

Pope John XXIII Catholic Community

PARISH INFORMATION

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RECONCILIATION

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

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, ANOINTING OF THE SICK & FUNERALS

Contact Msgr. Frecker

MSGR. FRECKER RESIDENCE

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, February 23

8:00 a.m. No Mass

Tuesday, February 24

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Service
7:00 p.m. 50th Anniversary Bill & Clara Hanf

Wednesday, February 25

8:00 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass
James G. Wollenberg by Jim Wollenberg

Thursday, February 26

8:00 a.m. Frank Struif by the Shackelford Family

Friday, February 27

8:00 a.m. Roland Simon by Emily Simon

Saturday, February 28

5:00 p.m. Cain & Julia O'Connor
by Peig O'Connor Shackelford

Sunday, March 1

8:30 a.m. The People of Pope John XXIII Parish
by Monsignor Frecker
10:15 a.m. Monsignor Michael Donovan by Carolyn Gale
12:00 noon Winefride Kuhn by Paul Kuhn

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE February 28/March 1, 2009

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Kathy Klise, Jack Priser, Annie Fawley,
Valerie Yonnotti
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Anita Hippler, Jim Hippler, Tom Paulus,
Jeanne Paulus
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Deb Arms, Alice Chapin, Mike Dowler,
Deb Beck
Sunday 12:00 noon Anne Brunney, Phil Brunney

LECTORS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Susan McAndrews, Bob Zeman
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Cathy Hoffman, Kitty Saunders
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Cindy Reed, Jackie Christensen
Sunday 12:00 noon Andy Cecil, Regina McCollam

SERVERS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Eric Felts, Brenna Kilbarger,
Sarah Buckingham
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Paul Augenstein, John Augenstein,
David Hulse
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Katherine Ballinger, Kristen Pierce,
Ryan Reed
Sunday 12:00 noon Anthony Riggs

GREETERS/USHERS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Christopher Kilbarger, Connor Kilbarger,
Christy Jones, Sam Jones
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Patty Drodofsky, Susan Chapman,
Renee Bergman, Scott Bergman
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Skip Reed, Mary Francis, Chuck Dehner,
Sharon Lang
Sunday 12:00 noon Stephanie Ball, Bob Bottarini,
Dorothy Butsko, Emily Simon

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

The readings for next week February 28/March 1, 2009, First Sunday of Lent: Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15. 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 I Seasonal Proper for 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.

TELEVISED and RADIO MASS

Mass is televised each weekday at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. from Our Lady of the Angels Monastery in Birmingham, AL, and at 10:00 a.m. on Catholic TV from Notre Dame's Basilica of the Sacred Heart. The Sunday Mass from the Basilica can be seen at 11:45 a.m. at <http://basilica.nd.edu/>. Sunday Mass sponsored by the Columbus Diocese can be seen at 7:00 a.m. on WHIZ 18 and at 7:30 a.m. on WWHO 53. St. Gabriel Radio broadcasts the Mass on 1270AM radio at noon.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS AND ECUMENICAL SERVICE

On Ash Wednesday, February 25, 2009, our Mass and distribution of ashes will be at 8:00 a.m. The evening service will be an Ecumenical Service with the blessing and distribution of ashes as we have in past years. This year's service will be hosted by Gender Road Christian Church at 7:30 p.m. The collection in the morning will benefit J.O.I.N. and the evening collection will benefit local charities. What a wonderful way to begin the Lenten season by praying with our Christian brothers and sisters.

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 will be available on the table in the Gathering Space this weekend, February 21/22. 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.

ART and ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Whether you have an eye for color, knowledge of flowers or just can lend a hand to help decorate the church, the Art and Environment Committee is looking for you! We are currently planning the Easter Season and would welcome your input. Please contact Laura Ankrom at 614-834-4075 or lankrom@insight.rr.com if you are interested or have any questions.

COMPUTER PROBLEMS

We have had some problems with our network as well as our data system these past two weeks and apologize that we have not been able to process the weekly donations for Electronic Funds Transfer. We have worked to resolve these problems, but have gotten behind and thank you for your patience as we get everything up and running again.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT

Needed to cover expenses	\$7,788.45
Actual for February 14/15, 2009	\$7,177.12
Attendance	851

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish Offertory and Building Fund. During these difficult economic times, we want you to know how much we appreciate the sacrifices you are making to maintain your commitment to your parish.

SANDWICH SATURDAY

All are welcome on Saturday, February 28, 2009, from 8:00-9:00 a.m. to make sandwiches for the homeless. Our parish family prepares and donates sandwiches for the less fortunate. There is always a place for new assemblers, donations of bologna, cheese singles, fresh bread and Ziploc-type baggies. These supplies are very much appreciated. You'll find it's a truly rewarding way to spend less than an hour on the fourth Saturday of each month. Hope to see you here. There is a display in the Gathering Space with the needed supplies.

PLATINUM CLUB NEWS

The Platinum Club meeting in March will be on Thursday, March 19, 2009, at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring a dish of ITALIAN food to add to the dinner buffet. Exciting news will also be shared concerning the upcoming trip in April. Remember that the Platinum Club is open to every parishioner 55 and older.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be on Fridays in Lent beginning February 27 through April 3, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. prior to our Lenten Spaghetti Dinner. Please plan to join your fellow parishioners for this traditional Lenten devotion.

VOCATION SUBCOMMITTEE FORMING

We are in the process of forming a subcommittee to develop plans to foster an environment at Pope John XXIII Parish that encourages interest in the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. A sign-up list will be available in the Gathering Space for anyone interested in helping the parish form an ongoing program. At the center of the call to vocations is prayer. We encourage all of our parishioners to pray that the Holy Spirit will bestow his grace upon this parish and stir the hearts of those being called to strongly consider a vocation in the priesthood, diaconate or religious life. If you would like to discuss your interest in the subcommittee further, please contact Deacon Charlie Miller (614-920-1563).

"ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT" MEATLESS SPAGHETTI DINNERS

Pope John XXIII will host our ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT meatless spaghetti dinners on Friday nights during Lent. The opening dinner will be held February 27 during the hours of 5:30-8:00 p.m. The Lenten dinners will continue March 6, 13, 20, 27, and will conclude on April 3, 2009. The dinner menu will include spaghetti with a choice of red and white sauces, grated Romano cheese, salad with Italian dressing, and a roll with butter, as well as assorted homemade desserts. The ticket prices are \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children 12 and under. Credit cards will only be accepted for advance sales; CASH sales only on site. There will be advance ticket sales after all Masses on February 21/22. Tickets purchased in advance can be used any Friday during Lent, and our express line will provide faster service for advance-ticket holders. Carryout will also be available. Call the Parish Office at 614-920-1563 for more information.

ALUMINUM CAN DRIVE

The High School Youth Group will be collecting aluminum cans to help defray the cost for the NCYC convention. If you have cans that you would like to donate to this worthwhile cause, there will be two containers marked **CANS** by the small shed. If you have any questions, please call Crystal Adams at 614-834-1148. We thank you in advance for your support of our program.

SOUPS ON

The Bloom Township Crisis Fund Benefit Concert will be held on March 14, 2009, from 5:00-8:00 p.m., at the Lithopolis United Methodist Church. Please bring your favorite Soup or Sweet to share. Hot dogs, coffee, tea, and lemonade will be provided. Come and enjoy the Cornerstone Quartet and fellowship for a very worthwhile event.

CATHOLIC TIMES

If you missed the parish collection for the *Catholic Times* weekly newspaper you can still make a donation. Donation envelopes for this collection are included in your February collection packet or you can drop your check marked *Catholic Times* in the basket.

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 STYLE SHOW AND LUNCHEON

Bishop Hartley Parent's Association invites you to the 18th Annual Style Show and Luncheon. Join us on Saturday, March 7, 2009, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (doors open at 10:30 a.m.), at Columbus Country Club (4831 E. Broad Street, 43213). Your \$30.00 ticket includes lunch and a style show emceed by Mindy Drayer, WCMH Channel 4 News Anchor. Enjoy a chance at a door prize (or two) and gift basket raffles. RSVP by Monday, February 23, to Dolores Igel (614-855-0683 or jddbmi@wowway.com). Invitations are also available on the BHHS web site at www.bishop.hartley.org. Looking forward to seeing you there!

ST. CHARLES CAMPUS THEATRE

The Saint Charles Preparatory School Drama Department will hold high school women's auditions for its spring musical, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 3 and 4 beginning at 4:00 p.m. in the St. Charles Campus Theatre, 2010 E. Broad Street. For more information, please call the school at 614-252-6724.

LENTEN RETREAT FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is pleased to offer young adults, ages 20-35, a Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 21, at St. Mary in German Village from 9:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Fr. Josh Wagner will lead this day of retreat and reflection. The day will begin with Morning Prayer, and there will be three sessions on the theme of the retreat, "I'm Sorry, I Forgive You, Thank You, I Love You." The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available in the afternoon, and we'll conclude the retreat with Mass at St. Mary. The cost of the retreat is \$40.00, and it includes morning refreshments and lunch.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE DREAM?

The Marriage and Family Life Office of the Diocese of Columbus is sponsoring an Afternoon of Reflection for the Separated and Divorced on Sunday, March 22, 2009, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Martin de Porres Center, 2330 Airport Drive, Columbus, OH 43219. **What Happened to the Dream?** will be led by Father G. Michael Gribble, Rector of St. Joseph Cathedral. The program will be followed by Mass at 3:30 p.m. The fee for the program is \$10.00. Registration is required by March 12. For additional information or to register, call the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614-241-2560 or e-mail flomailbox@coldioc.org.

PARISH MEETINGS

Sunday, February 22, 2009
8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 12:00 noon Masses
Pre-K during 8:30 and 10:15 a.m. Masses
PSR, 9:40-11:00 a.m. and 11:25 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
RCIA and RCIC
Monday, February 23, 2009
7:30 p.m. Guitar Practice
Tuesday, February 24, 2009
7:00 p.m. Mass
7:30 p.m. Choir Practice
Wednesday, February 25, 2009
8:00 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass/Distribution of Ashes
7:30 p.m. Ecumenical Ash Wednesday Service –
Gender Road Christian

Friday, February 27, 2009

5:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
5:30-8:00 p.m. – Meatless Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, February 28, 2009

8:00-9:00 a.m. – Sandwich Saturday
5:00 p.m. Mass
6:00 p.m. RCIA Dinner

Sunday, March 1, 2009

8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 12:00 noon Masses
Pre-K during 8:30 and 10:15 a.m. Masses
PSR, 9:40-11:00 a.m. and 11:25 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
RCIA and RCIC

WORDS OF OUR PATRON – BLESSED POPE JOHN XXIII

Reflecting on the Feast of St. Peter's Chair at Antioch – What a wonderful expression of the unity of the great human family, of whose members the Church is composed! From Jerusalem or Antioch, or Rome, the light is seen to beat most fully upon this Chair, its rays reflected from the words addressed by Jesus, as St. Matthew tells us, to Peter himself, in one of the most beautiful and touching passages in the New Testament: "on this rock I will build my Church ... I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven" (Matt. 16:18-19). What is the meaning of these keys, entrusted personally to Simon, son of John, to "Peter," if not the sign that the universal government of the Church had been given into his hands? From Jerusalem to Antioch, and then to the heart of the Roman Empire, the way now lay open to the Apostle, to preach throughout the world under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. To him the Lord entrusted his sheep and his lambs: "Feed my lambs, feed my sheep" (John 21:15-17).

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