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The Christ the King Senior Adult Ministries

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September Luncheon

The September luncheon was our late-summer luau, and everything was decorated Hawaiian style, and everyone received a lei when they came in. Our entertainment was a duo who played music about Hawaii. They called it an audio tour of the islands. Many thanks to all of you who brought food to share and to the ladies who work so hard in the kitchen.



Birthdays Celebrated at September Luncheon

Birthdays celebrated at our September luncheon include the following: Jo Stansberry and Lynda Moore on the 2nd, Fr. Rick Stansberry on the 12th, Anna Utano, the 19th, Dorothy Nunz, the 25th, Lenora Hollis, the 28th and Mary Lou Scheller and Rosemary Bachle, both on the 29th. Happy Birthday everyone!

Ralph and Bette DeCardinas' anniversary was the only one celebrated for September, and it was 22 years on the 9th. Happy Anniversary!

Door prizes were won by Merren Stewart, Joe Nicholson, Al Dilis, Bette DeCardenas and Loy Markland. Congratulations to you all!

Liturgy for the Homebound

We offer CD's available for anyone who is homebound and would like to hear the Sunday Liturgy. If you are homebound (even temporarily because of illness or surgery) and would like to receive a CD, please call Pam or Kathy at 842-1483, and we'll get one in the mail to you each week. If you don't have a CD player, not to worry, we'll be happy to provide one for you.

Thanksgiving Luncheon – Monday, November 7th

Mark your calendars for this year's traditional Thanksgiving luncheon which will be on November 7th. As you know from years past, this is a very special, catered event where Parish Stars will meet the student with whom they'll exchange cards during the year. The entertainment for this event will be the incredible **Tarpley Tappers**, Linda Tarpley's tap dance group, back by popular demand!! If you are a Parish Star, be looking for your invitation from your assigned student – coming soon. **This luncheon is open to all senior adults, but since it is catered, we NEED for everyone to please R.S.V.P. to Pam or Kathy at 842-1483 by November 1st.** We will ask for a donation of \$7.00 per person to help cover the food and entertainment.

October – the Month of the Rosary



Our Christ the King Rosary Makers meet the third Monday every month, the next one being October 17th from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm in room 114. This is a fun group, and newcomers are always welcome. No experience is necessary. Rosaries are donated to many different ministries within the parish and to the community, and some are sent to Peru. If you would like to learn a new craft, please feel free to come.

Trunk or Treat

Mark your calendars now for the "Trunk or Treat" that will be in the school parking lot on Sunday evening, October 30th from 4-6pm. Trunk or Treat is an alternative to the typical house to house trick-or-treating. Volunteers decorate the trunks of their cars and give out candy when the kids come around. You can volunteer to have a trunk, or you can just come to see the kids; either way, it's a lot of fun and you won't want to miss it! This year the Knights of Columbus will be doing food for everyone too.

St. Ann's Bazaar

The 5th annual St. Ann's Fall Craft Fair will be on Friday, October 28th, 10:00am -3:00pm. There will be over 30 vendors for holiday shopping, drawings for door prizes, entertainment and refreshments. They will also be giving tours of their beautiful facility. It's also a good opportunity to pop in to see our friends who live there! For more information, you can call St. Ann Retirement Center at 721-0747.

Flu Shots – Be Sure To Get Yours!

Flu shots will be available to everyone in the parish between the Masses (9:00am until the 12:15 Mass begins) on **Sunday, October 2nd** and again on **Monday, October 3rd** from 10am until the Senior Adult Ministries luncheon begins at noon. The cost is \$25 for a flu shot, but Medicare Part B cards will be accepted. Pneumonia shots are \$65. Don't miss this opportunity to get your shot and stay healthy this winter flu season!



October Day Trip to Sacred Heart Mission

On Tuesday, October 18th, we're going to take a trip to see the "birthplace of the Catholic Church in Oklahoma." The site is the Sacred Heart Mission that was founded by Rev. Isidore Robot, a French Benedictine priest in 1876. The Potawatomie Nation gave 640 acres of fertile land, including bountiful springs for water, to the Benedictine Order so that a school and church could be established for Indian children.

The Rev. Isidore Robot, a French Benedictine priest, came to the area and was later designated Prefect Apostolic of Indian Territory. Structures built on the grounds included St. Mary's Academy (a school for girls headed by the Sisters of Mercy); a bakery, pictured below; a boys' dorm; the abbey and monastery; a granary; carriage house; log cabins; along with elaborate gardens. A fire broke out in the dining room of the boys' school the night of January 15, 1901 resulting in the loss of the monastery, boys' school, college, girls' school, convent and the church.

Fr. Adrian, who is the current pastor of Sacred Heart Catholic Church close to the Mission site, will be our tour guide. We will leave Christ the King at 10:00am. The drive is about one and a half hours, so we will eat along the way, then go on to the Mission. On the way home, we may stop at a winery if we can find one in the area.



October Luncheon – Harolyn Enis!

Our next Share & Care Pot-luck Luncheon will be on Monday, October 3rd at noon, and we will celebrate the fall season (since it's a bit too early for Halloween). After we eat, Harolyn Enis will be talking about her book, **When Ireland Fell Silent**, an historical fiction story about the Irish potato famine. Harolyn, a career educator, combines her love of writing with a life-long fascination with history to create historical fiction that both entertains and educates. Bring a dish or put a couple of dollars in the basket and join us. For more information, please call Pam or Kathy.

20 Parish Stars NEEDED – PLEASE!

We are thirty adults short of having enough Parish Stars for this year because class sizes have grown. Won't you please consider participating in this wonderful ministry? All you have to do is exchange greeting cards with the child for Thanksgiving, Christmas, Valentine's Day and Easter. The kids send you one first, then you send one in return. We'll even help you remember by calling you a couple of days before they're due to remind you. It's one of the easiest ways to become involved in the church. If you want to meet the child assigned to you, just come to the Thanksgiving luncheon, have wonderful food, see terrific entertainment and visit with your "star" student for a few minutes. If you have a grandchild in the Kindergarten, first or second grade, you can be their Parish Star. Please call Kathy at 842-1483 to volunteer, we need you!!!

