



The Sign of Christ

News from the Catholic Deaf Community
Diocese of Syracuse

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At the Palm Sunday Mass with Bishop Robert Cunningham on March 27, 2010
Anne Parish was presented with the Thomas Johns Memorial Appreciation Award
“with much love and gratitude for your many years of love, service, encouragement, and generosity”
by the Catholic Deaf Community of the Syracuse Diocese



March 27th Mass with Bishop Robert Cunningham at Christ the King Retreat Center in Syracuse

Thanks to all!



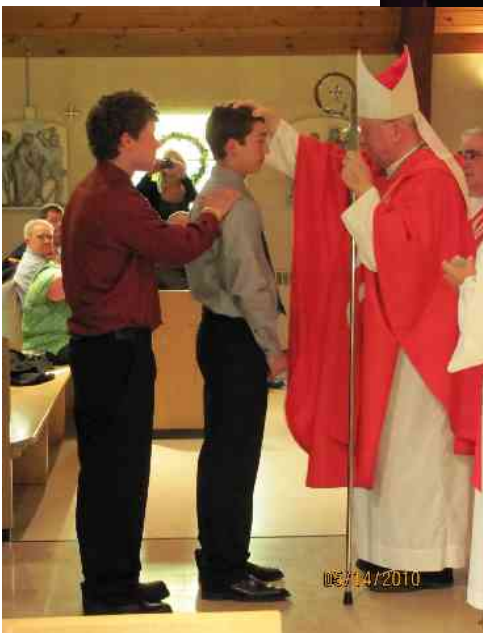
Celebrating Sacraments



Baptism of Ciera Roberts
by Fr Hearn



Nelson Sharpsteen, bottom left, & his family



Confirmation of
Thomas John "TJ" Decker
by Bishop Thomas Costello

At Right:
First Communions
at St Peter's
Rome



Angelo Mingolelli & his family

THIS & THAT

Summer weather is here and it is good to see so many people getting out again. I'm hoping to get around more too. I'll be out and about to nursing homes and students' homes and, of course, the various picnics! Those in nursing homes would love to have visitors. Will you make time to drop in on them?

Since the last newsletter, we have lost our good friend **Mary Ryfun**. Please pray for her and her family.

Please pray for our sick who are struggling with surgeries, cancer, pneumonia, bronchitis, and other things.

Welcome to the world: **Enrique Rodriguez**, son of Erin and Juan, and **Leonardo Mingolelli**, son of Maria and Ralph. We look forward to your baptisms this summer.

Did you catch the Hope Appeal video with the Deaf stars? Our part was short, but I've heard good comments on it.

Please give your financial support to the Hope Appeal. It helps so many necessary ministries.

Congratulations to **Christopher Ballard** who will be ordained a priest for our diocese on June 5th. Interpreters will be at both his 10 AM Ordination at the Cathedral in Syracuse and his 2 PM First Mass on June 6th at St James in Johnson City.

Congratulations to our graduates: **Salvatore Ciccarelli** from Whitesboro HS and **Keith Grant Jr** from NYSSD.

During the summer I hope to be able to clean up the office and start planning for the Fall. It doesn't seem possible that I have been Director for 11 years!

You can still sign up for the Bible Institute at Camp Mark Seven June 9th - 19th. A wonderful opportunity so close to home.

Enjoy summer and ask yourself, "What can I do for Jesus today?"

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>JUNE 2010</h1>						
Syr AS is All Saints Syr SL is St Lucy		1	2	3 Liverpool Group 10 AM - 2 PM	4 Catechetical Leaders Meeting	5 Ordination to the Priesthood of Christopher Ballard Syracuse Cathedral 10 AM
6 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City : Fr Ballard's 1 st Mass 2 PM Whitesboro 11	7	8 Barber Shop PICNIC 10 AM - 2 PM New Hartford NY Pastoral Workers Meeting	9 NY Pastoral Workers Meeting Esopus	10	11	12
13 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10 Rome 10	14 DAC Meeting	15	16	17 Liverpool Group 10 AM - 2 PM	18 RAA Reception	19 RAA Dinner for NYSSD's 135 th Anniversary
20 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10 Whitesboro 11	21	22	23	24	25 NYSSD Graduation	26 PICNICS Syracuse & Whitney Point
27 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10 Rome	28	29	30			



June Birthdays

- 1 Paul Ryfun
- 5 Ashley Trelease
- 11 Valerie Allen
- 14 Bella Marie Hnelosub
- 14 John Stevens
- 16 Susan Windecker
- 17 Frances Harmon
- 18 Sr Blanch Marie Messier
- 19 Kelly Jo Cutler
- 20 Michaela Debowey
- 22 Geovany Lainez
- 23 Albert D Perry, Jr
- 27 Anna Kofman

June Anniversaries

- 16 Maria & Ralph Mingoelli
- 21 Jennie & Bob Joseph
- 28 Janet & Ed O'Toole



This picture was brought to the Palm Sunday Mass by Sr Blanche Marie Messier who attended NYSSD '46-'48. Frances Harmon helped to identify them: Angeline Greifre Starks, Ardella Hreczkay Witkowski, Vivian Allen Sarapoulos, and Jean Palmer Robinson.



This is Sr Blanche Marie Messier, center, with Sr Karen and Bishop Cunningham. Sr Blanche Marie invites everyone to visit the shrine of Blessed Mother Marianne Cope in Syracuse.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>JULY 2010</h1>						
Syr AS is All Saints Syr SL is St Lucy				1	2	3 Baptism of Leonardo Mingolelli St Peter's, Rome
4 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10 Whitesboro 11	5 4th of July "Holiday"	6	7	8	9	10 Lion's Club Picnic Lee Center
11 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10 Rome 10	12	13 Barber Shop 10 AM - 1 PM New Hartford	14	15 Liverpool Senior Citizen Group Picnic Syracuse	16	17
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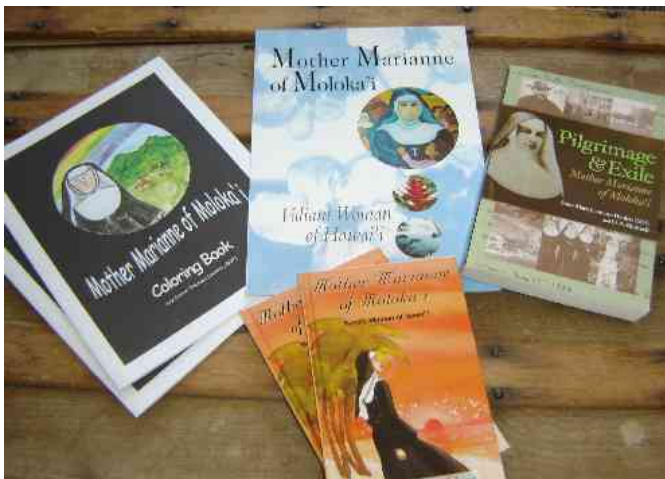


July Birthdays

- 13 Karolina Lachut
- 13 Matt Windecker
- 16 Ciera Roberts
- 19 Rob Thurlow Jr
- 20 Mathew Heinlein
- 20 Holly Kavanaugh
- 20 Ed O'Toole
- 26 Robert Menotti
- 30 Ryan Lee

July Anniversaries

- 6 Jim & Mary Margaret Van Damme
- 8 Matt & Rebecca Dadey 5 Years!



These books on Mother Marianne Cope were donated to us by Sr Blanche Marie. If you would like to borrow one, just let me know.



**Make Your Plan Now
for the
National
Deaf Cursillo
Reunion 2010**

**Louisville, Kentucky
August 12 - 15**

**"40 Days become 40 Years Journey"
How have we changed?
How have we shared with others?**

**For more information,
Email: Donald Shaw
NDCreunion@aol.com**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<h1>AUGUST 2010</h1>						
1 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10 Whitesboro 11	2	3	4	5	6	7 Camp Mark Seven Board Meeting
8 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10 Rome 10	9	10 Barber Shop 10 AM - 1 PM New Hartford	11	12	13	14
15 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10 Whitesboro 11	16	17	18	19	20	21 Deaf NY Picnic Whitney Point 10 - 5
22 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10 Rome 10	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 Fulton Call Syr SL 9 Syr AS 9:15 Johnson City 10	30	31				*



August Birthdays

- 1 Justin Frechette
- 5 Matt Cutler
- 5 Jonah Frechette
- 7 Bentley Fine
- 8 Heather Macri
- 9 Charles O'Bryan
- 19 Margaret Rocco
- 20 Sr Margaret Duffy
- 20 Rachael & Rebecca Chmiel
- 25 Suzanne Falcone
- 25 Luciano Mingoelli
- 30 Marion Baratta
- 31 Elena Cicarrelli

Try to think of listening as an essential part of prayer. You pray, and you hear the voice of God speaking to you gently,...deep in your heart.

Catherine Doherty

"Connected In Christ"

**International Catholic Deaf Association
6th Biennial Conference**

**Marriot Chicago Schaumburg, IL
July 10 -15-2011**

Plan now! Contact:

icdaus.chicago2011@yahoo.com

<http://www.icda-us.org/>

Millions of young Catholics, the Pope, and YOU!
World Youth Day
August 2011
If interested, let Mary Margaret know now.

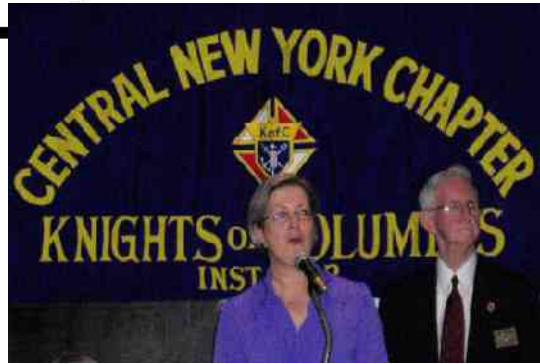
"You have only one life to live.
What else better do you have to do with it than to
try to become holy?"
asked a Madonna House Priest

Here are some websites you might enjoy:
(click on them)

- www.frmd.org Fr. Mike Depcik
- www.foryourmarriage.org
- www.fathersforgood.org
- pope2you.net
- www.kofc.org Knights of Columbus
- www.usccb.org US Catholic Bishops
- www.osv.com Our Sunday Visitor

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by**

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Mary Margaret at the
Knights of Columbus *
Bishop's Barse Dinner.
They gave us \$1100!

Thank you to the K of C
and those below who
support us!

**CATHOLIC DEAF COMMUNITY - MONTHLY GIVING
June - July - August 2010**

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