

### **The Walk to Jerusalem**

Between Feb. 9th and Feb 15th we walked 3,686 miles. The total miles walked for the three weeks thus far equals 9,793! We have walked all the way to Jerusalem and find ourselves in Algeria on the way back home. Algeria is a North African country with a Mediterranean coastline and a Saharan desert which covers 90% of its country. The main industries are petroleum, natural gas and mining. The main religion is Muslim. In the capital city of Algiers, there is a stunning Roman Catholic Basilica known as Our Lady of Africa. Not only is the building beautiful but it sits on the top of cliffs overlooking the sea so the view is fantastic, too.

Did you know....exercise can increase your energy levels? It's true, engaging in regular physical activity can increase your energy levels. This is true even in people with persistent fatigue and those suffering from serious illness. Physical activity can be a real energy booster for healthy people, as well as those with various medical conditions.

<https://www.healthline.com/nutrition/10-benefits-of-exercise#section4>

**The Devotions for the 12 weeks of walking** can be found on St. Anthony's website. A copy can also be emailed to you. Printed copies are available in the sacristy for those who don't have access to the website or email.

**2019 Sunday Night with the Saints** DVDs will be presented at 6:00pm Sunday evenings at the Scotus Little Theater. There is no charge. Enter Scotus on the east side, near 15th Street. If you have any questions, please call Cathy Gokie, 402-276-6461. 02-24-19 Blessed Pope Paul VI - Part 1 ~ 1.5 hrs; 03-03-19 Blessed Pope Paul VI - Part 2 ~ 1.5 hrs

### **Mike Kosch Family Benefit**

Please mark your calendar for March 9, 2019! There will be the Mike Kosch Family Benefit at the Scotus Central Catholic Cafeteria Columbus NE. If you are interested in donating for the silent or live auction please contact Shannon Stutzman, 402-562-6463, Ryan Kudron, 402-276-0451, Dwayne Kula, 402-563-3876, Eric Tubbs, 402-276-5887 or Dave Boman, 402-305-3155. For more information go to Facebook under the Mike Kosch Family Benefit.

Anyone wanting to donate 1-2 dozen cookies or bars for the meal can bring them to Scotus on March 9th. Contact Mary Kula, 402-276-3955 with questions.

### **Scotus Gala Lottery**

Ticket sales have begun for the Scotus Gala Lottery. Only 600 tickets printed and the main drawing on April 6th will be for one \$12,000 top prize and four \$500 second prizes.

Our Gala Lottery Early Bird Drawing winners are: Mary Beller, Columbus; Ryan Rosenquist, Omaha; Rick & Vicki Hanus, Columbus. Each wins a free \$100 lottery ticket. Congrats! The next early bird drawing is on March 6th! Tickets are \$100 and available at Scotus!

### **Youth Mission Trip to Winnebago**

The Omaha Archdiocese is sponsoring a mission trip to the Winnebago/Omaha Reservations from June 11-15 for high school students entering 10-12 grades in the fall of 2019 and May 2019 graduating seniors. Cost is \$137 which includes food, lodging, t-shirt, and other program materials. Scholarships are available. A limited number of spots are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information, contact <https://archomaha.org/youth-events/hope-nebraska/> or call Beth Carlson 402-557-5610. To love and serve others is to love Christ.

### **40 Days for Life Kickoff Rally**

Peaceful, prayerful, effective 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign kicks off with a rally on March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2-3pm, in the public right-of-way outside the Abortion and Contraception Clinic of Nebraska, 1002 W. Mission Ave, Bellevue.

Speakers at the 40 Days for Life kick-off event include Rev. John Pietramale, Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes-St. Adalbert Parish, Brad Burks Executive Director of EPS, Amanda Miller, and Sue Thayer.

Amanda will tell her life affirming story of the "giving up" and "receiving of" a child through adoption.

Former Planned Parenthood manager and current 40 Days for Life Director of Outreach Sue Thayer will share her story of transformation.

Park at EPS or in the parking lot of St. Mary School.

For more information, please contact Lauren Bopp at [Lbopp4Life@gmail.com](mailto:Lbopp4Life@gmail.com) or 402-553-7163.

### **Butter Braids are back!!**

Columbus Catholic Youth Ministry will be selling them all month long! \$14 each. Funds raised will help our teens with their registrations for Steubenville, Mission trips, March for Life & other faith camps. Please help our teens out when they come to your door. If you are interested in selling or questions on purchase, please contact Sarah at [sdoerneman@gmail.com](mailto:sdoerneman@gmail.com)

### **Tuition Assistance Applications for Scotus Central Catholic**

Archdiocese/Scotus/Children's Scholarship Fund information is available in the Scotus Office and on the Scotus Website. [WWW.scotuscc.org](http://WWW.scotuscc.org)

### **Reminder**

Please, pick up your dishes and pans from fish fries, funeral dinners, etc. in the cafeteria back room. Thank you!

## **Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Wednesday, January 16, 2019**

Meeting was called to order by Joni Starzec, who also led the opening prayer. Roll call showed all members present except for Joy Loschen. A motion was made by Kerry O’Kane to approve the agenda and was seconded by Crystal Hamling. Tim Vetick motioned to approve November’s meeting minutes, and Tim Harrington seconded the motion.

### **Committee Reports**

**Finance Committee** – Frances Veseth reported on November and December profits and expenditures. She also wondered if any members had received feedback about the changes in the bulletin on how revenue is being reported (monthly & annual vs. weekly). No member has received comments.

**PRE** – No report.

**St. Anthony School Board** – No report.

**Maintenance** – Tim Vetick reported; we may be able to get some used working bulbs from Loup for the fixtures on the playground. If not, we’ll need to look in to replacing fixtures with LEDs. Fr. Ross reported that Bierman’s are repairing the sacristy closet and west confessional doors, as well as replacing the west entrance door to the sacristy. Fr. Ross also noted that there is a crack in the ceiling above the west sacristy door that needs to be looked at.

**Pastor’s Comments** – Fr. Ross reported; there were three baptisms, 4 deaths, 2 marriages, 4 new parishioners, and 2 parishioners deleted.

### **Old Business**

**Parish Regrouping Meeting** – Fr. Ross reported; the Columbus group met on January 12<sup>th</sup> with Fr. Lorig. A meeting will be held on Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10am-12pm to discuss mass scheduling. Anticipated time frame for combining with St. Stan’s is July 2019.

**Archbishop’s Annual Appeal** – Fr. Ross reported; financial and participation goals have both been met!

**Pilgrimage June 2019** - Fr. Ross reported; representatives will be coming to talk about the trip.

**ArchOmaha Unite** - Fr. Ross reported; registration for the June 8<sup>th</sup> event began on January 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Praise and Worship** -Fr. Ross reported; had an excellent turn-out for the evangelization talk (Why Catholics Don’t Like to Evangelize), so another session will be held on Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Custodian Retirement 2019** - Fr. Ross reported; we are anticipating a retirement this year and are looking for a replacement or replacements.

**Green Fiber** - Fr. Ross reported; we are no longer participating in the program, as there were too many problems with keeping the bins emptied, papers blowing around, trash being dumped in the bins, etc.

### **New Business**

**Walk to Jerusalem** – Fr. Ross reported; we are participating in the walking program from the Platte County Lifestyle Coalition. Each participant will report their minutes or miles (20 minutes of activity equals one mile) to a team captain. We hope to have “walked” to Jerusalem by Easter. The goal of the program is to increase physical activity as well as spiritual activity. Sign-ups will be in the back of church. Program begins January 27<sup>th</sup>.

**EMHC Meeting** – Fr. Ross reported; a meeting was held January 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Other** - Tim Vetick reported; lights above the altar and outside the church are needing replaced. Talking with Speicher Electric and exploring options.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn was made by Joni Starzec

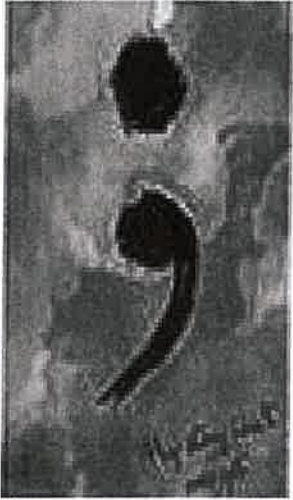
Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Sliva,  
Secretary

# MIKE KOSCH FAMILY BENEFIT

Saturday March 9, 2019

Scotus Central Catholic Cafeteria Columbus, NE



**5:00 – 8:00 PM**

**\$15.00 Steak Dinner and Silent Auction**

(Includes steak, potato, corn, bread, juice and water)

**8:30 PM Live Auction**

**50/50 Raffle**

The money raised will assist Cindy and the children with future expenses. Please come help celebrate Mike's life and give back to someone who gave so much!

If you are unable to attend, or would like to make a monetary donation before the event you can visit First National Bank in Columbus or send a check to:

First National Bank  
c/o Mike Kosch Family Benefit  
P.O. Box 730  
Columbus, NE 68602

**\*\*For more information, or to donate for the auction contact Ryan Kudron 402-276-0451 Shannon Stutzman 402-562-6463 Dwayne/Mary Kula 402-563-3876, Eric Tubbs 402-276-5887, Dave Boman 402-305-3155 go to Facebook under Mike Kosch Family Benefit\*\***