

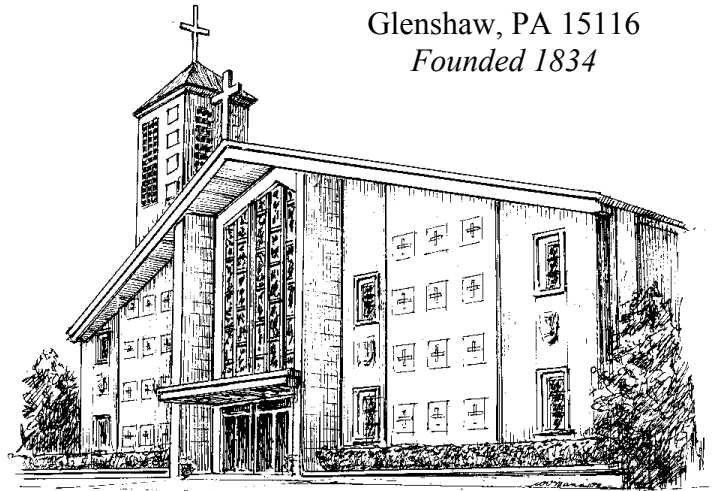
PARISH FAMILY OF ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 31, 2010

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Glenshaw, PA 15116
Founded 1834

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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

CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK

As we enter into this year's celebration of Catholic School Week we are again reminded of the importance of catholic education in the history of our Parish Family. Having a parochial school that began over 163 years ago in 1847, we are one of the oldest catholic school parishes in the entire Diocese of Pittsburgh, if not in all of Pennsylvania. Our school ranks at the top of the chart for providing a well rounded and multi dimensional education for all our students. Our school is a great asset to the Parish Family, not only for those who attend, but also for all families in the community. We recommit ourselves as a Parish Family that pledges to offer **CATHOLIC EDUCATION** to all those who value the importance of learning for the children of their family.

**STUDENTS FROM THE SCHOOL
WILL SPEAK AT TODAY'S LITURGIES
ABOUT THE VALUE OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION**

A whole series of events will occur this week to remind all of us of the importance of catholic education. **"Catholic Schools: DIVIDENDS FOR LIFE provide "faith, knowledge, discipline and morals"** for all those who come to it. We ask all parishioners to keep the intentions of those involved in our Catholic School in their daily prayers; and we offer a heart-felt sense of gratitude to all those who support our catholic school.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL ENVELOPE

Those who use their envelopes each week will notice that there is a special yellow envelope entitled **"Catholic School Week"** in this month's packet. This envelope is offered to help needy families to receive an education in our own parochial school. We invite all parishioners to make a financial contribution to the great asset our school is to the entire Parish Family. All the monies collected in this envelope go directly to St. Mary Catholic Grade School. This envelope may be dropped in the first collection on any given Sunday.

PARISH SHARE COLLECTION

Because of the many events scheduled in our Parish Family for Sunday, February 14th, we will have our "Parish Share Presentation" by the members of the Finance Committee on the weekend of the 21st and the collection on the weekend of the 28th.

"GIFT" – ABOUT TO BE OPENED

The "Gift Coordinators" with the cooperation of the members of the Pastoral Council are moving closer and closer to "opening GIFT" to all of the members of the Parish Family who live in their territories. "GIFT" (Growing In Faith Together) will eventually touch every parishioner in a hope that all of us might deepen our relationship to the Lord Jesus by increasing our "participating ownership" in the life of our Parish Family. We ask all parishioners to keep the important work of the "Gift Coordinators" in their daily prayers, and be willing to receive "GIFT" when it opens in your home.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS RECOGNITION

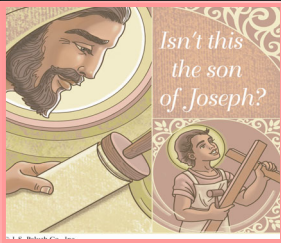
There is no way that our Parish Family can thank the commitment year after year of those who serve in one of the LITURGICAL MINISTRIES of our life together. Week after week, celebration after celebration, season after season, so many make our liturgical celebrations an awesome experience for all of us who gather in our church. In a small way of showing our gratitude, we invite these ministers to join us next Saturday in Marian Hall for a special "Mardi Gras" luncheon offered as a token for the many hours of preparation and service that is offered to make this Parish Family an "august place" to live the mystery of the dying and rising of the Lord Jesus.

A HAITIAN GRATITUDE

A special recognition to all those who gave so generously to the Haitian collection that was taken up last Sunday at all liturgies. This special collection, without an envelope in the monthly packet to remind us, netted \$12,582.00. What a wonderful testimony of the caring generosity of the members of our Parish Family! Thank you to all for such financial support.

BAPTISM SUNDAY: TODAY

Today is another Baptism Sunday and we welcome those families bringing their infants to celebrate the sacrament. We remind those parents planning a baptism that the sacrament will not be celebrated during the season of Lent. Those who come to understand the various nuances of the liturgical seasons certainly appreciate our Parish Family's attempt to maintain the motif of each season with all the celebrations that take place in our church.



LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 31, 2010 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Apollonia Castellano - Daughter, Concetta Liberto
 6:00 p.m. Vencenza Derenzo - Husband, Giuseppe
 7:30 a.m. Ann Sufak - George Sufak, Husband
 9:00 a.m. The Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
 11:00 a.m. Robert Conner - Beadling 95ers

Monday, February 1, 2010 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Marie Werling - Evelyn Huber
 10:00 a.m. Anna Mae Walsh - Bob & Gina

Tuesday, February 2, 2010 - The Presentation of the Lord

7:00 a.m. Frank Palermo - Therese Costa
 10:00 a.m. Jane Goral - Tom & Kathy

Wednesday, February 3, 2010 - St. Blaise & St. Ansgar

7:00 a.m. Demeter & Urso Families - Family
 10:00 a.m. Amelia & Thomas Chille - Family

Thursday, February 4, 2010 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. Carl & Marie Hunkele - Family
 10:00 a.m. Robert Deasy, Jr. - The Coyle Family

Friday, February 5, 2010 - St. Agatha

7:00 a.m. Alice Fortun - Family
 10:00 a.m. John Sullivan - St. Mary School Faculty & Staff

Saturday, February 6, 2010 - St. Paul Miki and His Companions

8:00 a.m. Margaret Brennan - Helminsky Family
 4:00 p.m. Anne C. Kaiser - Gary & Lucy Kirsch
 6:00 p.m. In Memory of John Galicia - Tom & Irene Garasic

Sunday, February 7, 2010 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Mary R. Procopio - Son & Family
 9:00 a.m. Emilio & Theresa Ziccarelli - Marco & Rose Imbarlina
 11:00 a.m. The Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Weekly Activities at a Glance

- Sunday** (Marian Hall) 9:00AM - Liturgy of the Word for Children
 (Marian Hall) 11:00AM - Liturgy of the Word for Children
Monday (School) Catholic Schools Week
 (Rectory) 7:30PM - Pastoral Council Meeting
Tuesday (Pantry) 6:00PM - Open Pantry
 (Rectory) 7:00PM - St. Vincent DePaul Meeting
 (Rectory) 7:00PM - Worship Commission Meeting
 (Marian Hall) 7:00PM - Fish Fry Dinner Meeting
Wednesday (Marian Hall) 9:30AM - Let the Little Children Come
 (Marian Hall) 1:30PM - 55 Specials Bingo / Bridge
 (Church) 7:30PM - Adult Choir
Thursday (Providence Hall) 2:45PM - St. Mary School Drama Club
 (Marian Hall) 6:30PM - St. Mary School Science Fair
 (Providence Hall) 7:00PM - G.I.F.T. Meeting
 (Church) 7:30PM - Adult Hand Bells
Friday (Marian Hall) 6:30PM - Bunko Fundraiser
 (Marian Hall) 8:00AM - Liturgical Ministers Meeting
 (Marian Hall) Hospitality Weekend after all Liturgies
 (Marian Hall) 4:00PM - Liturgy of the Word for Children
Saturday (Marian Hall) Hospitality Weekend after all Liturgies
 (Church) 9:00AM - Scout Sunday

At Home with the Lord

Remember Lord and welcome into your Kingdom those who have died and have gone before us marked in the sign of faith, especially **Giuseppe Derenzo** and **Josephine Sleziaki, mother of Mary Lou Oswald, and Sarah M. Sunseri, mother of Anthony**. Please remember to pray for the consolation of their loved ones.

Widows & Widowers Group will meet on January 31st at The Middle Road Inn at 4:00PM. All are welcome. For more information call Marge Wesolek at 412.486.5621 or Barb Lagiovani at 412.486.4209.

Praying in Color, an engaging and enjoyable two evening workshop led by parishioner Mrs. Kathy Yarzebinski will be held in Marian Hall, Mondays, March 1 & 8, 6:30-8 PM Participants bring a set of color markers and be led on a reflective, colorful, and refreshing approach to intimacy with our God. Youth through adults of all ages welcome. Pre-registration preferred; call 412-486-5521 ASAP.

ALTAR SERVER RECOGNITION DAY

All altar servers are invited to join the diocesan seminarians at the 9:00am Mass on Sunday, February 14 followed by a breakfast, hosted by the Knights of Columbus in Marian Hall. The only thing you need to do is let Mr. Finn know that you are coming for breakfast so that the cooks can prepare accordingly.

January 24, 2010	Envelopes	Contributions
Offertory	744	\$16,868.61
Cash/Loose Checks	-	\$778.00
Children's Offertory	49	\$90.50
Haiti Relief	-	\$12,582.00
School Collection	7	\$91.00
St. Anthony School Program	19	\$254.00
Parish Share 2009	5	\$200.00
Parish Needy	17	\$367.00
Total	841	\$30,453.11

Daily Readings

February 1: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30;
 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20

February 2: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

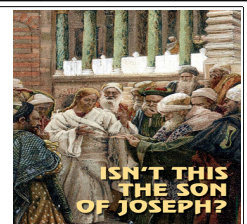
February 3: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6

February 4: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6: 7-13

February 5: Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29

February 6: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34

February 7: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1Cor 15:1-11 [3-8,11];
 Lk 5:1-11



SACRAMENTAL LIFE



Baptized in Christ

Dawson Joseph Krisky
Logan William Yates

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

A VOCATION VIEW

Before you were formed in the womb, God knew you. Before you were born, you were dedicated to the Lord. Do not be afraid to hear God's call! (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19)

TRAVELING VOCATION CHALICE-

If you would like to host this prayer tool to pray for an increase of Church vocations, please call Ron Ondrizek, 412.486.6851. Singles, senior citizens and shut-ins as well as families are welcome to participate.

WORSHIP COMMISSION MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 2 at 7:00pm.** Submit AGENDA items to Tom Goral (412)487-6244 as soon as possible.

R. C. I. A.

This is the process through which non-Catholic adults enter the Catholic Church. We meet in the rectory dining room following the 9:00am Mass. All are welcome. We will not meet today. **Next week** we will discuss the sacraments of Penance and the Anointing of the Sick. To find out more, call Father Ed or Jim Finn at the rectory (412)486-4100.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Those 18 years of age or older who have not been confirmed are invited to prepare to receive this sacrament when Bishop Winter comes to St. Mary's on May 6, 2010 at 7:00pm. Call Jim Finn (412)486-4100 at the rectory to register for the preparation sessions which begin shortly.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The folks in Nazareth were proud of Jesus, their home-grown celebrity. When he told them his mission was to those outside his family and friends, they felt cheated and angry. Jesus did not back down: It is important to care for those entrusted to us in our family but we must go beyond family and care for strangers also.

PARENTING POINTERS

How do you connect as a family? 42% of parents with children 7 to 17 call their sons and daughters once a day via cell phone. Perhaps your children are too young for cell phones, but if they do have one what **rules** do you have for use? The ways family connect may change but the need to connect virtually and physically remain constant.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Three weeks ago, few people gave a second thought to Haiti. Today, the devastating earthquake has awakened the world to suffering and a mammoth response. Don't wait for a crisis to awaken you to underlying weaknesses in your marriage. Build a strong foundation today. Plan to attend a marriage enrichment event during February.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Faith Sharing for Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time

"Patient, kind, never jealous, never bragging, never rude, unselfish, never short tempered" "is how Saint Paul describes God's love and a way of behaving toward one another in this week's reading. How do your actions stand against the standard he sets for all Christians?

Faith Formation Groups

Mission Outreach project: another Didgeridoo to be raffled Sunday, February 14 after the Love Walk. Chances \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00, send name and phone number to our Faith Formation Office. Second prize is a handmade in Ethiopia card table size table cloth. Proceeds go to help support students in the Ethiopian mission under the care of Father Vincent Stegman, CSSp.

Monday, February 1 – Grade 7 meet in church; all others in class at 4:30 or 6:30 PM

Saturday, February 6 .10:30 AM all in church-Grade 6 serve.

Confirmation Candidates:

- ◆ **LAST CALL** to return your **form** for the Confirmation **Retreat** to our Faith formation office.
- ◆ Return the blue form if you will offer your *service* is any one of the up-coming opportunities in our parish .

SPECIAL OBSERVANCES THIS WEEK:

February 1 – Saint Brigid of Kildare, protectress of travelers and patron of the printing press.

February 2 - Presentation of the Lord and traditional Candlemas Day. Candles will be blessed at church.

February 3 – Saint Blaisé, one of the fourteen holy helpers, invoked for ailments of the throat .

February 5 – Saint Agatha, early martyr tortured till death for her refusal to participate in a house of prostitution.

February 6 – Saint Paul Miki and 25 companions hung on crosses, stabbed and left to die because of their adherence to Christ in 1597 in Nagasaki, Japan.

Congratulations to the Winners of the Pro-Life Contest!

Nicholas Polito – Essay, Amanda Rulis - Poem. Both works are posted on our foyer bulletin board.

MARCH FOR LIFE travelers left on the 6 AM bus a white pillow, brown fold up umbrella, Pro-life T-shirt. Call the Faith Formation office to claim found items.

LOVEWALK for the POOR will be Sunday, February 14. Bus leaves St. Mary's at 1:00 PM, to Sacred Heart, East Liberty for 2:00 PM Mass with Bishop Zubik, then walk to the East End Cooperative Ministries, taking nonperishable items for outreach to homeless or baby items for needy mothers with infants. Our team will host an activity table at the co-op to provide toiletry items for a Spiritan Mission recently devastated in Haiti. Call 412-486-5521 this week if YOU will like to be assured of a seat on our bus.

Persons who minister in HEALTH CARE, all invited to participate at the **WHITE MASS** Sunday, February 7, 10:00 AM liturgy at Saint Paul Cathedral. Nurses, Doctors, Health Aides, all welcome!



HIGH SCHOOL AND YOUNG ADULTS SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY



Funds collected this year will be split between our Haitian fund and our own Appalachia mission fund.

TEENS and PARENTS **Sign up now for your liturgy!**

Each year youth from our drama club, Appalachia and basketball teams and our retreatants collect money for a specific charity as part of their parish service hour requirement. Wear your favorite CYM shirt and stand at every exit of the church with a soup pot after each liturgy on the weekend of the football Super Bowl, February 6 & 7. We also need some parents to supervise the money count after each liturgy. Email or call Mrs. B with the liturgy that you will work, she will give you further instructions.

GOOD FRIDAY CROSS WALK

Each year our youth participate in a Stations of the Cross from Epworth Methodist to our church as they walk up hill along Burchfield Road. This community event has been going on for over 20 years. Teens in Grades 9 – 12 are welcome to participate. Please contact Mrs. B if you are interested. **WE ALSO NEED PARENTS TO HELP US!!!**

CYM BASKETBALL

COME AND SUPPORT OUR HIGH SCHOOL CYM TEAMS AT THEIR HOME GAMES; **WE DO NOT CHARGE ADMISSION.**

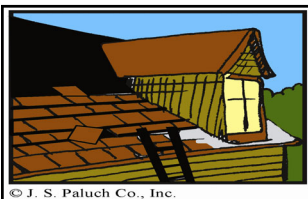
Wed., Feb. 3 Boy Varsity at 8 PM with St. Sebastian
Sat., Feb. 6 Girl Varsity at 7:30 PM with St. Catherine

FISH DINNER VOLUNTEER SERVICE HOURS

CYM will be in charge of the dishwasher room; any high school teens or young adults who wish to help during any of those Friday dinners during Lent may contact CYM via phone or email to sign up.

NEXT PARISH BREAKFAST FEBRUARY 28!!!

APPALACHIA TEAM FUND RAISING



Youth who plan to participate in our 2010 mission trip must help at the CYM fundraisers, including parish breakfasts. Call the CYM office now to sign up. The next Parish Breakfast is February 28. Our Vicar, Fr. Bob Guay, has

asked youth ministry to “twin” with St. James in Wilkinsburg. We will begin local home repair projects with that parish soon as a preparation for our summer mission trip.

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, extension 409 or contact Mrs. B via belskib@verizon.net or check us out on **FACEBOOK** at St. Mary of the Assumption CYM.

ST. MARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL TOURS - Any family who might be interested in receiving a faith-filled, value-centered, quality education for their child is most welcome to come and see our school at your convenience.

We provide a 3 and 4 year-old preschool program in addition to our kindergarten through 8th grades. An Extended Day Program is also available for working parents. To set up an appointment, please call the school office at 412-486-7611. We welcome you and look forward to meeting you and your child.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK - We will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week from January 31st through February 5th this year. We have planned activities each day that we know the students will enjoy: dress down days, a volleyball game between teachers and students, an all-school bingo, movies and board games, prayer service, food drive, and liturgy.

During that week we will pray for everyone who supports Catholic education and, in a special way, we will remember you the parishioners of St. Mary's.

SKATING PARTY - One of the family events sponsored by the PTG during that week will be a Family Ice Skating Party at North Park on Friday, February 5th, from 4:30 – 7:00PM. Admission is \$2.00 with an additional \$2.00 skate rental fee. Call or email Mary Sue Certo-Newcamp with questions at marysuecerto@comcast.net.

SUPER BINGO - A Super Bingo will be held at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Middle Road in Glenshaw on Friday February 12, 2010. Advance tickets are \$35.00 each or can be purchased at the door for \$40.00 each. Admission includes 12 cards for each regular game and four specials; 30 regular games at 70 points each, 2 specials at 100 points each; 2 specials at 200 points each; one 500 point and one 1,000 point jackpot. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; Bingo begins at 7:00 p.m. The evening also includes raffles, quickie and instant bingos. Proceeds benefit St. Mary of the Assumption School. Call Coleen at 412-486-6622 for more information and tickets.



Hey Kids from Grades 4th through 8th!

Are you still practicing your foul shots? On February 28, from 12:00 noon to 3:00PM is a free throw contest for kids in our PAC building. Prizes will be awarded per age groups. The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring this event. Keep shooting those baskets. Please contact Joe Hrason at 412.486.5403 to sign up to play.

Bunco Fundraiser for Grady's All Stars!

Drew and Trent Grady are 5 and 2 year old nephews of Jill Butler of St. Mary's Parish. They have been diagnosed with a rare and fatal disease. Our St. Mary's Family has set up a Bunco fundraiser on February 5th starting at 6:30 pm. in the cafeteria. The money will assist them with their uncovered medical expenses. What a wonderful opportunity to help the Butler and Grady families during this difficult time. To reserve your seat please call Barb Lepore at 412-487-9529 and mail a \$25 donation to 128 Old Farm Court, Glenshaw, PA 15116. If you are unable to attend and would like to make a donation please make checks payable to Grady's All Stars. Any questions please contact Barb Lepore (412-487-9529) Kathy Beckley (412-486-7319) or Coleen Sarosi (412-486-6622). Please visit www.gradysallstars.com and www.battens.org.au/about.html for more information.

OUR PARISH NEWS

LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME

All families with children under the age five are called to a special **Pray & Play** event. Wednesday, February 3rd, from 9:30-10:30AM. The children will enjoy story time, craft time, music, games and snack time. What a great way to meet new friends, and join those you already know. For more information contact Monica Hoehler at 412.492.0242 or stmaryschildren@yahoo.com.

FISH DINNER VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed for the six Fridays in Lent beginning on February 19th. Anyone interested in helping in any capacity or wanting further information should call Paul or Ginny Penezic at 412.487.5211. Past volunteers... We hope to see you back this year. Please call to confirm your availability.

THAT’S ENTERTAINMENT!

We are in search of talented individuals who are just itching for an audience! If you are one of these people, please contact Marie Doerge at 412.487.2977, for she is looking for entertainers during the Lenten Fish Dinners. Students and adults are **all** welcome and this could be your big chance to stardom! Please call!

PALMS

Please drop off your old palms in the basket, located in the narthex of our church. We will be burning them for the distribution of ashes on Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2010. Thank you!

CATHOLIC MEN’S FELLOWSHIP

KEEP SAT. APRIL 10, 2010 OPEN for the Fifth Annual Gathering of Catholic Men at the A. J. Palumbo Center on the campus of Duquesne University. Watch the bulletin for registration information.

The **second** Saturday Men’s Group will meet on **Saturday, Feb. 13**. Come to the 8:00am Mass and then enjoy coffee and discussion in the school following Mass. All men and young men are welcome. Call Carl to find out more at 412.903.7607.

WHY SHOULD I MAKE A MEN’S RETREAT?

Ask yourself these questions and make a reservation to join the men of our parish on March 12-13-14 at St. Paul’s Retreat Center.

I need time to slow down and put my thoughts in order?

I am confused or distressed?

I need some advice or comfort?

I haven’t felt close to God in a long time?

Spending a weekend at St. Paul’s can make a difference in your life. Call Charlie Fischer at 412.487.4667 or Jim Karcher at 724.444.5798.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

World Marriage Day is celebrated the weekend of Feb 13-14. There will be a diocesan celebration of World Marriage Day on **Saturday, February 13, 2010 at Sts. Simon and Jude Parish, Scott Twp.** It will begin with Mass at 4:00 p.m. in the church with Bishop Winter, as the presider and homilist. Following Mass there will be a wine and cheese reception in the parish hall. A presentation by Linda and Mark Fetzner will follow. Donation is \$10.00 per couple. To register please call (412)456-3160.

GOOD NEWS TO SHARE



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PARISH BREAKFAST February 14, 2010

Stop down in Marian Hall from 8:00AM to 12:30PM to enjoy a delicious home baked breakfast hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Adults: \$7.00, Senior citizens: \$6.50, Children, 12 and under, \$5.50. Join us for a wonderful morning of fellowship.

SQUIRES!

Information Meeting - Boys & Parents - March 7, 2010
Marian Hall - 7:00PM

Assumption Cemetery of St. Mary

Please remove all Christmas wreaths and decorations in our cemetery before March 1, 2010. If you are unable to do so, our maintenance crew will remove and discard them. Thank you.

ATTENTION ALL SCOUTS!

Sunday, February 7, 2010, is Scout Sunday. Any parishioner who is a Cub Scout, Boy Scout, or Girl Scout is invited to participate in the procession at the 9:00AM Liturgy. Scouts should wear their uniforms and meet in Marian Hall at 8:40AM to line up. A reception will follow in Marian Hall in conjunction with Hospitality Sunday. Please contact Lisa Gannon at 412.492.9490 or Tricia Mullen at 724.444.7489 with the number that plan to attend from your group.



CALLING ALL CUB SCOUT PACK 169 & BOY SCOUT TROOP 169 ALUMNI

The year, 2010, marks the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. Pack 169 is working on an alumni collage to display on Scout Sunday. If you would like to contribute a picture, please contact Lisa Gannon at 412.492.9490 or by email at tlpharm@aol.com. Pictures will also be collected throughout the year to place in a 100th Anniversary scrapbook.

CDs of 175th Anniversary Musical Still Available

One of my greatest joys of 2009 was being given the opportunity to collaborate and compose music for the 175th Anniversary historical musical “Neumann’s Dream Lives On.” Before I put away my recordings of the songs that were performed at the play, I want to once more offer a CD of these songs to anyone who is still interested in hearing them. If you are interested, contact Bob Kardasz at 412-486-4100 or email at kardaszr@stmaryglenshaw.org.

MARKET DAY – NEW order forms available at the church exits and at the Scrip and Faith Formation offices. Get some great meals for your Saint VELENTINE, Mardi Gras, or easy Lenten meals.

ADULT ENRICHMENT – Mark your calendars NOW! **THIS** Tuesday, Feb. 2, a talk by writer Father Dwight Longenecker “St. Benedict and St. Therese: The Little Rule and the Little Way,” at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium at St. Paul Seminary in Crafton. The lecture is free and open to the public. For information, call 412-456-3112.

Morality: Life in Christ, with Dr. Ed Scheid and Deacon Greg Jelinek at Central Catholic School, Tuesdays, Feb. 2 thru March 16, 4:00-7:00 PM. Call 412-456-3111 to register. This is a course of Basic Certification for Catechists; other adults welcome. Sign up THIS week.

PASTORAL IMPRESSIONS from Father John

According to the reliable records of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, St. Mary of the Assumption in “Pine Creek” (now known as Glenshaw) is the fourth oldest parish in the Diocese. Built in 1835, St. Mary is preceded only by Old St. Patrick in Pittsburgh in 1811, St. Peter’s in Butler in 1829 and St. Paul’s in Oakland in 1834. Catholic Education has always been integral to all four of these parishes. However, St. Patrick no longer has a catholic school connected to its parish; St. Peter in Butler has now amalgamated into Butler Catholic; and St. Paul in Oakland is part of St. Agnes and Oakland Catholic, another merger with schools in the area. That leaves ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL in Glenshaw as the “...oldest, **continuous running**, parish school...” in the entire Diocese of Pittsburgh and beyond. What an honor to be bestowed upon our parochial school, especially as we come to the celebrations of another Catholic School Week throughout the Diocese!

St. Mary Catholic School, however, makes more important claims that simply being the parish school with the longest history. It is what has filled that history that makes our school so significant an asset to the Parish Family itself. Educational excellence has always been integral to our parochial school, demonstrated by the overwhelming approval we received from the Middle States Accreditation process. Those involved in the school --- administration and faculty --- continue to develop and expand this excellence so that the students of our school remain on the cutting edge of today’s educational advances.

This educational excellence has taken many forms over the past 160 years plus. Those associated with our Parish Family have experienced that eminence in the professionally trained and deeply committed administration and faculty that has always been part of our school. The curriculum of the school has been kept up to date with the changing times over these many years, and has offered students greater possibilities of learning at every level of individual talents. Families who have placed their children in our school have worked tirelessly to maintain the standards of prominence in extra curricular activities and the demands of fund raising.

All during this coming week every parochial school in the Diocese will celebrate Catholic School Week. No one of them, however, might have a magnificent tradition that reaches further back into history of this Diocese than ***St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Grade School*** in Glenshaw, Pennsylvania!