

Father Sauer will have Mass this Saturday evening at 7:30 p.m. so the Festival workers will be able to attend Mass next weekend. For next Sunday only Mass will be 10:00 a.m. with Father Moore. It will be a Polka Mass with the "Litomyslaneous Polka Band".

Mass Intentions

Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Friday - NO MASS  
Saturday - 7:30 p.m. - For a Successful Festival  
Sunday - 10:00 a.m. - Albert & Elizabeth Rysavy †

**Sunday - 10:00 a.m. ~ Polka Mass**

Lec - Sister Franchon  
EM - Gordy Spinler  
Cup - Marcella Jenó & Don Kasper  
Servers - Sara Noble & Julia Borchert  
Gifts - Joe Rysavy Family  
Ushers - LeRoy Schroeder & Bob Prokopec

**St. Isidore School Calendar Winners:  
July 20 - John & Eileen Deml, Litomysl**

**Mark Beaupre Benefit Sunday**, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Owatonna VFW from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Advance tickets - \$7 and can be purchased at Insty Prints, Hy-Vee, Wells Federal Bank. Tickets at the door - \$8 and 5 & under free. Roast Pork - Bake Sale - Silent Auction. Mark is the son of Ed & Barb (Ringhofer) Beaupre, & a 1985 graduate of OHS. He was diagnosed with a cancerous brain tumor known as Medulloblastoma in October of 2007. He has had 2 surgeries, underwent radiation and is now taking chemotherapy. Mark has not been able to work, and due to his care at home, his wife has worked very little.

**LET'S CELEBRATE!** St. Isidore School of Litomysl is celebrating 50 years of Catholic education! All parishioners, alumni and community members are invited to attend a special birthday party held at Holy Trinity Church of Litomysl on Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. 5pm - Social Hour (RAD Zoo for the kids, beer & pop available for the adults) & at 6 pm a meal catered by Janice Pederson. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$7 for ages 4-10, and kids 3 and under are free. For more information or to get your tickets, call Jenny Deml at St. Isidore School by July 27<sup>th</sup>. (507-451-5876) Hope to see you at the party!

**Festival News**

**Parishioners** are asked to park their vehicles in the **hay field** across the road from the school next Sunday.  
**Plan to arrive on time** for your shift next Sunday and please stay the entire time you are assigned.  
If there is any man, woman or child who does not have a job for the Festival, please call Bruce or Rose Ann Kubicek at 451-6616 as soon as possible. With everyone doing their part, the Litomysl Festival can be another **Great Success!**  
**All bills** must be turned in to our bookkeeper, Tara Jones rather than taking the money from the monies at the Festival. That way an accurate account can be kept of all the expenses. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Everyone of every age, male and female**, is invited to come and help make biscuits on Friday of this week. Help will be needed from 7:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Come whenever you are able and stay as long as you can. *Help is especially needed to help package and carry the biscuits to the school from Noon on.*

**Help** will be needed **Saturday**, beginning at 9:00 a.m. to help set everything up for the Festival. Everyone in the parish is invited to come and help. A noon lunch will be served.

**Please bring any Auction Items** on Saturday morning. Anyone wishing to have something picked up for the Auction, please call Jim Klecker at 451-0129 or Merle Anderson at 455-0187.

If you have not turned in your **Big Ticket** stubs and money, please turn them in to the Big Ticket tent next Sunday. *If you have any you have been unable to sell, please turn them back in also.*

Everyone is invited to bring garden produce, plants, jellies, jams, pickles, plants and eggs etc. to be sold at the "**Country Store**" at the Festival. Please bring items here by 10:00 a.m.

Next Sunday there will be a **Shaved Ham or Roast Beef meal** served in the church basement from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. only. The meal will also include potato salad, watermelon, beans, ice cream & beverage. Homemade pies and filled biscuits will be served in the church basement from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. only.

**Food outdoors** will be served all day and will include brats, pork burgers, pork rib sandwiches, root beer floats, nachos and cheese, and popcorn.

**Cotton Candy** will be sold by the school as well as brats etc.

**The Paint Ball Game** and the **Dime Toss Game** will also be by the school.

We also invite everyone to come and bid at the **Silent Auction** being held in the school. It begins at 11:00 a.m. and bidding to close at 3:00 p.m. This year there is an **Eden Pure Quartz Infrared Portable Heater** (donated by SPC) and a **John Deere Pedal Combine** signed by Don Ertl (donated by Scalemodels) plus many other new items for men, women & children.

**The Oral Auction** will begin at 11:00 a.m. south of the school with many new and used items including countertops, misc. cupboards, raised panel doors, etc from "Advantage Cabinets" An old roll top desk and a lighted display case will be auctioned off.

The **Big Ticket Raffle** drawing with the 90 prizes will take place at 5:00 p.m. on the bandstand north of the church.

A **special thanks** to all of you who helped to collect prizes. You did a wonderful job!  
**Thousands** of great prizes were collected and will be available to win at the children's games, Root Beer Barrel Game and for chances. We invite everyone to try their luck at winning some of these prizes next Sunday.

**Bands playing**- 11:15 a.m. - Paul Rysavy's Band S.O.L.; 12:15 p.m. "The Czech Lites"; 2:15 p.m. "The Klecker Band"; from 3:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. "The Czech Lites". Hans Hohnman will be playing by the school throughout the day.

**Help will also be needed to clean up Sunday afternoon when the Festival festivities are over.**

**The Festival will be advertised Monday at 9:20 a.m. on KRFO Radio(am) and KDHL Radio (am) on Wed. at 9:30 p.m. Also on Owatonna Cable TV this week.**

Thank you to all who prepared the gathering and joined us in my official “welcome” to Holy Trinity. It is fun to meet you and begin to get to know you. Please help me learn names by reminding me of your name. It works best in smaller groups but everything is a help. And if I ask you your name don’t feel insulted that I don’t remember. As I have said, I don’t have a great memory for names so it takes a lot of reinforcement – especially when I am meeting so many new people.

Please remember the youth of the world who are gathering in Sydney, Australia for World Youth Day.

This week’s section of Bishop Harrington’s Pastoral Letter, **Proclaim Jesus!** deals with outreach to the stranger. He speaks especially of the need to engage our Hispanic brothers and sisters in parish life. I understand that there are around 5000 Hispanics who live in our area. Although we don’t seem to have many who join us they remain our brothers and sisters and we must reach out to them wherever we can. A small number of them regularly attend the Sunday Spanish Mass at Sacred Heart. They tell me that the some of the Protestant communities in town have made outreach to Hispanics a priority. And the Hispanics often respond to the interest that is shown in them.

I will be meeting this week with a number of people to discern how we can best engage in ministry to the immigrants in our area. We are fortunate to have Fr. Riccardo, a priest from Columbia who lives in Austin, to help us in this regard. We have begun taking steps to meet this goal. There is more that we can do.

### *Welcoming the stranger*

In the parable of the sower and the seed, some of the seed fell on the path. It sprouted, but it was quickly underfoot, it wasn’t nurtured, and it died. Those seeds are the people from many cultures, especially our Hispanic brothers and sisters who have moved to our diocese and who continue to come in search of freedom and the opportunity to work and support their families.

I have a special concern for immigrants from Latin America. Since I first became your bishop in 1999, the number of weekend Masses in Spanish has increased more than tenfold. The number of Hispanic people who have immigrated to our diocese has multiplied several times over and continues to grow. Many of them now are raising their own families, so the number of immigrants and of first generation American citizens will continue to expand dramatically. They live in all parts of our diocese. When parishioners tell me that there are no Hispanic people in their parish, I tell them, “They are there, and you just haven’t found them.”

Most Hispanic people who live in our diocese were baptized in the Catholic Church and celebrate the same sacraments that are so familiar to us. They share our

baptism, and the call to live as disciples of Jesus. But, the problems that come with living in a new place with a different culture and without a common language wear down the practice of the faith. Unfortunately, on occasion, we have not made them welcome in God’s house. We must change! We must rescue these valuable seeds and keep them from being destroyed by the pressures of daily life. We must give them an opportunity to bloom and to blossom by reaching out to them and engaging them in the life of our parish. God too has blessed them with gifts and talents. As strangers in a foreign land, they often are reluctant to step forward. It is our responsibility to love our neighbors as ourselves and invite them to join us in the community of believers.

At the diocesan level, we have established an Office of Hispanic Ministry, and have launched several programs to minister to the Hispanic people who live among us. But, effective ministry – engagement – must take place in every parish. The sad fact is that, if we do not tend to these new arrivals and welcome them into their parishes, then people of other faiths will fill the gap. These evangelizers from other faiths are enthusiastic about their church, they speak the Spanish language, and they understand the Hispanic culture. In so doing, they also are showing us what we must do to evangelize our Hispanic neighbors.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has called for major changes in our immigration laws, calls that I strongly support. Our laws today are not just and often have the effect of separating families in violation of our strongly held principle that families are the basic building blocks of our society. Our efforts to secure reforms of the immigration system have not succeeded as yet. I have every confidence that the bishops of our country will continue to appeal to the conscience of every American citizen and urge them to support measures that will respect the aliens and strangers in our nation. God’s law demands no less. (Deuteronomy 5:14-15; 24:18; 27:19). I encourage parishes to convene forums at which parishioners can discuss this issue and mobilize local resources to advocate for the strangers in our land.

- Every parish will reach out to identify, contact, welcome and engage Hispanic people who have settled in their area.
- Parishes will engage Hispanic people in every aspect of parish life – liturgy, faith formation, stewardship, fellowship, pastoral care and social justice.
- Parishes have a God-given opportunity to demonstrate their love for the strangers who live among us by helping them to adjust to their life in a new community, especially by helping them to learn English.

...*Father John Sauer*