



Mass Intentions for the Week

LITURGY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2011 **St. Stanislaus**
 6:40 AM Judith Zemanick (Marge & Bill Baker)

TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
 6:40 AM ... Helen M. Grundler (Scherrer & Grieb Family)
 8:45 AM Larry McCafferty & Syl & Mary Kimmel
 (Mary McCafferty)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
 6:40 AM Michael Karpinski(Rose Behanna)
 8:45 AM Mary Spinarelli (Husband & Family)
NO ADORATION/NO NOVENA
 7:00 PM **LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE**

THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
 6:40 AM Anna Mae Garbe (Mangis Family)
 8:45 AM William R. McNamara (McNamara Family)

FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2011 **Lenten Weekday**
 8:45 AM Joan Zilaitis (Rich Zilaitis)
 7:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2011 **Lenten Weekday)**
 8:30 AM Frank & Josephine Bozzo (Bozzo Family)
 6:00 PM Gladys Fitzpatrick (Husband)

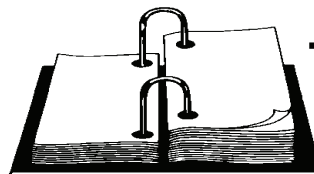
SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2011 **PALM SUNDAY**
 7:00 AM Intention of St. Bonaventure Parish Family
 8:45 AM George Williams (Heron Family)
 10:30 AM Nocola Veneziano (Family)
 12:15 PM Irene, Ralph, Peter & Bob Hernandez
 (Marlene Yuiska & Family)

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

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP APRIL 3, 2010

Regular Collection	\$18,874.50
Development Fund	\$5,432.00
Catholic Campaign for Human Development	\$2,100.00

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



The Week Ahead

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2011
 10:00 AM Ladies of Charity - PCCR
 7:00 PM RCIA - PL

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2011
 10:00 AM Craft Class—PL
 7:30 PM St. Vincent DePaul Meeting - PCCR

FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2011
 11:00 AM Bereavement Group —PL
 1:30 PM Ladies Bible Study - PL
 4:00 - 7:30 PM Fish Fry - Newmeyer Hall

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2011
 9:00 AM CCD Classes

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE: We have scheduled a Penance Service, this coming Wednesday, April 13, at 7:00 PM. Additional visiting priests will be available. Come and receive this healing Sacrament as you prepare for Easter.



PALM SUNDAY: Holy Week – which is the central week of our Catholic faith, and of our lives, begins next Sunday with the commemoration of Jesus entrance into Jerusalem. Palms will be distributed and blessed at each Mass, The “Solemn Procession” will take place at the 10:30 AM Mass.

We ask that all Parishioners, except the infirm, assemble before the 10:30 Mass - not in Church - but on the side patio (weather permitting) for the beginning of the Procession. If the weather does not co-operate, we will assemble in Newmyer Hall, where the Procession will form. Also - when you come to Mass next Sunday - we remind you again that the length of all the Masses on Palm Sunday are longer- so be patient if you can't get your usual parking space, or you run into traffic from the previous Mass. This is also a good time to remind you - for Palm Sunday, Easter Sunday - and always - that parking on the Church side of the driveway in front of the Church - or on the Church side of Meadow Rd - is illegal. It would prevent emergency vehicles from getting through, and Shaler Township police will ticket.

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.



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALYSA NICKOLE ARENSMAN who was baptized in our Parish last Sunday. We rejoice with her family for this sign of new life in our midst.

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. 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.

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.

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.

MORNING PRAYER—Since there is no morning Mass in the Parish on the days of the Sacred Triduum, we invite you to gather on those days for Morning Prayer, which is an official part of the Church’s liturgy. Morning Prayer will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Holy Thursday, April 21, and at 8:00 a.m. on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, April 22 and 23. All are welcome.

GOOD FRIDAY NOON MUSIC AND MEDITATION: We will again be holding a time of meditation with inspirational music on Good Friday afternoon, from noon until 1:00PM, before the Good Friday Liturgical Service begins. Heidi Roberts (guitarist of our choir) and our Music Director Shari Whitico, will share their Lenten musical selections with us. Come early before the service on Good Friday for this time of prayer and inspiration.



As we move closer to this year’s commemoration of Jesus’ Death and Resurrection, we see in today’s Gospel - the incident of Jesus’ raising of His friend Lazarus from the dead. Lazarus did not come to his “final” resurrection at that event, because he had to die

again - and he still awaits his final resurrection with us, at the end of time. And that resurrection will happen for us at the end, if we have allowed the Holy Spirit to dwell within our spirit, and allowed “our flesh” - “our body which is dead because of sin” – to die. Jesus has “put His Spirit within us,” as Ezekiel prophesied in the first reading today And as His Spirit lives in us - He will one day “open our graves – (like Lazarus’) and have us rise from them.” How do we die to our flesh - to ourselves - to allow the Holy Spirit to live more in us? That will happen as we pray more, as we empty ourselves more of something we like - through fasting, and by sharing ourselves and our resources with someone in need. These three things are what we are called to do during this season of Lent.

As Thomas said – “we are to go and die with Jesus” – so that one day we will rise with Him - and be with Him forever. We still have a few weeks left of this Lenten season. We can take advantage of these days – see some suggestions offered on this page – to follow Jesus a little more closely in our lives - and to allow the Holy Spirit live more within us. Come to confession in these next few weeks – to let Jesus “untie you and let you go free.” Plan on coming to this year’s Holy Week services, and celebrating them with more devotion than other years. Come and realize, in this final days of Lent - “what Jesus has done for you - so that you may begin to believe in Him more.” Allow the Holy Spirit to live in you more, so that you may know the joy of Easter more deeply this year.

-Fr. John

(Thank you to Fr. Matt for “filling in” for me in this space last week. Tell him he is welcome to do that a lot.)

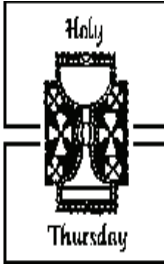
WATCH SPECIAL HOLY WEEK AND EASTER PROGRAMMING ON EWTN: Join ETWN in remembering Christ’s love for us through His passion, death, and resurrection. During Holy Week and Easter EWTN brings you special programming and live Easter Masses from Rome and the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington DC. Watch EWTN on your local channel. Watch also on May 1st, on the Feast of the Divine Mercy, as Pope Benedict XVI presides over the much anticipated beatification of Pope John Paul II, live from St. Peter’s Square. Beatification is the last major step before possible sainthood.

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 final “Third 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 final weeks before Easter.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS: All expectant parents who plan to have their child baptized at St. Bonaventure Church are asked to attend a Baptism Preparation Class. The class will be offered on Monday, May 9, 7:30 PM in the Parish Center Conference Room. To reserve a place, please call 412-486-2606 x 200.

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).



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 10th
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



EASTER TRIDUUM
THE HEART OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR

April 21: HOLY THURSDAY
MORNING PRAYER will be at 7:30 AM in Church
Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7 pm

April 22: GOOD FRIDAY Passion of Our Lord
MORNING PRAYER will be at 8:00 AM
The Church will be open from early morning for private prayer
12Noon - 1:00 PM:
a time of meditation and musical selections

1:30PM—Good Friday Liturgical Services:
- the reading of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ
- the intercessions
- the adoration of the Cross
- the distribution of Holy Communion
7:00 PM: Stations of the Cross

April 23: HOLY SATURDAY -
The Church will be opened from early morning for private prayer.
MORNING PRAYER will be at 8:00 AM
1:30 PM: Blessing of Easter Food Baskets, church
8:30 PM: The Easter Vigil
as you come, we invite you to remain outside (weather permitting) on the outside patio - where the fountain is - for the beginning of the Vigil - the blessing of the new Easter Fire.

April 24 EASTER SUNDAY:
The regular Sunday schedule
7:00 AM.,8:45AM, 10:30AM, 12:15PM
(plan on coming early if you want a seat).
At each Mass, all the faithful will renew their baptismal vows, and be sprinkled with the new Easter water.