



July 2016

BREAKING BREAD

Experiencing the Wonders of God's Word

by Jane Clare Ishiguro

Once again this year – for the 7th year - we celebrated the end of the Easter Season and Pentecost with Word Without End – our annual reading of Sacred Scripture for twenty-four continuous hours in the Mary of Madgala Chapel.

Here are some reflections from this year's **Word Without End** holy readers:

Although I think I have participated in this event for the past 7 years and have heard or read most of the readings before, it seemed that I heard some as for the first time. Such as: Ananias and his wife dropped dead because of their hesitancy to share all for the good of many... or how Peter through the Holy Spirit, raised Tabitha from the dead. I enjoyed every moment of the hour and would encourage others who have never participated in this opportunity to do so next year. ~**Laverne Schoonover**

It was a beautiful experience. When reading from Luke's Gospel I noticed some words about peace that I was not aware of before. I found the Scripture was in my mind as I went about the rest of my day. ~**Joan Plumley**

I had the feeling that we were all participating in something holy and sacred. I was at Good Shepherd for a pre-dawn hour and imagined people all over the planet praying and reading scripture at the same time. I thought how the Holy Spirit is working in us and loving us in ways we cannot even imagine. ~**Kate Vandenburg**

This is the 2nd time I have read with my son Keith. I have to admit I love this time with him and the Lord.... it is really cool... Thank you for these readings and for Good Shepherd and all of the programs for the youth. ~**Sheri Youngs**

As I read and listened to Scripture I was aware of the dawning of a new day, from darkness to light. And that is what I get each time from Scripture, the dawning of a new insight that I never got from previous readings.

~**Mary Ann Erdtmann**



Bernie DeBoer reading for Word Without End 2016 as Bob Stolarczyk (St. James) and Dave DeBoer listen attentively. [Catholic Herald photo by Ricardo Torres]



2016 Eschweiler New Century Fund Memorials

(Memorials received from January 1 through June 1, 2016)

The Eschweiler New Century Fund was established as an endowment to provide additional support in carrying out the mission of Good Shepherd. Since Jan. 1, 2016, the fund has received contributions in memory of the following people:



Ethel Allar
Jeanne Allen
Catherine Baltz
Lisa Baumgartner
Maggie Brennan
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Harold Poeschel Family
Deceased members of the Arnold Family
Deceased members of the Collins Family

A Rap for a Friend

“Tim Haspel attended a recent Brown Bag lunch with his mom, Linda Belkowski, and was so moved by his conversation with a young man at Repairers that he wrote this rap right after his experience. Tim will be a freshman at Menomonee Falls High School in the fall. ~*Mary Ann Erdtmann*”

Suffering Friend

by *Tim Haspel*

Yes, I've been bossed and yes, I've been tossed
Far beyond my dreams to the point I was lost.
I've had my fingers crossed. You can see how that paid.
It was an embarrassing moment that was made.
And still people look up at me. I thought I had it bad.
But my tough times couldn't compare to what you've had.
This is the first time in the week you've had food.
And still you're here in a great mood.
You felt pain worse than I can compare.
And had dealt with rain and had to sleep outside somewhere.
And you're still smiling and willing to share.
Why do the nicest people have to be treated unfair?
I watched you eat your food like it was your last meal
And you're faithful after the tragic pain you feel.
If I could, I would give you a winning lottery ticket,
So we can kick it in a house you dreamed of,
And you can pick it.

And though I haven't reached my life's potential,
I'm just an adolescent,
I would do all I can to relieve your stressin'
And not to mention, with an attitude like yours,
You can end world wars with the sound of your roars,
So generous, a loving human being.
And even in those times in your life of disagreeing,
It makes my day the smile from you I'm seeing
From a grown man, that knows he can.
But it wasn't society's plan to lend him a hand.
So here I am. I came to help cause you are great.
You were starving and I put food on your plate.
And while you ate, I found a way to relate.
We're both human and every human should be treated great.
I'll pray for you and for poverty to end.
And the least I could do is call you my friend.

Hall of Fame

by Barb Messerknecht

On May 9, 2016, Jeff Messerknecht was inducted into the David Clark (D.C.) Everest High School Athletic Hall of Fame, an honor awarded to past athletes and teachers/coaches associated with the school. Qualifications were judged on athletics but also on lifetime involvements and achievements. Barb and Jeff attended the ceremony along with family and friends.

Barb and Jeff met (in study hall), and graduated from the D.C. Everest High School. Jeff participated in many sports including: football, track, wrestling, and baseball. He held a state track record for discus for many years.

Jeff was sought out by many colleges to play football and he selected Marquette University. Marquette's decision to drop football was hard for the athletes who chose to attend the school. The final year of Marquette football, Jeff received the Lisle Blackburn MVP Award. He tried out with the Dallas Cowboys. After graduation from Marquette, Jeff taught and coached at Dominican High School. Later, he went into the insurance business.

Barb and Jeff lived in Milwaukee and Racine before moving to Menomonee Falls. They joined Good Shepherd Parish and chose to become involved in areas of social justice. Jeff was a past member of the Parish Council and Human Concerns. He became involved with Repairer's of the Breach where he was a volunteer and Board Member. It was there that he met "Reggie" a former homeless man from Chicago who was trying to get settled and get his life in order. Jeff continues to mentor and be a friend for Reggie.

Jeff graduated from the Spiritual Mentoring Program. Jeff and Barb were instrumental in starting "Faith Justice" at Good



Jeff and Barb Messerknecht, May 9, 2016

Shepherd. It was a program that involved studying Catholic Social Teaching, Scripture and taking participants on immersions into Milwaukee to meet the poor and disenfranchised. Faith Justice became a life changing program for the leaders and participants.

Currently, Jeff is a member of Voces De La Frontera and the Sanctuary Movement, a group that works for immigration reform. He has been dedicated to working with Milwaukee Careers Cooperative, a non-profit that prepares disadvantaged people to prepare and connect with employers to obtain jobs. Jeff is Chair Person for the Board and is pleased that the Good Shepherd Parish supports the work of the non-profit.

End of Year GoF Celebration

by Mike Crain

On May 15 our Generations of Faith Program came to its conclusion for 2016. We celebrated our year together with a family picnic after the 11:00 Mass. We enjoyed a hamburger lunch and then played some games to get to know each other better and review what we had learned this year.

Beside the fact that it was a bit chilly and blustery that day we had a lot of fun together. The game of jeopardy was hotly contested and came right down to the end.

Our GoF theme for this past year was We Believe and focused on the Creed and our Catholic identity. We continue to hear that one of the best things about GoF is that people get to know more than just the faces of those they see in Church each week. Spending time together over a meal or working on a table project helps them to get to know each other better. It's fun to see people making new friends as the year goes along.

If you would like to join us at GoF, registrations are still being accepted through the summer and you can download a registration form at our web page www.mygoodshepherd.org and click on the Generations of Faith icon.

We hope to see you with us this Fall!





Good Shepherd Parish Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
26 8:30 & 11:00 AM Liturgy	27 11:00 AM Faith Sharing Group 7:00 PM Building & Grounds Committee	28 8:30 AM Liturgy 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Readers Prep at Good Shepherd	29
3 9:30 AM Liturgy 10:30 AM Blood Pressure Checks 6:00 PM Cathedral Center Meal	4 <i>Independence Day</i> <i>- Offices Closed</i>	5 8:30 AM Liturgy	6 7:00 PM Doubters Thinkers
10 9:30 AM Liturgy 7:00 PM Gay & Straight in Christ	11 11:00 AM Faith Sharing Group 7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting	12 8:30 AM Liturgy 7:00 PM Choir Practice	13 10:30 AM Healing
17 9:30 AM Liturgy	18 11:00 AM Faith Sharing Group 7:00 PM Finance Council 7:00 PM Commissions Meeting	19 8:30 AM Liturgy	20 <i>St. Ben's Drop-off</i> <i>- Teams 2, 3, & 4</i>
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Corn Roast
Save the Date!!!
8/13/16

	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	30	1 8:30 AM Liturgy	2 3:30 PM Reconciliation 4:30 PM Liturgy 5:30 PM Blood Pressure Checks
Seekers,	7 10:30 AM Communion Service at Menomonee Place 7:00 PM Ellacuria Sister Parish Committee	8 8:30 AM Liturgy	9 3:30 PM Reconciliation 4:30 PM Liturgy
Prayer	14 10:30 AM Communion Service at MFHCC	15 8:30 AM Liturgy 1:00 PM Coffee Talkers	16 3:30 PM Reconciliation 4:30 PM Liturgy 5:30 PM Hot Dog Hospitality with the Work Campers
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Pastoral Council Meeting Notes

June, 2016

Welcome to new Pastoral Council

members: Arleen Mantel, Tony Witkus (one year to complete Jenni Kryscio's term), Janet Zimmermann, and Karen Papador (not present)

Finance Council Report:

Two Council representatives are needed for the Finance Council. Debbie Bowers volunteered.

Trustees are: Sharon Ellis and Bill Latus (Re- elected this year). Jane Goesch will be at large parish representative to the Finance council.

Commission/Committee Reports:

Updated information on commissions and committees is needed, so that new members can choose participation.

Christian Formation:

This summer - Work camps, Vacation Bible School

Parish Director Report:

Commissioning and Blessing of Council Members - June 25 and 26 at all Masses. Celebration of 60th Year of Good Shepherd (1957-2017) - July 23, 2017 with Archbishop ListECKI.

General Parish Survey - Visioning of the Future.

- First Town Hall meeting - Fall 2016
- "Seeds" - Laudato Si - examine green practices at Good Shepherd.

- Recognizing Good Shepherd as having a Franciscan spirit.
- Worship space design. Three Saints and a Shepherd leadership gathering - October 25, 2016.

New Pastoral Council Officers for 2016-17:

Chairperson - Linda Belkowski
Vice Chairperson - Debbie Bowers
Secretary - Karen Spivey

Special thanks to Joyce Guinn for her great work as Pastoral Council recording secretary!

Enhance Your Soul With Musings

by Maggie Brooks

L.R. Knost said,

*"It's not our job to toughen our children up to face a cruel world.
It's our job to raise children who will make the
world a little less cruel and heartless."*

How are you raising your child?

What do you think?



Meet The New Parish Council Members...



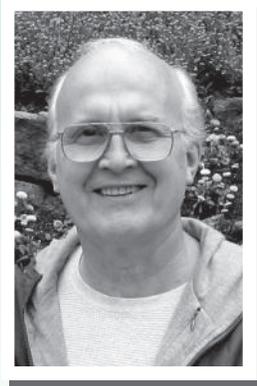
Arleen Mantel

I have been a parishioner at Good Shepherd since 1991 with my husband, Dale, and two sons Brandon and Travis. I am a communion minister at the 8:30 am Mass on Sundays and help out with the Art & Environment Committee. I'm honored to accept the responsibility of being on the parish council and look forward to the many challenges and opportunities I will experience in the next 3 years. God's Blessing to all!



Karen Papador

My name is Karen Papador, and I have been a parishioner here at Good Shepherd for ten years. You may have seen me helping out at VBS or sat with my husband, Tony, our sixteen-year old son, Matt, and our 12-year old daughter, Katie, at GOF on Sundays. During the school year, I am a 1st grade teacher, and this summer Katie and I are looking forward to being a part of Matthew 25 and Catholic Heart work camps. I am excited to be a part of the council, and look forward to building new relationships within our faith community.



Tony Witkus

My name is Tony Witkus and I am filling out the final year of the 3 year term of a council member who had to resign because she is expecting a child. I was on council before so I feel I can contribute right away. The needs of the parish and it's community are always my primary concern. Growth means change and I feel I can be an integral part of that.



Janet Zimmermann

Hello. I've been a member of GS parish since 1988. My husband, Mike and I raised two wonderful children, with Father Paul right next door! He was a fabulous influence! I taught in the West Bend school district for 20 years. I have 3 grand-children, 2 boys ages 7 and a girl 4. What I want to bring to the council is a great appreciation for all that GS has to offer and to continue it's legacies of social outreach.



Your Green Corner
By Mary Kult

Buy Used

I was listening to my favorite radio station and they mentioned some top items someone should not buy new since they lose their value quickly. Here are a few items they recommended you consider buying used: cars, sports gear, boats, RV's, musical instruments, and large toys like bicycles.

What other items can you suggest?

Don't you think this would make a great topic of conversation with your friends?

Email me with other items you've bought used at marykult@gmail.com.



Kermit the Frog says it's easy being Green!!!



Celebrating Baptisms
Jackson Leonard Leal
Landon Timothy Gitzlaff



Welcoming New Members
Tom and Carrie Scholz,
Caroline 7, Ben 5



Health Bytes
By Laverne Schoonover RN

Let Go and Let God - A Relaxation Exercise

STRESS, We all deal with it. Some is good... But living with ongoing stress can play havoc with our body, mind and spirit. It can be controlled.

Psalm 16:18 states: *"I set the Lord before me; with Him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed."*

Pray:

Lord,
With each breath that I slowly inhale,
I let your strength devour my weariness.
Your power lift my spirits.
Your peace flood my mind.

With each breath that I slowly exhale,
I release all stress generated by my infirmities
and current situation.
All negative thoughts and attitudes,
All anxiety and fear.

In this moment of oneness with you, Lord,
I gather in energy, faith and serenity,

In this moment of stillness, I am bathed in your
loving presence.

I am refreshed.
I am peaceful.
I let go and let God.

Submitted by Laverne Schoonover
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