



ALLELUIA!

He has been raised.

—Mark 16:6

Happy Easter

Easter is about the hope that we have because there was an empty tomb.

Without Easter, there would be no point in any other holiday.

Easter is something to celebrate every day of your life.

Easter is a time of new life.



May you have a beautiful new life made possible by the amazing gift of the Easter story.

May you be blessed with God's peace and trust in his living grace this Easter.

May you feel the love that God gave you when he conquered death.

Know that you are in our prayers.

We will have a mass offered for you and your intentions.

Farewell Sr. Therese Vu

On Thanksgiving Day we learned that Sr. Therese Vu requested to return to Vietnam. This came as a shock to us however we trust that it is what is best for her. We miss her and appreciate the ministry that she did at the Bishop Noa Home. Sr. Therese left for a home visit in Texas on December 22 and she left for Vietnam on January 15. As far as we know, she will teach piano. We wish you well Sr. Therese. May God bless you!



Sister Update

Both Sr. Marie Kim Nguyen and Sr. Martha Trinh have requested another year of Leave of Absence to take care of parent(s). Please keep them in your prayers.

Sr. Nenita Leonardo has taken over the head of pastoral care at the Bishop Noa Home in Escanaba. She is doing a fantastic job! Thank you Sr. Nenita.

Sr. Gloria Schultz was a victim of email hacking in February and lost all of her contacts. If you need to get a hold of her you can email srstpaulweb@yahoo.com and your email will be forwarded to her new address.

Sr. Daria Moon celebrates her 25th Jubilee on June 29, 2013 at St. Ann's Parish in Washington DC.

Sr. Rosalie Hughes is heading the fund raising for the Bishop Noa Home renovations. It is a big undertaking so we are grateful. Do pray for her and feel free to donate.

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Attn: Sr. Rosalie Hughes—Renovations

The Bishop Noa Home will break ground for the renovations in the spring as soon as the weather allows. We will start with the 12 bed rehab unit and larger physical therapy.



Bishop Alexander Sample Archbishop of Oregon

By Sr. Gloria Schultz

The news of Bishop Sample spread rapidly on Tuesday, January 29. We were at breakfast when we learned the news and all were saddened and shocked. We knew in our hearts that one day Bishop Sample would leave us however we weren't ready for it to happen. Somehow we had to trust that God knew what He was doing and would take care of us.

I feel that one of the major contributions that Bishop Sample has made to the Marquette Diocese is the new evangelization plan that includes the plan for the Year of Faith. I couldn't imagine at first how we could continue without him as we aren't very far into the plan. This called for me to trust and walk in faith that somehow it would be carried out.

Some of us went to the Diocesan Office to listen to Bishop Sample speak to the people of Oregon. He is a teacher and good speaker so no one will be surprised to hear that he did an excellent job. I was struck by his deep desire to follow the leading of the Spirit spoken through the words of Pope Benedict XVI



asking Bishop Sample to be the Archbishop. I feel that he is a holy Bishop with a deep desire to follow Jesus and that he does indeed contemplate the face of Jesus as his motto says.

March for Life

***Sharing of Sr. Juliana Djo
written by Sr. Gloria Schultz***

Three buses from the Diocese of Marquette headed to Washington, D.C. for the March for Life on Wednesday, January 23.

Sr. Juliana Djo was on one of the buses, and Sr. Daria Moon met up with the group in Washington DC. As a youth, she already understood what a gift her life was. As a religious, this understanding grew and she now has a keen awareness of what Jesus meant when he said, "I came that you may have life and have it to the full." With this great value for life, she was reminded of how Moses invited the people to choose life or death. She clearly has chosen life and wants everyone to choose life. She has a burning desire that life be chosen for all unborn babies. She wants all pregnant mothers to understand what a gift it is to give birth.

With all of this burning in her heart, she made the pilgrimage for life. They prayed the rosary, angelus, and vespers on the bus. They had mass every day. During the march they prayed the rosary and other prayers. Some groups prayed the Stations of the Cross. When protesters shouted, they did not disrespect them. All people are a gift. So they prayed for the protestors and the unborn. Note that it was shouting versus prayer. Prayer was the weapon that they carried trusting in God's great love and mercy to hear and answer.

Sr. Juliana was touched by many youth who spoke of the pro-life movement and the joy, peace and happiness that it brought them to be able to be at the March for Life. They remarked that her presence made Jesus present for them. Sr. Juliana was touched by their remarks and prays that she will continue to radiate Christ's presence to many.

On Thursday they had mass at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception.

Even though the Basilica is very large, there wasn't enough room for everyone to sit. Some were standing and others were sitting on the floor. The atmosphere was filled with joy. Sr. Juliana was struck by the fact that even though they were crowded and so many were present, there was one voice to God. Together they raised their hearts and minds to God praying for the unborn.



Yes, they were one though many.

As Sr. Juliana continued to reflect on this, she could see how pleased God was. She could feel God saying that they were beautiful. God thinks all of His children are beautiful. Indeed life is a gift and we are precious in God's eyes.

It was encouraging to see so many seminarians at the mass. Sr. Juliana guessed that they were over 500. This is very hopeful for the Church. There were many Deacons, Priests, and Bishops in the procession. This was also moving to see all those that God had called to shepherd the people. They were God's chosen people in great numbers right before her eyes.

Mass on Friday was divided into two groups either at Verizon Center or Comcast Center. All those from the Marquette Diocese went to the Comcast Center for the Youth Rally and mass. It was truly a gift for her to be praying with so many.

From the Comcast Center they took the Metro to Capitol Hill. It was very cold, snowing, and wet yet everyone seemed to be filled with joy. Everyone held a cross, a banner, or some religious article. It was a prayerful journey together.

They were asked why they came for the March of Life. Why do you do this? She reflected and said, "I do it because it is necessary. I choose life. To Jesus, the face of each child is important, respected, and special." She feels that people choose abortion because they lose hope. Abortion causes darkness in their lives. She says that we are called to open our hearts to those who wish to abort and give them new hope to give life and bring them joy as we communicate with them. The conversion can give them peace and light and we all need peace and light every day. When someone receives peace and light, they in turn share it with others.

Sr. Juliana names the great challenge for all of us especially those who are seeking an abortion. "SEE JESUS IN THE FACE OF THE INFANT." Together let us pray that all will see Jesus in the face of the infant. Sr. Juliana hopes that abortion will be stopped in the whole world. This is indeed what we all need to pray will happen. We **MUST** stop killing babies!



Consecrated Widow

By Bev Moe

Companion of St. Paul

On Saturday, January 19, 2013, I entered into a new vocation. I felt called to dedicate the rest of my life to our Savior as a consecrated widow. My husband passed away on June 28, 2012 after a six year battle with cancer. I was blessed to see him enter the Catholic Church six weeks before his death. I was also blessed with two wonderful sons and their families. I had felt the call to search for a way to serve God and the church now as a widow. Father John Boyle helped guide me to Our Lady's Society of the most Holy Trinity (SOLT).

As a member of the Society, consecrated widows follow a rule of life with Our Blessed Mother as their gift and model for their consecrated life, which enables greater holiness and perfection. They make promises to Jesus of poverty, chastity and obedience. These promises are renewed annually following her formation.

After making my promises and making my consecration to Jesus through Mary I was moved to tears. I am so humbled and grateful that God has called me to be His servant as a consecrated widow.



Christmas Project for those in Need

By Sr. Gloria Schultz

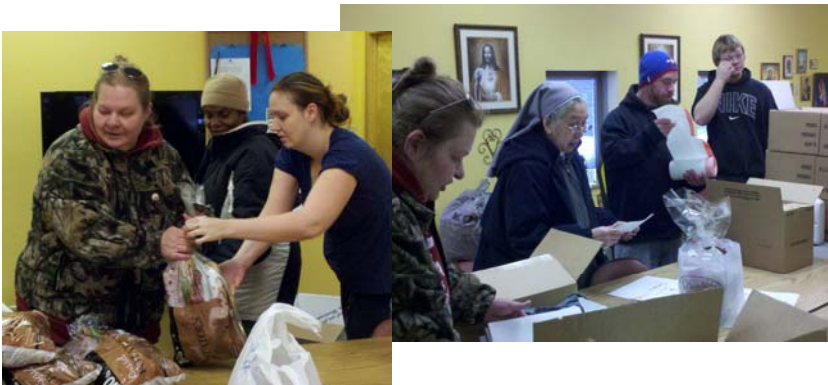
Under the direction of Lauri Ruovaara the Sisters of St. Paul started a new project this year. We are aware of some families at Sawyer who are struggling to make ends meet. We wanted to help them to have a wonderful Christmas with gifts and food. With great joy and enthusiasm Lauri set to work and obtained all of the donations, sorted all of the gifts, and dropped things at the convent for us to keep for the distribution date.

We were scheduled for delivery and distribution on December 21st. Wouldn't you know that was the day of the snow storm. Trooper that Lauri is, we went through with the delivery. Many hands were at Sawyer to help with shoveling snow for the delivery and hauling everything inside.

We said that we had organized chaos as all of the food and gifts were hauled into the little space of Our Lady Help of Christian Center. Bags of gifts were all numbered and every family had a number. A list was made of the amount of food that every family would receive.

We served cookies and hot apple cider as the gifts were hauled inside and everything was set up. It was a delightful day filled with joy. I was touched by the thankfulness of those who received. I did not experience any greediness. It was just appreciation for everything. My heart has grown because of Lauri and all who received.

We wish to express a gigantic thank you to all the businesses, those who adopted a family, and all individuals who gave so generously to this project. A heartfelt thank you goes to Lauri Ruovaara for organizing the whole project, getting the donations, and delivering all the goodies to Sawyer for distribution. She did an amazing job!





District Assembly

By Sr. Gloria Schultz

Our District Assembly was held February 1-3, 2013 at our Motherhouse in Marquette. The reason for the meeting was to do the work of the 4 Doors asked by Mother General and her council in preparation for the Chapter September 9-30, 2013.

Now you may be asking, "What doors are you talking about?" They refer to 4 specific topics that we have been working on for some time now. They are as follows:

1. Renew our missionary horizons
2. Provide ourselves with a strong Christocentric and Pneumatological spirituality
3. Building authentic religious communities
4. All together, become responsible for the unity and future of the Congregation

Prior to the District Assembly we had already done work and prayed daily for the work of our Chapter. We asked the Spirit to fill us, to lead us, and to guide the work of the Chapter that we would be doing.

We started the District Assembly with a prayer service reminding ourselves of the role of Scripture in our lives, that Jesus is our light in darkness, that we stand on the roots of our Founders, and that we have our Book of Life to guide us in living Religious Life. After the prayer service, we moved into silence to prepare our hearts and minds to be open to the Spirit and to reflect on the work before us. The presence of the Spirit could be felt in the deep silence.

Saturday was the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple which is a special day for us as all Sisters of St. Paul around the world renew their vows on February 2nd. The day began in prayer. Monsignor Steber was the celebrant at mass in our chapel. February 2nd is also the day when candles are blessed so we had candles blessed outside the chapel followed by a lighted candle procession.

In the homily Monsignor Steber talked about how Simeon and Anna were filled with the Holy Spirit so we continued to ask for the grace to be filled with the Holy Spirit. As you might have

guessed our prayer was answered. It was clear that the Holy Spirit was leading the Assembly. Some of our answers were totally different than the work we had done before the Assembly. This a clear indication to us that the Spirit was leading us and helping us to see and know the direction that our answers should take.

We ended the Assembly with thankful hearts and new energy. Now we invite you to join us in praying that the Chapter will also be powerfully led by the Spirit.



Phase I Renovations in Marquette

The renovation of four bedrooms with a private bathroom and new flooring in the corridor on the north side of the house has been completed. We are delighted with the results. This was the first phase as we hope to do the south side of the building after our 50th celebration which is in May.

Fr. Jeff Johnson blessed the rooms on January 29th.

We also have some newness on the first floor. The kitchen was painted and a new ceiling put in. The wall paper was removed in the dining room and community room and they are now have a fresh coat of paint on them. All looks good.



Compassionate Hearts Club



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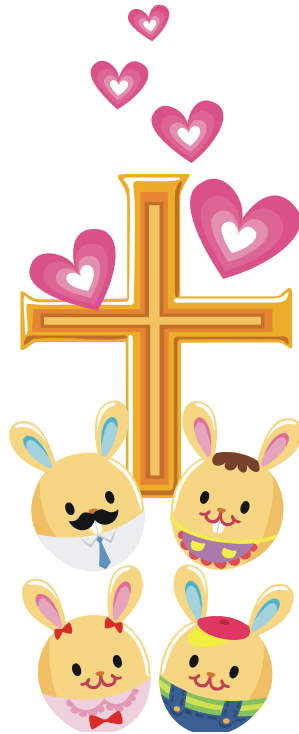
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FINAL REMINDER

Please plan to join us for the mass for
our 50th Anniversary for District
USA on May 19, 2013 at 3 p.m. at St.
Peter's Cathedral in Marquette.



Mark your calendars and
reserve the date.

**RSVP to 906-226-3932 or
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By April 28, 2013**

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