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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

A Happy & Blessed Summer to you all!

Summertime is always a welcome time when schools have released and many programs and parish meetings take a little break. We are excited to welcome Bishop Donald Hying, the 5<sup>th</sup> bishop of the Madison Diocese. I have been privileged to serve in priestly ministry with 4 of the 5! We extend a special welcome to him through this newsletter, and look forward to his presence among us in the months ahead.

In addition, please take note of the registration information for our annual Day at the Dells – The Tommy Bartlett Show – on Friday, August 23, 2019. Hopefully the weather will be a good compliment for us this year, unlike the detriment last year that moved us to cancel the day.

Know that each Sunday I especially pray for you as we celebrate the TV Mass thanks to the generosity of WISC-TV. This month I'll begin my 9<sup>th</sup> year as Director of the Apostolate and Pastor of St. Clare Assisi Parish in Monroe, WI. I live each day with the spirit of gratitude for the Lord's blessings, and the support of so many like you!

*Msgr. Larry Bakke*

### Independence Day Blessing

May God the Father who has called us to be one human family fill your hearts with deep longing for peace and harmony.

May the Son of God who came to share our life and make us children of the one Father enable you to grow in wisdom and grace before God and the human family.

And may the Holy Spirit who is the bond of love between the Father and the Son unite us in love; may he be the bond of love among you, our nation, and all peoples.

Amen.



# Including the Whole Parish Family At Your Parish Picnic This Summer

By Dcn. Jim Hoegemeier



The Apostolate works to ensure that persons with disabilities and those who care for them are fully included in the life of the Church. For most of us, our primary connection to the Church is through participation in Mass at our parish. However, most parishes have many additional events and activities that help us to build stronger relationships with Jesus Christ and with our fellow Christians.

We are now in the heart of parish summer festival and picnic season. Such celebrations offer wonderful opportunities for us to gather with fellow parishioners from a perspective outside of Mass. It is important to remember that, just as we should welcome and support parishioners with challenges related to disabilities at our parish liturgies, we should also make an effort to welcome our brothers and sisters with such challenges at all parish events, including festivals and picnics. Coordinators of these events should consider the needs of all parishioners and make practical accommodations that enable all to enjoy the festivals and picnics. Just as parishes should have people available in church entrances to welcome and offer appropriate assistance to persons with disabilities attending Mass, parishes should have people in similar roles at picnics and festivals.

Those involved in coordinating parish festivals and picnics know that a large amount of effort and time goes into making such events a joyful experience for participants. Many volunteers are needed. All of us, including our fellow parishioners facing challenges related to disabilities, like to help out good causes in various ways. Parishes should make an effort to reach out to members with disabilities to discuss how they can assist in making parish events such as festivals and picnics successful.

As a Christian family, let's work together to ensure that all parish events can be enjoyed by all of us, including our fellow parishioners with disabilities and their families.



## Parish Disability Liaison

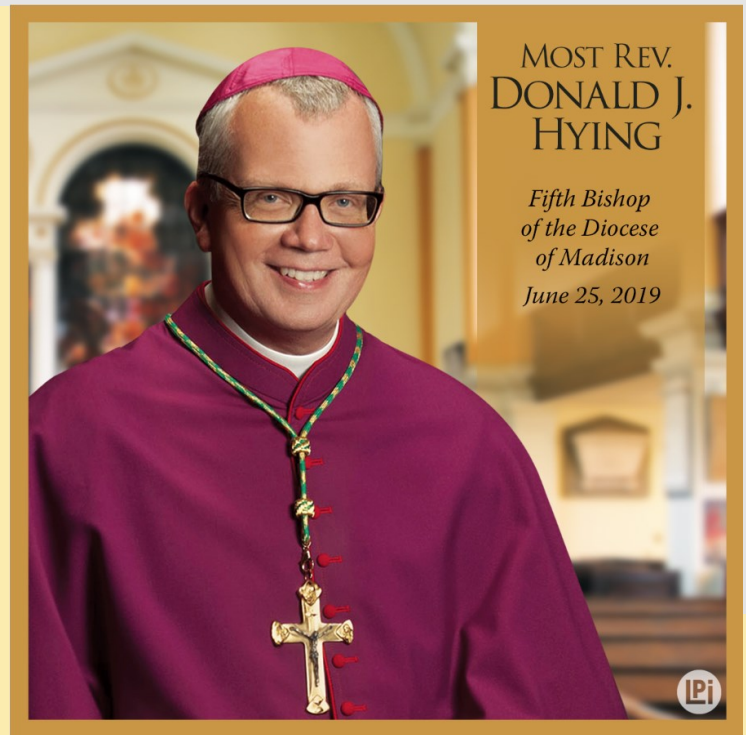
Parish Disability Liaisons serve as a link between the Apostolate, your pastor, and people with disabilities in your parish. It hopes to promote a personal connection with each person who has a disability in the diocese. Contact Dcn. Jim if you or someone you know may be a good fit for this position at your parish.





# Welcome Bishop Hying!

Bishop Hying has served many roles over the years at the parish and diocesan level, including team member for La Sagrada Familia in the Dominican Republic, and rector of St. Francis de Sales Seminary in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. In 2011, he was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, where he served for four years until his installation as bishop of the Diocese of Gary, Indiana on January 6th, 2015.



The Apostolate Staff was privileged to meet with Bishop Hying a few days after his installation as the 5th bishop of Madison. He is supportive of our ministry and hopes to meet many of you at the Apostolate's Day at the Dells event in August! Please join us in thanking God for our new bishop and asking God to bless him during this time of transition.

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# Day at the Dells

Friday, August 23, 2019 at 10:30 am

## Mass Celebrated by Bishop Hying & FREE Tommy Bartlett Water Show

Thank you Tommy Bartlett management and staff  
for **40 Years** of partnership in hosting this event!

Register by returning the form below, on our  
website, by phone, or by providing this  
information in an email to [APD@MadisonDiocese.org](mailto:APD@MadisonDiocese.org).

- Free for people with disabilities, older adults, and their families or caregivers.
- Bus transportation is available from parishes throughout the Diocese.
- Any person needing assistance with medications or using the bathrooms should be accompanied by an assistant or caregiver to ensure their comfort and safety.
- Volunteers are always needed!



Registration Form ☐ Guest ☐ Deaf/Hard of Hearing ☐ Volunteer

Transportation ☐ No transportation needed, I'll see you there!

☐ I would like to ride on a bus from a local parish, if possible\*

\*Please call 608-821-3050 to reserve your seats on a bus.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of assistant (Req'd for meds or bathroom assistance) \_\_\_\_\_

Names of additional people who will be attending with you \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to the Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities, 702 S. High Point Rd. #225, Madison, WI 53719 by August 9.





# VETERANS, PTSD, AND PARISH LIFE

Part of the Apostolate's mission is to promote the full inclusion of people with mental illnesses in the life of the Church. Like physical or intellectual disabilities, mental illness can be challenging and can inhibit a person from participating in the sacraments and events at a Parish. During the month of July, while we are thanking God for our freedom, let's also pray for healing for veterans who still suffer from mental illness or physical damage that happened while they were protecting our country.

One common type of mental illness encountered by veterans is Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Anyone who has experienced a traumatic event can have PTSD, but it is often associated with combat veterans. Symptoms can include flashbacks during which those who suffer re-experience the trauma, a sense of avoidance and numbness stemming from the victim's desire to avoid people and situations that could lead to flashbacks, and hyper arousal – feeling constantly “on edge”, irritable and having difficulties sleeping. Such symptoms make it difficult for those who suffer from PTSD to live everyday lives and participate in their parish. Anything could be a trigger (smells, sounds, crowds...), depending on the trauma the person experienced.

As the Body of Christ, we need to be sensitive to the sufferings of others. We need to accommodate them, welcome them, and pray for their healing. If you or someone you know suffers from PTSD, seek professional help from a health care

professional. You can learn more about PTSD and how it effects veterans and their families on the website [www.militaryonesource.mil](http://www.militaryonesource.mil). Veterans also have access to a PTSD hotline: (800) 273-8255. Often, God chooses to work through medical professionals to help our bodies and our minds to heal so that we can know, love, and serve him more completely.

The Diocese of Madison is honored to have several priests of our diocese serve as military chaplains. These chaplains strive to bring Christ to the men and women serving our country and may be a source of spiritual support and healing for veterans. To learn more about the great gift of military chaplains, visit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA website at: [www.milarch.org](http://www.milarch.org).



As we enjoy the festivities of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, let's also be mindful of the meaning and history of Independence Day and the many people who have served and continue to serve in the military in an effort to protect the freedoms which all of us enjoy. This month, let's pray especially for veterans who continue to suffer from physical and mental illnesses, especially that they'll know the love of Christ and feel welcomed at their parish.

For another example of how to pray for military families, visit [sjtw.net/pray-for-military-families](http://sjtw.net/pray-for-military-families).

**Did you know?**  
NORTH AMERICAN SAINTS

Many saints who are now in heaven lived in North America during their lives! As we pray for our country this month, let's ask for the intercession of these holy men and women.



*Join us for the first ever*

# APOSTOLATE RETREAT

Every person has an innate calling to know love  
and serve God.

**SEPT 15 | 10 AM TO 6 PM**  
**CAMP GRAY, REEDSBURG, WI**

A day of faith and fun just for you!

*Register Today*

**\$25\***

The retreat will include Sunday Mass, songs, activities, meals, and opportunities to make new friends.

This day is intended for adults (18 and over) with intellectual and developmental disabilities. We will not be providing assistance with medications or bathrooms.

A parent/guardian is welcome to join for the day (not required), but they must register ahead of time along with the participant.

\*Includes lunch and dinner. Financial assistance is available.



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# Memorials

## Memorials For:

Al Ripp  
Amos Braund  
Cecilia Gollman  
Clete, Dean & Keith Alt  
Dale Meyers  
David Gostisha  
Dolores Simon  
Don Klein  
Don Klein  
Donald E. Botting  
Dorothy Reed  
Elise Buol  
Emil Lauber  
Harlan & Florence Sprecher  
Jacob and Forence Buol  
Jeremay Buol  
Jerome and Marian Buol  
Jerry V. Baker  
John Sullivan  
John Wiegman Sr.  
Josh Ballweg  
Julius and Calogera Bonura  
Kurt Virgin  
Leonard & Lydia Endres  
Lori & Monica Sullivan  
Lorranie A Devitt  
Marguerite Burton  
Mary Jane Vosen  
Melvin Douglas  
P.J. McGuire  
Peter & Marcella Ripp  
Rita Kammes  
Robbi Koci  
Russell J & Lorraine A Devitt

## Given By:

Dan & Rita Endres  
Marian Steele  
Bernadine Ballweg  
Dorothy Alt  
Dorothy Meyers  
Lynda Koivunen  
Esther Botting  
Rose Klein  
Rose Klein  
Esther Botting  
Bernadine Ballweg  
Donovan and Charlain Boley  
Bernadine Ballweg  
Joannie Harrington  
Donovan and Charlain Boley  
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Donovan and Charlain Boley  
Karen Baker  
Helen Sullivan  
Doris Wiegman  
Bernadine Ballweg  
Jeana and Ralph Haak  
Bernadine Ballweg  
Dan & Rita Endres  
Helen Sullivan  
Earl & Mary Geske  
Doris Wiegman  
Esther Botting  
Helen Douglas  
Jan McGuire  
Dan & Rita Endres  
Elmer Kammes  
Dan & Rita Endres  
Earl & Mary Geske



*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May these souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

## Memorials For:

The Will Coulthard Family  
Tom Reed  
Tony and Anna Ripp  
Troy M Hellenbrand  
Virginia R Lasica  
George Liegel  
LaVerne Thering  
Lois Nachriener  
Patty Feiner McDougal  
Tom Okey

## Given By:

Doris Wiegman  
Bernadine Ballweg  
Esther Botting  
Knights of Columbus # 6371  
Karen Baker  
Jerome & Mary Lou Baryenbruch  
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## Memorials for the Living and Deceased Members of the:

Coyle - Cummings Family  
Pickar Family  
Schvinck Family  
Ben & Mary Minter Family

## Given By:

Dolores Coyle  
Ronald & Angnes Pickar  
Ronald & Angnes Pickar  
Ben & Mary Minter

*The Apostolate is honored to arrange for Masses to be said for loved ones and to receive donations commemorating your loved ones. Mass intentions and donations made as memorials will be published in our newsletters so that we can all join in praying for the faithful departed.*



Memorial For: \_\_\_\_\_ Given By: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send \$10 for each Mass Intention to: Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities

702 S. High Point Rd., Suite 225, Madison WI 53719.

Select *one* per memorial: ☐ Mass Request (*Not tax deductible*) OR ☐ Donation (*Tax deductible*)

**NEW: Please check a box to indicate if this memorial is a Mass request or a donation.**

If your request is more complex, please include a short letter including your phone number to ensure that we process the request correctly. Call the Apostolate at 608-821-3050 with any questions.



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Sundays  
6am on WISC-TV Channel 3  
7am on TVW and Direct TV 14



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