



BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD IN A CHANGING WORLD. Our parish mission for Lent begins next Sunday, at 7:00 PM, in the church, and will continue on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings. On Monday evening of the mission, we will have a communal Penance service. This will provide many with the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation since there will be several visiting priests

to hear confessions.

As we strive to build the Kingdom of God in a changing world, the first thing we must remember is that for any building to have strong foundation it must also have a cornerstone. The cornerstone of the Kingdom of God is Jesus Christ. Without Christ there is very little, if anything, that we can accomplish. In Jesus Christ we can do all things, especially those things we find so difficult. In Jesus Christ we can deal with all that the world throws at us, all the tragedies, sorrows, problems, and temptations that can occur in our daily lives. There are so many things that happen in the world and in our lives that seem to be overwhelming. How do we deal with the threat of terrorism, threats to world peace, sickness, broken homes, financial instability, and death? As we confront these things we must first rely on our faith in Jesus Christ and really work at making Him the center of our lives. In learning to do this we will not necessarily solve all the problems or make them go away, but we will be able to cope with them and focus on what is truly important in our lives. The greatest challenge in our lives is to remember that God is always with us. It is not good enough to know this in our heads we must believe it with all our hearts so much so that it really makes a difference in the way we live our daily lives.

A very important key to our being able to build up the kingdom of God in this changing world is our willingness and ability to forgive. Forgiving those who hurt us can be a very difficult obstacle to overcome, but forgiveness is essential as we strive to follow in the way of Jesus.

Our parish mission this year can help all of us to do all the things I have mentioned so it is a very important time for our parish community. I encourage everyone to make time for this parish mission since it can speak so well to many of the needs of our hearts in the world today. I think we all yearn to know Jesus better and make more room in our lives and our hearts for Him. Please pray for the success of our parish mission that God will guide us and strengthen us to be open in mind and heart to all He offers us through those He sends to us.

I also encourage you to invite your family and friends to attend this mission especially if they have been having a difficult time coping with all that has happened recently in our Church and in our world. If anyone is need of transportation or babysitting, please call the Parish Office.

On a personal note, as an alumnus, I am very happy to be able to attend a special Mass this afternoon at St. Bernard's in Akron, which will mark the 50th Anniversary of Archbishop Hoban High School. Bishop Pilla will be the principal celebrant and Fr. Edward Molloy, the president of Notre Dame University, will give the homily. Please pray for God's continued blessings on the faculty and students of this very fine school as they strive to teach the gospel in word and deed.

Wednesday is the Feast of St. Patrick so Happy St. Patrick's Day to all the Irish and those who wish they were, at least on March 17th, anyway! More importantly though, is that Friday is the Feast of St. Joseph, the husband of Mary and patron of the universal Church. So I wish everyone a happy feast day for Friday since we are all members of the Church and can surely look to St. Joseph for our example of what it means to be faithful to God and our families.



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE



Saturday, March 13, Vigil: 3rd Sunday of Lent
 5:00 p.m. Linda Cook [Mother]

Sunday, March 14, Third Sunday of Lent
 8:00 a.m. Joe Mazzola [Jim & Cass Isaac]
 9:30 a.m. For Our Parish
 11:30 a.m. Richard Dibble [Maria Dibble]

Monday, March 15
 8:00 a.m. Charles Massaro [Family]

Tuesday, March 16
 8:00 a.m. Madeline Hilt [Mel & Ruth Wagner]

Wednesday, March 17, St. Patrick
 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 2:00 p.m. Stations & Benediction
 5:30 p.m. Margaret Pope [Kilker Family]

Thursday, March 18, St. Cyril of Jerusalem
 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 9:30 a.m. Joseph Borsellino [Tom Witschey]
 10:30 a.m. SHS Confessions

Friday, March 19, SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH
 8:00 a.m. Joseph Dungen [Family]
 7:00 p.m. Stations & Benediction

Saturday, March 20, Vigil: 4th Sunday of Lent
 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of Chuppa Family
 [Sam & Alvera Patti]

Sunday, March 21, Fourth Sunday of Lent
 8:00 a.m. Alex & Julia Bitenc [Frank & Helen Jeglic]
 9:30 a.m. Mary Spoljaric [Family]
 11:30 a.m. For Our Parish

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT -- MARCH 7
 [\$5% of our collection was given to the St. Vincent de Paul Society].

Offertory	\$18,263.50
Support Our School	\$571.00
Debt Reduction	\$1,124.00
Easter Flowers	\$210.00
Eastern Europe	\$28.00
Overseas Appeal	\$40.00
Number of envelopes used:	479

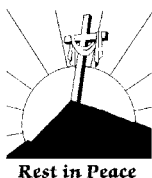
MANY THANKS for your generous offerings.



March Month of St. Joseph

Devotion to St. Joseph arose out of the tenderness that surrounded the Virgin Mother and the child Jesus in the Middle Ages. St. Joseph's mission was to remain close to Jesus and Mary, guardian of the Holy Family. Just as Mary, the Mother of Jesus, is the Mother of the Church, so Joseph, the guardian of Jesus, is the Church's protector.

PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE-This is a wonderful opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for our Sacred Heart Parish Community. It is also the second evening of our Parish Mission. We will have a number of visiting priests to help Fr. Joe with Confessions. **Be sure to bring your family Monday, March 22, at 7:00 p.m.**



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the family and friends of *Anna Schumann*, grandmother of *Laura Paumier*, and *Dick Dunham*, who died recently. May our Lord grant Anna and Dick eternal rest.

LEGION OF MARY will be celebrating The Annual Acies, Sunday, March 28, at 2:30 p.m., at Sacred Heart Parish. All auxiliary members are invited to come and renew their consecration to our Blessed Mother. A brief reception will follow.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL-Last month, St. Vincent de Paul Society gave assistance to nineteen families totaling \$1,636.72, which included rent, utilities, medical, and miscellaneous needs. Thank you for your generosity.



LIVING STATIONS will be presented again this year by our 5, 6, 7, & 8th graders in collaboration with the children in both the parish school and the parish school of religion, on Friday, March 26, at 7:00 p.m. The evening will begin with a soup supper at 5:30 p.m., in McMahon Hall. Everyone is welcome!





MASS SERVERS SCHEDULE

Week of March 15

- 8:00 a.m. - **Monday - Wednesday**
 - Michael Rohrbach, Angela Schmitz
 - Samantha Serfass, Dylan Simon
- 5:30 p.m. - **Wednesday ONLY**
 - Sean Leahy, Joseph Dean
 - Alyssa Johnson, Miranda Boland
- 8:00 a.m. - **Thursday - Saturday**
 - David Kauffman, Megan Stafford
 - Nick Reed, Ryan Sklarek

Saturday, March 20

- 5:00 p.m. - Will Uhl, Joe Ozbolt
 - Caleb Busson, Marla Iverson

Sunday, March 21

- 8:00 a.m. - Megan McKenzie, Matt Sunday
 - Anthony Lorubbio, Ricky Ruedlinger
- 9:30 a.m. - Vincent Perry, Nick Peters
 - Sabina Pfeiffer, Jacob Porter
- 11:30 a.m. - Sarah Price, Michael Reynolds
 - Laurysa Rieger, Carlton Rodrigo

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 20

- 5:00 p.m. - Ray Arnone, Matt Haller, Russ Haller
 - Bob & Madeline Kelly

Sunday, March 21

- 8:00 a.m. - Bob Potts, Bob & Helen Smith
 - Joe Weber, Rosa Owens
- 9:30 a.m. - John Mulhollan, Helen Klaas, Pat McNeill
 - Jerry & Sue Lichty

- Cup Ministers** - Chuck & Marge Ruhlin, Sue Weigand
 - Jim Whalen, Dave & Pam Armstrong
- 11:30 a.m. - Lowell & Jan Knight, Mary Ciofani
 - Lou & Joan Perry

Altercare - Gahans

Liberty Residence - Buccitelli

Magnolia - Ruppel/Riddell

Sterling Oaks - Clarks

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 20

- 5:00 p.m. - Tracey Arnone, Sue Bielawski

Sunday, March 21

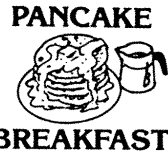
- 8:00 a.m. - Lois Potts, Joe Buccitelli
 9:30 a.m. - Amanda Porter, Frank Bertuzzi
 11:30 a.m. - David & Michelle Muzilla



St. Patrick was born in Great Britain about the year 385. As a young man he was captured and sold as a slave in Ireland where he had to tend sheep. Having escaped from slavery, he chose to enter the priesthood, and later, as a bishop, he tirelessly preached the Gospel to the people of Ireland where he converted many to the faith and established the Church.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

March 28 is the Pancake Breakfast to help our 7th graders go to Washington, D.C. next year!



ATTENTION JR. & SR. HIGH SCHOOLERS-Retreat planning meeting is **TONIGHT [Sunday]**, at **6:00 p.m.**, in the Upper Room. Theme, witnessing, & skits are the agenda. Please note 6:00 time change. Questions, call Mrs. Adams, 334-4064, or Mrs. Anderson, 334-1297.



NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

CLASSES-A wonderful way to strengthen your marriage and learn a safe drug-free method of family planning. Classes for our parish will begin Thursday, April 1, from 8-10:00 p.m. Contact Dave and Karen Kennedy, 336-1212, for more information.



AN "ALL YOU CAN EAT" KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY will be held all Friday's in Lent at the K of C Hall, N. Lyman St., from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

SACRED HEART PARISH ANNUAL SEDER MEAL

As you prepare for Easter, come share in fellowship and prayer with your parish family during a re-enactment of the Passover meal.

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2004

1:00 P.M.

MCPAHON HALL

Reservation deadline is Monday, March 29, 2004

***Limited to the first 200 people to reserve**

Family Name _____

Number of Adults _____ Children _____

Ages: _____

Would you be willing to be a Table Leader? _____

Would you be willing to stay to do clean up? _____

Set up 10:00 a.m., April 3rd? _____

Please circle one:

I will bring a Meat casserole

Potato casserole

Rice dish

Vegetable dish

Fruit bowl

Dessert

Please drop this reservation form in the Sunday Offertory basket or call Teri Johenning, 334-2654.

WHAT IS AN ISAIAH PARISH MISSION?

They have been called a “new-fashioned” Mission. It is four nights of prayer, scripture, music, and talks about faith. It is a time of spiritual renewal and openness to God’s love, a time to reflect and pray.

“The Building the Kingdom in a Changing World” Mission specifically explores the many crises which have assaulted us since September 11, 2001 [terrorism, biochemical warfare, church scandal, economic collapse, corporate fraud, war, etc.] through the prism of faith. Rev. Dan Doyle, S.M. and Valli Leone will offer sound theological, psychological, and practical down to earth suggestions for coping with unnecessary fear, anxiety, anger, or other feelings you may be experiencing. You will not only experience a deeper understanding and renewal of your faith, but the Mission provides a wonderful opportunity for you to introduce your friends and family to the dynamics of a living, personal faith. Mark your calendars now!

Isaiah Parish Mission-March 21, 22, 23,& 24
Sacred Heart Parish

The Mission starts each evening at 7:00 p.m.

Babysitting and transportation will be available. Please contact Mark Smith, 336-8649, for any additional information.



THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

- 8:30 a.m. - RCIA 1st Scrutiny, Conry Room
- Blood Pressure Screening after 8 & 9:30 Mass, Andes Room
- Donuts after 9:30 & 11:30 Mass, McMahon Hall
- 10:25 a.m. - High School PSR
- 12:30 p.m. - Marian Consecration, Andes Room
- 2:00 p.m. - Confab Mtg., Andes Room
- 6:15 p.m. - Family Rosary, church
- 7:30 p.m. - Youth Group, Upper Room

MONDAY, MARCH 15

- 3:00 p.m. - DI, McMahon Hall
- 3:30 p.m. - Jr. Presidium, Andes Room
- 7:00 p.m. - Generations of Faith, Andes Room
- 7:00 p.m. - Parish Council, Conry Room

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

- 7:30 a.m. - Breakfast of Champions, McMahon Hall
- 3:00 p.m. - DI, McMahon Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts, McMahon Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - Buildings & Grounds, Andes Room

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

- 10:00 a.m. - Bible Study Group, Andes Room
- 10:00 a.m. - DI Dress Rehearsal, McMahon Hall
- 2:00 p.m. - Stations & Benediction, church
- 3:00 p.m. - DI, McMahon Hall
- 3:15 p.m. - Youth Choir, Conry Room
- 6:30 p.m. - Young Adult Choir, church
- 7:00 p.m. - Jr. High PSR, school
- 7:00 p.m. - RCIA, McMahon Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - PreCana Mtg., Andes & Conry Rooms



THURSDAY, MARCH 18

- 10:30 a.m. - SHS Confessions, church
- 3:00 p.m. - DI, McMahon Hall
- 6:00 p.m. - Brownies, Conry Room
- 7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir, church

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

- 12:00 p.m. - BB Bible Study, Andes Room
- 3:00 p.m. - DI, McMahon Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - Stations & Benediction, church



SATURDAY, MARCH 20

- 9:00 a.m. - Parish Mission Retreat, Conry Room
- 9:15 a.m. - Elementary PSR, school
- 11:00 a.m. - Confessions until Noon, church
- 1:30 p.m. - Eagle Scout Ceremony, McMahon Hall
- 3:30 p.m. - Confessions until 4:30 p.m., church
- 5:00 p.m. - Faith First Family Night, church & Andes Room

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

- 10:25 a.m. - High School PSR
- 10:30 a.m. - Second Scrutiny, McMahon Hall
- 11:30 a.m. - Confirmation Session #5, church & McMahon Hall
- 12:30 p.m. - Marian Consecration, Andes Room
- **7:00 P.M.-PARISH MISSION, CHURCH**

FATH FIRST FAMILY LENT-March 20, beginning with the 5:00 Mass. Please call Diane Bruce, 335-0029 for reservations. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 15** for the pizza dinner. Families bring a dish to share.



NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION FOR SACRED HEART SCHOOL

began on March 1. If you are interested in a Catholic education for your child and would like to come to Sacred Heart School, please come to the school office between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., now through

March 26, to pick up a registration packet. A \$50 registration fee is due at this time. Any questions, please call the school, 334-6272.



ATTENTION PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES-CYO & Community Services

is accepting campers application for SumFun, a five week summer camp for children ages 5-21 with mental retardation/developmental disabilities. You may qualify for transportation to and from camp. Please visit us on the web:

[www.akroncyo.org\[camping/forms\]](http://www.akroncyo.org[camping/forms]) to download an application or call 330-762-2961, ext. 207, for more information .



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!