

Weekly re:Cap



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Groundbreaking in Milwaukee



Heartland Housing, a non-profit organization that is part of Chicago-based Heartland Alliance, and community partners gathered to celebrate the upcoming construction of St. Anthony's Apartments. The former St. Anthony's Hospital will be renovated into 60 units of permanent supportive housing. The new St. Anthony's Apartments are expected to open in October 2018.

The historic building at 1004 N. 10th St. was recently placed on the National Register of Historic Places for its place in Milwaukee's African-American history. Heartland's rehabilitation will re-purpose the building into 60 modern apartments, onsite property management and supportive services offices, and new space for partner Capuchin Community Services' health clinic and homeless outreach programs.

"We believe society is better for everyone when all can participate, prosper, and reach their full potential. Affordable housing is the foundation to these achievements." said Michael Goldberg, executive director of Heartland Housing. "Heartland Housing is thrilled to be adding a fourth permanent supportive housing development in Milwaukee as part of our efforts to support those who have struggled with homelessness in stabilizing their lives."



"Capuchin Community Services has been serving the poor, the hungry, and the homeless for nearly 50 years. These apartments will be a great opportunity for Capuchin Community Services to expand our outreach to the hungry and homeless of Downtown Milwaukee. By providing permanent supportive housing to those who would otherwise be homeless, self-sufficiency will become more than a dream," said Rob Roemer, ministry director of Capuchin Community Services.

The project will be financed with multiple sources including low income housing tax credits and federal and state historic preservation tax credits. Other lead partners in the development include the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority, Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, Milwaukee County

and the City of Milwaukee, along with funding partners Enterprise Community Investment, US Bank, Zilber Family Foundation, the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco and Capuchin Community Services.

This will be Heartland Housing's fourth housing development in the city of Milwaukee. Previous developments include Maskani Place (320 E. Center St. – opened 2014), Capuchin Apartments (2502 W. Tamarack St. – opened 2011), and Prairie Apartments (1218 W. Highland Ave. – opened 2008).



Esther Boehnlein affiliated after 21 years of service

The affiliation ceremony for Esther Boehnlein took place on 3 November at St. Lawrence Community, Mt. Calvary WI. Esther has been part of the St. Lawrence Community for more than two decades. Following the affiliation prayer service, friars and guests enjoyed a social and dinner in the friary dining room. *Weekly re:Cap* offers Esther a heartfelt welcome to the Capuchin extended family!

Preaching in the 21 Century: Tap into Life Podcast

With Pope Francis' invitation to engage the world of social media as an opportunity for evangelization and unity, several friars involved with the Preaching and Evangelization Commission have spent the last year working in a new medium: the podcast.

The podcast's name *Tap into Life* is an extension of the young-adult ministry currently happening at the Solanus Casey Center in Detroit. While bringing young adults together, Tom Nguyen was looking for another way to keep people connected beyond their once a month meeting. The obvious answer for young adults: social media.

Since January 2017, the Tap into Life ministry has included an online podcast. Just like radio and television have daily or weekly programs, the podcast is an audio file that is created by ordinary people about almost anything. Rather than listening to these as live events, the podcast is downloaded from the internet onto a listening device (the "pod" in "podcast" comes from how this form of media was first used by people who had iPods). It is like a radio broadcast; however, each episode is downloaded from the internet to be listened to at one's convenience.



Tom Nguyen (left) with Keith Clark



Vito Martinez (left) and MJ Groark

For the past year, Tap into Life podcast has added a Franciscan presence onto the internet through its weekly episodes. Tom Nguyen and Keith Clark are the hosts in Detroit, MJ Groark and Vito Martinez are the hosts from Chicago. Each week, the podcast alternates between the Detroit and Chicago group, offering different perspectives on Franciscan theology, vocations, the lives of saints, and other topics of interest to the Millennial

age group. It is a continually growing ministry as the followers of the podcast span the entire US and even other countries!

Connecting to the podcast is simple:

If you have an Android smartphone/device: Find the Google Play Store app on your phone and open it. In the search bar, type “tap into life capuchin.” The podcast player called CastBox will be the option. Click to select it. Install CastBox onto your phone/device. Open CastBox. If you don’t want to create a login, you can skip it. Click on the magnifying glass to search, and type in Tap into Life. Select the podcast and subscribe to receive updates for each podcast.

Connecting on a computer: In your search bar (Google, Bing, etc) type: “tap into life podcast.” The first search result will be called “Tap Into Life-ZenCast.” Click the link to open. The page will display the most recent podcast. The entire list of podcasts are available by clicking the “View All Episodes” button at the bottom.

We saw you at the Voces de la Frontera masquerade gala

Since last fall’s election, the Milwaukee community has gone through many emotions, hardships, and attacks. Voce de la Frontera has become bolder, mobilizations larger, and their hunger for justice greater than ever. This year’s gala was held at the Harley Davidson Museum on 27 October, and the province supported the event by purchasing a table. St. Ben’s parishioner Dennis Neunfeldt was honored at the event. He and his wife were introduced to Voces through friends at the Capuchin parish of St. Ben’s.



Dennis Neunfeldt



Rose Stietz, OP



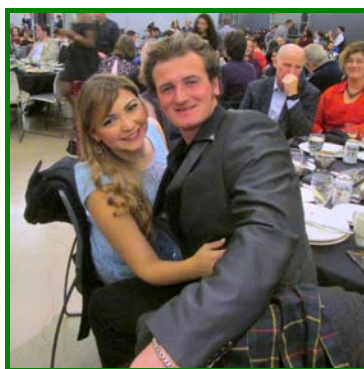
*Javier Rodriguez (left)
with Martin Ngo*



Kent Bauer



*(L-R) TL Michael Auman, Perry McDonald
and Werner Wolf*



*Melissa Fernandez (St. Francis
Parish secretary) and her beau*



Affiliates Jose and Ana Martinez



Jerry Smith





Floraine Piefer (sister of Alex Luzi) died on 27 October.

George Hewlett (brother of former friar Don Bosco Hewlett) died on 2 November.

Paul Schmitz was recently hospitalized for an infection. He continues treatment in Managua.

Janie Graves (mother of Jason Graves) is suffering with brain and breast tumors.

Norbert Siegel (brother of Kenan Siegel) was scheduled for surgery on 8 November.

Tom Siegel (nephew of Kenan Siegel) has been diagnosed with stage 4 cancer.

November

- 8 PR Zoom/Video Conference
Dorothy Day (B)
- 9 Finance Commission Zoom Conference
Cap Soup Kitchen Ministry Council
- 10 School of the Americas Watch
- 13 Social Media Zoom/Video Conference
- 14 Provincial Review Board
Wilbert Lanser (B)
- 15 PR Zoom/Video Conference
- 18 Beatification of Solanus Casey, Detroit
- 19 World Day of the Poor
- 22 PR Zoom/Video Conference

Weekly re:Cap is grateful to former friar Richard Hansen for a recent donation.

PEACE

The Prophet Muhammad said,

“Do you know what is better than charity and fasting and prayer? It is keeping peace and good relations between people, as quarrels and bad feelings destroy mankind.”



“Over these two thousand years, how many pages of history have been written by Christians who, in utter simplicity and humility, and with generous and creative charity, have served their poorest brothers and sisters! The most outstanding example is that of Francis of Assisi, followed by many other holy men and women over the centuries. He was not satisfied to embrace lepers and give them alms, but chose to go to Gubbio to stay with them. He saw this meeting as the turning point of his conversion: “When I was in my sins, it seemed a thing too bitter to look on lepers, and the Lord himself led me among them and I showed them mercy. And when I left them, what had seemed bitter to me was changed into sweetness of mind and body” (Text 1-3: FF 110). This testimony shows the transformative power of charity and the Christian way of life.”

~ Pope Francis, on the first annual “World Day of the Poor,” to be celebrated on 19 November.

