

**MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK**

**MARCH 20 AND 21**

**PRESIDERS**

<b>Sat</b>	4:00 PM	Reconciliation	Fr. Gene
	5:00 PM	Fr. Gene	
<b>Sun</b>	7:00 AM	Fr. Gene	
	8:00 AM	Fr. Russel	
	9:30 AM	Fr. Russel	
	11:00 AM	Fr. Gene	Dcn. Bill Walker
	12:30 PM	Fr. Jojo	Dcn. Bill Walker
	6:00 PM	Fr. Jojo	

**SERVERS**

<b>Sat</b>	5:00 PM	P. Jauschnegg; R. Wigglesworth
<b>Sun</b>	7:00 AM	B. Lammers
	8:00 AM	S. MacLean; P. MacLean
	9:30 AM	M. Shallow; D. Valerien
	11:00 AM	M. Parode; Kubista
	12:30 AM	R. Bachkosky; A. Rutherford
	6:00 PM	G. Fraser; A. Ruff



<b>Sun</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>14</b>	7:00 AM	Elaine Fritz
			8:00 AM	Joe Gatto
			9:30 AM	Edward Orzechowski
			11:00 AM	Gretchen Geiger
			12:30 PM	Nancy Wisyanski
			6:00 PM	Jose Porras
<b>Mon</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>15</b>	8:30 AM	Esther Starr
<b>Tues</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>16</b>	8:30 AM	Patrick Dominique
<b>Wed</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>17</b>	8:30 AM	Ronald Gardner
<b>Thur</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>18</b>	8:30 AM	Frank Scrivener
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>19</b>	8:30 AM	Antanas Mendelis
<b>Sat</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>20</b>	8:30 AM	Frank Kohler
			5:00 PM	Jim & Daughter Jennifer Neafsey
<b>Sun</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>21</b>	7:00 AM	Paul Meyd
			8:00 AM	Mildred Bradley
			9:30 AM	Millicent DeSimone & Stuart LaValley
			11:00 AM	John Berner
			12:30 PM	Edgar Ledger
			6:00 PM	Sherod Cooper

**STEWARDSHIP**

Sunday Envelopes:	\$17,672.50
Loose Money:	\$3,512.00
Poor Box:	\$250.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection:	\$2,783.00

Mass Attendance last weekend: 2,463

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Next to the Holy Mass, what better way is there to celebrate Lent than to sit before Our Lord in Adoration for an hour once a week. Please consider signing up as a Guardian and commit yourself to that hour. **We are in need of a second guardian for Thursdays from 10-11 am and from 11-12 pm.** Please contact Liz Spears at 410-923-2618 if you have questions or to sign up for any time that suits you.

**CALENDAR**

**7:00 PM -Weeknights – 40 Days Prayer for Life Rosary (Hall)**

**Sunday March 14**

8:00 AM – Holy Name Society Mass (Hall) Mtg. (205-206)  
9:30 AM – Children’s Liturgy of the Word (203-204)  
2:00 PM – Lenten Study – Middle East (CR)  
2:00 PM – Confirmation Interviews – (Parish Offices)

**Monday March 15**

7:30 PM – Prayer Group (Church)  
6:30 PM – Parish Council Meeting (CR)  
7:30 PM – Why Catholic? (204 & 206)

**Tuesday March 16**

9:30 AM – Why Catholic? (203-204)

**Wednesday March 17**

9:30 AM – Women in Faith Bible Group (203-204)  
7:00 PM – The Light Is On For You (103-104)  
7:30 PM – Why Catholic? (203)  
7:30 PM – Choir Practice (Hall)

**Thursday March 18**

9:00 AM – Eucharistic Adoration (206)  
9:30 AM – Rosary Making (205)  
7:00 PM – Welcome Home Session (CR)

**Friday March 19**

7:30 PM - Stations of the Cross (Hall)

**Saturday March 20**

7:30 AM – Cursillo Group (203-204)  
9:30 AM – Workshop on Stress (Hall)

**ODB PANS – OUT**

**Sunday March 21**

9:30 AM – Children’s Liturgy of the Word (203-204)  
2:00 PM – Lenten Study – Middle East (CR)  
7:30 PM – LifeTeen/LifeNight (201)

**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation continues **every Wednesday until March 31** from 7:00 – 8:30pm in Rooms 103 and 104 with Fr. Gene and Fr. Jojo. Members of the Evangelization Committee will offer hospitality and resources.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Stations of the Cross continue every **Friday at 7:30pm in the hall until March 26. On Good Friday (April 2) it will be at 3:00pm.** No “Soup Suppers” preceding the Stations.

**LENTEN RECONCILIATION**

In addition to “The Light Is On For You”, Reconciliation is also held every **Saturday from 4 – 4:45pm and on Wed. March 31 from 9-10 am.** There will also be a **Family Reconciliation Celebration** with many visiting priests on **Mon. March 22 at 7pm** here in the hall.

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BRUNCH**

**Ministry Leaders:** Please submit the names of your volunteers by **Thurs. March 18<sup>th</sup>** to the parish office or e-mail [olbulletin1@verizon.net](mailto:olbulletin1@verizon.net). Volunteer Appreciation Brunch will be held on Pentecost Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**Breaking News:** Sorry to announce, but due to construction going on during summer, Vacation Bible School will have to be cancelled.

**FR. GENE'S NOTE**

This is "Laetare Sunday" – a weekend to rejoice in the midst of Lent that Easter is getting very near – just three weeks from now! Easter is the celebration of our victory over sin and death through Jesus. The readings from scripture today recall other victories God gave His people. First is the victory of Israel being led by Joshua back into the Promised Land, after years of exile in Egypt and years of wandering in the desert. The Lord tells Joshua: "Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you." They eat the fruit of the produce of their land and celebrate Passover at home! And, after all these years, the manna that God was giving them to eat to keep them going ceases. It is no longer necessary, because their land is giving them fresh produce to eat. More importantly, this is a fresh start for a new generation in their journey with God. God had kept His promise – He brought them back home!

Paul, in the second reading, reminds all of us of our reason to rejoice: "God has reconciled us to Himself through Christ...He has made us all a new creation." This is the work Jesus did by His Cross, Death and Resurrection; through these saving deeds, we are restored to oneness with God. We experience this oneness – this Reconciliation – by celebrating the sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent. This is why "THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU", so you can experience first hand 'coming home to the loving embrace of God'. Your reproach can be cleansed away and removed; your soul renewed and refreshed; your will filled with grace and strength to do God's will. This, too, is a source of great joy.

The joy of returning home is exactly what our Gospel is all about. We are given a real human drama – imagine a father who has two very different sons; the older one is faithful and hard-working; the younger one spoiled rotten and utterly thoughtless of others and selfish. The father loves them both equally. The younger one goes off with half the father's money and squanders it on a 'good time'. The older tends the father's business all the harder to make up for his brother's wastefulness. The younger son 'wakes up in a pig-sty' and comes to the realization that he should 'go home' (sound familiar). I believe it is the Holy Spirit that inspires and leads the younger son to return, and while on his way, his father runs to him and embraces him and he is 'born again' for "he was dead and has come back to life, he was lost and is found". This is the case the father will plead with the older son when he refuses to go into the 'welcome home party' the father gives the younger son. Jesus wants us to understand that this is HOW MUCH GOD LOVES US. You see – we are that younger son – we die in sin and the Father is always waiting for us to return – waiting to embrace us and welcome back into his loving care – the Father wants us THIS LENT to be born again through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Father wants us to see this story is about us and to say with St. Paul "I live now in Christ Jesus my Savior" for through Him I am reconciled to the Father – I am home in His loving arms!

The spirit of joy continues as I want to thank you for your kindness to the Little Sisters of the Poor and for your wonderful response to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

**OLF STEWARDSHIP OF TIME AND TALENT**

Please remember to call the respective contact person to volunteer or call the parish office with your information.

**THE BROWN BAG PROGRAM**

The Brown Bag Donations will be collected during Holy Week.

**READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY**

♦ Jos.5: 9a; 10-12 ♦ 2Cor.5: 17-21 ♦ Lk.15: 1-3; 11-32 ♦

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

The question of the week invites reflection on the Sunday readings and when shared in our environments, we begin to see the hand of God in our lives.

Adults: **How have you or your family welcomed a family member who has been distant or absent from you?**

Children: **Who is the one person in your family you most need to say "I'm sorry" to?**

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

♦ Is.43: 16-21 ♦ Phil.3: 8-14 ♦ Jn.8: 1-11 ♦

**SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION**

Due to the cancellation of our Open House we invite all to come for a tour of the School! Applications are available Online. [www.schooloftheincarnation.org](http://www.schooloftheincarnation.org).

**DO YOU FEEL CALLED TO SERVE?**

Have you ever wanted to really help people? Ever wonder what Religious life is all about? Are Religious Sisters born that way? How did they decide? Do they have fun? Come find out answers to these questions and many more **on Fri. March 19 at 5:30pm** at the home of Dr. & Mrs. Kevin Doring, 4791 Bayfields Rd., Harwood! R.S.V.P: [adulded@hfccmail.org](mailto:adulded@hfccmail.org). Archbishop O'Brien will be there for dinner. Open to college age or older single women.

**CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**

The 2010 CMF Conference will be held at **Towson Catholic High School on Sat. March 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am – 5:00pm**. Doors open at 8:00am. Closing Mass will be with Archbishop Edwin O'Brien presiding. Confessions will also be available. The speakers include George Weigel, Fr. Rick Wendell and Fr. Tom Euteneuer. Cost – Parish \$35.00; students \$20.00; Seminarians free. Registration fee includes lunch. Mail payment to Catholic Men's Fellowship, P.O. Box 20402, Baltimore, MD.



**HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULES**  
**PALM/PASSION SUNDAY March 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>.**

Palms will be distributed at all Masses.

**HOLY THURSDAY – April 1<sup>st</sup> - (No AM Mass):**

7:30 PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Adoration until midnight.

**GOOD FRIDAY – April 2<sup>nd</sup> - (No AM Mass):**

3:00 PM - Stations of the Cross. (No Benediction).  
7:30 PM – Celebration of the Lord's Passion with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion.

**HOLY SATURDAY – April 3<sup>rd</sup> - (No AM Mass; No 5:00 pm Mass and No Evening Confessions):**

10:00 AM - Blessing of Easter Food Baskets  
8:00 PM - Easter Vigil Mass

**EASTER SUNDAY – April 4<sup>th</sup> – Normal Mass Schedule**

Hall – 7:00am, 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am and 12:30pm  
Spalding High School Auditorium – 10:00 AM Mass with LifeTeen Music

**NOTE: NO 6:00PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY**

**CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION**

Tel: 410-923-2195 – e-mail: [olffaith@yahoo.com](mailto:olffaith@yahoo.com)

**Family Lenten Reconciliation - Mon. March 22 at 7:00pm in the Hall:** Individual confessions will be heard in the classrooms following a brief service in the Hall planned by Faith Formation Grades 6-8. Several priests will be available. All ages are welcome. Please bring an item for the food pantry at St. Thomas Aquinas, our Sister Parish in Baltimore.

**Take items to specially marked boxes in the hall entryway:**

To reach out to those in need in our local area – throughout Lent Faith Formation classes are collecting the following for **SPAN (Severna Park Assistance Network) and St. Thomas Aquinas our sister parish in Baltimore:**

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| PK – Grade 1 | Toothbrushes              |
| Grade 2      | Toothpaste                |
| Grade 3      | Shampoo/conditioner       |
| Grade 4      | Deodorant                 |
| Grade 5      | Baby Wipes                |
| Grades 6-8   | Non-perishable food items |

**Inclement Weather Policy:**

**Weekday classes** are cancelled whenever Anne Arundel County Public Schools cancel after school activities, close early or for the day because of bad weather.

We are not affected by other school holidays.

**For weekend activities and Sunday class cancellations:**

Call the Faith Formation office at 410-923-2195 for a recorded message.



**BAPTISM:** Our faith community welcomes **Liam Matthew Mashburn & Troy Lowell Mashburn** sons of Braxton & Mary Mashburn; **Peter Donald Niemeyer** son of Matthew & Amy Niemeyer; **Grace Luz Castleberry & Liam Donald Castleberry** children of Brian & Vanessa Castleberry. Please join us in asking God to bless them and their families.

**CHILDREN'S GIFT TO GOD**

Good Deeds from the Children's Envelopes for giving a gift to God: \* For Lent, I am going to pray that my family continues to co-operate. \* Bless You.

**PROGRAM FOR CHOICES AND RELATIONSHIPS  
WORKSHOP FOR TEENS**

Bowie, Crofton & Severna Park Pregnancy Clinics will be presenting a **Workshop for teens, 13-18 years, at Jireh Place, Bowie on Sat. March 20 from 1-3:30pm.** Clinics staff and guest Speaker Erik Dressel will be on hand to present God's plan for sex and relationships and offer the opportunity to do a "180!" Eric speaks to students at private and parochial schools in MD." For more info call 410-431-5000.

**BOWIE CROFTON & SEVERNA PARK PREGNANCY  
CLINIC MINISTRY**

There is a job opening for a full-time position of Office Coordinator. Candidates must be mature, dependable, self-motivated with a college degree or have significant experience in office management, employee supervision, excellent writing and verbal skills and proficiency in Microsoft Word, Outlook, Excel and willing to learn Access and other applications. Please e-mail resumes with cover letter to: [info@pregnancyclinic.org](mailto:info@pregnancyclinic.org).

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Scott Link - 410-729-1702**

**Life Teen is the High School Youth Ministry Program at Our Lady of the Fields.** We meet every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month after the 6pm Mass.

**Archbishop's Pilgrimage – Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> – 10:15am to 9:30pm** – We are traveling to Baltimore to join every youth group in the Archdiocese for this awesome annual event. This is a great way to celebrate lent as we remember Jesus entering Jerusalem. The cost is only \$15! Pick up a flyer outside of Church or call the youth ministry office for more details!

**The EDGE is BACK-** We now meet every 2 & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the Month from 7:00-8:30pm at Our Lady of the Fields! Come join us for Food, Friends, Fun, and Faith! There are awesome games and great prizes! **Next Event is Fri. March 26<sup>th</sup>!**

**FR.GENE'S LATEST ADVENTURE  
NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA**

Join Fr. Gene next year for a 17-day trip to New Zealand and Australia from Feb. 18 – March 7, 2011. There will be a **meeting here at OLF on Thurs. March 18 at 1:00pm to discuss details.** All are welcome!

**END OF LIFE ISSUES & WHAT CAN BE WRONG WITH  
ADVANCE DIRECTIVES**

On **Tues. March 16 from 7-9pm at St. John the Evangelist Church**, Rita Marker, a lawyer and Founder/Executive Director of the International Task Force on Euthanasia & Assisted Suicide since 1987 and Fr. McLean Cummings (former associate pastor at St. John's) will be giving talks about some of the critical legal and moral aspects of end of life issues. Issues to be covered will include – whether your Living Will/Advance Directive puts you at risk; Health Care Reform "End of Life" Counseling and discussion of Feeding Tubes/Hydration. **Catholic doctors, nurses and social workers are strongly encouraged to attend.** For more info contact Patricia Shields at 410-987-5030.

**HOMELESS RESOURCE DAY**

Each year, Anne Arundel County and the Arundel House of Hope (sponsor of the Winter Relief ministry) team up for a special day to help people who are homeless. The event is called "Homeless Resource Day" and will be held this year on **Sat. March 27th from 8 am to 4 pm at the Glen Burnie High School.** This event has been very successful in past years both in terms of the number of homeless people who have participated (in the hundreds) and in terms of the range of services they have been able to take advantage of. But, as you can imagine, it takes hundreds of volunteers to register the guests and to help them navigate through the many services offered by the county and non-profit organizations providing outreach to the homeless. Training is provided for all volunteers in advance of the session. To learn more and to download a registration form, please go to <http://www.volunteerannearundel.org/AACHRD.html>. Please fax the completed form to Marsha Urban at the Arundel House of Hope at 410-863-7265.

**LOOKING FOR ASSISTANCE WITH ELDERLY CARE?**

The AA County Department of Aging and Disabilities provides support to Seniors and the Disabled. They also provide relief for Caregivers. Respite Care Helpers are screened and trained. They work mainly on an hourly basis. Please call 410-222-4464 x 3045/3094 for more info.

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**Sue Dobrzykowski – 410-987-5171**

**LIGHTEN UP! CELEBRATION THANK YOU!** Thank you to all those who shared their time and talents in bringing our Lighten Up! Whole –Community Celebration to life! Thank you to Judy Kulesza, Anita Door, Bitsy Anderson, Kris Santavicca, June Ruffo, and Marylu Lammers for making 500 cookies for our evening refreshments, Lorraine Gatto who helped at the produce table, Barbara Moser, greeter and Diane Maher who helped with refreshments. Thanks also to all of you who attended the celebration. We hope that the Lord's grace will continue to Lighten Up! our minds, bodies, and souls! The memories that were made will be treasured forever.

**WORKSHOP ON STRESS:** Morning Workshop on: "What is Stress, How it Affects Us and Ways of Addressing It," will be presented by Dr. Pat Forarelli, **Sat., March 20, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm in the hall.** Dr. Fosarelli is Associate Dean of the Ecumenical Institute of Theology. She received her MD from Un. of Md., holds a MA in Theology from St. Mary's Seminary, and a D.Min. from Wesley Theological Seminary. Her discussion will include types of stress, how our bodies respond to stress, how stress affect us psychologically and in our relationships with others and God, and ways of addressing stress in our lives: physical, psychological, and spiritual. Morning refreshments will be served. Free but reservation needed. Call Susan @ 410-987-5171.

**RELIGIOUS BOOK SALE:** Bibles, Catechisms, and many other faith foundation books available in the parish office. These make great gifts for upcoming sacraments.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC OR KNOW OF SOMEONE? RCIA: (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** is the process through which persons join or complete their initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation) into the Catholic Church. Please call Susan Dobrzykowski at 410-987-5171 or e-mail at [sdober@verizon.net](mailto:sdober@verizon.net) to find out more about our inquiry sessions and the RCIA process. Flyers with information are located in the hall atrium.

**LENTEN REGULATIONS**

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted. Fast and Abstinence are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.



**THE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

"There is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary." Sister Lucia dos Santos, Fatima seer. The pilgrim statue travels from family to family for 1 week intervals to promote the recitation of the Rosary and to give honor to our Blessed Mother. The statue and prayer materials are in a bag which may be picked up at church and taken home, then returned to church after 1 week. Sign up sheets are in the foyer. For more info contact Lana Kanik (410) 674-6180.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE MATTERS**

**SARAH'S HOUSE**

Please join us as we serve dinner to the men, women and children residents of Sarah's House on **Mon. & Tues. March 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.** Call Rita at: 410-923-4480 for more info.

**SEVERNA PARK ASSISTANCE NETWORK  
EASTER SHARING PROGRAM**

Easter is around the corner which means SPAN is preparing for The Easter Sharing Program. We are now in the process of registering families for this program and if you are interested in being a donor for either an Easter Meal and/or Children's Easter Basket, please contact us at: 410-647-0889 or [spanhelp@yahoo.com](mailto:spanhelp@yahoo.com).

**H.O.P.E. FOR ALL**

**QUARTER MANIA AT HOLY TRINITY:**A Quartermania event will be held at Holy Trinity Parish Hall on **Mon. March 15 at 7:00pm – doors open at 6:00pm and fun begins at 7pm.** \$5 for admission and 2 paddles. We need to sell about 18 more tickets for H.O.P.E. to benefit. Call 410-859-1297 and if attending please let them know that you are there for H.O.P.E. so credits can be earned.

**YARD-SALE – MARCH 20:** at St. John's Lutheran Church, Linthicum. Doors open at 8am.

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER**

**FORTY DAYS OF PRAYER FOR LIFE –** Please say the Rosary for Life with us in the Church at **7:00PM weeknights during Lent.** If you can't come every night, try one night a week. The babies cannot pray for themselves. Thank you for remembering them.

**40 Days for Life/40 Days of Lent:** During these 40 Days for Lent and 40 Days for Life, consider joining other parishioners in your parish or community in the 40 Days for Life Campaign. You are urgently needed to peacefully pray and keep vigil outside an abortion facility. As we do so during these 40 Days, keep in mind how our Blessed Mother, Mary, St. John and Mary Magdeline stood vigil at the foot of the cross of Jesus. We pray and stand as witnesses for the mothers and innocent babies being killed inside these facilities. Please prayerfully consider joining this Campaign and remember the words above in 2 Chronicles, and then "I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." Contact your Respect Life Chairman or [Johanna.coughlin@archbalt.org](mailto:Johanna.coughlin@archbalt.org) or go to [www.archbalt.org/respect-life](http://www.archbalt.org/respect-life) for further information.

**SICK, HOSPITALIZED & SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH  
FAMILY**

Please keep the following parishioners in your thoughts and prayers:

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|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>Charles O'Hara</b>                 | <b>Mary Mills</b>     | <b>Rex Mills</b>      |
| <b>Rhoda Baldwin</b>                  | <b>Robert Conner</b>  | <b>Helena Scher</b>   |
| <b>Chrissy Clemens</b>                | <b>Sandy Butala</b>   | <b>Dixie Mitchell</b> |
| <b>John Petrovick</b>                 | <b>Jean Provensa</b>  | <b>Erica Bury</b>     |
| <b>Marge Crabtree</b>                 | <b>Ken Boretti</b>    | <b>Lelia Davage</b>   |
| <b>Emerson Wallace</b>                | <b>Debbie Baldwin</b> | <b>Joe Bargas</b>     |
| <b>Eileen Fontana</b>                 | <b>Clare Berner</b>   | <b>Alfred Nelka</b>   |
| <b>Anthony Santini</b>                | <b>Lorraine Colao</b> |                       |
| <b>Marie &amp; John Schiller, Sr.</b> |                       |                       |

"The cross is not something that *has* happened; the Crucifixion is something that *is* happening. It can be found at any place and at any hour in the human race."  
....Archbishop Sheen.