



St. Florian Parish

The new St. Florian...
Good ideas going forward



A Parish of the
Diocese of Greensburg
A Pennsylvania
Charitable Trust

Second Sunday in Lent

February 28, 2010

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil, 5:00 PM
Sunday, 9:00 and 11:00 AM
Weekdays: 8:00 AM
Holy Days: As Announced

Reconciliation:

Saturday, 4 - 4:40 PM

Phone Numbers:

Administrative Center:
(724)423-4431
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(724)423-4438

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423-5087

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8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

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Staff:

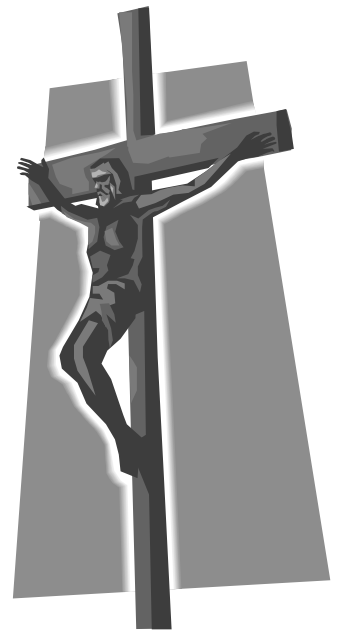
Pastor:
Rev. William C. McGuirk
Business Mgr: Jerry Spallino
Directors of Faith Formation:
Toni Chovanec
Organists:
Mary Jane Makar,
Asst. Choir Director
Steven Makar
Dr. Steve Whisdosh,
Choir Director
Preschool, Dir: Lottie Hirak
Preschool, Aide: Karen Dlugos
Parish Secretary: Pat Lucas

Taize Prayer

Sunday, March 7

7:00 p.m.

St. Florian Church



Lent is a time of retreat before the Easter celebrations. It prepares us for the festival of our liberation. In communion with Christ in the desert, each Christian is invited during these forty days to a conversion - to turn his or her entire being towards God.

Join us for an evening of prayer and song as this experience of Taize Prayer and the joy of God's forgiveness sustains us on this journey.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Feb. 27 5:00 PM +Joseph J. Tirdil by Joseph Tirdil Family; +Elizabeth Secker by Bob Barlock & Family

Sunday, Feb. 28 9:00 AM +Thomas Brown, Sr. by Chris Wesolawski; +George & Agnes Rusinko & George Stephen Rusinko by Michael & Aimee Kakos

Sunday, Feb. 28 11:00 AM People

Mon., March 1 8:00 AM +Mary Ann Sopko by Mary Ellen Sopko

Tue., March 2 8:00 AM +Margaret Yurcovic by Niece, Colleen Yothers

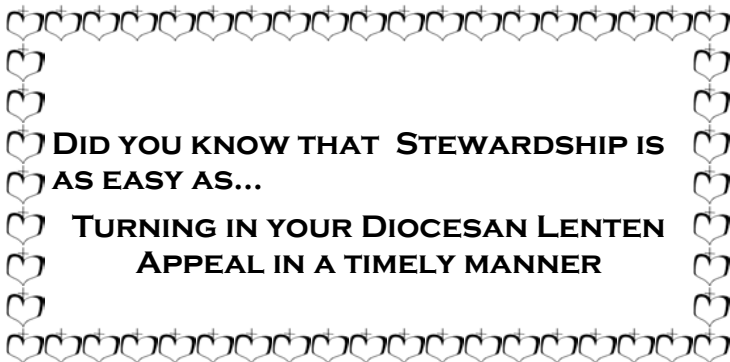
Wed., March 3 8:00 AM +Thomas Appleby by John L. Dlugos

Thurs., March 4 8:00 AM +Nick Vidakovich by Richard & Phil Susa

Fri., March 5 8:00 AM +Mildred Bankovich by Steve & Mary Jane Makar

Saturday, March 6 5:00 PM People

Sunday, March 7 9:00 AM +Thomas Hricik by Grandchildren; +William Smail by Wife Jane and Family



WOMEN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION

The St. Vincent Women's Auxiliary Day of Recollection will be held Monday, March 8, 2010. Confession at 11:30 a.m., Mass in the Basilica at noon, luncheon at 1 p.m., conference and Benediction in St. Gregory Chapel at 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$10. Please call Grace Kaminski at 724-539-8830 or Grace Murphy at 724-539-7752.

THIS WEEK

Bible Study	Sunday, 10:00 AM
Religious Formation	Monday, 6:30 PM
Women's Faith Sharing Group	Monday, 7:00 PM
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Tuesday, 1:00 PM
Stations of the Cross	Friday, 7:00 PM

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 27, 2010 ~ 5:00 PM

Lector..... L. Yanetsky
 Eucharistic Ministers T. Jackson, J. Lesko, K. Kelly
 Altar Servers..... Z. & L. D'Amico, A. Dick

Sunday, February 28, 2010 ~ 9:00 AM

Lector..... D. Yasher
 Eucharistic Ministers W. Bossart, C. & J. Myers
 Altar Servers..... N. Hicks, M. Juliano, H. Kromer

Sunday, February 28, 2010 ~ 11:00 AM

Lector..... M. L. Yothers
 Eucharistic Ministers S. Makar, D. Shimko, J. Bertoni
 Altar Servers..... J. Lucas, A. & H. Macey

Saturday, March 6, 2010 ~ 5:00 PM

Lector E. Zider
 Eucharistic Ministers S. Makar, J. Bertoni, C. & J. Myers
 Altar Servers..... J. Prue, J. Secker, E. Uhrin

Sunday, March 7, 2010 ~ 9:00 AM

Lector M.L. Yothers
 Eucharistic Ministers M. Yuhas, J. Lawrence, R. Mizikar, M. Ceroni
 Altar Servers..... A. Miscovich, A. & T. Salopek

Sunday, March 7, 2010 ~ 11:00 AM

Lector D. Yasher
 Eucharistic Ministers L. Yanek, S. D'Amico, M. Klimchock, L. Dick
 Altar Servers..... K. Porter, C. Reese, J. Lucas

STATIONS OF THE CROSS READERS

March 5	K. Bassi-Cook	T. Bassi-Cook
March 12	E. Zider	R. Mizikar
March 19	M.A. Monticue	D. Shimko
March 26	M.E. Sopko	E. Zider
April 2	Fr. McGuirk	

READINGS FOR THE WEEK*

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12,17-18/Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10,16-20/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28/Mt 21:33-43,45-46

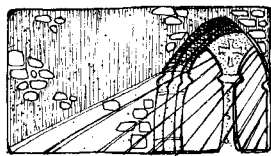
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15,18-20/Lk 15:1-3,11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a,13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12/Lk 13:1-9

*In addition to the above, you can find weekday Psalms in Gather at #1091 and for this Sunday, 909.



Those in the hospital including Richard Klimchock, Steve Balog For the soul of William Smail, Leonard Pavuk, brother of Phyllis Kromer



**Second Sunday of Lent
February 28, 2010**

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom should I fear?
— *Psalm 27:1*



Fridays in Lent @ 7:00 PM

SEEKING SOLUTIONS TOGETHER

The following recipe from Dr. Andrew Weil makes a good Lenten meal:

Ingredients:

- 3/4 cup pearl barley
- 11 cups vegetable stock
- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 1/2 cups chopped onion
- 1 cup chopped carrots
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 1 cup thinly sliced mushrooms
- Salt to taste
- 1/2 bunch parsley

Instructions:

1. In a saucepan, combine the barley and 3 cups of vegetable stock. Bring to a boil over medium heat, cover, and simmer for 1 hour, or until the liquid is absorbed.
2. Meanwhile, heat the olive oil in a large pot and add the onion, carrots, celery, and mushrooms. Cover and cook the vegetables for about 5 minutes, until they begin to soften.
3. Add the remaining vegetable stock and simmer 30 minutes, covered.
4. Add the barley and simmer 5 minutes more. Add salt to taste and ladle into bowls. Serve garnished with chopped fresh parsley.

Taizé Prayer will be Sunday, March 7, at 7:00 PM in the church. Taizé prayer is a quiet simple way of prayer. The meditative candlelit service includes simple chants sung repeatedly, rich silence, and prayers of praise and intercession.

Faith Formation Classes Welcome Local Author Linda Winwood, author of “Colored Eggs for Jesse”, will explain the true Easter Story about Jesus to our children on Monday, March 8. By using colored plastic eggs, she will make the message come alive with her props and storytelling.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING

C.D.A. will resume monthly meetings on Tuesday, March 9th with a covered dish luncheon. The group will gather at noon in the social hall. Watch for details on their annual card party which is scheduled for Thursday, April 22nd.

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS ANNOUNCED

The Agnes Rusinko Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to selected students who are active members of St. Florian and are continuing their education. The scholarship was established by Mrs. Rusinko’s family to honor her mother, who during her lifetime developed a love of reading and writing while attending a one-room schoolhouse that is still standing in the small town of Mutual.

The Community Foundation of Westmoreland County administers the scholarship fund on behalf of the family. Stop by the office for an application which must be completed and submitted to the parish office by 2:00 PM on March 30, 2010.

We have also been notified of a scholarship opportunity for high school seniors/graduates who seek to enter the Christian ministry and/or have exhibited a strong interest in community service and humanitarian service. The Kenneth P. Rutter Scholarship applications (including details on qualifications) are available in the parish office. Deadline to apply is 2:00 PM, March 13, 2010.

LOOKING FOR THE WINNER!!

At the spaghetti dinner last Sunday, there was a 50/50 ticket sold and the winner has not yet been located. The winning number (on a YELLOW ticket) is 590592. If you have this ticket, call Susie at 724-423-8256 to claim your winnings.

THANK YOU

I wish to thank the parishioners of St. Florian Church for the expressions of sympathy extended to me and my family on the recent passing of my mother, Mary Spallino. Your thoughtfulness is most appreciated. A special thanks to the ladies of the Prayer Shawl Ministry. My Mom loved her shawl and constantly kept it with her, right up to the time of her passing. Thank you all, again.

Jerry Spallino

HOLY WEEK TRADITIONS

The Benedictine Nuns of St. Emma Monastery, Greensburg, invite single women, ages 16-40, to experience Holy Week through the tradition of monastic prayer, March 30 April 5. During these days, join the nuns in chanting the Divine Office, silence, personal prayer and Holy Week liturgies.

Please contact Sr. Mary Clare at 724-834-3060 or email vocations@stemma.org for additional information or to register.



ST. FLORIAN USED BOOK SALE

Once again, we are planning to have the Used Book Sale at the festival so think of us when you are doing your spring cleaning. Please place books, CD’s, and videos in the vestibule of the church. If you have a lot of books or any questions, please call me at 724-837-1185.

Pat Bush

St. Florian Church

Easter KOLACHE Sale

Nut, Apricot, Poppysseed, & Prune
(15-inch) Long Rolls

Fresh-baked by our parishioners—not frozen
Let us do your holiday baking!

\$11.00 each

(Freeze them special events)

We are taking **advance orders only!**

Pickup Dates: Friday March 19 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

(In Social Hall) Saturday March 20 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Sunday March 21 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Please complete this section with your order and place in the Sunday collection basket **no later than March 8, 2010.**

(Or call *Phyllis* 724-423-5233, *Bobbi* 724-423-6619 or *Juanita* 724-423-2455).

Name _____ Phone _____

Long Nut Roll _____

Long Poppysseed Roll _____

Long Apricot Roll _____

Long Prune Roll _____

Total Rolls _____ X \$11.00 = _____ Total Amount Due

HAITI RELIEF

We recently received word from the diocesan Mission Office that as of February 16th, \$405,000 was collected in our diocese to help the people of Haiti. Thank you for your contributions.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- ◇ **Afternoon Bingo** ~ Adelphoi USA ~ Tuesday, March 2nd ~ Bingo begins at 3 PM, doors open @ 2:30 PM ~ 1133 Village Way, Latrobe ~ free dessert & coffee
- ◇ **All-you-can-eat Pancake, Egg & Sausage Breakfast** ~ Sunday, February 28, 8 AM - noon ~ Visitation Community Center, Mt. Pleasant ~ Adults: \$5, children (10 & under): \$2.50 & toddlers: Free ~ Take-out and buckwheat cakes available ~ Tickets @ the door
- ◇ **Fish/Shrimp Lenten Dinners** ~ St. Boniface Parish ~ every Friday during Lent except Good Friday ~ 4 - 6:30 PM ~ Adults: Fish, \$7.50; Shrimp: \$8; Children: \$5 ~ Eat-in or take-out
- ◇ **All-you-can-eat Omelet Breakfast** ~ Sun., March 7, St. Pius X Social Hall ~ 8 AM - Noon ~ Adults: \$5, children, 3 - 12: \$3.50 and under 3: free
- ◇ **All-you-can-eat Breakfast Buffet/Flea Market/Craft Show** ~ St. Mary Center, Trauger ~ Sunday, March 7, 9 AM - 1 PM ~ Adults: \$6, 5-10 yr. old: \$3, 4 & under: Free ~ Sponsored by St. Mary Youth Group ~ Vendors needed ~ For information call Laurie, 724-423-7396
- ◇ **Pancake Breakfast** ~ Sunday, March 14, 7:30 - 9 AM & 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM ~ @ St. Benedict Church ~ Adults: \$5, ages 10 & under: \$2.50, 3 & under: Free
- ◇ **Mass with Anointing of the Sick** ~ Sunday, March 21, 3:00 PM @ St. Pius X, Mt. Pleasant ~ At 2:15 PM there will be priests available for *confessions for those who are home-bound* ~ Reception following Mass in parish social hall
- ◇ **Religious Tours** ~ "In the Footsteps of Jesus" ~ May 17 - 27 ~ visit Nazareth, Bethlehem, Cana, and more ~ 15 places available ~ May & July tour to Passion Play in Oberammergau ~ October 22 -19, tour "in the footsteps of Pope John Paul II & St. Faustina" visiting Warsaw, Krakow, etc. ~ for details on any of these tours, call 724-722-3141 or e-mail padre16201@yahoo.com

PRAYER SERIES

Saint Vincent Basilica Parish in Latrobe is hosting a three-part Lenten Series on Prayer. Tuesday evenings: March 9, March 16 and March 23 from 7p.m. - 8:30p.m. in the Parish Assembly Room. Renowned speaker and author, Dr. Susan Muto Ph.D. will open the series with her presentation "Prayer in the Light of the Passion Narratives of Jesus Christ." Fr. Donald Raila, Oblate Director, will explore the use of the "Liturgy of the Hours" as daily prayer and Mrs. Karen Fetter will focus on using the process of Journaling as prayer. No reservations required. All adults are welcome.

LENTEN EVENING OF RECOLLECTION

Lenten Evening of Recollection on Thursday, March 25, Saint Emma Retreat Center, Greensburg, hosted by Greensburg DCCW and CBPW. THE TRIDUUM presented by The Reverend Bob Lubic. Schedule: Registration begins at 3:30 PM, with Exposition of The Eucharist, Reconciliation, Rosary, with the First Conference at 5:15 PM, Benediction, Dinner at 6:00 PM and ending with Mass at 7:15 PM. Cost: \$20.00 payable at registration. To make reservations, please call St. Emma Retreat House @ 724-834-3060 by March 22, 2010.

CHRISTIANS UNITING LENTEN SERVICES*

The following ecumenical services have been scheduled for 7:00 PM on Wednesday evenings during Lent.

- March 3 @ Norvelt Union Church
 - March 10 @ St. Paul United Church of Christ Church
 - March 17 @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
 - March 24 @ Pleasant Unity United Methodist Church
- Christians Uniting Good Friday service will be at St. Florian at 11:00 AM.

*If Mt. Pleasant schools are closed on any of these dates, the service will be canceled.

Greensburg Catholic Cemetery

Due to the weather conditions, the cemetery has extended the clean up of Christmas decorations until March 29. Anything left past March 29 will be discarded. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

**Cathedral Arts Chorale and Westmoreland
Symphony Orchestra join to present
March 14 program featuring Gabriel Faure's
"Requiem."**

The Blessed Sacrament Cathedral Music Series will present "Concert for Charity" at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 14. A free-will offering will be taken to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry at Our Lady of Grace Parish, Greensburg. The program is free and open to the public. The program will feature Gabriel Faure's "Requiem" sung by the Cathedral Arts Chorale, with soloists Daniel Kovacic and Christine Mahady, and accompanied by members of the Westmoreland Symphony Orchestra. Works for flute and harp will also be performed by Roger Cazden, flute, accompanied by Lana Greenawald, harp. The Cathedral Arts Chorale is a newly formed semi-professional chorus, made up of professional and experienced amateur singers from the Greensburg area. The purpose of this ensemble of 16-20 singers is to further explore the choral art, particularly extended works for choir and smaller instrumental ensembles, as well as the vast repertoire of unaccompanied music of the Renaissance and present day. For more information, contact John Sittard at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, (724) 834-3710, ext. 21. Blessed Sacrament Cathedral is located at 300 N. Main Street in Greensburg.