

**Fifth Sunday of Lent  
March 21, 2010**


I consider everything as a loss  
because of the supreme good of knowing  
Christ Jesus my Lord.

-- Philippians 3:8



**Week of March 22<sup>nd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>**

- Monday: 8:00 Rene Mangini+
- Tuesday: 8:00 Richard Cadigan+
- Wednesday: 8:00 Evelyn Petermann+
- Thursday: 8:00 Nancy Lee+
- Friday: 8:00 Intentions: Mary Bailey
- Saturday: 8:00 Evelyn Petermann+



Remember Our Homebound

Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Mary Bailey, Betty Edgar, Doris Whitaker, Patty Charlton, Frank Louie, Bruce Barr, Joshua Bracciotti, John Murphy, Rebecca Bodle, Lucia Del Bagge & Robert Johnson.

Weekly Collections	March 14, 2010
Plate	\$9,243.50
Catholic Relief Services	\$3,035.00

**Holy Week Schedule 2009**

**Palm Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 p.m. - Saturday Vigil Mass  
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass

**Celebration of the Triduum**

**Holy Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

7:00 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Good Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

12:30 p.m. - Good Friday Liturgy  
1:45 p.m. - Stations of the Cross  
7:00 p.m. - Night Prayer

**Holy Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

8:00 p.m. - Easter Vigil Mass

**Easter Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.  
Easter Mass

*The Sacrament of Reconciliation is not celebrated during Holy Week or on Holy Saturday.*



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The days of Lent are rapidly coming to an end; Holy Week is less than two weeks away. I suspect that a number of you may not be aware of the fact that Lent ends on Holy Wednesday. Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil are high holy days and are identified as the Triduum. Aside from Easter, the Triduum are the holiest days of the year because they commemorate the suffering, crucifixion and death of our Lord.

The Triduum begins on Holy Thursday night with the Mass of our Lord's Supper. It is a night set aside for remembrance and reflection. It was at the Last Supper that Jesus celebrated the first Mass. In honor of that great sacrifice, every Catholic is encouraged to attend Mass on Holy Thursday. The Mass concludes with a procession. The Blessed Sacrament is removed from the Church and taken to the Chapel of Repose.

During the second day of the Triduum, Good Friday, we are encouraged to fast, abstain, pray and reflect. It is a day of mourning; the weight of our sins led to the crucifixion and death of our Lord. Our activities on Good Friday should reflect the somberness of the day. I encourage you to participate in one of two prayer services. The afternoon service begins at 12:30 p.m. The evening service will begin at 7:00 p.m. The Triduum concludes at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday Night. It is the preeminent Mass of our Faith. If you have not experienced the Easter Vigil, I strongly encourage you to do so this year.

Last week when I visited our children at school, I explained to them that Easter vacation does not begin until Easter Monday. The Church sets aside Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday for prayer and reflection. As your pastor, I am asking for your support to help our children appreciate the religious significance of the Triduum. By your participation in these high holy days, they will come to understand at a deeper level who we are and what we believe as Roman Catholic Christians!

*Love, Fr. Leo*

***Parish Reconciliation Service!***

There will be a Reconciliation Service for the Parish this Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:30 p.m.

**Raph's News!**

**Lenten Scripture Series:** The Lenten Series on the Passion Narratives from the Gospel of Luke continues on Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Our facilitator is Raph. This is a good opportunity if you are looking to spend some time with the Lord reflecting on His words, setting aside some time for private reflection and prayer.

**What's On Your Mind Series:** On Monday mornings throughout March, we will focus on topics of religious interest to our parishioners. We have just begun a series on the Devil/Satan. Everyone is welcome. The place is the Rectory from 10:45 a.m. to Noon.

**Maggie's News!**

The next **High School Gospel Study** (HSGS) is today, March 21<sup>st</sup>, at 9:30 a.m. in Keller Center. April will be the final sessions for the year: April 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

The next meeting for **Confirmation** (10<sup>th</sup> grade) is today, March 21<sup>st</sup>, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the Church. Bring your sponsor (or an adult to stand in place if your sponsor is unable to join us

All 10<sup>th</sup> graders, please email Maggie your chosen saint name for Confirmation to: [magovska@juno.com](mailto:magovska@juno.com).

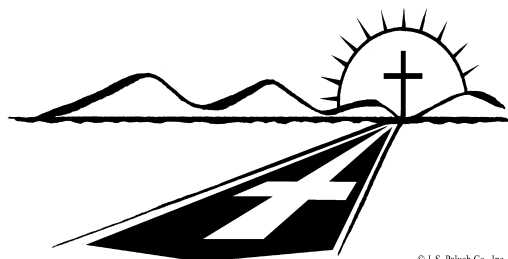
**Ankie's News!**

During the Easter season, the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School Class is working with the Outreach Committee on a food drive to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters. Please bring non-perishable items to the Church and drop them off in the marked baskets, located at the front and back of the Church. The last day to drop off items is today, March 21<sup>st</sup>. Thank You!

**Flowering!**

The flower does not bear the root, but the root the flower... The rose is merely the evidence of the vitality of the root.

-- Woodrow Wilson



**Easter Basket Collection!**



The **Corpus Christi Outreach Committee** is collecting medium-size Easter baskets to benefit the children served by St. Vincent de Paul's Visitation Center in Oakland. A package of grass and Easter candy should be included. This is a fun present for kids to receive. A marked basket will be in the Gibson Center for you to drop them off!

**Something New!**

"See, I am doing something new!" (Isaiah 43:19) All during this Lenten season, the scriptures have revealed the truth of these words, proclaimed in today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah. We have heard about a bush in the desert aflame but not consumed. We have listened to a parable about a father, the depth of whose love for his prodigal son was almost inconceivable. Today, instead of condemning a woman caught in the act of adultery and joining in stoning her to death, the Lord Jesus sends her on her way, away from what would have been certain death, admonishing her to sin no more. Indeed, God has been doing something new in our midst. Even when we are trapped in sin, with no perceivable way out, we are offered forgiveness when we turn to the Lord with repentant hearts. Let us remember that God has done something new in the heart of each of us.

**St. Mary's Center Sunday Meal**

Corpus Christi Church is once again providing a meal for 70 seniors at St. Mary's Center on Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. They are in need of a few items. If you can contribute, please check the appropriate space and return this slip to the Parish Office or place it in the Sunday collection basket. If you would like to help or contribute to this dinner, please call Trish Ryan at 530-5652. Thank You very much!

Tea \_\_\_\_\_ Coffee \_\_\_\_\_ Butter \_\_\_\_\_

Italian salad dressing \_\_\_\_\_ Dinner rolls \_\_\_\_\_

Home-made Cookies \_\_\_\_\_

Small "Bingo-type" prizes \_\_\_\_\_

Money \_\_\_\_\_

Help serve the meal on March 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_