

BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHEDRAL

Mother Church and Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg
A Pennsylvania Charitable Trust

300 North Main Street, Greensburg, PA 15601



Coat of Arms
of
The Most Reverend
Lawrence E. Brandt, JCD, PhD
Bishop of Greensburg



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 29, 2009

Fifth Sunday of Lent

The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. John 12:23

Musical Interest for Holy Week

Good Friday, April 10 at 7:30 PM

Tenebrae

in conjunction with First United Methodist Church, Greensburg

Tenebrae, which in Latin means “shadows”, is a dramatic and moving service that incorporates readings from the Book of Lamentations and reflective music of Christ’s Passion. During the service, candles and lights are gradually extinguished symbolizing the temporary victory of darkness over light. At the conclusion of the service, a single lit candle is brought into the darkened Cathedral signifying Christ’s ultimate victory over death won for humanity.

Mass schedule

Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM
Sunday	7:00 AM
	9:00 AM
	11:30 AM
	7:00 PM
Daily Masses	8:00 AM
	12:10 PM
	<i>Subject to change</i>
Holiday Masses	8:00 AM, 12:10 & 5:30 PM
	<i>Subject to change</i>

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM-4:30 PM

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 28

5:30 PM Mary Delozier (Granddaughter)

Sunday, March 29 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:00 AM For the Parish

9:00 AM Helen Zider (Husband)

11:30 AM Frank Fives (Daughter)

7:00 PM Andrew Charles Kocinski (Macey)

Monday, March 30 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Frank Spinelli & Family (Wife)

12:10 PM Admiral Haig (half-brother)

Tuesday, March 31 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Andrew Fetsko (Family)

12:10 PM Anthony Fedele (Burlas)

A Day of Prayer

Wednesday, April 1 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM George & Catherine McFeeley (Daughter)

12:10 PM Special Intention: Arthur McSorley (Brother)

Exposition

5:30 PM Vespers

6:00 PM Our Lady Family Prayer Group

7:30 PM Closing of Exposition

Thursday, April 2 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Getto & Marian Families (Family)

12:10 PM Allen John Mills (J. Milchak, sister)

Friday, April 3 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Ida M. Hohn (Kasperik)

12:10 PM Rose Palazzese Callaghan (Family)

1:30 PM Aquinas Academy Prayer Service

Saturday, April 4 - Isidore, bishop & doctor

8:00 AM John Kostelnik, Sr. (Family)

10:00 AM Communal Reconciliation Service

5:30 PM John Dubrovich (Wife)

Sunday, April 5 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

7:00 AM Lawrence Rogenmoser (Daughter)

9:00 AM Murphy & Kocian Families (Family)

11:30 AM For the Parish

7:00 PM John Walter Dudek (Family)

Rosary

All are welcome to gather for the Rosary Monday through Friday at 11:30 AM in the Church.



Exploring the Word Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion April 5, 2009

Isaiah 50:4-7

The faithful servant of God sets his face for the trial ahead.

Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

God does not abandon the one who calls for help in the hour of distress.

Philippians 2:6-11

Christ emptied himself of divinity to embrace our mortality.

Mark 14:1-15:47

The King of the Jews dies for the sake of his kingdom.

The Hour is at Hand

One of the secrets of successful business-people is, invariably, balance between their personal and professional lives. They'll say that their weekends are sacrosanct or maybe it's the nine-hour day. Whatever their terms, the rest of us in less rarified air often fail miserably at balance. Our reasons come in every shape and size: It's expected that we stay past 7 PM; I need the quiet of the weekend to get this project off my desk; just one more hour will really help me, and I have no plans tonight anyway; I've got my kids' tuition to worry about, so I have to put the extra hours in.

Sooner or later, though, that moment of truth comes along when you realize your life is passing you by and you worry that all you have to show for it is work.

Consider today's gospel a wake-up call. We cannot save ourselves from the hour of our deaths. If it comes this day, or the next, what will you regret most?

Throughout Lent, try starting each morning reciting this prayer of the psalmist: Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit to sustain in me.

PARISH NOTES

Friends in Faith

Come join us for faith sharing on Wednesday from 7:00-8:00 PM in the Formation Center. We will be talking about Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. How do we greet the Lord in the people we meet every day because He is in all of us?

Attention Physicians & Nurses

We would like to ask that if you are attending one of our masses to please identify yourself to the ushers as a physician, nurse or other health care professional. In case of an emergency, we would like to ask for your assistance. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule Alert

Soon we will be preparing for May/June liturgical schedules. If there are times when you know you will not be available during those months, please let Cindy know by **April 6** by calling the Parish Office at 834-3710, ext. 16 or email her at ccoep@dioceseofgreensburg.org. Thank you.

Cathedral Concert Series

Thank you to all who gave so generously to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry at Our Lady of Grace Church during the collection taken at the Concert for Charity on March 15. A total of \$526.94 was raised in support of this most important ministry.

Sunday's Faith Formation

There will be no classes for all faith formation next Sunday, April 5 - Palm Sunday & April 12 - Easter Sunday. All Classes will resume on Sunday, April 19.

Save the Date

Blessed Sacrament Cathedral's annual parish picnic will be on August 16 at Idlewild Park. Watch the bulletin for further details.

**Saturday, April 4
St. Isidore, bishop & doctor
of the Church**

(c. 560-636)

Isidore was from a noble family and the brother of three saints. Isidore became one of the most learned men of his time. As Archbishop of Seville for nearly 40 years, he was recognized as the greatest teacher in Spain. May we understand as he did that "When we pray, we talk to God; when we read, God talks to us."



A & E Volunteers Needed

Anyone interested in assisting with the decorating of the church for Holy Week is asked to call the parish office and leave your name and phone number. We will call you to coordinate volunteer times. Help is needed on Holy Thursday with the set up of the Chapel of Repose and on Holy Saturday for Easter. We will contact you with further details based on individual availability. Your help is greatly needed and most appreciated.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

The schedule for next Sunday will not be posted in the bulletin this week. The schedule is still being completed and will be mailed out to all ministers that are on the schedule to serve. It will also be posted on the website. Thank you.

Cathedral Seniors Group

The Cathedral Active Seniors will have their monthly meeting on Thursday, April 16. At this meeting, the steering committee will talk about future plans and update everyone about the Spring trip. Please bring your thoughts and ideas. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend. Gathering begins at 10:15 AM, meeting at 10:30 AM, Mass at 12:10 PM and lunch following Mass. A \$3.00 donation is requested for lunch. Please call the parish office at 724-834-3710 to make reservations.

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICES

- St. Bruno Church
Monday, March 10, 7:00 PM
- Church of St. Paul
Tuesday, March 31, 7:00 PM
- St. Benedict, Marguerite
Wednesday, April 1, 7:15 PM
- Our Lady of Grace Church
Thursday, April 2, 7:00 PM
- Blessed Sacrament Cathedral**
Saturday, April 4, 10:00 AM
- Holy Cross, Youngwood
Sunday, April 5 at 4:00 PM

BSC Youth Ministry

Aunt Anna's Biscotti Fundraiser Sale

Help support the 15 youth/adult chaperones and Fr. Bill as they travel to Kansas City in November for the National Catholic Youth Conference. The Biscotti sale will be on Palm Sunday after all Masses.

The Biscotti is now available at the Parish Office during office hours. The Biscotti will be packaged as Easter gifts in 8 oz. bags for \$6. Buy a yummy treat for Easter while supporting our youth!!

Year of St. Paul Masses and Lectures

The Diocese of Greensburg will commemorate the Year of St. Paul with a series of Masses and Lectures throughout the diocese. The schedule is as follows:

- Today, Sunday, March 29 - Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, 7:00 PM Mass with The Most Reverend Lawrence E. Brandt, JCD, PhD as Presider and Homilist. At 8:00 PM in the hall there will be a lecture by Father Stephen Bossi, CSP followed by a question and answer session.

The following schedule marks similar programs with Fr. Bossi throughout the diocese.

- Monday, March 30 - St. Thomas More University Parish, Indiana, 12:10 PM Mass.
- Monday, March 30 - St. Margaret Mary Parish, Lower Burrell, 7:00 PM, Lecture.
- Tuesday, March 31 - Holy Family Parish, Latrobe, 12:10 PM Mass.
- Tuesday, March 31 - St. Therese, Little Flower of Jesus Parish, Uniontown, 7:00 PM, Lecture.

The theme of the Lectures is, "St. Paul and his Mission of Evangelization." For more information log onto www.dioceseofgreensburg.org for the commemoration of the Year of St. Paul is underwritten by The Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of Greensburg.

St. Vincent de Paul Paper Product Drive

Thank you for your February paper donations. We gave out 259 food boxes accounting for 525 people at the March Food Pantry. Your generous donations enabled us to give each family six rolls of toilet paper and one additional paper product. This is the most we have had to give at the Food Pantry. The SVdP Conference also spends at least \$250 per month from the Parish Social Ministry donations to supplement the paper supply. For many of our clients what we give them has to last one month! *Keep in mind that clients cannot buy paper products with their food stamps.* Many live only on food stamps.

Products Donated	February
Toilet Paper	763 rolls
Paper Towels	190 rolls
Kleenex	69 boxes
Napkins	19 packs
Total	1,041 items

Weekly Financial Reporting March 22, 2009

Beginning Operating Balance:	\$43,121.65
Offertory Deposit:	\$14,077.00
Candles Deposit:	\$396.00
Other Income Deposit:	
Funerals	\$175.00
Exchange Income	\$3,500.00
Meager Meals	\$48.00
Cathedral Care	\$478.00
Home Missions	\$65.00
 Total Deposits	 \$18,739.00
Parish Expenses Paid:	\$38,116.39
 Ending Operating Balance:	 \$23,744.26

Please note that all Parishioners are receiving weekly envelopes at this time. We saved considerable money on postage by discontinuing the monthly set of envelopes. **If you would like to contribute monthly, please place just one envelope in the basket once a month.**

FROM THE PASTOR

Information regarding our bulletin

Our Sunday bulletin is a primary way we use to communicate with you. Through our arrangement with the J. S. Paluch Company, the parish does not pay for the bulletin printing, which saves us thousands of dollars every year. Our bulletin is supported through the generosity of the advertisers - many of whom are our own parish members. Most are members of our local community. Please tell the business owner's who advertise here that you appreciate their support of our parish through their advertising in the bulletin. This is one small way we can work within our own community to weather these challenging times.

2009 Diocesan Lenten Appeal

3rd Week	Dollar	No. of Gifts
Goal	\$182,000.00	1876
Actual	\$58,321.00	311
%	32%	16%

THIS WEEK AT BSC

Sunday, March 29

10:00-11:00 AM: Baptism Prep [Hall]
 8:00-9:15 PM: St. Paul Lecture/Presentation [Hall]

Tuesday, March 31

12:30-2:00 PM: GS Level I [Formation Center - Atrium]
 3:00-4:00 PM: Jr. Legion of Mary [Formation Center]
 5:00-6:30 PM: GS Level I [Formation Center - Atrium]

Wednesday, April 1

4:25-5:10 PM: Children's Choir Rehearsal [Music Room]
 6:40-7:00 PM: Cantor Rehearsal [Music Room]
 7:00-8:00 PM: Faith Sharing [Formation Center - EAS]
 7:00-9:00 PM: Cathedral Choir Rehearsal [Music Room]

Friday, April 3

7:00 PM: Stations of the Cross [Church]

Saturday, April 4

2:00-3:00 PM: Practice Palm Sunday Altar Servers for
 11:30 AM Mass [Church]

OUT AND ABOUT

Adult Faith Formation Evening

- Saint Vincent Parish in Latrobe will host an Adult Faith Formation evening on Wednesday, April 1 in the Basilica from 7 - 9 p.m. Father Brian Boosel, a Benedictine Monk from Saint Vincent Archabbey will make a presentation on *The Meaning of Holy Week*. Come, Listen, Celebrate. All are welcome.

Stress in Your Marriage?

- **Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriage. In today's busy world, many couples experience anger, coldness, frustration, and loneliness. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on April 24, 2009, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434. More information is available at www.helpourmarriage.com.

**Blessed Sacrament Cathedral
 Membership Request / Change**

Name _____

Phone number _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Check one: New Registration
 Change of Address
 Moving out of Parish

Please drop this in the offertory basket or mail
 to the Parish Office.

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