

# Mass Intentions

[Week 5 in Lent]

**Monday, March 23: Lenten Weekday** [Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo]

8:00 am (GS) Jean Mannion Smith by Family

**Tuesday, March 24: Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am (GS) Dorothy Matuscak by Valerie & David Hassen

**Wednesday, March 25: THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

8:00 am (SJ) Ray Sutton by Helen Sutton

6:30 pm (GS) Violet Simoni by Scott, Diane & Aidan Wood

**Thursday, March 26:**

8:00 am (GS) Doris Lavelle by Joe & Gerry Alicandio

**Friday, March 27: Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am (SJ) Sr. Marie Luraghi by Diane Barto

8:00 pm (GS) Marian Prayer Group Mass

**Saturday, March 28: Lenten Weekday**

4:00 pm (SJ) Vigil, For the Living and Deceased of the Parishes

5:30 pm (GS) Vigil, Christine Thomas by Antonette Bosh

**Sunday, March 29:**

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

8:00 am (GS) Bernie Grzegorek by Dtrs., Geri, Evie, Judy & Kami

9:30 am (SJ) Louis Marsilio by St. John's Holy Name Society

11:00 am (GS) Mike & Rose Notarianni by Jim & Maria Notarianni

### Readings for the Week of March 23, 2015

**Monday** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11

**Tuesday:** Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30

**Wednesday:** Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

**Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

**Friday:** Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

**Sunday:** Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (37)/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

### THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER

#### Bread and Wine

William Wright (SJ) by + Wilma Wright

#### Holy Family Shrine Candle

Mary Roginski (GS) by Bob & Heather Giammaria

#### Sanctuary Candle

Shirley Smolnery (SJ) by Mike, Shelly & Cheryl

Edward J. Barlow (GS) by Mary Barlow & Family

**Thank you for your contributions to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)! Your generous gifts will help CCHD end poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we demonstrate Catholic social teaching and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor...to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).**

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

(Fridays during Lent)

2:30 pm

Good Samaritan

6:00 pm

St. John the Baptist

7:00 pm

Good Samaritan



### From Father Joe

So many things are going on in our parishes, that I thought everyone would like an update on current events.

**MASONRY REPAIRS AT GOOD SAMARITAN:** Thanks to your *Church Alive!* capital campaign donations, we are starting critical repairs to the pastoral center at Good Samaritan. The building is over 100 years old. We apologize for the inconvenience that will be caused by scaffolding and equipment in the parking lot. Alex Restoration & Masonry will be pointing some of the mortar joints and repairing cracks in the building, as well as replacing windows in the basement with glass block.

**UPGRADING CAFETERIA AT SAINT JOHN'S:** At the direction of the Health Department, we were required to install a hand sink for kitchen workers at Saint John the Baptist. Since space is so tight, it was necessary to reconfigure the entrance to the kitchen to make space for the sink. While we were at it, we decided to upgrade the electrical outlets and widen the doors to make for easier access to the kitchen on pierogi making days. We considered the possibility of moving the whole wall out to make more space in the kitchen, but it would have taken away from the legal seating capacity in the hall, so we just went with more modest changes. We are still working out a solution to the threshold in the doorway, which is awkward, but we are confident that we will be able to remedy the situation once pierogi season is over.

After Easter, we need to look at updating the worship space. We already installed new pads for the kneelers. The next steps will probably include painting and replacement of some lighting, which is long overdue.

**HELP WANTED:** We have a job opening at Good Samaritan for a full-time janitorial/maintenance person, as well as a part-time opening for someone to do cleaning of the church a few hours a week at Saint John the Baptist. Anyone who is interested may submit a resume to the parish offices, or fill out an employment application.

**HELPING THE HUNGRY:** Each year on Holy Saturday, folks gather at Good Samaritan for the blessing of Easter Baskets. It would be a nice gesture this year if folks would consider bringing along some dry goods like peanut butter, jelly, macaroni & cheese, or spaghetti sauce for our food pantry. This is a tradition at other parishes, and it would be nice to begin the tradition here as well, particularly since the pantry is often depleted after the holidays.

**SACRAMENTAL HELP FOR THE HOLIDAYS:** This is the first year our parishes will celebrate Lent & Easter without a parochial vicar. It has been necessary to make some adjustments. We will be bringing in some priests to help with confessions and to celebrate liturgies during Holy Week and Easter. **Please watch the bulletin for our Penance & Liturgy schedules.** We apologize for any inconveniences. Please keep us in prayer. God bless. Ω

**SAINT JOHN'S CORNER** ✠

**LAST PIEROGI BEFORE EASTER**  
**MANY** volunteers are needed this week for the final pierogi sale days before Holy Week. In particular, help is requested on Wed. at 5PM to peel and cut potatoes. Thursday beginning at 8AM for mashing potatoes and at 1PM for making potato balls; and **ALL DAY FRIDAY** beginning at 6AM and throughout the day until clean-up. Your efforts will be a great blessing to us. If you are a new volunteer, please call the parish office 724-869-2280.

**Blessed John of Vercelli Award Banquet** On Sunday, April 19, at 4:30PM the Beaver County Holy Name Society will sponsor its 49th annual awards banquet. Twelve men will receive the Blessed John of Vercelli Award for their outstanding contributions to the Church, the Holy Name Society and their respective communities. Jeffrey Rudek from St. John's Holy Name Society will be honored. Reservations may be made by calling Bill Cahalan at 724-869-5209. Tickets cost \$28.

**SPRING CLEANING** Volunteers are needed to clean the church in preparation for Easter on Mon., March 30, beginning at 10AM. Please call the office if you are available. 724-869-2280

**ST. JOHN'S 150TH ANNIVERSARY** Next May we will be celebrating 150 years as a parish. Anyone interested in forming a committee to plan for the celebration, please sign up by calling the office. Our first meeting will be planned for some time after Easter. 724-869-2280

**St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Drive at Good Samaritan.** Items needed for SVDP Easter Food Baskets including peanut butter, jelly, pasta, sauce, cereal, snacks, condiments canned meat, fish, fruit & etc.. Please place **non perishable food** in the **red containers** at the doors of the Church. **monetary donations** are appreciated & may be placed in the Sunday collection. Thank you for your help.

**St. Vincent DePaul Society, St. Monica Parish Sponsors**  
**SUNDAY MASS AT 9:00 AM on**  
**Radio Station 1230 AM WBVP, Beaver Falls and**  
**Radio Station 1460 AM WMBA, Ambridge**

 **Youth & Young Adult Discipleship**

**ALIVE!** is for **High Schoolers**, who would like to learn more about God, religion, and the Catholic faith together. We usually meet on Mondays but keep an eye out for special events. Monty Montgomery is in charge of ALIVE. To learn more, text us at: 985-630-9742, or

Email: [youth@goodsam1.org](mailto:youth@goodsam1.org) **Come and bring a friend!**

**UPCOMING SCHEDULE OF YOUTH EVENTS:**

Monday, Mar. 23, Bible Study, 8-9:30 pm  
 Monday, Mar. 30, Bible Study, 8-9:30 pm

**Sr. Marise** thanks those who offered to help her with funerals.



**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
**EXTENDED TIMES FOR LENT**

(No Confessions on Holy Saturday)

Wednesdays 5:30-6:20 pm Good Samaritan  
 Saturdays 12:00-12:45 pm Good Samaritan  
 Saturdays 1:15-1:45 pm St. John the Baptist

**Additional Opportunities for Reconciliation:**  
**Monday, March 23 at 7:00 pm at Good Samaritan**  
**Thursday, March 26 at 2:30 pm at Good Samaritan**

**OTHER LOCAL PENANCE SERVICES**

*Priests will be available to hear confessions at these local parishes. Please note the dates, times, and locations:*

Sun., March 22, 7pm St Frances Cabrini, Center Twp  
 Thur., Mar. 26, 3-5 pm St. Frances Cabrini, Center Twp.  
 Mon., March 23, 7pm Our Lady of Peace, Conway  
 Tue., March 24, 7 pm Our Lady of Fatima, Hopewell  
 Wed., March 25, 7 pm Saint Cecilia, Rochester  
 Thur., March 26, 7 pm SS Peter & Paul, Beaver  
 Sat., March 28, Noon St John the Baptist, Monaca.

**+UPCOMING EVENTS+**

**Monday, March 23**

5:15-6:45pm - CCD - Grades 1-5

**Wednesday, March 25**

6:30 pm (SJ) Choir Practice

**Thursday, March 26**

8:00 -10:30 am & 3:00-8:00 pm (SJ) Pierogi Prep (Hall)

**Friday, March 27**

6:00 am (SJ) Pierogi Sales 724-869-9758 Last before Easter

3:00 pm (GS) Eucharistic Adoration

7:00/8:00 pm (GS) Rosary/Mass - Marian Prayer Group

**Saturday, March 28 Palm Sunday Weekend**

9:00 am-Noon (GS) Easter Bake Sale (Jericho Hall Cafeteria )

**Sunday, March 29: Palm Sunday**

9:00 am-Noon (GS) Easter Bake Sale (Jericho Hall Cafeteria)

9:00 am (GS) CIC/Teen RCIA (Classroom in JH)

9:30-11:00 am CCD Grades 6-8 (GS)

6:30 pm (GS) RCIA (Classroom in JH)

10:00 am (SJ) Egg Hunt & Breakfast with Easter Bunny

**✠IN SYMPATHY:**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Charles Jurcak and Wilma K. Wright**. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Good Samaritan	
Weekly Offering, March 15, 2015	\$6,913.56
CCHD Catholic Human Development	\$835.25
St. John the Baptist	
Weekly Offering, March 15, 2015	\$2,435.00
CCHD Catholic Human Development	\$489.61

**GOOD SAMARITAN 724-266-6565**  
**SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST 724-869-2280**