

St. Bernardine of Siena



Congratulations to Quinn Murray who was initiated into the Gift of Holy Eucharist this Sunday in Garson at St. John's Parish, and who now will joyfully receive this Gift of God's Self each Sunday. Well done, Quinn!

Mark your calendars for this Monday, May 5th at 6:30pm as we host our annual Birthright Shower Fundraiser during the CWL General Meeting. Members unable to attend the evening fundraiser and wishing to support this important cause, can enclose their donation in an envelope with their name and address, as receipts will be provided for all donations of \$20.00 or more.

On Wednesday, May 7th at 6pm, CWL welcomes all parishioners to join them in praying the Rosary at the Parish Grotto. Kindly bring a lawn chair. Should bad weather occur that day, we will relocate to the Church.



The Knight's of Columbus in our Parish will be making available their annual "**Roses for Life**" icons following each Sunday Mass on Mother's Day weekend. Your monetary support through freewill offerings will be greatly appreciated. Proceeds from this event will go to support Birthright.

One Day Pilgrimage to Martyrs Shrine

Earlier this year, a survey was taken in the Parish to determine what, if any, interest there was in a Jubilee Pilgrimage of some sort this year. Six responses were received, and of the options presented, all six expressed an interest in a one day Pilgrimage to the Martyr's Shrine in Midland.



The date for this day pilgrimage has now been selected. It is **Thursday, May 22nd**. Fr. Michael will drive our group down to the Shrine that morning, and we will celebrate Mass together there. We will have the opportunity to tour the Shrine and to spend time on the grounds, including the Mission.

There is room for 7 on this pilgrimage, including Fr. Michael. The 6 who previously expressed an interest have preference, but some may choose not to go, so there may be room for others. **There is currently room for 3 more pilgrims.**

If you are interested in this one day pilgrimage, please let Fr. Michael know by email or phone to reserve your spot (if you are one of the 6 who previously expressed an interest) or to be placed on the 'standby' list in case there is room for others. The cost will simply be the gas for the van and the admission price to the grounds. Lunch and dinner will be the responsibility of each person.



GARSON FOODBANK We are grateful to everyone who responds so generously to the needs of our local Garson Food Bank. **We are especially in need of sugar and shampoo at this time.** Anything you give is gratefully accepted. **Thank you!**



Rosary of Hope - Prayed before Mass on Saturday during the Jubilee Year, beginning at 3:50pm. You are invited to gather close to the front of the Church, near the Tabernacle, to join in this prayer.

PARISH PHOTO ALBUM: Our last Parish photo album is from 2012, and so Parish Council is supporting the effort to create a new one this year. Ann McCormick has agreed to coordinate this project, and we have signed a contract with IPC Photo Services to make it a reality. More information will come in due course, but for now, please be aware of the dates of the photo sessions: **Wednesday, June 11th - Saturday, June 14th.** There is **no cost** to have your family photograph taken, and **no obligation** to purchase any photos. **All participants will receive one free Parish photo album.** These albums are wonderful to have around, as they help to put names to the faces of those we see in our Church each week. Please consider being a part of this project. The only cost to you is the time it takes to make yourself photo ready and the half hour to have your photograph taken and viewed.



Holy Redeemer Church will host a city-wide three-day mission led by Chris Bray, a Catholic lay evangelist and award-winning musician/songwriter. This mission will take place in the evenings from Sunday, May 25th until Tuesday, May 27th at Holy Redeemer Church.

Aligned with the spirit of this Jubilee Year, the primary theme of the mission is "**RENEWED IN HOPE**", supported by the sub themes of "**ENCOUNTER CHRIST MORE DEEPLY**", "**TRANSFORMED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT**", and "**COMMISSIONED TO SHARE THE GOSPEL**". Not only does this mission align with the Year of Jubilee, but it will also enhance the spirit of Pentecost. More details will follow; for now, make note of the dates and plan to attend if you are able. All are welcome.

YOUR OFFERINGS on April 27th

Thank you for your ongoing support

St. John the Evangelist

Envelopes:	\$ 721.00	PAD:	\$ 778.50
Loose:	\$ 115.00	Interac:	\$ 280.00
Heat:	\$ 20.00	Mother of God:	\$ 5.00
Native:	\$ 5.00	Easter:	\$ 20.00

Total: \$ 1,944.50

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Envelopes:	\$ 395.00
Heat:	\$ 20.00

Total: \$ 415.00



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