

March 14, 2010



32500 Middlebelt Road - Farmington Hills, MI

# THE CHURCH OF ST. COLMAN OF CLOYNE

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## Fourth Sunday of Lent



“Your brother  
was dead  
and has come  
back to life,  
was lost  
and is found.”  
Luke 15:32

## *Oakland County Jail Ministry at Saint Colman Church*

The last several years the Oakland County Jail Chaplain's Office has sent us a request for help. During the Sundays of Lent, we would like to respond to this call for help by supporting the families of the prisoners as well as the prisoners.



The Chaplain's Office is asking for large size men's coats and shoes. **Men's new or gently used walking (street) shoes, sizes 10-13 or dark, winter coats** will be distributed from the Chaplain's Crisis Response Closet. Please put these items on the coat rack in the Church hallway.



**SMART Bus tickets** can no longer be purchased as individual tickets. Cash donations will be used for us to purchase lots of 250 tickets from Detroit. The individual tickets will be given to both families needing public transportation to the jail and to released prisoners to help in such things as job searches and Doctor appointments.

**Gift Certificates** from Meijer in \$10.00 amounts are helpful.

If you wish to donate a check for us to purchase the gift certificates or bus tickets, **please make the check out to St. Colman. Indicate at the bottom of the check, "Jail Ministry" and deposit the check in the Oakland County Jail containers at the back of the Church.**

**All donations are due by March 21st.**

The Christian Service Committee

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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  
Norb Leszczynski, Vice President 855-1741  
Michael Van Dyke ..... 737-7004  
Robert Juliao ..... 477-8086  
Martha Mullkoff ..... 626-9031  
Fr. Norbert Kendzierski ..... 626-5055  
Michael Garms, Vicariate Rep. .... 539-7660

**Worship Commission**

Pamela Gernacy ..... 855-9477

**Christian Service Commission**

Terry Klenczar ..... 661-5753

**Women of St. Colman**

Joan Hall ..... 539-1716

**Ushers** ..... 626-0285

Archdiocese of Detroit website:  
www.AODonline.org

(Revised 12/17/09)



**Mass Schedule**

**March 13-14, 2010**

**4th Sunday of Lent**

**03/13 Saturday -4:30 p.m.**

†Margaret McHugh

Req. by Leslie & Susan Pettis

†Margaret Wesley

Requested by Betty Herbert

†Lucille Halleman

Req. by Ray & Clare Pety

**03/14 Sunday - 9:00 a.m.**

†Dolores Putti

Requested by Kathy & Joe Sterbling

**03/14 Sunday - 11.00 a.m.**

Intentions of the Parishioners

**Monday 03/15- 8:30 a.m. -**

**COMMUNION SERVICE**

**Tuesday 03/16 - 8:30 a.m. -**

**COMMUNION SERVICE**

**Wednesday 03/17- 12:00 noon -**

**St. Patrick**

**COMMUNION SERVICE**

**Thursday 03/18- 8:30 a.m. -**

**St. Cyril of Jerusalem**

**COMMUNION SERVICE**

**Friday 03/19 - 12:00 Noon -**

**St. Joseph, husband of the**

**Blessed Virgin Mary**

**COMMUNION SERVICE**

**March 20-21, 2010**

**5th Sunday of Lent**

**03/20 Saturday -4:30 p.m.**

†Bill Horner

Req. by Howard & Gail Carlson

Int. of Robert Perry

Req. by Carol & Kelvyn Ventour

†Mary Gegus -39th anniv

Requested by Ray & Clare Pety

**03/21 Sunday - 9:00 a.m.**

†Marino Zonzini

Requested by Family

Intentions of Lucille Foster - 100th

Birthday

**03/21 Sunday - 11.00 a.m.**

Intentions of the Parishioners

†Shammamta Shamoun

Requested by Shamoun Family

**ushers/lectors**

**March 20-21, 2010**

**Saturday-4:30 p.m.**

Lector: Sally Cahill

Ushers: Team #3, Bob Zimmerer, Clare  
Pety, John Rembowicz, Angel Gama-Diaz

**Sunday-9:00 a.m.**

Lector: Mike Van Dyke

Ushers: Team #6 John Klenczar, Jerry  
Brown, Tom Ouellette

**Sunday-11:00 a.m.**

Lector: Mike Pipp

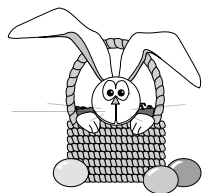
Ushers: Team #4 Donna Varese, Bob Mueller

**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, Joanne De Witt, Susan  
Dickow, Marie Dobson, Anthony Dolney,  
Anna Doree, Angelo Evangelista, Vern  
Fargo, Nancy Fife, Connie & Joe Fortuna,  
John Fushman, John Gernacy, Bob Gilliatt,  
Allison Gilson, Thomas Gladwin, Gary  
Glownia, David Goodnough, Autumn  
Grady, Patricia Gulan, Shoney Habel,  
Samantha Hainer, Pat Hammell, Maryann  
Hammill, Adela Harvath, Terry & Francis  
Haughey, Hubert Hoadley, Regina Horner,  
Lenore Holbrook, Jonah Hurley, Jeff  
Hutchison, Robert Juliao, Coral  
Kasprzyk, Ken Kemp, Pat Kecskes, Marie  
& Wenzel Koch, Coe Kraus, Marie  
Kuberski, Peter Larion, Ann Leber,  
Laurie Leszczynski, Nooria Mansour,  
Margaret Martin, Junie Mayhue, Carol  
McCurry, Dillon 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, William Pilchak,  
John Plonka, Patricia Presto, Ben &  
Loretta Purcott, Maria Sanchez, Gene  
Scarpone, Mikki Stein, Sabah & Sona  
Sinawi, Dennis Stacey, Fr. Jim Thoman,  
Cheri Tomkovich, Veronica Tripp,  
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**

## Sue's News



The Faith Formation students in grades 1-8 are collecting items to assemble Easter Baskets for the children of prisoners. **Please donate Easter Baskets (large size), pre-wrapped candy, small stuffed animals, crayons, coloring books, markers, silly putty and any other items that could go in the baskets. I could also use some large cellophane, plastic bags that we will use put the baskets in for delivery.** These items can be given to the children to bring to class or dropped off in the parish office. The baskets will be assembled on March 15 & 16 so all items need to be in by then. Thank you.



### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Attention youth in grades 3 and up:

Training sessions for new altar servers continue on **Tuesday, March 16 at 6 pm**. This is a wonderful privilege and opportunity to become a valuable participant in the Holy Mass. There are two more sessions (March 16 and, 23) from 6 - 6:30pm. Contact Sue Crudginton for more information or just show up on Tuesday. You can attend even if you missed the first training session.



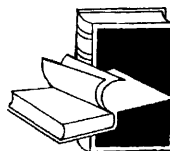
### DAYTIME BOOK STUDY

Book selection: **Jesus of Nazareth** by Pope Benedict XVI  
**Wednesdays at 10:00am**

This week's reading: **Chapter 5, pages 128-168**

**The Lord's Prayer**

Please contact Sue Crudginton at [suecrudginton@aol.com](mailto:suecrudginton@aol.com) or at 248-626-0285 for more information or just show up on Wednesday at 10:00am. All are welcome!



**Worship/Education Commission meeting on Tuesday, March 16 at 9am.**

## Rosary Collection



Our St. Colman parish will be helping the Knights of Columbus, Livonia Council 2690, on behalf of St. Vincent de Paul Society, collect rosaries that will be sent to Iraq and Afghanistan. **Please bring your "intact" rosaries to church - there is a box outside the parish offices.** Thank you.

## Always Our Children

This is a very brief exert from, "Always Our Children: A Pastoral Message to Parents of Homosexual Children and Suggestions for Pastoral Ministers", U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops - 1997:

In this pastoral message, we draw upon the gift of faith as well as the sound teaching and pastoral practice of the Church to offer loving support, reliable guidance, and recommendations for ministries suited to your needs and to those of your child. Our message speaks of accepting yourself, your beliefs and values, your questions, and all you may be struggling with at this moment; accepting and loving your child as a gift of God; and accepting the full truth of God's revelation about the dignity of the human person and the meaning of human sexuality. Within the Catholic moral vision there is no contradiction among these levels of acceptance, for truth and love are not opposed. They are inseparably joined and rooted in one person, Jesus Christ, who reveals God to be ultimate truth and saving love.

We address our message also to the wider church community, and especially to priests and other pastoral ministers, asking that our words be translated into attitudes and actions that follow the way of love, as Christ has taught. It is through the community of his faithful that Jesus offers you hope, help, and healing, so your whole family might continue to grow into the intimate community of life and love that God intends.

In an effort to help us address our fear of those who are different from ourselves and to better understand the experiences, expectations and spirituality of gays and lesbians (and their families) **a meeting is being held at St. Colman in the social hall on Thursday, March 18, at 7pm.**

A panel composed of parents of gay and lesbian Catholics will tell their stories.

The purpose of this meeting is NOT to debate religious issues related to this subject. The purpose is merely to OPEN THE DOOR to what has been a forbidden subject and offer an opportunity to better understand the lives of gay and lesbian persons and their families.

## 100th Birthday Celebration

Please join us in celebrating Lucille Foster's 100th birthday next Sunday, March 21st in the Social Hall after the 9:00 Mass.



## Used Eyeglasses Collection

St. Colman will have an on-going collection of used eyeglasses to donate to Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity or VOSH - a non-profit organization that provides free eye care to thousands of people in need in developing countries - people who cannot afford and cannot obtain vision care otherwise.



**Please place your used eyeglasses in the box outside the parish offices.**



We extend our sincere sympathy to Thomas & Sharmella Kerbawy on the death of his brother, Bernard, to Doris Krempa on the death of her husband, Felix, and to Edna Hanson, on the death of her daughter-in-law, Gail, who died recently. Let us remember the families in our prayers. We commend their souls to the Lord. May they rest in peace.

### St. Patrick's Day - March 17



There is an honored legend from Ireland's ancient lore Of how St. Patrick drove the snakes from Erin's lovely shore. The wee folk were in danger from the serpents all around

That hid beneath the rocks and always moved without a sound. But then when good St. Patrick came to preach and labor there, He brought the shamrock with him, which he planted everywhere. And as the shamrocks flourished, all the snakes began to flee Until they reached the shore, where they were swallowed by the sea.

Sure an' the wee folk marveled, and they asked St. Patrick why. "The shamrock represents The Trinity." Was his reply. "Just as three shamrock leaves are joined onto a single stem, The Trinity is three in one, and God is all of them. The serpents learned its sacred power in Eden long ago And cannot bear to stay here now because they fear it so." And ever since St. Patrick drove the serpents all away, They've ne'er come back to Ireland's shores, not to this very day.



### St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary - March 19



O God, who in Thine unspeakable providence did vouchsafe to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of thy most Holy Mother, grant, we beseech Thee, that we may deserve to

have him as our intercessor in heaven whom we venerate on earth as our protector.

**May St. Joseph,  
Guardian of the Holy Family,  
Watch over you,  
And through his intercession  
May God grant you every blessing  
On this special day.**

### Mission Statement

St. Colman is an inclusive Catholic community of faith which lives by the values of the Gospel and gives witness to God's love for all by works of charity, justice and compassion. Together we strive to discern God's Will and respond to it with trust and generosity.

**Lent -**  
take the time to pray, to fast, and to give alms for the poor

### Monthly Offertory Collections

February, 2010	
Needed for Budget	\$21,900.00
(4 wks. @ \$5,475.00)	
Collected	<u>21,932.54</u>
Difference Over	<u>\$ 32.54</u>

*Thank you to all who contribute on a regular basis.*



### A Family Perspective by Bud Ozar

Our words and actions can crush or enhance children. The father in today's Gospel did not allow a bruised ego or "I told you so" to come between him and his son. He teaches important parenting lessons: never give up on your child, be forgiving, be accepting, and show affection.



### Scripture Readings:

**Joshua 5:9a, 10-12.** After years in the desert, the people of God entered the promised land.

**2 Corinthians 5:17-21.** We are entrusted with the message of reconciliation.

**Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.** The story of the prodigal son.

Today we are going to hear a Gospel story for Lent: the story of the prodigal son. All of the capital sins show up in this story: pride and anger, sloth, lust and gluttony, greed and especially envy. We live in a time when sin is unrecognized or explained away, but sin is real. Let us acknowledge our sins and seek from God and each other forgiveness and reconciliation.

The Hermitage in Saint Petersburg, Russia, is one of the great museums of the world. It houses vast collections of art amassed by the Russian czars. The museum was once their winter palace. Climbing the elegant marble stairway to the second floor, you will find the famous Rembrandt painting "The Return of the Prodigal Son."

An aging father bends to welcome his penitent son home again. The boy, ravaged by an unforgiving world, one sandal off, buries his head in its father's embrace.

Today's Gospel touches our hearts on many levels. Sometimes we are the forgiving father; at other times we may be the jealous brother. Perhaps, more frequently than we would like, we may be the prodigal child, seeking the Father's forgiveness again. -Deacon Dick Folger

## Wellness News You Can Use

### Spring Cleaning for Freedom

So many of us have accumulated much more than we need. It bursts from our closets, overflows our shelves and clutters our lives. Lent might be a wonderful time to deliberately release ourselves from the many "things" we own by cleaning out our closets and simplifying our lives in a prayerful and intentional way.

On one level, this is ridding ourselves of things we don't need, or things that we hated to part with except that they are so "out of style." Certainly, many of us have many things that are "extra" or "unneeded" for us, but could be wonderful for those who can't afford to buy clothes at a store.

Another level of this journey into personal freedom is to ask ourselves how much do I really need? How many jackets, sport shirts, dresses, shoes? How much jewelry? How much sporting equipment? How much electronic equipment? How much of so many things we have in our lives?

We can get as serious and go as deeply into this as we desire to find fruit. This is not "should I get rid of what I don't need?" This is different, more faith-filled and takes us into giving up 'good' stuff – perhaps stuff we are attached to – because we want to experience the exercise of freedom. We do this because we sense that we are not free when we are attached to "things." Often being free from worldly attachments frees us to find our treasure in God. This freedom, too, will place us in greater solidarity with those who have so much less than we imagine we could survive on, yet they find great happiness and joy in trusting in God.

What else might I do to become more free to love or "to live simply so others can simply live?"

St. John Health – Faith & Health – Faith Community Partnership Newsletter – March – April 2010 - Adapted from Creighton University Online Ministry - [www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent](http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent)

## LENTEN & EASTER SCHEDULE 2010

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH BENEDICTION

Fridays of Lent at 7:00 pm

(except Good Friday)

March 12, 19, 26

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE Communal Penance Service

Tuesday, March 30, at 7:00 pm

### Private Confessions

Wednesday and Fridays of Lent  
after the Noon Mass

Saturdays of Lent

(except Holy Saturday)

from 3:30-4:00 pm

### FRIDAY SOUP LUNCH

in Social Hall after all Noon  
Masses (except Good Friday)



### Holy Thursday, April 1

7:00 pm - Evening Mass of the  
Lord's Supper

Followed by Adoration until 9PM

### Good Friday, April 2

12 Noon - Stations of the Cross

1:00 pm- Liturgy of the Lord's  
Passion and Death

### Holy Saturday, April 3

12 Noon and 12:30 pm - Blessing  
of Easter Food

8:00 pm- Easter Vigil

### Easter Sunday, April 4

9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses