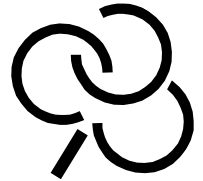


What happens when the Spirit meets the Church in a place of spirits?

Theology on Tap at Conor O'Neill's Irish Pub!



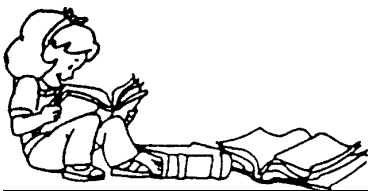
Theology on Tap



For three weeks this July and August, adults from St. Francis gathered at Conor O'Neill's for Theology on Tap, sponsored by the Ya²acht Club and the Middle Singles Group. The traditional Irish pub setting gave this year's Theology on Tap a festive atmosphere, and for those who enjoyed supper or drinks there, a tasty flavor. Taking a break from the summer heat to enjoy the moving of the Spirit, and for some the Irish spirits on tap, gave us a chance to discuss a variety of spiritual and ethical issues. Fr. James Conlon began the series with his fascinating presentation on the complications that may arise when Catholicism and law meet. Despite some of the inevitable lawyer jokes, the ensuing presentation and discussion allowed people to look at how ethics and values interact with



legal issues. The second week led to a vastly different topic centering on spirituality in a world that often pulls us apart. Joe Scheuring, a spiritual director, helped us to look at how we nurture our spirits and take time for God and incorporate our faith in our lives. The series concluded with a look at how racism affects all of our lives as Ron Landfair, Director of Black Catholic Ministry for the Diocese of Lansing, expanded our understanding of cultural influences on us and our faith. Overall, Theology on Tap was a success. Keep an eye out for next summer's series and other up-coming Singles Group and Ya²acht Club activities!



Parish Library to Re-open

After two years of being packed away in boxes, the books, tapes and videos have been taken out of storage and placed on the shelves. An inventory has been taken and new items are being purchased and classified. Volunteers were busy this past summer preparing the library for a grand opening that will take place some time this fall.

The library is situated in the newly constructed portion of our church, on the west side of the gathering space. It will be open to parishioners after all masses. Its location is favorable for access by parishioners on a regular basis. Plan to stop by for a visit on Grand Opening Day, the date of which will be announced in the weekly bulletin, the *Forum*.

