

ST. MARY CHURCH – GROVEPORT, OHIO - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2010

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Lee Nowak by Mike Nowak
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Bob & Jo Hasbrook by Family
	11:00 a.m.	For the Parish Family
Monday	8:30 a.m.	Novena & Rosary
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Jerry Jenkins by Joe & Carol Groom
	1:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Ann Cleary by the Compton Family
Thursday	8.30 a.m.	Clarold Huegely by Phillip & Janet Hammond
Friday	8:30 a.m.	Al Nolan by Mary Hosfeld
	5:30 p.m.	Lenten Soup Supper
	7:00 p.m.	Student Stations of the Cross
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Robert Fout by the Hetterscheidt Family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Walter & Hellen Bruns by the Jerry Jenkins Family
	11:00 a.m.	For the Parish Family

THIS WEEKEND

SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Brian Ropchock
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Karen Kitchell, Andre Bradley, Jessie Slone
	11:00 a.m.	Kennedy Goldenbagen, Erick Starkey, Alex Seidlertz

NEXT WEEKEND

Brian Ropchock
 Nathan Gawarecki, Allison Dorion, Luke Dorion
 Connie Brown, Seth Brown, Jacqueline Brown

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Sandy Crites, Becky DeVillers	Deb Thorn, Carol Groom
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Ken Koebel, Mark Dorion	Colleene Weiser, JoEllen Stebelton
	11:00 a.m.	Cindy Kinch, John Rose	Patricia Raynak, John Jones

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Shawna Gentile, Jerry Miles, Marilyn O'Linn, Phil Feldmeier, Mary Miles	Marilyn O'Linn, Phil Feldmeier, Mark Widman, Marty Severino, Sandy Crites
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Christine Boucher, Pat Jenkins, Nancy Grilli, Irene Fagan, Howard Watters	Carolyn Veit, Pat Jenkins, Mary Slone, Ken Koebel, Karen Kitchell
	11:00 a.m.	Mayellen Fowler, Jean Bobst, Jan Gale, Dorothy Carter, Nancy Scholl	Jan Gale, Jean Bobst, Mayellen Fowler, Cindy Kinch, Nancy Scholl

From The Pastor's Desk

Readings: In Genesis, we have the covenant that God made with Abraham. It is important that we understand covenant. We know that the Eucharist is the New and Everlasting Covenant. The response is a prayer of confidence to God. Paul, too, is encouraging the Philippians to be firm in faith.

The Transfiguration is an important part of the Gospel message. It is a prediction of Christ's suffering and resurrection. And this is all met with the Father's approval with the voice from the cloud.

This Sunday, we will celebrate the "Rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion." Candidates are those who are one with us by Confirmation and Eucharist and, thus, complete their initiations in the Church. We are called to support them and to pray for them, especially during this season of Lent.

Please keep in your prayers the newly Elect of our parish: Branson Cline.

Lent is a penitential time. We will have two more Communal Penance Services during Lent: March 12 & 26. We have two forms of the Sacrament available to us. If we need to discuss or have a major change in our lives, we should use the Rite of Reconciliation of Individual Penitents. Otherwise, we can use the rite of Reconciliation of Several Penitents (Communal Penance Service). Since we are taking care of many penitents, I always recommend that the penitents mention only one sin unless they have serious sin. Individual Reconciliation is available after Saturday Evening Mass or anytime by appointment. Lent is a special time to celebrate this Sacrament.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, February 28— Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 / Phil 3:17—4:1 / Lk 9:28b-36

Monday, March 1 —Dn 9:4b-10 / Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 2 —Is 1:10, 16-20 / Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 3 — Jer 18:18-20 / Mt 20:17-28

Thursday, March 4—Jer 17:5-10 / Lk 16:19-31

Friday, March 5 —Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a / Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 6— Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 / Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday, March 7 —Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 / 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 / Lk 13:1-9

11:00 a.m. Mass (RCIA) — Ex 17:3-7 / Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 / Jn 4:5-42

OUR GIFTS TO GOD AND CHURCH

February 20/21: Sunday Offering - \$3757.48 Haiti - \$23.02

Catholic Times - \$305.00 Black & Indian Missions - \$200.00

Ash Wednesday Collection for J.O.I.N. - \$202.00

God bless you for your continued support of St. Mary Church!

Thank you to all who contributed to the Black and Indian Missions in the United States.

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IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!! You can still sign-up for the *Catholic Times*. For **only \$17** (parish rate) you will receive the weekly news of what's happening in the Catholic world. Use the envelope provided in your February packet, or simply write "*Catholic Times*" on a plain envelope, make your check payable to the parish, and drop it into the collection basket. As an evangelization tool, Bishop Campbell encourages all Catholic households in the diocese to receive and read our diocesan newspaper, the *Catholic Times*.

Operation Rice Bowl - As part of our faith community's Lenten observance, we will participate in Catholic Relief Service's Lenten Program, Operation Rice Bowl. We encourage you to participate in Operation Rice Bowl at home with your family and loved ones. **Rice Bowls and CRS calendars are available in the vestibule.**

St. Charles Preparatory School will hold auditions for its spring musical, *Children of Eden* by Stephen Schwartz on Wednesday and Thursday, March 3 & 4 at 4:00 P.M. at the St. Charles Campus Theater, 2010 East Broad St. Auditions are open to all area high school women in Central Ohio. For further information, call the school at 252-6714 or email Doug Montgomery at scdramadirector@aol.com

Stations of the Cross has been a devotion that has been encouraged by our Franciscan Brothers. There is a set of Stations in the missal (page 243) and we have copies also in the vestibule, which are to be used in church. We might follow the ancient tradition of reflecting on the Passion as we journey the Stations. This year would be good to use the Passion according to Luke (22:14-23: 56).

Stations of the Cross will be held this Tuesday, March 2, at 1:00 p.m. and this Friday, March 5, at 7:00 p.m.

St. Mary Youth Leadership

S.M.Y.L. will host a Lenten Soup Supper this Friday, March 5, from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., followed by the P.S.R. Student Stations of the Cross beginning at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Thank you to S.M.Y.L. for preparing 500 sandwiches this weekend to be taken to St. Lawrence Haven by members of our St. Vincent de Paul.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society has a food pantry basket in the vestibule. For the month of **March** we are requesting **peanut butter & jelly.**

Thank you to all who contributed to the SVDP collection last weekend! **The St. Vincent de Paul** will meet this Wednesday, March 3, at 6:00p.m. in church.

Craft Club is in need of fleece scraps. If you would like to donate any fleece scraps, please put them in the P.S.R. Office in the back of church. Any questions, please call Rosemarie Watters, 491-6978.

The Forever Young Club will meet at St. Mary for Stations of the Cross this Tuesday, March 2, at 1:00p.m. They will then have a short meeting and go out to lunch. **All are welcome to attend the Stations of the Cross!**

Easter Choir practices are held on Wednesday's, at 7:00 p.m.

Hugs and Prayers – Please remember in Prayer those of our parish family and friends who at this time are hospitalized, ill, or recovering: Rosa Alonzo, Jo-Ann Arrigo, Tyler Bodnar, Kelly Brothers, Margaret Devlin, Albert Elizondo, David Elizondo, Jessica Elkins, Giuseppe Fazio, Pete Fowler, Ben Garrison, John Gentile, Dale Henry, Tara Hetterscheidt, Theresa Hill, Bill & Agnes Hillis, Barb Kellenbarger, Betty Lucijanic, Maria Mayes, Vince Menetti, Anthony Neuherz, Bill Schmidt, Bernie Sokolowski, Olive Stirrop, and Dave Verbance.

Easter Flower Intentions - If you would like to help decorate the presbyterium for Easter in memory of a loved one, please use the envelope in your packet or one of the envelopes provided in the vestibule to offset the cost of the Easter Lilies. Be sure to include your name and the name of the intention and drop it in the collection basket no later than **March 28**.

All Servers interested in serving for the Easter Triduum Liturgy, please see sign up in the sacristy.

You are encouraged to attend the following Lenten Services:

Tuesday, March 2	1:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Friday, March 5	5:30 p.m.	Soup Supper
	7:00 p.m.	Student Stations of the Cross
Friday, March 12	7:00 p.m.	Penance Service
Tuesday, March 16	6:30 p.m.	Lenten Program on Women in Scripture
Friday, March 19	7:00 p.m.	Mass - Solemnity of St. Joseph
Friday, March 26	7:00 p.m.	Penance Service