

May 31, 2009

Pentecost Sunday



Father Mark's Remarks....

The major topic of recent pastoral and finance council meetings has been the concept of hiring a Parish Manager. After lots of discussion and planning each of our four councils recommended Pete Pederson. So I am pleased to announce to you that Pete will begin his position as our new Parish Manager tomorrow.

For me this is especially good news. My desk is piled with paperwork and as I look around my office there are three boxes full of papers that were on my desk and are now part of the backlog. I am far more interested in the liturgical and spiritual life of our parishes and in preparing people for baptism, confirmation, Eucharist, and marriage. Unfortunately, the administrative work gets delayed in the process and a lot of good things that could happen in our parishes have not been accomplished. And personally, I have needed to give up a lot of days off and vacation time because I didn't feel like I could get away.

Pete Pederson is an accountant who has been a member of Saint Agnes parish for over thirty years. His wife is Beth and their two daughters Jackie and Andrea are both getting married this year. In addition to accounting (hope you got the pun) Pete has a lot of experience with personnel and with the management of their family's business — Park Rapids Floral.

What will a Parish Manager do? He will be responsible for everything in the financial department. He will be the supervisor of all of our parish staff members. He will assess and manage all the purchased services that we require. And he will be the chief organizer for those who are willing to offer their time and talent to help our parishes. I myself hope to be the talent scout, and then Pete and the parish staff will make it possible for you to use that talent.

Totus Tuus — Two of our seminarians and two college women will travel here as teachers to present this parish mission for youth (June 28—July 2). Youth from the surrounding parishes in Longville, Remer, Cass Lake, Laporte, and Nevis will be invited to join the youth of Walker and Hackensack. Father Mark is the coordinator. He is looking for a host home for the seminarians and another for the college women. He is also looking for two or three people who want to be our lunch cooks for the week.

Catholicism 101 — This is a series of teachings about the Catholic Faith on DVD presented by Jeff Cavins. Our Faith Formation committee is making this ten-part series available for anyone who would like to present this series in their home. The idea is that you and a couple neighbors would get together according to a schedule that works for you; watch the programs together and talk about some of the discussion points. A member of the Faith Formation committee would help you to get started by coming to your home and leading the first session. If you are interested, please call the parish office 547-1054.

Rosary Prayer & Holy Hour in Hackensack — A group of people now meet at Sacred Heart in Hackensack each Monday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. to pray the rosary. On Tuesday's at 4:00 p.m. we have a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration that ends with Benediction. Then we gather for a nice pot-luck. In the summer months we often have more than twenty people — and that makes for a very nice meal. Summer visitors are welcome and encouraged to attend these times of spiritual and physical nourishment.

Together Encountering Christ (TEC) — Father Mark is the Spiritual Director for the June 27—29 retreat. Please visit with him if you are interested in this great opportunity for spiritual growth this summer. The retreat is open to older teens and adults of all ages.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 30th & 31st, 2009

This Week's Schedule of Events

Upcoming Events

Saturday	EASTER WEEKDAY	5/30
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. Mass—Intention for Philip Casey	
Walker	5:30 p.m. Mass—Intention for Ralph Juenemann	
Sunday	PENTECOST SUNDAY	5/31
Hackensack	8:30 a.m. Mass—Intention for Ed Mergens	
Walker	10:00 a.m. Mass—Intention for All Parishioners	
Walker	11:00 a.m. Coffee in Social Hall—All are welcome!	
Monday	SAINT JUSTIN	6/1
Hackensack	2:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Rosary Prayer Group	
Walker	6:30 p.m. Women's Lamb of God Prayer Group	
Tuesday	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6/2
Walker	8:00 a.m. Mass—Intention for Ralph Juenemann	
Walker	8:30 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration until 3 p.m. Wed.	
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction	
Hackensack	5:00 p.m. Pot-Luck Supper & Catholic Faith Discussion	
Wednesday	ST CHARLES LWANGA & COMPANIONS	6/3
Walker	8:00 a.m. Mass—Intention for...	
Thursday	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6/4
Walker	7:30 a.m. Men's Cursillo Meeting	
Walker	8:00 a.m. Mass—Roman & Lillian Meuwissen	
Friday	SAINT BONIFACE	6/5
Saturday	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	6/6
Walker	11:00 a.m. Sacrament of Penance	
Hackensack	3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Penance	
Hackensack	4:00 p.m. Mass—Intention for John Hatheway	
Walker	5:30 p.m. Mass—Intention for Barb Johnson	
Sunday	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	6/7
Hackensack	8:30 a.m. Mass—Intention for Pat Madison	
Walker	10:00 a.m. Mass—Intention for All Parishioners	
Walker	11:00 a.m. Coffee in Social Hall—All are welcome!	

Key: S.A. = St. Agnes & S.H. = Sacred Heart

June

- 08 Angels of St. Agnes at 9:30 a.m. at S.A.
- 08 Rosary Prayer Group at 2 p.m. at S.H.
- 08 St. Agnes Parish Council at 5:30 p.m.
- 08 Pro-Life-Up-North at 6 p.m. at the Lighthouse Church Office in Hackensack
- 10 Flea Market at 8:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart

Keep in your prayers....

- ✠ Donna Longo, Sacred Heart custodian, who is having health issues with an unexplained illness. Pray for wisdom for the doctors.
- ✠ Ed Mergens at home nearing the end of life on earth and looking forward to eternal life in heaven.
- ✠ Nina Burke undergoing cancer treatments and being honored and supported with a benefit concert.
- ✠ Mickey Jones at St. Joseph's hospital in Park Rapids after a stroke.
- ✠ Betty Ritter at Diamond Willow assisted living in Park Rapids.
- ✠ Mary Tiedeman continuing cancer treatment.
- ✠ Jean Bellamy in nursing care in the Twin Cities.

2009 UCA Update

St. Agnes.....	Goal—\$26,470
.....	YTD—\$6,547..24%
Sacred Heart..	Goal—\$21,361
.....	YTD—\$5,874..27%

The Women's Lamb of God Prayer Group will meet Monday, June 1st at 6:30 p.m. at St. Agnes in the Social Hall. Please bring your Bible and join us. For questions call Rosemary at 547-1509.

Are You Interested in Pro-Life Issues? Come to our next Pro-Life-Up-North meeting Mon., June 8th at 6 p.m. at the Lighthouse Church Office in Hackensack, next to Body Rhythms. Everyone is welcome!



Last Week's Collections



May 23rd & 24th

Walker Hackensack

Plate: \$1,522 \$1,665

Envelope: \$2,097 \$1,081

St. Agnes Building

Balance Remaining: \$341,346.34

Building Fund: \$2,000



UNITED BLOOD SERVICES

We will once again have an opportunity to demonstrate our concern for others on Tuesday, June 2nd from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Walker Legion Post 134 when our community holds its next blood drive.

Donating blood is safe, simple, relatively painless, and takes about an hour. To make an appointment, call Lillian at 547-2841 or Isabelle at 547-2504..

*Thank you to the Sacred Heart CCW...
for loaning the wheelchair for me to use
at my son, Robert's graduation.*

Donna Longo

**“WHAN” Walker/Hackensack/Akeley/Nevis
Special Olympics Rummage Sale
Friday, June 12th from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday, June 13th 8 a.m.-noon
in the St. Agnes Church Social Hall**

Please drop off donated items at St. Agnes on Thursday, June 11th between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. For questions call JulieAnn Kerrigan at 547-1959 or Ginny Petersen at 675-5133 or C: (218)252-0142.



**WALKER PREGNANCY
BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN**

We are well on our way with the Baby Bottle Campaign and continue to call on your support. Please take a bottle if you have not yet done so. The deadline is Father's Day, June 21st.

It's an exciting thought as we look forward feeling privileged to mentor young women and men experiencing unplanned pregnancies to bring Christ's love and hope to their futures.

LAPS provides many ways to equip these people so that they can be the best mothers they can be.

Also, we are looking for someone either man or woman who might feel called to serve on the LAPS board as a liaison for the Walker center. We need strong Catholic support! Please pray and respond if you feel God is calling you. For questions contact Beth Bohannon at 547-0481.

Sacred Heart Pastoral Council Summary

The minutes from the April 28th meeting were read and approved.

Father introduced Pete Pederson who upon full approval will become manager for both parishes. Pete gave a little background on his qualifications and experience for the position. The St. Agnes council which has three newly elected members will meet on May 27th to further discuss and vote on the proposal. Pete would then begin work in June.

A nice job was done by the volunteers who came for clean-up day on May 4th. Thanks to all!

Luann Sykes, Jeanette Blouin, and Joanne Johnson have agreed to run for election to the pastoral council. It will be held following both Masses the weekend of June 27 - 28th. Anyone else interested in running should contact Anne Pavlik or Clarence Reuter.

Holly Bilodeau and Ken LaBore gave recommendations for stewardship donations for 2009. It was M/S/P to divide the designated \$3,000 as follows:

- Faith in Action \$500
- Area Food Shelf \$750
- Cemetery Assoc. \$500
- Father's Poor Fund \$500
- LAPS(local pregnancy center) \$500
- Hackensack Fire and Rescue \$250

Donna, our parish custodian, is having health problems and has been hospitalized. Father will look for a temporary replacement and has suggested the possibility of having a fundraiser to help with her medical expenses. He will put something in the bulletin if he has no luck finding someone.

We will again designate a second collection at both Masses for the seminarians on the second weekend of June, July, and August.

Next meeting will be July 14th at 6:05 p.m.

Magnificat [®] *Our Lady of the Lakes, Walker Area Chapter of Magnificat is hosting a Brunch on Saturday, June 20th at Chase on the Lake in Walker at 8:30 a.m.* Our Parish Nurse, Jamie Richter will be the speaker. The cost is \$12 For reservations or more information, call Lorri at 682-2331 or Jean at 547-3111 or see flyer in the Narthex. Reservations and Cancellations are a must and need to be received before June 17th.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Vacation Bible School at St. Agnes
Discovery Canyon**

Monday, June 15th — Thursday, June 18th
3-5:15 p.m. with dinner provided

All children from preschool through 6th grade are invited to attend. Parents must register their children with Jenny at 547-1054 or 547-9112 by Friday, June 5th. The cost is free. Teachers and Jr./Sr. High Youth Helpers are needed. Postcard reminders were sent out last week. More information is posted on the Youth Board.

D-Week in Duluth

Tuesday, June 16th through Friday, June 19th

Youth that have completed grades 9-12th are eligible. Cost: \$175 Letters and flyers were sent to youth last week. More information is posted on the Youth Board.

**Camp Survive 2009 "Heroes Walk Among Us"
Sunday, August 9th - Thursday, August 13th**

For youth who have completed grades 6th-8th. Information was sent in the mail and posted on the St. Agnes Youth Board.

**Please contact Jenny ASAP if interested in going!
There is a limited number of spots left!**

You are invited!



**Totus Tuus
Latin for "Totally Yours"
Summer mission program for youth
put on by the Diocese of Duluth
St. Agnes Catholic Church
Walker, MN**

**Monday, June 29th-Friday, July 3rd
1st-6th grade sessions are from
9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, June 28th-Thursday, July 2nd
7th-12th grade sessions are from
7:30 p.m. to 9:45 p.m.**

**For more information:
Contact Father Mark Coen at 218-547-1054**

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR NINA BURKE

**Sunday, May 31, 2009 at 7 p.m.
Hope Lutheran Church ~ Walker**

This fund-raiser is being organized to help with Nina's loss of income and other expenses. Refreshments will be provided. A Free Will Offering will be taken. If you can donate some bars or cookies call Linda Arts at 547-4216.

The Angels of St. Agnes Bake Sale for Memorial weekend brought in \$465. Thank you to all who participated.

This year the adoration chapel will be celebrating its 6th Anniversary. Please consider being a part of this wonderful ministry. We have needs for substitutes.

Please call Vicki at 547-4628 or Beth at 547-0481. God Bless.

"Whoever comes to me will never hunger and whoever believes in me will never thirst." —John 6:35

ALL LADIES OF SACRED HEART are asked to bring pies, cakes, rolls, and coffee cakes for the **Flea Market on Wednesday, June 10th.**
Thank you for your contribution.



Travel to see the Passion Play in Germany

If traveling with a group of friends appeals to you, Phil Larsen, Associate Pastor, at Hope Lutheran in Walker, and his wife, Darcey, invite you to travel with them next summer as they lead a tour to Germany, Austria and Switzerland August 2-12, 2010. You will experience the beauty of Alpine Europe on this eleven-day tour, and you will visit Heidelberg and see the medieval castle; travel through the Black Forest to Lucerne, and enjoy the spectacular scenery of the Bernese Oberland. You will stop in Innsbruck, in the heart of the Austrian Alps, and see the Sound of Music cities of Salzburg and Munich. The highlight of this trip includes tickets to see the Passion Play of Oberammergau, Bavaria, a village that first performed the Passion Play in 1634, or for the past 375 years! Participants will also visit the medieval city of Rothenburg.

We will depart from and return to Minneapolis. For a color brochure, or for more information, please call Pastor Phil at 218-536-0053, or email him at plarsen2041@hotmail.com.