



May your harvest be bountiful!

TERRI'S MEMO

Dear Friends,

The Fall season is upon us and do take the time to enjoy the changes of the colorful leaves of Autumn. This summer has been very special for me; it was a time for spiritual growth. God is good! I attended the International Catholic Deaf Association (ICDA-US Section) Conference at Gallaudet University in Washington, DC. The theme was "All the Earth Praise the Lord." Back in 1979 when I attended my first ICDA conference in Omaha, NE, I was surprised to see so many priests who worked with the Deaf celebrated the Mass together along with only one Deaf Priest present. Now 34 years later, for the first time in history we had seven Deaf Priests, four of them were from the Foreign Countries, celebrated the Mass together along with the other hearing priests who have worked with the Deaf. It was so wonderful to see the growth in the number of Deaf priests. Please pray for more Deaf priests and laypeople on their call for vocations.

The Ephpheta/ICDA Chapter #7 had their summer picnic. The Deaf Community got together to watch the ASL movie called "The Legend of the Mountain Man" After the movie we had supper, social time and followed by Mass with Fr. Christopher Klusman. Wisconsin Telecommunications Relay Service (WTRS) sponsored our event to help spread awareness on services for those with hearing loss and the top door prize was an iPad. The winner was Nicolina Richardson.

Cardinal Timothy Dolan from New York (former Archbishop of Milwaukee) was the speaker for the 10th Anniversary of the Pallium Lecture he established in 2003. The main point of his talk is to defend our Catholic Faith. Cardinal Dolan explained that in today's time, people believe in their faith but do not want to belong to a church which is like spirituality without religion or knowing Christ without his church. I believe that not only do we believe in our Catholic faith, but we need to continue to learn, grow and defend our faith.

Our Archbishop Jerome ListECKI has called for an Archdiocesan Synod to be held June 7-8, 2014 during Pentecost. The Theme of the synod is "Shaping the Future of our Archdiocese". He asks that all Parish and Parishioners in the Archdiocese to participate.

What is a synod? A synod is an assembly (gathering) where the people of faith discuss on the pastoral needs.

The Deaf Community will have a "Day of Reflection: Shaping the Future of Our Archdiocese" to discuss on how we can participate in this vision. The event will be on Saturday, October 27th at St. Matthias Parish (see page 15.) Hope you can join us.

Blessings,
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Interpreted and Signed Masses throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

St. Andrew Parish, Delavan

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Delavan, WI 53115
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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
Please Contact the Parish Office

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 at 4:00 pm
3rd Sunday at 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 - 10:00am

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.stpeterport.org
Interpreted Mass
Please Contact the Parish Office

St. Pius X Parish, Wauwatosa

2506 Wauwatosa Avenue
Wauwatosa, WI 53213
Phone: 414-453-3875
E-Mail: shaertel@wi.rr.com
Website: www.stpiusparish.org
Interpreted Mass
3rd, 4th & 5th Sundays of the Month - 10:15am

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

See you at Mass!

Interpreted and Signed Masses throughout the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

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 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

Mass Times Listed Are Subject to Change

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 Parish Center
1st Sunday - 9:00am
Interpreted Mass in the Main Church
2nd & 4th Sundays - 9:00am
Signed Mass in the Parish Center
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

"C4: Ignite Your Catholic Faith"

The Year of Faith videos can be found on:
<http://www.archmil.org/Year-of-Faith.htm>
These videos are **captioned**.
Look for the grey CC on the lower right hand corner to turn on the caption.
Love it? Share it with friends, and encourage them to subscribe to the RSS feed so they can follow the series throughout the Year of Faith.





St. Andrew Parish

DEAF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MINISTRY

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

The Deaf Ministry in Delavan begins a new year of religious formation as we serve the students who attend the Wisconsin School for the Deaf. For the past few years we have been able to have a table at WSD when the parents come to register their students for the new school year. We are grateful to Mr. Slappey, the superintendent of WSD, for offering that meet and greet opportunity for the churches and the parents. During that time the parents can decide if they want to sign their student up for religion classes. Three different churches are represented at the "church" table, Catholics, Baptists, and Lutherans. We are all there to serve the students and their families. I like the sense of ecumenical spirit between us. I also appreciate this opportunity because often this is the *only* time we have to personally meet the parents face to face. This is important to have that connection and communicate with one another. We have the advantage of sharing with them about our service and getting some important paperwork taken care of. They can ask questions of us too. Being able to be there during registration is truly beneficial.

I would like to ask you to pray for the Catholic Deaf community. There is a prayer posted in this newsletter. It is a renewal prayer for the Deaf Catholic Church. Prayer is very powerful. There are many more students we could serve and share our faith with, but for some families the need for teaching their children about God and having a faith is not a priority. Numbers are decreasing. This is happening also in the hearing world too. I know you have also seen it in the pews at church with attendance down in almost all churches. This concern is not only in

the Catholic faith, but in almost all faiths throughout the country. Please pray often. I see these students and offer each one up to our Lord. Will these be our new Catholic Deaf leaders? Who will teach them and guide them and nurture them in our precious faith. This is not only my duty or Father Christopher's duty. It is all our responsibility. Pray for these students. And pray for their parents that in their homes the kids see how important God is in their life journey.

This year we have four students who are ready to begin preparation for their Confirmation year. Your prayers or notes of encouragement to them are so helpful. Father Christopher and I will be teaching the high school and preparing the Confirmation students during this important year.

Our middle school class will be taught by Courtney Gunville. Last year Courtney was a teacher aide for the classes. This year she is ready to be teacher. Roxy North will be her teacher aide. Roxy has been with us for a few years. She always supervises the bus that transports the kids to and from church too. I am so grateful for this helpful task that she does!

We will update you in the *Hand in Hand* as our year continues and as our students learn more and more about this precious gift of our Catholic faith.

In His Service,

Patty Kostechka
Religious Education Coordinator for the Deaf



Renewal Prayer for Deaf Catholic Church

(To be said on every Friday)



Father, we ask you to look with mercy upon us,
the Deaf members of your Church.

We ask you to bless us, inspire us to always love you
above all things and to love our neighbors as ourselves.

We pray to you for our bishops, our spiritual leaders.
Please bless them and give them the strength
and wisdom to guide us, their people. Help them to recognize,
understand, and respond to our unique needs.

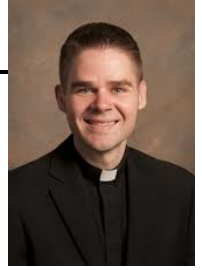
Please bless the priests, deacons, religious, and lay people
who serve our community. Inspire them so that they may then
inspire all hearts of Deaf people to know, love, and serve you
and your Catholic Church.

Father, we pray to you for our baptized Deaf Catholic brothers
and sisters. Please send your Holy Spirit to enkindle
and renew their hearts so that they may continue to grow
spiritually through making time for prayers, receiving the
sacraments, and serving other people.

Our young baptized Deaf Catholics are growing up in a
challenging and confused world. Almighty God, please help
them understand that the way of the world does not give life;
your way alone gives true life. Please touch their hearts
and guide them to find your love. Help them to be active
members of your Church. Put in them the desire to pray,
to receive the sacraments and to serve other people.

Holy Spirit, come and transform each of us through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Holy Mary, our Mother, pray for us. Amen.



Many of us talk about how cool it would be to meet Aaron Rodgers or Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta. We often think, "What will I say? What should I wear? What should I do?" And you would think: Wow, how did I get to be



so lucky to be given a chance to meet Aaron Rodgers or Blessed Mother Teresa! If Aaron or Blessed Mother Teresa told you to meet on Saturday at 5 pm, what would you do with your plans? Would you tell Aaron that you are too busy because you want to watch other NFL games on t.v., or would you tell Blessed Mother Teresa that you have a meeting with other friends to play cards, etc. OF COURSE



NOT! You would do any of the 3: First, you may reschedule your other plans so you can still meet Aaron or Blessed Mother Teresa. Second, you may figure out how to record your t.v. shows so you can watch them at a later time. Or third, you can meet Aaron or Blessed Mother Teresa and after the meeting, you can then go meet with your friends and tell them about your amazing experience with Aaron or Blessed Mother Teresa. It is easier than we thought!

Many people tell me: "What would you say if you met Jesus Christ?" I tell them, "Oh, I meet Him several times a week!" WHAT?! They tell me, "You? How? You mean, you met THE JESUS CHRIST several times a week?!"

Where?!" I tell them, "Silly! I meet Jesus in the Mass when I look at Jesus in the bread and wine wonderfully changed into His Body and Blood! Not only that, I receive Him into my heart and meet with Him by talking with Him. It's the BEST meeting EVER!" It is the best because if I was given an opportunity to meet Aaron Rodgers or Jesus Christ at 5 pm on Saturday, I would not have to think twice because the answer is SO easy: I would want to meet Jesus Christ (again and again)! I think Blessed Mother Teresa would be more happy if I choose to meet Jesus Christ on Saturday at 5 pm rather than skip Jesus Christ and meet with Blessed Mother Teresa!

I think that is why our Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings are such precious times because of the Mass. I have to be honest that it makes me cry when many people choose to do other things and not go to meet Jesus Christ on Saturday evening or Sunday morning. Let's be more careful! I can't imagine how sad Jesus feels too when people choose to do other things and not meet with Jesus Himself. How would people feel if they miss a meeting with Aaron Rodgers? I can imagine sad too. Imagine that more and more for us missing out a weekend meeting with Jesus!

Several of you asked me what are "Holy Days of Obligations?" These are very special days that are so important to us. In the past, those days were PACKED with many, many people wanting to meet Jesus! You can help make that happen again! They knew that Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings is like a Super Bowl weekend over and over. How

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cool would that be?! To go to Mass that is a “Holy Day of Obligation” is like having a Super Bowl during the week! And it is way better than the Green bay Packers winning the Super Bowl because it is meeting Jesus Christ there at Mass! But the sad thing now is that it is not packed anymore. Imagine a Lambeau Field Green Bay Packer game when only 30 people show up? How would Aaron Rodgers feel? For Mass, this is how Jesus would feel too when so many don’t come to meet him at Mass!

A “Holy Day of Obligation” is a feast day on which Catholics attend Mass that is not on a Saturday evening or Sunday morning. In the USA, we have 6 Holy Days of Obligation:

January 1: To Celebrate The Feast of Mary, Mother of God

Easter Sunday before Pentecost Sunday:
Ascension of Jesus

August 15: Assumption of the Virgin Mary into Heaven

November 1: All Saints Day

December 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception

December 25: Christmas

To me, to meet Jesus Christ never feels like an obligation or a requirement. I pray that people want to go excited! I WANT to meet Jesus and to meet Him every weekend and every “Holy Day of Obligation.” I hope you feel the same way! It is NOT an obligation (“Do I really have to go?”) but a reward! It is a Christmas and Birthday gift to us over and over!

One important thing to know is: The Catholic Church said that if a Holy Day of Obligation is on a Saturday or Monday, then we are excused that we don’t have to go because it

very close to the weekend Masses’ times. If you (and myself) see a “Holy Day of Obligation” Mass on a Saturday or Monday, let’s still go! Let’s WANT to go! The fact that we are excused doesn’t mean we are not allowed to go. We can still go!

For each weekend Mass and for each “Holy Day of Obligation,” you can do the 3 things: (1) You may reschedule your other plans so you can still meet Jesus at Mass. (2) You may figure out how to record your t.v. shows so you can watch them at a later time and STILL meet Jesus! Or (3) You can meet Jesus at Mass and then go meet with your friends and tell them about your amazing experience with Jesus! I pray that you can have the courage to do this kind thing.

In addition, if you go on vacation somewhere else, what you can do is to look up on the computer or ask other people where a Catholic Church is in the area. Sometimes there are no Deaf or Interpreted Masses in the area, but I still will go because the #1 reason why we go (just for about 1 hour) is to MEET JESUS! We often don’t know what is said at the Mass (I don’t too), but use that 1 hour as prayer time of being and meeting with JESUS! One hour of peace and quiet and conversation with God is awesome! I pray that you get more and MORE excited that you can’t wait to meet Jesus every weekend and each Holy Day of Obligation. God bless and I keep you all in my prayers. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Meet the DHH Advisory Council Member - Clark Christensen



My name is Clark F. Christensen, I was born deaf in Menasha, Wisconsin with my hearing parents and have one deaf young brother. He Live in Rock Island, Illinois, We went to former St. John's School for the Deaf in Milwaukee and I graduated in 1949 then attended high school at St. Mary's School for the Deaf, in Buffalo, New York. After I graduated from St. Mary in 1953, I went to live with my parents in Rock Island, Illinois for almost five years. I was involved in many activities with the deaf community in Quad Cities . I worked in the dairy as ice cream production then moved to Waukesha, Wisconsin where I found a job as an ice cream production and freezer operation. I was married in 1957 and have five hearing children. I usually spent a lot of time with my family until 1975 when I went to the Deaf Cursillo with support from Ephpheta/ICDA Chapter #7. I became involved as Officers in various organizations such as The St John School for the Deaf Alumni, Ephpheta/ICDA Chapter #7, Waukesha Deaf Organization (WDO), Wisconsin Association Deaf (WAD) and numerous other committees. In 1980 as officer/committee member, I started the deaf senior social events in Milwaukee, WI and then later in 1986 I formed the deaf senior apartment committee and saw the Water Tower View (WTV), which is an apartment building specially designed for the Deaf Senior Citizens, dream became reality. In 2005 I volunteered to chair the Ephpheta/ICDA #7 task force to restructure the local chapter which later the members elected me as president. Now I am serving on the Advisory Council for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Ministry to represent for the deaf seniors citizens in the archdiocese. YES, I am still active even though I am eighty years old!

Deaf/Hard of Hearing Advisory Council Members

The purpose of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Deaf and Hard of Hearing Ministry Advisory Council 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 Houhlan, Brookfield

Clark Christensen, Milwaukee

Arvilla Rank, Milwaukee

Tim Gall, Waukesha

Deacon David Sommers, Milwaukee

Jim Goddeyne, Germantown

Sissy Zoellick, Milwaukee

Meet the DHH Advisory Council Member - Courtney Gunville



Greetings,

My name is Courtney Beth Gunville. I am more than glad to share with you about my brief biography. I currently joined my first Deaf and Hard of Hearing Advisory Council meeting because I knew that there are some special news to share with the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Catholics from other advisors about our Catholic faith. I was born and raised as Catholic by my own Catholic family and I am always dedicated to Catholicism. I could not change to other religion even though I learned about my friends' religions like Jewish, Hindu, Lutheran, Christian, Baptist and Orthodox at Gallaudet University.

At the beginning of my life, I was born in Kokomo, Indiana on August 28, 1988 and my parents did not want to place me at Indiana School for the Deaf when I was very young and the fact that they lived far away from that school. My parents taught me some signs using Signed Exact English method and they hired a speech teacher to teach me to speak a few words. When I was four years old, my dad found out that he needed us to move to Wisconsin for his job. I finally went to Wisconsin School for the Deaf at the age of nine to learn about the true Deaf Culture and I was so nervous to see many Deaf signing fluently. I became more confident with the Deaf Culture and American Sign Language after I graduated at Wisconsin School for the Deaf.

At last, I decided to attend Gallaudet University where I learned more about myself and my Deaf identity. Being Deaf is more important for me to be proud for who I am which my mom always advised me. I was one of the first students took General Studies Requirement courses including the first American Sign Language for all of the freshman students who even attended the Deaf schools. The Interim President Davila announced that University is noticed as Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) during I was a freshman. I fell in love interacting with the international students after I went to Kenya to teach at a deaf private school in a small village. I was inspired how much lucky the North America granted so many rights to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing people. I am also so joyful to open my mind to understand the many deaf foreigners with their kinds of values in their life.

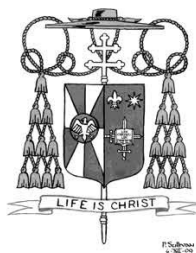
Currently, I am living in Delavan, Wisconsin with my parents, while I am a substitute at Wisconsin School for the Deaf (WSD). I have other jobs such as the Deaf Mentor and CCD teacher for the Deaf Catholic kids in Delavan. Last summer, I asked the Archdioceses of Milwaukee for my financial support to go to the International Catholic Deaf Association - United States Section (ICDA-US) Conference in Washington, D.C. at Gallaudet University in which they paid for me to attend. I could not thank them enough for the support and thank God for the opportunity. I exuberantly enjoyed learning deeply about the Catholicism and I was astounded to see the many Deaf Catholics at that conference. Never before had I seen many Deaf Catholics at Wisconsin School for the Deaf or Gallaudet University gathered in one place.

In the end, I found my ardent time to learn more about the Catholicism. May God Bless You. Thank you for reading my bio.

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September 2013

Dear Friends in Christ,

In the Church, as we move into September, we see an increase in activity at our parishes and schools. As your Archbishop, September is another opportunity for me to keep in communication with you through this Catholic Stewardship Appeal mailing.

These have been challenging times for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee as we continue to move through the Chapter 11 process. Soon, a Plan of Reorganization will be submitted to the court for approval. The Plan will outline how the Church will settle the claims of abuse survivors and others involved in the bankruptcy proceeding so we can move forward with the ministry and good works of the Church in southeastern Wisconsin. I have tried to answer some questions about the bankruptcy on the back of this page.

The bankruptcy proceeding and the sexual abuse scandal do not define who we are as a Church. Our mission comes from Jesus himself, who called us to be disciples and to make disciples of all nations. That is who we are as Catholics and why we continue to serve one another through worship, word and service. Your support sustains the good work of the Church.

As Pope Francis said at the close of the recent World Youth Day in Brazil, "Sharing the experience of faith, bearing witness to the faith, proclaiming the Gospel: this is a command that the Lord entrusts to the whole Church, and that includes you..."

To continue our growth and renewal, I have called for a diocesan Synod, which is an assembly of the faithful who deliberate the pastoral needs and priorities of the archdiocese. I want this process to be an opportunity to receive input from lay and ordained persons from throughout the entire archdiocese.

This fall, parishes will hold sessions open to everyone and these sessions will be followed by district gatherings early next year. The actual Synod will take place on Pentecost weekend June 7-8, 2014. The outcome of the Synod will direct the work of the Church for the next 10-15 years.

I pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as we come together to renew the work of the Church in southeastern Wisconsin. I encourage you to take part in this historic process.

Being the Archbishop of Milwaukee is a privilege and a responsibility I take very seriously. I pray each day for the people of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and I ask for your prayers for me.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Jerome E. ListECKi

Most Reverend Jerome E. ListECKi
Archbishop of Milwaukee

Here are some questions and answers regarding clergy sexual abuse in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and the current Chapter 11 bankruptcy proceeding. Additional Q&A's and other information are available online at www.archmil.org.

Why did the Archdiocese of Milwaukee file for Chapter 11?

In 2010, the archdiocese had several lawsuits pending against it because of claims of sexual abuse of minors by diocesan priests from years prior. I was very forthcoming regarding the archdiocese's financial ability to settle those claims. When those claims could not be settled through mediation, the archdiocese filed for bankruptcy believing that would be the best opportunity to make sure that individuals with eligible claims against diocesan priests were compensated.

Why is the Chapter 11 process taking so long?

The court must determine a number of complicated issues, including which claims are eligible for compensation. But in addition to that, attorneys for the creditors' committee have fought the archdiocese at every step by litigating everything to the point that the few assets the archdiocese did have available have been spent on attorneys.

What was the result of the litigation?

Even though the archdiocese was open and honest about its finances from the beginning, the creditors' attorneys took a tact of "over-lawyering" by hiring forensic accountants to scour the archdiocese's books from the past 20 years, as well as filing motions to try and take funds belonging to the individual parishes and the cemetery perpetual care trust. Because the archdiocese has to pay for the creditors' attorneys, this "over-lawyering" cost the archdiocese nearly three years and \$8 million dollars only to prove what the archdiocese said all along was true, namely that we don't have the money the lawyers were looking for and I, in good conscience, cannot take money from funds that do not belong to the archdiocese in order to meet their demands.

What about parish funds?

The judge in the Chapter 11 has ruled that parishes and their assets are separate from the archdiocese and they are not included in the Chapter 11 proceeding. The same is true for the Parish Deposit Fund, which many parishes and schools used as an investment vehicle.

What about the Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust?

The money in the Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust can only be used for perpetual care of the archdiocese's eight Catholic cemeteries. It was set aside for that purpose; it was never used for other purposes. On the recommendation of the archdiocesan Finance Council, these monies, already held in trust in a separate account, were placed in a formal trust to honor the promise Catholic cemeteries make to the deceased and their families – that the Catholic Church will preserve and maintain cemeteries as sacred places forever. The District Court judge recently determined this money could not be used for any other purpose but perpetual care, but that decision has not stopped the attorneys from trying to get at that money, including questioning the judge's objectivity just because he has relatives buried in a Catholic cemetery.

What do abuse survivors want?

Over and over, abuse survivors tell me they want to make sure that what happened to them can never happen to anyone else. They also want to know how something like this happened in the first place. In response to abuse survivors and the community, the archdiocese posts the names of all diocesan priest offenders on its website. It has also posted the documents related to sexual abuse by diocesan priests requested by the attorneys for abuse survivors. Most importantly, policies, practices and programs have been put in place to make sure, to the best of our ability, that children and young people are safe in Catholic parishes and schools.

How can you be sure children are safe?

Our safe environment programs have trained more than 50,000 priests, deacons, parish and school staff and volunteers, and have provided age-appropriate awareness training to our students in Catholic schools and religious education programs. There is never a guarantee; all you have to do is read the morning paper to see allegations of abuse in various institutions in our society, but the Church has taken steps to educate people and increase awareness of the warning signs of sexual abuse.

Is this simply about money?

It might be for the tort attorneys, but abuse survivors tell us this is not about the money and I believe them. We know that no amount of money can ever be enough to restore what was taken from those who suffered abuse. Can we ever provide enough money to satisfy the attorneys? Probably not, but what remains to be determined is how we can best use the limited resources we have left to help abuse survivors find resolution and healing to move forward.

Will any of this help abuse survivors?

For decades, the archdiocese has provided therapy and counseling for abuse survivors who needed and desired that assistance, and we will continue to do so regardless of what happens in the Chapter 11 proceeding.

When will this be over?

The archdiocese will file a Plan of Reorganization that will enable us to emerge from bankruptcy once it is confirmed by the court. The plan will include provisions for abuse survivors, as well as other creditors. Our Plan of Reorganization will renew our pledge and commitment to abuse survivors and also renew our spiritual commitment to the work of the Church in southeastern Wisconsin. By the grace of God, it will allow the archdiocese to get back to what it is supposed to be doing: continuing the Church's ministry in southeastern Wisconsin.

Where can I find the latest information?

For more information on the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, the ministries and outreach of the Church, and the bankruptcy, please visit www.archmil.org.

Mark Your Calendar

Deaf Nation Expo - Chicago, Illinois Saturday, November 2, 2013

Harper College – Building M, Wellness and Sports Center
1200 W. Algonquin Road
Palatine, IL 60067

HOURS: 9:00AM-5:00PM

Go to Website to Register: <http://deafnation.com/online-reg/?ee=10>

DeafNation Expo

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee, The Archdiocese of Chicago and Diocese of Rockford will host a display table at the Deaf Nation Expo. Come and visit us at our booth and learn more about the Catholic Faith and the Catholic Deaf Community.

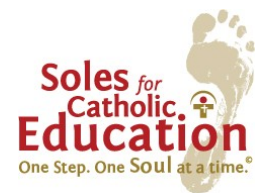
Walk to CELEBRATE Catholic Schools Saturday, November 2, 2013

“Soles for Catholic Education” Walk

Mount Mary University

Please Sign Up to Walk or Pledge!

For more information, visit www.catholic-schools-walk.org



International Catholic Deaf Association - United States Section Midwest Region

April 25-27, 2014

39th Biennial ICDA-US Midwest Regional Conference

Theme: Life in Christ

Crowne Plaza Hotel - Cincinnati

Proudly hosted by ICDA-US Chapter #21

St. Nicholas Catholic Deaf, Cincinnati, OH

For more information, contact Tony: Tobgobluepetrie@aol.com



RELIGIOUS ASL WEEK 2014

July 13–July 18, 2014

This week long program will focus on a variety of aspects of the Catholic Mass. In light of the new English Translation of the Roman Missal; this workshop will be very helpful.

Bishop Lane Retreat Center

7708 E. McGregor Road

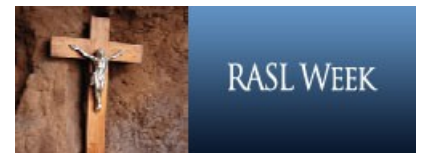
Rockford, IL 61102

This year's program is intended for

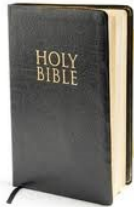
- **Priests, deacons and seminarians** who work with the Deaf Community
- **Working interpreters** who have been certified (or qualified in their state). Others can send DVD or video to establish skill level. (See registration form.)
- **Deaf ASL lectors** - members of the Deaf community who are **now** doing the readings for Sunday liturgies.

For more information contact Deb Beatty, Coordinator;

E-mail Contact is Deb Beatty: DBeatty@RockfordDiocese.org



Deacon David Sommers Bible Study



Let the
Word of God
Transform
You.

St. Matthias Church
Parish Center
9306 West Beloit Road
Milwaukee, Wi 53227



Meets on 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00pm

2013

October 14
November 11
December 9

2014

January 13
February 10
March 10
April 14
May 12



For more information, contact
Deacon David Sommers - red66sue@wi.rr.com



Heart of the Nation
MY SUNDAY MASS

Closed Captioned Sunday Mass on TV
TV Mass filmed at our very own St. Francis de
Sales Seminary Milwaukee Viewing Area:
5:30am—Ch. 6 (WITI) 9:00am—Ch. 24 (WCGV)

Ministry Formation Program (MFP) for the Deaf

Do you want to know and learn about your Catholic Faith? Would you like to find out how you can serve as lay ministers? Then the Ministry Formation Program for the Deaf is a good place for you to attend.

The Ministry Formation Program is a 4 year program that helps train Catholic Deaf Adults who wish to serve as active lay ministers. This program meets 6 times a year from September to May. The weekend starts Friday evening through Sunday noon.

Applications are now being accepted for the 2014-2014 School Year.

Registration Deadline is June 30, 2014

If you are interested in attending or would like more information please contact:

Sr. Rita Wigginton, OSU

3105 Lexington Road


Louisville, KY 40206

(502) 416-0126 VP

(502) 640-4957 Text or Voice

rawigginton@gmail.com





DEAF LADIES OF THE VISITATION PROUDLY HOSTS
FALL BIBLE STUDY WITH MSGR. NELSON
ON
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2013

AT
CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKFORD
555 COLMAN CENTER DRIVE, ROCKFORD, IL 61108

9 AM TO 5 PM
(PLEASE USE ENTRANCE ON RIGHT SIDE OF BUILDING
[NORTH] AT THE DOOR WHERE WE ALWAYS USE)

\$7.00 LUNCH
(TURKEY SANDWICHES, CHIPS, CHOICE OF SALAD OR
SOUP, DESSERTS AND BEVERAGE)

SCHEDULE:
9:00 AM --- REFRESHMENT
9:15 AM- 11:15 AM --- SESSION 1
11:30 AM - 12:45 PM --- LUNCH/SOCIAL
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM --- SESSION 2
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM --- ROSARY/CONFESSION
4:15 PM - 5:00 PM --- DEAF MASS

AT 5 PM, IF YOU WANT TO GET TOGETHER TO EAT AT TEXAS
ROADHOUSE, PLEASE LET US KNOW SO WE CAN RSVP THE TABLE.
PAY FOR YOUR OWN DINNER.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
CATHY SIGNOR AT 815-981-9997 OR DAWN MARTIN AT 815-977-7640.

NAME: _____

NAME: _____

_____ HOW MANY LUNCH \$7.00 EACH.

MAKE THE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO DEAF APOSTOLATE. PLEASE MAIL
THIS SLIP WITH CHECK OR MONEY ORDER TO CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKFORD, ATTN:
DEB BEATTY, PO BOX 7044, ROCKFORD, IL 61125. DEADLINE WILL BE ON OCTOBER 7, 2013

**The Deaf/Hard of Hearing Ministry Office,
in collaboration with John Paul II Center,
invites the Catholic Deaf/Hard of Hearing to:**

**Day of Reflection:
Shaping the Future of Our Archdiocese**

Save the Date!

Sun. Oct. 27, 2013 10 am-4 pm

Cost: Free, including Lunch

Where: St. Matthias Parish

(Basement: Steiger Hall)

9306 W. Beloit Rd.

Milwaukee, WI 53227

RSVP Required by Oct. 22:

Call/Email: (414) 203-0552 VP

(262) 321-0464 TTY/Voice

deafministry@archmil.org



SYNOD 2014
ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE

"Come & See"

NCOD Pastoral Week 2014



January 17-21, 2014
Las Vegas, NV

● Beautiful Accommodations.....



Palace Station Hotel

2411 West Sahara Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89102

● Great Topics & Speakers.....

"Deaf & Hearing Working Together"

Father Mike Depcik, O.S.F.S. & Kid Black

"Reconciliation & Forgiveness"

Father Tom Coughlin, O.P.

"Dealing with Addictions"

Sister Patricia Francis, O.P.

"Marriage & Family Life"

Ryan Hanning, Diocese of Phoenix

"Theology of the Body"

Father Christopher Klusman

and More....



Visit our website for more information: www.ncod.org



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



Celebrating Christmas

Sunday, December 15, 2013

10:00am - Mass (at Meyer's)

11:30am - Christmas Dinner

Family Style Dinner at
Meyer's Restaurant & Bar
4260 South 76th Street
Greenfield, WI 53220

Members of Ephpheta/ICDA #7 - **FREE**
(Must submit the reservation form below before deadline
otherwise pay the non-member's price)

Non-Members: \$25.00

Deadline: December 5, 2013 Sorry, No Refund



2013 Christmas Party Reservation Form

Name(s): _____

TTY/VP: _____

Email: _____

_____ x \$25.00

\$ _____ Total amount included

Send and make the check payable to:
ICDA-US Chapter #7
c/o Margaret Calteaux
3457 Nicholson Road
Franksville, WI 53126

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Ministry

Contact Information

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

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Terri Matenaer

Coordinator

matenaert@archmil.org

Office: 414-203-0552 (Videophone/Voice)

Home: 262-321-0464 (TTY/Voice)

Home: 262-672-6643 (Videophone)

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,
please email me at: klusmanc@archmil.org

HAND IN HAND SUBSCRIPTION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City and Zip Code: _____

Email address: _____

Birthdays: Husband _____ Wife _____ Anniversary: _____

Cost: \$6.00 for January to December 2013 Newsletters mailed to your home.

Make checks payable to Deaf Ministry .

No cost if emailed.

Mail subscription to:

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Ministry

Archdiocese of Milwaukee

3501 S. Lake Drive

Milwaukee WI 53235

Email requests are welcomed: matenaert@archmil.org