

**PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!**

**Sunday, April 10 ♦ Fifth Sunday of Lent**

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross  
 11:00 a.m. Msgr. Lawrence Corcoran  
 Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45

**Monday, April 11 ♦ No Mass**

**Tuesday, April 12 ♦ Lenten Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Deceased of Cullinan Family  
 (Jeanne Cullinan Brown)  
 Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

**Wednesday, April 13 ♦ Lenten Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Msgr. Lawrence Corcoran  
 Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday, April 14 ♦ Lenten Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Intention of Robert Heider  
 (Sister Ruth Ann Heider)  
 Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

**Friday, April 15 ♦ Lenten Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Msgr. Lawrence Corcoran  
 Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday, April 16 ♦ Lenten Weekday**

11:30 a.m. Kathleen Hoffman (Sister Ruth Ann Heider)  
 Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

**Sunday, April 17 ♦ Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross  
 11:00 a.m. Frances Noel & Lester Strawser  
 (Donald & Thelma Yates)  
 Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or  
 Mt 27:11-54

**+ Please remember in your prayers** our homebound parishioners, and those who are ill: Mary Bonner, Mary Cordesco, Sara Fingerlin, Marianne Garrison, Dorothy Gaus, Bobby Hackett, Lauren Jones, Mary Kay Keefer, Mary Knapp, Susan Luck, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Mary Montell, Rita Neff, Rita Rathburn, Marilyn Scott, Alicia Saracho, Graham Sowers, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

**St. Lawrence Haven – May 22nd**

Attention, all our "Lil Larry" sandwich makers. The next opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven is Sunday, May 22nd, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Cum Christo Center.



**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). Ending with 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-aged children; plastic eggs and candy. The Young Adult Group will be assembling the baskets in the Cum Christo Center on April 17, Palm Sunday, after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. All donations and any help are much appreciated!

**Catholic Relief Services – Results**

\$1,282.90 was contributed last weekend for the Catholic Relief Services collection. Thanks for supporting this very important collection.

**Baptismal Preparation Class – Today!**

There will be a Baptismal Preparation Class for new or expectant parents after the 11:00 a.m. Mass today. The meeting will take place in the "Work Sacristy" located in the room south (right) of the main altar.

**Repair Fund Collection – Today!**

A second collection will be taken for the repairs on the church and Rectory this Sunday. We thank you in advance for your continuous support of this program.

**Altar Easter Flowers**

Donations toward 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.

**Choir Practice**

All interested singers are invited to gather in the balcony for the first choir practice in preparation for Holy Week and Easter. We will rehearse for one hour immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

ALL are invited to deepen their Lenten experience through singing with the choir. Contact Kelly for more information ([keladom@insight.rr.com](mailto:keladom@insight.rr.com) or 920-4443).

**Good Friday Collection**

On Good Friday, our parish will take up the annual collection for the Holy Land. Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places.

**THANKS!**

**APRIL 3, 2011 OFFERINGS**

**Designated Collections**

(Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)  
 Cath. Relief Svcs. = \$1,282.90

**Mass Attendance**

9:00 a.m. = 88  
 11:00 a.m. = 99

Offertory .....\$1,920.33

Votives .....45.37

Eucharistic Vigil.....0.00

Repair .....0.00

Less 5% tax ..... (98.29)

**Net to Parish: .....\$1,867.41**

## THE WORD

Caravaggio painted an image of Lazarus coming forth from the tomb. Eugene O'Neill wrote a play called *Lazarus Laughed*. Sylvia Plath wrote a poem called "Lady Lazarus." Poets, playwrights, and artists have been attracted to this story from John's Gospel through the centuries. For some two millennia Lazarus has been the symbol of someone brought back from the dead, revealing the power of God at work in Jesus of Nazareth.

Over the centuries Lazarus has been a figure of hope for countless generations, especially at the time of a loved one's death. Are there any more comforting words than those that Jesus says to Martha? "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die" (John 11:25-26).

Death comes not only at the end of life, but sometimes within life. This is true both for individuals and whole nations. Israel in exile was like a field of dry bones, sealed up in tombs, cut off from life completely, lacking all hope. But God promised to bring Israel back to life and return the people to their home. God promised the spirit that would bring them back home and restore life.

Paul's words to the community at Rome serve to remind us that death will not have the last word. For all the death that we see in our world from war and earthquakes, sickness and human violence and cruelty, there is a power stronger than death: the Spirit of God.

– from "Living the Word"

✠ April 10, 2011 ✠

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

❖ Hymns are not announced ❖

The first reading begins on page 101.

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – Kelly Doman, organist

Gathering Hymn	<i>The Kingdom of God</i> (#939)
Responsorial Psalm	<i>With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.</i> (Missalette p. 101, #65)
Gospel Acclamation	(Missalette p. 102, #66)
Offertory Hymn	<i>Out of the Depths</i> (#520)
Eucharistic Acclamations	(#306, #276, #278, #311)
Communion Hymn	<i>Take and Eat</i> (#648)
Closing Hymn	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i> (#833)

## Special Parish Dates

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

- 1) **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).
- 2) **Thursday, April 21, 2011 – Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper, 6:00 p.m.**
- 3) **Friday, April 22, 2010 – 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.**  
[\*Fast = One main meal, 2 lesser meals, no food between meals for 21-59 years. Abstinence = no meat for over 14 years old.]
- 4) **Saturday, April 23, 2010 – Holy Saturday: 8:30 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil.**
- 5) **Sunday, May 15, 2011 – First Communion – 9:00 a.m. Mass.**

## Bethesda Healing Ministry

The pain and sorrow of a past abortion need not endure a lifetime. Call Bethesda Healing Ministry for support and assistance from those who know and have been there. Bethesda program meets 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. Confidential Ministry lines: 614-309-2651 or 614-309-0157. For more information, e-mail [office@bethesdahealing.org](mailto:office@bethesdahealing.org) or call Nicole at 614-718-0277.

## 2011 Natural Family Planning Teacher Training

Offered by the Marriage and Family Life Office, Diocese of Columbus in co-operation with the Diocese of Cleveland Department for Marriage and Family Ministry. Sessions will be held on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Mount Carmel East, 6001 E. Broad Street, Columbus on June 25, July 23, August 27, September 24, and October 22, 2011. For more information, contact Jennifer Fullin at 614-241-2560 or e-mail [jfullin@coltsdioc.org](mailto:jfullin@coltsdioc.org).

## Youth News

### SCOUTING JUMP-START WORKSHOP for Youth Grades K-12

There is a variety of local and national Scouting Religious Emblem Programs available for youth currently enrolled or considering Scouting. This workshop will be held on Wednesday, May 11 at St. Joseph Activity Center (670 W. Main Street, Plain City), 6:45-8:15 p.m. Early bird registration is FREE, but after May 1 is \$5.00. For more information, e-mail Sue York at [sue@saintjosephplaincity.com](mailto:sue@saintjosephplaincity.com) or call 614-882-7806.