



Mass Intentions for the Week

LITURGY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
 6:40 AMAdeline Madia (Tom & Donna Bach)

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
 6:40 AM Evelyn Wirth (Margaret Ann Armstrong)
 8:45 AM Marge & John Welty (Pat Fitzgerald)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
 6:40 AMJoann Heim (Alice Lesjack & Family)
 8:45 AM Paolo Tolomeo (Daughter Lisa & Family)
 9:30 AM .Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Chapel
 All Day Adoration
 7:00 PM Novena, Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 and Benediction

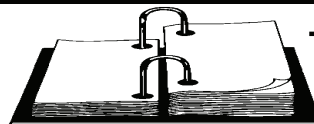
THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2011 **St. Patrick**
 6:40 AMKimberly & Thomas Roche
 (Glenn & Ann Marie Boylan)
 8:45 AM John Kozlowski (Wife & Family)

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2011 **St. Cyril**
 8:45 AMPhilomena Zappa (Daughter & Family)
 7:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2011 **St Joseph**
 8:30 AMGladys Angelo (Marilyn Nixon)
 4:00 PM Henry Wisniewski
 (Wirth & Zinmeister Families)

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2011 **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**
 7:00 AM Bill & Mary Kelly (Ken & Bonnie Leckey)
 8:45 AM Intention of St. Bonaventure Parish Family
 10:30 AM Dames & Hoher Families(Bert Dames)
 12:15 PMLorraine Sinicki (Family)

ALL PARISHIONERS WELCOME: Please join us THIS MONDAY, March 14th at 7:30pm in the church for a wonderful monologue about Elizabeth Ann Seton presented by Sr. Mary Clark, SC entitled: "Elizabeth Seton, Prayer of Her Heart" This will be informative and prayerful. Please see more details on table in the back of the church.



The Week Ahead

MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2011
 7:00 PM RCIA - PL
 7:30 PM Baptismal Class

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2011
 7:00 PM Women's Social Group - Newmeyer Hall

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2011
 10:00 AM Craft Class - PL
 7:00 PM St. Vincent DePaul - PCCR

THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2011
 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group

FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 2011
 11:00 AM Bereavement Session (3)
 1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study - PL

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2011
 9:00 AM CCD Classes



St. Patrick's Day



St. Joseph Day

PARISH SHARE – this past week, you should have received 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 last Sunday's bulletin, and prayerfully consider being a part of giving our fair share to the work of our Diocese in the coming year.

"LUCK OF THE IRISH" CASH BASH– THIS, Saturday, March 19, 2011 - Newmeyer Hall 6:30pm - 11pm - Doors open at 6PM. \$4000 in Cash Prizes - Winner need not be present to win. Cost: \$25/person in advance; \$30 at the door. Includes: dinner, beer, wine, raffles, auctions, games of chance, bingos, 50/50. For tickets, call Cathy Belles @ 412-600-7884 or stop by the back of church.

HEALING MASS: The Fraternity of Priests will be celebrating their next Healing Mass – right here at St. Bonaventure Church - on Wednesday, March 23 - at 7:00 PM. Make plans to be with us for this Eucharist – and bring a friend.

First Sunday of Lent

March 13, 2011

Help us Lord,
to live by your words!



Let us seek the Lord's help in overcoming temptation to sin. During this penitential season, let us use the Lenten disciplines of fasting, prayer and almsgiving to follow more closely the example of Jesus in the desert. Let us do our part to confront evil and sin in the world, seek God's help in overcoming temptation in our own lives, and ask him to help us persevere in faith.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP MARCH 13, 2011

Regular Collection **\$16,645.00**

Development Fund **\$5,988.00**

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



CONGRATULATIONS TO STEFEN EDWARD BERNOT AND NATALIE LUCILLE SHANE who were baptized in our Parish last Sunday. We rejoice with their families for this sign of new life in our midst.

SEASON OF LENT: As we begin these weeks towards 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 (6:40 AM, 8:45AM). Come to Wednesday Adoration, or Friday evening Stations. Come to Sister Mary Price's presentation tomorrow evening. Plan on coming to the Healing Mass here on March 23rd. 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 on April 9th - at Duquesne. 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" - available, while they last, in the gathering area - as you give the Lord some of your 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 the ashes you received on your forehead 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.

Vera Bradley BINGO



Tickets are going fast! A limited number of tickets are available for this fun filled event.

Sunday, April 10th

Doors Open @ 1:30

Tickets are \$25 and cover the cost of 15 regular games of BINGO with prizes being Vera Bradley handbags/tote bags/wallets, and more.

Snacks, refreshments, and 2 special games will be available for purchase.

For tickets, contact Melissa @ melissa.leist@verizon.net.

Adults only and tickets will NOT be available for purchase at the door.



This season of Lent which we began last Wednesday, is another chance, this year, for each of us to realize more deeply the truth of what the Scriptures of the First Sunday of Lent speak to us. First - the truth that we are all affected by the original sin - the disobedience - of our first human parents, Adam and Eve. Our fasting in these days of Lent - some kind of real fasting, some sacrifice of something we really want, brings us to put to death more of that original sin nature which is in us - to die to the "flesh" by some kind of self denial. Our prayer in Lent - some real effort to spend a little more time each day with the Lord - will help us to receive more of the that gracious gift that is given to us by the "new Adam" - our Lord Jesus. By being with Him more, by speaking to Him more, by listening to Him more - we stand more "under that spout" of mercy - "the acquittal and life" that Jesus' obedience to the Father - brings to each one of us who believe in Him.

As we see, in today's Gospel, Jesus facing the challenge of the devil's three temptations to Him, and defeating those temptations, we can realize that Jesus' love and strength is given to us - to defeat those same three temptations from the devil that come to our lives. The first temptation is to think that our food and our possessions and our pleasures are what life is all about. Jesus says that we really live on every word that comes to us from the mouth of God. The second temptation is to "test" God - to make Him prove Himself to us. In spite of all that He gives us, we can keep asking Him to really show us that He loves us - by doing this or that. Jesus says - don't "test" the Father's love for you- accept and thank Him for all He gives you everyday. The third temptation Jesus defeated was the common human tendency - original sin tendency - to think we would be really happy if we had the wealth, the fame and recognition we see in the rich and famous. Next time you think that - think: "Charlie Sheen!" (Poor guy- pray for him). Jesus says - "worship and serve the Lord your God alone." In today's bulletin, there are many suggestions offered for that prayer, fasting and sharing that will bring us "under that spout" of Jesus love and mercy in these forty days. Ask the Lord for the wisdom to use some of them before Easter. - Fr. John

THE ST. BONAVENTURE WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB

will hold their first meeting of the year on Tuesday, March 15th at 7:00 PM in Newmeyer Hall. It's March and that means it's Easter basket time again. Everyone attending is asked to bring a basket, grass filler, wrapped candy and a small toy. Once filled the baskets will be ready for distribution by the North Hills Community Outreach. We will also have time for a Yoga session. Plan on attending the April 19th meeting, where the speaker will be, Mary Bach, who is a Consumer advocate of the AARP Consumer Task Force. A Flea market will also be held in April. Hostesses for the evening are Marilyn Foreman, Bunny Steigerwald, Michelle Tschannen and Debbie Trush. Hope to see you there.

FISH FRY: The Athletic Association will be holding their annual Fish Fry on March 25th. Dine in or Take out from 4:00PM to 7:30PM. Please note this is being held on the THIRD Friday of Lent, not the traditional SECOND Friday of Lent.

SHALER AREA Lady Titans AAAA Champs – Congratulations to members of our parish, Courtney Bauer, Carly (C.J.) Harris, Gwen Poillucci, Cate Potter, Shannon Powell and their teammates as they defeated Mt. Lebanon (2 time defending champs) in a hard fought Quad A contest last Saturday. Way to go girls and Good Luck in the state playoffs!

CONGRATULATIONS also to John Bray and the Vincen-tian Boys and to the North Catholic girls and their Coach Molly Rottman, on their WPIAL victories and good luck to them in the next playoffs.



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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE BEGINS THIS WEEK: Christians throughout Pittsburgh are invited to take part in the national 40 Days for Life effort from now through April 17th (Palm Sunday). This ecumenical 40 day campaign to end abortion, which consists of prayer, fasting and peaceful witness in front of Planned Parenthood, located 933 Liberty Avenue. All are welcome. For information or to volunteer to help, please contact: Nikki Bruni, 412-926-9413, or visit www.40daysforlife.com/pittsburgh.

ST. RICHARD'S PARISH PRAYER GROUP AND YOUTH MINISTRY will be hosting a "Festival of Praise" on Saturday, March 19, 2011 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Praise and Worship, Eucharistic Adoration, Procession and Benediction, 9:00—10:00 AM Intercessory Prayer Teams, and 9:00 to 11:00 PM Music, food, and games in the Social Hall. For more information contact Hayley or Tim at 724-444-1971.

THE SHOW MUST GO ON AGAIN! Etna Neighborhood Assoc Talent Show Friday, May 13th 730pm All Saints Activity Building Interested Applicants can call 412/965-2052 or email jdduty@verizon.net for an application. All entrants must be received by April 11th.

PIEROGI SALE: Please join us for our 2nd Annual Pierogi sale at St. Bonaventure Parish !! The pierogi's 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!! Pierogi's are delicious regardless of how they are prepared! Choose from many types such as Potato and Cheese, Sauerkraut, and Potato and Farmer Cheese !! The pierogi's 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!

THURSDAY, APRIL 7th: 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.

THIS LENT renew your marriage for Christ and His church at the Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend April 8-10 at the Toftrees resort in State College. Call 412-635-7775 or visit the web at www.wwme.org.

YOUTH NEWS **JR HIGH CCD SCHEDULE**

MARCH 20th

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

DIOCESAN ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES

March 15, 2011-7:30-9:00 p.m.
Seton LaSalle High School auditorium
FAMILY ROSARY WRESTLING-
Greg and Jennifer Willits

Greg and Jennifer Willits have been married for 16 years, are the parents of four young boys and a daughter and are the funders of RosaryArmy.com. They are the hosts of a daily 3-hour talk show called "The Catholics Next Door" on Sirius XM's The Catholic Channel.

Bringing a unique mix of real life and the Catholic faith, Greg and Jennifer's look at the world covers the gamut of family living, from kids to comic books and from fast food to noisy neighbors, with regular attempts at living out their faith on a daily basis thrown in for good measure.

Continuing education credit is available for priests, deacons and catechists. The lecture is free – all are welcome to attend. Bring a friend.