



# St. Francis Xavier

MAY 25, 2008

Established 1848

## The Beacon

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION  
3:30 p.m. Saturday

WEEKEND LITURGIES  
Saturday - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 9:00 a.m.  
11:00 a.m. - Bilingual Spanish

### Christian Service Corner



*Thank you  
to all the  
Food Angels!*

Especially all the children  
who so faithfully contribute  
food for the poor!

This past Wednesday the Christian Service Groups met for our last meeting. Our meeting will resume on Wednesday, September 10, 2008 at 1:30 pm. We have already begun planning events for this fall. I would like to take this opportunity to invite more parishioners to join our Christian Service Commission. I am pleased to welcome two new members to our group, Dorothy Keating and Yvonne (Bonnie) Peters. To these new members and all the current members it has been an honor serving by your side this past year and I am looking forward to the upcoming year.

**Gods Bless,  
Sharon Resst, Christian Service Coordinator**

#### THE FOOD PANTRY AT THE RECTORY COULD USE: Boxed Hot or Cold Cereals

*(The rectory food pantry supplies food during rectory hours for any emergency need of food 1 bag is made up for each household until we can refer the client for more assistance)*

#### June EEFN Needs...

50 Cans of Fruit      50 Jars of Jelly

#### May EEFN served 121 households

153 adults      52 children

This weekend, the Church celebrates **The Body & Blood of Jesus Christ**. The nation celebrates **Memorial Day**. Perhaps it wasn't intentional, but the two celebrations DO relate to each other. The Body and Blood of Christ celebrates the ultimate sacrifice of God as Jesus Christ to give up His earthly Body and Blood so that we would see that he is our Father. We share in this gift at the Eucharist as nourishment for our soul until we see Him in heaven. Memorial Day honors men and women who gave or were willing to give the sacrifice of their lives so that we could live in a society where we are free to participate in that celebration. Both should be celebrated and neither should ever be taken for granted or forgotten. Certainly peaceful means are preferred by the Church, yet our freedom of religion has been and is being protected by men and women throughout the world along with many other freedoms we enjoy in this country. Pray for them and peace. Please have a blessed and safe holiday.



**SCHEDULE CHANGE:** THE RECTORY WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY. **ALSO-THERE WILL BE NO TUESDAY EVENING MASS NEXT WEEK. PLEASE ATTEND ONE OF THE MANY NEIGHBORING PARISHES.**

#### WEEKEND COLLECTION

May 18, 2008

Registered Families	466
Envelopes used	145
Total collection	\$3,109.10

## Religious Education

### CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES REMEMBER:

**June 6** - Confirmation practice 5:30 pm at St. Francis Xavier, sponsor & candidate **MUST ATTEND!**

**June 7** – Sacrament of Confirmation, 5 pm Mass, St. Francis Xavier (arrive at 4:30 pm)

God Bless you!

Julie Dzanbazoff,  
Director of Religious Education

### CALLING THE CLASS OF 2008 GRADUATION MASS



Your parish would love to celebrate your graduation with you. We are asking all 2008 graduates that are members of this parish to be recognized at a special mass in their honor on Sunday June 22. We will be recognizing all graduates of high school or college at either the 9:00 a.m. or the 11:00 a.m.

Mass.-your preference. A coffee & donuts reception will follow. Please call Cathey Borsh at 313-383-8514 ext 13 to submit your graduate's name by June 10.

### CARING FOR THE CAREGIVERS

Conversation with Roger Bushnell

Wednesday, May 28, 2008 7:00pm-

Roger is Executive Director at Maple Heights Retirement Community in Allen Park. Roger is an advocate for the Alzheimer's Association with state representatives on behalf of seniors and has testified before the Michigan Senate Budget Subcommittee in regards to the Healthy Michigan Fund. Being his parent's primary care giver, Roger experienced first hand the privilege and demands of this role.

**St. Cyprian Parish,**

**13249 Pennsylvania Road, Riverview**

**Sponsored by**

**Health Advocacy/Disability Concerns Committee**

**734-283-1366, Ext 114**

**(Christian Service Department)**

### CATHOLIC SINGLES POTLUCK

Sunday, June 8, 2008 at 12:00 noon

Lower Huron Metro Park, in Belleville, MI

Bring Your Own beverage & a dish to pass

\$5.00 per person plus park entrance fee

RSVP by June 6th to Kathleen

734-657-7750 or [CatholicSinglesNYE@comcast.net](mailto:CatholicSinglesNYE@comcast.net)

### TREASURES 'N THINGS

Please remember, the success of our sale depends on all of us, so please mark down these dates:

**June 9-** -Start bringing your items and clothes, clean & in good condition) Treasures 'n Things sale dates:

**August 15, 16, & 17**

Thank you, \_\_\_\_\_ T 'n' T

### COUNT ME IN

. I am interested in becoming a/an:

- \_\_\_\_\_ ALTAR SERVER  
 \_\_\_\_\_ EUCHARISTIC MINISTER  
 \_\_\_\_\_ LECTOR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ USHER  
 \_\_\_\_\_ MINISTER TO THE HOMEBOUND  
 \_\_\_\_\_ SACRISTAN  
 \_\_\_\_\_ PARISH COUNCIL MEMBER  
 \_\_\_\_\_ EDUCATION COMMISSION MEMBER  
 \_\_\_\_\_ WORSHIP COMMISSION MEMBER  
 \_\_\_\_\_ CHRISTIAN SERVICE COMMISSION MEMBER  
 \_\_\_\_\_ COORDINATOR OF STEWARDSHIP ACTIVITIES  
 \_\_\_\_\_ COORDINATOR OF VOCATION ACTIVITIES  
 \_\_\_\_\_ FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEER  
 \_\_\_\_\_ FUNERAL LUNCH VOLUNTEER  
 \_\_\_\_\_ CHOIR

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to be called: \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ evening \_\_\_\_\_

### WHY SETTLE FOR A "GOOD" MARRIAGE WHEN YOU CAN HAVE A GREAT ONE?

You can make the leap from just "good" to GREAT on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! Marriage Encounter is 44 hours where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones—and focus only on each other. If you'd like greater depth, growth, and enrichment in your relationship, you'll like the difference a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can make! The upcoming weekends are at The Retreat Center at St. John's (Plymouth, MI):

April 18-20, 2008, May 16-18, 2008, June 6-8, 2008, October 10-12, 2008, November 14-16, 2008. Weekends fill up quickly so a prompt response is encouraged. For information or to register, contact: Bill & Carol Higgins at 248-528-2512 or [birdhaus@wideopenwest.com](mailto:birdhaus@wideopenwest.com) or Dan & Debbie Waring at 586-286-5524 or [dwarling@att.net](mailto:dwarling@att.net)

### FESTIVAL SPONSOR ADS PLAN AHEAD!!!

Each year we offer our parishioners the opportunity to become a Festival Sponsor. Our Sponsors help our festival be a success. For a donation of \$25.00 we will create a personalized 24" x 24" Sponsor poster for you that will be displayed in the Big Tent during the entire festival. It's easy to become a Sponsor. Just provide the name you would like on the poster no later than September 7, 2008 along with a check or \$25.00 cash. ( If it is for a business we would be happy to include your logo on it. )

Please suggest this to your friends, family, and businesses. This would be a great way for those who cannot work the festival to support us in this most important festival along with those who want to say "Hi!" to all .Advertising a business will reach the entire Downriver area, not just Ecorse!

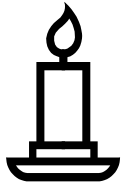
**Thank you in advance for your support!**

**Cathey Borsh**

**Sponsor Poster Chairperson**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Tuesday, May 27**  
 6:00 p.m. No Mass  
**Wednesday, May 28**  
 1:00 p.m. Rosary  
**Saturday, May 31**  
 5:00 p.m. For the people of St. Francis Xavier Parish-  
**Sunday, June 1**  
 9:00 p.m. In memory of the birthday of Bernice Lozo  
 11:00 a.m. In memory of Alexander Z. Petri, the birth  
 day of Rita Perez, the birthday of John  
 Garibay, and the anniversary of Joseph  
 Garibay



*Sanctuary Candle*

In memory of Charles Pongracz  
 by  
 Mike & Harriet Pongracz

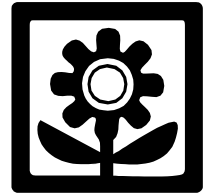
*May They Rest in Peace*

Lolita Killoran  
 Christina N. Tracy

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, May 26** RECTORY CLOSED  
**Tuesday, May 27**  
 6:00 p.m. NO Mass  
**Wednesday, May 28**  
 1:00 p.m. Rosary  
 7:00 p.m. Campaneros de Cristo-Bi-lingual Choir  
**Thursday, May 29**  
 10:00 p.m. Christian Service Vicariate meeting  
**Friday, May 30**  
**Saturday, May 31**  
 3:30 p.m. No Private Confessions  
 5:00 p.m. Mass  
**Sunday, June 1** Mass at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

PLEASE HELP US PLANT FLOWERS ON  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 7 AT 10:00 A.M.**  
 REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW.  
 KEEPING OUR GROUNDS  
 LOOKING GOOD IS A GREAT  
 WAY TO SPEND THE DAY ,

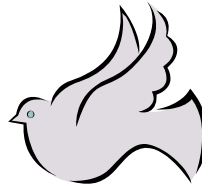


**PRAYER LIST**

,Mary Belman, Kimberly Grace Bussler, Herman A. Car-  
 ducci, Lori Carducci, Rita Clark, John Clark, Fernando  
 Contreras, John Cook, David Core, Gloria Correa, Lydia  
 Cruz, Omarina DeLeon, Noreen DeCuir, Sami Doktor, Lisa  
 Donovan, Silvia El-Tabche, Patricia Evans, Helen Flinders,  
 Vera Freeman, Maria Anne Kennedy, Alice Kireczyk, Mi-  
 chael Krystan, Lena LaMantia, Manuel Lopez, Margaret  
 Lopez, Stella Lybrook, Christine Martin, Clyde Morrow,  
 Mimi Martinez, Marcella Medina, Inez Mendez, Vivian  
 Munro, Paul Nelson, Constance Nieman, Denise O'Grady,  
 Mary Olson, Mary Ouellette, Lester Pegouske, Vera Perez,  
 Pat Perry, Mary Ann Price, Mary Katherine Reid, Marlene  
 Resst, Marlene Reyna, Carl Richter, Baby Justin Romero,  
 Eleanor Roswell, Michael Sgambati, Michele Szpara-  
 Elliott, Lee Silva, Connie Slitti, Mary Lou Smith, Nathan  
 Sobczyk, Nancy Spino, The Szymecko Family, Lillian Van  
 Tuyl, Francis Tocco, Sam Tocco, Dolores Villanueva,  
 Harry White, Pat Williams, Fred Winslow, Ellen Wojcik,  
 special intentions of parishioners

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SOLDIERS**

Please keep in your prayers the young men & women serv-  
 ing in the military and their families especially:  
 CARMELLO ALBINO\*LUIS ALBINO\*GARY BRIDGES  
 \*JONATHAN M. CLARCHICK\*CARLOS CARMONA  
 ARIEL DE LEON\*MELLISSA EDMUNDS  
 KYLE EMERICK\*SUSAN PEARSON FAULKNER\*  
 NICHOLAS FLINT\*RYAN FORD\*MICHAEL GIBSON\*  
 KENNY JENKINS\*NICHOLAS IAFELICE\* MICKEY MC NAMARA\*  
 JOSEPH MILLER\*AMY OMLID\*PATTY OMLID\*  
 ERIK SANCHEZ\*LUIS SANCHEZ\*MARK SPINO\*  
 PATRICK SOWDER\*MATTHEW VEGA\*  
 SHARON VERMILLION\*ROBERT WARREN



**BAPTISM MEETING**

There will be a meeting for parents and  
 godparents who would like to have their  
 child baptized at our parish in the coming  
 month on Thursday, June 5 at 7:00 p.m.  
 in the chapel inside the church. Partici-  
 pants must be pre-registered for this meeting by calling the  
 rectory. Parents of the child must be registered at our parish  
 and practicing their faith. God parents must be registered at  
 a Catholic Church and in goodstanding. A letter from that  
 church will be required. To register or if you have questions  
 call Cathey Borsh at 313-383-8514 ext 13.

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER  
 FALL CRAFT & GIFT SHOW**  
**November 22 & 23**  
**Saturday 10:00 a.m.—6:30 p.m.**  
**Sunday 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.**  
**Crafts, Concession,  
 and Raffles!**

If you are interested in renting a table the fee is  
 \$35.00 per table—limit 2 Electricity available  
 Again this year , **we welcome crafters and vendors**  
**(Mary Kay, Tupperware, etc.)** The concession will  
 serve good snacks. Crafters have already registered!  
 See you there! Please plan on dropping by.  
 The raffle has great prizes!  
 Please call Cathey at **383-8514 ext. 13** or e-mail  
**cmbfsx@yahoo.com** to sign-up or with questions