

Holy Name Faith Formation

St. Boniface/ St. Wenceslaus Family Newsletter

June 2010



High Seas Expedition VBS June 1-5 – Want to make new friends, enjoy swashbuckling Bible adventures, sing and dance to incredible music, make amazing crafts and enjoy lip-smacking snacks? If so, come aboard for this year's Vacation Bible School...High Seas Expedition. All ages can be a part of the fun. Children in preschool through elementary, middle school, teens, parents and grandparents will all enjoy this week of faith and fun. We will begin on Tuesday, June 1 and end on Saturday, June 5. On Tuesday through Friday we will gather from 6-8:15 P.M. and on Saturday we will gather from 9-11:15 A.M.

Congratulations Graduates – We congratulate the following on their recent graduation from high school and pray that God blesses them on the next step of their journey. Holy Name Graduates and their plans for next year:



Kenny Bell: attend NIACC



Lauren Prohaska: attend Kirkwood CC



Britney Formanek: attend NIACC



Janessa Reding: attend NIACC



Alysa Hejlik: attend UNI



Stephanie Ricke: attend Mt. Mercy



Tommy Legge: attend NIACC



Amber Sankey: attend NIACC



Laura McGuire: attend Drake



Katie Schmidt: attend University of Iowa



Anna Pinneke: attend UNI

Congratulations Graduates!

2010-11 Registration – Registration forms for the 2010-11 year were included in last month's newsletter and are included with this newsletter as well. Your assistance with returning the forms in a timely manner is much appreciated!

Summer: Time to Expand Your Faith – The time you spend this summer strengthening your family's faith will reap rewards in the fall. You might find that your family wishes to continue some of the faith-filled summer fun all year long. Possible summer activities:

- Simplify your life (clean out, donate, have a garage sale, give to charity)
- Visit a holy place (monastery, shrine, famous church, etc.)
- Have God talks (tell God stories, discuss i Openers from High Seas, discuss homily, etc.)
- Do something for someone else (deliver groceries, help elderly, take flowers, etc.)
- Make Mass a priority (plan on a fun family activity after Mass)

THANK YOU Fr. Huber and Fr. Dellaert – This "Year of the Priest" will conclude on June 9-11, 2010. Fr. Huber and Fr. Dellaert will be leaving our parishes soon. We thank them for their service and wish them well in their new assignments. You may want to drop them, or any other priest who has had an impact on your family, an encouraging note, have a child color a picture for them or leave a positive message on their voice mail to close out the Year of the Priest. *In persona Christi* is a term frequently used to describe a priest. St. John Vianney said, "The priesthood is the love of the Heart of Jesus."

Catechists Needed – There are a number of compelling reasons to serve as a catechist:

- The best way to learn is to teach
- Your own faith will come alive
- Giving of one of your most precious resources, time, is a way of being a good steward
- By serving in this way you show your family that the faith is important
- Being a catechist allows you to experience the joy of working with young people
- If you don't, who will?



Memorial Day - This Memorial Day, remember that cemeteries, hospitals and physical therapy wards are full of men and women who gave their all in service to their country. Keep them all in your prayers.

Summer Opportunities for Jr./Sr. High –

- TEC in Mason City June 26-28th. The deadline to sign up is June 4th. All graduated and incoming seniors should have received info in the mail. This is a gift you give yourself, like a spa weekend for your spirit and a great follow up to Confirmation.
- High School Serve and Slide July 28th. Morning clean up after RAGBRAI then on to water park for fun in the afternoon.
- Jr. High campout and service day at Harmony Ranch on Aug. 14-15. More info to follow in bulletin.
- Call 923-3042 for more information

Al Yad – Al Yad (Assisting Life to Youth with Adverse Demands) recently sent a thank you to our parishes for their donations of clothing and other necessities for teens within foster care. Kami Jass and Jenna Wellik, recently confirmed members of our parishes, organized this drive. Thank you Kami & Jenna! For more information on Al Yad visit their website at: <http://www.aljad.org/>

Happy Father's Day!

Someone asked Mother Theresa what society could do to promote world peace and she responded: "Go home and love your family!"