



Newsletter

St. Mary's Men's Club

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Message from the Chairman

It has been a very busy first quarter. As usual, the Men's Club did a fine job on the Seafood Dinners. Especially gratifying to me as Chairman was seeing a lot of new faces helping out. It was a wonderful way to provide service to the Parish and to the Men's Club as well as enjoying the fellowship of your fellow members.

Several of our members participated in the Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) program in mid-April. Other members were active in several other Parish sponsored programs – the Just Faith program, Relay for Life, Rekindle Café, Right to Life and the new St. Mary Parish Foundation programs are just a few of them.

After the Men's Club Meeting on May 15, there will not be another General Meeting until September. Until then, there are several Men's Club sponsored events that you will want to consider either by helping or by attending:

Eucharistic Adoration:

Every Thursday evening at 7:00 PM in the St. Mary's Chapel

Golf League:

Every Monday evening

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Men's Club Scholarship

by Tom Reaume

Hot off the presses!

The 2005 Men's Club Scholarship had another successful year.

The Annual Men's Club Scholarships were awarded as we were going to press!

The submittal deadline was April 8, 2005, and by then we had received a number of applications. All applications were submitted to the Scholarship Committee members for their individual analysis and review. On April 24th, a final

meeting was held by the Committee to determine the winners.

Alysee Boyd and Sean Gaffney, both from HHS, have been selected as this year's winners of the Father Joseph Costello Memorial Scholarship presented by the St. Mary Church Men's Club. Each will receive a Scholarship check in the amount of \$750. Look for a detailed biography on both of the winners in the Hudson Hub.

Congratulations to these fine young students from our parish!

Father/Child Canoe Trip

by Tony Gallo



The annual Father/Child Canoe and Camp Trip sponsored by the St. Mary's Men's Club will be June 11-12. This year's event will be held at Camp Toodik in Loudenville, OH. All men of the parish and their children are invited. Call Tony Gallo, 330-528-0977, or email tgallo@thegallogroup.com for more details. Please reserve the second Saturday and Sunday of June for a fun filled weekend.

Chairmen's Message

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Relay for Life:

June 3-4, 2005

Father-Child Canoe Trip:

June 11-12, 2005

Men's Club

Appreciation Day:

June 26, 2005

Habitat for Humanity:

Throughout the summer;
Drywall in late July/early
August.

The Men's Club is open to all men of the Parish. If you would like to become a member, feel free to contact me or any other member of the Club.

Have a safe & happy summer and I look forward to seeing you at some of these events.

Sincerely,

Jody Feldman
Chairman

Calendar

Eucharistic Adoration

7:00 P.M. every Thursday

Relay for Life Weekend

Friday, June 3, 2005

Father/Child Canoe Trip

Saturday, June 11, 2005

Men's Club

Appreciation Day

Sunday, June 26, 2005

Men's Club

General Meeting

Sunday, September 18, 2005
7:30 p.m., Upper Hall

Relay for Life Sandwich Stand Help Wanted

We need your help for a couple hours to cook and serve sandwiches at the Hudson-Stow Relay for Life on June 3-4. Last year we served hotdogs and hamburgers and have been asked to help again this year. We plan to serve dinner Friday evening from 5pm to 9pm and lunch from 11:30am to 1pm on Saturday. Please, contact Tony Gallo at 330-528-0977 or by email tgallo@thegallogroup.com if you can help.

Honey Baked Ham Sales

by Bob Komoff

The Men's Club sponsored Honey Baked Ham sales during December 2004 for Christmas and March 2005 for Easter. Thanks again to the 25 members who participated in these events. Due to your efforts, the proceeds from these ham sales contributed almost \$1400 to the Men's Club treasury.

Newsletter info:

Would you like to write an article for the St. Mary's Mens Club Newsletter? Please send your "Word Document", or pictures of a Parish event, to Brian Mullins at bmullins@kadeeindustries.com.

Holy Hour

by John Ricchiuto

The greatest gift the Men's Club has given the parish these past four years and continues to do so is exposition of the Eucharist. Each Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. a Holy Hour is conducted by Deacon Fred Brown. In addition, on the fourth Thursday during the Holy Hour a healing service is presented.

Pope Benedict XVI after his first Mass said ..."In a very significant way, my pontificate starts as the Church is living the special year dedicated to the Eucharist..... The Eucharist is the Source and Summit of the Life and Mission of the Church. I ask everyone to intensify in coming months love and devotion to the Eucharistic Jesus and to express in a courageous and clear way the real presence of the Lord, above all through the solemnity and the correctness of the celebrations"

The Men's Club is in place to support the year of the Eucharist.

As Jesus said, to His disciples, "come and see" each Thursday evening.

Get Your Men's Club Shirt!!

If you looking for real style, ask Ray Dalessandro (Ray.Dalessandro@rrd.com) or Bruce Mlakar (Bruce.Mlakar@hds.com) to show you the Men's Club Logo shirts we currently have available for sale. They come in different styles and colors, and will range from \$20-\$40 depending on style chosen.

Seafood Dinners – A Great Success

After several months of planning and seven hectic Fridays, the Seafood Dinners are officially complete and in the records book. This year's Seafood Dinners turned out to be the most successful dinners ever. We set records for both sales and profit. When it was all said and done we served 3,696 dinners in seven weeks. Here are some additional "Fish Facts":

Average Dinners Sold per Week	528
Dinners Served per Hour	211
Dinners Served per Minute	3.52
Number of	
Beer Battered Fish Dinners Sold	600
Number of Pizzas Served	323
Cans of Pop Sold	2,044

We would like to thank all those individuals and families who attended the Lenten Seafood Dinners. Your continued support for this event is greatly appreciated.



Mark your calendars for 2006. The first dinner will be held on February 24, 2006 and run for seven consecutive Friday's. And a special thank you to all the men of the parish who worked this event. Without your time and effort, this event would not be possible.

Seafood Dinner Co-Chairman:
Jeff Johnson
Joe Palmeri
Jim Skripac
Carl Walko

Pasta Service Dinners

by Mike Leighty

On Saturday April 9 the Men's Club prepared a pasta dinner for 200 lifeteens for their annual Camp Christopher Lifeteen Spring Retreat. We started boiling the water at 12:00 noon and by the time the pots and pans were put away it was 7:00 P.M. It was a long day but very gratifying because of the many thank-yous and compliments that we received from the teens.

That same weekend, we also prepared dinner for the ladies participating in the CRHP Retreat, held the same weekend.

A big thank you goes out to Gene Wyatt, Kent Brown, Rob Schlafer, Paul Samide, Joe Sharkey and Brian O'Connor for all their help. Wow, that's a lotta meatballs!

Sweet Night in Venice

by Rob Schlafer

The fruit of the vine and the flavor of Venice came together at St Mary Church in Hudson at the second annual Womens Guild and Mens Club social on Friday night April 22nd. Participants were treated to a wonderful array of chocolates, wines and appetizers from Italy.

The tour began with a sampling of the Champagnes, appetizers and chocolates that complimented each other. Each of the following tables presented

appetizers and chocolates that complimented the wines sampled; Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc and Zinfandel. The tour concluded with a sweet ending at the desert table featuring Pizelles, Biscotti and Tiramisu Éclairs with Ports, Godiva Liqueur and Italian Coffees.

There was plenty of time to socialize throughout the evening. The attendance was double that of last year and as the evening came to a close, it was great to see that it

was relaxing and enjoyable as most of the guests were content with extending their stay visiting and socializing with each other.

Planning has already begun for next year's social; "A Night in Paris" featuring French Wines with appetizers and chocolates to compliment. Thanks to all from the Mens Club and Womens Guild who helped with the success of this event.

Habitat Update

Habitat for Humanity and the Hudson Coalition

The coalition kicked off the 2005 season in April announcing plans to build a 14th house in Summit County. As a member of the Coalition, St. Mary continues to be a cornerstone in the annual building and financing process.

2005 key house event dates will be:

June 4/5 and June 11/12

Blitz framing

August 13, August 20, and August 27

Dry walling weekends

Although these weekend dates are assigned, flexibility is the key, due to a fluctuation in the building schedule.

Work is done every Saturday from 8:00 – 5:00 and Wednesdays from 5:30 – 8:00.

New this year is the need for St. Mary to have one safety coordinator on site each day (August 13, 20, and 27). Safety coordinator training is scheduled on May 21st from 8 – 10:30. Details will follow.

Finally, to build additional awareness about Habitat for Humanity, the Hudson Coalition

is sponsoring the first annual run. This 5 mile run and 1 mile walk for families and individuals will take place on September 3, 2005. St. Mary volunteers are needed for set-up that morning from 7 – 7:45 AM. The set-up will include awnings, signs, starting tables and sound system.

2005 looks to be another successful year for Habitat or Humanity with the help of the many volunteers from St. Mary Parish. For further information about volunteering, please call Jeff Collier at 330-65-2739 or email at Jefferyscollier@aol.com.

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