

Altar Guild Workers—March 4 - Sandy Tettis, Nina Aiello, Rose Wolf, Linda Johnson

Bingo Workers –March 6 - Tina Clancy, Rena Urmann, Leslie or Nick Dattoli, Heather Luchini

Weekly Collection
February 21, 2010
Adults: \$ 6,420.00

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 Urmann

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.

Cemetery Meeting on Tuesday, March 2nd at 7 p.m. in the Rectory.

Surveillance Cameras: As a result of the recent vandalism in our church, St. Leo’s has received an anonymous gift to have surveillance cameras mounted at several of our entrances and in the sacristy. We are grateful for this donation and our increased security. Thank you!

New Worship Computer: We now have installed our new wireless computer upgraded for the internet to be used for our services within the church. The old computer will be used in the rectory.

Lighting: We now have continuous lighting at both entrances leading into our worship space for safety purposes and for our new surveillance cameras.

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

Catholic Services Appeal: 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, 1523 Hill Street, Ridgway, PA 15853. And please – wish me luck - I am a little out of my element here!

On Sunday, March 14th, after both Masses, the Vatican International Exhibition of the Eucharistic Miracles of the World will be on display in the social hall and gathering space. View over 100 beautifully illustrated panels and pictures of the “bread of life”, what we as Catholics believe is the source and summit of our faith. “Amazing”, “Wonderful”, “Absolutely lovely”. Please take time to enrich your faith with this most inspiring display!!

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

| Liturgical Schedule for March 6/7 | | | |
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| | Saturday, 5:15 PM | Sunday, 8:00 AM | Sunday, 10:00AM |
| Lectors | Assigned | Assigned | Assigned |
| Eucharist Ministers | N. Stolberg, J. Fernan H. Nicklas*, J. Wonderly* | T. Bomba, A. Kemick | N. Hoffman, B. MacDonald J & C Fink* |
| Servers | J. Messineo, A. Schauer | R. Fink, E. Catalano | T. Schield, G. Urmann |
| Hi Rise | | | N. Petrosky |

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

We welcome Maryknoll Mr. Paul Bork who will speak at all Masses today. Maryknoll is the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America. Maryknoll's task is to bring God's Word to foreign lands. Maryknollers share the Gospel, not in word alone, but in practical and concrete actions by feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, giving shelter to the homeless, comforting the oppressed.

Family Honor will be presenting Real Love & Real Life, a Chastity program series at St. Tobias Parish Center for parents with you 7th and 8th graders on Monday, March 1, 8, 15, 22.

Right to Life Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sacred heart parish Activity Center. For more information call Mary Bea at 834-3834.

New Testament Course March 4th, 11th, and 18th

Sponsored by Erie Diocese

Sister Elizabeth Oettel, O.S.B. will hold a short course on the New Testament three consecutive Thursdays during Lent – March 4, 11, & 18 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm in the Sacred Heart Activities Center (School) in St. Marys. The New Testament course is presented for parish ministry training. Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, please call Sister Elizabeth @ 788-5057.

Second collection each Sunday during Lent will be for the Rice Bowl.



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 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, Homemade 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.

Cinch Tournament hosted by Domtar Paper Co. Relay for Life Team – Benefits the American Cancer Society. Saturday, March 6 at Sacred Heart Parish, Activity Center Cafeteria. Dinner is served at 6:15 p.m. Play to begin at 7 p.m \$10/person. Food & refreshments will be provided. Pre-register by calling Sharon Streich at 594-5594 or Sacred Heart at 834-7862.

Catholic Services Appeal: It is with the utmost gratitude that I write to you on your response to the 2010 Catholic Service Appeal. Your support has meant a great deal to our Church, especially during these challenging economic times. Important ministries and services of our Diocesan Church and the restoration of our creek's wall and sidewalk for our parish will be funded by your gift. Our parish has pledged \$32,871. This is a wonderful testament to how we collectively reach out to others. It truly is a reflection of the Catholic Services Appeal theme “Of One Heart and Mind.” Please keep St. Leo's and the entire Diocese of Erie in your prayers, as I keep you in mine. It will be my prayer that the Lord will bestow abundant blessings on you and your family this year, just as your gift provides blessings to many others. Thank you again, Fr. Brian.

ALL ABOUT CHANGE

On this Second Sunday of Lent the scriptures remind us that when we have an encounter with our God, things are bound to change. In the first reading God tells Abram to raise his eyes to the sky, promising descendants as numerous as the stars. Abram's act of faith in the Lord is sealed in covenant, forever changing the course of salvation history. In the Gospel story of the Transfiguration, always proclaimed on this Lenten Sunday, the Lord Jesus changes in appearance before the eyes of the apostles who, like Abram, raise their eyes to the spectacle in the sky. It is Saint Paul who brings it all together for us: "He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body" (Philippians 3:21). Lent is all about change, all about conversion. Let us cast our own eyes to heaven, awaiting that day when we will be changed—when we will share in Christ's glory.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord made a covenant with his faithful servant, Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land." (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18)

Psalm — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading — We await the Lord Jesus, who will change us to conform with his glorified body (Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]).

Gospel — Peter, James, and John witness the transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain (Luke 9:28b-36).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent;

Purim (Jewish observance)

Wednesday: St. Katharine Drexel

Thursday: St. Casimir

Friday: First Friday; World Day of Prayer; Abstinence

Saturday: First Saturday

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL (1858-1955)

March 3

Born into Philadelphia society, Katharine was an infant when she lost her mother. Her father remarried and the couple taught their daughters that their wealth was a "gift on loan" to be shared with the poor, whom they fed and cared for in their home. Invited by priest-friends to witness firsthand the destitution on Native American reservations, Katharine resolved to devote her inheritance to this apostolate and enter a contemplative order. When, however, in private audience, she begged Leo XIII to send missionaries to staff the schools she was building, the pope replied, "My child, why not become a missionary yourself?" Katharine renounced a twenty-million-dollar fortune and founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, adoring Christ present in the Eucharist and ministering to Christ suffering in victims of racial discrimination. Her Sisters established over sixty schools nationwide, including Xavier University, New Orleans, the first dedicated to professional education for African Americans. In 2000, John Paul II canonized "Mother Drexel," praising her "excellent example of practical charity and generous solidarity with the less fortunate, long the distinguishing mark of American Catholics."

Liturgy for the Week

Mon. March 1

8:30 Virginia DePanfilis
(Gerry Zappia)

Tues. March 2

8:30 Jim Bryndel
(Family)

Wed. March 3

8:30 Margaret Ely
(Elizabeth Verbeck)

Thurs. March 4

8:30 R. Joseph & Lavina Tettis
(Beverly MacDonald Family)

4:15 Anointing of the Sick

4:30 Confessions

Fri. March 5

8:30 John Cerroni Sr.
(Dolly & Bill MacDonald)
Followed by Stations

Sat. March 6

5:15pm Don Davido & Frances Fitch
(Tony Davido)

Sun. March 7

8:00 Vera Judice
(James & Margaret Caggiano)
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**

- Mar. 1 Shirley Hribik, Linda Giovanini, Mr & Mrs
Antonio Defranco, Andrew Reynolds
- Mar. 2 Anthony & Della Allegretto, Francis &
Edna Garell
- Mar. 3 Bruce Murphy, John Fernan, Barb Young
- Mar. 4 R. Joseph & Lavina Tettis, Guy Fustine
family, Kenneth Roof
- Mar. 5 Liz Mitchell, Sybil Paffrath
- Mar. 6 James & Esther Elinski
- Mar. 7 John DeGroat, John Addeo