

Altar Guild Workers—March 18 - Peg Nearing, Sharon Geyer, Arlene Regulski, Sonya Marzella, Joyce Steis

Bingo Workers –March 20 - Russ Grazioli, Leann or Paul Prencipe, Christie Gardner, Martha Toncich

Weekly Collection
 March 7
 Adult: \$5585.00
 Children: \$47.06

**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**

**Ultreya, March 18th –7:00 P.M.
 St. Mark’s Church, Emporium**

Lot Owners of St. Leo’s Cemetery are asked to remove all old plants and Christmas decorations from graves at the cemetery by April 1st so that the caretakers may begin spring clean-up. Thank you.

Census– By now most of you have received your 2010 Census form . This is of the shortest census forms in history. It asks 10 questions and takes about 10 minutes. To complete your participation is vital. By law the U.S. Census Bureau cannot share an individual’s personal information with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities. Please complete and mail back you census form. For more info, visit 2010census.gov.

LUNCH WITH THE LORD– Noon
 Mar. 18: Sacred Heart Church speaker, Rev. Mary Norton

Mar 25: Agape Church– speaker, Rev. Chris Kindle

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

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

PALM SUNDAY Masses - Saturday 5:15 P.M.
 Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 A.M.

Chrim Mass -Monday 4:00 P.M. SSCD in Punxsutawney

Holy Thursday -7:00 P.M Evening Mass of the Last Supper
 (No morning Mass)

Good Friday– 10:00 A.M, Cross Walk St. Leo’s Parking Lot
 1:00 P.M. Service of the Lord’s Passion
 7:30 P.M. Living stations in the Church

Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil - 8:30 p.m. Diocesan requirement
 on the time.
 (No confessions)

Easter Sunday - 8:00 & 10:00 A.M.

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.

The St. Thomas More House of Prayer is offering a mother-daughter retreat the weekend of April 9-11. If you would like more information please visit the website www. If you would like to reserve space or ask questions, call the House of Prayer at 814-676-1910.

Liturgical Schedule for March 20/21			
	Saturday, 5:15 PM	Sunday, 8:00 AM	Sunday, 10:00AM
Lectors	Mary Tettis	Dennis Lindberg	Don Fabiano
Eucharist Ministers	C. Armanini B. Caggese	D. Richards N. Murphy	K. Roemer, J.P. MacDonald M. & J. Eberly*
Servers	A. Maddalena, C. Bush	Bobbys	Kucenskis
Hi Rise			J. Wonderly

Sacrament of Anointing: Here are the dates we will celebrate this sacrament at 4:15 pm in the church: 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

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 15, 22.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES – 2010

Tues. March 16 7:00 p.m. Holy Rosary, Johnsonburg
Sun. March 21 6:30 p.m. St. Mark, Emporium
Mon. March 22 7:00 p.m. St. Marys, St. Marys
Tues. March 23 7:00 p.m. Sacred Heart, St. Marys
Thurs. March 25 7:00 p.m. St Boniface, Kersey
Fri. March 26 7:00 p.m. St. Leo, Ridgway

Heart-to-Heart with Hamot will feature new cardiologist You are invited to join Elk Regional Health Center and Community nurses at their free heart health event on Tuesday, March 23 from 4:30 to 7:30 a.m. in the ERHC Education Center in St. Marys. Come and meet Dr. Francis D'Urso, Elk Regional's new fulltime cardiologist, join Hamot representatives for heart risk assessments while enjoying heart healthy food. Bring your cardiac medications for a full explanation by ERHC pharmacists. Elk Regional Health System and Hamot are pleased to provide cardiology services for area residents.

DISNEY DAZZLE—Dinner & Song presented by the Concert Choir of Elk County will take place on Friday, April 30th and Saturday, May 1st at the Royal Inn. Show time for both evenings is 6 p.m. Tickets prices is \$20 per person. Seating in Main Dining Area—"Advanced Ticket Sales Only". Entrée choice includes Stuffed Chicken Breast, Stuffed Pork Chop or Baked Haddock. You must call the Royal Inn (773-3153) by Monday April 26th to make your reservation and entrée choice. Tickets available at the Village Peddler and Cliffe's in Ridgway. Questions call Lois @834-2321 or Gloria @776-6967.

Spaghetti Dinner—Benefit John Visniesky Family March 21 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Central Fire Hall, N. Broad St. Adults \$6.00, Children \$3.00 6 to 14 and children under 6 are free. Tickets available at Cliffe's & the Welcome Center by calling 772-6559



**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 Pre-school 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 17th Annual Spring Fling— Sat. March 27. In Parish Activity Center Cafeteria" Bake Sale, Lots of Crafts, First Friday Breads & More, Peanut Butter Eggs, Reuben Sandwiches, Beef on Wick, Pigs in the Blanket, Spaetzel soup, Hot Sausage Sandwiches. For more info call Linda 781-6858.

Catholic Services Appeal Our parish has pledged \$39,716 with 187 pledges. This is a wonderful testament to how we collectively reach out to others.

DRE Position Available: Erin Cicione, our Director for Religious Education here at St. Leo's parish has recently stated her intention to step down from this position at the end of this academic year to allow her more time with her family. Therefore, this position will become available for any interested candidates to apply. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Brian (772-3135) before Friday, March 19th to set up an interview. Additional information will be given when you call.

There will be an Evening of Prayer and Music on March 21. The service will include a Gospel reading, Homily and healing prayers with Fr. Marc J. Solomon pastor of Assumption of the B.V.M. Parish. All are welcome at St. Michael the Archangel Church at 15 Robinson Street in DuBois. The time will be 7:00 P. M. The music ministry will be provided by Shalom. If you have any questions, please call: Judy Smart at 814-637-5930 or Rich Kenawell at 814-375-0328

THE HEART OF CONVERSION

Today's scriptures bring us to the heart of the meaning of the Christian journey of conversion. Saint Paul sums it up beautifully: "Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The Gospel passage, the parable of the prodigal son, shows us just what this new creation is like. It is all about reconciliation. Just as God removes the yoke of slavery from the shoulders of the Israelites—see today's first reading—so, too, does the father in the Gospel remove the yoke of guilt and shame from the shoulders of his wayward son. That son first needed to turn away from his sin and seek out and ask forgiveness of his father. That is precisely what we have been doing during this season of repentance. We can only begin to imagine the kind of reconciliation feast that awaits us when we are embraced by our forgiving God.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God's people enter the promised land, observe the Passover, and eat of the produce of the land (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) *or* 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) *or* Psalm 23.

Second Reading — We are now ambassadors for Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) *or* Ephesians 5:8-14.

Gospel — We must rejoice when our brother who was dead in sin repents and comes back to life (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) *or* John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

SAINT JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY March 19

Joseph, someone once joked, was indeed the perfect husband: the only major character in Jesus' story who never utters a word! But the Gospel recounts and the liturgy celebrates his silent witness of faith-filled deeds: "With a husband's love he cherished Mary, the Virgin Mother of God; with fatherly care he watched over Jesus" (Preface of Saint Joseph, *Sacramentary*). Catholic devotion, therefore, hails him as patron-protector of the universal Church. Some cultures set a festive "Saint Joseph's Table," welcoming the poor and strangers to feast with family and friends. Tradition keeps today as the anniversary of his death, which we presume was peaceful, with Jesus and Mary present. Thus, Catholics invoke Joseph as "patron of a happy death." Descended from David's house, which God finished "building" through Joseph's provision of a home for Mary and Jesus, he was, fittingly, a carpenter by trade; thus, patron of workers. Spring, nature's rebirth, begins between his feast and Annunciation (March 25), appropriately, since Joseph's silent obedience and Mary's "Let it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38) usher in humanity's spiritual rebirth.

Liturgy for the Week

Mon. March 15

8:30 Mary Harris
(Kathy Roemer)

Tues. March 16

8:30 Msgr. Paul Olmsted

Wed. March 17

8:30 Allison Caimi
(Family)

Thurs. March 18

8:30 Pete & Anthony Bodestow, Anniv.
(Sister)

Fri. March 19

8:30 Joseph Casolo
(Family)
Followed by Stations

Sat. March 20

5:15pm Leo Milford
(Tony Marzella)

Sun. March 21

8:00 Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Leo's
10:00 Dominic Sorge
(Wife & Family)

**6 pm Stations of the Cross on Sundays
during Lent and Rosary to follow.**



CANCEL THE COLD

**LIST OF THOSE WHO WILL
BE PRAYED FOR ON**

- Mar. 15 Marian Dellaquila, Marie Blose, Armond
Manno, Jimmy Welsh
- Mar. 16 Joy Carlson, Rosella Pasi,
- Mar. 17 George & Stella Yankovich, Sr. Marie Baptiste,
Hazel & Freda DeGroat, Jerry Kennedy
- Mar. 18 Armond Manno, Dr. Eugene S. Czarnecki,
Maddalena Family
- Mar. 19 Facetti Family, Ed, Sybil & Jim Paffrath,
Mr. & Mrs Victor Latcovich & 5 Sons
- Mar 20 Harry & Denise Pontious, Rita & Robert
Gausman
- Mar 21 Helene Mills & Family, Dolores Kastner