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Legion of Mary

Submitted by Jo Ann Mohr

Our gathering is every Tuesday evening at seven in the rectory basement meeting room. We would welcome new members.

SAINTS OF THE MONTH

Every day of every month of every year is listed a saint for that day. It is especially interesting to us in the modern world to read about the lives of saints of the most recent centuries. Here are three such saints for the month of July.

JULY 1



Blessed Junipero Serra (1713-1784), also known as the "Apostle of California", was a Spanish Franciscan friar who came to America during the Spanish colonization period of the American West. Despite an incurably injured leg and struggles with asthma, he found nine Catholic missions and converted thousands. He introduced irrigation, agriculture and a system of roads and pressed for a system of law to protect Native Americans from abuses of the Spanish soldiers. He is the "Patron Saint of Vocations." Blessed Junipero Serra is largely responsible for the Catholic heritage held so deeply in the areas he converted.

JULY 6

St. Maria Goretti (1890-1902) is an Italian virgin martyr. Her father died when she was nine and her mother and three brothers did farm work while Maria attended to the housework and care of her baby sister. A neighbor boy, Alessandro Serenelli, kept bothering her for sexual favors but she valiantly resisted because of her love of Jesus and loyalty to the Ten Commandments. He threatened to kill her and one day as she fought him off, he violently stabbed her to death. His juvenile age had him in prison for only thirty years. After his release, he begged forgiveness from Maria's mother, and staying at the side of her mother, he attended Maria's canonization at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome in 1950. Pope Pius XII declared Maria Goretti as "Patroness of You."



JULY 14



Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha (1656-1680), known as "Lily of the Mohawks", was converted by French missionaries and lived a life of extraordinary sanctity impressing not only her own people, but also the French settlers and missionaries. Her mortifications were extreme and she attained the most perfect union with God in prayer. Upon her death, devotion to her began immediately to be manifested by her Indian tribe. Pilgrims still visit her grave and the newer monument erected to her memory in 1884 in Caughnawaga, Canada.



While summer traditionally is a time of endless hours of swimming, riding bikes, playing outdoors and catching fireflies, it can also be a time to continue learning. Family trips to the museum center, a nature preserve, the Freedom Center, or the public library provide opportunities for all to share in the discovery of new ideas. Enjoy learning from each other during these days away from the structure of a school day.

Reading research shows that children who do not read during the weeks of summer lose as much as two months of reading growth. Encourage your child's reading this summer by participating in the summer reading program at the Campbell County Public Library. The librarian will be happy to assist children or parents in making reading selections.

While the children are away from school, work continues in the building. Summer allows us to do some painting and other maintenance work. This summer, the classrooms on the main floor have been painted. After the festival we will be having some repair work completed on the school roof. We will also be making upgrades to the technology in the building with new computers, monitors and a new server.



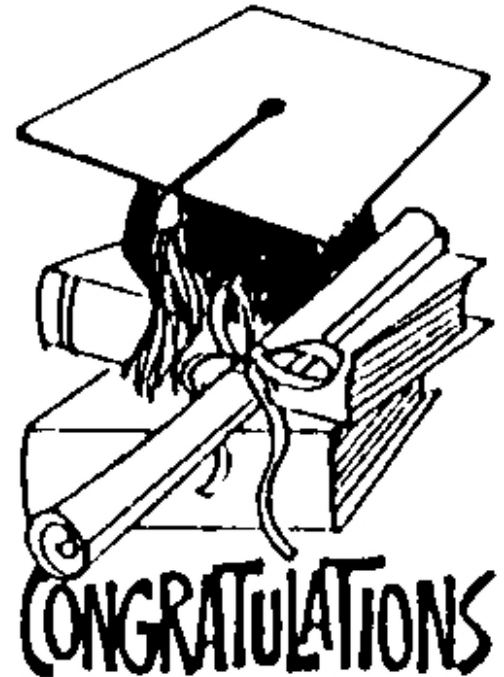
The school office will be closed during July. We will check messages periodically during the month if anyone needs to contact us. The office will reopen on Monday, August 2. Remember that school fees and cafeteria fees are due by August 15. The opening parent meeting will be Monday, August 23 and the first day of school will be Wednesday, August 25.

A Tribute to Recent Graduates

Newport Central Catholic congratulates the following St. Therese Parish members who received diplomas and scholarships/awards as follows:

- ❖ **Jennifer Allen** - Friends of Bellevue Scholarship, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Tyler Allen**
- ❖ **Elizabeth Amend** - Exemplary Attendance

- ❖ **Erin Barrett** - Art Institute of Chicago, Bellarmine University, Capital University, College of Mount Saint Joseph, Northern Kentucky University, Thomas More College, University of Dayton, Department Award-Art, High Academic Award, Exemplary Attendance; will attend the College of Mount St. Joseph where she received an academic scholarship and was also awarded an art scholarship for her portfolio.
- ❖ **Matthew Blanchet** - Northern Kentucky University, University of Kentucky, University of Louisville, High Academic Honor Award, Senior Perfect Attendance
- ❖ **Elizabeth M. Canafax** - Xavier University, Service Award, High Academic Honor Award
- ❖ **Benjamin Cooney** - Lincoln Technical College, Ohio Technical College
- ❖ **Lawrence J. Dettmer** - Academic Honor Award, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Cynthia Dill** - Academic Honor Award
- ❖ **Paul Francis Eviston** - College of Mount Saint Joseph, Thomas More College
- ❖ **Sarah Goetz** - Thomas More College, Academic Honor Award, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Anna Howard**
- ❖ **Abigail Johnson** - Xavier University, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Olivia Johnson**
- ❖ **Michael Leopold, II** - Thomas More College
- ❖ **Julie Ann Long** - Thomas More College, Department Award-Design
- ❖ **Natalie Ludwig** - College of Mount Saint Joseph, Northern Kentucky University, High Academic Honor Award , Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Shaun Patrick Meyer** - Friends of Bellevue Scholarship, University of Louisville, High Academic Honor Award, The Walter McGaff Award, Dominic Vincent James Millard-High School Bowling Scholarship, University of Louisville, High Academic Honor Award, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Grant Pangallo** - Hanover College, Thomas More College, Tiffin University, Academic Honor Award, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Bridgette Parr** - High Academic Honor Award
- ❖ **Brittany Romito** - Academic Honor Award, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Zachariah Joseph Russell** - Academic Honor Award



- ❖ **Tyler Anthony Ryan** - Northern Kentucky University, High Academic Honor Award
- ❖ **Courtney Sandfoss** - Northern Kentucky University, The Our Lady of Providence Award, High Academic Honor Award, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Erik Schout** - Newport Professional Firefighters Local 45 Scholarship, University of Louisville, High Academic Honor Award, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Frannie Schultz** - Lawler Hanlon Veterans of Foreign War Post 5662, Northern Kentucky University, Thomas More College, University of Louisville, Activity Award-Mock Trial, Scholastic Excellence Award, Exemplary Attendance
- ❖ **Austin Siemer**
- ❖ **Mariah Tabor**
- ❖ **Tyler Ward Tackett** - Thomas More College, Activity Award-Choir, Academic Honor Award, Perfect Attendance
- ❖ **Bradley Weick**
- ❖ **Monica Youtsey** - Children's Hospital Scholarship, Service Award, Exemplary Attendance

Highlands High School congratulates the following graduate from St. Therese:

- ❖ **David Robisch** - Northern Kentucky University William H. Greaves Scholarship, Bellarmine University Monsignor Horrigan Scholarship, Xavier University Presidential Scholarship, Urbana University Honors Scholarship, Urbana University Academic Merit Scholarship, Urbana University Bowling Club Scholarship, Campbellsville University Academic Scholarship, Wright State University Green & Gold Scholar Academic Performance Scholarship, University of Cincinnati Cincinnati Century Scholarship, High School Bowling Conference of Northern Kentucky Scholarship, Mike Dunn Memorial Scholarship. Will attend NKU with full scholarship, majoring in Mathematics.



Recent College Graduates include:

- ❖ **Sami Schalk** – Graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a Masters of Fine Arts (MFA) in Creative Writing. Starting this fall, she will continue her studies by pursuing a Ph.D. in Gender Studies at Indiana University, Bloomington.



A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all the members of our parish who participated in the food drive a couple of weeks ago by the Holy Name Society for the benefit of our St. Vincent DePaul Society here at St. Therese.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has been very especially busy in the past couple of months. May and June have brought us a record number of requests for assistance. Our members made 19 home visits in May and 17 so far in June in addition to assisting with getting the residents of the Veterans Hospital in Ft. Thomas to Mass on Wednesday and Sunday mornings.

Last December we moved our food pantry to the old convent and have been able to make better use of your donations. A couple bags of groceries are given to a client who requests food assistance when we make a home visit in addition to giving them a voucher for Remke's where they can purchase some of the perishable foods which we have no way of storing.

St. Vincent is meant to be there for emergency assistance, and our faithful members have been there for the people of Southgate and south Newport. We have also provided assistance with utility and housing emergencies, helping those less fortunate remain in their home with proper utilities.

All are invited to join our society. Not all members make home visits, so if this is something you think you can't do, we can still use your help. Join us for a meeting sometime, we meet the 4th Wednesday of the month in the school library, the time is subject to change.

Father John Corapi

Submitted by Deacon Bill Theis

The Holy Name Society has purchased tickets to hear Father John Corapi of EWTN fame speak at the Cintas Center on Saturday, July 17, starting at 8:00 AM. His theme will be the Church's Social Teaching. The tickets are \$46.00 each which includes all tax. Everyone is welcome to attend. Contact Bill Theis at btheis@aol.com or 859-781-8346 to purchase tickets or for more information.



James F. Bertsch Memorial Scholarship Fund

Submitted by Ron Bertsch

Jimmy Bertsch was a nineteen year old member of St. Therese when he died in a freak farming accident on June 27, 1997. He had just finished his first year at Thomas More and was studying physics and mathematics. He played baseball for TMC and was active as a lector, youth group member and helped with the CCD classes at our parish. In an effort to remember Jimmy and aid his family in the healing and grieving process, an annual fund raiser was started. Since his death, his family and friends have come together to host a hugely successful Jimmy Bertsch Memorial Golf Scramble. This year, the twelfth annual scramble is planned for Wednesday, July 21, 2010 at Hickory Sticks and Flagg Springs Golf Courses with a dinner and raffle held here at St. Therese Parish Hall. Golfers are welcome as are hole sponsors and door prize donations. Please contact Janet or Ron Bertsch at 581-5790 or rjbertsch@insightbb.com for more details or to make a donation. The fund is recognized as with nonprofit status of the IRS code 501(C)(3) and all donations and gifts are tax deductible.



The profits made from these annual golf outings support three scholarships that are now given to students each spring. One award in the amount of \$500 is given to a graduating 8th grader from St. Therese. Dot O'Leary chooses the recipient based on the student's demonstration of volunteerism here at the parish, an aptitude for math or physics, good grades as well as an overall good natured personality. The second award is given to a graduating senior from Newport High School. The school chooses this \$2000 award based on the same qualities. The third scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior from any area high school registered to attend Thomas More College. These applicants send an essay to the Bertsch Family Scholarship Committee and are reviewed and then voted upon to receive the \$2500 award.

The list of the scholarship recipients over the years:

	<i>St. Therese</i>	<i>Newport High School</i>	<i>Thomas More College Scholarship Recipients</i>
1997-1998	Michael Beiting	Larry Geiger	
1998-1999	Joe Giancola	Brian Kuntz	
1999-2000	Sami Schalk	Matt Atkins	Tony Bacigalupo, Newport Central Catholic HS
2000-2001	Krista Kramer	Dustin Murray	Adam Raney, Connor HS
2001-2002	Tony Kremer	Sara Turner	Crystal Alley, Dayton HS
2002-2003	Connie Kremer	Heather Haskins	Maria Farwick, St. Henry HS
2003-2004	Brigitte Stolz	Ryan Winkle	Samantha Goetz, Newport Central Catholic HS
2004-2005	Tony Bankemper	John Curl	Mark Krebs, Newport Central Catholic HS
2005-2006	Shaun Meyer	Misty Smith	Joshua Schmitz, Bellevue HS
2006-2007	Emily Ling	Stacy Stamper	Danielle Slade, Holmes HS
2007-2008	Philip Kenkel	Joshua Couch	Dustin Geisler, Newport Central Catholic HS
2008-2009	Kyle Simon	Margo Whaley	Christopher Elmlinger, Covington Latin HS
2009-2010	Allyssa Blanchet	Cody Short	Eugenia Grace Wyatt, Covington Latin HS

On behalf of the Jimmy Bertsch Family, we want to thank the many friends and supporters, especially those from St. Therese who have joined us in the golf outings over the years, made door prizes or sponsored holes for the annual outings. Our parish can share in the joy and pride when these gifts are awarded to the many wonderful young people receiving the scholarships. We pray that they continue to strive for academic excellence, graduate and make their unique mark in the world.

Holy Name Society

Submitted by Fred Espenscheid

The Holy Name Society had its monthly meeting on Wednesday, June 16. Fr. Heitzman opened the meeting with prayer and pledge. Fred read the minutes and Harold read the treasurer report. There were several communications including a thank you from the Bishop, a request for the purchase of raffle tickets from the K of C, and requests for hole sponsorships for the Bertsch and NCC golf outings. Then we discussed the activities going on around the Parish.

The men congratulate the two winners of the Holy Name scholarship (Alyssa Blanchet and Chelsea Fryer). We wish them well at NCC. We wish we could have given more scholarships as we have in the past, but the stag was not much of a success. In the last twenty plus years we have given away more than eighty scholarships and nearly \$40,000. We need more men to step forward and join the Society so that we can get back to where we once were as an organization.

The food drive for our parish St. Vincent Society was a success as many of you donated generously to the needs of those in the Southgate / Newport area we thank you. Since there are many of you who were either out of town or missed the bulletin announcement, we are going to give you another chance. Watch the bulletin for an announcement of another drive so that we can make sure our food pantry doesn't run out before Thanksgiving.

Don't forget the Parish outing at Florence Freedom. Call Mark Balsley 363-3050 or Fred at 441-5431 to make your reservations before July 14th. Tickets are \$9.00 each. For all you UC football fans, the new football coach will be at the ball park signing autographs. Join us for a fun night at the ball game.

Our next meeting will be July 21st. Hope to see you there.

Men's Fellowship

Submitted by Ron Bertsch

The Catholic Men's Fellowship group from our parish has been meeting for over three years now. Between 8 and 12 men usually meet twice a month to socialize, pray, review and discuss the Sunday's scriptures and then try to attend Mass together. We usually meet the first and third Saturday mornings from 7 to 8 am in the rectory meeting room.

Because of the Independence Day Holiday, we are moving the meetings in the month of July only, to the second and fourth Saturday mornings. We are also trying to help do some repair and clean-up projects around the church and school this summer. All are welcome and encouraged to consider joining the men's fellowship group.

If you are interested in learning more or joining, please contact Ron Bertsch at 431-2890 or rbertsch@fuse.net.



Mothers' Club

Submitted by Julie Bertsch

Hope everyone is enjoying their summer vacation! We are already starting to prepare for the 2010-2011 school year and one of our largest fundraisers for the school – the Walkathon. All parents are welcome to come to a planning meeting on Wednesday, July 7th, at 7:00 P.M. in the

undercroft as many hands are needed for this event. This has been a fun, healthy way for the children to earn money for our school each year. Please make sure and mark your calendars for the date of October 7th for this year's Walkathon and plan to attend. If you have any questions about the Walkathon or the planning meeting, please contact Ann Schultz at 781-6234 or Joy Huber at 441-0015.

Don't forget to send in those end-of-year pictures for the yearbook to Tracy Osburg at TAOsburg@insightbb.com. Also, don't miss out on the great items that are offered from Market Day during the summer like tasty grill items and quick lunch foods. The Market Day Pickup days will be changed to Thursdays for the summer months. Any 7th Graders interested in working the summer Market Days and earning service hours should contact Jodi Luersen.

We hope to see you on August 31st for our first meeting of the next school year! Please note this date change due to the later school starting date. Room Mother sign-ups will be at the parent meeting on August 23rd prior to school starting. If you would like to become more involved with Mothers' Club, we are looking for a representative to fill the Vice President position for the 2010-2011 school year. This would be a two year commitment to the Mothers' Club, a great way to stay connected with your child's school, and a fun way to meet others. Please contact Phyllis Yeager if you are interested in volunteering. We are looking forward to a great school year!



Unsung Hero

Submitted by Deacon Bill Theis



The Unsung Hero for this month is Martha Hauser. She has served for many years as President of the Legion of Mary at St. Therese. She is presently serving as Treasurer. She is also Treasurer of the Curia, which meets once a month in Covington. Martha leads the rosary after the 7:00 AM Mass daily. She works on the Bereavement Committee, planning the funeral and helps with the reception afterwards. She represents St. Therese Church at the Interfaith Meetings and takes responsibility for planning the dinner at St. Therese.

She writes excellent articles for the parish Communications and takes care of the book rack in the back of the church.

Martha delivers church bulletins to parishioners at Carmel Manor and mails bulletins to those homebound. She also gives packets of holy cards, etc. to those baptized, First Communicants and graduates.

She is famous for delicious coconut cake.

Thanks Martha for all that you do!

This month Unsung Hero was nominated by Ruth Kramer. To nominate an Unsung Hero, email Deacon Bill Theis at btheis@aol.com or call him at 859-781-8346.

Articles for the August edition are due by **Wednesday, July 21**, for publishing on August 1. Please send to Beverly Schalk at BASchalk@gmail.com, by mail at 206 Ridgeway Avenue, Southgate, KY 41071 or call 859-441-0630. Thanks!