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- St. Aloysius** - M- Th: 9am -4pm,
F: 9am- 12pm (noon)
- Holy Redeemer** -
Please contact St. Aloysius

PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

October is Respect Life month. As we celebrate this first Sunday in October, our readings focus in upon marriage.

There seems to be tons of jokes about marriage these days. You hear many of them at wedding receptions and even in homilies at the wedding ceremony. One pastor remarked during his homily that the wedding was a graduation of sorts. The groom gives up his bachelor's degree and the wife earns her master's. Everyone in the congregation laughed, along with the bride. However, I don't know if the groom laughed as well.

Most weddings are wonderful events, but many couples have a hard time connecting their wedding with the sacred. Marriage, within the Jewish and Christian tradition, has always been seen as a sacred event and a sacred reality. One of the nuptial blessings that couples can choose for their special day says that "... woman is joined to man and the companionship they had in the beginning is endowed with the one blessing not forfeited by original sin nor washed away by the flood." The union of a man and woman is so sacred that God had spared it from destruction though our society seems to be doing its best to destroy it.

So what do our readings today tell us about marriage and life?

God created man and God knew that it was not good for the man to be alone. At first, God created all the animals and birds and allowed Adam to name them and keep him company. However, none was suitable for the man. God then chose to create a partner, a human who would be the man's equal.

Man was formed from the dust of the earth but not the woman. The woman was created from man. While many read into this that man is therefore in charge, superior to woman, Genesis means no such thing. Rather Genesis is trying to tell us that the creation of man and woman is a continuous act of creation. Further, man and woman complement each other. The whole of humanity is summed up in the two of them together.

That is why Genesis speaks of "bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh." We always hear of flesh and bone and body and soul but "bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh" is a way that the Scriptures uses to speak of a whole. Together there is strength for the man and woman.

Jesus' comments in our Gospel reading also put man and woman on equal footing. He refers to and even quotes from our reading from Genesis today. When God created us God made us in his own image and likeness, allowing us to reflect certain attributes of our Creator. Although in an infinitely limited way we mirror the nature of God through our intellect (the ability to think) and our will (the ability to love), God has allowed us to reflect his spiritual, divine, and Trinitarian nature. The reciprocal love between the Father and the Son is so great that a third person results from that love, the Holy Spirit.

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Welcome to all those who celebrate with us, whether life long parishioners, new arrivals in the area, or visitors! **If you have not registered, or if you have moved, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office.**

Name _____ Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____

- New Parishioner
 - Update/Changed Info
- St. John
 - St. Mary
 - St. Aloysius
 - Holy Redeemer

This Week in the Area Faith Community

SAVE THE DATES

- Wed., Oct. 17: St. Mary's School Marathon
- Thurs., Oct. 18 & Fri., Oct. 19: MEA Break
- Sun., Oct. 28: 11:30 am Pastor Appreciation Dinner at St. Mary's church hall hosted by Catholic United Financial
- Sun., Nov. 4: Holy Redeemer's Fall Dinner
- Fri., Nov. 9: 1:00 pm St Mary's School Veteran's Day program in school gym
- Sat., Nov. 10: St. John's Craft & Bake Sale at the Hector School Campus
- Sun., Nov 11: St Mary's School Pancake Breakfast by Junior High Class

AFC MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Amplifier aids available for the hearing impaired are located at the entrances of the church at SM & SA. Please ask the ushers for assistance.

Date & Time	Location	Intention
Sun., Oct. 7		
8:00-8:20 am	SA	Sacr. of Reconciliation
8:30 am	SA	+ Ginny Leither
8:00-8:20 am	SJ	Sacr. of Reconciliation
8:30 am	SJ	People of AFC
10:30 am	SM	+ Walt & Til Welsh
10:00-10:20 am	HR	Sacr. of Reconciliation
10:30 am	HR	+ Al Rohlik
Mon., Oct. 8		
8:30 am	SM	+ Marge (Baumann) Aldrich
Tues., Oct. 9		
10:30 am	HR Renville	Word & Communion
Wed., Oct. 10		
9:00 am	SJ Prairie View	No Mass
10:15 am	SA Fairview	Word & Communion
Thurs., Oct. 11		
8:00-8:20 am	SA	Sacr. of Reconciliation
8:30 am	SA	+ Katy Ziesmer
11:00 am	SM	Delores Wertish Prepared by Gr. 3
Fri., Oct. 12		
8:00-8:20 am	SA	Sacr. of Reconciliation
8:30 am	SA	+ Pat Rauenhurst
8:30 am	SM	+ Carol Billigmeier
9:00 am	SA	Rosary
Sat., Oct. 13		
11:00 am	SM	Sacr. of Reconciliation
4:30-4:50 pm	SA	Sacr. of Reconciliation
5:00 pm	SA	+ Pat Keltgen
6:30 pm	SM	+ Jan Gass
Sun., Oct. 14		
8:00-8:20 am	HR	Sacr. of Reconciliation
8:30 am	HR	+ Al "Weasel" Rohlik
8:00-8:20 am	SJ	Sacr. of Reconciliation
8:30 am	SJ	+ Eugene Kramer
9:30-9:50 am	SA	Sacr. of Reconciliation
10:00 am	SA	+ Neil Herdina
10:30 am	SM	People of AFC

ONE PRIEST WEEKEND SCHEDULE

The following weekend will be a 1 priest weekend schedule: October 20/21

- Sat., 5:00 pm St Aloysius, Olivia
- Sat., 7:00 pm St. John's, Hector
- Sun., 8:30 am Holy Redeemer, Renville
- Sun., 10:30 am St. Mary's, Bird Island

Calendar of Events October 7 - October 14

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
CCW Recognition Sunday @ HR, SA, SM Respect Life Sunday 9:30 am Coffee & Rolls SA 11:30 am CCW Breakfast HR	Columbus Day No School St. Mary's Faith Formation day for SM school staff	7:00 am Men's Group Mtg. SA/JC 10:30 am W & C Renville	AFC Faith Formation Classes 9:00 am NO Mass PrairieView 10:15 W & C at Fairview 6:30 pm Parish Choir SM & SA
Pastoral Leader Days in Willmar Oct. 9 & 10			
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
7:00 pm Parent Mtg. First Reconciliation SM/CB	No Events	11:00 am - 1:00 pm Baby Shower for Hailey & Andrew Damhof SM/CB	Holy Redeemer Mass 8:30 am St. Aloysius Mass 10:00 am St. Aloysius Fall Dinner 11-1:30 pm

Area Faith Community News

PASTOR'S CORNER

This weekend, Catholics nationwide celebrate Respect Life Sunday with the theme "Every Life: Cherished, Chosen, Sent." A reminder to all of us that life is sacred. We continue to stand up for the protection of all human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Let us join our hearts and minds together with our brothers and sisters throughout the church in prayer and solidarity. The following are some thoughts from the USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities that can also be found on their website. "By embracing the mission entrusted to him, St. Juan Diego helped bring Christ's transforming love to cultures gripped by oppression and death. . . . Like St. Juan Diego, let us embrace our daily mission to help others encounter God's transforming, life-giving love." "Heavenly Father...give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living." "Pray daily for the end to abortion, that all mothers and children experience the loving support of the Church community, and that all who suffer after abortion find healing and peace." "To the survivors of abuse and the families who have lost a loved one to abuse, I am sorry. You are no longer alone." – Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo of Galveston-Houston, President of the USCCB

Fr. Joe Steinbeisser

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
 Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/Lk 9:46-50
 Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8 [3]/Mt 18:1-5, 10
 Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 [3]/Lk 9:57-62
 Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [13]/Lk 10:1-12
 Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab [24b]/Lk 10:13-16
 Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130 [135]/Lk 10:17-24
 Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Pastoral Reflections continued.....

By analogy, when husband and wife are united in love, they are able to produce a third person, a child, the fruit of their love. The conception of a child is a reflection of the Holy Trinity, of God himself.

Today life is being attacked from every angle: abortion robs children of their fundamental right to life as planned by God; assisted suicide and euthanasia arises out of the false view that some lives are not worth living; the death penalty which the pope said recently "...is inadmissible because it attacks the inviolability and the dignity of the person."

"Let the children come to me; do not prevent them for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" Jesus tells his disciples in our Gospel reading when they tried to prevent the children from approaching him. Every child is a precious gift of incalculable worth. Every child is a gift of life, a miracle, a wonder. Every child brings us God's smile and invite us to recognize that life is a gift; a gift to be welcomed with love and preserved with care at every moment and always.

"Let the children come to me; do not prevent them...." It is to just such as these that the kingdom of God belongs; life in all its wonder and glory.

Have a good week.

Fr. George Schmit

AFC PRAYER CORNER

In order to keep the prayer corner current, names will be kept on the prayer corner until **Oct. 1, 2018** unless requested to come off earlier. In order for names to be on our prayers corner, the **INDIVIDUAL or a FAMILY MEMBER** must inform the parish office for you parish. Due to the Privacy Act we are unable to put names on our prayer list without their permission.

Please Pray for:

Bremseth, Carter SA
 Dolezal, Buddy SM
 Dolezal, Joann SM
 Eiler, Norma SM
 Lykken, Chase SM
 Minkel, Sandra SM
 Sullivan Family, HR

AFC PRAYER CHAIN

Do you or someone you know need prayer? Contact Duane or Julie Remer @ 320-523-5784 or Rose Mary Kirtz @ 320-848-2167 for confidential prayers or if you are interested in serving on our prayer chain.



SA VIGIL LIGHTS

Vigil Lights for these special intentions will burn at the St. Aloysius Shrine the week of Oct. 6

- 1) Mary Lou Dobmeier
- 2) Gavin Fischer

Candles are \$4.00 Each.

Please place your single intention and money in the collection or bring it to the Parish Office no later than 12:00 noon on Mon. The candles are lit on Sat. and will burn throughout the week.

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School and Area Faith Community News

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Marathon news! Instead of just walking around Bird Island, St. Mary's students will be completing service projects on Wed., Oct. 17. Groups of students would love to come and rake leaves, pick up sticks, and other outdoor jobs. If you would like some friendly, enthusiastic faces on this day, please contact Karen in the school office at 320-365-3693. If it is raining, our make up date will be the following Wed., Oct. 24.

THANK YOU to everyone who so far have given a donation to help pay for the new roof on the school. At this time we have just \$8,116.23 left to pay on this project. Any and all donations for this project will be greatly appreciated so we do not have to use reserve monies to pay for this project.

ST. MARY'S CASH CALENDAR WINNERS

September 30	Steve Johnson	\$50.00
October 1	Trisha Sheehan	\$25.00
October 2	Malissa Everson	\$25.00
October 3	Dan Smith	\$25.00
October 4	Charlene Thole	\$25.00
October 5	George Ebbers	\$25.00
October 6	Pat Amberg	\$25.00

AREA NEWS

Fr Joe & Fr George will be attending the **Fall Diocesan Pastoral Leader Days** this Tues. & Wed. in Willmar as they join Bishop LeVoir and the priests and deacons of the diocese in prayer for healing of the wounds caused by sexual abuse and to reflect upon Boundaries and Ministerial Effectiveness. Please note there will be no morning Masses on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please check elsewhere in this bulletin where and when W & C Services are scheduled.

Saint Padre Pio Relic Tour coming to New Ulm! On Sun., Oct. 28 the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity will be hosting both first and second class relics of St. Pio of Pietrelcina (better known as Padre Pio) from 11:00 am to 6:30 pm. This tour commemorates the 50th anniversary of his passing. For more information visit www.dnu.org/st-padre-pio-relics-tour. 605 N State St, New Ulm, MN

AFC NEWS

Our **Area Faith Community** will be selling **Pumpkin Pies** and **Apple Crisp** again this year prior to Thanksgiving. The proceeds of this **fundraiser** support adult and youth faith formation activities such as speakers and other faith enriching programs.

Apple season is here and if you have apples to donate, please contact Sara Anderson at 320-523-2030. If you are able to peel, core and slice the apples and freeze your apples in gallon freezer bags until after October 14th, it would be greatly appreciated. If you have freezer space that we can store apples in until after the St. Aloysius fall dinner, please contact Sara Anderson.

Friends of Our Blessed Mother, join us to be part of the Biggest Rosary Crusade in history to offset the sins of abortion, euthanasia, "transgenderism", Satanism, and the growing rate of drug addiction and suicide among young people—our nation desperately needs a supernatural solution. The solution was given by the **Blessed Mother at Fatima** in 1917 when she told people to pray the rosary for world peace. In answer to Our Lady's request, America Needs Fatima is planning 33,000 **public rosaries on Sat., Oct. 13 at 12:00 noon**.

Please join us at:

- Kubesh Park in Olivia—301 S. 12th St.
- Peace Garden on the Holy Redeemer southeast lawn in Renville (located in church if inclement weather.)

St. Mary's Church Preschool Sunday program starts today! It is held during the 10:30 am Mass in the church basement classrooms. If you have a child ages 3-5 not attending kindergarten and did not receive a registration form please call the parish office to register!!

THANK YOU! I would like to thank everyone who called, sent cards, came to visit me while recovering from my fall, especially Father George and Father Joe. Thank you also for the prayers and well wishes. Every day gets a little better. Thank you again.
Norma Eiler

October is Food Shelf Month for our AFC. Donations can be left at the designated places in each parish. Monetary donations can be made payable to Renville County Food Shelf.

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

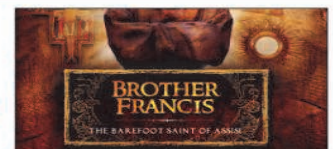
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Ministry Schedules

HOLY REDEEMER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

8:30 am Sunday, October 14 (time change due to SA Festival)

Rosary Leader: Diane A.

Eucharistic Ministers: Theresa A., Paul H.

Lector: Diane A.

Gift Bearers: Paul & Linda Haen

Servers: Emily, Anabelle

Money Counters: Gene A., Bill S., Cari R.

Musicians: Sandy & Leader

Ministers of Hospitality:

Gene & Colleen Alex, Gene Frank, Roger Hagen

ST. ALOYSIUS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Weekday Ministry

Tues(9) Money Counters: Pat Swanson/ Jim Kosak

Thurs (11) Lector: Katie **Chalice:** Rich

Fri (12) Lector: Jim **Chalice:** Margaret

Fri (12) 9:00 AM Rosary: Needed

5:00 pm Saturday, October 13

Minister of the Word: Jim Wagemaker

Acolytes: Mav Kaufenberg, Colter Johnson

Plate: Father, Rich McCabe

Chalice: Kathy Elfering, Kathy Frank, Duane & Julie Remer

Gift Bearers: Tom & Betty Rau

Rosary: **Needed**

Music: Ally/MaryElla

Depositor: Ann Fank

10:00 am Sunday, October 14 (time change due to Festival)

Minister of the Word: Barb Mathiowetz

Acolytes: Ty & Avery Herdina

Plate: Father, Joe Hennen

Chalice: Michelle & Greg Peppel, Mary Schroepfer, Barb M.

Gift Bearers: **Needed**

Rosary: None

Music: Ally/Susie

Depositor: Tom Rau

Ministers of Hospitality:

Saturday Main: Steve Chandler, Bill Steffel

Gathering: Linda Bremseth, Dorothy Altmann

Sunday Main: Larry Filzen, Todd Dillon

Gathering: Jim & Jayne Boersma

Family Service Group #1 will serve the next funeral

ST. MARY'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

6:30 pm Saturday, October 13

Ministers of the Word: Chuck Honzay & Hazel Cully

Acolytes: Kyle Manderscheid

Plate: Father, Kathryn Knight

Chalice: Chris Honzay, Bill Cully

Rosary: Chuck Honzay

Music:

10:30 am Sunday, October 14

Ministers of the Word: Wendy Nissen & John Baumgartner

Acolytes: Caylee & Daylen Weber

Plate: Father, Dave Kubesh

Chalice: Meg Kubesh, Cathy Baumgartner,

Tom & Sheila Jacobs

Music:

Ministers of Hospitality: September

Saturday 6:30 pm– John Fink (Captain), John Fussy,

Need 2 more

Sunday 10:30 am– Jeff Woelfel (Captain), Todd Sheehan,

John Hilgert, Gary McRell

Money Counters: Monday, Oct. 8 @ 1:00 pm

Bill Jungers, Gary Abraham & office staff

October Altar Care:

Jim & Julie Seidl (chairpersons), Joe & Karen Schulte,

Keith & Betsy Schwer, Jim & Ellen Smith

CCW Circle #4 will serve the next funeral

ST. JOHN'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE

8:30 am Sunday, October 14

Minister of the Word: Charlie Kubesh

Acolytes: Kirtz

Plate: Father, Cary Kirtz

Chalice: **Need 2 volunteers**

Offertory Gifts: Mark & Sara Kramer

Music: Choir & Rybergs

Rosary: Rose Mary Kirtz

Sacristan: Cary

Ushers: Betty Raitz, Kevin & Carol Loftness, Bob Hilleshiem

Family Service Group #3 will serve the next funeral

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Stewardship - Weekend of September 29/30, 2018

	Holy Redeemer	St. Aloysius	St. Mary	St. John
Adult	\$ 2,349.50	\$ 3,959.00	\$ 5,571.00	\$ 280.00
Youth	\$ 18.99	\$ 1.00	\$ 21.00	—
Plate	\$ 63.00	\$ 283.00	\$ 188.96	\$ 104.00
Votive	—	\$ 4.00	—	—
Other	\$ 110.00	\$ 1,570.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 840.25
2nd Coll. Uganda SA	—	\$ 1,224.00	—	—
Totals	\$ 2,541.49	\$ 7,041.00	\$ 5,840.96	\$ 1,224.25
DMA Goal *	\$5,666.61	\$10,782.31	\$22,036.83	\$5,902.72
Cash received	\$8,121.10	\$11,961.10	\$17,367.95	\$4,200.00
Cash pledged	\$8,216.10	\$12,191.10	\$17,367.95	\$4,200.00

*Diocesan Ministry Appeal: Remember that 20% of our donations come back to each parish.

Parish News

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

CCW Mtg. will be held on **Sun., Oct. 14** after Mass. CCW dues should be turned in with the collection or to the parish office. Your CCW Dues envelope is included in your pack of envelopes.

St John's Craft & Bake Sale will be held on **Sat., Nov. 10**. **Service group #2 is in charge of the event.**

ST. ALOYSIUS NEWS

Tom & Betty Rau will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary on **Oct. 12**. Please join them at Mass on Oct. 13th to share in a special blessing on their marriage!

Fall Festival Meal: We are in need of carrots, onions, green & red peppers, 10 pounds of pork sausage and 30 pounds of hamburger for the festival. Please call Martha, 320-522-0524 ASAP if you are able to donate any of these items.

Our **Fall Festival** will be held on **Sunday, Oct. 14th**. We will be serving our Chicken Dinner from 11:00 am–1:30 pm. Please pick up your raffle tickets in the gathering space. Mass will be held at 10:00 am with music by the St. A Polkateers! Join us in this wonderful event and call the parish office if you wish to help!

St. Aloysius is helping with the Christian Community Outreach Center (CCOC) to provide children with a safe and Christ centered place to hang out from 3 pm-5:30 pm. Each month one of the local churches is asked to help by providing healthy snacks for the students. **St. Aloysius parishioners are to provide the CCOC snacks throughout the month of October.** We are in need of healthy snacks for 40 kids five days a week during the month of October. There is a sign up sheet in the parish office with **10 spots remaining**. You can also sign up for a day by calling the parish office at 320-523-2030.

ST. MARY'S NEWS

2019 CCW Circle Book— now is the time to update phone number's for our 2019 CCW Circle booklet. Please contact the parish office at 320-365-3593, email @ sueo@heartofjesusafc.org or Theresa Tersteeg at 320-579-0322, email theresatersteeg@gmail.com by Oct 14!!

Save the Dates: Our next CCW meeting will be held on Jan 6, 2019 after the 10:30 am Mass. Also Catholic United Financial Council will meet on Nov. 19 after the 8:30 am Mass in the church hall.

We would like volunteers to make Christmas bows and deliver them to the nursing homes in Renville County for the Christmas Season. Please contact Theresa Tersteeg 320-579-0322 or email: theresatersteeg@gmail.com.

HOLY REDEEMER NEWS

We are in need of **Mass intentions**. Please Contact the parish office or drop a note in a sealed envelope at Mass!

Mass next Sunday will be at 8:30 am, not at 10:30 am, because of St. Aloysius Fall Festival.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Faith Formation Classes have begun in our AFC! St John's and Holy Redeemer classes are offered to all students K-12. St Mary's and St Aloysius students K-8 attend at St Aloysius and students 9-12 attend at St Mary's. If you have a child eligible to participate and have not registered them or received information to register them, please call St Al's parish office at 320-523-2030 or St Mary's parish office at 320-365-3593.

SJ Faith Formation:

- Grade 7-12 Faith Formation will kick off on Sun., Oct 7 starting at 9:30 am after the 8:30 am Mass. Information/registration was sent out this past week. If you are interested and did not receive information, please contact Michelle Peppel at 320-523-2030 or Sue at St John's parish office on Tuesday mornings 9-11:30 am at 320-848-6437 or at the St Mary's parish office 320-365-3593.

Diocese of New Ulm & Area News

"Bishop LeVoir has asked that we ask for donations for victims of **Hurricane Florence** and the flooding in the Carolinas as well as other 2018 weather related events. Catholic Charities USA and the USCCB uses these funds for direct relief to those displaced and to assist parishes with the disruption these storms have caused. Our own diocese has been a beneficiary of these collections this year as 36 households have received over \$32,000 in assistance from the proceeds of a diocesan second collection and a Catholic Charities USA assistance grant following the severe flooding due to the heavy rains in early July. Please be generous in your support of this USCCB special request for 2018 Weather Disasters." Donations can be sent/dropped off to the parish offices as soon as possible if you wish to help since we will **not** be taking up a second collection.

New **VIRTUS** Training Session have been added for:

- Mon., Oct 8, 5:30-8:30 pm at the church of St. John, Ortonville
- Sun., Oct 14, 9:15 am– 12:30 pm at the church of St. Dionysius, Tyler.

Individuals needing a new account or having a pending VIRTUS account are to register online at the DNU Website <https://www.dnu.org/safeenvironment/> by clicking on the large red button (left side) of the Safe Environment Web page.

Fall Festivals/Dinner:

- **Church of St. Michael in Morgan Beef Dinner** will be held on Sun., Oct. 14, 10:30 am-1:00 pm.

Redwood Area Hospital Adult Grief Support Group is meeting from October 1 to November 5 on Mondays from 2-4 pm in the education room. No cost to participate. Call 507-637-4617 to register.

Olivia Community Blood Drive will be held at **St. Aloysius Church Jubilee Center** on Tues., Oct.16, 1:00-7:00 pm. Please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org and enter OliviaMN to make an appointment.

The Church of the Japanese Martyrs in Leavenworth is having a **Catholic United Financial Matching Grant Pancake Breakfast** on Sun., Oct. 7, serving from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm.

2018 DNU Ethics Conference will be held Sat., Oct. 13, from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm at Shoestatt on the Lake in Sleepy Eye. Health care professionals and all interested people of the diocese are invited to attend. Registration 8:30 to 9 am. Opening Mass at 9 am celebrated by Bishop John M. LeVoir. Opening remarks at 10 am. Information regarding speakers and registration will be forthcoming. Go to www.dnu.org/ethicsconference/ for registration info. and a list of topics.

Bulletin Notice Deadline: All items for the bulletin must be submitted to the parish office by **Thursday, 10 days prior, by 12:00pm.**

Registration: We welcome you to one of our communities in our Area Faith Community and invite you to register in one of our parishes. Stop by or call the parish office.

Baptism: Please contact the parish office to schedule baptism preparation and baptism.

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