

# St. Paul's University Catholic Center

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*Jesus, I Trust in You*

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## Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the membership of the St. Paul University Catholic Foundation, Inc. (SPUCF), will be held after the 11:15 am Mass on Sunday, April 26th, 2009, in the Kutchera Library at St. Paul Catholic Center. On the agenda will be reports on the Foundation's building project and current finances, along with final tabulation of the votes for the director elections this year. Students are voting members of SPUCF, as are registered community members and donors whose 2008 contributions exceeded \$150. Refreshments are planned. See you there!



## Tootsie Rolls For Sale

Next Sunday the Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Tootsie Roll sale to benefit the handicapped and

mentally challenged population. Please contribute generously.

## Attention Law Students

Join us for a gathering with interested law students and the St. Thomas More Society. The gathering is scheduled to be held at St. Paul's on Tuesday, April 21st from 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm. The St. Thomas More Society will bring pizza and beer. We will have a handful of attorneys present. We don't have a formal presentation planned, but intend to talk about Living Your Faith in a secular world and our current practices and how we attempt to integrate our Catholic faith into our professional lives. Questions call Deb O'Brien, DeWitt Ross & Stevens S.C. [dso@dewittross.com](mailto:dso@dewittross.com) (608)395-6707.

## St. Therese Lecture April 23rd - "Prove it, God!"

Patty Schneier is a St. Louisan, cradle Catholic, wife and mother of three and has been presenting her personal conversion testimony at Catholic Conferences across the United States. On Thursday, April 23rd at 7:00 pm at the Bishop O'Connor Center she'll share the story of her challenge to God and His daily response through Scripture - the results were life changing. You won't want to miss her compelling story! RSVP <http://www.madisoncatholic.org/OEC/StThereseLecture/registration.asp> or 608-821-3160. A reception to follow.

## Do you want to be Missionary?

Are you....

- Thirsting to know Jesus Christ more intimately?
- Burning with a desire to see lives transformed by Jesus Christ?
- Energized meeting college students on their turf?
- Faithful to the Roman Catholic Church?
- Graduating this spring?

If the answer is YES, God may be calling YOU to be a FOCUS missionary!

Final Interview weekend

April 24-26 in Denver, CO

Financial Assistance for Travel Available

If interested, call Paul Wilburn 701-730-1997 or email

[pwilburn@focusonline.org](mailto:pwilburn@focusonline.org)

**IF NOT YOU, WHO? IF NOT NOW, WHEN?**



## COLLEGE CONNECTION PROGRAM

The U.S. Council of Serra developed the College Connection Program to help freshmen students connect with Catholic campus ministries. Serra representatives collect the names of Catholic high school graduates along with their intended college and its location. They will forward this information to the campus ministries who, in turn, will send the student a welcoming packet and greet the student upon arrival. You may enroll your son or daughter, grandson or granddaughter, or relative by adding their name to the Enrollment Form found at the Parish Office. If you prefer, enroll online:

## Growing Closer To God

Growing Closer to God - A Sacramental Journey will be held at St. Maria Goretti 50th Anniversary Parrish Mission. Sunday through Thursday, April 19th to 23rd at 6:30 pm. Mission Director is Father Peter Schwitz, C.Ss.R. Refreshments after all services and child care available. For information call 833-7664.



## 2nd Sunday Of Easter

For all of their redemptive works which led to the spread of Christianity throughout the world, the disciples of Jesus weren't exactly saintly in the hours before and days after the crucifixion. Having abandoned him in fear for their lives, they still did not comprehend the meaning of Christ's promise (made many

times) to rise again. Even presented with the physical proof of an empty tomb, they continued to hide behind a locked door, unsure of their future. Even Thomas, who could best be described as the Eeyore of the group, couldn't bear to be with the rest of them. Not exactly how Jesus wanted them to begin their ministry in his name!

In today's Gospel reading from John, Jesus appears to the disciples (except for Thomas) inside the upper room despite the door being locked. Having shown them the holes in his hands and side, they are now convinced of his resurrection. Offering them peace, Jesus breathes into them the Holy Spirit and commands them to go out into the world to forgive sins. Yet Thomas still cannot be convinced despite ten men proclaiming Christ's presence until he himself is greeted. Even among those closest to Jesus, fear and doubt were all too present.

In the Catechism of the Catholic Church, we are taught that "to be a wit-

ness to Christ is to be a 'witness to his Resurrection,' to '[have eaten and drunk] with him after he rose from the dead'" (CCC 995). This means that in every instance available to us, we are to speak to others of the saving grace that is belief in Jesus and, whenever possible, to share in the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Though we did not touch his hands and side, we remember his words to Thomas: "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." ©2009 Liturgical Publications Inc



## 65th International Rosary March

Join the faithful of the Madison Diocese at the 65th International Rosary March on Sunday, May 3rd at 2:00 pm at Holy Redeemer

Church. A 15 decade Rosary will be prayed in a walking procession outside and inside the Church followed by a May Crowning, homily by Reverend Rick Heilman, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Children and adults who wish to participate in the May Crowning should bring flowers. Show your devotion to our Blessed Mother and her Rosary by participating in this important event.

## Come And See Weekend

The School sisters of Notre Dame are sponsoring a "Come and See" weekend, April 17th-19th at Notre Dame of Elm Grove in Elm Grove WI. Hear about the history, mission, and vision of the School sisters of Notre Dame. Take time to visit with sisters and be with other women who are seeking to know where God is leading them. Encounter God with others and in quiet reflection. This event is open to single Catholic. Women 18 years of age or older who are interested in learning more about the life and mission of the School Sisters of Notre Dame. For more information, please contact Sister Barbara Linke at 262-787-1016 or email to vocations@ssnd-milw.org. There is no

## Next Sunday Readings

### Third Sunday Of Easter

April 26, 2009

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-9

1 John 2:1-5a; Luke 24:35-48

charge for the weekend, but registrations are requested. You may register online at [www.ssnd-milw.org](http://www.ssnd-milw.org).

## Prayerful Single Men

New Melleray Trappist Monastery near Dubuque, Iowa is now offering a "Live-in Experience" vocational retreat May 22nd-25th (Memorial Day weekend.) Learn about this exciting vocation first-hand. Pray and work with the monks and

enjoy the vocational talks. These retreats are very popular so make your reservations soon. For more possible dates and info call 1 800 221-1807.

## Support Life! Support Learning! Enjoy a Spring Concert!

Eric Genuis, internationally recognized classical musician and composer, will perform in the Diocese of Madison at the Bishop O'Connor Center on Sunday, May 31st at 2:00 pm. Eric's concerts are a

definite must-see and have proven riveting for all, from contemporary music lovers to the most sophisticated classical musicians. He will perform these concerts along with an ensemble of world class musicians in violin, cello, and voice. Also a gifted speaker with a charism for reaching the young, Eric will share an important message for all ages about beauty in music and culture. For tickets, or more info, please call 608.356.8113 or visit [www.DurwardsGlen.org](http://www.DurwardsGlen.org). Tickets just \$10.

"Proceeds from this concert benefit the work of right-to-life groups 40 Days for Life and the Servants of Our Lady of Guadalupe and give support to Durward's Glen. "Eric Genuis will be performing the same concert at the River Arts Center in Prairie du Sac on Saturday, May 30th at 7:30pm. Proceeds directly benefit River

*Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for me to respond to God's call? (John 20:19-31)*

## Mini Courses Spring 2009

### Love & Responsibility

Fr. Eric Nielsen

Continues Wednesdays at 7:30 pm  
Newman Hall

Over a four week period, Fr. Eric will explore the major themes of Love and Responsibility, written by Karol Wojtyla before he became Pope John Paul II. This book is an eloquent defense of Catholic tradition in the sphere of family life and sexual morality. Central to Wojtyla's argument is the personalistic view of marriage and of sexual relations in which the well-being and self-realization of each partner are of overriding importance to the other. It is only within this framework that the full purpose of marriage can be realized. Learn about Pope John Paul II's view of human sexuality, divorce, birth control, and pre-marital sex.

### Compassion

Michael Havercamp

Continues Tuesdays at 3:30 pm  
Memorial Union see TITU

Learn about how compassion is the expression of God's love for us and how compassion can come alive through us in prayer and action.

This course is based on Henri Nouwen's provocative essay that places compassion at the heart of Christian life as a counterbalance and a challenge to a world governed far too long by principles of power and control.

Together we will explore three essential themes:

- 1) The Compassionate God- examining the nature and mission of Christ and what he tells us about the Father.
- 2) The Compassionate Life- the roles and meaning behind community, displacement and togetherness.
- 3) The Compassionate Way- Patience, Prayer and Action.

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