

Mass Intentions**Saturday, March 6- Lenten Weekday**

5:00 P.M. - John & Mary Coffey
(John M. Coffey, Jr.)

Sunday, March 7- Third Sunday in Lent

7:30 A.M. - Charles Holl (Mary Mullen)
9:00 A.M. - Thomas A. Wernert (Tom Bramwell)
10:30 A.M. - Michelina Baiano (Husband)
- People of the Parish
12:00 Noon - Rose Piciucco (Flo & Elisa Doyle)

Monday, March 8, Saint John of God

8:00 A.M. - Stella Bronislawski
(Susan & Dennis Loweffert)

Tuesday, March 9- Saint Frances of Rome

8:00 A.M. - Ben Rayner
(Rich & Angela Heidenreich)

Wednesday, March 10- Lenten Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Mary Chervenak (Mary McGreevy)

Thursday, March 11- Lenten Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Oscar Spaziani
(Linda & George Straka)

Friday, March 12- Lenten Weekday

8:00 A.M. - Mary Goldbacher (Kris Kessler)
7:30 P.M. - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 13- Lenten Weekday

11:00 A.M. - Memorial Mass for Oscar Spaziani
5:00 P.M. - Rose Marie Powers
(Husband, Frank and Family)

Sunday, March 14- Fourth Sunday in Lent

7:30 A.M. - Maureen Roberts (Josephine Scherer)
9:00 A.M. - Thomas A. Wernert (Bob McKinley)
10:30 A.M. - Robert J. Michalek (Wife, Marie)
- People of the Parish
12:00 Noon - Michael Quinn (Mother)

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Bob Bittner, Tim Zalewski, Anna Pierce, Jericho Fedor, Pat Rae, Al Furno, Ed Stetar, Jan Roberts, Carl Humphreys, Camryn Surman, Rosemarie Jabo, Patricia Rice and Ethan Loney, John Wozniak, Jeannie Obidzinski, Thomas Kiley, Paul Pro, Rich & Marie Fix, Cathy Villo, Fran Teaman, Anthony Lucking, William Prendergast, Frank Mathews, Louise Hillman, Mary Moran, Ray Schreiber, Marisa Petraglia, Ann Morrison & Tom Morrison, Flo Doyle, Mary Lou Davis, Joan Inks and Gabriel Cipollone. Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace!

Class for Parents of the First Child Baptism: Monday, March 22, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Rectory, call to register.

Altar Bread & Wine for one week in Memory of Mary Chervenak, Requested by her Family.

Financial Statement

Last Week's Income was:

Regular Collection \$9,338.50

Thank you for your generosity.

From the Pastor's Desk

Bishop Zubik and seminarians will enjoy our Fish Fry on Friday and then lead us in praying the Stations of the Cross and Benediction at 7:30PM....please join us for both!....please be sure to make your Parish Share pledge ASAP, since this Sunday is our first deadline, before payments are submitted to the Diocese for setting up monthly payments....please remember to "Spring Ahead" next Sunday!...hey, Spring is on the horizon!!!!

Father Pribonic

Second Collection March 14 is for Repairs and Replacements, Because of the "Power Surges" we have had electrical problems (even with protectors!) and so we have incurred considerable expense with those problems, not to mention leaks, salting and plowing.

Second Collection for March 21 is for Catholic Home Missions and the Campaign For Human Development.
Second Collection for March 28 is for St. Vincent DePaul.

Spring Ahead! Please remember to turn clocks ahead one hour next weekend!

Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament with Bishop Zubik and Diocesan Seminarians, Friday March 12, 7:30PM. The Bishop and Seminarians will join us for the Fish Fry and lead the Stations afterwards. Bishop Zubik uses this as an opportunity to visit the parishes throughout the Diocese.

Footprints for Peace Walkers who will be walking from Oak Ridge Tennessee this spring have asked for our hospitality on Monday, March 29, as they stop on their way to urge for the just cause of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation at the United Nations 2010 Review Conference. "Let us ensure progressive disarmament and a world free of nuclear weapons, whose presence alone threatens the life of the planet "Pope Benedict XVI, World Peace Day message, 2010 "To cultivate Peace, Protect Creation". If you would like to help in hosting these marchers for dinner and breakfast the next morning, March 30, please contact, Father, Sister Kathy or Chris Roach.

Easter Flower envelopes maybe sent in now with names of loved ones to be commemorated at all Easter Masses on April 4. Deadline for envelopes is Sunday, March 21. Donation is \$10.00.

Sanctuary Lamp will burn for one week for the Blessed Mother in Memory of Mary Chervenak, Requested by her Family.

Scripture Reflection

Like Moses, we lead our life to places where we can “dial in” to the Holy. We leave our flock— our job, our responsibilities, friends, perhaps even family— to find that connection. This may be why churches and dominations build retreat centers in the mountains or other secluded places. The quiet, the beauty, dare I say “the change of scenery,” nourishes our souls and helps us re-connect with what matters most.

But then it happens. The voice from the burning bush instructs us to “take off the sandals from our feet, for the place on which you stand is Holy Ground.” And so often, that’s where the journey stops. What in the world do I mean by that? What if sandals in the story are shorthand for security, pride, strength, self-confidence? When God asks Moses to take off his sandals, God is asking Moses to be vulnerable before God like a newborn baby. Taking off one’s sandals is code language for spirituality disrobing. If you please, being naked before God.

But what do we do? When God asks us to take off our sandals, we run. We make excuses about the ground being to rocky or the temperature being to cold. Times are, we draw ever so close to God only to walk away with our sandals unbuckled and our souls untouched. Moses has his issues with God, but the story suggests that he was not going to leave that mountain without saying “Yes” to the One who moved him to lead his flock to that place beyond the wilderness.

What does this mean for us? This “bare Feet on holy ground” phenomenon to all of us in those rare moments when we are most needy and most vulnerable. It may be in a difficult moment when we lose our job or our marriage falls on tough times. It may come when faith itself seems to fly out the window and we no longer feel like we can pray, much less worship. This “bare feet on holy ground” place could well be the place where you are seated right now. Know for certain that wherever you find that place, it will be holy ground for you if there you meet God and experience the wonder of his loving presence.

Rest in Peace: Louis Gigliotti, father of Mary Lou Marzina.

Family of Oscar Spaziani is requesting donations to be made to St. Vincent DePaul Society instead of Masses or Flowers.

Altar Server Schedule	
Saturday, March 13, 2010	
5:00 P.M.	- M. Welsh, J. Nadorlik
Sunday, March 14, 2010	
7:30 A.M.	- M. Donahue
9:00 A.M.	- A. Krajina, J. & N. Solomon
10:30 A.M.	- A. Stein, K. & K. Swindell, E. Aronhalt
12:00 Noon	- K. Messner

PARISH SHARE 2010: Again this year we ask for a minimum pledge of \$250.00 payable over ten months. Of course, parishioners may pledge a larger amount, and for all pledges we are very grateful. **Please return Parish Share DUE Date is TODAY. Thank You!!!**

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Meeting Thursday, March 18th at 7:00 P.M. in the Gathering Place. Bring a friend, everyone is welcome. If you have any questions or requests for a prayer shawl, please call Carol Lacher at 833-2400 ext 40. The Ministry is looking forward to seeing all of its friends after the long winter break.

Monday Morning Bible Class continues this week following the 8AM Mass. This month we will be discussing : The Passion of our Lord According to St. John. All are welcome. Need information call Sister Kathy.

Bereavement Support Group: St Valentines Parish for 4 weeks beginning Saturday March 6-27 from 9AM to 11AM in St. Valentine Newman House. The facilitator is Dr. Lillian Meyer a grief psychologist, grief educator, and Bereaved mother. Free. For more info: 412-831-8312.

Fasting: Setting Limits

Fasting can help us recognize our bad habits and overcome them. We live in a world of too much. Bigger is better, we want more and when we get that, its no longer enough, because someone else will always have even more. Are we seduced into overspending, and over committing when our deepest desire is to live a simpler life? Can we separate our needs from our wants? Can we fast-from judging others; from words that pollute; from discontent,; from anger; from pessimism; from worry; from complaining; from unrelenting pressures; from bitterness; from discouragement; from lack of interest; from suspicion; from thoughts that weaken; from idle gossip; from problems that overwhelm...what is it that you need most to fast from?

Rescue: Stories of Uncommon Courage

SHIM Interfaith Holocaust Observance Service, April 25, 2010 During the Holocaust many ordinary people put themselves at great personal risk to help escaping Jews. Countless Jews showed extraordinary courage in seeking rescue. *Join others of faith for the SHIM Interfaith Holocaust Observance, Beth El Congregation of the South Hills, Sunday, April 25, 2010, 7:30 PM.*

<p>Save the Date: Dr. Doo Wop Dinner & Dance. April 17th from 6 to 11. For Tickets call Jan Reis at 412-833-8231. Tickets \$20.00 each or \$35.00 for a couple. More information to follow!!!!!!!</p>

Get Ready for the Lenten Fish Fry
 Friday, March 12
 And every Friday
EXCEPT Good Friday!!!!
 11am to 7pm
 Eat-in or Take out available



Desserts needed for the Fish Fry on Fridays during lent. You may drop them off in the Gathering Place. Thank you for your continued support.

Youth Group

YOUTH GROUP MASS/MEETING – Sunday, March 14th. 8th grade will meet in the Schuster Room from 9:30 AM – 10:25 AM. All 8th grade and high school students are invited to sit with the youth group at the front, left side of church at the 10:30 mass. High school meeting follows from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM in the Schuster Room.

Lenten Boxes – Additional Lenten Sacrifice Boxes are located in the back of the Church as you exit. Proceeds collected over this Lenten Season will go to benefit the Youth of our Parish and Appalachian Work Camp.

Care Packages for the Troops – As in years past the youth will be collecting, and assembling care packages to be sent to our Troops overseas. Please consider assisting in this effort by obtaining a name and supply list located in the back of the church. Items should be turned in by Sunday March 28th. If you have intent for a large donation to be dropped off during the week you may contact Mr. Chris at (412) 267-7622.

Community News

Peters Twp. High School Thespian Troupe 185 Proudly Presents The Lark - The Story of Joan of Arc
 Thursday, March 11th at 7:00pm; Friday and Saturday, March 12-13th at 7:30pm Ticket Prices: Adults \$10, Seniors \$5, Students \$5 Tickets available at the door –call Amy Meyers at 412.835.0702 for group sales of 10 or more Peters Township High School, McMurray, PA 15317.

The Sisters of the Divine Redeemer at 999 Rock Run Road Elizabeth Township are sponsoring a Day of Reflection at the Motherhouse on Saturday, March 13 from 9:30 AM to 5 PM with Father Denis Wilda. The day will include 3 talks, Holy Hour, Stations, Rosary, lunch, confessions and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Donation of \$20 per person may be paid at the door but please call Sister Rosemary at 412 751-8600.

Experience a spiritual adventure and the opportunity to share in the faith journey of others at St Joan of Arc. Prayerfully consider making a retreat this year at St. Paul of the Cross. For more information call Melissa Coe, 412-308-6754.

School News

Top Ten Reasons of sending your Child to St. Joan of Arc School:

- High Academic standards
- Faith based approach
- Community Environment
- After school programs
- Caring, involved pastor
- Religious values
- Disciplined culture
- Uniform policy
- Effective student/teacher ratio
- State certified faculty

Registration: Please return orders with money by **Friday, March 12, 2010.**

March Madness Returns! After a long winter, March returns and so does our March Madness Raffle. For a \$5 donation you'll get a ticket with 3 teams in the NCAA Tournament with a chance to win one of 6 prizes totaling \$1500 in cash. Tickets will be available at the Certificate Table near the entrance to the Gathering Place after all Masses starting on March 7th. Get in the Game!

St. Joan of Arc School is happy to announce the dates for its Scholastic Book Fair, which will be held in the Schuster Room in the main school building on the weekend of 20, 21 March 2010 after all masses. We have a Web Site, <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/stjoa>, for our Fair so that you can preview a sample of the books in advance. While not listed in the website there are quite a few religious books at the fair. Come on in and share the joy of reading with your children and grandchildren and help St. Joan of Arc School raise money to maintain a quality Catholic education. Thank you.

8th grade recognition is Sunday, March 14. Events start at 4:30 at Hillcrest Christian gymnasium on Bethel Church Rd. Our day includes recognition of our fine 8th grade athletes, exhibitions of skill from our Little Dribblers and Little Spirit squads, and an SJA Alumni basket ball game. Please come and enjoy the day.

The Franciscan Child Day Care Center is sponsoring their 4th Annual Indoor Easter Egg Hunt and Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, March 20th at the Center. Participants can choose to attend either the 9:30 AM or the 10:45 AM egg hunt, followed by a pancake and sausage breakfast. Admission is \$2.00 for children and \$5.00 for adults. Due to limited seating, reservations must be made calling (412)882-5085 by Friday, March 12th.

Father Ray Quote: How will you spend eternity– Smoking or Non-Smoking?