

Pope John XXIII Catholic Community

PARISH INFORMATION

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RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, ANOIDING OF THE SICK & FUNERALS

Contact Msgr. Frecker

MSGR. FRECKER RESIDENCE

7820 White Ash Court, Canal Winchester, OH 43110

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, February 18

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Tuesday, February 19

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Service
7:00 p.m. Jim Sauer by Jim & Peig Shackelford & Family

Wednesday, February 20

8:00 a.m. Mary O'Boyle Deaver
by Fred & Teresa Frecker

Thursday February 21

8:00 a.m. Davida Swisher by James Wilfinger

Friday February 22

8:00 a.m. Emmett Frecker by Monsignor Frecker

Saturday February 23

5:00 p.m. Frank Struif by Shackelford Family

Sunday February 24

8:30 a.m. The People of Pope John XXIII
by Monsignor Frecker
10:15 a.m. Pamela Logsdon by Bob & Lois Logsdon
12:00 noon Robert Ceculski, Sr.
by Robert Ceculski, Jr.

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE

February 23/24, 2008

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Valerie Yonnotti, Paul Erwin,
Bernie Collins, Annie Fawley
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Pat Brobst, Andy Hunyady,
Joe Coontz, Nancy Congelio
Sunday 10:15 a.m. John Stanley, Jason Snider,
Deb Thomas, Don Sherman
Sunday 12:00 noon Ray Bissonnette, Linda Hunt

LECTORS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Kathy Buckland, Mary Ellen Duffy
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Steve Clark, Mary Caye Clark
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Jackie Christensen, Price Kruse
Sunday 12:00 noon Lissie Scherer, Andy Cecil

SERVERS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Eric Felts, Emily Stoltz,
Eamon Cleary
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Cody Roberts, Cody Seagraves,
Cory Spelman
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Zeb Reynolds, Ryan Reed,
Isaac Thomas
Sunday 12:00 noon Kaitlin Muetzel, Zach Muetzel

GREETERS/USHERS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Carolyn Bohnlein, Jim Bohnlein,
Michael Bohnlein
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Chad Britt, Jeff Dinan,
Jennifer Frear, Jim Fessler
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Mike Hoffman, Paul Hoffman,
Adam Swearingen, Steve Frecker
Sunday 12:00 noon Francine Clifford, Maria Olson,
Barbara Roman, Pat Roman

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

The readings for next week, February 24, 2008, the Third Sunday of Lent: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42. To prepare yourself to hear the Word of God next week, please read over the passages ahead of time and spend a short time reflecting on how they relate to your life. We have Bibles available for purchase in the Parish Office or you can go online to our web site for the weekly readings. We pray Week III Seasonal Proper of the Liturgy of Hours.

PRAYER LINE PETITIONS

If you have a prayer request or would like to join the Prayer Line, please contact Anne Brunney at 614-837-3445. Please include in your daily prayers all those on our Prayer Line and those in most need of prayer in our parish.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

It is our desire to always take care of those in our parish who are homebound or hospitalized. If you are going into the hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick prior to your admittance, please call Monsignor to make arrangements to receive the sacrament. If you are homebound for a short or long period, please also let us know so we can make arrangements for you to receive the Eucharist.

CONDOLENCES

We offer our sympathy to Karen Augenstein and her family on the death of her dad, Christopher Campbell, Sr. Please pray for the repose of Christopher and for his family and friends in their time of sorrow.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be on Fridays in Lent through March 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Please plan to join your fellow parishioners for this traditional Lenten devotion.

LENT

There are three Traditional Lenten observances:

- Prayer** – Person at home prepares by reading the Scripture prior to Sunday Mass, in addition to other personal prayer such as meditation, Rosary, spiritual readings, etc.
- Fasting** – The following regulations of fast and abstinence for Catholics provide an opportunity for us to be united with the entire Church in offering this form of prayer: All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. On fast days, one full meal is permitted along with two meals of lesser quantity the same day. On days of abstinence, flesh meat is not to be eaten. The law of fast applies to those between the ages of 18 and 59; the law of abstinence from meat applies to those 14 years of age and over. Diocesan faculties empower priests assigned to a parish to dispense parishioners and visitors from these obligations in individual cases. Dispensation for groups of persons should be referred to the Chancery. We can also abstain from something we truly like, such as sweets or special things during the Lenten season.
- Almsgiving** – We have Rice Bowls available at all Masses. Operation Rice Bowl is the Lenten Program for Catholic Relief Services to help us realize that we are a part of a global neighborhood community. Operation Rice Bowl gives the seed money for the Catholic Relief Services to respond quickly to areas with the greatest need or who have experienced a natural disaster such as earthquakes and floods. The Rice Bowls are to be returned to our parish at Mass on Holy Thursday. Along with the Rice Bowls, we will have a collection of food and money that will be brought forward at the offertory time. Please keep your food items and Rice Bowls at your place until it is time to bring them forward. Offerings to other charities or increased offering to the parish during Lent are also important.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

Rice Bowls and Home Calendar Guides are available on the table in the Gathering Space. The Rice Bowl collection will be on Holy Thursday with the funds going to the Catholic Relief Services to help our brothers and sisters who are in need. Please take a Rice Bowl and Guide home to use this Lenten season.

RAFFLE TICKETS

OKAY! OKAY! OKAY! The snow came and the cold weather is staying too long so are you ready for some **COLD CASH?** Our Mid-Winter Raffle is in full swing with cash prizes of \$1,000.00, \$500.00 and \$250.00. Each family is asked to accept responsibility for 2 books of tickets; tickets can be returned to the Parish Office or placed in an envelope and dropped in the collection basket. All returns must be made by 5:00 p.m. Friday, March 7, 2008. The winning tickets will be drawn on Sunday, March 9, 2008, at 11:45 a.m. If you need more books of tickets, just stop in the Parish Office to pick up additional ones to sell.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT MEETING

Our parish will celebrate First Communion on Sunday, May 18, 2008. A meeting for parents whose children will be receiving First Communion will be held on Thursday, February 21, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. At this meeting, materials will be distributed for parents to use in helping their child prepare for this most important sacrament. At least one parent should attend this meeting.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT

Needed to cover expenses \$7,440.00
Actual for February 9 and 10, 2008 \$7,134.39
Attendance 873

POPE JOHN XXIII YOUTH MASS

On February 23, 2008, our 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass will feature some of our youth as Greeter/Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Choir members. The readings for this Mass will be taken from the Catholic Children's Lectionary. We hope that you and your family will join us for this exciting faith experience. Choir practice for the Mass will be at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 23. All youth are encouraged to participate! For more information, please call Angie Lloyd at 614-834-5772.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH EVENTS

The forms for the Diocesan Youth Rally are now available. Please take a form from the table in the Gathering Space and contact Crystal Adams for additional information 614-834-1148. The Rally will take place March 1 and 2, 2008, at St. Charles Preparatory School. The High School Lenten sleepover will take place on Saturday, February 23 beginning at 4:00 p.m. We will be assisting with the Youth Mass and stuffing the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt we sponsor on Easter Sunday. Please RSVP to Crystal Adams (614-834-1148) by Sunday, February 17, so we will know how many to plan for.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION MEETING

On Tuesday, February 19, at 7:30 p.m., we will have a meeting for all parents or expectant parents who will be preparing for the Baptism of their child. This meeting is necessary prior to the Baptism; please call Deacon Pry if you are able to attend (614-920-1563).

CARING STITCHES

Caring Stitches volunteers meet on the third Tuesday each month from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 19, 2008. Anyone with skills pertaining to sewing, knitting, or crocheting is welcome as well as anyone who is interested in learning about these skills. Our projects include items for the homeless, Children's Hospital, and other charitable organizations. Also, any donations of yarns, material, batting, or fiberfill are more than appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Maribeth Zappia at 614-920-0874 or zmaribeth@hotmail.com.

CATHOLIC TIMES

February is Catholic Press Month! Help raise your awareness.... Help lift your spirit... Subscribe to the *Catholic Times!* For less than 30 cents an issue, **\$15.00 annually**, the *Catholic Times* provides us not only the local diocesan news but news about the church from around the world. Please support our diocesan paper. It is our desire to have each registered family/individual receive the *Catholic Times*. If you are able to contribute more than \$15.00 to help offset the cost for those unable to contribute due to circumstances beyond their control, we would be most grateful.



RENEW

This week's RENEW theme, "Being Freed from That Which Divides Us," challenges us to look first within our own families and friendship groups for the source of contention or division. Often the answer is in the choice of the other person.

When it is not the same as our own choice, we are faced with often conflicting feelings and responses. In this week's bulletin insert, Eileen Marx tackles a subject which is both intensely personal and often divisive. In "Abortion's Other Victims" she concludes: "The only way we will really bring about change in the abortion debate is if our language of life is also the language of love and forgiveness."

PRAYER FOR OUR SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

Lord, hold our servicemen and women in Your loving hands. Protect them, especially those who are in harm's way. Bless them and their families for these selfless acts they perform for our Country in our time of need. Be with all people who suffer from the ravages of war. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen. Our parish family has many family members serving in the Armed Forces as well as others supporting our troops around the world, please keep them all in our prayers.

BISHOP HARTLEY OPEN HOUSE

Bishop Hartley High School has rescheduled its Winter Open House for Wednesday, March 5, 2008, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. The original date was postponed due to inclement weather. We would like to extend a warm invitation to 8th graders and their parents to attend. Tour the school and visit with the principal, academic department chairs, guidance counselors, and the athletic director. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please contact Kathy Acklin at 614-237-5421, ext. 227.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

SPEAKER SERIES AT ST. MARK'S

On Sunday evenings, February 17, March 2, March 9 and March 16, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mark Parish, 324 Gay Street, Lancaster, there will be different featured speakers on various topics. For more information about each series, call the parish at 740-653-1229.

ST. BERNADETTE SCHOOL REGISTRATION BEGINS

Registration begins February 25 for parishes in the area without Catholic schools; they will accept registration for new students grades 1-5, kindergarten students and 4-year-old prekindergarten students. These students should bring a copy of their birth or baptismal certificate. A nonrefundable registration fee of \$25.00 per child (maximum of \$50.00 per family) is due at the time of registration. For more information, please call the School Office (740-654-3137). St. Bernadette is located at 1325 Wheeling Road in Lancaster.

STRENGTHENING THE FAMILY – SETON PARISH MISSION

Father Willy Raymond, National Director of the Family Theater, will be conducting this mission from Sunday, March 2, 2008, to Wednesday, March 5, 2008. Father Willy, a priest of the Congregation of Holy Cross and immediate past provincial superior of its Eastern Province, has served as National Director of Family Theater Productions since September 2000. The mission of Family Theater, which was founded in Hollywood in 1947 by Father Patrick Peyton, CSC, now a sainthood candidate, is to evangelize culture by using mass media to entertain, inspire and educate families. Family Theater's famous slogan is "The Family that Prays Together Stays Together™." Please join us for this mission, which begins at 6:00 p.m. each night with a hearty soup and bread supper followed by the mission from 7:00-9:00 p.m. each night. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Hector Raymond at 614-833-0482, ext. 243 or e-mail at hraymond@setonparish.com.

CATHOLIC LAYWOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

You are invited to a silent retreat sponsored by the Catholic Laywomen's Retreat League, which will be held the weekend of March 7-9, 2008, at St. Therese's Retreat Center. It is open to all Catholic women in the Diocese. Sister Janice Bachman, O.P., will present "What in Your Spirit Needs to Return to Life?" Registration deadline is February 29, 2008. For more information or to register, call Sue Dondelewski at 614-863-3108.

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Canal Winchester Area Food Pantry is planning to reorganize their volunteers and give more people the opportunity to help. Please contact Janet Bristol, Food Pantry Director (614-833-6897) if you are available to help in any capacity.

BABY CLOTHING NEEDED!

Hope United Methodist Church is currently collecting "gently-used" baby clothing (sizes 0-5T) for a new ministry in the greater Canal Winchester area. Boy's and girl's summer and winter outfits, onesies, socks, and booties are needed for distribution beginning in April. All donations may be dropped off at Hope United Methodist Church Office, 83 East Columbus Street, or by calling the office at 614-837-7548 for pick-up. A charitable tax-exempt receipt provided upon request.

PARISH MEETINGS

Sunday, February 17, 2008

8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 12:00 noon Masses
Preschool during 8:30 and 10:15 a.m. Masses
RCIA Session, Room E
PSR, 9:40-11:00 a.m. and 11:25 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
Hospitality/Nametag Sunday

Monday, February 18, 2008

7:30 p.m. Guitar Practice

Tuesday, February 19, 2008

7:00 p.m. Mass
7:00-9:00 p.m. Caring Stitches
7:30 p.m. Baptismal Prep
7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Wednesday, February 20, 2008

7:00-9:00 p.m. Liturgy Committee Meeting

Thursday, February 21, 2008

7:00-8:00 p.m. First Communion Meeting

Friday, February 22, 2008

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 23, 2008

8:00-9:00 a.m. Sandwich Saturday

Sunday, February 17, 2008

8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 12:00 noon Masses
PSR and RCIA

WORDS OF OUR PATRON – BLESSED POPE JOHN XXIII THE LENTEN SPIRIT

We entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says: At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation" (II Cor. 6:10-2). This entreaty is particularly precious and timely during the forty days of Lent. Every one of us, looking into his conscience, must find out how far his own life is ruled by faith, in what way and to what extent he indulges in acts and words contrary to the Christian law, and in what measure he practices the virtues, particularly those of patience and self-denial.

Taken from the book, *Prayers and Devotions from Pope John XXIII*, His personal thoughts for every day of the year.