

ASSUMPTION CENTER

From Warm Hearts to Warm Hands



SOME OF THE HAND MADE ITEMS THAT WERE SENT TO CHAPARRAL ON DISPLAY FOR THE OPEN HOUSE

On Monday, October 31, Sr Mary Ann flew out to Chaparral, New Mexico. She has brought with her a suitcase that was filled with hand made goods. Everything in the suitcase was donated by members of the

Assumption Center Knitting Circle, which meets every Friday morning, from ten until eleven-thirty.

The Assumption Sisters in Chaparral will distribute the items to families in need. And although one might normally associate the desert with searing heat, the reality is that the nights and winters can be can cold in Chaparral. The scarves, hats, gloves, blankets, and more that were sent will be used to keep families, especially children, warm.

The generosity of time and talent of the knitters and crocheters is truly moving, and we would like to thank

them on behalf of all the people who will be wearing the results their kindness.

We at the Assumption Center feel truly blessed by the abundance! We received more donations than could all fit into one suitcase to Chaparral. That which could not be sent to New Mexico is being donated to St. Peter's Bazaar. Thank you again to everyone who helped make it possible!

*Love never says, "I have done enough."
~St. Marie Eugenie*

Garden Grace and Compost Construction!

After the Assumption Center Open House in October, we were very grateful to have Fr Aidan, AA come over and say a blessing for our community garden. We gave thanks for our bountiful season. The garden has been a source for us at the Assumption Center for not only delicious produce, but also laughter, fun, and sharing. With the snow storm in late October, the garden has been officially put to rest.

Although the garden has been resting, the gardeners

have not! On October 16, friend of the Assumption Center and Clark University graduate student Brian Monteverd came over to help us build a three bin compost system. The AMAs were very excited to get to use power tools! All of our gardeners, young and old, were able to do something to help the process. We are very grateful to Brian for his expertise and handiness. The winter will surely be spent filling up the compost bin!



BRIAN NAILS TOGETHER THE COMPOST BIN AS THE GARDENERS WATCH AND LEARN

IMPORTANT DATES

- ◆ On Sat Nov 5 the Spiritual Library will be closed. Come visit the librarians at St Peter's Bazaar instead!
- ◆ On Wed Nov 23 and Thurs Nov 24, there will be no ESL or Mentoring because of the Thanksgiving holiday.
- ◆ On Sat Nov 26 the Spiritual Library be closed, again due to Thanksgiving.



NEW LIBRARY BOOKS!

All is Grace: A Biography of Dorothy Day by Jim Forest

Dorothy Day, founder of the Catholic Worker movement and one of the most prophetic voices in the American Catholic Church, has recently been proposed as a candidate for canonization. Here is an account with photos of her extraordinary journey.

Who We Are is How We Pray: Matching Personality and Spirituality by Dr. Charles J. Keating

Keating shows the reader how to identify a most comfortable prayer style and to proceed from there. The better we know ourselves, the better will be our choice of spirituality. The book helps in both regards.

Saturday Spiritual Snacks and Library Excitement!

On October 15, we had our first Saturday Spiritual Snacks at the Assumption Center's Kate O'Neill Library. We celebrated friendship and faith with tea and homemade cookies. Saturday Spiritual Snacks take place on the third Saturday of every month from 1 to 4 pm, and our next will be on November 19. Please join us to discuss *All is Grace*, Jim Forest's new biography of Dorothy Day, or to recommend some of your favorite spiritual titles with us.

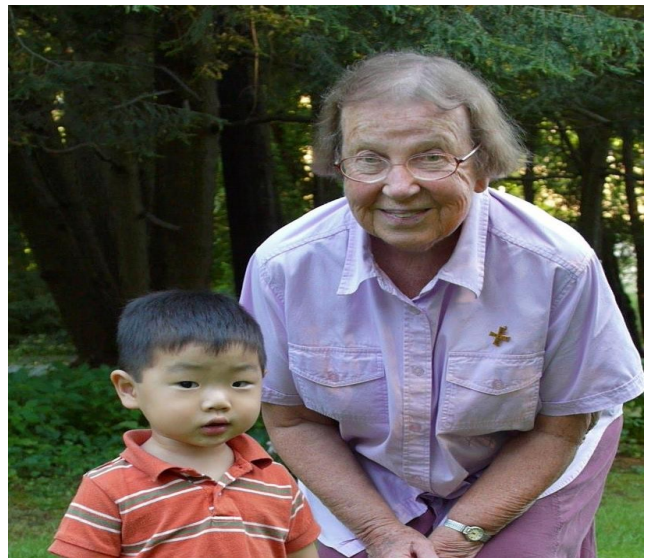
Meanwhile the Assumption Center continues to grow physically in order to help our friends and patrons grow spiritually. On November 18, Sr Therese and Liz will head over to the College of the Holy Cross to pick up the books which they have so generously donated to the library. We thank Holy Cross for its support and kindness.

Advent begins this year on November 27. The Assumption Center Library has rich resources to help you prepare

spiritually for Christmas. The library is open Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 am to 1 pm, and Saturdays from 1 to 4 pm. We will be closed on Saturday November 5, as all the librarians will be at St Peter's Bazaar. Feel free to visit us at the Bazaar and say hi! The library will also be closed on November 25 and 26 for the Thanksgiving, but will reopen on Tuesday the 29th. Please feel free to stop by any time we are open to pick up some books, or even to just have a chat!

Happy 60th Jubilee Sr Therese!

The Assumption Center is thrilled to celebrate with Sr Therese Duross, RA, on her 60th Jubilee of religious life! Sr Therese made her First Vows on November 4, 1951 in Philadelphia. Sixty years later she renews those vows on Sunday November 6, 2011. We are excited to celebrate this incredible jubilee with such a kind, gentle, witty, inspirational woman and some of the other souls who have been blessed by knowing her. Sr Therese, you are in our hearts and prayers as we thank God for your example and ask that you may continue to be a blessing to us all!



SR THERESE WITH HER GRAND-NEPHEW, MAX MCDOWELL



THE AMAS CELEBRATED THE MIRACLE OF SNOW IN OCTOBER WITH THEIR VERY OWN ASSUMPTION CENTER SNOWMAN, SEEN HERE.



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Happy Thanksgiving!

The Assumption Center would like to wish all of our friends a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving! There are many things for which we are grateful. What we are most grateful for though is you, our friends and family. Your kindness, donations, love, and prayers support us. We would not be who and what we are without you. Thank you!