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Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sunday, March 22 • Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Gary Fox
(Dean & Kathleen Henderson)

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

Monday, March 23 • NO MASS

Tuesday, March 24 • Lenten Weekday

11:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of Cullinan Family
(Jeanne Cullinan Brown)

Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday, March 25 • Annunciation of the Lord

11:30 a.m. Msgr. James M. Berendt
(His Family)

Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday, March 26 • Lenten Weekday

11:30 a.m. Special Intention
(Richard & Shirley Lumpe)

Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

Friday, March 27 • Lenten Weekday

11:30 a.m. Martin L. Baumert
(Eugene Baumert)

Wis 2:1, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday, March 28 • Lenten Weekday

11:30 a.m. Intentions of Seminarians Dan Dury,
Ty Tomson, & Michael Connaughten
(Jack Balogh & Veronica Wolfe)

Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday, March 29 • Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. Parishioners of Holy Cross
11:00 a.m. Mary Fleming

Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Mass Scheduling Policy: In order to accommodate as many requests for specific dates as possible, we cannot schedule more than five at one time. Requests without a specific date are scheduled as openings permit. Please include the suggested offering of \$10.00 (for each Mass) when the request is made. Thank You!

+ **Please remember in your prayers** our homebound parishioners and those who are ill: Mary Cordesco, Sara Fingerlin, Marianne Garrison, Elsie Haninger, Theresa Hyle, Mary Kay Keefer, Mary Knapp, Edith Kowalsky, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Cathy Miller, Rita Neff, Amanda Pilkington, Mary Scholl, Marilyn Scott, Sheila Shirey, Margaret Trainor, Helen Violet, Elizabeth Wanamaker.

THANKS!

March 15, 2009 Offerings

Designated Collections (Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)	Offering.....\$2,616.00
	Votives.....47.00
	Novena/1st Friday0.00
Mass Attendance	Repair.....20.00
9:00 a.m. = 87	Less Tax.....(134.15)
11:00 a.m. = 96	Net to Parish\$2,548.85

Can We Help?

Anyone willing and able to help our altar server Bridgid Davis with her "Fill It Up On Friday" project please bring nonperishable food items to Mass next Sunday, March 29. This is a project of Bishop Watterson High School Juniors and Seniors. Bridgid will drive her pickup filled with food items to the food pantry in Logan, Ohio on April 3. Three factories in the Logan area have recently shut down, bringing the unemployment rate to 41% and the food bank is depleted.

Thank You for helping!!

Choir Practice at Holy Cross

Holy Cross Choir is now practicing for Holy Week and Easter. New choir members are welcomed! These rehearsals will be held on Sundays following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Pauline Fritz will be leading the choir this year during Lent.

News from Sr. Pat

For any interested HBO subscriber – the award-winning documentary "They Killed Sr. Dorothy" will be aired on HBO Wednesday, March 25th at 8:00 p.m.

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Lenten Opportunities at Holy Cross

Every Friday: Stations of the Cross after 11:30 a.m. Mass [Sorrowful Mother Novena will resume on First Fridays after Easter]. Day of abstinence (no meat for those over 14 years of age).

Holy Thursday:

Mass of the Lord's Supper, 5:30 p.m.

Good Friday:

Day of fast and abstinence
1:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
2:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy and Holy Communion

Holy Saturday:

8:30 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil

***Fast = One main meal, 2 lesser meals, no food between meals, for 21-59 years. Abstinence = no meat for over 14 years old.**

THE WORD

We become what we behold. If we grow up seeing goodness and kindness and mercy and forgiveness, we shall become that. But if we grow up seeing anger and hatred and selfishness and a refusal to forgive others, that will leave its mark on us. The old belief was that what a person looked at was stamped indelibly on the soul.

Now, God of course can reverse that, as God did with Israel in the desert. The very thing that had brought them death became under God's direction a power for life. When the Israelites were out in the desert and tested God, they were punished with serpents that bit them. When they finally turned to Moses for help in their affliction and Moses turned to God, God relented and told Moses to make a serpent of bronze and all who looked on it would be saved. The very thing that had brought death became a source of life.

One may say the same thing of the cross. The startling image that begins today's Gospel calls us to look with faith at the Son of Man who has been lifted up, both on the cross and by His resurrection. When we look with faith at Christ crucified on the cross, we see not death, but the love of God expressed in this total gift of the Son, even unto death. We behold this divine love for us, accept it in faith, and allow it to flood into our hearts and we are saved. Truly the love of God has been poured into our hearts.

– From "Living the Word"

Altar Easter Flowers

Donations towards the altar flowers (envelopes provided) for the Easter Season in the memory of deceased family members or friends can be put in the Sunday collections with the person's name you wish to remember. A donation of \$10.00 is suggested.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

The first reading begins on page 98.

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. – Pauline Fritz, organist

Entrance Hymn *Crown Him with Many Crowns*
(Hymnal #706)

Responsorial Psalm *Let my tongue be silenced,
if ever I forget you!*
(Missalette, p. 99, #65)

Gospel Acclamation (Missalette, p. 100, #66)

Offertory Hymn *The Glory of These Forty Days*
(Hymnal #530)

Communion Hymn *Jesus Christ, Bread of Life*
(Hymnal #625)

Closing Hymn *Hail, Redeemer, King Divine*
(Hymnal #712)

Special Parish Dates

Mark your calendars for the following important dates for the parish:

- 1) **Tuesday, April 7, 2009 – Chrim Mass (Blessing of Oils) at 6:00 p.m. – St. Joseph Cathedral**
- 2) **Thursday, April 9, 2009 – Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper, 5:30 p.m.**
- 3) **Friday, April 10, 2009 – Good Friday: (Day of fast and abstinence) 1:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross, 2:00 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy & Holy Communion**
- 4) **Saturday, April 11, 2009 – Holy Saturday: 8:30 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil**
- 5) **Sunday, April 12, 2009 – Easter Sunday: Masses at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.**

CRS Collection Today

The Catholic Relief Services (CRS) collection will be taken during Mass today. The money collected will support the Catholic Church agencies that build international solidarity and relief efforts. This ministry is often the only source of hope for millions of people around the world. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Request from Sr. Pat

Anyone willing to be a part of the foot-washing services on Holy Thursday, please let Sr. Pat know.

Easter Basket Project

Once again, the Holy Cross Young Adult Group will be putting together Easter baskets to be distributed to underprivileged children through J.O.I.N. (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs). Please bring the needed items (include baskets, grass, small books, crayons, coloring books, stuffed animals, and toys appropriate for preschool and elementary school-age children, plastic eggs and candy) to church on April 5. All donations and any help are much appreciated! For more information, please contact Rachel Walsh at rachelkwash@gmail.com or 846-3754.

Catholic Women's Annual Retreat

The Columbus Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Annual Retreat will be held April 24-26, 2009, at St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 East Broad Street. The Retreat Director will be Sr. Jean Daugherty, T.O.R. The theme for the weekend will be "Come Follow Me." The offering for the weekend is \$100.00. A deposit is \$50.00. For a registration form, please call the DCCW at 614-228-8601, e-mail hdetty@colldioc.org, visit our web site at www.dccw.colldioc.org or stop by your Parish Office. Mail registrations to DCCW, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus, OH 43215, by April 20.

Thank You!!

Many thanks to Jack & Irene Probasco for the arrangement of the Rectory as "The House of Hospitality" on St. Patrick's Day.