

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sunday, March 15 Third Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Lester & Rita Strawser
(David & Dee Strawser)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Monday, March 16 NO MASS

Tuesday, March 17 St. Patrick

9:30 a.m. Alison Kappes
(Ray & Jackie Kline)

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 18 Lenten Weekday

11:30 a.m. Gary M. Fox (Charlotte Davis)

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday, March 19 St. Joseph

11:30 a.m. Patty Groom
(Tricia & Kregg Gegorski)

2 Sm 7:4-5, 12-14, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24 or Lk 2:41-51

Friday, March 20 Lenten Weekday

11:30 a.m. Intentions of Fr. Robert Schuer
(Betty Angelo Noesner)

Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34

Saturday, March 21 Lenten Weekday

11:30 a.m. Intentions of Elsie Haninger
(Glenn Haninger)

Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday, March 22 Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Gary Fox
(Dean & Kathleen Henderson)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Mass Scheduling Policy: In order to accommodate as many requests for specific dates as possible, we cannot schedule more than five at one time. Requests without a specific date are scheduled as openings permit. Please include the suggested offering of \$10.00 (for each Mass) when the request is made. Thank You!

+ Please remember in your prayers our homebound parishioners and those who are ill: Mary Cordesco, Sara Fingerlin, Marianne Garrison, Elsie Haninger, Theresa Hyle, Mary Kay Keefer, Mary Knapp, Edith Kowalsky, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Rita Neff, Amanda Pilkington, Mary Scholl, Marilyn Scott, Sheila Shirey, Margaret Trainor, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

THANKS!

March 8, 2009 Offerings

Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offering\$1,825.00
	Votives13.00
	Novena/1st Friday0.00
Mass Attendance	Repair750.00
9:00 a.m. = 77	Less 5%(129.40)
11:00 a.m. = 101	Net to Parish\$2,458.60

Sympathy and Prayers

Gerard "G" Tracy, husband of Aimiee and son of Gerard and Mary Tracy, died last week. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Repair Collection Results

Thank you for the generosity and support of the Repair Fund Collection last week. \$750.00 was contributed.

Choir Practice at Holy Cross

Holy Cross Choir is now practicing for Lent, Holy Week and Easter. New choir members are welcomed! These rehearsals will be held on Sundays, following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Pauline Fritz will be leading the choir this year during Lent.

News from Sr. Pat

For any interested HBO subscriber – The award-winning documentary "They Killed Sr. Dorothy" will be aired on HBO – Wednesday, March 25th at 8:00 p.m.

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Lenten Opportunities at Holy Cross

Every Friday: Stations of the Cross after 11:30 a.m. Mass [Sorrowful Mother Novena will resume on First Fridays after Easter.] Day of abstinence (no meat for those over 14 years of age.)

Holy Thursday:

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 5:30 p.m.

Good Friday:

Day of fast and abstinence

1:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

2:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy and Holy Communion

Holy Saturday:

8:30 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil

***Fast = One main meal, 2 lesser meals, no food between meals for 21-59 years. Abstinence = no meat for over 14 years old.**

THE WORD

Anger is not always a bad thing. It is something like cholesterol: some anger is good, some bad. Destructive anger comes boiling to the surface and scalds not only the one angry, but anyone who comes within range. When those who have power let their anger have free rein it can wreak great destruction.

Today's Gospel reading may make some feel uneasy, especially those who only want Jesus to be kind, loving, and gentle – all the time! But Scripture tells us that Jesus showed many emotions during His ministry: disappointment, exasperation, sadness, grief, and, yes, even anger. He got angry with the religious leaders and even with His disciples on occasion.

Today, we see the anger of Jesus up close – Jesus with whip cutting through the air, Jesus overturning the tables, Jesus sending coins flying all over the place. In a fit of anger, Jesus spits out His words: "Get these things out of here and stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" Why so angry? The money changers and those selling animals were performing a necessary service.

Jesus is the prophet here, proclaiming in word and deed that a new age has come. The old temple where God lived among the people is being replaced by a new temple where God dwells in human flesh. Jesus is the place where God has taken up residence and where all can encounter God. No payment is necessary; all is gift. His words are the words of God; His deeds are the deeds of God. It is in the dying and rising of Jesus that we encounter the love of God fully revealed.

– From "Living the Word"

15 March 2009

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Hymns are not announced

The first reading begins on page 92.

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – Pauline Fritz, organist

Gathering Hymn *Holy God, We praise Thy Name*
(Hymnal #900)

Responsorial Psalm *Lord, you have the words of everlasting life, the words of everlasting life*
(Missalette, p. 93, #61)

Gospel Acclamation (Missalette, p. 94, #62)

Offertory Hymn *Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley*
(Hymnal #529)

Communion Hymn *Let Us Break Bread Together*
(Hymnal #616)

Closing Hymn *Beautiful Savior*
(Hymnal #987)

Special Parish Dates

Mark your calendars for the following important dates for the parish:

- 1) **Tuesday, March 17, 2009 – St. Patrick's Feast Day**
Mass at 9:30 a.m. No 11:30 a.m. Mass.
- 2) **Tuesday, April 7, 2009 – Chrism Mass (Blessing of Oils) at 6:00 p.m. – St. Joseph Cathedral**
- 3) **Thursday, April 9, 2009 – Holy Thursday:**
Mass of the Lord's Supper, 5:30 p.m.
- 4) **Friday, April 10, 2009 – Good Friday: (Day of fast and abstinence) 1:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross, 2:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy and Holy Communion**
- 5) **Saturday, April 11, 2009 – Holy Saturday:**
8:30 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil
- 6) **Sunday, April 12, 2009 – Easter Sunday:**
Masses at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

CRS Collection – March 22nd

The Catholic Relief Services (CRS) collection will be taken next Sunday, March 22, 2009. The money collected will support the Catholic Church agencies that build international solidarity and relief efforts. This ministry is often the only source of hope for millions of people around the world. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Altar Easter Flowers

Donations towards the altar flowers (envelopes provided) for the Easter Season in the memory of deceased family members or friends can be put in the Sunday collections with the person's name you wish to remember. A donation of \$10.00 is suggested.

Request from Sr. Pat

Though Lent is only half over, it is not too soon for the planning the Holy Week services. I would so appreciate anyone willing to be a part of the foot washing service on Holy Thursday to let me know. This is not a podiatrist appointment but the reverent, humble reminder of Jesus' action at the Last Supper and what He calls us to do for each other.

Easter Basket Project

Once again, the Holy Cross Young Adult Group will be putting together Easter baskets to be distributed to underprivileged children through J.O.I.N. (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs). Beginning this Sunday through Palm Sunday, containers will be available in the back of the church to collect donations for the baskets. Needed items include baskets, grass, small books, crayons, coloring books, stuffed animals, and toys appropriate for preschool and elementary school-age children, plastic eggs and candy. The Young Adult Group will be assembling the baskets in the Cum Christo Center on April 5, Palm Sunday, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. All donations and any help are much appreciated! For more information, please contact Rachel Walsh at rachelkwalsh@gmail.com or 846-3754.