

APRIL, MAY & JUNE 2010

Please note that, unless otherwise specified, all events will be held in the Church.

Wednesday, April 7, 7-8:30pm.

Is the Bible "green?" (Marilyn Catherine)

What does Scripture have to say about environmental concerns?

Friday, April 9, 7 p.m.

"Clare and Francis" intergenerational movie

(2 parts – April & May)

This movie is a unique portrayal with historical accuracy and authentic spirit of the joy and piety of saints Clare and Francis of Assisi. This inspirational story depicts the radical choice to follow and the impact they had in reaching across the centuries to change the world. (200 minutes)

Thursday, April 15, 2 – 3:30 p.m., OR 7-8:30 p.m.

Preparing for Resurrection/Living and Dying in a Complex World – Part 1 (Mary Ellen Fischer)

Thursday, April 22

Earth Day - Sierra Club 12th Annual Environmental Forum

This event takes place at the First Unitarian Church on Winton Rd. St. Monica's Creation Stewards are collaborating on a presentation with other Faith based groups.

Thursday, April 29, 2 – 3:30 p.m., OR 7-8:30 p.m.

Preparing for Resurrection/Living and Dying in a Complex World – Part 2 (Mary Ellen Fischer)

Thursday, May 6, 7-8:30 p.m.

Women's Circle of Spiritual Support

Women of our community are gathering monthly for an evening of faith-sharing. All women are welcome to join us for this ongoing spiritual support.

Thursday, May 13, 7-8:30 p.m.

"The Wit and Wisdom of our beloved Fr. Ray"

Join us as Fr. Ray invites us into our deeper walk with God.

Friday, May 14, 7 p.m.

"Clare and Francis" intergenerational movie (continued)

Thursday, June 3, 7-8:30 p.m.

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Women of our community are gathering monthly for an evening of faith-sharing. All women are welcome to join us for this ongoing spiritual support.

Monday, June 7, 7-8:30 p.m.

Women of the Well present "The Time is Fulfilled: Believe in the Good News"

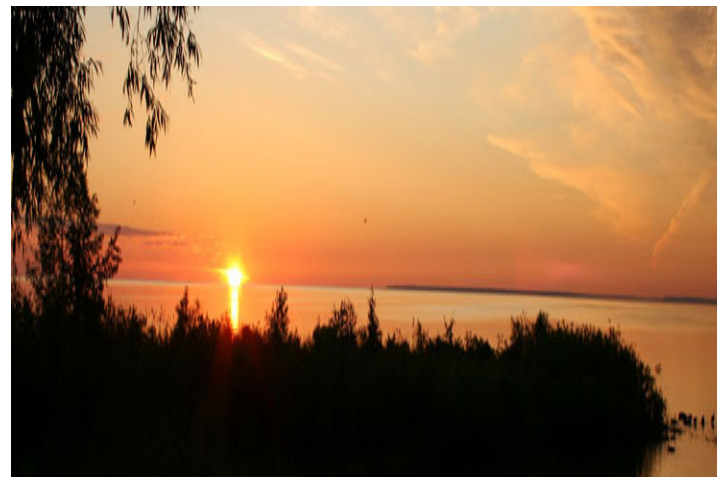
Hear the stories of women in Mark's Gospel. Each story will be proclaimed "by Heart" followed by a brief reflection from each woman. A similar contemporary story will also be told.

Thursday June 17, 7-9 p.m.

Fatherhood - the Privilege and the Challenge (Frank Staropoli)

We'll look together at those moments of pride and privilege we experience as fathers, and at those times when we feel quite inadequate and overwhelmed. We'll look at what helps us to manage our own anxiety as fathers, so we can be a non-anxious presence for those we love. No easy answers here, but an exploration of life and faith as fathers.

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JANUARY 2010

Please note that, unless otherwise specified, all events will be held in the Rectory

Thursday, January 7, 7-8:30 p.m.

Women's Circle of Spiritual Support

Women of our community are gathering monthly for an evening of faith-sharing. All women are welcome to join us for this ongoing spiritual support.

Friday, January 8, 7 p.m.

"The Gift of Hope — The story of Tony Melendez" intergenerational movie

Tony Melendez may have been born without arms, but that hasn't stopped him from enjoying life to the fullest. He is known world-wide for his guitar playing and inspirational music. This inspiring story challenges us to embrace life and give hope to those in need. (45 minutes and discussion to follow movie)

Wednesdays, January 13 & 20, 7-9 pm.

Bridges to Contemplative Living with Thomas Merton (Sue Staropoli)

"Contemplative living is a way of responding to our everyday experiences by consciously attending to our four essential relationships – with self, with God, with other people, and with all of creation." Thomas Merton leads us all on a journey toward personal spiritual transformation and a more contemplative and peace-filled life.

Friday, January 22, 7 p.m. thru Sunday, January 24 after brunch

Men's Weekend Retreat: Christianity, Masculinity, and Headline News: A Balancing Act"

Fee: Residents \$175, Commuters \$115; Presenter: Fr. Ray Fleming;

This weekend will consist of prayer, presentation, sharing, reflection time and, of course, quiet. This event is sponsored by and will be held at the Mercy Prayer Center, so is open to all men (not just our parish). For reservations or more information contact MPC at 473-6893.

FEBRUARY & MARCH 2010

Please note that, unless otherwise specified, all events will be held in the Church.

Monday, February 1, 7-9 p.m.

Men's Evening of Reflection

Given the favorable response from the recent Men's Reflection (Nov. 19, 2009) the opportunity for men to gather and share their faith in their everyday life has importance. All men are welcome to this evening of reflection.

Thursday, February 4, 7-8:30 p.m.

Women's Circle of Spiritual Support

Women of our community are gathering monthly for an evening of faith-sharing. All women are welcome to join us for this ongoing spiritual support.

Friday, February 12, 7 p.m.

"Amazing Grace" intergenerational movie

The story of William Wilberforce, as shown in theaters in 2007. Elected to Parliament at age 21, Wilberforce worked tirelessly for decades to abolish slavery in the British Empire, even when threatened with frail health. His efforts paid off and the Emancipation bill was passed in 1833, just a few days before he died.

Thursday, February 25, 7-8:30 p.m.

"Benedictine Wisdom for the Spiritual Journey"

(Doris M. Meadows, Ph.D.)

As we walk through our Lenten journey, it is helpful to contemplate alternative approaches and daily practices to deepen and nurture our spiritual lives.

Thursday, March 4, 7-8:30 p.m.

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Friday, March 12, 7 p.m.

"Mother Theresa" intergenerational movie

In a powerful portrayal, Olivia Hussey illuminates the life story of Mother Teresa, the selfless missionary who brought hope and love to the poorest of the poor. Her good works transcend hardships and ultimately earn her the Nobel Peace Prize.

Saturday, March 13, 9 a.m. to Noon

Lenten Retreat

Watch the bulletin for more information.

Wednesday, March 24, 7-8:30 p.m.

Getting Through Crisis (Roslyn Karaban)

The definition of a crisis is that a person has an internal reaction to an outside event such as a death, a job loss or the break up of a relationship and s/he feels paralyzed, unable to cope or move on. This talk will look at how we can better understand and cope with the stresses of common crises. It will also look at how we can better provide crisis care to others in crisis. If you need help with your own crises or want to be better able to help others – this talk is for you! Roslyn Karaban is a parishioner at St. Monica's and teaches Crisis Counseling at St. Bernard's.