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THE CHURCH OF ST. COLMAN OF CLOYNE

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

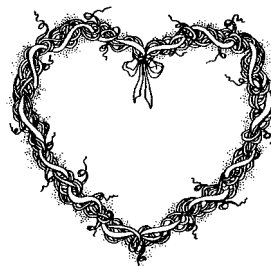


“Blessed are
you poor,
for the
kingdom of God
is yours.”
Luke 6:20



February 17, 2010
WEDNESDAY

The season of Lent begins with the ancient practice of marking the baptized with ashes as a public and communal sign of penance. The blessing and distribution of ashes on Ash Wednesday will take place at **Mass at 8:30 am and 12:00 Noon and at a Service of the Word at 7:00 pm.** On Ash Wednesday, blessed ashes will be left in front of the altar for those who care to self-impose them or take them to the sick. **The church will be open until 4:00 pm.** For the evening service, the church will open at 6:30 p.m.



*God made the world
just so God
could love you.
And to be loved only
as you can love.*

-Patricia Sánchez

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY AND TUESDAY 8:30 a.m.

THURSDAY COMMUNION SERVICE

8:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY 12 Noon

HOLYDAY MASS SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m., 12 NOON, 7:00 p.m.

BAPTISM

Any Sunday of the month.

Please contact the Parish Office
at least one month before baptism
to arrange for Baptism preparation.

**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**

Saturday from 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
and by appointment at other times.

SICK CALLS

Anytime. Call residence 248-626-5055
or Parish office 248-626-0285.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Archdiocesan law requires a lead time of at
least six months. Longer if a previous
marriage is involved.

MEMBERSHIP

New members are asked to call
the parish office to register.

Parish Pastoral Council

John Gernacy, President 855-9477
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Pamela Gernacy 855-9477

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Ushers 626-0285

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www.AODonline.org

(Revised 12/17/09)

Mass Schedule

February 13-14, 2010

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

02/13 Saturday -4:30 p.m.

†William Horner

Requested by Leopold & Margrit
Schaeli

†Helen & Leon Ryan

Req. by Bernadette Carroll

†Deborah Corsi

Req. by Marie & Wenzel Koch

02/14 Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Intentions of the Parishioners

02/14 Sunday - 11.00 a.m.

†Stefano, Rosa, Vincenzo &
Andrea Basirico

Requested by Alberto Basirico

Monday 02/15- 8:30 a.m. -

†Paul & June Inman

Requested by Friends

†Amy Mossholder

Req. by Nancy & Dick Hames

Tuesday 02/16 - 8:30 a.m. -

†Kathy Watha

Requested by Watha Family

†Joseph Cummins

†Alicia Johnston

Requested by Friends

ASH WEDNESDAY - 02/17-

8:30 a.m. - Mass

For the People of St. Colman

12:00 noon - Mass

For the People of St. Colman

7:00 p.m. - Service of the Word

Thursday 02/18- 8:30 a.m. -

COMMUNION SERVICE

Friday 02/19 - 12:00 Noon -

In Thanksgiving

Requested by Mary Kay Wheatley

February 20-21, 2010

1st Sunday of Lent

02/20 Saturday -4:30 p.m.

†Bill Horner

Req. by Irene & Frank Karpinski

Int. of Robert Perry

Req. by Carol & Kelvyn Ventour

†Lucille Hallemann

Requested by June Smith

02/21 Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

†Marino Zonzini

Requested by Family

02/21 Sunday - 11.00 a.m.

Intentions of the Parishioners

†Rita Szelc - 3rd anniv.

Requested by Bernadette Carroll

ushers/lectors

February 13-14, 2010

Saturday-4:30 p.m.

Lector: Pat Hammell

Ushers: Team #1, Norb Leszczynski, Don
Fichter, Jim Grady

Sunday-9:00 a.m.

Lector: Catharine Lichty

Ushers: Team #5 Mike Van Dyke, Deke
Miller, Bill Steffan

Sunday-11:00 a.m.

Lector: Liz Olsen

Ushers: Team #2 Steve Harvath, John Evans

Pray for and Visit the Sick

Janie Allsworth, Tony Angelosanto,
Charlotte Ankers, Marian Barron, Judy
Basso, David C., Kimberly Callahan, Babs
Carlisle, Bernadette Carroll, Mary
Chmielewski, Louise Clark, Janet Conlon,
Jack & Reggie Corsi, Dorothy Ann
Creamer, Mary Rita Cuddohy, Kelsie
Marie Cullen, Rita Cutcher, Helen Daniels,
Joanne Davies, Dolores Detraz, Fr. John
Devany, Joanne De Witt, Susan Dickow,
Marie Dobson, Anthony Dolney, Anna
Doree, Wally Dubriwicz, Angelo Evangelista,
Vern Fargo, Nancy Fife, Connie & Joe
Fortuna, John Fushman, John Gemacy,
Bob Gilliatt, Mary Gilliatt, Allison Gilson,
Thomas Gladwin, Gary Glownia, David
Goodnough, Autumn Grady, Patricia
Gulan, Shoney Habel, Samantha Hainer,
Pat Hammell, Maryann Hammill, Adela
Harvath, Terry Haughey, Lynne Helton,
Hubert Hoadley, Regina Homer, Lenore
Holbrook, Jonah Hurley, Jeff Hutchison,
Dan Jermov, Brian Juliao, Robert Juliao,
Coral Kasprzyk, Ken Kemp, Bernard
Kerbawy, Pat Kecskes, Marie &
Wenzel Koch, Coe Kraus, Felix Krempa,
Marie Kuberski, Peter Larion, Ann Leber,
Laurie Leszczynski, Nooria Mansour,
Margaret Martin, Junie Mayhue, Carol
McCurry, Dillan McGillivary, Jim
McKenna, Karen Mullane, Erica Nader,
Melissa Nasser, John Hammell Nelson,
Geri Mertens, Heather Neuman, Colleen
Nicklay, Marie Oleksiak, Gerry Olsen,
Jackie Parent, Ray Pety, John Plonka,
Patricia Presto, Ben & Loretta Purcott,
Maria Sanchez, Gene Scarpone, Mikki
Stein, Sabah & Sona Sinawi, Cheri
Tomkovich, Veronica Tripp, Dorothy
Trosko, Katherine Van Dan, Earl & Marie
Watson, Mary Whalen, Mary Kay Wheatley,
Frank Williams, Katie Willis, Carol
Wiseman, Robert Wojciechowski,
Tasia Yaldo, Mary Yanowski, Nizar
Yono, & the residents of Sunrise Assisted
Living.

**NOTE: To add or remove a
name from this list please call
the parish office at 248-626-0285**

**Happy Valentine's Day!
February 14th**

Sue's News

There are **NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES THIS WEEK** due to the winter break. **Classes resume on February 22/23.**

Daytime Book Study

Day & Time: **Wednesdays at 10:00am**

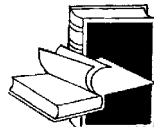
Book selection: **Jesus of Nazareth** by

Pope Benedict XVI

This week's reading: **Chapter 3, The Gospel of the Kingdom of God**

Please contact Sue Crudgington at suecrudgington@aol.com or at 248-626-0285 for more information or just show up on Wednesday at 10AM.

All are welcome!



Please continue to keep the following eighth graders in your prayers as they continue to prepare for Confirmation: **Gina and Vincent Giacobelli, Giovanni Gratz, Clare Howard, Kirabo Lukwago, Lauren Olds, Breanna Paholak, Elizabeth Putti, Nicole Scally, and Jenny Willis.**

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*A Lenten Pyramid*

by Fr. James Smith

The Gospel today gives us the prescription for a healthful Lent: Pray privately, give alms quietly, fast cheerfully. But this is only a formula, not the goal of life. Almsgiving widens our heart, prayer enhances our capacity to hear God speaking to us personally, fasting

demonstrates just how weak we are, how desperately driven by our desires.

But why does Jesus focus on this particular trinity? Because he learned these precepts from his own Jewish tradition. They are not randomly chosen; they each have a specific purpose in defining our primary relationships – with God, with other people and with our own self.

If all I do is pray, my spirituality becomes unreal, unconnected with everyday life. If all I do is give alms, I can become discouraged with the poor always being with us, or even feel superior to them. If all I do is fast, I can get caught up in self-discipline and forget that by myself, I cannot improve myself even a little bit.

These three Lenten practices form a pyramid of right relationships. Prayer establishes my relationship with God in love; alms establishes my relationship with others in compassion; fasting establishes my relationship with my own self in humility.

What we learn from years of practice, whether we succeed or fail, is that we do these three things not because they are difficult, but because they are the best teachers of humanity.

That is ever more true today than it was in the time these pillars were first taught. Today, we live in a culture positively strangled by self-absorption. Each of us has to hack our way through the jungle of greed and self-interest.

For Christians, our machete is our Lenten observance. Starting today, with ashes that mark our mortality, we dedicate one season of the year to discovering the flesh-and-blood structure of our deepest humanity.

Let the rest turn to ashes.

ASH WEDNESDAY
February 17th

Please bring in your palms from last year to be burned for ashes. A basket will be provided near the baptismal font.



We extend our sincere sympathy to Jonathon and Felicia Putti on the death of his mother, Dolores Putti, and to Leticia and Enrique Gama, on the death of her father, Raphael Angel Diaz Gonzales, who died recently. Let us remember the families in our prayers. We commend their souls to the Lord. May they rest in peace.

*Prayer for Lent*

Good and loving God, each year you give us this season of Lent to turn our hearts and minds back to you.

May the prayer we offer during this season draw us closer to you in love as we seek forgiveness for our sins.

May our fasting help us see that even as this world is a gift from you it is still passing away and will not endure.

May our almsgiving honor you as we care for

our brothers and sisters whose need is great and whose hope is in you.

Help us in this holy season to be reconciled with you and with any whom we have harmed so that we may celebrate an Easter of eternal joy.

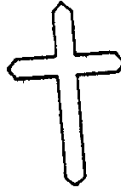
Amen.

Sue's News

Lenten Opportunities for Prayer and Participation

PARISH PRAYER PARTNERS

During LENT, we are asking our parishioners to fill the spiritual needs of our parish. A basket with crosses is available near the Baptismal font. All parishioners are invited to take as many crosses as they wish and write a **personal prayer intention** on **each** cross.



You may add your name if you wish or remain anonymous. Hang the completed crosses on the Lenten Prayer Tree. On Ash Wednesday and the following days of Lent, we ask that you take one or more of the crosses and pray for those intentions during the remainder of Lent.



LENTE OFFERTORY GIFTS

Any parishioner may bring up the offertory gifts during the Lenten Season. Please sign up for the mass day and time in the book near the baptismal font.

LENTE SPEAKER

Mark your calendar for our Lenten Speaker. Dr. Carol Jadach will join us for prayer, song and reflection on the Lenten season on Friday, March 5 at 1:00.



Thursday Night Book Discussion Group

Come share your insight and opinions about our next book on **Thursday, March 11 at 7pm.** Book selection: *Galileo's Daughter: A Historical Memoir of Science, Faith and Love.* Author: **Dava Sobel** **Seven copies of the book are available in the faith formation office. Check your local library for additional copies.**

This is a biography of Galileo's eldest daughter, Maria Celeste, who was placed in a convent of the Poor Clare's in Florence when she was thirteen. Sobel weaves her letters to her father into the narrative. Moving between Galileo's public life and Maria Celeste's sequestered world, Sobel illuminates the Florence of the Medicis and the papal court in Rome during the pivotal era when humanity's perception of its place in the cosmos was being overturned and when one man sought to reconcile the Heaven he revered as a good Catholic with the heavens he revealed through his telescope.



Stations of the Cross with Benediction

Fridays of Lent at 7:00PM (except Good Friday) beginning February 19th.

Lenten Soup Luncheons

The Lenten Soup Luncheons will be held every Friday in Lent (except Good Friday) after the 12:00 noon Mass.



Check THIS OUT!

Please check out our newly updated website at www.stcolman.org creatively designed by Alan Darge, our St. Colman parishioner

Lenten Series by Sister Joel Zobro, RSM Paul's Letter to the Galatians: Our Hearts Set Free

The Servant Church of St Alexander Social Hall
Tuesdays: 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. February 23rd, March 2nd -23rd

Paul's letter to the Galatians is one of the most important historical documents of the early Christian community. In it Paul describes how the Christian life is a life centered on God freeing one from a life of anxiety to a life of peace and trust. Through this short but important letter, Paul tell us that being Christian is not grounded in rules and regulations but in our relationship with God and with each other through Jesus.

Bring your Bible and come with friends and family. No previous Scripture study is necessary. Suggested donation of \$5 per session.



Senior Lenten Day of Recollection -- Monday, March 1, 2010 -- St. Alexander's Church - FH

9:30 AM - 2:00 PM 9:30 AM - Welcome (coffee and donuts) 10:00 AM – Video 10:30 AM - Presentation by Sr. Mary McDevitt, IHM "Meeting God Personally in Lent" 12:00 PM - (light) Complimentary Lunch 1:00 PM - Mass
Please join us! If you plan to attend, please RSVP to the number below to tell us how many will be attending no later than: Wednesday, February 24th. Call Carol at (248) 477-1373.



Scripture Readings:

Jeremiah 17:5-8. The blessed and the cursed

1Corinthians 15:12, 15-20. Christ has been raised.

Luke 6:17, 20-26. Blessed are the poor ...

Today we will hear words from Jesus that sound strange to our ears and probably sounded strange 2,000 years ago. "Blessed are the poor and woe to the rich" has always sounded strange. Let's ask

God to help us receive and understand – and put into practice – this strange teaching.

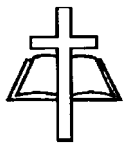
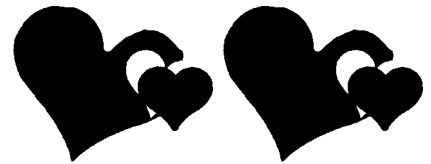
Today the Gospel takes us to a plain where the multitudes have gathered to hear and be healed. There, Jesus delivers to them the poetic words of the beatitudes. In Luke's telling, we only get four beatitudes, while in Matthew's account we hear eight. However, Luke does give us four "woes" to go along with the blessings: "Woe to you rich, for you have your consolation"; "Woe to you who are full, for you will be hungry"; "Woe to you who laugh, for you will grieve"; "Woe to you when all speak well of you."

C.S. Lewis observed: "Beauty exalts, but beauty also lulls." We should be wary of being lulled by poetic beauty and basking only in the blessings. On the other side of each blessing there is a warning against complacency.

Radical Jesus, as he often does, turns the world upside down to show us the other side. –Deacon Dick Folger

Parents' Valentine Day Blessing

God of all love,
You brought us together as man and woman so that we might love each other and show your love to the world through the gift of the child(ren) you have given us. Help us to be loving and kind to one another each day of our lives. Bless our child(ren) with your love in our home and in every other place. May your love by shown to others, in our family and beyond the walls of our home. May all of us know the depth of your enduring love and be strengthened to share that same love that comes from you and is spread throughout the world. Amen.



Grow in Faith. Study Scripture
The Gospel of John
Inter-parish Bible Study
Thursday Evenings 7-8:30 p.m.
February 18 - May 18

St. Clare of Assisi Church 29200 W. Ten Mile Road, FH

Dig deep into the Word of God with Scripture scholar and teacher, Father David Santoro, O.P., Chaplain at Blessed Sacrament Monastery in FH. All Welcome? Bring Bible. Contact if needed, 248-477-9870

*The goal of Lent:
to prepare
to enter more fully
into Christ's death
and resurrection.*

– Fr. Lawrence Mick

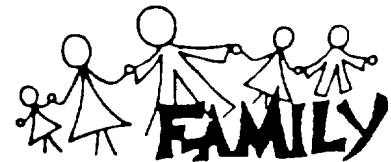
Natural Family Planning classes sponsored by the Archdiocese of Detroit Department of Evangelization, Catechesis and Schools are offered in your area. The first class begins **March 11th at 6:30pm at Prince of Peace Parish.** If there are any questions please contact: Jenelle Ponkowski at (248) 819-9566 OR Dorothy, Archdiocesan NFP Coordinator at (313) 237-5892 or email: nfp@aod.org.

40 Days for Life

Everyone is invited to join the Southfield and Sterling Heights 40 Days for Life combined Spring/Lenten 2010 Campaign Kick-Off event on Tuesday, February 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the National Shrine of the Little Flower (12 Mile and Woodward Roads).

Learn about the 40 Days for Life grassroots effort to help end the tragedy of abortion. Speakers: Archbishop Allen Vigneron and Suffragan Bishop D. L. Bradley, and Michelle Yax, Director of Mother and Unborn Baby Care Center, will share her testimony of truth.

Immediately following the program, we will gather in Heritage Hall for refreshments, fellowship, and an opportunity to sign up for prayer hours at the clinic of your choice. For more info contact Mike Stack 248-321-2105 or Barb Yagley 248-703-3577 www.40daysforlife.com/southfield



A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

In order to be with the people, today's gospel tells us "Jesus came down the mountain and stood on level ground." World Marriage Day reminds us marriage is not lived on the lofty mountain tops but in the nitty-gritty of every day life.