

Seventh Sunday of Easter Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, May 154:00 PM - Gerald Rafferty - *Beth & Kate Duncan***Sunday, May 16 - Seventh Sunday of Easter**10:00 AM - Tom Mittlehauser - *Larry & Paula Miller*

7:00 PM - Members of the Parish

Monday, May 1712:10 PM - Steve Mlecik - *Frank & Mary Evanick***Tuesday, May 18 - St John I, pope and martyr**

7:30 AM - Sacrament of Reconciliation

8:00 AM - Pete Schute - *John Gressinger**(Note: The Parish Office is closed for a Staff Development Day)***Wednesday, May 19**

No Scheduled Mass

Thursday, May 20 - St. Bernardine of Siena, priest

5:00 PM - Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:30 PM - Ruth Geletka - *Emma Geletka***Friday, May 21 - St. Christopher Magallanes, priest and martyr, and his companions, martyrs**12:10 PM - Cocci A. Kolaczowski - *Richard & Sylvia
Kolaczowski***Saturday, May 22**4:00 PM - Evelyn Pencak - *Palko Family***Sunday, May 23 - Pentecost**

10:00 AM - Members of the Parish

7:00 PM - Jane Trimm - Jim Trimm

This Week's Readings

Acts 7:55-60

Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

John 17:20-26

Next Week's Readings

Acts 2:1-11

Romans 8:8-17

John 20:19-23

Dinner and a Show

Hairspray - don't get it in your eyes but plan on seeing it this summer, Friday, July 30 at the Benedum Theater along with fellow parishioners and friends of St. Thomas More. We will travel by bus to Pittsburgh have dinner and then head to the show. The cost is \$99.00 per person and includes transportation, dinner and the show.

You may reserve your spot at any time by calling the parish office at 724.463.2277. Departure time and dining location will be announced in future bulletins.

Take Me out to the..... Altoona Curve!

Also planned for this summer is a trip to Altoona for a baseball game. We will go to see the *Altoona Curve* on Saturday, August 28 for a 7:00 PM game. More details will be available in future bulletins. Mark your calendar now!

St. Bernard Parish Liturgy Schedule Week of May 16, 2010

Monday, May 17	7:30 AM Mass
Tuesday, May 18	No Scheduled Mass No Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday, May 19	9:30 AM School M
Thursday, May 20	7:30 AM Mass
Friday, May 21	7:30 AM Mass
Saturday, May 22	7:30 AM Mass 9:30 - 10:30 AM Sac. of Reconciliation 5:30 PM Mass of Anticipation
Sunday, May 23	7:30 AM Mass 9:30 AM Mass

FROM THE PASTOR

I was asked last weekend by a parishioner to share some of the details of the recent Pastoral Planning Conference near Albany, New York at which I was a presenter.

CPPCD (Conference for Pastoral Planning and Council Development) is an international organization that provides resources for those involved in these activities at diocesan and parish levels.

I was invited this year to make a presentation related to planning steps and processes that assist in fostering healthy and meaningful relationships in parishes and dioceses facing restructuring, change and other new realities that foster the need to "think outside the box."

Integrating the Gospel message at times of change can be tough. Please keep all those in our nation and around the world facing new visions of parish life and ministry in your prayers! *Fr. Willie*

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**Don't Forget to wear "Red" Next Weekend to Celebrate Pentecost!**

Don't forget to wear your red next weekend, May 22 and May 23, 2010! This annual tradition is a great way to remind those around us of the "fire" of the Holy Spirit that emblazoned the Church on Pentecost, the day of it's "birth."

Wearing red is also a great way to show our support for 5 members of the STMUP community who will be confirmed by Bishop Brandt at our Cathedral in Greensburg on Pentecost Sunday afternoon!

Operation Rice Bowl

Our Operation Rice Bowl journey this year will soon be coming to an end, but our work to end hunger continues long after the Easter season concludes.

Please leave your Rice Bowl donation in the designated receptacle located in the back of the Church by Pentecost Sunday, May 23.

Let us continue to *pray* for all those who work for justice and for those who benefit from the programs of Catholic Relief Services and continue to *learn* how to stay connected with others through CRS.

Mark Your Calendar! Follow-up Session of "Ready, Set, Go!"

Remember, you can't call the travel agent to set up the LAST trip you'll take, but you CAN plan ahead for your final arrangements.

Plan to join Fr. Willie and a panel of "experts" from the funeral home, legal, financial and medical professions on Monday, May 17, 2010 at 7:00 PM in our parish Lounge to discuss funeral rites and rituals, pre-planning opportunities that could greatly assist your loved ones at a time of loss, and beliefs, misconceptions and funerary guidelines of the Catholic Church.

To register for this session, please call our parishioner Sandy Fritz, coordinator for this event at 724.463.7377, or contact Sandy via email at sandyfritz@verizon.net. Refreshments will be provided!

A Note of Thanks from The Arc of Indiana County

The Arc of Indiana County would like to thank St. Thomas More University Parish for all of the assistance provided during our most recent Garage Sale at the Regency mall. The sale was once again a tremendous success.

Many parish members were involved in making it happen through donations of items, time, advertisement and by purchasing items. In addition to the money made, many of our excess items went to support others with greater needs. Thanks again!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS**High School Seniors**

All graduates of the high school "Class of 2010" who are members at STMUP have been sent a letter of invitation from Father Willie to attend the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday, June 6 to be recognized for your accomplishment! Please return your survey and RSVP card as soon as possible.

If you are a graduating senior and did not receive a mailing, please contact Patty DeBiasio at 724.463-2277, ext. 116.

Vacation Bible School 2010

Our annual VBS collaborative program for St. Thomas More University Parish and St. Bernard Parish will be held from **July 12-16** at St. Bernard Learning Center. The theme is *Son Rock Kid's Camp*-- our campers will build bonds of friendship and relationship with each other as they explore who they are in Jesus Christ -- the most important relationship of all!

Mark your calendars and watch for upcoming planning meetings - we will need adults and youth (grades 6-12) to help in many different areas like snacks, arts and crafts*, leaders, assistant leaders, games, etc.

*Our first item to collect for a craft project is empty, large oatmeal containers.

Mark your calendars! Catholic YOUTH Day at Idlewild

The Office for Evangelization and Faith Formation will be hosting *Catholic Youth Day* at Idlewild Park and Soak Zone in Ligonier, Pennsylvania on Friday, July 23, 2010. Youth in sixth through twelfth grades (for the 2010-2011 school year) along with their family and friends are invited to attend this day of fun. More information will follow soon!

Do you have questions about becoming Catholic?

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do have questions about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults?

Please contact our Director for Faith Formation, Patty DeBiasio for more information at 724.463.2277, ext. 116.

OUT AND ABOUT**Pathway Shelter Fundraiser Banquet**

A fundraising banquet is being held at Novosel Civic Center on Thursday, May 20 to benefit Pathway Shelter. Dr. Jim Withers, a nationally-known physician and advocate for the homeless, will be the keynote speaker.

Cost for the dinner is \$25.00 per person. Checks should be made payable to ICCAP. Advance reservations required.

For more information contact Deb Lezanic at 724.349.1306 or Bonnie Moreau at 724.349.3385.

Knights of Columbus - May Event Schedule

May 26 - 7:00 PM - 4th Degree Business Meeting [Lodge]

Knights of Columbus Communion Breakfast

All are invited to attend the Communion Breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus on Sunday, May 23, 2010 at 9:00 AM to be held in Folger Hall on IUP's campus.

Tickets will be available after all Masses this weekend in the Narthex. Adults \$15.00 and Children \$7.50 For more information contact Tom Pearson at 724-349-1717.

Saint Luke Society

Saint Luke Society of the Diocese of Greensburg will meet on Thursday, May 27, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Bishop Connare Center in the Indiana Room. The guest speaker will be Paul Niemiec, EdD., NCC, ACS, LPC, Director of Counseling Services of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Greensburg. The topic will be Post-Abortion Reconciliation.

For more information, call 724-837-3805. Membership dues for 2010 are now being accepted.

Olivewood Products from Bethlehem Christian Families

Next weekend, Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries made of olive wood native to the Holy Land will be available after all Masses.

These items are great for gifts or personal use. Representatives from Bethlehem Christian Families will be on hand if you have any questions. Lack of tourism has created a hardship for Christian Families in the Holy Land and your support through the purchase of these items is greatly appreciated.

Adult Faith Formation and Basic Catechist Certification:

PATHWAYS 2010-2011 will be offered at two sites beginning in October, 2010. Sessions will be held Tuesday evenings at St. Joseph Parish, Uniontown and Thursday evenings at our Lady of Grace Parish, Greensburg. Three workshops and a retreat are scheduled for Saturdays.

PATHWAYS is an opportunity for adults to develop a better understanding of the Catholic faith, grow in discipleship and be better equipped to witness to and share the Good News of Jesus Christ. It also fulfills all the requirements for the basic certification of diocesan catechists. Contact the Parish Office for details.

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE UNIVERSITY PARISH**Saturday, May 15**

1:00 PM - Wedding - *Travis Crawford & Jessica Long*

Sunday, May 16

Liturgy of the Word for Children during the 10:00 AM Mass.

Join us in the Lounge for coffee and doughnuts after the 10:00 AM Mass.

Monday, May 17

7:00 PM - "Ready, Set, Go" Funeral Planning Workshop [Lounge]

Wednesday, May 19

12:00 Noon - 1:00 PM - Moms in Touch [Cardinal Newman Room]

2:00 - 4:00 PM - Prayer Shawl Ministry [Cry Room]

7:00 - 9:30 PM - AA Meeting [Pavilion]

Saturday, May 22

Olive Wood items available after 4:00 PM Mass [Narthex]

Sunday, May 23

Liturgy of the Word for Children during the 10:00 AM Mass.

ALL ARE INVITED to join us in the Lounge immediately following the 10:00 AM Mass for enhanced refreshments to celebrate all who have received Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil or during this Easter Season.

Special Congratulations to those traveling to the Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in Greensburg today to be Confirmed by Bishop Brandt.

Olive Wood items available after Masses - 10:00 AM [Narthex, Cardinal Newman Room] and 7:00 PM [Narthex]

Just a reminder that YOU can be a sponsor for
Donation for Donuts!

Contact Cindy at 724.463.2277, ext. 113 for details.

OUR WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

May 2, 2010

Adult: \$5,325.00 Children: \$14.00 Loose: \$898.00

Catholic Accent: \$30.00

PledgeConnect: \$485.00

Total Regular Weekly Collection: \$6,752.00

Envelopes Issued: 610 Envelopes Returned: (39%)

PledgeConnect Enrollment: 31 Households

2010 Diocesan Lenten Appeal to date: \$33,937.00, representing 77% of our Parish Goal of \$43,900.00. We're almost there!