



The Marian Messenger

By-monthly newsletter of the Sodality of Our Lady

Mary, Our Mother, Teach Us To Shine Your Quiet Light On Our Pathway to Jesus

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Prefect's Perspectives

Thank you all for a wonderful year. I hope that perhaps you learned something new about our faith; or you met someone new; or you found a new way to imitate Mary in following our Lord. Have a wonderful summer.

Don't forget our end-of-year Mass and Banquet on June 7th, as well as Mass and Rosary the first Sunday of the month.

Laurie

Welcome our new members who will be inducted during our end-of-year Mass at 5pm on June 7th...

- Marlene Vikor
- Betty Triplett
and Junior Sodalist
- Christine Bailey

Calendar of Events

- May 8 Gabriel Network
Baby Shower
- June 4 SU Meeting/ The New Missal
- June 5 8am Mass/ no meeting
- June 7 End of Year Mass @ 5pm
Banquet @ Marriott
- June 11 Shrimp Fest
- June 18 Rummage Sale
- June 21 News Articles Due
- June 27-30 Vacation Bible School
- July 3 8am Mass / no meeting
Newsletter Published
- July 26 EC meeting @7pm/ Rectory
- July 30 Texas BBQ
- Aug 7 8am Mass/ no meeting
- Aug 23 EC meeting @7pm/ Rectory
News Articles Due
- Sept 3 SU meeting
- Sept 4 Mass & Meeting @ 8am
Newsletter Published

May and June Birthdays

There are no May birthdays.

- June 6 Kathy Labukas
- June 11 Mame Ellis
- June 24 Suzanne Lomax
- June 30 Peggy Hool

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Plenary Indulgences
Granted to Sodalists.

PRAYER CORNER

Let us remember our fellow Sodalists and parishioners in our prayers...

- Gloria Wilson - under nursing care
- Peggy Compton - as she cares for her son
- Mary Linstrom - as she awaits surgery
- Mary Matyas - as her injuries heal
- John Perry and Jeffery Lander -Cindy Perry's father and nephew- as they recover from surgery
- Peggy Rooney - as she recovers from surgery

PILGRIMAGE TO EMMITSBURG, MARYLAND

Our pilgrimage to Emmitsburg was as perfect a day as one could get. We were blessed with bright, crisp weather, a delicious buffet lunch at the Cozy Inn, and a patient and knowledgeable tour guide.

Our tour began at the Visitors' Center with a brief video on the life of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton. Her story is rich in determination, courage, and love amidst daily uncertainties and personal suffering.

We toured the school grounds, St. Joseph's Cemetery where Mother Seton was first laid to rest, the Basilica where her body now lies beneath a side altar, and the Stone House, Log Cabin, and White House where the sisters and students once lived.

We then went to the campus of St. Mary's College and Seminary where we visited a replica of the Grotto at Lourdes and enjoyed a walk along a beautiful, wooded path and a babbling stream.

Before boarding our bus for the ride home, we gathered for a group photo. See how our faces reflect our joy and gratitude.

--story by Marti Galvin



Above: Mother Seton at the Visitors' Center

Below: Christine and Beverly explore the school bell



Group photo:

On either side of Mary Statue
Beverly(Left) and Christine (Right)

Back row left to right: Laurie, Jean, Franca, Patti, Marti, Marie, Candy, Martha Kathleen, Buddy, and Peggy.

Front row: Rita, Mary Ann, Barbara, Ellen, Meg, Helen, Suzanne, JoAnn.

Squatting: Hoa.

--photos by Cindy Perry

Palm Sunday Retreat

-- story by Marti Galvin

The Rev. James Gardiner, SA led the retreat on the topic of reconciliation. He used Scripture, Genesis 3:8-13 the story of the fall of man; the effect of sin on the relationship between God and man, and Luke 15:11-24 the story of the prodigal son; God, the Father whose unconditional love and mercy welcomes the son back as son and heir.

Through our sin we bring suffering into our lives and the lives of others. When we face the fact that we have sinned, we are like the prodigal son who comes to his senses and returns to his father. Remember that we are not confessing our sins to a priest, but to God.

On the second day of the retreat, Father Gardiner explained how the season of Lent is a time when we are to follow Jesus into the desert.

When we try to live a God-centered life, the evil spirits will tempt us to doubt our efforts. Temptation is an indication that we are making progress in our spiritual life; living a more virtuous life. We strengthen our resolve by reading Scripture and allowing it to open our mind and heart to the truth.

Father spoke of the Transfiguration as the ultimate vision, of seeing what God has in store for us. Remember the creation story and God's exclamation that "This is good". Expect to see something good, something God-like, in every person, creature and event. God self-communicates--reveals himself--through all of his creation; therefore, everything we see can give us a glimpse of what God has in store for us.

Reading Scripture helps us turn away from temptation and keep our eyes open to our part in the creation story.

The New Roman Missal: Get Excited! Get Informed!

The Sodality Union will offer a workshop on the [New Roman Missal](#) at 10:15 a.m. on June 4, 2011, at Jesus the [Divine Word Catholic Church](#), 885 Cox Road, Huntingtown, MD 20639. Rev. Mark Knestout, will conduct the workshop.

Don't think you need instruction? Here are three very good reasons to receive instruction on the New Roman Missal, and to encourage the other members of the Sodality to receive it too. 1.) One of the core aims of the Sodality is to foster in its members a [filial love of Mary](#) and to emulate her in all we do. If we consider Mary's obedience to her faith, and ask ourselves what Mary would do, we would prayerfully conclude that she would have hungered for the opportunity to deepen her understanding of God through understanding His Word. 2.) [Pope Benedict XVI](#) has exhorted the faithful to begin a New Evangelization. By receiving this instruction, we have the opportunity to grow in our own understanding of our faith and deepen our knowledge of the traditions of our Church. This is a key step Sodalists may take in support of the New Evangelization effort. 3.) Have you ever heard a Sodalist grumble "I don't know why we have to do that." Or, have you ever been asked by someone outside the church "Why do you do that in your Church?" Just how do you think others will be persuaded to share our faith if we grumble or stumble in response to such questions? Receiving instruction on the New Roman Missal helps us answer such questions and helps our pastor rely on the members of the Sodality to set an example within our faith community.

All members of the Sodality are welcome to make this a day of pilgrimage by joining the Sodality Union for a Mass to be offered before the workshop, starting at 9:00 a.m. The Rosary will be recited at 9:45. A carpool will leave St. Hugh's parking lot at 7:30 a.m. on June 4th. Contact Cindy Perry 301-220-3291 if you need a ride.

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Share the Word

When you carry the Bible, Satan gets a headache. When you open it, he collapses. When he sees you reading it, he faints. When he sees that you are living what you read, he flees. When you share it with others he will try to discourage you.

Spiritual Accompaniment of the Seriously Ill

--by Mary Wade Some notes taken from a presentation by Patricia A. Parachini, SNJM, D. Min., Chaplain: Georgetown University Hospital

Dying Patients Want...

- their religious needs addressed
- to pray and have someone listen to them
- to be able to share their fears with someone
- a chance to say goodbye and not be alone
- some control and some sense of significance

A Dying Patient wonders...

- does my life mean anything?
- am I a burden?
- who will take care of my family?
- will I be forgotten?

Be respectful and ask their permission before visiting or praying with or for them.

Spiritual needs are at the heart of being human.

Facing death focuses one's life. "Until one faces the reality of one's death, one cannot embrace life." Kierkegaard

Focus on assisting the seriously ill to die well; to participate in the journey of dying, insofar as that is possible. Trust yourself and your relationship with the person. Treat the person "normally".

**Dr. & Mrs. Julius and Laurie Njoku
cordially invite you to a
Celebration Dinner**

Sunday, July 3, 2011, at 5:00 p.m.

Grenoble Hall

**to honor the marriage of
their daughter, Angie
to**

Mr. Steven Fance

Attire: Dressy casual - No shorts/tees

RSVP to Laurie 240-481-9107

by June 20, 2011

Reminder...

Our lector for June 5th is Rita Radich. Our gift bearers are Mame Ellis and one more volunteer. Henrietta Stattel will provide flowers for the BVM. Our lector for July 3rd is Cindy Perry.

We need gift bearers.

JoEllen Sarff will provide flowers for BVM.