The CEW Spirit February 2016 Newsletter

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A Note from the Men's Rector:

But he said to me, My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness. Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.

2 Corinthians 12:9

If you would have asked me ten years ago to tell you about my community, I would have told you about the beauty of Lake Michigan, our submarine, and our proximity to Green Bay. Now when I am asked about community, I think of the people I love and the faith that connects us. Despite the messages of the world, we know that we are not alone. God is with us and connects us through His infinite Love and Mercy. He invites us into a community that supports, teaches, and shows us what it means to be sons and daughters of Christ.

While we walk in this warm embrace, many others believe they walk alone and are undeserving of being loved at all. In one of the richest country in the world, there are so many who feel that there is still so much missing in their lives. As we approach the Men's CEW, I invite you to be open to the Holy Spirit as we are called to reach out to others who are searching and ready to say yes to a more meaning filled life. I encourage you not to concern yourself with how others might respond to your invitation. Their response is between them and God. Our job is only to remind them of the opportunity that has been won for us all.

Thank you all for your prayers, support, palanca, and invitations on behalf of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

God Bless, Duane Simmons 2016 Men's CEW Rector

A Note from the Women's Rector:

Another women's CEW has come and gone. The weekend started with 50 women in a small conference room, who grew into a family over the course of our three day journey. In that small room tears were shed, laughter was heard, and lives were changed as we made time to listen and feel the presence of God. What an incredible privilege to be the rector for this weekend. God blessed the weekend with an amazing team of faith filled women to lead this journey with their words, music, and prayers. It is so powerful to watch what happens when we take the time to" let go and let God."

We are blessed by each and every member of this CEW community. Thank you for all the prayers, love and support. It would be so great if we could bottle up the love and peace that fills

our hearts after the weekend has come to a close. That feeling can continue by making time for God. Don't let the craziness of the day to day pull you away from your relationship with God! Say a prayer, go to an extra mass, read a Bible passage or just slow down and have a conversation with God. We are so incredibly blessed!



Peace and Love, Stephanie Simmons

Spiritual Director Notes:

In that moment of the morning when you are almost aware, in bed, eyes still closed, and the only movement is toward awareness, we can go right ahead and insert any thought. In one of these morning awareness moments, I started to think of how I didn't want to get up, but then switched to a line I heard often in my high school seminary days. "With Zeal have I been Zealous to the Lord God of Hosts." This is the slogan of the Carmelite order. I got right up and started my day. I had an energy I did not start with. Thinking of it now I see we can call on God, with all His energy, to be with us at any time, even at the start.

Deacon Bob Beehner

Upcoming CREs

Thank you to all who participated in CREs this past year. From our Christmas Outreach to the sunrise mass it was an amazing opportunity to reconnect with our community and share in God's Grace. Please prayerfully consider if the Holy Spirit is reaching out and inviting you to lead an event in 2016. If you would like to lead a CRE or have an idea for a CRE, please contact Mark and Lisa Knipp at mlknipp@comcast.net or at (920) 629-1972 (Lisa) or (920) 629-8521 (Mark).

Men's Christian Experience Weekend

Feb. 19 - 21, SFA Waldo Site

There are so many opportunities to participate fully in the weekend. Invite others, attend, perform palanca, and prayer are all ways we can renew, serve and come together as community.

Feb. 21st Men's CEW closing SFA School Hall - Waldo Sunday, Feb 21st 3:00 pm

Join us and renew as the men on the weekend share their experience and we welcome them into the support and love of our community. We are all called to renewal and I hope you can be a part of this blessed celebration of the spirit!

March 13th, 4:00 - 6:00 pm Soup and Stations

SFA Grand Worship Site and Social Hall

All are welcome, as the St. Francis and CEW

community host an evening of reflection, remembrance, and fellowship. The event will begin in the Grand Worship site as we follow the sacrifice of our Lord through His crucifixion and hear a brief personal reflection, song, or prayer in relation to each station. After the Stations of the Cross, all are welcome to gather in the Grand social hall for a complimentary dinner of soup and chili prepared by the CEW community. What an amazing opportunity to welcome others into faith and fellowship. We hope you can join us and can bring a friend.



2016 Men's CEW Team

Please pray for the team and candidates on the weekend.

Rector ~ Duane Simmons Rector Advisor ~ George Jacobsen 1st Assistant ~ Mark Knipp 2nd Assistant ~ Greg Place

Speakers Chapel / Palanca ~ Mike Valenta, Bill Trochil Eucharistic Chapel ~ Dave Clark

Liturgy / Music / Reconciliation ~ Keith Duprey, Scott Maternoski, Rick Smith, Mike Cisler
Table Leaders ~ Tony Meunier, Randy Kulow, Craig Maternoski, Dan Wagner
Kitchen ~ Char Haug, Dawn Jacobsen
Spiritual Director ~ Dcn. Rich Bahnaman

Self Knowledge ~ Tony Wilhelm
Ideals ~ Rick Conrad
Grace ~ Fr. Michael Warden
Study ~ Scott Lipski
Sacraments ~ Dcn. Mark LeGreve
Piety ~ Mike Cisler
Apostolic Action ~ Jerrod Jirikowic
Layperson ~ Jeff Wallander
Community Support ~ George Jacobsen

Reconciliation ~ Fr. Dick Klingiesen, Fr. Dave Beaudry, Fr. John Becker, Fr. Michael Warden
Friday Team Liturgy ~ Fr. Dick Klingeisen
Saturday Liturgy of the Word with Eucharist ~ Dcn. Rich Bahnaman
Sunday Liturgy ~ Fr. Dave Pleier

24 Hour Prayer Chapel

Greetings Friends,
This year our 24 hour weekend
prayer for the Men's CEW will be
held in the Adoration Chapel
located on the west side of the
Waldo Worship site. This change
has several advantages that are
beneficial:

The Adoration Chapel:

- is set-up to allow the Blessed Sacrament to be exposed
- is handicap accessible
- has a bathroom
- is secured with a code key locking system
- contains reading materials



Because we will be in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, it is essential that we have two people signed up for every time slot to ensure the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone. You will find the sign-up sheets at www.lakeshorecew.com. Click on "members" and enter the password: membercew, in the member section look for the Eucharistic Chapel link. You will be able to type your name and contact information directly onto the schedule. When signing up please make sure to include an email or phone number so we can follow up with a reminder and directions for accessing the Adoration Chapel. If you have any trouble signing up, please call or email me and I will reserve your time for you. Keep in mind, you can also continue to serve through palanca and your letters and by coming to the closing ceremony.

Sincerely,
David Clark
Prayer Chapel Coordinator
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Speaker's Chapel

Something amazing happens in speaker's chapel as we lift up the men and women who are preparing themselves to give their talks. The Holy Spirit is present and all leave strengthened from the experience. I invite you to attend the speaker's chapels on this year's Men's CEW. In a moment when our speakers are often feeling uncertain and nervous they receive an incredible strength from the Holy Spirit and those who gather together to support them. The times for speaker's chapels are listed below and are open to all. Please proceed quietly through the LifeTeen house door (1122 N. 14th St.), the entrance to the chapel will be straight ahead.



Speaker/Talk	Chapel Time	Talk Time
Self-Knowledge – Tony Wilhelm	2/19, Friday - 8:10 pm	2/19, Friday 8:30 pm
Ideals – Rick Conrad	2/20, Saturday - 8:10 am	2/20, Saturday 8:30 am
Grace – Fr. Michael Warden	2/20, Saturday - 9:40 am	2/20, Saturday 10:00 am
Sacraments – Dcn. Mark LeGreve	2/20, Saturday - 1:00 pm	2/20, Saturday 1:20 pm
Study – Scott Lipski	2/20, Saturday – 2:15 pm	2/20, Saturday – 2:35 pm
Layperson in the Church – Jeff Wallander	2/20, Saturday – 3:35 pm	2/20, Saturday – 3:55 pm
Piety – Mike Cisler	2/20, Saturday – 5:50 pm	2/20, Saturday – 6:10 pm
Christian Apostolic Action – Jerrod Jirikowic	2/21, Sunday – 8:00 am	2/21, Sunday – 8:20 am
Community Support	2/21, Sunday – 9:25 am	2/21, Sunday – 9:45 am

Palanca

Do you remember how you felt when all those strangers wrote and "did" palanca for you? Don't forget to pass it on. An up-to-date listing of candidates and team is available on the website at www.lakeshorecew.com. Click on members and the password is **membercew**. From there you will be able to click on the Palanca link and download a complete list of team, repeat candidates, and candidates. For so many of the men this is often a breakthrough moment as your prayers lift them up and help them connect.

Kitchen Help

If you would like to help out in any way with meal prep, making food, donating food, etc. for the men's weekend, please contact one of our kitchen coordinators - Dawn Jacobsen

(djacobsen2@comcast.net) or Char Haug (jchaug@lsol.net). Thank you so much for your help, every little bit counts!



The CEW Spirit

Help share the Spirit and invite a friend or a stranger to the Men's CEW.

Click here to download and print a brochure.

You can also direct people to the <u>CEW website</u>, or you can offer to sign them up yourself.

Imagine what would happen if everyone who reads this asked one person to attend?

Be a part of God's plan today.