

FALL 2009



The mission of the Vicariate is to be responsive to the ministry of its parishes, schools, institutions, and agencies by:



Coordinating pastoral planning



Enhancing communications and networking



Promoting collegiality



Identifying and utilizing all resources which can be shared

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## PAV Hispanic Gathering Happens September 6th

All area Hispanics are welcome at a Hispanic Holy Mass with Bishop Daniel Flores. Experience the Catholic faith and culture of our Hispanic brothers and sisters. With no dedicated Hispanic Catholic churches in the metro Detroit area, this mix of culture and religion will be a great opportunity to celebrate with Spanish-speaking people in our area. After the Holy Mass, we will have a fiesta including food and music. At this event you will learn of other area Hispanic masses, holy rosaries, bible studies and youth groups. There also will be various Pontiac Area Vicariate resources available to the Hispanic community.

The PAV Hispanic Gathering happens on Sunday, September 6, 2009, at St. Mary of the Hills Catholic church. Mass begins at 3:00 PM with the fiesta to follow immediately. St. Mary's is located at 2675 John R Rd. in Rochester Hills, just north of Auburn Road.

The Pontiac Area Vicariate wants to stay in touch and better serve the Hispanic community. There will be opportunities to voice your needs and offer suggestions for future events.

For further information, or to volunteer to help at this event, visit [www.pontiacareavicariate.org](http://www.pontiacareavicariate.org) or contact Dawy Gonzalez-Ruiz at 586- 854-5677, [pavhispanic@hotmail.com](mailto:pavhispanic@hotmail.com).\*

**Are You Hispanic?**

The Pontiac Area Vicariate Invites You and Your Family **¿Hispanos?**

To a **Mass and Fiesta!**

**Sunday, September 6, 2009**  
**3:00 PM (Mass time) to 7:00 PM**

**St. Mary of the Hills Parish**  
**2675 John R Rd., Rochester Hills, MI 48307**

**All area Hispanics are welcome!**  
**To help us plan for food, an RSVP is appreciated.**  
**Call Dawy at 586-854-5677 or**  
**email [pavhispanic@hotmail.com](mailto:pavhispanic@hotmail.com)**

## Reunion Hispana del Vicariato de Pontiac Domingo 6 de septiembre, 2009

Todos están invitados a una santa misa hispana en la iglesia St. Mary of the Hills con el Obispo Daniel Flores! Participe de la experiencia de la fe católica de nuestros hermanos hispanos. Como no tenemos parroquias exclusivamente hispanas en el área metropolitana de Detroit, esta mezcla de cultura y religión será una gran oportunidad para celebrar con personas de habla hispana. Luego de la santa misa tendremos una fiesta que incluirá comida y música. En esta actividad también descubrirá de otras misas hispanas en el área, santos rosarios, estudios bíblicos y grupos juveniles. También habrá varios recursos del vicariato disponibles a la comunidad hispanas.

La celebración hispana del vicariato será el domingo 6 de septiembre, 2009 en la parroquia de St. Mary of the Hills. La misa comenzará a las 3 seguida de la fiesta. La parroquia de St. Mary está localizada en 2675 John R. Rd., Rochester Hills, justo al norte de Auburn Road.

El vicariato de Pontiac quiere asegurarse de que nos mantengamos en contacto con nuestra comunidad hispana a la que servimos lo mejor que podemos. También tendrán la oportunidad de compartir con nosotros sus necesidades y ofrecer sugerencias para eventos futuros.

Para mas información, o para ser voluntario en este evento visite [www.pontiacareavicariate.org](http://www.pontiacareavicariate.org) o llame a Dawy Gonzalez-Ruiz al (586) 854-5677, [pavhispanic@hotmail.com](mailto:pavhispanic@hotmail.com).\*

## Members:

### Parishes

- Christ the Redeemer, Orion Township
- St. Damien of Molokai
  - St. Michael
  - St. Joseph
  - St. Vincent
- Sacred Heart of the Hills, Auburn Hills
- St. Andrew, Rochester
- St. Benedict, Waterford
- St. Irenaeus, Rochester Hills
- St. John Fisher, Auburn Hills
- St. Joseph, Lake Orion
- St. Mary of the Hills, Rochester Hills
- St. Paul Albanian, Rochester Hills

### Schools

- Holy Family Elementary, Rochester/Rochester Hills
- Marist Academy Lower Level St. Benedict Campus, Waterford
- St. Joseph School, Lake Orion
- Marist Academy Middle School, Pontiac
- Notre Dame Preparatory, Pontiac

### Catholic

#### Cemeteries

- Guardian Angels
- Mt. Hope

## PAV Welcomes Fr. Jim Kean to St. Damien ...

Changes are happening in the Catholic Community in Pontiac! Effective July 1, three parishes have been merged into one, named St. Damien of Molokai. Formerly operating under a cluster arrangement, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Michael, and St. Joseph Shrine are now one independent parish. Even though all three churches will remain open and continue to have regularly scheduled masses, this change will bring about more consolidation and resource sharing. Most importantly, it will create one identity and sense of shared purpose for Catholics in and around Pontiac.

Prior to the founding of St. Vincent de Paul parish in 1851, Catholics in the Pontiac area called themselves the Catholic Community of Pontiac.

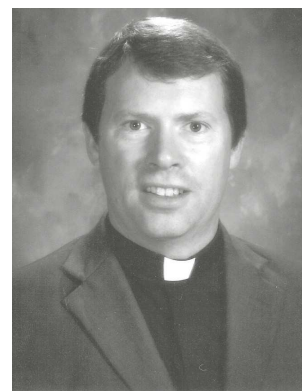
Fr. Jim Kean is the new pastor of St. Damien parish. Raised in Emmet, Michigan, he attended Our Lady of Mt. Carmel parish while growing up. His vocation began with a novitiate year in Italy as part of the Brothers of the Word order. Upon his return, he attended Sacred Heart Major Seminary and was ordained in 1997. Fr. Kean was pastor at St. Alfred parish in Taylor for the past seven years. Prior to that, he was at Our Lady of the

Lakes in Waterford and spent three years in his first assignment at Our Lady of Victory in Northville.

Some things will change while others will remain the same in the new St. Damien parish. The parish council became a clustered council several years ago, meaning that there were representatives from each of the three parishes. The difference now is that everyone on the council belongs to one parish. Worship groups and teams from the various church sites will now join together to serve the one parish community. St. Damien will now have one parish budget, which will reduce time spent

on reporting and bookkeeping. Fr. Kean says the new parish will seek to increase collaboration and cross-participation between individuals and groups that until now have felt more aligned with one of the three specific churches.

The new parish has an engaged and dedicated leadership team. Assisting Fr. Kean is Associate Pastor Fr. John O'Keefe who will continue in the role he began earlier this year. Both priests speak



Fr. Jim Kean, new pastor of St. Damien of Molokai

some Spanish and are fast improving their fluency. Deacons Brian White and Brigido Rodriguez will continue their ministries and Deacon Mike Fleming will help as well as he semi-retires. None of the priests, pastoral ministers, or staff will be assigned or dedicated to any one church, but rather serve the entire community of St. Damien.

Fr. Kean is encouraged by what he sees. Already, the new mass schedule is bringing parishioners to another church than the one they have previously attended. He says, "It warms my heart to witness the resiliency, flexibility and commitment of the people of St. Damien Parish as we move forward in this new chapter of the Catholic Church in Pontiac." \*

## ... and Fr. Richard Cavellier to Sacred Heart of the Hills

Fr. Richard Cavellier is the new pastor at Sacred Heart of the Hills in Auburn Hills. Fr. Cavellier has been a priest of the Archdiocese of Detroit for over twenty years and comes to our area from Troy. Prior to that, Fr. Cavellier served as pastor at St. Valerie of Ravenna in Clinton Township for thirteen years. Father is happy to live in this area and he looks forward to great celebrations, both liturgical and social, at Sacred Heart of the Hills. He is the sixth pastor for Sacred Heart and replaces the recently retired Fr. James Mayworm. \*

## Anointing of the Sick Available around the PAV

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be offered at these PAV Parishes. Check the PAV website at [www.pontiacarevicariate.org](http://www.pontiacarevicariate.org) for other dates as they are scheduled.

**St. Andrew Parish**  
1400 Inglewood  
Rochester, MI 48307  
248-651-7486  
October 10, 2009 at the  
5:00 PM Mass

**St. Joseph Parish**  
715 N. Lapeer Rd.  
Lake Orion MI 48362  
248-693-0440  
Mass of Anointing  
Saturday, October 17, 2009  
11:00 AM with luncheon to follow

**St. John Fisher Chapel**  
3665 E. Walton Blvd.  
Auburn Hills, MI 48363  
After 5:30 PM Saturday and  
10:00 AM Sunday Masses:  
Sept 26/27, October 24/25, and  
November 28/29

# PAV Service Operations Quarterly Update

Presented below is a summary of the accomplishments of PAV Ministries, prepared by the PAV Service Operations Committee, whose mission is to provide stewardship oversight of the Vicariate's operational services. The following items represent some of God's work that the PAV Ministries are accomplishing. For more information, see the featured articles below on ACTS, the PAV lay volunteer ministry training program, and the Catholic Community Response Team (CCRT). \*

*Dale Youngpeter,  
PAV Service Operations Committee Chair*

<p><b>Genesis Ministries</b>  <b>Period: 8/01/08 to 7/30/09</b>                  Diocesan Events per year 2                  Retreats per year 4                  Standard events a month 20-30                  Young Adult Masses a year 11                  PAV Parishes involved 7                  Active Young Adult Groups 7                  Young Adults Served 350</p>	<p><b>Youth Ministry</b>  <b>Period: 08/01/08 to 07/30/09</b>                  Events per year 6                  Staff participation 6                  Youth Minister Meetings 12                  Parishes served 7  <b>A Call to Serve (ACTS)</b>  <b>Period: 9/01/06 to 7/30/09</b>                  No. of lay ministers trained: 157                  No. of Training Sessions 6                  Number of Sessions per year: 2                  Candidates per session: 30</p>	<p><b>Vision 2000 Campaign for Catholic Schools</b>  <b>Period: 7/01/08 to 6/30/09</b>                  Campaign's Budgeted Income 2008-09 \$ 87,507                  Campaign's Budgeted Expenses 2008-09 \$ 6,581                  Campaign's Budgeted Cash flow 2008-09 \$ 80,926</p>
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## CCRT Serves Growing Needs in the Vicariate

Thanks to all PAV members for their support during the 2008/2009 year. The Catholic Community Response Team (CCRT) currently has a client base of over 1,150 persons.

Through your generous support we have provided the following services this past year:

Food orders	343
Clothing Orders	331
Personal Grooming	299
Rent Assistance	231
Utility Assistance	75
Medical/Eyeglasses	13
Identification	53

Household Goods	126
Auto Repair	19
Information (jobs/medical/dental)	166

On September 3rd, CCRT will host a visit from United States Congressman Gary Peters. He will be volunteering with our staff that day and sharing some of the concerns of our clients. We hope to be passing out personal grooming supplies and welcome any donations. Please call 248-334-3595 ext. 3332 if you can help.

Other ways our PAV parishes can help include:

- Discussing regular tithing for direct services to the poor in Pontiac.
- Inviting us to your parishes to describe our work and encourage volunteers.
- Holding a food drive or personal care products drive in your community.

Again, many, many thanks to all the PAV for supporting the poor and vulnerable in our vicariate! \*

*Barb Williams  
CCRT Director*



## ACTS: A Call To Serve

ACTS is a one-day PAV-sponsored program to train lay ministers for voluntary service. Presentations include a strong foundation in the Who, What, and How of Parish Ministry. Practical communication skills are presented to enhance one's ministry.

The next ACTS Training Session will take place on Saturday, September 19, 2009 at St. Irenaeus Parish. For further information please email Nancy Mason Bordley at [Parishserv@aol.com](mailto:Parishserv@aol.com) or visit [www.pontiacarevicariate.org](http://www.pontiacarevicariate.org). \*

### ACTS - A Call To Serve Registration Form

September 19, 2009 9:00 AM — 3:30 PM at St. Irenaeus Parish, 771 Old Perch Rd, Rochester Hills

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form and check for \$10.00 (\$30 if outside the Pontiac Area Vicariate) to: PAV/ACTS, 3665 Walton Blvd., Auburn Hills, MI 48326 by September 14, 2009

### Members:

#### Religious Communities

- Oxford Dominican Sisters
- St. Benedict Monastery

#### Chaplaincies

- Crittenton Hospital
- Doctors' Hospital
- Oakland County Jail
- Oakland County Juveniles
- POH Medical Center
- St. Joseph Mercy Oakland

#### Nursing Homes

- Lake Orion
- Sanctuary at Bellbrook
- Oakland County Medical Care Facility
- Lourdes Campus

#### Oakland County

- Campus Ministry
- Catholic Community Response Team
- Catholic Social Services
- Genesis Young Adult/Campus Ministry
- Fusion Ministry
- Guest House

#### PAV Website:

[www.pontiacarevicariate.org](http://www.pontiacarevicariate.org)

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