



As we begin this second week of Lent it may seem like we have a ways to go, but we all know how fast the days and weeks can go. Before you know it Easter will be here and we will be asking ourselves where the Lenten Season went.

We may have made all sorts of resolutions and promises to God that we will spend more time in prayer or that we will go without certain things we like such as food, drinks, or activities. Why do we do these things during Lent? It is a means of growing closer to God. When we go without certain comforts we are reminding ourselves that there is only ONE real necessity in our lives and that is God. Lent helps us to realize that God should be the very center of our lives and that everything else that we have or do should bring us closer to His love.

To many people in the world today this sounds a little extreme. Some would even say this kind of thinking is a little “off” and that there are many other important things in life. We need to ask ourselves, “What is more important than God?” We can answer this question in one way only and that is to say that there is NOTHING more important than God. In our minds we can easily agree with this statement, but it is not how we always live out our lives. Our choices and our actions do not always witness to what we know and believe in our hearts. This is a constant challenge for all of us and this is why we need the Lenten Season to help us to get on the right track and stay there.

During this Holy Season of Lent there is much we can do to deepen our awareness of God’s love and presence in our lives: Mass and Holy Communion, praying before the Blessed Sacrament, making the Stations of the Cross, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, praying with our families, especially the Rosary, and performing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. All of these activities help us to be more closely united with God and able to see the people and experiences of our lives in the light of His love. It is through prayer and the sacraments that we can turn our sometimes selfish ways into the selfless way of Jesus Christ.

This Holy Season of Lent is still very fresh and we should use each day in the best possible way to really grow in God’s love and share that love with others.

Remember! Our Parish Mission is only a week away so mark your calendars and set aside this important time of prayer and growth for our parish family. Fr. Collins will be with us and he will conduct the mission on three evenings, March 8th, 9th, and 10th and after the 8 AM Mass and at 7 PM in the evening. Please note it will be the same presentation both in the morning and the evening. Please check the insert in last Sunday’s bulletin or the posters at the doors of the church.

Last weekend, about eight of our young people participated in a FOOD FAST in which they went without eating for about 24 hours. They started on Friday evening at 6 PM and went until after the 5 PM Mass on Saturday without eating. The point is to have some idea of what most people in the world endure every day. I am very proud of these young people for having the courage to do something like this and really learn about what the poor and the hungry live like most of the time. I am also grateful to the adult leaders: Keith Johnson, Diane Bruce, Vince Greczanik, and Matt Leahy, who help to pray with these young people and teach them about what the poor or homeless do to cope with their own troubles and how we can help them.

This is just one of the activities that can help our young people grow in their faith. It is important for all of us and especially parents to encourage our young people to be involved in our youth ministry program. Since we no longer have a full-time youth minister, and it does not look like we will be able to afford one for a while, we have to rely more on volunteers for now. Our teens and young people are important and we all need to encourage their participation and help out in the programs as well.

ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH, BARBERTON, will host a Lent Speaker Series. March 2: “Lent: A New Look at the Same Old Stuff,” Fr. Michael B. Smith; March 16: “Walking the Stations of the Cross,” Linda Herold, a Cancer Survivor; March 25: “Let it Be Done to Me as You Say,” Fr. Jim Singler. All sessions begin at 7:00 p.m. and meet in the school cafeteria. All are invited!

TERESA TOMEO FROM “CATHOLIC CONNECTION” Community Pregnancy Center will present Teresa Tomeo on Thursday, April 15, 2010. Teresa Tomeo will present commentary on the culture of life. The event is a fund raiser for the Center’s outreach program to support Mothers and their unborn children. Mark your calendars to be a part of this one-time event in Northeast Ohio. Teresa Tomeo can be heard locally at 9:00 a.m. on AM1060. For more information, contact Diane, 330-825-1900.



Saturday, February 27

5:00 p.m. Ruth Haggerty [Joel & Mara Hlavaty]

Sunday, February 28, Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. . Deceased of Mazzola Family [Jim & Cass Isaac]

9:30 a.m. For Our Parish

11:30 a.m. . Mary Canestraro [Richard Canestraro, Sr. Family]

Monday, March 1

8:00 a.m. Bianca Borsellino [M/M Sim Sperlazza]

Tuesday, March 2

8:00 a.m. Ellen Clarke [Rosa Ownes & Alice Serfass]

Wednesday, March 3, St. Katherine Drexel

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

5:30 p.m. Sue Christine [Dan & Lois Foster]

Thursday, March 4, St. Casmir

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

9:30 a.m. Marge Cooper [Bott Family]

Friday, March 5; First Friday

8:00 a.m. Mary Jane Strimple [Rosa Owens & Alice Serfass]

Saturday, March 6; First Saturday

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

5:00 p.m. Greg Hreda [5:00 Ushers]

Sunday, March 7, Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. For Our Parish

9:30 a.m. Gene McCaman [K of C #3213]

11:30 a.m. Tom Porter [Joan Dunning]

MONTE CARLO NIGHT J.W. Didado Electric presents the 4th Annual Monte Carlo Entertainment Night to benefit Catholic Social Services on Saturday, March 27, at Todaro's Party Center. Tickets are \$75 per person and include food, cocktails, Vegas style games, live entertainment, and wonderful prizes. To purchase tickets or for more information, contact Tricia Easton at 334-0148 or Louise at 330-762-2961, ext. 200. All proceeds will provide emergency rent, utility payments, and hot meals to assist our neighbors facing the threat of homelessness.

Readings for the Week of February 28, 2010

- Monday** Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday** Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday** Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday** Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
- Friday** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sunday** Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

Second Sunday of Lent

While Jesus was praying, his face changed in appearance and his clothes became dazzling white. While he was speaking, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and the disciples grew fearful as the others entered it. Then from the cloud came a voice which said, "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him."

Luke 9:29, 34-35

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT -- FEBRUARY 21

Offertory.....	\$12,479.50
Support Our School.....	\$264.00
Capital Reserve Fund.....	\$155.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society.....	\$375.00
Home Missions.....	\$38.00
El Salvador.....	\$40.00
Number of envelopes used:.....	371

MANY THANKS for your generous offerings.

Your Sacrificial Offering

**SCRIPTURE READING REFLECTIONS OF THE WEEK
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
[WEEK OF FEBRUARY 28, 2010]**

Question for Adults: How are your priorities affected by your faith in Jesus Christ?

Question for Children: When you have important choices to make, do you and your family pray to make the right choice?

YOU ARE INVITED TO A GETHSEMANE HOUR, an hour in remembrance of and in unity with Our Savior. To pray in adoration, in consolation, and in reparation. To pray the cry of an afflicted society needing Him, His Truth, and His help in the fight against, not only the physical death, but the spiritual death, that results from abortion. Every Thursday 11pm-midnight in the chapel before the Blessed Sacrament, come spend a Gethsemane hour with Jesus, but especially through Lent! This is the hour when He answered the rivers of iniquities sent Him by creatures with rivers of His own Blood, so that sins might be drowned in It and forgiveness given to each one. Gethsemane hour answers the expression of His longing: "Won't you spend an hour with Me?"

FREE SOUL(S) FROM PURGATORY FOR LENT A Lenten 'penance' which is very satisfactory to the Lord! Take advantage of making the 5:30 p.m. Mass on the Wednesdays of Lent and the Rosary afterwards to gain a plenary indulgence. (Additionally one also needs be cleansed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation ten days before or after the Mass.) Because of the Church's intercessory power, we have the power to release a soul from Purgatory everyday through our plenary indulgences. Come and receive an indulgence (this free gift of mercy from God) for a poor soul. How pleasing to Jesus! During the 40 days fast of Jesus, He must have hoped and prayed that many would utilize the gift of His indulgences to the full.

A GUADALUPE FESTIVAL WILL BE MARCH 25 AT WALSH UNIVERSITY. This is a free event and open to the public! For more information, contact nblackford@walsh.edu.



K OF C FISH FRY will be every Friday during Lent, including Good Friday, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the K of C Hall!

LITURGICAL + ROLES

MASS SERVERS SCHEDULE

Week of March 1

- 8:00 a.m. - **Monday - Wednesday**
- Daniel Johnson, David Johnson
- 5:30 p.m. - **Wednesday ONLY**
- Kevin McQuate, Hayley McQuate
- 8:00 a.m. - **Thursday - Saturday**
- Anthony Palecek, Nick Palecek

Stations and Benediction, March 5

- 7:00 p.m. - Hailey Dustin, Patrick McFarland
- Karen McFarland, Zachary Porter

Saturday, March 6

- 5:00 p.m. - Michael Carps, Elizabeth Sablotny
- Steven Sablotny, Joe Sablotny

Sunday, March 7

- 8:00 a.m. - Allie Beery, Molly Fahey
- Ann Fahey, Samantha Serfass
- 9:30 a.m. - Jeffrey Gahan, Will Ozbolt
- Stuart Turk, Peri Turk
- 11:30 a.m. - Tom Calhoun, Jim Calhoun
- Sarah Masica, Anna Masica

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 6

- 5:00 p.m. - Caesar Carrino, Frank Collins
- Roger & Debbie Petrey, David King

Cup Ministers

- Ray Arnone, Kay Carps, John Toth
- Brenda Sablotny, Lou & Joan Perry

Sunday, March 7

- 8:00 a.m. - Bill & Cece Bees, JoAnn Riddell
- Jim & Helen Conroy
- 9:30 a.m. - Bobbe Evans, Rick & Lisa Tomko
- Michael & Joanne Gahan
- 11:30 a.m. - Karla Bellinger, Ann Kellish
- Betty Ruppel, Oscar & Judy Mifsud

Wadsworth Hospital - Anderson

Altercare - Schafers

Liberty Residence II - Weber

Magnolia - Venners/Eatons

Wadsworth Pointe - McNeills

The Rosary is prayed at:

- Wadsworth Pointe on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, at 2:00 p.m.
- Magnolia on the 3rd Wednesday, at 10:00 a.m.
- Altercare on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, at 10:00 a.m.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 6

- 5:00 p.m. - Jim Carps, Tracey Arnone

Sunday, March 7

- 8:00 a.m. - Mike Krietemeyer, Fritz Kungl
- 9:30 a.m. - Jerry & Sue Lichty
- 11:30 a.m. - Dan Bellinger, Richard Day

MUCHAS GRACIAS for supporting the January 2010 Honduras Medical Mission. It was another great success at bringing healthcare to those in need. My diary and some photos are available at <http://www.holyfamilystow.org/honduras.php>. Look for news of the January 2011 Medical Mission sometime in June. Fr. Mike Ausperk

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM-In

order to understand and better appreciate this special sacrament, parents need to attend a Pre-Baptismal class. Sacred Heart offers this instruction on the first Sunday in September, December, **March**, and June, at

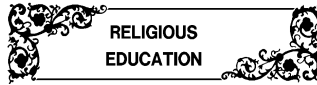


12:30 p.m., in the Conry Room. Preregistration for the class is not necessary. Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Sundays of the month, immediately following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Please call the Parish Office if you have any questions, 336-3049. **Our next class is March 7!**

WHAT'S HEALTHY FOR YOUR FAITH & MARRIAGE?

Have you ever thought about what unnatural birth control methods **really** do to your body? To your marriage? Attend a short course and learn a natural method of family planning that is safe, 99% effective, and in line with your faith. Great for achieving as well as postponing pregnancy. Natural Family Planning Class started Sunday, 2/21 at Queen of Heaven in Green. For more info and to register, call Ben & Kay Metzler at 330-896-3350, nfpteacher@hotmail.com, or register online at <https://register.ccli.org/classes/103/register>.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS
 SACRED HEART SCHOOL
 would love the opportunity to educate your children. As Catholic parents, one of the most important decisions you will make is choosing an education for your children that will help them grow into mature, Catholic adults. Our parish school provides a place for students to learn and grow spiritually, morally, academically, socially, and physically. In an attempt to truly meet each child's needs, we offer full-day and half-day kindergarten programs, as well as many enrichment and intervention opportunities. Register now for pre-k and kindergarten classes. You may pick up a registration packet at the school office. There is a \$50 non-refundable processing fee due at this time. Please call 330-334-6272 for additional information or check out our web site at www.shswadsworth.org.



RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION

SECOND GRADE LETTER OF INTENT FOR EUCHARIST Children preparing for the Sacrament of Eucharist are asked to submit their Letter of Intent at any Mass on **March 6 or 7, 2010. Please follow the directions as noted at the bottom of the Letter of Intent.**

LENT: Looking for some interesting ways to spiritually grow personally and for your family? Check out Sacred Heart website under Generations of Faith, there are many excellent opportunities.

PARENTS OF CONFIRMANDI: At our February Confirmation session, your Confirmation Candidate received a permission form for the upcoming Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, March 13, at 1:00 p.m. Please return all form(s) to Diane Bruce by March 6.

CONFIRMATION DATE IS SET! Please note the date for Confirmation is **Saturday, June 5, 2010**, at the 5:00 p.m. Mass., with auxiliary Bishop James Quinn!

ARTS & ENVIRONMENT Are you looking for that special opportunity to be actively involved in your parish? This is **YOUR** opportunity! The Arts and Environment person is the one who receives the many compliments for making the church look so beautiful throughout the year. This person has the opportunity to share her/his creative talents with everyone! Possibly you would like to do this yourself or co-share this creative opportunity with another member of the parish. If you feel that this is a talent that you can share with our parish, please do not be hesitant to contact the Parish Office 336-3049, Tammy Seifert 336-8281, or Don Drouhard 1-330-345-5688. Thank you for giving this your sincere thought and prayers.



The High School Youth Group will meet *this* Sunday from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in McMahon Hall.

Franciscan University of Steubenville's Festival of Praise is Saturday, March 6. Contact Keith Johnson if you are interested in going.

ATTENTION, MEN! If you have not signed up yet, you need to get moving. Men are now registering for the Catholic Men's Fellowship of NE Ohio annual **"ANSWER THE CALL"** conference at Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, on Saturday, March 20. Dynamic speakers, fellowship, music, lunch, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, closing Mass, and course, the early morning table with 1,000 donuts await you. It's a serious day of spiritual growth wrapped in fun, excitement, and camaraderie. Log on to www.cmfneo.com or call the office for more information. *Registration is \$20.00 per person when registering with Sacred Heart. Please send in registration money to Keith Johnson at the Parish Office by Friday, March 12.*

This Week...

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- 10:30 a.m. - PCC, Conry Room
- 10:30 a.m. - CHWC mtg., Andes Room
- 10:45 a.m. - **NO!** PSR, school
- 4:00 p.m. - NFP, Andes Room
- 5:00 p.m. - Adorations for Vocations, chapel
- 7:00 p.m. - HSYG, McMahon Hall

MONDAY, MARCH 1

- 3:15 p.m. - Jr. Presidium, Andes Room
- 7:00 p.m. - Parent First Eucharist mtg., McMahon Hall

TUESDAY, MARCH 2

- 8:30 a.m. - BC, McMahon Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - Cub Scouts, Conry Room
- 7:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts, McMahon Hall

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

- 9:00 a.m. - LBS, church lower level
- 2:00 p.m. - Stations & Benediction, church
- 7:00 p.m. - RCIA, McMahon Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - RCIC, Andes Room
- 7:30 p.m. - LBS, Conry Room



THURSDAY, MARCH 4

- 5:30 p.m. - Girl Scouts, Conry Room
- 7:00 p.m. - Legion of Mary, Andes Room
- 7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir, church
- 11:00 p.m. - Gethsemane Hour, chapel

FRIDAY, MARCH 5

- 7:00 p.m. - Stations & Benediction, church



SATURDAY, MARCH 6

- 9:30 a.m. - 2nd grade PSR, school
- 11:00 a.m. - Confessions until Noon, church
- 3:30 p.m. - Confessions until 4:30 p.m., church
- 7:00 p.m. - Cinderella Ball, church lower level

SUNDAY, MARCH 7

- 10:30 a.m. - 6,7,8 PSR Praesidium mtg., McMahon Hall
- 10:45 a.m. - PSR, school
- 5:00 p.m. - Adorations for Vocations, chapel
- 7:00 p.m. - HSYG, McMahon Hall

DUE TO THE WARMING TEMPERATURES there is a safety concern for the PSR children and their parents when entering and exiting the school building. With the melting snow there is a great deal of snow that slides off the roof and lands with quite an impact, including the icicles. Until further notice we will not be providing access to the Broad St. entrance to the school. **PLEASE USE THE ENTRANCE ON HUMBOLT when coming and going to PSR. Thank you!**