

ST. JOSEPH – Monroeville

ST. ALPHONSUS – Peru



June 28, 2008 – June 29, 2009



FEBRUARY 22, 2009

7th SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

YEAR OF ST. PAUL

**The Great Evangelizer
Martyr for the Love of Christ**

SATURDAY AT 4 PM AT
ST. JOSEPH

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AT LEAST 6 MONTH NOTICE AND
ATTENDANCE AT ENGAGED
COUPLES CONFERENCE

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

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CONFESSIONS

Dear Friends,

Wednesday we move from our short season of Ordinary Time into the penitential season of Lent. Please check elsewhere in the Bulletin for times and locations for the distributions of ashes. Why not consider increased prayer during Lent by attending a weekday Mass and/or Stations of the Cross. These are scheduled at various times during the day or evening for your convenience.

During Lent, Triduum and Easter seasons we are happy to offer “Paschal Mission,” a series of bulletin inserts for daily prayer, reflection & family activities. It is a little different than what we have offered in previous years. Please take one of these home with you beginning next Sunday.

Our Ecumenical Lenten Services have traditionally been a favorite for many. My fellow Pastors and I are very excited about the format we are using this year. We will be offering different forms and styles of prayer. St. Joseph Parish will host the inaugural session beginning with a soup supper at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, March 4. Our prayer service will follow in the Church at 7:00 PM.

Lent is a season of sacrifice. A million years ago when I was young, I “gave up” candy and Popeye cartoons during Lent. I remember carrying jellybeans with me to Easter Vigil services on Holy Saturday night so that I could eat my candy on the way home. These days fasting, abstinence or just doing without something I enjoy, seems much harder for me.

Living in the land of plenty, we really don’t like to go without. Often, we feel entitled to life’s little pleasures. When we hear advertising slogans tell us that “there are no rules” or “we can have it our way,” the concept of sacrifice seems far away and out of date. Selfishly we feel that we deserve more, don’t we?

When one of our loved ones dies, we are slow to forget their love and kindness for us. We visit their graves, honor their images, and treasure their memory. When we participate in the sacrifice of the mass we remember and share in the ultimate sacrifice Jesus made for us. We wait for him to come again in glory.

Fr. Ken Lill

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Feb. 21 – St. Peter Damian

5:00 PM (SJ) Mary Wilhelm

Sun., Feb. 22 – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM (SA) Richard Huey

10:30 AM (SJ) Smith & Bauer Families

Clayton Houck & Calvin Rennecker

Mon., Feb. 23 – St. Polycarp

NO MASS

Tues., Feb. 24

7:00 PM (SA) Dorothy Missig

Wed., Feb. 25 – Ash Wednesday

8:15 AM (SJ) Frank Ruffing

7:00 PM (SA) Rachel Geiger

Thurs., Feb. 26

8:15 AM (SJ) John Scales Family

Fri., Feb. 27

8:15 AM (SJ) Charles Roeder

Sat., Feb. 28

5:00 PM (SJ) Margaret Tyler

Bob & Theresa Graham

Sun., Mar. 1 – 1st Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM (SA) Edward Schafer

10:30 AM (SJ) Joe Didion

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUN-Is. 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25/2 Cor. 1:18-22/
Mk. 2:1-12

MON-Sir. 1:1-10/Mk. 9:14-29

TUE-Sir. 2:1-11/Mk. 9:30-37

WED-Jl. 2:12-28/2 Cor.5:20; 6:2/Mt. 6:1-6, 16-18

THU-Dt. 30:15-20/Lk. 9:22-25

FRI-Is. 58:1-9a/Mt. 9:14-15

SAT-Is. 58:9b-14/Lk. 5:27-32

Fund-40, Fuel-58, School Supp-522, Initial-10, Holy Name-35, Chirstmas-65.

St. Alphonsus-Sunday-2,792, (82 envelopes) Loose-53.75, Holy Day-10, Children-8, Initial-20, Vigil Lights-12, Initial-20.

CONTRIBUTIONS – FEB. 8

St. Joseph-Sunday-5,113, (140 envelopes) Loose-118, St. VdeP-102, Holy Day-17, 50/50-95, Children-6, Bldg. Fund-15, Fuel-65, School Supp-25, Holy Name-75, Chirstmas-40, Needy-511.75.

St. Alphonsus-Sunday-2,897, (91 envelopes) Loose-78, Children-8, Initial-5, Vigil Lights-32, Needy-489.91.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, Feb. 28 – 5:00 p.m. – St. Joseph

L Nancy Alt, Krista Smith

U **John Fries**, Chris Gies, Bob Wilhelm

EM **Charlene Bauer**, Tom Runkle, John Miller, Betty Schafer, Shirley Stang

S Kady Gies, Gretchen Schafer, Victoria Smith

Sunday, Mar. 1 – 8:30 a.m. – St. Alphonsus

L Jeanette & Caleigh Ott

U Glenn Brooks, Charlie Nay, Larry Hanneman, Charles Fritz

EM Diane Schafer, David & Jackie Reed, Robin Welsh, Ron & Barb Chase, Beverly Hipp, Sue Schindley, Ken Wangler

S Michael Hanneman, Colton & Mitchell Ott

G Mary & Clayton Ott

Sunday, Mar. 1 – 10:30 a.m. – St. Joseph

L Sandy Lonz, Mike Adelman

U **Fred Leber**, Bob Good, Tom Hedrick

EM **Volunteer**, Jennifer Meagrow, Sue Rogers, Diana Brown, Barb Good, Evelyn Ruffing

S Kyle England, Tyler Haughawout

CONTRIBUTIONS – FEB. 15

St. Joseph-Sunday-4,994, (129 envelopes) Loose-204.40, St. VdeP-277, 50/50-95, Children-2, Bldg.

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

MAR 1 – Barb Good

SET UP: Molly Doss
WINDOW: Annette Schafer

COUNTERS – FEB. 23

Rose Fritz, Barbara Schafer, June Ferguson Catherine Raftery, Rose & Danny Perry

MAY GOD SEND HIS HEALING BLESSINGS to Richard Holland, Jeanette Leibold, Mike Martin, Gary Rasnick, George Stepanic, & Jim Smith.

BINGO – FEB. 23

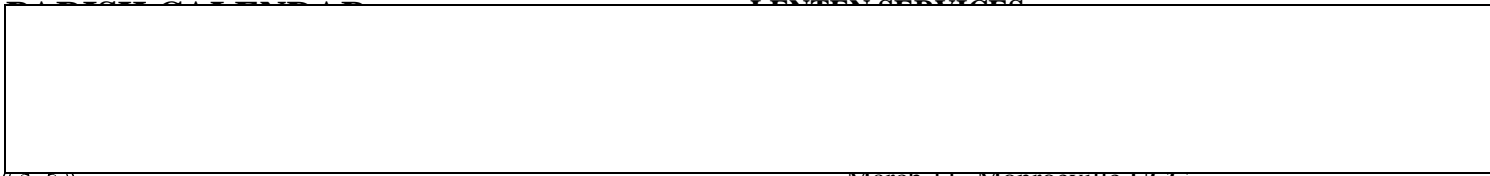
CREW #2: Scott White, Lynn Grant, Andrea Smith, Marie Bischoff, Marilyn Watt, Mike Palmer, Tony Darr

FOOD: Carl & Angela Swanbeck

KITCHEN: Jenny Martin

BAKERS: Theresa Fries, Marilyn Pierce, Mindy Gies

FYI – Members of Pastoral Council are: Mike Adelman, Charlene Bauer, Bob Crist, Jean Fitzgerald, Theresa Fries, Bob Good, Carol Martin, Jack Schaffer, Pricilla Tremmel, Diane Wasiniak and Catherine Raftery.



AREA EVENTS

SPAGHETTI DINNER Feb. 24 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at St. Anthony, Milan. Cost: \$6 for regular size serving & \$4 for small size serving.
ALL-U-CAN EAT FISH FRY at St. Boniface Church, Oak Harbor on Fridays during Lent. Adults \$8, Children \$4.
BREAKFAST BUFFET at St. Francis Xavier, Willard on Sunday, March 1 from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Adults \$6, Children \$3.
FISH FRY on Friday March 6 from 4:30-7 p.m. at St. Mary, Clyde. Alaskan Walleye, Potato, Salad Bar, Drink. Adults \$8, Children \$3.
“POT ‘O GOLD” BUSINESS FAIR Sunday, March 15 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church, Bellevue. Business Displays – Prizes – Food
For more information: www.icbell.org



NON-FOOD BANK

Thank you to all who donated items for the Non-Food Bank held on Thursday. Thanks also to Mary Dreschel, Marti Long, Bob & Angie Roth, Theresa Schafer, Margaret Smith and Claudia Varos who helped with the distribution. The next Non-Food Bank will be held on March 19 from 2-5 p.m. If you would like to help, please call Sr. Nancy.

LADIES OF ST. ALPHONSUS

The Cattlemen’s Dinner will be held on March 10. Pies and helpers are needed! Please sign up in the back of church.

March 11- Monroeville UCC
March 18-St. Alphonsus
March 25 – St. John’s UCC
April 1 – Trinity Lutheran

MONROEVILLE K of C 200 CLUB WINNERS

Feb. 17-\$50: Bill Schibley
\$25: Dean Schaffer, Robert Blum

BIRTHDAYS

FEB 22-Aaron Dahm, Jake Kluding, Catherine Myers, Stephanie Perry, Nancy Schaffer, Scott Stang
FEB 23-Kayla Beck, Natalie Beck, Rebecca Gies, Cheryl Good, David Lavalley, Brian Lucal, Brock Meacham, Emily Mockler, James Schindley
FEB 24-Nancy Alt
FEB 25-Zachary Hendrickson, Tamara Opper, Nathan Ott, Evelyn Reilly
FEB 26-Kari Breitbach, Taylor Brooks, Betty Lasch, Gerald Ryan, Helen Tommas
FEB 27-Hollie Appeman, Katelyn Hohler, Mary Lesch, Fredric Ott
FEB 28-Tony Ames, Robin Clair, Mary Ann Fries, Betsy Neuberger, Amber Reed, Brittany Reed
FEB 29-Roberta Bivens, Elaine Schaffer
MAR 1-Irene Camp, Richard Cloud, Jeanette Leibold, Kenneth Schafer, Susan Stang, Lilly White



ST. ALPHONSUS VBS “DISCOVERY CANYON”

Mark your calendar now for the week of June 15-19. More details to follow. If you have any questions, please call co-coordinators, Beth Schnellinger 419-663-9304 or Mindy Kamann 419-465-3374.

It's Time To Start Thinking & Planning!

Do you make the best pies? Are your cookies or cakes "the bomb"? Do you enjoy "doing for others"--things such as cleaning, raking leaves, shoveling snow??

How about driving someone to appointments, or to the store? We're looking for offers of services such as these for the silent auction this year. There are many everyday things that many people don't do or are unable to do for themselves. These would make great auction items. Think about it!

AN EVENING OF FUN

St. Mary's Reverse Raffle will be held on Saturday, March 21. \$10,000 grand prize. Tickets are \$100 each, and include one dinner catered by Blue Ribbon. Additional dinner tickets sell for \$20 each. Tickets purchased by March 2nd are entered in an Early Bird Drawing for a chance at winning an extra \$100. For more information or to purchase tickets contact the Parish Office at 668-2005 or Tammie Smith at 668-1237 or Sarah Anderson at 660-9854.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING will be taught by the Couple to Couple League at a series of three classes beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 26, 2009 in Norwalk. The method taught, the Sympto-Thermal Method, is safe, effective, and morally acceptable. For further information, registration, or to learn of other classes in the area, please call Paul or Monica Depinet at (419) 660-0534.



NEED A NIGHT OFF FROM COOKING?

Order a homemade pie and help the local M.S. Walk Team "Legs for Leo". Chicken pot pies are \$15, Fruit pies are \$10 – pecan, apply crumb, elderberry and blueberry. Call Rosalie Smith at 419-663-5530 to place your order. The chicken pot pies are frozen and unbaked and the fruit pies can be baked, frozen or unbaked. Thank you for your support.



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL ANNUAL FUND

As of Friday morning, February 20, the 2009-2010 Annual Fund has received \$43, 959.00 in donations and pledges toward the goal of \$60,000.00 The Saint Joseph School community is very grateful for the good stewardship of 135 individuals, families and business who have invested in the future of our school. If you have not yet decided on making a contribution to the campaign, please do so.

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Contributions to date	135	\$43, 959.00
Increased donations from last year	18	\$3,790.00
Decreased donations from last year	8	\$416.00
New donations	30	\$1555.00
The same donation as last year	79	\$29,875.00