

2nd Sunday in Lent

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Get a *Sacraments* flyer to know:

- the time for Confessions
- the dates for First Communion, First Confession, and Confirmation
- how to have a wedding anniversary in church
- how to become a Catholic
- who should be anointed (when it's not "Last Rites")

**PARISH ORGANIZATION** You are invited/encouraged to propose items for any of these agenda, to join any committees, and to attend Pastoral Council.

**Pastoral Council** 2nd Wed (3/9) 7:00p, Hall, Josie Rhodaberger  
**Finance Council** 3rd Wed (3/16) 7:00p, Office, Dan Vernon, Nancy Swall  
**Cemetery Board** Mon TBA 7:00p, Hall, Bill Snyder, Jake Snyder

**Committees:**

*Worship/Prayer* 1st Mon (3/7) 7:00p, Hall, Leetta Christy, Lou Bauldoff  
*Social Concern* 1st Tue (3/1) 7:00p, Office, Yolanda Cypher, Rick Julius  
*Administration* 2nd Mon (3/14) 7:00p, Hall, Bill Katsko, Denny Rodgers  
*Formation* 3rd Mon (2/21) 7:00p, CCD, L. Eakman, Josie Rhodaberger  
*Community Life* TBA 7:00p, Hall, Ken Bowser  
*Audit/Budget* 3rd Wed (3/16) 6:30p, Office, Nancy Swall  
*Development* TBA 7:00p, Office, Deborah Rodgers  
*Fundraising* TBA 7:00p, Office, Teri Bosco  
*Stewardship* TBA 7:00p, Office, Catherine Rodgers  
*Cem. Admin.* Irreg. Mon (TBA) 6:30p, Office, the Snyders

Feb 13: Offerings	\$2264.00
<small>WEEKLY BUDGET FOR NORMAL EXPENSES, \$2100/WEEK NEEDED</small>	
PSP 2004	\$44.00
Ash Wednesday	\$653.00
Soup-er Bowl	\$87.25

**\$18,739** Thanx! We've deposited ~~\$5,225.00~~ **-5,225** from **56** families in our **Parish Share**.  
**\$13,514** \$2105.00 additional is pledged.  
**Please return your PSP card** even if you have to put a zero on it, No explanation needed.

Stations of the Cross  
 7:00pm  
 Fridays of Lent  
 volunteer to read or serve

Please volunteer to have your feet washed Holy Thursday

Attachments: *Reflections on the Death Penalty* (homily topic throughout diocese) and *Indulgences for Year of the Eucharist*

**Cemetery Cleanup Time**

- No artificial flowers June 1 to October 31.
- March 1-15 is cleanup time. Any seasonal decorations must be removed before March 1 or they will be discarded during this cleanup.

**L E N T** At a beautiful ceremony at the cathedral, six of our catechumens were chosen by Bishop Wuerl for the Initiation Sacraments this coming Easter at last Sunday's *Rite of Election*. And, two of our already-baptized parishioners were given a *Call to Continuing Conversion* as they prepare for First Communion or Confirmation at Easter. With their godparents, there were thousands of people participating; but that was only half of them. Our diocese will repeat the Rite of Election again today because the cathedral is only big enough to handle half of the Elect in our diocese. So, **pray for and with our Elect** preparing for the Easter sacraments. The Elect are the main reason why we fast and pray as we do in Lent. While they prepare for baptism on Easter, we ask the Lord to restore our baptismal innocence. Pray also for our parishioners preparing to receive Confirmation on April 23 or First Communion on April 24, both during Easter Season.

Our Communal **Rite of Reconciliation** will be Mon, **Mar 21** at 7:00pm with extra priests for the confession part of the Rite. There will be communal rites at 7:00pm at St. Wendelin on Thurs, **Mar 10**, and at Mater Dolorosa Mon, **Mar 14**. (*The St. Wendelin date is revised since the Lent mailing was sent.*) Every Catholic is called to continuing conversion, to walk with the Elect to baptismal purity. **Congratulations** to our 2nd grade parishioners who celebrated *First Reconciliation* yesterday.

**Don't miss the best part.** Easter is what we're preparing for in Lent. Set aside Thursday evening March 24 through Sunday morning March 27 for your spiritual enrichment. Take off work to honor the death and resurrection of the Lord. No time of the year is more precious. The Easter Triduum takes three days to observe fully.

**M A S S E S T H I S W E E K**

MON FEB 21	Lenten Weekday	9:00am	in thanksgiving
TUE FEB 22	The Chair of St. Peter, apostle	9:00am	Stella Zeski—Molyneaux Tile & Carpet
WED FEB 23	Lenten Weekday	9:00am	Loretta Cook—M/M Harold Devorak
THR FEB 24	Lenten Weekday	9:00am	Rita Angeloni—Joan Angeloni
FRI FEB 25	Lenten Weekday	9:00am	Leo Geibel—Phyllis Musthaf
SAT FEB 26	Lenten Weekday	NO a.m. Mass	✠

**M A S S E S N E X T W E E K**

SUN FEB 27	3rd Sunday in Lent	5:00pm SAT	Jim Hilderbrand—Laura & Bill Harrison
		8:00am	the people of St. John Parish
		10:30am	Joseph & Frances Sallustio—daughter

## Religious Education

**PreK to 6 grades:** Remember your sacrificial donation for the St. John Community Dinner Fund. Bring your quarters and dollars to class.

**Stations of the Cross will be led by the elementary students this Friday, Feb. 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.** All elementary students are expected to be there. Parents, children learn what they live. Help them to prepare for this Catholic devotional prayer. Use the holy cards that your child brought home to talk with them about the passion of Christ.

**Grade 7 meets today,** Feb. 20 from 5-6:30pm in the CCD center for review of Chapters 17, 18, 19, 20 and the pages for the 1st and 2nd Weeks of Lent.

**Confirmation Prep grades 8-9** meet Tuesday evening for class.

**This Saturday, Feb. 26, 10am-5pm** all students who are preparing for Confirmation in April will attend the *mandatory* immediate preparation for Confirmation session. Video tapes of lessons presented by Bishop Wuerl will be viewed and discussed. Lunch will be provided. Anyone who is not able to attend must request a date to view the videos at home and work through the lessons before April 3rd.

## FRIDAY FISH DINNERS

**St. Mary, Herman,** 4:00pm-7:00pm, cafeteria. Adults/takeouts \$7; children 10 & under: \$4.

**St. Fidelis, Meridian** 4:00pm-7:00pm Adults/takeouts \$7.50; children under 10: \$3.50; under 5 years of age: FREE.

**An All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner** will be held Sunday Feb. 27th at the K of C Hall, E. North St., Butler from 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Adults \$6.50; children 12 & under \$4.50. This dinner is open to the public. No reservations needed. Come and enjoy.

## Community Dinner

Thanks to those parishioners who answered our Lord's call to feed the hungry and give to the poor by providing the Community Dinner held at St. Paul Church. A dinner was served to 116 people. Thanks to all those who cooked, served, and donated desserts. Thank you to those who remain committed to this project of helping those in need. Our next scheduled dinner is April 26, 2005.

## Campaign for Human Development/ Home Missions

### Break the Cycle of Poverty, Build Community

As individuals and families, Americans cherish the right to have a safe haven to call home. Many of us take for granted that we will live in welcoming and healthy communities with other people who respect our values. For some **34.5 million Americans**, poverty makes that expectation more a dream than a reality. When people share an idea and a goal, they can work together to overcome crippling problems by building community with each other. For 35 years, Catholics have encouraged the efforts of small groups of poor and low-income people to improve conditions in their lives and their communities. They have put their faith in action through support for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)**, so that others can also live in decent, safe neighborhoods. **Next weekend**, please be generous to the diocesan second collection for the Campaign for Human Development.

+ **Prepare for marriage** — with our *deanery*... at St. Peter, Butler, 3 Thursdays Sept 29–Oct 13, 6:30-9:30pm. Get a registration form from Fr. Lou.

+ **Prepare for marriage** — with our *deanery*... at St. Kilian, Mars, Fri-Sat 4/22/5, 724.625.1665 or [www.saintkilian.org](http://www.saintkilian.org)

+ **Prepare for marriage** — *Engaged Encounter*... Steven + Meagan Bruno: 412-249-1422, Fri-Sun: 2/11-13, 3/4-6, 4/1-3

+ **Enrich your marriage** — *Marriage Encounter*... Mary+Lou Locante: 412-635-7775, [www.wmme.org](http://www.wmme.org)

+ **Empower your Marriage** — by learning *Natural Family Planning*... 412-732-0502, as effective as any artificial "birth control" method with no bad side effects.

+ **Heal a troubled marriage** — *Retrouvaille*. 1-800-470-2230 or Vici + Eric John: 412-563-0465, [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org)

+ **Deal with a broken marriage** — *Separated/Divorced Support Group*...at St. Fidelis, Meridian, Ethel: 724-482-2690

## From the Encyclical Ecclesia de Eucharistia

23. Saint John Chrysostom's commentary (on I Cor 10:16-17) is profound and perceptive: "For what is the bread? It is the body of Christ. And what do those who receive it become? The Body of Christ, not many bodies but one body. For as bread is completely one, though made of up many grains of wheat, and these, albeit unseen, remain nonetheless present, in such a way that their difference is not apparent since they have been made a perfect whole, so too are we mutually joined to one another and together united with Christ" ... The Eucharist reinforces the incorporation into Christ which took place in Baptism through the gift of the Spirit (cf. *1 Cor* 12:13, 27).



## From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

### The Holy Spirit makes present the mystery of Christ

**1104** Christian liturgy not only recalls the events that saved us but actualizes them, makes them present. The Paschal mystery of Christ is celebrated, not repeated. It is the celebrations that are repeated, and in each celebration there is an outpouring of the Holy Spirit that makes the unique mystery present. ...

**1105** The *Epiclesis* ("invocation upon") is the intercession in which the priest begs the Father to send the Holy Spirit, the Sanctifier, so that the offerings may become the body and blood of Christ and that the faithful by receiving them, may themselves become a living offering to God. ...

**1106** Together with the anamnesis, the *epiclesis* is at the heart of each sacramental celebration, most especially of the Eucharist: "You ask how the bread becomes the Body of Christ, and the wine... the Blood of Christ. I shall tell you: the Holy Spirit comes upon them and accomplishes what surpasses every word and thought... Let it be enough for you to understand that it is by the Holy Spirit, just as it was of the Holy Virgin and by the Holy Spirit that the Lord, through and in himself, took flesh."...

### The communion of the Holy Spirit

**1108** In every liturgical action the Holy Spirit is sent in order to bring us into communion with Christ and so to form his Body. The Holy Spirit is like the sap of the Father's vine which bears fruit on its branches. The most intimate cooperation of the Holy Spirit and the Church is achieved in the liturgy...

**1109** The *epiclesis* is also a prayer for the full effect of the assembly's communion with the mystery of Christ. "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit" have to remain with us always and bear fruit beyond the Eucharistic celebration. The Church therefore asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit to make the lives of the faithful a living sacrifice to God by their spiritual transformation into the image of Christ, by concern for the Church's unity, and by taking part in her mission through the witness and service of charity.

## Putting It Into Practice

➤ The Holy Spirit also comes to us in Holy Communion, to bring us into communion with Christ and to sanctify our souls. Ask the Holy Spirit to make your life a living sacrifice to God.