

FROM THE VICAR

I find myself somewhat surprised to be writing an article under the title *From the Vicar*. As it happened, I was on vacation in the middle of July when Bishop Reiss called me to ask if I would accept the archbishop's appointment as vicar of the West Wayne Vicariate and a member of the Presbyteral Council. That's how I became vicar on July 1st.

In the meantime, I've been trying to figure out what my responsibilities are and how things work in our vicariate. I expect that will take some time. I will appreciate your patience while I work my way through the learning curve.

What I can easily tell you are a few things about myself. I was ordained in 1984 and served in a number of parishes as an associate pastor. My first pastorate was Saint Hedwig Parish in Detroit where I was also vicar for a couple years. Later I became pastor of Saint Joseph Parish in South Lyon, Resurrection Parish in Canton, and, on July 1, 2013, I was appointed pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Dearborn. Each assignment has been full and challenging in its own way; I've been grateful for them all.

These are interesting days in the Church and in the Archdiocese of Detroit. In mid-April, delegations from most parishes participated in the Amazing Parish conference and a series of Come Encounter Christ gatherings were recently completed. Underway right now, also under the banner *Unleash the Gospel*, are our observation of the Jubilee Year of Mercy and the Holy Door of Mercy and the upcoming Synod 16 in November.

Archbishop Vigneron has said he hopes these efforts at evangelization and renewal will change the very DNA of the Church. You may have participated in some of these already or might wish to in the future. There is good information on the website of the Archdiocese at <u>www.aod.org</u>.

Summer is coming to an end and parish life typically gets especially busier at this time of year. I encourage you to check your parish bulletins and websites and take advantage of the many opportunities around the vicariate and the archdiocese for education and formation, service and worship. Remember in your prayers, especially, students and faculty and staff who are returning to our Catholic schools for a new school year.

Wishing you every good thing from the Lord.

Father Ken Chase

With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we the representatives and stewards of these Roman Catholic Communities, come together to promote, practice and share the good news of Jesus Christ.



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Sacred Heart:preschool-8th grade	313-561-9192

Call today for more information and to schedule a tour!!

Mercy in Action Day - October 1, 2016

In this Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encourages all to serve people who need help. Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan (CCSEM) is collaborating with parishes, schools, and others to coordinate a regional Day of Service to help those in need through a multitude of local service projects. St. Anselm, St. Mel, St. Richard and Sacred Heart are several parishes in our Vicariate hosting projects on Saturday, Oct. 1. Contact the parishes for more information. Sacred Heart contact Susan Campbell 313-278-5555 or pastoralassociate@shparish.org St. Mel contact Nancy 313-274-1784 or Cathy 313-274-0684 St. Anselm contact Karen at 313-580-3037 or 313-562-9190 Ct. Dichard and Sacred Heart are several contact Karen at 313-580-3037 or 313-562-9190

St. Richard contact Jan at 734-729-4411 or 734-729-2240

St. Mary contact Bea at 734-721-8745



Alpha is a practical introduction to basic Christianity over 10 weeks. Sacred Heart, Dearborn is offering morning sessions of Alpha this fall beginning with an Alpha Introductory Breakfast on **Mon, Sept. 12th at 8:30 am in the parish hall.** Those who enjoy the

morning and wish to attend the Alpha series, which includes continental breakfast, a talk and small group discussion, will meet every Mon. from 8:30 - 10:30 am beginning Sept 19 thru Nov 21 There is **no cost** to attend the Introductory Breakfast or the Alpha series. Go to our parish website at SHparish.org or contact the parish office at 313-278-5555. or pastoralassociate@shparish.org to register

Deadline for the Nov./Dec Newsletter is October 14th Please send info. to westwaynevicariate@yahoo.com or mail to St. Mel Catholic Church 7506 N. Inkster Rd Dearborn Heights Questions? Call Cathy 313-274-0684 **Divine Child** 313-277-3110 1055 Silvery Lane, Dearborn New weekend mass times-Sat. 4:30pm Sun. 8, 10 and 12:30pm Sept 18th Blood Drive Sept. 18 Book Club 7 Secrets of Confession by Vinny Flynn 7-8:30pm Sept 28th, Oct 5, 12, 19, & 26 th Grief Seminar Sunday, Oct 23 Band Halloween "Spooktacular" concert 3pm Free if in costume otherwise \$1 Crafters Wanted for the Annual DC Holiday Boutique on Nov 5th if interested email dcholidayboutique@gmail.com or go to http://bit.ly/DCHolidayBoutique2016

Sacred Heart_313-278-5555 22430 Michigan Ave Dearborn Capuchin Warehouse–1st Sat. of month meet in parking lot at 9am. Sept 24 Mom2Mom Sale 9am in Gym. Sat. Sept 10 Movie Night in parish hall—Mother Theresa 5:45pm contact Julie 313-565-1020 Sat. Oct 1 Parachute with the Angels Family Night, in the parish hall at 5:30 p.m. For more information contact Julie at 313-565-1020. Oct 14, 15 & 16 Ocktoberfest see our website for more details www.shparish.org Oct 23 and Oct24 Parish Mission: Acts of Mercy with Frank Runyeon more info on website www.shparish.org

St. Albert the Great-734-522-4788 4855 Parker Dearborn Hts
Sept 29 & 30 at 7pm Oct 1 at 9am St Therese Triduum
Confessions Sept 29/30 6pm Oct 1 at 3pm Benediction and devotions after each mass and a rose for everyone on Oct 1
Sept 25th Come and see the move "Therese" at 12:30pm in the social hall. Free will offering accepted. Oct 2– DVD/Study
Series begins-The Greatest Story Ever Told at 12:30pm. Each session is 1 hour and will continue for 10 weeks. Workbook \$20

St. Aloysius—734-941-5056—11280 Ozga Rd., Romulus **Sept 15-18** White Elephant/Garage Sale Thurs. 3-7pm, Fri. & Sat. 10am-7pm Sun. noon-4pm 37200 Neville St Romulus **Sun. Sept 25th** Casino Trip to Greektown, cost \$30 with \$20 in freeplay. Bus leaves St Aloysius at 1:00pm and returns at 6:30pm Call Joan H 734-697-2061 for reservations. **Nov. 4th** Feather Bingo doors open 5:30pm play begins at 7pm. Win Gift cert. for Turkeys and Chickens, additional raffle for Turkey and gift basket and other prizes.

St. Alphonsus/St. Clement 313-581-5218 7455 Calhoun Dearborn Sat. Oct 1st All are invited to an October Tea in Father Yagley Hall, 7500 Schaefer, Dearborn. Come hear Dorothy Staples speak on the history and various forms of the rosary and chaplets. Doors open at 12:30pm, a light lunch will be served at 1:00pm, the speaker will begin at 2pm. For more info call the office at 313-581-5218

<u>St. Anselm</u> 313-565-4808 17650 W. Outer Dr., Dearborn Hts. Looking for crafters for St. Anselm Craft Show Sat **Nov 5th** 9am-3:00pm \$45 a table. Call Jill at 734-306-3807 or the school at 313-563-3430

St. Anthony 734-697-1211 409 W. Columbia Belleville **Sun. Oct 2nd** Passing on the Faith **12-1:30pm** This 1/12 hr presentation is intended for parents of children in elementary thru high school. Practical issues will be addressed such as how to talk and model faith and its traditions. Sponsored by the AoD Youth Ministry Office , child care for 5 and over will be provided. Please **RSVP by Sept 26th** 734-697-1211 **Oct 15th** Men's Club Dance and Raffle, Raffle ticket \$50 ea. or 3 for \$100.Dinner tickets with open bar \$25/person. Come out and enjoy the food fellowship, music and dancing. For information call Len Szweda at 734-299-3519 **<u>St. Barbara</u>** 313-582-8383 13534 Colson Dearborn <u>St. Cunegunda</u> 5900 St. Lawrence , Detroit **No Fear Confession** St Barbara at Tues.& Fri. night mass 6:15pm; on Sat. after 5:15pm Mass and Sun. during 6pm Mass St. Cunegunda every Sat. at 3:00pm **Sept 11th** St Barbara Mixed 'Fun' Bowling League Cherry Hill Lanes 3:00pm. Teams & Individual bowlers needed. 18+. Interested call Diane 313-406-2250 **Oct 3 at 5:15pm** Parish Rosary led by Religious Ed Students at the Grotto at St. Cunegunda, 5860 Lawrence , Detroit

St. Kateri Tekakwitha 313-336-3227 16101 Rotunda Dr. Dearborn Pop Can Drive for St. Leo's Soup Kitchen Drop off on Sept. 10 9am-6pm & Sun. Sept 11 9am-1pm in the back parking lot of St. Kateri Genesis to Jesus 7-Part Bible Study Alternate Mon. Sept. 12 – Dec. 5 7-8:30pm Presented by Deacon Tom Leonard Cost: \$12 for Workbook (optional) To register: Call (313) 336-3227 or email deacon@stkateridearborn.org "Grieving with Great Hope" a 5 wk. grief support series that offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. Oct6-Nov3 (Thurs) at 7:00pm. Registration: \$15 before Oct. 1, \$20 after. Call (313) 336-3227 to register. Anointing Mass and 4th Anniv. of St. Kateri's canonization Oct. 21 11:00 am Gift & Book Store-Many religious items for sale; rosaries, statues, jewelry, medals, cards, books, etc. Hours: Sat. 3-4 pm, 4:45-5:30pm and Sun. 10am-12:30pm AA Mtgs Sunday 2:00pm, Tuesday 7:00pm, Fri. 8pm Prayer Group Mtg Fri. beginning Sept. 16 7:30pm

St. Linus 313-274-4500 6466 N. Evangeline Dearborn Hts **Sept.9th –11th** St Linus Festival—Music, Rides, Games, Raffles Entertainment, Fri– Phoenix Theory, Sat. The Square Pegz and Sun. Men in Black For more info. Visit our website at linusfestival.com **Sept 24th** Knights of Columbus Euchre Tournament at 7:00pm **Sept. Sign ups** for the Syrena Dance Troop 313-563-1761

St. Mary 734-721-8745 34530 Michigan Ave. Wayne **Sun. Sept 4** Natural Family Planning 3pm(Spanish) Sun. **Sept 11**Boy Scout Popcorn Sale 9am-1:00pm **Sun. Sept 18** Joint Parishes' Picnic 12 noon Attwood Park **Fri. Sept 23** St Mary Alumni Dinner 6pm **Fri. Oct.** 7 Marriage Enrichment 6pm **Sat. Oct 8** Parish Dinner, Time tbd **Oct 22/23** Lifespan Bake Sale after all masses **Oct.29/30** MI organ Door Signup after all masses **Sept 18th** Patriotic Rosary 10:30 am Holy Family, Inkster **Sun. Oct 15** Patriotic Rosary St. Mary , Wayne, 5 p.m.

St. Mel _313-274-0684 7506 N. Inkster Rd. Dearborn Hts. Sept 18th Polka Mass 10 am music by Dan Gury Sept 24th 9am -3pm St Mel Women's Club Rummage Sale Drop off dates Sept 15 5-8pm & Sept 21 5-8pm Oct 15th Otto Miller Jr Auxiliary Unit 396 Craft Show 10 am—3pm Admission \$1, Bake Sale, Food Avail. 50/50, raffle Oct 16th Casino trip to Greektown \$30 incl. bus & \$20 freeplay Oct 17 The Parable Project 6pm Scripture stories of Jesus told with a unique style of theatre that is entertaining, holy and interactive! All are welcome! Free will offering . AA Mtig Friday evenings 8:00pm in the Church Hall Save the Date– Nov 5th and 6th St Mel Annual Thanksgiving Festival , Games, Our Famous Ham and Turkey Wheel , Tin Can Alley and more! Raffle tickets \$51st prize \$5000, 2nd Prize \$1000 3rd Prize \$500 and 5 more prizes of \$100 each Tickets avail in the Parish Office. Come and get yours today! St Richard Parish 734-729-2240 35851 Cherry Hill Westland Join the 50+ Club at St. Richard. We meet every Wednesday at Noon. The last Wednesday of the month is a Pot Luck Lunch Beginning in October there will be a rosary at noon. Looking Forward to seeing some new faces! Bingo on Wed. doors open 3pm. Play begins 6:30pm Doors locked at 7pm Kitchen open

St. Sabina 313-561-1977 25605 Ann Arbor Tr. Dearborn Hts Sept 17 Firekeepers Casino 8am-4:30pm \$35, contact Tom at 734-421-0578 or Dick at 313-278-1678 Fall Fish Frys—Sept 23 &30, Oct 7 & 14 from 4-7pm Oct 2 –Respect Life Sunday Nov 5th "Holy Cannoli" parish Dinner. Raffle at the dinner \$5/ ticket 1st prize \$5000; 2nd Prize \$1000, plus 4 other prizes. Tickets available in Parish Office

St. Sebastian 313-562-5356 20710 Colgate Dearborn Hts. Sun. Sept 25– Usher's Train Show 11am-4:00pm Activity Center For info Call Nick 313-295-2019 Oct 4 8:30am Blessing of the Pets Mass, pets will be blessed after mass in the parking lot (9:30am) Oct 8th Garage Sale in the Activity Center 9:00am-4:00pm Oct 15/16 'Meet the Parish' after all masses. Come and check out all the groups St. Sebastian has to offer. All are welcome, light refreshments offered Nov 11/12 Holiday Craft & Vendor Show tables avail. Contact Clare 313-561-2675

SS. Simon & Jude 734-722-1343 32500 Palmer Westland Sat. Sept 17-4:30-7pm Ushers' Club Spaghetti Dinner Sat. Sept 24After Mass Meal-Pulled pork Sept 30 & Oct 28-Pax Christi meeting Oct 15 9am-9pm Scrapbooking Event Full day \$35/Half Day \$20 Call Sandy 734-721-4867 Oct 22 Ushers' Club Ethnic Dinner menu TBD Oct 29 6:30pm Fall Dinner-Dance All events open to the public. Mondays in October-Pray the Rosary with us at 11 am

St. Stephen 734-753-5267 18858 Huron River Dr. New Boston Bible Study Group Wed. from 7pm-8:30pm. For info. call 734-753-5268 Pres. by Tom Fraser. Oct 1st & 2nd Apple Fest Weekend in New Boston, St. Stephen will be selling homemade pies and crafters will be selling their wares inside the gym

LIFE CHAIN – Sunday, October 2nd 2:00-3:30pm at many locations in Metro Detroit. Young and older are encouraged to join this prayerful witness on Respect Life Sunday. To find a location near you at www.LifeChain.net or call 734-934-2599 Join St. Barbara/St. Cunegunda at the corner of Michigan and Schaefer for this peaceful, prayerful event.

Annual Pregnancy and Infant Loss Mass October 9th at 11:00a.m

At the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament where we will remember babies, infants and children who have died and turn with hope to the Lord for comfort. A Prayer will be offered for families who have lost a pregnancy, infant, baby or child and a blessing will be given to married couples who desire a baby. Please let us know if you desire a blessing for a baby and or the name of the baby, infant or child who has died. RSVP to 313-237-4679



L.O.T.A Card Party Raffle Sun. Oct 2 2-6pm at Fr Patrick O'Kelley Council 23663 Park St Dearborn Raffle tickets 1 ea. or 6 for \$5

Admission \$10 which includes a mostaccioli dinner., salad, rolls, dessert and beverage. Raffle 1st \$500, 2nd \$300 3rd \$200. Gift baskets, For tickets call Chris 313-278-0663

St Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center

Grief Support Day / Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows When our life journey is touched by death and the grief that follows, we can turn to Mary for both solace and inspiration. Join us at St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat & Conference Center Thursday, September 15, 2016. 9:30am-registration, retreat from 10:00am-2:00pm.

Praying the Labyrinth The Labyrinth is an ancient Christian prayer form often seen as a metaphor for our Spiritual journey, A Pilgrimage to the Holy. Participants will learn about the history and movements of the Labyrinth as well as experience walking and praying the Labyrinth. The workshop takes place on Sunday, September 25, from 2-4pm at St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat & Conference Center.

To register for either event please contact Lynnette Marshall at 313/286-2800 or online at www.stpaulretreat.org/retreats/

register-upcoming-retreats.



Widowed Friends Events

Widowed Friends offers widowed men and women of all ages, within the Archdiocese of Detroit, caring companionship and the opportunity for healing, spiritual development,

education and wonderful new growth.

Sept 10-6-11pm Dinner and Dancing to'Route66' at Joy Manor 28999 Joy Rd Cost \$25 RSVP by Sept 3 734-728-6967 Sept 18th Mass at St. Kenneth Church, 14951 Haggerty Rd.,

Plymouth at 2:30pm, followed by fellowship and potluck. Fridays in Sept/Oct at noon Bowling 9 pin/no tap at Westland Bowl Wayne Rd. 2 games Cost \$5-\$7 Call 734-927-0610

Thurs. Sept 29 6:30pm at Garden City Mini Golf Ford Rd. Cost \$8 (if 10 or more) This should be a fun and scary evening! Dinner before and maybe dessert and drinks after RSVP to 734-728-69678 by Sept 17



The Archdiocesan Chorus of Detroit is holding auditions for it's 2016-17 season. The choir is composed of 18-81 yr. olds from every corner of the Archdiocese. The choirs main function is to lead the music ministry at major Archdiocesan liturgies such as the Chrsim

mass. Last year they also sang at Gordie Howe's funeral mass. You must be 16 to audition. The audition includes a sight-reading test, performance of a solo or hymn, and vocal exercises. For more info. Or to schedule an audition please call 313-237-5782 or visit aod.org/chorus

CATECHIST'S CORNER



West Wayne Vicariate Catechist Workshop October 8 at St. Mel School 7506 N. Inkster Rd, Dearborn Heights 48127

We will be presenting Topics #2, #13, #14 & Flex E & F There will also be and enrichment offered presented by Julie Wieleba-Milkie. They will be presented at TWO times: 8:30am & 10:45 am For more info OR to register: Call Maryann Walkuski at 313.561.0512 or Email: mgwanselm@excite.com

Protecting God's Children Workshop Sacred Heart Parish Thursday, September 8th at 5:30pm in the parish hall

