

# **Community Connection**





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On September 13-15, the **Dominican Sisters of Peace** will be hosting a "Come and See" Retreat in St. Catharine. Kentucky, at the Motherhouse for single, Catholic women 18-45.

For more information or to RSVP contact Sr. Mai-Dung Nguyen, OP at (405) 248-7027 or mdnguyen@oppeace.org

## FAITH: THE NEXT GENERATION - PASS IT ON!

In the book of Acts we read: "You shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth." Jesus was telling all of his disciples from day one that we are to evangelize and pass the faith on in every generation. We don't know why He asked our help, but we do know that He indeed did. This is not an easy directive from our Lord, but there is a critical and important way we can do what He wants right here in our parish. What do you think that could be? We can help pass on knowledge of the faith and love for Christ by being a catechist or a catechist assistant in our parish. If interested in this essential ministry to the youth of our parish who attend public schools, please email Becky at bready@sttm.org or call 513-753-2548. We are in need of help to accommodate our Sunday classes.

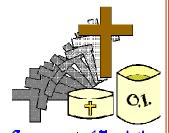
Please pray and consider joining us!

## The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

The Gospels record many incidents, actually miracles, of Jesus healing people who are sick. It is obvious to anyone who reads the Gospels that Jesus was very attentive to people suffering from a variety of illnesses. His healings were a sign of the coming kingdom which He preached and inaugurated. His healing work continued in the works of the Apostles as attested to in the Acts of the Apostles. Jesus gave them the Spirit and empowered them to continue this work. The Church continues this healing work today through this special sacrament. We read in the Letter to James: "Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the presbyters of the Church, and let them pray over him. anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven."

The Catechism of the Catholic Church reads at no. 1527 "The sacrament of Anointing of the Sick has as its purpose the conferral of a special grace on the Christian experiencing the difficulties inherent in the condition of grave illness or old age." The time to be anointed is before a serious operation or when someone is growing weaker from old age or is in the danger of death. But let me emphasize that it is not proper to wait to call for the sacrament just hours

before imminent death. This remains an issue for many Catholics who do not seem to appreciate the graces available to the sick person. Another problem that may arise is that if families wait until the very last hours of life, there may not be a priest available



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to administer the sacrament on such short notice.

Please be aware that hospitals no longer inform the parishes when parishioners enter the hospital because of the federal privacy laws enacted a few years ago. Also, it is **not** a good idea to tell the priest after Sunday Mass that you or a family member may be going into the hospital. PEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE WITH THIS KIND OF INFORMATION.

If a person enters hospice care it is beneficial to alert the parish sooner than later. The special grace of the sacrament can strengthen the peace and courage to endure in a Christian manner the sufferings of an illness. It unites the sick person to the passion and suffering of Christ for the good of one's eternal soul.

Article Submitted by Fr. William Wagner, Pastor



# JULYFEST SPLIT THE POT UNCLAIMED TICKET WINNERS

Friday - Ticket #167516 - Orange Color Ticket

Saturday - All tickets were claimed

Sunday - Ticket # 0530515 - \$102 - Orange Color Ticket Sunday - Ticket # 602435 - \$70 - Magenta Color Ticket

# ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?



You are cordially invited to come and ask your questions in a no-pressure, friendly environment

## September Inquiry Sessions

Sunday mornings
Sept. 8, 15, 22, 29
10:00 am
in the Faith Formation Room
First room to your left in Heider Hall

Contact RCIA Director, Becky Ready, for information about our sessions
Phone: 753-2548 Email: bready@sttm.org





## **NEW PARISHIONERS**

Ryan Block

Dang Pham, Thi Bui & Laura Bui

**NEWLY BAPTIZED** 

Olivia Elizabeth Hines, daughter of Robert Hines & Kelly Hinners





#### FIRST DAY for PSR COMING SOON!!!

Have you forgotten to register your children for PSR? On Sunday, September 8, all public school children registered in grades one through eight in our Parish School of Religion (PSR) will be joining us for their first day of this new year. Classes begin at 8:30 am. Grades 1-3 are in the hall under the church. Grades 4-8 are in Fr. Heider Hall. Names of the children along with their teacher's name will be listed on the outside of each classroom door. The sessions end at 9:45 am so that all families may continue up to Mass together. We ask that a parent or grandparent come to the room to pick up their children in the primary grades. Preschool for 3, 4 and 5 year olds will also begin the last Sunday of September (22nd) in the hall under the church. Forms for all ages can be found online at <a href="https://sttm.org">https://sttm.org</a>. If you have any questions, please call Kate at 753-2550.

In this upcoming Year of Faith, we look forward to a wonderful year leading all our children to a closer relationship with Jesus and his Church. Let your children know that you want them to have the right foundation for a life of happiness and fulfillment lived as a committed and loving Catholic Christian!!

