# Fourth Sunday of LENT

March 21 & 22, 2009

## This Week in our Parishes

## Saturday, March 21st

2:30 pm, Sacrament of Reconciliation - OLMC 4:00 pm, Mass - SAS (+Ruth & George Martins)

## Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>

7:00 am, Mass - SAS (+Bernard & Margaret Kelly and family)

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (L&D Parishioners)

9:15 am, Religious Education Classes – TMS

9:30 am, Confirmation Retreat Day begins - SAS

9:30 am, Mass – SAS (+Mary Margaret Fullam)

11:00 am, Mass - OLMC (+Hilton Kissner)

6:30 pm, Y.M. Music Practice - OLMC

7:00 pm, ECC Lenten Service - St. Anthony Shrine

## Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:00 am, Mass –OLMC (+Florence Shaner)

9:00 am, Mom's Group Meeting - SASH

3:00 pm, Ballet Class - SAS Upper Hall

3:00 pm, Eucharistic Adoration - OLMC

7:00 pm, YM Practice for Stations - OLMC Church

7:00 pm, T.M. Lenten Service – Evangelical Bible

## Tuesday, March 24th

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Tony Kelly, Sr.)

6:00 pm, YOGA - SAS Upper Hall

6:30 pm, Boy Scouts (Tigers) SAS Schoolhouse

7:00 pm, Parish Penance Service - St. Anthony's

## Wednesday, March 25th

No Morning Mass

6:30 pm, Handbell Practice - OLMC Parish Center

7:00 pm, RCIA - SAS Upper Hall

7:00 pm, Confessions - SAS & OLMC Churches

## Thursday, March 26th

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Genevieve Delaney)

6:30 pm, Choir Practice – SAS Church

6:30 pm, YOGA - SAS Upper Hall

7:00 pm, YM Practice for Stations – OLMC Church

### Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm, Morning Prayers - OLMC

## Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> (Continued)

8:00 am, Mass– OLMC (+Mary Bunyan) 5:00 pm, Fish Bake – OLMC Parish Center 7:00 pm, Stations of the Cross – OLMC

## Saturday, March 28th

4:00 pm, Mass – SAS (+William Ruth)

## Sunday, March 29th

Second Collection – Special Parish Needs 7:00 am, Mass - SAS (+Thelma Michael) 8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Beverly Zienda) 9:15 am, Religious Education Classes – TMS 9:30 am, Mass – SAS (L&D Parishioners) 11:00 am, Mass - OLMC (+Mildred Devine) 6:30 pm, Y.M. Music Practice – OLMC 7:00 pm, ECC Lenten Service – Trinity UMC

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent March 28 & 29

## **Scripture Readings for Mass**

First Reading ~ Jeremiah 31:31-34/35 Responsorial ~ Ps. 51:3-4,12-13,14-15 Second Reading ~ Hebrews 5:7-9 Gospel ~ John 12:20-33

## Our Ministry of Prayer

Please remember in prayer the intentions written in our Book of Prayer located in each Church and the Parish Center entrance area. We also remember those persons who have requested prayers through the prayer chain.

Please remember in prayer the following parishioners who are homebound:

Agatha Sicilia Alice Springer

Also, please remember the following parishioners in prayer:

Francis Bittle Dorothy Burkard
Dick Cool Margaret Cornejo
Jack Dillon Joan Fink
Ethel Fitzgerald Doris Glass
Peggy Kauffman Veronica Kovalchek
Jeanette Massena Rosemary McDermott
Dolores Munafo Tony Newman

Leslie Persse Rita Priest
Charles Putman Mary Reckley
Elfriede Ridenour Margaret Smith
Mildred Smith Robert Smith
Maddie Toth James Wivell, Sr.



## For Prayer Requests

please call the Parish Office at (301) 447-2367 or Linda McCauley at (301) 271-7561.

## **High School Youth Ministry Events**

- March 27 Living Stations OLMC
   Come and share your talents. We need readers, actors, musicians and behind the scenes people. Join us at the Fish Fry in the Parish Center before stations.
- April 4 Youth & Young Adult Pilgrimage-Baltimore. Commemorate Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem at the beginning of Holy Week by walking from St. Mary's Spiritual Center Park to Eucharistic Adoration at the Basilica, a concert at the Shrine of St. Jude, rosary at the War Memorial Plaza and then continue through the Inner Harbor to St. Casimir's Church to conclude with evening Liturgy. Adult chaperones and group leaders are needed! Registration due to Lori by Wednesday, March 11.
- April 5 Youth Mass & HSYM Meeting
   11:00 am OLMC. Celebrate Mass with your friends and join us in the Parish Center after Mass for a High School Ministry Meeting. Food, fun & Friends until 1 pm.

Contact Lori Carter at 301-271-4050 or <a href="mailto:kpltcarter@comcast.net">kpltcarter@comcast.net</a> for more info.

## Youth Ministry Music Practices

for students in grades 6 - 12 are held Sunday evenings 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the OLMC Parish Center.

## Upcoming practices are scheduled for:

March 22 & 29 and April 26 A Pizza social will follow the practices.

## S A Youth Ministry News

All **6**<sup>th</sup>, **7**<sup>th</sup> and **8**<sup>th</sup> grade parishioners are invited to the next **SMAC** meeting on **Friday**, **April 3**<sup>rd</sup> from 7:15 to 8:45 pm in the old Schoolhouse at St. Anthony's. *Don't miss the fun, food and friends!* For information call Mike Miller at (301) 271-9871.

## S<sub>M</sub>A<sub>C</sub>! Calendar of Events

- Mar 27 Living Stations 7 pm OLMC
- Apr 3 SMAC Meeting 7:15 pm SASH
- **Apr 18 Prayer & Pizza** 4:30 pm OLMC
- Apr 25-Canned Good PickUp-8:30am OLMC
- May 1 Central MD Middle School Fun Night – 7 pm MSM Knott Arena
- Jun 5 SMAC Meeting 7:15 pm SASH

## Peace & Social Justice Committee

an education and action ministry

To volunteer or participate in any activities, please contact Deacon John Hawkins at (301) 271-2194 or <a href="mailto:JHawkins@archbalt.org">JHawkins@archbalt.org</a>.

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you." John 15:12

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## Rice Bowls for Haiti

Rice Bowls are available to use in your homes during Lent. Donations will be sent to Haiti as part of our commitment to St. Martin dePorres.

## Help Repeal Maryland's Death Penalty

Though it looks like the bill has been defeated, we can still let our state representatives know how we feel about the death penalty. The *Catechism* calls non-lethal means of punishment "more in keeping with the concrete conditions of the common good and the dignity of the human person," and our state's bishops have repeatedly called for repeal. Your active involvement is critical to this issue. Help build a culture of life in Maryland by contacting your lawmakers today. Visit <a href="https://www.mdcathcon.org">www.mdcathcon.org</a> to send legislators an e-mail asking them to end capital punishment in Maryland.

## Easter Basket Program

Our parishes have received information from Seton Center on two local families for this year's Easter Basket Program. Items needed are:

Peas Sweet potatoes Carrots Salad dressing Potatoes (5lb bag) Dinner rolls/bread Celery Cranberry sauce Fruit drinks **Onions** Cake or pie Dressing (stove top) Canned pineapple slices Coffee or Tea Fresh fruit Creamer and Sugar Easter Candy Nuts

Grocery store gift cards would also be appreciated so families can buy a turkey or ham and other perishable foods for their Easter dinner. Please leave donations in the box in the back of the churches and parish center.

Deadline for donations is Sunday, April 5th.



## Fish Bake

Join us the **Fridays of Lent**(March 27 and April 3)
for a **Lenten supper** held from **5:00 – 7:30 pm**in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Hall. **Menu includes:** A Variety of Fish, a variety of vegetables, dessert and beverage.

The price is \$10 for adults; \$5 for children ages 4 – 12; and free for children 3 and under.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Stations of the Cross Fridays, March 27, April 3, 7:00 pm at OLMC Church.

The parish youth will be doing Live Stations on March 27 and all are invited to attend.

## The Light is on for You Reconciliation on Wednesday nights in Lent

This year during Lent, our parishes are participating in an Archdiocesan-wide reconciliation program initiated by Archbishop O'Brien called *The Light is On for You.* On five consecutive Wednesdays in Lent – March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1 – the sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at both Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and St. Anthony Shrine from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

Parish Penance Service Tuesday, March 24, 7:00 pm SAS

## Easter Memorials

If you wish to remember your loved ones during the Easter season, donations for our Easter decorations can be made by using the envelopes provided in our packet of offering envelopes. Additional envelopes are available in the back of the church. Please return the envelopes via the offertory collection by Palm Sunday, April 5. A listing of those remembered will be published in our bulletin on Easter Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Mark Your Calendars

- Mar 24 Parish Penance Service 7 pm SAS
- Apr 9 Holy Thursday Liturgy 7:30 pm SA
- Apr 10 Good Friday Stations 3 pm OLMC
- Apr 10 Good Friday Liturgy–7:30 pm OLMC
- **Apr 11 Easter Vigil** 8:00 pm SAS
- Apr 12 Easter regular Sunday Mass schedule

## Welcome to our

## Newest Members

Jillian Josephine Jurchak
daughter of Matthew & Angela Jurchak
and Torrance Kimberly Bassler
daughter of James & Bridgett Bassler
Baptized March 21/22, 2009.



The **Knights of Columbus** is conducting a membership drive this weekend after the 4 pm and 11 am Masses. If you are a practicing Catholic interested in joining a group of

like minded men interested in being of service to the Church (at large) as the Lord would have you then stop and talk with the Knights present or contact Skip Bush, Tony Cornejo or Ken Allen at any time.

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God..." Today's Gospel urges us to live a life centered on Christ. Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter help your marriage/Holy Orders to be more Christ-centered. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are August 14-16 and November 6-8, 2009. For more information or to register call toll free 1-877-558-LOVE (5683) or visit our Website at <a href="http://wwme.net">http://wwme.net</a>.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

### Weekend of March 14 & 15, 2009

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel		
Attendance		224
Envelopes	(70)	1,663.00
Loose		372.00
Total		2,035.00
Poor Box		49.33
St. Anthony Shrine		
Attendance		387
Envelopes	(110)	3,037.00
Loose		803.32
Total		3,840.32
Poor Box		195.30

## From Barbara...

Today's world of instant communication and 24 hour access is a blessing and a curse. People can get hold of us at any time of day or night and yet we complain about never having time for ourselves. But when we don't have our cell phone or blackberry with us we feel unconnected. If the internet goes down we panic, how will we know what's happening? The greatest message we could ever receive happened in a time of low technology and continues to be passed on today usually in a very simple manner. The message: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only son so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." God loves us so much that there is nothing he wouldn't do for us. Take time this week to receive this message and respond in appropriate ways.

This is probably old news by now but I thought it was important enough to pass on in the bulletin. Many of you know that Rosemary McDermott was waiting for a heart transplant. She received the heart on March 7 and called me on March 9. She sounded wonderful and wanted me to pass on her great appreciation for all the thoughts and prayers that were sent her way. She will be recovering for the next 5-6 months and hopes to be able to join us again soon. Continue to keep her in your prayers during her convalescence.

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## **Reality Living**

An invitation to live each day to the fullest.

Presented by Mike Patin, Diocese of New Orleans

Sunday, March 29 through Tuesday, March 31,

7:30 pm – 8:30 pm each evening.

Free and open to all! No reservations needed.

St. Joseph Catholic Community,

915 Liberty Road, Sykesville, MD 21784.

For further information please call,

Tom's Creek United Methodist Church

Jackie Antkowiak, (443) 920-9107

16252 Tom's Creek Church Road Emmitsburg, MD 21727 **Turkey and Oyster Supper Saturday April 4** 12:00 - 5:00 pm

**Saturday, April 4,** 12:00 - 5:00 pm Adults \$14.00, Children (5 -10) \$6.00 Under 5 Free Mark your calendar for two big events happening in May. We will be having a Volunteer Appreciation party on Saturday, May 2 starting with the 4:00 Mass. Following Mass we will be having a picnic with hamburgers, hot dogs, and all the fixin's for everyone who volunteers in our parishes. We will also be having a family friendly magician for some entertainment who also does balloon sculptures. Keep watching the bulletin for details.

The second event will be the weekend of May 30-31. We are calling it a reunion weekend with the theme "All Are Welcome." If you know anyone who would be interested in attending, invite them. This is for all folks who used to be part of our parishes or you think would want to be part of our parishes. We are going to try to have some historical information and pictures for folks to see as well as refreshments following each Mass. Again, watch the bulletin for details.

May God continue to bless us all.

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# The Archdiocese of Baltimore Vocation Office and The Serra Foundation of Baltimore presents Vox Domini – Music for the Journey

A musical concert featuring priests and seminarians from the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

Sunday, March 29, 3:00 – 4:00 pm St. Mary's Seminary Chapel

5400 Roland Avenue, Baltimore \$25 per ticket only 500 tickets available.

All proceeds go directly to the *Take the Journey Vocation Program* – a program that invites high school juniors to consider a call from God to the priesthood. The concert will feature well known musicians such as Rev. Paul Maillet, SS, Rev. Louis Bianco, Rev. Mr. Marc Lanoue and rev. Mr. Quy Vo. *For tickets or to make a donation*, send check payable to *The Serra Foundation of Baltimore* to: Mr. Joseph Reynolds, c/o Office for Vocation, 320 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, MD 21201