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A Note From Father Donald Staib

Members of the Parish,

On September 19, 2004 Bishop Joseph Gossman came to our campus to bless our Activity Building. It is a building that has been wonderful to use for our weekend Masses - and so much more. Happy Anniversary to us!

On that day the Bishop prayed: *'May all who come here know the presence of Christ, experience the joy of his friendship, and grow in his love.'*

From our priests retreat: Bishop Robert Barron of Los Angeles was appointed a Bishop in the last year. New Bishops go to Rome for a 'Baby Bishops School.' You may be interested in reading his account of his experience:

<http://www.wordonfire.org/resources/article/a-report-from-baby-bishop-school/5278/>

Picture of the Week

Electricians and plumbers are now at work installing the infrastructure needed to provide all the necessary services we will enjoy upon completion.

The Chapel is now in our current project. We expect the steel to arrive for the Chapel in 2-3 weeks. Thank you to all who have made donations or increased pledges in recent weeks to make this possible.

We continue to ask those who have not yet participated in our new church project to consider a pledge of \$5,000 payable over 4 years as so many others have done. Or consistently use the monthly green envelope.

There are enhancements we would like to add to the project. Some examples are wood panels in the worship space and use of some additional pieces of stained glass that need

to be cleaned and fabricated for use in the chapel and in the dome.



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Childcare Volunteers 'Greatly' Needed

St. Mary Magdalene's Chrysalis Marriage Enrichment will begin again on Sunday, October 9th from 12-1:15pm in the Adult Room.

Adults and Teens! Looking for an opportunity to serve our parish or earn Time and Talent hours? C-level Safe Environment certified adults and responsible, energetic teens are needed on the Chrysalis Childcare Team. Volunteers supervise play and lead simple activities while caring for children under 10 years of age during upcoming monthly meetings: **Oct 9th** and **Nov 6th**. To volunteer, please contact Kelley and Ryan Evenson at stmmchrysalis@gmail.com.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive



To: St. Mary Magdalene Parishioners

From: Bob Wolf - KofC Blood Drive Coordinator

I am writing to all parishioners today to talk about our past blood drives and ask for your opinion about future blood drives. The Knights of Columbus have sponsored the "**Blood Drive**" for the last several years and they have been held on a Saturday. Our donors have averaged 25 to 30 pints but those numbers have decreased in the last year to 10 to 15 pints average. The cost of hosting a Blood Drive correlates into 30 pints according to UNC Rex. Consequently, to host a drive, we need your help in getting the participation about 30 pints. As you may or may not know, for every pint of blood donated we save three lives. So, if we as a parish donate 30 pints, we will have saved 90 lives.

Donating takes about two hours out of your schedule. I am very aware of everyone's busy lives; however, in my four years as a member of this parish, I am astounded at the generosity in time and talent. That brings me to my question for all members of the parish: Would you prefer to donate on Saturday, November 5th or Sunday, November 13th? Please email me your preference at bobwolf5679@yahoo.com I would ask that everyone who donates or who would like to donate blood complete this request by September 30th. The results will be announced in the bulletin on October 9th.

P.S. NEW DONORS ARE WELCOME!

Commemorative Bricks



Deadline is approaching (**October 7th**) to order an engraved brick to be part of our Commemorative walkway into the Activity Building.

Cost is \$100 and order forms can be found here:

[Commemorative Brick Order Form](#)

9th Annual Monarchs in Motion 5K



SAVE THE DATE-9th Annual Monarchs in Motion 5K Run/Walk 10/15/16. The Monarchs in Motion Race has become a staple event for the town and Parish and has raised more than \$60,000 for the new church! The event has been moved to Fall this

year. We are expecting to meet our 600 person cap so register early! If running is not your thing, consider volunteering, sponsorship or both! Race date is 10/15/16 @ 8am Sharp! Information can be found at <http://www.monarchsinnmotion.com>/Follow us on Twitter @STMMmonarchs5k. Like us on Facebook at Monarchs in Motion 5k Race. Questions? Email mike5kgrace@gmail.com.

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