

OUR PARISH COMMUNITIES OF THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER AND THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL

930 31st Ave N, St. Cloud, MN 56303

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St. Peter's Mission Statement

We, the Christian community of St. Peter's Parish, nourished and strengthened by the Word and Eucharist, dedicate ourselves to making the presence of God alive in our time.

St. Paul's Mission Statement

We are a believing community called together by the Word of God, proclaiming Jesus as Lord. God's Word calls us to be welcoming, serving, compassionate, and open to diversity. Our purpose as a Christian people is to facilitate the reign of God through worship, service to others, companionship and education.

Father Alan Wielinski, Pastor

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Combined Staff Positions

Deacons

Bill Ritchie 252-0211
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Faith Formation (Preschool—Primary)

Laurie Mullin 252-8043

Youth Minister/Confirmation

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Trustees

St. Peter—Mike Woods & Diane Hageman
St. Paul—Mary Ellen Keymer & Steve Mareck

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Bookkeepers

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St. Peter—Marge Laudenbach 252-2113 Ext 0
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Neil Goldenstein 251-4831

Office Hours

St. Peter, Monday—Thursday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM
St. Paul, Tuesday—Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Parish Nurse Ministry

St. Peter—Connie Moline, Bea Gazett,
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St. Paul—Claire Stock 252-4597

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St. Peter—Bill & Linda Ritchie 252-0211
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St. Paul—Mary Spoden 252-3921

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September 27, 2009 • Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us." - Mk 9:39-40

Liturgy Intentions

Mon, Sept 28	8:15 am SPE	Word/Communion
Tues, Sept 29	8:15 am SPE	Annette Mae Marsolek
	5:30 pm SPE	Adoration
Wed, Sept 30	8:15 am SPA	Camille Lorbiecki
Thurs. Oct 1	8:15 am SPE	Leo & Leonilla Feneis
	6:40 pm SPE	St. Peter's Christian Women-Rosary
	7:00 pm SPE	St. Peter's Christian Women Members & Deceased Members
Fri, Oct 2	8:15 am SPA	Richard Meemkin
Sat, Oct 3	8:15 am SPE	Word/Communion
	4:30 pm SPA	Kenneth Pew
Sun, Oct 4	7:30 am SPE	For the People
	9:00 am SPA	Duane Dornbusch
	10:30 am SPE	Norb & LeRoy Koopmeiners (Ann)

From Fr. Alan...

Our parish health committees will come together -- representing parish nurses, BeFriendsers, visitors, Eucharistic ministers to the homebound etc. from both parishes -- this coming Tuesday. We are blessed at both parishes with people so dedicated to continue Jesus' healing ministry in a great variety of ways. Increased collaboration and dialogue about some of the pressing concerns (such as H1N1 and covering all the bases with our care of the sick and homebound...) with all of these folks will help to ensure we are serving our communities to the best of our ability.

The annual Marathon for our Catholic Schools will be held on Saturday, October 10 and your pastor will be walking. I would be most appreciative of your pledges! Especially if you do not have a child or grandchild to pledge. You can either personally give me your pledge or send it in to either of the parish offices. If I am able to collect as much as Fr. Greg Lieser used to...I think Sharon will buy me coffee!

Please keep in your prayers the well being of our parish staffs as together we seek to lead our parishes forward in discipleship. Implementation of our evolving vision of faith formation calls us to move and work together in some new patterns, and with perhaps a renewed understanding of what it means to be a community of life long learners with our faith and service all flowing to and from Sunday Eucharist. Some of our staff members are experiencing parishioners being less than charitable and positive in their response to these challenges. These staff members are our treasure! Please do all you can to support and pray for them and encourage others to do the same. Some of what I've been hearing should have no place within our Christian community. I call to mind for you the tried and true motto from TEC (Together Encounter Christ retreat program): Be Open, Honest, Loving and Kind in all of our interactions with one another! Let us truly be the Body of Christ together here on St. Cloud's North side.

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

In gratitude for the gifts we have received from God, parishioners and visitors made a return to the Lord of the following gifts in the Sunday offering:

St. Peter (9/20/09)

Adult Regular.....	\$9,138.00
Children.....	\$1.50
Plate.....	\$207.03
Electronic.....	\$1,717.50

Total Contributions.....\$11,064.03
 Amount needed per Sunday to meet budget...**\$10,800.00**

St. Paul

Adult (9/20/09).....	\$9,854.50
Adult (9/13/09).....	\$1,251.00
Youth.....	\$6.95
Children.....	\$16.50
Electronic.....	\$3,483.07

Total Regular Contributions.....\$14,612.02
 Amount needed per Sunday to meet budget.....**\$14,300.00**
 Maintenance..... \$279.00
 Summer Collection..... \$15.00

The Parish Directories Have Arrived!

Directories will be distributed after this weekend's masses on **September 26/27** in the Gathering Area at St. Paul's and the south hallway (East Entrance—Door #4) at St. Peter's. Parishioners who had a photo taken or submitted will receive a complimentary copy. **Your directory will be available only at the church where you are a registered member. Please do not call the parish offices to pick up your directory.** There are a limited number of directories available for purchase at \$10 per directory.

Mary Dee Sandey and Barb Kunze,
 Parish Directory Co-chairs

**Mass Schedule Change
 Beginning October 3rd**

**St. Paul's: Saturday, 4:30 PM
 Sunday, 9:00 AM**

St. Peter's: Sunday, 7:30 & 10:30 AM

Announcements

Wedding Banns

St. Peter—Banns: Ill Melonie Kahlhamer & Jason Brown

Baptisms—St. Peter's:

Erica Christine, daughter of Daniel & Christine Greenwald
Samantha Jeanette, daughter of Benjamin & Laura Krueger
Shelby Ann, daughter of Jason Olson & Susie Kraemer

Eternal Rest...Marjorie Grabowski

Join us for Coffee & Rolls at St. Paul's after the 9 AM Mass on Sunday, October 4. Extend a welcome to our visitors and invite them to join us.

St. Paul's Muffin Sale October 10-11—You have been asking for one! Proceeds will go toward purchasing items and mailing care packages to our military overseas. Donations will also be accepted. Sponsored by St. Paul's Christian Women.

Stewardship & Social Justice

Stewardship Message:

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. James warns against accepting the standards of the world and assuming that what is normative in society needs no countercultural challenge. The temptation to hoard riches and make sharp bargains at the expense of the powerless is pervasive because these things are generally done and look respectable enough. St. James points to God's judgment on these attitudes and actions of amassing wealth and comfort at the expense of others. How might we be better stewards of the material blessings we have been given?

Have you remembered to leave a bequest to your parish? If you haven't, please consider doing so. Your gift of faith will help preserve our Catholic heritage. Please contact Father Alan or Terry Sakry at either parish for more information.

Choose Life—Despite almost losing her psychologist's license because of her pro-life beliefs, Theresa Burke developed an effective healing process for those women whose lives are in turmoil because of abortion. Through Rachel's Vineyard ministries, "the darkness, pain and error of abortion are shattered by the light, love and truth of Jesus Christ," Mrs. Burke states. *Pro-life Reporter*, Scranton, Pa., Spring, 2009



For an end to the killing of the unborn through abortion, we pray.



Christians throughout the St. Cloud Diocese are invited to take part in the national **40 Days for Life** effort from September 23 through November 1. Prayer Vigil @ Planned Parenthood 7 AM—7 PM Daily. You may join the prayer vigil even though you are not pre-registered, however **DO NOT PARK** in the lot adjacent to Planned Parenthood building. To get more information, or to volunteer to help, please contact Jan Hoelscher 253-1779 or Sue Rice 656-0909 or Carole Thibault at 656-9759. You may register at any time during the 40 days. All are welcome!!

**St. Peter's and St. Paul's
Senior Citizen Outing with Fr. Al Stangl
Wednesday, September 30, 2009, 1-5 PM**

We will be visiting Cold Spring, Minnesota

The Spiritual—Grasshopper Chapel
The Spirits—Touring the Brewery
The Physical—The Bakery

There is **NO COST** for the bus.
1 PM pickup at St. Paul's
1:10 PM pickup at St. Peter's

The bus holds 54 passengers. There are still some seats available. First come first serve. For reservations call Judy at 251-4831 ext. 201.

St. Paul's Second Collection for October 3/4 will be divided between **Anna Marie's Alliance** and **The Center for Service Learning and Social Change**.

The mission statement of **Anna Marie's Alliance** is "to provide a safe place for victims of domestic abuse and to achieve systems change that reduces violence." All services provided by Anna Marie's are free, confidential and available to the community. Among the services, besides the shelter, are a transitional house, healthcare system/hospital based advocacy, children and youth services, criminal justice intervention and community education including advocates at area schools who give presentations and talk to groups about healthy lifestyles. For volunteer opportunities or information, visit www.annamaries.org or call 253-6900. More information will be available in the pamphlet rack in the Gathering Area.

The Center for Service-Learning and Social Change is a local non-profit organization that supports area youth and educators in learning about and responding to community issues. Among its programs and services are an annual Social Justice Conference with Youth, a weekend retreat program focused on poverty and homelessness, and a variety of strategies to support teachers, youth ministers, and others to integrate such learning and action into their work with youth. Many youth in our parish have been impacted by its programming. For more information, see their website at: www.centerforservicelearning.org.

Saturday Meal: Team 1 will prepare, serve and share the noon meal on Saturday, October 3 in St. Paul's Dining Room. All are welcome. For information or to volunteer call Janet Reigstad at 255-0751.

Faith Formation

The people of St. Peter's and St. Paul's have been blessed by the joining of two faith communities to unite and seek ways to grow in faith together in a life long process of formation. We no longer need to sustain two separate programs with two separate faith formation staffs. We will respond to the economic times and be aware of using parish resources to lead the most effective ministry. Yes, this is an exciting time, and as with all growth, it is important to recognize that there is also some pain. We are called by our Baptism to love and serve one another, that service is reflected in our actions and words to each other as we move to a new process of faith formation that calls all of us to be life long learners.

Family religious involvement benefits children, teens and adults. Family involvement strengthens the family as well as the community. Our faith formation process will respond to, reflect and support such reality. We recognize that it is in the lived experience that the presence of God is revealed to us. We seek to find ways to connect our faith to our lives and our lives to faith.

In response to feedback, we will begin to offer Liturgy of the Word with Children October 11 at the 9 and 10:30 am Masses. This formation for young children recognizes the benefit of them hearing the Scriptures proclaimed from a children's lectionary with discussion. The children will then return to join the assembly for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. All children are welcome to join us during this time to "break open to Word of God" from the Children's Lectionary. Volunteers are sought at this time to be trained in this valuable ministry for children. Ministry is the work of all of us, please consider your call to serve. Volunteers can call Geralyn at 251-4831 extension 212.

Thank you to all who picked up their Faith Formation handbook this weekend. Our goal is to support a process that supports life long faith formation with a central focus of liturgy and scripture. We appreciate your support in this transition as we honor the Liturgical Year and readings to grow in faith together.

"Why Catholic" fall discussion groups for adults will begin in October. To sign up you can use the faith formation registration form available with the handbooks, in the gathering places or at the parish offices. This one form will be used for all of faith formation annually. Please complete the form and return it to either parish office as soon as possible. Fees are a suggested amount that will help to defray total cost, everyone is welcome regardless of ability to pay. For those who would like to make an additional donation as part of their stewardship to our parishes, we are most grateful.

In September and October we will gather leadership adults and youth with the focus of understanding our call to community and prayer. If you are willing and interested in a leadership, facilitator or catechist role, please contact the Faith Formation Offices.

Our Whole Parish Process of Formation will begin gatherings for all in November-All Saints will be our focus as we learn about the Saints as well as come to understand

that we are all called to be saints and work towards building the kingdom of God. If you are interested in becoming involved in the planning process or leadership for faith formation, please contact Geralyn at 251-4831 extension 212, Beth at 251-4831 extension 202 or Laurie at 252-8043.

Dates to note:

- **September 28-** 6:30pm Leadership meeting
- **September 30-**6:30pm Parents and children in grades 2 and up for First Reconciliation and First Communion preparation

Senior High Youth Rally is set for Sunday, November 1st at St. John's University. Forms are available at both parishes for all 9th-12th graders, so come and join us for a wonderful gathering of 400 other youth from across our diocese who can't wait to meet you!

Confirmation Team Training night on Monday, October 5th at 6:30 pm in St. Peter's Narthex meeting room.

Confirmation Opening Night for All Candidates/ Parents/Mentors on Wednesday, October 7th at 6:30 PM in St. Peter's Parish Center. Please bring your SERVICE PACKET and Confirmation CALENDAR.

Hey all you Peter and Paul Young People!

Come and join us for the first YOUTH GROUP of the year from 3:30-5:30 PM for 6-8th Graders and from 6:30-8:30 PM for 9-12th graders at St. Peter's. Hope to see you there!

St. Paul's & St. Peter's

Baptism Prep Session is now being offered by both parishes together, for parents preparing for the Baptism of their first child. Our next class will be on Tuesday, September 29, 6:30 PM at St. Peter's in the church. Please call St. Peter's Parish Office to register.



The Options Group

You may contact any members of the Options Group to respectfully share any concerns or ideas you may have regarding specific areas of Faith Formation.

Pre-Kindergarten:	Laurie Mullin (252-8043) Mary Cheryl Opatz (252-5275) Sharon Bichler (251-4737)
Elementary:	
Junior High:	
Senior High & Youth:	Beth Neville (253-8650) Sean Zadoo (259-6765) Mary Ellen Keymer (253-2576) Geralyn Nathe-Evans (251-4831)
Adult:	Father Alan Wielinski (252-2113)
Evangelization:	Kevin LaNave (259-5480)
Social Justice:	Kris Boyle (259-4719)

Pastoral Ministry

HEALTH News: Important Topics

September is Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month. For information from the National Ovarian Cancer Coalition visit www.ovarian.org or call 1-888-682-7426. GYN exams are important for women of all ages.

September is also Cholesterol Education Month. It is currently recommended that our total cholesterol be 200MG/DL or less. When did you have your last check up? Help yourself avoid conditions leading to heart attack and stroke!

For prevention purposes, hand sanitizer and tissues have been provided at all entrances at St. Peter's and St. Paul's. Feel free to use them as needed. Out of respect for others, stay home if you are sick.

Blood pressures will be taken after all masses this weekend.

St. Paul's - Dee Hanisch, Claire Stock

St. Peter's - Connie Moline, Bea Gazett, Marva Jorgensen

School News

With the coming of autumn comes our annual fall fund raiser, the **MARATHON**. The school children should have started knocking on your door this weekend requesting donations for the Walkathon. They are inviting you to make a contribution in support of the unique educational opportunity offered at Sts. Peter, Paul and Michael: an exceptional education in a Christ-centered environment! We have a goal of \$43,000 to get our school off and running in good financial shape this fall; this money is a planned part of our general operating budget. Please be as generous as you can when the children come to your door. It is also helpful if you are able to sponsor several children; it helps them reach their individual goals. Thanks for receiving these children with a smile. :)

SPPM is always looking for volunteers, if you are interested in volunteering at the school please contact either school office. We can always use tutors, coaches, lunchroom helpers, library volunteers, etc. Make a difference in the life of a child today!

Parish Events & News

St. Paul's Christian Women—Come join us for the fall meeting of St. Paul's Christian Women on Oct 11th at 2:00 pm in the Dining Room. Our speaker is one of our parishioners, Betsy Mahowald. Betsy is very involved With Hands Across the World. What's happening with Hands Across the World these days? Come on Sunday, and see photos of their new location at the Mary Center. Meet some staff who work with the program. Meet and talk with one of the recent immigrants, now taking ESL Classes! Hear about how St Paul's Christian Women's support is making a difference! We will have a short business meeting after the presentation. Refreshments will be provided.

St. Peter's Christian Women—October 1, 2009

6:40 PM Rosary —7:00 PM Mass & Enrollment of New Members
Speaker: Mike Matanich, Stearns County Public Community Health Supervisor, will give an update on regular flu and H1N1 Flu. Please bring a "Thinking of You" card to share with your prayer partner, to be drawn that evening. St. Peter's Christian Women annual dues of \$5.00 for September 20, 2009—September 20, 2010 may be paid at the meeting. Questions or additional information, please call Doris at 251-5547 and leave a message. Thank you.

St. Paul's Holiday Bazaar will be held on November 14 from 9 AM to 1 PM. We are in need of crafters and gift baskets. If you are able to help in any way contact:

Mary Croat at 252-7861 (crafters)

Sue Sovada at 654-8424 (gift baskets)

Waitresses Needed for St. Paul's Holiday Bazaar on November 14. Please call Mary Zupanc at 252-3043.

Old Pictures Needed...

St. Paul's Christian Women Bazaar, "Christmas Remembered" will be on November 14th. We are looking to present a brief history of the Bazaar; how it began, changes over the years, etc. If anyone has any pictures or interesting tidbits to share please call Sue Rice at 656-0909.

St. Paul's Worn-A-Bit Sale October 15-16th

- ◇ Wednesday, October 14, 3:15 to 7 PM—Bring items to the gym
- ◇ Thursday, October 15, 7 AM-12 PM—Bring items to the gym. 9 AM workers are needed for sorting and set-up
- ◇ Thursday, October 15, 5-7 PM Presale—\$2 admission
- ◇ Friday, October 16, 9 AM-2PM Sale. Clean-up to follow. Workers are needed for clean-up also. Call Mary Lou Kerber to volunteer at 252-1460.



NOTE: No computers, wire hangers, appliances or large furniture.



St. Barbara's Mission Group from St. Peter's will be having their Rummage Sale on Saturday, October 17th in the Parish Center. Sale begins at 8:30 AM and ends at 1 PM with a "Dollar Bag" special beginning at 11 AM. Donated items may be brought to the parish center, door 2 on Friday, October 16 after 1 PM. No large appliances please.

Thank You from Catholic Charities to St. Peter's for their generous gift of \$869.76 and many person checks to CCES for food, clothing and financial assistance. They also send a thank you for your generosity to their annual Back to School program.

Parish Events & News

Annual Poor Clare Benefit Tea, Thursday, October 8, 2-5:30 PM at Bob & Laurie Strack Residence, 617 Scenic Drive South, Sartell, MN. **St. Paul's Parish** will be assisting from 3:30-4 PM. Proceeds are used to help defray fuel expenses at the Poor Clare Monastery in Sauk Rapids.

Directions to Strack's: From Stearns Cty #1, exit left at signal lights before the Sartell Bridge. Turn left at stop sign onto 2nd St S. Proceed on 2nd St to 6th Ave S and turn right. Follow 6th Ave to Scenic Drive and turn left to 617 Scenic Drive. Or from the west, take Pine Cone Road North to 2nd Street South, turn right to 6th Ave S, left to Scenic Drive and left to 617.

Extra! Extra! Read All About It . . . in your *St. Cloud Visitor*!!! In the *My Thoughts* section, St. Paul's youth was featured. In next week's issue, St. Peter's youth will be featured. Be sure to check out what our youth have to share with us!



CHS/SJP/SPPM GIRLS SWIM & DIVE Fundraiser Breakfast

Sunday, September 27 from 8:00 AM—Noon
St. Anthony's Church
2405 1st Street North—St. Cloud

Menu: Scrambled Egg Cheese Bake, Wild Rice Sausage, Hash Browns and Pancakes, Assorted Muffins and Coffee Cakes, Coffee, Milk & Juice.

13 to 100 y/o: \$6.50 — Children 4-12: \$4.00
3 y/o & Under: FREE

"CASH DONATIONS ARE WELCOME!!!"

St. Peter's Parish Breakfast
Sunday, October 11, 2009

8:00AM to 12:30PM
IN THE PARISH CENTER
930 – 31st Avenue North
St. Cloud, MN 56303



Menu includes: Ham, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns, Pancakes with Fruit Toppings, Freshly Baked Caramel Rolls, Fresh Fruit, Coffee, Juice & Milk

Adults--\$6.50
Children (ages 6-12)--\$3.00
Children (under 6)—Free

Next Breakfast--November 8, 2009
Everyone Welcome!

Volunteers are needed to help with the breakfasts. If you are available to help out, please call Dave Kahlhamer at 230-1230.

Prayer Corner

Please Pray For...all who have received a prayer blanket, that they may receive healing of body, mind and spirit.

Family Members in the Armed Forces

All Powerful God, you always show mercy toward those who love you and are never far from those who see you. Be with our men and women as they serve our nation in war. Shelter them with your protection by day, give them the light of your grace by night and bring them home in safety. We ask this in Your Holy Name. Amen.

If you have a family member in the armed service, your parish family would like to know. Please call the Parish Offices of St. Paul's (251-4831) or St. Peter's (252-2113).

Electronic Contribution may be one way to keep your giving consistent. When you are away for a weekend your gift will be there. It is a way that at year end you meet the goals you set at the beginning of the year for what you plan to give to your Parish. We want to thank all the families who already participate in electronic contribution, it truly helps us meet our monthly obligations. Please consider this as a way your family might help our parishes receive regular and consistent offerings from you. If your family is interested, please clip the form below and return it to the Parish Office.

St. Paul's or St. Peter's Electronic Contribution

Envelope Number # _____

Contribution Amount \$ _____ Monthly

St. Paul's Contribution to be taken out on the **1st or 15th** of the month or you may **Split** the amount given between the 1st and the 15th **(CIRCLE ONE)**

St. Peter's Contribution are taken out on the **10th** of each month.

Name on account _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please accept my ongoing contribution from my: **(Please check one)**

_____ Checking Account-**Attach a voided check**

_____ Savings Account-**Attach a savings deposit slip**

I authorize the **Church of St. Paul Church of St. Peter (circle one)** to process debit entries to my account **EFFECTIVE DATE** _____. I have attached a voided check or savings deposit slip. This authority will remain in effect until I give reasonable notification to terminate this authorization.

Authorized signature on my account _____ Date _____

ATTACH VOIDED CHECK OR SAVINGS DEPOSIT SLIP

Weekday Liturgies

St. Peter—Monday & Saturday—Word/Communion Service
 Tuesday & Thursday—Liturgy 8:15 AM
 St. Paul—Wednesday & Friday—Liturgy 8:15 AM

Weekend Liturgies—Effective May 2 through September 30

St. Peter—Saturday 4:30 PM & Sunday 10:30 AM
 St. Paul—Sunday 7:30 & 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Peter—Saturday 3:30 PM or by appointment
 St. Paul—By appointment

Interpreted Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

St. Paul—Third Sunday of the month at the 9:00 AM Liturgy

Baptism

Required sessions to prepare parents for baptism. All sessions begin at 6:30 PM. Call the Parish Office to register for a session or for scheduling a date. Prefer preparation before child is born.

Marriage

Please call either Parish Office to have the guidelines sent to you. You will need at least six months to complete the necessary marriage and wedding preparation. The marriage course must be completed three months prior to the wedding date.

New Parishioners

Being registered is part of Parish Life. Call the Parish Office for more information.

Hospital Visits

If you are a patient in the hospital desiring a visit from Fr. Alan or the parish nurses, please call either Parish Office.

Prayer Line

St. Peter—Kim Walz 251-2252
 St. Paul—Dianne Janorschke 252-4911 or 492-8748

Community News

Harvest for Hope —For the past 10 years the Diocese of St. Cloud has celebrated our unique partnership with the Diocese of Homa Bay, Kenya. This year we will again celebrate our wonderful relationship with Homa Bay, IN ADDITION to our MANY OTHER wonderful mission connections around the world, including our partnership with Maracay, Venezuela as well. Join us in this celebration of mission on Sunday, September 27th, 2009 at our 11th annual Harvest for Hope!



Harvest for Hope activities include:

A down-home Hog Roast meal with all the trimmings, Great old time Minnesota Music and Cultural Music, Silent Auction, Quilt Raffel, Craft Sale. Learn about diocesan partnerships and connections.

A Special Outdoor Multi-Cultural Liturgy with Bishop Kinney (at 4:00pm), and most importantly - meeting our missionaries & friends from Homa Bay, Kenya AND Maracay, Venezuela while raising funds for mission! It's fun & fellowship for the entire family!!!

This year's Harvest for Hope will be extra special as we expand our celebration to include all our diocesan mission connections. We will also be joined by special delegates from our partner diocese of Maracay, Venezuela, including their Bishop Rafael Conde. Join us in welcoming them to our diocese and celebrating our global solidarity with them, our brothers and sisters in Kenya, and all our global family!

Harvest for Hope is held at the Urban and Rosie Spanier Farm, County Road 175, Just 4.5 miles West of Spring Hill Call: (320) 987-3384 or (320) 251-1100 for more information.

The words of St. Patrick's Breastplate:

*"Christ be in all hearts thinking about me;
 Christ be on all tongues telling of me;
 Christ be the vision in eyes that see me;
 In ears that hear me, Christ ever be."*

Boys On Broadway October 10-11—The St. John's Boys' Choir presents Boys On Broadway featuring the St. John's Boys' Concert Choir the Junior Varsity Choir and Alumni Choir accompanied by the George Maurer Jazz Ensemble on Saturday, October 10 at 6 PM and Sunday, October 11 at 2 PM at the Stephen B. Humphrey Auditorium on the St. John's University Campus. Tickets for Saturday's performance call 363-2558. Tickets for Sunday's performance call 363-5777.

Marriage Encounter—October 10-11, 2009 and February 13-14, 2010. The weekend is designed to help married couples communicate more intimately with one another. The weekend will enrich your life and your marriage. It is not a retreat. Couples do not share any aspect of their marriages with the group. It begins on Saturday morning and ends on Sunday afternoon at St. Francis Center in Little Falls, MN. For more information or to register call 252-3220.

Monday, September 28th—Family Day—A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children is a national movement launched by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse in 2001 to remind parents that frequent family **Dinners Make A Difference!** While there are no silver bullets—substance abuse can strike any family regardless of ethnicity, affluence, age or gender—the parental engagement fostered at the dinner table can be a simple, effective tool to help prevent substance abuse in kids.

Oslo Chamber Choir in concert Sunday, September 27, 4 PM at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. The choir celebrates its 25th anniversary with a US tour. Under the direction of Hakon Daniel Nystedt, grandson of renowned Norwegian conductor/composer, Knute Nystedt, the choir is recognized as one of the premier traditional Norwegian folk choirs in the world! Free-will offering.