

From the Diocese . . .

MEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP: Our next meeting will be Sunday, **May 12 from 2-4 p.m.** at the John Paul II House, 430 N. Center St., Joliet. Chapter 10 (Practical Ideas for Discernment) of the book by Fr. Brett Brannen, "To Save A Thousand Souls, will be discussed. RSVP to Fr. Burke at 815-834-4004 or at vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org.

ORDINATIONS: Bishop Conlon will be ordaining **5 new priests** (Marek Herbut, John Lovitsch, Marcin Michalak, David Mowry & Michael Pawlowicz) and **1 transitional deacon** (Maciej Stelmach) on **Saturday, May 18, at 10 a.m. at St. Raymond's Cathedral in Joliet.** All are welcome to this wonderful event. **No tickets** are required.

LISTENING TO GOD'S CALL: All men and women, ages 18-40, are invited to gather with women and men religious to explore the possibility of religious life and priesthood. This is sponsored by JAVA (Joliet Area Vocation Association). The topic for May is "*Bumps in the Road*". **When: May 14 from 7-9 p.m.** at the Loretto Convent in Wheaton. Contact Sr. Claire, 630-868-2904 or clvand@aol.com. And **May 15 from 7-9 p.m.** at St. Francis Woods in Frankfort. Contact Sr. Maria, 815-464-3873 or vocations@fssh.net.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Jesus prayed not only for his disciples but also for each one of us—how amazing! Jesus prayed for us to know and believe the good news of the Gospel and to know that God loves us just as He loves his son, Jesus! He wants this message to really sink in and permeate your whole being so that you can be filled with the power of His love. Open your heart and allow God's love to transform all areas of your life including your marriage. Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on **June 7-9, 2013.** Contact Jim & Kris McCulloch, 630-577-0778. For more information visit our website at: wwmejoliet.org.

BIBLICAL INSTITUTE: The acclaimed Biblical Institute of the DOJ is expanding this fall, opening a new site at Sts. Peter and Paul Parish in Naperville. The 2 current sites at Notre Dame Parish (Clarendon Hills) & St. Jude Parish (New Lenox), are also welcoming new students. Come to 1 of the 3 preview events (the 1st is on Tuesday, May 28) to meet teachers and current students. For more information go to: www.dioceseofjoliet.org/reo and click on Biblical Institute or call the DOJ RE Office at 815-838-6475.

From the Diocese, cont. . .

Joyful Again!, a Widowed Ministry, has 2 upcoming weekends for their program, **June 29/30** at St. Julie Billiart Parish in Tinley Park and **July 27/28** at Holy Family Parish in Inverness. Early registration is encouraged. For more information call, 708-354-7211, or email, joyfulagain@att.net. Please check out our website at www.joyfulagain.org.

OFFICE OF FAMILY MINISTRY: The Diocese of Joliet will hold its **35th Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, September 8, 2013** at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. If you are celebrating either your 25th or 50th anniversary this year, please contact the rectory, 432-3274, so that we may submit your name to the Diocese for a formal invitation. Those celebrating over 50 year anniversaries do not receive a formal invitation, but will be able to register to attend at a later date.

Your Sunday Funny . . .

Kids Answer Questions about Moms

How did God make mothers?

Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring.

What ingredients are mothers made of?

God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.

What kind of little girl was your mom?

I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy.

What would it take to make your mom perfect?

Diet. You know, her hair. I'd diet, maybe blue.

If you could change one thing about your mom, what would it be?

I would like for her to get rid of those invisible eyes on the back of her head.

Why did your mom marry your dad?

My grandma says that Mom didn't have her thinking cap on.

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MASSES:

M-W-TH-F

7:30 AM

SATURDAY

5:00 PM

SUNDAY

7:30 & 10:30 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 4:30-4:50 PM or by appointment

“Transforming the world in which we live by bringing the teachings of Jesus Christ to every living person.”

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MASS:

SUNDAY

9:00 AM

SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2013

Mon.	5/13	7:30 AM	Liz Neill by Kay Martin
Tue.	5/14	NO MASS	
Wed.	5/15	7:30 AM	Robert Lang by M/M David Rogers & Fr. Mike
Thur.	5/16	7:30 AM	Brent McTaggart by St. Edmund's Parish Family
Fri.	5/17	7:30 AM	Eleanor LaMotte Birthday Remembrance by Sam & Sue Stepp
Sat.	5/18	5:00 PM	Ralph Buswell by Sam & Debbie Ochs
Sun.	5/19	7:30 AM	Rodney Popham by His Family
		9:00 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's
		10:30 AM	Julia Ryan by M/M Richard Ryan



Offerings at St. Edmund's, May 4/5, 2013:

Sunday:	\$ 3277.00
Mass Stipends:	\$ 30.00
Roof Fund Donations:	\$ 465.00
Donation:	\$ 15.00

Total Roof Fund Donations:	\$ 65425.59

Offering at St. Joseph's, May 5, 2013:

Sunday:	\$ 381.00
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Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

"And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit!"

- How do I live out the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit in my life . . .the gift of Wisdom, of Understanding, of Counsel, of Fortitude, of Knowledge, of Piety and of Fear of the Lord?

Prayer: Come Creator Spirit to dwell within our days, inspire our hearts with living flame and teach our tongues to praise! We'll walk with the Apostles, we'll follow in their ways, Your light will shine within our hearts, forevermore to blaze! Amen.

A Time of Prayer

Thursday, June 13, 2013

9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

at

One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center

2041 W. Route 113, Kankakee

Come away for a Time of Prayer.

Let the silence and atmosphere of peace bring you to a deeper place within yourself. Treat **Yourself** to a *Time of Prayer*.

Cost is \$10, if possible, if not, come anyway. To register or for more information call 815-935-0800 or just stop by. Visit our website, www.sscm-usa.org, for more information on upcoming programs.

LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

May 18/19	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
LECTOR	Dick Arie	Julie Schippert	Amy Curry
SERVERS	B. Seabert & A. Kidwell	J. Moyer & H. Fickett	G. & M. Bevelle
COMMUNION	Mary Decker	Jane McTaggart	Jane Zummallen
HOSPITALITY	M/M Robert Tonner Ray Gullquist Bernadine Buswell	M/M Kevin Bohlmann M/M Richard Mayotte	M/M Kenneth Thiele & Autumn Julie Arseneau & Cole

From the desk of Patti Duffy . . .

St. Edmund's 2012-2013 year of Religious Education is complete. THANK YOU TO ALL THE WONDERFULLY DEDICATED VOLUNTEER TEACHERS, AIDES, OUTSIDE & UPSTAIRS SUPERVISORS and SUBS who gave so generously of their time.

We had a very successful year. THANK YOU to the parents for making sure their children regularly attended class.

A special THANK YOU, also, to the Knights of Columbus for once again generously providing Monical's Pizza as a special end-of-the-year treat for all classes.

REMINDER: Our Graduate's Mass for all eighth grade and high school graduates will be on Sunday, May 19, at the 10:30 Mass. Members of our Youth Group are also encouraged to attend this Mass.

A Prayer for Mothers . . .

Loving God, we thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us, whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end. May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them. We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time or patience. We ask you to bless them with your own special love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother. Amen.

FORD-IROQUOIS DEANERY SPRING INSTITUTE

On Thursday, June 6, St. Edmund's will host this year's **Ford-Iroquois Deanery Spring Institute**. Our program, entitled *"All God's Children"*, will focus on autism in children.

Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. and coffee and rolls will be available. A short business meeting will be conducted from 9:30—10:00. Our panel discussion on autism will run from 10:00—11:00. Voting for our nominating committee will run from 11:00—11:15. Mass will be held at 11:15 with lunch to follow immediately afterward.

We are continuing to collect school supplies and will accept donations that day. Thank you.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES the angel fund

People in our community are in crisis in record numbers. At Catholic Charities the requests for food and rental assistance are never-ending. For many, unemployment benefits have been exhausted and the underemployed, who were once working in professional jobs, are now earning minimum wage and are unable to make ends meet. Seniors who have worked all of their lives now have to choose between paying their utility bills and buying groceries. These people need your help now. **Will you be an angel to someone in need?**

For every dollar that you donate to the Angel Fund at Catholic Charities, two anonymous "angels" will match it—dollar for dollar—up to \$60,000! Be an angel to someone who will have nowhere else to turn if Catholic Charities doesn't answer their cries and their prayers.

Donations can be made online at catholiccharitiesjoliet.org or sent to: Catholic Charities Angel Fund, 203 N. Ottawa St., Joliet, IL 60432. **Bless you!**

MAY CROWNING

St. Edmund & St. Joseph

This weekend we honor all Mothers, but especially the MOTHER OF GOD. Mary was instrumental in bringing Jesus to the world when she gave birth to Him. Jesus is pleased with a people who honor His Mother.

Marcia Yates, St. Edmund CCW's *Woman of the Year*, has the honor of placing the crown on Mary at today's 10:30 Mass.

Angela Taylor, St. Joseph CCW's *Woman of the Year*, has the honor of placing the crown on Mary at today's 9:00 Mass