

# GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC RADIO

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*The most important...inventions are those media which, such as radio...can, of their very nature, reach and influence, not only individuals, but the very masses and the whole human society.*

*Second Vatican Council*

## Radio Update

We are continuing negotiations for the purchase of two (2) radio station construction permits, one to serve Lansing and one to serve Jackson. These construction permits are existing broadcast stations, but they do not include studio, transmitting equipment or towers from which to broadcast our signal.

In order for us to receive Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approval, our attorney must prepare a file, which in addition to the signed purchase agreement, includes the mailing address of our studio, as well as the address of both the Lansing tower and the Jackson tower, from which we will broadcast.

Let's look at each of these items individually; in the case of the studio the FCC requires that, because we will be broadcasting from a single studio, into two separate stations, the **studio** must be located between Mason and Leslie. We do NOT look at this as being any kind of a major issue.

As far as the **towers** are concerned, we had the option of building a broadcast tower at a Jackson site and another at a Lansing site, or make arrangements to lease space for our antenna, on an existing radio station's tower. The most cost effective tower option is to lease space on another station's tower for our antenna and associated transmitter. That is exactly what we have done in Jackson, therefore Jackson is set; although the FCC will not allow us to begin broadcasting, until we are able to bring both Jackson and Lansing on the air simultaneously. Our major issue at this time is that we are unable to find an available radio (AM) tower in the Lansing area, that is available for lease. Stay tuned!

### Other Activity

January 19 – GSCR was in attendance at the Right to Life Conference, held at Jackson's Queen of the Miraculous Medal social center. This was our first formal table display, which included posters, banners, newsletters, and assorted information regarding Catholic Radio.

January 22 – We were pleased to have Tom McMahon join us in our Board of Director meeting. Tom is founder of Baraga Broadcasting in Northern Michigan. Under Tom's leadership Baraga is now broadcasting from six stations, currently serving St. Ignace, Gaylord, Charlevoix, Traverse City, Tawas and Alpena. Mr. McMahon was very complimentary regarding our progress.

February 1 – I met with Bishop Boyea to review all issues relating to Good Shepherd Catholic Radio, both successes and challenges.

February 12 – I was privileged to meet with Craig Pohl, Director of New Evangelization for the Diocese of Lansing, to discuss not only the progress of GSCR, but also a discussion of how we can best work together.

February 23 – We attended the Catholic Men's Conference in Lansing with a two table display once again promoting Catholic radio. The attendance at this event was approximately 850 men.



February 27 – I attended a lunch meeting that included Craig Pohl and Patricia O'Hearn, Director of Development for the Diocese of Lansing, once again discussing the importance of bringing Catholic Radio to the central part of the Lansing Diocese.

Ongoing – Your Board of Directors continues to meet every two weeks, as we have for the past three years.

## **Thank You, Pope Benedict**

*Michael Warsaw, Publisher, National Catholic Register Friday, Mar 01, 2013*

I had the privilege to meet with Pope Benedict XVI last June. Following his weekly audience, I conveyed to the Pope the greeting of EWTN's employees and our gratitude for the opportunity to be of service to him and the Church. The Holy Father said that he is well aware of the work of EWTN around the world and told me, "I am very grateful to you and your collaborators for spreading the Gospel to the world. Your work is very important

to the New Evangelization, and I personally thank you for what you are doing. Please continue your great work."

Please join me in praying for our beloved departing Pope — and for his successor, who will carry on the critical mission to serve and lead the Church in these tumultuous times for our world.

God bless you!

## **Habemus Papam (We Have a Pope)**

At approximately 2 pm, on Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup>, those of us watching television, became extremely excited to see billowing white smoke appearing from the chimney over the Sistine chapel, signaling that the new Pope had been elected in the fifth ballot of the two day conclave.

That first sign of white smoke was quickly followed by the ringing of the bells, which is the second signal that 'we have a Pope'.

Within just an hour, French Cardinal Jean-Louis Tauran appeared on the balcony of Saint Peter's Basilica to announce the election of the 266th Successor of Saint Peter: Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio who is now, Pope Francis.

## **The First Angelus of His Papacy**

Sunday morning, March 17, Pope Francis was welcomed by a cheering crowd of over 150,000 people who had been waiting for him to appear at the window of the papal study that overlooks St. Peter's Square.

"The Lord never tires of forgiving," the pope said, before leading his listeners in praying the midday Angelus. **"God never tires of forgiving us, but we sometimes tire of asking Him to forgive us.** Let us never tire of asking God's forgiveness. He is the loving Father who always forgives, who has that heart of mercy for all of us".

"Think of the prophet Isaiah who asserts that even if our sins were scarlet red, God's love would make them white as snow," the Pope added spontaneously. The Pope continued speaking off-the-cuff.

After the Angelus prayer, the Pope stressed: "I have chosen the name of the Patron Saint of Italy, St. Francis of Assisi, and this reinforces my spiritual ties to this land that, as you know, is where my family originated."

The Pope ended the Sunday Angelus with a wish to the roaring crowd gathered in St. Peter's Square: "Have a good Sunday and enjoy your lunch!"

***Good Shepherd Catholic Radio (GSCR)*** needs commercial office space between Mason and Leslie, with easy access to 127; Four or five rooms, to accommodate a studio, engineering room, reception area, conference room, and sufficient parking for volunteers and guests. ***GSCR*** is open to an outright property donation, a donation of rent free office space, or a short or long term rental agreement. Donations are tax deductible. Please call: 517 748 5277. Or email: [catholicradio@gscr.org](mailto:catholicradio@gscr.org)

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The IRS allows you to take a charitable tax deduction on your federal income tax form equal to the amount the vehicle sells for at auction unless it sells for less than \$500. If your vehicle sells for less than \$500 you may deduct no more than \$500. If your vehicle sells for more than \$500, you will need to include the IRS form 1098C. Vehicles for Charity will supply this documentation after your vehicle sells. We recommend you consult your tax advisor with questions about your deduction.

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