# BOYNE VALLEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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#### MINISTRY OF THE MONTH:

### St. Augustine's Prayer Blanket Ministry

Organized by Leona Dycus

The St. Augustine's Prayer Blanket Ministry was started in 2010 by Leona Dycus with support from the St. Augustine's guild, Pat West, and Geneva Towne. Leona had heard of this ministry in action at other parishes and thought it should be started at St. Augustine's.

The primary focus of this ministry is to give a blessed, personalized blanket to someone who is sick or a survivor who has lost a loved one.

The blankets or quilts are made by members of the St. Augustine's guild for this sole purpose. They are blessed by Father Denny, and prayers are said during their creation.

Anyone who is sick or grieving can receive a blanket, including children who lost a loved one.

## Upcoming Parish Events:

Tuesdays at 6:45 AM:

Men's Bible Study (SM)

Tuesdays at 6:00 PM:

OCIA at St. Matthew

October 9:

Deadline to RSVP for Pilgrimage

October 12 at 5:00:

Building Strong Catholic Families

series begins (SM)

October 13 at 12:00 PM

Glory Bees (SM)

October 14 at 10:00 AM

Book Club begins (SM)

October 16:

Pilgrimage to Mio

October 20 at 12:00 PM:

Bible Study begins (SA)

October 22 at 6:00 PM:

Bible Study begins (SM)

### Interested in getting involved?

If you are interested in getting involved, contact Leona Dycus, Pat West, Geneva Towne, or Evelyn Starr. It is so comforting to the receiver, whether ill or grieving, of these blessed prayer blankets. More people are needed to make these blankets, so please reach out to them if you are interested in helping!



"Give, and gifts will be given to you; good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will be in turn measured out to you." -Luke 6:38

### Virtue of the Month: Generosity

Generosity is the virtue of self-giving love, modeled by Christ's sacrifice, that extends beyond material possessions to include time, talent, and spiritual gifts. It's rooted in the belief that God is the ultimate source of all gifts and involves a cheerful, selfless giving of oneself to others out of love for God and neighbor. This practice leads to a spiritual enrichment, a deeper trust in God's provision, and a commitment to social justice and mercy.

### Key Aspects of Generosity

Rooted in God's example

Beyond material giving

A spiritual discipline

A response to God's love

A path to self giving

"A generous spirit is itself great wealth."

- St. Leo the Great, pope (400-461 A.D.)