



# Mass Intentions for the Week

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

**MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2011** **Lenten Weekday**  
 6:40 AM.....Raymond Muth (Muth & Esswein Families)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2011** **Lenten Weekday**  
 6:40 AM..... Theresa Nagy(Richard & Maureen Nagy)  
 8:45 AM..... Wm Bernard Cook (Jonas & Cook Families)

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2011** **Lenten Weekday**  
 6:40 AM.....Margaret Bowman (Angie Iezzi)  
 8:45 AM..... For the Health of Mary Hnatiow  
 (Frank & Maggie Lorence)

### NO ADORATION/NO NOVENA

7:00 PM .....HEALING MASS

**THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2011** **Lenten Weekday**  
 6:40 AM. Donald Nixon (Colonel & Mrs. Gerard Mangis)  
 8:45 AM..... Joseph Urich  
 (St. Bonaventure Staff & Faculty)

**FRIDAY, MARCH 25, 2011** **The Annunciation of the Lord**  
 8:45 AM.....Deceased of Farrell Family  
 (Larry & Carmela Farrell)  
 2:00 PM.....NUPTIAL MASS  
 Mark Tomczak & Amanda Leight  
 7:00 PM.....STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2010** **Lenten Weekday**  
 8:30 AM.....Linda Flanigan (Teresa Laffey)  
 6:00 PM..... Lorraine Golden (Husband)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2011** **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**  
 7:00 AM..... Edith Yansky (Easley Family)  
 8:45 AM..... Jackson McNulty & Parents  
 (Patrick & Nancy)  
 10:30 AM..... Intention of St. Bonaventure Parish Family  
 12:15 PM.....60th Wedding Anniversary of  
 Andrew & Kathleen Mawhinney

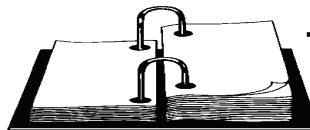
**6:00 P.M. MASS:** The Saturday evening Mass returns to 6:00 PM. - NEXT Saturday evening, March 26.

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP MARCH 13, 2011

**Regular Collection** **\$14,601.00**

**TOTAL FAITH DIRECT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH** **\$21,240.64**

Please remember St. Bonaventure Parish in your will. This assures the parish of continued financial strength.



## The Week Ahead

### MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2011

10:00 AM Ladies of Charity Meeting - PCCR  
 7:00 PM RCIA - PL

### THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2011

6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group - PCCR

### FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2011

11:00 AM Bereavement Support Group - PL  
 1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study - PL  
 4:00 PM FISH FRY - Newmeyer Hall

### SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2011

9:00 AM CCD Classes



**FISH FRY** – The Athletic Association will be holding their annual Fish Fry this Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. Dine in or Take out from 4:00PM to 7:30PM.

**JAPAN TRAGEDY:** Bishop Zubik has asked that a Special Collection will be taken up next weekend March 26-27 to provide relief services to the great loss of life and destruction in Japan. The collection is being conducted by Catholic Relief Services. CRS is working with Caritas Japan, the humanitarian organization of the Japanese Catholic Conference, to assess the need there and to determine where best to direct these collected funds. Please be generous in helping those beset by this tragedy.

**RITE OF ELECTION:** The RCIA Candidates of our Parish will be joining with hundreds of others from around our Diocese for the "Rite of Lection" with Bishop David Zubik – this afternoon at 3:00 - at St. Paul Cathedral. We offer our prayers and support for them as they continue closer to the Sacraments of Easter. We also invite you to take a slip with their names on it - from the basket in the gathering area and pray for them in these weeks ahead.

**PARISH SHARE:** You should have received, in the mail, your information letter and pledge card for this year's Parish Share program, which has now begun for 2011. Please read the brochure which was included in the bulletin a few weeks ago, and during this season of Lenten "almsgiving," prayerfully consider being a part of giving our fair share to the work of our Diocese in the coming year.

**HEALING MASS:** The "Fraternity of Priests" of which Fr. John is a member, will be celebrating their next Healing Mass – right here at St. Bonaventure Church - this Wednesday, March 23 - at 7:00 PM. In this Lenten time, come and be with us for this Eucharist-and bring a friend– expecting the Lord Jesus to touch you, as He does at every Mass, with His healing love-in whatever physical, spiritual or emotional needs you may have.



**PLEASE PRAY FOR WALTER PETERSON** who was buried from our Parish this past week. May his soul rest in the peace of the Lord. To his family we extend our sincere sympathy and prayerful support.

**THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT dePAUL** is available to help parishioners that need immediate financial help with small bills, utilities, food, medication, and minor auto repairs- are some of the expenses that we frequently handle for those of us that are in a temporary bind due to lack of work and other circumstances creating hardship. Please do not hesitate to contact the St. Vincent DePaul through the Parish office.

**BASKETBALL** – Congratulations to our Varsity Girls basketball team. They won their Section with a perfect 10-0 record and finished the season as Diocesan runner-ups in the championship game held at Oakland Catholic over the past weekend. To our 8<sup>th</sup> graders, you have continued to build upon our successful program at St. Bonaventure. We appreciate all your efforts since 4<sup>th</sup> grade and wish you much success in your future high school careers.

**PIEROGIE SALE:** Please join us for our 2nd Annual Pierogie sale at St. Bonaventure Parish!! The pierogies will be sold after masses during the weekends of March 19/20 and April 2/3 ! Eat them plain, deep fried, smothered in butter and onions, or as a side next to a salad!! Pierogies are delicious regardless of how they are prepared! Choose from many types such as Potato and Cheese, Sauerkraut, and Potato and Farmer Cheese!! The pierogies will be delivered from an authentic Polish Deli in the Strip District called S&D Polish Deli. All you need to do is, thaw, boil & serve! What a simple Lenten meal!

**SEASON OF LENT:** As we continue our "season of forty days," moving towards another Easter - the celebration of the Passion, the Death and the Resurrection of the Jesus Christ - make use of this holy season by deciding to avail yourself of the many opportunities the Church offers. Get up early and come to a weekday Mass (6:35 AM, 8:45 AM). Come to Wednesday Adoration, or Friday evening Stations. Come to the Healing Mass here this Wednesday at 7:00 PM celebrated by the "Fraternity of Priest." You guys – join us for a time of prayer – every Thursday morning at 6:30 AM - in the Parish Center, and make plans to be a part of the Catholic Men's Fellowship Day on April 9<sup>th</sup> - at Duquesne University. Observe Fridays as days of abstinence and penance. On all the Fridays of Lent, Catholics over the age of 14 are obliged to abstain from all meat. Ask Jesus to show you how to truly fast, and sacrifice some comfort in these days, so you can love Him more. Use your "Word Among Us" meditation booklet in giving the Lord some time each day until Easter. How will you "give alms" - sharing a portion of what the Lord has blessed you with – with your Parish, with Diocesan Parish Share, or with some charity in need? Remember those ashes you received on your forehead? They were a sign that you want to love Jesus more, and so become more like Him - in your love for the people around you. Ask the Lord Jesus to give you the grace to use these forty days well.



In today's Gospel, Jesus was raised up – transfigured - in front of Peter, James and John. His divinity shown out from His Body - from His humanity. After His Transfiguration had ended - Jesus told the three Apostles not to tell anyone what they had seen - *until after His Resurrection*. When we come here to Mass every Sunday - we see Jesus "transfigured" before us. We see His divinity "shining out" through His Body which is now the consecrated host held up before us. And when we come to Mass - we hear, each Sunday, the Father saying to us - before the Gospel is proclaimed - "this is My beloved Son - listen to Him." But now - it is a different time and place for us than it was for Peter, James and John - Jesus now IS resurrected - and now He does want us to tell people what we have seen here. Jesus wants us now to tell people, by our faith, our love, that He is here in this Church - every Sunday – that He is here speaking to those who will come and listen. He is here to be held up before anyone who will come here - and offers His Body and Blood to them. We are the "witnesses" - we are the ones who can tell others - and invite them - especially our families and friends – and don't give up inviting them - to come back and see what happens here.

We have to realize that the Holy Spirit is the only One who will bring you and me to really hear what the Father wants us to hear from Jesus at Mass. Only the Holy Spirit will bring us to see that it is Jesus – Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity - who is transfigured and held up before us, from the altar, and whom we will take into our body . It is only the Holy Spirit who will bring us to really hear the Word of God, what Jesus is saying to us here at Mass. And is only the Holy Spirit who will give us the courage and the wisdom to draw others back to Mass by the witness of our faith and love.

And that is what this time of Lent is all about. This is a time to do a little more prayer - and some real fasting, and "almsgiving" - so that the Holy Spirit will be more alive in us - and bring us to realize more deeply the mystery of the Mass each Sunday, and make us stronger, and clearer witnesses of our Catholic faith to our families and friends. Ask the Holy Spirit today - to help you to take us up on some of the suggestions offered here in the bulletin for that prayer, fasting and sharing, that will bring you more of the Holy Spirit in these forty days. The Holy Spirit can "transfigure" your life more, as you come to Easter - allow Him. - Fr. John

Vera Bradley BINGO  
Update

A big thank you to all the St. B school families  
and parishioners who purchased tickets for this event.

Vera Bradley BINGO is now  
SOLD OUT!

We will see you those who purchased tickets  
on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>.  
Doors open at 1:30 pm.  
BINGO starts at 2:00 pm.

**MEN'S PRAYER GROUP** every Thursday morning at  
6:30 AM in the Parish Center. Come and join us before  
work.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 7<sup>th</sup>:** Pilgrim and Author George  
Walter will teach; "*Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit*". St.  
Bonaventure Chapel, 2001 Mt. Royal Blvd., Glenshaw.  
7:30 p.m. INFORMATION: Al or Carol Leon, 412-486-9087.



**The Catholic Men's Fellowship of Pittsburgh announces the sixth annual Gathering of Catholic Men to be held at the A.J. Palumbo Center at Duquesne University on Saturday, April 9, 2011.** The Gathering is a day of worship and praise that draws hundreds of men from throughout the Pittsburgh Catholic Diocese and beyond. The theme of the 2011 Gathering, "Fight the Good Fight," is intended to inspire men to build virtue and conquer temptation. This year's speakers include Matthew Kelly, Father Scott Seethaler, Monsignor Jim Lisante and Dr. Scott Hahn. The day will begin with a Holy Hour and end with the celebration of the Mass, both to be led by the Most Reverend David A. Zubik, Bishop of Pittsburgh.

Tickets are available through CMF Groups at parishes throughout the Diocese or through the CMF website, [www.cmf pitt.org](http://www.cmf pitt.org).

**EXPLORE!** *Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a nun?* The Sisters of St. Joseph are hosting an **EXPLORE!** gathering for eighth grade and high school girls who would like to learn more about the **life of a Sister.** **EXPLORE!** will be held on **Sunday, April 10, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.** at **St. Joseph Convent in Baden, PA.** The program will include Liturgy in the Motherhouse Chapel, brunch with the Sisters, a tour of the Motherhouse, sharing stories of the lives, ministries, prayer, and community life of the Sisters, practical questions about the formation of a Sister, and time for questions and sharing. Parents and teachers are also welcome to visit the Convent on this day. There is no fee for this program. For more information or to register, contact Sister Marguerite Kropinak, CSJ, at 724-869-6585. (Visit our website at [www.stjoseph-baden.org](http://www.stjoseph-baden.org))

**YOUTH NEWS**  
**JR HIGH CCD SCHEDULE**

**TONIGHT, MARCH 20<sup>th</sup>**

Jr High CCD Starts with Teen Mass at 6PM (all are welcome).

**Adoration and Worship** - every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month 7:45p.m. - in the Church (entire Parish welcome to join us)

**Young Adult Basketball:** college to late 30's - every Tuesday Night - 9:30- 11pm in the school gym.

E-mail Ben with any questions at  
[bonaventureministries@gmail.com](mailto:bonaventureministries@gmail.com)

8th Annual OC Eagle Golf Classic Golf Tournament  
Benefiting ~ Oakland Catholic High School  
Monday, May 2, 2011 Fox Chapel Golf Club

For more information, questions & sponsorship opportunities:  
Please contact Karen in the Institutional Advancement Office 412-  
682-6797 or E-mail: [development@oaklandcatholic.org](mailto:development@oaklandcatholic.org)

**ST. JOSEPH PARISH LENTEN MISSION** with Fr Ed Litavec beings the weekend of March 26-27<sup>th</sup> at all weekend Masses, and continues Monday, March 28, Tuesday March 29 and Wednesday, March 30. For more information call St. Joseph's Parish at 412-963-8885.

**ESTHER, The Musical:** Now in it's 5<sup>th</sup> production. A Broadway style musical, written by our neighbor, Jeannie Allen of Valencia, PA. The musical is based on the book of Esther from the Bible and includes drama, dancing, singing and humor to tell the story of how "One woman, inspired by God, changes the course of history." The show is being performed on March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM at Mt. Alvernia - Scotus Hall, 129 Hawthorne Road, Millvale, PA 15209. Tickets are \$8.00 and can be purchased at the door.

**North Hills Community Outreach's April 2011 Calendar**

- April 7- Young Widows/Widowers Support Group, 7 PM, Kings in Wexford. Contact Harriet at 412-487-6316, option 2.
- North Hills Community Outreach will hold a one-hour orientation session for interested volunteers on April 7, 1:30 PM, at NHCO North Boroughs, 100 S. Jackson Avenue, Bellevue. Contact Liza Walrath at 412-487-6316, option 2, x3208 to sign up.
- April 13 - Ask the Attorney free legal consultations for qualifying individuals, 7-9 PM, NHCO Millvale, 416 Lincoln Ave. Appointments are required. Contact Harriet Gibbs at 412-487-6316, option 2.
- April 16 - NHCO Allison Park, 1975 Ferguson Road, open 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM to accept donations of nonperishable food, Spring Share donations and other "wish list" items. Donors should drive around back to the food pantry. For more information, call 412-487-6316 or visit [www.nhco.org](http://www.nhco.org).

**DIOCESAN VICTIM ASSISTANCE:** If you are a victim, or a family member is a victim, of abuse by Church personnel, the Diocese of Pittsburgh wants to help. Contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator at: 412-456-3060.