

BOYNE VALLEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH: HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Led by Jim Guyor

The primary mission of the homebound ministry is to allow each homebound parishioner the opportunity to receive the Eucharist weekly and to honor the homebound parishioner's status as a member of our parish faith community through parishioner-to-parishioner visits.

Knowing that some parishioners at St. Augustine and St. Matthew may not be able to attend Sunday Mass, the Boyne Valley Catholic Community Homebound Ministry is actively helping.

Parishioners are considered homebound if they are unable to attend Sunday Mass due to mobility and/or health issues. The homebound ministry is meant to serve parishioners for both temporary or ongoing issues.

Upcoming Lent and Holy Week Events:

Fridays at 6:00 PM: Stations of the Cross (SM)

Mondays at 6:00 PM: Stations of the Cross (SA)

Palm Sunday (April 12/13): Saturday at 5:00 PM (SM)

Sunday at 9:00 AM (SA)

Sunday at 11:00 AM (SM)

Holy Thursday (April 17) 7:00 PM (SM)

Good Friday (April 18) 1:00 PM (SM)

Holy Saturday Blessing of the Baskets (April 19)

10:00 AM (SA)

Easter Vigil (April 19) 8:30 PM (SM)

Easter Sunday (April 20) 9:00 AM (SA)

11:00 AM (SM)



How It Works

Currently, ten Boyne Valley Catholic Community parishioners are certified to be homebound ministers and are able to make weekly visits taking the Eucharist to those parishioners who are homebound. A minister is matched with each homebound parishioner, and a day/time visit schedule is arranged. These visits can be set up on a regular weekly basis or on an “as-needed” basis. Jim Guyor helps coordinate this ministry.

Becoming a Homebound Minister

Parishioners who are currently Eucharistic ministers and wish to become homebound ministers would complete an online certification session through the Diocese of Gaylord. As a homebound minister, the parishioner is then contacted about a possible match with a homebound parishioner and a day/time visit schedule is arranged. These visits can be set up on a regular weekly basis or on a temporary or “as-needed” basis. If interested in becoming a homebound minister, please contact the parish office at 231-582-7718.

Interested in getting involved?

If you are interested in becoming a homebound minister, receiving homebound visits, or arranging visits for a family member or friend, please contact the parish office at 231-582-7718.

Virtue of the Month - Faith

One of the three theological virtues, which are supernatural gifts infused by God in our soul at baptism. Faith enables one to know God and all that he has revealed. It is a personal response to God’s love, and a foundation or Christian life, encompassing trust, hope, and love.

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. - Saint Paul

Faith in Action

Living in the virtue of faith, a disciple of Christ regularly receives the sacraments, reads the Word of God, prays daily, and tries to share the good news of Jesus with others.

If we want to grow in faith, we also seek to know and understand what God has revealed about himself to us.

"Faith is like a bright ray of sunlight. It enables us to see God in all things as well as all things in God." - St. Francis de Sales