

# The CEW Spirit Newsletter

Spring 2024

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*~Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and You shall renew the face of the earth~*

## **Spiritual Direction- Notes from Deacon Bob**

### Forgive Us Our Trespasses

Maybe I should pray: "Forgive me my trespasses." Having done services in the county jail for years, I found that many of the inmates catch the fire, but then got spiritually stuck. They got stuck because of being mad at themselves. I have since found that many people, not just those in prison, are mad at themselves.

We experience forgiveness each time we say the "Our Father," at mass during the penitential rite; That is, at the start when we say: "Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy." After this, the priest asks and attains forgiveness for each and all of us. We also have the wonderful experience of reconciliation, where many of us have walked out feeling lighter than we ever expected. The goal of getting rid of any concerns for ourselves (sins) is to free us to have good relationships with others. I might just need to forgive myself. I have to be okay inside myself in order to relate well with others.

"If you...recall that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift there at the altar, go first, and be reconciled with your brother. Mt 5:23" It may be that in order to make peace with my brother or sister, I may need to make peace first with myself.

Dcn Bob

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## **Help out at the next CEW!**

A successful CEW weekend is made possible by a large group of people behind the scenes. Please consider helping set up, coordinate a meal, spend time in Eucharistic Chapel, write Palanca, bring kitchen donations, or attend a Speaker's Chapel. See [www.lakeshorecew.com](http://www.lakeshorecew.com) for details.

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## **Rector's Corner**

### ***A note from the upcoming Women's Rector, Diane Wallander***

During the winter months when daylight is short, nights are long and it is cold, we can sometimes become discouraged. When this happens, I like to take a walk to enjoy God's creativeness and have a private conversation with Him about how things are going in my life. Sometimes, it is just as nice to sit inside with a cozy blanket and cup of tea while reading a devotional, then reflecting on how I am living out that message in my life.

Then spring and Lent arrive with God's promise of renewal and grace. We see plants popping up, the grass turning green and beautiful blossoms. God is with us wherever we go. As we move into spring, we know that God is with us wherever we go, whatever the season. While the fall season seems a long way off, please mark your calendars for the Women's CEW retreat October 25th -27th. As we start to prepare for the weekend, please pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance to give us all the strength to be strong and courageous in whatever way we are called to help on the weekend.

Be strong and courageous, Do not be afraid; Do not be discouraged,  
For the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.      Joshua 1:9

Blessings to all as we head into the Easter season!

### ***A note from the past Men's Rector, Steve Krupka***

Men's CEW held at Roncalli High School was a success.

The Men's reunion is March 24<sup>th</sup> (Palm Sunday). We will meet in the Waldo Rectory, now known as the St. Joseph's Center after the 9:30 Mass at Waldo. Please bring a small breakfast/brunch item to share.

It has been an honor to serve as rector for a second time. I pray that the Holy Spirit continues to inspire your faith journey, and that you will be ready to say yes when our current rector, Mike Dose gives you a call for an opportunity to inspire others.

## **Community Renewal Events (CRE)**

**SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, May 19th at the Shrine of our Lady of Champion (4047 Chapel Drive, New Franken)**

Bring your family and friends and join us at The National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion for mass at 11:00 AM with a picnic lunch (bring your own) to follow. We do Stations of the Cross after lunch.

If you would like to come early, the rosary is prayed at 10:30 am or, you can join in the walking rosary procession after Mass. There is also Eucharistic Adoration from 12-3pm and the chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 PM. The grounds are open until 7 PM and the Gift Shop until 4 PM.

Family and friends are welcome to join!

Questions contact: Eileen Zdanowski at 920-629-3905 or Lynn Krupka at 920-905-9291.

Pray for a beautiful, sunny day!

### **Past event: Warming Shelter meal, January 2024**

A heartfelt thank you to all who donated food and their time to serve a meal at the Warming Shelter. Folks enjoyed a delicious fish fry, made by members of the “Fishing for Faith” group. Guests at the warming shelter commented that the fish fry was “better than at a restaurant”!

*Volunteers that served are pictured right*



## **Invite someone to an upcoming CEW!**

It may be the most important invitation we ever receive or offer. Think about the people in your circle and invite them to attend an upcoming weekend. Anyone interested can reach out to the upcoming rector or register on the [CEW website](#), or use the registration form on the next page.

Women's CEW- Oct 25-27, 2024

Rector- Diane Wallander 920-629-7952

Men's CEW- date TBD

Rector- Mike Dose 920-323-2028

