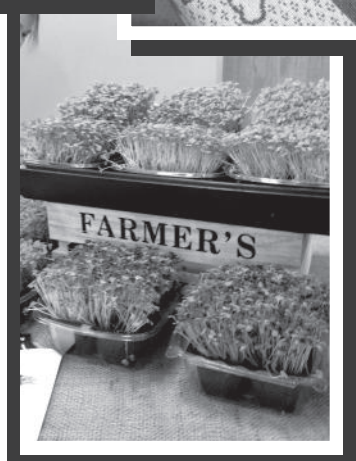
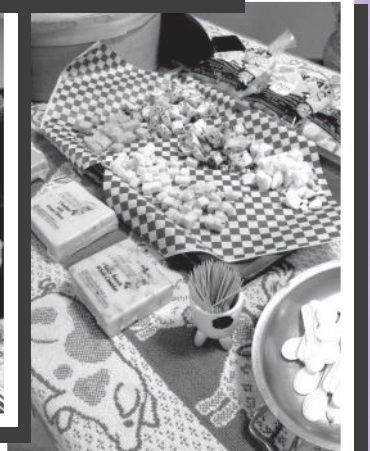




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## 2016 WINTER FARMER'S MARKET



## ***Fr. Marty Receives the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Vatican II 2015 Award***

*by Deacon Sandy Sites*

Our own Fr. Marty received the Archdiocese of Milwaukee Vatican II 2015 Award for service to the priesthood.

According to Archbishop ListECKI, Vatican II award recipients deserve special recognition for their exemplary service. A recipient is chosen because of their contribution to the liveliness and spiritual life of the Church in southeastern Wisconsin and beyond.

Here is the criteria for the *Service to the Priesthood* award:

- Have a healthy sense of personal priestly identity and live his vocation joyfully.
- Show fidelity to the Church's tradition, including acceptance of the teachings of Vatican Council II.
- Possess the respect of his peers.
- Give evidence of personal dedication to prayer and teaching.

Verses throughout the Bible encourage priests to rely on God for comfort and wisdom, but sometimes it feels good to talk to another person about the trials and tribulations of everyday living. For priests of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Fr. Marty is that person.

When asked what he does, Fr. Marty said "I call all active and retired priests three or four times a year, and visit the ones who live in nursing homes and assisted living situations. Sometimes a priest needs to talk to someone who is not an authority figure. Sometimes they just need someone to talk to." Bottom line, what he does is care ... a lot!

Fr. Marty has a doctorate in psychology. He was named Minister to Priests in 2010 by then Archbishop Timothy Dolan, to help priests cope with whatever may trouble them. Even before his assignment, for years he has offered priests, religious and lay people one-on-one counseling and spiritual direction.

Good Shepherd is blessed with the presence of this humble, caring, intelligent, and gifted Capuchin. On behalf of all Good Shepherd parish leadership and parishioners, we offer Fr. Marty our heartfelt congratulations on this much deserved award.

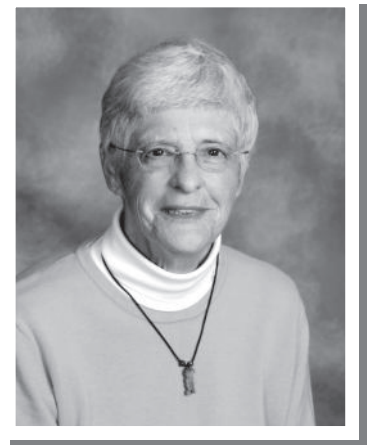


## ***Joyce Guinn Receives the Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice Lifetime Achievement Award***

Good Shepherd parishioner, Joyce Guinn, was awarded The Lifetime Achievement Award, as a Lifetime Member of Peace Action Wisconsin and a dedicated peace activist, during the Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice (WNPJ) Fall Assembly and Awards Celebration on Saturday November 14, 2015.

"For decades, Joyce Guinn, our Lifetime Achievement Award recipient, has been involved in work on behalf of the Palestinians. She and Sr. Virgine Lawinger started the group Friends of Palestine <http://www.friendsofpalestinewisconsin.org/home.html>. Through Friends of Palestine Joyce has initiated many actions and written many letters to the media and government officials. She has gone to the West Bank to witness first-hand the devastation caused by the apartheid conditions imposed on the Palestinians and is a continued force for change abroad in Palestine." ~WNPJ

Congratulations Joyce, and thank you!



# Meet the Ministry

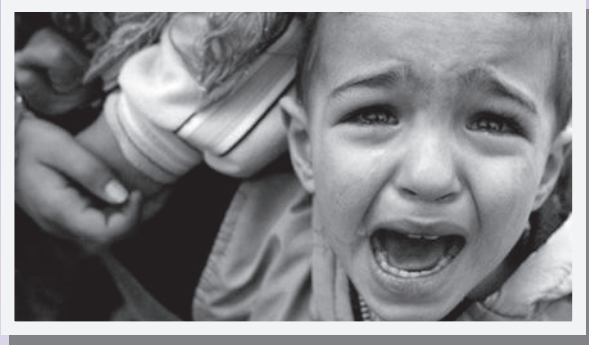
## Social Justice Book/Film/Discussion Club

by Joyce Guinn

Several parishioners expressed the desire to study current social justice issues through reading and discussion with the end result of taking specific action on the issue. This led to the formation of the Social Justice Book/Discussion Club.

### The first topic for the book club focused on Israel's occupation of Palestine and the U.S. complicity in the occupation.

The group read and discussed Ali Abunimah's book, The Battle for Justice in Palestine. Many were unaware of the extent of the effect of the occupation on the indigenous Palestinians.



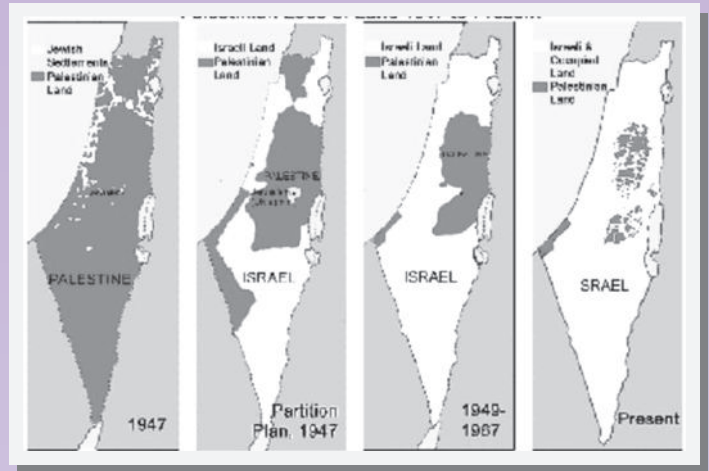
The insistence by Israel to be a Jewish and democratic state imposes second class citizenship on all non-Jewish citizens of Israel, including the indigenous Palestinians who refused to be driven out in 1948. The wall and checkpoints separate Palestinians from Palestinians and from their holy sites in Jerusalem. Gaza is completely isolated. These policies result in apartheid.

The following specific actions were suggested:

- Contact Senators Baldwin and Johnson to encourage them to oppose S.34 and Representative Sensenbrenner to oppose H.R.364 to withhold funds from the Palestine Authority until it withdraws its request to join the International Criminal Court.
- Contact Tammy Baldwin at: <http://www.baldwin.senate.gov/contact/> or (202) 224-5653 and ask that she not attend Netanyahu's speech before Congress to influence the vote on the agreement with Iran.
- Attend a session at Marquette with Col. Ann Wright who has been very active in anti-war, Palestinian, and SOA issues.
- Attend Marquette Students for Justice in Palestine - Panel: The Universal Struggle for Human Rights featuring Hedy Epstein, Ahmed Hamad, Robert Ashmore and Daniel Maguire.

DVD presentations included:

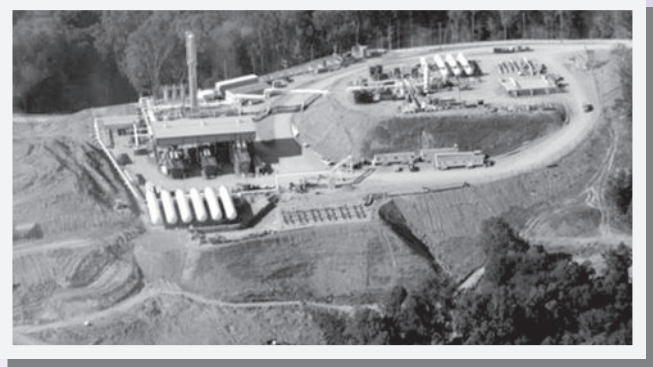
- "Where Should the Birds Fly"
- "The War Around Us"



Main take away: Educate others on the facts of the situation and keep informed through alternative media sources.

### The second topic was a study of climate change using Pope Frances' Encyclical Laudato Si.

The primary purpose was to become more aware of the devastating effect on Mother Earth caused by burning fossil fuels. The urgency of the situation demands that we take action on a global, national and personal level. This is a moral issue as we have been commissioned to care for creation in all its forms.



The group proposed the following actions.

- Stay informed and participate in actions related to dealing with climate change.
- Contact Congress members to encourage their support for immediate action.
- Encourage incorporation of "green energy" at Good Shepherd.
- Model "off the grid techniques" (solar panels, wind mill, tree plantings, etc.) to our local community.
- Form a parish commission on climate change to facilitate specific improvements/actions.

A new session will begin in January.

Watch the bulletin for details.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

# january



## Good Shepherd Parish

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<b>27</b> <b>8:30 AM &amp; 11:00 AM</b> Liturgy	<b>28</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Sleeping Bags and More <b>11:00 AM</b> Faith Sharing Group	<b>29</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Liturgy <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice	<b>30</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Stewardship C <b>7:00 PM</b> Scripture Shar
<b>3</b> <b>8:30 AM &amp; 11:00 AM</b> Liturgy <b>9:30 AM &amp; 12 PM</b> Blood Pressure <b>9:45 AM &amp; 12:15 PM</b> Welcome Weekend <b>4:00 PM</b> Lessons and Carols <b>6:00 PM</b> Cathedral Center Meal	<b>4</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Sleeping Bags and More <b>11:00 AM</b> Faith Sharing Group <b>7:00 PM</b> Pastoral Council Meeting	<b>5</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Liturgy <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice <b>7:00 PM</b> Grief Support Group	<b>6</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Doubters, See <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice <b>7:00 PM</b> Scripture Shar
<b>10</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Liturgy <b>11:00 AM</b> Liturgy/Baptisms <b>8:30 AM</b> Generations of Faith <b>7:00 PM</b> Gay & Straight in Christ	<b>11</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Sleeping Bags and More <b>11:00 AM</b> Faith Sharing Group <b>7:00 PM</b> Commissions Meeting	<b>12</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Liturgy <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice	<b>13</b> <b>10:30 AM</b> Healing Pray <b>5:50 PM</b> NET Middle S <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice
<b>17</b> <b>8:30 AM &amp; 11:00 AM</b> Liturgy	<b>18</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Sleeping Bags and More <b>11:00 AM</b> Faith Sharing Group <b>7:00 PM</b> Finance Council	<b>19</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Morning Prayer <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice <b>7:00 PM</b> Grief Support Group	<b>20</b> <i>St. Ben's Drop Off - unt</i> <i>Teams 4, 1 &amp; 2</i> <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice <b>7:00 PM</b> Parent Café
<b>24</b> <b>8:30 AM &amp; 11:00 AM</b> Liturgy <b>9:45 PM</b> Growing Faith <b>9:45 PM</b> Spotlight - Sacred Scripture	<b>25</b> <b>9:00 AM</b> Sleeping Bags and More <b>11:00 AM</b> Faith Sharing Group	<b>26</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Liturgy <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice <b>7:00 PM</b> Reader's Prep at Good Shpeherd	<b>27</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice <b>7:00 PM</b> Men's Group
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# Calendar

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Committee ring	<b>31</b> <b>6:00 PM</b> Mass of Anticipation - Blessed Virgin Mary	<b>1</b> <b>See cluster schedule for                      Mass times.</b>	<b>2</b> <b>3:30 PM</b> Reconciliation <b>4:30 PM</b> Liturgy <b>5:30 PM</b> Blood Pressure Checks <b>5:45 PM</b> Welcome Weekend
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er chool Retreat	<b>14</b> <b>10:30 AM</b> Communion Service at MFHCC <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice	<b>15</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Liturgy	<b>16</b> <b>3:30 PM</b> Reconciliation <b>4:30 PM</b> Liturgy
il 3:30 PM	<b>21</b> <b>5:00 PM</b> Agape Community Meal <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Practice	<b>22</b> <b>8:30 AM</b> Liturgy <b>6:30 PM</b> 21! Middle School Youth Group	<b>23</b> <b>3:30 PM</b> Reconciliation <b>4:30 PM</b> Liturgy
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# Pastoral Council Meeting Notes

Dec. 5, 2015

## Sharing the Journey:

Randy Ellis and Janet Dunn gave a presentation to inform the council about the group's project to place a new set of banners on existing light posts at church. Two banners will face the street with a message for the public. These will be backed by two others that will send a message to those leaving church. Their plan is to have the banners installed for Easter.

## Finance Council Report:

Nearly 50% of pledge cards have been returned. Parish Financial Audit was successfully completed recently. Parish director and Trustees will receive a detailed report.

Finance Council is in the process of reviewing and updating the Eschweiler Fund By Laws; council will receive copies when completed; parish sessions will be held to present the changes and to answer any questions.

## Commission/Committee Reports:

**Christian Formation** - Will be training youth for church ministries in January. Youth nights have been successful. Programs going well. Exploring youth training for taking Communion to Linden Grove. Good opportunity for intergenerational service.

## Pastoral Care:

Winter Market was very successful. Vendors were pleased.

## Human Concerns:

The Capuchin's have combined the operations of St. Ben's and the House of Peace now under one umbrella organization called Capuchin Ministries.

\$12,000 from estates, designated for Human Concerns, was divided among 14 groups.

## Parish Director Report:

Consider reviewing/affirming or updating our Mission Statement; should be memorable; most are shorter. Thoughts on Mass Attendance; 4:30 has good attendance; the two Sunday Masses together nearly equal the Saturday night attendance; Should we consider having only one Sunday Mass for the Summer? More discussion at January meeting. Coordination with Cluster Parishes will be necessary.

*Enhance Your Soul With Musings*

*by Maggie Brooks*

Elvia Alvarado said, "Go to church and pray all day and everything will be fine.'  
No, for me God says,  
'Go out and make the changes that need to be made, and I'll be there to help you.'"  
Maybe that is prayer in action.  
What do you think?

## Meet the Family



By Meriel Christensen

# Meet the Schneiders Family

Life's journey begins. We never know when or where it will end. Some people walk with us for a time, and then they are gone. Others enter our lives never to leave. On the way, we touch each other and leave our mark. Don and Lolita Schneiders have left their mark on hundreds of Good Shepherd parishioners.

Don grew up in Marathon, WI, a small farming community, and Lolita in Chicago. In 1950 Lolita's father built a motel in Arbor Vitae, WI. She transferred to a new college and met a handsome basketball star. He entered her life in 1950 and never left. In time Don taught and coached basketball. Looking for a change he became an apprentice mortician. Halfway through his course, the military changed his path. He spent two years as a Sgt. in the Army. Meanwhile, Lolita graduated and taught school in Wausau.

In 1954 they married in St. Patrick's Church in Minocqua. Another turn in the journey led them to Stevens Point where Don finished his degree and Lolita continued to teach.

Their next home was Wausau where Don became a salesman for a local company. A new road on the journey took Don and Lolita to Milwaukee where he was in charge of restructuring a branch of the company.

Their search for a new home ended in Menomonee Falls, a perfect place to live and raise their growing family. After a few years Don and a friend started their own business, Schneiders Vetter Glass Co.

In 1966 they discovered the "remarkable" Fr. Fran Eschweiler and the Good Shepherd community. Fr. Fran was an inspired preacher and leader but

he never discussed the topic of money. Realizing the parish was on the verge of bankruptcy, trustees Don Schneiders and Bob Schiller took over the parish finances, with Fran's blessing. Don, wearing a RED jacket, to illustrate the financial condition of the parish, convinced the parishioners that severe measures were needed to "save" Good Shepherd. They started by closing the school, rented every possible space at Good Shepherd (including the convent) and entered an austerity program. After a few rough years, Don stood in front of the people in a BLACK jacket, burned the mortgage and announced, "Good Shepherd is in the black."

Don, Lolita, Fran and a few parish couples participated in a small Christian Family Movement (CFM) group. As their project they initiated the first Good Shepherd Appreciation dinner. They cooked the spaghetti, Chianti bottles held candles and to Fran's chagrin, local funeral homes donated beautiful flower arrangements. One hundred eighty people were served.

Don also found time to serve the

community he loves. He was on the Menomonee Falls School Board for almost ten years while the community was struggling with integration. He became active in the Menomonee Falls Chamber of Commerce, chaired the Falls Centennial Celebration and was named Menomonee Falls "man of the year."

He revitalized the local Glass Dealers Association, became its president, and then the president of the National Association, which took him on trips to many major cities. He still enjoys the comradery of the Kiwanis Club and was president and Lt Governor of the local club.

During those years Lolita was active raising their three daughters, Nancy, Donna and Lita Sue. She was a homemaker, substitute teacher and served on local committees. She ran for public office and was first elected to the Wisconsin legislature in 1980 and served for 16 years.

The family suffered a serious car accident in 2002. Both suffered debilitating injuries and they lost their daughter Donna. They are spending their retirement years recovering and enjoying the gift of life and 61 years of marriage.

Change is not easy. The Schneiders have faced a lot of it. Their loyalty, to our church family, our modernization, the struggles of the Catholic Church, and Don's role in saving the Good Shepherd parish that so many of us love, is truly a gift from the Holy Spirit.



Don and Lolita Schneiders



**Health Bytes**  
By Laverne Schoonover RN

**Not Too Late for Your Flu Shot**

Most of you will have had your flu shot by now, but for those of you who have been procrastinating for one reason or another, here's another reason to obtain one.

The Journal of the American Medical Association listed the result of a study that found that getting an influenza vaccination was associated with a lower risk of developing major heart problems.

How much lower? About a third, and that effect lasted for up to a year, warding off conditions such as heart attacks, heart failure, stroke and even death.

Researchers believe that the flu shot may stop the virus from causing trouble in your arteries. This is particularly pertinent for people with an existing heart condition. It was thought that the virus " might actually stir up inflammation and affect the cholesterol plaques in the artery, which then break off and lead to a heart attack". says cardiologist Dr. Christopher Cannon, a Harvard a medical School Professor.

More studies are needed to advance these findings.

(Information from: Harvard Health Publications [www.health.harvard.edu](http://www.health.harvard.edu))



**JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY**

December 8, 2015 - November 20, 2016

**Monthly Mercy Action for January 2016:**

Shelter the Homeless. Donate to an agency serving the homeless, volunteer at a shelter, and practice generous hospitality by inviting guests to your home.



*Welcoming New Members:*

**Eric & Shannon Peters,  
Monica & Bella 6 yrs.**

**Jocelyn & Matt Ariail,  
Grayson 11 mo.**



**Your Green Corner**  
By Mary Kult

**Free Admission to Mitchell Park Domes and the Milwaukee County Winter Farmers' Markets**

From November to April the mission of these markets is to help local food-lovers and local food producers to connect. To buy local is to support the surrounding economy, friends and environment as you are supported in return.

These markets are held at **the Mitchell Park Domes, 524 S Layton Blvd.** Free admission and free parking to the Domes is a perk.

They are held most every Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm November till April.

As of Thursday mornings you can get a list of the individual food vendors for Saturday's market by going to [www.mcwfm.org](http://www.mcwfm.org). Register for their weekly announcements and find out what vendors only make monthly or biweekly appearances. Two of these vendors that might appeal to you are Dalla Terra Pasta providing hand-made pastas and Roots Chocolates showcasing their award- winning goodies. The owner and creator of Roots creates her chocolates with fruits and vegetables she grows herself and with honey from her own personal beehives. Keep an eye out for chocolates infused with anything from beer to figs.

Some other types of vendors provide Apples/Cider, bakery, confections, dairy, cheese, eggs, fish, Lonesome Stone Milling Flour, elk, buffalo, honey, maple syrup, sorghum, Jams and Jellies, pork, beef, lamb, Oly's Oats, poultry, produce, soaps, coffee, and some specialty food producers. Some of these specialty food vendors are MIA Famiglia Restaurant, River Valley Kitchens, Savory Accents, Thymely Herbals and Wisconsin Soup Company.

With all of the free samples, go hungry, and then also enjoy all three Domes.

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