

ST. JOSEPH

PARISH

Vanderburgh County

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*A community of joyful, active,
faith-filled people who give thanks to
God by generously sharing their
individual gifts and talents to serve the
needs of all.*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday—5 PM

Sunday—8 & 10:30 AM

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March 13, 2011 THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Dear friends,

This week, Dr. Steve Elliott and I will be flying to Haiti to meet with Fr. Alain at our sister parish St. James in Plaine du Nord. We will be leaving on Sunday and returning on Wednesday. We are going with another young man, Houston Wedding, who is considering working in Haiti for our parish. Houston is a

really impressive young man who wanted to work with the Peace Corps. We are trying to convince him that working with our parish in Haiti will be an equally rewarding experience. He is interested in this prospect and since he has never been to Haiti we are taking him on a tour of the place and introducing him to Fr. Alain.

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FISH FRY-- THIS FRIDAY, MAR. 18 It's the BEST Fish Fry in the area!

SERVING: 5-7 PM

ADULTS \$8

KIDS (12 and under) \$4

Dine in or carry out



**SIGN UP TODAY TO WORK. SIGN-UP SHEETS
ARE AT THE CHURCH DOORS**

You can also call Mike and Jenny Collins (401-4238) or the parish office (963-3273) to volunteer.

Why Give Up Stuff for Lent? *Sr. Joan Chittister, O.S.B.*

Life, we come to understand, is not only about joy. It is about the power to endure what is not joyful as well. I remember quite clearly the day in grade school when my teacher put a large box on the corner of her desk and posters of starving children around the room. Lent was coming, she explained to us. We should give up candy and put the candy money we saved in the box for the missions. These were the poster children we should be sacrificing to save.

It was a child's catechetical exercise, yes, but it carried with it spiritual messages enough to last for a lifetime. Clearly, we were being put on notice. There were things in life, other people in life, for which each of us was responsible, however young we were and whether we had any association with them or not. There were things in life so important, it seemed, that we would need to give up some things for ourselves in order to take care of the needs of others. And it all had something to do with God.

When you're young, the act of giving something up for Lent is an epochal moment. It involves a complete reevaluation of what it means to be human. If life is not about permanent and continual self-satisfaction, what is it about? And why? How is it that the notion of bridling the self can be as important as satisfying the self?

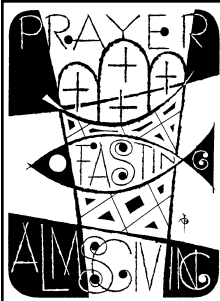
What becomes even clearer as the years go by is that this understanding of penance and sacrifice as part of what it means to be a spiritual person is one of the most ancient traditions in religious history. It is common to all religions; it is thousands of years old.

The ascetic is the person who sets out to subject the body to the spirit. Athletes do it to achieve physical development and somatic control. They give up food and time and physical comfort to conquer mountains and swim channels and win athletic competitions. Spiritual seekers do the same things, but they do them for a different reason. Their goal is to conquer themselves and develop their souls.

There is nothing passive about asceticism. It is the active giving of the self—physical and spiritual—in order to concentrate the soul, viselike, on the center of life rather than on its peripherals. The ascetic knows that to become what we can become spiritually, some things—even good things, perhaps—must be forgone. It is not that good things must be forsaken; it is that they must be indulged in with balance. The Talmud says that "If a person has the opportunity to taste a new fruit and refuses to do so, he will have to account for that in the next world." The ascetic lives with the spiritual awareness that choosing between the good and the better is the discipline that makes us the best of what we set out to be. Asceticism is not about giving things up for their own sake. It is as much about achieving more life—another kind of life—as it is about giving it up.

-from The Liturgical Year by Joan Chittister (Thomas Nelson)





CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

SATURDAY, MARCH 12
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

5:00 PM Sue & Vic Vauthier, David True, David Townsend, Ferdinand Baehl (1860, Margaret Ulrich (1881), Dionysius Mayer (1910), Infant Macke (1916), Frances Weiss (1972), William Pfister (1977)

SUNDAY, MARCH 13
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 AM Jerome Schneider, Theresa and Frank Arnold, Greg Englert, Edwin Englert, Lu Montgomery, Joe Elpers

10:30 AM Jerome Muensterman, Rose Stofleth, Leo Mueller, Joseph A. Elpers, John Bernhard (1878), Francis Voelker (2007)

MONDAY, MARCH 14
Lenten Weekday

NO MASS George Brack (1880), Mary Schmidt (1980), Catherine Schmitt (2009)

TUESDAY, MARCH 15
Lenten Weekday

NO MASS Valentine Effinger (1875), Joseph Baumgart (1881), Anna Baumgart (1883), Henry Bender (1916)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16
Lenten Weekday

NO MASS Maria Fischer (1878), Anna Ulrich (1881), Herman Tenhumberg (1960), Pete Sauer (1995), Violet Weiss (2000), Valada Pace (2001)

THURSDAY, MARCH 17
Saint Patrick

NO MASS Henry Happe (1873), Bernard Moutoux (1880), Thelma Schell (1972)

FRIDAY, MARCH 18
Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

8:15 AM Regina Ochsner (1879), Paul Buehner (1982)

SATURDAY, MARCH 19
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

5:00 PM Agatha Ziegler (1872), Henry Angermeyer (1920), Joseph Goebel (1986), Cecilia Reising (1988), Olen Metz (1994)

SUNDAY, MARCH 20
THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 AM Andy Kelley, Jim and Delores Niemeier, Fr. Firmus Dick, Fr. Bob Wannemuehler, Fr. Sy Loehrlein,

10:30 AM Charlie Baylor, Carolyn Seib, Brenda Will, Bill Baumgart, Hugh and Adelaide Rogier, Clare Croce

There will be a communion service on Wednesday and Friday mornings during Lent at 5:45 am.



Please remember in your prayers *Bill Baumgart*, the nephew of Donatius Baumgart, and uncle of Rex Baumgart, and *Brenda Will*, the sister-in-law of Lisa Adler who died this past week. May they know the fullness of life with God in the Kingdom and may God's peace be with their family and friends.



You are invited to join in these Penance Services where there will be an opportunity for private confession: **Thursday, March 31**
12 Noon at Resurrection
7 pm at Holy Redeemer

STEWARDSHIP: *The Lord's Way*

What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions? Pride? Power? Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us!



MARCH 6, 2011	\$ 17,083.17
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$ 17,900.00
TOTAL INCOME TO DATE	\$ 452,591.77
BUDGET TO DATE	\$ 483,300.00
CHILDRENS COLLECTION	\$ 22.50

YOUNG STEWARDS WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE COLLECTION LAST WEEK: Melissa Blythe, Trevor & Joshua Clem, Paige, Kurt & Trent Denning, Kurt, Karl, Gretchen & Heidi Forcum, Jessica Kelley, Ethan & Evan Lyke, Kameryn & Kaitlyn McGehee, Madison & Dillon Mossberger, Maisy Seib, Nathan & Vanessa Vanbibber, Lauren Voelker, Zachary, Lucas & Tyler Weinzapfel, Arley Will, Christiana Wolfe

RAISING THE ROOF FUND

MARCH 6, 2011	\$ 458.52
TOTAL TO DATE	\$ 339,312.82

MISSION OUTREACH

HAITI	\$ 550.00
HAITI WATER PROJECT	\$ 680.00

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOMES

SELECT HOSPITAL: *Dorothy Wargel*

PINE HAVEN: *Brenda Koester*

SOLARBRON TERRACE: *Valeria Elpers, Clarence Miller, Clarence and Mildred Rexing*


NORTH PARK NURSING CENTER: *Norm Moutoux*

SERENITY PLACE ST. MARY'S WARRICK CO: *Edgar Hartz*

CYPRUS REHABILITATION CENTER: *Larry Hoefling*

WOODRIDGE HEALTH & REHABILITATION: *Joan Roberts*

Mar. 13: Patrick Ellison, Carolyn Lipper, Sheila McGehee, Amelia Reckelhoff **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Mar. 14: Chick Duncan, Cyril Gerteisen, Mitchell Karcher, Jenna Klueh 

Mar. 15: Lea Elliott, Darla Gries, Brittney Hollingsworth, Scotty Kirk, Doug Schnautz

Mar. 16: Barbara Angermeier, Tom Angermeier, Carol Fechtmeister, Tabitha Schaefer

Mar. 17: Joshua Clem, Karen Hellenberg, John Pankey, Abby Stratman, Sharon Werner, Shane Wessel

Mar. 18: Ty Dewig, Kristen Hahn, Charlie Voelker

Mar. 19: Matt Bishop, Alan Gaisser, Don Kiesel, Jane Scheller

Just in Time for Mother's Day! GERANIUM AND HANGING BASKET SALE

Transform your yard into a beautiful garden or treat your mother to the gift of flowers this Mothers Day!

\$17 FOR 10" HANGING BASKET

\$4.25 FOR 4 1/2" POT

from Smith Greenhouse

Order forms are in the back of church or at the school office. Pick up on Friday,

April 29, from 2-6 pm in the gym or upper parking lot.



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS



Once again this year we are inviting you to remember your loved ones at Easter. Please send your contribution along with the names you want to remember to the parish office (through the collection or through the mail) by April 18. The names will be published in the Easter Bulletin.

MONDAY: 7 am-7 pm Eucharistic Adoration
7 pm Knights of St. John Meeting
TUESDAY: 6 pm SPRED Catechists
7 pm Choir Practice
WEDNESDAY: 7-9 pm Bad Women of the Bible at St. Joe Inn
7 pm Marian Prayer Group
THURSDAY: 6:30 pm Parish Outreach Commission Meeting
FRIDAY: 5-7 pm Parish Fish Fry
SATURDAY & SUNDAY: Haiti & Food Pantry Collections

THIS WEEK

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

(EM=Eucharistic Minister, S=Servers, L=Lector, GB=Giftbearers, G=Greeters)

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MARCH 19 & 20

5:00 PM Jeanne Freeman, Dolores Sudholt, Bob & Mary Kay Fehrenbacher, Eloise Hamner (EM), Lindsey Deig (S), Missy Singer (L), Dave & Becky Richter (GB)

8:00 AM Richard & Imogene Baehl, Kathy Fehrenbacher, John Manger, Al Debes (EM), Jenna Klueh (S), Chick Duncan (L), Rich Harpenau Family (GB), Chick & Jean Duncan (G)

10:30 AM Emily Tenbarger, Brad & Nancy Ruminer, Dan & Kathy Schenk (EM), Katherine Hahn, Addison Elpers (S), Mandy Elpers (L), Curtis & Amanda VanNess (GB), Michelle Kirk (G)

Sundays during Lent. Evening Prayer at **AROUND TOWN**
St. Benedict 5:30 pm
March 26: St. Joseph (City) Parish Rummage Sale, 7 am-1 pm, \$2 Bag Sale at Nonn
March 27: The Legion of Mary Acies Ceremony at St. Benedict 2 pm
March 27-28: Lenten Renewal Days St. John Daylight 7 pm
April 1, 2, & 3 SOURCE AND SUMMIT YOUTH RETREAT at Memorial High School
April 3: St. John Daylight Dinner, serving 10:30 am-1:30 pm, adults \$9, children 12 & under \$4.
April 3: St. Theresa Lenten Mission: 3 pm "What Does it Mean to Be a Follower of Jesus", continues April 4 & 5 6:30.

CATHOLIC PARISHES CAMPAIGN

PARISH GOAL: \$100,000.00

PLEGGED TO DATE: \$ 2,870.00

NUMBER OF PLEDGES: 5

Thanks to the following people who have returned their pledge cards

Allen & Rebecca Whitehouse

Kevin & Michelle Luigs

Dick & Kathy Griese

Jim & Connie Gries

Ole Olsen



Our stewardship goal is to give 1% of our income to the CPC

BUY SCRIP AFTER MASS
Sat., Mar. 19—5 pm: *Cindy Baumgart
Sun., Mar. 20—8 am: Amy Elpers & *Amy Smith
Sun., Mar. 20—10:30 am: Michelle Shane & *Jena Wessel

SUMMER DAY CAMP NEWS

St. Joe will again be offering a Summer Day Camp for children ages 4-12. The Summer Day Camp offers a safe, nurturing, educationally stimulating environment for your child during the summer months. For more information or to register you children, please call the school office at 963-3335. Registrations are due in to the school office by **March 18**



PRE-SCHOOL, PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

We are continuing to accept registrations for our pre-school, pre-K and Kindergarten classes for next year. For more information contact Mrs. Melba Wilderman, our school principal, at the school office (963-3335).

8TH GRADE CLASS FUNDRAISERS

The 8th grade class will be selling desserts along with World's Finest Chocolate Bunnies and McDonald & Variety Peelers at both of the Parish Fish Fry's to raise money for their class trip/graduation. They will also have a Hacienda Give-Back on Tuesday, May 3, the week of Cinco de Mayo.

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Pastor's Letter (cont.)

While we are in Haiti we will be trying to gather some more information for our plan to provide drinkable water for the folks in Haiti. We have a great group of engineers and other interested people who are looking at different kinds of pumps and water storage systems that may be able to be used in Haiti. So for part of our trip we are going to be doing some plumbing investigation into the wells that are already in Haiti. This should really be interesting, given my hands-on ability (or really lack thereof) with working with tools. It should make for some interesting stories when we come back. I'll keep you posted! Fr. Gene Schroeder

COME JOIN US FOR OUR SPRING CAMPUS CLEAN UP DAY--SATURDAY, APRIL 2



We need to clean up the leaves, fill in graves spaces in the cemetery, and trim some bushes to get our parish campus looking nice and ready for the lawn mowing season. Bring a rake, leaf blower, and anything else that will help us dispose of the old leaves. We'll start at 8am. (Rainout date will be April 9). Please note: the April 2 day is a change from the April 9 day listed in this month's newsletter.

SUPPLY SHIPMENT TO HAITI

We are now in the process of collecting supplies to send to our parish in Haiti. Some of the things we are looking for are tooth paste & tooth brushes; hygiene items such as soap, deoderant, shampoo, etc.; school supplies (paper, pens, note books, crayons, etc.); and new reading glasses. We will be accepting donations until Friday, April 8. We will be packing all the supplies for shipment on April 9. You can bring your donations to the parish office, or drop them off at Greg and Susie Head.



Sunday, March 13
at the Centre
Doors open 4 pm
Dinner at 5 pm
Big Bingo at 6 pm
Call Sarah Wagner
for info 421-5725 ext. 336

UPCOMING LENTEN FISH FRIES:

EACH FRIDAY : St. Benedict, St. John's Newburgh, & Nativity
MARCH 11, 25 & APRIL 8: St. James (Haubstadt)
MARCH 18: St. John Daylight, Holy Redeemer
APRIL 1: Holy Redeemer
APRIL 15: St. Wendel Knights of St. John, Holy Redeemer

