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The Road to Bethlehem

By Pastor Heather Hill

The police station near my house is already wishing me Happy New Year as local light displays are being set up. As the holiday season comes upon us, now is the time to set aside a few moments to reflect on the meaning of Advent and Christmas. Mark your calendars and plan to join us on Wednesdays, November 14, 28, December 5, 12, and 19 either at 11 am or 7 pm.

Together we are going to be watching a short video called *The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem* by Adam Hamilton and then focusing our Bible study on the scriptures leading us into Christmas. Hamilton shows us the areas of the Holy Land where Mary and Joseph were from and the significance of many details in the Christmas story. You are welcome to join us for one session or all five. There is a day time group and an evening group so that everyone can participate.

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The topics for each week are:

- November 14: Mary of Nazareth
- November 28: Joseph of Bethlehem
- December 5: Mary's visit to Elizabeth
- December 12: From Nazareth to Bethlehem
- December 19: The Manger

This is a great way to learn more about the miracle of Christmas. I hope you will join us!

Moisture Bearer Mats for the Homeless

We have been collecting your plastic grocery bags and we thank you for them. With the help of the youth group we have now sorted by color a library closet full that we have collected so far. There has to be thousands of them. The next step will be to flatten them out and start cutting them into long loops that will then be slipped together into yarn and then crochet into the 3 FT X 6 FT moisture bearer mats. We have by now seen a mat partially finished and have heard our guest speaker Mrs

Leanna Schuster at our Breakfast on 10/28. Leanna spoke about the Homeless Coalition that is in need of these Mats. If anyone is interested in crocheting or possibly knitting a mat please let me know. The youth group will keep working on getting the plastic yarn made up so all you will need to do is crochet or knit away.

God's Blessings!!!
Sandy Kynerd

How Should We Think About the Poor?

Part 4 In A Series

*On March 26, 1991, Bishop Kenneth E. Untener of Saginaw, Michigan, issued a "decree" that from that day forward, until July 1, 1991, all meetings held under Church auspices, at the parish or diocesan level, no matter what their purpose, must begin with the agenda item: **How shall what we are doing here affect or involve the poor?** The following are his reflections as he looks back on the decree.*

The decree on the poor was in effect for 97 days.

Never in my life had I talked about and listened to so much about the poor. On some days I had four or five meetings, and each began with: the poor.

I learned a lot, not only about the poor, but also about us, and how we think about (or don't think about) the poor. Believe me, I am no expert on the poor. But I learned eight things in particular during those 97 days.

4 If you try to help the poor, you will sometimes get taken

Every parish minister can tell stories of people who have come with a sad tale. You check it out very carefully, give them money—and later find out that

they did the same thing at three or four neighboring parishes.

Helping the poor has its risks. You will sometimes get taken. (The same is true of forgiveness. If you try to forgive 70 times seven, you will sometimes get stepped on.) It's a darn shame. Be generous anyway. Don't be foolish, but don't overdo the safety rules.

It's like playing racquetball. You're going to get hit with the ball now and then, and it hurts. You can learn how to step out of the way of certain shots—but you are still going to get hit sometimes. The only way to avoid it is to stand in the corner and never get into the game.

If you are going to be generous to the poor, you are sometimes going to get taken. The only alternative is to "stand in a corner" and never really get into helping the poor.

Mental note: Learn to write off your losses.

***Next Month:** Helping the poor is not always a pleasant experience.*



A Place at the Table Volunteers - Trinity Cathedral

Outreach... Past, Present & Future

By Lisa Czerny, Outreach Committee

Travel back to summer with us, in May & June we collected Cereal, PB & J, Soap, Shampoo, Tooth Brushes & Paste and monetary donations of \$68.00 (we purchased more of the listed items). In August we offered these items to the 25 Families (50 students) we supplied Back to School Supplies and Backpacks for, as we worked together for our 4th year with Parma Area Family Collaborative.

Remember July? We held our first Sewing Bee :) We have 19 stockings completed to donate to Metro Hospitals Maternity Center, but wait we want to make more and we had such a good time so we are doing it again! Our next Sewing Bee will be held Wednesday Nov.7th starting at 6:30pm. Please join us for some refreshments and fellowship, bring your sewing machine, notions and scissors if you have them to share and help us cut, iron and sew Christmas stockings for newborns :) (Fabric will be provided)

Ok moving along to August, we brought you "Can's of Change", to make a donation to our friends at All Faiths Pantry. To date we have \$33 and counting, to offer. With money from our general Outreach fund we will be making a donation to AFP in the amount of \$100 :)

September we participated in United Thank Offering...The Diocese thanks you for our \$84 donation.

Now we have arrived at October...Remembering our Veteran's. All collected and purchased undergarments will be given to our local Veteran's Home.

Come November, we will be holding a short/ last minute food drive. Susan, Laurel and Claire took our food from the hallway cupboards over to Parma Christian Church. They said they are really in need of help this year. They said that in the past Macy's (Parmatown) employees would contribute to them and Macy's would match the contribution. They are losing around \$2,000 a year. Parma Christian church is hoping to offer 50 Thanksgiving Dinner bags. They are in need of stuffing mix, gravy, sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie filling. We will take this donations now through November 11th.

We hope you will join us for our Thanksgiving Service and stay after for pie :) As in the past we will be giving back a little to ourselves in November, from our general Outreach Fund we will be purchasing pies from Market Day through Shiloh Middle School. This years dessert menu is Lemon Meringue, Cherry Streusal, Candy Cane, Chocolate Pecan Caramel, Peanut Butter cup & Turtle Cheesecake :) If you would like to bring a pie to share, please do so, the more merrier!

Looking ahead to December...we are still working out details to help local families at Christmas time and will update you through the bulletin.

We will however set up our "All Saints Remembrance Tree". More details to come.

Our next Outreach meeting will be Monday Nov. 5th at 9:30 am here at All Saints. Please join us, we'd love to see you! Thank you for you continued outreach support!

In Memorium

IRENE H. SARIAN (nee Henderson), age 70 of Parma. Beloved wife of Edward for 50 years, devoted mother of Richard Sarian (David Spanos) of Parma, Ohio, Edward J. Sarian "E.J." (Robin) of Parma Heights, Ohio. and Jacque Ludwig (Bill) of North Olmsted, Ohio., loving grandmother of Jessica, Jimmy, David, Danny and Donald, dear sister of Jane Henderson and Ed Henderson, cherished friend of many. Passed away on Thursday, October 18, 2012. Memorial Service pending, DATE AND TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED.

Father of all, we pray to you for Irene, and for all those whom we love but see no longer. Grant to them eternal rest. Let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



Irene Sarian

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

By Sandy Kynerd, Good Shepherd Teacher

This past month the True Vine Atrium Good Shepherd children have been studying "THE HISTORY OF THE SALVATION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD" If you stop into our True Vine Atrium you will see the Blue Strip Timelines on the floor. We have gotten down on our knees this past month and have studied the first part " Creation". We read from the Bible in Genesis and follow along with hands on material. We have learned that God loves us so much that He created Earth and all that

is good in it for our joy and His glory. The children are also making their own book on what they have learned so far. The next part we will study is "Redemption". We will start with God's greatest gift to us, Jesus Christ. This will take us through the infant narratives of Jesus's birth and His life and His teachings through His parables."

God's Peace!!!

Sandy Kynerd, Jan Fritzsche, Lisa Czerny

The Bulletin Board

Please save those **plastic bags**. Place them in the tote below the nametag table. We are knitting them into mats for the homeless. Please join us!

The **deadline for Carillon submissions** is the 21st of the preceding month (December submissions are due by November 21st).

On Sunday, November 11 we will be sharing a special prayer for **Veterans Day** at both services. Veterans are encouraged to wear their pins, hats, etc.

Let us all Thank God! Join us Tuesday, November 20 at 7 pm for our annual **Thanksgiving Service and Pie Extravaganza!**

Calling all kids! Make sure you join us on December 2 as we celebrate **St. Nicholas**, the patron saint of children! We will be making Advent Wreaths and having other special activities in honor of this day.

The next **All Saints Night Out** is at Applebee's, located at 6871 Pearl Road, (in Southland) on Tuesday, November 13th. 15% of your bill will be donated to All Saints. There is a flyer that must be presented to your server at the restaurant.

The **November Vestry Meeting** is postponed for one week, until November 27, due to Thanksgiving activities.

All Saints Book Club is reading and discussing The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls. Next meeting is on November 13 at 7:00 pm.

Please don't forget to come and join Jan and Sandy for **Walk the Walk** at 7:00 until 8:00 PM every Monday evening in our parish hall. It is great exercise and great fellowship. We actually have fun as we walk 3 miles to a DVD directed by Leslie Sansone, a certified instructor. Her DVD heart healthy, toning and firming walks are easy to follow, genuinely challenging, walking-style workouts with recognizable music that is sure to keep you motivated. If you have any questions please call Sandy.

Coffee Hour. If you enjoy a hot cup of coffee or a cold drink, please do not forget to make a donation now and then. Coffee hour has always been self supporting because of your donations.

Our next Baptism date is November 4th. Please contact Pastor Heather if you are interested.

Please join one of our **Bible Studies**. There are 2 Bible study groups that meet every Wednesday. On Wednesday mornings there is a Holy Eucharist celebrated at 10:00, followed by Bible study at 11:00. The evening Bible study group meets at 7:00. In November we are starting our Advent program, *The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem*.

Please support the **Outreach Food Drive** in November. See the Outreach article (above) for details.

Our annual **rummage sale** will be held in the parish hall from November 12 - 17. Please donate items to sell and/or volunteer time to work the sale. The rummage sale generates significant revenue for the church!

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November Events at All Saints

Sundays Holy Eucharist at 8:30 and 10:30 am

Mondays Walk the Walk at 7:00 pm

Wednesdays

Holy Eucharist at 10:00 am
Bible Study at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm

Tue 5 Outreach Committee Meeting @ 9:30 am

Tue 13 All Saints Night Out at Applebee's on Pearl
Road
All Saints Book Club at 7:00 pm

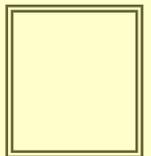
Thu 15 - Rummage Sale!
Sat 17

Tue 20 Thanksgiving Service & Pie Extravaganza
at 7:00 pm

Thu 22 Thanksgiving - Church closed.

Tue 27 Vestry Meeting at 7:00 pm

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