



Mass Intentions for the Week

LITURGY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2011 **St Isidore**
6:40 AM Nina Boldoni (Dottie Hudak)

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2011 **St Vincent Ferrer**
6:40 AM Marge Welty (Bertha Dames)
8:45 AM Joseph Urich (St. Bonaventure PTG Guild)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
6:40 AM Mary Lou Zeppuhar
(Jane, Brain & Kaitlyn Moffitt)
8:45 AM Phyllis Sekowski (Friends & Family)
9:30 AM .Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Chapel
All Day Adoration
7:00 PM Novena, Our Lady of Perpetual Help
and Benediction

ALL NIGHT ADORATION

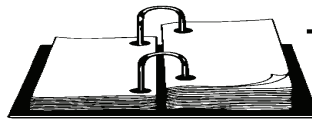
THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
6:40 AM Currie & MGowan Families (Eileen Currie)
8:45 AM ... Grazia Scalamogna (Giuseppe Scalamogna)

FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
8:45 AM Bill Schaefer & Joe DiBagno (Family)
7:30 PM "LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS"
in Newmeyer Hall

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
8:30 AM Bob & Louise Henninger
(Sharon & Jim Nagy)
6:00 PM Ann M. Regan
(Daughters, Suzie, Judy, Kathy & Patty)

SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2011 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
7:00 AM Stephen & Stella Baich & Gerard S Szmyd
(Kathy & Gerry Szmyd & Family)
8:45 AM Intention of St. Bonaventure Parish Family
10:30 AM Anty & Warren Walsh
(Ruth & Ed Biermeyer)
12:15 PM Eileen Winkler (Panas Family)

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



The Week Ahead

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2011
7:00 PM RCIA - PL

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2011
7:30 PM Prayer & Praise - Chapel

FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2011
1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study - PL

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2011
9:00 AM CCD Classes
9:00 AM Market Day

BUCKET BRIGADE: Bring baskets and rags on Saturday, morning April 2. The aim is to wash the pews. Questions, call Barb Schonder at 412-486-2710.

ST. BONAVENTURE SCHOOL is having a Science Fair! The Junior High students of St. Bonaventure School have been working very hard on their Science fair projects. **WHEN: TODAY**, Sunday, April 3, 2011 in the school cafeteria Project viewing times with some of our "Scientists" will be from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

RCIA CANDIDATES: We again welcome this year's RCIA Candidates of our Parish to Mass today – Neelie and Chris Simmons and Hans Rottmann. Today, we celebrate with them the "Second Scrutiny" of Lent. The "scrutinies" are special prayers for them, which we offer together, as they continue closer to the Sacraments of Easter. We welcome Hans, Neelie and Chris with us today – and 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.

THIS THURSDAY, APRIL 7th: Pilgrim and Author George Walter will teach; "*Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit*". St. Bonaventure Chapel at 7:30 PM.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Our praying of the Stations of the Cross will take a different form this Friday, April 8 - in place of the regular stations in Church. The junior high students of our Parish School have been preparing a live presentation of the Stations, with readings and music, which they will present on April 8 at 7:30 PM in Newmeyer Hall. You are invited to pray with them that evening in this special setting of the Stations of the Cross. There is no charge for tickets, but please contact Kathy Bishop at 412-487-5424 for a reservation, as seating is limited. A free-will collection will be taken at the door to benefit the Chimbote mission. Doors will open at 7PM in Newmeyer Hall, program begins at 7:30 and runs approximately 90 minutes.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION SESSION: Our Spring "Pre-Cana" class for couples preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage will be held on Saturday, April 30th to register, or for more information, call Kirsten at 412-303-0825.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP MARCH 28, 2011

Regular Collection **\$13,441.00**

Japan Disaster **\$10,775.00**

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



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Janet Bonant, Shirley Bonitz, Diane Brunette, Alec Ciocca, Sis Davis, James Dean, Patrick Dean, George Dellinger, Nicole Duncan, Ann Evashavic, Ruth Fitzpatrick Victor Franceschini, Esther Geyer, Baby Elaina Graswick, Heidi Hartle, Margaret Hillman, Brian Hormuth, Walter Horner, Keith Loughrey, Debbie Kompare, Ed Krulia, Louise Lamb, Dave Lazsa, Jerry Leone, Mildred McKinley, Carmela Manz, John Manz, Carl Mann, A.J. Marusic, Sandy Moeller, Rick Murchak, Joseph Nagy, Tom Pasquarella, Daniel Perrine, Justin and Joshua Puharic, Beth Raible, Rose Santoro, Michaline Shallcross, Patricia Schmidt, Dolores Sybo, Carol Szymoniak, Dorothy Thiel, Dorothy Trdina, Tom Trinadue, Robert Winner. *May the healing love of Jesus known to*



PLEASE PRAY FOR DOROTHY KOMPARE

who was buried from our Parish this past week. May her soul rest in the peace of the Lord. To her family we extend our sincere sympathy and prayerful support.



them.PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN

REGISTRATION: St. Bonaventure Parish School is presently accepting registrations for our Preschool and Kindergarten classes for the 2011-2012 school year. For more information kindly contact the school's office at (412) 486-2606, ext. 301 or refer to our web site www.stbonaventureparish.org.



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, 8:45AM). Come to Wednesday Adoration, or Friday evening Stations. You guys – join us for a time of prayer –every Thursday morning at 6:30 - in the Parish Center, and make plans to be a part of the Catholic Men's Fellowship Day this Saturday, April 9th- 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.



I miss Fr. John! He has been away at a conference for the last few days. Isn't it something that we don't always know how good we have it until its gone for while. It is a blessing though for me to realize how much Fr. John does and how much I depend on him. In the readings this week the Church brings us to the topic of sight. In the first reading the choice of David instead of his older, stronger brothers as king of Israel reminds us that we should not "judge a book by its cover". God does not see as we see. This theme of sight is carried through the psalm and the epistle as well and into the Gospel where Jesus meets the man who was born blind. What is so interesting to me about this story is how the man's understanding of Jesus changes, actually progresses, during the reading. Just after he is healed, when he is asked who has healed him he replies that "a man called Jesus" did it that he doesn't know much else. Later when asked he declares that this Jesus "is a prophet". When Jesus himself encounters him again and asks if he believes in the "Son of Man" the man pretty much says, "I'm not sure who that is, but I definitely do believe in you!" This Gospel should be especially powerful for parents of high school and college age kids. The man born blind shows us this process that almost has to happen in the life of a believer. In the beginning his knowledge of Jesus is based on what others have told him. As he questions and is questioned more and more, he develops his own understanding and in the end his belief is based not on what his parents say or what others have told him but on his own personal experience of and relationship with Jesus. So parents, be patient with your kids when they question the faith. Don't back down from what you believe but understand that this questioning process is good and maybe necessary. All of us need to engage in this process of moving from the faith of others to our own understanding and relationship with Jesus. Jesus is waiting. Jesus is willing. Jesus has the answers. He wants to know you and wants you to know him personally. Are you willing to ask the questions. Fr Matt



NEXT FISH FRY April 15th in Social

Hall- 4:00PM to 7:30PM... serving beer battered fried cod and shrimp, baked cod and shrimp scampi dinners (includes, soup, Cole slaw & French fries). **For Take Out dinners,** calls will be received after 3:30PM on April 15st. Please call 412-487-9949 or 412 486-2608, ext 305 to place an order. Take out orders may be picked up in the school cafeteria.

CASH BASH THANK YOU! We would like to thank all the businesses, individuals, parishioners, and St. Bonaventure Parish School families who volunteered their time and talents and who provided numerous donations to our Cash Bash school fundraiser! Our first annual "Luck of the Irish" Cash Bash on March 19th, 2011 was a resounding success and we couldn't have done it without all of you! We are looking forward to our second go-around in 2012 so pencil us in for next year! Thanks again!

PRO – LIFE ROSARY

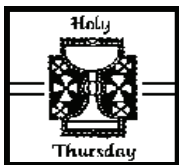
WILL YOU TAKE 20 MINUTES TO PRAY FOR THE RESPECT AND PROTECTION OF HUMAN LIFE? PLEASE JOIN US ON SATURDAY, APRIL 9TH AFTER THE 6PM MASS, TO PRAY A PRO-LIFE ROSARY. THE MEDITATIONS OF THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY WILL BE OFFERED AS A PRAYER FOR ALL LIFE.

NHCO FOOD PANTRY: The intention to share and give is encouraged at this Lenten time and throughout the year. Food for the needy (non-perishable) can be dropped off in church at the side door entrance on Meadow Road any time. The donated food is delivered to North Hills Community Outreach food bank and Bread of Life Food Pantry in Etna. THE FOOD NEED IS CONTANT! Call Ron at 412-486-4909 for pick-up of large quantities. God Bless St. Bonaventure Parish.

SAFE ENVIROMENT: All volunteers in the parish (Ushers, Choir, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, etc.) are required by the Diocese to complete a process that includes BOTH obtaining state background clearances AND attending a *Protecting God's Children* class. If you have not completed this requirement, our Safe Environment Coordinator will be happy to assist you in going through the process. Please contact Kathy via email (kathystb@verizon.net) or by phone (412-897-5838).



AN EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES was included in the packet of envelopes you recently received. If you are using Faith Direct, we have flower envelopes located on the table in the back of church. Please complete the information and drop the envelope in the collection basket, drop it off at the Parish center or mail it in. In order, to have yours listed in the bulletin- PLEASE RETURN THE ENVELOPE NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, APRIL 10th.



HOLY THURSDAY SEVEN CHURCH

TOUR—On Holy Thursday evening (April 21), following the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, the parish will sponsor its annual bus tour of seven Pittsburgh area churches for prayer and Eucharistic adoration. The bus will return by midnight. The cost is \$8 per person. To register, complete the form below and return it along with your payment to the Parish Center, or place the form and your payment in the collection next weekend in a plain white envelope marked "Seven Church Tour."

Name _____
 Phone number _____
 Number of people _____ @ \$8 per person =
 Amount enclosed \$ _____

YOUTH NEWS
JR HIGH CCD SCHEDULE

TONIGHT, APRIL 3rd

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

Adoration and Worship - every 3rd 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



THIS SATURDAY, 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.cmpitt.org.

ON EASTER SUNDAY, April 24, 2011, Bishops David Zubik and William Winter and Bishop-elect William Walterseid will welcome families of the Diocese to their Annual Blessing of Families at St. Paul Cathedral, Oakland beginning at 2:00 PM. (Please note earlier start time) As they greet and bless your family personally, they affirm and support you as a household of love and witness to your faith. Come and experience the Bishops' expression of appreciation for the gift that you are as the gifts that you bring to our Diocese. Each family attending will receive a special memento to take home and the children receive a sweet treat.

HOLY THURSDAY CHRISM MASS AND SEVEN CHURCH PILGRIMAGE:

The Office of Vocations invites you to join us and pilgrims from across the Diocese for the Holy Thursday Chrism Mass and Seven Church Pilgrimage. The day begins with the Chrism Mass at St., Paul's Cathedral at 10:00 AM followed by a Seven Church Walk beginning at St. Mary of Mercy Church at the Point, and ending at Historic St. Patrick Church in the Strip District. We will gather in Lawless Hall at St. Mary's for a quick pizza lunch at noon if you so chose. You are more than welcome to join just for the pilgrimage if you are not able to make the Chrism Mass. If you plan to attend or would like more information please contact Janet Roberts at 724-941-9587 ext 112 or janetr@stbenedicttheabbot.org.