

Hope for the Hopeless & Healing for the Hurting: A sacred time of the year is once again here – to remind us that God's Son has died a most cruel death – to redeem us from our sins. It is through this selfless act that we are able to deal with the guilt of our sin – by finding new life in HIM.

This is the HOPE and HEALING that is the success of the Samaritans Hand – how uplifting life is for one who has found a new life – by ridding self of the control of ALCOHOL and OTHER DRUG ADDICTIONS. Yet, it is the realization that prayer and meditation will improve one's conscious contact with God.



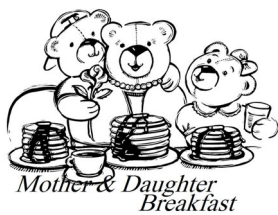
The foundation of the Sober House in Sheboygan is founded on that basic principal: "A POWER GREATER THAN ONESELF." Yet, the Sober House does depend on the donations of others in order to continue its ministry. How fortunate it is that the members of Blessed Trinity and Saint John Evangelist Parishes have stepped forward to be a part of the success of the Sober House.

With our annual 2019 Lenten Outreach Program almost complete, heartfelt thanks from Blessed Trinity Human Concerns Committee and St. John Evangelist Social Justice Committee are extended to all who donated financially and spiritually. We are confident that your spiritual and financial generosity will impact some of the lives of those who turn to Samaritans Hand and the Sober House in Sheboygan for life-giving support.

The total amount received to date from Blessed Trinity and St. John Evangelist Parishes and the Kohler Company is \$10,300.00. If you would still care to donate, envelopes are available at the end of the Church pews and in the kiosk in the gather space. A final Lenten progress report will be placed in the bulletins and recorded on the poster-thermometers in the Church gathering space of BT and SJE. Thanks!!!



MOTHER DAUGHTER BREAKFAST: We are looking for fathers and sons to help at the Mother Daughter Breakfast which is scheduled for **Sunday, April 28** after the 9:00 am Mass. Please prayerfully think about helping out at this wonderful event which allows mothers, grandmothers, daughters and granddaughters time to socialize and enjoy a wonderful breakfast. Please contact Jay Miller (920-889-1097) to volunteer. Tickets will be on sale before and after Masses April 21.



Attention men of Blessed Trinity and St. John Evangelist parishes: Are you struggling to be the man God created

you to be? Would you like to strengthen your spiritual resolve? Do you need help and guidance in living your faith boldly in all aspects of your life? If you have answered



"yes" to even just one of these questions then I would invite you to go to www.paradisusdei.org/that-man-is-you and view the 8 minute introductory video entitled Discover More About TMIY Men's Program. Then please attend the informational meeting of the Men's Prayer Group that is being organized now. We will meet at 7:00 am on Saturday, April 27, in the Catholic Life Center Assembly Room at Blessed Trinity Parish. This is your opportunity! We hope and pray that we see you there!!

BULLETIN BOARD NEWS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CHARITY CLUB "DESSERT CARD PARTY": On **Wednesday, April 24, 1:00 pm** at **St. Peter Claver's Van Treeck Hall** (1439 S. 12th Street Sheboygan). Play cards, Mah Jongg, Dominos, or your favorite board game. Get your friends together and join in the fun! Tickets are \$4.00 per person. There will also be table prizes, 50/50 raffle, raffles for gift baskets, cash gift certificates and more. This is the main fundraiser of the year to support Catholic education and community social service organizations in Sheboygan County. For more information, call Kay (920-452-6476) or Candy (920-457-9292).

Join us on **May 4, 2019**, to commemorate and celebrate the day the first Bishop of Milwaukee, Bishop John Martin Henni arrived in Milwaukee in 1844. The celebration will start in **Pere Marquette Park**, then process to the Cathedral for an 11:00 am Mass. We will continue our celebration in Cathedral Square, as we join together in a fun-filled family day of music, food, and games.

Happy
EASTER!

GOOD SHEPHERD'S DINNER: St. John's

Good Shepherd

Dinner



Social Justice Committee is once again hosting a "Good Shepherd Dinner" on Tuesday, April 23 from 4:00 - 6:00 pm at First

Reform Church, Sheboygan Falls. If you are interested in helping, please sign up on the sheet in the gathering space.

Save The Date: The **Blessed Trinity Parish Festival** will be held on **June 9th**. This will actually be the first event in a week-long celebration culminating in a Procession and special Mass on June 16th, The Feast of The Most Holy Trinity. Several events will be scheduled to take place during this week. You won't want to miss a thing! So keep you calendars clear for June 9th through June 16th, and watch the bulletin for more details!!

Without Good Friday, Easter Sunday is not possible. We live in a time and mindset when pain and inconveniences are totally considered as evil and to be avoided at any cost. Suffering for the sake of suffering is meaningless. But, some lack of comfort need not be that negative. On Good Friday, we commemorate Jesus' Agony, Passion and of course His gruesome Death on the Cross, and that private and hasty burial of His body. All the events that took place on that fateful day on Mount Calvary make us sad, but that reaction of sadness is not what is really needed. Our appropriate response ought to be a resolution to reestablish that strong relationship with God our Creator and with our fellow human beings. Death seizes everything. Every person we know will die. Everything we treasure will slip away from us. Even the high prized monuments we erect shall be destroyed (The sad news of fire destroying the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris.) But, we Christians ought to be connecting Good Friday events to Easter Sunday happenings. If for a moment we forget this connection, then we will miss the entire Redemption Plan of God. May we have the grace to be in touch with the Risen Lord. May we be blessed with that deeper peace and joy which only the Risen Lord can bless us with. Happy Easter Everyone.

My special gratitude to members of the decoration committee, members of the choir and those who tirelessly worked hard to set up for worship. Special thanks to the volunteers, sacristans and parish staff. *Fr. Joe.*