



St. Aloisius
Medical
Center

SMP Health System

HEALING FIRE AND LIGHT

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We are all God's people taking care of God's people.

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St Aloisius Medical Center opening a full time clinic August 6.

The SMPHS identified a need in our community and proceeded with remodeling the space that previously provided monthly services by Dr. Skipper. Dr. Skipper, surgeon from HOM in Rugby provides procedures that include colonoscopy and gastroscopy and surgeries that can be performed at St Aloisius medical Center. He will continue to be available for appt in the St Aloisius Clinic.

The full time clinic services will be provided by Dr. Rick Geier MD and Kim Thorson NP Monday-Friday. Dr. Geier and Kim will work as a team and are able to provide services for all ages. Procedures that Dr. Geier provides are joint injections, skin excisions, hemorrhoid bands and management of chronic health condition and preventive healthcare. Kim plans to provide DOT physicals.

Appointments to see Dr. Geier, Kim Thorson can be made by calling **324-5131**.

Appointments and date for Dr. Skipper in Harvey can be made by calling 776-5261.



SMP Health System

St. Aloisius Medical Center

Mission Statement:

St. Aloisius Medical Center,
inspired by Jesus,
in union with the Sisters of Mary
of the Presentation,
ministers health to all we serve.

Values:

Hope – Creating an atmosphere of
trust and confidence.

Healing – Caring for body, mind
and spirit.

Hospitality – Welcoming, in a
Christ-like way.



Discovery Benefits Account Hacked

One of our co-workers had her Health Savings Account with Discovery Benefits hacked. She learned this when she received a phone call from Discovery Benefits telling her to check her account. Her account had \$30 left when she checked it.

So, people, check your account and make sure everything is as it should be.



The Fabric of My Faith Three steps toward Spiritual Growth

"I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds." John 12:24

When you think about your walk with Jesus, some days you may wonder, "Why is this so hard? I'm still struggling with so many problems. When will I finally get it right?"

I've learned spiritual growth is often like the growth we see in nature-the best fruit ripens slowly. In John 12:24, Jesus says "I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces seeds." John 12:24

The problem is we tend to get impatient, so we dig up the seed to check the progress of its growth! If you're not seeing as much fruit as you like, don't despair. Growth takes time.

In the meantime, try these steps toward spiritual growth:

Nurture growth with God's Word-I know you're already doing this, but when you read the promises of God again and again, it helps you remember that he is at work, even when you can't see him at work: "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see" Hebrews 11:1

Cooperate with God as he prunes- praise God for the work he's doing in your life, remembering" he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more" John 15:2

Pray through the 'fruit list' from Galatians 5:22-23. The Bible lists the fruit as love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Ask God to help you grow this fruit in your life.

Your Chaplain, Sister Mary Agnes
Pastoral Care Department

NEW EMPLOYEES

Welcome to the St. Aloisius Family!

April Hagemeister - LTC

Annika Towe—LTC

Jennah Lematta—LTC

Abigail Frueh—LTC

Melissa Thomas—LTC

Laurel Schnase—Clinic

Dr. Rick Geier—Clinic

Tiffani Tesch, RN—Clinic

Alexus Rudel—Clinic

Roxanne Mongbomery, RN—Clinic

DXA Scanner

We are excited to announce that the new DXA Scanner will be installed the last week in July and we will officially be open to scan patients on August 2nd and 3rd. The Applications Specialist will be onsite those for training and we will start scanning at 10 a.m. on August 2! The new scanner is located in the x-ray department in Danica's old office. We are excited to add this to our current service lines and look forward to serving you!

R&R Committee (Retention & Recognition) NEWS

1. **MORE MEMBERS ARE NEEDED FOR THIS COMMITTEE!**
2. They meet the second Wednesday of each month at 2:00 pm to discuss ways to promote employee recognition and retention. This is an informal committee but the committee is in need of more input.
3. 2nd Wednesday is also a day to WEAR JEANS for \$1 with the money going to the R&R Committee to provide STUFF.

HIPAA MEMO

The biggest threat to a computer network is EMPLOYEES.—not usually due to deliberate action, but due to mistakenly opening an email or email attachment that has been infected with a computer virus or malware or ransomware.

To prevent—DON'T OPEN EMAIL FROM PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW.

FYI—there have been emails supposedly coming from current employees. Please look at the address it is coming from. If it is not coming from staloisi-us.com, it is not an inside email. It is an avenue for a hacker to get into our network—this would be bad!

We do have a strong firewall and our IT department (and I) monitor it.

Marian Hase, Compliance Officer

St. Aloisius August Anniversaries

LeeAnn Krahler—39 years	Sherri Filler—37 years
Linda Uhlich—33 years	Kathy Sieg—30 years
Vickie Kukowski—24 years	Dorothy Baltrusch—19 years
Gail Grondahl—18 years	Joe Volk—17 years
Mary Beth Coombs—14 years	Karen Koble—13 years
Dana Fitzgerald—5 years	Tawny Mason—3 years
Michael Glennie—2 years	Alexandra Greenwood—2 years
Kristine Junio—2 years	Deborah Keller—2 years
Arthur Payawal—2 years	Athena Buchmiller—1 year
Brookelyn Pfau—1 year	Kehley Powell—1 year

265 years of dedicated service to
St. Aloisius Medical Center



Do you need to call someone at St. Aloisius Medical Center?

We have many direct dial numbers:

St. Aloisius Clinic—324-5131

Medical Floor - 324-5112

Unit A—324-5121

Unit B—324-5118

Daycare—324-5109

Sherri Engkvist—324-5120

Candie Thompson—324-5113

Lab—324-5116

Radiology—324-5107

Physical Therapy—324-5119

Enter these numbers in your phone! Cut this out and put on your fridge!

FORMATION MINUTE

It's hard to believe that it's already August! Summer will be over before we know it, football will be back on TV, and pumpkin spice everything will be in the stores. But before that happens, we'll be working our way through what the ancient Romans called the *Dies Canicularis*, or the "dog days" of summer. These days get their name from the brightest star in the night sky, Sirius, or "the dog star." During this time of the year, Sirius rises and sets with the sun, and the ancients thought that its brightness added a little extra heat to the day, which then caused a feeling of lethargy and laziness, almost as if time itself is slowing down because of the heat.

In the Catholic Church (and a number of other churches), we find ourselves right in the middle of the longest season of the year, namely, Ordinary Time. Being such a long season with seemingly little going on, it can also add to this feeling of time slowing down. This feeling, however, is pretty much the exact opposite of what Ordinary Time means to convey.

Ordinary Time is often described in negative terms—it's the part of the year that is NOT Advent, Christmas, Lent, or Easter. It is the time to focus on finding the holy in our ordinary lives. We focus not on Christ's birth or death, but rather his ministry of healing and forgiveness, in which we are all called to participate. While all of this is true, it misses one major part: a sense of time.

Ordinary time is not a static season, but a dynamic one. The Sundays and Weekdays in Ordinary Time are all numbered with "ordinal" numbers (first, second, third) as opposed to "cardinal" numbers (one, two, three...). This type of numbering suggests direction, movement, as if we're going somewhere. Time is moving in a particular direction. Not only the world, but each of our own lives is on a collision course with eternity. For this reason, all of our day-to-day choices have added weight. What we do now directly affects who we will become, and that person will one day have to give an account to the Lord of what was done with the time he or she was given.

I don't mean to sound like a downer, but rather I think during these lazy days of summer, we might be able to make the most out of our days if we occasionally keep our destiny in mind. Therefore, perhaps during this month we might pray for perseverance in living out the healing mission of Jesus and in serving others through our ordinary, day-to-day lives.

JT Kennelly
Director of Formation
SMP Health System

Think About It

"Treat people the way you want to be treated. Talk to people the way you want





Vehicle Heatstroke Prevention

Did you know that heatstroke is the leading cause of vehicular non-crash-related deaths for children under 14? In fact, **an average of 37 children die from vehicle heatstroke each year.**

While it seems like an impossible mistake to make, every parent or caregiver can potentially become distracted, and distractions often fuel this devastating situation. No one is immune. **Yet, this tragedy is 100% preventable.**

HARVEY COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, August 28

2:00 pm to 6:00 pm

~ New Life on Main-Main room ~

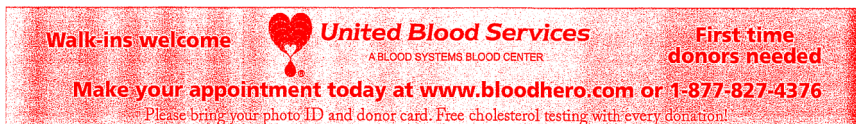
For an appointment contact:

Beth Huseh at 701-341-0756

or online at www.bloodhero.com.

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What's Your Story?

Brenda Finley

Brenda is a woman of few (written) words. She is fun to work with and has an infectious laugh. She's often found in the physical Therapy Department. Phone number is 324-5119.

1. What is your position at St. Aloisius? **Physical Therapist, Director of Therapies**
2. What is your favorite thing about your job? **Getting to know my patients and their stories**
3. What was your first job? **Lifeguard**
4. What did you want to be when you grew up? **Veterinarian**
5. What are your hobbies when you are not at work? **Reading, camping, exercising**
6. What would your dream vacation spot be? **Jamaica**
7. What is your favorite season? **Summer**
8. Tell us about your family. **Husband Damon, Son Kiefer (10), and daughter Josie (7)**

If you see her in the hall or cafeteria, give her a smile, a wave and "Good to know you!"