

The Sunday Steward

The weekly parish bulletin for The Church of Saint Ann, Lawrenceville, NJ
and the Saint Michael Campus, Trenton, NJ

January 24, 2010 - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THE SACRAMENTS

Sunday Eucharist: Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM; Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, and 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM **Saint Michael Campus:** 9:00 AM and (Slovak) 10:00 AM

Daily Mass: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday at 8:00 AM; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 AM

Holy Days: As listed in the bulletin.

Liturgy of the Hours and Communion Service: Monday and Friday at 7:00 AM.

Baptisms: First and third Sundays at 2:00 PM and at Baptism Sundays scheduled throughout the year. **Baptism Preparation:** Second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM in the FDC. Parents are encouraged to attend this session early in the pregnancy. Baptisms are scheduled after participating in the session.

Marriage: Ideally, couples planning to marry at Saint Ann should contact the Parish Office one year in advance so that they may complete the necessary marriage preparation process. Please set date with Church before making other plans.

Penance/Reconciliation: Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45 PM in the Daily Chapel or anytime by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick/Communion to the Homebound: Please notify the Parish Office when serious illness occurs or when the sick, aged, or incapacitated are confined to home for an extended period. Arrangements can be made to bring communion to those unable to get to church. In an emergency, call the Parish Office anytime. **Nighttime emergency phone number is (609) 882-6491 (press 1).**

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) RCIA is the process by which adults become full, active, participating members of the Catholic Church. This includes receiving the sacraments of **Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.** Please call the parish office for information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM Parish Religious Education Program for children (CCD) meets Sundays (**kindergarten and special education**) from 11:00 AM to 12:00 noon and Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:45 PM **Phone (609) 882-1212. Religious Education Office:** Located on the second floor of Saint Ann School. **Office Hours:** Monday through Thursday, 9:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

SAINT ANN SCHOOL, 34 Rossa Avenue, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648: Saint Ann School has provided quality elementary school education for **over forty years.** It also sponsors extended day and afterschool programs. The preschool program serves children aged three to four years. **Phone (609) 882-8077 Fax (609) 882-0327**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Located in the **Faith Development Center.** (Entrance behind Church/opposite Saint Ann School.) **Parish Office Hours:** Monday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM; Tuesday and Wednesday 9:00 AM until 8:00 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM until 12:00 noon; Sunday 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM; and by appointment. Call anytime in the case of an emergency.

PARISH BULLETIN Information for the bulletin needs to be received at the Parish Office by 3:00 PM **on Friday of the preceding week.**

Save time by e-mailing items for consideration to maryann@churchofsaintann.net. Thank you!

DAILY LITURGY
For the Week of January 24, 2010

A LETTER FROM FATHER VINCE



Dear Parishioners,

Last Sunday evening we celebrated Evening Prayer for Christian Unity and a tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King. We are grateful to the members of the parish Liturgy Committee for arranging this celebration and to Rev. Jeff Vamos, Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church for his presence and his inspiring message. Although tomorrow (the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul) ends our week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we should never cease to stop praying and working that the dream of Jesus, "that they all might be one" will be fulfilled. Today we also return to proclaiming the Gospel of Luke as the primary evangelist of the season.

During the week ahead, we celebrate the feast of a number of interesting Saints who have had a great influence on our church. Paul of Tarsus (Monday) had a history of persecuting Christians. He was present at the martyrdom of Saint Stephen and held the clothes of those who stoned Stephen. While on the Road to Damascus, where he was headed to suppress the Christian community there, he was blinded by a bright light and heard the voice of Christ saying "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He took the name Paul and became an apostle to the Gentiles (non-Jews) traveling the world with the message of Jesus. Paul's conversion is a great example of the mercy of God and the possibility of conversion. The feast of Saints Timothy and Titus is on Tuesday. Timothy was a young man who accompanied Paul on some of his journeys. Paul placed him in charge of the Christian community at Ephesus. Saint Titus was another companion of Saint Paul who accompanied Paul and was sent by him to various Christian communities including Corinth.

On Wednesday, we celebrate the feast of Saint Angela Merici who died in 1540. She believed that young women were in need of a Christian education and she founded a community of women dedicated to the education of young women called the Ursuline Sisters. This community was the first devoted entirely to the Christian education of women and played an important role in the development of Catholic education in the United States. Saint Thomas Aquinas is celebrated on Thursday. He was an Italian Dominican who was a poor student as a child, but became a Doctor of the Church. He was an extraordinary theologian. His major work was the Summa Theological. He was also a man of deep prayer and wrote the Tantum Ergo which is still sung at Benediction today.

The Bishop Fulton Sheen Library, in the Faith Development Center, has a good collection of books on the Saints. You might find them interesting reading. It is good to become acquainted with these good people who found unique ways to reflect God's love in the world.

Peace, Vincent Gartland, Pastor

SUN., Jan. 24
7:30 AM Carl Campbell *by People of the Parish*
Joseph Vito Franceschini *by Pietra Leonardi*
9:30 AM Teresa Smith and Joe Nadler *by Peg Wadler and Family*
John Bartolino *by Daughter Joyce*
11:00 AM Vince Ragolia *by Carol Southard*
Vince Ragolia *by Barbara Holko*
12:30 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

ST. MICHAEL
9:00 AM John Pacela *by Dennis and Vicki Rosato*
Deceased Members Legion of Mary Members
by Mary, Queen of the Angels Jr. Praesidium of Saint Ann's

MON., Jan. 25
8:00 AM John Slavkovsky *by Family*
John J. Armstrong, Sr. *by Dan and Janice Haggerty*

TUES., Jan. 26
7:00 AM Santa Colavita (Anniversary) *by Lorraine Colavita*
Gail Mills *by Mark and Yvonne Daniel*

WED., Jan. 27
7:00 AM Mary Butler *by Mrs. Nancy Burawski*
Larry Looney *by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith, II*
8:00 AM Jack Armstrong, Sr. *by Helen Dunn*
Mary Butler *by Robert and Judy Cook*

THURS., Jan. 28
7:00 AM Frank J. Rasimowicz *by Marie and Roger Wagner*
Larry Looney *by Maggie and Jim Smith*

FRI., Jan. 29
8:00 AM Carlina Marehesan (Anniversary) *by Lorraine Colavita*
Vincent Ragolia *by Marie Cleary*

SAT., Jan. 30
8:00 AM Michael Mangione *by People of the Parish*
Florinda Martillotti *by Gina Ambrosetti and Antoinetta Verelli*
5:00 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUN., Jan. 31
7:30 AM Joseph Franceschini *by Saint Ann PTA*
Mary Butler *by Sal and Janice Zulla*
9:30 AM Vincent Ragolia *by Lorraine Colavita*
Stanley Rutkowski *by Paula Pasquito Zeis and Michael Richmond*
11:00 AM Vince Ragolia *by Ed and Bettie Wells*
Vince Ragolia *by Eugene and Blanche Wierzbicki*
12:30 PM Joseph Franceschini *by The Babcock Family*
Edward Koob *by Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Abelowitz and Children*

ST. MICHAEL
9:00 AM Jack Scheliga *by Mother Irene Scheliga*
Mr. and Mrs. Michael Pisarczyk *by Daughters Irene and Christine*

We regret any misspellings in the Mass intentions.

JANUARY 24, 2010 - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY, January 24, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution (Before/After All Masses) - Gallery of Light**
- **Youth Group 5:00 PM - American Martyrs Room**
- **Confirmation Preparation - Grade 8 - 6:30 PM - Pope John XXIII Room and Dorothy Day Room**

MONDAY, January 25, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Miraculous Medal Novena/Benediction 1:30 PM - Chapel**
- **Confirmation Preparation - Grade 8 - 6:30 PM - Pope John XXIII Room and Dorothy Day Room**

TUESDAY, January 26, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00 Noon until 7:00 PM - Chapel**
- **Divine Mercy Holy Hour 3:00 PM - Chapel**
- **Holy Trinity Intergenerational Healing 6:00 PM - American Martyrs Room**
- **Confirmation Preparation - Grade 8 - 6:30 PM - Pope John XXIII Room and Dorothy Day Room**
- **RCIA 7:00 PM - Pope John XXIII Room**

WEDNESDAY, January 27, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Cantate Domino Rehearsal 6:30 PM - Sister Thea Bowman Music Room**
- **Knights of Columbus First Degree 7:30 PM - American Martyrs Room**

Helping Hands Ministry



Twenty volunteers from our Helping Hands Ministry assisted **twenty-one persons** for a total of **117 hours** during the month of December 2009.

Thank you Helping Hands Ministry.

Accessible Worship Space

The Church of Saint Ann offers an accessible worship space with power assisted doors at the entrance to the Church and Faith Development Center, handicapped parking, accessible seating, and restrooms.

Hearing assisted system is available for Masses. Just ask an usher.

THURSDAY, January 28, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Junior Legion of Mary 3:00 PM - Bishop Fulton Sheen Library**
- **Praise and Worship Band 3:00 PM - Sister Thea Bowman Music Room**
- **Saint Ann School Board 7:00 PM - Dorothy Day Room**
- **Adult Faith Formation, "Journeys of Faith: The Parables of Forgiveness" 7:30 PM - Pope John XXIII Room**
- **Knights of Columbus 7:30 PM - American Martyrs Room**
- **Saint Ann Novena 7:30 PM - (Saint Michael Campus)**
- **Saint Jude Novena 8:00 PM - (Saint Michael Campus)**

FRIDAY, January 29, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **PTA Bingo Night 7:00 PM - Saint Ann School Cafeteria**

SATURDAY, January 30, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Respect Life Ministry & Knights of Columbus Abortion Clinic Prayer Witness 7:30 AM until 9:30 AM - Princeton Women's Center, 29 Emmons Drive, Windsor**
- **Catechist Morning of Reflection 9:00 AM - American Martyrs Room**
- **Altar Server Meeting 12:00 Noon - Pope John Paul Community Room**
- **Vigil Mass 5:00 PM - Church**
- **Rosary-Altar Baby Shower Tag Selection - Church Foyer**

SUNDAY, January 31, 2010 - Catholic Schools Week

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution (Before/After All Masses) - Gallery of Light**
- **Rosary-Altar Baby Shower Tag Selection - Church Foyer (All Masses)**
- **Adult Confirmation Preparation 9:45 AM - American Martyrs Room**
- **RCIA Rite of Acceptance 11:00 AM - Church**
- **Confirmation Preparation - Grade 7 - 6:30 PM - Pope John XXIII Room and Dorothy Day Room**

We encourage all parish groups and committees to read and reflect the Sunday Gospel aloud before beginning a meeting, connecting your meeting to our Sunday Worship.

GOSPEL

Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time
January 24, 2010
Luke 1:1 - 4; 4:14 - 21

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received.

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all. He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the Sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah.

He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.* Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

REFLECTION QUESTION

What is the news about Jesus that spreads through my witness?

Proclaim the Good News TO ALL THE WORLD A Morning of Reflection For All Catechetical Ministers

A catechist is one called to "echo" God's Word.

Catechists facilitate the process of faith formation. This is done first by echoing the Word of God in one's own life, and second by helping others to do the same. This morning of reflection will give catechists the opportunity to reflect on their relationship with God's Word, and explore the relationship between the way Jesus evangelized and the way today's catechists evangelize. It will also help catechists discern how they can deepen their relationship with God's Word, and be more effective in their ministry.

Please join us on **Saturday, January 30th** for a **morning of reflection**. All catechists who register by January 15 will get a free copy of ***THE CATECHIST'S TOOLBOX: How To Thrive As A Religious Education Teacher***, by Joe Paprocki, c.2007. This book is filled with practical ideas for instruction and insights for the catechist. The program, facilitated by **Gary Maccaroni**, will begin at **9:00 a.m.** (and finish at 12:00 Noon with lunch) in the Faith Development Center. Morning Mass, fellowship, and coffee with bagels will be available from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. *The content of the morning is for both catechists of children and adult catechists who minister in RCIA, Generations of Faith, etc.* Please **register** for this event by calling **Sister Joan** at the Faith Development Center, **(609) 882-6491, ext. 105**.

The Rite of Acceptance and Welcome

On **Sunday, January 31, 2010** at the **11:00 AM Mass**, we will celebrate one of the *Rites of RCIA*, **The Rite of Acceptance and Welcome**.

We have been meeting with **Christina Washington, Morenike Soboyejo, Michelle Monaccio, and William "Liam" Wiedau** who have been on a journey seeking to become members of the Catholic Church. During this **Rite of Acceptance and Welcome**, they will make public their intentions to become members.

During this Rite we will sign each of our inquirers with the sign of the cross and will present them with a book of the scriptures. Perhaps as we prepare to celebrate this Rite, you could be thinking about what the sign of the cross means to you. *Maybe have a conversation about its meaning with someone during the next few weeks.*

Check Out Our . . .

Bishop Fulton Sheen Library

The mission of the Adult Faith Section of the parish library/media center is . . .

. . . to provide the community with access to materials that will increase their knowledge and understanding of Catholic teaching and Tradition, and provide practical aids to those who lead ministries within the parish. The collection provides resources that reflects the history, persons, events, and theologies that have formed the Roman Catholic Church over the last two millennium, with particular focus on Catholic thought and life that have developed since the Second Vatican Council.

We hope that you would stop by and browse (we also have a reading/sitting section with over 35 periodicals), or take materials home for reading, listening, or viewing.

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

THE PARABLES OF FORGIVENESS

Thursday, January 28, 2010

7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

FRED VASAPOLLI ~ This journey will look at the importance of forgiveness in living today as a Christian. After examining guidelines for a Christian spirituality in Luke's Gospel, we will focus on a special section devoted to God's mercy and forgiveness - the parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin, the prodigal son.

*Journeys of Faith Series
(Bring Your Bible!)*

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Weekend of January 9/10, 2010

WRAP YOUR GIFT . . .

USE YOUR ENVELOPES

Weekly Offering for the Church of Saint Ann	
Number of Registered Households	3,070
Number Using Envelopes Last Week	600
Envelope Contributions	\$13,205.00
Other	3,593.00
Loose Money	2,667.00
Monthly Automatic	<u>7,081.00</u>
Total Contributions	\$26,546.00
Average Envelope Contribution	\$22.01
Weekly Offering for Saint Michael Campus	
Masses	\$1,302.00
Novena	232.00



Saint Ann School

Where Faith and Knowledge Meet.

Educating Your Child's Mind, Heart and Soul.

Come join us for a tour of our school and discover the quality, faith-based education available in your community.

Open House: February 3, 2010

Presentation in The Faith Development Center at
9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Tours to follow.

Accepting enrollment for grades Pre-K—8.

Before and after school care available.

For additional information call (609) 882-8077
or visit www.st-ann-school.org.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Week of January 30/31, 2010

5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
R. Zurick	M. McDaniel	C. Springer	J. Babcock	J. Scott
M. Scozzari		G. Springer	R. Babcock	M. Scott
D. Scozzari		J. McQuarrie	D. Exume	Z. Scott
A. Piasecki		M. McQuarrie	L. Sander	F. Meagher
H. Quirk		L. Stivala	M. Piamonte	M. Meagher
		K. Collins	S. Barkley	E. Bilancio

STARS AT THE CRIB

On the Stars that surrounded our Christmas crib were the names of all the children who were baptized in our church since last December. Families are invited to take home their child's star. Stars are in a basket at the Welcome Desk of the Faith Development Center.

WEEK OF JANUARY 24, 2010

SAINT ANN SANCTUARY CANDLE

In memory of

HANK AND MARIE GRAJA

Requested by

Dick and JoAnn Graja

SAINT ANN ICON

In memory of

MICHAEL D. MANCUSO

Requested by

Wife Agnes and Family

SAINT MICHAEL SANCTUARY CANDLE

In memory of

AUNT IRENE DOMBROSKI

Requested by

Joyce Bielamowicz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rosary Altar Society Baby Shower

The **Rosary Altar Society** is planning its *annual Baby Shower*. On the weekend of **January 30th and 31st**, we ask parishioners to “**pick up**” a tag on which is an item appropriate for a new born or very young baby. You are asked to purchase the item and “**return**” it on the weekend of **February 6th and 7th**. Please leave the gift in the Community Room of the Faith Development Center. **These items will be given to mothers and babies in need at Angels Wings, the Mount Carmel Guild and/or the Haitian Center.**

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

MUSIC AND ARTS SERIES 2010

“INSPIRATIONS IN ACRYLIC ART”

Paintings by *Artist Terri Cochran*

Exhibited at the Gallery of Light

Church of Saint Ann

Date: January 17 to February 15, 2010.

COACH Bingo SAINT ANN SCHOOL

Saint Ann's School PTA will be hosting an *ALL Coach Bingo* on **Friday, February 19, 2010** at the **Saint Ann's School Gym**, 34 Rossa Avenue, Lawrenceville.

Doors open at **6:00 pm**. Bingo will begin at **7:00 pm**. Admission cost is **\$30 per ticket**, includes: **14 Bingo sheets, coffee, and dessert**. *BYOB event*. **Must be 21 years or older**. Space is limited.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Will call available. For tickets, please contact **Barbara Moody (609) 658-5754**.

DISNEY ON ICE Special Price Tickets

Disney on Ice celebrates **100 Years of Magic** at the **Sun National Bank Arena**, Trenton, **January 27-31, 2010**. We have obtained some **Faith and Fellowship Courtesy Passes** that will enable you to purchase up to eight tickets for the **Thursday, January 28th** performance at **7:00 pm**. They may be picked up at the **Welcome Desk** of the **Faith Development Center**.

COME!

Join us for an evening of joyous music, jovial fellowship, and delightful refreshments!

Friday, February 12, 2010

7:00 - 8:30 pm

COFFEE HOUSE

Music by

*“Contemporary Music Ministry
at Saint David the King”*

Please bring a can of food for the
Mt. Carmel Guild Pantry

ALL ARE WELCOME!

The Church of Saint Ann

1253 Lawrence Road

Lawrenceville, NJ

*Sponsored by the
Jesus Prince of Peace Prayer Group*



Enhancing Memory Strategies

Presented By: **Eileen Doremus**

Executive Director

Mercer County Office on Aging

February 10, 2010

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

SPONSORED By: Interfaith Caregiver Trenton and
ECHO, Inc.

Location: **ECHO, Inc.**

Covenant Presbyterian Church

471 Parkway Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08618

Bring Your Lunch – (Beverages and Desserts
will be provided).

Please RSVP by February 3rd, 2010
Interfaith Caregivers of Trenton
(609)393-9922

ANNOUNCEMENTS, cont.

Generations of Faith



Day of Reflection and Retreat

Saturday, February 6, 2010
Women's Retreat

Saturday, February 13, 2010
Men's Retreat

We are ordinary Catholics, living ordinary Catholic lives. ***But what is ordinary about living the Catholic Faith in today's world?*** God calls us to live in a culture, a culture of Faith, the foundation of which is love. By our Baptism, we were called to cultivate this culture with other-centered intentions and deeds. When this Faith Culture drives our life decisions, we find harmony in our workplace, marriage and family. When we pass the Faith Culture on, others are better able to make loving choices. When we bring the Faith Culture to our workplace, God's Kingdom leaks into the popular trends of our world and takes root. If you are an ordinary Catholic Mother/Father, an ordinary Catholic Wife/Husband, or an ordinary Catholic Woman/Man, this day was designed with you in mind. Building on knowledge and Faith, we will explore together our role as Ordinary Catholic Women/Men.

We are ordinary Catholics called to live a deep intentional love that reaches beyond ourselves. How Extraordinary! Join us on Saturday, February 6th for a **Women's Day of Reflection and Retreat** or on Saturday, February 13th for a **Men's Day of Reflection and Retreat** from the ordinary. The day will begin with morning Mass at 8:00 am and end with the weekly celebration of Eucharist at 5:00 pm. If you are able to join us for the entire day, invite your family to meet you at Mass at 5:00 pm. The full day will allow time for faith sharing as well as quiet reflection time, Eucharistic Adoration (time before the Blessed Sacrament) and individual confession.

If you are unable to commit to the full day, please join us from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm for active sharing and reflection.

Please register for this event by returning the attached registration slip by January 31, 2010.

For additional information, please contact **Christine Barranco** at (609) 359-9977.




Bishop's Annual Appeal


The Bishop's Annual Appeal will take place on the weekend of **February 6 and 7, 2010**. The theme of the appeal is "***Serve the Lord with Gladness***". A short presentation, from our Bishop, will take place at all of the Masses. Our parish goal is \$85,000. **Please be generous.** *The Diocese is directly mailing information about the appeal during the month of January.*

Help Wanted . . .

Tuesday Evening Mass During Lent

 Once again this year we would like to provide an **evening Mass, during Lent, (Tuesdays at 7:30 pm)**. To do this, we need one or two people to come forward and **volunteer to coordinate these Masses**. The coordinator (*Sacristan*) would see that **church is open (7:10 pm), lights and sound on, materials for Mass in order, ministers ready, etc.** We will be happy to show you what to do. Please contact **Sister Joan (609) 882-6491 ext. 105** if you are willing to help in this capacity. *This would allow us to provide a Mass in the evening during Lent.*

Chapel Candle Holders in Need of Touching Up

 The candle holders (4) in the chapel are showing signs of age and wear. **The wooden sections of the holders need to be sanded, stained and coated.** This would be a good Lenten project for someone who likes to work with wood. Please contact **Sister Joan (609) 882-6491 ext. 105** for more information.

Census Fest

We are still updating our information. There are **bright "pink" sheets** at the doors of the church and at the Welcome Desk in the Faith Development Center. If you didn't stop by when we were in the community room, if you didn't respond to an email that we sent, **please, please, please**, take the time to fill out this pink sheet.



Free New Resources For All Parishioners Call to Faith/E-connect

As part of our catechetical efforts, we now offer a new web tool, **Call To Faith E-connect**. E-connect is used to access faith based information, read timely articles that can enrich your Catholic Faith, provide assistance to Bible users, assist parents as they pass on faith to their children, a resource for RCIA team members and those who lead Children's Liturgy of the Word, and more! This resource is free to all parishioners. All we need is your name and current e-mail address. Simply go to the parish website and click where it says "**E-connect invite...**" then fill in the form. Your username and password will be emailed to you.



SILENT PRAYER

(Formerly Centering Prayer)

"Be Still and Know That I Am GOD"

Would you like to pray more in a meaningful way?

Do you sometimes struggle with prayer?

Do you find your mind unable to focus when you pray?

Is being focused throughout your day a value to you?

Would you like to participate in a form of prayer that has a longstanding tradition within the Catholic Church?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you may want to come and learn the method of **Silent Prayer**. Meetings are designed to reinforce and give support, with the hope that participants will practice this simple prayer form as part of their daily routine.

Silent Prayer Meetings *(that support those who practice this form of prayer)* are scheduled for the following Sunday evenings: **January 24, February 28, and May 23, 2010** from **6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** in the daily chapel. Silent Prayer fosters movement toward God, and helps participants to be present to God's Spirit beyond ordinary thoughts and words. We do this by learning to sit quietly *(while silently repeating a sacred word)*, allowing ourselves to rest in God's presence. Participants of Silent Prayer have described many positive benefits: feeling closer to God; feelings of peace and contentment; greater self-awareness; more joy and greater ability to deal with stress and the challenges of daily life.

New inquirers welcome!



Knights of Columbus

January 2010

Atlantic City Bus Trip

Lawrence Council, No. 7000, Knights of Columbus, is sponsoring its first Winter 2010 **Atlantic City bus trip** on **Sunday** afternoon, **January 31, 2010**, to the **Showboat Hotel and Casino**. The bus will leave **11:00 a.m.** from the parking lot behind the Burlington Coat Factory located in the Lawrence Shopping Center, and it will **return** at approximately **9:00 p.m.** The **cost** for the trip will be **\$25.00**, **BUT** each attendee will receive back **\$30.00 in "slot" cash**. For reservations and further details, please call **Dick McKeever** at **(609) 403-8305**.

Proceeds from these trips are used to help fund many of the charitable activities of the Lawrence Knights of Columbus. Early reservations are suggested as these trips usually sell out.

Have a Heart and Give Blood on Valentine's Day

The Lawrence Knights of Columbus - Council 7000, along with the local **Community Blood Council of New Jersey**, will be holding its **annual blood drive** on **February 14, 2010** from **8:30 am to 3:00 pm** in the **Community Room** of the **Church of Saint's Faith Development Center**.

January is National Blood Donor Month and blood donors are in high demand as blood shortages are not uncommon during the winter months. For registration and other information, please contact **Jeff Bourne** at **(609) 771-0095**.



OFFERTORY ENVELOPES We Encourage You To "Wrap Your Gift"

Offertory envelopes are available for **pick up** in the **Gallery of Light** in the **Faith Development Center**. Envelopes will be in **numerical order**, so please make a mental note of your number.

*For those parishioners who regularly attend Mass at **Saint Michael's** - your envelopes will be available at that location.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Climate Change in Ethiopia

Teshome, a farmer in Ethiopia, grows carrots to support his family. Drought, one effect of climate change, has affected Teshome's family and many others in his community. One of the effects of global climate change affecting many countries has been severe weather, including both flooding and drought. In Ethiopia, the past several decades have seen repeated droughts, which have often led to famine due to farmers' inability to grow food during droughts. In some parts of Ethiopia, Catholic Relief Services has been able to help small farmers such as Teshome Bekele adapt to the effects of climate change. CRS's project helps farmers diversify their incomes, introducing fruit, vegetables, spices, and fodder to add to the crops they have grown for decades. CRS hopes that growing a variety of crops less dependent on water will help farmers as climate change causes more frequent drought. But in most other parts of the country and world, farmers haven't been so lucky. Experts agree that poor people are likely to be the worst hit by the impacts of climate change. The United Nations reports that by 2020, 75 million to 250 million people in Africa will be exposed to increased water stress due to climate change.

McAuley Institute

McAuley Institute for Lifelong Learning, a "new" program for those 50+ will be held on the Georgian Court University Campus this spring. To inquire about the annual membership fee which opens the door to thought provoking topics and the members only benefits, please call 1 (732) 987-2201 or request a copy of *Mosaic* the magazine, listing our programs and events for Spring 2010.

CONTACT of Mercer County

CONTACT of Mercer County is offering training for persons interested in improving their listening skills and learning about community resources. This course will prepare attendees to volunteer for CONTACT'S Hotline as well as help friends and family who are depressed, lonely, addicted, in personal difficulty and suicidal. The course is FREE of charge for those who volunteer 100 hours at CONTACT by May, 2011. For those not able to volunteer, the course fee is \$150. The course is open to anyone 18 years or older. ALL ARE WELCOME! CONTACT of Mercer County is a non-profit agency serving our community since 1976. The course runs eleven Tuesdays, beginning February 2, 2010. Morning and evening classes are available and will be held at Trinity United Methodist Church, across from TCNJ, in Ewing. For further information, please call (609) 883-2880 or www.contactofmercer.org.



Youth Brigade to Route One Making Lunches for the Homeless

This is a great community service opportunity for Confirmation or Saint Ann School. Help prepare and deliver lunches for homeless families.

Bag lunches will be made at the Goepfert residence located at 21 Hopkins Drive, Lawrenceville on Saturday, January 30, 2010. Please meet there at 11:00 AM. After making the lunches, we will deliver them to homeless families in local motels. Deliveries will be completed by 12:30 PM.

Please call Nancy Goepfert at (609) 896-2048, by Wednesday, January 27th, with your name and phone number so we can confirm your participation and give you more information. Each participant will be asked to donate some part of the lunch.

SIGN UP FOR AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL

Would you want one less thing to worry
about on Sunday morning?

- . . . were is the envelope??

- . . . where is the check book???

Join the growing number of parishioners who have their weekly offering dedicated from their bank account. This is a very simple process. Please call Rita Reven, Finance Manager at (609) 882-6491, ext. 113 for the necessary information. You can determine the amount and adjust it at anytime.

TRY IT. WE BET YOU'LL LIKE IT.

Remembrance in Your Will

A remembrance for your parish in your will is a wonderful way to provide for the future well-being of your parish community. Thank you for considering this very special way of sharing with your parish family.

Pass on the Catholic tradition

Candlemass

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Altar Server Installation/Recognition

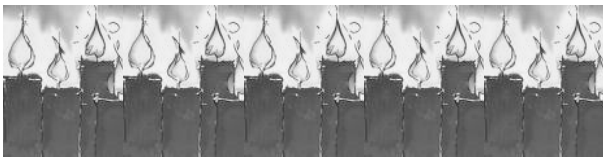
Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

40 Days after Christmas we celebrate the joyful event told in the second chapter of Saint Luke's Gospel. When Jesus was forty days old, Joseph and Mary brought him to the temple to present him to the Lord. Anna and Simeon, two elderly people of great holiness recognized Jesus as the savior and were filled with great joy. Simeon called Jesus: "the light of the nations". This has become the day that we traditionally bless candles for use in Church throughout the year as well as in homes for devotions. It is a feast of lights.

This evening we encourage families to bring devotional candles to church and have them blessed. We will begin our ceremony in the Gallery of Light with the blessing of candles and then carry them in procession into our Church.

In former ages, this day marked the conclusion of the celebration of Christmas. Let's keep the Christmas spirit all year long.

Candles will be provided for those who do not bring them.



Tuesday, February 2, 2010

7:00 PM

THE CHURCH OF SAINT ANN

Lawrenceville, NJ

Altar Server Installation and Recognition

The Church of Saint Ann has chosen this day to celebrate the installation of Altar Servers for the year. In presenting Jesus to the Lord in the temple, his parents dedicated him to the service of the Lord. Our parish is blessed with a number of young men and women who dedicate their time and talent to the Lord and this community through service at the Altar. Their gift, and the gift of their parents to our community, is greatly appreciated. They enable us to celebrate the Liturgy with ease and dignity. This is an appropriate day to honor them. The Rite of Installation will take place at the beginning of the Mass for the Presentation.



Join us for refreshments following the celebration in the Pope John Paul Community Room.

Joining in this celebration alone, or with your entire family, will help to connect you to one of the time honored traditions of our Catholic heritage and will insure that we keep this tradition alive in our church and in our homes.