

Most Precious Blood Church Bulletin

A Little Italy Newsletter

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Most Precious Blood Goes Over Goal

In Cardinal's 2008 Appeal

We are most happy to report that this week our Parish of the Most Precious Blood reached its goal of \$5,500.00 for the 2008 Cardinal's Appeal and even went over it slightly.

Although for the third straight year, we have attained our goal and gone over it, once again, we ask our parishioners if they have not as yet contributed to this year's Appeal, they should because if for no other reason, they are members of our spiritual body entity of Most Precious Blood, and when we do something of this nature, we do it as a body, part of the Church of Christ, helping other members who may be in need. No one should just sit back and watch the others do THEIR share!!! If each one contributes, it is not a burden on any one part of the entity. But if half of many of the members decided "let the other ones do it!" then the burden does fall on the few who fulfill their responsibility in every respect and always when called upon.

Everyone should learn to flow with the crowd. The entire parish gets the credit, not only the individuals who contributed, not only the Pastor who tries to round up the parishioners but the ENTIRE Parish. And the same goes for

The Bicentennial Campaign

which to the present time has raised over \$50,000.00 for improvements to our Church over the next three to five years. Our goal is still \$150,000.00. What we have not contributed last year and the beginning of the Campaign, we should do this year because the money given does gradually come back to our Parish to help us. To date, we have received from funds paid from the pledges already completed or partially paid up a total of \$18,906.22.

We would like to see this grow to at least another \$35,000.00 or possibly even \$50,000.00 by the end of this present year.

While the Bicentennial Year does come to a close on April 24th of this year, our work of the Bicentennial should continue to go on until we do reach that goal. It is important for the Life of the Parish and its continued existence in the future for our children and their children. If you are among those who have not as yet contributed to the Campaign, now is the time to do it for YOUR CHURCH of the Most Precious Blood and YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH.

St. Anthony Devotions

The Thirteen Tuesdays in preparation for the Feast of St. Anthony on June 13th, continues with the fifth Tuesday this week when devotions are held at 8

am, 12:10pm, and again at 7:30 in the evening. Mass is celebrated oibn each occasion with a homily (with the exception of the 8 am Mass when only devotions and Mass are on the agenda). Fr. Patrick Boyle preaches and celebrates the 12:10 pm and 7:30pm Masses. If you have not begun this devotion, now is the time to start.

Stipends Increase

There has been an increase in the stipends for the Perpetual Masses. Last week, we did announce this, and some of our parish members who probably did not take a bulletin last week or perhaps did not make it to our church to take a bulletin did not realize it and upon coming in for a Perpetual Mass Card this week, they thought we were just trying to make an extra five dollars on the Mass Card. They went up as of April 1st of this year. The Annual Spiritual Masses also increased to \$10.00

Atlantic City Trip

It goes off tomorrow, on April 21st, so if you are interested, give Mary Frattini a call immediately at 212-242-0195. Otherwise, the next one will be on May 19. Now that the weather is getting real nice, get down to the shore and get some sun on the boardwalk.

Parish Sick & Deceased

Pray for the sick and deceased of the Parish, and especially remember in your prayers and Masses the soul of Brother Michael Recinelli who spent much time here at Most Precious Blood and is well known to many of our Parishioners. May he rest in Peace.

Boots!

Anyone who has ever dressed a child will surely appreciate the following story

And while you are at it, bring a friend. St. Anthony is always waiting for new devotees, and if you really love this Saint, you will do your level best to spread devotion to him. Take this as HIS INVITATION!

A teacher was helping one of her kindergarten students put on his boots.

He asked for help and she could see why. Even with her pulling and him pushing, the little boots still didn't want to go on. Finally, when the second boot was finally on and she had worked up a real sweat, she almost cried when the little boy said: "Teacher, they're on the wrong feet!"

She looked, and sure enough, they were. It wasn't much easier pulling the boots off than it was putting them on. But she managed to keep her cool as together they worked to get the boots back on - this time on the right feet.

He then announced: "Teach, these ain't my boots!"

She bit her tongue rather than get right in his face and scream, "Why didn't you say so sooner?"

So once again, she struggled to help him pull the ill-fitting boots off his little feet. No sooner did he get the boots off, and he said, "They're my brother's boots. My mom made me wear 'em."

Now she didn't know whether to laugh or cry. But she did muster up enough grace and courage to wrestle the boots on his feet again.

Helping him into his coat, she asked, " Now, where are your little mittens?"

He responded ever so politely, "I stuffed them into the toes of my boots so that I wouldn't lose them."

Her trial starts next month

Who Knew???

Dawn Dishwashing Liquid instandy kills Fleas on your pet! Add a few drops to your pet's bath and shampoo the animal thoroughly. Rinse well to avoid skin irritation.

BOUNCE OR FOR THAT FACT, any dryer sheet will cure dog odor: The next time your dog comes in from the rain, simply wipe the dog down down with

Bounce or any dryer sheet, and your dog will come up smelling springtime fresh.

And did you know that drinking down TWO GLASSES OF GATORADE can relieve headache pain almost immediately without any unpleasant side effects caused by traditional pain relievers?

And did you also know that Colgate Toothpaste makes an excellent salve for burns?

Before you go to the drugstore for a high-priced inhaler filled with mysterious chemicals, try chewing on a couple of curiously strong Altoids peppermints. They will clear up your stuffed nose immediately!

And here's something for the girls .. HONEY is an A 1 remedy for skin blemishes. cover the blemish with a dab of honey and place a Band-Aid over it. The honey will kill the bacteria, keep the skin sterile, and will speed the healing. It actually works overnight.

And we will continue this in next week's bulletin, so make sure to reserve you copy today!!!