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THE NEWSLETTER OF ST. NORBERT AND OUR LADY OF THE BROOK YOUTH MINISTRY

Summer 2010

## GRADUATION BLESSING

You are unique creations,  
Persons blessed by God with life,  
Persons called, in love, to grow  
And to share your gifts with others.

We come together today to celebrate your accomplishments,  
To reflect on who you are for us,  
And to share our dreams for your future.

May your graduation day be filled with happiness and joy.  
We rejoice in who you are for us as a parish family, calling to mind  
All your wonderful gifts and talents.

May God continue to bless you and challenge you.  
May you always be surrounded by people who support and love you.  
May you grow more fully into the men and women that God wants you to be  
And that the world so desperately needs.

We ask this today in hope and expectation that God will continue the  
Great things already begun in you.

**Amen**

**Congratulations to all of our  
High School Graduates and  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduates!  
May God bless you on  
your journey through life!!!**



a faith-based service opportunity...  
peace, justice and community living

### TEEN SERVICE WEEK

June 27 to July 2

This is an excellent week-long service project that serves the needy in city shelters and social service agencies. There is still room and you haven't missed the chance to join forces with over 30 other teens to effect changes in poverty by helping at places such as the Howard Area Community Center, Misericordia, and The Port. Please contact Maggie Bruce at (847)687-7696 immediately to get on board.

### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

July 5-11 / July 26-August 1 / August 2-8

This year we have 109 of our teens and 24 German teens working with Harbor Habitat for Humanity in Benton Harbor, MI, in the mission to end substandard housing. We will be working in the established neighborhoods of Benton Harbor, playing with the kids at the park, and helping wherever needed. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind"; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" Luke 10:27



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**ST. NORBERT BLOCK PARTY – Saturday, June 12 – 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. – HELP!**

The Youth Ministry is looking for helpers! We have been asked to fill the 3:00-6:00 Kid's Corner supervision at the Block Party. We would love as many high schoolers (that includes our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduates!) as possible to help out for hour increments or more. It is wonderful to watch and play with all the little kids there! The Women's Club and the Men's Club are so generous to SNYM through their donations, and this is a great way to show our appreciation for their support! Please call Maggie at (847)687-7696 or e-mail [maggiebruce@sbcglobal.net](mailto:maggiebruce@sbcglobal.net) and let her know the times you will be there to help.



**ST. NORBERT &  
OUR LADY OF THE BROOK  
YOUTH MINISTRY  
GERMAN EXCHANGE MASS & BARBECUE**  
Thursday, July 22, 2010  
5:30 p.m. Mass & Barbecue at the Scully's Home  
535 Fairway Lane, Northbrook



The Scully family has graciously offered to open up their home for the Youth Ministry Mass and Barbecue! Join us at 5:30 to share a mass together with our German visitors while sharing the evening reflecting on the past Youth Ministry events in the year and finding out more about the German way of life for teens. This is a great event for us to see our Graduating Seniors before they go their separate ways; and it is a great way to welcome our 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduates to The Vine!! Soda, chips, hot dogs, and hamburgers will be served. If you want to bring a salad or a dessert, please let Maggie know what you're bringing. Come and enjoy the company of our German visitors for this very special evening of fun with the Youth Ministry!!!

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Swimsuit and towel for enjoying the pool; if it's a hot summer evening what a great way to stay cool!



**HILDA'S PLACE SOUP KITCHEN**  
June 15/July 20/August 17, 2010

Hilda's Place is the northern suburbs' only year-round, permanent facility serving 30 homeless women and men ages 18 and over. This is a ministry that does not take the summers off, and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduates are welcome to come enjoy this awesome soup kitchen experience as well. St. Norbert Youth Ministry needs your help in providing, preparing, and serving dinner at the shelter. Please consider bringing something to share for dinner (salad, dessert, or drinks). We leave from the Church steps at 5:00 p.m. and return at about 8:30 p.m. It is necessary you sign up at least a week in advance so we know what items of the meal are covered and if we have enough drivers. Please call Maggie at (847)687-7696 and let her know you can come. Our German visitors are joining us for the July 20<sup>th</sup> Hilda's Place, so we just need a few of our teen helpers. The first six teens to call me to sign up for the July soup kitchen will be put on the list. This is a wonderful way to provide a very important service for those less fortunate than us; and it is fun, too!

† ST. NORBERT & OUR LADY OF THE BROOK YOUTH MINISTRY 2009/2010 MEMORIES †

**KAIROS / MASS FOLLOWING DEVIL'S HEAD / FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORE WINTER RETREAT!!!**  
"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit..." John 15:5



**JUNE**

- 06/10/10 Habitat 2010 – Parent & Participant Meeting  
St. Norbert Church – 7:00-8:00
- 06/12/10 St. Norbert Block Party – 3:00-6:00 – HELP!!!
- 06/15/10 Hilda's Place Soup Kitchen – 5:00-8:30
- 06/27 to 07/02 Teen Service Week – Chicago, Illinois

**JULY**

- 07/05 to 07/11 Habitat For Humanity
- 07/19/10 Host Families Welcome Our German Visitors – Morning
- 07/20/10 Hilda's Place Soup Kitchen – 5:00-8:30
- 07/22/10 Summer Barbecue – Scully's House – 5:30-10:00
- 07/23/10 German Celebration With Host Families – Evening
- 07/25/10 Parish-Wide Welcoming of German Visitors – 9:30 Mass
- 07/26 to 08/01 Habitat For Humanity

**AUGUST**

- 08/02 to 08/08 Habitat For Humanity
- 08/17/10 Hilda's Place Soup Kitchen – 5:00-8:30

**If you ever have questions about the events scheduled, extra service opportunities or just general questions about St. Norbert & Our Lady of the Brook Youth Ministry, please feel free to call or e-mail:**

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**Farewell To Our  
Senior Grads  
&  
Welcome To Our  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade Grads!**

We are still looking for a few families to host our German visitors from July 19th through the 26th when we leave on our German Exchange Habitat Trip. Please contact Maggie Bruce if you are interested in hosting two teens or two adults in your home.

**DEVIL'S HEAD 2010**



**BRIDGING THE GAP 2009**  
We helped prepare packages for our troops during this BTG!!!



**GIVING TREE / PANCAKE BREAKFAST / SOUP KITCHEN**  
It is in giving that we receive!

