

## **“Blessing of the Pets” on Oct. 9 to feature multiple activities**

*Pets to receive blessing from Father Davies Reed in local version of nationwide interfaith event*

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(ZIONSVILLE, Sept. 23, 2011) -- Zionsville’s 24<sup>th</sup> annual “Blessing of the Pets” is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in Zionsville.

As is customary, St. Francis in the Fields is hosting the interfaith event at its church, located at 1525 Mulberry Street in Zionsville.

**Who:** all pets and pet owners are invited to take part, along with interested observers  
**What:** a Blessing of the Pets service, conducted by Father Davies Reed of St. Francis in the Fields  
**When:** Sunday, Oct. 9, 2011  
**Where:** 1525 Mulberry Street, Zionsville, Indiana 46077  
**Phone:** 317.873.4377  
**Website:** [www.stfrancisville.org](http://www.stfrancisville.org) www.zionsvillekennel.com  
**Why:** to bestow on our beloved four-leg companions the blessings they deserve; and to have some Fall fun!  
**How:** just show up with your pet on a leash, in a cage, wagon, or in your arms  
**What Time:** 4:00 pm general activities; 5:30 pm processional and interfaith blessing service  
**Fee:** free!

All pets and their owners are invited to take part in the processional and blessing service, to begin at 5:30 p.m.

All varieties of pets are welcome. Dogs, cats, goats, chickens, horses, birds, hamsters, goldfish, you name it. If you don’t have a pet, bring your stuffed animal! And if your pet has gone to Pet Heaven, bring a photo and Father Davies will happily bless that.



Ancillary events are set to kick off at 4:00 pm. Those include:

Agility demo

Frisbee demo

Grooming demo

Pet Massage demo

Snacks for both pets and people (donuts, hot cider, apples, coffee. Be sure to sample Pat's People Puppy Chow!)

Pumpkins for sale  
Humane Society booth

Bring friends, cameras, and a chair if you need one. Come prepared for a fun experience that will touch your heart as well. Rain or shine!

Sponsored by Zionsville Country Kennel and St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church.

*Zionsville Country Kennel is part of an all-inclusive facility dedicated to offering every service a companion pet would need – at one location. The Kennel shares the same campus as Zionsville Country Veterinary Clinic. The words ‘convenient,’ ‘comprehensive,’ and ‘caring’ sum up the attitude and attributes of this secure facility located on 15 acres in the countryside just outside Zionsville, Indiana. By visiting just one site, pets can receive boarding, grooming, training, and veterinary services, attended by educated pet-care professionals in a nurturing and state-of-the-art environment.*

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