

“The Footprints of God” Video Series

The St. Anthony Parish Education Commission is presenting the video series “The Footprints of God: the Story of Salvation from Abraham to Augustine” by international speaker, Steve Ray. Steve is writer, producer and host of the 10-part video/DVD series filmed entirely on location in the Holy Land and surrounding countries. Steve and his wife Janet and are certified guides to the Holy Land and lead pilgrimages throughout Israel and other biblical lands.

Steve is a convert to the Catholic Church and the author of three best-selling Ignatius Press books (*Crossing the Tiber*, *Upon this Rock*, and a scripture commentary entitled *St. John's Gospel*). Steve has worked with [EWTN](#), [St. Joseph Communications](#), [Catholic Answers](#), [Franciscan University of Steubenville](#), [Legatus](#), [Fullness of Truth](#), [Catholic Scripture Study International](#), [Defensores Fidei Foundation](#), [Ignatius Press](#), [Legionaries](#) in Rome and many others. He has appeared on Fox News and is a regular guest on [EWTN](#), [Relevant Radio](#), [Ave Maria Radio](#), [Catholic Answers Live](#), and many other TV and radio programs.

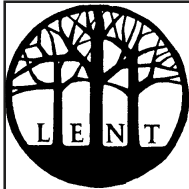
On his website, Steve discusses his conversion to the Catholic Faith:

“[T]he more I studied the early Fathers of the Church, starting with Ignatius of Antioch, Clement of Rome, (disciples of Peter and Paul), Papias, Irenaeus, Polycarp, Justin Martyr, and others, I became convinced the early Church was Catholic. Intellectual honesty and spiritual integrity forced me to become a Catholic. As the old maxim says: “The water is always cooler and cleaner as you draw closer to the source.” I had gone back to the early Church and the truth was clear and refreshing.”

Please join us on any or all of the following evenings at 7:00 PM in Padua Hall:

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| March 5: | <i>Mary, The Mother of God</i> |
| March 12: | <i>Peter, Keeper of the Keys</i> |
| March 25: | <i>Paul, Contending for the Faith</i> |
| April 2: | <i>Jesus, the Word Became Flesh</i> |

These video presentations are free and open to the public.



From The Monroe Vicariate Peace and Justice Committee “In the Spirit of Giving: Lenten Almsgiving Tree”

The three disciplines of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving call us to deeper relationship with Christ. One way in which to do this is to address the needs of the less fortunate in our midst by sharing from our personal resources.

The Vicariate Peace and Justice Committee invites your parish to participate in a Lenten opportunity of almsgiving that serves the homeless of greater Monroe County.

This project mirrors Christmas Giving Trees of which most parishes are familiar. It is our hope that through this *In the Spirit Of Giving* project we can continue our outreach to those most in need in our Monroe community. Many of Monroe’s homeless are being gifted with housing through Federal and State grants. However, they are in need of basic household furnishings (new or slightly used dishes, furniture, towels, sheets, linens, silverware, pots and pans, small appliances, etc).

The committee has delivered an almsgiving tree to the St. Anthony’s Narthex, along with various Lenten symbol ornaments. These ornaments will be offered on Ash Wednesday and the first three Sundays of Lent to parishioners interested in participating. Parishioners are encouraged to take an ornament home and decide how best they can provide contributions for the homeless. As each parishioner returns with their donated item(s), the ornament that identifies their donation will be hung on the Almsgiving Tree. The donated items will be stored in a convenient area at our parish; a van or truck will be provided for pick-up on the weekend of March 21/22.

A representative from the Vicariate Peace and Justice Committee, Dr. Gary K. Davis (734-755-5533) will be glad to answer your questions, or call the Parish Office 854-1143.

Parish Work Day

Saturday, March 28, 2009

8am - 3pm

Mark your calendars for our next Parish Work Day. Areas to be worked on include:

Church: Pew touch-up

Kenna Hall: Re-organizing/painting the Sport/Booster cage along with the rest of the locker-room area.

Volunteers will also be needed to provide food and refreshments for the workers.

Other projects will also be included.....
More details to come.

Next Weekend, St. Anthony’s will be participating in **Michigan Catholic Sunday**. Envelopes will be available to renew or become a new subscriber for only \$24.00 per year. For more information, please refer to the flier in today’s bulletin.

St. Joseph Catholic School

Weekly Lenten Fish Fry

2238 Manhattan Street,
Erie, Michigan



Join us every Friday from February to April 10 from 4:30-7:30pm in the school dining hall.

Menu: All-you-can eat perch and tilapia, also includes shrimp, scalloped potatoes or French fries, cole slaw, roll, dessert and beverage.

Prices: \$11 - Adults

\$10 - Seniors

\$6 - kids, 12 & under.

Call the St. Joe’s Parish Office 734-848-6985 for more information.



Lenten Resources

St. Anthony’s offers several resources that can help you in your Lenten observances, including:

- + Almsgiving Tree & *Ornaments
- + *Pamphlets for Food for the Poor
- + *“The Word Among Us” Booklets, Lenten Edition
- + Subscription opportunities for “The Michigan Catholic” newspaper (next weekend).

*These can be found on the **Lenten Resources** table in the Narthex.

fasting + alms + prayer