

March 6, 2011

My friends, on this last Sunday before we begin the season of Lent, we will hear a challenging teaching from Jesus - that it is not good enough to simply listen to his words; we must act on them. As it says in our first reading, we are to take God's word into our hearts and souls so that we may live it.



"Those who love me I also love, and those who seek me find me."
- Proverbs 8:17

 **Eucharistic Celebrations**

Sun. 8:00 a.m. Tom & Imogene Finnigan
10:00 a.m. Special Int. - Gavin-Trenhaile Families
Stephen Rademan
Tues. 5:30 p.m. Jim Lampton, Jack & Pat Hedges



8:15 a.m. Lloyd Lampton
Florence Frese
10:30 a.m. Shirley Miller (55+ Club)
7:00 p.m. John & Patt Roemer

Thurs. 8:15 a.m. Mike Boardman
Fri. 10:30 a.m. Shirley Richardson (Willow Care Mass)
Sat. 5:30 p.m. Norma Branham
Mary A. Lawless
Sun. 8:00 a.m. Ernest Scott
People of the Parish
10:00 a.m. Amelia McKenzie
Ruth Chambers

ALTAR MINISTERS - MARCH, 2011

5:30 p.m. Ministers of Eucharist:

Emma Benson, George & Peggy Walley,
Ted & Carol Fix, Gene Ledbetter, John Mikula - alt.

Minister of the Word: John Pierceall

8:00 a.m. Ministers of Eucharist:

Joe & Julie Gwinner, Sara Hooley
Hal Benedict, Kenny Buckman, Sue Webster - alt.

Minister of the Word: Joni Karr

10:00 a.m. Ministers of Eucharist:

Ken Zielinski, Lori Catalpa, Mark Novak,
Frank & Janet Janes, Carey Toalson, Andy Thomeczek - alt.

Minister of the Word: Mary Lynne Richards

Greeters - March

5:30 p.m. Terry & Margaret Miller
8:00 a.m. Betsy Kurz, Gail Terrill
10:00 a.m. Kevin & Terra Murphy, John Hark

Servers - Mar. 5-6

5:30 p.m. Kael Rademan, Kasen Rademan, Kyler Rademan
8:00 a.m. Christa Dowil, Jackie Dowil, Madelynn McIntyre
10:00 a.m. Maria Clark, Olivia Clark, Bailey Meyer

RCIA RITE OF SENDING MARCH 13

Next Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass we will celebrate the "Rite of Sending for Election" with our catechumens, **Laura Steinman and Brandon Wyatt.** We will celebrate the "Rite of Sending for the Call to Continuing Conversion" with our baptized candidates, **Rodney Brumbaugh, Seth Brummond, Tiffany Carroll, Sarah Dorsey, Sarah Kurz, Shane McClelland, Charlene McIntyre, Diane Rash, Jerry Rash, and Amber Riefesel.**

The Church has discerned their readiness for reception of the initiation sacrament this Easter. After these rites are celebrated here next Sunday morning, these catechumens and candidates, along with their godparents and sponsors, will be sent by our parish to the bishop for the "Rite of Election" (for the catechumens) and "Call to Conversion" (for the candidates). Bishop John Gaydos will declare the catechumens to be elect, chosen by God for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist this Easter. The bishop also recognizes the desire of the baptized candidates for the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist within the Catholic community. Please continue to pray for all those in the RCIA process as they continue on their journey of faith into the Catholic Church.

CANDIDATES NEEDED FOR SCHOOL BOARD

Holy Family School Board is looking for a few good men...or women...to serve on the school board beginning with the 2011-2012 school year. The School Board election will be held on May 1, 2011, so if you or someone you know is interested in filling one of the two open positions, please contact School Board President, Debbie Baumann at: **deborahbaumann@hotmail.com** before April 1, 2011. It's a great way to give back to the parish and school.

ROUNDUP SCHEDULED

Families interested in enrolling children in Discovery Time (3-5 year olds), pre-kindergarten (age 4 by August 1, 2011), or kindergarten (age 5 by August 1, 2011) are invited to attend an informational evening on **Tuesday, March 15th at 6:30 p.m.** We will begin the evening in church and visit the school to learn more about the programs.

K OF C LENTEN FISH FRIES



The K of C Lenten Fish Fries begin Friday, March 11, 2011 from 4:30-7:00 p.m. **New this year - A la carte menu!!!**
Fish fry dates: **March 11, 18, 25 and April 1, 8, 15.**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sun. 3/6

K of C Pancake & Sausage Breakfast - St. Michael's Hall following 8 & 10 a.m. Masses

8 & 10 a.m. Masses - all are welcome!

11 a.m.- 4 p.m. - High School Youth Retreat in Monroe City, MO

6 p.m. Men's CRHP in the St. Elizabeth Room

Tues. 3/8 9 a.m. Why Catholic Group - St. Mary Rm.

5:30 p.m. Mass in church - distribution of Ashes at this Mass - all are welcome!

6 p.m. Women's CRHP - St. Michael's Hall

LENT BEGINS- ASH WEDNESDAY 3/9

A day of fast & abstinence. Distribution of ashes at all Masses.

8:15 a.m. Mass - church - all are welcome!

10:30 a.m. 55+ Club Mass - K of C Hall

6:45-8:15 p.m. Why Catholic Group - St. E's room

7:00 p.m. Mass - Religious Ed. students to Mass

Thurs. 3/10 8:15 a.m. Mass in church - all welcome!

7-9 p.m. RCIA Class in St. Michael's Hall

7 p.m. Meeting with QND representative - All who are considering Catholic secondary education for their children are welcome - St. Elizabeth Rm.

Fri. 3/11 9:00 a.m. Friday to 8:30 a.m. Sat. -

Eucharistic Adoration in the chapel - all are welcome!

10:30 a.m. Mass at Willow Care - all are welcome!

4:30-7 p.m. K of C Lenten Fish Fry - K of C Hall

7 p.m. Stations of the Cross & Anointing in church - all are welcome and encouraged to participate

Sat. 3/12 MEN'S CRHP WEEKEND

We Welcome Fr. Roy Bauer who will celebrate our Masses this weekend as Fr. Mike participates in the Men's CRHP Weekend.

5:30 p.m. Mass - all are welcome!

Sun. 3/13 8 & 10 a.m. Masses - all are welcome!

10:00 a.m. Mass - Rite of Sending

Coffee & doughnuts after Masses this morning.

Religious Articles sale during coffee & doughnuts.

WE ASK ETERNAL REST O LORD FOR THE SOUL OF: Patt Roemer, of our parish



Your Gifts to God and Parish

Offertory Budget	52 weeks	1,097,333.01
Needed to Date	35 weeks	738,605.00
Received to Date		693,512.65
Over (Under) for Year		(45,092.35)
Needed Each Week		21,103.00
Received Feb. 26-27		13,424.42
The total for Feb. 26-27 is comprised of:		
Regular Envelopes & Loose		12,914.12
Youth Envelopes		45.30
Stole Fees		100.00
Masses		30.00
School Support		170.00
Parish Lay Retirement		165.00

Building Fund	127.00
Families In Need	50.00



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The first Friday in Lent, March 11th we will pray for the sick during Stations of the Cross.

You are invited to attend this special prayer and meditation. Immediately following Stations, Fr. Mike will have Anointing of the Sick.

Please plan to attend and pray for all the people of our parish suffering from illness, injury and the trials of aging. The sacrament is available to anyone suffering from or recovering from illness. Bring those you care about to this special blessing. If you know someone who would like to attend but does not have transportation, please let the parish office know. We will make arrangements for their participation.

The Stations will be led by the Sunday Morning Why Catholic group and we hope to see you all there at 7:00 p.m.

QND COMMITMENT SUNDAY

All parishioners are respectfully asked to make a contribution to support the students of Holy Family who have continued their education at Quincy Notre Dame High School. Donations help keep tuition affordable and support QND's Annual Fund. The Annual Fund bridges the gap between the cost to educate students (\$5,700) and the actual tuition they are charged (\$4,700). Envelopes are in the pews today for you to make your donation. Using the envelope, gifts can be placed in the collection basket, dropped by the parish office or mailed. Visit www.quincynotredame.org for more info. Thank you for your consideration!

Holy Family Church

ATTN: K of C LADIES AUXILIARY AND ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH

This coming Friday, March 11th is the first Lenten Fish Fry. Donations of desserts would be greatly appreciated for the fish fries on March 11th, 18th, 25th, and April 1st, 8th and 15th. Bring your desserts to the K of C Hall by 4:30 p.m. on Fridays. Thanks in advance for your help!!!

ASH WEDNESDAY: “The act of putting on ashes symbolizes fragility and mortality, and the need to be redeemed by the mercy of God. Far from being a merely external act, the Church has retained the use of ashes to symbolize that attitude of internal penance to which all the baptized are called during Lent” (Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy, 125). **External observance is important, but it must be joined with internal awareness and sincerity of heart.**

Lent is a season of growth in our spiritual lives, As we “give up” something for Lent, the liturgy does also, giving up our song of praise, the Gloria (except for the solemnities of Joseph on March 19, and the Annunciation of Mary on March 25). We give up the Alleluia without exception. This omission is a powerful way of marking the season of Lent. The return of the Alleluia returns at the Easter Vigil, a sure sign of Resurrection and great joy.

Consider a personal or family devotion during Lent: **Stations of the Cross**, meditating of the Passion of the Lord **The Rosary**, reflecting on the mysteries of Christ through the experiences of Mary **Novenas**, strengthening our desire for holiness in life and appreciation of the intercession of the saints

SAVE THE DATES...Men’s Weekend-March 12-13; Women’s Weekend-March 26-27 - The Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) weekends at Holy Family Parish are spiritual gifts for those who seek a deeper relationship with our Lord through fellowship with peers, bible readings and prayer. It begins at 8 a.m. on Saturday and ends on Sunday afternoon. Please pray about it and plan to be a part of our parish renewal.

MOMS IN TOUCH Calling all Moms! Our next meeting for Moms in Touch will be Tuesday, March 15 at 11 a.m. in the St. Elizabeth Room. Come gather to give thanksgiving to God and pray for our children and our school. Call Missy Sampson, 248-8316 or email: jmklsampson@yahoo.com for more info.

CEMETERY NOTE... Please remove all Christmas decorations or flowers (not in permanent vases) that you wish to keep by Monday, March 21, 2011. Our cemetery clean-up will begin on that date. Thanks!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK - Mar. 6-13

Sunday Dt 11:18,26-28,32 Ps 31:2-4,17,25
Rom 3:21-25,28 Mt 7:21-27
Monday Tb 1:3;2:1a-8 Ps 112:1-6
Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday Tb 2:9-14 Ps 112:1-2,7-9
Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-6a,12-14,17
2 Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6,16-18
Thursday Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-4,6
Lk 9:22-25
Friday Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-6a,18-19
Mt 9:14-15
Saturday Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-6
Lk 5:27-32
Sunday Gn 2:7-9;3:1-7 Ps 51:3-6,12-13,17
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12,17-19
Mt 4:1-11

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

“And everyone who listens to these words of mine but does not act on them will be like a fool who built his house on sand. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. And it collapsed and was completely in ruin.” Mt. 7:26-27

Adults In my prayer, have I ever asked the Lord to help me, while at the same time I do not have any concern for actually following Jesus’ ways? Be specific.

Children Am I trying to follow the teachings of Jesus the best I can?



As we begin our Lenten journey, you are invited to participate in Catholic Relief Services’ Operation

Rice Bowl. Throughout Lent we will pray, fast, learn and share as a way to reach out in solidarity with our brothers and sisters around the world. Rice bags will be in the pews for your donations to Operation Rice Bowl throughout the Lenten season.

THANK YOU...to all who took part in and planned our Annual School Auction. Many working hands and caring hearts made this a successful event! Watch the bulletin for auction totals. We couldn’t have done it without all of you!!



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ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The William H. (Bill) Simon Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to Catholic students who are in financial need for the purpose of attending an accredited college or university of the student's choice. The scholarship is \$1,000 per semester to assist the student in meeting educational needs. Scholarship funds are paid directly to the institution or the student upon presentation of receipts paid to the institution for tuition, fees, and/or room and board. It is the intent to award three new scholarships each year; however, the actual number of new awards will be contingent upon the current number of previous recipients that are eligible for renewal.

To request an application, contact the parish office. The **deadline** for submission of the application, SAR, and letters of recommendation is **March 31, 2011**. All applicants will be notified of the results by May 1, 2011.

Attention Middle School Youth! We have lots of upcoming activities scheduled, so mark your calendars! We are looking for a few good babysitters to help out at a retreat on March 6th in Monroe City at Holy Rosary. Please contact us if your child would be interested. We would leave after 10:00 mass and be back around 6 pm.

March 13th our youth will help serve the celebration dinner for the men's CRHP weekend. We will gather in the chapel after 10:00 mass to pray for the men, then serve dinner. You may pick up your children at 3:00.

March 27th - Serving dinner to women's CRHP (details to come)

April 1- we will lead stations of the cross in church at 7:00 pm. Details to follow

April 30- Agape Fest at Greenville College in Greenville, IL featuring Third Day! If you would like to attend, please contact Sue, Terra or myself for details. We need to order tickets by March 25!!!! Tickets are \$32.00 with discounts for every 10 that we purchase. Let's see how many we can get to attend. Families are welcome!!!!

May - half-day retreat hosted by Stephen Young, youth director for the diocese. date yet to be determined.

If you have any questions, suggestions or comments please feel free to contact Sue Sculley 248-7415, Terra Murphy 795-0571 or Missy Sampson 822-2382 or jmklsampson@yahoo.com

GLS SCRIP CARDS Have you ordered Scrip Cards to help support Holy Family School? You may leave the order form in the basket at the back of church for Cherrie Allen to pick up on Mondays. Thanks!

WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT

Would you like some quiet and rest to rekindle your relationship with God? Come join with others from your parish community on a retreat weekend for women at King's House Retreat and Renewal Center in Belleville, IL. King's House is just 15 minutes by freeway from St. Louis, **April 8-10, 2011**. Weekends include quiet time, reflective talks, celebration of the Eucharist and Reconciliation, great meals and time for rest. For more information or to register contact Kathy Kapfer at 573-795-3430.

PRO-LIFE ACTION DAY... Tuesday, April 5, 2011 at the Missouri State Capitol - 1st floor Rotunda, Jefferson City MO. Registration is from 9:00 a.m. - Noon Lobbying from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Noon Rally with featured speaker Abby Johnson. Abby is a former Planned Parenthood Director turned Pro-life Advocate. Abby has a very powerful story of conversion. Following the rally, she will have a book signing of her powerful witness for life, *unPLANNED*. The book signing will take place from 1:30-3:00 p.m., at the Selinger Center, St. Peter Church, across from the Capitol. Books will be available for purchase. During the book signing, she will also answer informal, one-on-one questions on sidewalk counseling.

God's Harvesters Fundraiser Event - Sat., March 12th , 6 p.m. - American Legion...fundraiser for *Loaves & Fishes*, Harvest House, and Prison & Jail Ministries - Hog roast dinner Cost - free. Donations taken. Make reservations at godharvesters.org or call Linda at 573-231-6877

THANKS TO...  **FOR PROVIDING INTERNET SERVICE TO SCHOOL**

**2011 Lenten Regulations & Admonitions
for the Diocese of Jefferson City**

In order to foster a greater spirit of penance, of reparation for sin, to encourage self-denial, and to guide us more closely in the footsteps of Christ, Holy Mother Church reminds us of the following **obligations of fast and abstinence** during Lent and also **admonishes us all to deeper prayer and worship**.

1. **Abstinence**: all persons who have already celebrated their 14th birthday are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.
2. **Fasting**: everyone, from the celebration of their 18th birthday to their 59th birthday, is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting is generally understood to mean eating only one full meal each day. Two other partial meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken; but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. Voluntary fasting on other weekdays of Lent is highly recommended. But please note: when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, neither the law of fasting nor the law of abstinence obliges. These are minimal penitential practices and should not be lightly excused. If in doubt, please consult your parish priest. Other recommended forms of fasting, as regards alcoholic drink, needless television, video games, internet use, and social entertainment, are of true spiritual value and strongly encouraged.
3. **Almsgiving**: The act of giving to the poor, in the most ancient tradition of the Church, is an expression of penance, a witness of fraternal charity, and an expression of Lenten conversion. Therefore, all Catholics are encouraged to support generously the charitable works of the whole Church: through regular stewardship to their parish, support of charities, and their generous response to the diocesan Catholic Stewardship Appeal.
4. **Prayer**: In order to deepen one's love for Christ, Catholics are urged all the more to participate in the Sacramental life of the Church during Lent by attending daily **Mass**.
Baptism: Infants are properly baptized on Easter Sunday or during the Easter Season.

WE NEED YOU!

Do you know who won the last **Mizzou** game? How many games are in a baseball season? When was the last time you went to Mass? Who are the **Cardinals** and **Cubs** playing next? What is your favorite fingernail polish color? Which question was hardest to answer?

Please read the following because we miss you. Remember the parable about the prodigal son? (*Luke 15:11-32*). The father welcomed his son back with open arms. We want to welcome you back to Holy Family. We might not slaughter a fattened calf and have a feast, but every week there is fellowship and celebration.

About 10 years ago, we had a hard time remembering the last time we went to Church. We figured we were doing ok raising our children in the Catholic faith. We were after all sending them to Holy Family. They attended church twice a week and we got there when we felt like it on the weekends. Shouldn't *that* good enough for us? We received our answer from a polite request from the school to meet with Father Mike. Oh no, we thought, we're going to get kicked out! Well, not quite. Father Mike explained that he missed our smiling faces at Church on Sundays. He also reminded us that we signed a covenant requiring us to show our children our love for God not just by being a good person, but by showing up in the pews on Sunday.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children.

-Deuteronomy 6:5-8

The best way to show our children that we love God is by actually doing what God wants us to do.

Well, we got the message. While we are not a perfect Catholic family we strive to do our best by showing up weekly at Church. Won't you do the same? Try to participate and volunteer in the many aspects of our church including the different ministries, committees, choir, youth groups, prayer groups and CRHP. Yes, it is sometimes hard to give up one hour a week to worship God, but it's worth it. The gift we have received by being a part of the church is far more valuable than anything we would have replaced it with. Our parish community needs and wants you. God is knocking at your door – Won't you open it?