided. Please contact Tribunal Services/Becky Donaldson at 217-321-1119 or Bdonaldson@dio.org to register. Training is funded by ACSA.

To report Child Sexual Abuse by Church Personnel or to inquire about the Safe Environment Program in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, contact: Patricia Kornfeld at 217-321-1155 or email at pkornfeld@dio.org.

**Q.** My coworkers and I are discussing the Bible. Some of them say that they use the Bible to make decisions about everything in their life, moral choices as well as practical things like what job to take. Is that something Catholics should do?

**A.** There are some fundamentalist believers who take the Bible literally and believe in the principle of sola scriptura--only Scripture. They contend that everything we need to know about faith can be found in the Bible. Yet nowhere in the Bible does it tell us that! The Bible is the written record of a people's faith experience of God. It uses various literary forms to communicate different aspects of the community's relationship with God. It is not a recipe book that outlines how one lives out their faith.

As the inspired word of God, we believe it is free from error in matters of faith and it guides, directs, and informs our own understanding of God, but not exclusively. Paragraph 97 in the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches, "Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture make up a single sacred deposit of the Word of God." The catechism also tells us that all the faithful "have received the anointing of the Holy Spirit, who instructs them and guides them into all truth" (#91). God guides and directs us in many ways, safeguarding the truth of his love for all of us. God's loving providence never fails us!

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*Sunshine spills through autumn-colored leaves, lighting up their brilliance like stained-glass windows in a great cathedral, expressing the wonder of God's love, declaring His glory.*

## Happenings Around the Area

The Teutopolis Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual Mentally and Physically Handicapped benefit breakfast **today**, Sunday, October 21st, from 7:00 am until 12:00 noon. All proceeds benefit the mentally and physically disabled in our area.

**Friday Night Buffet** at the Teutopolis K C Hall every Friday night, serving 5:00-8:00pm.

**Teutopolis High School presents**

*Kilroy Was Here*

at the grade school auditorium **today, Oct. 21.**

Dessert Theatre @ 1:00 pm,

Curtain @ 2:00 pm.

**All WW II Vets receive free admission.**

**The Teutopolis Lions Club will be holding their 43rd Annual Breakfast** on Sunday, November 4, 2012 at the Teutopolis Grade School Auditorium from 7:00 am until 12:00 noon. The All-You-Can-Eat breakfast will consist of whole hog sausage, ham and cheese omelets, fried eggs, pancakes, bread, coffee, juice and milk. Proceeds support the blind and the hearing impaired and various community projects. Your support is very much appreciated.

**Teutopolis site of Golden Circle Nutrition (Meals on Wheels) is having a raffle, bake sale at the Lions Club breakfast** on Sunday, November 4th at the Grade School Auditorium. **Donations** would be greatly appreciated. Contact Nancy Hoene 857-3848.

**Teutopolis Park District Zumba “4” Registration**

Where: TJHS Cafeteria

October 29-December 7 each Mon/Wed/Fri - 6 weeks

Time: 5:15-6:15 am

**Sign-up deadline is today, October 21st.**

Download registration forms from park district website.

**5K Fun Run**

**The Teutopolis Area CHWC Crew is sponsoring a 5K fun run on November 4th, 2012 at the Teutopolis Junior High Park. Registration will begin at 12:30pm and the run starts at 1:00 pm. The cross country course will be the course used. All proceeds will go to Catholic Heart Work Camp Crew. The cost is \$5.00 per person with a \$20.00 max for a family. For additional details contact Connie Deters at 925-5411.**

**Vendor Night —A Ladies Night Out**

Friday, October 26th, 6:00-8:00 pm

Neoga Elementary School Fundraiser

Come and enjoy a night out! It is never too early to start your Christmas shopping. Browse through the many products our local vendors sell and support your friends and the Neoga school. There will also be a book fair, silent auction and drawings.

**The Annual St. Clare Catholic Church Chili Supper**

will be held Sunday, October 28, 2012. Serving from

3:30 pm until 7:00 pm in the church basement. Menu

includes: chili, chicken noodle soup, barbeque, hot dogs, desserts, drinks. There will also be a quilt raffle and a 50/50 drawing.

**A PTA Soup Supper** will be held at Sacred Heart Parish

Center on Sunday, November 4, 2012. Serving home-

made chili and chicken noodle soup as well as pretzels,

nachos and hot dogs. Also on the menu will be pies and

cakes and hot coffee. Serving will be from 4 pm until

7:30 pm. There will also be a raffle, mystery boxes, free

games and a book fair in the school gym.

**St. Mary’s School in Paris, Illinois invite you to participate in their annual “Bountiful Harvest Fund-**

**raiser.”** All proceeds support their school. Tickets are

\$100 each with a grand prize of \$10,000. (2) \$2,000—(5)

\$1,000—(8) \$500—(4) \$250 prizes. Drawing Friday,

Nov. 2nd. Dinner will be served 5:30 to 6:30 pm; a ticket

stub entitles 4 people to eat. Tickets may be split between

one or several people. Call 217-463-3005 for a ticket or

contact jnorth@smsk8.com for more info.

**Nativity Sets Display** at Father Hembrow Hall, Jersey-

ville on Saturday, November 3rd, 3:00-8:00 pm & on

Sunday, November 4th, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Admission

is free. Sponsored by the Holy Ghost Altar Society.

**Christmas Markets and Pilgrimage Along the Danube**

**Cruise**—Msgr. Kenneth Steffen asks you to join him on a

9-day pre-Christmas Market River Cruise on the Danube

through Germany and ending in Vienna, Austria. Also

offered will be optional 4-day extensions to Munich, Ger-

many or Vienna, Austria at the end of the river cruise.

Departure is set for December 1, 2012. Mass will be of-

fered every day. There is a pretrip to Germany and after

trip to Austria. For more details, contact Gregg Stovicek,

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