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WITNESS & WORSHIP

BELCZAK'S BULLETIN

A friend recently sent me this email; it is worth your consideration- especially since we are already half way through the month of July!

One day I had lunch with some friends. Jim, a short, balding golfer type about 80 years old, came along with them---all in all, a pleasant bunch. When the menus were presented, we ordered salads, sandwiches, and soups, except for Jim who said, "Ice Cream, please. Two scoops, chocolate."

I wasn't sure my ears heard right, and the others were aghast. "Along with heated apple pie," Jim added, completely unabashed. We tried to act quite nonchalant, as if people did this all the time. But when our orders were brought out, I didn't enjoy mine. I couldn't take my eyes off Jim as his pie a-la-mode went down. The other guys couldn't believe it. They ate their lunches silently and grinned.

The next time I went out to eat, I called and invited Jim . I lunched on white meat tuna. He ordered a parfait. I smiled. He asked if he amused me. I answered, "Yes, you do, but also you confuse me. How come you order rich desserts, while I feel I must be sensible?" He laughed and said "I'm tasting all that is possible. I try to eat the food I need, and do the things I should. But life's so short, my friend, I hate missing out on something good."

This year I realized how old I was. (He grinned) I haven't been this old before." "So, before I die, I've got to try those things that for years I had ignored. I haven't smelled all the flowers yet. There are too many trout streams I haven't fished. There are more fudge sundaes to wolf down and kites to be flown overhead. There are too many golf courses I haven't played. I've not laughed at all the jokes. I've missed a lot of sporting events and potato chips and cokes. I want to wade again in water and feel ocean spray on my face. I want to sit in a country church once more and thank God for His grace. I want peanut butter every day spread on my morning toast. I want un-timed long distance calls to the folks I love the most. I haven't cried at all the movies yet, or walked in the morning rain. I need to feel wind on my face. I want to be in love again. So, if I choose to have dessert, instead of having dinner, then should I die before night fall, I'd say I died a winner, because I missed out on nothing. I filled my heart's desire. I had that final chocolate mousse before my life expired..."

With that, I called the waitress over. "I've changed my mind," I said. "I want what he is having; only add some more whipped cream!"

Be mindful that happiness isn't based on possessions, power, or prestige, but on relationships with people we like and respect. Remember that while money talks, CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM SINGS!



Sunday, July 21, 2013

LIVING THE GOSPEL

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE -SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2013

People throughout Southeastern Michigan are counting on us! The list of those who need blood is all-inclusive: children who suffer from sickle cell anemia or leukemia; adults with cancer; patients receiving organ transplants; newborns in neonatal intensive care units; auto accident victims. You and I can help to save lives when we volunteer to donate blood on Sunday, August 4th.

The available blood level always drops during the summer for a variety of reasons: schools are not in session; people are on vacation; and our free time is filled with summer activities. Finding time to donate blood is becoming more and more difficult. By taking advantage of this parish sponsored blood drive we have a wonderful opportunity to help so many people who are in need.

Below you will find a list of the top ten excuses people often use to avoid donating blood. I hope that after reading this information, you will be encouraged to give. Remember, only 5% of the eligible population will become blood donors.

1. **I don't like needles/ I am afraid of needles/ I am afraid to give blood.** Nearly everyone feels that way at first. However, most donors will tell you that you only feel a slight initial pinch, and 7 to 10 minutes later, you are finished and headed to the canteen. If you take the time (and courage) to make one donation, you'll wonder why you hesitated.
2. **I am too busy.** The entire process takes about an hour, and the actual blood donation time is about 10 minutes. If you stop to think that an hour of your time could mean a lifetime for a premature baby, someone with cancer undergoing chemotherapy,

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or someone who is an accident victim, you might decide that you can make the time to give the gift of life.

3. **No-one ever asked me ... I didn't realize that my blood was needed.** Consider yourself asked! There is simply no other way to supply the blood needs of hospital patients but for the generous donations of people like you. Every two seconds someone in America needs blood. More than 38,000 donations are needed every day in communities across the United States.

4. **I already gave this year.** You may donate blood every 56 days. Many donors give 5 times a year.

5. **My blood is not the right type.** Every type of blood is needed daily to meet patient needs. If you have a common type of blood, there are many patients who need it, so it is in high demand. If you have a less common blood type, there are fewer donors available to give it, so it is in short supply.

6. **I am afraid I will get AIDS.** It is impossible to get AIDS by donating blood to the American Red Cross. A new sterile needle is used for each donor and discarded afterwards.

7. **I do not have any blood to spare.** The average adult body has 10-12 pints of blood. Doctors say that healthy adults may give regularly because the body quickly replaces the blood you donate.

8. **I don't want to feel weak afterward.** Donating blood should not affect adversely a healthy adult because your body has plenty of blood. You will donate less than one pint, and your body, which constantly makes new blood, will replace the donated volume within 24 hours. Most people continue their usual activities after donating.

9. **They will not want my blood (I am too old/ I have had an illness).** If you have doubts, check with your physician. The qualified staff on duty at a blood drive will also review your medical history with you. There is no upper age limit to donate blood with the American Red Cross, and a great many medical conditions do not prevent you from donating blood, or may have done so only temporarily in the past.

10. **I have a rare blood type, so I'll wait until there is a special need.** Blood that is rare or special is usually in short supply. There is a constant need for these blood types in order to avoid having to recruit for specific blood types in a crisis.

The American Red Cross workers will be available to accept your blood donation in the Social Hall – SUNDAY, August 4th from 7:30AM to 1:15PM. Give the gift of Life: GIVE BLOOD! Please use the signup sheet located on the round table in the Gathering Space to make your blood donor appointment.

SUMMERTIME

CASUAL CLOTHES: YES!

CASUAL ATTITUDE: NO!

Warmer temperatures, heat, and humidity make everyone feel uncomfortable during the summer months. During the summer months we encourage you to come to our air-conditioned church wearing appropriate casual attire. At the same time, we remind you that clothing appropriate at the beach or backyard swimming pool is NOT APPROPRIATE in church.

I would never want to discourage anyone from worshipping with us. At the same time I wish to encourage everyone to consider what you wear and where you are when you come to worship God at Saint Kenneth. Thank you for your cooperation!

A mom has been teaching her three-year old daughter the Lord's Prayer. Each evening at bedtime the daughter would repeat a phrase after her mom. One night, the daughter announced that she was ready to try it alone. The mom listened with pride as her daughter carefully enunciated each word, right up to the end of the prayer. "Lead us not into temptation," she prayed, "but deliver us some e-mail. Amen!"

Enjoy the summer!

Fr. Tom Belczak

GUIDE BOOK AND DIRECTORY UPDATE

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book and Directory for the Church. The book contains the Who, What, Where, Why, and How of our Church. The book is provided at **no cost** to our Church, including the mailing to each family, and again is being subsidized by local businesses that advertise in it. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out how to advertise in our parish directory, please contact our parish office 734-420-0288.

Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would patronize our Guide Book and Directory advertisers over non-advertisers. It "does pay" to advertise in our Guide Book and Directory.

† This Week in our Parish

Sunday	July 21, 2013
8:30 AM	Blood Pressure Screening
2:00 PM	Sunday Afternoon MS Support
2:30 PM	Widowed Friends Mass & Social
8:00 PM	A lcoholics A nonymous
8:00 PM	Al-Anon
Monday	July 22, 2013
10:00 AM	Senior Exercise
6:30 PM	Toastmaster's-Motor City Speak Easy
7:30 PM	A lcoholics A nonymous (Men Only)
Tuesday	July 23, 2013
9:45 AM	Adoration
10:00 AM	Summer Art Class
10:00 AM	Senior Weaving
6:30 PM	Stephen Ministry-Supervision
Wednesday July 24, 2013	
10:00 AM	Senior Exercise
Thursday	July 25, 2013
9:30 AM	Prayer Blanket Ministry
10:00 AM	Watercolor Class
6:45 PM	Toastmaster's-Westside Professionals
7:00 PM	NWCSL Managers Meeting
Friday	July 26, 2013
	No Meetings
Saturday	July 27, 2013
10:00 AM	Self Management and Recovery Training
Sunday July 28, 2013	
8:00 PM	A lcoholics A nonymous
8:00 PM	Al-Anon

Scripture Readings Week of July 21

Sunday	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Genesis 18:1-10a; Psalm 15; Colossians 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42
Monday	Saint Mary Magdalene Exodus 14:5-18; Psalm 15; John 20:1-2, 11-18
Tuesday	Saint Bridget Exodus 14:21-15:1; Exodus 15; Matthew 12:46-50
Wednesday	Saint Sharbel Makhūf Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15; Psalm 78; Matthew 13:1-9
Thursday	Saint James 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Psalm 126; Matthew 20:20-28
Friday	Saints Joachim and Anne Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19; Matthew 13:18-23
Saturday	Exodus 24:3-8; Psalm 50; Matthew 13:24-30
Sunday	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13

DAVID LIVES ON

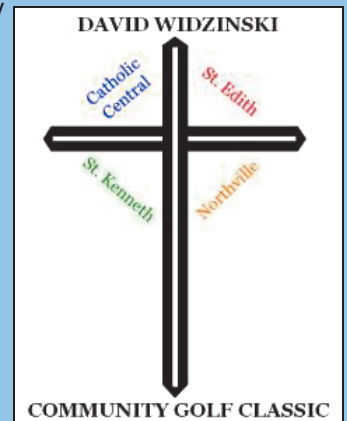
David Widzinski Community Golf Classic

WHEN: Sunday, September 1, 2013
 WHERE: Tanglewood Golf Course, South Lyon
 WHAT: 10:00 Mass at Catholic Central
 12:00 Registration at Tanglewood
 1:00 Shot-gun start
 6:30 Dinner followed with an evening of dancing, raffles, and celebration!

COST: \$100 Golf and T-Shirt, Dinner and Dancing
 \$33 Dinner and Dancing
 \$10 T-Shirt only

More information can be found on the website:

<http://davidliveson.com/>



TO THINK and PRAY ABOUT

Perhaps you or someone you know has been wondering about becoming Catholic. Perhaps this pondering has occurred over some time, or is a recent thought. Perhaps your thinking is energized by the Spirit, prompting you to investigate further. Know that the Church offers a way of discernment, a process called the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The process involves learning more about the Christian way, and following an apprenticeship of prayer, worship and Catholic practices.



If you would like to know more, please contact the Parish Office (734-420-0288). Your call will be returned, and questions answered. The RCIA process begins with a meeting **Thursday, September 12 at 7 p.m.**



of the week

Which response to God's call is more natural to you—prayer or action? Why?

† New Parishioners

On behalf of all our parishioners, we extend a warm welcome to these newly registered members who have joined our parish in the last week.

Betty Paterni

† May They Rest in Peace

Neal Akerlind
David P. Rigley
John E. Hodges
Michael Kramer

† Newly Married

No Marriages

† Newly Baptized

Stella Brianne Marsonек
April 19, 2013
Daughter of Scott & Steffanie Marsonек

† Birthday Blessings cont.

July 26

Dan Pyko
Kyle Quattro
Bob Rienas
Dan Sanko
Dawn Schafer
Peter Smith
Art Spolsky

July 27

Mary Ellen Adams
Dede Bruestle
Sean Cahill
Barbara Cope
Nicholas Cox
Kristyn Da Silva
Melissa Flannigan
Shelly Hilger
Elizabeth Micallef
Kevin O'Keefe
Lori Polkowski
John Raubacher
Larry Rocheleau
Pam Stopper
Torrey Tassic
Janet Taylor
John Tremonti
Kara Vanderveen
Kelli Vereb
Kimberly Winnik

† Mass Intentions

Saturday

4:30 PM

July 20, 2013

Arthur Mech, requested by Eugenia Mech
Victoria Slowinski, requested by Mr. & Mrs. Osenkowski
Elsie & James McDonnell, requested by Tom & Marilynn Murphy
Catherine & Thomas Murphy, requested by Tom & Marilynn Murphy

Sunday

7:30 AM

July 21, 2013

Virgil & Anita Benedettini, requested by Graziano Canini

9:00 AM

Ann Early, requested by John Early
Luz Montilla (Special Intentions), requested by Rene Montilla
Candace Hanvey-Racho (Special Intentions) requested by Gene Racho

11:00 AM

Joseph M. Smith (9th Anniversary), requested by his Family
Judy Majewski, requested by Nino & Joan Novelli

Monday

9:00 AM

July 22, 2013

Barbara Hall (Special Intentions), requested by Mike & Jan Hall

Tuesday

9:00 AM

July 23, 2013

Ralph & Ann Todd, requested by Patricia Andersen
Poul V. Andersen, requested by Patricia Andersen
Raymond Schaeffer, requested by Jack & Carolyn Baucus
Dennis Stockel (22nd Anniversary), requested by Sandi Stockel
Margaret Heilstedt (Special Intentions on her Birthday), requested by Sandi Stockel

7:00 PM

People of Saint Kenneth

Wednesday

July 24, 2013

No Mass

Thursday

9:00 AM

July 25, 2013

Virgil & Anita Benedittini, requested by Graziano Canini

Friday

9:00 AM

July 26, 2013

John Stack (7th Anniversary), requested by his Mother

Saturday

4:30 PM

July 27, 2013

Elizabeth Hallman, requested by Richard & Judith Shattuck
Joe Walsh, requested by Walt & Mary Ann Dunne
Freddy Debono, requested by Mary Muscat

Sunday

7:30 AM

July 28, 2013

People of Saint Kenneth

9:00 AM

Ann Early, requested by John Early
Michele Stanton (22nd Anniversary), requested by the Rowland Family

11:00 AM

Virgil & Anita Benedittini, requested by Graziano Canini

If you have requested a mass intention and would like to take the offertory gifts to the altar at that mass, please notify an usher 15 minutes prior to Mass.

✠ Please Pray for...

Fran Ardanowski	Bob Rzepecki
Richard Barron	Schinker Family
Kenneth Berlin	Fr. Ted Schmitt
Michael Bohn	Michelle Skinner
Raymond Collins	Maribeth Dudley Smith
Christine Coon	Kathryn Stachecki
Thomas Donner	Dan Stevenson
Fernand DuHadway	Tom Stevenson
Ben Gibson	Bob Stork
Dan Gill	Jean Stork
Erin Joynet	Phyllis Sullivan
Elsie Lang	John Voisinet
Michael Liebau	Sr. Kathleen Vos
Jesse Lindbauer	Robert Vuichard
Nicole Maurer	Mark Wehner
Larry McConlogue	Rob Wehner
Maureen McCurren	Clayton Dean Weitzel-Mech
Darryll Mech	Bill Williams
Tommy Mech	Rose Williams
Angelo Medico	Cheryl Wojtaszek
Jim Noetzel, Jr	
Stella Nykiel	
Gene Overstreet	
Tom Prais	
Candance Hanvey-Racho	
Sr. Marie Reilly	

To have someone enrolled on the prayer list, please call the church office. Names will be listed for four weeks unless the office is notified that the condition continues and that prayers are still needed.

✠ Pray for our Military

Tripp Adams, Army	Paul Klavon, Army
Nathan Albanese, Army	Timothy MacArthur, Army
Anthony Allen, Marines	Patrick Madish, Air Force
Ashley Allen, Marines	Daniel Marr, Marines
Greg Anderson, Navy	Abby Moening, Army
Steven Anderson, Marines	Courtney Moss, Marines
Garrett Barr, Army	Matt Mosteiko, Army
Christina Bucciare	Tom Newhouse, Marines
Brendan P. Carney, Air Force	John J. Nygard, Air Force
Justin Collins, Army	Nyle Pfeefer, Army
Tim Collins, Air Force	Ryan Rays, Navy
Christopher Crandall, Coast Guard	Sarah Rowe, Coast Guard
Paul Crandall, Army	Robert Rowley, Navy
Marcus Dandrea, Marines	Bryan Ryder, Army
Bradley Davis, Marines	Bryan Silveri, Navy
Greg Davis, Air Force	Charles Simpson, Jr., Army
Rob Dixon, Army	Stephanie Smith, Air Force
Megan Gagnon, Air Force	Shannon Suchora Hill, Air Force
Jeff Gray, National Guard	Paul Theile, Navy
Jada Grindstaff, Army	Dennis Thompson, Army
Kurt Gurka, Army	Chad Vandette, Army
James Hamblin, Marines	Anthony Vennekotter, Army
Deryck Hill, Air Force	Zachary Willey, Air Force
Travis Holt, Air Force	Joseph Wilson, Army
Mia Klavon, Army	

In gratitude for the sacrifices of our loved ones in the armed forces and their families, we are gathering the names and service branches of those currently serving our country, and requesting parishioners pray for these brave people. If you would like to add a person to our Military Prayer Request List, please call Barb at 420-3031.

✠ Birthday Blessings

July 21

Julie	Allen
Carrie	Butske
Russ	Carpenter
Denise	Cowger
Emily	Curr
Gabe	D'Ascenzo
Nicolas	Faulhaber
Aaron	Gierlach
Lindsey	Gierlach
John	Gordon
Diane	Irvine
Doris	Lemble
Annika	Macy
Christopher	Miller
Marianne	Miller
Carol	Morga
Pat	Posa
Barb	Schendel
Sydney	Schultz
Dona	Siero
Gina	Sloan
Arianna	Stacer
Alice	Sutherland
Eileen	Thornton
Kris	Warszawski
Cathy	Young

July 22

Aidan	Barnett
Eric	Greenslade
Daniel	Hejka
Rosie	Heller
Ava	Madden
Derek	Mallory
Karen	McCallum
Elizabeth	Obermaier
Elaine	Roman
Clinton	Savage
Brendan	Schifano
Julie	Zdanek

July 23

Julie	Abraham
David	Danes
Melanie	Duda
Kerri	Eby
Kimberly	Flannigan
Laura	Gordon
Karen	Green
Ron	Heiser
Steven	Kraska
Hailey	Laird
Brian	Leakan
Charlie	Marsh
Barbara	McLean
Courtney	Moss
Stephanie	Naberhaus
Eric	Ostrowski
Bob	Pheiffer
Dennis	Podzialik
Marie	Reilly
Mary	Schlaff
Angela	Sedlacek
Erin	Short

Laurel	Wasiniak
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July 24

Richard	Grima
Karma	Haddad
Roby	Jarczewski
Lucas	Laginess
Diane	Lijewski
Saham	Lucas
Eileen	Martin
William	Mundt
Thomas	Murphy
Delaney	Olsen
Lisa	Ozark
Katie	Perino
PJ	Rogers
Rachel	Rosal
Glenna	Sherman
Zach	Vaitkevicius
Alivia	Yates

July 25

Michael	Carrel
Dave	Garbutt
Noah	Gillim
Anne	Gurka
Erin	Hall
Jim	Harvey
Ed	Holton
Tammy	Kwiecinski
Lauren	Marnocha
Meghan	McDermott
Jeff	McMullen
Matthew	Mitchell
Betty	Mousseau
Max	Mustaine
William	O'Connell
Norman	Osenkowski
Gail	Paden
Lucy	Portelli
Robert	Reinas
Virginia	Ross
Kevin	Soubly
Joe	Steele
Robert	Stran

July 26

Steve	Applegate
Brian	Biskelonis
Alex	Bowser
Jack	Bowser
Christian	Celentino
Chris	Delaney
Carly	Diakow
Alexis	Frech
Lynsey	Jarczewski
Laura	Kronner
Joslyn	Longe
Brad	Marley
James	Mlynarczyk
Edward	Mooney
Eileen	Mulloy
Kris	Neubar
Marilyn	Nitchman

Stewardship Matters

Notre Dame Study on Catholic Giving

According to the recent study, *Unleashing Catholic Generosity: Explaining the Catholic Giving Gap in the United States*, the University of Notre Dame Institute for Church Life states that American Catholics are less likely than the rest of the population to report giving 10 percent, with only one in six Catholics even doing that. Talk about a disappointing statistic.

As stewards, we should be concerned why our fellow Catholics – and maybe ourselves, too – are not stepping up to give more generously. After all, if we believe that all we have is given to us by God wouldn't we eagerly return a portion in thanksgiving?

Notre Dame investigated how culturally shaped orientations towards money impacted giving. They found that Catholics were no more impacted by the tough economy than other Christians, nor were Catholics earning less across the board than other denominations.

Instead, they found a key cultural difference. Catholics tend to separate our faith lives and our wallets, which actually decreases our generosity. Those of us who view our finances as belonging and coming from God – and not our own efforts – give more generously. This distinction is critical for promoting a stewardship way of life. As stewards, we should see our finances as God-given gifts and use that money faithfully.

Eric McArdle *Catholic Stewardship Consultants, used with permission*

**Remember:
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MATTERS**

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LITURGY

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday: 9:00 AM
Tuesday: 7:00 PM
No mass on Wednesday
Saturday: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM,
Holy Days: 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:
9:00 AM-12:00 noon, 1:00-4:00 PM
Tuesday, :
9:00 AM-12:00 noon, 1:00-8:00 PM
Saturday:
9:00 AM-12:00 Noon

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 PM
Baptism: Contact Office for Parents' Meeting.
Marriage: Make arrangements six months in advance for pre-marriage conference.

REGISTRATION

Come to the office to introduce yourself during regular parish office hours.

PARISH COUNCIL

4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM.
All are welcome.
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LAST WORDS

Balancing Prayer with Action