



St. Florian Parish

The new St. Florian...

Good ideas going forward



A Parish of the
Diocese of Greensburg
A Pennsylvania
Charitable Trust

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 14, 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

Fax Number

(724)423-4438

Formation Director

423-5087

St. Florian Pre-School/
Activities Bldg. 423-4437

Office Hours: Mon. - Fri

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Mailing Address:

4261 Route 981

PO Box 187

United, PA 15689

Website: www.saintflorian.org

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

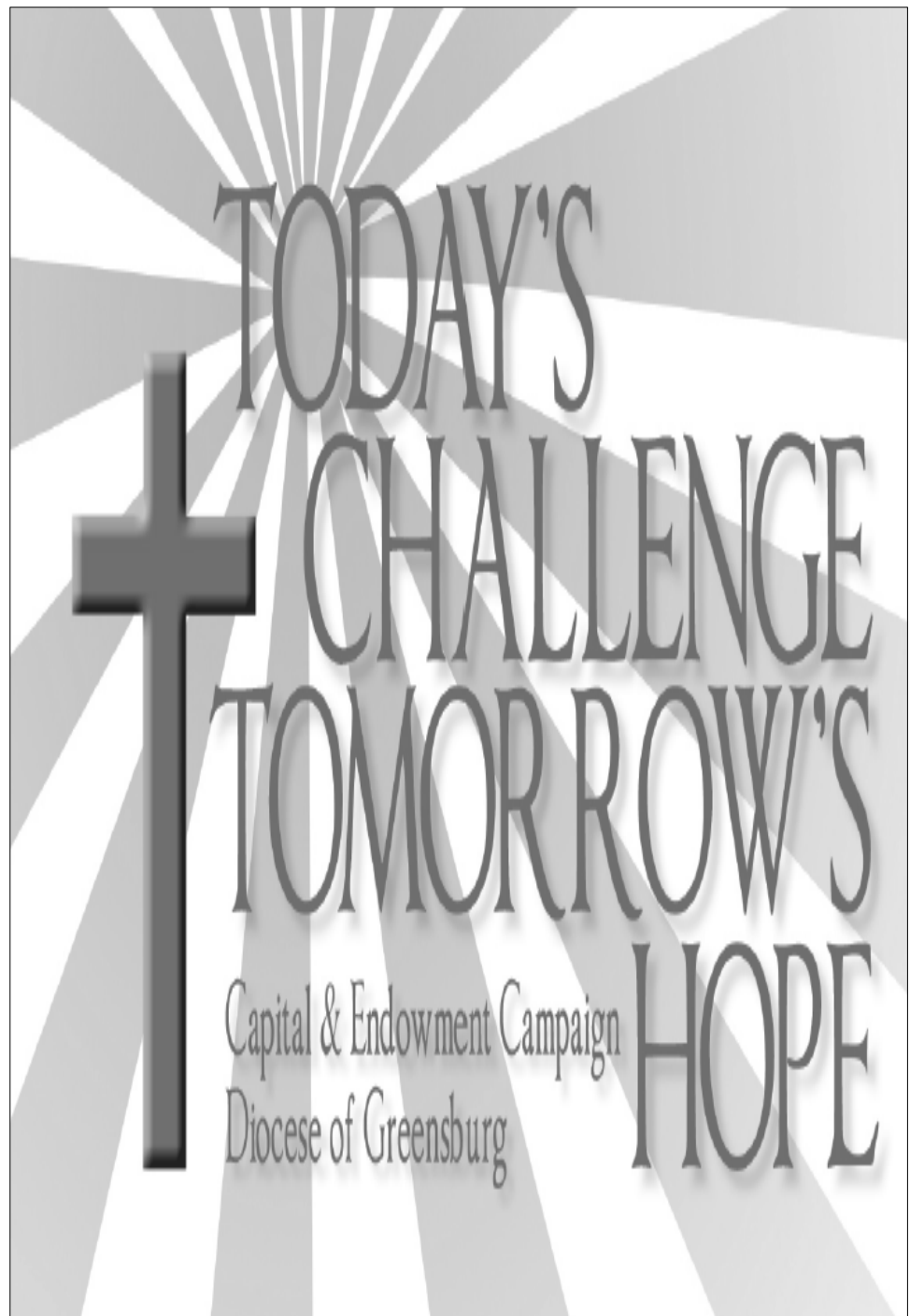
Dr. Steve Whisdosh,

Choir Director

Preschool, Dir: Lottie Hirak

Preschool, Aide: Karen Dlugos

Parish Secretary: Pat Lucas



ST. FLORIAN OFFERTORY STEWARDSHIP:

March 7: Adults: \$5044.00; Children: \$5.00; Candles: \$15.00; Repairs & Improvements: \$279.00; Loose: \$225.00; Accent: \$20.00; Home Missions: \$10.00; Easter Flowers: \$72.00; St. Vincent de Paul: \$60.00; Easter: \$5.00; Cath. Schools: \$5.00 Total: \$5740.00 Capital Fund: \$491.55 99th Anniversary: \$100.00 God Bless you!

MASS INTENTIONS (Form to schedule on back of bulletin)
Saturday, March 13 5:00 PM +Joseph Yasher by Mary Lou & Children; +John & Mary Harvan & John R. Harvan by Maryann Klinchock

Sunday, March 14 9:00 AM +George, Sr., George, Jr. & Robert Lawrence by Catherine & Family; +Paul Kobistek by Wise Family & Grandchildren

Sunday, March 14 11:00 AM People

Mon., March 15 8:00 AM +Jane Frye by Helen Caviggia & Family

Tue., March 16 8:00 AM +Robert Miscovich by Maryann Perna

Wed., March 17 8:00 AM +Steve Hollis by Rose Hollis & Children

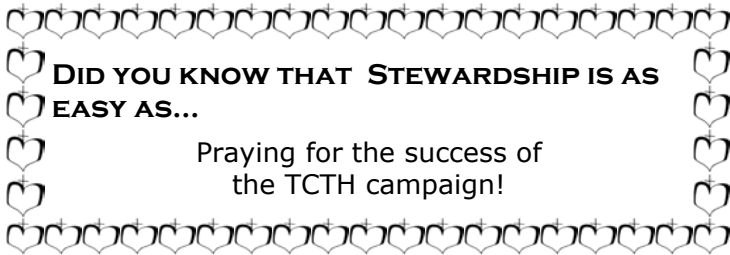
Thurs., March 18 8:00 AM +Lance Woodruff by Daniel Hall & Lissa Lindstrom

Fri., March 19 8:00 AM +Dorothy Ludvik by Paul Ludvik

Saturday, March 20 5:00 PM +William Bilik by Mr. & Mrs. Edward Bilik; +Christine Howard by Family

Sunday, March 21 9:00 AM +Anna Marie Grec by Don Scekeres Family; +Andrew Vahaly, Jr. by Andrew & Virginia Vahaly

Sunday, March 21 11:00 AM +Dorothy Ludvik by Ludvik Family; +John Yasher by Mary Lou Yasher & Family



Those in the hospital including Jerry Spallino, Barbara Luccy, Sister of Pat Lucas
For the soul of Ruth Apone

THIS WEEK

- Bible Study Sunday, 10:00 AM
- Taizé Prayer Sunday, 7:00 PM
- Religious Formation Monday, 6:30 PM
- Women's Faith Sharing Group Monday, 7:00 PM
- Prayer Shawl Ministry Tuesday, 1:00 PM
- Eucharist Workshop Tuesday, 6:30 PM
- Altar Society Meeting Tuesday, 7:00 PM
- Triduum Altar Server Training Wednesday, 6:30 PM
- TCTH Meeting (Formation Bldg) Thursday, **6:00PM**
- Kolache Baking Friday
- Stations of the Cross Friday, 7:00 PM
- Jednota Meeting (Formation Bldg) Saturday, 6:00 PM

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 13, 2010 ~ 5:00 PM

Lector L. Yanetsky
Eucharistic Ministers.....K. Kelly, J.Lesko, H. Rylander, E. Zider
Altar Servers..... Vidakovich Family

Sunday, March 14, 2010 ~ 9:00 AM

LectorM.E. Sopko
Eucharistic Ministers..... T. Jackson, K. Johnson J. Mizikar, W. Bossart
Altar Servers..... R. Dickinson, F. & L. Severa

Sunday, March 14, 2010 ~ 11:00 AM

Lector D. Shimko
Eucharistic Ministers.....P. Fullman, C. & J. Myers, G. Kovacina
Altar Servers.....G. & T. Stercho, N. Irgang
Altar Servers..... K. Porter, C. Reese, J. Lucas

Saturday, March 20, 2010 ~ 5:00 PM

Lector H. Rylander
Eucharistic Ministers..... R. Embree, J. Bertoni, C. & J. Myers
Altar Servers.....A. Dick, N. Hicks, H. Kromer

Sunday, March 21, 2010 ~ 9:00 AM

LectorA. Reese
Eucharistic Ministers..... M. Ceroni, K. Johnson, M. Yuhas, J. Mizikar
Altar Servers.....B. & P. Bitner, A. Gamrat

Sunday, March 21, 2010 ~ 11:00 AM

Lector D. Mizikar
Eucharistic Ministers M. Klimchock, S. D'Amico, L. Yanek, G. Kovacina
Altar Servers.....Chovanec Family

STATIONS OF THE CROSS READERS

March 19	M.A. Monticue	D. Shimko
March 26	M.E. Sopko	E. Zider
April 2	Fr. McGuirk	

READINGS FOR THE WEEK*

Sunday: Jos 5:9a,10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3,11-32
Monday: Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9,12/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16/Rom 4:13,16-18,22/Mt 1:16,18-21,24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

*In addition to the above, you can find weekday Psalms in Gather at #1093 and for this Sunday, 915.

JEDNOTA MEETING SCHEDULED

St. John the Baptist Society Branch 181 will meet on Saturday, March 20, 2010, immediately following the 5:00 PM Mass at St. Florian. All members are urged to attend this meeting which will be held in the Formation Building on the church grounds.

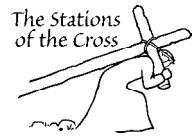
Anyone wishing to join the Jednota is also invited to attend.

For more information about the Jednota, please contact Clarence Pfeifer at 724-423-2983.



**Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 14, 2010**

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.
— 2 Corinthians 5:17



Fridays in Lent @ 7:00 PM

**SEEKING SOLUTIONS TOGETHER
4th Sunday - Joyful Sunday**

Today we proclaim the story of the Prodigal Son and his Forgiving Father! Reflect upon this story and pray to become more and more like the FORGIVING FATHER! Celebrate the reality of forgiveness on Thursday March 25th at 7 PM when many priest will come to help be forgiven from our sins.

Some people have asked questions about the capital funds campaign and the Lenten Diocesan Appeal.

Q. Are they different campaigns?

A. Yes, they are two very different campaigns.

1. The Lenten Diocesan Appeal is the same appeal the diocese runs each lent. Our goal is around \$21,000. If each family donates about \$300.00 dollars we will meet that goal.

You received the letter on Ash Wednesday. I donated \$270.00

2. The Today's Challenge/Tomorrow's Hope campaign will last for 5 years. It has a goal of \$280,000.00 and we have raised over 1/3 of that goal, 93K, from 12 families. We are beginning to contact the next 1/4 of our parish families and hope to reach the 2/3 of another 93K in pledges. After Easter we will contact the other 1/3 of the parish in the hope of raising the next 93K.

This TCTH will help us to achieve our goals of getting a PARKING LOT, NEW FURNACES IN THE BOILER ROOM FOR THE SOCIAL HALL (old school) AND NEW HVAC IN THE CHURCH & NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE RECTORY AND FORMATION BUILDING (old convent).

The Finance Council estimates that the new furnaces in the boiler room beside the Formation Building will save us 3000 gallons of oil per year! Improvements on the heat in the church, formation building and rectory should reduce electricity usage causing a significant savings of money!

When the pastor or volunteer contacts you to give please be prepared to donate a SACRIFICIAL GIFT for five years.

On the 95 K pledged we will get back 35K!

Blessings on all who participate and donate.

One family gave a gold coil worth over \$1,000.00 We will accept stocks, stamps, coins and any other reasonable commodity.

OUR THREE CEMETERIES

Regulations for the Cemeteries:

#14 All flowers (planted, cut or silk) may be placed on graves. They are to be removed when they become unsightly. Cemetery Board caretaker is permitted to remove them if not done so by the lot owner.

#17: All refuse must be carried away by lot owner. No refuse of any kind shall be left anywhere in or around the cemetery.

Please pray for the Youth Ministry members and their adult chaperones who are on retreat this weekend.

REGION 9 LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Lenten communal reconciliation services are scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, March 16 @ St. Pius, Mt. Pleasant, 7 PM

Thurs. March 18 @ Immaculate Conception, Connellsville, 7 PM

Saturday, March 20 @ St. Aloysius, Dunbar, 1 PM

Wednesday, March 24 @ St. Raymond, Donegal, 7 PM

Thursday, March 25 @ St. Florian, 7 PM

Saturday, March 27 @ St. John the Baptist, Scottdale, 1 PM

Monday, March 29 @ St. Joseph, Everson, 7 PM

REMINDER: H.S. SENIORS

Scholarship Applications are available in the parish office.
Deadline to apply:

The Agnes Rusinko Memorial Scholarship
For selected students who are active members of St. Florian and are continuing their education
2:00 PM on March 30, 2010

Sanctuary Light , Week of March 14, 2010

In Memory of

ADAM SKOWRONSKI

by

Sister, Bertha Lewis

TODAY'S CHALLENGE ~ TOMORROW'S HOPE

As of Friday, March 5, 2010

Total Pledges	\$109,000.00
Number of Pledges	16
Parish Rebate	\$ 43,600.00
Average Gift	\$ 6,812.50

DIOCESAN LENTEN APPEAL

As of Friday, March 5, 2010

Total Pledges	\$11,440.00
Number of Pledges	61

Thank you to all who have given to either or both of these fund-raising efforts!

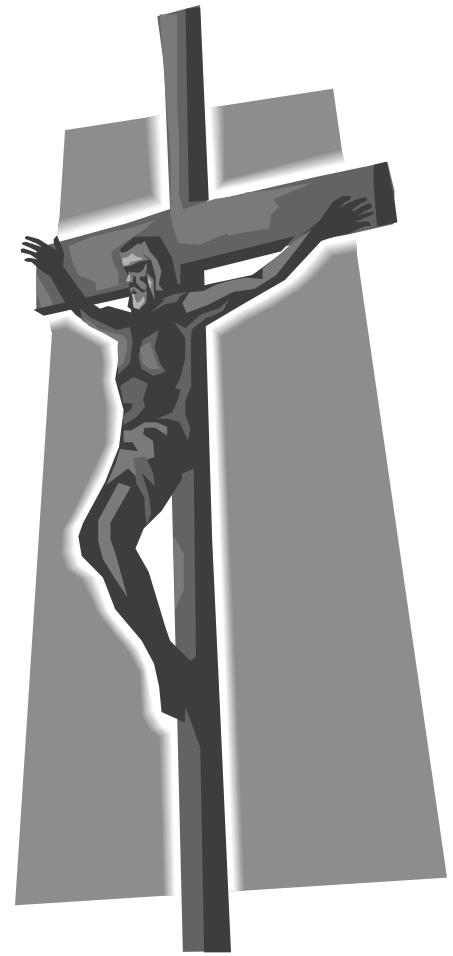
Don't forget: bring your USED BOOKS, CD's, & Videos to church for our Used Book Sale at the festival.

Taize Prayer

Sunday, March 14

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.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- ◇ **Afternoon Bingo** ~ Adelphoi USA ~ Tuesday, March 16th ~ Bingo begins at 3 PM, doors open @ 2:30 PM ~ 1133 Village Way, Latrobe ~ free dessert & coffee
- ◇ **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
- ◇ **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
- ◇ **Chicken & Biscuit Dinner** ~ Sunday, March 14, doors open at 12 noon ~ @ Kecksburg Fire Hall, sponsored by Kecksburg VFD Ladies' Auxiliary ~ Adults: \$8, ages 4 - 10: \$4; under age 4: free ~ Call 724-423-9540 for tickets/information
- ◇ **Bereavement Support Group** ~ meeting Monday, March 15, 7 PM @ St. Vincent Parish (Conference Center) ~ Anyone mourning loss of loved one is invited to attend ~ For more information, call Teri, 724-539-8629
- ◇ **Feast of St. Joseph** ~ Thurs., March 18. 4:30 - 9 PM, Fr. & Sat, March 19 & 20, 4 - 9:30 PM & Sun., March 21, 1 - 8 PM @ Rizzo's Malabar Inn, Crabtree ~ Pysanky Eggs by Ginette Simpson, Sat. & Sun. ~ Traditional St. Joseph menu available
- ◇ **Annual Souper** ~ sponsored by Church of Seven Dolors Christian Mothers ~ Sunday, March 21 at Rogers Hall, Center St., Yukon ~ 15 varieties of soup ~ Refill your mug as often as you wish ~ also serving sandwiches, desserts and beverage ~ Wall-hanging to be raffled & 50/50 available ~ 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM ~ Adults: \$6, Children under 12: \$3
- ◇ **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 homebound* ~ Reception following Mass in parish social hall
- ◇ **Laurel Ballet Dance-a-Thon** ~ Saturday, March 27 ~ Classes in Ballet, Jazz, Modern, Zumba, Yoga/Pilates, Hip-Hop, Eyrhythms, Freestyle, "Thriller" & Ballroom ongoing throughout the day ~ prizes will be awarded ~ For more information on how you can participate go to www.laurelballet.com ~ Contact D'Anna Kromer @ 724-423-1649 if you would like to donate a gift certificate or an item which would be awarded as prize (*and help promote your business*) All donations are tax-deductible and checks can be made payable to: Laurel Ballet Performing Company

Happiness

Happiness will never be ours if we do not recognize to some degree that God's blessings were given us for the well-being of all.
---Anonymous

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 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.

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUND RAISER

On Sunday, February 21, St. Paul's United Church of Christ's Consistory President Dennis Yamber fell from a ladder while removing snow and ice from the roof over the church's side entrance. He crushed the bones in both of his heels. He will be unable to walk or work for a long time. He and his wife, Terilyn, will need a lot of help to make it through this difficult time.

St. Paul's church has established an account in the church's name that we have named the "Family Assistance Account." The account is set up to exclusively benefit Dennis Yamber. Over time, events to raise funds for this account will be sponsored by not only the church but also the community. The first such event is a spaghetti on Sunday, March 21, from 1-5 PM, at the Darlington Inn in Darlington. The cost is \$8/person. Drinks must be purchased separately. RSVPs are necessary. RSVP by March 19 to either David Ackerman at (724) 423-6115 or Jennifer Reed at (724) 238-2447.

Meeting Notice

St. Luke Society of the Diocese of Greensburg
Thursday, March 25, 2010
Bishop Connare Center - Indiana Room
Route 30 East, Greensburg,
Speaker: Dr. James M. Rossetti, D.O.
Associate Director, Cell Transplantation Program
Western Pennsylvania Cancer Institute
Topic: "The Truth About Stem Cells"
For more information call: 724-837-3805

WESTMORELAND COUNTY FOOD BANK

We recently received a thank you from the Food Bank for the soup that was donated through our Souper Bowl collection. The total in pounds was 1,179 which "has been put to work to provide for hungry people in our county. On behalf of everyone associated with the Westmoreland County Food Bank thank you for being a partner in our work to end hunger here at home."

ST. BENEDICT TO HOST DINNER

6-Course Gourmet Dinner - Sunday, March 21, 4-6 PM at St. Benedict's Parish Center, featuring Wedding Soup, Caesar salad, Penne Pasta, Chicken Romano, Green beans with red roasted peppers, baby roasted red potatoes, bread and butter, and assorted desserts from Oakmont Bakery. Kids menu: chicken planks, soup, salad, pasta, green beans and potatoes. \$14 for adults; \$7 for ages 12 and under. For further information on purchasing your tickets, please call 724-832-6790 by Monday, March 15th. There will be no tickets sold at the door.