

IGNITE 2014

The sixth annual IGNITE for men, Saturday, March 29, is again blessed with a great slate of speakers and guests:

Kerry Fraser, former NHL referee who will discuss his conversion; Richard Lane, dynamic and charismatic ministry based upon *Faith, Hope, Love*, and their integration with the Sacraments, Ken Davison, speaker and writer, who will share his journey to the Church, and Bishop Cunningham who will celebrate Mass at 9 am.

Men, please join us at Onondaga Community College in the SRC Arena in Syracuse. Register early & save at ignitecatholicmen.org!

Marriage Moments by Susan Vogt

What is the most romantic trip you can take? Perhaps it's a trip down memory lane: how you met, your first date, your first kiss, your proposal and acceptance, your first night as Mister & Mrs. Reminisce together today.

Simeon and The Presentation

So even though the arms of Simeon seemed to be presenting the Son, the words of Simeon testified that it was he who was being presented by the Son. Therefore, there can be no question for us about what happened; what was said puts an end to the questioning: *"Now, therefore, you dismiss your servant in peace."* Whoever is dismissed in peace to go to God is presented to God as an offering; and to make it known by whom he was being presented, he said: *"For my eyes have seen your compassion."* Now, if goodness had not been at work in him, why would he be giving thanks? He was quite properly giving thanks because he had been found worthy to receive into his arms the ONE whom angels and prophets had eagerly longed to see.

There was no possibility of our Lord becoming lost; those who had been lost were found by Him! So the servant, who had been very careful not to become lost, was presented by the Son, who could not be lost. It is clear Simeon carried compassion in the baby he carried. He invisibly received peace from the child he visibly held in his arms. That child was glorious even when a feeble, little man carried Him, and the one who carried Him became exalted by Him.

~ St. Ephrem the Syrian

Family Time

During these cold winter months, why not break out the old board games, Lego sets, tabletop tennis, card games, etc. and create some warm family time together and open the door to conversation.

Delhi Food Bank

Open Mondays and Thursdays from 1 to 3 pm at United Ministry. Items needed: powdered milk, condiments, canned meats, biscuit mix, dried herbs/seasonings, spaghetti sauce, tuna, cereal, soup, crackers, canned fruit and vegetables, macaroni 'n cheese, pasta, peanut butter, jelly, Jell-O, pudding, rice, flour, sugar. Thank you for your continuing support.

Warm Weather Thoughts ...

Start saving your unwanted items for our 2014 lawn sale to be held at St. Peter's Church on Memorial Day weekend, Saturday, May 24. This sale is being held for the benefit of our Church to help fund improvements and updates. Any questions call Joe at 746.7554 or Arden at 746.8899. Start saving and sorting through your stuff!

Retreats

Dominican Retreat Conference Center 518.393.4169

February 21-23: Retreat for men and women: *"Women on the Wall"* ~ a blend of quiet time, input, prayer, discussion and everything is optional. What makes a WOW weekend unique is that the focus for the weekend is the Women on the Wall on the Mural in the Chapel. You will receive a glimpse into the lives of these saints and have time to consider what each of them might mean for you today. This retreat will be guided by the staff of the retreat house, who will present the *Women on the Wall*.

March 7-9: *What's in Your Spiritual Toolbox?* Come and find out how the ordinary tools of life instruct us in our faith journey. Come join us as we open our spiritual toolbox to explore what needs to be cleaned, sharpened, filed, and polished. Open yourself to the wonders of God in the ordinariness of life.

Directors: Sister Betsy Van Deusen and Sr. Susan Zemgulis

Weekend retreats: \$195 (age 65 & over--\$180)