

FEBRUARY 21, 2010



**Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration will be
Wednesdays after 8 am Mass until 7 pm.**

**Stations of the Cross:
Wednesdays at 7 pm
Fridays at 1:45 pm with SMS children**

**Communion Services
Monday - Thursday 8 am
Mass with SMS children 8 am**

**Deacons: Ministers of Service
What can Deacons Do? (3 of 10)**

“It is the task of deacons to assist the bishop and priests in the celebration of the divine mysteries, above all the Eucharist, in the distribution of Holy Communion, in assisting and blessing marriages, in the proclamation of the Gospel and preaching, in presiding over funerals, and in dedicating themselves to the various ministries of charity.” (Vatican II, *Lumen Gentium* #29)

The deacon’s liturgical ministry includes:

- (1) assisting the bishop and priest at Mass
- (2) presiding at baptisms and weddings outside of Mass and at the Liturgy of the Hours
- (3) blessing objects and persons usually *within* liturgical celebrations
- (4) proclaiming and preaching the Word of God
- (5) providing pastoral care of the aged, sick, and dying

Deacons also play an important catechetical role, often being involved in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and in preparing parents for infant baptism. His liturgical ministry of proclaiming and preaching the Word of God is often extended beyond liturgy to parish meetings, and religious education sessions.

On Saturday, April 24, Tom Graber of our parish will be ordained to the permanent diaconate.

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**From the office of
Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr
Archbishop of Cincinnati**

For those of us who are baptized, Lent is a season in which we walk with the Elect as they prepare for their upcoming baptism and when we prepare for the renewal of our own baptismal promises. We are not “fasting from our baptism,” but, rather, during this season, we renew our baptismal call to discipleship through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Thus, the purpose of “fasting” is to allow more space in our hearts so that we may more closely walk with the Lord and the Elect, and that we might be moved to greater charity, greater love, and greater justice in our lives. Because the Lenten season is understood in this baptismal light, it is most appropriate to leave the holy water in the fonts to remind us of our baptismal commitment.

Thank you

All those who have supported FISH during its long history have come to know and appreciate Hazel and Leo Blanchard, whose dedication and work provided the central core of our community’s ecumenical volunteer organization. FISH could not have achieved the place of honor it holds among donors and recipients without the amazing commitment of the Blanchards. After 43 years of exemplary service, the Blanchards have decided to step back from the overwhelming amount of responsibilities they had graciously assumed.

In honor of Hazel and Leo Blanchard’s 43 years of service, our parish would like to take up a “thanksgiving” donation for FISH on the weekend of February 27 – 28. Please donate non-perishable food items or \$10 Eikenberry SCRIP coupons in gratitude for all they have done in service for others. Food items may be left at the foot of the cross near the baptismal font. Eikenberry SCRIP may be placed in the basket at the SCRIP table.

On Sunday, February 28 at the Brethren Retirement Community’s Chestnut Village Center, FISH is hosting a reception from 2 – 4 pm to honor Hazel and Leo Blanchard and celebrate their extraordinary contribution to our community. All those who have in any way experienced and/or appreciated this couple’s efforts embodying the true spirit of Christianity are invited to attend this event.

Weekly Parish Calendar

February 21 - First Sunday in Lent

8:30 am Mass
 During 10:30 Mass Sunday Preschool
 10:30 am Mass
 During 10:30 Mass Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, February 22 - The Chair of Peter

8:00 am Communion Service
 9:00 am Choir School
 7:00 pm Bible Adventure
 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Tuesday, February 23 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 am Mass
 9:00 am Video Series
 7:00 pm Lay Advisory Board for SMS

Wednesday, February 24 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 am Communion Service
 6:30 pm Bingo
 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
 7:00 pm PSR
 7:00 pm Confirmation Class

Thursday, February 25 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 am Communion Service
 6:30 pm Bingo
 7:00 pm Trio

Friday, February 26 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 am Mass School
 1:45 pm Stations of the Cross - SMS children
 5:00 pm Fish Fry

Sat., Feb. 27 - Blessed Virgin Mother

4 - 5 pm Reconciliation
 5:30 pm Vigil Mass for Sunday

February 28 - Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 am Mass
 During 10:30 Mass - Sunday Preschool
 10:30 am Mass
 During 10:30 Mass - Children's Liturgy of the Word
 After 10:30 Mass - Parish Brunch

The Parish brunch will be next Sunday, February 28 after the 10:30 am Mass. The Knights of Columbus and Rosary Altar Society will be hosting and cooking. See you there!



Assignments for next weekend's Masses:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30 pm – February 27

Lector: D Dostie
Altar Servers: T Batty, S & J Wirrig
Extraordinary Distributors of Holy Communion: A & J Rodenburgh, e Stegall, R Beyke, P Hadden
Greeter: M Klosterman
Gifts: G Maher family

Sunday 8:30 Mass – February 28

Lector: A Kruger
Altar Servers: K Warren, A Wintrow, volunteer
Extraordinary Distributors of Holy Communion: Ki Droesch, Da Droesch, L Waltke, N York, A Obringer
Greeter: volunteer
Gifts: L Obringer family

Sunday 10:30 Mass – February 28

Lector: J Graham
Altar Servers: N & A Schmitmeyer, C Masso-Rivetti
Extraordinary Distributors of Holy Communion: D Schmitmeyer, M Arnett, K Murray, C Homes, R Moore, volunteer (1)
Greeter: S Garrett,
Gifts: Children's Liturgy of the Word
Counters: M Rieman, C Ayette

If you have an e-mail address, please forward it to me at stmjc@bizwoh.rr.com. It will save the parish printing and mailing costs. The complete schedule up to the week before Palm Sunday is on the website: www.stmarysgreenville.org Thank you, Monica

Last Weekend's Offerings: 2/14/10

	<u>Actuals</u>	<u>Goals</u>
Sunday Collection:	\$8,621.15	\$7,900.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 234.00	
Capital Improvement:	\$ 5.00	
School Donations:	\$ 225.00	
Collection To Date:	\$275,648.44	\$272,800.00

Please use extra caution around the church and school buildings. Step carefully around the icy slick spots and snow piles. Watch above for snow and icicles ready to fall down from the roof. Stay aware of your surroundings and be safe.



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Magnifikid enhances the experience of the Mass for elementary age students. If we can get enough people interested in subscribing, we can receive these publications at a parish rate. Please call Monica in the parish office for more information.



First Communion Banners are due Friday, March 5.

Since we have missed two days due to weather, we will use our make-up day at the end of the year. The last day of PSR will be May 19.

Saint Mary's Parish School of Religion encompasses Sunday Preschool, Children's Liturgy of the Word, Elementary Religious Education on Wednesday nights, Confirmation Class and GLORY.

Each Sunday at the 10:30 Mass children in grades kindergarten through 3rd may participate in a **Children's Liturgy of the Word**. The children participate in the same readings, a time of learning about the Word, the Creed and the intercessory prayers before returning to the church.



PSR Preschool is during the 10:30 Sunday Mass. It runs from the weekend after Labor Day until the weekend before Mother's Day each year. If you are interested, please call the parish office.

Elementary Religious Education for grades 1st through 6th is held on Wednesday nights at 7 pm. All students who attend a non-Catholic school are invited to attend. You may enroll at any time. Please call the office for more information.

Confirmation Class is a two year program for 7th and 8th graders in preparation for Confirmation. Confirmation Class meets the first and third Wednesdays (and the 5th Wednesday when there is one) of each month throughout the school year.

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GLORY is Saint Mary's junior and senior high program. High school students registered for Wednesdays, junior high students registered for Confirmation Class and Saint Mary's School junior high students are invited.



Christian Bands will play at Darke County Fairgrounds - Youth Building on Sunday, February 21. The bands are Red and Decyfer Down. Gates open at 5 pm. Show: 6 pm. For more



information call (937) 459-2515. Get tickets at the Christian bookstore.

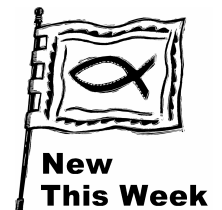
Adult Education & Formation

Tuesday mornings during February at 9 am in the rectory basement, we will be watching Coming Home DVDs and listening to some presentations on CD. Everyone is welcome! Enjoy coffee and doughnuts while listening and learning. We will meet this week on February 23.

Schoenstatt Small Groups meet the third Wednesday of each month at 1 pm and the second Thursday at 7 pm. The afternoon group reads and reflects on the upcoming Sunday readings. We meet in the Youth House and children are welcome. The evening group reads and reflects on the writings of Father Kentenich. Please call Regina Schieltz (548-1924) if you are interested in attending or learning more about our Schoenstatt groups.

The Great Adventure Bible Study: We are restarting these Scripture sessions now on Thursday mornings at 10 am. Come on March 11 for our first class. Join us for one or many of the sessions. Study materials are \$45. Call Ann Kolb at the parish office to register. Note: Study materials are not necessary to learn from the class. All are welcome!

New classes on symptom-thermal method of Natural Family Planning will begin on Saturday, March 6 from 2 - 4:30 pm at St. Bernard's, Burkettsville. For questions call Eric and Nicole Voisard at (937)526-3305 or for more information please visit: www.ccli.org.



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Saint Mary's School is a Catholic grade school from preschool to eighth grade. Along with their regular academic activities, the children study their faith and engage in service activities each day. There are daily updates at www.stmarysschoolgreenville.org.

Registration for the 2010 - 2011 school year is taking place at St. Mary's School for preschool through 8th grade students. In order for a person to receive financial assistance the registration form and the financial assistance form must be completed and into the school office by March 12. The forms can be picked up at the school office Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm. Please contact Mr. Rosenbeck, school principal with any questions. The school phone number is 548-2345.

preschool registration



If you intend to enroll your preschool child in the Caterpillar (3 - 4 year olds) or Butterfly (4 - 5 year olds) classes for the 2010 - 2011 school year get your registrations in as soon as possible. These classes fill up quickly.

SCRIP is a fundraiser in which all parishioners can participate. The school receives a percentage back from each gift card you buy. The cards are sold in the school office during school hours and after each Mass. Go to www.glscrip.com to see all the businesses that are listed nationally. You can now link through this bulletin on the website.



New This Week

A special thank you goes to Aaron and Michelle Cox and to the members of the Stewardship Committee for their work on Flavors of the World. Over \$1,000 will be donated to St. Mary's School as a result of this fun evening.

Crazy 8 Club tickets are on sale now. Tickets can be purchased at the school office or at the SCRIP table before and after Mass. Tickets are \$20 each. All tickets - win or lose - go back in the barrel!

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Christian Service Opportunities

Volunteers are needed for the Grace Center at 433 Water Street. If you have any questions about our ministry with the Grace Center, please contact Paul Myers at 692-8115.

- **We serve lunch once a month at the Grace Center** on the second Wednesday. If you are interested in serving or donating food, please call Barb Deis at 692-8115.
- To volunteer at the **Clothing Bank**, contact Laura Hart at 548-9147 or GHart@woh.rr.com. The Clothing Bank is open on Thursdays from 9 am - 5 pm. You may make donations at the same time.
- Volunteers are also needed for the **Grace Center Food Bank**. It is open 9 - 5 on Thursdays. Contact Beverly Baltes at 526-3202 or at cargal@ymail.com.

The Soup Kitchen will soon be moving to the Grace Center on Water Street. Additional chairs will need to be purchased. **You can help sponsor the purchase of the new chairs.** Each chair costs \$10. Use one of your St. Vincent DePaul Envelopes and mark it for Grace Chairs. Thank you!

Rosary Altar Society (RAS)

RAS meeting scheduled for Monday, February 15 was cancelled due to snow.

Craft Day will be Tuesday, February 23 from 10 am to 12 noon at the Youth House. Come with your own craft to work on or we will have something for you to work on there. Craft group is a great way to help build the Catholic community in our parish.

Knights of Columbus, Council #1796

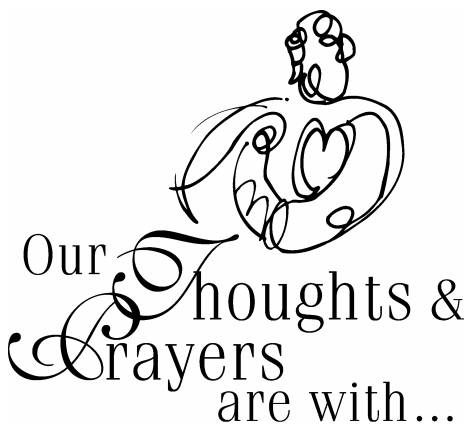
Benefit Dance at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Saturday, March 20 from 8:30 pm – 12 midnight. Music will be provided by BACKBEAT. Admission is \$10 per person. All proceeds go to the parish St. Vincent de Paul Fund. For advance tickets or to donate door prizes, please call Luke Stachler.



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Elaine Fitzgerald, Mary Jane Thobe, Ruth Bey, Patty McGhee, Christine Alexander, Samantha Smith, Michael Kolb, Cheryl Bingham, Joan Pence, Bob MacKenzie, Ron Bruner, Joshua Badell, Brian Stammen, Tara Waltke, Gerald Bruggeman, Dana Holzapfel, Mark & Dorothy Randall, Mary White, Frances Morrow, Paul Rethlake, Louis & Nonie Meyer, Christina Carpenter, Fr. Joe Raudabaugh, Brittany Stone, Jane Brandon, Ron Niswonger, Melissa Miller, Al Boney, Shellaina Fraker, Christina Nester, Fred Groff, Bob Sink, Doris Hemmelgarn, David Payne, Mariam Wise, Rick Pepple, Emma Roman, Aurelia Morales, Mike Davies,



Claudia Denlinger, Connie Hobbs, Theresa Whiteside, Mary Barga, Bill Schuette, Amy Coomer, Reda Nisonger, Thelma Barga, Angie

Stammen, Aaron Turner, Ryan McKenna, Valerie Brown, Addy Littlefield, the Matt Littlefield Family, Sandy Sebree, Bob Fullenkamp, John Kolb, Fr. Harry Kist, Tracy Baerwald, Margaret Ayette, Hipolito Fagudes, Mike Phlipot, Evelyn Grillot, Bill Spahr, Lindsey Ricker, Janelle Williams, Sherry Myers, Judith Barga, Dave Stammen, Stacy Mortensen, Cathy Eckstein, Foster Alexander, Grace Pence, Timmy White, Velina Bogart, Kate Myers, Joe Braun, Dorothy Boerger, Juraci Saud, Jim Light, Christina Smith, Duane Barga, Alexis Sutherland, Amber Arnett, Nick Garcia, Stella Redeffler, Toby Boggs and all those who are in need of our prayers whose names we do not know.

God, our Father,
as we weep with our family in Haiti, console us.

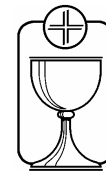
In this time of crisis, open our eyes to look beyond the disaster to see Christ in our brothers and sisters in Haiti.

Strengthen us in solidarity

with those living and working in Haiti.

Your grace guides our efforts to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, comfort the grieving and stand for justice. Amen.

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Eucharistic Adoration

There is Eucharistic Adoration at Saint Mary's Church every Wednesday from the close of the 8 am Mass until 7 pm. Please come and join us in prayer for the needs of the parish and the whole world.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 21: 8:30: Joanne Kaiser
- Her family and friends

10:30: *Missa pro populo*

Monday, February 22: Charles Coffman
- His family

Tuesday, February 23: Florence Rammel
- Jim and Mary Vanden Bosch

Wednesday, February 24: Robin Grimsley & Jimmy
- SMS Staff and Students

Thursday, February 25: Dorothy Stachler
- Family and friends

Friday, February 26: Ariel Valdez
- SMS Staff and Students

Saturday, Feb. 27: 5:30: Norbert and Amelia Heckman
- Ann Kreitzer

Sunday, February 28: 8:30: William Brown
- Susan Fowble

10:30: *Missa pro populo*



Jason Ditmer, Eric Skidmore, Jason Carter, Scott Schwartz, Nathaniel Ramsay, Christopher Rush, Scott Barga, Nikki Shiverdecker, J. J. Foster, Justin Hoffman, R. C. Pierri, Jerrod Drew, Zach Kemp, Mike Dostie, Ken Roessner, Jason Traxler, Julie & Matthew Whittington, Brittany Martino, Patricia Hruska, Travis Higgins, Jesse Paulus, Kyle Paulus, Tyler Sanders and all those who serve in our name.

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Parish Connections

“Volunteers give our parish life!”

Parish Council chairperson	
Paul Myers	692-8115
Education Commission chairperson	
Joseph Badell.....	548-9444
Parish Finance Committee chairperson	
Gloria Brubaker.....	548-6399
Bereavement Committee	
Ron and Mary Bonfiglio.....	548-5942
Preschool Coordinator	
Amy Maher.....	548-5474
Soup Kitchen Volunteers	
Barb Deis.....	678-7832
Altar Servers	
Tom Graber	547-1522
Rosary Altar Society	
Regina Schieltz.....	548-1924
Knights of Columbus, Council #1796	
Tom Batty.....	547-1512
To rent the Knights of Columbus Hall	
Dick Shumaker.....	548-8647
To call the Knights of Columbus Hall when occupied.....	547-1001
Monday Night Adult Enrichment	
Rita Gaerke.....	968-3505
Schoenstatt Small Groups	
Regina Schieltz.....	548-1924
Lay Advisory Board for SMS chairperson	
Joy Marchal.....	548-4042
Funeral Dinner coordinator	
Rita Myers.....	548-1463
Ministry of Care	
Carolyn Gerold.....	548-5537
Right to Life	
Office	547-3113
Pregnancy Help Line.....	547-1112
State of the Heart Hospice - Faith Community Outreach	
Terri Crandall.....	547-0006
Ushers	
Dick Root	548-6038
Cemetery	
Jim Vanden Bosch.....	548-6198

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