

Altar Guild Workers—February 25 Antionette Kilhoffer, Jenny Morelli, Aldine Roof, Jen Stanley, Jeanne Robbins

Bingo Workers – February 27 Kris Ostrander, Patty Calla, John Eckert, Jill or Mike Raubenstrauch

Weekly Collection
February 14, 2010
Adults: \$ 5094.00
Children: \$49.15

**8:00 a.m. Mass is being broadcast on
WDDH 97.5 FM at 9:00 a.m.
on TAPE DELAY
The Sponsor for our broadcast is in
memory of Jean Urman**

Holy Cross Church, Brandy Camp will hold a Pancake & Sausage Breakfast on February 21st from 8:45 a.m. till 12 noon. The cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children, all you can eat. Come for 8:00 a.m. Mass and stay for Breakfast.

There will be a benefit spaghetti dinner at the Ridgeway Senior Center, Sunday Feb. 21st, starting at noon till sold out for \$5.00. All are welcome.

There will be a cinch tournament at the Senior Center on Saturday, February 27th. Please call 776-6080 for reservation. Public welcome.

Evening of Prayer and Music on February 21st, at 7 p.m. which will include a Gospel reading, Homily and Healing prayers with Fr. Mastrian. All are welcome at St. Michael the Archangel Church in DuBois.

March meeting of Celiac Support Group will be held Monday, March 1st at 7 p.m. at Community Education Center on Erie Ave. in St. Marys. Anyone with Celac Disease or any interested individual is invited to attend.

2009 year end contributions statements for tax purposes can be picked up or mailed to you by calling the rectory at 772-3135.

If you did not pick up your 2010 envelopes, they are now in the vestibule of the church.

Due to an earlier date for transmitting the bulletin for publication, items must be in the office by Monday morning.

Catholic Services Appeal: Last weekend we celebrated Commitment Sunday when our parishioners were encouraged to fill out their pledge cards and place them in the collection basket. If you have yet to make your pledge, there are envelopes at both entrances of the church. We ask for your support which will benefit not only our Diocese, but our parish project. If you feel you cannot make a pledge at this time, please fill out an envelope indicating this so that a follow up letter will not be sent to you. Thank you for your prayerful support.

Helping those who help others – on March 13, 2010, the local chapter of the American Red Cross will be holding their annual fundraiser *The Celebrity Waiter Dinner*, at the Royal. St. Leo Parish will be sponsoring a table with myself, Mary Detwiler, as the “celebrity” waiter. I am asking for help from our parish and school to raise at least \$800 before the night of the dinner. It is a great way to help our local Red Cross raise funds so that they can be there for those in need. If you would like to donate (any amount is fine) and help make this a successful night, please send a check made payable to the American Red Cross to 1523 Hill Street, Ridgway, PA 15853. And please – wish me luck - I am a little out of my element here!

Liturgical Schedule for February 27/28

	Saturday, 5:15 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:00AM
Lectors	Jeanne Robbins	Noel Murphy	Nina Stolburg
Eucharist Ministers	L. Urmann, F. Riley	C. Kiska, M. Cianca	S. Schutz, T. Buchheit B. & L. Greenthauer*
Servers	E. Pura, E. Kemick	Tettis sisters	K. & R. Weis
Hi Rise			J. Martin

“Why Catholic?” gets new name.

Sharing Scripture

On February 23rd, Fr. Brian will open the 1st session at the K of C. (6:30—8:30 p.m.) with a reflection “The Miracles of Jesus”.

Any parishioner who would wish to be a facilitator for Scripture Sharing please call Molly Fernan at 776-1582. At present, we have six groups.

Sacrament of Anointing: Beginning in March this Sacrament will be offered to our parishioners each month right before the First Thursday’s 4:30 pm confessions in the church. Vatican II has broadened the use of this Sacrament to include anyone who is sick physically, emotionally or spiritually; those faced with surgery or those feeling the burden of the advancement of years. We will include a reminder each month under the mass schedule for you to come and benefit from the reception of this anointing. Here are the dates we will celebrate this sacrament at 4:15 pm in the church: March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3, July 1, August 5, September 2, October 30, November 4 and December 2. You need not call beforehand, but just show up on any of these dates. God bless.
Fr. Brian

Next weekend Paul Bork, who is the Regional Director for Mission Education and Awareness in the Buffalo Area and who has traveled to Maryknoll missions across the globe from China to Hong Kong and Mexico, will speak at the Masses and give our parishioners an opportunity to take part in the vital work of bringing Christ’s name and Christ’s message to all people. While at the parish Mr. Bork will be happy to talk with any parishioners who are interested in doing overseas mission work as a Maryknoll Priest, Sister, Brother or lay Missioner. You will be invited to use the Maryknoll “yellow envelope”. If you put your name on the envelope you will participate in promoting mission within your family by receiving the “Maryknoll” magazine as a free gift every month. You may make a free will offering, if you wish to do so.

Box Tops and Pennies!

Do you have any Box Tops or pennies that you would like to donate to Saint Leo School? We are collecting for the next two weeks. February 9th through February 24th will be official collection dates for both Box Tops and pennies. All money raised will go toward new Library books and new games for classrooms. So come on – support our school! Prizes will be offered to winning classes! Pennies and Box Tops can be dropped off in the Gathering Space of the church. Thanks for your support!

FISH FRIES All Fridays in Lent

St. Joseph, Force— Ash Wednesday and Fridays 4-7 p.m. –Cost \$8:50, children \$5:00 Menu: Haddock fish, Baked potato, or French fries, Cole Slaw, roll, Dessert, & Drink.

St. Boniface, Kersey—4-7 p.m. Cost—Large \$9 and Small \$8. Menu: Fish, baked or fried, French fries or baked potato, macaroni salad, roll, drink & dessert. Chicken fingers are available to children at \$4.

St. Joseph School, Route 66 Lucinda
Fish, Shrimp, Crab Leg Dinners Every Friday in Lent
February 19th to April 2nd 4:00-7:00 p.m.
Adults \$7.95 Children \$5.95 Preschool Free
All Crab Leg Dinners \$10.95 Dinners include choice of fish (baked or fried), shrimp or crab legs, choice of potato, coleslaw, roll, dessert and drink.

Sacred Heart “Fish Fry Buffet” Baked or Fried Fish, Shrimp, Baked Potato or French Fries, Cole Slaw, Home-made Rolls, Meatless Soup, Light Dessert, Beverage. Held in Activity Center. Price \$8.50/Large \$7.50/Small, Child (under 10). Serving 4-6:30 p.m. Fish Fry Dates: Feb. 19,26, Mar. 12, 19, Apr. 2.

Sacred Heart’s 1st Fri. Bread Sale: Fresh Baked Breads: Large Raisin, White, Rye & Wheat \$3/loaf, Small Raisin, White, Rye, \$2/loaf, Cinnamon Roll \$5.00 doz. Specials for March: Wedding Soup \$4/qt.. Ham & Swiss Sandwich \$3.50/ea, Zucchini Bread \$3.00/loaf, No Bake Cookies \$3.50/doz., NEW White Toasting Bread \$2.00/ea. Pick-up at Activity Center Cafeteria, Thurs., Mar. 4th from 4-6 and Fri., Mar. 5 from 10-3 or while supplies last. Adv. Orders at 834-7861 or 834-3698.

K of C. 300 winners: Week 1 \$40 Coletta Westover, \$25 Mark Eberly, \$15 Bob Connacher, \$10 Missy Hinton, Ed Lavelle, \$5 John Viola, Joe Piccirillo
Week 2 \$40 Ed Lavelle, \$25 Anna O’Neil, \$15 unsold, \$10 Ron Viglione, Vi & Butch, \$5 Skid Pierce, Sis
Week 3 \$40 Barb Selby, \$25 Charles Shilk, \$15 Pam & Gib, \$10 Unsold, Barb & Marie, \$5 Marvin McClintock, Ken Wilson

REMEMBER

Once again the Church invites us to enter the desert of repentance. That desert, as today's first reading reminds us, is also a desert of remembrance. This holy season summons us to remember all that God has done for us. Like the Israelites who recalled their captivity and God's work to free them from the Egyptians, we, too, recall those times when we were held captive by sin and experienced freedom through the gift of God's redeeming love.

Saint Paul tells us that the word of God is near us; it is in our mouths and in our hearts. May that sacred word prompt us to remember God's great work of reconciliation in our lives and in our community. As this season of Lent unfolds, let us take to heart these words of Saint Paul and spend these forty days calling upon the name of the Lord, asking for forgiveness and healing

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Israelites show their faith by offering the LORD first fruits of the products of their new land (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

Psalms — Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble (Psalm 91).

Second Reading — All who express faith in the risen Christ and confess that he is Lord will be saved (Romans 10:8-13).

Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and was tempted (Luke 4:1-13).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent
Monday: The Chair of St. Peter;
Washington's Birthday
Tuesday: St. Polycarp
Friday: Abstinence

SAINT POLYCARP (died 155)

February 23

"Eighty-six years I have served Christ, and he never did me any wrong. How can I blaspheme my King and Savior?" Boldly answering the official who demanded he worship pagan gods, Polycarp, today's "Senior Citizen Saint," demonstrates that courage, far from being the preserve of the young, is a virtue cultivated through life-long fidelity and crowned by final perseverance. A disciple of Saint John, who is said to have consecrated him bishop of Smyrna in modern day Turkey, Polycarp witnesses to the truth that, whatever time and space may separate us, Jesus' gift of the Eucharist unites us. Polycarp's final words, preserved by the Church of Smyrna, sound like a Eucharistic Prayer in which the saint offers himself: "Lord, almighty God, Father of your beloved and blessed Son Jesus Christ, through whom we have come to the knowledge of yourself . . . may I be received among the martyrs as a rich and pleasing sacrifice . . . through the eternal priest of heaven, Jesus Christ . . . through him be glory to you, together with him and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen."

Liturgy for the Week

Mon. February 22

8:30 Joseph & Lyle Beck
(Family)

Tues. February 23

8:30 Sabatino Magrini
(Family)

Wed. February 24

8:30 Mr. & Mrs William Geitner
(Gerry Zappia)

Thurs. February 25

8:30 Mark Zawacki
(Don Benton)
7:00 p.m. Ultreya Mass (Ken Hanes)

Fri. February 26

8:30 Intention of Donor
11:00 **St. Leo School -Stations of the Cross**

Sat. February 27

4:30pm Confessions
5:15pm Mary Harris
(Hribik Family)

Sun. February 28

8:00 Lucy Viola
(John Viola)
10:00 Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Leo's

**6 pm Stations of the Cross on Sundays
during Lent and Rosary to follow.
Some weeks will have Adoration and
Benediction.**



CANCEL THE COLD

LIST OF THOSE WHO WILL BE PRAYED FOR ON

- Feb.22 Richard Goetz, Jean Urmann, John & Leona Piccirillo
- Feb. 23 MM Peter Yando & Family, Caroline, Jim, Tim Keller, Aaron Papa
- Feb. 24 Jean Urmann, Szymanski Family
- Feb. 25 John & Leona Piccirillo, Jim Detwiler
- Feb. 26 Fusco Family, James & Charles Stanley
- Feb. 27 Alberta J. Spomer, Rita Vinski, Mary Facetti.
Emma & Emil Kilhoffer, John Hribik
- Feb. 28 Bee & Kicker Gapinski, Lori Steis Spangler,
Adam Karpinski, Renee Constable, Miriam McCafferty