



My Dear Parishioners,

This weekend, a word of WELCOME to all our guests in town for the Annual Mushroom Festival! It certainly is one-of-a-kind and how great it is to be the Catholic Church/Parish of the Mushroom Capital of the world. Only we can say that, for only we are that! Special thanks to our Knights of Columbus and Ladies of St. Pat's for representing us all weekend at the festival at the Cute-As-A-Button Table. We are St. Pat's Proud!

I extend as well a word of WELCOME BACK to our parish families with children in the Religious Education Program. This weekend, we have a special 6PM Sunday Mass, followed by a meet and greet the teachers for all those in the program. To date, there are 130 young people registered and ready to grow in greater knowledge and love of Jesus. Thanks to their moms, dads and our catechists under the direction of Maria Miller for enabling this formation to happen.

Finally, we say WELCOME to Augustine Reimers, a seminarian of the Diocese of Lincoln, Nebraska, who has been assigned to our parish from St. Charles Seminary for this year. Augustine is in 3rd Theology and will be with us on Thursdays. Be on the look-out for Augustine Activities in the coming year.

Speaking of activities, we enter HIGH-GEAR this week in that regard. Small-Groups, Bible Studies will be underway. The Annual Abbey Fest Family Day & Concert is this Saturday, our parish is a sponsor of that event and there may still be free tickets available, call the parish office and find out! There are upcoming Movie Nights and of course our Annual Oktoberfest! Mark your calendars, join Flocknote and keep up-to-speed.

Lastly, as we look at the calendar this weekend, I ask each and every one to Pause, Remember & Share with those who don't: 9/11/2001. Remember that evil is real, freedom is fragile and the Cross still stands: Certainly the Cross of 9/11, but always the Cross of Jesus Christ. This Wednesday, we celebrate the Triumph of His Cross and in love, we cling to it.

Peace,

Fr. Rogers

NEXT WEEKEND, FR. ROGERS WILL BE SPEAKING AT ALL THE MASSES WITH EXCITING NEWS ABOUT OUR PARISH, OUR CHURCH & A VISION FOR OUR FUTURE.

NIGHTS AT THE MOVIES

Beginning this Thursday, the Brandywine Regal is featuring several movies/documentaries of a religious nature that may be of interest to our parishioners. Join us, Fr. Rogers and our seminarian Augustine for a night out. Below are the dates, tickets are available on line at regal movies. Any questions, please call the parish office.

Thursday, September 15: 7:00PM LIFEMARK: A movie celebrating adoption, forgiveness and love.

Thursday, September 29: 7:00PM St. Michael: Meet the Angel. A documentary about the role of St. Michael in Scripture and in our lives.

Tuesday, October 4: 7:00PM Mother Teresa: No Greater Love. A documentary on this beautiful Saint.



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD
Returns Sunday, September 18
9:00 AM Mass**

The Children's Liturgy of the Word is a ministry that provides a prayerful environment for young children **ages 4-8 years old** to understand the gospel and Sunday readings in an age appropriate manner. **This is offered during the 9:00AM Mass beginning next Sunday, September 18.** Children who wish to participate are invited by the Celebrant after the Opening Prayer. They will join the Adult Leader in the front of Church who will then lead them to the Church basement. There the children will hear the Sunday readings and Gospel in a simple relatable manner and will be invited to participate in activities related to the readings. They will rejoin their families in the congregation after the homily.

Want to learn more about this program, **COME AND JOIN US beginning next Sunday.** We look forward to sharing the faith with our young people!