

PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday
March 30, 2008

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SUNDAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Sunday at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

DAILY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday at 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 11:00 a.m. until final penitent is finished

BAPTISM

On Sunday twice a month after parental interview

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Twice a year in a communal celebration
Individually upon request

MATRIMONY

Saturday weddings at 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m.
Notification at least 6 months in advance

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at 12:00 noon

SACRAMENTS OF EASTER

It is quite obvious to all who have assembled at one of our liturgies during this past week that the Easter Season has arrived in its entire splendor. The aura of the liturgy has taken on a NEW LIFE quality. The beauty of the décor, the magnificence of the music and the richness of the celebrations speak loudly to all who gather that the Lord Jesus who died on the cross is ALIVE in our midst!

These fifty days of the Easter Season will be filled with the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism being celebrated each Sunday, the Group First Eucharist on the final weekend of April and the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 6th. The Easter Season will end on Pentecost Sunday May 11th with a special celebration. We invite parishioners to mark these days as “red letter days of parish life.”

EASTER WATER STILL AVAILABLE

There is still some newly blessed Easter water available for those who bless their homes. The vat of water is situated in the sanctuary near the Easter Candle. This is a very ancient practice, as Christians would carry the water to their home for the blessings invoked during the year. It is a wonderful custom to have our children “bless themselves” each night before going to bed. The Easter water would remind them of their baptism and how they have become a child of God in the celebration of this sacrament.

EASTER SEASON BAPTISMS

Baptism is very appropriate during the Easter Season. Children brought for baptism are immersed in the mystery of the dying and rising of the Christ. We remind parents planning a baptism that they must schedule a pre-baptism session before the baptism of their child can be scheduled. We encourage parents to call for this session during the pregnancy of the mothers so that it does not become a last minute rush.

PARISH SHARE CONTRIBUTIONS

Parish Share pledge cards may be placed in the Sunday collection at any time, or sent by mail back to the Parish Family. Use the form that was sent to your home, or any other envelope clearly marked as Parish Share. We hope that all parishioners feel the responsibility to help in this collection, as we need everyone to help us to reach our assessment!

“EXTENDED STAFF” APPRECIATION

On the first Sunday after Easter each year, we wish to recognize all those persons who serve on our “*Extended Staff*” (a designation we have created to indicate those persons, outside of the nine members of the Parish Staff, who receive compensation from our Parish Family). The names of those SEVENTY persons are listed on the final page of this bulletin. The multi-faceted talents and uncompromising dedication these people bring to our church and school allows our Parish Family to serve the needs of all parishioners. We thank those in the Parish Family whose consistent financial support help us to maintain such a needed group of personnel.

“VOX POPULI” (part 7)

We hope that all parishioners will make a special effort to celebrate the liturgy in our parish church in THREE WEEKS --- the weekend of April 19th and 20th. It is on this occasion that the VOX POPULI (“The Voice of the People”) will be sought. The members of the Pastoral Council have been working diligently on a survey that will distributed at the liturgies on that weekend that will allow parishioners to offer their ideas and suggestions on the future direction of our parish life.

“CATCH THE VIBE”

We would like to alert all those parishioners who are still making payments on their pledges that they will be receiving correspondence from the Parish Family seeking the information concerning their pledge. We hope that everyone will continue to make payments as they have been doing with an end in sight. If everyone completes their pledge as promised, our debt with the Diocese will be nil!



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FLASHES!!

ONLY EIGHTY (80) DAYS LEFT before we are ready to celebrate our Parish Family Festival. All chairpersons of the various facets of the Festival are now seeking the assistance of parishioners to help in their area of responsibility. We encourage everyone to take an active role in the 3 days of the Festival --- the entire Festival is only 13 hours!!! Do not miss it!



LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 30, 2008 - Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday

- 4:00 p.m. Agnes Bernas - Lou & Veronica Ganster
- 6:00 p.m. Anthony Sinkovich - Raymond & Deanna Greene
- 7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
- 9:00 a.m. John Kirby - Mary Jean
- 11:00 a.m. Matilda Ferraro - Rachele & Harry

Monday, March 31, 2008 - Annunciation of the Lord

- 7:00 a.m. Clarence Bittner - Rose (Rere) Diehm
- 10:00 a.m. Charles Smocharski - The Dunn Family

Tuesday, April 1, 2008 - Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Joan M. Paragi - Russell & Elaine Roach
- 10:00 a.m. Dorothy Lang - Husband, Charles Lang

Wednesday, April 2, 2008 - Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Eugene Starr - Family
- 10:00 a.m. Frederick & Helen Rihn - Family

Thursday, April 3, 2008 - Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Joseph Szymkowiak - John & Eileen Bates
- 10:00 a.m. Mary Mikolay - Ed & Elizabeth Chmill

Friday, April 4, 2008 - Easter Weekday - St. Isidore

- 7:00 a.m. George Duffy - Duffy Family
- 10:00 a.m. Vera Scott - St. Mary School Students

Saturday, April 5, 2008 - Easter Weekday - St. Vincent Ferrer

- 8:00 a.m. Jessica Mitsch - Grandparents
- 4:00 p.m. William & Charles Semler - Hilda & Bill Gilg
- 6:00 p.m. Gregorio & Antonia Imbarlina - Marco & Rose Imbarlina

Sunday, April 6, 2008 - Third Sunday of Easter

- 7:30 a.m. Francis Werling, Jr. - Family
- 9:00 a.m. Josephine Harlovic - Hefferin Family
- 11:00 a.m. Gerard Walter - Loretta Walter

Weekly Activities at a Glance

Sunday March 30	(Marian Hall) (Rectory) (Marian Hall) (Marian Hall) (Marian Hall)	9:00AM - Liturgy of the Word for Children 10:00AM - R.C.I.A. 11:00AM - Liturgy of the Word for Children 11:00AM - Sunday Preschool 4:30PM - Extended Staff Appreciation Dinner
Monday March 31	(Marian Hall) (School) (Marian Hall) (Rectory)	3:00PM - Girl Scout Troop #303 6:30PM - CCD Program 6:30PM - Market Day Pickup 7:00PM - Finance Council Meeting
Tuesday April 1	(Pantry) (Rectory) (Rectory)	6:00PM - St. Vincent dePaul Pantry 7:00PM - St. Vincent dePaul Meeting 7:00PM - Worship Commission Meeting
Wednesday April 2	(Marian Hall) (Marian Hall) (Church) (Jam Center) (Church)	9:15AM - Let the Little Children Come to Me 1:30PM - 55 Specials - Bingo/Cards 2:45PM - Children's Choir Practice 3:00PM - CYM - Drop-in 7:30PM - Adult Choir Practice
Thursday April 3	(Church)	8:00PM - Adult Hand Bell Practice
Friday April 4	(Church) (Marian Hall)	10:00AM - School Mass 5:30PM - SUPER BINGO (Doors Open)
Saturday April 5	(School) (Marian Hall) (Marian Hall)	9:30AM - CCD Program 4:00PM - Liturgy of the Word for Children Hospitality Weekend after all Liturgies
Sunday April 6	(Marian Hall) (Marian Hall) (Marian Hall)	Hospitality Weekend after all Liturgies 11:00AM - Sunday Preschool 5:30PM - Eagle Scout Court of Honor

R.I.P.: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Linda Mason, sister of Anna May Rothwell and Bonnie Sietam.

Morality Class will be held on Wednesdays, April 2 through April 21, from 6:00 - 9:00PM at St. Joseph Parish in O'Hara Township. Please contact Nancy Vecchio at 412-963-9252 to register. Master Catechists will be Sharon Hachman and Fr. Dennis Bradley.

Offertory Collection

March 16, 2008	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	932	\$19,171.30
Cash/Loose Cks.	-	\$1,184.00
Children's Offertory	52	\$77.44
Catholic Campaign/ Human Development	16	\$334.00
Easter Flowers	89	\$1,461.00
Easter Offering	5	\$365.00
Holy Land	7	\$41.00
Parish Share 2008	30	\$6,624.13
Parish Needy	32	\$480.00
Total	1,163	\$28,553.87

Daily Readings



- March 31:** Is 7:10-14; 8-10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
- April 1:** Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15
- April 2:** Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
- April 3:** Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
- April 4:** Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
- April 5:** Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21
- April 6:** Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 PT 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

SACRAMENTAL LIFE



Hannah Victoria Bollig
Katherine Lynn Cross

Congratulations to their parents, godparents, and grandparents. Please join us in welcoming them into our *Parish Family!*

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing for Divine Mercy Sunday

The mercy of God has been revealed to us through the life, dying and rising of Jesus who IS with us. Do you experience **His mercy** when: - you tend to your spouse's, friend's, or child's concerns? , -drive or ride in a carpool? –discuss difficult issues with your child or child's teachers, or a coworker? , - speak with colleagues whose views differ from your own?, - hear about and respond to tragedies such as disease, natural disasters, and violence to others? Pray often: **Lord, have mercy!**

A Vocation View

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit we are sent to share the peace of Christ. Do you believe in Jesus' call to you? Act on it! (John 20:19-31)

COME AND SEE WEEKEND- High school and college students are invited to spend the weekend of April 4-6, 2008 at St. Paul Seminary learning more about the priesthood with the opportunity to meet and interact with the seminarians in prayer and recreation. Call Father Wehner to find out more (412)456-3048.

EXPLORE! Is a vocation awareness program for young women in **eighth grade and high school** who might want to learn more about a **vocation as a religious Sister**. If you ever wondered what it would be like to be a nun then sign up to attend **EXPLORE!** on Sunday, April 13, 2008 from 10:00am until 4:00pm at St. Joseph Convent in Baden, Pa. There is no fee. Parents and teachers are welcome to visit the convent on this way. Call Sister Marguerite at (724)869-6585. Call Mr. Finn (412)486-4100 if you need a ride. Members of the Parish Vocation Council will provide transportation.

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME- Moms/caregivers and children are invited to join us every first and third Wednesday from 9:30am until approximately 10:30am in the children's Liturgy room of the church for **PRAY AND PLAY DAY**. Come this Wed. April 2nd to learn one of the gestures involved in the Mass, to move to inspiring music, visit Jesus in the tabernacle, and join in a parade! Come and share with your child in the fun faith-filled experience! Older siblings are welcome to join us. No reservations are necessary. Call Monica at (412)492-0242. Hope to see you on Wednesday, April 2nd!

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "As the Father sent me, so I send you." Become who you are called to be, ambassadors of peace and forgiveness.

Grade 2 Children and Parent/Guardians

Remember to contact the Faith Formation office **THIS** week if you want to make any change in your preference as to the date, time, or seating at the First Eucharist liturgy for April 26-27.

CONFIRMATION CLUSTERS will be visited during the month of April by a member of our parish staff or one of the Confirmation Catechists for a discussion of how our parish family can help support youth's growth in faith beyond the Sacrament of Confirmation. Our deanery proposal for newly confirmed to participate in a **WORLD YOUTH DAY pilgrimage, July 15-18**, will also be discussed. All parishioners are urged to keep our youth and their families in daily prayer.

PRE-SCHOOLERS welcome to meet during the **11:00 AM** Liturgy. The sessions are held in **Marian Hall** Contact Megan @ 724-444-4545 or Lee Ann @ 412-492-8043 for details.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION



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The Annunciation which is ordinarily observed on March 25, will be celebrated **THIS** Monday, March 31. Mary's **"YES"** has resounded through the ages and is still being *lived* by every faithful disciple of Jesus. The First Joyful Mystery of the Rosary recalls the visit by God's messenger to Mary. **Pray the mystery** today for the grace to **LISTEN** to the ways that God is speaking in our times, in our families.

YOUTH MINISTRY

SIGN UP TO MEET BISHOP ZUBIC

High school teens in **Grades 9 - 12** are invited to a special youth welcome for Bishop Zubik. The event will be held on April 6th at Bishop Canevin High School. It will start with a **concert by the great band, "Who do you say I am"**, followed by **Liturgy of the Hours** with the Bishop. A **reception** will conclude the event. We will leave our church at noon and should be back by 6 PM at the very latest. Call the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

MISSION TRIP TO UGANDA

Nine Member Mission Team

WHO ARE THE NINE MEMBERS OF OUR MISSION TEAM? FIND OUT NEXT WEEKEND.

Room and board	\$5,000
Flight from US to Entebbe	\$20,000
Flight from Entebbe to Gulu	\$2,000
Medical costs and travel insurance	\$4,500
Answering the Gospel call	PRICELESS

\$10,300 remains to pay for our travel costs because so far you have already donated **\$1,200**. **We hope to offset some of the remaining cost at our April 12, Hawaiian Luau.** The Hawaiian Luau is our only major fund raiser to meet this goal. How can you help?

-Purchase a ticket from our "Luau" team at ANY liturgy this weekend.

-Offset our luau expenses with a corporate donation or sponsorship.

-Sign up to make a dessert with one of our "Luau" team at ANY of the liturgies this weekend.

If you would be interested in donating money toward our travel fund, it would be most appreciated. Please make donation checks out to St. Mary Parish with the memo "African mission travel fund" and leave at the rectory for Barb Belski.

THANKS to Tricia Coyle who will organize the SOAR homeless shelter meal this month on April 12. Our parish prepares and serves the meal on the **second Saturday of every month.** This opportunity will require a short orientation to the shelter, preparing a meal for 16-18 and taking the time from 5 PM to 7 PM to transport and serve the meal. Any age can prepare the meal either at your home or in Marian Hall kitchen. A small group of 2 - 4 servers, high school age and older may present the meals to the ladies at the shelter. Call the CYM office at 412-486-4100, ext. 409 to reserve your month.

Call the CYM line for current information on our social, spiritual and service activities for teens and young adults at 412-492-9344 or 412-486-4100, ext. 409.

ST. MARY SCHOOL

REGISTRATION FOR 2008 - We are still accepting registrations for interested families of students preschool through seventh grades for the 2008-2009 school year.

St. Mary School offers a 3 year-old and 4 year-old preschool program, as well as half-day and full-day kindergarten programs. Students considering kindergarten **MUST** be five by September 1st.

Registration requirements include copies of the child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate, and social security card. In addition, a \$100 non-refundable registration fee is required but is applied to the child's tuition.

Inquiries and tours can be made at (412) 486-7611. Consider St. Mary School as your school of choice.

SUPER BINGO - Another Super Bingo will take place on Friday, April 4th, 2008. Doors open at 5:30 PM; early birds begin at 7:00 PM. Advance tickets are \$35; \$40 if sold at the door. Admission includes: 12 cards for 40 regular games (50 points each), 5 specials (100 points each), one jackpot at 500 points and another jackpot at 1000 points. All proceeds benefit St. Mary School. Call Coleen at (412) 486-6622 for more information or to purchase tickets.

FORENSICS NIGHT - You are invited to join us for an evening of stories, poetry, and speeches on Wednesday, April 2nd, at 7:00 PM in Providence Hall. The students of our award-winning forensics team will provide a sampling of what they offered in the various tournaments of this past year.

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HAVE NOT SEEN AND HAVE BELIEVED.

JOHN 20:29B



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GENERAL PARISH NEWS



Meet **Bishop Zubik** at the Wisdom, Age, and Grace Workshop: “The Peace We Seek”, Friday, May 9, 8:00 AM till 3:00 PM , includes Mass, Continental Breakfast, talks, discussion, lunch, prizes, and PEACE. See www.ccpgh.org or pick up a registration form at our parish Faith Formation office, 412-486-5521.

MARKET DAY fliers for April NOW available at the church exits, scrip and Faith Formation offices. PICK UP will be Monday, April 28, 6:30-7:30 PM , NOT before 6:30 PM. A MAN or two who could lend a hand will be gratefully welcome. Call Lee, 724-443-1147.

RICE BOWLS, still being accepted at the Faith Formation office. ALL donations go to the Catholic Relief Services who help in the most desperate situations throughout the world. THANKS to all those who made Lenten sacrifices for the needy.

COACHES of any children’s sports teams, bring your talents to a summer sports camp, “POWER ZONE”, an exciting and enriching FIVE session program scheduled for Tuesdays, 5:00 – 9:00 PM, July 8 through August 5. Contact Lee Ann Trout at 412-492-8043 or leeanntrout@verizon.net

WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING- will be held on Tuesday, April 1, 2008 at 7:00 P. M. Submit agenda items to Tom Goral (412)487-6244.

FIVE DAYS OF DIRECTED PRAYER- These days of directed prayer are intended to help men and women hungry for a more personal experience of God in prayer, to learn how to pray with greater focus using scripture and reflection. Father Jim Conroy, S. J. will be returning to St. Mary’s **May 18-23, 2008** to conduct this process and it is necessary to register in advance by calling our pastoral associate, Jim Finn at (412)486-4100. To find out more, call today!

GATHERING OF CATHOLIC MEN

The deadline for making a RESERVATION for the April 12th Gathering at the A. J. Palumbo Center is Monday, March 31, 2008. Group tickets are available from Jim Finn. Make checks payable to: CATHOLIC MEN’S FELLOWSHIP for \$35.00. There are still a few seats left on the bus. **MAKE THE DECISION- JOIN US!**

ONLY TWO AND A HALF MORE WEEKS before the **Christian Mothers Women's Organizations' Covered Dish Dinner**. For those of you who have not purchased your tickets yet for this last big event of the year, please contact one of your officers to get them. **\$5.00 per person**. Husbands and/or guests welcome. Main entree is chicken. Wine and beer will be served. Come share your fabulous dishes with us **April 17th** following the Rosary and Mass. Hope to see you all there! For tickets contact Jan Raible 412-486-0367, Marilyn Buck 412-492-8367, Theresa Goeller, 412-487-1870 or Anne Mitsch 412-767-8882.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for our Hawaiian Luau on Saturday, April 12 at 7 PM in Marian Hall. Tickets are now available at the rectory and the CYM office. Cost is \$25 adults/ \$15 children and includes an authentic Hawaiian dinner plus live entertainment from the Vincentian Academy Hawaiian Hula Dance Troupe. **Our teens will be at all liturgies this weekend to register volunteers to bake tropical desserts. Tickets to the luau will also be sold at all those liturgies.** All proceeds go to the African mission travel fund for our June trip to Gulu, Uganda.

FESTIVAL FOCUS- The Chinese Auction Committee is ready to begin searching for donations and volunteers. In order for the Chinese Auction to be successful we need your assistance. We invite you or anyone you know who would like to donate their time and/or talent to assist our committee with soliciting donations, setting up and/taking down the display each day of the Festival or the selling of tickets to contact: Lois Krieg (412)486-3611 or Elma Plietz (412)486-3508 before April 1st.

Offertory Collection

March 23, 2008	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	846	\$19,396.00
Loose Checks/Cash	-	\$2,300.00
Children’s Offertory	69	\$90.07
Holy Land	-	\$2,709.00
Easter	754	\$18,336.35
Easter Flowers	8	\$171.00
Parish Share 2008	47	\$3,889.00
Catholic Campaign/ Human Development	2	\$15.00
Parish Needy	24	\$386.00
Total	1,750	\$48,292.42

PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS from Father John

In order for the nine members of our Parish Staff to serve the people of our Parish Family, it is imperative that we have a supportive cast of parish personnel. This magnificently generous group of people who serve on our **EXTENDED STAFF** are highly talented and could easily get better compensating work in the public sector. However, their relationship to the Lord Jesus calls them to serve the People of God in our Parish Family. In this Easter Season, we wish to recognize each of their gifts to our Parish Family and thank them wholeheartedly!

Joanne Adamcik Sister Jean Anthony John Balish Michelle Beitko Karen Bezilla Michael Bezilla Edith Bishop Jeanne Bittner Mary Beth Burnikel Jill Butler Mary Certo-Newcamp Doris Cochrane Mary Ann Coholich Antoinette Cray Italide Cugliari Sheila Daniels Loren Davis Marie Doerge	Heather Eiler Jane Fabry Linda Fischer Frieda Flaminio Veronica Ganster Anne Gentile Pam Gonzalez Denielle Grana Carolyn Green Jennifer Haley Neil Haley Christine Hawthorne Patricia Kawka Grace Kozak Alice Maxim Kathy McNeil Stella Miller	Cameron Mitsch Dori Monahan Patricia Mullen John Novak Sandy Ondriezek Mary Beth Palko Jayne Pampena Renee Pennington Lisa Perrotte Jeff Pflumm Kevin Pflumm Donna Polito Debbie Porco Rebecca Reiser Judy Rozyczka Lisa Rulis-Ross Melissa Schmidt	Thomasina Schneider Debbie Schwoegl Val Scott-Lapyczak Michelle Seng Terri Sirianni Debbie Skelley Bernadette Smrekar Virginia Sokiera Joanne Stein Suzan Tvaruzek Susan Urso Dolly Wagner Antoinette Waxter Margaret Wesolek Lynn White Melissa Williams Dave Wilson Carolyn Winschel
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