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Bulletin Deadline

Monday, 12:00 noon

FROM THE PASTOR:

The holy season of Lent begins this Wednesday, March 6. The Mass schedule for Ash Wednesday is the same as last year:

8:30 a.m.	Mass & Imposition of Ashes
12:05 p.m.	Service of the Word & Imposition of Ashes
5:30 p.m.	Mass & Imposition of Ashes
7:00 p.m.	Spanish Mass & Imposition of Ashes



As we did last year, we will pray the Stations of the Cross on the Fridays of Lent. This will take place at 5:30 p.m., followed by an opportunity for Confessions. At 7:00 p.m., the Stations of the Cross will be prayed in Spanish.

Every year, I am asked about details of the Lenten discipline of the Church, so it may be helpful to review some points. The three traditional works of Lent are prayer, fasting, and giving to the poor. I hope that Catholics give as much thought to the third of these works as they do to the first two, in keeping with the admonition of 1 Peter 4:8. One very good way to help the poor in our community is by contributing to the works of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Here is a brief summary of the discipline of fasting and abstinence during Lent. Abstinence: The law of abstinence requires a Catholic 14 years of age until death to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, and on Fridays during Lent in honor of the Passion of Jesus. Meat is considered to be the flesh and organs of mammals and fowl. Salt and freshwater species of fish, amphibians, reptiles and shellfish are permitted. It is sinful not to observe this discipline without a serious reason (physical labor, pregnancy, sickness etc.). Please note that all Catholics 14 and older are bound to abstain from meat on every Friday of the year, unless some other form of penance is chosen. Fasting: The law of fasting requires Catholics ages 18 to 59 to reduce how much food they eat. This is defined as one meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed the main meal in quantity. Eating between meals breaks the fast. Such fasting is obligatory on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. A handy reference is found on the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/len/questions-and-answers-about-lent.cfm>.

Sincerely Yours, in Christ,
Fr. Thomas Buffer

In Memoriam

Eternal Rest Grant Unto

**Elaine Holmes, Marilyn Sullivan
and Estelle Totaro**

**"Little Black Books for Lent"**

Six-minute meditations on the Sunday Gospels of Lent (Cycle C). The goal this Lent is to find six minutes of quiet time every day for the next 50 days to talk through this book a page at a time. Six minutes. That's within reach. And it pays big returns.

Members of the Spiritual Enrichment Commission will be selling the Little Black Books after all Masses this weekend of March 2/3. Cost is still only \$1.00.

Del Párroco:

La temporada santa de Cuaresma comienza este Miércoles, 6 de marzo. El horario de la Misa para el Miércoles de Ceniza es el mismo que el año pasado:

- 8:30 a.m. Misa e Imposición de Cenizas
- 12:05 p.m. Servicio de la Palabra e Imposición de Cenizas.
- 5:30 pm. Misa e Imposición de Cenizas
- 7:00 pm. Misa en Español e Imposición de Cenizas



Como hicimos el año pasado, rezaremos las Estaciones de la Cruz los Viernes de Cuaresma. Esto tendrá lugar a las 5:30 p.m., seguido por una oportunidad para confesiones. A las 7:00 p.m., las Estaciones de la Cruz serán oradas en Español.

Cada año me preguntan sobre los detalles de la disciplina de la Cuaresma de la Iglesia, por lo que puede ser útil revisar algunos puntos. Las tres obras tradicionales de la Cuaresma son la oración, el ayuno y la entrega a los pobres. Espero que los católicos presten mucha atención a la tercera parte de estas obras como a las dos primeras, de acuerdo con la advertencia de 1 Pedro 4: 8. Una muy buena manera de ayudar a los pobres en nuestra comunidad es contribuyendo a los trabajos de la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl.

Aquí hay un breve resumen de la disciplina del ayuno y la abstinencia durante la Cuaresma. Abstinencia: La ley de abstinencia requiere que un católico de 14 años de edad hasta la muerte se abstenga de comer carne el Miércoles de Ceniza y los Viernes durante la Cuaresma en honor de la Pasión de Jesús. La carne es considerada como la carne y órganos de mamíferos y aves. Se permiten especies de sal y agua dulce de peces, anfibios, reptiles y mariscos. Es pecaminoso no observar esta disciplina sin una razón seria (trabajo físico, embarazo, enfermedad, etc.). Tenga en cuenta que todos los católicos de 14 años o más

están obligados a abstenerse de comer carne todos los Viernes del año, a menos que se elija alguna otra forma de penitencia. Ayuno: La ley del ayuno requiere que los católicos de 18 a 59 años reduzcan la cantidad de alimentos que consumen. Esto se define como una comida al día y dos comidas más pequeñas

que, si se suman, no excederán la cantidad de la comida principal. Comer entre comidas rompe el ayuno. Tal ayuno es obligatorio el Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo. Una referencia práctica se encuentra en el sitio web de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos, <http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/lent/questions-and-answers-about-lent.cfm>.

Su hermano en Cristo,
Padre Thomas Buffer

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

New Members Welcome. Please contact St. Mary Parish Office. Present members, please keep our Office informed of changes in name, address and family members.

REMINDER FOR VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please remember that, due to privacy laws, hospitals no longer notify us when one of our parishioners has been admitted. Please notify the Parish Office if you or a loved one is ill or in the hospital by calling 740-382-2118. Thank you.



For a prayer request for the Prayer Line, please call Ellen Distel at 740-389-4551 or Dolores at the Parish Office at 740-382-2118 or email dolores@marionstmary.org.



The Nursery is available at the 11:00 a.m. Mass each Sunday. Looking for a rewarding way to acquire service hours for Confirmation?

Think about helping in the Nursery. Please call Angie at 419-834-5783 if you would like to help out.

**Life Teen Schedule**

- March 3 – NO Life teen
- March 10 – Ski Trip
- March 17 – 6:00 p.m.
- March 24 – 6:00 p.m.
- March 31 – NO Life Teen

Hey high school teens, if you have not been to Life Teen in a while or ever, you are welcome to come. We would love to see you at 6:00 p.m. in the Commons on most Sunday nights. Just show up. We feed you dinner every time! If you have any questions, you can call or text me at 740-223-8656. – Mark Starrs

**St. Mary School News**

March 6: 8:30 a.m. – School Mass

For more information about enrollment, please call the school at 740-382-1607.



Parish School of Religion

Sundays at 9:15 a.m.

Preschool through 7th grade at
St. Mary Grade School

2019 Classes

March 3, 10, 17, 31

April 7, 14

Friday, April 12:

Living Stations of the Cross

April 14: Collecting new and gently-used items for *The Voice of Hope*

Glenna Celestino CL

740-382-2262

**CONFIRMATION**

9:15-10:45 a.m., in the Commons

2019 Class Schedule

March 3, 10, 17, 31

April 7, 14

May 4, 5

May 7: Confirmation

March 3: Parents attend with student. **Saint Report Due, Schedule Interviews today** (Interviews will take place at the end March.)

May 4-5 Confirmation Retreat 1:00 p.m., Saturday through Sunday at 12:30 p.m. at Sts. Peter and Paul Retreat Center, Newark

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THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME MARCH 3, 2019

THIS WEEK IN ST. MARY PARISH MARCH 4-MARCH 10, 2019

MASS INTENTIONS • DAILY READINGS • EVENTS

MONDAY – March 4

Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27

7:00 p.m. Women's Study Group: "Galatians: Set Free to Live"

TUESDAY – March 5

Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

5:00-6:00 p.m. Holy Hour with Eucharistic
Exposition/Benediction & Confessions

6:30 p.m. Mass Intention: †Elaine Holmes

WEDNESDAY – March 6 – ASH WEDNESDAY

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6-2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Day of Fast and Abstinence

8:30 a.m. Mass Intention: *Special Intention*

12:05 p.m. Service of the Word

5:30 p.m. Mass Intention: †Frank Troiano

7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

THURSDAY – March 7

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

8:30 a.m. Mass Intention: †Janis Dodds

FRIDAY – March 8 (Day of Abstinence)

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

8:30 a.m. Mass Intention: †Regina Kelleher

5:00-7:00 p.m. Fish Fry at Knights of Columbus

5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross/Confessions to follow.

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross in Spanish

SATURDAY – March 9

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

9:00 a.m. Rosary

4:00-4:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Mass Intention: †Monica Rall

6:15 p.m. "The Choice Wine"

program for married couples (Commons)

SUNDAY – March 10 – First Sunday of Lent

Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

8:00 a.m. Mass Intention: St. Mary Parishioners

9:15 a.m. PSR Classes: Preschool – Grade 7 and Confirmation

11:00 a.m. Mass Intention: †Dean Cusick

1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass



SANCTUARY CANDLE:

Will burn in loving memory of Mary Theresa Porter and Mary Lou Williams by Vickie Keener.

SACRAMENTAL WINE

provided by **the Knights of Columbus.**



Members of St. Vincent de Paul Society will be at the doors of the church at the closing of Mass, on March 8 and 9. They will be giving a Pantry Wish List and Shopping Bag to all parishioners for their continued support of the **Fill-A-Bag Campaign.** The Vincentians ask that you fill the bag with as many of the suggested pantry items as you would like and return the bag to the Food Pantry at 342 N. Main Street, Marion or to the entrance of the church where it will be retrieved and taken to the pantry. Please consider adding pantry items to your regular shopping trips in an effort to assist the St. Vincent de Paul mission to provide food to the less fortunate of our community. If we all do a little, we can help a whole lot!

Healing Blanket Ministry:

Healing Blanket Ministry continues its mission to sew blankets. Would you like to join us in this ministry? We will supply the material for you to sew. *We ask those who give a blanket to a loved one, to please sign the blue binder with your name and the name of the person receiving it.* We need more people to sew the blankets. Please contact Elaine Kelly at 740-389-1018.



The Knights of Columbus will once again be holding their ever-popular Fish Fries on Fridays during Lent from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1231 E. Center Street. Meal will consist of all-you-can-eat fish, French fries, coleslaw and dinner roll.

Cost is \$9.00 for adults and children 12 and over; \$8.00 for Senior Citizens 60 and over; \$5.00 for children ages 5 to 12 and children under the age of 5 are free. There is a max charge of \$30.00 for a family (*family is defined as living under the same roof*).



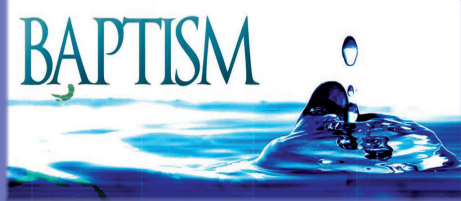
Lenten Challenge: "Listen to Catholic Radio AM 820 this Lent"

Try something new this Lent and consider listening to Catholic Radio AM 820! Listening to AM 820 is a good way to deepen your knowledge and love of the Catholic faith. Download the free St. Gabriel Radio mobile app.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – WEEKENDS OF MARCH 2/3 AND MARCH 9/10

THIS WEEKEND	SERVERS	LECTORS
5:00 p.m.	Christian Smith, Nicholas Swartz, Carson DeWitt	(I) Anthony Swartz (II) Becky Swartz
8:00 a.m.	David Tuerck, Jasmine Flores, Gabriella Flores	(I) Jeannene James (II) Sharon Baldinger
11:00 a.m.	Summer McLernon, Annika Musser, Bryce Rollins	(I) Fred Dutton (II) Mary Dutton
1:00 p.m.	Ashley Alvarez, David Arreola, Betzy Pedro	(I) Gilberto Aguirre (II) Grecia Catalan
NEXT WEEKEND	SERVERS	LECTORS
5:00 p.m.	Nicholas Swartz, David Tuerck, Volunteer Needed	(I) Joan Shoup (II) Pat Stevens
8:00 a.m.	Sam Baer, Sway Sontag, Ben Wood	(I) Paula Dunn (II) Pat Baldinger
11:00 a.m.	Ben Waldo, Luke Waldo, Grace Waldo	(I) Mark Jankowski (II) Eric Jankowski
1:00 p.m.	Bryana Martinez, Maria Martinez, Miguel Martinez	(I) Maximillian Aguirre (II) Grecia Catalan

PLEASE NOTE: Liturgical Minister Schedules are posted online at <http://www.marionstmary.org/Bulletin> & Liturgical Assignments. Paper copies are available in the main vestibule and are also posted on church bulletin boards. If you are unable to keep your assignment, please find a substitute. Thank you.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

In order to understand and better appreciate this special sacrament, parents must attend a Pre-Baptismal Class. St. Mary offers this instruction four times a year on the second Sunday of the month from 2:00-4:30 p.m. in the Commons. Preregistration for the class is required.

THE NEXT CLASS:
April 14th, 2019,
2:00-4:30 p.m.
in the commons.

Please call the Office of Religious Education at 740-382-2262, to register or if you have any questions. Families may schedule Baptisms by calling the Rectory at 740-382-2118.

EL SACRAMENTO DE BAUTISMO

El bautizo es el inicio de nuestra Vida Católica y es el sacramento más importante que recibimos. Si es que su niño es menor de 7 años, y desea bautizarlo, los padres y padrinos deben atender a una clase Pre-Bautismal. Nuestra Iglesia Santa María ofrece estas clases 4 veces al año.

Para más información o si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor llamar a la Sra Evelyn (860)997-0627.

Las próximas clases serán el Las próximas clases serán el **Domingo, 7 de Abril, 2019 a las 2:30 p.m.** en la Casa Blanca (The Commons).

Lenten Sunday Mission – March 17, 2019
“The Seven Sorrows of Our Lady in Reparation for the Seven Deadly Sins”

3:00 p.m. in Church



Presented by the Sisters of Reparation to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Steubenville, Ohio

Come and be filled with a love of Jesus and the Blessed Sacrament as you listen to Sister speak. We will begin with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; Presentation by Sister; Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet; Benediction; Love offering; Veneration of 1st class relic of Saint Faustina. Religious articles will be available for purchase afterward.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019

Ash Wednesday



- 8:30 a.m. Mass & Imposition of Ashes
- 12:05 p.m. Service of the Word & Imposition of Ashes
- 5:30 p.m. Mass & Imposition of Ashes
- 7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass & Imposition of Ashes

Fridays during Lent:

- 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
Confessions following Stations
- 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross in Spanish



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The Church of the Resurrection in New Albany will host a Lenten event focused on a faith-filled journey of growth and conversion! This inspiring event, presented by Dynamic Catholic’s *Dr. Allen Hunt*, will create a personal plan to strengthen and enrich the *4 life-giving spiritual habits* of a highly engaged Catholic; *prayer, study, evangelization, generosity.*

“Find your Greatness”

Church of the Resurrection
 6300 E. Dublin-Granville Road, New Albany, OH
 Saturday, March 16th, 2019 – 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
 Ticket Cost – \$25.00

Register online at DynamicCatholic.com/NewAlbany or go to the parish website at <https://www.cotrna.org/> and click on the “Find your Greatness” icon, or contact Gayle Kerkman at (614) 429-7308 or gkerkman@gmail.com. Please join us and invite your family and friends to this transformative Lenten event!



BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS



Lighten Your Load, Brighten Your Light is a day of self-care and healing, Saturday, March 9, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Martin de Porres Center, Columbus. Grounded in gratitude and humility, this day seeks to return the patience, compassion and love you give out, back on yourself. As caregivers, first responders, crisis counselors and volunteers, and ministry leaders, taking the time for self-care is vitally important to your resiliency and renewal, which ultimately influences your capacity to serve and lead. We invite you to retreat and reignite through your passion, faith, and community. Freewill offering is appreciated; registration is required due to limited space and lunch is provided. To register, visit www.tinyurl.com/DHTF-register. For more information, contact Andrea Pannell, at 614-241-2550 or at apannell@columbuscatholic.org. Sponsored by the diocesan Hope Task Force.

The Diocesan Council for Catholic Women (DCCW) will host **"Estate Planning & End of Life Issues, A Gift for Your Family,"** on Saturday, March 23, from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., at St. Andrew's Bryce Eck Activity Center, 3880 Reed Road, Columbus. Open to all, topics discussed will include how to avoid probate, proper bank accounts, insurance (life, long-term, disability), and other aspects of end-of-life planning. Event cost is \$20.00 per person (includes lunch and materials); registration/payment is Friday, March 15. Contact Katie Boesch at DCCW at 614-228-8601 or visit columbuscatholic.org/diocesan-council-of-catholic-women for forms and more information.



Organic, Healthy, and Empowering – Do you buy organic and hormone-free foods? Why not apply this healthy approach to your family planning method? **Natural Family Planning (NFP)** empowers married couples to effectively achieve or postpone pregnancy without risking the health of the woman, her nursing child, or her future fertility. Attend a NFP Class Series at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, starting on Saturday, March 9, 10:00 a.m.; the course continues on March 30, April 13, and May 18. For more information and to register, go to www.columbuscatholic.org/natural-family-planning or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614-241-2560.

"Interior Peace" is the theme of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) upcoming Silent Retreat, to be held April 5-7, at the St. Therese's Retreat Center, 5277 E. Broad Street, Columbus. Led by Father T.J. Lehigh, Parochial Vicar, St. Andrew Parish, the retreat cost is \$150.00 (\$50.00 non-refundable deposit required) and includes all meals from Friday evening through breakfast on Sunday. Registration deadline is March 22; Additional information and registration forms are available at columbuscatholic.org/diocesan-council-of-catholic-women; mail completed form and payment to Columbus DCCW, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus, OH 43215.



Christ Alive in Our Marriage Newlywed Retreat! Newlywed couples, as well as couples who have been married up to five years, are invited to a day-long retreat where they will connect with each other and embrace the gift of uninterrupted time together. Taking place at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish on Saturday, April 6th, the retreat will include time for prayer, discussion, testimonies from other newlywed couples, and will end with 5:00 p.m. Mass. Cost is \$25.00 per couple. For details and to register, visit <https://columbuscatholic.org/young-adult-retreats>.



GET CLOSER TO THE ONE YOU LOVE

You can do that on a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!** Marriage Encounter is where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. The next 2 weekends are June 28-29 and September 13-15, both in Central Ohio. For more information or to apply, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880 or visit our website at www.wmecolumbus.org.

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