

Oddwalk creates song for child with cancer

Shannon Cerneka works at St. Peter Church in Fulton, Mo.

He grew up in the Diocese of Belleville. Now at St. Peter, he coordinates youth and campus ministry and teaches music part-time in the school.

One of his kindergarten music students, a little boy named Sam, is battling a rare and very aggressive childhood cancer.

While there have been recent signs of hope, Sam is in stage four and has a tough fight ahead of him.

As a way to rally people to pray for and support Sam and his family, Oddwalk, released a song called "His Light."

Oddwalk is a musical duo that, along with Cerneka, includes Orin Johnson. The duo is known throughout this diocese as musicians that enliven

and enlighten youth gatherings.

This past year, the duo participated in the Diocesan Youth Conference.

Oddwalk made "His Light" available on their website for free.

Their idea is to interest folks in the song, and then read about Sam or even donate money towards his medical bills.

To that end, a "donate" tab right is available on the page. At <http://oddwalkministries.com/sam> readers will find a more comprehensive story about how the song came to be, a way to play the song, the lyrics, a "donate" tab, and the link to download the song.

Cerneka asks that readers go to the website to find out more about a courageous youngster who is struggling to survive the cancer that has invaded his body.