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Farewell from Father Jeff...

It is with sadness that I contribute for the last time to **Parish Life** before moving to Fairfax on July 1. I have really enjoyed my time here at Our Lady of the Lakes. You have all made me feel like I “fit in.” I am grateful to the many parishioners who have volunteered on councils, committees, organizations and with many “need based” opportunities. The staff of the parish is extraordinarily caring and giving toward the ministries here. I will miss you all. Because I have served in all of the parishes of our Area, the two farewells planned are open to anyone from the Area Faith Community. The first is Sunday, June 20, 1:00 pm at St. Mary's, Willmar. The second is Sunday, June 27, 10:15 am at Our Lady of the Lakes. I hope that you will welcome Fr. Steve as your Pastor, and Fr. Brian as your Senior Associate Pastor. Thank you for supporting me as your Pastor these last five years, Fr. Jeff

“...I have really enjoyed my time here...”

Parish Life

If you have news or announcements for Parish Life, please leave it in the Parish Life tray in the coat room by 5:00 pm on **the third Friday of the month** or e-mail it, if possible, to ddbeker@tds.net (emailing is preferred so we don't need to re-type! =)

COUNTY FAIR BARS

(Meg Lee brought these yummy bars to the CCW Spring Salad Supper and everyone wanted the recipe—so she's sharing it!)

1 cup butter	1 ½-1/2 cup sugar
½1/2 cup brown sugar	1/2 cup milk
2 cups finely crushed graham crackers	Club crackers

Melt butter; add milk, sugar, brown sugar, & crushed graham crackers. Boil 5 minutes, stirring constantly. Line jellyroll pan with Club crackers. Pour ½half of caramel mixture on the crackers. Add another layer of Club crackers. Pour remaining caramel mixture over bars. Refrigerate slightly then frost.

FROSTING:

1 cup butter	3 ounces cream cheese
2 cups powdered sugar	

Whip butter. Add cream cheese & powdered sugar. Spread on chilled bars. Keep bars cool.

New Summer Mass Schedules: Since there is so much to do in the warmer months, we are again changing our Sunday Mass schedule beginning the weekend of June 5/6, 2010. Our Sunday Mass will be at 9:15 am until Labor Day, September 6. Kandiyohi will have a 9:30 am Mass, and Willmar will have an 8:00 am, 10:00 am and a Spanish Mass at 11:30 am. Lake Lillian will remain at 8:00 am.

The new Respect Life Monument was planned and funded by the Knights of Columbus. They did a wonderful job. As a way to inaugurate it, we will have a short blessing over it following the 9:15 am Mass on Sunday, June 13.

Items needed for the Parish Auction and the Fall Festival

Items will be needed for the Parish Auction on August 1, and the Fall Festival on September 25. The auction is intentionally limiting the number of items to 15-20, and the proceeds will go to debt reduction on the church. The CCW is in charge of the Fall Festival, and they give back to the parish in many ways throughout the year. One of their gifts last year totaled \$5,000.

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC—AUGUST 1, 2010

For the second year we will also be having an auction to pay down the church debt. The auction and picnic was a great success last year, with the auction raising over \$3,800 with an anonymous parishioner matching that amount! We will have a limited number of items for the auction (15-20). Can you help us? We need unique craft items, art work, or perhaps you want to prepare a meal for a group? Plan on being a part of the fun this year! To donate an item contact Ron Dobbs at 796-2462, Bob Krattenmaker at 979-9268 or Linda Bast at 354-2916.





Farewell for Father Jeff Horejsi

*Sunday June 27th, 2010
following 9:15 a.m. Mass*

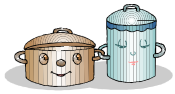
Brief Powerpoint Presentation

Doughnuts & Rolls Served

Basket Available for Cards

ATTENTION LADIES!!

Time to spring clean the shelves under the metal counter! Please see what you are missing, it may be here. Please pick up your items as soon as possible. Bowls, Platters, and Pans left at church after JUNE 10 will be donated to the Women's Shelter.



**OUR LADY OF THE LAKES CATHOLIC AID
GRILL OUT @ JAHNKE FOODS**
Friday, June 11 & Saturday, June 12
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
&
Friday, June 25 & Saturday, June 26
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



**Serving hamburgers, chips, bars, and pop.
Stop for lunch!!**



THE LINK UPDATE

Over the past year, The Link has assisted over 70 households with advocacy and referral services, household items, budgeting assistance, and has also dispersed over \$20,000 in financial assistance. We have also served hundreds of families through our special events like clothing, food and household goods distributions. This has only been possible through the generosity of churches and community members sharing their financial resources and their time and talents. Please consider donating to help us meet our mission: *"Creating a community where neighbors share the love of God through service to each other."* If you would like to know more about how you can be involved in supporting the work of The Link, please contact Michelle Peterson at 320-796-2522 or flc_michelle@tds.net

Supporting Students This school year is coming to a close and before we know it, students will be gearing up for another year in the fall. We would like to assist families in those preparations, and here is how you can help: Contribute gift cards for clothes shopping and sports equipment, backpacks, new or used scientific/graphing calculators, and new jump drives and three ring binders and tab dividers.

Household Exchange We are currently accepting the following items at our household exchange in the New London office: sets of dishes and silverware, small appliances like toasters & coffeemakers, furnishings like lamps, side tables, beds, and couches and chairs, new bed linens, pillows and towels, brooms, buckets and mops and working vacuum cleaners and lawn mowers.

Community Visits We would be pleased to come and visit your group to talk about the work of The Link and ways you can get involved! Call us to schedule a time to speak with your bible study, adult education group, book club, civic organization, etc.

Contact Information: Michelle Peterson 320-796-2522 flc_michelle@tds.net

Dia Linn Hermitages in Belgrade Open for the Season

Dia Linn was established and is maintained as a quiet refuge for those searching for solitude and time with God without distractions. It is located 25 minutes North of Willmar on Hwy 71 and Kandiyohi Co. Road 34. Those who come to connect with God, are helped to do so by the solicitude and setting - the rolling hills, valleys and beautiful Lake Dia Linn. There are three Houses of Prayer at the Hermitage, each come equipped with a bed, rocking chair, gas lamp & heater and a gas burner to heat water for coffee, tea, cocoa. There is no electricity. An outdoor biffy is only a short walk away. Dia Linn Hermitage welcomes you as a guest. If you have any questions or would like to book a day or two at the Hermitage, call 320-346-2879.



CYCLE RIDE! Some bikers have expressed an interest in going for a ride before I leave. Motorcyclists who are available are invited to leave the church parking lot on Sunday, June 13 at 11:00 am for a ride, and a stop for lunch. After lunch, we will ride home with a few stops at points of interest on the way. -Father Jeff

The pilgrimage that Bishop LeVoir will be leading to the Holy Land and Jordan was advertised in the last two issues of *The Prairie Catholic*. There is still time to be a part of this wonderful trip. The pilgrimage is scheduled from January 14-24, 2011. Space is limited. Interested people can call Magi Travel at 952-949-0065; e-mail info@magitravelinc.com; or visit the diocesan Web site, www.dnu.org, for a copy of the brochure.

The Schoenstatt Lay Movement is hosting a workshop focusing on bioethical issues, designed for healthcare workers, entitled **HEALTHCARE WORKERS AND THE CATHOLIC RESPONSE**, on Saturday, June 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Schoenstatt on the Lake in Sleepy Eye, MN. Quality of life and end of life issues, as well as artificial technologies that bring about the "reproduction" of human life, raise a whole host of medical, psycho-social, spiritual, moral and ethical questions. How does the Catholic healthcare worker respond in light of the Church's teaching regarding the dignity of the human person? Sr. Elena Lugo, PhD., Sr. Candace Fier, MTS, RN, BSN, CFCE, and James J. Joyce, MD will lay the foundation for the Catholic response to bio-medical decision making using the principles of faith, right reason, and the innate dignity of the human person. The cost is \$35.00 per person for the workshop and lunch. For more information or to register for the workshop please contact Sr. Candace Fier at cfer@dnu.org or (507) 233-5328.

GETTING TO KNOW OUR NEW PRIEST FATHER BRIAN

We asked Father Brian a few questions for fun to help us get to know something about him before he comes.

Last name-spelling and pronunciation: Mandel (Mändl — emphasis on the first syllable)

Any Pets, names and type: I have a wonderful dog named Barkley, a Golden Lab and Golden Retriever Mix

Favorite sport: Green Bay Packers Football — need I say more?

Favorite hobby: I enjoy things outdoors-golfing, fishing, and long walks.

Favorite food: I love authentic Mexican food.

Favorite hymn: "You Are Mine" by David Haas

Top 3 people from the Bible or Saints: St. Paul, because he went everywhere to proclaim the Good News and was very courageous; St. Benedict, because he is a great inspiration for my daily prayer and walk with God; Julian of Norwich, a mystic of the 12th and 13th centuries. She lived by this phrase "...All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well." As we get close to God, we can say this with all our hearts and make it our own motto for life.

Date of birth and place: March 22, 1965 Appleton, Wisconsin

Date of ordination: May 28, 1994 at Watkins, MN

Do you like to be invited to people's homes for a meal? YES!!!

Anything you would like us to know? I have four brothers and two sisters. My mother lives in Appleton Wisconsin close to my childhood home. I am the third child of seven. I look forward to sharing life with everyone at Our Lady of the Lakes.