

**SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CATHOLIC PARISH****VOL.58 NO.8****THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT****FEBRUARY 21, 2010**

The Eucharistic celebration is our community response and witness to the reality that religion isn't a private matter. We are the Church, "a people set apart," and at the same time marvelously similar in our imperfect efforts as we try to help each other along. We are a Church, alive because of our very relationships in a real world, brought together in the mystery of Jesus and the sharing of his body. Family prayer, during which we read the psalms or the Gospels especially during Lent, points up our interdependence and mutuality and gives us the words and the inspiration to live out what we hear. It is appropriate to create an evening ritual for the family, a form, that is led by one of the parents with grace and presence and intelligence.

*Gertrud Mueller Nelson  
To Dance With God*

**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday, February 22**

6:45 AM For Vocations

8:00 AM Sirpilla Triplets: Nicholas, Mary Susan and Peter (Family)

**Tuesday, February 23**

6:45 AM Special Intention for Bob and Karen Kohl

8:00 AM Adeline Russo (Family)

**Wednesday, February 24**

6:45 AM John and Bea Tomsho (Family)

8:15 AM John Lescallett, Sr. (Family)

**Thursday, February 25**

6:45 AM Paul DeVille (Family)

8:00 AM Catherine Bishop (Jean and Larry Fisher)

**Friday, February 26**

6:45 AM Jean Lowry (Anniversary)(Family)

8:00 AM Ray Preusser (Wife, Betty)

**Saturday, February 27**

4:00 PM Jeannette Kirk (Bill and Irene Sibila)

**Sunday, February 28**

7:15 AM JoAnn Szolek (Elmer and Mary Ann Schuetz)

8:45 AM For the People of St. Michael's Parish

10:30 AM John Greeger (Archangel Choir)

12:15 PM Special Intention for the Children of Alex and Irene Ballentine

5:30 PM Henry Lasick (Family)

*The tabernacle lamp is lit this week in memory of Joe Streb,  
requested by his wife, Liz.*

**COLLECTION FOR FEBRUARY 14, 2010: \$36,411.00**

**COLLECTION FOR FEBRUARY 15, 2009: \$21,484.00**

**YEAR TO DATE 2010: \$928,741.00**

**YEAR TO DATE 2009: \$956,815.00**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR FEBRUARY 27-28****THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

*Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 / Philippians 3:17-4:1 / Luke 9:28b-36*

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

*Deadline for the Bulletin of February 28 is past.*

*Deadline for the Bulletin of February 31 is noon on Friday, February 22.*

"The things, good Lord, that we pray for, give us the grace to labor for." ~ Thomas More

**SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES****FEBRUARY 21-28****SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21**

8:45 AM LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

10:00 AM PSR CLASSES

10:00 AM PASS THE FAITH – Parlor

10:00 AM CONFIRMATION INTERVIEWS for St. Michael School students ~ Gym

10:30 AM SUNDAY PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM

10:30 AM R.C.I.A. RITE OF SENDING will be celebrated during this Mass.

6:00 PM R.C.I.A. RITE OF ELECTION will be celebrated at St. Joseph Parish in Canton.

6:30 PM LIFE TEEN LIFE NIGHT

6:40 PM ROSARY – Chapel

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23**

7:00 PM "EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION AND SOCIAL OUTREACH" is the title of the Lenten presentation by Father Bradley Greer of the Diocese of Steubenville. The talk will take place in the Church.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24**

9:15 AM WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY – Parlor

7:00 PM ARCHANGEL CHOIR PRACTICE – Church

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

9:00 AM EUCHARISTIC ADORATION in Chapel until 9:00 PM

5:30 PM ENSEMBLE AND LIFE TEEN music rehearsal – Church

7:00 PM R.C.I.A. (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS) will meet in the Fannon Center. The evening's topics will be: *Lent/Triduum* and *The Mystery of Suffering*.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

7:30 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Church

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27**

7:00 PM ST. MICHAEL SINGLES will meet for a game night at St. Michael's. Please bring a snack to share. We will be ordering pizza.

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

8:45 AM LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

10:00 AM CONFIRMATION INTERVIEWS for PSR students ~ Gym

10:30 AM SUNDAY PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM

6:30 PM LIFE TEEN LIFE NIGHT

6:40 PM ROSARY – Chapel

7:00 PM NAMI – Center Community Room

**LENTEN HUNGER DRIVE**

As our drive begins some of the items needed are juice, soup, vegetables and fruit; pasta, rice, crackers, Velveeta, cheese, raisins, etc. Also needed are diapers, cleaning products, personal care products and paper products. These items are given to Community Harvest, Hunger Task Force and Samaritan's Table. Thank you for caring & sharing. - Social Concerns Ministry

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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 21, 2010

## LENTEN OPPORTUNITY

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23 ~ 7:00 PM

Take the time during Lent to come and hear more about "Eucharistic Devotion and Social Outreach" presented by Father Bradley Greer from the Diocese of Steubenville. Fr. Greer will help us see how we can make a difference.

## HELP IN SHIPPING BOOKS

Sister Anna Moshi, a Sister of Our Lady of Kilimanjaro, will receive her Master's Degree from Walsh University in May. Because good text books are a treasure in Tanzania, we are looking for a way to ship back her science text books (about ten books, and some notes) to Tanzania in a cost effective way. If anyone has a connection with a shipping company, who can help us get these books to Tanzania, will you please contact Sister Dorothy at the parish office? (330-492-3119, ext. 18).

## IT JUST KEEPS GROWING AND GROWING! THANK YOU

Thanks to all who are using our newspaper recycle bins. For our recycling effort we have received \$295.00 for November, and \$525.00 for December! This is quite an improvement over the \$90.00 a month that we received when we first began this endeavor approximately five years ago. Please continue to recycle your bagged newspapers, magazines, junk mail, files, etc. Also, encourage family members and friends to use our recycle bins. The monies received from this project goes to help the needy in our community. And there is an increased need for assistance due to the state of our economy. We were informed that the amount of newspaper collected for November saved 36.82 cubic yards of landfill space. Let's continue to recycle our paper products, and thus increase aid to the less fortunate in our community. Your kindness in supporting this project and helping it to continue to grow is appreciated by many. THANK YOU.

## 2009 COMMUNITY COAT COLLECTION A HUGE SUCCESS

A letter of appreciation has been received from John Limburg, Coat Chairman of A Community Christmas. He extended "a sincere and heartfelt THANK YOU to all who participated in the 2009 COATS FOR CHRISTMAS collection." Over 4,000 coats were collected from various establishments and were distributed to families and individuals in our community. Our kind support was appreciated and we were wished a "warm" New Year.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

As a witness for life, there is a peaceful and prayerful vigil at the Planned Parenthood on Cleveland Avenue in Canton from February 17 till March 28, 2010. Would you please consider joining our Respect Life committee as we staff the hours of 9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. each Tuesday? There is a sign-up poster in the gathering space if you would like to sign up. If another time is more convenient for you, you may show your support for life by attending at any time. Please call Glenn Kerr (330-499-0430) if you have any questions.

## PRAYER CHALICE VOLUNTEERS

February 20-21	St. Michael School
February 27-28	The Cooley Family
March 6-7	The Sliman Family
March 13-14	St. Michael School
March 20-21	St. Michael School
March 27-28	Fred and Carol Clark

## PRAYER: GOD'S GIFT TO US

Lent is a perfect time to explore how God speaks to us in prayer. Come and reflect with others on this gift that God gives to us. Sr. Dorothy will offer three sessions related to prayer, including prayer experiences, discussion on how we pray, God's desires for us, and exploration of traditional and non-traditional methods of prayer. Meet fellow parishioners, and share the journey of God's grace in our lives. Please fill out the attached registration form for the three classes.

## PRAYER: GOD'S GIFT TO US ~ REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer: God's Gift to Us

Presenter: Sr. Dorothy Fuchs, SND

\_\_\_\_ Evening session (Mondays) (March 1, 8, 15 -- 7:00-8:30PM)

\_\_\_\_ Morning session (Tuesdays) (March 2, 9, 16 -- 8:45-10:15AM)

\_\_\_\_ \$8 (includes cost of materials) \_\_\_\_ \$10 for non-parishioners

Return to the parish office or drop into the collection basket

## TAKE THE WATER CHALLENGE

Make water your only beverage (or give up other beverages as much as possible) for just two weeks (or longer ... all of Lent). For that time period take the money you usually spend on pop, coffee, flavored teas or coffees, creams, flavored water or bottled water, and collect it in a special cup. Mark the cup "water project." When you have finished with the water challenge, put the money in an envelope, or write a check to St. Michael's Church, and mark the check or envelope, *water challenge*. There are also special envelopes in the gathering space that can be used for this purpose. One check will be sent to the Notre Dame India Mission Office after lent. (The Notre Dame Sisters from India are missionaries to Tanzania, so this money will also benefit rural schools in Africa, as well as India.)

## THANK YOU

This bulletin is furnished to the Parish without charge. The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs with which the church would otherwise be burdened. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity.

## Life Teen Events

### February 21<sup>st</sup>

5:30 Liturgy & Life Night  
Retreat Planning 4:-00-5:15

### February 28<sup>th</sup>

5:30 Liturgy & Life Night  
Retreat Planning 4:-00-5:15

### March 7<sup>th</sup>

5:30 Liturgy & Life Night  
Retreat Planning 4:-00-5:15

### March 14<sup>th</sup>

5:30 Liturgy & Life Night  
Retreat Planning 4:-00-5:15

Permission Slips due for Spring Retreat

Life Teen would like to thank all those parishioners who helped to make their Candy Sale Fundraiser a great success!



THE HAMILTON FORUM PRESENTS  
DAVID G. DE MARCO, S.J.

“Faith and Medicine:  
Transforming the Relationship Between  
Physician and Patient”

Thursday, March 4  
7:00 PM  
St. Paul Church, North Canton

Timely and relevant, Father DeMarco’s talk will address a subject that has or will affect every one of us. Come and gain some important insights.

David G. De Marco, S.J., is a Jesuit priest, a spiritual director, and a physician of the Chicago Province of the Society of Jesus, currently living at the novitiate of the Chicago and Detroit Provinces, Berkley, Michigan, where he serves as the assistant director of novices. He balances his novitiate service with the ministry of ongoing spiritual direction to non-novices (especially other religious) and the practice of internal medicine at the Saint Francis Cabrini Clinic of Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Detroit, Michigan, a faith-based, inner-city center for uninsured patients.

This month, in place of the usual luncheon meeting, The Hamilton Forum offers this evening presentation. There is no cost; refreshments will follow the talk. Diocesan Religious Education Credits are available.

Pass the Faith presents prizes  
Pass the Popcorn: Family Movie Time  
*Yours, Mine and Ours*  
Sunday, February 21, 2010  
11:30am-2:00pm in the Fannon Center  
Bring Blankets or Pillows  
Lunch Popcorn

**ADMIT EVERYONE**  
CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

**GUADALUPE FESTIVAL**

On March 25, join Walsh University for the Guadalupe Festival celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas and the Unborn. Honoring the Feast of the Annunciation, the festival will begin at 5:00 PM in the Cecchini Center at Walsh University. This event is free and open to the public. Special guests include Msgr. Eduardo Chavez, the postulator for the canonization of Juan Diego, and international recording artist, Dana Scallan. The event will include food, piñatas, music, dancing, the Rosary in English and Spanish, and much more. For more information, contact [nblackford@walsh.edu](mailto:nblackford@walsh.edu) or call (330-490-7106). This event is co-sponsored by Walsh University, St. Anthony’s parish in Canton and the Diocese of Youngstown.

Praying the Psalms During Lent

Often, it seems, our focus is upon the First Reading, the Second Reading and the Gospel of each Sunday’s liturgy, and not so much upon the Psalms. This Lent, St. Michael’s Liturgy Committee is offering a weekly reflection on the Psalm of each Sunday, which appears in the bulletin of the preceding weekend.

The Second Sunday of Lent ~ Psalm 27 (1, 7-9, 13-24)

The LORD is my light and my salvation;  
whom do I fear?  
The LORD is my life’s refuge;  
of whom am I afraid?

Hear my voice, LORD, when I call;  
have mercy on me and answer me.  
"Come," says my heart, "seek God’s face";  
your face, LORD, do I seek!

Do not hide your face from me;  
do not repel your servant in anger.  
You are my help; do not cast me off.

I believe I shall enjoy the LORD’S goodness  
in the land of the living.

Wait for the LORD, take courage;  
be stouthearted, wait for the LORD

Reflection

Charles Colson, aide to President Nixon, went to prison as a result of Watergate. Describing early hours of the scandal, he writes in *Born Again*: “Deep down I knew I would be among those indicted . . . I kept smiling, hoping and reciting the Twenty-seventh Psalm over and over.”

“If God is for us, who can be against us? . . . There is nothing in all creation that will ever be able to separate us from the love of God which is ours through Christ Jesus.” *Romans 8:31, 39*

Speak to Jesus about what keeps you from trusting and giving yourself over to him more fully.

(Adapted from *The Psalms for Today: Praying an Old Book in a New Way* by Mark Link, SJ)

**MAGNIFICAT OF STARK COUNTY**

Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth Chapter of Magnificat (Stark County), a women’s ministry modeled after the Visitation, invites you to a breakfast on **March 20** at Walsh University. Join Magnificat in a special time of friendship and sharing. The guest speaker, Cynthia Mernagh, will talk about raising your children for Christ. Doors open at **8:30 AM** with breakfast at 9:00 AM. Cost is \$17.00. Make checks payable to “Magnificat of Stark County” and send to Barb Heath, 5056 Cardington Green Circle, Canton 44718. All names and monies must be received no later that Saturday, March 13 and there are no refunds. No tickets will be sold at the door. For further information, call Barb (330-327-7147).

**WILB LIVING BREAD RADIO**

Deacon Pete Pohl will be presenting *Daily Gospel Reflections* on **AM 1060 WILB, Living Bread Radio** the week of February 28 through March 6.

# THE SEASON OF LENT 2010

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Way of the Cross 7:30 PM

Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>

Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup>

Living Stations 8:00 PM

*Saint Michael School Students*

Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>

Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

## LENTEN PRESENTATION

“Eucharistic Devotion and Social Outreach”

Father Bradley Greer

*Diocese of Steubenville*

Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM

## LENTEN MISSION

“Give God a Second Thought”

Father John Collins

March 22, 23, 24

8:30 AM & 7:00 PM

*Children’s Mission each night during adult presentations*

## PRAYER WORKSHOP

Sr. Dorothy Fuchs, S.N.D.

Monday evenings (March 1, 8, 15) at 7:00 PM

Tuesday mornings (March 2, 9, 16) at 8:45 PM

# PRAYER: GOD'S GIFT TO US



**Mondays: Mar 1, 8, 15**

**7 - 8:30 PM**

**or**

**Tuesdays: Mar 2, 9, 16**

**8:45 -10:15AM**

**Presented by Sister Dorothy Fuchs, SND**

**\$8 parishioners**

**\$10 non-parishioners seeking certification**

**Reservations: 330-492-3119 ext 18**

Study some of various ways to receive  
God's gift to us — prayer —by using  
Scripture, Rosary, Psalms, walking the  
Labyrinth, or just sitting quietly

**Come, enjoy companionship of fellow parishioners and good refreshments!**