

# The Sunday Steward

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

**FEBRUARY 22, 2009 - SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## Baptism Preparation . . . A Family Affair

### **Parish Mission Statement**

*The Church of Saint Ann in Lawrenceville is a Roman Catholic family of faith, built on the inspiration of past generations, to serve the community by loving God and our neighbor.*

*We strengthen faith, celebrate the sacraments, provide for the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.*

*Educate across the life span, heal the spiritually broken, and respect the dignity of human life.*

*We live the Gospel and seek Christ in all people.*



### **Di Tommaso Family**

Albert, Peggy, Louis, Dominic, and Matthew Di Tommaso have been preparing the Church for Baptisms for the past ten years. Working with the philosophy that many hands make light work, they work together in arranging the many little details that are essential to make Baptisms here at the Church of Saint Ann run smoothly. The Baptismal font needs to be cleaned and then filled with fresh water and there are the many questions you need to ask. Is the water warm enough? Are the places marked? Are the candles, bibs, oils, certificates in place? Are there enough towels? Enough seats reserved for family? Is the Pascal Candle in place? They have been parishioners since 1991 when they decided to put their roots in the Lawrenceville community. All three boys were baptized at Saint Ann, and attend Lawrenceville Schools: Louis at Lawrence High, Dominic at LMS, and Matthew at Lawrence Intermediate. Peggy works as a Social Worker at Lawrence Middle School. In addition to their work at Baptism Preparation, they are always ready to lend a hand with our Generations of Faith program and any other parish activity that needs their help. Their volunteer work doesn't stop at the parish. They are involved in the Lawrence schools PTO; Matthew, Dominic and Louis are involved in the baseball leagues, and Louis plays football at Lawrence High. As a family, they are also involved in assisting at Special Olympics and Peggy runs a Brain Injury Support Group. The Di Tommaso family finds Lawrenceville a great place to live, and their friendly and helpful nature is one of the factors that go to make it so. We are grateful for their service. I would be hard pressed to count the number of Baptisms they have helped to prepare for, but if we average 110 a year, and they have been doing this for ten years, you can do the Math.

*Our parish is blessed with hundreds of parishioners who voluntarily give of their time and talent to help us fulfill our mission statement. This story is only one of them.*

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**DAILY LITURGY**

For the Week of February 22, 2009

**A Letter From the Catholic Bishops of New Jersey**

SUN., Feb. 22

- 7:30 AM Bernice Allgeyer by Janet & Jim King  
William Walker by Margaret Walker
- 9:30 AM Albert Drulis by Rachaele, Marc, Andrew,  
David, Lara, Kitty, & Lizzy  
Ann McDermott by Freeland Family
- 11:00 AM Sebastiano & Elpidia Tamasi by Esterina Toto  
& Family  
Theresa Radice by Kathleen Acquaviva
- 12:30 PM Dorothy Benson by Bea Johnson & Family  
Albert A. Johnson by Joseph M. Smith & Family

ST. MICHAEL  
9:00 AM

MON., Feb. 23

- 8:00 AM Maryann Scedansky by Bill O'Neal  
Frank Giglio by Stephen Fenton

TUES., Feb. 24

- 7:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Scozzari by Rita Scozzari  
Mr. Joseph Dean by Mr. & Mrs. Keith Flemm

WED., Feb. 25 **ASH WEDNESDAY**

- 7:00 AM Joseph M. Leo  
Salvatore Lanzetta by Peter & Joan Pesce &  
Family
- 8:00 AM Robert Starrett by Joe & Carol Mislán  
Catherine Manning by Mr. & Mrs. Stanley
- 9:00 AM Francis Trainor by Wife, Dolores Trainor  
Catherine Haggerty by Fares Family
- 12:15 PM John A. Kite by Dick & Pat Traynor  
Donald Belviso by Carol Southard
- 5:00 PM Carmela Guiliano by Anthony DeJessa & Family
- 8:00 PM Antonietta & Sebastiano Oliva by Sebastina  
Germano & Children

THURS., Feb. 26

- 7:00 AM Leonor Zate by Gregorio Family  
Catherine Haggerty by Mr. & Mrs. John Butler

FRI., Feb. 27

- 8:00 AM Naylor DeCore by Theresa DeCore Mycoff & John  
Mycoff  
Carmella "Millie" Purgavie by People of the  
Parish

SAT., Feb. 28

- 8:00 AM Frank A. Giglio by Sam & Jackie Fenton  
Carmela (Millie) Guiliano by Newman Family
- 5:00 PM Salvatore Immordino by Wife & Children  
Marie & John McMahon by Family

SUN., March 1

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

- 7:30 AM Veronica Funari by Delany Family  
Samuel A. Emma by Holy Name Bowling League
- 9:30 AM Ruth Ellmyer by Helen Carrol  
Jeanete Palma Schneider by Saint Ann PTA
- 11:00 AM Angelina & Joseph Maseitelli by Mr. & Mrs. L.  
Manzie  
Giuseppe Spera by Mr. & Mrs. John Randazzo
- 12:30 PM Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Caruso by Lucy Young  
Charles Recciardelli by Lucy Young

St. Michael

- 9:00 AM Emma Clawges by Sister Joan Carter  
Vincent and Ronnie Krisak by Brun Family

*We regret any misspellings in the Mass intentions.*

Dear Parishioners,

One of the greatest expressions of love is the Sacrament of Matrimony, a lifetime exclusive union of a man and a woman, in which they give and receive mutual help and love, commit to a lifetime of total fidelity, and from their union bring forth and raise children.

The self-giving love of husband and wife reflects the mutual love of Christ for the Church and the love of the Church for Christ. We must remember that without the help of God, man and woman cannot achieve the union of their lives to which God calls them. Truly, it is through the love and struggles of marriage that a couple attains holiness.

Marriage not only is a call to holiness, it also is the foundation of the family and society. Marriage as a union of one man and one woman has its roots not only in human tradition and history, but also in natural law, which transcends all man-made law. God is the author of marriage.

As shepherds of our dioceses, we salute married couples who are persevering in their vocation and who truly are on the way to holiness.

Unfortunately, our secular culture's preoccupation with personal autonomy and self fulfillment has led to fewer people marrying, increased divorce rates, increased cohabitation of unmarried adults and calls for same sex marriage.

In the face of these serious challenges, Catholics cannot stand silent. Our first responsibility is to pray. Therefore, we, the Catholic Bishops of New Jersey, have designated February 22, 2009 as a day of prayer for the strengthening and preservation of marriage.

We ask everyone to pray that the love of spouses for one another continues to grow steadfast and strong, for in strengthening marriage and families, we help to build up the Body of Christ, the Church.

May God Bless You.

Most Reverend Paul G. Bootkoski,  
Bishop, Diocese of Metuchen

Most Reverend Joseph A. Galante  
Bishop, Diocese of Camden

Most Reverend John J. Myers  
Archbishop, Archdiocese of Newark

Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli  
Bishop, Diocese of Paterson

Most Reverend William Skurla  
Bishop, Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Passaic

Most Reverend John M. Smith  
Bishop, Diocese of Trenton

Most Reverend Joseph Younan  
Bishop, Our Lady of Deliverance Syriac Catholic Diocese

## FEBRUARY 22, 2009 - SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SUNDAY, February 22, 2009

- **Rosary Altar Society Baby Shower Gift Return** (After all Masses)
- **RCIA** 9:30 AM - Church
- **Children's Liturgy of the Word** 9:30 AM
- **Religious Education - Kindergarten** 11:00 AM - FDC Art Room
- **Religious Education - Special Education** 11:00 AM - Pope John XXIII Room
- **Religious Education Classes** 6:30 PM - Saint Ann School
- **First Eucharist Parent Meeting** 6:30 PM - Pope John Paul Community Room
- **Grade 7 Confirmation Preparation** 6:30 PM - Faith Development Center
- **Centering Prayer** 7:00 PM - Chapel

### MONDAY, February 23, 2009

- **Jesus, Prince of Peace Charismatic Core Group** 11:00 AM - American Martyrs Room
- **Miraculous Medal Novena/Benediction** 1:30 PM - Church
- **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Prayer Ministry** 6:30 PM - Msgr. McCorristin Room
- **Religious Education** 6:30 PM - Saint Ann School
- **Grade 7 Confirmation Preparation** 6:30 PM - Faith Development Center
- **First Eucharist Parent Meetings** 6:30 PM - Pope John Paul Community Room
- **Finance Committee** 7:00 PM - Conference Room

### TUESDAY, February 24, 2009

- **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** 12:00 Noon until 7:00 PM - Chapel
- **Divine Mercy of Jesus Holy Hour** 3:00 PM - Chapel
- **Holy Trinity Intergenerational Healing** 6:00 PM - American Martyrs Room
- **Religious Education** 6:30 PM - Saint Ann School
- **Grade 7 Confirmation Preparation** 6:30 PM - Faith Development Center
- **First Eucharist Parent Meetings** 6:30 PM - Pope John Paul Community Room
- **Adult Faith Formation, "United We Stand, Divided We Fall"** 7:00 PM - Dorothy Day Room

### WEDNESDAY, February 25, 2009 - Ash Wednesday

- **Ash Wednesday Services: 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 12:15 PM, 5:00 PM, and 8:00 PM**
- **Adventures in Parenting** 9:30 AM - American Martyrs Room
- **Youth Choir Rehearsal** 5:00 PM - Sister Thea Bowman Music Room
- **Ash Wednesday Fish Fry** 5:30 PM - Saint Ann School Cafeteria
- **Adult Choir Rehearsal** 7:30 PM - Sister Thea Bowman Music Room

### THURSDAY, February 26, 2009

- **Junior Legion of Mary** 3:30 PM - American Martyrs Room
- **Pax Christi Witness for Peace** 6:30 PM - Chapel
- **Knights of Columbus Officers' Meeting** 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, February 27, 2009

- **Grade 8 Confirmation Retreat** 4:00 PM - Pope John Paul Community Room
- **Stations of the Cross** 7:30 PM - Church
- **Taizé Prayer** 8:00 PM - Chapel


### SATURDAY, February 28, 2009

- **Respect Life Ministry Abortion Clinic Prayer Witness** 7:30 AM until 9:30 AM - Princeton Women's Center, 29 Emmons Drive, Windsor
- **CYO Soccer Sign-Up** (After All Masses)
- **Vigil Mass** 5:00 PM - Church

### SUNDAY, March 1, 2009 - First Sunday of Lent

- **CYO Soccer Sign-Up** (After All Masses)
- **RCIA Rite of Sending** 9:30 AM - Church
- **Adult Confirmation Class** 9:45 AM - American Martyrs Room
- **Children's Liturgy of the Word** 9:30 AM
- **Religious Education - Kindergarten** 11:00 AM FDC Art Room
- **Religious Education - Special Education** 11:00 AM - Pope John XXIII Room
- **Youth Group** 5:00 PM - American Martyrs Room
- **Religious Education Classes** 6:30 PM - Saint Ann School
- **Grade 8 Confirmation Preparation** 6:30 PM - Faith Development Center

## 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Feast of the New Saint Joseph Society

 The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Feast of the *New St. Joseph Society* will be held on **Sunday, March 15, 2009** from **1:00 PM until 6:00 PM** at **Roman Hall Restaurant, Trenton, NJ**. The **cost is \$45 per person** and includes: *soup, salad, entrée, vegetable, red & white pasta, dessert, coffee, tea and unlimited soda, beer and wine during dinner*. There will be live music by **New York Music Production - Don Felice**.

For tickets, please call:

**Carmen Calderone (609) 882-8117**  
**Jennie Maruca (609) 882-5985**  
**Lidia Silvestri (609) 882-7131**  
**Guy Calderone (609) 538-1425**  
**(Saint Ann's) Josephine Gagliardi (609) 882-6864**

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.

# SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Weekend of February 7/8, 2009

## WRAP YOUR GIFT - USE YOUR ENVELOPES

<b>Weekly Offering for the Church of Saint Ann</b>	
Number of Registered Households	3,102
Number Using Envelopes Last Week	667
Envelope Contributions	\$15,351.00
Other	3,032.00
Automatic Monthly	6,350.67
Loose Money	<u>2,569.00</u>
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$27,302.67</b>
Average Envelope Contribution	\$23.01
<b>Weekly Offering for Saint Michael Campus</b>	
Novena	\$1,238.00
	223.00

## GOSPEL

FEBRUARY 22, 2009

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mark 2:1 - 12

When Jesus returned to Capernaum after some days, it became known that he was at home. Many gathered together so that there was no longer room for them, not even around the door, and he preached the word to them. They came bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. Unable to get near Jesus because of the crowd, they opened up the roof above him. After they had broken through, they let down the mat on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Child, your sins are forgiven." Now some of the scribes were sitting there asking themselves, "Why does this man speak that way? He is blaspheming. Who but God alone can forgive sins?" Jesus immediately knew in his mind what they were thinking to themselves, so he said, "Why are you thinking such things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, pick up your mat and walk?' But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority to forgive sins on earth" — he said to the paralytic, "I say to you, rise, pick up your mat, and go home." He rose, picked up his mat at once, and went away in the sight of everyone. They were all astounded and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this."

**Forgiveness, too, is a gift from God. Freed from the paralysis of sin, the man in today's Gospel was able to stand and give witness to the power of God. How do I let sin cripple me? Am I a good steward of the gift of God's forgiveness?**

## REFLECTION QUESTION

*Do I put limits on what I expect from Jesus?*

## Dance Choreographer and Dancers

We are in need of someone to develop some of the liturgical movements we use specifically during Holy Week. If this is your area of expertise or a natural talent, please contact **Sister Beth (609) 882-6491 ext. 115**.

We are also in need of people who have some background in dance or who know how to move gracefully. You would need to be available for some of our services in the evening during Holy Week. If you fit this description please contact **Sister Beth (609) 882-6491 ext.115**.

**NEW**

## Black & Native American Collection

Next weekend, **February 28/March 1, 2009**, we will take up the **Black and Native American Collection**. As *is our custom, we will have only one collection*. Please place your envelope with your gift in the collection basket next weekend.

*Thank you for your generosity.*

**NEW**

## Catholics Returning Home

**Catholics Returning Home Ministry**

members attend the 7:30 AM Mass on the First Sunday of each month. After Mass they go to the Hospitality Room in the Welcome Area and are available to any parishioners, or anyone else who would like to stop by and say hello or to chat. Just an informal way of being available. **(Sunday, March 1, 2009)**

## WEEK OF FEBRUARY 22, 2009

**SAINT ANN  
SANCTUARY CANDLE**

*In memory of*

**VINCENT SCOZZARI**

*Requested by  
Wife, Rita*

**NEW**

## Fr. Vince's Homily

Copies of **Father Vince's homily**, for this past Sunday, **February 15, 2009**, entitled "**WHY WORSHIP IS NECESSARY FOR OUR HEALTH AND WELL BEING**" is available at the **Welcome Desk** of the **Faith Development Center** and also on line at [www.churchofsaintann.net](http://www.churchofsaintann.net).

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Diapers Appreciated

Thanks to all who **donate diapers** for mothers at **Choice One**. Please consider buying a pack of **disposable infant diapers** and bring them to church on the **first weekend of the month** (*next weekend*). **Help us help mothers in need!**

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## **The Lawrenceville Nursing and Rehabilitation Center**

Mass is celebrated at the **Lawrenceville Nursing and Rehabilitation Center**, at **2:00 PM**, on the *first Sunday of every month*.

The next **Mass** will be on **Sunday, March 1, 2009**.

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## Congratulations

CONGRATULATIONS TO RICH AND MEGAN TEPPER, SAINT ANN YOUTH MINISTERS ON THE BIRTH OF THEIR SON *Nathan Robert Tepper* born on February 1, 2009.

We are very grateful to Megan and Rich for their service to the young people of our parish for the past five years. *We wish Rich, Megan and Nathan well, and pray that they grow well in the art of parenting.*

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## **Career Transitions Support Group**

If you have lost your job, or are looking for work that's more fulfilling, please join the **Career Transitions Support Group**. This informal support network meets twice a month at the Church of Saint Ann in the Faith Development Center. The next meeting is on **Thursday, March 5, 2009 from 7:30 to 9:30 PM**. For more information, please contact **Joe Stanley (609) 423-6123** or **Doug Hulette (609) 895-1465**.

## **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.*

## *Generations of Faith*



## **Attention . . .**

### **Generations of Faith Families**

The February issue of *Maryknoll* and the Lenten/March issue of *Take Out Magazine* are now available in the basket by the Welcome Desk. **Generations of Faith families should pick up a copy of each.**

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## **Bishop's Annual Appeal** *HOPE Guiding the Way*

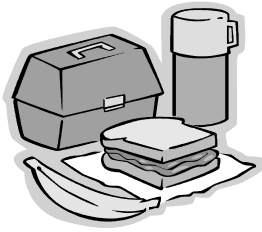
REMINDER . . . If you would like to contribute to the **Bishop's Annual Appeal**, and receive a pledge card, we have them available in the front lobby of the Church. You can also pledge online at [www.bishopsannualappeal.com](http://www.bishopsannualappeal.com).

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## **The Bishop's Appeal** **In Action**

### **Office for Active and Retired Priest Personnel**

Our priests have an utterly irreplaceable role in the Diocese of Trenton. Each priest has answered God's call to serve the Church in a way that many of us find difficult to understand, but one we can appreciate. To help them with their day to day activities and beyond, the Office of Priest Personnel dedicates itself to assisting both Bishop Smith and the priests of the Trenton Diocese by aiding the Bishop in the assignment of priests of the diocese, handling personnel matters pertaining to active and retired priests, and working with priests from outside the Diocese who seek to minister here. In addition, the continuing formation of priests promotes ongoing personal, spiritual, intellectual, professional, and emotional growth of priests in the Diocese by cooperation with seminaries, colleges, and other institutions of learning in the development of programs and offering annual convocations for the continuing formation of priests. Our priests have a difficult job to do, and this office assists them with many of their worldly and spiritual needs.



## 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 at 21 Hopkins Drive, Lawrenceville on Saturday, February 28, 2009.** 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, February 25,** 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.**

## NOTRE DAME HIGH Performing Arts

The Notre Dame High School Performing Arts Students will present the musical **GODSPELL** on **February 27, 28 and March 6 and 7, 2009 at 7:30 PM** in the Notre Dame auditorium. **Tickets** can be purchased by calling **(609) 882-7900** during school hours or at the door. **Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for seniors, students, and children. Come for a powerful evening of theater.**

## Traveling? Homebound? Did You Miss Church?

Log on to our website at [www.churchofsaintann.net](http://www.churchofsaintann.net) and at the bottom of the home page you can make your donation either from your checking account or by credit card using PayPal. Of course we prefer that you join us for Sunday worship, but if you can't be with us, we can still use your help.

## 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.*

## Ash Wednesday Schedule

### February 25, 2009

7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:00 AM,  
12:15 PM, 5:00 PM, 8:00 PM

*All services will consist of: Liturgy of the Word,  
Blessing and Distribution of Ashes,  
and Liturgy of the Eucharist*

**Saint Michael Campus**  
**1106 Brunswick Avenue, Trenton, NJ**

6:00 PM (English)  
7:00 PM (Slovak)  
8:30 PM (Korean)



## Credo Pax Christi

**Global Climate Change:** As people of faith, we return to the creation story in the book of Genesis and echo God's response at the end of each day: "It is very good." As people of conscience, we are compelled to speak out on the devastating effects of our continued reliance on fossil fuels and the growing crisis of climate change. What does Earth ask of us? To fulfill our unique role as humans, as stewards of the common good, and to act as responsible members of the whole Earth community, ensuring that the whole of life flourishes, even as the needs of all are met. **For more information on Global Climate Change, go to [www.paxchristiusa.org](http://www.paxchristiusa.org).**

*Credo Pax Christi invites everyone to join us in the chapel every Thursday from 6:30 - 7:00 PM to pray for peace and justice.*

## The Passion Play In Oberammergau August 16 – August 26, 2010

*Our plans are in motion!* We will be going to Engelberg, Bern, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Bavaria, and Oberammergau. Collette Vacations is our travel agent. The advantage of traveling with Collette is that we stay in one hotel for a couple of days. **Rate per person is \$4,859 (ouch)** which does not include **\$350 for trip insurance.** *This cost could go up or down depending on airfare and surcharges.* You have over a year to save your pennies (*more like nickels*).

**If you book by March 15<sup>th</sup> you receive a discount of \$200 per person.**

So this is what your pay schedule would be:

- \$500** - Holds your space. (May 1, 2009)
- \$350** - Trip insurance due at the time of deposit.
- \$1,000** - Due August 10, 2009.
- Balance** - Due April, 2010.

## Jesus, Prince of Peace

### ***Praying in the Spirit***

**Wednesday, March 4, 2009**

**7:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

**Pope John XXIII Room**

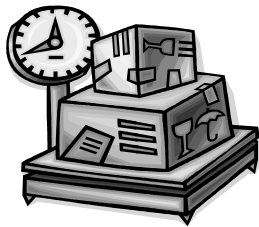
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

*To join us for songs of praise,  
scripture readings,  
sharing and prayer.*

**NEW**

### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Our Cathedral of Saint Mary of the Assumption will be celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its dedication on Sunday, March 15, 2009 at 12:15 PM. Bishop John Smith will be the principal celebrant of the Mass. We would like to send a delegation of Saint Ann Parishioners to join in this celebration. If you are interested in going, please contact Sister Joan at (609) 882-6491, ext. 105.



### **Adopt a Platoon!**

On Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Knights of Columbus prepared a 2<sup>nd</sup> packing and shipment of the toiletries, candy and treats that parishioners so generously donated for the US troops in combat zones in the Middle East and on board ship.

We will be preparing a 3<sup>rd</sup> mailing in March. We still have plenty of toiletries and personal care products. We need lip balms, gray socks, snacks of all types – (crackers, pretzels, Pringles (mini-cans), cheese nips, etc.). Please drop them off at the Welcome Desk at the Faith Development Center or contact a Knight.

If you wish to sponsor a box (\$12), please place money in an envelope labeled, "Platoon" and leave it at the FDC Welcome Desk.

## **BE AN IDENTIFIED GIVER**

Use your envelopes . . . or . . .  
Automatic withdrawal.

## Adult Faith Enrichment

### **UNITED WE STAND, DIVIDED WE FALL**

**Tuesday, February 24**

**7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

***Celebrating the Year of Saint Paul!***

**MR. FRED VASAPOLLI** ~ To a fragmented community in crisis, Paul wrote several letters advocating unity, love and service. Using the *Letter to the Corinthians* as our guide, we will reflect on Paul's understanding of community, diversity and the role of the Spirit in the life of the community.

***Paul, Called By God Series.***  
(Please bring your Bible.)

### **GOD AND REVELATION**

**Thursday, March 5**

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

***Qualifies for Catechist Certification Level II/III***

**Deacon Jim Russo** ~ This session will cover some basic teachings on the existence of God and the revelation of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



### **Catholics Returning Home**

***Your parish's ministry of extending invitations to inactive Catholics involves many people, each doing his own part.*** Your role is to extend the invitation and **Catholics Returning Home Ministry (609) 882-6491 ext. 165** will work with these individuals and welcome them back into our faith community.

## **ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

**Week of February 28/March 1, 2009**

5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
D. Hill	M. McDaniel	A. Pigula	C. Costello	J. Scott
R. Zurick		T. Koslowske	M. Ruszczyk	M. Scott
M. Scozzari		A. Koslowske	A. Ruszczyk	Z. Scott
C. Humphreys		J. Koslowske	H. Quirk	A. Randazzo
L. Sander		K. Collins	A. Forgione	M. Piamonte
		S. Barkley	D. Exume	A. Abelowitz

**+ASH  
WEDNESDAY  
2009**

**FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>  
is ASH WEDNESDAY  
GET YOUR TASTE-  
BUDS READY for the  
FISH FRY!!**



The Church of Saint Ann will hold its *sixth annual Ash Wednesday Fish Fry* on Wednesday, February 25, 2009 in the Saint Ann School Cafeteria. Proceeds will benefit our partner parish in Guatemala, *San Andres Parish*.

Please note the take out time and the seating times below.  
(The caterer will only be on site for a limited time period.)

**Take out dinner: 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM**  
**Sit-down dinner: 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM**  
**Sit-down dinner: 6:15 PM - 7:00 PM**

Dinner will include Scottish style, deep fried, batter dipped fish & chips (French fries) from *The Thistle Fish & Chips* in Kearny, coleslaw, tartar sauce, roll and butter. (Soft drinks will also be available.)

**ADULTS - \$12**  
**CHILDREN (1/2 portion) \$7**  
**ADVANCE SALES & PRE-ORDERS ONLY!!**

As Fr. Vince has said in the past, "*We need to know how many fish to catch!*" Seriously, we need to give the caterer a fish count after the Sunday Masses, so please purchase your tickets by February 22. *Last year we had to turn away people who wanted tickets after the final numbers were given.*

Tickets will be on sale after all Masses this weekend, February 21/22 in the Gallery of Light. You can also sign up to volunteer at that time or please call Stan Karuzis at (609) 936-0755. Please try to purchase tickets from the ticket table during the two weekends listed. (If unable to buy your tickets on these weekends, please see Rita Reven in the Faith Development Center, *during the weekdays*, for your purchase.)

Make your one and only full meal memorable on Ash Wednesday! Help our partner parish and join us for a great sociable dinner or take home a delicious meal.

For handicap assistance, please call Margaret Marino at (609) 882-6491, ext. 106 as pre-notification is required.

## Lenten Series

### Primary Symbols of Catholic Worship: A Call to Active Participation

This series is being offered to help enrich our active participation in our Catholic Mass. We will explore through prayer, reflection and discussion the connection between worship and the primary symbols of the rituals that shape us as Catholics. All sessions are at 7:30 PM.

**Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

### **THE EVOLUTIONARY CHURCH: OUR ROOTS AND OUR FUTURE**

This first session takes a brief look into the history of Roman Catholic worship and the effects thereof of the liturgical renewal brought about by the Second Vatican Council.

**Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

### **THE WATERS OF BAPTISM: DOORWAY TO NEW LIFE AND CALL TO COMMUNITY**

This session looks at the communal call to active participation rooted in the Sacrament of Baptism.

**Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

### **AMBO: ALTAR OF THE LIVING WORD**

This session will examine the assembly's communal call to active participation rooted in God's Word.

**Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

### **ALTAR: TABLE OF TRANSFORMATION**

This session will cover the communal call to active participation rooted in the Eucharistic banquet and mission work of Christ.

**Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

### **THE ASSEMBLY AND PILGRIM CHURCH**

This session will focus on the assembly's actively accepting the invitation to communal worship as the Body of Christ and how the Pilgrim Church extends this invitation into the world.

*If you are planning to attend, there is a small book that will be used during our time together. Please call Sister Beth at (609) 882-6491, ext. 115.*

**NEW**

## Stations of the Cross

The **Stations of the Cross** are a Lenten devotion that has deep roots in our Catholic tradition. We would like to continue providing that prayer experience here in our parish. We are in need of a **leader** for these devotions. **Stations of the Cross** are held each **Friday during Lent at 7:30 PM**. You may choose to help with one Friday or as many as you wish. Please contact **Sister Beth (609) 882-6491 ext. 115**. More details will be provided for all who accept this invitation. **What a great Lenten gift to the parish!**

On **Tuesday evenings** during Lent, we will have **Mass at 7:30 PM**. Since any Mass involves a number of different ministries, we are in need of parishioners to assist with the Mass. **Would you be able to be the coordinator of the Tuesday evening Mass** – to make sure that we have all of the ministers that we need; a sacristan to set up for Mass? We will also need readers and Eucharistic ministers for our Tuesday evening Mass. Please call **Sister Beth (609) 882-6491 ext. 115** if you can serve in any of those roles.



## CYO Spring Soccer Sign-Ups

**Saint Ann CYO** will be holding a **CYO soccer sign-up** in the **FDC, after all Masses, on next weekend, February 28/March 1**. All parishioners and/or Saint Ann School students in grades 5 through 8 are welcome to join. It is competitive soccer, games are during the week at fields in Mercer County from April - June.

**We hope to form the following teams:**

**JV Girls- grade 5 and 6**

**JV Boys- grade 5 and 6**

**Varsity Girls- grade 7 and 8**

**Varsity Boys - grade 7 and 8**

To sign up, you will need medical insurance information, contact information, a copy of your birth certificate (*if this is the first time you have played CYO*) and a check for \$50 payable to "Saint Ann Parish Athletics".

**We are currently in need of JV boys and girls coaches.** Please direct any coaching inquires or questions to:

**Megan Gordon**  
**Saint Ann CYO Athletic Director**  
[imjimgordon@verizon.net](mailto:imjimgordon@verizon.net)  
**(609)538-8380**

**NEW**

## AREA NEWS

### Widows and Widowers

The **Mercer County Chapter of Widows and Widowers** will hold its **monthly dance social** on **Friday, February 27, 2009 at 7:30 PM** at the **Knights' of Columbus Hall**, 1451 Klockner Road, Hamilton, NJ. For more information, call **Marilyn (609) 587-8959** or **Regina (609) 585-3453**. *Refreshments will be served. All widows and widowers are invited to attend.*

### Catholic Men for Jesus Christ Rally

**Greg Schiano**, *Head Coach, Rutgers Football*; **Justin Fatica** from *Hard as Nails Ministries* and **Henry Petri**, a *Jewish convert* will provide uplifting and inspiring presentations on **Saturday, March 7, 2009**. Doors open at 7:45 AM to start at **8:30 AM until 1:00 PM**. Come to the **12<sup>th</sup> Annual Spiritual Rally for Men** held this year at **Saint Veronica's Gym** on Route 9 North in **Howell, NJ**. **Bishop John Smith** will celebrate the closing **Mass**. Please call **(732) 321-3886** for more information. **There is no charge this year.** *Coffee and donuts will be available in the morning.*

### Womanspace

For over thirty years, **Womanspace** has been Mercer County's lead provider of **services to individuals and families impacted by domestic violence and sexual assault**. Last fiscal year alone, Womanspace provided over 253 women and children with emergency shelter and housing services. 1,211 individuals received counseling and support services. Confidential assistance and support were provided to over 7,557 callers on the domestic violence and sexual assault hotlines.

**Womanspace** works with our police departments, other community agencies and faith communities to raise awareness about the far-reaching impact that domestic violence and sexual assault has on all of society. **We realize that we cannot do this work alone and rely heavily on volunteers.** *Due to the sensitive nature of this work, volunteers who work directly with victims must be trained.*

**Training begins on March 11, 2009** and will be held on **Wednesday nights and Saturday mornings/afternoons**. Interested **volunteers** must be available to participate in an **80-hour training** to learn how to support victims and survivors in their time of need. **Susan Adams**, Volunteer Coordinator, would welcome inquiries and can be reached at **(609) 394-0136** or via email at [saa@womanspace.org](mailto:saa@womanspace.org).



## Saint Anthony/McCorristin Campus GAA Reunion

**Remember the thrill and excitement of the competitions? Remember the friendships established through hours of GAA fun? Are you interested in participating in a GAA reunion?** Please contact **Sister Dorothy Payne** at (609) 586-3705, ext. 12 or via email [dpayne@trentoncatholic.org](mailto:dpayne@trentoncatholic.org). The available dates are **March 11, 2009** or **March 16, 2009** at 6:00 PM in the school library.

## Handy Parish Information

Rev. R. Vincent Gartland, Parish Priest	882-6491 ext 112	Mrs. Chris Peterson, Rel. Education Coordinator	882-1212
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Rosie, Weekend Assistant		Mrs. Kim Smith, Technology Director	882-6491 ext 215
Rev. Vladimir Chripko, Weekend Assistant		Ms. Teresa Lim, Music Director, Youth Choir,	882-6491 ext 118
Sr. Beth Dempsey, RSM, Pastoral Associate	882-6491 ext 115	12:30 Band	
Mr. Gary Maccaroni, Pastoral Associate	359-9966	Ms. Rosemary Hadland, Director, Adult Choir	
Mrs. Christine Barranco, CLEM, Pastoral Associate	359-9977	Mr. Michael McCormick, Organist, Adult Choir	
Rev. Edward J. Dougherty, Weekday Assistant		Mr. John McKenna, Principal, Saint Ann School	882-8077
Mr. Thomas Everist, Mr. Edward Hoag, and Mr. James Scott, Deacons		Mr. & Mrs. George Krisak, Sextons (St. Michael)	
Mrs. Maryann Tsougas, Parish Secretary	882-6491 ext 111	Mr. Bob Seaman, Maintenance Supervisor	882-6491 ext 109
Mrs. Rita Reven, Finance Manager	882-6491 ext 113	Mr. Bruce Bennett, FDC Caretaker	882-6491 ext 121
Sr. Margaret Cronley, MSC, Sacramental Secretary	882-6491 ext 114	Ms. Charlotte Grodzki, LCSW, Counselor	426-0321
Sr. Joan Carter, RSM, Administrative Assistant	882-6491 ext 105	Sr. Rita Woehlcke, SSJ, Spiritual Direction	882-6491 ext 127
Mrs. Margaret Marino, Business Secretary	882-6491 ext 106	Parish Health Ministry	882-6491 ext 117
Mrs. Gail Leedom, Rel. Education Secretary	882-1212	Helping Hands Ministry	882-6491 ext 120
Mrs. Donna Maccaroni, Confirmation Prep.	882-1212	Catholics Returning Home	882-6491 ext 165
		Prayer Groups	882-6491 ext 166
		Prayer Shawl Ministry	882-6491 ext 167
		Adventures in Parenting	882-6491 ext 175
		<i>...and Many Faithful Volunteers</i>	

Parish Office: 609-882-6491	Saint Ann School 609-882-8077	Religious Education Office: 609-882-1212
Fax: 609-882-4366	School Fax: 609-882-0327	
Parish Website: <a href="http://www.churchofsaintann.net">www.churchofsaintann.net</a>	School Website: <a href="http://www.st-ann-school.org">www.st-ann-school.org</a>	

### 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](mailto:maryann@churchofsaintann.net). Thank you!