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Reflection on Holy Week and Easter

I was recently in Baltimore for a conference on Religion and Spirituality. I stayed with a community of School Sisters of Notre Dame on the Campus of the College of Notre Dame. The sisters I visited are diverse: one was the President of this college some years ago, my friend here was Academic Dean at Mount Mary College where I teach, one is from Poland taking classes here, one is retired, and one teaches English. All of them gather every morning for prayer. They invite me to participate when I am here. This morning we were asked to share about what we hoped to experience during Holy Week. I would like to share this with you.

I have a new phone, a Droid, and it has my calendar in it, along with a lot of other stuff. As this week approached, I realized that the calendar had told me when Easter is to be, but that is all. I had set time to get together with one friend on Maundy Thursday, and another on Good Friday. When I realized that, I contacted my friends and rearranged our time together. I plan to be in church in Annapolis for Palm Sunday with my friends, Rev. Amy Richter and Rev. Joe Pagano, on Palm Sunday. Then I will be at church on Maundy Thursday for the Vigil we are having at St. Paul's (for the first time that I know of). Then I will be at church at noon on Good Friday. And, of course, Easter Sunday, I will be there.

My goal for Holy Week is to be awake, to share in Christ's journey. I don't want to miss it, as we can so easily do when we are caught up in the business of this time in our lives. The events of this week so long ago, are what make us Christians today. Since I have been a Christian, and I have known what this week represents for me, I have not wanted to miss the opportunity to participate in the prayer, worship, and reflection of these days.

Sitting with these sisters this morning reminded me of what we share, sisters. We will gather on **Saturday, May 14, at St. Boniface-Mequon**, for our **Spring Assembly**. It will be a blessed and joyous time with the installation of two new Daughters into their chapter. We will meet later than usual, at lunchtime, since the service will be at 5:00 pm. **Mother Deborah Woolsey** will lead in reflections on the Woman at the Well. We will be talking about the Triennial that will be in Indianapolis (in our Province!) in 2012. I hope that you will be with us to share in our community. I am looking forward to seeing you, praying, singing and laughing with you. I hope you will put aside what you can to join us for this. God bless!

Lela Joscelyn
President, Milwaukee DOK

Chapter Happenings

The **Mary and Martha Chapter** of the Order of the Daughters of the King at **St. Boniface, Mequon**, has started a tradition for the 4th Sunday of Lent. The members of the chapter have been baking the Simnel Cakes for about 5 years now. This is just one of the ways we keep our presence known around the parish and we always remind people of our main purpose of prayer and our prayer request box.

Mothering Sunday is the fourth Sunday of Lent. Traditionally it was a day when children, mostly daughters, who had gone to work as domestic servants were given a day off to visit their family. Many gathered wildflowers along the way to give as a gift upon returning home.

During the 17th century it was considered important for people to return to their home or Mother Church—the church of their baptism—once a year. In the middle of Lent, folks would visit their Mother Church or Cathedral of the area. This became an occasion for family reunions.

Mothering Sunday was also known as Refreshment Sunday because the fasting rules for Lent were relaxed that day. The food item associated with Mothering Sunday is Simnel Cake, which has 11 almonds placed on top representing the apostles minus Judas. The DOK will provide a Simnel Cake for all three coffee hours to give thanks to God and for the Church, which like a mother, nurtures us in the life of the Spirit.



*Isaiah 66: 13 ~
As a mother comforts a child so will I comfort you, says the Lord.*

Priscilla Chapter of **St. Paul's, Watertown**, received one new member this year. Cathy Shanks. She moved to Watertown from Duluth and has jumped in with much gusto to the life of our parish. Welcome, Cathy!

A new and unusual task the Priscilla Chapter has undertaken is that of teaching. We were pleased to be asked to teach intercessory prayer to a church class on prayer. Such an honor to us and such a wonderful opportunity to review our own habits and spiritual tools to our intercessory forms. We were surprised at the joy in our own prayer forms that were conveyed to the students!

The Daughters have responded to our rector's request to help with the home visitation ministry. Our leader, Georgia Irre trained our chapter in LEM procedure, made up teams to go out to the shut-ins and followed up with the participants.

We have also given a retreat this year and Georgia Irre lead an Advent retreat to the Ecumenical women's group of our town. There were 35 retreatants. Georgia Irre is a certified spiritual director who could be available to other groups of Daughters.



*Magnanimiter
Crucem Sustine*

*Courageously
Bear the Cross*

*A Blessed
Easter Season to
all
Daughters*

**Prayer
Service
Evangelism**

Milwaukee DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

SPRING ASSEMBLY

May 14, 2011

St. Boniface Episcopal Church, Mequon

3906 W. Mequon Road

LEAVING OUR WATER JARS

The Rev. Deborah Woolsey,
St. Alban's, Sussex

11:45 am	Registration
12:30 pm	Lunch and Meeting
2:00 pm	Presentation
4:30 pm	Break
5:00 pm	Eucharist and the installation of new Daughters



The woman left the water jar she had brought and hurried back to the town. She said to the people "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done!"

(John 4:28-30)

The Motto of the Order

*For His Sake...
I am but one, but I am one.
I cannot do everything, but I can do something.
What I can do, I ought to do.
What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.
Lord, what will you have me do?*



The Prayer of the Order

*O Eternal Father,
you have sent us your Son to teach us things pertaining to your heavenly Kingdom.
Give your blessing to our Order wherever it may be throughout the world.*

*Grant that we, your Daughters,
ever may discern your truth and bear the cross through the battles of our earthly life.*

*Give us strength to overcome temptation and the grace to work to spread your Kingdom
and to gather your scattered sheep within your fold.*

*Pour out upon us the sevenfold gift of the Holy Spirit,
that we may always remember it is your work we are called to do,
that all we think, do or say may be pleasing in your sight.*

*We ask it all For His Sake, our King and Savior, Jesus Christ.
Amen.*

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