

**St. Mary Catholic Church
Delaware, OH**



Front Desk.....740-363-4641, ext. 100
 Pastor: Reverend James P. Black.....ext. 104
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Parish Web Site: www.delawarestmary.org
Web Site Additions:
please e-mail to webmaster@delawarestmary.org.
Parish E-mail: delawarestmary@rroho.com

Penance:
Saturday, 3:30-4:10 p.m. (anytime by appointment)

Anointing of the Sick:
 Call the Parish day or night.
 Notify the office for visits to the sick and hospitalized.

Baptism:
 Infants: Third Sunday of each month; 1:30 p.m.
 Baptismal Preparation Program is required.
 Call the Parish Office to register for both the Baptismal Program and Baptism.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
 Adults are initiated at the Easter Vigil after participation in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, which is a process of prayer and instruction from Fall to Pentecost. Call the Parish Office.

Marriage:
 Contact the Parish Office four to six months before the proposed wedding date.

**January 24, 2010
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
Responsorial : Psalm 19
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

*Here I am, Lord! Send me out to
preach Your good news!*

**PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS, please contact Louise Herndon
at 740-417-0355 (if no answer, please call 740-369-6378).**

Times are tough. Rising expenses, home losses, and downsizing have affected many members of the St. Mary Community. Some families are in crisis. Where do they turn?
Call St. Vincent de Paul at St. Mary (740-417-3410). One of our roles is to provide emergency services to our Parishioners, always in strict confidence. Call us if you need or someone you know in the Parish needs our assistance. We want to help.



The Drawing for the St. Mary Sweepstakes is coming soon! The winning ticket will be drawn on January 30th at the Catholic Schools Week Open House! After all Masses THIS weekend, members of the School Advisory Board will be in the School Commons selling these tickets. If you would like to win \$2,000.00 toward the 2010-2011 school year tuition at any Catholic School or opt for the \$1,000.00 cash option, be sure to get your tickets soon! Tickets are \$5.00 each or six tickets for \$25.00.



MASSES OF THE WEEK

SATURDAY, January 23 – Vigil: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:30 p.m. Jean Stojkov
SUNDAY, January 24 – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 7:30 a.m. Elizabeth Molnar
 9:00 a.m. Ed Flahive
 10:45 a.m. Jeff Beitel
 12:15 p.m. St. Mary Parishioners
MONDAY, January 25 – Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle
 5:30 p.m. Patricia Coffman
TUESDAY, January 26 – St. Timothy and St. Titus
 5:15 p.m. Rosary
 5:30 p.m. Anna Bach
WEDNESDAY, January 27 – St. Angela Merici
 8:15 a.m. Anne Dinovo Rowlands
THURSDAY, January 28 – St. Thomas Aquinas
 8:15 a.m. Joyce Wallace
FRIDAY, January 29
 8:15 a.m. Patricia Mahoney
SATURDAY, January 30 – Vigil: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:30 p.m. Jeff Beitel
SUNDAY, January 31 – FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 7:30 a.m. Mary Beth Bellisari
 9:00 a.m. Evelyn Meyer
 10:45 a.m. Constance Seligman
 12:15 p.m. St. Mary Parishioners
 5:30 p.m. Intention of Our Latino Community

To all the Members of St. Mary Church and School:
 We would like to thank all of you for your prayers, thoughts, cards, and messages while I was at the Cleveland Clinic receiving my double lung transplant. Your kindness and love were very much appreciated. We are so thankful to have such a wonderful church family to help and support us. God certainly has blessed our family tremendously, and we know that He carried us through this journey from the beginning. He has blessed us with great doctors, a selfless, giving donor family, and a tremendous amount of loving and caring friends to pray for us. Thank you so much!
 In Christ's love!
 Karen, Jerry and Sammy Range

Matthew 18:20
"Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in their midst."
 At the start of each meeting and/or activity:
 Read the Bible verse and discussion questions out loud (1 minute).
 Spend a moment in quiet reflection (1 minute).
 Break into small groups (2 or 3 individuals) to share your thoughts regarding the verse and discussion questions (3 minutes).
January 2010 Bible Verses and Discussion Questions
January 24th – "He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day" (Luke 4:16).
 Jesus maintains the custom of weekly worship in the synagogue. How does weekly worship at Mass affect your life?
 In what ways do you honor the Sabbath?
January 31st – "And he said, 'Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place...' When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury" (Luke 4:24, 28).
 Have you known anyone who was rejected by their family or friends because of their faith?
 Have you ever been discouraged to preach the Gospel when others are unbelieving?

Wow – What a night! The Year for Priests Dinner was a huge success with 480 attending. Thank you, thank you to all the volunteers for your time, effort and donations and a very special note of thanks to Andy Kastle and Irene Baird for your extra effort and continued support. We are truly blessed with a wonderful faith community led by two special priests – Fr. Black and Fr. Schalk. It was also an honor to share the evening with Bishop Campbell. We are pleased to announce that Don Buck is our 50/50 raffle winner of \$729.00. A final tally of the event will be forthcoming.
 Sincerely,
 Kathy Scott – Parish Council President (tkjscott@yahoo.com)

ST. MARY'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23

9:00-10:00 a.m. – SVDP Needs Committee (TL)
 10:00-11:00 a.m. – Market Day Pick-up (Commons)
 1:30 p.m. – Wedding
 Following 4:30 Mass – SCRIP Office OPEN
 (Office Located in the School Commons)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24

8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. – SCRIP Office OPEN
 (Office Located in the School Commons)
 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. – Parish Office Open
 9:00 a.m. – RCIA (TL)
 10:15-11:45 a.m. – PSR Eighth Grade Confirmation Class (School)
 10:15-11:45 a.m. – Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Class (School)
 No SYG Due to March for Life in D.C.
 6:00 p.m. – Men's Basketball (Gym)

MONDAY, JANUARY 25

6:00-9:30 p.m. – LIMEX (KH-LR)
 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Wolf Den Meeting (Commons)
 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Brownie Meeting (KH-LR)
 7:00-9:00 p.m. – Adult Bible Study (School Third Floor)
 6:00 p.m. – Limex (TL)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26

4:00-9:00 p.m. – Basketball Practice (Gym)
 4:45-6:00 p.m. – PSR Classes
 6:00 p.m.-Midnight – Eucharistic Adoration (Church)
 7:00-9:00 p.m. – RCIA (Commons)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27

9:00-10:30 a.m. – Adult Bible Study (KH)
 2:30-9:00 p.m. – Basketball Practice (Gym)
 5:30 p.m. – Finance Committee Meeting (PO)
 7:00-8:30 p.m. – Adult Bible Study (School Third Floor)
 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28

2:30-9:00 p.m. – Basketball Practice (Gym)
 2:30-6:00 p.m. – Altar Server Training – Session II (Church)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

8:30 a.m.-Noon – Parish Office Open
 4:00-9:00 p.m. – Basketball Practice (Gym)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

9:00-11:00 a.m. – SVDP Needs Committee Meeting (KH-DR)
 4:30 p.m. – Special Mass to kick off Catholic Schools Week
 Followed by Dedication of the Commons in Memory of Mr. Jeff Beitel
 Following 4:30 p.m. Mass – SCRIP Office OPEN
 (Office Located in the School Commons)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. – SCRIP Office OPEN
 (Office Located in the School Commons)
 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. – Parish Office Open
 9:00 a.m. – RCIA (TL)
 10:15-11:45 a.m. – PSR Eighth Grade Confirmation Class (School)
 10:15-11:45 a.m. – Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Class
 4:45-6:00 p.m. – PSR Classes
 6:00 p.m. – Life Teen Mass Sr. Youth Followed by Event in Commons
 6:00 p.m. – Men's Basketball (Gym)

We are in the midst of celebrating the **Year for Priests** and we are putting together a "Book of Remembrance" for Fr. Black and Fr. Schalk. Over the next couple of months, we will be collecting notes/cards from parishioners to create a scrapbook to present to them at the Parish Picnic. Blank note cards are located in the vestibule or you can use your own. Drop off your notes of appreciation to the Parish Office by *March 31, 2010*.

Save the NEW date – Parish Picnic, May 29, 2010. Come commemorate the end of the Year for Priests with food, family and fun! Let's show Fr. Black and Fr. Schalk one more time how much we appreciate them. All parishioners are welcome to assist in planning. Please contact Kathy Scott at tkjscott@yahoo.com.



PSR News (St. Mary Parish School of Religion) 740-369-8228
 Ann Manning, DRE (ammanning@columbus.rr.com)
 Pam Moore, Secretary (pmmoore@columbus.rr.com)
 General PSR e-mail (stmarypsr@columbus.rr.com)

Special note: ALL classroom volunteers must have been fingerprinted and attended a Protecting God's Children session.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to all new families/individuals. Please register as soon as possible. Membership is a condition for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, Reconciliation, Confirmation and Marriage and please, don't wait until the last minute. **Registration AND active membership** are also **required before** the parish can issue a sponsorship certificate for those asked to be sacramental sponsors. Registration forms are available at the Parish Office, which is located in the house east of the church (on the corner of Henry and William Streets). Please use the rear door off the parking lot. **OFFICE HOURS are Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon. Our Parish Office is also open most Sunday mornings, from 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. – NEW SUNDAY HOURS (please refer to the weekly calendar).** The Sunday office hours help assist with new parish registrations and help answer any questions you may have. **If you're new to the area, simply have questions or are moving out of town, please feel free to stop by before or after Sunday Masses or anytime during weekday office hours.** Thank you and God Bless.



St. Mary School and PSR students were asked to write essays on "What Our Priests Mean to Me," in celebration of the Year of the Priest. The winning essay was written and read by eighth grader Ms. Melanie Anderson the evening of the Priest's Dinner, last Saturday. Congratulations, Melanie!

What Our Priests Mean to Me
 by Melanie Anderson

There's one specific thing that comes to mind when I think of Father Black and Father Schalk – opposite. I think that's the best way to describe those crazy kids. But they both mean something different to me.

Father Black is a very wise man. He always does his best to answer my questions and he does it in a way that I can understand. He's a very kind person and is always smiling. He's also quiet and humble, which I admire him for. Father Black inspires me to learn more about my faith and to be as kind as I can be.

Father Schalk is a very outgoing person. He always has something to say and when he does, you can't help but laugh. Father Schalk is a very energetic person, saying Mass with an enthusiasm that almost doesn't let you fall asleep. He is a very nice person and will take on anything that is thrown at him. Father Schalk inspires me to be more involved in the Church and to take on my problems with a positive attitude.

Both of these priests are very important to me. They help me to understand the Catholic Church and they encourage me to do better. I consider both of these men as a blessing in my life and I strive to be as faithful and humble as they are.

School News:
 740-362-8961

web site: stmarydelaware.org

Catholic Schools Week –

Dividends for Life: Morals, Faith, Knowledge, Discipline

Wednesday, February 3rd – Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

Thursday, February 4th –

9:00 a.m. Church, 2nd Grade 1st Communion Enrollment Ceremony

7:00 p.m. Commons, K-8 Information Mtg. for new families in 2010-2011

Friday, February 5th – Student Appreciation – Make your own sundaes.

School Year 2010-2011 Information Meeting
for Kindergarten and New Students

Thursday, February 4, 2010 – 7:00 p.m. – School Commons

Please mark your calendar to attend this meeting for parents interested in enrolling their children for the school year 2010-2011. Information packets with registration forms, requirements, and time line will be available along with staff to answer any questions you may have. **Not necessary for children to be present.

ST. MARY PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION for 2010-11 begins...
Catholic Schools Week – Thursday, February 4th, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
 in the School Commons. If you have questions you may e-mail:
stmarypreschoolde1@yahoo.com.

ANNUAL HEALING MASS: On **Sunday, February 14, 2010**, we will celebrate our Annual Healing Mass at **3:00 p.m.** ALL who feel the need of physical, mental, emotional or spiritual healing are welcome to attend and be anointed. Caregivers and members of Health Services are also invited and will receive a special blessing. This Mass was moved from October to coincide with the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (February 11) so that we might plead her special intercession. If transportation is needed, please call Tina Cooney at the Parish Office (363-4641, ext. 111).



Life Teen (Grades 8-12)

Sunday, January 24

No SYG due to March for Life in D.C.

Sunday, January 31

4:00-5:00 p.m. Leadership Team Meeting (KH). Mandatory!

Senior High Youth Ministry Service and Spiritual Opportunities Coming Up...

† Adoration, Tuesday nights, 6:00 p.m. till midnight

Additional information posted on our web site under "Faith Formation"

T.A.G. and Summit – Next Event on February 13, 2010!

Bring your friends and be sure to join us on February 13, 2010 for our upcoming event!

T.A.G. Youth Group

Tweens and God

3rd and 4th Grades, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Cost: \$3.00 (includes pizza and drink)

Summit Youth Group

5th, 6th and 7th Grades, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Cost: \$3.00 (includes two tickets to snack bar)

Questions? Contact: Maria Vonada (740-362-2246 or vonada@vonadatech.com) or Michele Himes (740-657-1509 or mhimes@insight.rr.com).

LENT BY CANDLELIGHT

St. Mary Organization of Women will host Lent By Candlelight on **Monday, February 22nd, 2010, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Rodman-Neepers Community Room.** All St. Mary Parish women (and guests) are invited to attend our annual Lent By Candlelight event. Enjoy a quiet evening of reflection and formation while being pampered with elegant table settings and delicious desserts! This is an important time in our liturgical year to feed our souls in preparation for Lent. Space is limited, so please RSVP to Erin Maynard at 614-832-5070, emaynard73@yahoo.com by February 8.

**IF WE FULLY REALIZED WHAT A PRIEST IS,
WE WOULD DIE OF LOVE!**

– St. John Vianney, Universal Patron of Priests

You are invited to an **Italian Dinner and Silent Auction** to benefit **Family Promise of Delaware County.** The event will take place on **Wednesday, February 10th, from 5:00-8:00 p.m., at First Presbyterian Church (73 W. Winter Street).** Tickets will be available after Masses next weekend or by calling Rosemary Janslewitz at 740-363-5503, or at the door. Cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students. Carry-out will be available.

Year-round Parish Office Hours...

Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon – Closed Afternoon

NEW SUNDAY HOURS, 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

THANK YOU for supporting our bulletin advertisers.

Catholic Schools Week 2010

St. Mary Students, Staff and Parishioners will celebrate Catholic Schools Week **January 31-February 5.** The Kickoff Celebration will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2010. St. Mary Students will participate in 4:30 p.m. Mass and a Kickoff Dinner and Commons Dedication will be held immediately following, in the St. Mary School Commons.



In addition to celebrating Catholic Education, we are also permanently dedicating the St. Mary School Commons to Jeff Beitel. A long-time St. Mary Parishioner, Jeff spent countless hours as Co-Chairman of the Legacy Construction Committee. Thanks to Jeff's leadership, knowledge and commitment to St. Mary, St. Mary Parishioners and all students enjoy the classrooms, Gym and Commons addition to the school that was completed in 2005.

In 2008, Jeff Beitel was diagnosed with cancer and succumbed to the disease this past fall. It is only fitting that the place that Jeff and his family dedicated so much time and love to be his lasting legacy at St. Mary.

We look forward to Celebrating Catholic Education and Jeff Beitel's Life and Legacy.

YEAR-END TAX CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2009

To receive your year-end contribution statement, please complete a **REQUEST FORM** found in the vestibule and on our web site (look under "About St. Mary," scroll down to Stewardship and then forms). Please completely fill out the form and place it in the box located next to the forms or drop it off at the Parish Office. As your form requests, we will either mail or have your statement available to pick up in the Church Office during weekday business hours or during Sunday office hours, from 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Statements will be available **beginning January 31, 2010.** Statements will automatically be sent to those who have contributed a one-time \$250.00 donation. Statements will also include Legacy contributions during 2008. Thank you and God Bless.

Please continue to remember our Military and their families in your prayers.



**GOD BLESS AMERICA!
and GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS!**



FELIZ AÑO NUEVO – ¡Ya llego el año 2010! Con toda sinceridad le pedimos al Señor que derrame sus bendiciones sobre ustedes, nuestra querida comunidad Hispana para que el año nuevo sea lleno de felicidad y prosperidad.

24 de enero Tiempo Ordinario

Nejemias 8:2-4, 5-6, 8-10

1ª Carta a los Corintios 12:12-30

Evangelio de san Lucas 1-4; 4:14-21

31 de enero

4º de Tiempo Ordinario MISA EN ESPAÑOL

Jeremías 1:4-5, 17-19

1ª Carta a los Corintios 12:31-13:13

Evangelio de san Lucas 4:21-30

TIME WITH JESUS

A great New Year's resolution would be to spend more time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Jesus told St. Margaret Mary Aloccoque, "I so ardently thirst to be loved by men in the Most Blessed Sacrament that this thirst devours me..." St. Mary has Eucharistic Adoration in the church every Tuesday evening after the 5:30 p.m. Mass until midnight. Please contact Megan Naumovski at megbski@aol.com for questions or information. We need additional adorers at the 6:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. hours, so please prayerfully consider this important devotion in the new year!



For your convenience, BEFORE OR AFTER Masses, additional restrooms are available inside the school's main door off the parking lot and please, DO NOT send children unattended, and try to limit your visits, especially during Mass.

St. Mary's *Engaged and Married Couples in Christ* invites you to a Valentine's Day Dinner. **ALL Engaged and Married Couples are WELCOME! This is an adult only event, Saturday, February 13th, 6:00-9:00 p.m.**, at the Rodman Neeper Community Room. Come and enjoy a relaxing evening of fun and fellowship with our wonderful Church family and support one another in our vocation of Marriage. See the St. Mary web site for further details.



Please **RSVP by Wednesday, February 10th to:** Doug and Bibianne Galuzny at 740-362-1542 or bibianne@columbus.rr.com.

Looking ahead...

Ash Wednesday – February 17, 2010
Masses and Distribution of Ashes
8:15 a.m. (All-School Mass) – 12:00 p.m. –
5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.



Is a family member or a relative or a loved one sick at home for several days? A visit can be arranged for some spiritual comfort and help. Does your loved one need to be hospitalized and wish to be visited while in the hospital? Please call the Church Office and leave a message for Deacon Felix. A visit at home or in the hospital will be done as soon as practical. Do not deprive your loved one of the help of the Eucharistic Lord and of the spiritual comfort of prayer, especially during a challenging and difficult time in their life. Please, call Deacon Felix at ext. 103, or the Parish Office during regular hours. **We cannot help if we do not know where or when help is needed.** Thank you. Deacon Felix

Altar Server Info

Training sessions for those who returned their commitment forms will take place beginning January 21, 2010, and students have been notified by e-mail of the upcoming training dates and times. Letters will **NOT** be mailed.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 28 Altar Server Training – Session II (Church) with two times for Session II – first beginning at 2:30 p.m. and second beginning at 4:15 p.m. Questions may be referred to Kevin King at 740-666-0632.

February 2010 Liturgical Minister schedules (this includes lectors, commentators, ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers and ushers) are available on our web site. Please remember, if you are unable to attend your scheduled date, please find a sub. Lists are located in the side vestibule.



Sanctity of Human Life Sunday recognizes January 22nd as the anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision which occurred in 1973 and made abortion legal in the United States. Over 50 million babies have been aborted in the 37 years that abortion has been legal. The reality is that many of us have been touched in some way by abortion, either as the mother, father, grandparent, sister, brother, aunt, uncle or cousin of the person that was denied life. The CORE Center, Pregnancy Resources of Delaware County, helps women analyze ALL of their options when faced with an unplanned pregnancy. We want to thank those of you who have supported The CORE Center. You are such a blessing to all of us at The CORE Center and to those we serve in HIS name.

If you have had an abortion or helped someone with an abortion, The CORE Center offers a wonderful program called HEART, Healing the Effects of Abortion-Related Trauma. Please call 740-965-6098 and start out this year on a healing journey. Many people have participated in this program and found it to be the answer to their prayers.

Check us out on the web at TheCORECenter.org. To make a tax-deductible donation and/or volunteer, please contact Melissa Lentz (740-965-6098 or e-mail her at melissal@thecorecenter.org).

Ladies, break out your hats and gloves and join us for our upcoming SanctiTea on February 20, 2010, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. (registration begins at 1:30 p.m.). The Tea will feature light refreshments and a Pro-Life play called "Sarah's Secret." This will be a wonderful afternoon of food, fellowship and entertainment. Tables of 8 are available. Invite your friends and daughters (ages 12 and over) to join us for this wonderful afternoon. Contact Kate Yonkura at kyonkura@aol.com or 614-582-2164 for tickets.

Are you planning your estate needs?

A cemetery plot is easily done with other estate planning. Buying a plot now will save time later when the need is facing your survivors. Your surviving family will be relieved to know you have planned ahead.

Plots are available in St. Mary Cemetery. Call Rick Trippier at 740-363-4641 to help you with preplanning.

INFANT BAPTISMS

It is required that parents have participated in a **Baptismal Preparation Program** within the last five years prior to scheduling a Baptism and all expectant parents are invited. **Our next Baptismal Preparation Program will take place TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2010 – 7:00 p.m. in Kavanagh Hall, 15 S. Union Street, and the next program scheduled will be May 2010.** Please note: This one-time Baptismal Preparation Program is offered once every other month. **Registration is required for the Baptismal Program and Baptisms. A Baptismal packet of information will be made available to each family to pick up in the Church Office prior to the Baptismal Program and/or Baptism. Upcoming Baptisms – February 14th (second Sunday due to Lent).** Please note: We will not offer Baptisms during the Lenten season. We will offer Baptisms in April, one on the 11th and one on the 18th. Baptisms in the month of May will be offered on the 16th, all beginning at 1:30 p.m. If you are interested in registering for either the Baptismal program, Baptisms or have any questions, please call the Parish Office (363-4641) Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Friday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. We are pleased to offer childcare, when needed, at our preparation program. When registering for the program, please indicate childcare will be required. Baptism for school-age children, please call the PSR Office (740-369-8228).



Infant Baptisms are held at 1:30 p.m., the third Sunday of each month, unless otherwise noted. If you would care to register for any Baptismal dates, please contact the Parish Office at 740-363-4641 as soon as possible as these dates do fill quickly.

**St. Mary Festival 2010!
 BIGGER! – BETTER!! –
 NEW WEEKEND!!**

Save the date: July 30-31, 2010

Games – Food – Fun – Fellowship – 5k Run

E-mail to Volunteer: stmaryfestival@gmail.com



Operation Rice Bowl

Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl program draws Catholics into the unique spirit of the Lenten season. It is an opportunity for families, communities, and parishes to reflect on, pray for, and assist the poor in this country and in the developing world. For families especially, the program provides a forum for understanding the values of self-sacrifice and concern for the poor everywhere.



We, as a parish, will distribute **Rice Bowls** the Sunday before Ash Wednesday (February 14) in the rear of church by the bulletins in preparation for Lent. Using the Rice Bowl as a symbol of poverty and hunger, individuals, families, and parishes participate in the program through: Prayer, Fasting, Education, and Almsgiving. A box will be placed in the vestibule to collect all boxes FOLLOWING April 4th, Easter Sunday, until Monday, April 19th. Following that week, our contributions will be tallied and sent to the diocese, which will forward it to Catholic Relief Services. We ask that ALL BOWLS be returned to the collection box in the vestibule of church or to the Parish Office **NO LATER THAN Monday, April 19, 2010.**

**SAVE THE DATE:
 Habitat's "Soups for Shelter"**

St. Mary Parish will again partner with Delaware County Habitat for Humanity for the **8th Annual Soups for Shelter fund raiser, 4:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 11, in the Commons.** Enjoy a homemade soup meal, entertainment and silent auction while supporting Habitat's mission of building homes – and building lives – right here in our community. Presale tickets are available. For details, call Habitat for Humanity (740-363-9950) or visit www.habitatdelawareco.org.



Around the Diocese..

The Catholic Foundation DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Under the direct supervision of the Executive Director, this full-time position will lead and provide oversight of all Foundation's financial, technological and operational needs, including but not limited to performing accounting functions, all information technology and database administration, policy creation and systems management, and supervising support staff.

The ideal applicant must possess a Bachelor's degree in Accounting; Certified Public Accountant is preferred; proficient knowledge of financial systems, broad experience and acumen in information systems and Microsoft Office Suite, especially Microsoft Excel is required, and Crystal Reports experience is preferred.

The ideal applicant must also possess four to seven years of professional experience in Accounting or Finance with nonprofit accounting experience preferred; demonstrated leadership skills and potential to grow with the increased size and complexity of the Foundation is required.

Passing a background screening and completion of the VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children" course are mandatory.

Salary is commensurate with experience; a comprehensive benefit package is provided that includes a retirement plan, medical, dental, vision, life insurance, long-term disability and long-term care insurance, flexible spending and dependent care accounts, and paid vacation benefits.

Qualified and interested candidates should send résumé and references via e-mail by Friday, February 5, 2010 to:

Jennifer A. Damiano, Executive Director
The Catholic Foundation (jdamico@catholic-foundation.org)

Alan Clune – 2010 Columbus Diocese Catholic Man of the Year Friday, February 5, 2010 – St. Patrick Church, Downtown Columbus, Ohio

11:45 a.m.-12:10 p.m. (Mass) – 12:10-12:30 p.m. (Lunch) – 12:30-1:00 p.m. (Presentation) – Reservations are Not Needed \$10.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for Students to Cover the Lunch and Meeting Costs

Invitation to Attend

Please join the Most Reverend Frederick F. Campbell, Bishop of Columbus as he presents the 2010 Columbus Diocese Catholic Man of the Year Award. You will be inspired and strengthened to continue living your vocation as a Catholic man after hearing the story of this year's winner.

About The Catholic Man of the Year

The 2010 Columbus Diocese Catholic Man of the Year is Alan Clune of Blessed Sacrament Parish in Newark, Ohio. Alan was nominated by friends, family, clergy, and parish members all citing his tremendous love of Our Lord. His example of heroic virtue stands out through the incorporation of his Catholic faith in his home, in the parish, and in our community.

You will not want to miss this luncheon as Alan will give his personal story to help each of us through his example of a man fully and devoutly living his Catholic faith. Alan is a convert to the Catholic faith and has been married for 41 years, with four married children and 13 grandchildren. He is a retired Air Force Colonel who earned the Legion of Merit. Alan actively supports Blessed Sacrament Parish in many ways, including membership in the Holy Name Society, RCIA teacher and sponsor, leader of the parish men's faith-sharing group, Bible Study, Deanery Representative, Parish Pastoral Council, along with supporting Church activities, sacraments and Eucharistic Adoration.

In the community, Alan is a board member of the Licking County Prison Ministry and a member of the "Be a Friend" prison volunteer group. He is also a champion of the unborn child, active with Right to Life of Licking County and Heartbeats, Newark's crisis pregnancy center. Alan has a deep personal spiritual life, evident by his current participation in the Ohio Dominican University's Catholic Institute of Biblical Literacy. Alan supports future vocations through the Serra Club and helps men deepen their Catholic Faith through Catholic Men's Ministry.

Attending this luncheon will allow you to reflect on Alan's witness of the Faith, which is a great example of what a Catholic Man can be, and celebrate him as the 2010 Catholic Man of the Year.

More Information and Questions

Please promote the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club by forwarding an e-mail and spreading the word to men whom you know would enjoy attending. For more information, contact Shane Switzer, CMLC President, at srswitzer@gmail.com or visit www.columbuscatholicmen.com.

Please join us for an "Evening of Reflection," February 2, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., at Bishop Watterson High School. Father Dean Matthewson will be speaking on "Preparing for the Lenten Season." Refreshments will be served. This event is being sponsored by the Mothers' Club.
Melissa Slavin – Mothers' Club Corresponding Secretary

St. Charles Schedules Scholarship Test

St. Charles Preparatory School will offer its annual Scholarship Test to prospective students at 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 30. The test results are used to determine who will receive academically based scholarships and grants offered by the school to its students in the **2010-2011** school year.

For the 2009-2010 school year alone, St. Charles is providing more than \$1 million in academic and financial aid to its students.

The test is open to all eighth grade boys who are currently enrolled at any of the public, parochial, and private elementary or middle schools in Franklin or the other surrounding counties that comprise Central Ohio. Anyone interested in sitting for the St. Charles Scholarship Test must register by calling Laurie Berndt in the School Office at 614-252-6714 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RESOLVED: A BETTER MARRIAGE

To learn how to better fill your home with the love of God and the love of each other, consider taking a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend in the new year! Plan ahead for one of the next two weekends in central Ohio, on February 19-21 and April 23-25. For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 740-746-9003 or visit our web site at www.wmcecolumbus.org.

Special announcement:

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY DANCE, FEBRUARY 6

Come celebrate your marriage with other couples at this annual event at the Clintonville Woman's Club in Columbus. Dinner, dancing, and fun for \$75.00 per couple. For more information, contact Jeff or Kim Balzano at 614-475-2976. Sponsored by Columbus Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

Divorce Workshop

The next eight-week workshop will be held **Thursday evenings, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.**, for the following dates: **January 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, 2010**, at the Catholic Center, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus. The fee is \$40.00 and scholarships are available. For additional information call the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614/241-2560 or go to www.familylife.coldsdioc.org and click on the **Hurting Families** link, to print a brochure and registration form.

Annulment Process Presentation

The Diocesan Marriage and Family Life Office is sponsoring "Understanding the Annulment Process," **Friday, February 12, 7:00 p.m.**, at **St. John Neumann Church**, 9633 E. State Route 37, Sunbury, OH 43074. *Msgr. John K. Cody, JCL, Adjutant Judicial Vicar of the Diocese of Columbus Tribunal*, will explain the Church's position on divorce and give an overview on the annulment procedure. **There is no fee, but preregistration is requested.** Contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614-241-2560 or fmailbox@coldsioc.org for additional information or to register.

2010 Family Life Calendars including monthly blessings, weekly Sunday readings with related discussion questions, Feast Days, Holy Days, suggested activities that encourage awareness of God's constant presence, as well as large spaces for families to record daily celebrations and commitments are available from the Family Life Office of Altoona-Johnstown Diocese for \$4.00 each (including postage) by calling 814-886-5551 or e-mailing familylife@dioceseaj.org. Inquire about quantity prices.



Thank you to all who have answered the **Call to Stewardship** so far here at St. Mary! Over 385 families have turned in their renewal forms and have offered to share their time and special talents. Our goal is to have 100% of St. Mary families return this form and we could use your help! Beginning January 24th, volunteer callers will begin contacting any parishioner who, for any reason, has not returned their stewardship renewal form. A calling script will be provided and you can either make the calls at your convenience or join us for a Call-athon during the week of January 24th. If you feel called to serve as a volunteer for this effort, please fill out the form below!

Volunteer Name _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

- I will attend training on Saturday, January 23rd at 5:45 p.m. in the Commons
 I will attend training on Sunday, January 24th at 10:15 a.m. in the Commons
 I will not attend training, but will pick up my materials on Friday, January 22nd in the Parish Office.
 I prefer to make the calls at my own convenience
 I am willing to make calls from the Parish Office during: ___ evening hours or ___ on a Sunday

