

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 25-Conversion of Paul, apostle

7:00 A.M. Elizabeth Santillo (Tony & Frances Falcsik)
 9:00 A.M. †Louis Nocera (Wife & Children)

Tuesday, January 26-St. Timothy & St. Titus, bishops

7:00 A.M. †Frank Grandinetti (M/M Gerald Crowley)
 9:00 A.M. Anthony Court, Sr. (Luisa, Bob & Bobby Prestia)

Wednesday, January 27-St. Angela Merici, virgin

7:00 A.M. Eugene Veres (Tony & Frances Falcsik)
 9:00 A.M. Carol Ann Lapp (Wickenden) Family (Stephanie Hangst)

Thursday, January 28-St. Thomas Aquinas, priest and doctor of the Church

7:00 A.M. Carl Agostinelli (Lynn & Butch Lippert)
 9:00 A.M. Ricky Perez (Charlene & Kevin Adams and Family)

Friday, January 29

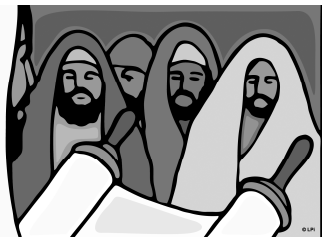
7:00 A.M. Dom Loomis, Jr. (Henry & Lois Winkler)
 9:00 A.M. Father Marvin Justi (Gruber Family)

Saturday, January 30

9:00 A.M. Francis Bober (Rita, Jason, Michael, Debbie, Frank, Randy & Grandchildren)

Sunday, January 31-Fourth Sunay in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5:00 P.M. Pat Friello (Kathleen Foster)
 8:00 A.M. Margaret Petrak (Carl & Cathy Jaskolka)
 10:00 A.M. Dolores Maloney (Eileen Hazen)
 12:00 P.M. Deceased Members of Richardson & Frampton Families (M/M Ralph Richardson)



SCRIPTURE VERSE

“He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of signs to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.” Jesus said to them, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.” Lk 4:18b-19,21

PIEROGI MAKING: For anyone who wants to make pierogi or would like to learn how to make them we will be making them for our Lenten Sales. The schedule for making is Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 1st and 2nd, and Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 8th and 9th. We will have a morning shift that starts at 9 AM and an evening shift for those who want to help but work in the day that starts at 6 PM on all four days. We will be working in the lunch room. If you would like to help or have any questions call Pat Gerello 724-201-0628 or Stretch 724-752-3751. We need all the help we can get, so please come and help.

Our parish operates two bingos. The Thursday night bingo is run by the HR School PTG and it's profit goes to the school. The Saturday night bingo is run by the HR Social Club and it's profit goes to offset parish expenses and social activities for the parish. The Saturday night bingo is in need of workers so that it can continue to help the parish financially. We need volunteers to work the floor (selling tickets), call bingo, and work in the kitchen. If you would be willing to give one Saturday evening a month for your parish please call Stretch 724-752-3751. Thank You.

Blood Drive: will be on Tuesday, February 16 from Noon until 6 PM at Calvin Presbyterian Church, 615 Crescent Avenue. Donate blood, Help to save lives.

The Holy Name Society will be selling, in the vestibule of the church, after every weekend mass from now thru the end of February, keepsake plates commemorating the 10th Anniversary of Holy Redeemer Parish as a merged parish. Cost is \$15.00 per plate which includes a free plate stand. Supplies are limited, so you may wish to call: John Biondi: 724-674-6200; John DeCaro, Sr. 724-758-9675 or Cos Morabito: 724-758-7267 to reserve your plate.

10th Anniversary: On February 5th we will be celebrating our 10th Anniversary with a 6:00 P.M. Mass with Bishop Zubic. A Reception will follow in the Catholic Center. Please mark your calendars.

Readings for the Week of January 24, 2010

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
 Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
 Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 3:31-35
 Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41
 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31---13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

Support all Catholic Education: “Great Beginnings last a lifetime.”



On the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we heard about the voice of God publicly acknowledging Jesus as His own beloved Son. For the weeks before Lent, the normal, historical narration of our Lord's life will be interrupted and we will be hearing about the beginnings of His ministry. But what we do not hear about, at least until Lent begins, is Jesus' time in the desert. As the gospel opens today, we hear that after spending time in the desert, Jesus was filled with the "Anointing Spirit" and had been preaching in the synagogues of Galilee.

In this passage today, Jesus is now in his hometown to preach to his own. What we hear is only His reading of the verses from Isaiah. We do not hear about His preaching to the people of His hometown, and how, after hearing, they want to drive Him away and kill Him. What we do hear is a prophetic statement that He is the fulfillment of the prophesy He just read to them.

In a way, Jesus is telling everyone His political and spiritual platform. This is who He is and what He will do. Those who heard Him speak would be familiar with this text and would have been waiting for the arrival of the "Anointed One." They thought they knew about the Messiah. They also thought they knew about Jesus, son of Mary and Joseph. How could these two persons be Jesus? Yet it was true and the truth was too much for them to receive at this time.

In these weeks of Ordinary Time, we are invited to be students of Jesus. Over the next weeks we will be hearing about what Jesus will be doing for us and offering to us. Everything that we will hear and be asked to reflect upon will be for the purpose of deepening His life within us and molding us into being His disciples.

We will not always like what we hear or enjoy being asked to confront our own blindness in order to be liberated from it. This kind of openness to God makes this "a year acceptable to the Lord." The words and the offer held out to us today are meant to be "tidings of joy." If we behave as though we already know God and what He wants of us, then we are closed to the "tidings of joy." It is this attitude which drives Jesus away from us and attempts to kill His spirit. So, "look up at the Lord with gladness and smile; your face will never be ashamed."(Ps. 34:6)

World Marriage Day is celebrated the weekend of February 13-14, 2010. There will be a diocesan celebration of World Marriage Day on **Saturday, February 13, 2010** at Sts. Simon & Jude Parish, Scott Twp. It will begin with Mass at 4:00 P.M. in the church with Bishop Winter as the presider and homilist. Following Mass there will be a wine and cheese reception in the parish hall. A presentation by Linda & Mark Fetzer, "The Sacrament of Marriage Alive!" will follow. Donation is \$10.00 /couple. To register please call the office of Adult and Family Faith Formation, 412-456-3160/



Michael Spiegel, Donna Lample, , Mollie Pelligrene, Rose Reda, Debra White, Peter Bietch, Carol Woods, Marie Pander, Ida McClland, Ron O'Donnell, Sr., Jodi Minter, Michael Henderson, Elizabeth Pullion, Carson Kellar, Tina Jeannette, Corey Ayres, Elizabeth LaCava, Cindy Cancelli Buffington, Margie Pelloni, April Samsa, Karen Rybka, Mafalda Dombeck, Richard Cox, Ann Moczan, George Bokor, Sr., Joan McDonald, Edward J. Stemmerick, Anna Marie Bucci, Dan "Joe" Weisz, Damien DeCaria, Mary (Tootles) Millhouse, Bob Greene, Fred Faroni, Cheryl Owens, Mary Hilliard, Richelle Owens, John Owens, Ashley Marsano and Tim Mann, Jerry McCrumb, Mary Pascazi, Eric Hassen, Kelly Coccia, Michael Esoldo, Liz McIntyre, Mary Campbell, Robert Aaron, Bud Durbin, Elizabeth Dombeck.

Restful Repose: In your charity, please pray for the following who was recently buried, Guido Yannello. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Annual Parish Share Campaign: Christ's teachings point out that we, his followers, need to share our material blessings with others. The annual Parish Share Campaign, begins next month, and offers us opportunities to fulfill Christ's instruction. This program is important to our parish, as well as the diocese. Any funds we receive from this effort, which exceed our goal for the diocese, will remain in the parish and support our many projects and ministries. Please be generous when contacted about your *Parish Share* gift.

Beginning Experience: A Retreat for Grieving Singles
Where the holidays difficult? You are not alone. There are others who must walk this hard road as well. Come be among us. We know the pain. No masks required. The **Beginning Experience** weekend program is presented by a team of people who have suffered the loss of a spouse and are willing to share their own experience to help others. The next weekend will be held March 19-21 at Gilmory Center in Moon Twp. Payment arrangements and possible financial assistance are available. For more information call 412-456-3160 or make a confidential call to Susan Ackerman at 724-980-4757.

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS	
Week of	
Weekly collection needed	\$12,300.00
Weekly collection received.....	\$9,600.00
St. Anthony Collection to Date	\$831.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH. YOUR HELP IS ALWAYS APPRECIATED.	

Remember Holy Redeemer Parish in your will.

**SERVING THE PARISH
JANUARY 30/31**

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- 5:00 P.M. *Dorothy Schilling, Patty Kuhn, Lou Tomon, Marion Gruber, John Folino, Stan Wrona, Jim Gillespie
- 8:00 A.M. *Cathy DeBlaso, Mary Parente, Elaine Ferruchie, Mary Anne Mansell, Philip DeCaria, Mimi Spade, Jane Petrak
- 10:00 A.M. *Tom Heckendorn, Carol Chewning, Lisa Greco, Loretta Silvestri, Cheri Patterson, Melissa Rosendale, Barbara Russo
- 12:00 P.M. *Francine Hunter, Sharon Razani, Debbie Pagley, Pat Gerello, John Pansera, Kathy Bucci, Ann Tomak

LECTORS

- 5:00 P.M. Stacey Cunningham
- 8:00 A.M. Frank LaGrotta
- 10:00 A.M. Pete Kucan
- 12:00 P.M. Sharon Razani

CANTORS

- 5:00 P.M. Patty DiMase
- 8:00 A.M. Jim Hackett
- 10:00 A.M. Catholic School Children
- 12:00 P.M. Dee Dee Evans

SERVERS

- 5:00 P.M. Dom, Carmelia Teolis, Joe Zilka
- 8:00 A.M. Katelyn, Laura Wardman, Richard McKinney
- 10:00 A.M. Matt Maielli, Geena DeCaria, R. J. Leisic
- 12:00 P.M. Bill Evans, Christian Mittica

GREETERS

- 5:00 P.M. John Eichler, Pat Coccia
- 8:00 A.M. Carol Nocera, Louise Carozza, Peggy Rocco
- 10:00 A.M. Barb Mastropietro, Ann Plavecsky
- 12:00 P.M. Pat Gerello, Patty D'Ambrosio

Traveling Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary

We are preparing a Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary to be available to visit your homes. The time She is in your home can be a great time of prayer and renewal for you and your family. If there is a particular week you wish to have the statue, please call the office

Traveling Chalice Coming Soon

As our parish prays for priests and an increase in vocations to the priesthood we are making a chalice available to be in your homes. This chalice will be with you for one week. During that time it will be your family's responsibility to pray for vocations. If there is a particular week you wish to have the chalice, please call the office.

Please Note: Starting on January 9th Queen of Heaven Saturday Mass will now be at 4:00 P.M.

Holy Redeemer, BVM and St. Agatha Alumni

We will be having a Alumni Basketball Game on January 31st. For details call John Maielli at 724-333-5347.

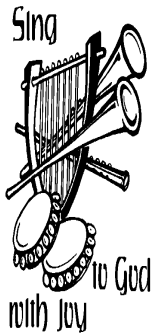
ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: If you would like a copy of your contributions for 2009 for tax purposes please call the office 724-758-4411.

Second Collection for the needy of our Social Services

Food Bank did not have an envelope in packet of new envelopes. Please feel free to use a plain envelope and mark it for the second collection which will be taken up on January 31st.

Awakening Faith Series

Some members of Pastoral Council are participating in a Pilot Program called "Awakening Faith." As they move through this experience they are discerning whether this program would benefit the entire parish. After the second evening, Joe Flecher wrote "I am anxious to participate because I personally know so many who have chosen to stop participating in our church community, and I believe it to be an essential role of all Catholic Christians to invite others back to their faith. And, on a more selfish note, I know that I need that support and love of each of them to help me grow in my faith. We just completed our second session which focused upon coming to know God through Jesus. This meeting included a few short prayers, a Scripture reading and some associated questions that permitted the small groups to engage into a few valuable minutes shared (not forced) and non-judgmental discussion addressing our impressions and thoughts regarding the selected subject. Sitting in such a group, I could quickly see how others could share similar issues and concerns that are lived out in so many differing and yet similar ways. My impression is that this is a very worthwhile endeavor that promotes love and forgiveness and hope."



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be celebrated outside of the Mass at Holy Redeemer Parish on Monday, May 24, 2010. Any adults who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation please contact the Parish Office.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING will take place after all the Masses the weekend of February 6th and 7th. Youth of the parish will be at all the entrances collecting money for our Social Services, the Chimbote Mission and Catholic Relief Services. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

MARRIED COUPLES LOOKING FOR A NEW YEARS RESOLUTION?

Why not make a commitment to do something to improve your marriage—like making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 19-21 at the Toffress Resort, State College, PA For more information or to register, contact (412) 625-7775 or check us out on the web at wwme-pittsburgh.org.