

The Baptism of the Lord Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, January 9

4:00 PM - William Reed - *Diane Brown*

Sunday, January 10- The Baptism of the Lord

10:00 AM - Mary Jezewski - *Mary Beth*
(*Baptism During Mass*)

7:00 PM - Members of the Parish

Monday, January 11

12:10 PM Mass - Helen McShane Riva - *Jim & Pat Clark*

Tuesday, January 12

7:30 AM - Sacrament of Reconciliation

8:00 AM Mass - Magdalen Hooper - *Greg & Clair Hyla*

Wednesday, January 13 - Saint Hilary, bishop and doctor

No Scheduled Mass

Thursday, January 14

5:00 PM - Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30 PM - Foge Fazio - *Ed & Mary Beth Sloniger*

Friday, January 15

12:10 PM - Tina DiSimo - *Jim & Marcella Martin*

Saturday, January 16

4:00 PM - Caroline Plowcha - *Sophie Simarik*

Sunday, January 17 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM - Bob & Helen Petro - *Petro Family*

7:00 PM - Members of the Parish

Today's Readings

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Acts 10:34-38

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

Next Week's Readings

Isaiah 62:1-5

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

John 2:1-11

Mass At SCI Pine Grove

Once a month STMUP parishioners join Catholic inmates for Mass at the local prison. Those attending meet in the lobby of the prison at 11:45 AM with Mass being held at 12:30 PM. The next opportunity for this ministry will be on Sunday, January 24.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Lynne Jones by January 14 at 724.463.2277, ext. 115.

National Vocation Awareness Week

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and begin the observance of National Vocation Awareness Week.

This is a special time in which the Church prays for the renewal and strengthening of vocations of dedicated people to serve as priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women religious.

As we commemorate Christ's response to God the Father's call, please continue to pray for and encourage those who you believe may be called to a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life.

St. Bernard Parish Liturgy Schedule Week of January 11, 2010

Monday, January 11	7:30 AM Mass
Tuesday, January 12	6:30 PM Mass and 12 Noon - 7:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday., January 13	7:30 AM Mass
Thursday, January 14	No Scheduled Mass
Friday, January 15	7:30 AM Mass
Saturday, January 16	7:30 AM Mass 8:30 - 10:00 AM Confessions 5:30 PM Mass of Anticipation
Sunday, January 17	7:30 AM & 9:30 AM Masses

FROM THE PASTOR

As we celebrate the conclusion of the Christmas Season this weekend, we recall our Lord's Baptism by John. Let us truly "rejoice and be glad" in that wondrous event!

May the joys of the Yuletide Season continue to resonate in our words and deeds through all of 2010! God bless! *Fr. Willie*

Attention Campus Ministry "Sidewalk" Volunteers

On Tuesday, January 19, 2010 our IUP students return to the classrooms for a new semester.

From 7:30 AM until 12:00 Noon on that day (weather permitting), we will once again be providing refreshments (coffee, granola bars, etc.) to students passing by the Church on their way to and from their first classes of the Spring term.

This is our second year of offering this ministry outreach and it has been VERY beneficial in making our presence known to the student body and has been a great way for Catholic and other students to get connected to STMUP!

If you are interested in helping distribute refreshments and welcoming students back to IUP with a warm smile and kind word, please contact the Parish Office at 724.463.2277 and let us know at what time you could volunteer to help.

This is a "fun" way to help provide meaningful Campus Ministry and to model to our students the example of hospitality STMUP provides! Thanks so much!

A Prayer of Priests and Priestly Vocations

Heavenly Father, please grant to Your faithful servants, the grace and strength to carry out Your mission for the church each day. Keep our priests close to You and continue to inspire them to serve others in Your holy name.

Please help to inspire men who are called to a priestly vocation to answer Your call and participate in the fullness that You have planned for them. Amen

PARISH NOTES

Save the Date

Our 3rd annual *St. Thomas More Community Day* at IUP is scheduled to coincide with the 7:30 PM Men's Basketball game on Saturday, February 13, 2010.

Free tickets will be available for parishioners, IUP students and friends of the parish. During the game's half-time festivities, our 2010 St. Thomas More Community Leadership Award will be presented.

Refreshments will be available before the game. Watch the bulletin for details and for news on our 2010 honoree(s).

Plan to attend this fun, family event and celebrate the wonderful gift of leadership demonstrated here at STMUP!

Brown Bag Sunday Collection Next Weekend

For 43 years The Eastern Orthodox Foundation has assisted over 10,800 people, providing them with a warm bed, 3 meals a day, warm clothing and personal attention.

In recent years, this organization has had to adapt to modern government standards and regulations, and has had some setbacks. Through faith, and prayer, and the support of the community, it has emerged with a new focus, but still true to its primary mission of carrying for those who are most in need.

The Eastern Orthodox Foundation now needs assistance to reopen their homeless shelter/transitional living care program. EOF will assist its residents to secure financial resources and health care, find jobs, apply for disability benefits, and to develop and complete individual transition plans to find their path to independent living.

Next weekend, our monthly BBS Collection after all Masses here at STMUP will benefit the EOF. See this weekend's bulletin insert for details on how your support will help this local ministry outreach.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS**VIRTUS Training**

VIRTUS training is mandated by the Diocese of Greensburg for anyone who works with children and youth who are under 18 years of age.

IF YOU HAVE NOT ATTENDED VIRTUS TRAINING IN THE PAST and you work or volunteer in roles or ministries where you come in contact with children or youth, please call 724.552.2507 to register for the session to be held at STMUP on Saturday, Jan. 23 from 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon.

Reminder: Parent Session for Sacramental Preparation

The Parent Preparation Session for the Sacrament of Confirmation is scheduled for Monday, January 11 from 6:00 - 7:30 PM in the Church.

Sacramental Prep Retreat for Confirmation

Children, parents and sponsors are encouraged to attend the Sacramental Prep Retreat for Confirmation to be held on Saturday, January 16. The retreat will begin promptly at 9:30 AM and end at 12:00 Noon.

Contact the parish office at 724.463.2277 with the number attending so that we may properly prepare for you and your child.

Baptism Preparation for Parents

Parents and expectant parents who desire baptism for their child need to attend a preparation class prior to scheduling their child's baptism. The next Baptism Preparation session is scheduled for February 21, 2010.

Please call Patty DeBiasio at 724.463.2277 ext. 116 for details and additional information.

Donate Your Used Cell Phones

Contact the Parish Office at 724-463-2277 for details on this upcoming project of our Junior and Senior High School Youth Ministry program or watch for more information in future bulletins.

SCHOOL NEWS**Pancake and Sausage Breakfast - Coming Soon**

St. Thomas More University Parish will again host a "Pancake and Sausage Breakfast" in the Lounge to benefit the St. Bernard Regional School on Sunday, January 31, 2010 immediately following the 10:00 AM Mass.

We have a number of families who are parishioners of STMUP who opt to have their children participate in this formal Catholic Educational setting. We support them in this decision and applaud all who have prayerfully discerned to have their children and teens be a part of any of our Faith Formation programs that strive to enhance the faith of our youth and build the Kingdom here in Indiana.

Come enjoy a great breakfast of pancakes and sausage and help support our regional Catholic School!

OUT AND ABOUT**March for Life**

Reserve Friday, January 22, 2010 on your calendar and plan to join us for the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. Buses will leave the CMA Church parking lot at 6:00 AM and return by 11:00 PM. Fare is \$20 for adults, \$15 for children with scholarships available for those needing them.

For reservations, or to donate money toward scholarships, please call Ray Micco at 724.463.0779 or Elinor Carson at 724.463.9418. Let us all pray that the gift of human life is respected from "womb to tomb."

2010 Diocesan Youth Celebration

All youth of the Diocese of Greensburg, grades 9-12, are invited to attend the 2010 Diocesan Youth Celebration on Saturday, February 6, 2010 from 12:30-9:00 PM. The event will take place at Greensburg Central Catholic High School and will include Liturgy celebrated by Bishop Lawrence E. Brandt, Bishop of Greensburg.

Cost for the event is \$15.00 and includes dinner, snack & T-shirt. Registration forms are available at www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/youthministry.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE UNIVERSITY PARISH**Sunday, January 10**

Liturgy of the Word with Children during the 10:00 AM Mass

Join us in the Lounge after Mass for coffee and donuts

11:15 AM - "Ready, Set, Go!" Death and Funeral Information Session [Cardinal Newman Room]

11:15 AM - Christmas Decoration Removal [Church & Narthex]

6:15 - 8:15 PM - JYM & SYM [Cardinal Newman, Library & Kitchen]

Monday, January 11

5:45 - 7:45 PM - CGS Level I [Atrium]

5:45 - 7:45 PM - CGS Level II [St. Cecilia Room]

5:45 - 7:45 PM - *We Believe* [Cardinal Newman Room & Library]

6:00 - 7:30 PM - Sacramental Prep Parent Session for Confirmation [Church]

Tuesday, January 12

9:15 AM - Staff Meeting [Development Office]

Wednesday, January 13

12:30 - 2:30 PM - CGS Level I [Atrium]

5:15 - 7:15 PM - CGS Level I [Atrium]

5:15 - 7:15 PM - CGS Level II [St. Cecilia Room]

Thursday, January 14

9:30 - 11:30 AM - CGS Level I [Atrium]

4:15 - 6:15 PM - CGS Level I [Atrium]

Saturday, January 16

9:30 AM - 12:00 Noon - Sacramental Prep Retreat for Confirmation [Atrium, St. Cecilia & Lounge]

Sunday, January 17

Liturgy of the Word with children during the 10:00 AM Mass

Brown Bag Sunday Collection - Benefits Eastern Orthodox Foundation

Join us in the Lounge after Mass for coffee and donuts

6:15 - 8:15 PM - JYM & SYM [Cardinal Newman, Library & Kitchen]

OUR WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

December 27, 2009

Adult: \$ 4,977.00 Children: \$ 10.00 Loose: \$ 2,136.00

Utilities Envelope: \$ 45.00 Catholic Accent: \$ 10.00

Christmas Flowers: \$ 21.00

PledgeConnect: \$ 600.00

Total Regular Weekly Collection: \$ 7,799.00

Christmas Offertory: \$ 10,712.00

Children & Family Services Appeal: \$ 2,279.00

Envelopes Issued: 602 Envelopes Returned: (48%)

PledgeConnect Enrollment: 32 Households

Today's Challenge ~ Tomorrow's Hope Campaign Update

Current Pledge / Gift Total: \$770,823 (76% of Parish "Dream" Goal)
(Total reflects the amount at the time of bulletin publication.)

269 Pledges = 46% Participation Rate

We are STILL moving forward in pursuing our goal!

Thanks to ALL who have helped generate great success so far!