

Church of St. Martin

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Sunday Bulletin



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Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:30 pm or by appointment.
Baptism: Call for pre-Baptism preparation video.
Anointing: Contact parish office in case of illness or need.
Wedding Plans? To avoid last-minute confusion, contact Father Corwin at least six months before your planned wedding date!

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 28, 2008



Sacrament of Anointing

← Parish Reminder

Next Sunday, Oct. 5 during 10:00 Mass, we will administer the **Anointing of the Sick** sacrament.



Recently Baptised into our Parish

Jamie Patricia Olmscheid
daughter of
Jeremy & Julie

NEW WINDOWS FOR OUR PARISH HALL

Energy leakage from those rattly old windows in the Parish Hall Gym soon will be a thing of the past. With the first new-tech unit recently installed, on Thursday night the Parish Council gave the go-ahead to complete the renovation project.

Each window is double-glazed, with inert gas (argon) in the resulting space for near-perfect insulation. To protect the new windows from damage during volleyball or basketball action, a metal protective grid will be installed on each window.

Completion of this modernization project will considerably lower outlay for heating costs in coming years. If you would like to donate toward the expense, it will be much appreciated.



Catechism Classes

Class Schedule:

Wednesday, Oct. 1 – Grades 9-10-11, 7:00 pm.

Wednesday, Oct. 8 – Grades 1-8, 7:00 pm.

Special note regarding **gym use**: Until the windows can be covered with protective barriers, throwing footballs etc. cannot be allowed. Also, the stage as well as basement dining room and kitchen are off-limits for play at any time.

Parents, if you haven't paid your student's tuition yet, please send it along to class next time.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a great way to plan the births of children while loving freely, totally, and faithfully. NFP is effective and good for your health, your marriage, and your family. The Billings Ovulation Method of NFP is a natural, highly effective method of postponing or achieving a pregnancy without the use of harmful drugs or devices. A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in Sauk Centre on Friday, October 17 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Hospital. For more information, or to register, call Lola or Mark Welle at 320-352-6014. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans now cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up.

•**Also please note:** New **audio CDs** available as you exit church include an excellent discussion of this. It's called "**Contraception – Why Not?**" and might really change your understanding of what's at stake here. Better yet, an updated version of it will appear very shortly, but for now listen to this one and pass it along!

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at Farming ----- 8:15 pm
Sunday morning at St. Martin----- 10:00 am
Monday morning—No Mass.
Tues-Thurs-Friday at St. Martin— 8:00 am
Wednesday at Farming----- 8:00 am
Eve of any Holy Day — 8:15 pm at Farming
Holy Days ----- 8:15 pm at St. Martin
(unless otherwise announced)

MASS INTENTIONS

29 Mon – No Mass Today
30 Tues – † Charlotte Loecken
1 Wed – 8:00 am Mass at St. Catherine's
2 Thur – † Joseph Lieser
3 Fri – † Connie Dierkes
4 Sat – 8:15 pm Mass at St. Catherine's
5 Sun – 10:00 am Mass at St. Martin
~ for the Parish

Daily Mass Readings

Sunday Readings: Cycle A Weekday Readings: Year 2

Sept 29 – the archangels: Michael, Gabriel & Raphael
• Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14 • Jn 1: 47-51
Sept 30 – St. Jerome • Jb 3: 1-3, 11-17, 20-23 • Lk 9: 51-56
Sept 1 – Theresa of the Child Jesus • Jb 9: 1-12, 14-16 • Lk 9: 57-62
Sept 2 – Guardian Angels • Jb 19: 21-27 • Mt 18: 1-5, 10
Sept 3 – First Friday • Jb 38: 1, 12-21, 40: 3-5 • Lk 10: 13-16
Sept 4 – St. Francis of Assisi • Jb 42: 1-3, 5-6, 12-16: 8
• Lk 10: 17-24

*Sept 5–27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

• Ez 33: 7-9 • Rom 13: 8-10 • Mt 18: 15-20

* = Holy Day of Obligation

It's not too late, but dinners must be reserved!

DEUTSCHE FEST

Parish Hall, Oct. 18, 4 pm till ?

Call for mealtime reservations for the German Fest. Don't put it off, reserve your mealtime now! Call Jim Rothstein at 548-3647.

FREE TRIP TO DIABETES EXPO: FREE BUS - FREE ADMISSION!

The St. Martin Lions Club is sponsoring a free bus trip to the 2008 Diabetes Expo at the Minneapolis Convention Center. The bus will leave the Freeport parking lot on **Saturday, October 11 at 8:00 am**. You'll want to bring your own lunch and, of course, any medications you need.

Call Otto Kaschmitter at 548-3226 to sign up by **9:30 am, Tuesday, October 7**. More info, click www.diabetes.org/minneapolisexpo or check flyer on Bulletin Board.

The **St. Martin Fire Department Relief Association** Fundraiser **28TH ANNUAL HAM SUPPER** will be **Sunday, October 5th**, serving 4 pm to 9 pm at St. Martin's Parish Hall.
Heartland DJ Entertainment 4 pm to 12 midnight.
Raffle 11:00 pm
No admission charge. Meal tickets are available at St. Martin businesses and from all firefighters.
All proceeds to purchase fire equipment.

WHAT'S WHERE:

Sept 28 - Albany Legion Smorgasbord Breakfast 7:30 AM - 12:30 PM.

Sept 28 - St. Mary's church basement, Melrose. **M-G Breakfast, Bake Sale & RAFFLE.** Serving 8:30 am till 12:30 pm. Sausage, pancakes, hashbrowns, eggs and rolls. All proceeds donated to St. Mary's Catholic School.

Oct 4 - St. Martin **City-wide Garage Sales!** Browse from 7 am-1:30 pm.

Oct 5 - Sts. Peter & Paul School, Richmond. **Family-sponsored Breakfast.** Serving 8:30 am till noon. Sausage, ham, scrambled eggs (regular & supreme), hashbrowns, pancakes, fresh fruit, rolls, coffee, milk & juice. \$7 for adults, \$4.00 for children 5-12, 4 and under free.

Oct 5 - St. Martin Parish Hall. St Martin Fire Dept./Relief Assn's **Annual Ham Supper.** Serving 4:00 pm till 9:00 pm. Heartland DJ entertainment 4 pm till midnight. **Raffle** at 8:00 pm. No admission charge. Meal tickets are available at St. Martin businesses and from all firefighters. All proceeds to purchase fire equipment.

Oct 5 - St. Catherine's parish center, Farming. **Matching Fund Breakfast.** Sponsored by Catholic Aid. 8:30 am till 12:30 pm. Ham, scrambled eggs, fried potatoes and all the trimmings. All you care to eat. Everyone's welcome!

Oct 5 - St. Agnes church basement, Roscoe. Christian Mothers' **Breakfast.** Serving from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. Sausage, scrambled eggs, American fries, homemade connamon bread, rolls, applesauce & beverages. Adult \$6.50, 6-12 \$3, 5 & under free. And there'll be a **Quilt Raffle!**

Oct 5 - Immaculate Conception church basement, New Munich. **Matching Fund Breakfast.** Sponsored by St. Leo Court #0786, Catholic Order of Foresters. Ham, fried potatoes, eggs, etc. Serving 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. Proceeds go toward Choir area upgrade and Fuel Expenses. For info & tickets call Jean Hopfer @ 837-5239 or Marcie Thull @ 837-5283 or 256-3152.

Oct 8 - **Albany Area Schools Board Meeting.** Call Sheila Mitchell @ 320-845-2171 ext. 5055 for more info.

Oct 12 - Sacred Heart Catholic Aid Council of Freeport is sponsoring a **Matching Grant Breakfast** for the benefit of Sacred Heart Catholic School. The menu includes: Sausage, Pancakes with a variety of toppings, Scrambled Eggs, Cinnamon Bread and Beverage. \$6.50 for Adults, \$4.00 for children 10 and under. Serving from 8:30 - 12:30 in the Sacred Heart Church Basement.

From the History Files:

1953: Four heifers near St. Martin were lucky; a tornado picked them up and set them back down again, unharmed.

Do you play in the high school band? Did you ever? Consider adding the fun of making music in a grand American tradition — your hometown Brass Band.



The St. Martin Band will resume bi-weekly practices early in October - the 9th and 16th, 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Don't be shy, give it a try! If you can read music, you'll fit right in.

500 Card Party!

Sunday, October 12th
8 PM in the parish hall. Admission \$2.00.
Lunch served, refreshments available.
•Sponsored by St. Joseph's Men's Society

Chairman: Chris Weber **Co-Chair:** Larry Fleischhacker
Helpers: Francis Olmscheid, Chris Blonigen, Roger Burg, Duane Euteneuer, Norman Euteneuer, Joe Garding, Otto Kaschmitter, Jerome Nordmann, Roman Schaefer, Marty Shay

SURVIVING THE MELTDOWN

I dislike cropping worldly pastures here, would rather spiel about saintly hillbillies, wise river rats. But emerging patterns give me no grins, whether economic or related to what climate researchers say privately.

Talking TV heads bleat about impending global financial catastrophe. Having already buried us in the largest national deficit in history, the U.S. government struggles to explain piling nearly a trillion additional taxpayer dollars at the floodwalls of Wall Street to avoid 1929, with the U.S. dollar teetering on the edge of perhaps the greatest inflationary meltdown in history.

Will Congress apply common-sense controls to this? Will it trade our wheat exports at the price of a barrel of Saudi crude? Maybe blank check bailouts for Wall Street gamblers will give the rest of us a little more time to prepare. Not hysterically, but with prudence. Best idea I can come up with certainly isn't much:

This summer was a good time to learn how to grow and preserve your own food, and cook healthy meals from scratch. Peak oil and inflation will send processed food and meat right through the roof. The sooner you relearn the cooking, canning, and gardening skills of your grandparents, the sooner you'll have stability on your pantry shelf. Plan now for next Spring — invest in non-hybrid (savable) garden seeds and build a rich compost pile so it can "cook" all winter. Can't hurt.

Instead of lusting for a flat-screen TV, do some research into items like pressure cookers and backup electricity generators. Wholegrain your diet, use less meat unless you raise your own. Reset family priorities. Simplify where you can. At worst you'll be healthier.

Historians predict a Great Unraveling for the early 21st century — about right now. It's a cyclic thing, has been happening every so often throughout recorded history. Is another "dark age" on the doorstep? The patterns are certainly there. ~yr. obt. svt.

Spirituality and Action

Catholic Charities and GRIP are co-sponsoring a presentation by Jack Jezreel, emphasizing the Gospel message of peace and justice, Church social teaching and the intersection of spirituality and action.

Sunday, Sept 28, 7 pm. St. Peter's Catholic Church, St. Cloud. Enter the church through DOOR 7 on 31st Ave. N. This is a unique opportunity to hear an inspiring and popular national speaker on social justice. His presentation "God's Dream of Justice: A Covenant for A New World" will focus on the scriptural roots of justice in the Old Testament.

REGISTER by calling 320-656-9215.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

October 10 - 12 at Luther Crest, Alexandria

Beginning Experience is a program designed to facilitate the grief resolution process for adults who have suffered a loss through death, divorce, or separation, thereby enabling them to again love themselves, others, and God. We accomplish this by offering quality grief resolution programs presented by trained peer ministers.

These programs are designed to move grieving people through a transformational process to a new beginning in their lives. Those who attend the weekend should be beyond the initial feelings of anger and despair. To receive an application or for more information, call Lisa at 1 - 888 - 565 - 0178 or write Beginning Experience at PO Box 7652, St. Cloud, MN 56302.

