



Schoenstatt of Indiana Rosary Campaign Newsletter

Year of the
shrine current



Nothing without you, nothing without us!



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5 year anniversary today

"Build family shrines of life and love!"

SIMPLY SCHOENSTATT

From the Schoenstatt of IN, Inc Board of Directors' President

Dear Schoenstatt Family,

Celebrating feast days of the Blessed Mother is a time of rejoicing and thanksgiving for people who wish to honor Mary and it can be a time for rededication and consecration as well as a time of learning. (Happy Solemnity of the Assumption to all. This column was originally written in July thus the following comments :-) CSD)

July 16th on the Church calendar specifically honors Mary under the title of "Our Lady of Mount Carmel," and I can tell you that as a former student during the summers at Saint Meinrad School of Theology that July 16th the Monks of St. Benedict honor the Blessed Mother with her title "Our Lady of Einsiedeln"; in Lourdes, July 16 is honored as the final apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Bernadette in 1858.

On any occasion it is good to honor the Blessed Mother because she is the Mother of the Church, our Mother, given to us by Jesus from the cross as he gave up his life for our sins. We in Schoenstatt remember her in a special way on the 18th of each month set aside as the anniversary of the day the Covenant of Love was first sealed by Fr. Joseph Kentenich (Servant of God) and the small group of young Marian sodalists. Nowadays, there are millions of people throughout the world receiving the Blessed Mother of Schoenstatt into their homes by way of the pilgrim image of her in the Schoenstatt Rosary Campaign (SRC).

Several weeks ago in June a number of us coordinators in the SRC gathered at the Schoenstatt International Center in Waukesha, Wisconsin. There we participated in the ground breaking ceremony for a new Hall. During the weekend we experienced not only the blessing and graces of visiting the Schoenstatt Shrine but also were able to attend holy Masses, to participate in a candlelight rosary procession, to be educated during inspiring conferences and to be challenged to go forth and be apostles for Mary to bring Christ to the world. (see pictures on page 4)

However, first we were given the opportunity to rededicate our lives to her in faith and love, so she as our Mother could help form us to be loving children of God - who is Love Itself. From Sacred Scripture we are told "Love is patient, love is kind.... It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, and always perseveres. (Cf. 1 Cor. 13: 4-8). These beautiful qualities come from grace and from our striving to acquire them as they are fruits of the Holy Spirit. Welcoming Mary the spouse of the Holy Spirit, giving her a place of honor in our hearts and in our homes helps us with the three A's that Fr. Gerold Langsch describes for us. Mary transforms our **attitudes** to become like her, docile to the Holy Spirit so we can more easily follow the Lord. With her presence she helps create an **atmosphere** of godliness in our homes and in our hearts and thirdly we are drawn to form an **attachment** to her, but not only to her alone but the Triune God.

The Holy Father has designated the Theme of Faith and Evangelization for the "new year" to begin in October as a year to increase our faith by nourishing it through the sacraments, educating ourselves via the Catholic Catechism, by turning to Mary as our helpmate so we can go out and evangelize the world. This mission is of course the Schoenstatt Family mission. Think of it particularly this year as we are focusing on the Shrine Current in Schoenstatt as the 2nd year of the Triennium on the way towards celebrating the 100th anniversary of the founding of Schoenstatt in

SIMPLY SCHOENSTATT continued

*"We are united in the shrine where the flames of our hearts beat for our Mother
Thrice Admirable who through us, wants to build your kingdom."*

*"Let us glow like brands of fire and joyfully go forth to the nations,
Giving witness to redemption And jubilantly leading all people to the Triune God"*
(Prayers are from *Heavenwards*)

Let us keep celebrating our Mother's Feast Days, especially renewing our Covenant with her on the 18th of every month and be open to her working through us as she inspires us to become apostles of the new evangelization.

Yours in our Covenant, Rosemary Speaker

ANNOUNCING UPCOMING EVENTS:

SCHOENSTATT HOLY HOUR:

Schoenstatt Holy Hours at St. Elizabeth Central Chapel at 7:00 PM with Deacon Mike Gray
Third Thursday of each month: August 16, September 20, October 18th

SCHOENSTATT OUTDOOR MASS AT THE WAYSIDE SHRINE IN DELPHI

SEPTEMBER 8, 2012 - COME TO HONOR MARY ON HER BIRTHDAY.

9:30 AM pray the rosary 10:00 AM Mass will be offered by Fr. Jeff Martin.

Come rain or shine; bring family and friends (and lawn chairs)

The outdoor wayside shrine is located on state road 421 close to highway 25 in Delphi.

For more information contact Suzanne Gardiner 765 564 2942

PREPARATION FOR NEW COVENANTS AND HOMESHRIINE DEDICATIONS

This fall formation sessions will be offered again at several sites to be announced.

ANNIVERSARY MASS IN OCTOBER FOR THE CROWNING OF MARY

Date to be announced

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR FAMILIES WITH FR. GEROLD LANGSCH AND SISTER ANN ASTELL.

THERE WILL BE A VISIT FROM ST. NICHOLAS.

December 15, 2012 at St. Joseph Church and Hall.



"MUST SEE" ATTACHMENTS

- ◆ Do you have a Home Shrine? See it listed in the beautiful gift to our Mother of a [Home Shrine Litany](#). Janine Reklaitis so kindly developed this litany that names the 34 Schoenstatt Home Shrines in our area. Our Mother is surely pleased and is hoping to give these special graces and protection to even more families this December. It is too long to be a part of this newsletter, but please open the attachment and pray this with us. Feel free to print it or pass it on. Thanks again, Janine.
- ◆ A quick read if you interested in what our Blessed Mother is inspiring in Indiana through the Schoenstatt movement. Please open the attachment [Schoenstatt of Indiana, Inc Fifth Annual Report](#) for the year September 2011-August 2012. You will come to know of many beautiful gifts offered to our Father in showing our love for our Mother Thrice Admirable. (To be sent in the next few days)



Just a little “yes” witness column

Please submit a paragraph, if so inspired, about the graces received from our Mother Thrice Admirable to csdmi@aol.com



Thank you to those of you who has said a little “yes” to contributing your Hail Mary’s to the [Million for Mary](#) campaign. This is our community’s spiritual effort to show our Mother Thrice Admirable that we are earnest in our great desire to have her erect a shrine here in the Lafayette area, on the land she has obtained for us in Delphi, Indiana. OUR TOTAL SO FAR: 39,671 Hail Mary’s

In our Schoenstatt founding documents we realize that Mary agrees to come and dwell in our midst when we prove first by our deeds that we truly love her.

So thank you for trusting in God’s generosity to allow your own intentions AND those for a Schoenstatt shrine in Delphi to be combined with every Hail Mary that you pray. Please continue to email Julie Haskell your totals for the month or write them on the bulletin board at the St. Elizabeth adoration chapel. Jhas821@aol.com. Continued blessings to you all, Carole DiFabio, editor

A gift on the way to 100 years of Schoenstatt in 2014

Venerable Sister Emilie

On May 10, God confirmed us on this way: the Holy Father promulgated the decree of heroic virtues of Sister Emilie Engel. In a process of beatification there are two key moments: the arrival at the moral certainty by the Church regarding the sanctity of a person and, and, so to speak, "the divine confirmation" of the verdict which is manifested by a miracle implored through the intercession of the Venerable.

The process of Emilie Engel has reached the first step: the promulgation of the decree of heroic virtues expresses the judgment of the Church regarding the holiness of her life. This is an event which fills the community of the Sisters of Mary and **our entire Schoenstatt Family with pride and joy.**

This a partial piece of an article by [Sister M. Elizabet Parodi](#) in [the Schoenstatt News](#)



Additional comment: Sister Emilie overcame deep fears and anxiety to become a “light and bringer of joy” to many. If you know of anyone in this situation Sister Emilie can help. There are novenas and at least two books about her that you may order from the International Schoenstatt Center (schoenstattrosarycampaign.org then click Books, then Schoenstatt Heroes) [Emilie Engel: A Life for God and People](#) (\$8) and [My Yes Remains](#) (\$12).

A SCHOENSTATT TIDBIT - Father Kentenich in Dachau

1. We were told at the Journey of Love that Father Kentenich was never struck during his time in Dachau. Once an officer raised his arm to hit him, but then unexpectedly lowered his arm and walked away.
2. Father Kentenich was told that he could not write while in Dachau, so he obeyed and dictated his prayers that were then smuggled out of Dachau and have become the prayer book [HEAVENWARDS](#). Below is one prayer that is very applicable to the times in which we live and sends us forth to help overcome the evil.

Father, we humbly ask You: May the light of faith glow within us, that we might see our Mother clearly and place our trust in her as Mediatrix. Grant that, like her and as is pleasing to you, we are always joyfully ready to offer ourselves in selfless service as instruments for the salvation of the world. Thus may we break the power of the dragon who constantly enkindles hate and discord. We ask this through Christ, who to your glory gives us a share in His mediation. Amen

**Journey of Love 2012—Schoenstatt International Center
Waukasha, Wisconsin—Groundbreaking for addition to the Center**

