**MASS INTENTIONS****Sun., February 22—7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. - Marjorie Korte
 10:00 a.m. - For The Parish Family
 12:00 p.m. - Christopher Bowers
 5:00 p.m. - Rosemary Griffard

Mon., February 23—St. Polycarp

7:00 a.m. - Marsha Koeller
 8:00 a.m. - Lloyd Taaffe III
 12:05 p.m. - Sean Budde

Tues., February 24—Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:00 a.m. - Kathleen Belk
 8:00 a.m. - Ann Marie Williams
 12:05 p.m. - Dora Weber

Wed., February 25—Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. - Jennie Forrester
 8:00 a.m. - Edith Simon
 12:05 p.m. - Rosemary Wilson
 5:30 p.m. - For the Parish Family

Thurs., February 26—Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Kenneth Judge
 8:00 a.m. - Rosalie Fusz
 12:05 p.m. - Angelo Bazzetta

Fri., February 27—Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Gilbert Joseph Williams
 8:00 a.m. - William Charles
 12:05 p.m. - Ruth Zawistowski
 5:30 p.m. - Mary Kathleen Davis

Sat., February 28—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. - Linus Pottebaum
 5:00 p.m. - Our Veterans

Sun., March 1—First Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Rita Burns
 10:00 a.m. - For The Parish Family
 12:00 p.m. - Bishop O'Donnell
 5:00 p.m. - Vallee L. Willman

**SCHEDULE FOR
 FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 1, 2009
 First Sunday of Lent**

Saturday, February 28, 2009**5:00 p.m.**

Readers: Maggie Fowler, Sally Powers
 Extraordinary
 Ministers: Sally Powers, Anne Carleton,
 Tom Sailor, Karen Sailor

Sunday, March 1, 2009**8:00 a.m.**

Readers: Sandy Doyle, Connie Held
 Extraordinary
 Ministers: Tom Doyle, Jack Davey,
 Nancy O'Toole, Tim Hirzel

Ministers
 of Care: Tom and Sandy Doyle

10:00 a.m.

Readers: Pat Rice, Rosemary Merriman
 Extraordinary
 Ministers: Rosemary Merriman, Mitch Smith,
 Monica Vogel, Linus Pottebaum

Ministers
 of Care: Lenore Molloy and Paul Raidt

12:00 Noon

Readers: Brian Ragen, Marybeth Strauss
 Extraordinary
 Ministers: Brian Ragen, Marybeth Strauss,
 Loretta Standley, Jarry Danekas

5:00 p.m.

Readers: Jane Clark
 Extraordinary
 Ministers: Jane Clark

MASS INTENTIONS...

The specific Mass intentions for each scheduled Mass are listed regularly in this bulletin, and are made by individual request. Every effort is made to accommodate a particular time or date when necessary, but occasionally the request cannot be made, so will be kept as soon as there is an available opportunity. Intention requests should be directed to the rectory.

ALERT FOR ASH WEDNESDAY...

February 25, 2009, is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten Season. Masses will be celebrated at 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 12:05 PM, and 5:30 PM. Ashes will be distributed at each of the Masses on Ash Wednesday.



DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK . . .

The readings are included each week so that the parishioners who are unable to join us for daily Mass will be able to consider and pray them in union with the whole Church.

Readings for the Week

February 22, 2009, through March 1, 2009

Sunday: Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24-25
Ps 41:2-5, 13-14 2 Cor 1:18-22
Mk 2:1-12

Monday: Sir 1:1-10 (or Rv 2:8-11) Ps 93:1-2, 5
Mk 9:14-29 (or Jn 15:18-21)

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11
Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40
Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-6, 12-14, 17
2 Cor 5:20--6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9 Ps 51:3-6, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9-14 Ps 86:1-6 Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15 Ps 25:4-9 1 Pt 3:18-22
Mk 1:12-15

PRAYING FOR THE SICK . . .

It is our responsibility in the Lord to remember the sick, who are especially close to the Redeemer in their suffering. In the columns below you will find the names of people who have requested our prayerful intercession.

Chris Arger	Maggie Corkery Miller
Barbara Bradbury	Diane Montileone
Bryan Buffa	Dick Mullen
Ronald Colbert	Mary O'Reilly
Eduardo Caminal	Rachel Ostertag
Shellye von Dahlern	Dorothy Owens
Justin Donovan	Catherine Parent
Andrew Dorsey	Gretchen Piccozzi
Rita Eshom	Wayne Ragan
Virginia Fister	Eileen Riewer
Felisa Garchitorea	Nina Russo
Chelsea Gavin	Ann Sheehan
William Geary	Raymond Lindsay Shives
Carol Grady	Pam Stanton
Rosemary Griffard	Barbara Stojeba
Bennett Gerhart	Fran Thetford
Deacon M. Kenney	Carl Thompson
Mildred Kelemetz	Elba Turbat
Bud Keyes	Helen Vineyard
Chloe Lancaster	Dolores Weathers
Mervin Lewis	Jennie White
Pete Littlefield	James Wilkes
Reverend Earl Loeffler	R. Wilkes
Robert 'Bob' McCoy	Marge Williams
Kristen Middendorf	Ramont Williams

COFFEE AND DONUTS...

The Cathedral Parish Coffee and Donuts is held in Boland Hall following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship!

OLD PALM DISPOSAL . . .

You are invited to bring your blessed palm from last year to be burned into ashes. Drop them off any time prior to Ash Wednesday. Baskets will be at the doors of the church.

FOR THE POOR . . .

On the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods (any items **not** requiring refrigeration) for delivery to some of the food pantries here in the city. Donations should be placed in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. **Our next parish food drive will be held next Sunday, March 1, 2009.**

LENTEN FISH FRY...

Once again, the PTO will be serving up dinner at the Cathedral Lenten Fish Frys. Dinner will be served in Boland Hall Cafeteria, beginning Ash Wednesday (February 25) and then every Friday of Lent. Carry-out is available. The menu will include baked cod, fried cat fish, shrimp, spaghetti, cole slaw, and bread. For the little ones, pizza will also be served. An open bar will include wine and beer. So mark your calendars, get out of the kitchen, and plan to eat out at the fabulous "Lenten Diner". And remember, all proceeds go toward supporting the Cathedral School.



COLLECTION TO AID THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE...

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

In his first Encyclical Letter *Deus Caritas Est*, "On Christian Love," Pope Benedict XVI wrote: "Love is the light – and in the end, the only light – that can always illuminate a world grown dim and give us the courage needed to keep living and working" (n. 39). Christ came into the world and suffered and died in order to bring the light of pure and selfless love to all men. Alive in Christ, we are co-workers with Him in bringing the light of divine love to all our brothers and sisters, without boundary.

With the Christ-like love which brings radiant light, Catholics in the United States continue to help in building up parishes in many distant places through the Collection to Aid the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. I invite you, once again, to participate in bringing the light of Christ's love to our brothers and sisters in Central and Eastern Europe, who, for many decades, lived in "a world grown dim" because of government prohibition of the teaching and practice of the Catholic faith.

Your generous contributions to the Collection to Aid the Church in Central and Eastern Europe support seminaries, social service programs, youth ministry, pastoral centers, schools, church construction and renovation, and the spreading of the Church's teaching through the mass media. Your compassionate concern for the universal Church brings Christ's light to people and places once covered by a pall of darkness. Please join in the spreading of the radiant light of love by supporting generously this collection. I thank you in advance for your consideration of my appeal made on behalf of our brothers and sisters in Central and Eastern Europe.

Invoking God's blessings upon you, I remain

Devotedly yours in Christ,

+ Robert J. Hermann

Most Rev. Robert J. Hermann
Archdiocesan Administrator

LENTEN REGULATIONS...

"Whoever wishes to be my follower must deny his very self, take up his cross each day, and follow in my steps" (Lk 9:23). The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics. Accordingly, the Pope and the American bishops have outlined obligatory fast and abstinence as follows:

- **Ash Wednesday (February 25) and Good Friday (April 10)** are days of *abstinence* for all Catholics *over the age of 14*. On these two days, *fast* as well as abstinence is also obligatory for those *from the ages of 18 to 59*. Abstinence means abstinence from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquids are permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation.
- **All other Fridays of Lent** are days of *abstinence* from meat. Here again Catholics will not hold themselves lightly excused, but if there is a serious health problem, this obligation would not apply.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS...

A privileged devotion most frequently prayed in a public service during Lent is the **Stations of the Cross**. For centuries pilgrimage to the holy places in Jerusalem and a walking the path of Christ's carrying the cross to Calvary has been an esteemed devotion and penitential practice. In similar fashion the faithful have prayed at home at fourteen "stations of the Cross" erected on the walls of their parish churches. Join us for this powerful devotional prayer **every Friday evening of Lent at 7:00 p.m.**

NOTICE ON LENTEN SCHEDULE...

Many opportunities for observing the penitential season of Lent will be available at the Cathedral, and foremost among all is **daily Mass**. Our daily Mass schedule (which includes Mass at 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., and 12:05 p.m. Monday through Friday) will be augmented with the addition of a late afternoon Mass **each Friday at 5:30 p.m.** The regular schedule for **Confessions**, which is detailed on the cover of the bulletin, will be augmented with two additional opportunities: **11:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.**, each Friday of Lent.



LENT AND CONFESSION. . .

All Catholics associate Lent with the Sacrament of Penance, Reconciliation, and Confession. Sometimes they put off going to Confession until the last minute depriving themselves of a much richer Lent; indeed, a much richer life. Sometimes they put off going because it has been too long since they last sought the direct, personal forgiveness of Christ made tangible in the sacrament; thus, additional procrastination makes it even more difficult. Everyone is urged to make their Lenten confession early, during the first weeks of Lent. In that way, the richness of God's mercy may develop the full root and stem in Lent to blossom into a hardy and brilliant Easter joy.

HELP WITH THE MORTGAGE CRISIS...

Recently, the Cathedral Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul engaged the services of "Beyond Housing", a group experienced in resolving the severe difficulties faced by families in mortgage crisis. If you find yourself in this category of need and would like additional information, please contact the Society through the rectory at 314-373-8200.

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS...

On March 10, 1962, Sr. Antona Ebo SSM and 5 other religious women joined a group 48 priests and other clergy and boarded a chartered bus for Selma. **On February 27, 2009, at 1:00 p.m.**, Sr. Ebo will visit the Cathedral School and share stories of her memorable experience with our students. All are welcome to join us for Sr. Ebo's presentation.

Cathedral School is one of 10 Archdiocesan schools being invited to participate in a Monsanto funded science education program through the 2011-2012 school year. There are 3 components to this program - teacher training, parent education, and student education. The program is a summer enrichment program for kindergarten through 3rd grades. This program, once again, acknowledges our outstanding school, knowledgeable teachers, and gifted students.

And a BIG thank you to all of our friends who are part of the effort to raise funds to meet our 2009-10 school budget needs. Please call 373-8250 if you have questions or wish to Support Our School.

COLLECTION FOR THE BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS...

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The annual NATIONAL BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION was authorized by the Catholic Church in our nation in 1884 and has served the Black and Native American communities ever since without interruption. The Collection was sorely needed when it began. Today, there continues to be a definite and dramatic reason for the Collection. In the past, the Collection has provided critical assistance to those suffering from the terrible devastation of Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma. The Archdioceses of New Orleans and Mobile, the Dioceses of Biloxi, Houma-Thibodaux, Lake Charles and other Dioceses in the paths of the Hurricanes have always received funds from the Collection. These funds continue to be needed as much as ever in these poverty stricken areas.

Churches and schools which have received evangelization grants each year from the Black and Indian Mission Collection and were destroyed by the Hurricanes are determined to begin again their work of the new evangelization.

I ask that you be as generous as possible to the NATIONAL BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION for the year 2009. Everyone who contributes to the Collection works side by side with the people of the parishes receiving grants for their evangelization efforts.

Invoking God's blessing upon you and your homes, I remain

Yours devotedly in Christ,

Most Rev. Robert J. Hermann
Archdiocesan Administrator



The Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis invites you to

The Passion of Our Lord

Friday, March 6, 2009, at 8:00 p.m.

The Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

Beginning with the triumphal entry into Jerusalem and ending with the Ascension into Heaven, this powerful one-man show performed by Kevin O'Brien sweeps the audience up into an unforgettable encounter with Jesus Christ in the days of his passion, suffering, death and resurrection.

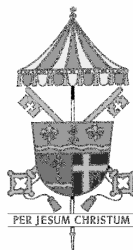
Culled from all four Gospel accounts, and featuring the King James translation, this tremendous story comes alive before your eyes as you never thought it could, and is presented on a stage like no other...The Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis.

No charge for admission, but a free-will offering will be taken up the evening of the performance.

For more information, please contact the Parish Rectory at 314-373-8208.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER...

The Annual Cathedral Basilica St. Patrick's Day Dinner will be held in Boland Hall **Saturday, March 14, 2009, from 5-7 p.m.** Corned beef or gourmet pasta dinners are \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12. Desserts, cash bar, and Irish coffee available. The evening will include an Irish Quilt Raffle and Irish-themed boutique items for sale. Irish entertainment will be provided by the Clarkson School of Irish Dance, who are based at our neighboring parish, St. James the Greater. Volunteers are most welcomed for set-up, cooking help, serving, and clean up! **Also, we are looking for donations of dessert items or items for the Irish-themed boutique.** Please call Laura Fisher at 314-367-5149 for more info or to buy tickets. Tickets will also be on sale at the rectory, the school, the gift shop, and at the Parish Coffee and Donuts, located in Boland Hall following the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

AHC SEMINAR...

The Association of Hebrew Catholics is taking a few weeks off, but will continue their free Wednesday lecture series at Boland Hall next week on **Wednesday, March 4, 2009, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** Dr. Lawrence Feingold will continue teaching on "The Mystery of Israel and the Church". Please call the AHC at 314-535-4242 for further information.

THE GIVING TREE GIVES BACK...

"Thank you to all of you for the generous gifts to our residents. We so appreciate your thoughtfulness. Supplies and clothing help the home throughout the year, so we are grateful for your help." "Thanks for the gift of notions and the sweet statue of St. Francis. It was much appreciated and loved." "Thank you so much for the gift of useful items which were badly needed. I appreciate your generosity."

These are just a few of the notes of thanks the parish has received from recipients of packages and donations given through the Cathedral Basilica's annual Advent Giving Tree Program. The parish volunteers involved in this program extend their thanks to all who participated in this program, helping spread the joy and peace of the holiday season to these wonderful, yet all too often forgotten, brothers and sisters in Christ.

MINISTERS AND LECTORS...

Work on the next assignment schedule for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers is underway, so please submit any information regarding your availability **no later than Wednesday, March 4.** Contact Laura at 373-8208, or by e-mail at lvoegelic@cathedralstl.org or lchipleysbcglobal.net. And please note: the next schedule runs from March 14 through June 7, 2009, so please notify Laura of any scheduling considerations needed for Holy Week, or Memorial Day holiday!

NEW CATHEDRAL YOUNG ADULTS...

The next Cathedral Young Adult Group dinner outing will be the Cathedral School's own fish fry, on Friday, February 27 at 6:00 p.m. It provides a great chance to enjoy some delicious non-meat dinners, as well as support the school and enjoy each others' company. To RSVP, please contact Bryan Kirchoff at (314) 640-4366 or bryankirchoff@att.net.

HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS...

Free Exercise Sessions continue to be offered on **Monday and Wednesday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** in Boland Hall. Emphasis on strength, stamina, and balance. For more information, call Mary Moore at 314-373-8204. Blood pressure screening is provided free of charge on the third Sunday of each month following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Our next screening will be offered **Sunday, March 15, 2009 in Boland Hall, adjacent to Coffee and Donuts.** Finally, the Health Committee will sponsor a discussion on Medicare and changes in long-term care on **Tuesday, February 24, at 1:00 p.m.** in the parish rectory. Guest Speaker is Nan Marking-Camuto, and all are welcome to join us for this free presentation.

AN INVITATION TO PHYSICIANS...

The Archdiocese of Saint Louis is in the process of developing a contact list for all Catholic physicians living in the Archdiocese. This list will improve our ability to notify you of the annual White Mass and of other matters of particular interest to you. The list will not be used for fundraising. Please send your name, address, telephone number, and email address to Msgr. Kevin T. McMahan, 4445 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, 63108 or by email to kevinmcmahan@archstl.org.



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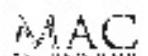
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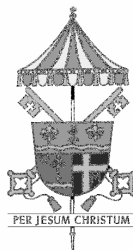
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REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS...

From outside the Cathedral Parish...

CHOUTEAU'S LANDING UNCORKED...

Join Peter & Paul Community Services for "Chouteau's Landing Uncorked", a wine tasting benefiting the homeless of St. Louis, on **Saturday February 28, 2009**, at Chouteau's Landing 756 S. Fourth Street, Second Floor St. Louis, MO 63102. The evening will feature wine tasting, antipasti, chocolates, live music, and blind auction sponsored by Schnucks, Chouteau's Landing, Bailey's Chocolate Bar, and Rooster. Peter & Paul Community Services provides housing and supportive services to persons who are homeless, especially those who experience mental illness or live with HIV or AIDS. Reservations required: For ticket info, call Emily Wanner at 314-588-7111.

BLUE ARMY NEWS...

Bishop Robert Hermann will be the main celebrant for a 2:00 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral Basilica on **Saturday, March 7**. Dominican Father Gabriel Harty, known throughout Europe as "The Rosary Priest of Ireland" will be the homilist. Father Harty has produced hundreds of booklets, pamphlets and audio tapes on every aspect of the Rosary. He has established prayer groups and communities in every part of Ireland. He was a close personal friend of Frank Duff, founder of the Legion of Mary and gave testimony at the beatification Tribunal. Father Harty is coming to Saint Louis to help the World Apostolate of Fatima establish a Shrine to Our Lady of the Rosary. There will be a reception in Boland Hall following the Mass. For more information please call 314-352-0229.

MAGNIFICAT WOMEN'S BREAKFAST...

Please come join us for a Spirit-filled morning of worship, prayer, witness and a great breakfast all for \$15, on **Saturday, March 14**, beginning with registration at 8:30 a.m. The prayer breakfast will be held in the Fleur de Lis room of the Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Drive in Shrewsbury. Guest speaker Sister Dr. Pearl Johnson is a delightful, Spirit-filled person with much to give. Reservations are required and can be made by calling Mary Ann Daub at 314-479-1749 or email janeguenther@archstl.org.

PROFESSION OF FAITH WORKSHOP...

Paul VI Institute welcomes you to its first session in its four part Catechism series, Profession of Faith, **Saturday, March 28, 2009**. This will be a full day devoted to the first section of the catechism. Dr. John Gresham, Associate Professor of Systemic Theology at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary will be the presenter. Dr. Gresham has taught the fundamentals of the Catholic Faith for years at Paul VI Institute and is thoroughly familiar with the questions that adult Catholics have in this area. Dr. Gresham was recently a guest on the EWTN series The Journey Home, which you can access at the address below. All are welcome. This session may be of special interest to those who wish to take the Paul VI class, Catechism I, but have not yet found the opportunity. There will be plenty of time for questions and discussion. The program will begin at 9:00 am, include lunch and end with Mass at 5:00 p.m. The cost of the workshop, which includes lunch, is \$30.00. Please contact The Paul VI Institute at 314-633-2550 if you have any dietary concerns. The workshop will be held at the Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Dr., in Shrewsbury. You are welcome to attend one or all of the four sessions. A Certificate of Attendance will be given for each workshop you attend. For additional information, please visit their website at www.archstl.org/paul6.

DOES WINTER GET YOU DOWN?...

Perhaps you need some prayer ministry to take care of yourself spiritually. Did you know the Catholic Renewal Center of the Archdiocese of St. Louis has walk in prayer ministry every Tuesday and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.? The Catholic Renewal Center is located at 10909 St. Henry Lane in St. Ann. To schedule a time other than our walk in hours, please call Sr. Charlotte Struckhoff at 314-427-7786.

CATHOLIC RADIO...

Are you interested in learning more about your faith? Would you like to strengthen your relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church? Tune in to Catholic Radio on AM 1080 WRYT. Programming includes daily Holy Mass, devotions, Catechetics, live call-in shows, and much more. For a program schedule or free CD, call 314-752-7000 or 877-305-1234.