



**Liturgy Intentions
For The Week**

Unless a grain of wheat falls to the earth and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat.

March 28	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	John Cremen Thomas Christensen	Prayer Line ITAM Post 35 Ladies Auxiliary
March 29	Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Deceased of The Church of St. Peter	
	9:00 a.m.	Alex Carsky-Bush	Youth Ministry Grades 7-8
	11:30 a.m.	Alex Carsky-Bush Deceased of The Church of St. Peter	Vince and Annie O'Neill and Family
March 30	Monday 8:00 a.m.	Connie Harrison-Hayward	Linda and Lew Benton
March 31	Tuesday 8:00 a.m.	Eileen Molloy	Belinda Eisenberg
April 1	Wednesday 8:00 a.m.	Deceased of The Church of St. Peter	
April 2	Thursday 8:00 a.m.	Deceased of The Church of St. Peter	
April 3	Friday 8:00 a.m.	Deceased of The Church of St. Peter	
April 4	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Anna Pacelli Shirley and Silas Haley	Usher Family Robenstein Family
April 5	Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Mary Convery	Family
	9:00 a.m.	Nelson Rivera Rosena Vogel	Wife Rita Usher
	11:30 a.m.	Deceased of The Church of St. Peter	

Readings for Sunday, April 5, 2009 - Palm Sunday: Is 50:4-7; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15; 47



**Readers and Eucharistic Ministers
April 4-5, 2009**



Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
April 4 5:00 p.m.	Jay Atherton, John Blaum, Maureen Blaum, Peter Bonitatibus, Mary Brooks, Mary Collins, Jean Cremen, Julianne Thomas, Mary Rose Turo	Maureen Godlewski Debbie Mahoney Jeff Clark (Narrator)
April 5 7:30 a.m.	Pamela Barrington, Alberta Bennett, Linda Benton, Margaret Bradley, Tad Deuel, Michael Murray, Eileen Reese, Richard Rowland, Sr.	Jay Atherton Joseph Barrington Trish VanDeusen (Narrator)
April 5 9:00 a.m.	Jay Atherton, Maria Forbes, Chuck Greiner, Andrew Kozak, Diane Kozak, Anne Marthy-Noonan, Margaret McNicholas, Vincent O'Neill, Joyce Rice, Cindy Sharpe	Richard Rowland Sue Rowland Marc Limeri (Narrator)
April 5 11:30 a.m.	Sophie Barber, Charles DiSanto, Kathy DiSanto, Jacqueline Donnelly, Cheryl Dudinetz, Dorothy Mendez, Geroge Pitts, Marilyn Pitts, Mary Lou Snyder, Judy Walker	Chris Rocco Joe Rocco JoAnn Clements (Narrator)

Please remember in your prayers all those members of our parish family who are sick or suffering in any way, all those in hospitals or nursing homes, and all of our shut-ins. We pray for all who have died recently, including Louise Woodworth, Mary Suttle, and Rosena Vogel, mother of Ginny Vogel. Let us not forget the victims of violence at home and abroad. We remember the men and women serving in the armed forces as we continually pray for peace.

A contribution has been made to St. Peter's Needy Association (SPNA) in memory of Connie Harrison-Hayward.

Attendance		Collection		Average Collection to date
March 22, 2009	1,164	Weekly collection:	March 22, 2009 \$ 7,922.25	March 22, 2009 \$ 8,504.95
Easter 2008			Easter 2008	Easter 2008
		Second collection 3/22 Catholic Relief Services	\$2,023	
		SPNA: (to date) month of March 2009	\$ 1,316.	

**Family Perspective
By Bud Ozar**

Today's gospel teaches: "Whoever loves his life, loses it." Letting go and death to self are keys to successful relationships. If we hold onto another too tightly, we smother them. Unless we die to ourselves, we use others for our needs. Hear Jesus today: "If the grain of wheat dies, there is much fruit." Family life and relationships require sacrifice.

Marriage Moments

Karen Vogt
Family Life Office
Diocese of Kentucky
Sometimes marital arguments get stirred up because one spouse leaps to a conclusion and imputes a bad motive to the spouse. Allow each other the benefit of the doubt until you've had time to sort it out together.

Parenting Pointers

Karen Vogt
Family Life Office,
Diocese of Kentucky
Sometimes we can get so caught up in taking care of our kids that we think it all depends on us. "If you frequently empty yourself for others, it's important not to be full of yourself."

Evangelist: Faith Alive!

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

This Week in Our Parish

3/30	AA Meeting	7:00-9:30 pm	Parish Ctr-Room 204
	YM Drama- Passion Rehearsal	5:00-6:00 pm	Church
	Lenten Retreat: Joyce Solimini	4:00 pm	Church
3/31	Deanery Meeting	10:00 am-2:00 pm	Parish Ctr-Cafe/Rm 204-206
	Lenten Retreat-Sr. Kitty Hanley	4:00 and 7:00 pm	Church
4/1	Scripture Group	8:30-10:00 am	Parish Ctr-Resrce Rm
	Staff Meeting	10:15 am	Rectory
	Piano Lessons	2:45-4:30 pm	Church
	Lenten Retreat-Reconciliation Service	4:00 and 7:00 pm	Church
	Scripture Group	7:15-9:30 pm	Parish Ctr-Resrce Rm
4/2	Piano Lessons	3:30-5:30 pm	Church
	Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:00 pm	Church
	Choir Rehearsal	7:30 pm	Church
4/3	SCCHS Reconciliation Service		Church
	First Friday Devotions	7:00-8:00 pm	Church-Day Chapel
4/4	Jewelry & Rosary Sale (after Mass)	6:00 pm	Parish Ctr-Resource Room
4/5	Religious Ed K-6,	10:10-11:20 am	Parish Center
	YM 7-8, YM 10		Parish Ctr/SCCHS
	First Eucharist Song Practice	10:15 am	Church
	Jewelry & Rosary Sale (after Mass)	Sunday am	Parish Ctr Resrce Rm
	Fair Trade Coffee House	8:30 am-1:00 pm	Parish Center

Groups/Contacts

Adult Scripture Sharing Group/Wednesday	8:30 am	Rita Usher	587-4487
Adult Scripture Sharing Group/Wednesday	7:15 pm	Kathleen Greiner	899-5136
Saratoga Area Homeschoolers/Monday	1:00 pm	Erin Walker	885-8395

TAKE NOTE

Religious Jewelry Sale begins 3/28-29 and will continue for several weekends after each Mass. Look for them in the Resource Room (just off the cafeteria) of the Parish Center. This is a Fundraiser for our NCYC bound youth.



Car Wash Coupons are in!

If you pre-ordered car wash coupons, and haven't picked them up, please call Carol Boltzer. Thank you for support of this NCYC fundraiser!

Prayer Partners of Confirmation Candidates

Several weeks ago parishioners were invited to take a paper with the name of a young person that will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this spring, as well as a copy of a prayer from the basket near the entrance to Church. We were asked to pray for these young men and women as they prepared for this journey of faith. If you have not yet taken a name and prayer, there is only a short time left. Confirmation candidates are in the final stages of preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 25.

Fair Trade Coffee



Our youth look forward to seeing you at the Fair Trade Coffeehouse for a wonderful cup of Fair Trade coffee or tea, some homemade baked goods and good company! Come for fun, fellowship and to help the youth support this year's charity. The Coffee House will be open 8:30 am - 1:00 pm.

Pre-orders for Fair Trade items that were placed by March 22, will be available for pick up at the Coffee House.

Volunteers Needed

to complete the Parish Center cafeteria sound proofing project. The installed panels already make a huge difference, but additional hands are needed to finish the job. Call Ernie Mumford at 669-4530.



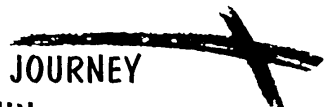
The Third Age Committee of St. Peter's will be delivering Easter Flowers to homebound parishioners and the residents at Wesley on Saturday, April 4. Please call Nancy Burkly at 581-9278 if you would like to help deliver flowers.

Baked Goods and Cookies Needed

Baked goods and cookies are needed for the Reception following the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday, April 11. Cookies are needed for St. Peter's Annual Key Run on April 18. Boxes will be placed in the back porch of the Rectory the week before the event. Items received early that week will be frozen. Thank you!!!

THANKS

THE JOURNEY WITHIN ... The Experience Of Lent



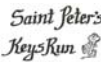
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Joyce Solimini, associate director of Adult Faith formation for the Albany Diocese, will speak on the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Ms. Solimini will address Baptism and Confirmation at 4:00 pm, Sunday, March 29, as preparation for those entering the Christian community. At 4:00 pm and again at 7:00 pm on Monday, March 30, she will address Eucharist as the central sacrament of our Catholic faith. Music and personal reflection will be interspersed with the presentations.

Sister Kitty Hanley, CSJ, returns to St. Peter's on Tuesday, March 31, for "Making Friends With St. Paul," a presentation reflecting on the Year of St. Paul and his letters.

Our annual parish Reconciliation Service will conclude the 2009 retreat on Wednesday, April 1 at 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm.

All of the above takes place in Church and all are most welcome to attend.



The 30th Annual St. Peter's Keys Run

Saturday, April 18, 2009 at the Columbia Pavilion, Saratoga Spa State Park. There is a 10K, Children's one mile fun run and a 5K run. Info may be found by linking to www.active.com from www.saratogastryders.org. Call Jeff Clark at 581-7550 or email Laura Clark at laura@saratogastryders.org. There are also flyers in the vestibule of Church.

St. Peter's Keys Run will benefit St. Peter's Youth Ministry and Community Hospice of Saratoga.

This event also needs volunteers on April 18. Please see the sign-up sheet in the vestibule of Church or call Carol Boltzer (587-5182)

Called to BE Church

Prayer during the Time of Implementation

Loving God, you who are present with us in all of life's moments make yourself known in these challenging times of parish closure, merger and linkage. Comfort those who mourn. Receive and transform the anger of those who feel powerless. Ease the minds of the fearful. Give wisdom to our leaders and patience and insight to your people. Help us to appreciate the way you are re-creating your Church. Make us partners with you in this effort. We pray this in the name of Jesus, who is Lord and brother through the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen

WANTED: SPECIAL PEOPLE

Special people are needed as volunteers for The Community Hospice of Saratoga, which provides care for Hospice patients and their families.

Hospice will hold an informational meeting about volunteer opportunities on Tuesday, March 31 at 11:00 a.m. at the Community Hospice office at 179 Lawrence Street, Saratoga Springs. For additional information, call 581-0800.

Birthright of Ballston Spa

Birthright of Ballston Spa needs office volunteers to assist young women by listening to their concerns, helping with a self-administered pregnancy test, reviewing fetal development and offering information on local community services. Birthright volunteers are compassionate, reliable, and dedicated to a four-hour weekly commitment. The next three-part training session is April 3, 10, and 17 from 9-11 am. If you are pro-life and can listen without judging, please call Susan at 877-0172 for more information.

The 36th Annual Spring Enrichment Conference

Monday - Thursday, May 11~ May 14, College of Saint Rose, Albany
Spring enrichment is a four-day adult faith formation conference sponsored by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany's Office of Evangelization, Catechesis and Family.

The 35th Spring Enrichment, held May 12-15, 2008, drew nearly 1,100 people from throughout the 14 county Albany Diocese (as well as others who traveled from dioceses across the northeast and from Montreal) who took part in 152 different two hour workshops over the course of its four days. Originally a forum for catechist and youth ministry certification, in recent years the conference has expanded to provide training for persons involved in other church ministries (music and liturgy, pastoral care, administration and finance, etc.) as well as opportunities for adults seeking spiritual renewal and general adult faith formation. The March 19 Evangelist has a listing of workshops.

Time for Spring cleaning!!

The Lost and Found box in the vestibule will be emptied soon.