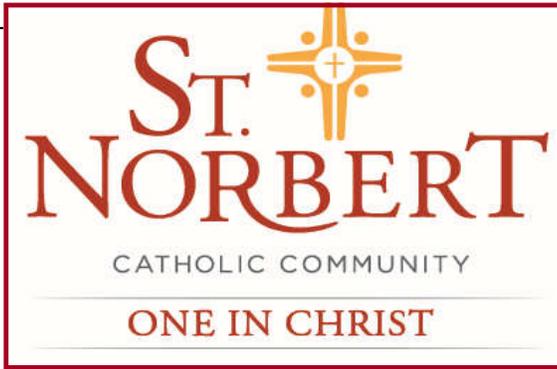


**September 10, 2017**



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### MASS & WORSHIP SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY VIGIL:** 5:30 PM

**SUNDAY MASSES:** 7:30, 9, 11:30 AM; 1:30 PM **Spanish;**  
6 PM **Youth Mass**

**MONDAY-FRIDAY:** 6:30AM, 8 AM; **Saturday** 8 AM

**RECONCILIATION:** **Saturday** 4-5 PM ; **Thursdays** 7-8 PM or by  
**Appointment**

**Adoration:** **Thursdays**, 8:30 AM—8 PM

### CLERGY

**REV. MICHAEL J. LEE, O.PRAEM., PASTOR**

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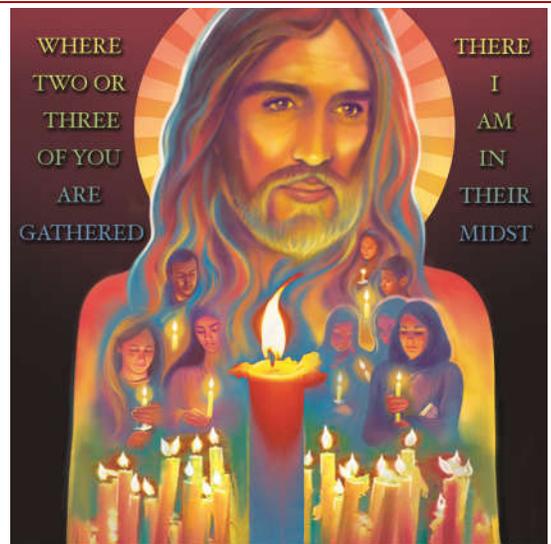
**REV. CARL W. BRASCHOS, O.PRAEM., PAROCHIAL VICAR**  
(PART TIME)

**DEACON JOHN P. LOZANO**

**DEACON WILLIAM M. MASAPOLLO (RETIRED)**

## 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our culture tempts us to think that any action is allowed as long as it doesn't hurt anyone else. Today's readings show us how sadly narrow-minded that thinking is. They call us to a much higher standard, one that recognizes the majestic dignity of each human person. Ezekiel reminds us that the wicked acts of one person always affect the whole human community. Even if the sin is a private one, we are all responsible for shining light into the darkness. Matthew's Gospel echoes this idea, providing practical tips for bringing healing and reconciliation to sinful or broken relationships. Today's readings also show us the deep implications of sin: a failure to love. Saint Paul urges us to avoid sin and obey the law. The best way to do this, he professes, is to love. Love leads us from mere coexistence to genuine companionship.



### THE WAY OF LOVE

Although today's readings might seem drearily preoccupied with sin, Saint Paul explains why sin is important to discuss: because every sin reduces the amount of love in the world. Paul turns the focus from sin to love when he writes, "Love is the fulfillment of the law" (Romans 13:10). What power that verse contains! If we begin each day by reciting that verse, we would be well on our way to a more generous life — not only avoiding sin as much as possible, but also actively seeking out ways to make life sweeter for our neighbors. Memorized verses inspire us when we face difficulties during the day, when we are irritated with someone, for example, or we need to make a decision. Remembering that "love is the fulfillment of the law" might truly help us avoid sin and do good in daily life.

### THE WAY OF PRAYER

Learning a scripture verse by heart is, of course, a way of praying. In today's Gospel, Jesus encourages us to pray. Jesus firmly believes in the power of prayer, going so far as to guarantee results: "I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father." Jesus promises something else, too, something vitally important. More than a game of Go Fish in which we hope we "got what we asked for," prayer is a living encounter with Jesus himself: "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Today's readings move us beyond the bare minimum and open an enormous world to us. We shun the pettiness of sin not because we fear punishment, but because we want to love others deeply. We pray to our great God not because we want to get favors from a divine vending machine, but because we want to spend time with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

**TODAY'S READINGS:** Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

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## 22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*"My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God."*  
— Psalm 63

### Sunday, September 10

Vigil †Peter A. Innaurato, Jr.  
7:30 †Deceased members of  
the Lupinski Family  
9:00 †Victor Matteo  
11:30 †Ralph and †Mary Elsie  
DiFronzo  
1:30 PM †Joaquin Cordova  
6 PM Members of the parish

### Monday, September 11

6:30 †Larry Schwartz  
8:00 †Irene Langen

### Tuesday, September 12

6:30 †Gerri Piombino  
8:00 †Deceased members of  
the Yelovich Family

### Wednesday, September 13

6:30 †Doris Carey  
8:00 †Richard Masapollo

### Thursday, September 14

6:30 †Deceased members of  
the Yelovich Family  
8:00 †Bunky Mullray

### Friday, September 15

6:30 †William Martin  
8:00 †Mary Lyons and the  
Lord's blessing on  
Corinne Kerrigan

### Saturday, September 16

8:00 †Deceased members of  
the McDonald family

### Sunday, September 17

Vigil †Jeanne Lahiff 1st Anniv.  
7:30 Parishioners  
9:00 †Lamar Layfield  
11:30 †Felice Di Francesco  
1:30 PM †Filomena & Antonio  
Moniz  
6 PM Joseph Ferrell



## THIS SUNDAY: YOUTH MINISTRY KICK-OFF

**High School Olympics**  
7-9 PM with dinner  
**EDGE Pep Rally Middle School**  
10-11:30 AM with snacks



# Stewardship

## Love at Work

St. Paul echoes Christ in many ways. In the 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter from his letter to the Romans, he continues with his thoughts on how we should live to please God, and he uses a sentence which Christ often repeated. After listing several of the 10 Commandments, Paul states, "...whatever other commandments there may be, are summed up in this saying, namely, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'"

There is always much that gets debated in that admonition, such as loving yourself, and who exactly is your neighbor? Paul's point, like that of Jesus, is simply that we are called to treat others as we may like to be treated. We need to show them the respect and caring that we may hope for and wish for. God loves us, and if we realize that, we may ultimately come to the conclusion that we are loveable.

Most of us know someone whose love is evident by how they treat others and how they live. Loving neigh-



## PRAYERS & READINGS

### PRAY FOR HEALING:

Corinne Kerrigan, Greg Kleckner, Maria Palfy, Ryan Schlecht, Julian D'Orazio, William Denney, Elena Prota, Maria Morales, Michael Fullam, Aaron Gelstine, Mary Corcoran, William Wilbur, Tim Dippel, Alice Bowman, Dorothy Wilson, Ed Rofi, Guillermo Ramirez Maldonado, Rudy Spina, Helen Gelstine, Peter Lim, Ed Welsh, Ann Sasaman, Clare Rossmeisl, Diana Reyes, Frank Henriquez, Phyllis McCullough, Lonzo Baldino, Patricia Boyce, Frank McMahon, Louanne Armstrong, Joan Schauble, Ruth Chavez, John Francis Erickson, Jim Cleary, Trudy DiNardo

### REST IN PEACE: Helen Holmes

### PRAYERS FOR OUR TROOPS:

Pvt. **Matthew Cress**, USA;  
Pvt. **Jessica Flowers**, Pvt. **Michael Flowers**, USA; Capt. **Rob Kersey**, USN; Capt. **Dan Kohli**, USMC; 1st.Lt. **Spencer Lahiff**, USMC; Sgt. **Justin Lansford**, USA; Pvt. **Bryan McCormick**, USA; Maj. **James Merenda**, USAF; Sgt. **R. J. Paski**, USA; Sgt. **Matthew Paski**, USAF; CPT **Brian Wallin**, DO, USA



bor is a visible expression of everything that Jesus taught. It is a way of expressing the depth of our faith and our belief that we are Disciples of Christ.

St. Francis de Sales captured all about what this love is and who is your neighbor when he wrote, "Examine your heart often to see if it is such toward your neighbor as you would like his or hers to be toward you in his or her place. This is the touchstone of true reason." It is relatively basic and simple — our neighbor is everyone with whom we have contact and love is what makes it all work.

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## WINE TASTING

NOV 11

Benefits St. Gabe's  
Food Cupboard  
More info coming

ST. NORBERT

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

FERVENT DISCIPLES

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Col 1:24 -- 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11

**Tuesday:** Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19

**Wednesday:** Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday:** Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;

Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

**Friday:** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

**Saturday:** 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49

**Sunday:** Sir 27:30 -- 28:9; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

# Pastor's Pulpit

## A ST. NORBERT COINCIDENCE?

### CALLING HERCULE POIROT

A coincidence is defined as a striking occurrence of two or more events at one time apparently by mere chance. Allow me to share with you a Saint Norbert coincidence or mystery if you will.

Last Christmas, the parish gave out the book *"The Lamb's Supper: The Mass As Heaven on Earth,"* by Dr. Scott Hahn. Along with the book there was a Christmas Greeting and a note from me. Somehow this book and Christmas card got into the hands of Barbara Nickerson from North Carolina.

Barbara found the book when she was cleaning out a box she received from an acquaintance who once lived in Rhinelander, Wisconsin. Our head Norbertine Abbey is near Rhinelander and Norbertine priests and brothers may have been connected to Rhinelander.

Anyway, the picture of our St. Norbert Church on the Christmas Card caught Barbara's eye and she remembered she had an actual St. Norbert relic. Barbara sent me an email thanking me for the book and Christmas Card and wondered if we would like the relic.



(At this point I ask you to Google the position of the Catholic Church on relics...it is interesting.<sup>1</sup>)

Barbara's relic is authentic and is encased in a reliquary. This is quite remarkable as this small remembrance of St. Norbert goes back to the 12<sup>th</sup> century (1100s AD).

By way of information on the remains of St. Norbert, they are encased above the side altar in our Norbertine Abbey of Strahov in the Czech Republic. Miraculously, the remains of St. Norbert survived not only the Protestant Reformation but more than 50 years of Communism. The Abbey of Strahov is a beautiful Abbey and during the Communist rule, it was kept intact as a museum, with St. Norbert in place where he had been for centuries.

I asked Barbara if she could share any more information concerning how she wound up with a relic of St. Norbert. With respect to the relic, I wonder if it could be as simple as a yard, garage or antique sale. Then too, how did our Christmas book and card get to Rhinelander and then to North Carolina?

This sounds like a case for the famous fictional Belgian detective, Hercule Poirot. I will keep you informed as the story unfolds.

The relic of St. Norbert will be displayed in Church. ...stay tuned. – Fr. Mike

<sup>1</sup><http://www.catholiceducation.org/en/culture/catholic-contributions/church-teaching-on-relics.html>

<sup>1</sup>Relics: <http://www.newadvent.org/cathen/12734a.htm>



## THIS SATURDAY AT DAYLESFORD ABBEY . . .

### COME EARLY, STAY LATE

This is our best lineup of artists ever, for this year's 4th Annual AbbeyFest on **Saturday, Sept 16**, from **11 AM to 9:30 PM**.

Make your plans now to get arrive at Daylesford Abbey early to take advantage of not only the AbbeyFest experience, but a great group of musicians.

"This was not kumbaya music," said one surprised attendee last year. "I didn't expect the level of songwriting and playing or the showmanship of performers."

This year, we've added a varied array of musicians. Texas native **Kyle Sinkule**, Amazon's #1 Singer-Songwriter with his single "Promised Land," brings his a unique blend of folk, rock and country. **PJ Anderson** has played for Pope Francis at the 2016 Krakow, Poland World Youth Day and headlined the Youth Rally and Mass For Life for 30,000 youth in Washington, DC. Chicagoan **Mike Mangione** brings a blues, alternative, Indie Christian music approach with influences from Bob Dylan and "The Boss." **Corey Marie Dubyoski** lends a prayerful praise and worship group from Baltimore. Of course, former **American Idol** contestant and Grammy winner **Mandisa** lights up and engages audiences — be prepared to dance. And AbbeyFest Favorite **Matt Maher** takes you up and down from gospel to rock to praise music and back again.

Keynote speaker (really performer) **Paul J. Kim** will electrify you with his comedy and "beatboxing" which has to be seen to be believed. Our own **FireHill Worship** will once again provide the Mass worship music. Get you tickets now before the price increase the day-of the festival at

[TheAbbeyFest.com](http://TheAbbeyFest.com)

# News & Events

## ARCHBISHOP CHAPUT CALLS ENDING DACA...

### "A DRASTIC MISTAKE"

"The White House has the power to end DACA. ...This would be a drastic mistake," said Archbishop Chaput recently as the discussion on the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) has moved from the President to Congress. "I ask the people of the archdiocese to press their federal lawmakers to find a positive legislative replacement for DACA, and to prevent the deportation of these young people," added the Archbishop. The USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops) also came out with a strong response: "The cancellation of the DACA program is reprehensible. It causes unnecessary fear for DACA youth and their families." For more info go to [CatholicPhilly.com](http://CatholicPhilly.com) and <http://www.usccb.org/news/2017/17-157.cfm>



## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE...

### BUSY FALL AT ST. NORBS

There are many opportunities to be a Fervent Disciple, grow in your discipleship or chart your course to becoming a Fervent Disciple at St. Norbert's. We have something for everyone, so check out our encounters with Jesus through sports, fellowship, spirituality, and more:

### INTERESTED IN BEING CATHOLIC?

Explore the Catholic faith each week to learn about and discuss what the Church teaches, why and how it is connected to a personal relationship with God. There is no commitment; the environment is casual and conversational. Our RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), will begin the end of September. Invite a friend or a loved one. **CONTACT:** Lorrie Grady at 610.644.4999 or [lhg905@verizon.net](mailto:lhg905@verizon.net) or Hank Fila at 610.513.9768 or [hankfila@gmail.com](mailto:hankfila@gmail.com)



### OVER HILL, OVER DALE



CYO Cross Country registration is open now for grades kindergarten to 8th. Practices **6-7 PM** Tuesdays and Thursdays at Hilltop Park across from Beaumont Elementary School. Check out



[Wagdogs.com](http://Wagdogs.com) **CONTACT:** David Fritz at [davidfritzjr@gmail.com](mailto:davidfritzjr@gmail.com)

### RSVP BY THURSDAY FOR . . .

The 50+ Group Anniversary and Kick-off Brunch at the Desmond Hotel's Hunt Room on Sunday, **Sept 24 at 10:30 AM.** **Cost:** \$26; **RSVP:** By **Sept 14.** **CONTACT:** Kay Wasson 484.343.0003 or [wassonmk@yahoo.com](mailto:wassonmk@yahoo.com) or Nina Gallacher at 484.318.1107 or [ngallacher9@aol.com](mailto:ngallacher9@aol.com)



### DATE NITE FOR MARRIEDS

Looking for a great date night for you and your beloved that gives you some quiet time to talk, reconnect and regroup from the busyness of life? Then consider coming to the **Alpha Marriage Course.** From **Thursday Sept 28— Nov 16** from **6:30— 9 PM.** The evening includes a catered dinner to get you in the mood. **Childcare provided.** Space is limited. Register online now at: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=93b673> **CONTACT** Mark Griswold [caffedirector@stnorbort.org](mailto:caffedirector@stnorbort.org)



### PROTECT OUR CHILDREN

St Norbert's is offering an Archdiocesan Safe Environment training session on Wednesday, Sept 27 at 7 pm in the school dining hall. Anyone working with children is required by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia; to take this training. It is also highly recommend that parents and grandparents attend this training program to not only be aware of what situations can develop, but how to protect your child/grandchild from possible dangers. **REGISTER:** [virtus.org](http://virtus.org) St. Norbert class. **CONTACT:** Ed Grady at [egrady@parish.stnorbort.org](mailto:egrady@parish.stnorbort.org) or 610.644.1655 ext115 or

### POTLUCK DINNER

Been part of a small group in the past? Curious what a small group is? Considering joining a small group? Join us on **Friday, Sept 29** from **7-9 PM** for our Small Group Potluck Dinner. Get out your favorite recipe. **CONTACT:** Ed Grady at [egrady@parish.stnorbort.org](mailto:egrady@parish.stnorbort.org) or 610.644. 1655 ext115



### HOMEBOUND VISITORS NEEDED

Our Ministry to the Sick and Homebound needs people to bring the comfort and solace of the Eucharist to the sick or infirm in our area and be to be a parish witness to the care and compassion of Jesus Christ. The time commitment varies (monthly to weekly) and is according to the needs and schedule of the one visited and the minister. Please consider joining this important ministry. **CONTACT:** Jim Ryan at [jdryan17@gmail.com](mailto:jdryan17@gmail.com) with any questions.



### MARY & RELIGIOUS ART TOUR

Join the 50+ Group for a tour of the Miraculous Medal Shrine, lunch and the Shrine art museum featuring over 500 works of Marian and religious art on **Thursday, Oct 19** from **8:45 AM — 4 PM.** **COST:** \$45 with box lunch; \$35 without or bring your own lunch. **CONTACT:** Mary Galloway at [maryggalloway@aol.com](mailto:maryggalloway@aol.com) or Carol Shannahan at [coy498@aol.com](mailto:coy498@aol.com)



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 Circle Turkey **OR** Ham Box Lunch \$45 (number): \_\_\_\_\_  
 No Lunch \$35 **RSVP: Sept 25**  
 Make checks payable to St. Norbert Church with 50+ Group in memo section. Drop or mail to the Parish

FAITH • MUSIC • FAMILY

# ABBAY FEST

**THIS SATURDAY**  
 Tickets at [TheAbbeyFest.com](http://TheAbbeyFest.com)



**Mandisa**



**Matt Maher**

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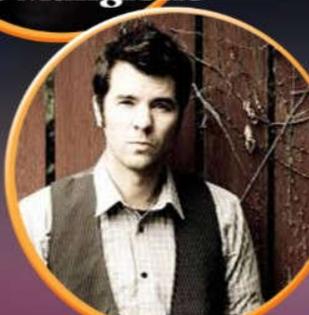
**Mike Mangione**



**Corey Marie**



**Paul J. Kim**



**PJ Anderson**



**Kyle Sinkule**



**FireHill Worship**

**Date: Sept 16 | 11am - 9:30 pm**

Daylesford Abbey, Paoli, PA 19301




























## CUB SCOUT MANIA

Please support our Cub Scout troop annual Popcorn Sale this weekend. **CONTACT:** Peter Zimmermann at 610.415.0460 for more info on scouting and this excellent ministry.

## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

New altar server training will be held on **Sunday, Sept 24** after the **6 PM** Youth Mass and **Tuesday, Sept 26, 6:30 PM** in the Church. **CONTACT:** Paul Lavallee for more info at [prlavallee@msn.com](mailto:prlavallee@msn.com)

## WALKING WITH PURPOSE



Please join us for **Walking with Purpose** (WWP) starting **Tuesday, Oct 3** at **9 AM** in the St. Norbert School cafeteria. For the 3rd year of WWP at St. Norbert's, we will be offering two courses:

- 1) **Touching the Divine** that draws us into a deeper relationship with Jesus as we reflect on his personality.
- 2) **Opening Your Heart, the Starting Point** which is our foundational Bible study recommended for all new participants to WWP.

**Childcare provided.** **CONTACT:** Lisa McGowan at [mcgowanlh@gmail.com](mailto:mcgowanlh@gmail.com)

## NEED PRAYER & HEALING

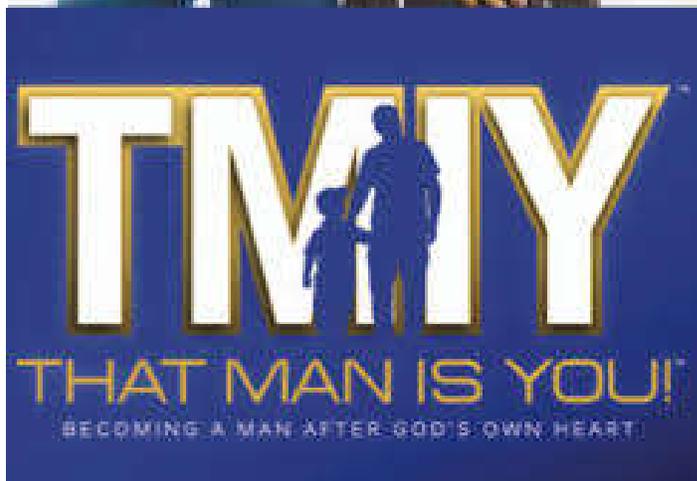
St. Norbert's has four specific evenings every month for:

- 1) **GETHSEMANI 12 STEP SPIRITUALITY EVENING: Sunday, Sunday, Sept 10** at **7:30 PM**, for those in 12 Step recovery programs only. Always 2nd Sunday of the month. **CONTACT:** Martin at 610.291.1140
- 2) **PRAYER & HEALING NIGHT: Thursday, Sept 14,** at **7:30 PM** in the St. Norbert Oratory for those needing to be set free spiritually, physically, mentally, emotionally or in need of prayer and healing. Always 2nd Thursday of the month. **CONTACT:** Pete Radice at 610.265.5787 or [prfr@comcast.net](mailto:prfr@comcast.net)
- 3) **BEREAVEMENT GROUP: Monday, Sept 18,** at **7 PM** for those that have lost a loved one and would like to gather with others who seek healing for their loss. This month at **St. Norbert's;** next at **St. Patrick's** of Malvern. **CONTACT:** Pat at 610.647.8280 or Sharon at 301.775.5709
- 4) **GETHSEMANI EVENING OF PRAYER FOR ADDICTIONS: Thursday, Sept 21** at **7 PM** in the St. Norbert Oratory for families and individuals to pray for loved ones struggling with addictions. 3rd Thursday of the month. **CONTACT:** Mark Christmyer at 610.644.1655 ext 131 or [mchristmyer@parish.stnorbert.org](mailto:mchristmyer@parish.stnorbert.org)



## CHRISTIAN YOGA

Starts Wed, **Sept 13, 10:30—11:30 AM**, Parish Office Lower Level. Parishioner and certified instructor Suzanne Schoenhut will introduce a gentle restorative yoga practice from a Christian perspective. Beginners are welcome. Open to all ages. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat. **CONTACT:** Suzanne Schoenhut, [610.416.1072](tel:610.416.1072) or [suzbill427@gmail.com](mailto:suzbill427@gmail.com)



## JUST FOR MEN

Thursdays Starting Sept 21 for 13 Weeks

An honest look at the pressures and temptations facing men today in our modern culture. That Man Is You! seeks to transform men who will be capable of transforming homes and society.

### SCHEDULE:

6 AM **Breakfast**  
6:30 AM **Video** Presentation  
7 AM Small Group **Discussion**  
7:30 **Session Ends**

Register for this **FREE** program online at <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst+5e7600>

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