

Weekly re:Cap



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The first of three events celebrating the 100 Year Centennial of St. Anthony Spirituality Center in Marathon WI, was held Sunday, October 1. Three hundred people came out to tour the grounds and enjoy an outdoor picnic. They had an opportunity to hear the history presented by docents dressed like the early 1900s at 8 points of interest throughout the property: everything from how the farmers brought stones, to the maple syrup, the stations of the cross, the old barn, the grotto, the river and the stone walls, the windmill, the cemetery, the ball field, swimming pool and handball courts.

The centennial committee thanks the Capuchins for their help with photos and insights of the history of St. Anthony's. We are grateful to those Caps who could be present and look forward to seeing more at the June 10, 2018 and August 16-18, 2019 grand celebration. All friars, families and friends are invited.



L-R sitting: Dave Joswiak, Ron Schaub, Joe Straub; standing: Ocean Prihoda, Lori Randall, Bruce LaCrosse, Jane Ritger and Anna Straub.

Who is serving whom?

A reflection by Bob Malloy, Capuchin Soup Kitchen chaplain



**Capuchin Soup
Kitchen**

Feeding Bodies, Nourishing Spirits,
Strengthening Communities

One of the guests at the Soup Kitchen has taken it upon himself to do a clean-up of the parking lot each morning. He picks up the cigarette butts and litter before breakfast. His comment: "Why wouldn't I do this? The soup kitchen is a kind of home for me, and I want to give something back for what I receive here."

Not a big thing at all, but sometimes it's the small things done with a good heart that grabs my attention. Imagine what the whole block would look like if everyone walking by had the same attitude. It would start to swell into something quite impressive.

Another guest has volunteered to clean tables and mop the floor on a regular basis. He does it with great cheer, even though he hurts physically as he is bent over after being hit by a car some time ago. I kind of think he does it to keep himself moving and to take his mind off the pain. He doesn't ask for anything.

Again, not a big thing, but when I take time to observe him, I can't help but to appreciate his goodness and feel blessed myself.

We talk a lot about charism — so much food for thought about our mission. It's refreshing to bump up against that charism being lived out by the people we serve. Sometimes I wonder, "Who's serving whom?"



The Capuchin Soup Kitchen (CSK) got its official start during the Great Depression of 1929, a period of devastating national poverty that caused the poor of this Detroit community to knock on the monastery's back door asking for bread. "They are hungry; get them some soup and sandwiches," Solanus Casey was known to say to the friars. In time the lines grew to more than 2,000 people waiting for their single meal of the day. The friars knew they had to do more.

In response to the time's overwhelming social needs, the friars turned to the men and women of the Secular Franciscans and joined together with them to collect food from farms, make soup, bake bread and serve meals in the hall next to the monastery. From these beginnings grew the Capuchin Soup Kitchen of today.

More than meals...

The Capuchin Soup Kitchen is widely known for providing hot, healthy meals to thousands of Detroiters.

CSK also serves in a number of other ways: Jefferson House provides residential treatment for indigent males seeking to reclaim their lives from addictions; the staff at "On the Rise" bakery and café are men recently released from prison who have completed a substance abuse treatment program; CSK's Earthworks Urban

Farm is a 2.5 acre certified organic farm, striving to restore our connection to the environment and community; The Capuchin Service Center serves as the distribution site for emergency food and clothing; and the Rosa Parks Children and Youth Program seeks to stretch the minds of young people, and explore with them alternatives to violence.



"Transforming the world through reverence"



SOCK Dinner benefits Capuchin Soup Kitchen

Once billed as the "Men's Only" Baseball dinner, SOCK first originated in the early summer of 1942. More than one hundred men showed up for the dinner which was held in the old Soup Kitchen building on Mt. Elliott Street. Each attendee paid five dollars and listened to Connie Mack talk baseball for over two hours. Over the years such notables as Ted Williams, Casey Stengel, Joe Garagiola, Mickey Mantle and Satchel Paige came to the event to talk baseball.

Formally named SOCK (Support Our Capuchin Kitchen) in 1973, the event grew to become one of the most successful fund raising events in Michigan. It has been listed in Crain's Detroit Business as one of Detroit's top grossing fund raisers.

The evening now includes a cocktail reception, dinner and entertainment. A new tradition was established with the addition of a reception following the SOCK dinner, the *Afterglow*.

Even though the format has changed, one thing has remained the same: to assist those less fortunate in the community. Metro Detroiters are still dedicated to attending and supporting this annual Soup Kitchen event. Jerry Johnson, executive director, is hoping to see new faces at this year's event.

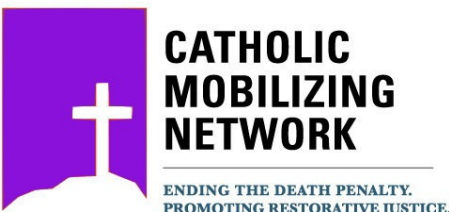
John C. Carter, president, Michigan Middle Market of JP Morgan Chase & Co., serves as the 2017 chairperson for the Capuchin Soup Kitchen's 45th SOCK dinner. Carter has served for over 35 years as manager or executive-in-charge of various lending and corporate banking groups which provide operating and capital raising services/products to corporate clients. He serves on various internal bank committees and has involvement in several outside organizations, as either member or director.



John C. Carter

This year's event will be held on 27 October in the Grand Riverview Ballroom of the Cobo Center in downtown Detroit.

Pope calls for absolute end to death penalty



The death penalty, no matter how it is carried out, is, in itself, contrary to the Gospel. This is the declaration that the pope made on 11 October, marking the 25th anniversary of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

Addressing participants at an encounter to mark the anniversary of the catechism, Francis said that the catechism needs to be even more explicitly against capital punishment, saying that it heavily wounds

human dignity and is inhumane.

During the ceremony, the pope repeated his insistence that capital punishment is "inadmissible" under any circumstance. He said that the death penalty violates the Gospel and amounts to the voluntary killing of a human life, which "is always sacred in the eyes of the Creator."

The catechism, issued a quarter century ago by John Paul II to give Catholics an easy, go-to guide for church teaching, *doesn't* exclude recourse to the death penalty.



Jean Schroeder (sister of Jerry Schroeder) died recently.

Provincial Silver Jubilee



Recently, our public relations office received the above photo of a jubilee medallion, obviously created for the 65th anniversary of the St. Joseph Province. Our provincial archivist was unfamiliar with this item. If you have any information about this medallion, or if you actually have one, please contact us!



- 19 Vernon Wagner (N)
- 20 SLS Ministry Council
- 22 Bettejean Ahee (B)
- 23 Joseph Monachino (B)
- 25 Kathy Andrew (B)
- 25-28 NAPCC, Scottsdale AZ
- 29 Michael Drobnicki (B)
- 30 William Hugo (B)



That time of year thou mayst in me behold



That time of year thou mayst in me behold
 When yellow leaves, or none, or few, do hang
 Upon those boughs which shake against the cold,
 Bare ruin'd choirs, where late the sweet birds sang.
 In me thou see'st the twilight of such day
 As after sunset fadeth in the west,
 Which by and by black night doth take away,
 Death's second self, that seals up all in rest.
 In me thou see'st the glowing of such fire
 That on the ashes of his youth doth lie,
 As the death-bed whereon it must expire,
 Consum'd with that which it was nourish'd by.
 This thou perceiv'st, which makes thy love more strong,
 To love that well which thou must leave ere long.

