

November 13th, 2011

Traditionally the month of November is a time when we remember in prayer all who have died. Throughout the month, a **Book of Remembrance** will be placed in the sanctuary which will have names inscribed of all who have been buried from our parish from November 1st, 2010 to October 31st, 2011. Parishioners are also invited to add names of deceased loved ones to this list.

Please **keep in your prayers** the 12 youth and 3 chaperones traveling to Indianapolis, Indiana, from November 17th thru the 20th for the National Catholic Youth Conference. *Please pray for a safe trip and spiritual renewal for all!*

Sts. Peter and Paul's Church Renovation - All are welcome to the presentation to improve our church to be held on Sunday, November 20th, at 2:00 PM, in the parish hall. The plans are to repair and improve the current church. There are few things getting worn out by age and other factors that need to be attended to in the near future. We have to move forward with the plans quickly taking into consideration of other factors involved in the fund-raising permission by the Archdiocese. Please come and participate in the open presentation.

If anyone is needing a **Mass intention** for a 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th Wedding Anniversary in 2012 please contact the parish office before January 1st so it can be scheduled. After January 1st we will not be able to guarantee your desired date.

Confessions will be heard the First Friday of each month for students and parishioners, in the church, following the 8 AM Mass.

The **flower arrangement** this weekend in front of the main altar is dedicated in loving memory of Leander & Esther Feldkamp, from Mary Kay Feldkamp.

The SPP High School CCD **Biscuits and Gravy Breakfast** will be this Sunday, from 7 AM - 1 PM, in the parish hall. The free will offering proceeds will be given to Right for Life.

If you know of someone who is **homebound** that would like to receive **Holy Communion**, please call John and Diane Mulryan, 336-3320.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The annual **Veterans Recognition Mass** will be celebrated this Sunday, at the 9 AM Mass, to honor veterans in our community. Veterans from our parish will be participating in the celebration of this mass.

Annunciation Church, Frankfort, will have a traditional **Turkey Dinner** with all the trimmings on Sunday, November 13th, serving from 11 AM til 1 PM, at the parish Cigna Center. The free will offering from this fundraiser will be used to purchase a new AC/furnace for the church. *Come enjoy a great meal!*

SPPS **Basketball** begins Tuesday, November 15th with the Wetmore tournament, starting at 4:30 PM. The games conclude on Friday, November 18th.

The **HS Choir** and Sophomore CCD students will sing and participate at the 11 AM Mass this weekend.

Adult Choir practice this Tuesday, November 15th, at 7:30 PM, in the church.

SPP School is once again participating in the **Sunny D Book Spree** that can bring free books to our classrooms (Pre K-7th). This program will donate 20 books to every classroom that sends in 20 Sunny D UPC labels. Please put your labels in the cans at the west and south entrances of church, or bring them to the school office. This program will end **November 15th**. Please visit www.sunnyd.com/bookspreet for more information.

Ray's Apple Market will **NO** longer carry the Land 'O Lakes milk and juice with the **"Save Five for Schools"** caps. Please bring all of your Land 'O Lakes caps to the school office asap, so the final shipment can be mailed. The school receives 5 cents for each cap submitted. *Thank you for supporting SPPS!*

Reminder - 5th grade CCD students **server practice** on Wednesday nights, at 6 PM, in the church.

CCD classes Wednesday, November 16th. K-8th students will meet at 6:45 PM, in the parish hall, HS students will meet at 7 PM in the church. Monitors this week: Troy & Jennifer Melvin and Bryan & Betty Peterson. *Parents, please inform your child's teacher if they are unable to attend class.*

Bern Community **Blood Drive** will be Wednesday, November 16th, from 12 Noon until 6 PM. For appointments, please call 336-3004 or 336-3905 or go online at www.redcrossblood.org.

The SPPS **OTL Vocal Clinic** is at Baileyville, Thursday, November 17th, with a program that evening at 7 PM.

USDA Commodities will be distributed on Friday, November 18th, from 8 AM til 4:30 PM, at the K of C hall, in Seneca. You will need to bring proof of income. Qualification based on level of income per household. This will be on a first come first served basis. Please listen to KNZA radio for cancellation due to weather. For more info. call Dorothy Fisher, 785-889-4229.

The Sts. Peter & Paul School will be holding their annual **Holiday Food Drive** for the Seneca Food Pantry began Monday, October 31st, collecting non-perishable food items, personal care items and new gloves and hats. Each family is encouraged to participate by bringing items to the school, or placing them in marked drop boxes at the south and west entrances to the church any time between October 31st and November 21st. *Thank you!*

There will be rehearsals for the **2011 Axtell Eucumenical Christmas Cantata** each Sunday, at 7:30 PM, at St. Michael's Church in Axtell. This year's cantata will be "Carol of Christmas", and will be directed by Stan Murphy. And accompanied by Owen Zinke. For more info. please contact Amy Schmitz, schmitz@bluevalley.net or 785-736-2226.

****Reminder**** - This will be the last month for those with November enrollments in the Spiritual Society, (of 1 year), to be listed. If you would like to renew the enrollment of a loved one, *living or deceased*, for 2012, or for more information, please stop by the parish office.

Contributions for 11-6-11: Parish Envelopes - \$11,877.00; School - \$4,289.01; Plate - \$480.52; All Saints - \$510.00; Thanksgiving - \$102.00; for a total of \$17,258.53. Your generous sharing of your treasure helps us meet our weekly budget of \$15,000. Thank you for accepting the financial responsibility for your Parish & School.

The yearly payment of \$18 for the Leaven is due:

Total amount due - \$10,224.00
Collected to date - \$ 4,484.00
(Still Needed) - \$ 5,740.00

If you have not paid for your subscription, please make your payment as soon as possible. The parish must cover the expense for those that do not pay. *Thank you!*

Is the Lord calling you to one hour of prayer weekly? Adorers needed for Sunday, 4-5 AM; and Monday, 3-4 AM. Please call Sue, 336-2297, if willing to take an hour.

The Electronic Funds Transfers (EFT's) will begin very soon! Those that have enrolled will be notified shortly of the date this will start. If anyone is still interested in enrollment the forms are available at the parish office. If you have picked up a form and have not yet returned it please do so as soon as possible. Please call the parish office, 336-2128, if you need more information.

Thank you to all who purchased the pumpkins! Through your generosity a total of \$1,092.20 was raised for the school. Special thanks to Ray and Anita Rossi, of Hudson, CO, for donating the pumpkins, and John Rottinghaus and family, for

their help in transporting the pumpkins and selling them after the masses.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Seneca Volunteer Fire Department will sell tickets for the **121st Annual Fireman's Ball** at the Masses the weekend of November 19th and 20th. The Ball will be held Saturday, November 26th, at the K of C Hall, from 9 to 12 Midnight.

The SPPS PTO is sponsoring the **30th Annual Christmas Wonderland Arts & Crafts Fair** Sunday, November 20th, from 8 AM to 3 PM, at the NM County Community Building. A lunch stand will be provided by the 8th grade class. For info. please call Patty Haverkamp, 336-3944.

The PTO **Soup Supper** will be held Sunday, November 20th, serving chili, vegetable beef, and chicken noodle soups, sandwiches, hot dogs, and desserts. Serving begins at 4:30 PM, in the parish hall. Free Will Offering. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Needed - Blue Bunny buckets w/lids and Cool Whip containers w/lids for the SPPS PTO Soup Supper. These will be used for our take-out orders and left over sales. Items can be dropped off at the school office, or call Jill Hammes, 336-2448, for pickup. The items are needed by Friday, November 18th, if possible. *Thank you!*

The annual **K of C Pancake Breakfast** will be Sunday, November 27th, from 7 AM 12:30 PM, in the parish hall. Free Will Offering.

The 21st annual Horton Christmas **"Festival of Lights"** will be on Sunday, December 4th from 5:30 to 8 PM. Ten city blocks lined with 1400 glowing luminaries outlining the route, will be transformed into 20 living scenes of the life of Christ. There is no charge for this event, but a free will donation may be given to benefit an emergency fund to help those in need. Please listen to KNZA for cancellation due to bad weather.

If you would like to donate a **poinsettia** to the church in memory of a loved one during the Christmas season please order from the Seneca Florist by Friday, December 16th.

The SPPS PTO will again sponsor the **Memory Tree** in our church this Christmas season. This provides a way to remember a loved one, living or deceased, that's unable to be with you during the holidays. The cost is **\$2 per name**, with the money to be given to the school to purchase needed items. Please call Gloria, at 336-3691 (H), or 336-2128, (W), by Wednesday, December 21st, to include a loved one.

FYI - On December 31st, the special tax-code provision that allows donors to make a tax-free gift from their IRA account to not-for-profit organizations will expire. With the lawmakers in Washington focused on saving money wherever they can find it, the likelihood that this tax will be extended is remote. This special tax break allows donors to make a direct distribution from their IRA account to a qualified charity - *tax free*. You must be 70½ years of age or older and you may give up to \$100,000 (married couples can give \$200,000). Sts. Peter & Paul Church and School will qualify for your tax breaks. Please contact Fr. Arul, 336-2128, for details.

Year End Contributions: Sts. Peter and Paul Parish is in the initial preparations for a possible renovation of the Church. We are exploring different possibilities to repair and decorate the church. There will be a presentation to the parishioners as the plans come to a final stage. Please consider making your year end

contributions for the possible church renovation project. Please pray for the realization of this project.