

28 February 2010—2nd Sunday of Lent

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please Pray For: Marie Scott, Marylee Penhollow, Eunice McGough, Bea & Len Whitlock, Rusty Taylor, Michael Hoag, Frank Jones, Colin Ward, Linda Pratt, Maria Weinberger, Hope Smith, Nancy Barton and Hans Slendebroek (husband of Angela).

THE TRANSFIGURATION

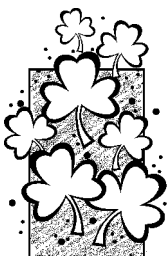


Jesus' transfiguration was a moment of hope for the disciples, giving them the strength to endure the future sacrifices they would make as they formed the early Church. As we continue our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, let us be mindful that our Lenten sacrifices help to give hope to our brothers and sisters in need.

FIRST FRIDAY SCHEDULE—MASS OF ANOINTING

Thurs. March 4 6:30-7:30PM—Confessions in the church
Fri. March 5th **1st Friday Mass of the Anointing at 11AM** followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for Continuous Adoration. There will be a Pottluck in the Parish Hall following Mass—please bring a meatless dish.
Sat. March 6th 7:30AM—Mass and Benediction

ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUNCHEON AT ST. JOHN MISSION



Celebrate the Irish with great food and entertainment. The St. John Mission Women's Guild will be hosting a St. Patrick's Day Luncheon on Thursday, March 11th, in the hall downstairs. The doors will open at noon and lunch will be served by a professional chef at 12:30PM. Please join us for this "green" event. Tickets are \$7.00 each and will be sold after 9AM Mass at St. John Mission or you can call Reggie Buck 425-484-6657.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR SUPPER!

Our special Lenten Soup Suppers began on Friday, February 19th. Soup will be served from 5:00—7:00PM in the Parish Hall every Friday during Lent except for Good Friday. We hope that families will take the time to enjoy this simple soup and bread dinner and then attend the Stations of the Cross, which will begin at 7PM in the church.

This meatless meal is designed to help us identify with those less fortunate. We are asked to donate the cost of our regular evening meal which we are substituting with this dinner of soup and bread in solidarity with the poor. The money donated goes to the Rice Bowl Collection which helps the poor around the world and in our own community



LOVE

Love sees through a telescope,
not a microscope.
1 Corinthians 13:4-5
- Dcn. Dave

DO YOU LOVE WORKING WITH FLOWERS?



If you enjoy working with flowers, love to see St. Mary Magdalen Church looking beautiful, and have a couple hours a week to spare, we are looking for 2 or 3 volunteers to help with this ministry. If you think this might be something you would enjoy, or have questions before making a commitment, please call Pat Gaitan at 425-710-9734. She will be happy to talk to you about the time commitment and the duties along with the satisfaction received from this ministry.

ST. JOHN WOMEN'S GUILD TO MEET

The St. John Mission Women's Guild will meet this Wednesday, March 3rd at 7PM in the hall downstairs.

Parishioner Katie Ross will be the guest speaker. She will continue the topic of "Catholics and the Death Penalty." All ladies of the mission are invited to attend.

For more information please contact
Laura Clift at 425-379-0378
or Vera Hughes at 425-349-9753.

NEWS FROM ST. MARY MAGDALEN SCHOOL

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic School – Phone: 425.353.7559

St. Mary Magdalen School 50th Jubilee Auction

Please join us Saturday evening, March 27, at the Lynnwood Convention Center. Tickets are now available for purchase in our school office. We are also continuing to accept cash donations and auction items for this very special annual event. We welcome your donations at the school office. For more information about the auction, please go to www.stmarym.org/auction.



Stations of the Cross

Our students have begun their Lenten journey in preparation for Easter. Our students and teachers invite all parishioners to join us on Friday afternoons at 2:15 in the Church for the Stations of the Cross.

Applications for School Year 2010-2011

Assessments for new applicants have begun. Please phone the school office if you wish your child to attend our school next year and we will happily provide you with enrollment information and paperwork!

Thoughts from a School Parent

"The standards at St. Mary Magdalen School are set high and our students . . . rise to those standards. Parent involvement is encouraged and welcomed."

For more information about the school, please phone the office or visit our informative website:

www.stmarym.org

MASS INTENTIONS: Mon.—Sat. 7:30AM (Wed. 8:30AM)

To have a Mass said for someone deceased or for the intentions of a living person, stop at the Parish Office with your request and donation. The usual donation is \$10—\$15.

Mon. March 01	Our Parish Priests—Intentions
Tues. March 02	Floyd & Carol Emerson—Intentions
Wed. March 03	Bernard Barrows—Deceased
Thurs. March 04	David Higgins—Deceased
Fri. March 05	Brian Thomas—Deceased
Sat. March 06	Monica Luker—Deceased

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Mon. March 01.... - St. Andrew room reserved all day
 - **8AM – Morning Prayer– CH - Mon—Fri.**
 - 4PM—Light Weigh—St. Joseph Rm
 - **6PM—Evening Prayer—Ch—Mon—Fri**
 - 7PM— OS Sac. Class—Rm 6A
 - 7PM—Rel Ed Gr. 1-8—School
- Tues. March 02... - 6PM—B. Sct. Leadership—PH
 - 6:30PM—SJ Choir—SJ hall
 - 6:30PM— SJ—Stations of the Cross
 - 7PM—Adult Education Class—CH
 - 7PM—B Sct Troop Mtg—Parish Hall
 - 7PM—Knights of Columbus —ERB
- Wed. March 03.... - **10-11:30AM—Parish Office Closed**
 - 10AM—School confessions—CH
 - 2PM—GS Troop #43488— Parish Hall
 - 4PM—Jubilate Choir—CH loft/MP
 - 6:30PPM—C Sct. Den #1—ERB
 - 7PM—Infant Baptism Class—SL
 - 7PM—Scripture Study—Rm 7B
 - 7PM—SJ Women’s Guild—SJ Hall
 - 7PM—Adult Choir—Ch loft
- Thurs. Mar.04.... - 10AM—School Confessions—Church
 - 1PM—School Confessions—Church
 - 1PM—Bulletin - St. Andrew
 - 7PM—Adult Confirmation Class—Sch. 7B
 - 7PM—RCIA—Parish Hall
 - 7PM—RCIC—School room 6A
 - 7PM— School Activity—SL
- Fri. Mar 05..... - Day of Abstinence
 - First Friday—See Schedule on page 1
 - 2:15PM—School Stations/Cross—CH
 - 5-7PM—Soup Supper—Parish Hall
 - 7PM—Teen Overnight Lock-in Retreat—PH
 - 6:00PM—Evening Prayer
 - 7PM— Stations of the Cross—Church
 - 7-8PM—Confessions—Church
 - 7PM—Vietnamese Class—ERB, 7B, 8B
- Sat. Mar. 06..... - 8AM—1st Saturday Rosary—Church
 - 8:30AM—Men’s Scripture—St. Andrew
 - 8:30AM—Women’s Scripture—St. Jsph.
 - 12:30PM—Parish Hall reserved for setup
 - 2PM—Eagle Court of Honor—PH
 - 3:30PM—Confessions—SMM Church
- Sun. Mar. 07..... - 3rd Sunday of Lent
 - Girl Scout Sunday—10AM Mass
 - Coffee & Donuts—G Scts –8 & 10 Masses
 - 9:15AM—Ad Altare Dei—B. Sct.—ERB
 - 10AM Mass—RCIA Dismissal—SL
 - 10AM—Pre-school Class—School
 - All Day – Faith Formation classes—SL
 - 11:15AM—Teen Choir—SMM loft
 - 1:30— HS Gr. 9-12—Parish Hall

**What have I given back to God
for all He’s given me?****RESPECT LIFE**

"The Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a single and indivisible Gospel." ["The Gospel of Life" (Evangelium Vitae), Encyclical Letter of John Paul II, #2, 1995]

"On average, every day in the United States more than 3,000 babies are aborted, their lives ended by someone else's choice (Gutmacher Institute. July 2008). If we really care about saving the planet, let's do something about saving our greatest resource - human beings! Killing and throwing away 50 million babies since 1973 makes the United States one of the premier abusers of the human resource. No country has more permissive abortion laws than the U.S. - abortion is legal through all nine months of pregnancy for any reason." (Doe vs. Bolton. U.S. Supreme Court. Jan. 1973.)

Everett 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign is happening now. Please join us by praying to end abortion. To get involved call 425-214-3837, or email everett40days@gmail.com, or register at www.40daysforlife.com/everett.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF LENT

The season of Lent developed gradually during the early centuries of the Church. Initially, there was a great diversity of practice regarding the fast before Easter. The fourth-century church historian Eusebius quoted a letter from St. Irenaeus to Pope Victor written around the year 190: "Some think they ought to fast for one day, others for two days, and others even for several, while others reckon 40 hours both of day and night to their fast."

By the early fourth century, a period of 40 days sees to have been fairly widespread. In 339, after traveling to Rome and through much of Europe, St. Athanasius, the bishop of Alexandria, wrote to his flock urging them to observe a fast of 40 days prior to the stricter fast of Holy Week, "to the end that while all the world is fasting, we who are in Egypt should not become a laughing-stock as the only people who do not fast but take our pleasure in those days."

The number 40 was likely chosen for its biblical significance: Moses spent 40 days on Mount Sinai with God; Elijah spent 40 days walking to Mount Horeb; Jesus spent 40 days fasting in the wilderness and being tempted by the devil. It is also traditionally believed that Jesus lay 40 hours in the tomb.

In Rome during the time of Pope Gregory I (590-604), six weeks of six days of fasting each were observed as a form of spiritual tithing of the year, 36 years being approximately one-tenth of 365. Later on, the desire to observe the exact number of 40 days led to beginning Lent on our present Ash Wednesday.

Today, Lent is understood to begin Ash Wednesday and end before the Mass of the Lord's Supper on the evening of Holy Thursday. (Source: The Catholic Encyclopedia)

YOUTH CORNER

Lock-in—Friday, March 5—Saturday, March 6: Remember the lock-in we had at the beginning of the year? Well, it is time for round 2!! This coming Friday, March 5th, we are in charge of running the Soup Supper and will then follow that with a Lock-in for the night. We will be hanging out together until around noon on Sat., March 6th. Come join the fun!!! One never knows when Huan might show us how to dance...