

Mass Intentions

- Saturday, April 10- Saturday in the Octave of Easter**
 5:00 P.M. - John & Mary Coffey (John Coffey, Jr.)
- Sunday, April 11- Divine Mercy Sunday**
 7:30 A.M. - Judy Gries Zabkar (Roz & Joe Blice)
 9:00 A.M. - Carl Swindell
 (Yvonne & Rodger Rigatti)
 10:30 A.M. - Michelina Baiano (Husband)
 - People of the Parish
 12:00 Noon - Mary Plevel (Jim & Kim Kovacs)
- Monday, April 12- Easter Weekday**
 8:00 A.M. - Marge Lucas (Joe & Gerry Alexander)
- Tuesday, April 13- Saint Martin I**
 8:00 A.M. - John Prokop (Carol & Bill Egan)
- Wednesday, April 14- Easter Weekday**
 8:00 A.M. - Marnie Rennie
 (Diane & Anthony Battaglia)
- Thursday, April 15- Easter Weekday**
 8:00 A.M. - Ray Schreiber (Arlene MacDonald)
- Friday, April 16- Easter Weekday**
 8:00 A.M. - Helen Frobuck (Karly Sammel)
- Saturday, April 17- Easter Weekday**
 5:00 P.M. - Lawrence Kunkel (Jane Kunkel)
- Sunday, April 18- Third Sunday of Easter**
 7:30 A.M. - John Grogan (Grogan Family)
 9:00 A.M. - Louis Ruzzi (Jean Ruzzi)
 10:30 A.M. - Doris O'Hare (Bob & Dolly Ripper)
 - People of the Parish
 12:00 Noon - 6th Anniversary of the Prayer Shawl
 Ministry Members and Their
 Recipient's

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, Ethan Loney, John Wozniak, Jeannie Obidzinski, Thomas Kiley, Paul Pro, Rich & Marie Fix, Cathy Vilella, Fran Teaman, Anthony Lucking, William Prendergast, Frank Mathews, Louise Hillman, Corey Bak, Ann Morrison & Tom Morrison, Flo Doyle, Mary Lou Davis, Joan Inks, Angelo Bontempo, Ann DeAngelis and Gabriel Cipollone. Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace!

Financial Statement

Last Week's Income was:

Regular Collection.....	\$10,014.00
Easter Collection.....	\$12,846.00
Holy Land Collection.....	\$1519.00
Father Pete Fund.....	\$677.00
Parish Share Collected 2010.....	\$72,790.00
Parish Share Pledged 2010.....	\$154,100.00
Parish Share Collected 2009.....	\$145,958.00

From the Pastor's Desk

Easter is such a hectic and busy time, it is always hard for me to concentrate on one thing, but I would be very remiss if I didn't TRY at least to thank all for the wonderful Holy Week and Easter Liturgies: to Father Ray who adds so much in wit, wisdom, and warmth, to Mary Tracey, Audrey Wurst, and Petar Pranjic who consistently help to keep our property spotless; to Mr. Kevin who provides "back-up" with all of his years of experience, to Ms. Deana and the choir who consistently add that extra touch in music to our liturgies; to Mr. Mike who so diligently trains and directs the servers; to Mr. Mike P. who works with the lectors, Mr. Jim and the ushers, Mr. Jonathan and the Eucharistic Ministers; Mr. Chris, the youth group, the chaperones; Ms. Kim and the flower committee; our office staff: Sharon Gomber, Sister Kathy our Pastoral, Associate; Ms. Bev and Deacon Vic and the RCIA team, Ms. Mona for preparing food for the Peace Marchers, all other volunteers who have committed so much to the Parish, to our school staff: Ms. Louanne Davis and Peggy Rodi....Congratulations to Brianna Boyer, who was confirmed and received First Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil....

Father Pribonic

Second Collection this week is for Repairs & Replacements.

Class for Parents of the First Child Baptism: Monday, April 26, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the Rectory, call to register.

Congratulations to: Noah Perrine and Haley Zevola on their First Holy Communion.

Rest in Peace: Patricia Wolf, former Parishioner, and Marilyn Lorincy, mother of Mary Lou Briggs.

Sanctuary Lamp will burn for one week for the Blessed Virgin Mary in Memory of Curt Markham, Requested by Mother. **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn for one week for Joseph & Rosalia Ackerman, requested by Judy Grosko.

Altar Bread & Wine for one week in Memory of Raymond Felicetti (Swiess Family)

REMINDER: All Fish Fry Volunteers if you have not signed up for the Fish Fry Volunteer Dinner scheduled for April 27, please contact Mona as soon as possible. We want you to know how much we Appreciate YOU!!!!

Father Ray's Quote: We are opened between Easter and Christmas.

Scripture Reflection

Easter is a celebration of new life in God, a life of grace, which we receive from God as mercy. Pope John Paul II declared this Sunday Divine Mercy Sunday.

This idea of mercy can be found in Paul’s letter to the Ephesians, where God, who is “rich in mercy” bestows his mercy upon us through Jesus, and then we, in turn, are called to extend mercy to our neighbors.


In a recent article in St. Anthony Messenger, Father James Keenan defines mercy as : “the willingness to enter into the chaos of another person.” He goes onto say that is what God does, He comes into our lives offering mercy and acceptance.

One maybe little known way by which this is practiced locally is that Sisters often open up their “comfortable” convents to people who were without power for a few days in February. Sisters are also known to give shelter to abused women.

So the Sisters are a great example of people who do what the Church is supposed to do: pray, and practice mercy.

Perhaps this Sunday would be a good time to think about that, to think about people who don’t have all that we have. We belong to a Church, after all, that was founded on mercy.

Attention Veterans: Veterans of the Armed Forces of the U.S. who are discharged under conditions other than dishonorable and certain Reservists/ National Guard, together with their spouses, are entitled to a Government provided final resting place in the New National Cemetery of the Alleghenies located in Cecil, Pa. Information and brochures are available in the pamphlet rack in the vestibule of the Church.



SUNDAY BREAKFAST
April 18, 2010 8:00 AM - Noon
The Gathering Place
\$5.00 Adult \$3.00 Child
No tax, no tip, no waiting!

Sponsored by SJA Youth Group

Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, April 17, 2010

5:00 P.M. - M. Donahue

Sunday, April 18, 2010

7:30 A.M. - B. Swiss, J. Nadorlik

9:00 A.M. - C. Dembiczak, J. & N. Solomon

10:30 A.M. - N. & M. Leng

12:00 Noon - J. Counihan, J. Riske, E. Aronhalt

Today, Tomorrow, Together... *Saint Joan of Arc School* is taking on an ambitious task of creating an Annual Fund Campaign which will begin this spring. This fund will be a top priority for growth and development of our parish school and is an appeal to parents, alumni, grandparents, faculty/staff, and friends. A mailing list is being compiled and will be updated as we go forward. For more information, please contact Saint Joan of Arc School office. 412-833-2433 Thank you for your SUPPORT.

Happy 6th Anniversary to SJA Prayer Shawl Ministry COMFORTING STITCHES: Please come and help us celebrate the 6th anniversary of this spiritual ministry on Thursday, April 15th at 7:00 P.M.in the Gathering Place. Everyone is welcome. To-date, we have made and presented over 1600 prayer shawls and rosaries to folks in our parish as well as outside our parish. We have 80 plus wonderful people who, with the help of the Holy Spirit, make this ministry work. We are grateful to Father Pribonic, Father Ray, our crafters/friends, and benefactors who, so lovingly, give of their time, talent, love, prayers and support. If you are interested in joining this interfaith ministry, we would love to have you. Any questions, please call Carol Lacher at 833-2400 ext 40. On Sunday, April 18, the 12 noon mass will be offered for the intentions of the members of our Saint Joan of Arc Prayer Shawl Ministry.

Dear Joan,

In keeping with an ancient tradition of telling jokes during the Easter Season, I offer the following:



I know there have been a lot of changes in our religion and surely one of them is that we can now be cremated. I guess I just have to learn to think out of the box...the secret of staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly, and lie about your age....Wife: we got married for better for worse, for sure: He couldn’t do better, I couldn’t do worse....I was always taught to respect my elders, and now I don’t have anyone to respect!....

Signed Easter Blogger

Protecting All God’s Children Class
 Saint Joan of Arc Church
 (Multi Purpose Room 2nd Floor)
 Thursday, April 22, 2010 at 6:30 PM
 To Register call 412-833-2400
 Monday– Thursday 8:30-4:00

Must have clearances to volunteer, We need you help, please sign up today if you haven’t already done so.
 Next class will be in June at St. Louise.

CCD

Registration for next year's religion classes has begun. This registration is for any student who will be in Kindergarten through the eighth grade next year. Registration can be completed by completely filling in the registration form and returning it with a check. (These may be dropped into the collection basket in an envelope marked CCD) **If you are an active member of St. Joan of Arc parish, the materials fee is \$45.00 for the one child or \$75.00 for two or more children. If you are an in-active member or outside the parish, the fee is \$60.00 for one child or \$90.00 for two or more children.** (You are considered an active member if you come to Mass regularly and contribute to the church via the envelope system.) **Register your child NOW for CCD, late fees will be added September 1st. No special class requests will be honored after May 30th. Kindergarten is optional.** If you have any questions, call the Religious Education Office, 835-3724.

Also sent home this past week was a note asking for donations for the St. Joan of Arc Festival's Money/Lottery tree. We will have a beautiful tree if each family in the CCD program could contribute a dollar or two (or a rub off lottery ticket if you're one of those 'lucky' people!) The donations will be added to the tree as they come in, you can see how we're doing by stopping by Mrs. Buddemeyer's office. Any one else in the parish wishing to donate to the tree can drop the donation in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Lottery Tree". We hope to make this year's tree the best yet!

SJA SCHOOL**Calendar of School Events:**

Mon. April 12 - Terra Nova Testing begins
Tues. April 13 - 7:00 p.m. Advisory Board
Fri. April 16 - 12:20 Dismissal / Faculty Meeting

Registration for Preschool through Eighth Grade is underway! For more information on our school, check out our school website www.mystjoan.org or call the school office at 412-833-2433. We are happy to give you tours of our wonderful school.

Did you know you can give from your state taxes to our Catholic school? The Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) program allows you to give up to \$300,000 a year to SJA School. You receive a 90% tax credit if you give for two consecutive years. The money goes to help needy families with tuition assistance. There is state tax credit money available July 1. Call Dr. Ron Bowes at the diocese, 412-456-3090 and just mention tax credits. **You can also go to www.newpa.com** and click on Educational Improvement Tax Credits. Businesses fill out Appendix I SO and fax to 717-772-3581.

Youth Group

HOAGIES – Home made Italian and turkey hoagies will be on sale after all masses next weekend in the lower parking lot. Only \$5.00 ... What a deal!

WHEW! - 63 teenagers came together on Holy Thursday/ Good Friday for 24 hours of fun & prayer. In addition to participating in church services, the youth group helped police the grounds, pack care packages for the troops, helped at a no-kill dog shelter, cleaned classrooms at SHIM as well as landscaped, performed a talent show at Mt. Vernon Nursing Home, and played games with residents of Manor Care in Bethel Park. Thanks for all of your support and please keep our youth in your prayers.

Dear Parishioners, Thank you so much for once again donating for the Lenten Troop Drive for the Military stationed overseas. Through your incredible donations the Youth group was able to pack and ship over 225 boxes on Good Friday. We really appreciate the donations and know that the troops are always grateful to receive mail from home. Thank you and God Bless. ~Summer Tissue

*****VOLUNTEER HELP WANTED*****

Adult volunteers are need for a one-day project on Thursday, April 15. The youth group has pre-sold over a thousand hoagies and has promised delivery on the 15th. If you can give a few hours to assemble hoagies, bag lettuce & tomatoes, do dishes, clean up, etc., it is **most appreciated**. We have jobs for those who can *sit, stand, walk, or do dishes*. Complimentary lunch will be served at noon (and we promise not to serve hoagies!). Any time you can give is MOST appreciated... even an hour or two. Sorry, small children are not permitted in the kitchen.

VERY SPECIAL PROM FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

ADULTS – The St. Louise de Marillac Youth Ministry will be hosting A PROM on Saturday, June 12th from 7:00 to 9:00p.m. In Le Gras Parish Center for Adults who have mental and/or physical disabilities. Volunteers from the new nonprofit charitable organization "**The Celebration of Life**" www.thecelebrationoflife.net are partnering with St. Louise youth to co-host the Very Special PROM event at no cost for these special guests. Local Businesses and Parishioners may help support this event by donating food, beverages, PROM Gowns & fancy dresses, shoes, jewelry & formal men's wear. **NOTE: Most needed are Misses sizes 16 to 26.** For pick-up of any donated PROM items, please call Ginny at 412-719-5933, or Mary Beth at 724 327-4318. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED:** To register a special needs family member or friend to attend the PROM as our VIP guest, please call Kathy at 724 745-7418