

## Gift ideas in time for Christmas !!

*"You Are My Good News" with favorites  
Make Some Room, Light A Candle, and Dirt!  
"A Little Bit of Change" with the title track, Nati  
Pequeña, and Deep and Wide.  
Reduced prices till our dinner on February 16th!  
Cassettes: \$7.50 or two for \$12  
CD's: \$12, or two for \$20*

*Also our video on the face of Christ -  
"When did we see you?" is now available in VIIS  
or DVD format. This timely educational resource  
engages a young adult or adult audience on their  
role as members of the Body of Christ in today's  
world. Complimentary copies of the detailed study  
guide are available from our office. Consider  
donating a copy to your parish or school educa-  
tional resource center. Only \$29.95.*

*S&H (\$3.95 for videos, \$2 for DVD's and CD's)*



*My wife, Jean, heard Kate Campbell sing Thomas  
Merton's prayer on NPR a couple weeks back.  
This has always been a consoling prayer for me.  
Here are the words and a reference for the album.*

### PRAYER OF THOMAS MERTON

MY LORD GOD, I HAVE NO IDEA WHERE I AM GOING.  
I DO NOT SEE THE ROAD AHEAD OF ME.  
I CANNOT KNOW FOR CERTAIN WHERE IT WILL END.  
NOR DO I REALLY KNOW MYSELF.  
AND THE FACT THAT I THINK THAT I AM FOLLOWING YOUR WILL  
DOES NOT MEAN THAT I AM ACTUALLY DOING SO.  
BUT I BELIEVE THAT THE DESIRE TO PLEASE YOU  
DOES IN FACT PLEASE YOU.  
AND I HOPE I HAVE THAT DESIRE IN ALL THAT I AM DOING.  
I HOPE THAT I WILL NEVER DO ANYTHING APART FROM THAT DESIRE.  
AND I KNOW THAT IF I DO THIS  
YOU WILL LEAD ME BY THE RIGHT ROAD  
THOUGH I MAY KNOW NOTHING ABOUT IT.  
THEREFORE WILL I TRUST YOU ALWAYS  
THOUGH I MAY SEEM TO BE LOST AND IN THE SHADOW OF DEATH.  
I WILL NOT FEAR FOR YOU ARE EVER WITH ME.  
AND YOU WILL NEVER LEAVE ME TO FACE MY PERILS ALONE.

*Words by Thomas Merton, Thoughts in Solitude  
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*Music by Kate Campbell © 2006. Large River Music (BMI)  
www.katecampbell.com (to listen to a short clip of the song)*

## Spotlight

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**Pam  
Kestner**

Birthday:  
February 17



Family: Husband Mike, married 30 years, son Brad, age 22, lives & works in Dayton for WHIO-TV; daughter Liz, age 21, a junior at NYU studying Social Work; dog Maxx, and cat, BamBam.

Time: Other than managing at Beacon Street, my time is mainly spent working on my Masters in Ministry at Ursuline and formation for Pastoral Ministry Certification through the Diocese.

I used to do a lot of volunteer work at church and at the Achievement Centers for Children, but I don't have much extra time right now.

I also like to travel and am getting ready for a trip to Machu Picchu in Peru over Christmas. Plus I love going to baseball games and am a long-suffering Indians fan! (Note: above photo features a bobblehead of Grady Sizemore on the left.)

Books: Other than books for school, I don't have much time for reading! One of my favorites is Autobiography of a Yogi (you would like it, I can lend mine to you if you'd like). Other books I've started, but haven't finished, include Walking the Bible by Bruce Feiler, The Zen Teachings of Jesus by Kenneth Leong, and In the Steps of St. Paul by H.V. Morton. Who knows when I'll get to finish them!

Movies: I attend a class called Lights, Camera...Faith at St. Raphael. We watch contemporary movies and relate them to the Gospel reading for the week. Recent movies include, Keeping the Faith, Thirteen Days, and Deep Impact.

Favorite Quote: "We can do no great things, only small things with great love." Mother Teresa

Beacon Street: Spreading the Good News through the performing arts in an ecumenical message is an amazing ministry and I love being a part of it!