

Jack's Jottings

As I write this piece, the snow is just beginning to melt outside my office window, but it's the springtime of new life at Saint Agnes! Perhaps you'll notice all kinds of revival in various ministries.

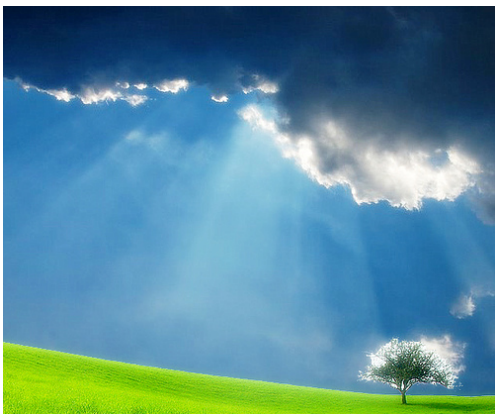
I am delighted to inform you that we are in the process of overhauling our pastoral care to those homebound and those residing in assisted care. Parishioners Dawn and Steve Riester, Capper Rademaker, Father Nelson, Carolyn Pape and I have begun reconfiguring this ministry and we are discerning ways of forming and informing parishioners, especially those with needs for support. Please watch the weekly bulletin for continued details.

You will notice the cheerful presence of our Parishioner, Capper Rademaker, here at the Parish House on Thursdays; while we search (again? ...still?!) to fill the position of *Director of Lifelong Formation* on our Pastoral Staff, she is graciously volunteering to assist with pastoral care and clerical tasks. This serves as praxis for her, following the completion of her Masters Degree in Theology through the Archdiocesan program with Loyola University of New Orleans.

Finally, warm congratulations to the parents of a record number of Baptisms this past year! Special thanks to Kelly Landenwich who not only coordinates the many facets of celebrating this sacrament for families, but also serves as catechist to prepare moms and dads and godparents.

Deep and sincere thanks to you for your wonderful kindness and generosity. In these challenging economic times, your compassion towards the victims of the Haiti earthquake and the poor in our Passionist parish in Randham (India) mirrors the deep-down goodness that is Saint Agnes Faith Community. Father Nelson will be communicating with you about the *CowPassionate Program* soon, but the totals are \$11,155 for the *CowPassionate Program* and \$7,689 for Haitian Relief!

God bless you!



For Your Reflection this week Scripture Readings for January 31st:

Reading I – Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19
Reading II – 1 Corinthians 12:31, 13:13
Gospel – Luke 4:21-30

Worship

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY – THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL, APOSTLE

7:00 AM Gus & Josephine Allgeier
10:00 AM Communion Service

TUESDAY – ST. TIMOTHY & ST. TITUS, BISHOPS

7:00 AM Mary Stack
10:00 AM Ruth Schwer

WEDNESDAY – ST. ANGELA MERICI, VIRGIN

7:00 AM Jack Gleason & Family
10:00 AM Mary Abell

THURSDAY – ST. THOMAS AQUINAS, PRIEST/DOCTOR

7:00 AM Robert Vessels
10:00 AM Irvin, Damian & Joseph Kupper

FRIDAY – WEEKDAY

7:00 AM William A. Stewart
10:00 AM Norman Linton

SATURDAY – BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

5:00 PM Ray & Helen Neal
Thelma Young (5th Anniversary)

SUNDAY – 4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM Eve & Art Fraas
11:30 AM Fr. Jim DeManuele, C.P.

YOUR HELP NEEDED!

Recently, Nazareth Home and the Archdiocese announced a new Lay pastoral care team for the residents of Nazareth Home. We still need at least four more generous, willing and able persons to join this effort. We especially need men to join this visitation team. The training program will begin on February 16, with classes at Nazareth Home on Tues, Wed, and Thursday at 1:30-3:30pm. For more information, please call either Nazareth Home (Sr. Mary Anne Burkardt (479-2531) or the Office of Pastoral Care (Ms. Jocelyn Frazier 636-0296).

Kevin Skendzel representing **Diocesan Publications** (our Bulletin Publisher) is at the parish house this week renewing present advertisements and seeking new ones. If interested, please call the parish office, 451-2220. We feel this is an excellent service and that the sponsors get good coverage with their ads. THANKS TO YOU and DIOCESAN PUBLICATIONS, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

SUNDAY–JANUARY 24th

Nursery in Charity Hall during 9AM Liturgy
 Sunday Sch for Preschool in Charity Hall during 9AM Liturgy
 Children's Liturgy of the Word during 9AM Liturgy
 6:30 PM Justice Sunday – Aloysius Hall

MONDAY – JANUARY 25th

4:30 PM Catholic Charities mtg. – Aloysius Hall
 6:30 PM Pastoral Council mtg. – MR-C
 7:00 PM Scouts – MR-A&B

TUESDAY – JANUARY 26th

10:00 AM Catholic Schools Week Mass – Church/AH
 11:00 AM Recovery – Staff Lunchroom
 3:00 PM Children's Bell Choir – School
 6:30 PM Gr. 2 1st Eucharist Parent mtg. – Parish Center
 7:00 PM New Member mtg. – Aloysius Hall
 7:30 PM Adult Bell Choir – School

WEDNESDAY – JANUARY 27th

11:30 AM School Faculty Appreciation lunch – MR-A&B
 3:00 PM Children's Bell Choir – School
 6:30 PM Religious Education – St. S. Martyr
 7:00 PM Contemporary Choir – Church

THURSDAY – JANUARY 28th

8:30 AM Catholic Schools Week Prayer Service - GYM
 7:00 PM RCIA mtg. – Aloysius Hall
 7:00 PM Traditional Choir – Church

FRIDAY – JANUARY 29th

7:30 AM Men's Prayer Group – Staff lunchroom
 1:00 PM Compassion/Action mtg. – Aloysius Hall

SATURDAY–JANUARY 30th

SUNDAY – JANUARY 31st

Nursery in Charity Hall during 9AM Liturgy
 Nursery Volunteers: Melissa and Doug Lorenz
 Sunday Sch for Preschool in Charity Hall during 9AM Liturgy
 Teachers: Jackie & Jordan Grimes Topic: "God Gave Us Light"
 Children's Liturgy of the Word during 9AM Liturgy
 Teachers: Schaaf and Gorman

Grade 2 1st Eucharist Enrollment at the 9am & 11:30am Masses

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR 2010!

Catholic Faith Café in Aloysius Hall

Eucharist Spirituality – How our deepening and developing understanding of Eucharist impacts our spirituality and prayer life.

Instructor: Ms. Virginia Brown, Educational and Ministry Consultant

Sundays, Once Monthly, from 10:15 until 11:25 a.m.

February 14th, and March 14th

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MIN. OF COMMUNION– JANUARY 30th/31st

5:00 PM Tracy Lundergan CB, Vincent Kokojan MB, Carol Browning MW1, Marilyn Mitchell MW2, Connie Alberg JB, Anne Nutt JW1, Emily Felhoelter JW2
 9:00 AM Mary Jackey CB, Maggie Flynn MB, Kelly McKnight MW1, Connie Lusher MW2, Karen O'Connell JB, Dudley Shanks JW1, Mary Haas JW2, Rita Shanks CHB, Dick Scherrer CHW
 11:30 AM Kay Russell CB, Nicole Brinkman MB, Bridget Babcock MW1, **Volunteer Needed MW2**, Matt Becker JB, **Volunteer Needed JW1**, Ashley Becker JW2

LECTORS – JANUARY 30th/31st

5:00 PM Jo Lawless and Stephen Mock
 9:00 AM Jim Tougher and Donna Jones
 11:30 AM Mary Ann Sheets & Bill Sheets

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY–JANUARY 30th/31st

5:00 PM Mary Bohler & Russ Dages
 9:00 AM Ed Kimmel or Nancy Kimmel, Joseph Bisig, Tim Niehoff, and Mike Helline
 11:30 AM Jack Abby, Tony Murphy & Vince Lucchese

GREETERS – JANUARY 30th/31st

5:00 PM John Paul Hall
 9:00 AM The David Overley Family
 11:30 AM The Hurford Family

MINISTERS OF MUSIC - JANUARY 30th/31st

5:00 PM Beverly Bisig, Geoffrey Vickery
 9:00 AM Lori Codey, Geoffrey Vickery, Traditional Choir
 11:30 AM Lynn Smuskiewicz, Joe Edlin, Cont. Choir

WEEKDAY SERVERS–JANUARY 26th-29th

10:00 AM (TU) Sam Bibelhauser & Sarah Feldkamp
 10:00 AM (WED) Ellen Denham & Colleen Dwyer
 10:00 AM (THURS) Francesca Cordini & Ally Dedich
 10:00 AM (FRI) J. Denoncourt & Sam DuPlessis

WEEKEND HIGH SCH. SERVERS–JAN. 30th/31st

5:00 PM Emma Johnson and Scott Schlich
 9:00 AM Emily Calhoun and Christina Amorose
 11:30 AM Maddie Zickel and Jessie Zickel

Community

Please pray for our sick

Helen Schmidt	Jenny Robinson Sass
Marce & Bernie Trager	Edward Stauble
Mary Masterson	Shirley Renders
Herman Karrer	Jim & Marlene Ryan
Margaret Reed	Phil & Ann Meisel
Damion Kline	Pat Lega
John Johnson	Bill Buchart
Jesse & Wanda Johnson	Nancy Bowling Thompson
Jennifer Lee	Andrew McKinley
Irene Walsh	David Smucker
Amanda Bern	Mary Joann Taylor
Serena Summers	Jane Wagner
Helen M. Krebs	Terry Powell
Anna Maria Beck	Pat Sheehan
Robert Coury	Barbara Yates
Michelle McCoy	Sandee Schweickart
Karen Cocker	Karen Wright
Kevin Lamkin	Emily Deutsch Schmitt
Lisa Whitus	Doris Ward
Cisi Burlew	Clarence Schreck
Susan Masters	Tommy Gutierrez
Tina Bittel	Daphne Herzog
Martha Spalding	Steve Stout
Jim Hall	Sr. Jane Hall, SCN
Dick Hall	Pat Vincent
Suzanne Bischoff	Jerome & Jean Raque
Lois Hunn	John Tarter
Jane Ekart	Mary Starr
Jeanie Durbin	George Herbig
Patrick Hanley	Ron Powers
Janie Duggins	Riley Pfeiffer
Chris Ising	Marge Spalding
Linda & Rich Jeskel	Dennis Orf
Grace Sternberg	Leland McCabe

COMMUNITY OUTREACH, SERVICE, COMPASSION AND ACTION OPPORTUNITIES AND NEWS

THANKS FOR THE 70+ *COMPASSION GIFTS!*

Deep gratitude to those who shared a microloan for a cow for a poor family in India this Christmas.

This kind of gift is unique, sustainable and compassionate. **\$150 extends a micro-loan**, allowing a family in Randham, Tamilnadu, in Southeast India to take a step out of poverty. The program is administered by Passionist colleagues of Fr. Nelson, who served there before coming to Saint Agnes. The \$150 loan from the Passionist parish, in the name of the honoree/s that you designate assists the family in purchasing a cow. A cow costs about \$250. The family, typically earning about \$2 a day, pays the balance. In addition to improving the family's daily nutrition, the cow increases the family's income, with the parish serving as a milk co-operative. The parish then sells the milk to a processing plant. Thus, the program is fully sustainable. Your \$150 loan continues to benefit family after family.

Gifts can be given at any time. For more information about how this works contact Fr. Nelson at the Parish House or John Fitzgerald at john@fitzio.com.



Chinnasamy and Susila



Hindu Family



John and Family

Rest In Peace

Please remember in your prayers loved ones of our parish family who have died:

Fr. Joachim Gemperline, C.P.
Carolyn Makk, mother of Christopher Makk
Paul Greenwald
Dolores Hornung, mother of Sharon Bolger
Sr. Vera Gardner, OSU, aunt of Sharon Bolger

May God grant them eternal joy and peace.

Feb. 3rd Frankfort Pro-Life Rally – St. Agnes Respect Life Committee invites you to join them in attending a Pro-Life Rally at the state capitol on Feb. 3, 2010 from 11:30AM-12:30PM. It is sponsored by Kentucky Right to Life. You can drive and meet at the Capitol Rotunda or ride a chartered bus. The bus will leave from Tonini's parking lot (Breckenridge Lane) promptly at 9:45AM and will return to Louisville between 2:00-2:30PM. The bus cost is \$10 and you can reserve a seat by calling the Louisville Right to Life office at 895-5959.

A CELEBRATION OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN RELIGIOUS IN OUR COMMUNITY: The Next "Justice Sunday"

The next Justice Sunday is today, **Jan 24th from 6:30 to 9pm at Aloysius Hall.** We will have the opportunity to learn about some of the fine current ministries of the Dominican Sisters of Peace (seven newly merged Dominican communities including the Kentucky Dominicans), the Ursuline Sisters, the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth and the Sisters of Mercy. Come celebrate, hear and tell stories of the many ministries (past and present) that have shaped the Catholic Church of Louisville for two centuries. You are invited to share refreshments at 6:30 with presentations and discussion following at 7pm.

Stewardship Renewal 2010

By now all parish families should have received the 2010 Guidebook Directory and the 2010 Stewardship Renewal Packet. Your Stewardship Renewal plays an important part in what is planned on an annual basis and helps us to decide what needs to be offered in the future. Each time you volunteer your Time and Talent and every dollar that is Shared with your Parish contributes to the vitality of our worship and ministries and the overall financial health of this community. For this reason we ask each family to prayerfully consider what you have to share with your parish and to then join your fellow parishioners by returning your intentions. Our Stewardship Renewal Weekend is February 13 & 14, 2010.

EDUCATION

The celebration of Catholic Schools Week begins today throughout the United States! Every day, however, we are aware of and celebrate the support St. Agnes School receives from the parish at large. Through this support you are passing on the gift of our Catholic faith. The children and teachers will be praying for you in a special way during our celebration of Catholic Schools Week.

Our celebration at St. Agnes includes the following:

- On Tuesday St. Agnes will host the Archdiocesan Mass marking Catholic Schools Week. The 10:00 AM Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Kurtz. Delegates from all of the Catholic schools in the Archdiocese have been invited. Ms. Marilyn Cross and Ms. Joe Edlin and many St. Agnes students will act as Music Ministers for the Mass. A reception in Aloysius Hall will follow for those individuals who will be specially recognized at the Mass.
- Wednesday is Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day. The tradition at St. Agnes School (which is greatly anticipated!) is for the PTO to provide lunch for the Faculty and Staff and also to provide coverage which allows them to take an extra long lunch that day!
- Thursday is Parent Appreciation Day. There will be special greeters at morning carpool. Parents are invited to come for the morning newscast and then to attend the all-school Prayer Service in the gym at 8:15 AM.
- Friday is Student Appreciation Day. Besides a Casual Dress Day, there will be other surprises for the students throughout the day!

On Tuesday evening, January 26th there will be a meeting for the parents of all St. Agnes children who will be preparing for the reception of their First Eucharist in April. The meeting will begin at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center.

The deadline for priority applications for the 2010-2011 Kindergarten class is Monday, February 1st. Please contact Mrs. Jury at 458-2850 if you have any questions or need assistance with the application process.

2010 CARNIVAL CORNER

ST. AGNES 2010 CARNIVAL will be July 16th & 17th. Lots of volunteers are needed – so please plan your vacation around it. More information available on the parish website.



NEEDED: CARNIVAL CO-CHAIR(S), 2010-2012

A couple or individual is needed to join the Carnival Leadership Team as Carnival Co-Chair(s). This three-year commitment will begin in 2010, shadowing the current co-chairs, and will continue through summer 2012. This year's volunteer(s) will specifically learn to administer the "Financial" aspects of the Carnival, including promotion & publicity, sponsorships, major prize, gaming, and money room. (Please be assured that all those subcommittee chairmanships are already staffed by returning volunteers; the co-chair's job is simply to learn and coordinate.) **This is a very fulfilling and rewarding opportunity, and an excellent way to express your commitment to the success of our annual Carnival!** Please consider your interest, and contact any of the current co-chairs for more information: Chris Mueller at 451-0007 or cnajm@insightbb.com or Corinne & Jason Greenberg at 459-8638 or jbgcmg@bellsouth.net. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this calling!

CARNIVAL 2010

Open position needing to be filled on the Carnival Team! The **Spirit Wear Procurement** Team Member is essential to one of our most popular booths! Someone that is familiar with or willing to learn purchasing is required. This is not a job soliciting donations, but if you are good at getting a great price and great inventory, WE NEED YOU! This job may be good for someone with pre-High School kids who would enjoy seeing the Parochial High Schools. Contact Kate Harney at 708-1227 or Harney.katherine@insightbb.com if you are interested!

Attention All Women! You are invited to participate in a *Catholic* Bible Study at St. Stephen Martyr Parish. The study is on the Letter of James and is part of the highly acclaimed, fast growing *Great Adventure* Bible Series. This study series is currently in several Louisville parishes. The talks are presented on DVD by one of the authors of the study and are enjoyable as well as easy to follow. Cardinal Francis George, Archbishop of Chicago says, "The *Great Adventure* [series], being faithful to Vatican Council II, is bearing much fruit in the Church today and contributing to a stronger, more informed laity." Cost is \$30 for 10 weeks, which includes a binder and all materials. We will meet every Thursday from 12:00 – 2:00 pm, beginning January 28th. To sign up or for more info, please call Therese Hurford at 459-6039.

Lent 4.5 is coming!! Ascension, St Agnes, Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Francis of Assisi, St William and Assumption High School are all participating in a **program called Lent 4.5**. You will hear more about the program in the coming weeks. As one small part of the program, we will be offering a menu of different opportunities for large group activities at all of our parishes. These include:

February 18 – St Francis of Assisi - The movie of St Francis, "Brother Son, Sister Moon" 7-8:30pm
February 25 – Ascension Church – A presentation by Sara Fritschner on buying and preparing local foods. 7-8:30pm

March 4 – Assumption High School – The movie "A Story of Stuff" – 7-8:30pm

March 6 - Day of Reflection at St Agnes 9-1pm

March 7 – Day of Reflection at Our Lady of Lourdes 1-5pm

March 8 - St Agnes – The movie "Flow" and water justice issues – 7-8:30pm

March 18 – Lourdes – "How can we save money on Energy" – 7-8:30pm

March 25 - Passionist Earth & Spirit Center (Behind St Agnes) – Environmental Justice Tour of Louisville 6-7:30pm. Reservations Required at 452-2749. Limited to bus space.

Consider one or all of the above to make this Lent a time to refocus our Christian lives.

REPAIR AFFAIR

For all of you "regulars" and those waiting for another good reason to come out in June and help the St. Agnes team work miracles on a Saturday, we have an offer for you! You may or may not have heard about Disney's "Give A Day/Get A Day" volunteer program which entitles you to a free pass to any Disney Park for a day that you give to volunteerism, but New Direction's Repair Affair is on the list! Go to www.disneyparks.com and pre-register for New Direction's Repair Affair for June 12, 2010. There are other worthy causes you can sign up for if you can't make it on that day, but we'll be looking for your "Mickey Ears" on Saturday, June 12th! Questions, call Jerry or Cherie, 339-8567. Thank you!



Saint Agnes



**Boy Scout
TROOP 4**

Invites you and your family to our

**48th ANNUAL
SPAGHETTI DINNER
*ALL YOU CAN EAT!***

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2010

4:30 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

**Saint Agnes School
1800 Newburg Road**

Adults - \$6.00

Senior Citizens - \$5.00

Children (K-8) - \$5.00

**BUY YOUR TICKETS IN ADVANCE FROM ANY TROOP 4 BOY SCOUT OR YOU
MAY BUY YOUR TICKETS AT THE DOOR THE NIGHT OF THE DINNER**

**COME AND EXPERIENCE GOOD FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP WHILE SUPPORTING
OUR TROOP**

*The Troop needs help with the Dessert Table and Cake Wheel.
If you are able to donate a cake or dessert please bring it to the
Cafeteria anytime on Saturday, February 6th, after 9:00 a.m*

St Agnes Fish Fry Looking for Volunteers!

Would you like to have fun and fellowship with your fellow parishioners? Then, please sign up below to help with the Fish Fries.



The Fish Fry is open every Friday of Lent from 5-8.

Please return this form to the Rectory or talk to Linda Jansing about volunteering. If you need any information about the Fish Fries please talk to Rob.

Rob Dedich 263-8394 rsdjr3@gmail.com
Linda Jansing 454-3204 jlzjansing@bellsouth.net

Name _____ Times: 4:30 - 6:30 _____

Phone Number _____ 6:30 - 8:30 _____

Feb 19___ Feb 26___ March 5 ___

March 12 ___ March 19 ___ March 26___

YOUTH MINISTRY

Mission Trip 2010 information update – The low cost of \$350 (including a \$50 deposit, many fundraising opportunities are available) gets you: **50 hours of service in the urban setting of Atlanta, GA, whitewater rafting, an Atlanta Braves game, and more.** Trip dates are June 25th -July 2nd, and the **absolute last date to sign up is Sunday, Feb. 7th.** The trip is open to anyone currently in high school. Contact Mary Furmanek if interested.

Calling parents and adults of the parish who care about the spiritual lives of our youth – we are always willing to welcome new people to minister and share their gifts with the youth of the parish. If this is a stewardship opportunity that interests you, contact Mary (mfurmanek@stagneslouisville.org) and stop by a youth ministry gathering to see what we are about!

CONGRATULATIONS HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

Sacred Heart Academy

Eleanore Brown, Emily Buddeke, Katherine Donahue, Caroline DuPlessis, Madalyn DuPlessis, Ally Fleming, Courtney Ford, Catherine Kosse, Hannah Nall, Anna Rademaker, Katie Rademaker, Sarah Alice Shull, Sarah Walker, Christina Amorose, Lori Andriot, Caitlyn Barnes, Emma Brink, Audrey Brown, Daniela Cordini, Susan Draus, Hannah Feldkamp, Jetta Johnson, Maria Kosse, Molly Leasure, Kristin Matula, Mary Matula, Amanda McDonald, Brittany Mullaney, Maureen Neal, Madeleine Peabody, Mary Elise Schlich, Ann Thomas, Lauren Topp, Anastasia Henderson, and Natalie Van Hamburg

Assumption High School

Principal's List: Audrey Allen, Katie Dedich, Elizabeth Lohr, Ellen Madden, and Brittany Robertson

First Honors: Katie Angeles, Jordan Bibb, Melissa Bohn, Kathleen Codey, Claire Jury, Lynlee Kruse, Allison Kurtz, Claire Moorman, Allie Robertson, Lauren Schwarz, and Elizabeth Thompson

Second Honors: Taylor Allgeier, Audrey Dunlevy, Cassidy Lawson, Cat Serratore, and Nikki Silverstein

SENGA NEWS

Trip Information to New Orleans

The Senior Group at St. Raphael's has invited anyone who is interested to join them on a trip to New Orleans, March 23-28 – 6 days & 5 nights – 10 meals for \$795.00 double occupancy. \$100.00 deposit required final payment due by Feb. 15th. For more information call Dave at 451-0723 or Ann Plamp, 491-4011 for a flyer. Insurance is available.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

2nd SUNDAY IN ORD TIME – JANUARY 24, 2010

"As it is, God has set each member of the body in the place he wanted it to be. Even those members of the body which seem less important are in fact indispensable." I Corinthians 12:18, 22

We are all part of God's family and have something to contribute, from the weakest and most vulnerable members to the strongest. Often, the weaker members of any family bring the family together in order to meet their needs. They provide us with the opportunity to be good stewards.

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Tech. Sgt. Mary Atkinson & Mast. Sgt. Rob Atkinson, U.S. Air Force

Major Todd Knights, U.S. Air Force, Afghanistan

Sgt. Randall "Randy" Pike, Kandahar, Afghanistan

Gen. Christopher Tucker, Army, Saudi Arabia

LCPL Joe Sabel, Marine, Iraq

Spec. 4 Leigh Anne Moffatt, Army, Ft. Sam, Houston, TX

Brian Silverstein, US Navy

Sgt. John R. Reid, Army

LCPL Joshua Johnson, Camp Le Jeune, North Carolina

Major Will Kepley, Iraq

Spec. Benjamin Wing, 101st Airborne, Afghanistan

1st Lt. Maria Borders, US Air Force, Iraq

Major Michael Borders, Jr., US Air Force, Arizona

Cpt. Julie Hurst, Army, Iraq

Administration

Collection from

01/17/10

\$20459.00

Envelopes	\$19747.00
Loose	\$711.25
Children's Envelopes	\$.75
Haitian Relief	\$6864.00
ACTUAL	\$20459.00

Thank you for your generous gift of Treasure!

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

"Merton Reviews Merton: Confessions of a Mature Monk"

The Cathedral of the Assumption is honored to host the sixteenth annual Thomas Merton Celebration, Thursday, Jan. 28 at 7pm in the Cathedral Undercroft. Held in January close to Merton's birthday, the evening acknowledges and celebrates the life and works of this great contemplative monk. Several performers will read original material of Thomas Merton compiled by Rev. George Kilcourse, Professor of Theology at Bellarmine University and Merton Scholar. Please join us for this enjoyable evening, which ends in singing and sharing birthday cake in honor of Merton. The program is free of charge and open to all. Contact Pat Sexton, 582-2971, ext. 5227 or psexton@cathedraloftheassumption.org.

Honor Thy Children

2010 Safe Environment Training Schedule

1/26/10	6:30 p.m.	St. Michael, Griner Hall
2/ 4/10	6:30 p.m.	Holy Trinity, Cafeteria

The 2010 Catholic Directory for the Archdiocese of Louisville is now available at the office of The Record, Maloney Center, 1200 South Shelby Street. The Directory includes the following: Sunday and holy day Masses at all churches; a listing of all parishes, schools, archdiocesan agencies, priests, deacons, and religious; and other information of interest. The cost is \$20.00 per book if picked up and \$22.50 each by mail. Make checks payable to The Record. Credit cards are also accepted.

Fr. Cedric, a Passionist Priest, can be seen on the Faith Channel 19 on Sundays, 9PM, Mondays, 10AM, Thursdays, 7:30PM, and Fridays, 10PM. The TV show is "Live With Passion". Please tune in!

EARTH & SPIRIT CENTER CLASSES

MEDITATION COURSES

A ten-week series of classes is offered every fall and spring. Each series teaches the basic skills and practices of meditation from a different vantage point - using the insights from Christian and Jewish mystics, Eastern spiritual traditions, transpersonal psychology and current studies in human consciousness. The study includes an investigation of the levels of human consciousness, the psycho-spiritual dynamics of inner growth, and the foundations of an integral spirituality which honors and includes all aspects of life. These classes are for experienced meditators who wish to deepen and mature their practice.

MEDITATION FOR BEGINNERS

This class is for those interested in learning or becoming re-familiar with the practice of meditation. It includes: basic instructions in a method of Christian insight meditation; the psychological and scriptural underpinnings of the practice; a map of the inner world; and guidance for applying these teachings in daily life. Meditation is taught as a way of self discovery and accessing the Kingdom of Heaven within.

Current Offering for Beginners - Encountering the Inner Christ

Saturday, Feb. 6th - 9am-3:30pm

Orientation of Meditation (prerequisite for Wednesday classes)

Ten Wednesday classes: beginning Feb. 10, 17, 24, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 31, Apr. 7, 14, 21, 10-11:30am or 7-8:30pm

The same class will be presented mornings and evenings. Participants can arrange to attend either session. Text: The Kingdom Within by John Sanford

For more information: contact Beth Zinger at the Earth & Spirit Center, 452-2749 weekdays, 9am-3pm or email earthandspirit@passionist.org. Suggested donation: \$140. No one will be refused for lack of funds.