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## YEAR OF THE FAMILY

As we continue on in this *Year of the Family*, we keep in mind that we belong to a greater family – the Family of God. In a pastoral letter from our Archbishop we remember one of our brothers in Christ who has gone before us, John Paul II, and we commend him unto the Father of us all.

### **Pastoral Letter, Second Sunday after Easter 2005**

Brethren:

We have just observed a historical (time) watching the world observe the funeral of Pope John Paul II. It was rich to listen to the talking heads discuss his life. There often was the constant refrain, "He failed to bring the church into the modern world." True, he failed to assent to the moral collapse of the dying and decadent industrial nations. While the pundits criticized John Paul II's life, millions descended upon Rome, watched on television or just prayed in the place they were for this good and Christian man. It was a fact that he never compromised on the eternal truths that drew the love and respect of the world. He never tried to compromise or adjust to the zeitgeist, the spirit of the age. This is the reason why the world paused in respect. We were all moved as the massive crowds in St. Peter's Square kept calling out 'Santos, Santos, Santos' - a Saint, a Saint, a Saint. This all came forth for a man unyielding in his desire to serve God, share the Gospels and follow Christ totally. It was not for one who wanted to be politically correct, popular, or to be a candidate for Entertainment Tonight.

There is now a demand to call him John Paul the Great. I understand that only two other Popes share that title, Gregory I and Leo I. What is remarkable about all three is that they all appeared at moments of great crisis, both political and ecclesiastical, and went on to lead their church through and beyond danger.

Gregory the Great started out as a very wealthy man. He gave his house in Rome to be a Benedictine monastery called St. Andrew's. While he lived there as a monk he opened a soup kitchen for the poor of Rome. They tell that

once an angel came to dine there with the destitute. I've been to St. Andrew's and seen the room and felt intuitively that it was true. Angels, we are told, do from time to time descend among us. I like to say 'They often appear in humankind.' If that is a fact, John Paul II is one of them. Any Pole will testify to that!

(The other) week during Easter week, the feast of the Resurrection, I said that I was struck by how sad I felt, just like millions of others. A good man has gone from time into eternity. A good man who always pointed us towards God. A good man who always had his eye on God is now with Him. World without end. Amen.

With every good wish and blessing,

The Most Rev. Robert Sherwood Morse

### **The Wisdom of Fr. Andrew**

*I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.—Psalm 27:13.*

If we would reach the highest perfection, we must be ready, as all the saints tell us, to die to spiritual consolations. There is bound to come a time, in the experience of a soul that God is going to make perfect, when it has no consciousness of its own peace or love, but only a great hunger and weariness; no consciousness of its faith, which yet alone keeps it going on, but only of darkness and spiritual distress, or, what is perhaps worse, spiritual boredom. Like her Lord, the soul is now entering into the dark sanctuary of sacrifice, and becoming like Him at once priest and victim.

If we have to go through a time of great darkness and weariness, let us never think that is a sign that we are forsaken by God or necessarily in a bad spiritual condition. It *may* be due to some refusal of union with the will of God, but it may just be part of our spiritual education, a death to emotion and in the sphere of the senses, that there may be a resurrection of the will and a new life in the sphere of the pure love of God.

“Tuesday in Holy Week” in *Meditations for Every Day* .

Submitted by Deacon Blair Schultz

## SYNOD

Father Hines and Deacon Schultz, as well as parishioners Bill Jepson, Will and Marie Spencer, Chuck Carr, and Wayne Holman just returned from the Diocese of the Eastern States Synod held in Coventry, Connecticut from April 21-23. A Synod is an official gathering of clergy and laity meant to discuss diocesan business matters, engage in fellowship and teaching, review the past year, and charter goals for the new year ahead.

Of important business matters : the Synod called for the sending in of parish tithes into the diocese on a monthly basis – as opposed to a quarterly basis. Also, the diocese’s financial statement will be sent to each parish on a quarterly basis. ...Of business matters particularly pertinent to our parish were the election and appointment of some of our people unto Diocesan Committees : Wayne Holman was elected to the Provincial Court and the Board of Directors ; Chuck Carr was elected to the Standing Committee ; Ron Waitek was elected to the Ecclesiastical Court ; Marie Spencer was elected to the Board of Directors and was appointed to be the Diocesan Altar Guild President ; Deacon Schultz was elected to be the Secretary for the Diocese ; Father Hines was elected to the Ecclesiastical Court, and appointed to the Board of Examining Chaplains, Discernment Committee on Sacred Ministry, and the Marriage Tribunal. All of these elected and appointed positions will call for varying degrees of involvement in diocesan matters from each person throughout the rest of the year – this, if anything, goes to show that the Church’s success is dependent not just upon bishops and priests, but equally upon the laity as well!

The fellowship at the Synod was wonderful and encouraging. People who have never met before came together in the spirit of brotherhood, both for worship and to cooperatively work at pressing on the Kingdom. Aside from offering daily Mass and evening prayer services, the Synod also brought to the people four informative workshops. The first workshop was presented by Deacon Schultz and Father Hines on *The History and Outline of the Book of Common Prayer*. The hosting priest, Father Robert Frederickson, gave a class on *Creating a Meaningful Youth Ministry*, discussing the important topic of how we need to reach out to our youth. Bishop Florenza gave a very insightful lecture on *The Psychology of Religious Education for Children*, discussing the different ways children learn as they go through their normal cognitive growth stages. And Father Frederickson, Father Charles Nalls, and Bishop Florenza gave a final workshop entitled *Techniques of Church Growth: Creating and Sustaining a Dynamic Parish*. All of these workshops gave food

for thought, and some of the things taught will go on to be implemented in our own parish for our growth and success.

Father Robert Frederickson took the opportunity to remind everyone that the *Good Shepherd Summer Youth Camp* is just around the corner. July 24<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> will be the days youth from across the diocese can gather together for a week of fun, fellowship, education and worship. All parishes are being asked to give a financial donation to cover at least one scholarship towards this year’s camp so that no youth is left out of the week because he or she cannot afford it. It is this parish’s goal to send as many of our youth as we can this year – the ones who have attended in the past have always come home anxious for the next year’s camp to come around.

And finally, to end on a really good note, at the Synod this year two men were approved for ordination. David Birchfield, a member of the Anglican Church of the Holy Apostles in Pewaukee Wisconsin, was approved to be ordained to the permanent Diaconate. And Deacon Harold Minor, a member of St. Therese of Lisieux in Connecticut, was approved to go on to the Priesthood. We congratulate these men and we will pray for them!!

## SENIOR WARDEN’S REPORT

By the time you receive this issue of “The Sanctus,” the Nave of the church will be complete. On Sunday, May 8 (Mother’s Day) the Rector will bless the new furnishings. Treasurer Bob Wilson made the arrangements with the Gunder Company, Humbolt, Iowa, for the pews, in the same Gothic style as the altar rail and the pulpit provided by this firm. By assisting with the installation of the pews, the cost was reduced by \$1150. Thanks to Father Hines, Deacon Schultz, Jeff David, Don Otton, Dick Konigsfeld and Bob Wilson for all the work they did to complete the Nave by the end of April.

If you have not already done so, please consider a special pledge to the Building Fund. With the support of the parish, the cost to complete the Nave and to reconstruct the parking lot will be taken care of, and All Saints can be debt-free within a few years.

At its meeting in April, the Vestry approved the contract with Greenway Construction, Naperville, to refurbish the ceilings in the Narthex and main hallways. For a cost of \$3,100 from the Building Fund, the work will begin on May 16. By removing the old ceiling tiles and painting the drywall ourselves, we saved \$1400. Will Spencer has taken on the responsibility for the removal and disposal of the ceiling tiles, and the Wardens will arrange painting.

Four sessions have been held to price and sort the merchandise that was donated to the 2005 Flea Market by a member of the parish. This is a major task, and Co-Chairs Chris Oschman and Jane Munsie have scheduled additional sessions in May. Information on pricing and packaging the merchandise you are collecting at home appeared in the April Newsletter.

The engineer employed by the Vestry has completed the final plan for the reconstruction of the parking lot, and it has been forwarded to the Village of Bolingbrook for approval. With this done, we will begin the process to solicit bids from local contractors.

The ACM will hold a work session on Saturday, May 7, and there is a great deal to do both inside and outside. Thanks to the ten men who have been scheduled by the Junior Warden to mow and trim this summer. 2005 is the "Year of the Family" for All Saints. The work that we do in the months ahead should draw us all closer together.

Bill Jepson  
Senior Warden

### TREASURER'S REPORT

A special meeting was held after Mass on Sunday, April 3 to share two major events affecting the life of All Saints Parish. The first and most wonderful event was the announcement that All Saints has been blessed with an anonymous gift that enabled us to pay off our entire indebtedness: the mortgage on our building and the loan from the Province.

The second event was the plan to install new pews, carpeting and tile in the Nave and to replace the parking lot this year. A Building Fund Pledge drive was initiated to raise the \$150,000 needed for these projects. The drive offers three options:

1. Pledge to be paid in one, two, or three years.
2. Pledge to purchase a pew for \$2,000 paid over one, two or three years.
3. Other arrangements.

God has blessed this parish tremendously throughout its history. Here He once again extends His gracious blessing upon us for our parish's posterity. Please prayerfully consider if you can make a pledge or contribution for the completion of these projects.

Bob Wilson  
Treasurer

### ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN

At our meeting on April 10, we decided to call our new ministry "Angel Comfort Wraps" (ACW). For this outreach project, we are knitting, crocheting or making shawls through various other mediums. Sue Stines is leading our prayer/work sessions at church the first Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. and the third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join us – you don't have to be talented to participate.

My sincere thanks to all of you who have so graciously volunteered to take a meal to the Waiteks. Karen and Ron are most appreciative! We would like to continue to provide them with some meals for the next few weeks, so if you are able to help, please let me know.

Since our next newsletter won't be out until July, please mark your calendars for our next Jewel Shop and Share days -- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, June 27, 28 and 29. You can clip the coupon out of this newsletter, or pick up one at church.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, June 12, after Mass – no meeting in May.

Barbara Jepson  
ACW President

### PEWS, TILE AND CARPET

You may have noticed that our Nave has recently been completely transformed. Our parish is very blessed to now have new pews, tile and carpeting. All this has come about thanks to the generous giving of parishioners, and also due to the hard work of a few. Bill Jepson, Bob Wilson, Jeff David, Dick Konigsfeld, Don Otton, and Deacon Schultz helped in the installation of our new items. Because of their help the furniture company gave us a discount of \$1150!! Thank you to each and every parishioner and friend of All Saints who has helped to bring all of this about!

## FLEA MARKET

Thanks to all the volunteers who have helped sort and price the merchandise for this year's Flea Market. We have scheduled additional sort and price sessions for Saturdays, May 7 and 28, (10 AM – 2 PM) and Tuesdays, May 10 and 24, (9 AM – 1 PM). Any amount of time you can give to help is appreciated.

There will be a presale for parish members (date to be announced later). No items will be sold until the presale. The Flea Market will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 23 and 24. **Please do not bring any items to the church before the week of September 18. Donations must be clean, organized and priced.**

Chris Oschman (852-7160)  
Jane Munsie (985-0320)  
Co-Chairs

## FLOWERS

Please take special note that there are many empty slots available for donating Sunday flowers. There are 24 Sundays left empty out of 38 total. Donating flowers to adorn the Altar is a wonderful way to outwardly express one's love for God and perhaps celebrate/memorialize a special occasion as well. The cost of flowers is only \$20 per vase, and people traditionally donate towards two vases. However, more than one person/family may sign up for a particular Sunday and thereby donate one vase each. After Mass one Sunday take a look at the sign-up sheet and see if you can fill a slot.

### **Dates to Remember**

May 1 – Development Committee Meeting  
May 5 – Feast of the Ascension - 7:00 PM  
May 7 – Morning Prayer - 8:30 AM  
May 8 – Blessing of the New Furnishings  
May 22 – Vestry Meeting  
June 4 – Morning Prayer - 8:30 AM  
June 5 - Baptism of Oroyo Akinyemi  
Development Committee Meeting  
June 26 – Vestry Meeting

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## COFFEE HOUR

Thanks to everyone who is helping with coffee hour. Things are going very smoothly thanks to all the great help! The tasty treats provided by parish members are enjoyed by all. Your generosity and assistance is appreciated!

Norma Stafford  
Coffee Hour Chairperson

## HOUSE BLESSING JOYFUL NOISES

Ron and Karen Waitek have recently moved into their new home and are opening their doors to us for a House Blessing - Joyful Noises party. On Saturday, May 21 at 6 PM, we will be blessing the house and gathering for fun and fellowship as well. This is not a fundraiser – no door fee; it is potluck however – so bring your best dish or hors d'oeuvre. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex. ...See you there!

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