



St. Priscilla Parish Family

St. Priscilla Parish Mission Statement

We are a diverse community of caring Christians who celebrate Eucharist and proclaim the Gospel by service to all in the community.

June 24, 2007

FR. JIM'S JOURNAL



Over the past year, the Parish Pastoral Council has been hard at work assisting me in setting the course for the parish. This is the primary work of the Council. They have been hard at work setting the goals and objectives of the parish, and we finalized them at our last meeting. We decided to keep the same Mission Statement that we have had for a number of years. We also decided to keep the same Goals that we established last year. Some of the objectives from last year were not quite met, so we are carrying them over to the coming year. Some are partially met already and some are new. I want to share them with the whole parish so that everyone knows the direction we will be taking. The list is a little long, so I will share the first half this week and the second half next week.

Goal 1 **Foster the spirit of community within the parish.**

Objectives:

- Establish a group of volunteer parish photographers so there will be a pool of photographers available for parish functions and events. This objective will be referred to the Parish Staff to oversee implementation.
- Plan a variety of social activities in the parish. These can include meals, but also a variety of other activities. These are not meant to be fundraisers, and only the cost of the event needs to be covered financially. While these activities must be open to all of the people in the parish, they do not necessarily have to appeal to everyone. Some activities may be planned that are tailored to particular groups (e.g. young adults, children). This objective will be referred to the Social Committee for implementation.
- Develop and implement a plan for making our parish more welcoming, particularly at our weekend liturgies. This should include a plan for welcoming people of all ages and people who are visiting our parish for the first time. This objective will be referred to the Worship Commission for implementation.

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The following families/individuals have recently registered in the parish. We welcome them to our parish family.

*Grace Becht
Canton, MI*

*George & Sandra Coram
Livonia, MI*

*Dorie Dahlka
Livonia, MI*

*Jack & Shirley Davidson
Livonia, MI*

*Amy & Michael Dehaan
Livonia, MI*

*Janet Hicks
Redford, MI*

*Joann Seaman
Livonia, MI*

*Jeff Smith
Redford, MI*

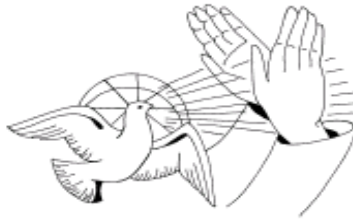
*Linda Strohmer
Livonia, MI*

*Janice Teeters
Livonia, MI*

*Elizabeth & Raymond Trupiano
Livonia, MI*

*Lorraine & Marion Wysocki
Livonia, MI*

*"...To everything there is a season
and a time to every purpose
under heaven..."*



...a time to be born...

a time to healLarry Boston, Blanche Kennedy Darlene Smith, Karen Marcus, Noreen Quantz, Margaret Lambert, Ron Gosset, Laura Murphy, Jack Young, Justen Richards, Kathleen Roegner, Marigold Szielega, Michael Pastucha, Linda (Statzny) Rogers, Harold Michnal, Marion Pertunnen, Amy Callaghan, Steven Wilson, Donald Hultquist, Stu Dunlap, Carol Ducharme, Mattie Lassen, Dominic Lombardi, Vivian Kruk, Rita Maczka, Kaitlyn Dehaan, Leslie Rogers Turner, Bill Majeske, Janet Paquette, Lory Valuet, Mike Visca, Kelly Lomas, Delphine Whitesock, Eleanor Rakozy, Willard Mazure Jr., Loretta Adams, Bob Holderith, Andrea Blair, Claire Mazark, Dino Manolatos, John Wasilewski, Mark Nemeth, Patricia Diggs, Grace Rau, Audrey Koroly, Margaret Gehringer, Jean Alcalá, Edward Haycock, David Lepler, Rita Sullivan, Mary Ann Keller, Jim Lamberts, Dave Dempsey, Steven Wilson, Mark Williams, Roger Snow, Ron Cross, James Pongracz, Kati Fennimore, John Williams, Robert Selasky, Donald Johnson, Francis Vincent, Mary Woodall, Clara Barry, Mary Powers, Dick Noth, Kathleen Jess, Rosalie Roland, Rose Vincent, Ralph DeFranco, Vaughn Jenkins, George Jann, Eileen Kearfott, William Pertunnen, Joann Corsi, Helen Parkin, Richard Fleck, Susan Citnar, Barry Broden, Catherine Dwyer, Mike Warner, Randy Magee, Elaine King, Mary Geuder, Beverly Ashmore, Nathaniel Adams, Audrey Negro, Jacqueline Schmeichel, Barb Phillips, Gertrude Johnson, Nancy Jones, Eva Contratto, Linda Engren, Judy Granata, Alexis Kujala, Barbara Schultz, Christopher Wood, Andrew Wood, Antonia DiPonio, Robert Greenwald, Nancy Trombley, Gladys & Pat Romano, Jack Young, Grace Irish and Mary Louise Griffin.

a time to die..... Especially Eileen Howland and Eleanor Depowski.

..Please hold our Service men and women in your prayers ...Kyle Wroblewski, Jessie Stevens, Eric Hudzinski, Grady McElhinney, Sean Redigan, Bobby Wentworth, Steve Reynolds, Justin Boomgaard, Samantha Ciaramitaro, Peter Herrmann, Griffin Schager, Byron Hemphill, Vance J. Nannini, Rachael Brown, Michael Lanctot, Richard Bastien, Robert E. Oldani, Seth Janisse, Christopher Masel, Ryan Masel, Robert Uren, Jr., Fletcher Armstrong, III, Michael Goodrow, Tanya Dudek, Nicole Pawlowicz, Nicholas Mitchell, Ryan Bierschbach and Marc Hudzinski.

⌘⌘ **Handmaids** ⌘⌘

July

- 5** Val Weigand
Clare Zacharias
- 12** Vi Hanis
- 19** Lee Curtis
Bernadine Paquette
- 26** Patti Green



Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 24th, 9:00 AM

- Joann Visca by husband, Mike
- Adolph & Adeline Riegel by Gwen Riegel
- Tom Nakoneczny by Pat Petriches
- Howard Yokom by Pat Petriches
- Rose Lloyd by Eileen Barr

11:00 AM

- Frank Lark by Connie Lark
- Giacomina Francesco Ledda by Carta Family
- Alex Gularski by Fred & Debbie Oyer
- Andy Marinko by Ken & Carol Oesterle
- Sr. Paula Connor by Bernie Wiemer
- William & Jason Wiemer by Bernie Wiemer
- Donald Lowry by Family

Monday, June 25th, 8:00 AM

- Francesca Hulas by the Carta Family

Tuesday, June 26th, 8:00 AM

- Henry Wyess by Peggy Kline
- Pat Barill by MJ & Larry Lafer

Wednesday, June 27th, 8:00 AM

- Edward Manikowski by wife, Dolores

Thursday, June 28th, 7:00 PM

- Steve Galat by Ken & Beverly Szparaga

Friday, June 29th, 8:00 AM

- Michela Carta by the Carta Family

Saturday, June 30th, 4:30 PM

- Fr. Jim McNulty (Birthday)
- Emilio Russo by Julia Bastianelli
- Constance Beneduci (6th Ann.) Family
- Pat Barill by wife, Virginia

- Rose Fowler (90th Birthday) by Doris Laird

Sunday, July 1st, 9:00 AM

- Deceased Members of the Vettrai, Frag-nolli, Morelli, D'Agostino families by Mr. & Mrs. Vettrai

- Umberto & Giacinda Tartaglia by Family
- Rose Lloyd by Georgiana & Henry Kruk
- Mary Lou & Sally concilla by James Walsh

11:00 AM

- Michael McLean by the Charbonneau Family
- Ciccita Cocco by Carta Family
- Andrew Marinko by Richard Barker
- Ed Potocki by Peggy Contway
- Bill Collins by Claudia Williams & John Schumont

DATE	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVER
June 30 4:30PM	S. Garchar T. O'Dea	S. Atherton, S. Atherton, J. Gallagher, S. Garchar, D. Hoeffel, M. Gehringer, T. Hoeffel	C. Rehnlund, K. Palleschi, E. Brewer, N. Cameron
July 1 9:00 AM	R. Clemak M. Groulx	M. Russette, F. Dickey, E. Sacha, J. Socolovitch, L. Mattson, K. Pebbles, M. Sanovic	S. Depowski, M. Barill, M. Dreier, J. McDougall
July 1 11:00 AM	T. Lomas J. McCallion CLW-Y. Nemeth	D. Carignan, M. Himm, M. Arondoski, K. Kermode, P. Kiss, R. Landis, C. Lark	A. McAlpine, E. Fenech, T. Schmidt, T. Nisenbaum

Please remember to find a substitute if you are unable to attend.

July 2007 USHER SCHEDULE - TEAM C

BINGO Team 4

Floor Operator: Lue Jarrett, Paul Hanis, Dick Schmidt, Jerry Karasinski, Lee Curtis, Jake Subatch.

Door Captain: Marge Kelley, Bernice Pawlowicz, Peggy Contwy, Mary Ann Statetzny.

Cashier: Judy Waling

Bookkeepers: Jackie Bender and Bernie Paquette.

Kitchen: Sylvia Debrincat, Irene Zabowski, Barb Beauchamp and Mary Porman.





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Joni Benson, DRE
dre@stpriscillalivonia.org

I will be out of the office July 1 through July 16 for summer vacation. Hope you are enjoying the lazy, hazy days of summer.

Growing In Faith Together

You are invited to attend an informational meeting concerning upcoming **GIFT** Sessions on **Wednesday, June 27 at 7:00 PM**. This meeting is for anyone thinking about helping in the planning of future GIFT Sessions. Volunteers will have the opportunity to serve, to grow and to make a difference. You do not need to have special skills to attend. We will train you and help you discern where you can best serve our parish. We are especially looking for people at this time who would like to help in the planning of the sessions. But would also like to hear from those who would like to help in the implementation of each session like; decorating, child care, kitchen, hospitality, set-up, prayer, drama, tech support, catechists, etc. Come and find out what it is all about.

If you have questions please call Joni Benson at 248-476-4702.

*Kind words can be short and easy to speak,
but their echoes are truly endless.*

-Mother Theresa

Would you be willing to spend a small amount of your time visiting parishioners who are ill? We are forming an outreach ministry to visit parishioners who are homebound, in the hospital or in a nursing home. An information session will be held on Monday, July 9th at 7:PM in the parish office building; conference room. Please join us.

Anointing of the sick



Sunday, July 8th
immediately following the
11:AM Mass in the Church.
Join us if you have been ill,
have an upcoming surgery or
concern. All are welcome.

Summer Office Hours

During the months of June, July & August, the parish office will be

CLOSED ON FRIDAYS.

Don't forget we have extended hours until 7:00 PM on Thursdays to accommodate those who are working.

God bless and have a safe and restful summer.



St. Vincent de Paul Notes

HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED A "HELPERS HIGH"?

The "high" comes from the euphoric feeling experienced after doing some good. Read what the folks at Andrews University have to say on the subject:

THE HELPERS HIGH

Many people observe that their health markedly improves when they are engaged in helping others. Ninety-five percent of those surveyed indicated that helping other people and doing volunteer work on a regular, personal basis gives them a warm feeling, increased energy, and a sense of euphoria (called "the helper's high"). Furthermore, eighty percent of the volunteers reported that the health benefits returned when they later remembered the acts of kindness. Volunteers also report they experience such positive long term effects as a greater calm and relaxation. Long ago Isaiah suggested that those who give assistance to needy people would experience a healing and health (Isaiah 58: 7, 8). Doing good brings great satisfaction and pleasure to the giver. Those who unselfishly engage in the work of doing good will experience an improved physical and mental health. Doing good is even described as an excellent remedy for disease.

MONTHLY MEETING UPDATE

St. Priscilla's St. Vincent de Paul will not have a monthly meeting for the months of July or August, but rest assured their work is still going on. Summer may be slow, 'and the living is easy', but the struggles of living on cut-backs, unemployment or fixed incomes is still there. Thank you for your help.

- Develop a plan for welcoming new parishioners. This objective will include a welcome packet. This objective will be referred to the Parish Staff to oversee implementation.
- Investigate methods of recruiting and managing volunteers in the Parish. This may include a system where those currently in the ministry invite new members and/or identify replacements when they leave the ministry. This objective will be referred to the Stewardship Commission for implementation.
- Coffee and donuts weekend will be approached as a Ministry of Hospitality. This will be seen as a "Hospitality Weekend." It can be used as a vehicle for welcoming new parishioners, promoting particular groups, recruiting volunteers, etc. This objective will be referred to the Social Committee for implementation.
- The Parish Council, Worship Commission, Stewardship Commission, Education Commission and Social Committee will all be generating ideas from the Parish at large. They should each have a plan to increase the visibility of the membership of their respective groups so that they become known in the community, and individual parishioners can refer their ideas and concerns to them. This objective will be referred to the Parish Council, Worship Commission, Stewardship Commission, Education Commission and Social Committee for implementation.

Goal 2 Foster and enhance spirituality and worship, which will deepen our relationship with God and with the Church.

Objectives

- Explore the viability of having a Christ Renews His Parish retreats this year for men and women. A survey will be done to determine if there is interest among the Parishioners of St. Priscilla in attending a retreat weekend in the fall. If there is sufficient interest, retreat weekends will be scheduled probably in the spring. This will be referred to the Christ Renews His Parish Continuation Committee for implementation under the direction of Fr. Jim.
- Establish a Women's Fellowship group similar to the Men's Fellowship Group. This objective will be referred to the Worship Commission to help facilitate the formation of the Group.

Goal 3 Make a greater effort to proclaim the Gospel by reaching out to all in the community.

Objectives:

- Establish a Christian Service Commission to include members from St. Vincent de Paul, the Parish Nurses, a teen representative and members from any major outreach Christian Service groups formed within the parish over the coming year, as well as members from the parish at large. This objective will be re-

St. Priscilla Stewardship
Amount needed to meet budget
\$8,700.00

Sunday Offerings
The week of June 17, 2007
\$8,302.50
-\$496.50

Don't forget to make
up your envelope if
you've been away.
Thank You.



Women of Faith

St. Priscilla's *Women of Faith*, are invited to an hour of prayer. We will meet in the **Chapel at 7:00 pm** on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. Our format will consist of a scriptural reading, reflections as they pertain to that reading, prayer and Holy Communion. There will be no "official" sign-up, just an invitation to all of you to join us for a prayerful experience.



Sunday, June 24th:

Is 49:1-6 Acts 13:22-26
Lk 1:57-66, 80

Monday, June 25th:

Gn 12:1-9 Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 26th:

Gn 13:2, 5-18 Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday, June 27th:

Gn 15:1-12, 17-18 Mt 7:15-20

Thursday, June 28th:

Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or
16:6b-12, 15-16 Mt 7:21-29

Friday, June 29th:

Acts 12:1-11 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18
Mt 16:13-19

Saturday, June 30th:

Gn 18:1-15 Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday:

1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21
Gal 5:1, 13-18 Lk 9:51-62

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ferred to the new Christian Service Coordinator for implementation.

- Establish a group of volunteers to go out 2 by 2 to do minor home repairs for parishioners/homebound for the cost of materials only. This will be referred to the Christian Service Coordinator for implementation.
- Expand ministry to the homebound and disabled to include transportation, regular home visits, and expanded use of Eucharistic Home Visitors. This will be referred to the Christian Service Coordinator for implementation.
- Consider making improvements in the Parish Website. This objective will be referred to the Parish Staff for implementation.

Love and Peace,
Fr. Jim

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MASS SCHEDULE
 SATURDAY - 4:30 PM
 SUNDAY - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
 WEEKDAY-8 AM except THURSDAY-7PM
 HOLYDAY 9 AM & 7PM

OFFICE HOURS
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
 8:30AM-4:30PM
 Thursday 8:30 AM-7:00 PM
 Friday -CLOSED

BAPTISMS
 Baptisms are celebrated the 4th Sunday of the month. Please call the office to register for the Baptism preparation class.

RECONCILIATION
 Saturdays 3:00 PM and after daily Mass

SICK CALLS
 Arrangements made by notifying Parish Office .

WEDDINGS
 Please contact the Parish Office a minimum of six months prior to the wedding date.

Mark Your Calendar



**The Parish Picnic is
Sunday, July 29th!
11:00 AM-5:00 PM**

Loads of events, activities and games planned.

Spend a few hours or the whole day.

**The picnic begins with the 11:00 AM outdoor Mass.
Music, Games, Raffles, Face Painting, Bingo, Giant Slide
throughout the day.**

Remember to bring a Potluck dish to share.

**(Don't forget your name on the container in you want it back.)
Hamburgers and Hot dogs (provided) will also be served from
1:00-2:30 PM**

**Looking for those wonderful Baked Goods
for the Cake Walk.**

Everyone loves winning those goodies.

Please donate for this fun (and popular) game.



**Crafters or Handymen (women) needed for games.
We'd like to add more Kiddie games so we're looking for those
who are crafty or handy to help us make them.**

Got a 1/2 hour to help out?

**We need people to assist during the picnic as well as set up
before and clean up after. Give us a call or sign up on the
volunteer chart in the church breezeway.**

Nancy 248-426-9569; Craig 734-844-7681; Sue 734-261-7510.

A Family Perspective

By Bud Ozar

The question in today's Gospel, "What will this child be?" concerns all parents. We spend years trying to influence and shape the answer, hoping our children will be "strong in spirit" like the Baptist, and also "blessing God" like Zachariah.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please call the office to register for the upcoming class or Baptism date:

**Baptism- July 22nd, 2007 -
12:30pm or by appointment to
be celebrated during Mass.**

**Next scheduled baptism Class
July 16th, 2007 -7:00pm**

Call the parish office to schedule.



Reflection on Readings of June 24th by Deacon Bob Fitzgerald

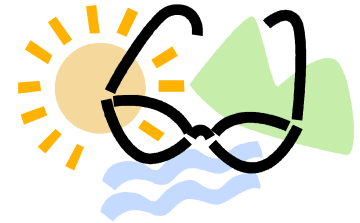
Today we celebrate the birthday of John the Baptist. His life and works should be an example for all of us to follow. His mission in life was to prepare the way of the Lord. He did it by living a very simple life as he preached the coming of Christ to anyone who would listen. He was careful not to be viewed as Christ, himself, but rather that he was not worthy to untie the sandal straps of the one to come. His total commitment to this cause and the sacrifices that he made should inspire each of us to take more seriously our God given mission in this world. Jesus appreciated the work of John and said that no greater person had ever been created than John the Baptist.

Each of us are created with a mission. Along the way we get sidetracked from that calling by the many temptations that the world puts in our way. As Americans we have more things to distract us than any other people in the world. The abundance we have at our disposal can be either a blessing or a curse. If we use the bountiful gifts that we have to glorify God and care for his less fortunate children, then they can be a true blessing and be a part of our life's work. If, however, they become the objects of our adoration and lead us away from God, then they can be a stumbling block to our salvation.

The first reading from Isaiah 49:1-6 is a message of hope that God will reach out, through his servant Israel, and gather his people back to him. Chapters 40 through 66 of Isaiah are called Deutero-Isaiah because they take place after the Babylonian exile. They are often referred to as the Suffering Servant Prophecies. They are meant to bring hope to a people who have lost everything. These writings are often applied to John the Baptist, Jesus, and Paul in the New Testament. John the Baptist is the one designated from his mother's womb to be the one to prepare the way of the Lord. Through this Suffering Servant, Jesus, salvation would come to all the world and it was John's mission to make this known to as many people as possible. John was sent to eliminate the barriers and obstacles that stood in the way of people hearing and coming to know Jesus. He was like a modern day promoter or agent who has the job of seeing to it that as many people as possible hear about someone that they are representing. We also represent Jesus through our Baptism and must try to make him as accessible as possible to everyone.


These readings today also reflect the difficulty that we might encounter as we strive to live out our mission but assure us that God will be our strength and will reward us for efforts. Because we have been given the gift of faith, we have also been given the responsibility to share that faith with others. This is the challenge we face as we journey through life.

**Meetings/Events
Of the Week**
Mon-6/25-Adoration 8:30am-8:30pm
Tues-6/26-Staff mtg- 9:30am
 Bingo-6:30pm
Wed-6/27-Women's Prayer gr-7pm
Thurs-6/28-MASS-7pm
 Bible Study-7



**St. Vincent de Paul
Pantry Items**

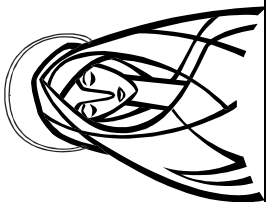
Campbell's soups, canned fruit, stew, cereal, Pancake mix and syrup, paper towel, toilet paper & laundry soap.







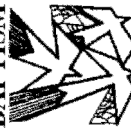


As we relax and enjoy the lazy days of summer, please remember to keep the pantry in mind. With people away on vacations and busy relaxing we tend to see a slow down in donations and unfortunately, the needs of our neighbors are still with us. In fact maybe even more so, as the children are home full time and always hungry.
 Thank you for your generosity!

**DO YOU HAVE HOUSEHOLD/
CLOTHING ITEMS TO
DONATE?**
St. Vincent de Paul drop boxes are available at the following locations:

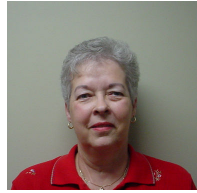
Our Lady of Loretto – corner of Six Mile and Beech Daly
St. Gerald - 21300 Farmington Rd. in Farmington
St. Edith - 15089 Newburgh Rd.



July 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 MASS 9 & 11 AM	2 MASS 8:00 AM Adoration 8:30am-8:30pm NO Youth mtg.	3 MASS 8:00 AM Bingo-6:30pm	4 MASS 8:00 AM  Parish Office Closed	5 MASS 7:00 PM Bible Study-7pm	6 MASS 8:00 AM PARISH OFFICE CLOSED CADA-7pm	7 MASS 4:30PM 1st Sat. rosary-4pm 
8 MASS 9 & 11 AM Anointing of the sick After 11am Mass  Hall in use	9 MASS 8:00 AM Adoration 8:30am-8:30pm Youth-7pm	10 MASS 8:00 AM STAFF mtg-9:30AM Bingo-6:30pm	11 MASS 8:00 AM Women's Pray Gr.-7 RCIA Inquiry-7pm	12 MASS 7:00 PM Bible Study-7pm	13 MASS 8:00 AM PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	14 MASS 4:30PM Men's Fellowship-7:30am Hospitality/BP's-5:30pm Alhambra Collection
15 MASS 9 & 11 AM Coffee WINGS host Hospitality /BP's Donuts Alhambra Collection 	16 MASS 8:00 AM Adoration 8:30am-8:30pm KofC Off-6:30/mtg-7pm NO Youth Baptism Class-7pm	17 MASS 8:00 AM Bingo-6:30pm	18 MASS 8:00 AM 50+ Club-12:30pm	19 MASS 7:00 PM Bible Study-7pm	20 MASS 8:00 AM PARISH OFFICE CLOSED CADA-7pm	21 MASS 4:30PM
22 MASS 9 & 11 AM BAPTISM -12:30PM Hall in use 	23 MASS 8:00 AM Adoration 8:30am-8:30pm HS. Youth-7pm	24 MASS 8:00 AM STAFF mtg.-10AM Bingo-6:30pm	25 MASS 8:00 AM Women's Prayer Group-7pm	26 MASS 7:00 PM Picnic mtg-7:pm Bible Study-7pm Nurse Ministry mtg-	27 MASS 8:00 AM PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	28 MASS 4:30PM Men's Fellowship-7:30am
29 MASS 9 & 11 AM -11am outside Mass-  Fun, food & games til 5	30 MASS 8:00 AM Adoration 8:30am-8:30pm NO Youth	31 MASS 8:00 AM Bingo-6:30pm				

Parish Nurse Ministry
Submitted by **Connie Lark**



Distracted Driving

Keep your eye on the road

When it comes to distracted driving, cell phones seem to get all of the bad press. True enough, cell phone use is indeed a driving distraction that, by one estimate, may account for about 60,000 auto accidents a year in the United States

But talking on a cell phone is hardly the only type of driving distraction. Nor is it the most likely to cause an accident. Eating, looking at a map, reaching for something within your car and watching something outside of your car, such as an accident scene, are some of the more common distractions that are at least as likely—or more likely - to lead to an auto accident.



Distractions and inattention while driving are estimated to cause 1.2 million crashes - or about 25 percent of all crashes - on American roads. Additionally, traffic accidents are the leading cause of death among younger age groups. Learning how to keep your focus while driving may keep you and your vehicle out of harm's way.

What's a distraction?

The number of possible distractions while driving is nearly limitless. Distractions include everything from shaving with an electric razor to being lost in your thoughts.

One recent study found the threshold for causing a significant distraction was anything that causes you to glance away from the road ahead for two seconds or longer. This raised the risk of an accident or near accident by about two times the normal driving risk. Shorter glances from the road to perform a simple task resulted in only a slight or negligible rise in accident risk.

The study also reported that some glancing away from the road is good. The most attentive form of driving is when you engage in frequent, brief glances away from the forward roadway to do things such as check your speed, look in your mirrors or otherwise assess your driving environment.

100-car Study

In a study published last year, 100 cars were equipped with a camera that filmed the driver and sensor system that detected accidents or near accidents. The cars were driven a cumulative distance of about 2 million miles by 241 different people over the yearlong course of the study. In that time, there were 82 crashes and 761 near crashes.

After analyzing the video clips of the drivers, researchers were able to calculate the increased crash or near-crash risk for the following distractions.

Concentration tips

It may not be feasible to eliminate every distraction as you drive, but you can reduce your level of distraction by not

1. Staring at things outside the car, such as street signs, construction sites.
2. Using your cell phone.
3. Looking at a map.
4. Fumbling with anything, be it a radio dial, compact disc or lunch bag.
5. Reading.
6. Grooming yourself or applying makeup.

Things that you do to minimize distraction include;

- ◆ Caging, leashing or harnessing your pet before you travel.
- ◆ If you must eat or drink, have a passenger hand you items or arrange the items within easy reach. While you are stopped.
- ◆ Taking a few moments before you begin your trip to make car adjustments such as adjusting seats, mirrors, seat belts and the radio.
- ◆ It's best to pull over to use your cellular phone. But, if you insist on driving while using your cell phone, keep the conversation brief and have a passenger dial the number for you.



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High School Teens

All high school teens are invited to join us for our Life Nights during the summer. Just a reminder: all new incoming freshmen are welcome to join us as well.

Upcoming Schedule:

Monday, June 25th Rotary Park – Pavillon #2 7-8:30 p.m.

Our Life Night on Monday, June 25th will be held at the same time (7-8:30p.m.) but a different place. We will meet at Rotary Park (Pavilion #2). Come ready for a picnic. We will have lots of good food, fun and activities. Meet us at the park and plan on being picked up at 8:30 p.m. Rotary Park is located on Six Mile between Farmington and Merriman.



Monday, July 2nd No Life Night

Monday, July 9th Pugliese’s Home 7-8:30 p.m.

On July 9th the Pugliese Family has invited the teens to meet at their house for our Life Night. This will be a night filled with fun, food and activities. Directions will be made available at the June 25th meeting. You will need to provide your own transportation. The time will be the same 7-8:30 p.m.

Monday, July 16th No Life Night

Monday, July 23rd Life Night- Youth Room 7-8:30 p.m.

2007 National Catholic Youth Conference

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The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) is an exciting, biennial four-day experience of prayer, community, and empowerment for 25,000 Catholic teenagers and their adult chaperones from all over the country. The schedule includes general sessions, workshops addressing a wide variety of topics including Catholic spirituality and prayer, social justice issues, sexuality, and leadership. There are also opportunities for reconciliation, daily liturgy, and special activities such as concerts, and dance, and comedy club. The thematic park is a unique venue incorporating traditional exhibits with interactive educational and recreational activities. For more information go to www.nfcym.org

Event: National Catholic Youth Conference

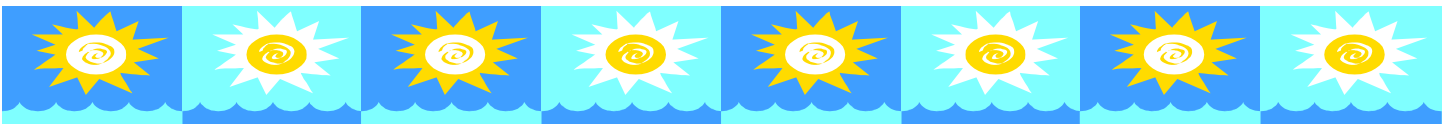
Location: Nationwide Arena/Convention Center- Crowne Plaza Hotel- Columbus, Ohio

Dates: Thursday, November 8, 2007- Sunday, November 11, 2007

Transportation: Charter Bus

Cost: \$365 (includes: conference, round trip transportation, 3-night accommodations at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, continental breakfasts in Columbus, NCYC t-shirt)

To register: Contact Mary Ann Jenkins via email youthminister@stpriscillalivonia.org or call 248-476-4700 ext. 442 as soon as possible to reserve your spot.



St. Priscilla teens have the opportunity to serve at the Bingo’s on the 5th Tuesday of the month (this occurs about 3-4 times a year). On July 31st we will need teens to help work in the kitchen. The proceeds help to support our youth program so we encourage all of the teens to help out. We have 2 shifts available to sign up for: Shift 1 = 4-6:30 p.m. Shift 2 = 6:30-9:00 p.m. Contact Mary Ann Jenkins to sign up.

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- ◆ Reaching for a moving object inside the car-8 times.
- ◆ Looking at something outside the car-3.7 times.
- ◆ Reading-3.4 times.
- ◆ Applying makeup-3.1 times.
- ◆ Dialing a cell phone-2.8 times
- ◆ Eating, reaching for an object in the car or talking on a cell phone-1.5.

The study also showed increased crash or near-crash risk when a driver is drowsy-which raised the risk about six times-and in certain driving conditions and situations. Based on the results, it's important to be especially alert and focused when you're:

- ◆ Going through an intersection
- ◆ In heavy traffic
- ◆ Driving on wet or icy roads
- ◆ Driving past an obvious distraction such as an accident scene or through road construction.

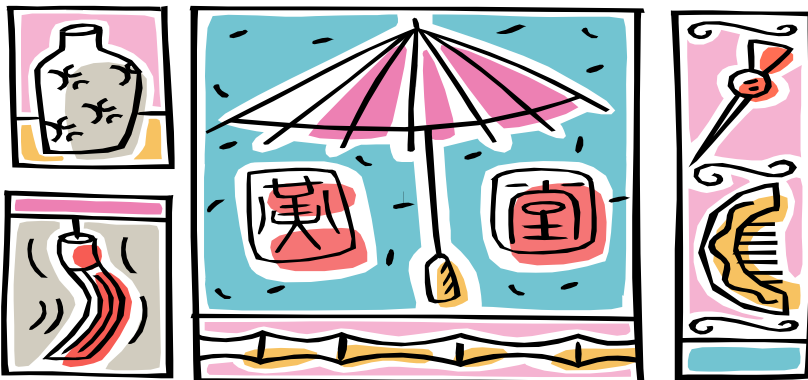
Extra vigilance

As you age, a number of factors may impact your driving ability. You may be less flexible, your reflexes may slow, and your hearing and vision - especially night vision - tend to decline.

These changes are all the more reason to minimize distractions while you drive and to stay as focused as possible.

Parish Nurse Ministry

Parish Nursing promotes healthy living and disease prevention, including physical, psychological, spiritual and social aspects of each individual. Areas we are available to assist with include health education, assistance with health referrals, individual health counseling including home visits, training of volunteers to serve in various areas of the health ministry and to promote an understanding of the relationship between faith and health. To request assistance please call the parish office at 248-476-4700.



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