

Resolve to Get Involved in 2012

Facility Codes: AN1=South Annex, AN2=North Annex, ANU=Upper Annex, APR=All-Purpose Rm., Cafe-School Cafeteria;
CHC=Sanctuary, CHB=Church Basement, GYB=Gym Basement, KIT=Kitchen

On the Calendar This Week

1 Sunday, February 5

7:00am-1:00pm Troop 2 Pancake Breakfast GYM
8:00/10:30am Worship (Holy Communion)
9:15am Bible Studies APR and AN1
9:15am Sunday School
10:30am Parish Ed AN2
12:00-2:30pm Circuit 5-San Juan Mission
Worship/Christian Ed

1 Monday, February 6

7:00pm Altar Guild APR
7:00pm Stewardship AN1

1 Tuesday, February 7

9:00am Quilters ANU
Noon – Bulletin News Deadline

1 Wednesday, February 8

7:00am Adult Bible Study APR
8:10am Chapel
9:30am Senior Bible Study AN1
10:00am Ladies Aid LCFS APR

1 Thursday, February 9

9:00am LWML Workday CHB
5:45pm Handbells CHB
7:00pm Chancel Choir CHC
7:00pm Bible Study AN1

1 Friday, February 10

1 Saturday, February 11

7:00am Men's Bible Study CHB
10:00am ESL Class AN2
5:30pm Worship
Mary Martha Bake Sale Church Library
6:30pm Fox River Monthly APR

1 Sunday, February 12

8:00/10:30am Worship
9:15am Bible Studies APR and AN1
9:15am Sunday School
9:15am Mary Martha Bake Sale Church Library
12:00-2:30pm Circuit 5-San Juan Mission
Worship/Christian Ed

There are four weekends still available on the **2012 Flower Chart**: July 14/15, July 21/22, September 08/09 and December 29/30. If you would like to give altar flowers, please sign up on the chart in the narthex. Thank you to those who have already signed up!

THE FOOD CUBES NEED YOUR HELP!

St. John's Lutheran School has open enrollment for the 2012-2013 school year. Linda in the school office can answer your questions and give tours. If you know anyone who is looking for a school, please let us know. Linda can be reached at 847-741-7633.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

God has put it into **OUR HANDS** to
CARRY ON HIS MISSION
here at **St. John's Lutheran Church and School.**



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Submitted by: Steve Koukas

There will be an **Altar Guild Meeting** for all ladies of St. John's on Monday, February 6th at 7:00pm in the All-Purpose Room. We will be organizing the Ash Wednesday Lenten Supper for February 22nd.

Do you have clothes in your home that are too small for your kids? You can share them with someone who can use them, and you can make a little money, too. There will be a **Children's Clothing Sale at St. John's on Saturday, March 10.** The group sponsoring the sale is the Double Love Mothers of Twins Club—and anyone can sell Children's Clothing at this sale. Just contact Lesley—847-530-3268 to be a seller. She will give you all the info, including tags for your clothes. You price your own clothes, drop them off the night before and then pick up anything that is left on Saturday afternoon. It is very easy to do! Double Love Mothers of Twins Club is a Moms' support group dedicated to supporting and helping families with multiples. We meet once a month (4th Wed. of the month) during the school year at Sherman Hospital at 7pm. Each year we work with our state organization to help raise money for a multiple birth family in need. This year we are helping a triplet family from Oak Forest. The triplets were born October 2010, one of the triplets had some brain surgery last year, and the mom is currently going through cancer radiation treatment. We will be having a bake sale at the Children's Clothing Sale on March 10, 2012 from 8:30am to noon to help this family. If you want to know more about Double Love, please contact Kathy Schmitt at 847-697-7806 or feel free to look at our website: www.doublelovetwinsclub.com.



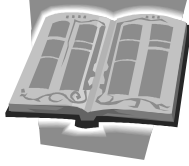
Academy of the Cross –

We have received word from Mr. Patrick Carlove that he has declined the call to serve as Director for Development of Academy of the Cross. Though full of enthusiasm and ideas for successfully completing our next steps, he and his wife felt it to be a very difficult time to move their three school-aged daughters, two of whom would be in high school next year. We are currently in dialog with other qualified candidates and are eager to see to whom the Holy Spirit guides us next. Please pray for God's continued blessing on this process.

St. John's Touchpoints

HISTORY TOUCHPOINT February 5

1837 – Dwight L. Moody, American evangelist, was born at Northfield, Massachusetts (died 22 December 1899). On this day in 1887, Moody and Emma Dryer, an educator, founded the Chicago Evangelization Society. Eventually, the Society would come to be known as the Moody Bible Institute.



LECTIONARY SUMMARY *The Son of God, Christ Jesus, Makes Us a New Creation*

The Lord alone *"is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth"* (Is. 40:28). He *"sits above the circle of the earth"* and *"stretches out the heavens like a curtain"* (Is. 40:22). Yet, His almighty power is demonstrated chiefly by His mercy and compassion. *"He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might He increases strength"* (Is. 40:29). The only-begotten Son of the Father, the very Word by whom all things were made, becomes flesh and takes all the poverty and weakness of our sin and death upon Himself, bearing it in His Body to the Cross. As He dies for us there, He also raises us up, a new creation, in His Resurrection from the dead. Thus, by the preaching of this Word, He heals *"many who were sick with various diseases,"* and He casts out *"many demons"* (Mark 1:34, 39). And His preaching continues through those whom He has sent, who are *"entrusted with a stewardship"* to *"preach the Gospel"* (1 Cor. 9:16-17). Thus we are set free by the Word of Christ, and we exercise our freedom in loving service to others.

TOUCHPOINTS QUIZ

Last week's question: **The last Sunday in the season of Epiphany is always the Sunday before what famous Wednesday?** Answer: Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the season of Lent

This week's question: **Which prophet came first: Elijah or Elisha?**

Stewardship Bits and Pieces

1 Corinthians 9:16-27: St. Paul had the beautiful gift of showing such concern for others that he would refrain from doing what he was perfectly free to do so that the Gospel of Jesus would be better received by those to whom he was witnessing. One of the beautiful aspects of Christian stewardship is seeking and doing those things that are in the best interest and welfare of those around us!