Deacon John’s
Mass of Thanksgiving
September 7, 2014

ST. BRUNO PARISH

“While the world changes, the cross stands firm.”
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time † September 28, 2014
DEACON JOHN’S PEN

Greetings St. Bruno Faithful,

As you know, I was recently ordained a Deacon (9/6/14) for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee by the Most Reverend Archbishop Jerome E. Listecki. I have been assigned by the Archbishop to serve at both St. Bruno and St. Paul Parishes.

A bit about myself. I have been married to my wife, Rita, for 34 years. We have one son, John R. Mezydlo, who has a beautiful bride of four months – our daughter-in-law, Heather. I am the General Manager for the Lakeland Automotive Group which has two locations: Oconomowoc and Lake Mills. I have been in their employment for the past twenty-five years. Since my wife and I recently became “empty-nesters” we have sold our home in Hartland, and have purchased a condominium in our new residence of North Lake.

My journey through Diaconate Formation has been nothing short of amazing and incredible. I have made the comment many times that the knowledge of my faith has increased more in the past five years than in the previous fifty. It is no doubt some of the hardest work I have done and definitely the most rewarding.

I have learned that the term “deacon” to me means service. Service to all. I have met and assisted people in places that I never thought I would be going to. In many ways, my life has come full circle and I have served others where earlier in my life “I had eyes but did not see”. I want to be a deacon because I truly want to serve others. There are so many individuals who need and want to be touched by the church. I want them to experience that touch.

I see the diaconate as a growing part of the church, one that can hopefully reach out and bridge the gap between the Church and secular society. Being a deacon and having a foot in both worlds is something that I want to be part of for many years to come.

The euphoria of my Ordination and Mass of Thanksgiving the following day is still very much on my mind and in my thoughts. I want to thank both Parishes for their continued prayers of support.

I very much look forward to not only Liturgical duties at Mass but also the social outreach programs that I will be associated with, such as S.E.T Ministries and senior center complexes, where I do Communion services.

I look forward to officiating my first Baptism and my first Wedding, both scheduled in October. Chapter One of my journey is complete. With the help of the Holy Spirit, I plan on adding many more chapters. This is an exciting time for me and my family. God has blessed me in so many ways. I want to bring His blessings to each and every one of you.

In Christ,
Deacon John C. Mezydlo

BUNDLE SUNDAY WEEKEND IS HERE!

THIS weekend, Sept. 27/28, there is a St. Vincent de Paul truck parked in front of the church for donations of used clothing, shoes and small household items, rags and worn-out shoes to be recycled. Please drop off your items before and after all Masses. Thank You for your support!

Thank You
Thanks to all who supported our “Back To School” Supply Drive this year. We gave 400 Waukesha County students backpacks, school supplies, and $15 shoe gift cards.

St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP)

We honor St. Vincent de Paul on Saturday, Sept. 27. St. Vincent said: “God demands first the heart, then the work”. It is only with our heart that we can bring compassion, respect and devotion to the destitute and marginalized.

It is only by “Serving in Hope” that our mission, with God’s help, can be accomplished. We are grateful for your financial support! Anyone who wants to learn more about SVDP, please contact Sue James at 262-646-3518.

Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2014

Recently, the Archbishop sent a letter to parishioners who had not yet given a gift to the 2014 Catholic Stewardship Appeal. He invited their participation. In our bulletin flyer this weekend, you will find a presentation on just what valuable ministries the Appeal actually funds, in case you have forgotten. As you will notice when you read through this material, it isn’t just the deacon candidates and priesthood seminarians, Catholic Charities, campus ministry, marriage ministry, and vocation ministry that are being assisted. Those ministries in themselves are reason enough to give to the campaign, but truly all 625,000 Catholics of the Archdiocese benefit as their Parish ministers and ministries are helped by these contributions. Let your donation be just like the five loaves and two fish that a boy gave to Jesus to share. Jesus took those small gifts and multiplied them many times over to feed over 5,000 people. Make a donation, even a small one, and see what Jesus can do with it.

Have the heart of the boy who wanted to share
Visit www.catholicappeal.org to make a gift online.
We are getting closer to our goal of $35,000.
Thank you for your generosity! ~Fr. Ralph
School Happenings

“Soles for Catholic Education” Walk

Join us at Mount Mary University on Saturday, Oct. 25, for the “Soles for Catholic Education” Walk. We will walk to celebrate Catholic education, spread the word about the impact of Catholic schools and raise money for tuition assistance so that more young people have access to Catholic education. Pledges raised by our team stay with St. Bruno Parish School. Register at www.catholicschoolswalk.org. Pledge/Registration Forms are available in the Gathering Place and the School Office. Questions? Contact Mrs. Lisa Hedrick at 262-965-2291.

Homeschooled Students

St. Bruno is opening the doors for fellow students in our community to take advantage of our special courses, such as Phy. Ed., Music & Art. Most classes are with grade-level peers, and class size is limited! Contact the School Office for more info: 262-965-2291.

Market Day

Thank you for your continued support - every order helps St. Bruno Parish School! We’ll see you at pick-up on Tuesday, Sept. 30, from 3:20-4:00 p.m. in the Gathering Place. If you have any questions, please contact Aimee Kelchen at 414-732-3726.

2014 Pot O’ Gold Raffle • Nov. 9

Your Pot O’ Gold Raffle tickets are available for pick-up in the Gathering Place after all Masses this weekend. With the loss of fund-raising revenue from Bingo and the Turkey Dinner, the success of the 2014 Pot O’ Gold Raffle is more important than ever! Please remember to take your envelope and sell those tickets! Ticket Prices: 1 for $10; 3 for $25; 7 for $50; 16 for $100; 24 for $140; and our BEST DEAL – 40 tickets for $200! The big winner in all of this is our own St. Bruno Parish, but you too can be a winner! The drawing is Nov. 9 at 11:55 a.m.
- First Prize (1).............. $5,000
- Second Prize (2)........... $500
- Runner Up (10)............ $100

Extra tickets are available before and after Masses in the Gathering Place, or you can pick them up at the Parish Office from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. weekdays. You can’t win if you don’t participate! Good Luck to Everyone, & Thanks for all your support!

~The Stewardship Committee

Baptized in Christ

Sept. 20, 2014 Weston Thomas Oleszak
Son of Eric & Marissa Oleszak

Mortgage Countdown

Current Balance: $1,138,471.14

Music Ministry

Thanks to Lake Country Landing Outreach Recitalists

Thanks to the youth involved in our St. Bruno Parish Music Ministry for sharing their talents on Sunday, Sept. 14, at the area senior residence, Lake Country Landing. Brass, flute and piano pieces entertained a wide variety of guests, including a 101-year-old trumpet player from the area. What a gift from God to share this bonum donum Dei (good gift of God) for a lifetime.

A Family Legacy of Singing

Why not consider sacred singing and music-making a family activity? Bill and Matt Bridge are a father-son duo in our Choir. Nancy and Amelia Boerger have teamed up on occasion as a Cantor team. What greater legacy and doxological communion could you give your children than joy in singing and praying God’s praises. Why not make singing at church an opportunity for family communion rather than a time apart?

Golf Outing Results

“Three Cheers to All!” Over $16,000 was raised for the Parish, School, and Tuition Assistance Program. Many thanks to our golfers, sponsors, donors and wonderful volunteers. “God Bless Everyone” and we hope to see you next year!

~The Stewardship Committee

Book Club

We read and discussed The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis last month and all agreed that this is worth reading by all Catholics! We will read and discuss My Beloved World by Sonia Sotomayer at our next meeting on Oct. 14, at 9:00 a.m. in the Family Room. By the way, this is a good time to think about joining the Book Club. We’ll be selecting books for the next six months and welcome suggestions from parishioners! You can bring your ideas to our upcoming meeting or submit them to Peggy via email, at jknepprath@aol.com.

Advertiser of the Week

Lake Country Landing

We support our Advertiser of the Week, G-Brock’s Auto Repair

See their full-sized ad on the back cover of this bulletin.
WHAT IS YOUR CATHOLIC IQ?
by Peggy Knepprath

What are the names of the archangels?
a) Gabriel; b) Michael; c) Uriel; d) Raphael.

HALF FORMATION CORNER

K-11 FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE
K-8: 9:00-10:15 a.m.
Upcoming Classroom Sessions: Oct. 12, 26; Nov. 9, 23
Upcoming Family Session: Nov. 16 (No session in Oct.)
HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 9-10): 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Upcoming Sessions: Oct. 12, 26; Nov. 9, 23
CONFIRMATION (GRADE 11): 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Upcoming Sessions: Oct. 12; Nov. 9, 15 (with Sponsor)
Confirmation Retreat: Oct. 18-19

BANNED OF MARRIAGE
I. NICOLE HUVAERE & MICHAEL PARULSKI

What are the names of the archangels?
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MASS INTENTIONS
Having a Mass said, with the intention of remembering a loved one who has died, is a wonderful way to still have a connection with that person, especially on a special day like a birthday, date of death or an anniversary. The stipend for having a Mass said is the same that it has been for years, just $10. If this is something you would like to do for a loved one, just call Karen Warnes at the Parish Office, 262-965-2332, for more information.

COMING SOON

Oct. 1 - Organ Vespers at St. Jerome; Dr. Simone Gheller; 7:00 p.m.
Oct. 3 - K of C Fish Fry; 4:30-7:30 p.m.; St. Jerome, O`woc
Oct. 4 - Jubilee Celebration, St. Dominic`s; 10:00 a.m.; 414-758-2201
Oct. 5 - Fall Festival; St. Mary`s, Dousman; 11:00 a.m.-3 p.m.;
Co-sponsored by & Proceeds to Dousman Volunteer Fire Dept.
Oct. 5-7 - Hearts United 2014; Christ King Parish, Wauwatosa
www.heartsunited2014.org
Oct. 7 - Creative Healing Approaches: Moving from Talk to Action;
San Camillo, ‘Tosa; 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Oct. 8 - Ever Coed Volleyball; St. James, Mukwonago; 262-951-5665
Oct. 9 - Mass of Hope & Healing for Pregnancy Loss; Bishop Hying; St. John Vianney, Brookfield; 6:30 p.m.
Oct. 10 - Fish Fry; 4:30-7:30 p.m.; St. Theresa, Eagle
Oct. 10-12 - Weekend Silent Preached Retreat for Women; 567-6900;
www.redemptoristretreat.org; $195
Oct. 11 - Women of Grace Retreat; Holy Family Parish, Brillion WI;
www.womenofgrace.com
Oct. 12 - CROP Hunger Walk; 1:30; McKinley Park, Lakefront
Oct. 14 - Grief Support Group Meeting; 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
San Camillo, Wauwatosa
Oct. 14 - Pallium Lecture; 7:00 p.m.; Mt. Mary Univ.; 414-758-2217
Oct. 16 - St. Gerard Day of Prayer; $20; www.redemptoristretreat.org
Oct. 17 - K of C Fish Fry; 4:30-7:30 p.m.; St. Jerome, O`woc
Oct. 18 - FOCCUS Training; St. Robert Bellarmine, Union Grove
www.johnpaul2center.org/NazarethProject/EngagedEnrichment/foccus.htm
Oct. 18 - Run/Walk for Hope; 12-3 p.m.; Frame Park, Waukesha
The Gospel today is a great example of the saying, “actions speak louder than words”.

As you put your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul’s basket, know that you are putting your faith into action.

The Lake Area Bereavement Ministry Series begins Oct. 8, 2014
This eight-week, biblically-based support group seminar focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. This is an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling; offering encouragement, comfort, and help. You will learn valuable information about facing your “new normal” in life as well as renewing your hope for the future. The Fall session will be hosted by St. Jerome Parish, beginning October 8, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room. Space is limited, early sign-up is recommended. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Contact St. Jerome’s Parish Office: 262-567-3020.

God is Love
—1 John 4:8
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THE ENDOWMENT FOR ST. BRUNO
We have established a permanent endowment fund for the future of our church and school. We invite a contribution in honor of family members, friends, or in memory of a loved one. Information and contribution envelopes are in the Gathering Place.

Parish Office Hours
Every Weekday From 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Bulletin Articles
Please submit your stories, announcements, photographs and ideas for the bulletin to Susan by 10:00 a.m. Monday morning via email: stbruno@wi.rr.com.