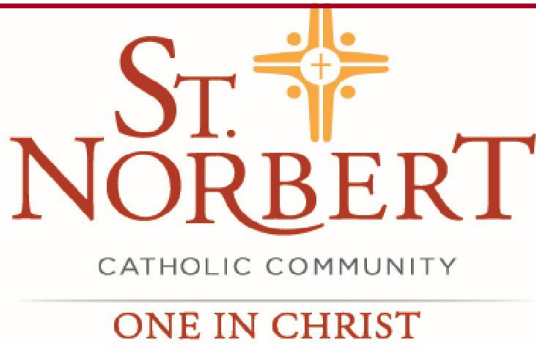


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MASS & WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:30 PM

SUNDAY MASSES: 7:30, 9, 11:30 AM;
1:30 PM Spanish; 6PM Youth Mass

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 6:30AM & 8 AM; **Saturday** 8 AM

RECONCILIATION: **Saturday** 4-5 PM; **Thursday** 7-8 PM
or by **Appointment**

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: **Thursday**
8:30 AM—8 PM; **Saturday** 4-5 PM

CLERGY

REV. MICHAEL J. LEE, O.PRAEM., PASTOR

REV. CARL W. BRASCHOS, O.PRAEM., PAROCHIAL VICAR

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

Two years ago, during Rome's quiet summer, Pope Francis took a day off to visit privately with some old friends, whose identity took Catholic Italy by surprise: Evangelical Protestants. They welcomed Francis to their Pentecostal Church of Reconciliation, where Francis asked pardon for Catholic persecutions and celebrated the Holy Spirit's "Pentecostal work." Unlike Satan, declared Francis, who creates division among God's children, the Holy Spirit creates a diversity rich and beautiful. And unity; not uniformity, Francis specified, but unity in diversity. Francis named the Spirit's gift "reconciled diversity." Pentecost's rich treasury of scriptural readings, for Saturday's vigil and Sunday's morning liturgy, traces the Holy Spirit's work from creation's beginning, through Jesus' resurrection, into the church's earliest days, now into our days. Kindled in our hearts, the Spirit's gentle fire is ours to share generously, even with those most strikingly different from us. All hearts are Spirit-warmed by reconciled diversity.

VIGIL READINGS ILLUSTRATE PENTECOST'S BIRTHING

As Easter opened with a scripturally rich Vigil, Pentecost crowns Easter's "Great Fifty Days" by opening with a Vigil, whose Old Testament readings envision the Spirit's Pentecost creativity. Genesis shows Babel's language-unity disintegrating into scattered confusion. Pentecost's Spirit reconciles varying languages, creating faith's unity in diversity. Exodus shows people trembling as wind and fire accompany God's commands. Pentecost's tongues of fire come with wind, but no fear, gently empowering Apostles to proclaim Jesus' law of love. Ezekiel envisions the Spirit reuniting scattered bones, breathing new life, restoring them to the Promised Land. Pentecost's Spirit breathes life into scattered souls, gathering them into Jesus' new united faith community. Joel promises Spirit-given dreams and visions to rescue God's chosen remnant. That Spirit, Paul declares, prays for us, in us; and Jesus invites us to drink deeply of that Spirit, whose living water, flowing through us, lovingly restores others to life.

COME, HOLY SPIRIT!

Reconciled diversity illumines Pentecost and fills this Jubilee Year of Mercy. Locked doors fly open as Pentecost's Spirit sends forth once-frightened disciples to share Jesus' gospel in countless languages, uniting crowds of divergent — sometimes hostile — nationalities into one newborn community filled with peace. Paul exhorts the Corinthians, and us, to celebrate our differences, for gifts of the same Spirit build our diversity into Jesus' one body. Paul bids the Romans, and us, to embrace life bestowed by "the Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, 'Abba, Father!'" In today's traditional Gospel, Jesus sends forth previously frightened disciples, and us, to love others as Jesus loves us. So Pope Francis sees Pentecost's Spirit, in this Jubilee Year of Mercy, summoning us afresh from past mediocrity and selfish isolation to share God's mercy enthusiastically and generously. The alternative Gospel declares keeping Jesus' commandments not a mindless obligation but a loving choice, closing Easter Time with Jesus' enduring promise of the Pentecost Spirit's abiding presence: that Spirit "will teach you everything and remind you of all I told you."

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26



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PENTECOST SUNDAY

*"In one Spirit we were all
baptized into one body*

— I Corinthians 12:13a

Sunday, May 15, 2016

Vigil †Olimpia and †Camillo
Pomanti
7:30 †Father Burke
(11th Anniversary)
9:00 Sharpless Family
11:30 †Ralph and †Mary Elsie
DiFronzo
1:30 PM Spanish Mass
6 PM Members of the parish

Monday, May 16

6:30 †Patti Ryan
8:00 †Helen Grevy

Tuesday, May 17

6:30 For the Armed Forces
8:00 †Eliza Burke

Wednesday, May 18

6:30 For the unemployed
8:00 †Serafia Galinta

Thursday, May 19

6:30 For the Armed Forces
8:00 †Serafia Galinta

Friday, May 20

6:30 †Bunky Mullray
8:00 †Angela Shanaughy

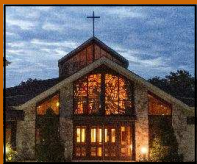
Saturday, May 21

8:00 †Carmella Siniscalki

Sunday, May 22

Vigil †Robert Reger
7:30 †Dr. Diane DiMonte
9:00 †Mary J. Kinsella
11:30 Members of the parish
1:30 PM Spanish Mass
6 PM †Edward Joseph Cabral

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE
FAITHFULLY DEPARTED.**

**OUR VISION**

St. Norbert Parish aspires to become one in Christ as a community of fervent disciples, who listen attentively for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and who lovingly embrace Jesus, present in the poor, the alienated and the spiritually hungry.

Stewardship

Today is the Solemnity of Pentecost. One of the most ancient feasts of the Church, Pentecost is mentioned and explained in both the Acts of the Apostles (today's First Reading) and in St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. The name comes quite simply from the Greek word, *Pentekoste*, which meant "the 50th day" as Pentecost is 50 days after Easter Sunday (counting Easter).

Pentecost is often called the "birthday of the Church" as it was on this day — with the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and about 120 followers of Christ, including our Blessed Mother Mary and other men and women — that Christ's mission on earth is completed.

However, that mission continues with us. We, too, have received the power of the Holy Spirit through Baptism, Confirmation, the Eucharist, and other sacraments. It is this Holy Spirit that allows us to be the Lord's Disciples actively working in today's Church and today's society. Nevertheless, we must accept and recognize that fact.

In a homily given on Pentecost



PRAYERS & READINGS

PRAY FOR HEALING:

Corinne Kerrigan, William A. Ross, Anne Sullivan, Steve Siple, Kathleen Paleudis, Patty Kundert, Joe Monte, Brad Moser, Vera Valyo, Carole Mahon, Carol Vanchina, Matthew Rice, Debra Ulicny, Joe Mensick, Greg Kleckner, Maria Palfy, Pasquale Marino, Ryan Schlecht, Julian D'Orazio, William Denney, Elena Prota, Maria Morales, Michael Fullam, Arlene Martino, Kitty McQuaid, Aaron Gelstine, Timothy Shannon, William Liney, Courtney Patterson, Mary Corcoran, Gwen Murphy, David Wilbur, William Wilbur, Tim Dippel, Alice Bowman, Dorothy Wilson, Eddie Brady

REST IN PEACE: Ed Cain, Irene Toczylowski

PRAYERS FOR OUR TROOPS:

Pvt. **Matthew Cress**, USA; Pvt. **Michael Flowers**, USA; Capt. **Dan Kohli**, USMC; 1st.Lt. **Spencer Lahiff**, USMC; Sgt. **Justin Lansford**, USA; Pvt. **Bryan McCormick**, USA; Maj. **James Merenda**, USAF; Spc. **R. J. Paski**, USA; A1c. **Matthew Paski**, USAF; CPT **Brian Wallin**, DO, USA



Sunday 20 years ago Pope St. John Paul II said, "In the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke describes the extraordinary manifestation of the Holy Spirit. This divine gift is

light and power, light to proclaim the Gospel truth and power to infuse each of us with the courage of witnessing to the faith." Living out this call is the essence of stewardship.

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LEGION OF MARY

In this year of Mercy, think about joining our Legion of Mary that meets every

Thursday at 9 AM in the Church Sacristy Meeting Room. The

Legion members do two hours of spiritual works of mercy each week like visiting the sick in hospitals and

nursing homes. They pray the Rosary each day and grow closer to Our Blessed Mother and her Son. **CONTACT:** Shirley Mertz at 610.644.6217

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16

Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

Pastor's Pulpit

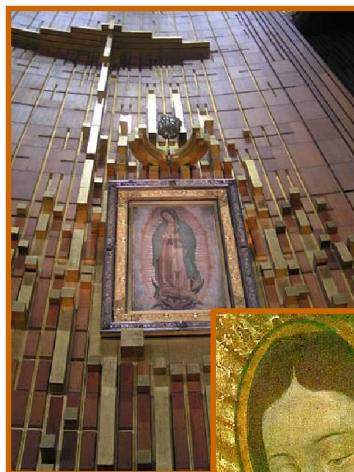
CONTINUING SERIES ON OUR LADY

TILMA FORCE

Several years ago I had the opportunity to travel to Mexico City. I had just completed my graduate work in Latin American Studies and had gotten permission to travel to Mexico. My mind is still filled with wonderful memories of the city and the history that the city contains. One memory that stands out is my visit to the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

I remember seeing the tilma that Juan Diego wore when he was visited by Our Lady¹ on display behind a glass case over the main altar. However what really stands out in my memory are the thousands of people who were praying and singing. Many of those were kneeling and walking on their knees as they were praying.

The devotion of the Mexican people to Our Lady is everywhere in Mexico and the image of Mary on the tilma of Juan Diego has been carried in processions and demonstrations and battles throughout the centuries. The people see Our Lady as their guardian and support. For hundreds of years Our Lady of Guadalupe has given



the people hope and a sense that they are not alone in their many struggles.

Pope Francis addressed the Bishops of Mexico during his visit there on Saturday, February 13, 2016. The Pope for some time had nourished a desire to see la Guadalupe just as Saint Juan Diego did and successive generations after him. In his address to the Bishops the Pope continued to reference "la Morenita."

Pope Francis said that:

"Guadalupe teaches us that God is known, and is closer to us, by his countenance and that closeness and humility, that bowing down and drawing close, are more powerful than force...As the wonderful Guadalupe tradition teaches us, la Morenita gathers together those who contemplate her, and reflects the faces of those who find her...we must

guard against becoming impervious to such gazes, but rather gather them to our hearts and guard them."

(from the Address of Pope Francis to the Mexican Bishops²)

I find it wonderful that centuries after her appearance at Tepeyac Our Lady still calls us to concern for those who are oppressed and in need.

— Fr. Michael

¹ Read "About Our Lady of Guadalupe" at: <http://www.catholic.org/about/>

[guadalupe.php](http://www.guadalupe.php)

² Pope Francis speaks to Mexican Bishops: <http://www.romereports.com/2016/02/13/full-text-of-the-pope-francis-speech-at-mexican-bishops>



THIS YEAR OF MERCY . . .

TALKING FORGIVENESS

Have you ever found it difficult to forgive? If so, turn to Mary, the Mother of Mercy. She is the Mother of God whose "mercy endures forever" (Ps 118:1), the Mother of Jesus who prayed, "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do" (Lk. 23:34). She is our surest help when we struggle with feelings of resentment or the desire to "get even." For did not she, of all people, have reason to feel resentment, to desire revenge, to despise those who betrayed and abandoned her Son? Did not she have reason to wish for revenge against the hypocrisy of religious leaders who twisted the truth of his words and the goodness of his mighty deeds to justify his condemnation as a charlatan deserving death? And, did not she have reason to wish for vengeance against the cowardice of Pilate, the cruelty of his executioners, and the mockery of the bystanders who scornfully laughed at her beloved Son stripped naked, dying helplessly on the cross? Indeed, she had every reason to cry out to God asking for vengeance against the perpetrators of such barbarous cruelty!

But, no, she did not. She forgave. She witnessed Jesus asking His Father to forgive.

So let us pray the "Hail, Holy Queen" every day during this Holy Year of Mercy, asking Mary, the Mother of Mercy, to help us be merciful when we feel the desire for revenge or for "getting even." May Mary, the Mother of Mercy be "our life, our sweetness, and our hope" as we learn how "blessed are the merciful for they shall receive mercy." (Mt 5:7). — Sr. Annette Pelletier, IHM, Prof. of Theology, Immaculata University

How to Live It

Read the story of Immaculee Ilibagiza. In her book, *Left To Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust*, she recounts how she survived the Rwandan genocide and was brought to forgive those who murdered her family through the prayer of the Rosary, especially the Sorrowful Mysteries. Then, consider taking up the Rosary and asking Our Lady to help you forgive those who have injured you.

For more Year of Mercy info go to: <http://archphila.org/mercy/formation/>

News & Events

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS THIS WEEKEND

CAST YOUR BALLOTS

The annual election of two new members of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) will be held this weekend **May 14 & 15**.

WHO CAN VOTE: Registered members of St. Norbert Parish who are at least 18 years of age are eligible to vote for 2 candidates.

This Year's Nominees: The following are the nominees for two slots on the Parish Council with one additional person to be appointed by our Pastor, Fr. Mike. For full biographical sketches of each candidate please go to our StNorbert.org website, Resource Center, Bulletins, **May 1st Bulletin:** <http://parish.stnorbert.org/pdf/bulletins/May-1-Bulletin-2016.pdf>

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINEES

MARY BOYCE

My passion lies in spreading the Gospel message to youth and young adults, because they are the future of our church. My faith journey is one that was strongly influenced by the community of St. Norbert's. I would be blessed to give back to the community that has provided me with such a solid faith foundation and, as a Young Adult representative, I could bring a fresh perspective to Council meetings.



HEATHER HILL I would like to serve our parish because St. Norbert's is my second home – my solace – my sanctuary. I enjoy spending time here and would love to bring others to experience the same. My vision for St. Norbert's is for all parishioners to become one with the church, for everyone to feel welcomed and at home as much as I do. Through the various ministries, activities, and events, I believe it can happen. I am honored to be considered for the Parish Pastoral Council.



MARIE MARTINO Serving on the Parish Pastoral Council would provide me an opportunity to give back. I am drawn to the concept advocated by Catholic author Matthew Kelly that we are each called to become "the best version of ourselves" – which he defines as the essence of holiness. My vision for our parish community is simply that we would become "the best version of ourselves" as already articulated in the mission statement that we pray together before Mass each week.



STEVE RYAN I am asking for the chance to serve a second term on the Pastoral Council because I want to support our Pastor and other Parish leaders as we strive to deepen our commitment to be a welcoming community of faith and mercy that is firmly rooted in the sacraments

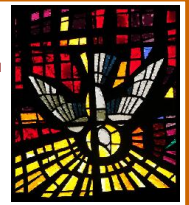


THIS PENTECOST . .

MISSIONING OUT

Now there were devout Jews from every nation staying in Jerusalem" . . . yet we all heard them speak in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

— Acts 2



From our parish registration meetings, we know that our parishioners speak many languages including the following: English, Spanish, French, German, Dutch, Italian, Portuguese, Gaelic, Polish, Russian, Bosnian, Chinese, Vietnamese, Japanese, Tagalog, Hindi, Arabic, Croatian, Indonesian, and Swahili.

May this celebration of Pentecost, the birthday of the church, remind us that the Holy Spirit wants to mission us out through our mighty deeds to communicate our love of Jesus to all. May our diversity help us to experience our rich blessings and lead us always to be one in Christ.

— Frs. Mike & Carl

and God's word.

NANCY STEMPEL I hope to help St Norbert's continue to grow and reach out to others as faith-filled disciples, focusing on parents. I do believe we, as parents and family, are the first teachers of the faith to our children, but we cannot give what we don't have. I hope to see, as we reach out to others, we are strengthened first from the inside so to bring love to the world.



DAVE ZIELINSKI In contemplating why I would like to serve on parish ministry a favorite quote from St. Francis of Assisi: *"Start by doing what is necessary, then do what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible."* If selected for Parish Council I would embrace the call for mercy that our Holy Father is asking of us specifically this year and that St. Norbert's would continue to grow in wisdom as it prayerfully responds to our parish community through mercy.



STEPHANIE ZIEGLER I love our Lord, I believe in the parish vision, and I particularly have a passion for feeding the spiritually hungry. I think my spiritual experiences working with married couples, women, youth, and young adults has prepared me for this opportunity to serve our parish on this council. We are all called to help build the Kingdom of Christ and if it is God's will for me to serve in this capacity I will do my best to serve in a humble, prayerful way to continue to help our vision become a reality.



FAST FACTS

DO YOU HAVE THE GOLDEN TICKET?

The St. Norbert School presents their 2016 play Willy Wonka Jr. this coming Friday and Saturday, **May 20-21** at **7 PM** in the School gym. Tickets are \$5. The play is presented in

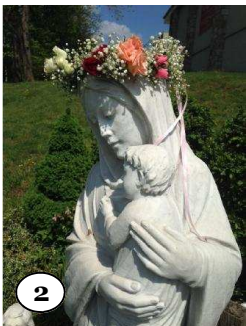


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Around Our Parish

Last Sunday saw the crowning of Mother Mary in her month of May (1-3) by the students in our **CaFFE**

program (**Catholic Family Formation and Education** — formerly know as Parish Religions Education Program). Stay tuned for CaFFE registration information for next school year and congratulations to the close to 300 children who participated in the classes and received their 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation. Our Kindergarden hosted a **Mother's Day tea** to the delight of all (4). The laughs kept coming all night at the recent **Knights of Columbus Comedy Night** with the man of 1000 voices Joe Conklin (5). It was a delightful and funny time (6). The second **School Golf and Tennis Outing and Gala** had a perfect day with lots of Eagles, birdies, slices, fantastic shots (7) and long drives (8) enjoyed by all. There were many great golfers (9) and tennis players (10). Taking a quick break was Eddie Morris with Bernie Parent (11). Thank you all who made this a great fundraiser for our School.



PARISH PICNIC

Saturday, June 4

Eucharistic Procession 4:15 PM from Daylesford Abbey

Mass 5:30 PM; Picnic 6:30-9 PM

School Grounds

Kick off the Summer with our St. Norbert Community Picnic for young, old, single, married, Religious Education, School and your interested neighbors, with Games, Food, Fellowship, Community and Fun

CONTACT: Ed Grady at EGrady@StNorbert.org or 610.644.1655 ext. 115

conjunction with The Springer Studio. **VISIT:** <http://school.stnorbert.org/enrichment-programs/drama-club> for more information.

CELEBRATE YOUR FAITH NIGHT with the Reading Phils **July 21**. All ages are welcome, as the **50+ Group** has reserved the entire Sly Fox Brewery Power Alley Pub for the evening. Tickets: \$27 per person including admission to the game and a 2 and 1/2 hour all-you-can eat buffet from 6-8:30 pm plus private cash bar.



Children 4 and under are free, so bring the family! Enjoy a fireworks show and join other faith-based groups to meet with Reading Phils players for a 20-minute post-game session as the players discuss their faith and the role it plays in their lives. Transportation to and from the game is on your own. Seating is limited to the first 60 people. **RSVP** with payment (cash or check payable to the St. Norbert 50+ Group) using the form below as soon as possible, but no later than **Wednesday June 1**. **CONTACT:** Moira Murphy at tigers.bisons@verizon.net or 484.437.0869

READING PHILS CELEBRATE YOUR FAITH NIGHT

Name(s): _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Number of Tickets @\$27 each: _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ **Cash or check payable to St. Norbert 50+ Group** Parish Office, 50 Leopard Road, Paoli, PA 19301

THANK YOU! “Words cannot express our heartfelt gratitude for your overwhelming and constant support of **Birthright of Coatesville** [that] not only allows our doors to stay open, but gives true HOPE of help to new mothers and their babies and siblings that come to us in crisis and need. You are all angels to us.... We couldn’t do it without your loving, constant and generous support. ... We would like to share some of the inspirational words that help remind us just how we are called to help ALL God’s children: “A good person produces good things from the treasury of a good heart” (Matthew 12:35). “If I can help at least one person to have a better life, that already justifies the offering of my life,” Pope Francis. We wish you peace & joy in all you do and thanks again. — Lisa Bodary, Director, Birthright



TEENS ON A MISSION: Thank you all for supporting the Youth Group’s recent efforts to raise funds for this summer’s Mission to Tennessee. If you would like to contribute to our van rental or to sponsor a missionary to Chattanooga **CONTACT:** Clare Kane at 610.644.1670 or ckane@stnorbert.org



UPCOMING EVENTS

WEEKLY:

Ongoing: Becoming Catholic **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**. **CONTACT:** Lorrie Grady at 610.644.4999 or lhg905@verizon.net or Hank Fila at 610.513.9768 or hankfila@gmail.com or Joseph Abraham at 610.420.3251 or abrajos@hotmail.com;
Sundays: Youth Group following 6 PM Mass; **CYO Dads Basketball**, 7-9 PM, Gym
Tuesdays: Young Adults Faith Sharing, Parish Office Lower Level, 7:30-9 PM, **CONTACT:** Joseph Abraham at 610.420.3251 or abrajos@hotmail.com
Wednesdays Christian Practice of Yoga, 11 AM—noon Youth Group Room; **JCREW** Youth Group, 7-9 PM, Youth Group Room
Thursdays: Adoration 8:30 AM—8 PM, Oratory with **Reconciliation** from 7-8 PM
Fridays: Legion of Mary, 9-10:30 AM, Sacristy Meeting Room
Saturdays: Reconciliation 4-5 PM or by appointment; **Adoration** 4-5 PM

UPCOMING:

May 19 Gethsemani Addictions Prayer Night, 7-8 PM, Oratory. **CONTACT:** Mark Christmyer at 610.644.1655, ext 131 or mchristmyer@stnorbert.org
May 21 Pancake Breakfast, Sponsored by St. Norbert Youth Group to raise funds for mission trip, 7 AM-12 PM, School Dining Hall
May 21 Respect Life Committee, 8:45-10:45 AM, Parish Office Dining Room
May 22 Youth Group Senior Night, 7-9 PM, School Dining Hall
May 24 School Junior Reading Olympics, 6-7:30 PM, School Dining Hall
May 26 Men’s Word of Life, 7-9 PM, Parish Office Meeting Room, **CONTACT:** Mike Piccioni at amedeo.piccioni@yahoo.com
June 1 Kindergarten Graduation, 10-11 AM, Oratory
June 1 Catholic Book Club, 9:30-11 AM, Parish Office
June 3 Festival of Praise, 7:30 PM, Oratory
June 4 Parish Picnic, 6:30 PM, see Page 3
June 4 & 5 Clothing Collection, Narthex & Gym
June 6 Feast of St. Norbert, Fellowship after 8 AM, Mass
June 8 8th Grade Graduation, 7-9:30 PM, Church with reception to follow in School Dining Hall
June 9 Prayer & Healing, 7:30 PM, Church
June 9 Knights of Columbus, 7:30 PM, Parish Office Meeting Room
June 10 School Prayer Service & Awards, 8:45-10:45 AM
June 12 Gethsemani 12 Steps Spirituality Night, 7:30-8:30 PM, Oratory. **CONTACT:** Martin K 610.291.1140
June 16 Gethsemani Evening of Prayer for Addictions, 7-8 PM, Oratory. **CONTACT:** Mark Christmyer at mchristmyer@stnorbert.org or 610.644.1655 ext 131
June 18 Respect Life Committee, 8:45-10:45 AM, Parish Office Dining Room
Weeks of June 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25 and Aug 1; School Summer Camp, 9 AM—4 PM, Parish Office Meeting Room, more info coming soon.

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