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North Maccomb News

Rev. David Buersmeyer, Vicar

March 2010

The New Regional Structure for the Archdiocese is Taking Shape

Fr. Timothy Hogan has been appointed as the Regional Moderator for the Northeast Region. He has been given the responsibility of an "episcopal vicar." What does this mean?

Archbishop Vigneron is our chief shepherd, but with a diocese this size he has co-workers to help in his task as bishop. He delegates to them some of his responsibilities: to *maintain communication with a set of parishes, to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation in those parishes, to help him plan on a leadership level for the archdiocese, and so on.*

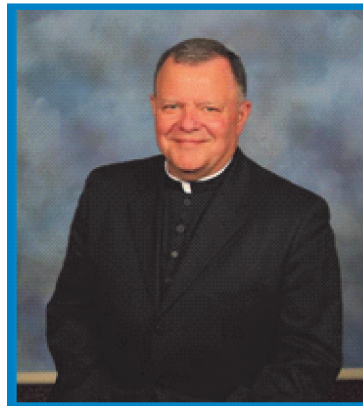
In the past, such co-workers have usually been auxiliary bishops. Men ordained to be bishops but as helpers to the main bishop. Bishop Flores was our most recent one, who has since been appointed to Brownsville, Texas. More recently, Archbishop Vigneron has used another model. He has appointed priests to fulfill the same role as auxiliary bishops without ordaining them bishops. Thus the title "*episcopal vicar.*" The "episcopal" in that title is not referring to the Episcopalian Church, but to the root meaning of the word: "having to do with being a bishop". The "vicar" in that title means "acting in the place of". So an "episcopal vicar" is a priest appointed by the archbishop with the authority to act in the place of the bishop.

Our Northeast region of the diocese has four vicariates with 65 parishes. We are the **North Maccomb Vicariate** (9 parishes in the Utica, Shelby Twp., Washington Twp., Romeo, Bruce Twp., Ray Twp. and Armada area). The 10 parishes from New Baltimore up through Port Huron to Lakeport form the **Blue Water Vicariate**. The 20 parishes in Grosse Pointe, Eastpointe, Harper Woods and Roseville form the **SERF Vicariate**. And the 26 parishes in Warren, Sterling Heights, Clinton Twp., Harrison Twp, and Mt. Clemens form the **Central Maccomb Vicariate**.

Fr. Hogan is Archbishop Vigneron's delegated leader or "episcopal vicar" for all of these parishes. We welcome him and wish him the best as he becomes our new Regional Moderator.

Fr. Dave Buersmeyer,
Vicar

North Maccomb Vicariate Welcomes Fr. Timothy Hogan, Regional Moderator NMV



Recently I was asked by Archbishop Vigneron, to serve as Regional Moderator for the North East Region along with my responsibilities as Pastor of Holy Family Parish, Novi. I have never refused an assignment so I willingly agreed to his request knowing that God's grace would carry me through.

The Regional Moderator is an Episcopal Vicar. I discovered what one of my brother priests put quite succinctly: It's the authority of the regional bishop, the work of the regional bishop, no added salary, no ring, no miter and no crosier; to which I responded, "Thanks be to God."

My responsibilities include celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation, assisting the Archbishop in the care of the Northeast Region and assisting the parishes, pastors and vicariates in whatever way I can.

Know that I am available to you and I ask that we continue to pray for the spiritual and temporal wellbeing of our entire Archdiocese. The Lord has brought us together. Let us walk in the ways of the Lord.

God bless you,

Fr. Timothy D. Hogan

Reminders:

Fr. Timothy Radcliffe, OP

Thursday, March 11th, at St. Paul Albanian Parish.

Dinner at 6PM & Presentation at 7PM



Choir Festival

Sunday, March 14th, 4PM at St. Isidore

Light refreshments, free-will offering.

Vicariate Parishes

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www.stclementromeo.org
Rev. Stephen C. Reckker
Rev. John R. "Doc" Ortman

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Rev. Christopher J. Talbot

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Rev. John Britto Chinnappa

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NMV Lenten Services**Stations of the Cross**

- *SS. John & Paul* - Soup & Stations April 2nd, Noon
- *St. Francis/St. Maximilian* - Stations, Soup & Salad Wednesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 at 6:30PM
- *St. Isidore* - Friday, March 5th & 19th at 3PM, March 12th & 26th at 7PM
- *St. Mary Mystical Rose* - All Fridays in March at 6PM; April 2nd at 1PM
- *St. Lawrence* - All Fridays in March at 7PM;
- *St. Therese of Lisieux* - All Fridays in March at 7PM

Communal Penance Services

- 7PM - March 8th (Monday) - St. Francis/ St. Maximilian (Bi-lingual in Spanish)
- 7PM - March 10th (Wednesday) - St. Mary Mystical Rose
- 1PM - March 13th (Saturday) - St. Isidore
- 7PM - March 16th (Tuesday)- SS. John & Paul, St. Mary Mystical Rose
- 7PM - March 25th (Thursday)- St. John Vianney, St. Therese of Lisieux
- 7PM - March 29th (Monday)- St. Lawrence & St. John Vianney
- 7PM - March 30th (Tuesday)- St. Kieran

Eucharistic Adoration

- *St. Kieran* - Monday through Friday, 7AM - 9PM
- *St. Mary Mystical Rose* - Wednesday, March 3rd, 17th, & 24th, 9AM-7PM. Wednesday, March 10th, 9AM-6PM
- *St. Therese of Lisieux* - Every Thursday, 9AM-7PM
- *St. Isidore* - Friday, March 5th, 8:30AM-3PM
- *SS. John & Paul* - Tuesday, March 30th, begins with 9AM Mass and ends with Benediction at 7PM

NMV Lenten Renewal Opportunities**SS. John & Paul**

- Friday, March 5th - Soup & Supper w/ guest speaker Brother Al from St. Aloysius Canticle Café at 6 PM.
- "Lenten Lift" Parish Mission begins Thursday, March 11th with Fr. Timothy Radcliffe presentation at St. Paul Albanian Church with dinner at 6PM and presentation at 7PM.
- Friday, March 12th - John Thorne and the United in Christ Choir, light meal at 6PM and Gospel concert at 7PM.
- Saturday, March 13th - Msgr. John Budde following the 5PM liturgy with a light dinner.
- Sunday, March 14th - Msgr. John Budde following the 11:30AM liturgy with a light lunch.

St. Therese of Lisieux

- Sunday, March 14th - Msgr. Bob McClory, AoD Moderator of the Curia will be a guest speaker, his topic will be, "*Mary at the Foot of the Cross,*" at 7PM.

St. Mary Mystical Rose

- Wednesday, March 17th - "*Forming Christian Community*" with Dr. Carol Jadach at 6PM.
- Wednesday, March 24th - "*Praying in Color*" with Kathy Locke at 6PM.

Capuchin Retreat House

- All Mondays during Lent - Studying the prophet Isaiah at 7AM or 7PM with Fr. John.

St. John Vianney

- "Evensong" prayer & song service Wednesday evenings, March 3, 10, 17, 24 at 7 PM.

**NMV Lent Fish Dinners.*****All Fridays of Lent***

- *St. Therese of Lisieux*: 4-7PM (except Good Friday)
- *St. Lawrence*: 4:30-7PM,
- *St. John Vianney*: 5 - 7:30 PM
- *St. Isidore*: 4-7PM (except Good Friday)

For more information on the Lenten services and events,
please go to the North Macomb Vicariate website at www.nmvonline.org.

Upcoming Events In & Around Our Vicariate

For Widowed: *Interactive Weekend Retreat*

Sponsored by Widowed Friends, a peer group in the Archdiocese of Detroit, "*Who Am I Now,*" a 2-day interactive weekend retreat, will be held **Saturday, April 17th and Sunday, April 18th**, from **9AM-5:30PM** each day at St. Kieran Parish Center, 53600 Mound Road in Shelby Township, 48316.

- Speakers offer helpful insights to a more meaningful life
- Group discussions
- Healing service
- Opportunity to meet new friends in a safe setting
- The Cost is \$32-35 per day, \$60 for both days and includes meals; lodgings additional
- For more information or to register by **April 10th**, call **Lynn, 586.286.2935**, **Justine, 734.455.6939**, or **Joan, 248.478.1084**



St. Kieran's 60+ Singles

March 20th - Pot Luck Dinner, 6PM

St. Kieran's Green Room

Please bring a dish to pass, drinks provided

Cards & Games

Questions? Phone **Cathy, 586.731.1019** or **Mary Ann, 586.739.1643**



Come & Join Us

The Council of Catholic Women, Archdiocese of Detroit, wishes to invite all women to its Biennial Assembly; "Moving Forward with Faith and Joy."

Saturday, April 10th at Sacred Heart Major Seminary

Speakers: Carol Hofer, Julie Frawley, & Socorro Truchan

Eucharistic Liturgy: Archbishop Allen Vigneron, presider

Registration begins at 8:30AM. The cost is \$35 per person.

Pre-registration deadline is March 26th. Contact: Joan Beaton, 313.291.6153 or Lorraine McFee 313.563.1743.

Upcoming American Red Cross Blood Drives

- **Thursday, March 18th, 2-8PM - St. Therese of Lisieux, 48115 Schoenherr Road in Shelby Twp.**
- **Friday, March 26th, 2-8PM - St. Francis/St. Maximilian, 62811 New Haven Rd. in Ray Twp.**

Heartfelt Thank You From St. Francis – St. Maximilian

Each year our **Christian Outreach Commission** sponsors a Giving Tree, as so many churches do. Such a huge project pushes parishes to the limits of their resources. So many hands, hearts, and hours of preparation, prayer and hard work go into such an effort.



We knew that this year would be an exceptional challenge and opportunity to assist those in need, due to the depressed state of the economy. We were concerned that we might not have the donations necessary to help all those who requested assistance. Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, and the parishioners of several other churches in our vicariate, we were able to respond positively, to nearly 150 families, the residents of a local group home, and 20 students at a local school. Generous donations were also made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen and the Living Word Church, which ministers to people in the New Haven area.

Once again, we witnessed the outpouring of Christian love by the people of our parish and the Vicariate, working together, to spread the Good News of the Gospel to those in our community and beyond. It was truly a special Christmas blessing to work with the many people who made this possible. "**Thank you**" hardly seems adequate to express our gratitude, but we do offer our heartfelt thanks to all who helped in any way. We look forward to working together again next year.

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- Visit to Montmorency Falls
- Visit to the Basilica of Notre Dame du Cap-de-la-Madeleine
- 5 breakfasts & 5 dinners
- Taxes & baggage handling

**For reservation forms, please contact St. Lawrence,
586.739.5347**

Articles for the North Macomb Vicariate's April issue are due by **March 12th**. Please email your article to: **NMVNews@yahoo.com** or **admin@stthereseparish.ws**. If you have any questions please call Linda Maccarone, **586.254.4433**



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