

This Week at St. Virgil Parish

Sunday, February 21, 2010

2nd Collection for Church in Central and E. Europe
 PREP A, 10:15 AM, School
 Friendly Sons' Tri-Color Blessing, 2:30 PM, Church
 YM Band Rehearsal, 5 PM, Church
 Confirmation Classes, 6:00 PM, Church

Monday, February 22, 2010

Reconciliation, 7 PM, Church

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Yoga Class, 6:45 PM, TC

Thursday, February 25, 2010

Lenten Faith Sharing, 10 AM, CMR
 Choir Rehearsals, usual times, Church

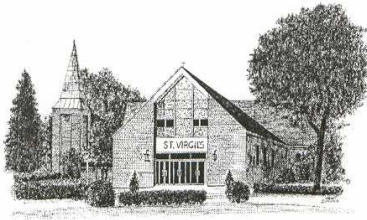
Saturday, February 27, 2010

Bereavement, 9 AM, TC

Sunday, February 28, 2010

PREP B, 10:15AM, TC
 YM Band Rehearsal, 11AM, Cafeteria
 Franciscan Mystery Players Presentation, 3 PM, Church
 Confirmation Classes, 6 PM, Church

Mass Intentions



Sat., Feb. 20	5:00	Hector Vella
Sun., Feb. 21	7:30	Frank Fehn
	9:00	For the People
	10:30	Wally Young
	12:00	Macaylah Breuder
Mon., Feb. 22	6:30	Irma Vigilante
	12:10	Robert Johnson Susan Byron
Tue., Feb. 23	6:30	Ed Mazon
	12:10	Margaret Conforti, Special Intentions Louis Saccone Joan Rooney
Wed., Feb. 24	6:30	Manilito Alvarez
	12:10	Ines D. Bernardo Dorothy Merlo
Thurs., Feb. 25	6:30	For the Parish
	12:10	Monica Reasor Onofrio Chillemi
Fri., Feb. 26	6:30	For the People of Haiti
	12:10	Joan Rooney Katherine Kiely
Sat., Feb. 27	8:00	In Thanksgiving - The Bernardo Family
	5:00	Blair W. Morris
Sun., Feb. 28	7:30	For the People
	9:00	Macaylah Breuder
	10:30	Dominick Palumbo
	12:00	Anne Cunningham

**Keep the men and women of
the Armed Forces in your prayers.**

Among Ourselves

Please pray for the sick of our parish family: **Janet Lake, Alan Rhea, Tina Witowsky, Gregory Kerian, David Helmkin, Tara DeMarzo, Ted & Ann Carbin, Frances Merlo, Kay Pezeshki, Nancy Rosnell, Mabelle Uehara, Zoe Budwick, Marie McNamara, Mary Ann Colasurdo, Judith Lynch, Betty Clary, Andrea Muli, Mary Beckett, Albert M. Harenchar, Susie Bryce, Daniel Guadreau, Valerie Lano, Roger Gerdes, Maureen Gelpke, Katherine Bayer, Joan Green, Tommy Barnes, Sr. Margaret McCowan, Charles Petrock, Jr., Sue Ann Cattano, Ellen Selert, Jimmy Graham, Baby Kayla Davidson, Marcella Butchko, Frank Suchenski, Bruna Gaudioso, Fr. Bob Norton, and David Weelock.**



Lord, hear our prayer for our sick members & friends.

Welcome Home To Healing

“Welcome Home” is a diocesan initiative inviting all Catholics to experience the grace of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. Confession is a wonderful opportunity to set aside our sinful ways and to draw closer to our Lord. Confessions will be held every Monday in March, during Lent, from 7:00PM to 8:30PM in every Catholic church in the Diocese of Paterson. Don't be afraid! Information will be provided. Ask the priest to help you. Experience the gracious mercy of God!

EVENING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Come walk and pray with us as we journey with Jesus to Calvary and pray the Stations of the Cross during this Lenten season - a season to reflect on our Christian faith - a season to reconcile ourselves with our creator and redeemer - Jesus the Christ.

TIME & DATES

WHERE: IN THE CHURCH

WHEN: FRIDAYS DURING LENT

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

DATES: 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, and 3/19



ATTENTION ALL ST. VIRGIL PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS
WITH PRIMARY GRADE AND/OR JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN

REGISTRATION FOR SAINT VIRGIL ACADEMY
AND MORRIS CATHOLIC JUNIOR SCHOOL
WILL BEGIN FOR NEW STUDENTS IN EARLY MARCH.

If you would like to learn more about our programs or
observe classes in session, join us for our

FANTASTIC FRIDAY OPEN HOUSE

on any Friday during the school year 9:30 to 11 AM or 1:00 to 2:30 PM

Call 973-539-7267 to let us know when you'd like to drop by!

For 100 years, parents have entrusted our school to help form their children both academically and spiritually.

See for yourself the benefits of a Catholic School education!

St. Virgil Academy (Grades Pre-K – 5th)

Morris Catholic Junior School (Grades 6th - 8th)

The Way of the Cross A Franciscan Mystery Play



On Sunday, February 28, at 7:30PM, the Franciscan Mystery Players will present their moving version of "The Way of the Cross" in the church. Written by Franciscan Father Francis Pompei, the Mystery Play is not a "play" in the common sense, but is, in fact, a prayerful experience that uses special lighting, a stirring soundtrack, pantomime actions and an inspirational narration to portray the Stations of the Cross in a manner that invites each viewer to contemplate the meaning of the Passion, and how it relates to their life today. The group is comprised of 14 teens and 10 adult advisors from several parishes in the Paterson Diocese. Adults and teens are stongly encouraged to attend this special Lenten experience. We suggest you arrive 15 minutes early. A free will offering will be taken up to support the players.

OUR COLLECTION TOTALS
February 13 & 14 - \$11,495

2011 Mass Intention Book

The 2011 Mass Intention Book will open on Tuesday, March 9, 2010. We will accept mailed or phoned requests for intentions and they will be posted as soon as possible, but please note that masses are first come, first serve, so preference will be given to those who come in person to the Parish Office to reserve mass dates and times.

Church in Central & Eastern Europe

Great needs remain in the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Some parishes still need a proper place to celebrate Mass; some dioceses cannot maintain necessary social and charitable works; most cannot support basic pastoral work. Today, we ask you to donate generously to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Give faith to the future.

Save the Dates!!!

March 7 - Lenten Sunday Presentation
*FIRST 100 YEARS FROM
MESSIANIC JUDAISM TO
CHRISTIANITY TO CATHOLICISM*

Deacon Merle Sisler
after the 12 noon Mass (1:00PM)
Soup and bread meal, in the Tracy
Center

**March 14 - Lenten Sunday
Presentation**
*THE LEGACY OF POPE JOHN XXIII,
THE CHURCH IN TRANSITION*

Deacons Tom Harenchar & Ken Rado
after the 12 noon Mass (1:00PM)
Soup and bread meal, in the Tracy
Center

April 11-14 - Parish Mission
WE COME TO TELL OUR STORIES
with Fr. James Friedel, OSA.



PREP A & B ~ Sunday, 10:15AM – 11:45AM

PREP A – Feb. 21, March 7 & 21, April 18

PREP B – Feb. 28, March 14, April 11 & 25

PREP Classes will not meet on March 28 or April 4 [Easter Break]

Jr. High PREP ~ Tuesday, 6:30PM – 8:00PM

- **Jr. High Lenten Penance** - Jr. High PREP students are encouraged to receive God's forgiveness in the sacrament of reconciliation during Lent. Students are invited to go to confessions on any of the following Mondays: March 1, 8, 22, 29 at 7:00PM or Monday, March 15 [Parish Penance Service] at 7:30PM.
- March 2 - **Classes** [prayer test]
- March 16 – **No Classes** (*attend Parish Penance service on Monday, March 15*)
- March 30 – **No Classes** [Easter Break]

Let It Snow! – *In the event PREP classes/activities need to be cancelled due to inclement weather, a message will be posted on the parish website (www.stvirgil.org) at least 1 hour prior to the start time.*

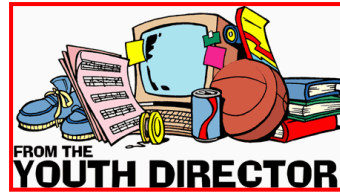
PREP & Jr. High PREP YEAR OF THE PRIEST

(POSTER & ESSAY CONTEST) Bishop Serratelli is inviting children to create a poster (grades 3-5) or an essay (grades 6-8) to celebrate the Year of the Priest as proclaimed by Pope Benedict XVI. The theme for the poster and essay is: "Our priest(s) are continuing the ministry of Jesus in our parish today: How do you think they teach as Jesus did; how you think they heal us as Jesus did; how you think they lead us to God our Father as Jesus did?" **All submissions must be returned to the PREP office located in the Parish Office no later than March 1, 2010.** *Three posters (one from each grade level) and one essay will be selected from the Parish to be forwarded to the Diocese. All participants will receive a certificate of recognition. Rules and directions can be found at the doors of the church.*

St. Virgil School Grand 50/50 Raffle

Tickets for the **St. Virgil School Grand 50/50 Raffle Drawing** are now available for purchase at the Parish Office or from any school family. Tickets cost \$5 each. Drawing will take place at our **Annual Gift Auction on March 12, 2010.** Winners need not be present. Last year's first prize was over \$3,000! Please support our parish school by purchasing a ticket or two. You could be one of the lucky winners!

- 1st Prize will be 50% of 1/2 of the Total**
- 2nd Prize will be 35% of 1/2 of the Total**
- 3rd Prize will be 15% of 1/2 of the Total**



On March 6th, St. Virgil's FISH Youth Ministry will once again be assisting at the site for Habitat for Humanity on Willow Street in Morristown. The

students are looking forward to going back to the house to work on the next phase of the project. We will arrive on-site at 8:30AM and work until approximately 11:30AM. We break for lunch and return to the site at 12:30PM and work until 3:30-4:00PM. If you are a high school student over 16 and would like to join us, please email Penny Manser at mansersvym@gmail.com to sign up. If any adult parishioners would like to join the Youth Ministry on March 6th, please email the above address or drop a note in the collection basket to Penny Manser's attention.

**ST. VIRGIL SCHOOL
GIFT AUCTION**

Friday, March 12, 2010

At a NEW VENUE:

The Villa at Mountain Lakes Frungillo Caterers, Inc.

90 Route 46 East Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046

Gift Auction Benefits the St. Virgil School Community



- Tickets \$50 Per Person, which includes an elegant sit-down dinner
- Doors open at 5:00PM
- Basket bidding will end promptly at 7:30PM
- Silent Auction will end promptly at 8:00PM
- Gift Baskets Valued From \$200 To Over \$1,000
- Grand Prize Items, Silent Auction, SVS Children's Art Auction, Many Raffles, Surprise Bags, Goody Bags, and a St. Virgil School Heritage Display
- Cash Bar Available. (Must be over 21 to attend.)

Registration forms are available at the Parish Office. Stop by to pick one up for you and a friend.

For additional information, call St. Virgil School at 973-539-7267 or visit St. Virgil website at www.stvirgil.com



NO SAND IN THE HOLY WATER FONTS?

That was the question that I received from someone. We used to fill the holy water fonts at the doors with sand during Lent as a way of reminding us of the time Jesus spent in the desert. We stop at the door as we enter church to dip our hand into the holy water font and sign ourselves with the sign of the cross. This blessed water is to remind us of the Baptismal promises that we made or were made for us by our godparents, if we were baptized as an infant. Some parishes have a large Baptismal font at the entrance to the church where each person who enters can dip their hand in the font and bless themselves. At St. Virgil's, we have a small font at each door. The symbolism is the same. During Lent we are practicing **fast and abstinence, but this does not extend to abstaining from the sacraments or sacramentals of the Church.** These are always available to us as a continual embrace of God's love. The practice of the Church has been to empty the holy water fonts on the days of the Sacred Triduum in preparation of the blessing of the water at the Easter Vigil, and it corresponds to those days on which the Eucharist is not celebrated (i.e., Good Friday and Holy Saturday).

RITE OF SENDING AND ELECTION

The second step in Christian initiation is the liturgical rite called both Enrollment of Names and Election, which closes the period of the Catechumenate, that is, the lengthy period of formation. There is an enrollment of names because as a pledge of fidelity the catechumens inscribe their names in the book that lists those who have been chosen for initiation. This step is called election because the acceptance made by the Church is founded on the election by God, in whose name the Church acts. This rite coincides with the beginning of Lent and marks the beginning of the final period, a more intense preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation. Our catechumens are now called the "elect" as they are encouraged to follow Christ with greater generosity. This week at the 12 Noon Mass our Parish celebrates the Rite of Sending with **Kaelli and Danny Zacchini** as they enroll their names in the Book of the Elect. At 4:00PM today Kaelli, Danny, their Parents, Godparents, and the RCIA team will celebrate the Rite of Election with the Bishop at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson. Kaelli and Danny have been preparing to celebrate the sacraments of Christian initiation – Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. During Lent they will have special prayers prayed over them as they enter the final period of their preparation called Purification and Enlightenment. Please pray for them, and for all people who are preparing to be received into the Catholic Church this Easter, that they may, through their sacramental celebrations, deepen their relationship with the Risen Lord.
Joanne Calafiore, Pastoral Associate

Bereavement Sessions

Losing a loved one is never easy. If you have suffered a loss, think about joining us for our Bereavement Support Sessions. Open sessions for anyone who has suffered a loss will be offered through the winter and spring. Sessions will be held in the Tracy Center, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, on the following Saturdays: February 27, March 27, April 24, and May 15. These sessions will offer sharing in a caring, supportive atmosphere. The sessions will be led by Barbara Trimiglozzi, Board Certified Chaplain, and Joanne Calafiore, Pastoral Associate of our Pastoral Team. Regular scheduled Mass is at 8:00 AM in the church. Attendance at Mass is optional. If you have any questions, please contact Joanne, on extension 222, or at joannecal@gmail.com, or Barbara on extension 221, in the Parish Office at 973-538-1418.



Prime Time

Our next meeting, Friday, February 26, was delayed because of the special mass for St. Virgil School, celebrating 100 years of excellence in preparing our children and grandchildren for the future - a very good reason to delay. Did you remember that each of you will be treated to a piece of pizza plus soda? It's free and who doesn't like that? Of course, the usual array of sumptuous desserts awaits your palate. It's also the White Elephant Sale - up to 5 articles per member. What isn't sold will be sent to mission organizations. Please help as proceeds will help in providing the next Pizza Party. Bring your checkbook to sign up for St. Patrick's Day luncheon, scheduled for March 19 at 1PM. Make \$14 check payable to St. Virgil Prime Time. Bring an item for the Food Pantry. If you forget, your donation will be happily received. The need continues to grow.
Anne Benson, Coordinator

Cascata, the Spa – Gift Certificate Sale

Cascata the Spa, in Morristown, is working with St. Virgil School to offer a special discounted gift certificate package. Each certificate (for the special price of only \$79.95 each) buys three spa treatments from the varied list of services. For each certificate sold, our school is paid \$25.00. **How This Experience Works:** This "Create Your Own Certificate" Program was designed for user flexibility to create a custom Salon & Spa experience and provide quality services at an introductory price. All details are on the coupons. Stop by the Parish Office to see what services and/or packages are available.

For further information or to purchase your certificate(s), stop by the Parish Office or call Annie Praino (973-538-1418), Kim Appleby (973-971-0386), or Michele Manfredi (973-455-7040).

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE	Feb 27, 5:00 PM	Feb 28, 7:30 AM	Feb 28, 9:00 AM	Feb 28, 10:30 AM	Feb 28, 12:00 PM
Extraordinary Minister	Marybeth Barilla Peggy Bergh Anne Kinman Wendy Nunn Michele Para Patricia Para	Margaret Flory Dorothy Halloran Catherine Marshall Joan Sambrowski Jean Williams Lloyd Williams	C/J Brady William Hoferer Stephanie Morgan Kathleen Petrozzo Barbara Rado Helen Salerno	Lori Clendenny Jeannie Diamond Richard Kagan Lisa Kaminsky Frank Miller Marita Miller	Paul LaMonica Chris Letta Lynn Stevens Barbara Trimiglozzi NOT FILLED NOT FILLED
Lector	Kelly Nunn	Helen Ann Pinto	Mike Connor	Kathleen Sisler	Ruth Haranchar
Altar Server	Benjamin Dorne Daniel Kikuchi Shannon Kikuchi	Kevin Cannavina GinaMarie Tonini Nick Tonini	Jenna LoFaro Elizabeth Rado Michael Rado	Jack Clendenny Sarah Mohr Lauren Procanik	Elizabeth Potter John Potter Conor Williams

Inwood House Baby Boutique Collection

To help enable very young mothers to **CHOOSE LIFE**, to keep their babies, and break the poverty cycle, during this Lent, please consider donating an item to *the Inwood House Baby Boutique* in NYC. There young mothers can “buy” baby items, but the only currency that is accepted are the points earned for positive parenting behavior. **Donated items must be new/unused** and can be all types of baby clothes, newborn essentials such as baby bags/blankets/teething rings/rattle toys, or even infant carriers. Stop by the table behind the presider’s chair for an information sheet on Inwood House or to drop off a donation. Of course checks or cash are welcome, too. Please make checks payable to St. Virgil Parish. Parishioner, Margaret Herold is leading this drive to support Inwood House.

Girls Scouts Collection for Area Pound

Our area animals need your help! St. Virgil School Girl Scout Troop 662 is organizing a supply drive to benefit the Randolph Animal Pound. The pound serves the local community and has animals in need of supplies while they await adoption. Bins located at the church doors will be available to receive your donation anytime between February 27 and March 7. Please consider donating any of the following items:

- Dry Cat Food
- Dog Food (dry or canned)
- Pet Crates/Carriers (new or gently used)
- Towels and Blankets (new or gently used)
- Cat or Dog Goodies (e.g., bones, toys, treats, etc.)

Operation Rice Bowl



In Luke’s story of the temptations of Jesus, we see how we can be tempted by wealth, power, and esteem just as He was tempted. Lent calls us to focus on our faith life by living it in power and esteem. As we begin our journey with Catholic Relief Services’ Operation Rice Bowl, let us pray and sacrifice so that through our faith life we can make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters in need.

WHY CATHOLIC?

God is constantly reaching out to each of us with love and forgiveness. Allow God to touch you through the *Why Catholic?* program. We continue this Lent with the next book in the series, *The Celebration of the Christian Mystery: Sacrament*. Consider joining one of the many groups whether you were part of a group last year or not. Our small faith-sharing groups have begun to meet. This program is also not cumulative, so it gives you the freedom to attend as your schedule allows. You are still welcome to join a discussion group as well as a virtual discussion group through the internet. If you are interested in joining a group, please contact Joanne Calafiore in the Parish Office or email at joannecal@gmail.com.



LENT AND EASTER
SCHEDULE

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE
Monday, March 15, at 7:30PM

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE
Palm Sunday, March 28
Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00PM
Sunday Masses: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:15PM
Holy Thursday, April 1
Morning Prayer 9:00AM
Mass of the Lord's Supper 8:00PM
Adoration until Midnight
Good Friday, April 2
Morning Prayer, 9:00AM
Liturgy of the Passion 3:00PM
Tenebrae, Service of Light Scripture & Song 8:00PM
Holy Saturday, April 3
Morning Prayer 9AM
Blessing of Easter Foods 2:00PM
Easter Vigil Liturgy 8:00PM
Easter Sunday, April 4
Masses: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:15PM