

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 7, 2010

Masses for the Week

Saturday, March 6

8:15 a.m. Walter O'Donnell (Mary Ellen O'Donnell)
5:00 p.m. Marie & Harry Hoover (Bob & Carol Hoover)

Sunday, March 7 - Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. The People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. Carmelita Scheuchenzuber (Mark & Jackie Scheuchenzuber)

Monday, March 8 - St. John of God

6:30 a.m. Mary E. Schreiner (Mary, Marie & Helen Schreiner)
8:15 a.m. Nancy Lazarchick (Ruth & Jack Brons)

Tuesday, March 9 - St. Frances of Rome

6:30 a.m. Otilio Santos (Deacon & Mrs. Velazquez)
8:05 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:15 a.m. Joseph E. Schmalhofer (Marguerite Schmalhofer)

Wednesday, March 10

6:30 a.m. Janet Sample (Jean Robertson)
8:15 a.m. Deceased of Mark S. Smith Family

Thursday, March 11

6:30 a.m. For Respect Life at Hillcrest Abortion Clinic
8:15 a.m. Andrew & Hanna Bauer (Joanne Bauer)

Friday, March 12

6:30 a.m. Intention of Romaine Hornig (Melanie Fitzgerald)
8:05 a.m. Morning Prayer
8:15 a.m. Rose Wilhelm (Margaret Wilhelm)

Saturday, March 13

8:15 a.m. Dennis Craig, Peter & Evelyn Peregrin (Bob & Sheila Peregrin)
5:00 p.m. Marie & Harry Hoover (Bob & Carol Hoover)

Sunday, March 14 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Joseph Gardner (Mary Ellen & Margaret Gardner)
10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

DEATH IN THE LORD: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Kathryn L. DeMorra, mother of Linda Fetter.

BAPTISM: Johanna Lehr, daughter of Ryan Lehr & Julie Ressler.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 a.m.
First Reading: Joshua 5: 9a, 10-12, Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21, Gospel: Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32; 10:30 a.m. First Reading: 1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a, Second Reading: Ephesians 5: 8-14, Gospel John 9:1-41.

PERPETUAL ADORATION: Walking with the Lord, being together in His presence and kneeling before Him, we prostrate before the one who stooped down and gave His life for us. Won't you spend ONE HOUR before the Lord in adoration? **Open Hours: Sunday 9:00 to 10:00 p.m.; Monday 9:00 to 10:00 p.m.; and Friday noon to 1:00 p.m., 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. and 10:00 to 11:00 p.m.** If you are interested in a permanent hour, we would like to double-up on adorers so we can eliminate the need for substitutes. Substitutes are still needed. If you can help, please call Oliver at 285-3127 or Vonnie at 397-4300.

CHILDREN'S ADORATION FOR LENT: Every Tuesday from February 23 through March 30, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel – lower church, enter by door closest to the fire escape. For more information call catechist, Patricia Wang at 396-0635.

FOCUS ON FAITH: "Rediscovering Catholicism" is the book that was distributed after Masses in late December. Focus on Faith, the faith sharing group that meets at 9:15 a.m. on Sundays in Tipitina's invites you to join us as we discuss the book "Rediscovering Catholicism" by Matthew Kelly. This week, March 7 we will be discussing Chapter 11 and the week of March 14 we will be discussing Chapter 12. Join us at 9:15 a.m. in Tipitina's!

FIRST COMMUNION: The next meeting for the children in our First Holy Communion Class and for their parents will be held on Saturday, March 20 at 10:30 a.m. in the St. Francis Room.

GOLDEN HILLS CLUB will meet on Thursday, March 11, 2010 at Noon in the Parish Hall. Please call Helen or Tom Hohenwarter at 397-1879 by Noon on Monday, March 8 **ONLY IF YOU DO NOT PLAN TO ATTEND.** New members age 50 and over are always welcome to join our club. Hope to see all of you.

LENT 2010

Our theme during the weeks of Lent is "Healing" and the topic for this Third Sunday of Lent is "Being Forgiven Leads to Healing."

ECUMENICAL LENTEN LUNCHEONS: THEME OF THIS LENT: "THE BEATITUDES" Ecumenical Lenten Luncheon and Service will be held this coming Friday, March 12, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 321 W. Chestnut St. The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. and the donation is \$4.00. Rev. Paul Eyer from St. Luke's United Church of Christ will preach on the text, "the meek". The Worship Service will be held from 12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. and a free-will offering will be taken for Lancaster County Council of Churches for costs related to the Temporary Homeless Shelter expenses.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations of the Cross devotions are held on Fridays during Lent at 7:00 p.m. and on Tuesday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. in the church. On Friday, March 19th the feast of our patron saint, St. Joseph, Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 p.m. instead of Stations of the Cross devotions.

LENTEN APPEAL: Thank you for your generosity to the Bishop's Annual Lenten Appeal. **To date we have raised \$61,211 toward our parish goal of \$83,300.** This week we will begin telephone follow-up to those who have not yet responded. By doing our part to give generously to those who are in need and are suffering continues to share Christ's love by supporting the mission of the church through this year's appeal.

LENTEN SELF-DENIAL FOLDERS will not be mailed to parishioners this year. A financial review showed that the cost is too high. We feel that participating in Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Project will allow more of the money contributed to benefit the poor in our diocese and beyond. Rice bowls are available from the ushers.

LENTEN APPEAL WORKERS are reminded to return their collection packets to the rectory by Friday, March 12.

USHERS are needed for the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday evening. Ushers take up the collection but as importantly, they are there to help meet the needs of the congregation and make sure things go smoothly. Both men and women are invited to usher. Those interested are asked to contact Jerry DiCrocco at 394-9033.

ADULT CONFIRMATION: Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2010, will be the occasion for Adult Baptized Catechized Catholics (those who have already made their First Holy Communion) to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Father Chester P. Snyder, our Diocesan Administrator in the absence of a bishop, will celebrate the sacrament. The ceremony will take place during the 12:15 p.m. Mass at Saint Patrick Cathedral, 212 State Street, Harrisburg. Any adult from our parish who has not been confirmed and wishes to be, is asked to call Pat at the rectory to make the necessary arrangements.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION: Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection that helps to fund six Catholic organizations that improve the quality of life and protect human dignity. Your gift will support agricultural development to strengthen economies and create food sustainability, provide outreach services to survivors of human trafficking, and supply pastoral care and advocacy for immigrants and refugees. By helping the marginalized and impoverished, you give hope to **Jesus in disguise**. Please be charitable in next week's Catholic Relief Services Collection.

EASTER ENVELOPES: In our April collection envelope packets there will be a special envelope for those who would like to donate towards the cost of our church Easter Flowers and decorations. Please complete the information requested on the front of the envelope, including whether it is for the intention of or in memory of a loved one, insert the donation and drop it in the collection basket. Please complete all information requested and write legibly as a list of those for whom the intention is given and the donor will be published in our bulletin after Easter.

2010 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: We are looking for creative and talented candidates to work together to build a strong Vacation Bible School. Assistance is needed for creative planning, assisting on program layout and working to promote the program. If interested please contact Nick or Becky Paulukow at 717-871-9966 or email nrp@one2onecomputers.com. With your help we can make this a successful year.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



TIME - TALENT - TREASURE
A Way of Life at Saint Joseph
2/28/2010

Sunday, March 7

Confessions ½ hour before Masses
All Day Women's Club - Parish Hall & Kitchen
9:15 a.m. Faith Sharing - Tipitina's Café
9:15 a.m. CCD
10:30 a.m. Mass - RCIA: 1st Scrutiny
1:00 p.m. OCDS - Good Shepherd Room
6:00 - 8:30 p.m. Youth Group - Parish Hall

Monday, March 8

9:00 a.m. Legion of Mary - Good Shepherd Room
5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Softball - Parish Hall
6:45 p.m. RCIA - Children in the Religious Ed. Bldg.
7:00 p.m. RCIA for Adults - St. Francis Room
7:00 p.m. Oblates of St. Benedict - Good Shepherd Room

Tuesday, March 9

7:45 -10:00 a.m. In Use - St. Francis Room
1:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. Social Justice Committee -Good Shepherd Room
7:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee - St. Francis Room
7:00 p.m. Liturgy Committee -Tipitina's

Wednesday, March 10

10:00 a.m. Scripture Class - St. Francis Room
5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Softball - Parish Hall
7:00 p.m. Mary's Sisterhood of Spirituality - Church & Tipitina's
7:00 p.m. Scripture Class - St. Francis Room

Thursday, March 11

7:45 -10:00 a.m. In Use - St. Francis Room
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Golden Hills - Parish Hall
5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Softball - Parish Hall

Friday, March 12

11:30 a.m. Lenten Luncheon and Service - St. John's Episcopal Church
5:00 - 9:00 p.m. Softball - Parish Hall
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Church

Saturday, March 13

9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Softball - Parish Hall
3:00 p.m. Baptism Class - Good Shepherd Room

Sunday, March 14

Daylight Savings Time Begins
Second Collection - Catholic Relief Services
Confessions ½ hour before Masses
9:15 a.m. Faith Sharing - Tipitina's Café
9:15 a.m. CCD - Confessions Grades 2-4
10:30 a.m. Mass - RCIA: 2nd Scrutiny
Afternoon Softball - Parish Hall

TROOP 16 BLOOD DRIVE: Troop 16 would like to thank all those individuals who came and donated blood at our annual blood drive. The American Red Cross is thankful to those donors, the volunteers who helped, and the Church for providing the space needed. Winter is usually a time when blood donations are down and it helps to have a blood drive at this time. Our blood collection numbers are very good. The Red Cross reports that we collected 44 pints, up from last year's number. Even more impressive was the fact that we had 18 NEW blood donors. Again thanks for your support. Hope to see everyone back next year.

THE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE is a pro-life campaign designed to bring together the Faithful in a spirit of unity during a focused 40-day campaign of prayer, fasting and community outreach. The purpose is to turn hearts and minds toward a Culture of Life through prayer and penance. You are invited to participate by going to www.40daysforlife.com/harrisburg/; click Vigil Schedule. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this effective spiritual exercise during Lent. Contact the Respect Life Office at respectlife@hbgdiocese.org or 657-4804 x294 for more information. The Mass will be offered at 6:30 a.m. in St. Joseph Church on March 11, 2010.

FOOT WASHING CEREMONY ON HOLY THURSDAY: If you are interested in participating in the Foot Washing Ceremony at the Mass on Holy Thursday, please call Lydia Zimmerman at 872-2483.

Regular Collection	\$11787.50	
Electronic Transfers	3080.00	
School Students	29.89	
Total Weekly Regular Collection		14897.39
Organ Memorial Fund		135.00
School Endowment Debt Reduction		455.00
Memorials		185.00
Vigils		117.78
Catholic Relief Services		3.00
Solemnity of Mary		2.00
Propagation of the Faith		5.00
Poor Missions		251.00
Stations of the Cross		122.25

Mass Attendance 2/28/10: 5:00 pm - 219; 8:00 am - 155; 10:30 am - 318; Nursery - 10 = 702 total attendance.

Do you support the gift card program? The weekend of February 28, 2010 sales of \$1900.00 earned the parish \$95.00. Help us to increase our earnings from this program. Remember to purchase gift cards for Darrenkamp's, John Herr's Market, Giant and Weis. Gift cards are also available at the Abbey Book Store. Our church realizes 5% on purchases. We need people to sell before and after Weekend Masses. If you are able to help, please call Sue Baumler 392-6693.

ST. JOSEPH SCRIP PROGRAM: The weekend of February 28, 2010 sales of \$0.00 earned the parish \$0.00. We need your help to make this program a success. There are many cards to choose from: **gas stations**, clothing stores, restaurants, department stores, and many more. **Please take advantage of this opportunity to help the parish, there is no cost to you.** You purchase the certificates at cost; the parish receives a discount on purchasing them. The more people participate, the more the parish will benefit.

WOMEN'S CLUB SOUP & BAKE SALE is being held in the Good Shepherd Room after all masses this weekend. Soup and sandwiches made by Women's Club members and plenty of baked goods donated by parishioners to take home for a delicious lunch or to freeze for a quick meal. There will also be hand-made crafts, cookbooks, and ornaments along with some Women's Club memorabilia that will make great gifts for sale.

SUB SALE: The St. Joe's Women's Club is selling S. Clyde Weaver sub sandwich coupons for \$5.00. It is to benefit the plan for a handicap bathroom in the chapel. Each coupon is good thru November 2010 and can be used at any S. Clyde Weaver location. Look for a Women's Club member after most masses in the next month, weather permitting, and pick up a few. Think Spring Day,(I made that up), St. Patty's Day, Easter, Birthdays, you name it, these coupons are great for any occasion and just perfect for a quick, easy, cheap lunch date!!!

VOLUNTEERS FOR MERCY COMMITTEE/FUNERAL LUNCHEONS: A very meaningful and practical way to support those who are bereaved is by assisting with the funeral luncheon. We have a very dedicated staff of volunteers but additional help from both men and women is needed. When a funeral luncheon is requested the volunteers are then called so you can then decide whether you are available to work according to your schedule. An information session and meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 7th at 7 p.m. at the rectory for those already involved as well as anyone who would be interested in learning more. For more information please call Sis Lutz at 872-4396.

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS: Michael Creavey, Kevin Kayda, Marc Paveglio, Daniel Richards, Brian Wayne, Mark Wilke, and Anthony Dill.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 7, 2009 continued

IT'S FRENCH TOAST DAY AT TIPITINA'S: Remember, Tipitina's coffee shop is FREE and open after all Sunday masses on most week-ends. This weekend's feature is French Toast and the coffee of the week is Hazelnut. Read the paper, relax and talk with friends. Tipitina's café is good coffee, conversation and more.

MEN'S RETREAT AT MALVERN (FRIDAY 3/26 – SUN 3/28): There has been good interest in the Malvern Retreat for Men. For years, a small group from St. Joseph Church has made a retreat to Malvern on Palm Sunday weekend. This year, the Good Shepherd Men's Association is opening up this wonderful weekend to all men to join us as we take a weekend for reflection, prayer and devotion. (And you can even take a nap!) Malvern is the largest and best retreat facility of its kind in the country *and all rooms are private*. There is a full schedule of activities, but all activities are optional because your time is your own. If you are interested in more details, call Nick Paulukow at (717) 871-9966, Joe Legenstein at (717) 575-0828, or Jim Weber at 717-572-9776.

MEN'S STEAK NIGHT – MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The Good Shepherd Men's Association is happy to announce the 1st annual Men's Steak Out on Saturday April 24 at 6:30pm. The evening will start with a social hour featuring stuffed mushrooms, steamed shrimp, other hors d'oeuvres, and beverages. At 7:30 we will enjoy dinner featuring USDA prime steaks. A nationally known comedian will provide entertainment. There will be no long speeches. Tickets for this event are \$10 for parishioners and \$15 for non-parishioners. A table of 8 tickets is only \$70!!! Donations will also be accepted to benefit Youth Programs at St. Joseph Church. This event is for Fathers and Sons of any age. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mike Ressel at 285-0965 or Jim Weber at 572-9776.

OBLATES OF ST. BENEDICT: Join us Monday, March 8, 2010, in the Good Shepherd Room at 7:00 p.m. and meet Fr. Meinrad Brune from St. Meinrad Archabbey, St. Meinrad, IN. We are Christian men and women with a spiritual bond to the monks of St. Meinrad. Their affiliation and partnership spread the outreach of Benedictine spirituality into the secular world and provide a strong foundation for individual spiritual growth. Join us for prayer, a talk by Father Meinrad and a social following the meeting. All are welcome. Call Sharon or Oliver Ogden, 285-3127 for further information.

LENTEN RETREAT: St. Philip the Apostle Parish is offering a Lent Retreat, "Lent: A Time of Spiritual Housecleaning," on Wednesday, March 10. Two times are being offered. The day retreat will run from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and the night retreat will be held from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Cost is \$5.00. The day retreat also includes lunch for an additional \$3.00. To register or for more information, contact Christine Miller, DRE at 872-2166 or cmiller@hbgiocese.org.

SPECIALIZED FOSTER CARE AGENCY: Charity has its own economy. An investment in a child's life yields an immeasurable return for you and your child, your family, and your community. Many foster children are being adopted by their foster parents and our need for foster families has never been greater. Please join us in our next training series at Catholic Charities Specialized Foster Care with people just like you, who need to know more before they are ready to start the process. Can you afford not to make an investment? Please call Jeff at 717-564-7115 or 800-777-7003 or email jpark@hbgiocese.org.

MARY'S SISTERHOOD OF SPIRITUALITY: The women's group will be meeting on Wednesday, March 10th at 7PM. Please plan to join us for the monthly prayer service in the church. A social hour with light refreshments will follow at Tipitina's Cafe'. All women of the parish are invited to attend and bring a family member or friend. For more information contact Mary Rose Christoffel at 717-569-6102

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT will be held March 12-14, 2010 at Our Lady of Providence Retreat Center in Elverson. This is a chance to get away from all the daily pressures of work and family and focus on this painful time in your life through supportive and non-judgmental process. The time away provides an opportunity to deeply enter the grieving process and identify all the ways your abortion may have affected you. Healing the pain of abortion, one weekend at a time! Please call Joy: 717-788-4959 or email: RVpamd@gmail.com or www.rachelsvineyard.org.

ARAB CATHOLIC SOCIETY: Last weekend's olive wood sale needed to be cancelled due to the early arrival of a baby for the family who planned to conduct the sale. A new date will be scheduled for the near future.

COMMUNITY MEAL: Anyone who wants to help feed those less fortunate people in our community may have an easy way to do so. If you are one of those people receiving hams, as a bonus or gift from the various stores or your place of employment, the Social Justice Committee will be happy to use those items when it is our turn to provide the meal. Thanks to all who contributed to us last year. Our Community Meal is now drawing about 200 guests, almost double the attendance of a year ago. To make arrangements to have your hams picked up, please contact Bill at 394-3427.

LEGION OF MARY: The Acies (Rededication Service to the Blessed Mother) will be held at Sacred Heart Church on March 21 at 2:00 p.m. All active and auxiliary members are encouraged to attend. Calls are being made to determine attendance.

OUR EASTER TREE in the vestibule contains the names of items needed for our parishioners in nursing homes. The gifts for our church members confined to nursing homes should be returned to church on Palm Sunday, March 28. Please place the unwrapped gifts in the appropriate box in the rear of the church.