

The Third Sunday of Lent

Schedule of Masses, Services and Devotions

March 6 – March 14, 2010

Weekend Masses:

STM Mar 6 Vigil: Third Sunday of Lent
Saturday 4:00pm *Nathan Evans* by Jo & John Arcaro

SFC Mar 7 Third Sunday of Lent
Sunday 11:00am *Bill & Sean Kinney* by Family
Pro-Populo

Weekday Mass with Morning Prayer:

SFC HALL

Monday Mar 8 St. John of God, religious
8:00am *No Intention*

VILLA 2:00pm *Conrad-Moronney Family & Sawyer-Moore Family*
by Family

SFC HALL

Tuesday Mar 9 St. Frances of Rome, religious
8:00am *Lewis & Jean Wilson* by Helen Novinski

Wed. Mar 10 Lenten Weekday
8:00am *Conrad-Moronney Family & Sawyer-Moore Family*
by Family

Thursday Mar 11 Lenten Weekday
8:00am *Beverly Picard* by Dan & Leslie Thomas

Friday Mar 12 Lenten Weekday
8:00am *Liz Szulkowski* by Ted & Nancy Grubke

Weekend Masses:

STM Mar 13 Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent
Saturday 4:00pm *Deceased Members of*
St. Mary/St. Frances Cabrini Parish Ministries

SFC Mar 14 Fourth Sunday of Lent
Sunday 11:00am *Matilda Torok* by Ethel Perkoski, sister
Clarence L. Emig Birthday Memorial
by daughter, Grace Emig
Pro-Populo

II Wedding Banns: *Michael Sadowski and Sherri Ihle* will be married at St. Mary Church on Sat, March 20, 2010. Please remember them in your prayers.

Intentions for weekday Masses are available for the month of April and beyond for those who wish to have Masses offered for recently departed family members and friends.

All Fridays in Lent are days of **abstinence** from meat for Catholics 14 years and older. Good Friday (April 2) is a day of **abstinence and fast**. The law of **fasting** binds all Catholics from their 18th until their 59th birthday.

Video of this weekend's **Mass will be shown** on the *Conneaut Cable Access Channel* at 3pm on Sunday and Wednesday afternoons.

St. Joseph Altar For the weekend of March 13/14, altars in honor of St. Joseph will be set up in the sanctuary of St. Mary and St. Frances Cabrini churches. In the tradition of sharing our many blessings with those in need please bring your donations for the Conneaut Food Pantry that weekend to be placed on the altar along with religious articles if you wish. There will be a basket for your prayer intention and a fava bean to take for your pantry. For complete details see the parish web site at www.stmsfc.org. **NOTE:** Due to the Fish Dinner, there will not be a soup supper after the St. Joseph Day Mass on Fri, March 19.

Sanctuary Candles

St. Mary Church

In Memory of:

Paul & Antoinette Dello
by Granddaughters & Grandson
James Palagyi

Birthday Memorial
by Bob & Judy, Kim & Gary

St. Frances Cabrini Church

In Memory of:

Helen & Norman Benson
by Chase Family

This Week

Sunday, Mar 7

8:30am-12:30pm

KofC Breakfast

9:15-10:45am

CCD

12noon – 12:30pm

Sacred Heart Gift Shop, SFC Hall

Tuesday, Mar 9

6:30pm

Worship Committee, Parish Offices

Wednesday, Mar 10

6:30-8:00pm

RCIA

Thursday, Mar 11

6:30pm

Cemetery Board, Parish Offices

6:30pm

CAMA Lenten Service

First Assembly of God

Friday, Mar 12

4:30-6:30pm

Fish Dinner, SFC Hall

7:00pm

Stations of the Cross, STM

Saturday, Mar 13

4:00pm

Ministry Day Mass & Dinner

STM Church & Hall

Sunday, Mar 14

Daylight Savings Time Begins

9:15-10:45am

CCD

12noon – 12:30pm

Sacred Heart Gift Shop, SFC Hall

3:00pm

Ladies Tea, Parish Rectory

Scripture Readings Mar 14, 2010

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13b

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

Stewardship Update

Last Week

Budgeted \$6,250 Actual \$8,508.50 227 Env.

Fiscal Year 2009-2010

Budgeted \$216,750 Actual \$210,915.91 (\$5,834.09)

Thank you for your generosity.

Mass of the Holy Chrism will be celebrated at 10:30am at St. Columba Cathedral in Youngstown on Holy Thursday, April 1. Bishop Murry will be the principal celebrant and will bless the oils to be distributed to each parish. Anyone wishing to attend should contact the Parish Offices by Mon, March 15. Volunteers are also needed to carry the banners for St. Mary and St. Frances Cabrini Churches. If you are willing to carry a banner, please indicate that when you make your reservation with the Parish Offices.

“A Journey through Salvation History, the Readings of the Easter Vigil” Father Thomas will continue this series at 10am on Wed, Mar 17 in the Breezeway of the Parish Offices with a discussion on *‘Deliverance of Israel,’* Exodus 14:15-15:1. All are invited to attend. Look over the scripture mentioned above and bring your bible.

CAMA Lenten Services-6:30pm on Thurs, Mar 11 at Assembly of God. Rev. Scott Walsh of New Leaf United Methodist Church will preach on *‘Deliverance of Israel from Egypt,’* Exodus 14:15-15:1. The Assembly of God Worship Team will provide the music.

Jesus reached out to not only a ‘woman’ at the well, but a ‘Samaritan woman’ demonstrating His all-inclusive love. Our participation with ***Catholic Relief Services’ Operation Rice Bowl***, unites us in prayer, fasting, and giving with the millions of people throughout the world who are marginalized by poverty, injustice, war, disease, and lack of education and other opportunities.

During Lent the elect, ***William Racey*** and ***Brandon Hale***, who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Initiation, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, have entered into the Period of Purification and Enlightenment. The aim of this period is to eliminate what is weak and sinful and affirm what is holy. It is a time for recollection, a Lenten retreat and final preparation for the celebration of the initiation sacraments. The following Rites will take place: Scrutinies on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday of Lent; presentation of the Creed and the Lord’s Prayer and preparation Rites on Holy Saturday. Scrutiny is a rite of exorcism for the elect during Lent. The prayers help the elect to examine their conscience, to turn from evil and continue their conversion to the Good News. Let us support ***William*** and ***Brandon*** with a remembrance in our prayers.

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Thank you for your support of our weekly bulletin!

The Senior Golden Elites will meet at noon on Thurs, March 18 in SFC Hall. Lunch is \$7 and includes veal with red potatoes, shamrock cookies and green ice cream! All senior men and women are welcome to attend. Reservations due by Mon, March 15.

Eucharistic Ministers for Homebound Parishioners. Eucharistic Ministers are needed to bring Holy Communion to 20 of the 37 parishioners who are living in their homes and are unable to join us for Mass.

This number does not include those living in assisted living facilities or nursing homes. You will be asked to bring Communion once a week, preferably after Mass on the weekend or according to the parishioner’s need. To become a Eucharistic Minister for the Homebound you need to be at least 18 years old, confirmed and an active Catholic. You will be given a formation session in the parish and be commissioned by Bishop George Murry. Later in the year you also will be asked to attend an adult education session presented by a diocesan representative from the Diocesan Worship Commission. Please contact Fr. Thomas at 599-8570 if you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister for the Homebound.

Fish Dinner Fri, March 12, 4:30-6:30pm at SFC Hall followed by Stations of the Cross at 7pm at STM Church.

Attention Men! On Sat, March 20, Catholic Men’s Fellowship of Northeast Ohio will sponsor the annual “ANSWER THE CALL” conference at Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, OH. Fr. Larry Richards and Ralph Martin are the featured speakers. The Sacrament of Reconciliation, closing Mass with Bishop Murry, music, lunch, a table with 1000 donuts and much more await you. Contact the Parish Offices for a brochure, see the bulletin board or go to www.cmfneo.com for more information.

Holy Land Gifts Hand-carved olive wood items such as nativity scenes, crucifixes, rosaries and many other beautiful articles will be on display following the Masses on March 20/21. Your support of this project helps to keep the Christians present in the Holy Land of Jesus’ birth.

News from the Knights of Columbus The KofC will be holding their Breakfast Buffet this weekend and on the following Sundays: March 21, & 28 from 8:30am to 12:30pm at SFC Hall. The “*all you can eat breakfast*” includes eggs, bacon, sausage (patties & links), sausage gravy & biscuits, pancakes, fruit and beverage.

The 15th Annual KofC RSVP Dinner to benefit seminarians will be held Mon, Apr 12 at Mother of

Sorrows. Social hour begins at 5:30pm followed by dinner and a program. Cost is \$13 per person. FMI about any of these events call Dave Krenisky at 969-4410.

Saints John & Paul School will be hosting an Open House at both buildings on Tuesday, March 16 from 4 - 7pm. If your family is interested in learning more about our school, please join us to visit classrooms, meet teachers and learn more about our new student scholarships. Grades K - 6 are located at 2150 Columbus Ave. Grades 7-12 are located at 541 West 34th Street. Please call 997-5531 for more information.

The **Hesburgh Lecture Series** sponsored by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Youngstown and the Notre Dame Club of Mahoning and Shenango Valleys is being held Thursday, Mar 25. FMI see church bulletin boards or call Rachel at 330-744-8451.

Come Visit and Pray at the Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey OH. Ever since a miraculous procession of the statue of Our Lady of Consolation in 1875, the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation has been the setting for deepening one's faith, for increasing one's hope and experiencing healing of body, mind and soul. Special opportunities for prayer are available throughout the year. FMI see the church bulletin boards or visit www.olcshrine.com.

The Diocese of Youngstown is planning a **Pilgrimage to Rome** June 14-21, 2010 in honor of the *Year for the Priests*. \$2,946/per person includes stops in Assisi, Monte Cassino and Florence. FMI call the Spiritual Director, Msgr. Michael Cariglio at 330/744-8451.

If you wish to *rent tables or chairs* from either church hall, please call the parish offices a week in advance. Rental forms must be completed and signed and the rental fee is to be paid before picking up these items.

Labels for Education: Karing Ways Preschool is collecting Labels for Education. Points are earned for each label collected and can be turned in for free items for the school. Collection cans are located in the back of each church for you to donate your labels. *Eligible products include 26 varieties of condensed soups, microwaveable soups, Chunky, Healthy Request & Select soups, Franco American, Pepperidge Farm, Swanson, V8, Market Day & Prego products.*

If you would like a parishioner visited or Communion brought to a loved one who is homebound or confined to a hospital or nursing home, please call the Parish Offices. *The Patient Privacy Act* does not allow information to be given out to the Parish by any institutions. You must contact Father Thomas or the Parish Offices directly.

Catholic Charities of Ashtabula County clothing distribution site at Mother of Sorrows has expanded their hours to Tues from 1:30-4:45pm and Thurs from 9:30am-

12 noon. The site accepts gently used clothing, outerwear, shoes, boots, towels, linens, small appliances, cookware, eating utensils, toiletries and other miscellaneous household items. Please make sure items are clean and in working condition. Drop offs are M-F, 9am-2pm or call 992-2121.

Volunteers are needed to assist in various areas of the RCIA process as catechists, sponsors, greeters and hospitality, as well as for Pre-Catechumenate, Mystagogia and the Sunday dismissal rite. If you feel called to be of service this coming year, please call Father Thomas or Sister Barbara at 599-8570 FMI.

Estranged from the Church? If you or someone you know feels estranged from the Catholic Church because of divorce or marital status, consider checking into what is needed to bring you back. It may be the annulment process or simple paperwork, depending on your personal situation. If you would like to talk with someone to find out what is needed please call Father Thomas or Sister Barbara at the Parish Offices, 599-8570. You may also visit the following website for more information: www.CatholicsComeHome.org.

Counseling Assistance Fund. The Church is committed to helping those who have been harmed as a result of sexual abuse by representatives of the church. According to mental health professionals, counseling is a vital component of the healing process for survivors of childhood sexual abuse. The Church recognizes, however, that there are people who are reluctant to contact the church for help. This new Counseling Assistance Fund can help these individuals. If you would like more information go to the website at www.counselingassistancefund.org

Posted in the back of each of the churches are lists of members of the Pastoral Planning Council, Finance Council and the Worship Committee. Feel free to approach any of the members with any questions or comments.

Parish Participation – As good stewards of all that God has entrusted to us, we all should contribute in some way toward building up the Body and Blood of Christ at St. Mary/St. Frances Cabrini Parish. Our Parish offers many opportunities for service in liturgy, education, outreach and development. Please speak with Father Thomas or a member of the Staff to determine how your talents may best serve the Church.

Reminder: There is handicapped seating available at the front of both churches. The front pews on both sides have been reserved for those with special needs. They are

wheelchair accessible. A handicapped accessible restroom is available at St. Frances Cabrini Church.

***Optional locations for weekday Mass** are listed. These are the regularly scheduled Mass times for these parishes. However, *please call* the particular parish to confirm that there has not been a change in their weekly Mass schedule.

Items needed by the Food Pantry include canned vegetables/fruits/soups, tuna, instant potatoes, rice, cereal, peanut butter, jam/jelly, lunch box snacks, jars of spaghetti sauce, pasta/egg noodles, margarine, Spaghetti-O's, laundry soap, bath soap, toilet tissue, toothpaste and toothbrushes.

Bringing up the gifts at Mass: Parishioners who wish to bring up the gifts when they have a scheduled Mass intention for loved ones, should inform the ushers when they enter church. If no one from the congregation informs the ushers before Mass, the general rule is that the ushers will ask someone.