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WELCOME

You enter this Church ... not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service.

Be grateful to the strong and loyal ones who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this place of worship, and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with their prayers and praise. Ask His blessing on those who love His house of faith as the inspiration of their labor, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, and may that blessing rest on you, both on your going out and your coming in.

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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Weddings, Baptisms, Anointing of the Sick and Funerals are the special pleasure of our ministry. Since individual needs differ, it's best to contact the Parish Office for appropriate consideration. Please do not hesitate to call, since these celebrations are our service to you & a joy for us.

Saturdays - 4PM Sundays - 10:30AM
Weekdays – 8:00AM Holidays - As Announced

Family Mass - As Scheduled

Office hours Mon~Thurs 8:00-5:00pm Fri Closed



MARCH 2017

- 11~8:00AM Marlene Skazis (Mary HineLine)
- 4:00PM Paul Sloboda (Julia Sloboda)
- Melvin Brukiewa (Mary Brukiewa)
- 12~10:30AM Goodhues Family (Pat Freburger)
- Malone Children (Mike Sarnecki)
- 13~8:00AM Tim Branagan (Shorb Family)
- 14~8:00AM Eugene Brukiewa (Mary Brukiewa)
- 15~4:30 PM Kimberly Bochenek (Fr. Joe)
- 16~8:00AM Timmy Sullivan (Joan & Tim O'Toole)
- 17~1:00 PM Dominic Baldassare
(Kaczmarek/Baldassare Fams)
- 10:00AM(B) Catherine Kucharek
(Jeanette Fisher)
- 18~8:00AM Martha Antkowiak (Betty Schroeder)
- 4:00PM Bob Bosley (Helen Toporzycki)
- Marlene Skazis (Mary HineLine)
- 19~10:30AM Joseph Raymond Bochenek
(Fr. Joe)
- Andrew Tyranski (Henry & MaryClaire)



March 12, 2017

Second Sunday of Lent

When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." Matthew 17:7

QUESTION OF THE WEEK??

How is Christ's call to be "transfigured" calling me to "go forth" this Lent from my present (comfortable) values and lifestyle, priorities, and preferences?

LENTEN MEALS

This week's Lenten Soup & Sandwich meal will be Jo Ellen's Beef Barley Soup with a sandwich & dessert. Weekday Mass will be celebrated at 4:30pm on Wednesdays of Lent. This allows those who attend to easily join us at United Evangelical Hall at 5:30 for Lenten Meals and fellowship. We hope you will make this neighborly get together one of your weekly Lenten activities.



Please remember in your prayers the recently deceased long time parishioners MARGARET DIETSCH, LEO LUBERICKI and GLADYS DEGUILMI. Also remember JILL NOFFSINGER, & MSGR BOB ARMSTRONG. Pray for their family and friends during this difficult time.



We warmly welcome all visitors to our parish community. We hope you leave with great comfort.

God's Blessing for you and your family. Join us anytime.

PASTOR'S CORNER

BEHOLD

“Behold” That’s a key word in today’s story of the Transfiguration. It means more than **“Look”**. It is more like “Take a very good look and then look again, because **there is more here than you can grasp.**”

What the disciples beheld on the mountaintop was what psychologist of religion call a **“peak experience”**. It was a moment when they understood the truth of who Jesus was for them in a way that was deeper than words could express. No miracle, no preaching, no philosophical argument can produce the interior conviction that such an encounter brings. **A bit like falling in love**, it’s a lifechanging experience that can’t be pinned down any more than Jesus, Moses and Elijah could be housed in tents on the hill. In the truest sense of the phrase, you had to be there.

All of us in our lifetime have at least a few **mountaintop moments** in their life, **times when we know that God is near, that love is the ultimate value, that faith is worth the risk and in fact, that faith is a promise that demands that we risk all.** These mountaintop experiences **change** people and they are **remembered forever.**

In reflecting and beholding the Transfiguration event, we are challenged to see with eyes of faith, or as **the Little Prince** would say, **“It is only with the heart that one can see rightly. What is essential is invisible to the eye.”**

This **second week of Lent invites us to behold the Christ** of our tradition, to **remember our peak moments of faith and most of all to listen to him.**

A final thought, the late Archbishop of Baltimore, William Borders had as his motto: **I Will Listen that I May Serve.**

God Loves you and so do I.

Fr. Joe

ROSARIES There is a retired Redemptorist Brother at Sacred Heart of Jesus who makes Rosaries, and repairs older, cherished ones. If you are interested; please call and we will provide you with additional information.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE POOR BOX AS YOU LEAVE CHURCH.

Collections from 2/25 & 26/2017

	2016	2017
<i>Offertory Envelopes</i>	1260.00	2136.00
<i>Offertory Loose</i>	555.20	149.00
<i>Total</i>	1815.20	2285.00
<i>Poor Box</i>	33.45	24.15
<i>Attendance-Adults</i>	138	71
<i>Children</i>	11	4

Collections from Last Week

	2016	2017
<i>Offertory Envelopes</i>	1447.00	1913.00
<i>Offertory Loose</i>	286.19	444.00
<i>Total</i>	1783.19	2357.00
<i>Poor Box</i>	34.27	43.02
<i>Attendance-Adults</i>	116	112
<i>Children</i>	7	4

Lectors and Ministers– March 11 & 12

Saturday: 4:00PM B – Barb Kegan
C – Ron DeBrosse
C – Carroll Hock
L – Mike Kegan

Sunday: 10:30PM B – Anthony Reedy
C – Lindsay Reedy
C – Valeria Brown
L – Mike Brown
L – Jonathan Swann

Lectors and Ministers– March 18 & 19

Saturday: 4:00PM B – Fran Groves
C – Antoinette Sheridan
C – Barb Kegan
L – Helen Toporzycki

Sunday: 10:30PM B – Steve Endres
C – Carmelia Endres
C – Connie Curtis
L – Patrick Massey

Just a reminder: 1st & 2nd Collections are taken one after the other. If there is a 3rd Collection, it will be taken after Communion.

HATTON CENTER

Join us on Tuesday at the Hatton Center for the Spring Life Series at 10AM as Rev. Mark Parker, Breath of God Church shares aspects of Lent with us. Everyone is invited; you do not have to be a member to attend. Hope to see you there.

**St. Brigid Annual
Deluxe Shrimp Feast & Bull Roast**

Where	UAW HALL 1010 Oldham St.
When	Sunday, April 2, 2017
Time	12NOON – 4:00 PM Doors Open at noon
Cost	Cost is \$40.00 a person (NO MINORS) ALL TICKETS MUST BE PAID NO LATER THAN MON. MARCH 27TH
Caterer	Catering by Superior Catering by M & M Food served from 12:00 – 3:00PM
Music	Music Provided by: Don Bellew Music from 1:00 PM – 4:00PM

MENU

Steamed Shrimp, Pitted Beef, Pitted Sweet Honey Ham, Sweet Italian Sausage, Homemade Shrimp Soup, Shrimp Creole, BBQ Chicken, Whipped Garlic Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Creamy Caesar Salad, Homemade Pasta Salad, Assorted Cheese Platters, Breads & Rolls for the Pit items, Fixings & Condiments – Assorted Sheet cakes
Draft Beer, Soda, Coffee, Ice Tea, Lemonade,
Bottled water

**NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR
NO FOOD CAN BE TAKEN FROM THE HALL**

ST. GERARD Y.M.A – LENTEN COD FISH CAKE SALE

½ DOZ. CODDIES -\$10
1 DOZ. CODDIES - \$20
½ COLE SLAW -\$1.50
Cod Fish "Meal Pack" \$5.00
(includes 2 Cod Fish Cakes, ¼ lb. Cole slaw, mustard, crackers, fork, 8oz water)

CASH ONLY SALES

Fridays during Lent orders must be placed by NOON on WEDNESDAY and picked up between 12NOON and 4pm at the CLUB, 3513 Foster Ave on Fridays. Call: 667-216-3234. Leave a telephone # in case the Club has any questions about your order.

**Parish Office will be closed on Monday,
March 13, 2017 and reopen on Tuesday,
March 14, 2017 at regular time.**

**WHOLE COMMUNITY
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE**

MAR 12 Session 13
19 St. Joseph Liturgy 10:30
Joseph's Table to follow Mass
26 Home Study 6

St. Joseph's Table

The St. Joseph's Table is a centuries old Sicilian tradition celebrated on March 19, the feast day of St. Joseph. During a time of drought and famine, no rain fell on Medieval Sicily. Food crops for both people and livestock withered and died. The people prayed to St. Joseph for help. Soon the rains came and people rejoiced. Following the harvest, people showed their gratitude by preparing a table with special foods to honor St. Joseph. Today, St. Joseph is honored by Catholic communities worldwide.

TRI PIC WINNERS

02/12 M-932 P. Guanti	E-559 L. Thibodeaux
02/13 M-759 C. Marciszewski	E-739 J. Hybdzinski
02/14 M-368 N. Michael	E-374 W. Winter
02/15 M-068 M. Tarburton	E-562 L. Schafer
02/16 M-664 not sold	E-136 M. Kaniecki
02/17 M-941 not sold	E-811 not sold
02/18 M-696 G. Andryszak	E-687 J. Lanocha
02/19 M-866 L. Policastri	E-610 J. Burnup
02/20 M-339 J. Policastri	E-438 E. Buettner
02/21 M-435 C. Frank	E-997 D. Douglass
02/22 M-974 B. Kegan	E-088 not sold
02-23 M-255 D. Dawson	E-392 L. Henkin
02/24 M-645 C. White	E-833 not sold
02-25 M-115 C. Picciona	E-507 not sold
02-26 M-177 L. Edwards	E-104 J. Hoppa
02-27 M-902 D. Caricofe	E-156 C. Marciszewski
02-28 M-948 T. Wenzel	E-432 A. Bowen
03-01 M-273 C. Kramer	E-149 C. Mueller
03-02 M-018 E. Sampson	E-223 M. Pazourek
03-03 M-678 not sold	E-782 L. Majka

**FOR TRI PIC TICKETS AND CALENDAR SALES:
CALL LINDA AT 410-563-1717.**

**Thank you to all who support this most important
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