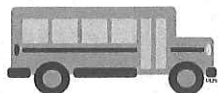


SHARED PARISH INFORMATION

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THIS PAGE EVERY WEEK TO SEE WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISHES, THE SURROUNDING PARISHES, SNIPITS FROM FR. OLSEN, FR. WAYNE, & MORE!

Welcome
BACK TO SCHOOL



A BACK-TO-SCHOOL PRAYER

Good and gracious God,
We thank you for the wonders of your world
And the opportunity to learn about you and your creation.
Just as Jesus stayed in the Temple in the midst of the teachers,
So too we ask you to bless these young people
As they begin their studies,
Learning from wise men and women
Who are their mentors and teachers.
Bless both teacher and student
As they continue to learn and grow
To the betterment of themselves and our community.
We ask this blessing in the name of the great teacher,
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

farmers market, inflatable toys, carnival games, concessions, beer garden, and a Big Ticket drawing at 5:00 PM. We look forward to seeing everyone at this fun event!

***AVANTI:** Attention all CECers! Keep your CEC weekend alive. There is an Avanti at Schuyler Social Center in Schuyler on Wednesday, August 21, at 7:00 PM. Please plan to attend!

RECOGNIZING GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What would happen if you found out right now that relatives of yours were coming into town tomorrow, and they hoped to stay with you? You can either tell them they can't stay with you, or you immediately begin a process of furiously cleaning, straightening up and grocery shopping in anticipation of your guests. If you don't have to do anything to prepare because your home is perfect, clean and fully stocked, perhaps you don't live in your home or you are obsessive compulsive. I suspect most people reading this would go into panic mode!

We spend much time putting off things until later. Then when something unexpected happens, we swing into action to deal with it or prepare for its effects. We would have acted differently if we knew what was coming down the road.

What does your stewardship way of life look like? Are you living as if you have forever, or are you living as if Jesus could return any moment and your life here on earth could end tomorrow? The gift of time is often taken for granted. If we live more mindfully of that gift, we waste less of it and maximize the moments in which we find ourselves. We give of ourselves in ways that are more meaningful and productive. The gift of tomorrow is not promised to you, but the gift of today has already been given. Use this day wisely because who knows what tomorrow may bring.

***TOUR de MARIA - UNIFYING OUR PARISHES UNDER OUR LADY'S PROTECTION:**

Join members of the area parishes as we travel to each town to pray the Rosary during the month of August. This is a great opportunity to get to know folks in the new parish configuration while asking for our Mother Mary's intercession. All are welcome - consider inviting family and friends to make a road trip with you! Pray the Rosary with us at a different area church every Monday in August at 8:00 PM. The schedule is as follows:

- Monday, August 12: Holy Family Church, 103 East 3rd Street, Lindsay;
- Monday, August 19: St. Michael Church, 309 3rd Street, Tarnov;
- Monday, August 26: St. Mary Church, 319 North Oak Street, Leigh.

***HOLY FAMILY PARISH BAZAAR & DINNER:** Join us Sunday, August 18, for our annual parish bazaar. There will be a hot meal of roast beef and sausage with all the trimmings in the air-conditioned gym, serving from Noon to 4:00 PM. There will also be a

LECTIO DIVINA AT HOME:

Take some time during the week to practice Lectio Divina. Here are next Sunday's readings to get you started:

1st Reading: Jer. 38:4-6, 8-1

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 40:2, 3, 4, 18

2nd Reading: Heb. 12:1-4

Gospel: Lk 12:49-53



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