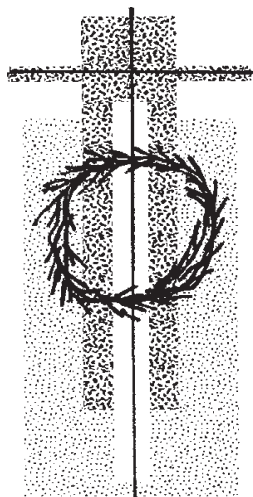


Mass Intentions March 1-7, 2010



Mon. Mar. 1: Lenten Weekday <i>Dn 9: 4b-10; Lk 6: 36-38</i>	7:00 Rita Henry
Tue. Mar. 2: Lenten Weekday <i>Is 1: 10, 16-20; Mt 23: 1-12</i>	9:00 Josephine Hasbrook 7:00 Dolores Noles
Wed. Mar. 3: Lenten Weekday <i>Jer 18: 18-20; Mt 20: 17-28</i>	7:00 Ruth Krile
Thu. Mar. 4: Lenten Weekday <i>Jer 17: 5-10; Lk 16: 19-31</i>	9:00 Francis and Helen Lamb
Fri. Mar. 5: Lenten Weekday <i>Gn 37: 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46</i>	7:00 Paul O'Leary
Sat. Mar. 6: Lenten Weekday <i>Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20; Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32</i>	5:30 For the People
Sun. Mar. 7: Third Sunday of Lent <i>Ex 3: 1-8a, 13-15; 1 Cor 10: 1-6, 10-12; Lk 13: 1-9</i>	8:45 Deceased Members of the Beshara Family 11:15 Gail Coakley

Weekend Ministries Schedule

When the deacon is present, he will read the Prayers of the Faithful and serve at a cup station during distribution of the Eucharist.

Saturday, March 6, 2010

5:30 p.m.

Readers: J. Marque, D. Griffin
Euch. Min: S. Baker, T. Beiter, M. P. Sheridan, D. Murphy,
D. Griffin, V. Rogers, V. Barker, P. Arter
Servers: D. Berry, C. Schmelzer, G. Macioci, H. Bickers

Sunday, March 7, 2010

8:45 a.m.

Readers: J. McGill, R. Kennedy
Euch. Min. H. Acton, H. Sutter, E. Baltz, J. Dodds,
J. Fauble, M. Baughman, C. Wright, D. Ahern
Servers: A. Konkler, A. McGee, A. McGee, J. Bouffieux
Children's Liturgy: A. Bartholomew & J. or H. Jones

11:15 a.m.

Readers: R. Linehan, J. Linehan
Euch. Min. J. Kelley, B. Kelley, L. Dowda, D. Hoy,
T. Liptak, M. Woods, D. Renard, A. Bartholomew
Servers: E. Andrews, T. Carpenter, S. Ventura, K. Blank
Children's Liturgy: A. Marinacci Young & J. Blackston

Special Schedule

Tuesday, March 7, 2010 Confirmation

7:00 p.m. Incense
Readers: Special Scheduled Mass
Euch. Min. Special Scheduled Mass
Servers: Special Scheduled Mass

Weekday Server Schedule

7:00 a.m. Monday 3/01, Wednesday 3/03, Friday 3/05
M. Arnold, A. Arnold, D. Dodds, H. Novena

9:00 a.m. Tuesday 3/02, Thursday 3/04
P. Brady, E. Huber, M. Brady, A. Jones

PRAYER LIST

Bette Agosta, Ellen Baltz, Meghan Beery, Sam Bish, Sharon Bloom, Dick Busic, Margie Clark, Joan Coakley, Bob Crook, Dorothy Crook, Margaret Crook, Joe Dalton, Dollie Daubmire, Robert Daubmire, Joan Dominguez, Joan Bowes England, Ethan Fish, Mary Good, Cyndi Hamlin, Doug Hamlin, Alexander Heil, John Hoch, Susan Weiland Hoffman, Abigail Houston, Janet, Sarah Johnson, Rod Kessler, Dusty Kline, Tiffany Kohler, Cathy Lineberger, The Liskay Family, Peter Markwood, John Martin, Donald Maynard, Ann Maze, Kenneth McCall, Mike McCoy and Family, Susan McCrady, Barbara Miller, Fran Miller, Hilda Moyer, Mike Mullin, Phil Mulroy, Karen Nunn, Rosie O'Leary, Mary O'Toole, Steve Riley, Rhonda Robbins, Rose Mary Sabol, Caroline Schmelzer, Janet Schorr, Max Shook, Regina Shumaker, Courtney Slay, Carl Smith, Barbara Snyder, Anne Spires, Joey Strigle, Ben Thimmes, Jose Toro, Joe Touvell, Corrin Vandenoever, Roberta Vickroy, Harold Wallace, Sandy Walters, Terry Whitehead, Peter Yanuzzi, Ann Zink

A new Prayer List will begin in the March 7th bulletin. Please call Cathy at the rectory office, 653-0997, if you would like a name to remain on or added to the prayer list. Thank you for your patience.

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Second Sunday of Lent

LENT

Fasting-No food between meals for Catholics ages 18-59.
Abstinence-No meat for Catholics ages 14 years or older.
Abstinence is also observed on Fridays during Lent.

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. MARY

Stations of the Cross - Fridays during Lent 7:00pm
St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Collection -
Throughout Lent - place items on table in back of church
Operation Rice Bowl - A second collection will be
taken during Lent at all Masses
St. Mary Women's Lenten Retreat - Friday, March 12,
7pm through Sunday, March 14 Noon
Pray the Rosary - Make a Lenten commitment to pray
the rosary. Join fellow parishioners and friends Mondays
at 9:30am in church. All are welcome.

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES AND ACTIVITIES...

ST. BERNADETTE SPIRITUAL LIFE SERIES: Many Catholics stop formal learning about their faith after they finish PSR, Catholic school or Confirmation class. Our education in faith is important. Please join them at St. Bernadette parish at 7pm in the Mary Good Center multi-purpose room: Thursday, March 18 for "**Stations of the Cross**" by Sr. Nancy and Brian McCauley.

LANCASTER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL LENTEN FISH FRY DINNERS every Friday through April 2, 4:30pm and close at 7:30pm. \$7/adult and \$5/child.

ST. MARY ANNUAL LENTEN WOMEN'S RETREAT: "*Naming the Grace*" Hosted by Sr. Louis Mary Passeri, Fri., Mar. 12 - 7:00pm through Sun., Mar. 14 - Noon at St. Peter/St. Paul Retreat Center, Newark. \$100 per person includes room and board. To register call St. Mary rectory office, 653-0997.

ST. MARK CHURCH ANNOUNCES that Sr. M. Wendy and Sr. M. Grace of the Sisters of Reparation to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus will present the message of the Divine Mercy as given by our Lord to St. Faustina this Sunday, February 28 at 7:00pm (more information on page 4 of the bulletin).

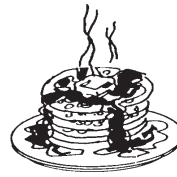
WINGS-Women In God's Service Wednesday, March 3, 6:45pm in the St. Mary Spirit Center. They are reading Praying with Therese of Lisieux by Joseph F. Schmidt. Please feel free to join them in prayer and fellowship. You do not need the book to participate.

ST. MARY SOCIAL CONCERNS

PRISON MINISTRY will be visiting Southeastern Correctional Institution on Thursday, March 11. Those who are signed up for the visit will meet at St. Mary parking lot and leave for SCI promptly at 6:00pm. The Ministry asks for parishioners to pray for justice and mercy for those in prison, and in the Ministry. To learn more about the ministry contact Lee & Peg Nungesser at 653-7271 or tnungess@columbus.rr.com.

TOILETRIES DRIVE will take place the weekend of March 13 and 14. Needed items: toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, women's products, diapers, bathroom tissue, wipes, kleenex, hair care products, band-aids, soap. Please leave products in the vestibules of church. Collected items will be distributed to the area shelters, who are always so grateful for your contributions. If you have any questions call Anne at 653-5687.

COMPLIMENTARY PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Come and enjoy breakfast prepared by members of St. Mary Parish Council **Sunday, March 7 following both Masses** in the Spirit Center. Stay for a leisurely visit or stop by for a donut and a quick visit. What a great opportunity to see old friends and meet new people. You won't want to miss it! Nurses of the parish will be available to give Blood Pressure Screenings.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO UGANDA ASSISTANCE. If you would still like an opportunity to contribute please make contributions to St. Mary Church (for Uganda Assistance written in memo section of check or on an envelope). **Do not wire transfer or make your check payable to Fr. Bernard Bitekerezoo directly.** This will allow contributions to be forwarded directly to the diocese in Uganda, save you wire transfer costs and permit you to claim your contribution on your taxes as reported on the parish giving statement.

ST. MARY SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD ELECTIONS- Applications are currently being accepted for 3 open positions for the 2010-2013 term which begins at the June board meeting. Applications may be picked up at either the school or parish offices, or downloaded from the school website. Applications are due on March 23, 2010. To be eligible, you must be a St. Mary Parish member or a parent/guardian of a child attending St. Mary School. Go to www.saintmarylanchester.org/school_board for the roles and responsibilities located on the school website board page in the Constitution link.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS will be available following Mass on Saturday., March 6 in the Quieting Room and after both Masses on Sunday, March 7 at the Pancake Breakfast in the Spirit Center.

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION CHURCH...IN CYBERSPACE! If you haven't done so already, please check-out our new website! You'll find info. on upcoming events, sacramental information, schedules, & cancellations due to inclement weather. You'll also find links to join our St. Mary Facebook Group and a link to follow our tweets on Twitter! Please share your feedback & what you'd like to see from in this new venue for catechesis, evangelization, & communication. Thanks! Brian McCauley, Director of Sacramental, Pastoral & Faith Formation.

Dates to Remember

Sun.,	2/28	12:30 p.m.	Confirmation Rehearsal
Sun.,	2/28	6:00 p.m.	Financial Peace University
Mon.,	3/01	7:00 p.m.	RCIA
Tue.,	3/02	8:10 a.m.	Home & School Meeting
Tue.,	3/02	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
Wed.,	3/03	6:45 p.m.	WINGS
Fri.,	3/05	7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Sat.,	3/06	After Mass	Blood Pressure Screening
Sun.,	3/07	After Masses	Pancake Breakfast
Sun.,	3/07	After Masses	Blood Pressure Screening
Sun.,	3/07	6:00 p.m.	Financial Peace University

THE SEASON OF LENT 2010

In the early years of the Church, Lent was a time of very serious sacrifice, of fasting and repenting, of endless soul-searching. Today Lent continues to be a time of sacrifice and soul-searching, but instead of thinking only of repentance, many Catholics see it as an opportunity for spiritual growth, of anticipation and preparation for the great feast of Easter. By combining traditions from the past and practical ideas for today's busy life-style it is hoped that we may achieve a spiritually rewarding Lent.

GIVE UP, GIVE IN, GIVE BACK

There are three main suggestions for pursuing spiritual growth in Lent-sacrifice or fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

Give Up was and remains the most popular Lenten sacrifice: giving up a favorite food or drink or habit for the duration of Lent. Today, one might give up a favorite TV show, a time consuming hobby or time spent on shopping, gossip or criticism of others-in order to do something positive like attending daily Mass or visiting a shut-in once a week.

Give In to make amends with a relative or friend, make calls or send cards to shut-ins, pay closer attention to a relative who can be difficult, but is in need. Perhaps there is a need of your own that you have tried to ignore such as losing weight, getting more exercise or more sleep or joining a Scripture study or prayer group.

Give Back by becoming a volunteer at a food pantry, hospital or at church or by finding some small way to cut

the budget in order to even temporarily increase almsgiving.

Info from Lent, Well, Spent Traditions & Customs Bernadette McCarver Snyder

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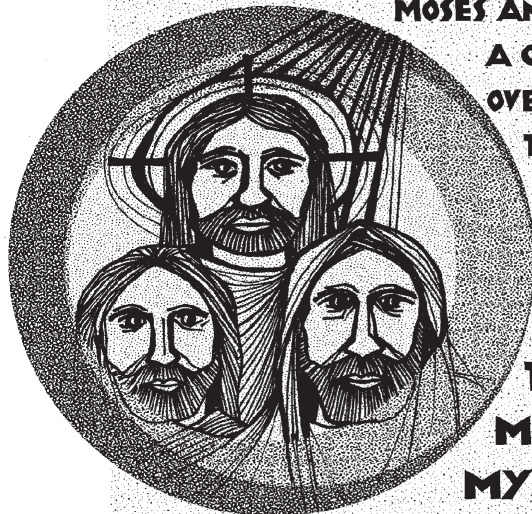


SECOND WEEK OF LENT - THE TRANSFIGURATION

Jesus' transfiguration was a moment of hope for the disciples, giving them the strength to endure the future sacrifices they would make as they formed the early Church. As we continue our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, let us be mindful that our Lenten sacrifices help to give hope to our brothers and sisters in need. Visit orb.crs.org for more information.

ST. MARK PRESENTS...continued from page 3 The message of Divine Mercy as endorsed by Pope John Paul II leads to a deeper appreciation for the sacraments of Mercy-the Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation. All are invited to meet the Sisters and hear the special one hour talk followed by veneration of a First Class Relic of St. Faustina. Please bring your family and friends this Sunday, February 28 at 7:00pm and learn more about this beautiful devotion to the Mercy of God.

THERE APPEARED WITH HIM IN GLORY
MOSES AND ELIJAH.



A CLOUD
OVERSHADOWED
THEM AND
THEN CAME
A VOICE
WHICH
SAID,
THIS IS
MY SON,
MY CHOSEN
ONE. LISTEN TO HIM.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE-CHARTER BUS: Round trip from Lancaster to the Conference and back on Saturday, March 6. Bus departs and returns to Lowe's parking lot off Memorial Dr. For information or to reserve a seat please contact Joe and Margaret Rice, 654-4812 or Brian McCauley, 653-5054.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A PRESENTATION given by Dr. Chris Ryckman and Dr. Henry Hood on their recent mission to assist the people of Haiti. The presentation will be held on Tue., Mar. 9 at 7pm in the Ohio University Lancaster Auditorium.

\$20,000 CAN BE YOURS!!! When you buy your raffle ticket to this year's Fisher Catholic High School BID O'LUCK, Sat., April 24. Along with their \$20,000 cash raffle they will have a gourmet dinner prepared by Hocking College Culinary School. Great auction items such as vacation and dinner packages, men's and women's jewelry, artwork, paintings and sculpture, golf packages, children's items, clothing apparel, gift certificates of all kinds, sporting event tickets, electronics and much more. Cocktails and Silent Auctions will start at 5:30pm. The Grand Auction Preview is between 5:30 - 7:00pm. Dinner will be served at 7:00pm followed by the Grand Auction. Proceeds benefit Fisher Catholic High School. For more info. call the school office, 654-1231.

DATES AVAILABLE FOR MASS INTENTIONS: Several dates Monday-Friday are available for Mass Intentions of our deceased loved ones, especially in March and April. Stipend of \$10. Call Cathy Shumaker, 653-0997 to schedule an Intention.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE! You can still sign-up for *Catholic Times*. For only \$17 (parish rate) you will receive the weekly news of what's happening in the Catholic world. Use the envelope in your February packet, or simply write "*Catholic Times*" on a plain envelope, make your check payable to St. Mary, and drop it into the collection basket. The envelopes were printed in advance of the necessary price increase. Although the envelopes ask for \$15 the actual price is \$17 per year (parish rate). We would appreciate it if you would pay the \$17 rate to help curb our expense. As an evangelization tool, Bishop Campbell encourages all Catholic households in the diocese to receive and read our diocesan newspaper, the *Catholic Times*.

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