

ST. WENDELIN CATHOLIC CHURCH, FOSTORIA, OH March 1, 2009

MONDAY, MARCH 2

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Judith Wenzke
- 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg. (Youth Room)

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Ruth Coughlin
- 2:35 PM Jubilant Ringers (Church)
- 5:30 PM Soup and Bread Lenten Dinner Talk
- 7:00 PM AA Men's Mtg. (Upper Room)
- 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. (Emmaus Room)
- 7:00 PM Lenten Vespers **Cantor:** Mandy Welly
- 7:30 PM Handbell Choir (Church)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, ST. CASIMIR

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Jim Stark
- 1:00 PM Low Vision Support Meeting (Parish Hall)
- *5:00 PM Mass for Linus & Berneda Schalk
- 5:45 PM Youth Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- 6:45 PM Rel. Ed.: Parent Mtg./First Eucharist/Parish Hall/Church
- 7:00 PM Parish Choir (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Ruth Crawford
- 9:45 AM Memorial Choir Practice
- 9:30 AM Eucharistic Exposition (Eucharistic Chapel)
Adoration through the day until 9 PM
- 7:00 PM C L of C (Emmaus Room)

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- *9:00 AM Mass for Joseph & Helen Blaser; Exposition of Blessed Sacrament - Grades K-6 attending
- *2:15 PM Mass at St. Catherine's Care Center
- 4:00 PM Benediction Exposition continues in Eucharistic Chapel until 9 PM
- 7:00 PM Lenten Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, STS. PERPETUA & FELICITY


- 8:25 AM Rosary
- *9:00 AM Mass for Mary Alice Saum
- 10:00 AM Secular Franciscan Gathering (Upper Room)
- 10:00 AM Charismatic Prayer Group (Notre Dame)
- *4:30 PM Mass for David Ward; Rosemary Guillen; William Row; Lucille Hernandez; Nolan Saalman (30-Day); Robert Trombley; Peggy Podach (14-Day); Clarence & Lucille Knox
Servers: Chase Beam, Kellie Buczek, Mattison Burns, Anne Crotty **Lector:** Dolores Kinn **Cantor:** Karrie Ward **Gift Bearers:** Janet Haase, Loretta Groves

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

- Fellowship Host: Girl Scouts
- Vocation Cup: T.J. & Ann Sacksteder
- 7:30 AM Mass for Dr. Rosario Bello (Anniv.); John Shaull; Carolyn Wagner (Anniv.); Deceased members of Anthony & Berneda Moes Family

Servers: Morgan Brandt, Matthew Frankart
Lector: Doris Ann Norris **Cantor:** Vicki Sulken
Gift Bearers: Joe & Phyllis Hulderman

- 9:00 AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium)
- *9:00 AM Mass for Liv./dec. members of St. Wendelin Parish **Servers:** Sarah Cockie, Olivia Hill, Hunter Weidner, Jessica Holman
Lector: Therese Clouse
Gift Bearers: Girl Scouts **SWHS CHOIR**
- 10:00 AM Jr. High Religious Ed (Emmaus/Upper Rooms)
- *11:00 AM Mass for Rita Fox; Jack Fox; Liv./dec. members of Bragg & Emerine Families
Servers: Tara Emerine, Adrienne Emerine, Veronica Peters, Lexie Valchovic **Lector:** Laura Hossler **Gift Bearers:** Malcolm & Pat Holman **PARISH CHOIR**
- 6:30 PM Divorced & Separated (Upper Room)



**Extraordinary Ministers
of Holy Communion**
3/07 & 3/08 C
11:00 AM - 3/08 B

<u>SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT FOR January</u>			
Received	1/1/09 - 1/30/09	\$	61,385
Direct Deposit for January		\$	13,748
Budgeted for January		\$	76,325
Over (Under) for January		\$	(1,192)
Year-to-date received		\$	550,775
Year-to-date budgeted (wk 27)		\$	572,430
Over (under) for fiscal year		\$	(21,665)
Children's Offertory	Dec./Jan.	\$	348

Readings for the Week of March 1, 2009

- Sunday Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25;1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15
- Monday Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19; Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday Is 55:10-11; Ps 34; Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51; Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138; Mt 7:7-12
- Friday Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130; Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119; Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10



MASS FOR SHUT-INS
Sun., March, 8, on WBVI at 10:30 AM
Sponsored by Hoening Funeral Home

**COMMUNITY WIDE
STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER**

On Friday, March 5, at 12:05 PM, stop and pray for the unemployed that they may find jobs and be able to support themselves and their families.

Dear Lenten travelers!

Lent is about fasting, prayer and almsgiving. I concentrated my homily on PRAYER this past Sunday i.e. family, public, community. Since then I came across a psalm that the Benedictine Community as well as all priests, deacons and anyone who uses the official prayer book (Breviary) of the Church use at the beginning of each day. It has application for all of us.

Here it is:

“O come, let us sing to the Lord....Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving....O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. O that today you would listen to his voice! Do NOT harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, when our ancestors tested me, and put me to the proof, though they had seen my works (Ps. 95:1-2, 6-9).”

The part that always touches my heart is the one ‘if today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.’ This phrase alone can suffice for Lent. If we listen to the Lord, hear His message and live it, many of our problems would become smaller and manageable.



If today you hear His voice, harden not your heart.

Fr. Nicholas Weibl



PARISH SERVICES

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- Sherry Yapple, Organist

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Religious Education (Spiritual Enrichment Center)
323 N. Wood St. 8:00-4:00 PM 419-435-6681

- Shellie Gabel, Pastoral Associate for Religious Education
shellie.gabel@stwendelin.org

St. Wendelin Catholic Elementary School
300 N. Wood St. 7:30-3:30 PM
419-435-1809

- Cathy Krupp, Principal
cathy.krupp@stwendelin.org
- Deb Kelley, Elementary Secretary
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angela.joseph@stwendelin.org
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533 N. Countyline St. 419-435-8144

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PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for the following people who are in need of a healing touch:

**Sr. Joyce Bragg, Paul Chaney,
Francis DeLaRosa, Karen Frias,
Mariah Hampton,
Stephen Hark, Mae Reinhart,
Susie Watkins, Richard Weber and
Elaine Wilson.**



K of C FISH FRIES ARE BACK **MARK YOUR CALANDARS**

Fish Fries at the Knights of Columbus are back again for Lent. Every Friday, from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm, beginning February 27. Carryout will be available. 435-1197.

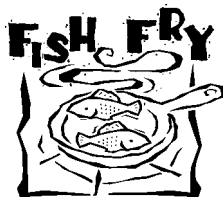
If you care to eat in, your favorite beverage will be available. We will be serving Fish, Coleslaw, Fries and Bread and Butter, price is \$7.50 or you can super-size it for an additional \$2.00.

You may call your order in ahead of time, please allow 20 minutes for pickup. Extra servers will be available to handle your beverage orders.

The Ladies Auxiliary will have a variety of bake sale items available for sale at this time. There will be all sorts of desserts.

We will be closed on Good Friday from 12:00 Noon, to 1:00 pm in observance of Our Lords Death on the Cross.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL K of C!



ST. ROSE PASTOR TO LEAD PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

Father Marv Borger, Pastor of St. Rose Parish, Perrysburg, is leading a pilgrimage to Italy on September 21, 2009 to October 2, 2009. Cities to be visited include Rome, Vatican City, Florence, Assisi, Cascia, Norcia, and Siena. Four star hotels and non-stop flights from Detroit to Rome and return. Mass will be celebrated daily. It will be a beautiful time of the year to see Italy. Members of St. Wendelin Parish are welcome to participate. To obtain a brochure with all the details call or e-mail Fr. Borger at 419-874-4559, mborger@stroseparish.com, or contact Margaret McDaniel, tour director, at 419-874-7683, mm4nd@sbcglobal.net.

Deacon Kishore Fundraisers

We will be holding a **soup and chili cook-off** on **Saturday, March 21st from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. in the Parish Hall.** There will be several different soups and chili recipes that you will be able to sample. What a good way to enjoy lots of different foods while supporting this fundraising effort. More details will be forthcoming on this event, but mark your calendar now! In addition, we are **raffling off a 50" plasma TV.** **We will be selling 100 tickets only at \$20 each.** Please purchase your ticket in the parish office ASAP and the winning ticket will be drawn at the chili cook-off!

HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is planning to meet on 3/2 at 7 PM in the Common Ground Youth Room. All current members and anyone interested in learning more about this fledgling ministry are welcome to attend. If you have a current prayer shawl project, we encourage you to bring it along so that we can see what everyone is working on and work on them together. If you need yarn for a future project, we will have our stash of donated yarn at the meeting. Please contact either Millie Williams (419)457-3135 or Cecilia Smith (419)435-4321 if you have any questions.

Sacrificial Giving Envelope this Month is for En Camino

This month's envelope is for En Camino. The offering will be used for Outreach of the Catholic Church and support for difficult times and emergencies. It will also be used for Consultation, Applications for Naturalization and travel documents. Sometimes there is a great need for food and clothing in the migrant camps so funds are used for this also.



The K of C Ladies Auxiliary #1197

will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday, March 3rd, at 8 pm. at the club. Members can call Angie Sheets at 419-435-6086, to sign up for the fish fry bake sales. Rada knives, Confirmation and 1st Communion gifts can also be purchased in the Council Room during the bake sale. Proceeds for the bake sale will go to our Scholarship Fund.



FOSTORIA HOME & OUTDOOR EXPO

At the Fostoria Middle School (1202 HL Ford Dr.)
Saturday, March 14th from 11 am to 6 pm and
Sunday, March 15th from 11 am to 4 pm.
Free admission, Booth drawings and Giveaways,
Food Court, Entertainment,
Craft Show and a Kid's Corner.

22nd Annual Irish Dinner

Thursday, March 12th
5:00 - 7:00 PM

Fostoria Middle School Cafeteria
Entertainment provided by New Horizons
Jazz Band

Tickets \$7.00 for Adults, \$4.00 for Children

Carry-out is available

For more information call Pam Burrow @419-435-1529 or

Linda Cassidy @ 419-435-5429

Sponsored by Fostoria Academic Boosters



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

WHAT'S GOING ON ... Elementary

- ▶ **Sunday, March 1 - GBK Tournament 1:00-7:00 pm (5th & 6th Gr.) @ HS gym**
- ▶ **Wednesday, March 4 – First Eucharist Parent Meeting 6:45 pm @ Parish Hall**
- ▶ **Friday, March 6 - NO SCHOOL, Teacher In-service**

ATTENTION: PARENTS OF 2ND GRADERS

▶ Parents of students preparing for First Eucharist: Please mark your calendars for Wednesday, March 4 as we come together in the church to talk with you about your child's First Eucharist celebration. The meeting will begin at 6:45 pm. Second grade students will meet in the Parish Hall. Thank You!

CONGRATULATIONS!

▶ The 6th grade boys CYO basketball team won the Tri-Deanery Basketball Championship held on Sunday, February 22 against St. Joe's and Sacred Heart. Great job!

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

▶ Kindergarten Screening will be on Wednesday, March 18. If your child is not in our pre-school, call our office 419-435-1809 with any questions or to set a screening appointment.

WEDNESDAYS WITH FATHER

▶ During the second semester all classes in religious education and in our elementary school will have an opportunity to spend some time with either Fr. Weibl or Fr. Eric.

The classes meet with Father in the rectory and are given a tour. Father gets the chance to get to know the children and they get the chance to know him. The session ends with a catechism lesson and refreshments. So far the children have really enjoyed spending time with our priests.

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

▶ St. Wendelin Elementary warmly welcomes your five-year-old to our kindergarten program for the fall of 2009! All children turning five (5) years of age by August 1, 2009, are eligible. The screening for kindergarten is scheduled for **Wed. March 18**. Please call our office for details, 419-435-1809.

T.R.I.P. NEWS

The TRIP year will end for the 2008-2009 school year on Friday, April 24th. There are six weeks remaining to help offset the cost of tuition by purchasing gift cards for gas, food and other merchandise you would use on a daily basis. If you can't plan ahead, the High School walk-in program is for you! We have 70 vendors available and other merchandise you would use on a daily basis from 7:30 am—3:00 pm. The reloadable Kroger card is the easiest to use. Reload the card at Kroger and watch your savings grow! Forms are available online or at the Parish, Elementary, or High School offices. We will not have T.R.I.P. from April 6—April 17 due to our gift card suppliers scheduled inventory and our Easter break. Walk-In T.R.I.P. will be available at the Parish Office and High School the week of April 6th.

HIGH SCHOOL & JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

WHAT'S GOING ON ... High School & Jr. High

- ▶ **Monday, March 3 – Senior Graduation Fee due**
- ▶ **Wednesday, March 4 – HS & JH Spring Pictures BBK Sectionals 8:00 pm vs. Vanlue, @ Fostoria High School**
- ▶ **Thursday, March 5 – Mass 10:30 am (Gr. 7-12)**
- ▶ **Friday, March 6 - NO SCHOOL, Teacher In-service**

For updated sports schedules please visit our website: stwendelin.org or highschoolsports.net

TUITION GRANT & AID

▶ All grant and aid applications must be mailed in by March 13, 2009, in order to be considered for a tuition grant. If you have any questions or concerns about tuition grants and aid, please contact Dave Lang at 419-435-6692.



30-hour Famine/Foodfast

A big thank you goes out to all who helped make this year's 30-hour Famine/Foodfast another huge success. One man at the Cherry Street Mission commented to me "Now that's what I'm talkin' 'bout, MEAT." You see it had been several weeks since the folks at the Mission had eaten a meal that contained any substantial meat. They've been eating pasta for quite some time, and though the man was grateful for the pasta he was especially fond of all the turkey and mashed potatoes. Altogether 10 turkeys, 30 pounds of mashed potatoes, numerous cans of green beans, 40 loaves of bread and several trays of goodies were prepared by the kids to feed the hungry and homeless in Toledo. It was quite an experience. And, because of a generous monetary donation from the CLC of Upper Sandusky, our kids then walked to Kroger at 10:00pm to shop for items to give to the needy here in Fostoria. Without the generosity of this and Transfiguration of the Lord Parish, this wouldn't have been possible. We truly are blessed. With all that's happening in society today it's important to keep things in perspective and give thanks especially when things seem uncertain.

Religious Education

What is a "Christ Renews His Parish" Weekend?

This is a two-day renewal weekend unlike any you have previously attended. Parishioners share with one another the ways they have found meaning, hope, peace and love in their lives. The experience is personal, inspirational, and fulfilling. Many participants feel that the weekend experience has been among the most powerful and positive of their lives.

This is the perfect way to establish a stronger bond with God and fellow parishioners. The atmosphere is casual and you will begin friendships that will last a lifetime. Many of your fellow parishioners, who have previously attended, will be happy to share their experience.

There are two sessions, one for men and the other for women. The two weekends are not mixed sessions and allow for a husband and wife to attend on the different weekends and still attend to family needs. The Women's CRHP weekend will be held on March 28 & 29. The Men's weekend will be April 4 and 5. Sign-up sheets will be available in the gathering space on the weekends of February 28/29 and March 7/8 after all of the masses. CRHP team members will also be on hand to answer any questions you may have regarding the Men's and Women's weekends. Space is limited to 25 participants so early registration is advised.

Religious Education

Parents of students preparing for First Eucharist: Please mark your calendars for **Wednesday, March 4** at 6:45 p.m. as we come together in the church to talk with you about your child's First Eucharist celebration. Your second grade students will be meeting in the Parish Hall for activities. Please have them dressed appropriately to have their picture taken and displayed in the Gathering Space in church. Thank you!

On **Sunday, March 8**, we will be celebrating **First Eucharist Enrollment at the 11:00 mass**. Parents and their children who will be celebrating this special sacrament are asked to attend.

RCIA

This weekend at the 11:00 mass we will be celebrating the **Rite of Sending** for our catechumens and candidates. Later on that same day, our RCIA and their sponsors travel to St. Michael's Parish to then celebrate the **Rite of Election** with Bishop Blair.

The **Rite of Sending** offers us, the parish community, the opportunity to express approval of the catechumens and candidates and to send them forth with our blessings to the celebration of election, being assured of the parish's care and support.

The **Rite of Election** is the second step in the Christian initiation and is usually celebrated on the first Sunday of Lent. This liturgical rite closes the Period of the Catechumenate (formation, training and guidance in the Christian life). The Rite of Election is a celebration of God's call of the elect, as well as the person's acceptance of God's call. It marks the beginning of the Purification and Enlightenment Period for catechumens, who will now be called "the elect." Those already baptized participate in a "Call to Continuing Conversion of Candidates," and continue to be called candidates.

Our sincere sympathy and prayers are extended to the families of Peggy Podach and Ruth Coughlin who died recently. May they experience the peace and joy of the Risen Lord.



Deacon Jordan would like to thank everyone for their generous hospitality last weekend and for allowing him to bring his ministry for the Church's Missionary efforts to St. Wendelin.



ATTENTION GARDENERS

I have committed our group to participate in several activities!
March 17 - Soup and Bread - 5:30 pm - Parish Hall
Please call me or leave me a message if you can assist in the kitchen, or make a soup. Fr. Raphael from Carey will be the guest speakers.

March 25 - Gardeners' Meeting - 7:00 pm - Upper Room
The meeting is early so we can get ideas formulated. I will need some help this year with several projects and with recruiting more hands to help. Please think of family or friend who might consider this as a new ministry for St. Wendelin. If you would like to join the gardeners club, please call Deb Miller at 419-435-9219.



Immaculate Conception Church

This year we are celebrating our 150th Anniversary at Immaculate Conception Church in Bellevue. As part of our celebration, we are having a "Pot 'O Gold" Business Fair on Sunday March 15 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. A wide range of businesses will host displays, many door prizes have been donated and inexpensive food will be available. Materials will also be on hand for people who are interested in starting a business of their own.

"Pot 'O Gold" Business Fair

Sunday, March 15 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Immaculate Conception Church

231 E. Center St.

Bellevue, OH

Business Displays – Prizes – Food

For more information: www.icbell.org

CLYDE ST. MARY'S FISH FRY

St. Paddy's night fish fry will be held on March 6th, 20th and April 3rd at 615 Vine St., Clyde. Serving 4:30 PM Carry-Outs available. Alaskan Walleye, Potato, Salad Bar and drink for \$8.00 - Children - \$3.00. They will also be hosting St. Paddy's Night Costume Party and Card Night on Saturday, March 14th - Doors open at 6:00 pm. Must be 21 to enter. \$10.00 per person, 5 drink tickets, soup/salad bar and sandwiches will be served. Come in green costume wear.

