

The Signpost Weekly

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The Signpost Weekly is your announcement forum. To place announcements please send them to signpostweekly@comcast.net, c/o Lyn Rockwell. The deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday.

**Don't forget the FOOD PANTRY this summer-
please bring food items and paper products.**

Summer Hours

Sunday - ONE service @ 9.

Family Promise of Greater Rockingham County

A reminder that the next planning meeting is Tuesday evening, August 3 at Calvary Bible Church on Depot Road in Derry. If you're not sure how you might like to get involved, attending a planning meeting is a good way to find out what it's all about. *Gail Swiderski*

Placemat Ads for Sale While There is Still Space

If anyone is self employed or knows of anyone that might want to advertise on our International Dinner placemats, please let me know. Prices are \$25 or \$50 depending on ad size. Placemats are used for more than 1 occasion. You may also use this space to offer a coupon for your business. For example: BnGPainting & Contracting: Andy Mason 10% off any interior paint job Dec/Jan with this coupon. *Christine* ChristineMason76@hotmail.com

Sunday School Committee

The Sunday School Teachers met last Sunday to plan for the next school year. In the fall we are adding a new class for grades 6 through 8. This group will be called the Middle School Group. If you are interested in working with the Sunday school please let Miriam, Brooke LaMonica, or Christine Collins know.

We've Been Busy Around and About!

Cheryl Poussard and her "crew" have been combating the dry weather and deer by watering and spraying the plants. The watering has worked well; the spray not so effectively as yet, but they continue their efforts, so we shall see. The parking

lot work has been completed. The insect/pest man has come to treat the church and premises. The locksmith has come and measured, and he will install the new push/pull door fittings in the Sacristy and environs as soon as he gets the required parts. The shrubs are being trimmed and/or removed, including an errant "tree bush" created by cutting back but not removing one that grew in the front flower beds. The new flower beds are coming along in front of the church, with the addition of various day lilies. The bottom "step" to the front door of the parish house will be replaced soon. The nice Easter Seals people have primed the picnic tables (which will have to be replaced for 2011) and will paint them when the weather permits. We also need to examine/refurbish the swing set to keep it safe; it seems sturdy, but the wood is beginning to weather badly, so it may need to be re-built or replaced in the near future. *Oliver Ford for the Property Committee*

PAINTING!

Painting continues on Wednesdays, weather permitting. If it rains on or just before a given Wednesday so that we cannot paint we'll just do more prep work or other yard/building work so that we can take advantage of the gathering of talented workers...so, no more cancellations. Please come, but in a flexible frame of mind regarding what we'll be able to do. *Oliver*

Windfield Alloy, Route 111, Hampstead Offers Free Metals Recycling Day

On Saturday August 7, 2010 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Windfield Alloy, Inc. with support from the Towns of Atkinson and Hampstead are sponsoring a recycling day for used computer equipment, general electronics, white goods (no Freon) and scrap metal. Take advantage of this perfect opportunity to be rid of computers, monitors, radios, electric appliances, batteries, printers, cables, mice, keyboards, and

televisions no longer in use while helping to promote a clean environment. For refrigerators and air conditioners, there will be a \$10/unit hazardous waste disposal charge.

Name Tags

Again, just a friendly reminder to wear your name tag. Not only is it helpful to those of us who have the darndest time remembering names(!), but also is a very welcoming gesture to newcomers who visit our parish.

Email Distribution of Signpost

Again, in case you missed it last week, we would like to include everyone on the email distribution of Signpost on Fridays. If you are not receiving the Signpost, it may be because you have recently changed or updated your email address, or you have not indicated you would like to receive it. Please contact Jean Porter with your current information at: pjprimroses@comcast.net. Or email us at signpostweekly@comcast.net.

Mike Carr Update

Mike is now in Kuwait waiting to be transferred to his permanent address. Once he is settled he will let us know what things he needs at which point we can prepare his first "care" package. *Miriam*

Food for Thought ...Meaning of Faith

What is the meaning of 'faith' to you? "For many people, faith means 'believing in the existence of God'. In earlier times, it didn't take faith to believe that God existed-everyone took that for granted. Rather, faith had to do with one's relationship to God- whether one trusts in God. The difference is enormous. The first is a matter of the head, the second is a matter of the heart. The first can leave one unchanged, the second intrinsically brings change." Marcus Borg in 'Jesus, a New Vision'.

Parish Prayer List

Please pray for **Kim and Dave Angelini**, and their son **David** was in a bad water accident, still in serious condition at Dartmouth Hitchcock Hospital; Miriam's sister in law **Teresita** who has cancer; Mark Chapman's son **Eric**, who is experiencing rough times; for **Muriel Andernacht** who recently returned home after a stay at Exeter Hospital; also for **Judy Smith**, Muriel's sister; **Bill Banton** who is

recovering from quadruple bypass surgery - and he and Joy will not be back from Florida this summer; for **Karen Olmstead** who has had neck surgery and must wear a neck collar for six weeks; and for **Joan Anderson** and for Joan's daughter **Hope** who just been diagnosed with leukemia; also for **Robin**, another daughter of Joan Anderson; for **Rebecca Byrnes**, a young woman known to Paul and Jennifer Barkworth, who is experiencing the return of Hodgkin's Lymphoma; for **the Rev. Bob Gallagher**, Miriam's friend who has started another round of chemo; for **Fr. Bill Mawhinney** a friend of Dave and Ann Darrah, diagnosed with cancer and undergoing treatment; for a friend of Maureen Dadekian, **Corey**, 17 years old and diagnosed with terminal leukemia; **Peter Kayros**, Theresa Altsher's brother receiving cancer treatment; a **family in crisis**; Susan DiFraia's sister-in-law **Denny**; **Glenn**, youngest son of Natalie Gallo; **Dean Anderson**, on a heart transplant list; and **all** who are experiencing difficult changes or periods of transition.

Serving in the Military

Prayers are asked for **Michael Carr**; for Del Dooling's cousins, **Matthew** and **Seth Malloy** and for **Jonathan Mason** and friend **Paul Gagne**. If you know people in the military, especially those who are or will be deployed, please let us know.

Our students in college

Dorothy Haycook, **Joe Delfino**, **Patrick Olmstead**, **Justine Altsher**, **Blake MacLeod**.

In our parish cycle of prayer:

This week we remember the following members of our parish: **Mark and Ingrid Chapman**; **James, Michele and Jordan Christian**; **Rob, Christine, Cameron and Hannah Collins**; **Chris, Ruth-Ann, Abigail, Eva and Madeline Cooper**.

Attendance

7/18/2010 Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 52