

HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH

February 28, 2010
Second Sunday of Lent



Saturday, February 27:

Vigil of the Second Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. Carole Gilmore
 (Carl & Greta Emmenegger)

Sunday, February 28: Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. For the People
 11:00 a.m. Rosemary & John Shaul
 (Tom & Susan McDonald)

Monday, March 1:

8:00 a.m. Kenneth Szymaszek (Fr. Arnold)

Tuesday, March 2:

8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Sergio Family
 (Family)

Wednesday, March 3: Saint Katharine Drexel, virgin

9:00 a.m. Special Intention

Thursday, March 4: Saint Casimir

8:00 a.m. Phillip LeGlise (Maudie & Bob May)

Friday, March 5:

8:00 a.m. Mariano Cervi
 (Cesidio & Caroline Cervi & Family)

Saturday, March 6:

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Vigil of the Third Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. Dave Ducey (Grace Ducey)

Sunday, March 7: Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Sara Rettemnier (Barb Hoffman)
 11:00 a.m. For the People

Please Remember in Prayer: Marvada Marzluf, age 92, a member of Holy Spirit Parish who died on Monday, February 22, at Summerville at Lakeview in Groveport. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Friday, February 26, at Holy Spirit Church and burial took place in St. Joseph Cemetery. Please keep Marvada and her family in your prayers. Please also pray for Connie Aeling, mother of parishioner Dave Aeling, who died last week. Our sympathy and prayers are with Dave and his family at this time of their loss.

Pray for those of our parish family and friends who are hospitalized and/or ill, including Diana Perry and Willie Plank; and remember those who are homebound or in convalescent homes in your prayers as well.



Continue your Lenten journey this season by participating in Stations of the Cross this coming Wednesday evening, March 3rd beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the parish church.

A simple meal consisting of soup and bread will be served in the Parish Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m. A goodwill offering may be given to benefit "Operation Rice Bowl."

Please mark your calendars for a Parish Penance Service which will be held Sunday, March 14th, at 5:00 p.m.

Families and individuals are encouraged to attend these Lenten services.

From the Pastor's Desk



We hear in the Eucharistic Prayer (the Canon) of the Mass: "Before He gave Himself up to death, a death He freely accepted." We are reminded that Jesus could have avoided His confrontation with the civil and religious authorities of His day, but chose not to. The Gospel today has Jesus changing

His appearance – and in this scene "two men were conversing with Him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of His exodus that He was going to accomplish in Jerusalem."

In the Gospel of Luke, Jesus consciously chooses to head to Jerusalem. Jesus knows He could stay in Galilee and minister to the people, but He chooses to go to Jerusalem. The opposition to Jesus is increasing, and is only likely to intensify if He goes to the very heart of Jewish and Roman power. He knows the road to Jerusalem and Calvary will be difficult, but He also comes to know that His crucifixion in Jerusalem is not the end of Him or His ministry. He does not choose the easy way out (the Tempter offered Him that last Sunday in the Gospel).

Too many Christians believe that religion – faith – discipleship – is an easy road. The example of Jesus, who predicts His own death and freely chooses to go to Jerusalem anyway, is given for us. Our lives and the faith we choose to support our lives can be difficult. Ordinary life is not a "glory road," but rather filled with difficulties, trials, and challenges. That is why we must freely and consciously choose to accompany Jesus, where His example can be reflected in our lives of faith. The challenges and setbacks of life are not the end of us. If we die with Christ, we will rise with Him. That is what we "rehearse" during the forty days of Lent.



Have a good week,
 Fr. Bill Arnold

Congratulations to all our young people who received their First Reconciliation this past Saturday. God bless and keep you!



Ash Wednesday Collection for J.O.I.N. The collection taken at Mass on Ash Wednesday for J.O.I.N. – the Joint Office for Inner-City Needs totaled \$744.42. Thank you very much. The funds will be used by our diocesan Church here in the city for the emergency needs of the poor. God will reward your generosity. Thank you.

Parish Offertory Summary

First Sunday of Lent	February 20 and 21
Parish Contribution Envelopes (257) (589 people attending Mass)	\$7,820.85
Cash Offerings	\$ 322.45
Candles (February 17)	\$ 94.55
Candles (February 21)	\$ 84.26
Ash Wednesday (JOIN)	\$ 744.42
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 50.00
Black and Indian Missions	\$ 143.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	\$ 22.00
Holy Spirit School Endowment Fund	\$ 75.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 10.00
Catholic Times	\$ 337.50
Total Contributions	\$9,704.03

Your contributions to Holy Spirit Parish keep the ministries and the operations of the Parish in good financial standing. Your financial sacrifice will be used wisely. Thank You – God will reward your generosity.

This Week at Holy Spirit Parish

Bingo Games are held each Monday and Friday in the Church Hall. The doors open at 6:00 p.m., the games begin at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 28:

9:15 a.m. – R.C.I.A. – School Library
 9:15 a.m. – R.C.I.C. – Parish Office
 * 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Adult Religious Education – Parish Office

Monday, March 1: School Flower Sale Begins

7:00 p.m. – Adult Choir – Church Loft

Tuesday, March 2:

4:00 p.m. – Youth Choir – School Music Room
 * 7:00 p.m. – Grief Support Gathering – Day Chapel

Wednesday, March 3:

* 6:00 p.m. – Lenten Soup Meal – Church Hall
 * 7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross – Church
 * 7:00 p.m. – School Information Night – School

Thursday, March 4:

* 1:00 p.m. – Happy Spirits – Church Hall
 5:00-6:00 p.m. – Children's Bell Choir – Church
 6:45-8:15 p.m. – Adult Bell Choir – Church

Friday, March 5:

Morning Prayer after 8:00 a.m. Mass in Day Chapel
 * 1:30 p.m. – School Stations of the Cross – Church

Saturday, March 6:

* 9:00-10:30 a.m. – Market Day Pick-up – Church Hall
 * 7:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. – Monte Carlo Night – Church Hall

Sunday, March 7:

9:15 a.m. – R.C.I.A. – School Library
 9:15-10:45 a.m. – PSR (Parish School of Religion)
 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. – Preschool & Kindergarten – Preschool Entrance
 * 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. – Confirmation Preparation Class – Church, Hall and St. Therese's Retreat Center

Submit items for the March 7th bulletin by Tuesday, March 2nd at 5:00 p.m. E-mail: bulletin@holyspiritcolumbus.org. Fax number is 861-3746.

Adult Religious Education: The Holy Longing, the search for Christian Spirituality will be presented by De Bukowski this evening, February 28, 2010, from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Parish Office. For questions or a need for childcare, please call De.

Market Day Orders: Place your order online at www.marketday.com by 11:00 p.m. **Tuesday, March 2nd.** Pick-up is Saturday, March 6th from 9:00-10:00 a.m. in the Church Hall. Order forms are located in the Welcome Center. Questions? Contact Michelle White at 836-2839 or Marilyn Castle at 861-8317.

Grief Support Gathering: Our Grief Support Gathering will meet this Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the Day Chapel. This gathering is for adults who are grieving the death of a loved one. Being in a supportive atmosphere with others who are also experiencing grief can be a way of getting through your grief journey. For further information, please contact Sister Joan at the Parish Office.

Holy Spirit School Information Night will be held this Wednesday, March 3 at 7:00 p.m. Please call the School Office at 861-0475 for further details.

Happy Spirits Irish Celebration: Come and join the fun at the parish's 50 plus club this Thursday, March 4, 2010, at one o'clock in the afternoon. The Millennium Academy of Irish Dancers, who performed at the halftime show of the OSU girls basketball game, will be the featured entertainment. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day by wearing something green and bringing an Irish dish or something delicious colored green (for the season) to eat. Join the Happy Spirits Club – call Bob Udeck (861-6568) for more information.

Monte Carlo Night: Saturday, March 6th, 7:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. Free admission – must be 21 to enter. Food available. Cash Door Prizes. 7-Card Stud Poker, Texas Hold 'em, Blackjack, Games of Chance. These Monte Carlo Nights support our parish athletic program and many school and parish equipment needs. You support is greatly appreciated!!!



Adult and High School Server Practice:

Monday evening, March 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Adult K of C members and High School Servers are urged to attend.

Rice Bowl Collection during Lent. Please continue to use your rice bowls as a Lenten discipline of sacrifice. Your pocket or purse coins, money saved by cutting coupons, or money saved by eating more simply during Lent – are used by Catholic Relief Services to feed the hungry of the world. Remember the words of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton – an American Saint – "Live simply, so that others may simply live." Bring those filled Rice Bowls to Mass on Holy Thursday evening – the Mass of the Lord's Supper – at 7:00 p.m.

Peace Walk – Help Needed: "Footprints for Peace," a Pax Christi sanctioned organization, which is endorsed by the Archbishop Celestino Migilore, Apostolic Nuncio at the U.N., will be traveling through Columbus from Oakridge, Tennessee. They will proceed to the United Nations to be present for the nonproliferation of nuclear weapons sessions.

Our parish will be feeding them dinner and breakfast as they rest at St. Joseph Cemetery on Friday and Saturday, March 12th and 13th. We would like people to help us purchase, prepare and distribute food for their journey. All are invited to join them in this journey to walk in solidarity for a nuclear-free future; walk with them for a block or more as they journey through Columbus. If you would like to be involved or just want more information, call the Parish Office at 861-1521. Follow their journey at www.footprintsforpeace.net.

Attention, Servers, Lectors, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Please submit your scheduling requests for the months of April, May and June by Monday, March 8th. Include address or phone number changes and indicate your preferred Mass Times. To reduce the cost of mailing the schedule (ie. postage and paper), please send an e-mail to info@holyspiritcolumbus.org ("E-mail Schedule" in the reference line). You can e-mail your scheduling requests at the same time. Thank you.

Confirmation Class Reminder

The next Confirmation Class is Sunday, March 7, 2010.

- 10:00 a.m. – Confirmation Practice (please meet in church)
- 11:00 a.m. – Mass
- 12:30 to 5:00 p.m. – Confirmation Class, Retreat, and Reconciliation at St. Therese's Retreat Center on E. Broad Street

Parents are responsible for transporting their student(s) to and from St. Therese's Retreat Center. The directions are included in the packet that was mailed to the student's home. The students are required to attend the entire class as outlined above. Snacks and lunch will be provided. If you have any questions, please feel free to call De Bukowski, CRE, Coordinator of Religious Education, at the Parish Office.

Spiritual Enrichment Opportunity: On Monday, March 8, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Day Chapel, Sister Joan Popovits will facilitate a presentation with the theme of "Our Journey as Seniors/A Lenten Reflection." As we journey towards God, our relationship with God continues to deepen as we mature in age. The Lenten Season is a wonderful time to renew our commitment in developing this relationship through prayer.

Adult Religious Education: Please come on Sunday evenings (March 14 and 21) from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Parish Office to find out more about the Triduum. We will be using "The Three Days – A Liturgical Guide" by Lawrence J. Johnson to explore Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Contact De Bukowski for further details.

What's Happening Around Town

A Knights of Columbus Fish Fry will be held each Friday of Lent, 5:00-7:30 p.m. (March 5, 12, 19 and 26), Adults, \$8.00/ children, \$4.00. Carry-out and delivery are available (235-2786). Proceeds benefit the Knights Scholarship Fund. Please come and enjoy – bring the family as well!