

**MASS INTENTIONS****Sun., March 7—3rd Sunday of Lent**

8:00 a.m. - Ronald Richards
 10:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family
 12:00 p.m. - Ruth Zawistowski
 5:00 p.m. - Larry Stewart

Mon., March 8—St. John of God

7:00 a.m. - Steve Schemeck
 8:00 a.m. - William and June Gross
 12:05 p.m. - Loretta Lyncher

Tues., March 9—St. Frances of Rome

7:00 a.m. - Frank LaMantia
 8:00 a.m. - Jeff Clinton
 12:05 p.m. - Dorothy Butler

Wed., March 10—Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Kenneth Lucheon
 8:00 a.m. - Lloyd Taaffe III
 12:05 p.m. - Rosemary Wilson

Thurs., March 11—Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Lawrence Reuther
 8:00 a.m. - Myra Thomasson
 12:05 p.m. - Helen Bird

Fri., March 12—Lenten Weekday

7:00 a.m. - Rosalie Fusz
 8:00 a.m. - Agnes Calenda
 12:05 p.m. - Tom Ford

Sat., March 13—Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. - Brian Gerritzen
 5:00 p.m. - Ah Mao Wong

Sun., March 14—4th Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Ruth Zawistowski
 10:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family
 12:00 p.m. - Jeanie Mullen
 5:00 p.m. - Hank Hopfinger

SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 13-14, 2010**Fourth Sunday of Lent****Saturday, March 13, 2010****5:00 p.m.**

Readers: Mitch Smith, Bill Carleton
 Extraordinary

Ministers: Anne Carleton, Bill Carleton

Sunday, March 14, 2010**8:00 a.m.**

Readers: Kitty Reiter, Pat Rice

Extraordinary

Ministers: Michael Weisbrod, Richelle Weisbrod,
 Kitty Reiter, Pat Rice

Ministers

of Care: Sue Mullen

10:00 a.m.

Readers: Regina Westfall, Mary Elizabeth Grimes

Extraordinary

Ministers: Monica Vogel, Mary Elizabeth Grimes,
 Rosemary Merriman, Regina Westfall

Ministers

of Care: Brother Timothy, Rosemary Merriman

12:00 Noon

Readers: Tim Hirzel, Sally Powers

Extraordinary

Ministers: Sally Powers, Rita Sheftall
 Janice Noack, Tim Hirzel

5:00 p.m.

Readers: Marybeth Strauss

Extraordinary

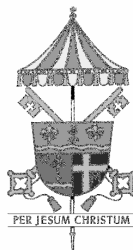
Ministers: Marybeth Strauss

MASS INTENTIONS...

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

LENTEN FISH FRY...

Remember to stop by the Cathedral School Lenten Fish Fry! Every Friday during Lent, dinner will be served in Boland Hall beginning at 4:30 p.m. Carry-out is also available. The menu includes fried cod, catfish, jack salmon, or shrimp, baked tilapia, spaghetti, macaroni & cheese, green beans, and slaw. Cheese pizza will also be available. So get out of the kitchen! And, as always, all proceeds from the dinners go to support the Cathedral School.



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

March 7, 2010 through March 14, 2010

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8, 13-15 Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 Lk 13:1-9
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15 Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4
Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9 Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20
Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10 Ps 81:6-11, 14, 17
Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6 Ps 51:3-4, 18-21 Lk 18:9-14
Sunday: Jos 5:9, 10-12 Ps 34:2-7 2 Cor 5:17-21
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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	Robert 'Bob' McCoy
Jack Barry	Matthew Medlock
Barbara Beckemeyer	Michael Medlock
Oscar Blue, Jr.	Tony Merlenbach
Lionel Bolden	Kristen Middendorf
Bryan Buffa	Diane Montileone
Beatrice Chichizola	Rachel Ostertag
Betty Colbert	Dorothy Owens
Shellye von Dahlern	Catherine Parent
Jeanette Dawid	Gretchen Piccozzi
Justin Donovan	Wayne Ragan
Andrew Dorsey	Eileen Riewer
Dorothy Edwards	Peter Roth
Rita Eshom	Nina Russo
Carol Grady	Ann Sheehan
Michele Grant	Pam Stanton
Rosemary Griffard	Barbara Stojeba
Bennett Gerhart	Fran Thetford
Mary Hebert	Carl Thompson
Jerome Kelly	Elba Turbat
Deacon M. Kenney	Pat Urspruck
Sheila Kenny	Helen Vineyard
Bud Keyes	Dolores Weathers
Linda LaBarde	Jennie White
Chloe Lancaster	James Wilkes
Mervin Lewis	R. Wilkes
Pete Littlefield	Marge Williams
Reverend Earl Loeffler	Ramont Williams
Steven Mann	Harlie Wilson
Clarence McClure	

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!

FOR THE POOR. . .

Today, and on the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods (any items **not** requiring refrigeration) for delivery to food pantries here in the city. Donations should be placed in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. Thank you very much for your generosity!

ST. PATRICK'S CASSEROLE PROGRAM...

Casseroles and other offerings collected by the St. Patrick's Casserole Program provides one week of dinners for the Women's Shelter, and one night of dinners for the Men's Alumni Club. The next collection will be held **this Thursday, March 11, 2010, at Boland Hall, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

WEEKLY THOUGHTS ON GIVING...

"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'" - Luke 13:7

Are we like the barren fig tree? What does God find when He searches for the fruits which we have given back?



UNIVERSAL LENTEN DIRECTIONS . . .

"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.

1. **Abstinence from meat** (totally meatless days) is observed by all Catholics 14 years of age and older (no upper age limit) on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.
2. **Fasting** is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics between 18 and 59. Those who are bound by this eat only one full meal; two smaller meals are taken to maintain strength according to each one's needs.
3. **Fasting** on other weekdays of Lent is not obligatory but recommended most strongly; if fasting is not observed, some other form of **self-denial is obligatory** not from Church direction but from Christ's command.
4. **Prayer** is especially necessary to maintain the perspective of penance and to keep the motivation spiritual. Some substantial time should be given to prayer each day.
5. **Almsgiving** or charity is necessary to maintain and intensify the movement of the soul away from self-centeredness. A substantial donation of monetary funds and/or time and/or personal effort should be given to those in need.

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.

NOTICE ON LENTEN SCHEDULE...

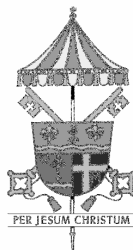
Many opportunities for observing the penitential season of Lent will be available at the Cathedral, and foremost among all is **daily Mass**. Our daily Mass schedule includes Mass at 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., and 12:05 p.m. Monday through Friday. **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. Finally, the schedule for **Confessions** now includes daily confession at 7:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, in addition to our regular confession schedule as detailed on the cover of this bulletin.

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.**

WATCH AND PRAY WITH ME...

At the center of any genuine Christian living is the mystery of Christ's sacrificial Death and Resurrection. The individual is immersed in the mystery of mercy by insertion into the saving sacrifice of Christ through the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Every Catholic is encouraged by the Lenten regimen to prepare by prayer and penance to renew in mind, heart and soul the grace of Baptismal innocence at Easter, and the strength of Spirit through a renewal of Confirmation at Pentecost. The Eucharist, however, is a "daily" necessity. Because the Eucharistic share in the sacrifice of Christ is so basic to our lives of discipleship, the Church since the days of the apostles has set a minimum of weekly attendance on Sunday, which is observed as a "little Easter." And for practically fifteen hundred years has celebrated Mass, the Eucharistic Sacrifice, daily. A hundred years ago, St. Pius X strongly encouraged "daily communion." Many Catholics consider daily Mass participation "a minimum Lenten practice." Why not join us every day?



The Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis Presents...

An Irish Evening

Saturday March 13 2010

Boland Hall, 4430 Maryland Avenue

Dinner served from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Featuring Traditional Corned Beef & Cabbage
OR Gourmet Pasta Dinners

Adults \$7.00 Children Under 12 \$3.00

Desserts, Cash Bar, & Irish Coffee,
With An Irish-Themed Boutique &
"Irish Afternoon" Quilt Raffle also available

SPECIAL GUESTS

Music & Entertainment provided by
The Clarkson School of Irish Dance
beginning at 7:00 pm

Tickets available through the Cathedral Basilica Rectory,
The Cathedral School, The Cathedral Gift Shop, or by
calling Laura Fister at 314-367-5149



A THOUGHT ON THE SANCTITY OF LIFE...

“The Second Vatican Council reminded the entire Church that we are to be a leaven for the world’s transformation. ... Recently, we have tried to be such a leaven in the debate about health care. It is not for us to speak to particular means of delivering health care; it is our responsibility, however, to insist, as a moral voice concerned with human solidarity, that everyone should be cared for and that no one should be deliberately killed.”

Cardinal Francis George, Presidential Address to General Meeting of U.S. bishops, Nov. 16, 2009

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. All fitness levels welcome. For more information, call Mary Moore at 314-373-8204. On the third Sunday of every month, blood pressure screening is provided free of charge following the 10:00 a.m. Mass in Boland Hall adjacent to Coffee and Donuts. Our next free screening is scheduled for **Sunday, March 21, 2010.**

AHC SEMINAR...

The Association of Hebrew Catholics will continue their free Wednesday lecture series on **March 10** from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., in Boland Hall. Dr. Lawrence Feingold will continue teaching on "The Mystery of Israel and the Church", with a focus on themes of the Incarnation. This week’s topic is “Christ’s Trial”. Please call the AHC at 314-535-4242 for further information, or visit www.hebrewcatholic.org. We encourage you to attend any or all of the lectures.

AN INVITATION FROM RCIA...

An invitation is extended to any adult who would like to become a member of the Catholic Church to consider the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. RCIA is the process in which adults enter the Catholic Church, or possibly re-enter it if they’ve been away a long time and may not have received their First Communion and/or been confirmed. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or returning to the practice of your Catholic faith, contact the rectory at 314-373-8200 for more information.

JOURNEY THROUGH CHURCH HISTORY SESSION 11: WEAK LEADERS & SCHISM PART I

In 1309, the pope moves his residence to Avignon, a town in France. It is not until seventy-two years later that St. Catherine of Siena is able to bring the pope back to Rome. A year and a half after the papacy returns from Avignon to Rome an even greater scandal rocks the Church. It is the time of the Great Western Schism. Two antipopes are deposed and a third pope is elected, restoring unity to Christendom. Please join us on **Thursday, March 11, at 7:00 p.m.** for the next session of *Epic: A Journey through Church History*. For more info, call Mary Moore at 314-373-8204.

SCHOOL NEWS...

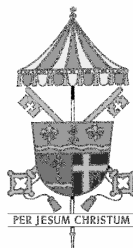
Cathedral Basilica School is one of five Archdiocesan schools in the E. Desmond Lee Fine Arts Education Collaborative. The Cathedral School has been honored with the opportunity to be a part of this collaborative for the past five years.

On February 18, nine of our 7th and 8th graders performed in the 2010 Middle School Music Festival at the Touhill Performing Arts Center. Those students include Paul Fister (parishioner), Sydney Smith, Samira Alwazier (parishioner), Bailey Williams, Jessica Murphy-Washington, Alexandria Harris, Steven Harris, Jasen Jackson (parishioner), and Melissa Barnes (parishioner).

Finally, mark your calendars for the First Annual Cathedral School Dinner Auction, scheduled for Saturday, April 24. Look for your invitation in the mail!

INFANT BAPTISM...

According to the mind of the Church, parents are obliged to see that infants are baptized within the first weeks after birth. As soon as possible after the birth, or even before it, parents should request the sacrament for their child and are to be properly instructed in preparation for it. And in order for the baptism to be scheduled, there must be a well-founded hope that the infant will be raised in the practice of the Catholic faith. Parents are encouraged to attend baptismal preparation before their child is born; then, immediately after the child is born, the date of baptism can be scheduled by calling the rectory at 314-373-8200.



March 7, 2010

WANTED

AUCTION ITEMS

for CATHEDRAL BASILICA SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Our dinner auction is Saturday, April 24
and WE NEED YOU to help gather donations
of items for the event.

Please begin asking your contacts NOW.

WE NEED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

- Gift Certificates for
 - restaurants
 - salons and spas
 - clothing stores
 - car washes/oil changes
 - groceries
- Tickets for
 - movies
 - sporting events
 - concerts/plays
 - tourist attractions
- Bottles of wine or spirits
- Autographed memorabilia
- Electronics
- Household items
- Professional Services
 - home repair/painting
 - photography/videography
 - cooking/baking
 - interior design
 - landscaping/yard work
 - legal counsel
 - sewing/alterations
 - lessons (dance, art, etc.)
- Big Ticket Items
 - use of vacation home
 - airline tickets
 - hotel/resort stays
 - artwork
 - jewelry
 - video game system
 - antiques

ITEMS MUST BE SECURED BY MARCH 27.

As soon as you have secured an auction item, please contact
Suzanne Fontaine at 314.773.4225 or sfontaine@bjc.org.

**REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS...****From outside the Cathedral Parish...****THEOLOGY OF THE BODY...**

On **Saturday, March 13**, beginning at 8:00 a.m., Christopher West, a nationally known speaker on the Theology of the Body, will be hosted by the Body of Christ Outreach at Immaculate Conception Church - Dardenne at 2079 Hwy N (63368). The seminar will present the Church's teaching on issues related to sexuality, and the use of the human body. Program fee of \$25 per person includes the study book and lunch. Come and enjoy this entertaining and dynamic speaker as he inspires a greater understanding of God's plan for man and woman. To register, contact Joe or Chris Wooldridge at 636-922-4761, or visit the Body of Christ Outreach at www.bodyofchristoutreach.org.

CARS FOR SVDP...

"Vinnie's Autos" is a car donation and transfer program of the St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Louis, designed to help individuals and families secure basic transportation to facilitate economic empowerment and enhanced health and safety. Please help your neighbors help themselves, and get a nice tax donation at the same time. Please call Greg Marino, "Vinnie's Autos" coordinator, at 314-881-6005, if you would like to learn more about the program or discuss making a donation.

THIS WEEK IN THE REVIEW...

Every week, the St. Louis Review brings you news of the Catholic Church in the St. Louis region and throughout the world. The March 5 issue features articles on several outreach initiatives, including a local pastor's work in Haiti, and a young parishioner's mostaccioli dinner to help raise funds for his upcoming trip to Australia through People to People International's Student Ambassador Program.

TWENTY- AND THIRTY-SOMETHINGS...

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul offers a number of service opportunities for young adults, including home visitation to the needy, food pantries, thrift stores, home repair, and criminal justice programs. For more info, please contact Bryan Kirchoff at 314-640-4366 or bryankirchoff@att.net.

HISTORY OF THE CATHOLIC MASS...

Seminar facilitator Deacon Ken Clemens (Holy Infant Parish) presents a complete overview of the Catholic Mass, from the Last Supper to the Tridentine Mass, the impact of Vatican II, traditions and rituals, and much more! Seminar is hosted by Pauline Media & Books, 9804 Watson in Crestwood, **every other Wednesday, 6:30 - 8:00 pm**. Cost is \$1 per meeting, and includes all materials. To register, e-mail our group organizer at amf630@hotmail.com.

WEBSTER STUDENTS...

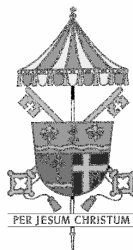
The Society of St. Vincent De Paul, one of the largest and oldest Catholic organizations for serving the poor in the world, is exploring the possibility of establishing a chapter at Webster University. This chapter will work with an existing chapter to provide assistance to the needy, as well as perform projects of its own. The Society needs one or more student volunteers to work with it on refining and implementing this concept on campus. If you would like an opportunity to be in on this worthwhile work from the very start, please contact SVDP Youth/Young Adult Rep Bryan Kirchoff at 314-640-4366 or bryankirchoff@att.net.

CATHOLIC RADIO...

For inspiration during the Lenten season listen to AM 1080 WRYT, Catholic radio. Hear Lenten Parish Mission with Father Bill Casey and the Stations of the Cross. Plus, daily Holy Mass, the Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. For a program schedule and a free CD, call 314-752-7000 or 877-305-1234.

GO! NETWORK...

Begun in early February in response to record layoffs in St. Louis, the GO! Network continues to respond to the needs and voice of its unemployed community. Feedback from attendees drives the Tuesday morning seminars in St. Patrick Center's Catholic Charities Conference Center. Not only does the GO! Network provide seminars on resume building and networking opportunities, it has built a comprehensive, holistic career transition program with topics that the GO! Network members want to explore. Registration and membership in the GO! Network is FREE! For more information, visit www.gonetworkstl.com.



PASCHAL MYSTERY SERIES...

These eight sessions at Mercy Center will be held Tuesday evenings, 7:00-8:30 pm, **March 2-April 20, 2010**. During the Lenten and Easter seasons, participants will explore the Paschal mystery through the experiences of various scriptural figures. The series involves daily Scriptural reading and prayer, sharing of insights from prayer, background on upcoming passages, and group prayer. Presenter Joe Milner is Pastoral Associate at St. Francis Xavier College Church. Cost \$80. Contact Alice Kehm (314)909-4671.

ARE YOU READY FOR SOME SOFTBALL?

The Catholic Singles Alumni Club is looking for single or married players over 18 to join their slow pitch co-ed softball league. All skill levels welcome. Play at Brentwood Park on Sunday afternoons starting in the spring. Interested? Contact Don at 314-729-1235 or go to www.csacstlouis.org/activities.html.

KENRICK LECTURE...

On **Thursday, March 18, 2010, at 7:30 p.m.**, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary presents the Peter Richard Kenrick Lecture. Fr. Joseph T. Lienhard, S.J., a leading scholar of the Catholic Church, will present the topic, "Pope Benedict XVI: Theologian of the Bible." From 1975 Fr. Lienhard taught at Marquette University, and, since 1990, at Fordham University. This lecture is open to the public. Call 314-792-6100 through Monday, March 15 to make reservations.

TAIZE PRAYER FOR LENT...

On Sunday, **March 14, 2010**, from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Mercy Center, a special Lenten Taize prayer will be held. This is an ecumenical service of song, silence, and scripture. "That Little Springtime" -- an introductory video about the history, spirit, and prayer style of the Taize community in France--will be shown at 6:30 p.m.. Reservations not required. Donations welcome. Contact Rita O'Dea 314-909-4663.

HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS...

SSM Cardinal Glennon Children's Medical Center is currently recruiting adult day and evening volunteers. For more info or to apply, contact the Volunteer Office at 314-577-5696.

SPRING TRIVIA NIGHT & QUILT RAFFLE...

St. Gerard Majella Trivia Night and Quilt Raffle will be held on **Saturday March 20, 2010**. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. \$20 per person, tables of 8, includes beer, soda & snacks. For more information or reservations, please call Ruth at 314-966-6084. Join the fun and support Woman's Place, a ministry of the Franciscan Sisters of Mary providing a safe and welcoming drop-in center to help women break the cycle of violence and facilitate their transition toward safety, personal power and dignity.

MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST...

The 2010 Women's Magnificat Prayer Breakfast, featuring guest speaker Dr. Sony Sakhrani, will be held on **Saturday, March 20**, 9:00 am. till noon, at the Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Dr., Shrewsbury. \$15 includes breakfast. To register or for more info, call Nancy at the Catholic Renewal Center at 314-427-7786 or email janeguenther@archstl.org. **NO reservations will be accepted after March 12.**

ARCHBISHOP'S GALA...

Archbishop Robert Carlson requests your support for the First Annual Archbishop's Gala for the benefit of the Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation on **Tuesday, March 23, 2010**, at the Missouri Athletic Club. Proceeds from the Archbishop's Gala will be used to provide needs based tuition assistance scholarships to underserved families desiring a Catholic elementary school education for their children. To become a sponsor or purchase tickets, call 314-792-7621, email sharongerken@archstl.org or go to www.archstl.org/ttef.

THE ODD COUPLE...

The Archdiocesan Catholic Youth Apostolate (CYA) and the Fr. William Scheid Players will present "The Odd Couple" for three performances on **Friday, April 9, Saturday, April 10, and Sunday April 11**. All performances will be at Pope John Paul II Auditorium at the Cardinal Rigali Center in Shrewsbury. Tickets are \$10, and all proceeds support CYA youth programs. For tickets, ad sales, or more information, visit www.archstl.org/catholicyouth or call Sarah at 314-792-7611.