

SOM Meeting will be held FEB. 4th 2017 at 10:00 am Holy Cross Anglican Church, 500 Park Ave. Unit 102 Lake Villa, IL.



Our meeting will begin by praying the Most Holy Rosary followed by Morning Prayer. A coffee hour and meeting are next. The meeting will end by praying the Angelus.

Prayers and Intercessions are asked for the faithful departed members and friends of the Society: Lois, Marian, Ethel, Bruce, Bertha, Glenn Ann, Kathryn, Ralph & Dorothy, June, Edna, Fr. Wayne, Ken, Mildred, Stanley, Dr John, Jack, Leonard, Fr. Joel, Ruth and Fr. R. C. Martin.

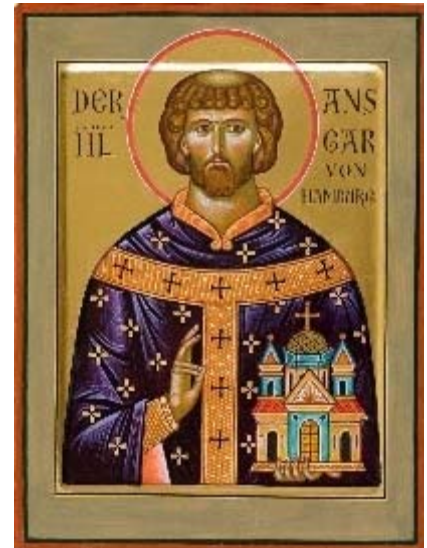
Health & recovery for Marilyn, Richard, Ron, John, Dawn Margaret, Arlene, Jim, Mary and Nancy.

Guidance Direction and Support for Kurt, Richard, and SOM.

Ash Wednesday falls on March 1st. Several Lenten programs and Quiet Days will be available. More information in March.

February 3rd is the Feast of St. Anskar Bishop and Missionary to Denmark and Sweden.

Anskar (in Latin, Ansgarius) was a monk of Saxon family, born in Corbie, France, in 801 (the year after the crowning of Charlemagne). In 826, when King Harald of Denmark asked Charlemagne's successors for missionaries, Anskar led a group to Denmark, and a few years later to Sweden. Because of unsettled political conditions, his work ran into difficulties, and Anskar withdrew into Germany, where he served as first Archbishop of Hamburg. Later, however, he helped to consecrate Gotbert, the first bishop of Sweden. It is told that when some of his friends were talking of miracles which he was supposed to have done, he said, "If I were worthy in my Lord's sight, I would ask of Him to grant me one miracle--that He would make me a good man." Nicholas I canonized Anskar shortly after his death in 865. The Church of Sweden honors him as its apostle, and he serves as symbol of the historic friendship and present-day connection between the Anglican Churches and the Church of Sweden. From <http://satucket.com/lectionary/Anskar.htm> by James Kiefer.



Collect for today: Almighty and everlasting God, who sent your servant Anskar to sow the seeds of faith among the people of Scandinavia: Keep your Church from discouragement in the day of small things, knowing that when you have begun a good work you will bring it to a fruitful conclusion; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings for the today are: Psalms 75, 76, Old Testament Isaiah 57:3-13; New Testament Galatians. 5:25-6:10 and Gospel Reading Mark 9:14-29.

Prayer from Mary Day by Day: O Mary you are our Mother in faith. Let us model our faith after your own. Increase our faith from day to day, so that upon our deaths, that faith may be changed into vision in heaven.

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