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Geoff Story
Jessica Marburger
Jared Marburger
Jenna Millen

**CONFIRMATION/FIRST
HOLY COMMUNION**
Crystal Williams

He Is Risen! Alleluia!

by Gina Switzer

By cover of night... a murdered man, thought to be the messiah, rose from the sleep of death and revealed Himself as not only messiah, but God in human flesh, true God and true man. Rich in symbolism and the "mother of all vigils," the Easter Vigil liturgy dramatically recalls this great mystery of our Faith.

By cover of night, beginning at dusk, Fr. Michael Dosch blessed the Paschal Candle and enjoined the congregation to process into a dark church. They were led by Fr. Thomas Blau carrying the lit candle and chanting three times, "Christ our light." From the one Paschal candle representing Christ just enough light spread from hand held tapers to lead the faithful to their pews. From their seats they listened as Fr. Gregory Schnackenberg sang the Exultet, an ancient hymn describing our joy in God's saving power. Then by the

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PARISH EVENTS

Every Thursday: 7 p.m. 20s group Holy Hour followed by 20s group meeting/social.

JUNE

- 11 Pentecost Vigil Mass for young adults in Cincinnati.
- 17 All Night Vigil for Life, 8 p.m.–7 a.m.
- 18 Mass and Rosary at abortion clinic, 7 a.m.
- 19-27 Father's Day Novena
- 24 All Night Vigil for Vocations, 8 p.m.–7a.m.
- 25 Mother-Daughter High Tea and Vocation talk
- 25 Knights of Columbus Award Dinner
- 26 Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi Procession

JULY

- 3 Coffee and Doughnuts after 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 p.m. Masses, Marriage and Family Life Min.
- 4 Independence Day. Masses 7a.m. and 10a.m., Office closed, No confessions
- 9 NaPro Introductory Session

Parish Picnic July 10 from 2–6 p.m. at Camp Mary Orton



- 11 Calix Society Meeting and Mass
- 15 All Night Vigil for Life, 8 p.m.–7 a.m.
- 16 Mass and Rosary at abortion clinic, 7 a.m.
- 17 Baptism Class for first time parents
- 18 Marian Movement of Priests Mass, 7 p.m.
- 22 All Night Vigil for Vocations, 8 p.m.–7 a.m.

AUGUST

- 7 Coffee and Doughnuts after 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 p.m. Masses, Marriage and Family Life Ministry
- 8 St. Dominic's Day, Calix Society Meeting and Mass
- 15 Assumption of the Bl. Virgin Mary. Holy day without the obligation to attend Mass (this year)
- 21 Baptism Class for first time parents
- 27 Dance for Adults, Marriage and Family Life Ministry

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Catholic Men's Luncheon
- 5 Labor Day. Masses 7 a.m. and 10 a.m., Office closed, No confessions
- 18 MFL Ministry Fair and K of C Pizza Sale
- 25 Newcomers' Potluck

Would you like your very own Blessed Margaret Statue?

by Mark Clark



Photos courtesy of Mark Clark

Did you know that replica statues of our Blessed Margaret of Castello, along with other religious articles, medals, pamphlets and holy cards can be purchased through the Blessed Margaret Guild? Samples and purchase forms are available in the library.

And did you know that each statue is uniquely made and hand finished right here in the basement at St. Patrick Church by the hands of your very own parishioners? We start with an original resin 7" statue made from the life sized figure in the back of the church. This original is used to make a rubber mold, which can last for about 25 pours. A two part resin is mixed and poured into the mold, which hardens in about 20 minutes. The statue is removed while still

warm so the flashing, left from the crease in the mold, can be removed easily. Once the statue hardens, further cleanup is done by filling in any defects with air curing clay, sanding of any rough spots and is then washed. An aluminum rod is formed into the cane and is attached, which readies the statue for applying a paint primer followed by painting with colors to match the original in the church. After a clear coat finish is applied to protect the surface, a "Blessed Margaret" decal is added to the base and is then presented to the Blessed Margaret Guild to sell around the world.



So next time you are in the library, check out the statues and other items and make a purchase to support the cause of our little Blessed Margaret.

We have a small group assisting with the painting. If you would like more information or to check out our process and add to it, please contact Mark Clark at 614-863-9312 and I will be glad to get you involved. ♥

Women's Club Palm Sunday bake sale

Netted a total of \$3,507 for the benefit of the parish.



Photos courtesy of Michael Meyers

Behold the Lamb of God

By Dena Hoover

During the Lenten parish mission, Fr. Darren Pierre, O.P. provided a very interesting and thorough explanation of the changes coming to the Mass starting this Advent. He explained the background information prompting the changes and the meaning behind them. His injection of small doses of humor throughout the presentations made the evenings all the more enjoyable.

Father explained the ways in which our Mass is steeped in biblical history and meaning. The changes being incorporated into the Mass are designed to provide a more literal interpretation of their original meaning and intent. He went on to highlight some of the prayers and responses that will be changed and why.

Father concluded the first evening by discussing how we as Christians have become God's chosen people not by our race, but through the gift of faith which we received in the gift of our Baptism. He commented how these changes all fit together in a puzzle that connects all of our salvation history together.

Fr. Darren opened the second evening with the story in Exodus of God revealing himself to Moses in the burning bush. It's very significant that in this reading from Exodus, God reveals his name to us because up until this point the name of God had been a mystery. God revealing his name is a gift to us – given to us so we can offer it back to him; and our worship is about giving something – not about what we get in return. The changes being incorporated into the way we worship Mass are intended to more closely align with worshipping God in his way.

The new translation is one of the great things that will make it more clear that this sacrifice we celebrate is indeed universal (catholic). One of the signs of this universality is the language. For Catholics, it's Latin. Father explained that Latin is the language of the Church because Peter & Paul traveled to Rome at the end of their lives, so Rome became the instrument to spread the message of Christianity universally. Christ's message quickly spread throughout the Roman Empire and eventually outlived the Roman Empire by nearly two thousand years.

Also, Fr. Darren said God chose Latin to be the central language of the Church so that his word would be preserved. Since Latin is rarely spoken anymore, it doesn't fluctuate with culture changes like languages normally do, so this helps to preserve what God has given us. Latin is the source from which all these translations are made, and the key to the translation is how well we translate.

Fr. Darren elaborated on the new response to, "The Lord be with you." Our new response will be, "And with your spirit." This response is intended to unite us with people all across the world. It's a reminder of redemption through the universal nature of what we do.

The words, "This is my body," will not change in the new translation because there's no question about their interpretation; however, many of the words surrounding them will change, especially in the Eucharistic prayers. The fact that these words

appear in the Bible four times (in Mathew, Mark, Luke, & St. Paul's words to the Corinthians) stresses their importance and explains why such a big deal is being made about this new translation. Father said the changes will give the Mass a different feel using words that are elevated, more unique to our daily language. He feels that is fitting because what we do at Mass is so unique and elevated.

Fr. Darren opened the third evening discussing the importance of accuracy in interpreting the words. One misconception about the Catholic faith is that we sacrifice Christ at each Mass. He explained that it is about Christ's sacrifice; but it not a sacrifice repeated again and again. It's a sacrifice made once and for all by Christ but made present again and again in the Eucharist. The changes being made in our translations will make that clearer.

Fr. Darren finally addressed the difficulty of following our faith. He explained that even many of Jesus' followers had a difficult time believing in him. Fr. Darren pointed out that Jesus' disciples had followed him through so much. Five thousand people witnessed him just before he multiplied the loaves & fishes; many had seen him walk on water, heal people, and turn water into wine. John the Baptist testified that God spoke to him from the clouds of heaven. In spite of all this, many of his followers returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him.

We believe we are looking at Jesus during our Eucharistic Adoration – the same one who commanded us to love our neighbor and, "Come, follow me." Fr. Darren explained that even though Jesus lost many of his disciples, he didn't compromise; and what he is asking us to believe is not easy. If we believe that Jesus is God, that God became man, and bread and wine become God, and that he alone has the words of eternal life, then our lives are changed.

As Fr. Darren closed our mission, he reminded us that through the Mass, the Eucharist becomes the source of our life and the summit to which we reach. It is the true source and foundation of every decision we make. Accepting this is

hard as it means allowing him to change us so that when we behold the Lamb of God, nothing of our lives can be the same.

Fr. Darren Pierre, O.P., is the Vicar Provincial for Administration of the Dominican Province of Saint Joseph. The Roman Missal, Third Edition, will begin November 27, 2011, the first Sunday of Advent. Articles discussing these changes have appeared in our parish bulletin and The Catholic Times. More information can be found at <http://www.usccb.org/romanmissal/>. ♥



Photos courtesy of Michael Meyers



Creighton Model FertilityCare System

Teaching the Mysteries of Fertility

By Holly Deliduka



Holly Deliduka

My journey to becoming a Creighton Fertility Care Practitioner started many years ago. I was finishing up my senior year in nursing school. I was interested in women's health and obstetrics but we were well warned at Franciscan University that there are lots of ethical and moral battles you would have to contend with if you enter those areas.

But then, Dr. Thomas Hilgers came to Franciscan University and gave a lecture to the nursing and biology students. He was introducing a new reproductive science called NaProTechnology. NaPro means natural and procreative. He explained how he was inspired by Pope Paul VI's encyclical *Humanae Vitae* and the way it defended the Church's stance on why contraception is not accepted by the Church.

Humanae Vitae helps us understand that marriage in the Church is a sacrament and each act in marriage needs to be unitive and procreative. We need to be open to allow God to work in our life.

Dr. Hilgers took this call very seriously and studied what others had done before him and figured out how to quantify the observations. So now this method of Natural Family Planning is becoming so much more than helping couples space children or avoid pregnancy. It is also a tool to evaluate, monitor, and maintain a woman's health. I was so inspired by his talk that I had the thought then that someday I was going to work with him and become a practitioner.

It took me ten years and four children later to fulfill that promise to myself.

Since the Church was looking for more help in this area I went through training and started teaching over five years ago.

I work with couples on a one-to-one basis and can make my schedule around my family. I get to work with young engaged couples and let them know the good news. I have seen couples struggling with infertility for years finally get some answers to why and/or achieve conceiving that long awaited child. I have seen women saved from cancer by catching it early. I have gotten to share this possibility of living without contraception with young girls in high school who get fed that condoms and birth control pills are a necessity for them. I have helped young girls and women with PMS and difficult menses or cycles find healing. I have made some

friends, and have gotten to share a little bit about our Church at the same time.

If you are interested in learning more about the Creighton Fertility Care Model, contact Lisa Ely at 614-309-4347 or me at 614-209-7409.

We hold introductory sessions every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month at Northeast OBGYN at 7 p.m. and at St. Patrick's Church on July 9, 2011, and October 8, 2011 at 10 a.m. Please call to RSVP so that we can insure we will have enough supplies. ♥

We started attending the classes because we were wanting to practice a natural fertility method which aligns with our Catholic faith.

— Jennifer and Christopher Alvonez-Breckenridge

We were spurred to attend NaPro classes to learn a new, more effective method of natural family planning.

— Joy & Shawn Dorsten



The Dorstens explore the riches that learning Fertility Management can add to their marriage while in follow up with Lisa Ely.

Web sites of interest:

- www.creightonmodel.com
- www.naprotechnology.com
- www.unleashingthepower.info (Dr. Hilgers new book)

He Is Risen

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pin pointed beam of a book lamp, seven Old Testament readings encapsulating salvation history were proclaimed by Anthony Hunter, Joe Testa, Tom Ryan, and Michael Blackmer.



Photo courtesy of Gina Switzer

And finally the Gloria! The great Gloria of the year in which the choir bursts forth with magnificence, the bells rang with vigor and the lights, all the lights of the church suddenly shone with such brightness that all were momentarily blinded. The

darkness of Lent, the darkness of sin is overcome by Christ our Light and our Lord!

Following the homily by Fr. Gregory Schnakenberg, four adults, three teens and one child were baptized by Fr. Michael Dosch. Then, one previously baptized adult joined the group and all but the child were confirmed. Following the liturgy of the Eucharist, they received First Holy Communion uniting them as one with Christ and His Church.

RCIA begins in September and

climaxes at the Easter Vigil, but God had been preparing these souls for much longer than a school semester. Jason Brockbrader commented that he knew his life wasn't going in the right direction, but "being with the Tuttle family, I knew what I needed to do. Now it's changed my total outlook on life." Crystal Williams said immediately after communion she felt an "overwhelming calm feeling, like feeling whole." Every story is uniquely beautiful and inspiring, but the collective response to full communion with the Catholic Church resonates in Holly Kissel's words in the week after Easter. "I'm just so happy," she said. "I keep wondering what's next!"

The Lenten journey resulting in the "greatest and noblest of all solemnities" in which new life in Christ is brought forth stands as a graphic reminder to remain cognizant to the graces of the Sacraments and the mystery of our precious life in Christ all the days of the year, especially Sunday. Every Sunday is that great day of the Resurrection. Happy Easter!

Indeed, He is Risen! ♥

St. Patrick Church Confirmation Class

On April 7, 2011, 54 children and 6 adults were 'sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit at Confirmation.'





Celebrating St. Patrick at St. Patrick's

By Dena Hoover

In the Friar Blog on the Dominican Province of St. Joseph website, Fr. Schnakenberg wrote an article describing St. Patrick Church's celebration honoring our patron saint. This article is a summary of his blog including some excerpts. The entire article can be found at: http://www.op-stjoseph.org/blog/celebrating_st._patrick_at_st._patricks/

Our parish celebration of St. Patrick's Day began with a vigil Mass celebrated by our pastor, Fr. Michael Dosch, who began his homily by saying, "I've been waiting for this day since I first got here." "Fr. Michael had previously visited St. Patrick's from Cincinnati just to participate in the feast. Interrupting the Lenten discipline for its patronal solemnity, the parish choir sang the Gloria and the church was arrayed with flowers, candles, and shamrocks."

Mass was followed by a torch-lit procession through neighboring streets. Altar servers carried the statue of St. Patrick flanked by members of the Knights of Columbus who carried torches to light the way. The procession was accompanied by, "a full compliment of pipes and drums...which began as soon as the congregation finished the Litany of Irish Saints." A final litany was said and a closing prayer was given back in the church.

"After the procession, the Church hosted one of the more lively St. Patrick's Day parties in the area. Traditional Irish music was performed by an Irish band in the Parish Hall, with Irish dancing, soda bread, Irish beer, and traditional Irish tea for all who attended." ♥



More St. Patrick's Day pictures



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Spring Retreat

By Anna Higgins

This past spring, I, along with other members of St. Patrick's youth group set off, buses fully packed and loaded, to St. Mary's retreat center. All of us were eager for a break from the world, time for fellowship, and most importantly some real one-on-one time with our Lord. The weekend's agenda was fully packed with games, activities, and lots of wonderful prayer time.

One of the most influential activities Dan DeMatte had in store for us was one where we were encouraged to rip off the masks that we put on every day – to come clean about who we really are, hope to be, and hopefully, who the Lord is calling us to be. Everybody, including the core team members lined up facing an empty room with a line of tape on the floor a few feet from the opposite wall. There was a large crucifix behind the line of tape.

Next, Dan read off some questions and told us to cross the line if they applied to us. Then once across the line, he told us to silently offer the things up to the Lord. Some of the questions were things like, "Cross the line if you have ever been bullied," or, "Cross the line if you have ever felt that nobody loved you." Tears streaming down my face, I was silently shocked as to some of the people crossing the line on some of the questions. I thought to myself, "How could they feel that way, don't they know they are beautiful?" And other times, when I would cross the line I would think, "I can't believe others feel this way too. I guess I'm not alone."

I think sometimes fellowship like this can be one of the biggest gifts God gives us.

I believe that this process was necessary to go through in order to tear our masks off. It was essential to rip down barriers that held different cliques together and to know that things you are struggling with, others are too. It was good to see that girl who you thought you were too nerdy to hang out with, cross the line with you. It was eye-opening to get to know some of my peers in that silent, somber room. After all of the questions were asked, we spent some time in prayer and for many, it was the first time they actually gave their lives to the Lord. Kneeling at His feet surrounded by my friends, we prayed over each other asking that the Lord's arms would wrap around the hurt and suffering of our own youth group. It was a wonderful experience, definitely one I won't soon forget.

I also loved the continuation of this activity. We broke off into our small groups and each received a costume mask. They were white and quite plain. We were asked to write the little "masks" we wear every day on the front of our masks. Some of mine included, "having everything together," and "little miss perfect" along with other things. Then we were asked to write on the other side what we thought God wants us to be. Then we reflected together on how we could achieve the better versions of ourselves and how to no longer wear any masks at all.

I think sometimes fellowship like this can be one of the biggest gifts God gives us. He provides a wonderful group of women that I am able to share with, pray with, and talk with about how to love Him and live for Him. God is never shy with the blessings He pours upon us. Sometimes, we just need a little help to see them. This Spring Retreat proved just the ticket to open my eyes and other's eyes as well. ♥



Swing Dance: Good Times in mid-February!



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Fr. Gregory leading his troop during the head altar server paintball trip