

MARCH 28, 2010

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Monday, March 29

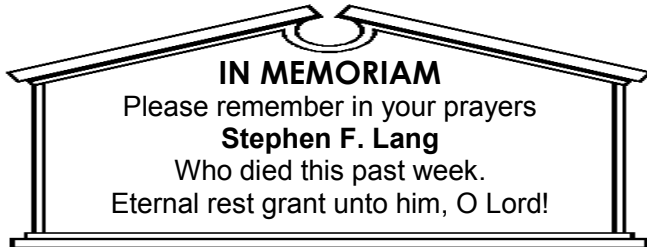
6:30 AM Rowland Bauer
8:00 AM Regina Beidler
12:15 PM Dr. Michael Pristas

Tuesday, March 30

6:30 AM Henry Coringrato
8:00 AM Jacqueline Tenore-Kehoe
12:15 PM Dimitri Oleksy

Wednesday, March 31

6:30 AM Walter Bowski
8:00 AM Veronica Lucik Yakshe
12:15 PM John Handlon



PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Please remember to ask God's blessing and gift of good health for members of our parish family and friends who are in nursing homes, or in the hospital. Also, those confined to their homes with an illness or disability, sick or in the hospital: Dominic Bellucci, Sr., Rose Bellucci, Anna Billowitch, Dolores Boyce, Ruth Cain, Lorraine Corso, Carol Crugnale, Francis DiFonzo, Ryan Glose, Andrew Hein, Louise Hunsberger, Anna Kaufmann, June Kilhefner, Carmen Martucci, Carol Reed, Luke Ronco, Holly Siegfried, William Speicher, Stella Stoss, Maria Sweeney and Colleen Tomline.

THE LIVING STATIONS

The 8th Grade students of St. Elizabeth Regional School will present "The Living Stations" on Palm Sunday, March 28 at 6:30 PM and on Wednesday, March 31 at 1:30 PM in the Church. Please join us for this outstanding prayer experience.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday, March 30 – 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday, April 3 – **NO CONFESSIONS**

KEEP IN MIND

Stations of the Cross are every Friday at 7 PM in the Church.

Lenten Weekday Masses are in the Chapel at 6:30 and 8 AM and 12:15 PM.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is every Friday night from 7-8 PM and every Saturday from 2-3:30 PM.

Additional Confessions are every Friday from 7:30-8 pm after Stations and extended hours on Saturdays from 2-4:15 PM.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday:

Morning Prayer – 8 AM (Chapel)
Mass of the Lord's Supper – 7 PM
Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary 9:45 PM
(Adoration until 10 PM)

Good Friday:

Morning Prayer – 8 AM (Chapel)
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – 3 PM
Stations of the Cross – 7 PM

Holy Saturday:

Morning Prayer – 9 AM (Chapel)
Blessing of the Easter Food – 11:30 AM
Easter Vigil – 8 PM

Easter Sunday:

Masses at: 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 10:30 AM
& 12 Noon

ST. ELIZABETH REGIONAL SCHOOL

- Please continue to save Boxtops for Education, Campbells labels, Ink cartridges, Redner's tapes and cancelled stamps for our school. Thank you for your support in all of our fundraising efforts.
- Check out the school website for more information about the school: www.sercc.org/school
- Anyone interested in registering their child for K-8 for 2009-2010 school year should call the school at 610-264-0143 for more information.

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

You can support our school, our children and our mission through shopping certificates. You may not realize it, but the purchase of these gift cards can provide considerable financial support to our school. **We are now offering some new cards for a short period of time, \$25 Macy's, \$10 Panera, \$15 iTunes and \$10 Bath & Body Works.** They would make perfect gifts for Easter, Mothers Day or even weddings. Your purchase of these cards and the regular cards we offer, JCPenney, Kohls, Giant, Weis, Redners, Barnes & Noble, Applebees and Olive Garden ensures that our school offers our children the finest education. What easier way to support Catholic Schools then through shopping certificates. They can be purchased after Mass, through the school or at the parish office. Our children thank you for making our school the excellent place of learning it is! Thank you for your continued support of Catholic Schools.

NURSERY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registrations are being accepted for the 2010-2011 school year. Classes are Mon., Wed & Fri, 9:00-11:30 and 12:30-3:00 for 4 year olds; Tues. & Thurs. 9:00-11:30 and 12:30-3:00 for 3 year olds. If you are interested in registering please call 610-266-0450 between 8:30 and 3:00 PM.



LENTEN GIVING TREE

Many, many thanks to all those who donated toward our Lenten Giving Tree.

All donations were given to the young families at Mary's Shelter and the Pediatric Cancer Foundation of the Lehigh Valley. May God bless you for your kind generosity!

ST. ELIZABETH GOLDEN AGERS

- The next meeting of the Golden Agers will be Friday, April 9th, not April 2nd, which is Good Friday. Tickets for the May 7th Anniversary dinner will be on sale for \$15 for members and \$17 for guests.
- Wednesday, May 12th is a trip to Renault Winery with a 6 hour visit to Atlantic City following the lunch and wine tasting. Bus leaves St. Elizabeth at 9 am. Price is \$50 per person. Contact John Klusarits at 610-437-1570 to make reservations. Deadline is April 10, 2010.
- Spirit of Philadelphia Cruise on Wednesday, July 14. The cruise offers a unique combination of dining, dancing entertainment and a luncheon buffet. After the cruise you will depart for a casino. Bus leaves St. Elizabeth at 9:45 am. Price is \$76 per person. Call John Klusarits at 610-437-1570 for reservations. Deadline is June 10, 2010.

OUR LENTEN OBLIGATION

The Lenten obligation, as determined for Catholics in the United States by our bishops, requires that **fasting**, for all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59, be observed on Good Friday. The law of **abstinence from meat** is to be observed, by all Catholics who are 14 years and older, on all the Fridays of Lent.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

On Good Friday, our parish will take up the annual collection for the Holy Land. From the daily news we all know of the challenges in the Middle East. Christians in the Holy Land urgently need our help and you can help fellow Catholics in the cradle of Christianity through your generosity. Your financial contribution will support the works of the Catholic Community in the Middle East and to protect the Holy Places and Christian Shrines.

HOLY THURSDAY

All Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors are invited to participate in the Eucharistic Procession during the Mass on Holy Thursday. Please meet in the parish hall by 6:40 pm so that you can be given instructions for this procession.

CHURCH HOPPING

Consider bringing your family along for our annual "Church Hopping" after the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Holy Thursday. It is a quiet time when Catholics are asked to stay awake and wait with Jesus just as the apostles were asked on that night in the Garden of Gethsemane. We will travel to three or four other parishes and pray a decade of the Sorrowful Mysteries at each church. We will return to St. Elizabeth's at approximately 9:45. All you need is a rosary and a prayerful heart! We will meet after Mass in front of the gym doors.

PALM SUNDAY AND EASTER PARKING

We ask your help in preventing problems and inconveniences for others especially on Palm Sunday and Easter. Please:

- Do not park in T.V. Associates lot.
- Avoid parking in access lanes and park only within the painted lines.
- Do not double park or block another car.

Do unto others as though you were the others.

HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOC. NEWS

HASA is hosting a "Basket Social" on Saturday, April 17th from 4 – 7 PM; and Sunday, April 18th from 9 AM-2 PM. They are currently seeking donations of filled baskets or other containers. Each prize should have a theme, and be valued at a minimum of \$15.00. Also accepted are donations of "new, still-in-the-package" items and/or gift cards. *If you plan to participate, please fill out the form below and return in the collection basket, to the church office, or to the school office by April 1.* Our goal is at least 50 baskets! Completed prizes should be wrapped in clear cellophane, with a card identifying the theme and "Donated by _____." Items may be dropped off in the social hall on Friday, April 16th from 6 – 8 PM; and on Saturday, April 17th between 10 am and 1 pm. Individual items and/or gift cards may be dropped off at the school office at any time. Tickets are \$10.00 for 25 chances. The drawing will be held at 2:00 PM on Sunday, April 18th – you do not have to be present to win. *Thank you!* Questions? Call or email Tina Stoudt (610) 442-5084 (tinastoudt@rcn.com).

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Phone: _____

I will be donating: _____ basket(s)

Basket Theme(s): _____

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