



Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist

Human Concerns Commission

Monthly Digest - September 2017

Celebrating 15 years and 750,000 hot meals



YOU ARE INVITED to a community-wide celebration of the **Open Door Café's 15th anniversary on Sunday, October 1!** The 9 AM mass will gather and bless us prior to a breakfast reception in the Atrium for Café supporters, guests and the parish.

Please join us as we serve our 750,000th hot meal. We are grateful for our parish support and hope you can join us to celebrate!

Art Event Success!

The August Art Opening of parishioner Amy Olson's beautiful acrylic paintings was a very fun evening of art, music and refreshments in the Café that generated more than \$1700 in donations to our Outreach Ministries. Thank you, Amy, for your generous and creative spirit!

- *THANK YOU to donors to the event for the food, drink and auction items: The Café at the Plaza, Amy Olson, Murph Burke, Anne Marie and Michael Bula, Cubanitas Restaurant, Café Corazón, Dick Blick Art Materials, Patrice Procopio, Lisa Dundas, Deacon Tom Hunt, Jim Anello, Splash Studio, and Cathedral Squared Enterprises.*
- *THANK YOU to those who donated their time for the event: Tieg Gielow, Pat Wisialowski, Cathy Quandt, Amy Nikolai, Karen Hornblad, Jim Anello, Deacon Tom Hunt, Erika Pyzik, Craig Cornelius, Leona Bollenbeck, Judy Wick, Albert Martin, Keith Kolata, Stephanie Dernek, Dan McCarthy, Lisa Dundas, Amy Olson, Doug Spankowski, Tisha Burke, and Rachel Egarczynski.*

Several of Amy's pieces are still for sale with 20% of the sale price donated to the Open Door Café, so please see our album from the event on the Cathedral's facebook page and inquire with Shelly if you are interested in seeing the show and purchasing art!



SERVE at the Open Door Café! Upcoming Service Sundays designated for parishioners to volunteer are October 8, November 12 and December 10 from 11 -12:30 PM. Sign up by calling Rachel at 414-276-9814 x308. *Special thanks to those serving today (September 10): Erika Pyzik, Erin Kavanaugh, Martin Ngo, Phil Kohl, Hans Hingdon.*

Contemplative Prayer for Reconciliation and Healing from Racism

Faithful have been gathering on Fridays from 12:15-12:45 PM in the Cathedral to pray for



reconciliation and the healing of racism in our community. The Friday following the events of Charlottesville in late August, Fr. Tim Kitzke called for a special prayer experience to honor the lives lost and those injured during that event. More than 250 people attended that service and since then, a regular group of 35-40 people have been joining weekly in the Cathedral for prayer - the first step we can make to truly heal ourselves and our world from the deep wounds we all feel due to racism.

Please join us - in person if you can, and in spirit if not. A weekly email reflection is sent on Wednesdays to prepare for the Friday prayer, please sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/healracism>

St. Vincent De Paul Milwaukee invites you to the 10th annual Friends of the Poor® Walk which provide us the opportunity to raise awareness about poverty and to raise funds in support the St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program. Join us as we gather with meal guests and some of the best volunteers in town for our walk around beautiful Scout Lake in Greendale, WI. Our event is family and pet friendly. After the walk we will have refreshments and awards. Saturday, September 30th at St. Alphonsus Parish 6060 W Loomis Road in Greendale. Registration: <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3041662>.

Cathedral Squared Enterprises sold more than \$1700 worth of upcycled products (from 14 different artisans) this summer! The next time you can see us in action is September 23 and 24 as participants in the Makers' Faire at State Fair Park! Find out more info here: <https://milwaukee.makerfaire.com/> New workshops take place Monday - Thursday from noon to 3 PM on the Second Floor of the Weakland Center. Call Shelly at 414-238-2710 if you'd like to participate or support this growing social enterprise for women in our community!