



**SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2009**

*First Sunday of Lent*

- 8:00 AM ✕ Donna Vespa (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)
- 10:30 AM ✕ James Carolan, Sr. (15<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)
- ✕ Shirley Mahoney (8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)
- 5:00 PM ✕ Gloria Boyle

**MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2009**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 7:00 AM Parishioners of SS. Rose & Clement

**TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2009**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 7:00 AM ✕ Joseph DeSilva

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2009**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 7:00 AM ✕ Edith Vick

**THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2009**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 7:00 AM ✕ Brent Stadts (Month's Mind)

**FIRST FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2009**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 7:00 AM ✕ Domenic Caimano
- 12 Noon Exposition of the Eucharist**
- 1:30 PM School Mass (St. Rose Chapel)
- 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross  
& Benediction**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2009**

*Lenten Weekday*

- 4:00 PM ✕ Sarah Holman (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)
- ✕ Peter Iascone (Month's Mind)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2009**

*Second Sunday of Lent*

- 8:00 AM ✕ William M. Hall (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.)
- 10:30 AM ✕ Beverly Shallcross
- ✕ Edmund Shallcross, Sr.
- 5:00 PM ✕ Rita M. Boylan (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv.)

February 22, 2009	
Sunday Collection.....	\$8,325.00
Priests' Retirement Collection.....	3,573.00
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*Dear Parishioners,*

Of the three practices encouraged by the Church during Lent (prayer, fasting and almsgiving), I think it's safe to say we have the most trouble with fasting! Since we live in a land of plenty, the thought of fasting rarely crosses our minds. Worse, when it does, we just can't seem to find the strength to do it. Yet, fasting (not only from food, but from TV, the internet, video games, etc.) has amazing spiritual effects. Those who fast find great peace and strength in their daily effort to live rightly and avoid sin. Why is this so? A few reasons come to mind:

- Fasting is penitential. We forgo good things as a way to express to God our sorrow for our sins. Such humility touches God very deeply.
- Fasting reminds us that we don't need "things" to make us happy, rather we need God alone. Focusing on God helps us to tap into His love and strength.
- Fasting is a building-block in learning self-discipline, preparing us for greater sacrifices we will be called to make in the future.
- Fasting is a way of expressing solidarity, individually and as a Church, with the poor of the world, the poor in whom Jesus says we will meet Him.

While not easy for us Americans, fasting is a powerful fuel for spiritual growth. I pray you will fast from something every day in Lent. You'll be amazed at the results!! God bless you in the week ahead.

*Fr. Wilson*

**PS Daily Mass is the best way to jump-start Lent. Local Masses are as follow (Monday – Friday):**

<b>SS. Rose &amp; Clement:</b>	<b>7:00 AM</b>
<b>St. Peter:</b>	<b>7:00 AM</b>
<b>St. Kevin:</b>	<b>7:45 AM</b>
<b>St. Benedict:</b>	<b>7:45 AM (No Thu.)</b>
<b>St. Francis of Assisi:</b>	<b>8:00 AM &amp; 12:05 PM</b>
<b>St. Timothy:</b>	<b>8:00 AM &amp; 12 NOON</b>
<b>St. Rita:</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
<b>St. Gregory the Great:</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>
<b>St. William:</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
<b>St. Catherine:</b>	<b>9:00 AM (No Wed.)</b>

**PPS Stations of the Cross continue every Friday of Lent at 7:00 PM. I pray you will join us!**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**SUNDAY MORNING CLASSES** will meet at their scheduled times.

**GRADES 6 through 10** will attend the Parish Mission Holy Hour on Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Please report to your classroom for attendance at 6:45 PM. Thank you.

**ATTENTION 10<sup>th</sup> GRADERS:** Community Service paperwork is due on Monday, March 2, 2009.

**ATTENTION FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS:** Reminder that our First Penance meeting will take place THIS Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Church Hall. **At least one parent must attend.**

### PARISH MISSION

**MSGR. ANTHONY MANCINI**

***FAITH, HOPE & LOVE  
IN THE YEAR OF ST. PAUL***

**Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**

*How do we maintain Faith in a time of such loss of Faith?*  
Holy Hour & Benediction

**Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**

*How do we stay hopeful in the face of today's challenges?*  
Penance Service (4 priests available for Confession)

**Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM**

*How do we love in a world of fear and violence?*  
Mass for Healing with the Anointing of the Sick

### **CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL**

***Your Hands, God's Work***

Your gift helps to fund our 39 diocesan ministries that provide comfort and support to our sisters and brothers in Christ.

### FIRST FRIDAY – MARCH 6<sup>th</sup>

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*

**12 Noon to 7:00 PM**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**7:00 PM**

***(Benediction following Stations)***

## From the Desk of Mrs. Fuller

### **Father / Daughter Dance**

Fathers and daughters, your night is this month! Tickets will be on sale soon for your special evening at the Ivy Garden. The dance is March 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 PM. Look for information in your child's folder or in your e-mail. This is a wonderful, memorable evening for fathers and their daughters.

### **Report Cards**

Grades close Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. Report cards will be sent home on Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Open House**

Saint Rose of Lima School will be holding an Open House THIS Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM. For more information, please contact our school principal, Mrs. Jeannine Fuller at 739-6937. Thank you!

### THEOLOGY OF THE BODY SEMINAR

Our first session is THIS Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Church Hall. Please bring a pen or pencil and dress comfortably. Also, you are welcome to bring a water bottle or something else to drink. The session will start promptly at 7:00 PM and should conclude by 8:30 PM. If you have any questions, please call Fr. Wilson at 739-0212. I'm looking forward to sharing this journey with you!

### WOMEN'S FAITH ENRICHMENT GROUP

Our next meeting date has been changed from Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM to Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. All adult women who would like to explore and understand more deeply their unique role in the world are invited to attend!

### NEWLY BAPTIZED



Saints Rose & Clement Parish Family welcomes as the newest member of our community:

**Andrew Robert Wheaton**

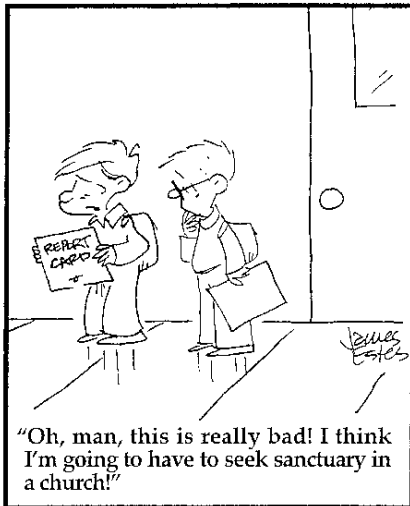
May the Lord bless him and keep him and his family close to His heart.

MARCH 1, 2009

## **"SHARE THE SPIRIT" GIFT SHOP**

### **EXTENDED HOURS FOR LENT**

Beginning next Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, the Gift Shop will be open before & after **ALL** the weekend Masses. Stop in for all your Lenten needs as well as Confirmation and First Communion gifts.



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## **MEN of ST. JOSEPH**

The Men of St. Joseph will hold their bi-weekly meeting on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM in the McMahon Garden Room. The meeting will begin with a Eucharistic Service in the main church. Coffee and pastry will be available afterward. **ALL MEN IN THE PARISH ARE WELCOME!** Questions? Please call Malcolm Vakalis at 884-5565.

## **EIGHT MONTH CLUB**

**Week #26 \$50 Winner**

**Mrs. Shelley Flaherty – Ticket #218**

*Thank you to all who support Saint Rose School.*

## **SS. Rose & Clement Garden News**

### **Garden Planning & Information Sessions**

Next Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM in the McMahon Garden Room, our garden experts will present information on **Planting Seeds Indoors and Out**. Everyone is welcome!! Please bring a pen and notebook.

## **CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

*There will be a rehearsal for all children, Grades 3-8, who would like to sing at Easter and First Communion THIS Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7:15 PM to 8:00 PM in the Church Hall.*