

Bulletin # 910038

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MESSAGES:

## RITE OF ELECTION

Today our entire Parish Family celebrates the Rite of Election as an integral part of the "Rite of Christian Initiation Of Adults" (RCIA) for those who have preparing to come into the Church at the Easter Vigil. Congratulations to our candidates who will participate in the Rite at the 9:00 a.m. liturgy and then will go the Cathedral this afternoon for a 3:00 p.m. liturgy that will unite them with candidates for all the parishes in the Diocese. We are all asked to remember *Frances Rae Brooks* and *Ethel Fontana* in our prayers as they continue their journey that will lead them into full communion with the Catholic Church at this year's Vigil on Holy Saturday.

### CALL TO CONTINUING CONVERSION

The entire Parish Family welcomes to one of today's liturgies each of the Confirmation Candidates who have been called to the process of Continuing Conversion. In order to witness to all of us that each candidate is ready to accept the responsibilities that come with the reception of this sacrament, the Candidate will be asked to sign the *BOOK OF COMMITMENT* that will be placed on the altar. As these young persons presents themselves for this commitment, the entire Parish Family will be asked to remember them in prayer as we all look forward to the evening of May 2<sup>nd</sup> when our church will be filled with the coming of the Holy Spirit into the lives of all of those who stand before the Bishop.

## LENT: A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

The season of Lent continues to move week by week toward the great days of Holy Week and the Triduum. All parishioners are invited to deepen their spirituality by participating in one or more of our Lenten practices: daily liturgy, our Tuesday evening enrichment series, Way of the Cross with Eucharistic adoration on Friday, and our Friday fish dinners. Communal Reconciliation services with visiting priests will be coming next month. As we follow the Rice Bowl calendars that were sent home in the Lenten packet, this week the spotlight is on Vietnam. Also in the packet was the "Celebrating Lent In Your Home" update with many special practices for Lent, which becomes a time to strengthen our relationship with the Lord Jesus by creating a Lenten spirituality.

## PLEDGE CAMPAIGN NAMES

After further review by many members of the Parish Family, it has been discovered that some names have been inadvertently omitted from the listing of Pledge Campaign Contributors that had been sent home in the Lenten packet. We have already placed those omitted names in the listing and will present them in a future bulletin. Each person who has pledged or contributed to the Campaign will be recognized in the Memorial Booklet that will be put together at the end of the project. If you know of someone whose name has been inadvertently omitted, simply call the rectory. The fact that some people contributed to the Pledge Campaign all the way back in 2003 created the omission situation.

### TUESDAY: AN ENRICHMENT

As a very important part of Lent in our Parish Family, we have invited a special guest to join us each Tuesday. This Lenten Enrichment Series will also include the Eucharistic liturgy beginning at 7:00 p.m. We hope that all parishioners will take advantage of these special Lenten evenings and the many insights that will be shared by the wonderful array of presenters that we have assembled. This week Dr. Jo Ann Paradise will be our guest. Dr. Paradise serves as Adult Education Coordinator at St. Sebastian and brings a wealth of parish life experience to her ministry. Plan on being with us for the next installment of this series that looks to be quite informative and very spiritually enriching.

## "CATCH THE VIBE"

The Pledge Campaign continues to mount as members of the Capital Campaign Committee (CCC) personally invite other parishioners to make a pledge or contribution to the process. We ask members of the Parish Family who are being contacted by one of the members of the CCC to be as generous as possible. The Committee will meet this Monday evening, March 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory. This Monday evening gathering is open to any parishioner who wishes to be better informed about the progress of the Capital Campaign or anyone who might like to assist in the contacting of other members of the Parish Family.

**Masses for the Week**

**Sunday, March 12 - Second Sunday of Lent**

- 4:00 p.m. Jim Cenci (Family)
- 6:00 pm Living & Deceased of our Parish
- 7:30 a.m. Giuseppe Zottola (Cugliari Family)
- 9:00 a.m. George Williams (Ken, Kathy & Family)
- 11:00 a.m. Alfred M. Bartoldi (Mother & Dad)
- 6:00 p.m. Special Intentions (CYM)

**Monday, March 13**

- 7:00 a.m. Joseph & Elma Hollern (Isabelle & Joe)
- 10:00 a.m. Thomas Styslinger (Ray & Sandy Popeck)

**Tuesday, March 14**

- 7:00 a.m. Helen Keirn (St. Mary's Ushers)
- 10:00 a.m. Mary Staus (Children)
- 7:00 p.m. Jane Styslinger (Sister - Beth Mulkerin)

**Wednesday, March 15**

- 7:00 a.m. Joseph & Josephine Mikszan (Mikszan Children)
- 10:00 a.m. Anthony Pugliese, Sr. (M/M Richard Panza)

**Thursday, March 16**

- 7:00 a.m. Catherine Lazzaro (Domenico Labate)
- 10:00 a.m. Paul Mammay (Don & Joan Finke)
- 6:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of CM/LG

**Friday, March 17 - St. Patrick**

- 7:00 a.m. Ian O'Malley (Karen McWilliams & Family)
- 10:00 a.m. James & Ann Downes (Ben & Peggy Gessler)
- 2:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
- 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross with Eucharistic Adoration

**Saturday, March 18 - St. Cyril of Alexandria**

- 8:00 a.m. Guido & Maria Sicher (Lena Sicher)
- 4:00 p.m. Giuseppe & Giovanna Barbieri (M/M Gregory Distilo)
- 6:00 p.m. Henry Newland, Sr. (Henry J. & Stella Newland)

**Sunday, March 19 - Third Sunday of Lent**

- 7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of our Parish
- 9:00 a.m. Anna Mae Walsh (Family)
- 11:00 a.m. Eileen Lund (The Arnone Family)



March 5, 2006	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	913	\$18,715.54
Cash/Loose Cks.	—	872.00
Children's Offer.	90	87.95
Human Dev.	1	25.00
Easter Flowers	44	495.00
Parish Share	199	20,375.00
Parish Needy	25	556.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,272</b>	<b>\$41,126.49</b>

**Sick Relatives & Friends**

Michael Ackman, Anna Marie Belch, Erin Claus, Brenna Cordell, Robert Lee Corrigan, Jr., Eileen Driscoll, Carolyn Dugan, Mary Evankovich, Roberta Evankovich, Seth Fabry, Dave Fry, Joseph George, Finisia Golden, Linda Hays, Martha Hornak, Joyce Hung, Christine Husberger, Ava Hutchenson, Janice Jenko, Kristy Kessler, Mildred Klein, Michelle Midgley, Darryl Miersch, Bernard Mittereder, Courtney Rachel Ryce, Carl Schulze, Annabelle Segriff, Patricia Sovek, Robert Sperling, Anthony Spinola, Joshua Stanek, Margaret Thimons, Mark Thimons, Bill Vistein, Jim & Clare Young.

We invite anyone who would like to add someone to our Prayer List for 2006, to please give the rectory a call at (412) 486-4100.

**MILITARY PRAYER LIST: PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR THE SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN LISTED ON OUR PRAYER LIST NEAR THE SACRED HEART STATUE. A CANDLE IS KEPT BURINING TO REMIND US TO KEEP ALL IN PRAYER. To add someone to this prayer list please call the rectory at (412) 486-4100.**

**R.I.P.** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Virginia Dauer of our Parish Family and William Meglio, father of Bill Meglio of our Parish Family and Joan Churilla, sister of Ellen Bongartz of our Parish Family.

**DAILY**



**READINGS**

- March 13: Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6: 36-38
- March 14: Is 1: 10, 16-20; Mt 23: 1-12
- March 15: Jer 18: 18-20; Mt 20: 17-28
- March 16: Jer 17: 5-10; Lk 16: 19-31
- March 17: Gn 37: 3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46
- March 18: Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20; Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32
- March 19: Ex 20: 1-17 {1-3, 7-8, 12-17}; Ps 19; 1 Cor 1: 22-25, Jn 2: 13-25  
Alternate readings (Year A)  
Ex 17: 3-7; Ps 95; Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8; Jn 4: 5-42 {5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42}

## **SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

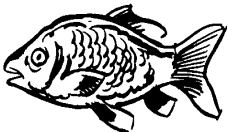
**R.C.I.A.** Are you interested in learning about the Catholic Church? Would you like to develop your faith? Do you have questions that need answered?

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** We remind all parents that they need to set up an appointment before we can accept a date for the baptism of their child. Even though we do not have baptisms during Lent, it is still possible to set up the preparation session at this time. We ask the parents to have this session during the pregnancy of the mother so that the parents might have sufficient time to get ready for the baptism. All necessary information will be given at this session.

**COME HOME FOR EASTER:** All are welcome to worship at St. Mary's! If you know someone who hasn't been to Church, invite them to "come home for Easter" by re-activating themselves as members of our Parish Family. Call Jim Finn for more information at (412) 486-4100.

**HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT BEING AN ALTAR SERVER?** All Parishioners Grade 5 through High School are invited to become an Altar Server. This is a great opportunity to be of service to your parish. Contact your Religion Teacher in School or in the Faith Formation Program. For more information contact Mr. Finn at the rectory (412) 486-4100.

**FISH FRY** Our Fish dinners are sponsored by ST. VINCENT DE PAUL and CYM and continue this Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>!



We will be serving dinners from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.

The menu this year will include baked fish, assorted side dishes, and beverages. **But, EVERYONE** talks about our desserts. **WHY? Because they are homemade by our own parishioners!** As in the past, proceeds benefit our summer Appalachia work camp. **If you would like to donate a dessert and your last name begins with the letters E through L, please bring your dessert to Marian Hall before 4 PM on Friday, March 17th.** Thank you in advance for your continued support of the CYM.

## **RELIGIOUS FORMATION**

### **Faith Sharing – 2nd Week of Lent**

Recalling the gospel about the transfiguration on Mount Tabor, what do you think Elijah and Moses said to Jesus? In response to God's command to listen to Jesus, what are some particular teachings of His that YOU live by? When you meet Jesus in prayer, what does your mind see?

### **Monday Faith Formation, March 13**

Grade 3 BE IN church by 6:30 PM, have your GOOD NEWS for March 19 ready to use.

All other grades meet in classrooms.

Will you/your family sign up to take part in some aspect of service at the April 2, 11 AM Mass or hospitality event? Call 412-486-5521.

### **Saturday Faith Formation, March 18,**

Grade 4 BE in church by 9:30 AM; have your VENTURE for March 19 ready to use.

All other grades meet in classrooms.

Will you/your family sign up to serve in some way at the April 1, 4:00 PM liturgy or hospitality? Call today, 412-486-5521.

### **Family Program meets NEXT Sunday**

at 9:00 AM Mass, then for sessions 10:00 AM till Noon. Bring canned vegetables or Easter candies for the collection for our Saint Vincent de Paul group.

**AN EASTER NOTIFICATION:** Just a reminder to those who plan to celebrate the liturgy with us on Easter Sunday: there will be a liturgy at 1:00 p.m. on Easter Sunday. This extra liturgy is only for Easter, as all the other Sundays will maintain the same schedule that we have during the entire year.

### **FIRST EUCHARIST CLUSTER GROUP**

for anyone who misses their March session, will meet Sunday, March 26, 10:00 AM in Marian Hall. Child needs to bring their FIRST EUCHARIST book.

### **CATHOLIC HOME SCHOOL CONFERENCE & Curriculum Exhibits,**

Saturday, March 18, 8:30 – 2:30 PM at Seton-LaSalle High School. Registration Information available at our Faith Formation office, 412-486-5521 or call 412-456-3090.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### T-ROC – SUNDAY, MARCH 12th

Our topic is "Jesus' Message and Mission"

- Gather at 5:45 PM in the church, Liturgy begins at 6 p.m.
- Bring a snack to share (see chart below).
- **Teens** will be meeting with our **T-Team** up in the church after snacks!
- **Parents** will stay in Marian Hall for an adult version of "Jesus, Message and Mission."
- The evening will conclude around 8:30 p.m.
- Those youth who want to help with the **Good Friday Crosswalk** will meet briefly after T-ROC with Mr. and Mrs. Penezic; you should be done no later than 8:50 PM.

**T-ROC Snack needs** can be met if the following families contribute these items. If your last name begins with:

- A - E non-caffeine soda or beverage
- F - K Chips or pretzels
- I - L Fruit
- M - Q Veggies and dip
- R - Z Desserts

### Lenten Nails: A Reflection Exercise for Lent

**Teens – how are you using Lent to make your spiritual connection?** Just watching what you eat or exercising more will help your body, **but what about your soul?** For those who missed the session last Friday, we will offer the opportunity to again prepare yourself spiritually over the next six weeks. Check with Mrs. B or Mrs. Doerge **at this Sunday's T-ROC.**

### BREAKFAST AND BIBLE – March 19th

Come hungry for scripture and a delicious breakfast!  
10:00 a.m.- Noon at the JAM Center!

### HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sun. Mar. 12 T-ROC – 6:00 – 8:30 PM - Meet in Church

Fri. Mar. 17 FISH DINNER! 4:30 – 7:00 PM

Sun. Mar. 19 BREAKFAST & BIBLE – 10-Noon at JAM Center

Fri. Mar. 24 FISH DINNER! 4:30 – 7:00 PM

Contact Barb Belski or Lisa Rulis Ross

@ 412-492-9344 or [cymoffice@stmaryglenshaw.org](mailto:cymoffice@stmaryglenshaw.org)

We're on the web !!!! [www.stmaryglenshaw.org/cym](http://www.stmaryglenshaw.org/cym)

## ST. MARY SCHOOL

**REGISTRATION** - Registration for students in preschool (3 and 4 year-olds), kindergarten, and grades 1 through 8 for the 2006-2007 school year are still being accepted in the school office. Children registering for kindergarten **MUST** be 5 years of age by September 1, 2006. Requirements for registration include your child's birth and baptismal certificates and the child's social security number. A \$100.00 non-refundable registration fee is also required at this time which will be applied to next year's tuition.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** - Come and pray the Stations of the Cross on the Fridays during Lent with the school students in grades 4-8 beginning March 3<sup>rd</sup> through April 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM in church. Primary students (grades 1-3) will pray the Stations on the following Wednesdays: March 15, 22, 29, and April 5 at 1:50 PM.

**THEY'VE DONE IT AGAIN!** - The St. Mary School Forensics Team has, once again, put forth a stellar performance at the third and final regular season tournament of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Forensic League. They brought home a 5<sup>th</sup> place award, competing against much larger and more experienced teams. Congratulations go out to Vincent Balestrino, Melissa Battaglia, Meghan Bezilla, James Brunner, Patrick Ebbert, Katie Muenck, Meg Omecene, Brandon Perrotte, Breanna Rodgers, Becky Rugh, Erin Sarosi, Brianna Thompson, Aaron Todorowski, Hannah Todorowski and Nicholle Williams. We are very proud of you--- good luck at Finals!

**WE NEED YOUR HELP** - Once again we are asking that you continue to save your Shop 'n Save receipts, Labels for Education from Campbell's products, old cell phones, and empty ink cartridges. We are also in GREAT need of one-sided paper. All donations can be dropped off in the school office. THANK YOU ---we appreciate your continued support!

## **GENERAL PARISH NEWS**

### **Mary to be Honored on March 25, 10:00 AM Special Liturgy with Saturday Faith Formation**

**and ALL welcome.** This "first class feast" in the midst of Lent gives us an opportunity to honor Mary for her response of "YES" to the angel's message of God's choice of her to mother Jesus. The 10 AM Liturgy is for ALL our parish family. Some of our youth of the Saturday Faith Formation will serve waffles with fruit topping, juice and/or coffee for anyone wishing to join them after the liturgy. Call TODAY to let us know how many of YOUR family will join us for the TREAT WITH MARY; 412-486-5521.

**SON TREASURE ISLAND:** Put the snow and cold aside and get your mind thinking of a tropical island adventure. The first meeting for the Children's Summer Bible Program will be held on Thursday, March 16th, at 7:00 p.m. in the School Library. We will preview the curriculum and begin to get ideas rolling! Anyone interested in planning, leading a station, or just want to learn about this opportunity to share God's love with children, please stop by!

**LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME:** The Core Team of the Let the Little Children Come To Me Ministry prints this **FAMILY PERSPECTIVE** written by Bud Ozar each week in the bulletin to give you some food for thought as parents of growing children:

**After the Transfiguration, Jesus told the apostles "not to tell anyone what you have seen." In families we entrust each other with our secrets; mutual trust is the sacred safety net binding us together.**

**LENTEN DAY WITH FATHER SCOTT:** Join other Moms on Sunday, March 26th, 2:00 - 6:00 p.m., Mass included, at St. Teresa of Avila Church, Perrysville for an inspiring day with Father Scott Seethaler, OFM Cap. Register no later than March 20th, by calling Jim Finn (412) 486-4100. Cost is \$10.00.

**RICE BOWLS** are available in our church foyer. Every family is encouraged to take a bowl and use it in conjunction with the readings on the CRS calendar that was sent in our parish mailing. The Catholic Relief Services are engaged in relief efforts in Louisiana, areas still rebuilding from the December 26 Tsunami and war torn areas. Every sacrificial offering from our homes means LIFE for the most destitute. Your sacrifices saved in the RICE BOWL during Lent may be brought to church during Holy Week.

## **A VOCATION VIEW**

**We are encouraged to listen to Jesus, the Beloved Son of God. Take time to listen in prayer. What do you hear Jesus saying to you? (Mark 9: 2-10)**

**ATTENTION ALL DADS:** Why not join the men of the parish on Saturday, April 1st at the A. J. Palumbo Center on the campus of Duquesne University for the **Catholic Men's Conference**. Make your reservation by March 17th by calling Jim Finn (412) 486-4100. Transportation will be provided.

**PRAY AND PLAY DAY:** You are invited to bring your child to our next **PRAY and PLAY DAY** this Wednesday, March 15th beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Children's Liturgy Room in the Church. Call Cindy Shadle (412) 487-5272 to find out more!

**LENTEN ENRICHMENT SERIES:** Be sure to come this Tuesday, March 14th, at 7 p.m. Dr. Jo Ann Paradise from St. Sebastian's Parish will develop a Lenten theme during the liturgy. Fr. John will preside at the liturgy and the Children's Choir will provide the musical accompaniment. Be sure to mark **Tues., March 14th**, on your calendar. Capuchin Brother James Townsend will be our guest speaker next Tuesday, March 21st.

**CALLING ALL MEN!** Married and Single men are encouraged to join other men throughout the diocese at the **Answer the Call Catholic Men's Conference** on Sat., April 1st, at the A. J. Palumbo Center. Whether you are a father, grandfather, single man or son, whatever your level of faith or whatever your spiritual need, **"COME AND SEE" (John 1: 39)** how your life can be changed. Stop at the Registration Table in the narthex before or after Mass this weekend to find out more or to purchase a discounted ticket. Call Justin Pizzella (724) 274-7474 or Jim Finn at the rectory (412) 486-4100 for more information.

**TAKE A CROSS** from a basket at one of the exits. Let it be a reminder on your table or prayer space at home, of the Lenten journey with Jesus who willingly took up His cross. Print favorite words or expressions on this Cross and bring it during Holy Week to be used in building the NEW FIRE for Easter.

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**PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS** from Father John

In the official liturgical language of the Church it is called VIOLET, the color most universally creating the mood of the Season of Lent. In the eyes of most of us who come to the church during these days, we speak of “purple” as the color of the season. I have always wondered why this color distinction? Could it be that “violet” is first and foremost a “flower” before it is a color to most of us? Try this experiment: say to a person “what is violet” and see if that person says “a flower” or “a color” as the first response. Interestingly enough, when one looks up the word “violet” in the dictionary, the first description given is that of a “flower.” Finally, the fifth definition in the listing is “the color bluish-purple.” Not so when one looks up the word “purple” in the dictionary. First and foremost, it is “.a color having components of both red and blue...”

So, whether one uses the liturgically correct name of “violet” or the more commonly used expression of “purple” for the color that looms so brilliantly throughout the church during this season, it is certainly not the shaded BLUE that we experienced during the Season of Advent. Advent spoke to us of anticipating the joyful birth of the Son of God, Lent cries out to us about the sorrowful death of this beloved Son of God. We have captured the emotional tones of the two different seasons with the use of two different colors!

Historically speaking, the Liturgical Colors of the Catholic Church only came into official existence in the 12<sup>th</sup> century when Pope Innocent III was careful to prescribe the colors for the vestments to be used by the priest celebrant. The shading of the colors was left up to the vestment makers, as long as the actual hue was somewhat close to the color in the spectrum. It was during this time Lent became identified with the color violet (purple) “Violet” was the color worn distinctly by persons of imperial or high rank. It was identified as a color for regal, princely or imperial events. It then became identified with the Season of Lent because the Lord Jesus was princely in his acceptance of suffering, regal in his taking of the cross of condemnation, imperial in his dying for the will of his Father. We now come together to celebrate the great Season of Lent and allow the outstanding color of the season to speak to us of the central mystery of our faith and await the glorious white of the Easter Season when that mystery will find its fulfillment in the Resurrection of the Lord Jesus!

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