

January 29th, 2012

St. Ann's Altar Society annual Pancake Breakfast this Sunday, in the parish hall, serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee and juice, from 7 AM to 1 PM. Free will offering. *Your support is greatly appreciated!*

Catholic Schools Week activities begin this Sunday, at the 9 AM Mass. Come and join us as we celebrate 141 years of Catholic Education in Seneca. Everyone is invited to the open house of the school from 8 AM to 1 PM. A variety of activities are planned for Catholic Schools Week. Please check the insert in this week's bulletin for details.

This weekend's flower arrangement in front of the main altar is in honor of the Distinguished Graduate and all those who graduated from SPPS; the flowers on the Blessed Virgin altar are dedicated in loving memory of Richard Uphaus, from his family.

Contribution statements for 2011 will be mailed to any family who requests one. If you'd like to receive your statement, please call the parish office, 336-2128.

Please keep in your prayers the following couple who will be married during the month of February: Shawn Kramer & Jenna Niehues (2-18).

The response of our parishioners to this year's Archbishop's Call to Share has been very generous to date. Please give prayerful consideration to how you can respond as Jesus' disciple by filling out your pledge card and returning it in next week's collection.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Adult Choir practice Tuesday, January 31st, at 7:30 PM, in the church

Camp Kateri/Tekakwitha registration begins Tuesday, January 31st, for 9th - 12th grades. It continues next week February 7th, (for 7th & 8th gr.) and February 14th (for 5th & 6th gr.). This camp offers both recreational and spiritual experiences including: horseback riding, hiking, canoeing, Catholic prayer experiences, Bible studies, Mass & many more activities. *Campers that attend are always excited to return again!* Scholarships are available through both the church and the Archdiocese. For registration forms or more info, call Susan, 336-2685.

CCD classes on Wednesday, February 1st. K-8th grades meet at 6:45 PM, in the parish hall. HS students meet at 7 PM. Monitors this week: Allen & Arlene Henry & Fred & Linda Halvorsen. *Parents, please inform your child's teacher if they cannot attend.*

Each year the church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This year this feast will be celebrated on Thursday, February 2nd. It brings to our consciousness the truth that Simeon uttered to Mary and Joseph when the child Jesus was presented to God - Jesus is the "Light of the Nations." The church has a long-standing custom of blessing candles on this day. The day is sometimes referred to as Candlemass Day. All families are invited to attend the 7 AM Mass on Thursday, February 2nd, and bring a

candle. The candles will be blessed at this Mass. Candles may be placed on a table in the sanctuary. Please attach your name to the candle. The blessed candles should be placed in a safe place and be lit at special family times. When we light the candle may it remind each of us that we are called to witness to Jesus as "the Way, the Truth and the Life."

The Pony Express Partnership for Children is holding a Men's Group Fatherhood Study on Saturday, February 4th, from 8 to 9:30 AM, at the United Methodist Church, Marysville. For more info please call 562-3088, or online pastordonnies@marysvillechristianfellowship.com.

OTL Basketball Tournament begins on Saturday, February 4th, at Axtell. The tournament will continue on February 9th & 11th. (TBA)

The Mission Center is in need of brown grocery bags. If you have any extra bags please drop them off at the Mission Center. *Thank you.*

SPPS is looking for photos of the 8th grade graduating classes from 1975 through 2005. If you have one of these class photos, please bring it to the school office so a copy can be made. It would also be helpful if you could identify the students pictured so it can be attached to the picture. These group photos will be added to our graduation portfolios located in the Jr. High Building.

Contributions for 1-22-12: Weekly Budget \$15,000

1-22-2012 (Electronic Fund Transfer)	Envelopes EFT's	\$ 7,356.81 \$ 0.00
	Plate	\$ 429.00
School (Electronic Fund Transfer)	EFT's	\$ 1,214.17 \$ 0.00
First Offering		\$ 115.00
Solemnity of Mary		\$ 5.00
Flowers		\$ 10.00
Total		\$ 9,129.98

Is the Lord calling you to one hour of prayer weekly? Adorers needed for Monday, 3-4 AM; Friday, 9-10 PM. Please call Sue, 336-2297, to take an hour.

The Knight's of Columbus would like to thank all those who attended the pancake breakfast they held last Sunday for the Church Renovation Project. *Your support was greatly appreciated!*

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Seneca Boy Scouts Troop #71 annual Pancake Breakfast is Sunday, February 5th, from 7 AM - 12:30 PM in the parish hall. Free Will Offering. The scouts will be celebrating their 102nd Anniversary of

the Boy Scouts of America. All scouts and leaders are asked to attend the 9 AM Mass in uniform and meet at the south entrance to the church prior to Mass.

St. Mary's Church, St. Benedict, Soup-R-Bowl Lunch, Sunday, February 5th, serving chili, chicken noodle and vegetable beef soups, relishes, pie, coffee and tea, 11 AM - 2 PM. Free will offering. *Everyone Welcome!*

Please join Fr. Mike Koller on a 13-day journey to Ireland that includes a side trip to Northern Ireland. Some of the trip highlights include Dublin, Kilkenny, Waterford Crystal, Blarney Castle, Ring of Kerry, Killarney, an Irish Farm Visit, Limerick, Cliffs of Moher, Galway, Bunduron, Bellek Pottery, Donegal Town, Derry, Glens of Antrim, along with other areas. The group departs Tuesday, September 25th, and returns Sunday, October 7th, 2012. Please call Sts. Peter & Paul Office, 785-336-2128, for a brochure, or Fr. Mike, 913-888-2770, for more info. An informational meeting will be held Sunday, February 5th, at 3 PM, in Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Hall, for anyone interested.

The K of C Stag Feed for their members is Monday, February 6th, beginning at 6:30 PM, at the K of C Hall.

Pillar's of Faith - Catechist Rally Workshop, for all who teach the faith is Saturday, February 11th, at the Savior Pastoral Center, in Kansas City, KS, from 8 AM to 1 PM. This workshop is for all individuals that teach religious education classes to any age group. Please call Susan, 336-2685, by Wednesday, February 8th, if interested.

Winter Retreat 2012 - The Apostles of the Interior Life are presenting a retreat for 9th - 12th graders on Saturday, February 11th, from 9 AM - 7 PM, at St. Ann's Church in Hiawatha. Join us for fun, games, spiritual talks and guidance, adoration, praise and worship, reconciliation, Mass, personal testimonies and the experience of a lifetime. Please call the St. Ann church office, 785-742-3010 or Brian, 785-741-0834 for more information.

St. Bede's Parish, Kelly annual Pancake Breakfast will be Sunday, February 12th, from 7 AM to 12:30 PM in the church basement. Free will offering.

Jr. High Rally 2012 - 7th & 8th graders are invited to come join us at Prairie Star Ranch, on Sunday, February 26th, from 10 AM - 4 PM. Join together with hundreds of kids from Northeast Kansas. Laugh and have fun with the crazy duo of Popple and rock out to music from the Mikey Needleman Band. Celebrate Mass with Fr. Gary Pennings. Call Susan, 336-2685 to register by February 10th. Pre-order your rally T-shirt by February 11th for \$10 at www.archkck.org. (Under Youth Activities). The shirt is \$12 at the rally.

"Happy Kansas Day"

January 29th

151st Birthday

