First of all, welcome back to everyone and welcome to all our new students. I think you will find your, Creighton University School of Medicine, experience to not only be intellectually challenging but also personally enriching if you take advantage of activities outside of the classroom. Thus, for this first issue, I have provided information on activities that are available to you and I encourage you to consider attending. For those of you with significant others, please feel free to invite them as well. As always, if there is anything I can do for you please let me know.

May God continue to bless your lives,
Marcia

The Link for these activities is:
http://www2.creighton.edu/medschool/medicine/admin/chaplain/index.php

MINISTRY ACTIVITIES FOR THE SOM FOR 2007-2008

All faculty, staff and students are invited and welcome at any of these Ministry events.

**FRIDAYS, Small Group Room A,** Living and learning from the Gospel- beginning Friday September 7th, Small Group Room A. Join students for weekly look at the Gospel readings for the week. We will reflect upon the message and what it means for our daily lives.

**Friday, September 21st** 6:00-9:00 Lower Saint John’s, “**Strengthening the Spirit**” Evening Retreat co sponsored by Campus Ministry. **PLEASE RSVP mcusic@creighton.edu** as dinner will be served.

**Thursday, September Sept. 27th** 12:00-1:00 Criss III room 452 Father Kevin Fitzgerald, from Georgetown, Bio Ethics Stem Cell Research
Lunch provided, by Medical Education

**Sunday, September 30th** 8:30-10:30 **Mass at Mt Michael Benedictine Abbey**
Meet on the west side of the Criss Bldg to carpool out to the Abbey for Mass at 9:30 followed by donuts and coffee. All are invited esp. students and staff
who have been educated by the Benedictines. PLEASE RSVP mcusic@creighton.edu so we can let the Monks know how many to plan for.

**Thursday, October 18th** 7:00 White Mass, Feast of Saint Luke. Saint John’s Church on campus. Reception to follow, in Lower Saint John’s, co sponsored by the student and profession CMA groups.

**Friday, October 26th** 11:30-1:00 Room 452, *Hold Your Breath* Lunch sponsored by Health Policies and Ethics see site for further information.
Mohammad Kochi is an elderly man from Afghanistan, now living in California, who's been diagnosed with a life-threatening cancer. This documentary looks at the clash between ancient Islamic traditions and contemporary medical technology through the eyes of both the family and the doctors. To see a brief clip log on to this site: http://medethicsfilms.stanford.edu/holdyourbreath/

**December?** 12:1:00 room 452 Speaker on the Advent Season, speaker to be determined.

**January 11-12 Weekend Retreat** at Creighton’s Retreat Center, Griswold Iowa
Specifics to be announced at a later date.

**Friday February 8th** 5:30-10:00 Student Center, Medical Marriages Retreat
Co sponsored with Father Larry Gillick S.J.

**Friday, February 22nd** 5:30-9:00 Student Center, Annual Medical School Retreat  ***** Mass at 5:30 Dinner at 6:00
The focus will be on your calling to medicine. Dr. Archana Chatterjee will give the presentation on her calling to medicine and how she continues to be called to medicine

**Thursday March 27th** 12:00 Morrison Conference Room Distinguished Lecture Series and lunch.
Dr Christina Puchalski from George Washington Hospital will lecture on Spirituality and Health Care.  ALSO at 7:00 in the Student Center Ballroom she will give a presentation for all Health Science Students on
taking a Spiritual History along with Spirituality and Healthcare. A reception will follow the 7:00 presentation

***** New date ****