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# North Maccomb News

Rev. David Buersmeyer, Vicar

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## *North Maccomb Vicariate Updates Website*

Our vicariate website is sporting a new look and very helpful information to all in the North Maccomb Vicariate. Thanks to Linda Badamo, who has been instrumental in vicariate communications, and Fr. Bursemeier, our vicar; the website is much improved.

Due to limited space in the monthly newsletter, information regarding parish mass schedules, parish locations, parish websites, and special parish masses and events, can all be found on this website. In addition, current and past issues of the North Maccomb News, archdiocesan information, and school and retreat center locators, are also readily available.

The Reading Room provides links to the Holy See Press Office and Catholic Web links. Videos such as *Fishers of Men* and *The Interview with God* can also be viewed from the Reading Room.

Also included on the website is a survey. This short five question survey asks questions to help determine what improvements or suggestions the user may have for the vicariate. We hope many of you will take a few minutes and complete this helpful survey.

As a reminder, the North Maccomb Vicariate website can be found at [www.nmvonline.org](http://www.nmvonline.org).

## *Help For Those With Hearing Limitations*

St. Therese of Lisieux has recently installed an induction loop hearing system in a section of their worship area in church to assist those persons with a hearing disability.

If you have a telecoil (t-coil) position on your hearing aid or have a cochlear implant, the hearing loop system will greatly improve your hearing. By transmitting sounds directly to your hearing aid or cochlear implant, it acts as a personal amplifier and creates perfect, undistorted sound. Simply turn on your telecoil and the sound will be broadcast directly into your ear through your hearing aid or cochlear implant processor. The location of the loop is in the pew section directly to the left of the baptismal font and continuing towards the front. If you need assistance in locating this area, please ask an usher to help you.

Please tell your relatives and friends about this new technology at St. Therese of Lisieux for those with hearing limitations. Those with significant hearing loss have noticed a marked improvement in their ability to hear the Mass with this new system. In addition to the loop system, the parish also has SoundMate with 3 receivers available, and a personal FM radio frequency (tuned to 90.5) to assist the hearing impaired.

## *Timothy\* Awards To Be Presented*

In 2007 the youth ministers of the North Maccomb, Central Maccomb, Blue Water and Thumb Vicariates decided to honor teens for the gifts and talents they possess in the areas of leadership, commitment, and service. Thus began a collaboration which lead to the first annual Timothy Awards. The event honors young people and acknowledges their "going the extra mile" to serve their faith communities.

These awards recognize outstanding leadership, Christian service, and/or commitment in parish, family, school or community. Each participating parish can recognize up to eight young people to receive the **Youth Appreciation Certificate**, and one additional young person to receive the **Award of Excellence**. These awards are given to high school youth in grades 9-12 and only activities from the previous year are considered. Sport or academic accomplishments are not a criteria for recognition unless it pertains to a leadership aspect, such as a captain or committee chairperson.

The Timothy Awards ceremony and reception will be held this year at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish on Sunday, April 18th from 3 PM to 5 PM.

Congratulations to all the nominees and recipients of this year's awards. May these youth be a shining example of the many gifts and talents our young people have to offer their parish and their community.

*\*"Let no one look down on you because of your youth, but set an example for those who believe - in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity." 1 Timothy 4:12*

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**Correction****Shrines of Quebec Pilgrimage**

- June 17-22, 2010 (Thurs.– Tues.)
- Visit St. Anne de Beaupre, Basilica of Notre Dame du Cap-de-la-Madeleine, St. Joseph Oratory, Montmorency Falls and more.
- \$650 includes round trip Motorcoach, 5 breakfasts and 5 dinners, guided tours.
- For more information and reservations, **contact Madaline Sheff at 586.731.4614 or 586.206.3500.**
- Reservations due by April 30, 2010

**Widowed Grief  
Recovery Support****Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup> – 12:30**

A six-week "Grief Recovery" series is being offered by *Widowed Friends*, a peer ministry in the AoD. It covers the phases of grief, coping with loneliness and other related issues surrounding the loss of a spouse.

The series begins on Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM, after the 11:00 AM Mass at St. Kieran Parish, 53600 Mound Rd.

A 20.00 fee covers all materials. To register call Mary at (586) 749-9053.

**Interactive Weekend Retreat for  
Widowed Men and Women****Sat. & Sun, April 17-18, 9 AM - 5 PM  
St. Kieran Parish, 53600 Mound Rd.**

Interactive weekend retreat, offers speakers giving helpful insights to a more meaningful life, group discussions, a healing service and an opportunity to meet new friends in a safe setting.

The cost is \$32-\$35 per day, \$60 for both days, including meals. Must register, call Lynn at 586.286.2935 or Justine at 734.455.6939

**Capuchin Retreat  
Annual Golf Outing**

Friday, May 7th, the 10th Annual Capuchin Retreat Golf Outing will be held at Greystone Golf Course in Washington Twp. This is the Capuchin Retreat's main fundraiser for the year. Golfers are needed to help make this event a success. Begin your golf season with a wonderful day of golf, and a prime rib or chicken dinner at the Center afterward.

For more information, call the Capuchin Retreat Center office at 248.651.4826.

**Spring Seminar at St. Michaels**

On Wednesday, May 5, 2010, Nancy Clancy will present "*Our Personalities at Prayer*" at St. Michael's Spring Seminar.

Nancy has served in professional church ministry for 30 years, and her topic will explore how different personalities respond to God's love in prayer. The evening will begin with potluck salads and desserts at 6:30 PM, followed by the speaker at 7 PM.

The entrance fee is a salad or dessert to share. Please register by calling Vernie Dale at 586.566.4487. St. Michael's is located at 40501 Hayes in Sterling Heights.

**Red Cross Blood Drive**

Hosted by the Health Ministry

**Friday, April 2, 7:30 AM - 1:30 PM**

St. John Vianney Parish

54045 Schoenherr, Shelby Twp.

**West-Grands C.Y.O. Re-union**

Date: July 10, 2010

Information contacts: Rose 248-437-6621,  
Sharon 734-522-7924

Articles for the North Macomb Vicariate's **May issue are due by April 14th.** Please email your article to NMVNews@yahoo.com or admin@stthereseeparish.ws. If you have any questions please call Linda Maccarone at 586.254.4433

The St. Isidore Agape' Prayer Group Presents...

***Mary our Mother of Mercy,***

***Mother of Divine Mercy***

**Sunday, May 2nd, 2010, 3 PM**

St. Isidore Catholic Church  
18201 23 Mile Rd.

Presenter: Jim Miller, *Moments of Mercy Ministry*

Jim Miller is the former Divine Mercy Coordinator and host of Moments of Mercy for Michigan Catholic Radio and has been a member of the Board of the Marian Peace Center of Detroit since 2004. For the past seventeen years Jim has devoted his life to bringing people to Christ and Christ to people through Divine Mercy. You are invited to attend this Sunday afternoon with Mary our Mother of Mercy. **There is no charge for this event.**

A Divine Mercy Devotional Book table will be available.

## ***Capuchin Earthworks***

### ***Urban Garden Presentation***

Earthworks is a program of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. Inspired by the spirit of St. Francis, Earthworks seeks to promote sustainable agricultural practices, nutrition and care for the Earth.

Starting with a small garden in 1997 by Br. Rick Samyn, Earthworks has grown to an "urban farm" with additions of a greenhouse and an apiary, which produces honey and Earthworks' own beeswax hand balm. It also offers programs that teach inner city youth about nutrition and how to grow, cook and eat homegrown food. Earthworks provides the Capuchin Soup Kitchen with fresh vegetables during the growing season.

On **Thursday, April 22nd**, which is **Earth Day**, a representative from Earthworks will have a presentation at **St. Therese of Lisieux Parish at 7 PM**. Come learn about the efforts of the Capuchins and their volunteers and how we all have a responsibility to value the Earth's work and recognize ourselves as shareholders in the natural economy of energy exchanged in this living system.

For more information about Earthworks, visit their website at [www.cskdetroit.org/EWG](http://www.cskdetroit.org/EWG).

Special 50th Anniversary Dinner-Bingo night for St. Mary's Retreat House on April 28, 2010 at the American Polish Century Club on Maple Lane in Sterling Heights. \$25.00 per person, call Ann at 248.628.9816 for more information.

## **Clean Comedy in Nightclub Setting** **April 25, Open to All**

Are you looking for a great family outing that's different and fun?

Are you blown away by the irreverent comedy night club scene or even by what's on TV and the radio - and long for hearty jokes you can share with your kids that aren't vulgar, or sinful? You *can* have good clean fun - and here's the chance to bring a date, a friend, or bring the kids *and prove it!*

On **Sunday, April 25 from 4:30-6 PM**, St. Lawrence hosts *Belly Laughs or Bust* at Chaplin's on Groesbeck near 15 Mile Road in Clinton Township.

God gave us laughter to help ease our stress and draw us together. A good laugh is priceless and makes you feel good! This is good clean fun for the whole family in a REAL Night Club setting. Anyone and everyone is invited! If you can enjoy this kind of night - you are old enough to come!

Comics will wow you with clean jokes! All the chips and pop you can eat and drink! Tickets are \$10 each. RSVP with your \$\$ by April 18 to St. Lawrence's Coordinator of Youth Ministry Marilyn Trumper-Samra. Call 731-5347 X 244. Sorry, no alcohol will be sold, or offered.



**A Little Easter Humor...**

**3 Days Later**

It was following the resurrection and the disciples were still somewhat scattered about Jerusalem and the surrounding villages. John finds Peter and runs up to him. Excitedly he says, "Peter, Peter! I've got some good news and some bad news."

Peter takes a hold of John and calms him down. "Take it easy, John. What is it? What's the good news?"

John says, "The good news is Christ is risen."

Peter says, "That's great! But, what's the bad news?"

John, looking around, says, "He's really steamed about last Friday."

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