

It is amazing how time flies. As I thought about writing a parish reflection I was surprised when I realized how long it has been.

First I want to remind you of some upcoming events at the parish:

1. This Saturday from 10am to 1pm Shred legal will be at the Holy Family parking lot with an opportunity for you to bring any documents that you would like to have shredded for a \$5.00 donation for each banker's box size to the parish. Jarrod and Helena Maloy, members of the parish own the Shred Legal and have generously offered this opportunity with all the donations going to the good of the parish. Normally a banker's box of papers would cost \$30 to shred. This is a great opportunity to securely eliminate old documents and help Holy Family.
2. Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 8 for the Paul Todd evening concert at Holy Family. Paul Todd is a wonderful and very creative song composer, singer and musician. He and his son, Paul Jr. will present a collection of contemporary sacred music along with some classics. The donation is \$20 per person and \$50 per family. It will be a great way to celebrate a warm August evening with others.
3. Last but not least remember the parish picnic called, Sunday Funday on Sunday, August 15 which will take place on the parish grounds. More information is in the paper but it will include events for everyone. The Sunday Funday was moved to the parish with a desire that more would join in the fun.

A thought for the day: On May 4th Detroit's best known baseball broadcaster died. Everyone who watched the game knew his voice and was amazed that Ernie knew the name of the person who caught that fly ball that went into the stands. He even knew where he was from. Ernie was generous, gracious and kind gentleman.

The news media covered his life and his passing to a great honor and many wonderful comments were made of the nobility of his life. Unfortunately one of the major points of his life was not heard very often except from someone who was close to him, "He was a loving husband and a man of great faith who lived his Christianity every day."

In September, after being diagnosed with inoperable cancer it told the Associated Press, "Whatever happens, I'm ready to face it, I have a great faith in God and Jesus."

When we get to the last day of our lives I pray that someone will say the same about us. I also pray that we will make that become a reality by living out our faith today.

My prayer for you today: Many blessings to cheer you each day the year through and the peace of God surround you in all that you say and do.

God bless
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