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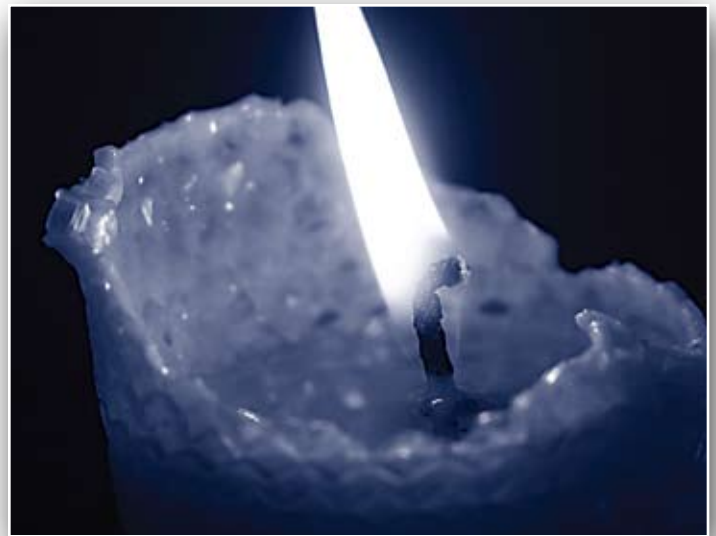
FALL 2007 NEWSLETTER

“Let Your Light So Shine Before Men...” Matthew 5:16

by Sandy Pasotti, Interim Director

Sometimes there are people who come into your life who have a huge impact in ways that are difficult to describe. I am sure most of you have had that experience at one point or another. For me, and I think for Fatima as well, one of those people has been Rick Wagner.

Three and one half years ago the future of Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House was on somewhat shaky ground when Rick was appointed director by Archbishop Buechlein. Those of us who know Rick well had no doubt whatsoever that he would bring new life to Fatima which eventually took the form of ‘Spirit-Driven Renewal’. While maintaining programs which had been successful and had loyal followings, he also brought in new ideas, programs and presenters: Morning for Moms, Dinner and a Concert with Tony Avellana, Seniors, Volunteers and Friends monthly mass and social, the Sunday evening ‘101 Series’ presentations, Matthew Kelly and more. He also brought about programs in collaboration with other archdiocesan agencies such as the CYO fund raising dinner and the Grasshopper Summer Day Camp. Through his love for youth and education he began the 7th grade and sophomore leadership retreats.



Even more than all of this he brought so much of himself to Fatima, sharing his many gifts and talents. In the words of some of the staff he brought community, inclusiveness, opportunity, love for his faith, and a wonderful sense of humor!

He will be missed tremendously around this place but his light will shine here for a long time through the legacy of these last few years. With a true love for education he is returning to high school ministry as principal, appointed to lead St. Theodore Guerin High School in Noblesville.

On behalf of the staff, advisory board and volunteers, I want to extend our sincere thanks to Rick for sharing himself these last few years. May God bless you in your new ministry at St. Theodore Guerin. We wish you nothing but success as well as peace to you and your family.

We shall surely be known forever by the tracks we leave.”
-Carrie Newcomer

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Congratulations to our 10,000th guest!

Congratulations, Sharon Logan! Sharon walked through our doors for Fr. Jim Farrell's Day of Reflection on June 11th and became our 10,000th guest for 2006-2007! This landmark is a first in the history of Fatima Retreat House! Sharon received a certificate to attend a day of reflection of her choice. Thanks to Sharon and all of our guests who continue to support the programs we offer. We are grateful to each and every one of you! We look forward to seeing you again soon.

Kitchen & Housekeeping Shower

Thanks to all of our volunteers who attended our first Kitchen and Housekeeping 'shower'. And thanks also to those who could not attend but sent a donation. The brainchild of volunteer Dot Ryan, the shower was a fun excuse to get together, talk and share the love of Fatima Retreat House. We thank you for your never-ending support!



Photos from our recent Kitchen & Housekeeping 'shower'. Thanks again to all our volunteers



Because of your praiseworthy service they are glorifying faith in the gospel of Christ and for your generosity in sharing with them and with all."

(2 Corinthians 9:13)



Fall Tobit Marriage Preparation weekends:

All weekends begin at 8 p.m. on Friday
and end at noon on Sunday

September 14-16, 2007 and November 2-4, 2007

Volunteers, Seniors and Friends Monthly Mass and Social Schedule:

Mass at 9 a.m. followed by continental breakfast and social time

September 24

October 29

November 26

December: No monthly mass due to the holidays

We'll see you in 2008!

What's new at the retreat house?

- Thanks to the handiwork of our own Mike Sullivan, we now have 8 new benches located in various spots on our property. These benches not only look great but will give our guests a comfortable seat to enjoy the beautiful outdoors here at Fatima. Thanks, Mike!
- With another generous donation from our volunteer league, and with the help and advice of some of the members of the league, the decision was made to replace window coverings in our main conference room and dining room. Look for these beautiful new treatments to be installed in August or September. Thank you to all of the league members for their continued support!



Vanetta Thomas, 2007 Cathedral grad & part time office worker at OLF, sitting on one of the benches Mike built for us.

Volunteers Needed

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity? Do you know someone who is? Whether you want to volunteer once a week or a couple of times a year, we have a place for you!

- Help serve a meal to some of our guests and then sit down and relax with our staff and enjoy a meal yourself! We have openings almost every day for meal helpers. Volunteer with a friend, a spouse or your family! Time commitment is approximately 2 hours. Contact Tami Wood at (317) 545-7681 or dtsk1824@yahoo.com for more information or to sign up!
- Help our housekeeping staff on an occasional Friday morning making beds or doing some light dusting when we have to turn over a full house in one day! Time commitment is approximately 1-2 hours. Contact Tami Wood at (317) 545-7681 or dtsk1824@yahoo.com for more information or to sign up.
- Are you and your spouse looking for something you can do together? How about helping out at a Tobit weekend? Tobit is our marriage preparation program. It is a weekend retreat, and we are looking for couples who are willing to answer questions in the 'open session' part of the program on Saturday afternoons for about 1 hour. Contact Cheryl McSweeney at (317) 545-7681 or cmcsweeney@archindy.org for more information or to sign up!

2008 Marriage Preparation Programs at Fatima

Tobit Weekends 2008

Feb 1-3
Apr 4-6
May 16-18
Jun 6-8
July 11-13
Sept 19-21

Pre-Cana 2008

Jan 27	May 18
Feb 17	Jun 8
Feb 24	Jul 13
Apr 6	Aug 10
Apr 27	Oct 19
May 4	

To register for the Pre-Cana program, call the Archdiocesan Office of Family Ministry at (317) 236-1596

Program Guide September 1, 2007-December 31, 2007

September 6, 2007 "Day of Silence"

Fatima Retreat House will be offering this day as a non-guided silent day of reflection. The morning can begin any time after 8:00 a.m. with a light continental breakfast served from 8-9 a.m.

You will be given a room to use for the day as well as a book to be used for reflection. A light lunch will be served from noon – 1 p.m. and the day will conclude at 4:00 p.m. "Make time for the quiet moments, as God whispers and the world is loud".

The cost for this program is \$25.00. Please register by calling (317) 545-7681 or emailing rhanslits@archindy.org

September 9, 2007 "Healing Power of Prayer 101"

Dr. Timothy Heck, licensed Marriage and Family Therapist who holds a PhD in Human Services, an MA in Counseling, an MA in Old Testament Scriptures and a BA in Christian Ministries. He and his wife Margie are parishioners at St. Simon Parish in Indianapolis

Program begins at 7:00 p.m. and concludes at approximately 9:00 p.m.

There is no cost for this program, but good will offerings are appreciated.

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September 13, 2007 "Temptation"

Fr. Christopher Weldon, Associate Pastor at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, will lead us on this Day of Reflection by presenting three different views of temptation: Temptation and David, Temptation and Jesus, Temptation and Us. These views will allow us to see temptation in the Old Testament, the New Testament and current day. All of these views will lead us to understand how to overcome temptation through sacrifice.

Ordained in 2005, Fr. Weldon served two years at All Saints Parish in Logansport, IN, before being transferred to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel this past July.

Program begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Cost is \$35 per person and includes continental breakfast, mass, program and lunch.

October 2, 2007 "Morning for Moms: Parenting with Grace and Truth"

Dr. Timothy Heck, licensed Marriage and Family Therapist who holds a PhD in Human Services, an MA in Counseling, an MA in Old Testament Scriptures and a BA in Christian Ministries. He and his wife Margie are parishioners at St. Simon Parish in Indianapolis

Dr. Heck takes a look at how a family must adapt over the life cycle to best meet the needs of our growing children. Drawing upon scriptural principles, psychological research and a blended family of five children, he brings a fresh and practical approach to this close-to-the-heart subject of raising our kids.

Program begins with check-in and continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 1:00 p.m.

Cost is \$25.00 per person and includes continental breakfast, program, liturgy, lunch...and babysitting!

Sorry! Our childcare for this program is already full! Moms may still register, however, we will not be able to accept any more registrations for childcare.

October 4, 2007 "Annual Volunteer League High Tea"

An annual event hosted by the Our Lady of Fatima Volunteer League. The event features beautifully decorated tables, door prizes, fellowship and of course, tea!

For more information contact event co-chairs Cathy Farney at (317) 849-1206 or Helen Jongleux at (317) 475-1926.

October 5, 2007 "Day of Silence"

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The cost for this program is \$25.00. Please register by calling (317) 545-7681 or emailing rhanslits@archindy.org

October 5-7, 2007 "Aging Gracefully: A Retreat for 60s and older"

Presenter is **Fr. Noel Mueller, OSB**

Today people are living longer and richer lives. This retreat will focus on how best to allow God's grace to enhance these senior years. Deepening one's spirituality through a more intense prayer life blesses these years with great promise. Instead of becoming grumpy old men or frustrated females in decline, let us pursue psychological and spiritual growth in the Lord.

Program begins with check-in at 7:00 p.m. on Friday night, with the first conference set to begin at 8:00 p.m. Weekend will conclude after lunch on Sunday at approximately 1:00 p.m.

Cost is \$150.00 per person or \$280.00 per married couple.

October 14, 2007 "St. Theodora Guerin 101"

Sr. Marie Kevin Tighe, SP, will introduce you to the life of Indiana's first saint.

Program begins at 7:00 p.m. and concludes at approximately 9:00 p.m.

There is no cost for this program, but good will offerings are appreciated.

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October 15, 2007 "Praying With St. Theodora Guerin"

Sr. Marie Kevin Tighe, SP, promoted the cause for Mother Theodore Guerin's canonization for ten years and served as its vice postulator for four years.

On this one year anniversary of the canonization of St. Theodora, join us for prayer and reflection. Program still in development. Please check back for more details!

Program begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Cost is \$35.00 per person and includes continental breakfast, mass, program and lunch.



October 19-21, 2007

“Being and Belonging: A retreat for separated and divorced Catholics presented by Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House and the Office of Family Ministry”

Presenters are **Fr. Dan Davis**, Chaplain for the Separated and Divorced Ministry in the Diocese of Lafayette, and his team

Are you looking for a safe place to wrestle with your feelings about divorce and separation? Are you questioning where you belong? Are you looking for ways to heal and grow? This retreat invites you to relax as you journey with others, exploring a common loss, deepening your understanding of the healing process and increasing your sense of belonging through sharing. The team of men and women who have experienced divorce and are actively involved in divorce ministry will share their stories and their hope with participants.

Program begins with check-in Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. with the opening session set for 7:30 p.m. and concludes after lunch Sunday at approximately 1:00 p.m.

Cost is \$150.00.

November 11, 2007

“Women of the Old Testament 101”

Sr. Romona Nowak, OP, Pastoral Associate at St. Barnabas Parish

Another in our monthly ‘Sunday Night 101’ series, this program will look at women in the bible, particularly from the Old Testament.

Program begins at 7:00 p.m. and concludes at approximately 9:00 p.m.

There is no cost for this program, but good will offerings are appreciated.

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November 12, 2007

“Annual Day of Reflection on the Psalms”

Fr. Bill Munshower, retired pastor from St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, Indianapolis, and current chaplain of Cathedral High School

Program begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Cost is \$35.00 per person and includes continental breakfast, mass, program and lunch.

November 20, 2007

“An Evening with Matthew Kelly: A Call to Joy”

Do you feel stressed? Overwhelmed? Have trouble experiencing joy in your daily life? Have you ever wondered why? Are you just going through the motions? Do you feel your world is in a delicate balance that would fall apart if you didn't keep going at breakneck speed? Are you wondering where your passion and energy have gone? Is everything just another obstacle keeping you from living the life you want to live? Slow it down... pace yourself... take a deep breath... you are not alone... and the life God has dreamt for you is waiting... all you have to do is show up.

In his talk, “A Call to Joy,” more than ever before, Matthew Kelly will share about a time in his life when he experienced this common and often unspoken struggle. He will reveal what he has learned along his spiritual journey and how he overcame this battle that we all find ourselves immersed in at one time or another. Most of all, he will share with us the deep, lasting joy he has found and show us the way.

Join us from 7-9 p.m. for appetizers and beverages followed by Matthew's presentation at the Christ the King Parish Hall, adjacent to the school at 5858 Crittenden Avenue, Indianapolis. Chef Tony Hanslits and his students from the Chef's Academy, Indianapolis, will be preparing and serving the appetizers!

Cost is \$30.00 per person. Advance payment is preferred via our website or by sending registrations and payment to Rosa at Fatima.

November 30-December 2, 2007 “Opening Our Hearts to God's Love Incarnate”

Fr. Tom Stepanski, retired pastor from Queen of Peace Parish in Danville and frequent Fatima retreat presenter. Begin Advent Season at Fatima - a wonderful way to prepare for the Coming of Our Lord!

Program begins with check-in Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. and concludes after brunch on Sunday at approximately 12 noon.

Cost is \$150.00.

December 5, 2007

“Advent Day of Reflection”

Msgr. Joseph Schaedel, Vicar General for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis

Program still in development. Look for more information soon on our website.

Program begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Cost is \$35.00 per person and includes continental breakfast, mass, program and lunch.

December 9, 2007

“Women of the New Testament 101”

Sr. Romona Nowak, OP, Pastoral Associate at St. Barnabas Parish

Another in our monthly ‘Sunday Night 101’ series, this program will build on the presentation on November 11, 2007 and will focus on women from the New Testament.

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December 13, 2007

“Advent Dinner and a Concert”

Contemporary Christian music artist **Tony Avellana** shares his gift of music with us again this year for our Advent dinner and concert.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by the concert in our chapel. Space is limited and this event sold out last year. Register early!

Cost is \$35.00 per person.

To learn more about Tony please visit his website at www.journeysongs.net

What are people saying about Our Lady of Fatima?

"Clean, organized, accommodating without interfering, excellent food choices."

-June 2007 Indiana Association of School Nurses

"It is a lovely oasis in a busy city." "This is my first time here and I very much enjoyed my stay. The food was good and the facilities clean and accommodating." "Fr. Jim has an awesome message."

-June 2007 Praying with Fr. Jim Farrell

I enjoyed "being able to focus on only God and us the entire weekend."

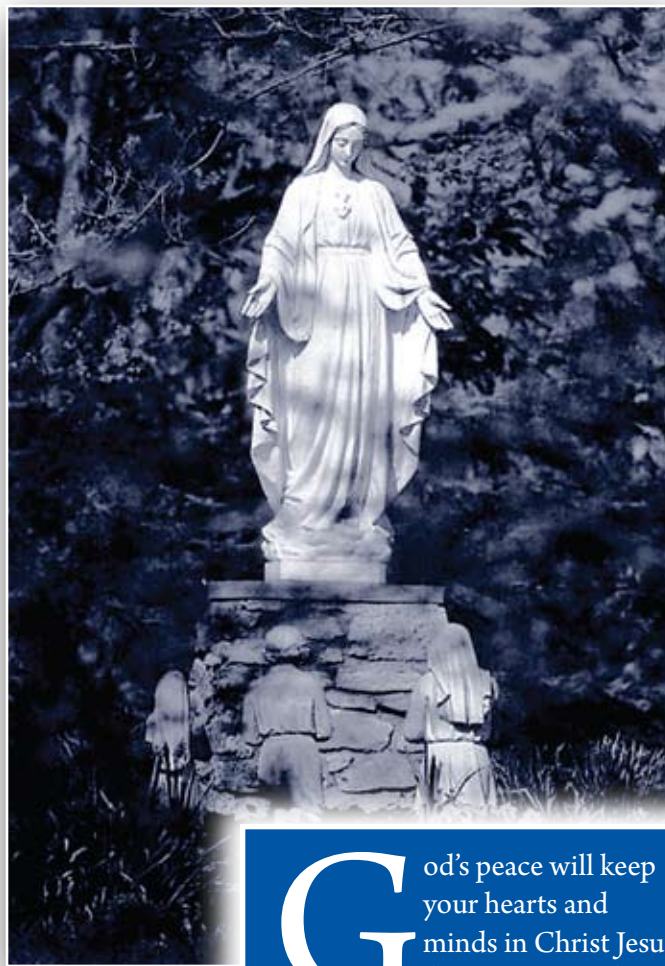
-May 2007 Tobit Marriage Preparation Program

"This place is absolutely fabulous! I enjoyed the trails, the labyrinth, my room and the food was excellent. I mean it sincerely."

-May 2007 United Methodist Church Residence in Ministry Retreat

"Our Lady of Fatima is a nice relaxing place allowing peacefulness and privacy."

-April 2007 Worldwide Marriage Encounter



God's peace will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:7)

Sneak Peek at 2008

- Jan 4-5 A Retreat for Married Couples
Fr. Jonathan Meyer, Associate Pastor of St. Luke Parish will lead this retreat on Theology of the Body for Married Couples.
- Jan 13 Liturgy 301 with Fr. Rick Ginther
- Feb 10 Reconciliation 101 with Fr. Don Schmidlin
- Mar 9 Music Liturgy 101 with Charlie Gardner, Director of the Office of Worship for the Archdiocese.
- April 11-13 Matthew Kelly Weekend Retreat 2008

And be sure to look for a list of Lenten retreats in our next newsletter or check our website in the near future for descriptions of our Lenten programs.



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Our Lady of Fatima Event Registration Form

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<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>AMOUNT ENCLOSED</u>
"Day of Silence"	Sept 6	\$25 per person	_____
"Healing Power of Prayer 101"	Sept 9	FREE!	# of people _____
"Temptation"	Sept 13	\$35 per person	_____
"Morning for Moms: Parenting with Grace & Truth" Note: Childcare is full for this program but all moms are still welcome!	Oct 2	\$25 per person	_____
"Day of Silence"	Oct 5	\$25 per person	_____
"Aging Gracefully: A Retreat for 60's and Older"	Oct 5-7	\$150 per person \$280 per married couple	_____
"St. Theodora Guerin 101"	Oct 14	FREE!	# of people _____
"Praying with St. Theodora Guerin"	Oct 15	\$35 per person	_____
"Being and Belonging: A Retreat for Separated and Divorced Catholics"	Oct 19-21	\$150 per person	_____
"Women of the Old Testament 101"	Nov 11	FREE!	# of people _____
"Annual Day of Reflection on the Psalms"	Nov 12	\$35 per person	_____
"An Evening with Matthew Kelly" at Christ the King Parish Hall	Nov 20	\$30 per person	_____
"Opening Our Hearts to God's Love Incarnate"	Nov 30-Dec 2	\$150 per person \$280 per married couple	_____
"Advent Day of Reflection with Msgr. Schaedel"	Dec 5	\$35 per person	_____
"Women of the New Testament 101"	Dec 9	FREE!	# of people _____
"Advent Dinner and Concert"	Dec 13	See back page of newsletter for registration form	_____
"Matthew Kelly Weekend Retreat 2008"	Apr 11-13, 2008	\$300 per person FULL PAYMENT REQUIRED IN ADVANCE	_____

Our website is updated weekly! Check it regularly to see new events as they are added!

Full fee required in advance for all programs costing \$100 or less
AND for the April 11-13, 2008 Matthew Kelly weekend retreat.
A deposit of \$50 required for all programs costing more than \$100.

Call 545-7681 with questions!

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A Special Event:
2nd Annual Advent Dinner and Concert
featuring contemporary Christian recording artist **Tony Avellana**
December 13, 2007
Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House
6:30 p.m. dinner followed by the concert in our chapel



Name _____

Address/City/Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Number of people _____ @ \$35.00 each= _____ (total enclosed)

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