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## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 4, 2007

### DAILY LITURGIES AND INTENTIONS:

Monday	March	5	Lenten Weekday 8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Tuesday	February	6	Lenten Weekday 8:00 a.m. Charles F. Mentrup
Wednesday	February	7	Lenten Weekday 8:00 a.m. Healing 7:00 p.m. Father Chuck
Thursday	March	8	Weekday 8:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Communion
Friday	March	9	Lenten Weekday 8:00 a.m. Deceased of the McLaughlin Family
Saturday	March	10	Lenten Weekday 4:00 p.m. Ed & Doris Feltz
Sunday	March	11	<b>Second Sunday of Lent</b> 7:30 a.m. Deceased of the Fealy Family 9:00 a.m. Norman Toto 10:30 a.m. Bea Skinner 6:30 p.m. St. Mary Community

They  
saw  
his  
glory

LK 9:28-36



*Memo from  
Fr. Jim*

Lent is about repentance. Repentance is all about change. The Gospel for the Second Sunday of Lent gives us the Transfiguration of Jesus. Once again, the message is all about change and transformation.

Managing change is one of the most painful realities of life.

In their book entitled *Primal Leadership: Learning to Lead Through Emotional Intelligence*, authors Daniel Goleman, Richard Boyatzis and Annie McKee share research which indicates that people who successfully change in sustainable ways cycle through the following stages:

- 1) The First Discovery: One's Ideal Self: Who do I really want to be?
- 2) The Second Discovery: One's Real Self: Who really am I? What are my strengths and weaknesses?
- 3) The Third Discovery: One's Learning Agenda—How do I build on strengths while reducing my gaps? What is the plan to connect the first two discoveries?
- 4) The Fourth Discovery: Experimenting with and practicing new behaviors, thoughts and feelings to the point of mastery that will actually execute the learning agenda.
- 5) The Fifth Discovery: Developing supportive and trusting relationships that make change possible. This involves the humble realization that one cannot change alone. We need each other to get better in life.

# IN OUR PARISH

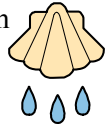
**WELCOME INTO THE CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY:** Catherine Anne Thorson daughter of Aaron and Jennifer Thorson joined the Catholic Christian Community through baptism on February 25, 2007.

**ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE  
WEEK**

Tuesday	<b>Round Dancing</b> at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	<b>RCIA</b> at 7:00 p.m.
Thursday	<b>Adult Scripture Study</b> at 7:00 p.m. <b>Baptism Class</b> at 7:00 p.m. <b>Square Dancing</b> at 7:30 p.m.
Friday	<b>Fish Fry</b> at 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. <b>Stations of the Cross</b> at 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	<b>Men's Prayer Group</b> at 7:00 a.m.
Sunday	<b>Youth Night</b> at 7:00 p.m.

**OUR GIFT IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S GENEROSITY:** The collection last weekend was \$9,629.50 (264 envelopes); children's offering \$12.00 (3 envelopes); Ash Wednesday collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe was \$2,479.95 (88 envelopes). **Thank you for your generosity** and continued support. Thank you for using your offering envelopes. Your dedication to the continued fiscal health of the parish is very appreciated. Those who have used their contribution envelopes may request a statement of 2006 contributions by calling the parish office at 937-746-5404.

**DO YOU WANT TO HAVE YOUR CHILD BAPTIZED?** If this is your first child and you want them baptized soon, come to a meeting Thursday, March 8, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish House. Call the Office at 937-746-5404, for a reservation.



**SCRUTINIES CELEBRATED THE NEXT THREE SUNDAYS AT DIFFERENT MASSES.** The scrutinies are rites for self-searching and repentance and are meant to uncover then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect, the candidates and all of us. Then it is designed to strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. Thus delivering the elect from the power of sin and Satan, protecting them against temptation, and giving them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life. **We will celebrate the first scrutiny next Sunday at the 7:30 a.m. Mass, the second at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on March 18, and the third at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on March 25.**

**RCIA**



**NO PRE-KINDERGARTEN OR KINDERGARTEN PSR CLASSES NEXT SUNDAY.** The Ladies will be preparing their wonderful St. Patrick's Day Dinner. Classes will resume as usual on March 11, 2007.

**EASTER, THE SOURCE OF NEW LIFE SIGNALS NEW LIFE IN THE CHURCH HERE AT ST. MARY.** Over the next couple of months, plus, we will have many people enter a deeper level of Church membership. Beginning with confirmation on March 18 over 45 members will receive the Holy Spirit and the strength to take some responsibility for the Mission of Jesus and the Church to spread the Good News. Then at the Easter vigil one member of the elect will be baptized, confirmed and receive first Eucharist, while 8 candidates will be received into full membership in the Church. Finally during the Easter Season over thirty of our children will receive their first Eucharist. **Let us thank God for his gifts of new life to us and be renewed and refreshed in spirit.**

**"FRANNIE THE FLAMINGO IS WAITING!** Just think! When the school year ends, you could reward your hard-working family with a week in a Fabulous Condo in sunny Siesta Key, Florida! A beautifully furnished, 2 bedroom (sleeps 6), 2 bath, condo with a well equipped kitchen is ready to be enjoyed. A heated pool and a sugar-white sand beach are just steps away. What a great time to look forward to! All you need is the highest bid! Stop by to visit with Frannie the Flamingo in the parish Hall and enter your bid. The auction prize includes one week's rental (your choice of week between May and August) of this beautiful condo. This prize will be awarded to the highest bidder at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 11, at the St. Patrick's Celebration.



**EVERYONE IS IRISH IN MARCH!** We're hoping that the kitchens of St. Mary Parishioners are heating up in preparation for the Full Ham dinner with Salad and Dessert Extravaganza to be featured at the St. Patrick's Celebration. It is next Sunday, March 11 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The children will enjoy a TOY RAFFLE that is Absolutely Free! The drawing for the lovely hand quilted Amish Quilt will be about 1:30 p.m. Do you have your tickets yet? And of course, the ONE WEEK'S RENTAL OF THAT FABULOUS CONDO IN SIESTA KEY, FLORIDA will be awarded to the highest bidder at 2 p.m. So much excitement! And there are a few more surprises, too! Don't miss out on a day of fantastic food, an awesome auction, and an exciting raffle. And wait, did some one mention balloons?!?!.



**BRING A DOLLAR FOR THE BALLOON POP!**



**COME JOIN US FOR THE FAMOUS ST. MARY LENTEN FISH FRY!** An All-You-Can-Eat Fish Buffet complete with drinks and dessert is served every Friday in Lent, except Good Friday, from 5-8 p.m. with carryout available. All proceeds go to support the activities of St. Vincent de Paul Society. Cost is adult \$10.00, seniors (62+) \$ 7.00, children (5 - 11) \$ 5.00, take-out \$7.00, family eat-in maximum \$30.00. If you can give some time to help, stop by and ask Rocky for a job or better call now either the SVdP helpline, 937-746-1355 or Rocky at 937-743-0226 to find out how and when you are needed.



**WAS YOUR WEDDING IN 1957 OR 1982?** Couples celebrating their golden or silver wedding anniversaries during 2007 please contact the parish office at 937-746-5404 no later than March 9. The 2007 Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Saturday, May 5 at 2:00 p.m. Those celebrating **60, 70 and 75 years** of marriage are also included in this celebration and should call the parish as well.



**Youth Update**

**WEDNESDAY IS OUR TIME TO HELP AT THE FOOD PANTRY.** Generous youth we need you to help spread God's love by working at the Franklin Food Pantry this Wednesday, March 7, 2007 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Just come there or meet at the Church at 4:50 p.m. and head down.

**COME SERVE AND ENJOY THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER.** We need your help again in a food service setting. If you are willing to help serve and clean up for the dinner from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., call or e-mail Tom at 937-746-8709 or [tomcox@stmaryfranklin.org](mailto:tomcox@stmaryfranklin.org)

**YOUTH NIGHT NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2007.** We will explore in more depth the Easter event and our preparation for it. Come and enjoy.



**OUR DOORS ARE OPEN:** No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, etc., no matter what your own self-image; you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at St. Mary Parish.

**PARISH LENTEN PRAYER AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES:**

- ✚ **Wednesday** evenings at 7:00 p.m. Mass is celebrated. This is a time to remove ourselves from our hectic lives and spend time in quiet liturgical worship.
- ✚ **Thursday** evenings at 7:00 p.m. there is a session of scripture study for adults. Whether you are an old hand or a beginner come and prepare for Easter by exploring God’s Word. Any questions, contact Tom at 937-746-1404 or [tomcox@stmaryfranklin.org](mailto:tomcox@stmaryfranklin.org).
- ✚ On **Friday** evenings at 7:00 p.m. we will come together to pray the Way of the Cross with others in the church.
- ✚ On **Saturday**, 3:00 to 3:45 p.m. there is time for individual confession each weekend of Lent. A Parish Communal Reconciliation Service will be held Tuesday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m.

**FR. CHUCK MENTRUP MEMORIAL PROJECT, DO YOU WANT TO BE PART OF IT?** A group of



people associated with Fr. Chuck, Fenwick and his work with kids wants to keep his work going and memorialize him. They have asked me to invite anyone from St. Mary Parish who would like to work on the committee leading this effort. It is in the initial stages and needs people to take some time and energy to do this in a quality way that would be fitting for Fr. Chuck. As it moves forward everyone will have an opportunity to be involved. **If you are willing and able, please contact me, Tom Cox at 937-746-1404 or [tomcox@stmaryfranklin.org](mailto:tomcox@stmaryfranklin.org)**

**DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE A LIBRARY??** We have a nice selection of books, videos, DVDs and audiocassettes located in the classroom hallway of the Parish Center. It is a great place to find inspirational material for the Lenten Season.



Maybe you already know about the library and have borrowed an item. Have you returned it? There are a number of items that have not been returned to our parish library. These items were borrowed prior to 2006. Please see the spreadsheet located on the library shelves in the parish center. It will have your name, date the item was borrowed and the title of the item. If you would like to keep it longer, please find the card and put today’s date on it. Any questions/concerns please contact me, the St. Mary Librarian, Justina Whiteley at 937-748-3469 or email me at [jwhiteley@woh.rr.com](mailto:jwhiteley@woh.rr.com).

**NEXT WEEK’S MINISTRY SCHEDULES:**

March 10-11	4:00 p.m. Sat.	7:30 a.m. Sun.	9:00 a.m. Sun.	10:30 Sun.	6:30 p.m.
<b>Servers</b>	Aileen Duckett Bevin Duckett	Claire Brownfield David Brownfield	Eric Sillies Luke Sillies	Amanda Everts Michelle Plandowski	Andrew Koslow Amanda Koslow
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Karen Streit Pat Bosway Bette Reznor Sandi Traud	Kristine Brown Linda. Brownfield Tim Cable	Carolyn Cusumano Ken Fish Debbie Fish Angelica Fish	Theresa Knapke Bob Matson Bette Mueller Tina Rychlewski	Jeff Rohde Karen Schriml Carlos Yepez Regina Gogol
<b>Lectors</b>	Zita Hartman	Steve Dungan	Sal Cusumano	Walt Beatty	Jeff Gross
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	Ward	Williams	Guffey		Onderko

## PARISH LIFE INFORMATION

Office Phone No. 937-746-5404

Office Hours 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Monday—Friday

**Anointing of the Sick:** Call immediately in case of a serious illness. Hospitals can no longer call for you.

**Communion to the Homebound:** Call the rectory to arrange a visit.

**Reconciliation:** available at announced Reconciliation Services; on Saturday 3:00 p.m. during Lent

**Matrimony:** Call the rectory for an appointment before setting a date. Six months of preparation are required.

**Baptism:** Preparation is required before Baptism, preferable during pregnancy. Call the rectory to make arrangements.

**Religious Vocations:** Check [www.cincinnati vocations.org](http://www.cincinnati vocations.org) or call Rev. Kyle Schnippel, 513-421-3131

**Bulletin Deadline:** noon the Tuesday before the weekend. E-mail notices to [Annelpasmf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Annelpasmf@sbcglobal.net).

### Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Lonnie Acree	937-748-2960	Andrea Dapkus	937-885-0487	Pat Monnin	937-885-1630
Rocky Adams	937-743-0226	Dan Fedders	937-746-4123	Roger Stebelton	937-855-6897
Eileen Avellano	937-748-0043	Mark Fields	937-743-9077	Mary Steed	937-746-6571

## BEYOND THE PARISH

### ST. HENRY'S LENTEN PRAYER BREAKFAST

will be held Saturday, March 10 beginning at 8:00 a.m. with Holy Communion and rosary in the church followed by breakfast in the Parish Activity Center. Consider spending time with guest speaker Father Jim Manning to renew your spirit and help you on your walk with God. Please respond to St. Mary Parish office by Wednesday March 7 at 937-746-5404 so preparations can be made.

**SOUTH DAYTON SEPARATED, WIDOWED AND DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP** meets the First and Third Sunday's of each month (March 18) at Incarnation's Parish Center located behind the church at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. Incarnation Church is located on Williamsburg Lane which intersects Far Hills (Route 48) south of I-675 in Centerville. For more information call Roger Bardsley at 937-291-2040 or Marty at 937-293-4006.

**PROJECT RACHEL RETREAT:** Project Rachel, a ministry of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati for women who have lost a child through an abortion, is holding a retreat at Bergamo Spiritual Center March 16-18. For more information/reservations, please call the confidential helpline 513-784-0531.

### IF YOU'RE IRISH, COME INTO THE

**HIBERNIANS...**America's oldest and largest Irish-Catholic organization. Become a part of our Irish tradition of friendship, unity and Christian charity. The ladies ancient order of Hibernians is open to all practicing Irish Catholic women over 16 years of age. For more information, contact past president Karen Kiley-Hinders at 937-293-0216 or [jim\\_karenhinders@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jim_karenhinders@sbcglobal.net).

**COLLEGE AGE MEN AND OLDER:** You have an opportunity to see if priesthood is for you. If you have ever thought about being a priest, if you desire to be a force for the Lord as a priest, you are invited to an informative "Welcome Weekend" March 23-24 at Mount St. Mary's Seminary. It will give you an idea of what it would be like to be in training for the priesthood. For information and to make a reservation, call the Vocation Office at 513-421-3131 or register at [www.cincinnati vocations.org](http://www.cincinnati vocations.org) by March 21.

**THE LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY PROGRAM** at The Athenaeum of Ohio will be having Information Meetings on the following dates: Monday, March 19 7:00 p.m. Room 186 and Saturday, March 24 9:30 a.m. Room 114 If you have any questions, please call 513-231-1200.

### Thought for today

Are you listening to Jesus, the Chosen One? Be open to what he reveals to you. Let his message dwell in your heart. (Luke 9:28-36)