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Wishing you and your family a Blessed Christmas!

TERRI'S MEMO

Dear Friends in Christ,

I hope you all had a nice blessed Thanksgiving with your family and friends.

Throughout the year, our Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry Office is thankful and has been blessed with many wonderful opportunities to grow strong in our Catholic faith.

The Deaf/Hard of Hearing advisory committee is almost done with the pastoral plan to present to Archbishop ListECKi. This plan will be incorporated with the Archdiocese of Milwaukee's mission for the next 10-15 years. I am grateful to Archbishop ListECKi and the Synod planning committee for including some representatives from the Deaf/Hard of Hearing community to participate in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Synod this past summer. As Archbishop ListECKi mentioned in the closing Synod Mass, "Ignite, Renew, and Energize." He explained these by proclaiming, "We are asked to help take the sense of the new Pentecost into the world – to be ignited by the Spirit; to be renewed in our own personal spiritual life; and to energize our own communities...to overcome any fear of proclaiming the Gospel to a world that sorely needs it." (*Post Synod Introduction, July 18-19.*) Please pray for our Deaf/Hard of Hearing community as well as the entire

Archdiocese of Milwaukee as we move forward to implement the Synod with the help of the Holy Spirit.

We were blessed this year to sponsor two pilgrimage trips for our Deaf/Hard of Hearing Catholic community. The first trip was in the spring to the Shrine of Christ's passion in St. John, Indiana. The second trip was in the fall to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse, Wisconsin. Both of these pilgrimages were a very rewarding experience for all of the participants. I was touched with joy and happiness to see how they were inspired and will benefit from these journeys.

Please relax and take some time to read this issue which is filled with many important events and issues especially Fr. Christopher's enlightening summary of what we did throughout the year.

May the Grace and Peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ always be with you, your family and loved ones.

Merry Christmas & Blessed New Year!

God Bless,

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2014 ISSUE

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St. Andrew Parish

DEAF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MINISTRY

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Wow! The religious formation classes for the Deaf students are off and running to a great start. This semester we have already celebrated All Saints Day with a Deaf Mass with all the kids and several Deaf adults. It was a beautiful experience for the students to see Deaf adults who witnessed how important their faith is to the kids. In classes and during the homily we learned about more role models and God's heroes in the lives of some of the saints. God's plan for us is to all become saints. We are on that journey to our goal. Praise God! His love for us is endless!

One of my favorite sayings is, "Saints are well known sinners who changed." That always gives me hope. So with that in mind, one of our follow up classes was to examine our conscience and return to Church to celebrate the beautiful sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession.) We left that evening forgiven for our faults and enveloped in our Savior's protective, healing grace. Praise God! His mercy is such a gift!

We have 2 lower elementary students this year who joined us at Mass with their mothers. They continue to learn each week more about who God is. If you ask them they know that God made them. God is their Father. There is only one God. God lives forever. We learned the Creation story. We are learning to pray, (which is talking to God.) We are also learning some formal prayers. We know the sign of the cross and we are in the process of learning the Our Father. We also had a tour of God's special place, the Church. Praise God! His might is champ!

Of course next on our agenda is the Advent season and our traditional pizza and pop Christmas party with middle school and high school. Our elementary students will celebrate with happy meals.

Adult religious education continues monthly with Bible studies facilitated by Father Christopher. The Holy Spirit uses him well to teach and inspire us with a deeper respect and love for our Church and our God.

Additionally, due to our team of interpreters' illnesses, Father has been coming monthly instead of bi-monthly to celebrate a Sun. Deaf Mass with us. Prayers of thanksgiving for his dedication to serve the Deaf community are often offered.

Enjoy a few photos on the next page from Delavan in this *Hand in Hand* issue.





Bobby Paul enjoys his tour of God's special place, church. Here he is getting a look at all the things that are in the sacristy and a chance to try on a server robe.
St. Andrew, Delavan



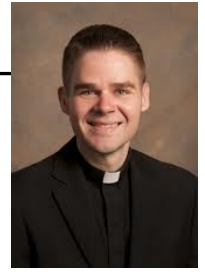
Andy Coppola helps Father Christopher as a server.
St. Andrew, Delavan



Group photo of kids who celebrated and participated in our All Saints Day Deaf Mass.
St. Andrew, Delavan



Group photo of students, parents, Deaf adults, and some WSD staff gathered as one, celebrating our faith.
St. Andrew, Delavan



"I will extol you, my God and king; I will bless your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless you; I will praise your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD and worthy of much praise, whose grandeur is beyond understanding" (Psalm 145:1-3). 2014 has been a great year! All of us have felt blessed with everything that happened this year. First, we are grateful to have a Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry Office, since many (sadly) closed in other arch/dioceses. I also wanted to thank you for your patience as we are starting to improve services from our Deaf/Hard of Hearing Office. We have a lot of exciting plans for you in 2015! Please pray for our office that it will continue to stay strong and to be of great support to all of our Deaf and Hard of Hearing brothers and sisters, as well as their families and friends, in various parishes, as well as with other archdiocesan offices.

Let's look back to our busy 2014: In January 2014, one of our deaf members, Sue Koehn, celebrated her father's 100th birthday. If you ever saw him (Bill), he looks like he is in his 70s! We also were blessed to have several of our members (6 of us) attend NCOD at Las Vegas, NV to learn from their workshops, meet with other Deaf Pastoral Workers, and grow stronger in our Catholic faith. I am so grateful to St. Francis de Sales Seminary for allowing us to pray with them and share the beauty of our Deaf Culture during their multicultural weekend retreat!

Also, throughout the year, our Deaf/Hard of Hearing Advisory Committee had met several times to plan our Pastoral Plan. They've given generously of their time to represent you in the best way they can. We hope to finish the Pastoral Plan by the end of December of 2014 (God Willing!). We will give Archbishop ListECKI the Pastoral Plan for approval, for this is what he mentioned during his Synodal Declaration released on Sept. 13, 2014. This Pastoral Plan will describe the short- and long-term goals for Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry as a whole in its service within the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, especially its parishes and archdiocesan offices

for the next 10+ years. How is this monitored as to whether we are doing well or not? The Deaf/Hard of Hearing Advisory Committee makes sure we are on the right track. Please pray for the success of this Pastoral Plan. The Hispanic Ministry Office had already completed their amazing Pastoral Plan. Others, such as the Asian Pacific Ministry and Black Catholic Ministry, will be working on their Pastoral Plans.

We had a wonderful Men of Christ conference last March 15th. We are already working on making preparations for the women to attend the Women of Christ conference in November of 2015.

In April of 2014, we had our 1st ASL Holy Thursday Mass in the Parish Chapel of St. Matthias ever or in many years. Soon after, a group of Deaf/Hard of Hearing members went to the Midwest ICDA Conference in Ohio. They continued to learn and grow from that experience. Some were former alumni of St. Rita's School for the Deaf and were amazed at the newly renovated chapel there. We are blessed to host the upcoming ICDA Midwest Conference in 2018! Also, we are grateful that one of our members, Margaret Calteaux, was voted as new President of ICDA Midwest!

On May 3rd, we had another amazing day pilgrimage to St. John, Indiana. Many of us will never forget this profound experience. The life-size statues and the amazing detail of each of the bodies made us feel like we were watching Jesus during the last 3 days of His life on earth.

We have had some Confirmations this year with several Deaf members at St. Matthias and St. Roman parishes. One was Dan Houlihan and Marika Kovacs-Houlihan's oldest son, Zane, on Saturday, April 5th. Also, on May 7th, several of our WSD students were confirmed at St. Andrew in Delavan. Please keep all the newly confirmed in your prayers.

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One priest in Kenosha, who continues to serve the deaf, celebrated his 25 years as a priest on May 23rd. His name is Fr. Bill Hayward, MIC. Please keep him in your prayers.

During Pentecost Weekend, we felt so blessed to have 5 of us Deaf to be delegates for the Archdiocesan Synod. Our Pastoral Plan will be in conformity to the new goals set forth from the Synod.

Our Ephpheta/Sodality of St. John the Baptist #7 organization continues to gradually become stronger again. We were happy for the fun summer picnic in July. We enjoyed the "Are you smarter than Fr. Christopher?" and "Cathardy" game shows. They helped us to learn more about our Catholic faith in a fun way. On November 16th, we had our annual remembrance Mass for all the newly departed who are members of the Ephpheta organization at the Parish Chapel in St. Matthias. This is one wonderful and good reason to be members of this organization! If you haven't joined Ephpheta, please do so as soon as possible! That way, you will be remembered in the annual Masses with the Deaf. As you know, we had several deaths in our Deaf/Hard of Hearing community. One in particular is Sr. Margaret Peter, OSF (also known as Sr. Mary Walter) who passed away on September 20th. May all these souls be at peace with God and we ask them for their prayers for us.

This year, we have had exciting progress with our Young Adults. We are grateful for the collaboration with John Paul II Center to provide interpreters for 2 summer *Theology on Tap* sessions, in which our Deaf enjoyed for the first time. Also, during the weekend of November 7-9th, we collaborated with the Archdiocese of Chicago to host the 1st Annual Catholic Deaf Young Adult weekend retreat in northern Chicago. We truly enjoyed the experience through Masses, prayers, workshops, and making new friends. We are preparing for the 2nd Annual retreat next year!

Many of us are still inspired by our weekend retreat in LaCrosse from Oct. 24-26. Learning more about Our Lady of Guadalupe

from Sissy Zoellick, who gave a wonderful presentation, along with Richard from Chicago. We enjoyed the prayers, workshops, and tours. We were in awe to celebrate Mass in their beautiful Church and were grateful to each give a flower to Our Lady. At the end, we were so happy to learn that one religious brother placed our bouquet of flowers next to the Tabernacle and under the huge picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe. On Sunday, we enjoyed the tour at the Convent of St. Rose of Viterbo. We were amazed at their beautiful Church, including their beautiful Adoration Chapel! How beautiful is their unbroken streak of never-ending Adoration by the nuns since the 1800s!

One exciting new chapter that we began last Sunday, November 16th before our 9 am ASL Mass at St. Matthias' Parish Chapel was praying the rosary together at 8:30 am. This will become our new tradition before all our 9 am Masses in the Parish Chapel. After the rosary, many of us felt so inspired by the beauty of this precious and powerful devotion. Remember that Our Blessed Mother wants us to pray the rosary every day!

We still had more experiences that we will never forget. I am truly grateful to share these experiences with you. Thanks for your time, service, and prayers for Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry in our Archdiocese of Milwaukee. I pray that you will come to many more in 2015 and on. I pray that you will continue to come to Mass every weekend for Jesus' Body and Blood are the greatest gifts we could ever have. And I pray that you participate in as many Sacraments, especially the Sacrament of Confession to keep your relationship with Christ Jesus STRONG!

I want to also say a big thank you to all the parishes that served the Deaf/Hard of Hearing community this year of 2014. I know it means a lot to our Deaf/Hard of Hearing brothers and sisters.

Please know of my continued prayers for each one of you! Please pray for me too! I look forward to seeing you in 2015! May God bless you always!

Fr. Christopher Klusman :)

Meet the DHH Advisory Committee Member - Dan Houlihan



My name is Dan Houlihan and I have been member of St Matthias Church since he moved to Milwaukee in 1998 with my wife Marika of 19 years. After living here in Milwaukee, we bloomed with four healthy children; Zane (16), Riley (14), Ainsley (11) and Caden (10). I want my children to have similar spiritual experience I had in my childhood in Chicago with guidance from Father Joseph Mulcrone and Nancy Huber. Therefore, we attend mass services weekly when possible and enroll our children to Christian Formation Ministry at St Matthias Church to develop and strengthen their spiritual experience, so they would have faith for support to live in a good life with grace of God. Also, we have strong family value that we often get together with extended family members for celebration during sacraments, holidays, and other family traditional events. We appreciate the love and support we have in this family, therefore we are grateful and blessed to have these gifts from God.

With my professional life, I enjoy my work at Wisconsin Educational Service Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (WESP-DHH) Outreach under the Department of Public Instruction. As the Sign Communication Specialist, I provide consulting services to school districts throughout Wisconsin that have students who are deaf, hard of hearing, and deaf-blind. My most rewarding work experience is the Teen Getaway Weekends where the students come together to meet each other and to learn more about identity and leadership. They also have exposures to various adult role models to understand how they have been successful with their own hearing loss.

As God says to share your gifts with others, I enjoy volunteering my time involved with various organizations within the deaf community because they are important part of my life. They keep my mental and physical active to live in with appreciation, therefore I participate Catholic Milwaukee Advisory Council for Archdiocese and Wisconsin Association of the Deaf for leadership experience and to advocate for all deaf individuals to experience good life.

Lastly, I do have time for myself, which I truly enjoy biking, swimming, traveling and camping with my wife and children, and good friends as well.

Deaf/Hard of Hearing Advisory Committee Members

The purpose of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Deaf and Hard of Hearing Ministry Advisory Committee is to give feedback/advice to Fr. Christopher Klusman and Terri Matenaer on “progress” of our Archdiocese for the DHH Ministry on the Pastoral Plan and their area of representation.

Eva Diaz: Director for Intercultural Ministries

Terri Matenaer: Coordinator of Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry

Fr. Christopher Klusman: Associate Director of Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry

Patty Kostechka: Coordinator of Delavan Deaf Ministry Program

Scott Baughman, Fond du Lac

Courtney Gunville, Delavan

Margaret Calteaux, Franksville

Dan Houhilan, Brookfield

Clark Christensen, Milwaukee

Arvilla Rank, Milwaukee

Tim Gall, Waukesha

Deacon David Sommers, Milwaukee

Jim Goddeyne, Germantown

Sissy Zoellick, Milwaukee



Love One Another
November 24, 2014

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This morning, Pope Francis announced that Bishop Donald J. Hying has been appointed as the 4th Bishop of the Diocese of Gary, Indiana. His installation will take place on January 6, 2015.

We will truly miss Bishop Hying's spiritual and administrative leadership. While we are sad to see him leave, we are grateful for his service and know that he will continue to be a blessing for the people of Gary, just as he has been a blessing for the faithful in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Since his appointment as an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee in May, 2011, Bishop Hying has demonstrated his unceasing commitment to evangelization in southeastern Wisconsin. He has also worked tirelessly in support of youth and adult Catholic organizations and has been a living example and compassionate advocate for the sanctity of life. There's no doubt that he has earned the admiration and respect of the clergy and faithful of the archdiocese. He is truly a fitting successor for the retiring Bishop Dale Melczek.

As he embarks on this new journey, I ask that you pray for Bishop Hying as well as for the people of the Diocese of Gary and the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Very truly yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Jerome E. ListECKi
Archbishop of Milwaukee



We received the news of Bishop Hying's appointment with happiness and sadness. We are happy because of this great honor in recognition of Bishop Hying's excellent capabilities as a shepherd. At the same time, we are very sad because he will be moving to a different diocese. We wanted to express our tremendous gratitude for all you have done on behalf of Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry over the years. Please know of our continued prayers as you begin this new chapter in your life following God's Will.

Blessings,

The Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry Office

Interpreted and Signed Masses throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

St. Andrew Parish, Delavan

714 E. Walworth Avenue
Delavan, WI 53115
Patty Kostechka's Phone: 262-728-9751
Patty's E-Mail: patty.kostechka@charter.net
Parish Phone: 262-728-5922
Parish E-Mail: standrewsdelavan@sbcglobal.net
Website: www.standrews-delavan.org
Interpreted Mass
Sundays - 9:30am

St. Clare Parish, Wind Lake

7616 Fritz Street
Wind Lake, WI 53185
Phone: 262-895-2729
E-Mail: clarewl@tds.net
Website: www.stclarewindlake.org
Closed Captioning Mass
2nd Saturdays - 4:00pm

St. Dominic Parish, Sheboygan

2133 N. 22nd Street
Sheboygan, WI 53081
Phone: 920-458-7070
E-Mail: dominic@stdominic.us
Website: www.stdominic.us
Interpreted Mass
Please Contact the Parish Office

St. James Parish, Menomonee Falls

W220 N6588 Town Line Road
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051
Phone: 262-251-3944
E-Mail: stjameschurch@bizwi.rr.com
Website: www.stjames-parish.com
Interpreted Mass
2nd & 4th Saturdays - 4:30pm

St. Joseph Parish, Grafton

1619 Washington Street
Grafton, WI 53024
Phone: 262-375-6500
E-Mail: stjosephs@wi.rr.com
Website: www.stjosephgraffton.org
Interpreted Mass
1st & 4th Saturdays - 4:00 pm
3rd Sunday - 10:30 am

St. Mary Immaculate Conception, West Bend

1610 Monroe Street
West Bend, WI 53090
Phone: 262-338-5600
Email: stmy@stmaryparishwb.org
Website: www.stmaryparishwb.org
Interpreted Mass
2nd Sunday of the Month - 9:30am

St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Racine

6400 Spring Street
Racine, WI 53406
Phone: 262-886-0530
E-Mail: ckechter@stpaulracine.org
Website: www.stpaulracine.org
Interpreted Mass
Sundays - 10:30am

St. Peter of Alcantara, Port Washington

1800 N. Wisconsin Street
Port Washington, WI 53074
Phone: 262-284-4266
E-Mail: stpeterport@archmil.org
Website: www.capsweacanconnect.com
Interpreted Mass
Please Contact the Parish Office

St. Peter Parish, Kenosha

2224 30th Avenue
Kenosha, WI 53144
Phone: 262-551-9004
E-Mail: rectory@stpeterskenosha.com
Website: www.stpeterskenosha.org
Interpreted Mass
Sundays - 10:30am

Good Shepherd Parish, Menomonee Falls

N88 W17658 Christman Road
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051
Phone: 262-255-2035
E-Mail: goodshepherd@gdinet.com
Website: www.mygoodshepherd.org
Interpreted Mass
Sundays - 11:00am

Shepherd of the Hills Parish, Eden

(near Fond du Lac)
W1562 County Road B
Eden, WI 53019
Phone: 920-477-3201
E-Mail: sgitter@sothparish.org
Website: www.sothparish.org
Interpreted Mass
1st & 3rd Sundays - 8:15am



December, 2014

St. Matthias Parish, Milwaukee
 9306 W. Beloit Road
 Milwaukee, WI 53227
 Phone: 414-321-0893
 E-Mail: info@stmatthias-milw.org
 Website: www.stmatthias-milw.org
 Interpreted Mass in the Main Church
 1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays - 9:00am
 Signed Mass in the Parish Chapel
 3rd Sunday - 9:00am with Fr. Christopher Klusman

St. Roman Parish, Milwaukee
 1810 West Bolivar Avenue
 Milwaukee, WI 53221
 Phone: 414-937-5977
 E-Mail: stroman@stromans.com
 Website: www.stromans.com
 Signed Mass with Fr. Christopher Klusman
 Saturdays - 6:00pm

Times Listed Are Subject to Change

Sacrament of Reconciliation with Fr. Christopher Klusman

Wednesday, November 19th ~ 7:15pm-7:45pm
 at St. Andrew Parish; 714 E. Walworth Avenue;
 Delavan, WI 53115.

Saturday, December 6th and December 13th ~
 5:15pm—5:45pm at St. Roman Parish;
 1810 W. Bolivar Avenue; Milwaukee, WI 53221.
 (Fr. Christopher will be in the Bridal Dressing
 Room by the restrooms.)

Sunday, December 14th ~ 8:00am—8:30am
 and 10:00am at St. Matthias Parish Chapel;
 9306 W. Beloit Road; Milwaukee, WI 53227.
 (Fr. Christopher will be in a room with a sign on
 the door next to the Parish Chapel. If the door is
 closed, someone is inside. If open, please go in.)

Tuesday, December 23rd ~ 5:45pm—6:15pm at
 Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church;
 2224-45th Street; Kenosha, WI 53140



Interpreted and Signed Masses for Christmas



For those listed as “None”, please contact the Parish for any changes.
 Parish contact information are on the previous page (8).

Good Shepherd, Menomonee Falls
 Interpreted Mass
 December 24th Christmas Eve - 4:00pm

St. Clare Parish, Wind Lake
 Closed Captioning Mass
 December 24th Christmas Eve - 4:00pm

St. Mary Immaculate Conception, West Bend
 Interpreted Mass
 December 24th Christmas Eve - 4:30pm

St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Racine
 Interpreted Mass
 December 24th Christmas Eve - 4:30pm

***** St. Andrew Parish, Delavan *****
 Interpreted Mass
 Please Contact the Parish Office

***** St. Dominic, Sheboygan *****
 Interpreted Mass
 Please Contact the Parish Office

***** St. Peter Parish, Kenosha *****
 Interpreted Mass
 Please Contact the Parish Office

St. Matthias Parish Center, Milwaukee
 ASL Signed Mass with Fr. Christopher Klusman
 December 24th Christmas Eve - 7:00pm
 Rosary - 6:30pm
 December 25th Christmas Day - 10:00am
 Rosary - 9:30am
 January 1st New Year Day - 9:00am
 Rosary - 8:30am

St. Roman Parish, Milwaukee
 ASL Signed Mass with Fr. Christopher Klusman
 December 31st Solemnity of Mary, Vigil Mass -
 6:00pm No Voice Interpreter

Times Listed Are Subject to Change

Mark Your Calendar

Closed Captioned Sunday Mass on TV

Heart of the Nation produces and televises weekly Sunday Mass nationwide, providing compassionate spiritual care for Catholics unable to participate in holy Mass at a parish. The Mass are filmed at our very own St. Francis de Sales

Seminary in Milwaukee. If unable to attend Mass at a parish, please join with us on TV for captioned Mass on Sundays on channels 6 (WITI) at 5:30am and 24 (WCGV) at 9:00am.



Heart of the Nation
MY SUNDAY MASS

National Catholic Office for the Deaf January 16-20, 2015

Pastoral Week 2015—"Come to the Water"
Town & Country Resort and Convention Center
San Diego, CA
www.ncod.org



International Catholic Deaf Association - United States Section July 26-30, 2015

8th Biennial ICDA-US National Conference
Theme: Life in Christ
Doubletree Hotel in Independence, Ohio
Proudly hosted by ICDA-US Chapter #18
New Addition to the Conference—Deaf Young Adults Events



Special Announcement Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 12th: Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Blessed Sacrament Parish on 3100 South 41st Street, Milwaukee
Begins at 5 pm followed by interpreted Mass at 5:30 pm.
Join us for free Mexican dinner at 6:15 pm.
Please talk with Mary Ellen Martens or Fr. Christopher
if you want to attend so we can reserve seats.
See how Mexicans celebrate with dances, food, and etc.

2014 Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe

The Pilgrimage Tour to “Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine” in La Crosse, WI Was it worth it ??? Oh Yes!!!! First of all I want to thank Margaret Calteaux, Terri Matenaer, Mary Ellen Martens and Sissy Zoellick who were on the committee with Rev. Christopher Klusman planning the pilgrimage tour to La Crosse. There were thirty-seven deaf on pilgrimage tour. We all had a wonderful experience and full of inspiration. On the way to La Crosse, we all prayed the rosary in sign language in the bus. Once we arrived to Days Inn, we had a very good buffet followed by a movie “Guadalupe”. The movie gave us an idea of who she is and her message to Jaun Diego. We got up early in the morning for the morning prayers before breakfast. On Saturday morning, we rode through the beautiful fall scenery in La Crosse to Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine and spent the day there. The Shrine was a really nice modern shrine. Sissy Zoellick gave her experience about our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico. Her presentation was very interesting and we want to learned more about this. We ate our lunch in silence to reflect what we just learned. We took a tour through the shrine chapel. We had some free time in the afternoon where some of us participated in the adoration, went to confession, visited the candle house and gift shop. Rev. Christopher celebrated Mass in the chapel. We then went back to Days Inn for a nice buffet dinner and gathering for enjoyment. Again we got up early in the morning for the morning prayers before breakfast. Once we checked out of Days Inn, we drove through the diocese of La Crosse’s campus where the bishop resides then went to St Rose Convent where we entered the historic building. There are



very old convent chapel with adoration and many statues. We wish we could stay there a bit longer but we had to leave for home. Once again, we all prayed the rosary in sign language in the bus on the way to Madison where we stopped for lunch buffet. We all really had a wonderful experience and hope there will be another pilgrimage tour again soon.

Yours truly ... Clark Christensen

“Sissy did an awesome job and Richard too!”

“Greatest, worth every penny!”

“Love it—want to see the Shrine again!”

“Had a great time!”

“Feels like a stronger Catholic!”

“Everyone should join and had a very positive experience!”

2014 Year in Review Pictures



Praying the rosary on the way to the Shrine of Christ's Passion.



Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Christ's Passion. After Mass at St. John the Evangelist Church.



Praying at the 14th Station at the Shrine of Christ's Passion.



Representing the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Synod.



Bishop Hying blessed the beautiful new sculpture of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Christ Child at the Sisters of St. Rita Convent in Racine.



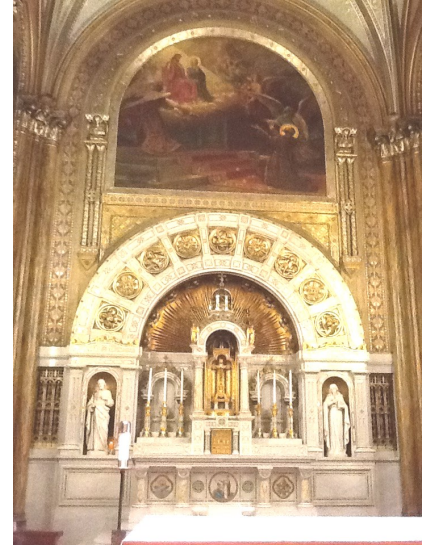
Praying on the beautiful Rosary Walk behind the Sisters of St. Rita Convent in Racine.



Statue of St. Juan Diego at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse.



Beautiful Chapel at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in La Crosse.



Beautiful Chapel at St. Rose of Viterbo Convent in La Crosse.



Fr. Christopher gave a presentation on ASL and the Deaf Culture to the Seminarians at St. Francis de Sales Seminary.



Scott Baughman lead the prayer at the Ultreya Gathering at St. Roman Church.



Sr. Margaret Peter and Sr. Mary Claude Telderer (Ephpheta Christmas 2013)



Ephpheta General Membership meeting



Ephpheta Sodality of St. John the Baptist ICDA-US Chapter #7



Celebrating Christmas

“Angels”



Sunday, December 21, 2014



Meyer’s Restaurant & Bar
4260 South 76th Street
Greenfield, WI 53220

10:00am—Mass (at Meyer’s)
11:30am—Christmas Dinner
Christmas Play & Door Prizes

Ephpheta/ICDA #7 Members - \$10.00
Non-Members - \$25.00

Short Christmas program will be performed by one of the WSD student and her family.

For more information, contact Terri Matenaer
262-672-6643(VP) or tvmatenaer@gmail.com

Deadline: December 10, 2014 **Sorry, No Refunds**

2014 Christmas Party Reservation Form

Name(s): _____

VP/TTY: _____

Email: _____

_____ x \$10.00

_____ x \$25.00

\$ _____ Total amount included

Send and make the check payable to:

ICDA #7

Mary Ellen Martens

4007 S. 41st Street

Milwaukee, WI 53221

What: Lenten Retreat with Fr. Shawn Carey
When: March 13-15, 2015
Where: St. Benedict's Abbey
 12605 224th Avenue
 Benet Lake, WI 53102

Retreat Theme: "Be who you are and be that well"

~St. Francis de Sales, Patron Saint for Deaf



Rev. Shawn Carey is currently the Director of the Deaf Apostolate for the Archdiocese of Boston since June 5, 2012. Prior to the directorship, he was Parochial Vicar at St. John the Evangelist Parish of Hopkinton, Massachusetts, a hearing parish that successfully integrated the Deaf Catholic Community into parish life. Fr. Shawn graduated from St. Patrick's Seminary & University of Menlo Park, CA with a Masters of Divinity.

BEFORE January 10, 2015	BEFORE January 10, 2015	BEFORE February 4, 2015	BEFORE February 4, 2015	BEFORE March 4, 2015	BEFORE March 4, 2015
Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy	Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy	Single Occupancy	Double Occupancy
\$225.00 Per person (Includes 2 nights and 6 meals)	\$175.00 Per person (Includes 2 nights and 6 meals)	\$250.00 Per person (Includes 2 nights and 6 meals)	\$200.00 Per person (Includes 2 nights and 6 meals)	\$275.00 Per person (Includes 2 nights and 6 meals)	\$225.00 Per person (Includes 2 nights and 6 meals)

For more information, please contact
 Terri Matenaer, Coordinator Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry
 VP: 414-203-0552 Email: matenaert@archmil.org



2015 Lenten Retreat Registration Form

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

TTY/VP: _____

Email: _____

Any special diet: _____

If with Roommate, I prefer _____

Is your roommate your wife/husband? (Circle) YES or NO

Yes, I/We would like to attend the
 2015 Lenten Retreat!

_____ of people attending

\$_____ Total amount included

Send and make the check payable to:
Deaf/HoH Ministry Office
 c/o Terri Matenaer, Coordinator
 3501 South Lake Drive
 St. Francis, WI 53235

Business Name

Contact Information

Office Hours ~ Wednesdays 8:30am - 3:30pm

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IMPORTANT: Fr. Christopher Klusman's text number for **EMERGENCY ONLY:** 414-793-1369.

Remember, an emergency is:

- A death in the family & make plans for funeral.
- Request for anointing and/or visit because of serious car accident, heart attack, life-threatening health issue, or sudden surgery. Tell me where to meet (hospital, hospice, home, etc?)
- Crisis: Abuse, Domestic Violence, Alcohol/Drug Abuse, or thoughts of Abortion.

If you have any questions about what is an emergency,
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NOTE: Fr. Christopher Klusman is off on Mondays. If it is on Monday that you need a priest for an Emergency please contact St. Roman Church front desk at 414-282-9063 for Fr. Brian Holbus.

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Email address: _____

Birthdays: Husband _____ Wife _____ Anniversary: _____

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