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Close-up of pipes for new organ.

A WORK OF ART

As Advent began the new church year, and November turned to December, Father Steve along with Donna Schmidt, Byron Heil, Connie Graven and Philip "Pip" Hines sojourned to Orville, Ohio (northeast of Columbus, southwest of Cleveland) to visit the Schantz Organ Company-builders of the new St. Margaret Mary pipe organ. What they found within the walls of the 40,000 square foot Schantz facility from one end to the other was art being created.



Jeffrey Dexter of Shantz Organ Company explains the process to Fr. Steve and Donna Schmidt



From right to left: Byron Heil, Fr. Steve Pohl, Donna Schmidt, Connie Graven and Phillip Hines (Director of Worship at Holy Spirit)

They saw that after the design phase, organ building starts with the pipe making process which begins with melting ingots of tin and zinc, pouring the molten metal on to a solid slab of granite for cooling, machining the sheet of pipe metal smooth, cutting to size before shaping it on a mandrel of steel or wood, and hand joining the edges together with solder. Each pipe is given details including a mouth with which it will speak and ears to focus the sound to be heard and a foot on which to stand in its place with the other 2,600 pipes which make up the full complement of voices which comprise this 38-rank 3 manual (keyboard) instrument.



After assembly the ranks of pipes are voiced by testing and adjusting the quality of sound that they produce individually and together. Zephyr blowers are built to provide the needed wind to support the sound of the organ. These are encased in wooden insulated cabinets to insure a quiet operation.



Connie Graven tests finished pipes as Fr. Steve observes.

In the wood shop the console, case work, wooden pipes as well as the wind chests and supportive racks which hold the ranks of pipes are crafted and finished. The pedal-board on which the lowest sounds are played are milled and fitted. In other areas the draw-knob assemblies and keyboards are assembled and fitted.



Assembly Room - Footprint of the organ is standing vertically at the very left of the image.

Finally, in the assembly room the various organ components are brought together piece by piece and fitted together into a work of art which is the St. Margaret Mary pipe organ in the making. The Schantz Company invites help to assist in the unloading of the pipes and organ components on delivery which is on schedule to be delivered for installation at St. Margaret Mary in January of 2015. Watch for an upcoming announcement about the delivery date. - Byron Heil



How did we get from this.....to this?

Come find out!

A NEW YEAR AND A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON FAITH

Kathleen Mitchell will lead this exciting and intriguing 3 week bible study that will help you to understand the deep connections between the celebration of the Jewish Passover and our celebration of the Mass.

Two sessions will be offered, one in the evening and one in the morning.

Mondays 7:00-8:30 P.M. January 19, 26, and February 2nd
Tuesdays 9:30-11:00 A.M. January 20, 27 and February 3rd

Location: Spirituality Center

To register: Contact Kathleen Mitchell kmitchell730@yahoo.com 865-776-1223

No Charge for this bible study.

GRIEVING DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Grieving the Loss of a Loved One During the Holidays

Holidays and special days like birthdays, wedding anniversaries, and the anniversary of your loved one's death can be difficult. Here are some suggestions that may be helpful:

Allow yourself to feel your emotions on your special day; don't feel that you need to just "get over it." You

may want to write them down in a journal or draw them on paper. Take time for reflection.

Take time and share memories of the loved one who died with your family.

- Light a candle in honor of her or him
- Set out a picture and tell stories of her or his life
- Watch a home video together
- Look through a photo album together or make a family memory book



Plan ahead to help you set limits and do what is meaningful for you and your family during the holidays. You may want to ask yourself:

- "Is this something I do out of habit or do I really enjoy it?"
- "Can I share the job with someone else?" (Example: Decorating your home can be taken over by an older child or maybe a niece or nephew.)
- "Who will take over the role traditionally assigned to the person who died?"
- Can someone else help with the housecleaning or could I even afford someone to come in and clean the house?"

Try the following cooking ideas for the holidays:

- Reduce the number of dishes you make
- Ask your guests to bring a dish to share
- Go to someone else's house for dinner
- Go out to eat

Be open to good experiences that the holidays may bring. Live in the present. Remember, past holidays weren't perfect.

Don't avoid long-standing traditions. Children often find comfort in them. On the other hand, new traditions say you are still a family. If yours is a family where everyone has their own place you may want to avoid "the empty chair" and sit somewhere else, or acknowledge it and light a candle in their honor.

Provide your children with extra amounts of attention, praise, and emotional support.

Children imitate behavior. If they see you are crying and expressing your sadness at the death of your loved one, they will know they have the freedom to do the same.

Do something from someone else. Reaching out to someone else who is in need can help with your feelings of helplessness and hopelessness. Give a donation in memory of your loved one. Give food to the needy. Invite someone else who is alone to join in the holiday meal and festivities.

Allow yourself to feel joy. You are not betraying your loved one.

If you need help or additional resources, please contact me, Denise Ruiz druiz@stmm.org



THANK YOU FROM THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Your St. Margaret Mary Knights of Columbus (KofC) Brothers offered Christmas cards and ornaments at the Craft Show and after Masses these past few weeks to benefit our Brother Knight and parishioner, Seminarian Robert Barnell. We are so grateful to you for your amazing outpouring of support.

You made the campaign a great success. At our 12/13 Council meeting, we invited Robert's proud parents Joan and Tom Barnell to join us and Fr. Steve helped us present Robert with a check representing your generosity for \$1,068.35 to materially assist Robert on his journey to the Priesthood!

Please continue to keep Robert and his parents in your Daily Prayers.

Merry Christmas!
SK Dick Burns
Grand Knight
St Margaret Mary Council 15979

NEED A RETREAT?

Saint Meinrad Archabbey in Southern Indiana offers a regular schedule of inspiring and thought provoking retreats.

February 6-8, 2015: Journey toward Holiness with St. Benedict

This retreat will look at two main themes. One is the "universal call to holiness" by the Second Vatican Council. Then we will look into the Rule of St. Benedict and how he invites his monks to live a life of holiness. What can we learn from the Rule of St. Benedict about the call to holiness in the present day? Br. Peduru Fonseka, OSB, is the retreat leader. (\$235 single, \$395 double)



February 13-15, 2015: How Deep is Your Love?

(Married Couples Only)

Fr. Noël Mueller, OSB, leads this retreat on learning to love more and more deeply as the key to a successful marriage. Come and celebrate this Valentine's weekend by learning some aids to this great loving art. Audio-visual aids will enhance our exploration of love. (\$395 double)

March 3-5, 2015: Fully Alive at Mass: Putting the Most in to Get the Most Out

Do you find yourself going to Mass and leaving unaffected by the Word of God and His love poured out? Explore the rich history and meaning of the words of the Mass, with a commitment toward participating more intelligently in the greatest mystery of the Church. Fr. Godfrey Mullen, OSB, is the retreat leader. (\$235 single, \$395 double)

March 6-8, 2015: The Way of the Cross According to the Gospel of Mark

Fr. Eugene Hensell, OSB, will lead the retreat. (\$235 single, \$395 double)