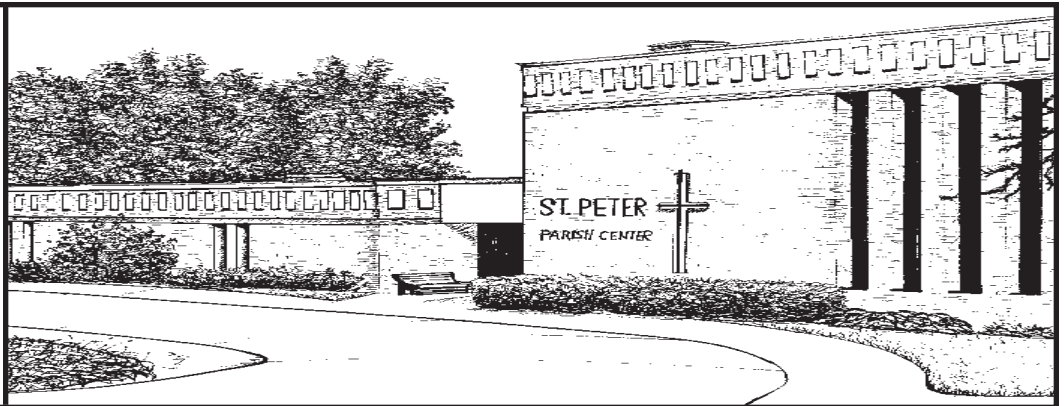


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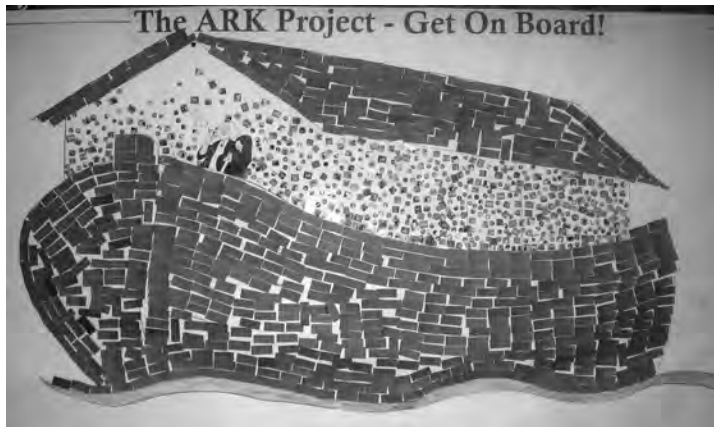


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ARK Project A Huge Success!

St. Peter's Lenten activity, The ARK Project, pulled the whole parish together as everyone did acts of random kindness for others.

Our ark was built one plank of wood at a time. As people did acts of random kindness for others they added a plank to the ark. When someone received an act of kindness, they added an animal on board the ark. It was inspiring to watch the ark being built all through lent. Parishioners also enjoyed reading the acts of kindness others had done. Everyone involved learned that the seemingly simple things we do for others can create an abundance of joy! Thank you all for your participation in the ARK Project! ❖

Calendar of Events

April 5 St. Peter's Confirmation Practice at Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) 9:30 am

April 6 St. Peter's Confirmation at Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) 10:15 am Mass

April 12 First Communion Retreat 9:00 am

April 12 Yard Work Day and clean up

April 13 Pre K - 1 grade Liturgy 9:00 am Mass

April 17 Extraordinary Ministers Workshop 7:00 pm

April 19 First Communion Practice 9:00am

April 20 First Communion 11:00 am Mass

May 3-4 Alex's Lemonade Stand after all Masses

May 4 All School Liturgy and Potluck 4:30 pm

May 17-18 Mission Trip Stock Sale

May 18 High School Senior Mass 11:00 am

Parish Council Officers Elected

Members of the parish council elected officers at the March 19 meeting. Ken Matussek assumed the office of president after serving as vice-president for the past year. Mary Jo Feeney Gebhardt was elected vice-president and Carol Strmiska was reelected as secretary.

The council also welcomed Rich Halberg as its newest member. Other members returning after the parish election include Mary Jo Feeney Gebhardt, Curt Jacobsen, and Jerry Paulson. Mary Kay Deese retired from the council.

Other members of the council include: Jim Brogan, John Drill, Diane Jetzer, Teri Kinney, Steve Parr, and Colleen Ries. Questions, comments, and concerns can be brought to the attention of any of the council members for discussion by the group. Their meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month. ❖

Spring Grief Series....an opportunity for support

The Moving Through Grief series will again be offered at our parish this spring on Wednesday evenings, April 30, May 7, 14, and 21 from 6:30 -8:30 p.m. A reunion session is scheduled for June 25.

These well-received sessions provide a beautiful opportunity for caring support for those grieving the death of a loved one. Facilitated by St. Peter's bereavement ministry team, the weekly evening meetings include information about grief, prayer, presentations by facilitators, small group sharing, suggestions for coping/healing, and grief resources. Enrollment is limited. To register/for more information, please call Judy Stolper at 241-4818.

Parish members are invited to provide light refreshments for this series.

If you would like to extend hospitality for one of the evenings, please give Judy a call. ❖



Celebrating Palm Sunday

Anna Skaife and Betty Mulhern work at the annual Ladies Guild Bake Sale. The Ladies offered lots of delicious treats! The proceeds of the sale go to the High School Senior Scholarship Fund. Thanks Ladies!



Lori Randall, our Director of Liturgy and Music, leads the congregation back into church on Palm Sunday.

Father Roger and Father Jim blessing the palms on Palm Sunday. ❖



Lenten Retreat “Julian”

St. Peter’s hosted the Lenten Retreat “Julian” sponsored by EMCA (East Madison Catholic Adults). Estelle Wiesmann from Fort Atkinson performed the play Julian for about 50 adults. Julian of Norwich (B. 1342, D. 1415?) The morning was filled with spiritual music and Julian’s words of all loving, all forgiving, survival, prayer and love of God our Father. Everyone then enjoyed a fabulous Lenten Lunch and fellowship.

Special thanks to the outstanding stage set-up crew Fred Thering, Rich Halberg, Emily Halberg, Doug Paulson, Maddy Paulson, Jim Quinlan, Gary Schmitz and Bob Whalen. To our Luncheon and kitchen helpers Nicki Paulson, Sally Matusek, Anna Skaife, Rosanne Hill and Arlene Taylor. Our EMCA Representatives: Peg Miller, Eileen Hribar, Judy Hronek and Geri Nehls. ❖



Trying to Break Cabin Fever Over Spring Break

Children and families of St. Peter’s went on an outing to Mt. Olympus during the spring break session from school. Everyone had a great time working out their cabin fever in the pools or thrilling rides. ❖



SPEAKING IN TONGUES....

As a part of our celebration of the Feast of Pentecost on the weekend of May 10th and 11th, we are looking for volunteers who can help proclaim the petitions at each Mass in languages other than English. If you speak, read, or write any non-English language(s), please contact Lori at 249.6652 ext 25 or . . .

Here are the ways in which you can help:

- 1) You can translate one or more petitions from English into another language
- 2) You can read one or more petitions in a non-English language at the Mass of your choice on the weekend of Pentecost
- 3) You can volunteer both to translate a petition and to read a petition at Mass on the weekend of Pentecost!

“All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in tongues, as the Spirit enabled them. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language.” Acts 2:4, 6.

Lori Randall, our Director of Liturgy and Music



13 from St. Peter's Attend Confirmation Retreat

Thirteen Confirmation candidates from St. Peter's held their retreat at St. Peter's March 2. The day began with parents and sponsors joining the students at the 11:00 Mass where Fr. Roger and assisted by Deacon Todd gave them a blessing. The students had a wonderful day filled with prayer and deepening their faith. Many thanks to the Confirmation team Joe Spanger, Mary Bergenske and Sally Matussek.

The Confirmation Candidate Prayer Board pictures were taken during the retreat. All the Candidates pictures and names are listed on the board with spaces for parishioners to sign up to continue to pray for all of our students as they continue their journey toward receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The students will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop William Bullock at Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM), 4913 Schofield Street, Monona on Sunday, April 6 at the 10:15 am Mass. All are welcome and encouraged to attend and support our students. ❖



Bingo Night Great Success

Our High Senior Class sponsored Bingo Night March 1. The evening was enjoyed by all ages with everyone winning. Some even won several times. Even the younger children helped call Bingo by the end of the evening. Thanks to our seniors Lindsey Gillitzer, Josh Holmes, Diane Ladell, Amanda Petterson, Noelle Reyes, Troy Rolli and Teachers Chris and Ron Ladell for making the evening so much fun! ❖



Living Stations of the Cross

Our Middle and High school students once again helped our parish community prepare for the Sacred Triduum by presenting the Living Stations. The students showed great reverence and focus on the events of the way of the Cross, where they brought the stations to life and reaching its highest point in the Resurrection. ❖



High School Seniors Cook Special Thank You Dinner For Their Parents





Team 1: Coach Jerry Stoker and players Casey Dolphin, John Miller, Ryan Schroeckenthaler, Nick George back row Kyle Heindl, Zach Daveler and TJ Gillitzer



Team 2: Coach Josh Page and players Casey O'Donnell, Jacob Page, Josh Holmes, Brian Latsch, Troy Rolli and Ryan Reuter not pictured are player Jake Bergstrom and coach Pat O'Donnell

St. Peter's Boys Basketball Teams

St. Peter's had two boys basketball teams in the Madison Diocese C. Y. O. Basketball League this year. Both teams had a great season enjoying the game of basketball. Team 2 won and took first place by winning the championship game. We are proud of all the boys and coaches. Special thanks to the many fans who came to support the boys. Congratulations to both teams for an amazing season. ❖

Seventh Annual Mission Trip

St. Peter's seventh mission trip will be June 20 - 27. This summer's mission trip with Catholic Heart Workcamp will be in New Orleans. The Mission Trip Stock Sale weekend will be May 17-18. ❖



Upcoming KC Dinners & Meetings

- Apr. 15 - Council meeting
- May 20 - Council meeting
- June 17 - Council meeting
- July 12 - Steak dinner
- July 15 - Council meeting (charter banquet)

Deaths

- Joseph Edmund Ross 02-07-2008**
- Mary W. Geier 02-05-2008**

Baptisms

February 24

Simon Luke Sellwood

Parents: Stephen and Alyssa Sellwood

March 9

Kileigh Meghan Finnegan

Parents: Tom and Holly Finnegan

Keira Elizabeth Hellenbrand

Parents: Daniel and Dawn Hellenbrand

New members

Joseph and Roxanne Karls. Joseph is a landscaper for Westland Restoration and Roxanne is a kindergarten teacher at Hawthorne Elementary School.

Kokoe Kueviakoe and her son Oliver Benthoo.

Joel and Jennifer Laubenstein and their children Miles and Stella. Joel is a project manager for Biodiesel Systems and Jennifer is a teacher.

Kathy Molina and her children Dominic, Katherine and Dionigi. Kathy is a transportation security officer at the Dane County Airport.

David and Janet Wolf. David is an accountant and Janet is an administrative assistant.

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