

MARCH 7, 2010
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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Welcoming Adults into the Catholic Church

The process of welcoming adults into the Catholic Church is called the RCIA, or Rite of Christian Initiation. The process comes from a long standing tradition in the Catholic Church, and it includes classes about the Catholic faith as well as times of prayer and personal formation. The candidates are then formally welcomed on Holy Saturday night at the Easter Vigil. During the season of Lent, we celebrate special preparatory rites called "Scrutinies." These rites are penitential in nature, helping the candidates to take a look at the lives, and seek forgiveness for their sins. Please pray for our five candidates: **Vanessa Cruz, Kelli McAleenan, Mary McMahon, Barbara Olszowka, and Joe Vasquez.**

St. Terrence Men's Club All You Can Eat Pasta Dinner Saturday March 20 ~ 4 PM—7 PM



Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join us on Saturday, March 20, for our annual Pasta Dinner, from 4 PM to 7 PM in the Father Riordan Center. The menu will include meat sauces, pastas, pizza and garlic bread. Plan an evening together attending the 5:00 PM mass, and then join us in the Father Riordan Center for pasta and pizza. Refreshments will also be available.



**Pasta dinner is \$4.00 per adult;
\$3.00 for children 12 and under
Beggars™ pizza \$2.00 per slice**



Stations of the Cross will be prayed together on all Friday evenings of Lent at 7:00 PM.

Abstinence from meats is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on **all the Fridays of Lent.**

Third Week of Lent ~ The Burning Bush and the Call of Moses



Today we hear the call of Moses to lead his people from oppression to freedom. God promises to be with them as they journey to a new life. Our participation in Catholic Relief Service **Operation Rice Bowl** unites us in prayer, fasting, and giving with the millions of people throughout the world who are oppressed with poverty, injustice, war, disease, and lack of education and other opportunities.



Market Day Pick-Up 4:00 PM Start!

Market Day orders will be delivered to the Father Riordan Center this **Thursday, March 11**. Kindly pick up your order between **4:00 PM and 5:30 PM**. Thank you!

Be sure to set your clocks **AHEAD** one hour before you retire for the night next **Saturday, March 13**.



Employment Resources



St. Germaine Job Seekers will meet Monday, March 8, at 10:30 a.m. in the Sheridan Room, accessible through the parking lot doors at 98th and Kolin. All seeking work are welcome, as are all

who might help those seeking work. Questions? Call Carol at 636-5060.

Between Jobs Ministry Sponsors Interview Workshop ... Improve your interview skills by attending a special workshop to take place on Thursday, March 11, 2010, from 6:30 - 8:00 PM in the St. John Fisher Rectory, 10234 S. Washenaw, Chicago, IL. Presenters Lorraine Guse and Catherine Klinger, human resource professionals and hiring experts, will teach helpful techniques and offer opportunities for role playing an interview session. For more information call Jim White at 773-322-2518.

St Terrence HEARTBEAT

St. Terrence HEARTBEAT will meet tonight (Sunday) at 6:00 PM in the Fr Riordan Center. The Youth Group is open to all high-school age teens from the parish.

A Cosmic Bowling Party will be held on Sunday, March 21, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Eagle's Bowl, 2427 Grove, in Blue Island. **This event is open to all of our current 8th grade students.** This event will allow you to see what the group is all about. The cost is \$5.00 per person, and **includes bowling, shoe rental, pizza, pop, and DOOR PRIZES.** The event is sponsored by St. Terrence Men's Club. **Pre-registration** by the teens is required by next Sunday, March 14th.

May it bear fruit in the future

Have you ever taken a Gospel story and applied it to your life? This week's Gospel (Lk 13:1-9) provides an opportunity to examine our faith lives through one of Jesus' parables. In the Gospel story, the landowner wants to cut down a tree that was not producing fruit. The gardener pleads with him, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future.'

Can the fig tree be a metaphor for our faith? Without attention and cultivation our faith lives can feel dry and unproductive which leaves us without joy in the present or hope for the future. These are the comments we have heard from Catholics who have returned since the Catholics Come Home ads aired on television.

There may be someone in your parish that has recently returned to the church and is now attending Mass and receiving the Sacraments. Welcome them to your parish and you may hear their story. The returning Catholics that contact the Office for Evangelization have told about returning to Reconciliation and renewing their commitment to prayer and reading Scripture. These activities have begun to cultivate their faith and already they are experiencing joy and hope.

The newly returned Catholics may have good advice for us all: receive the Sacraments often and spend time with God through prayer and Scripture. Try these practices for a year and see how our faith life can bear much fruit.

Catholics Come Home Survey on the TV Ads

In December and January, there were 5 ½ weeks of television ads that invited Catholics to come back to the practice of the faith. The TV ads were just the starting point for a year of evangelization activities in the parishes. The Office for Evangelization will also be asking Pastors and Parish Contacts to evaluate many aspects of the Catholics Come Home evangelization initiative. The full report will be completed this summer.

You are invited share your opinion of the television ads by answering a brief on-line survey that can be found at www.archchicago.org or www.catholicscomehomechicago.org



Masses for the Week

Sunday March 7, 2010

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

- Lorraine Neilsen Phillips
- 7:30 Lillian N. Schultz
- Joan O'Connell & Sons
- 9:00 People of the Parish
- 11:00 Ann F. Wrobel
- Darris Ann Coyle

Monday March 8, 2010

St. John of God

- 8:45 Anna Cannon (Anniversary)

Tuesday March 9, 2010

St. Frances of Rome

- 8:45 Mina Hoogland
- Janie S. Schoot-Thoreson

Wednesday March 10, 2010

- 8:45 Suffering Souls in Purgatory

Thursday March 11, 2010

- 8:45 Special Intention - Keith Grochowski

Friday March 12, 2010

- 8:45 Purgatorial Society

Saturday March 13, 2010

8:45 - Communion Service

- 5:00 Hugh Gamble
- Maratea, Fittanto and Schiera Families

Sunday March 14, 2010

- 7:30 Lillian N. Schultz
- Arlene Labiak
- 9:00 People of the Parish
- Bob Fellion
- 11:00 Bernard Kania
- Frank Hornik

Readings for the Week

- Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30
 - Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35
 - Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19
 - Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23
 - Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34
 - Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14
 - Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Alternate readings (Year A):
 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23;
 Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41
 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

Today's readings in Gather Comprehensive may be found at **#930** for the **Third Sunday of Lent**
 Responsorial Psalms for weekday masses may be found at **#1110**.

Next Week's Presiders

- 5:00 PM – Father Barrett
- 7:30 AM – Father Barrett
- 9:00 AM – Father Barrett
- 11:00 AM – Father Mulcahy

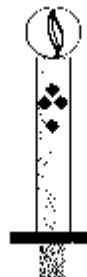
Collection Report & Comparison

| | <u>February 2009</u> | <u>2010</u> | : |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------|
| 1st Sunday | \$6,826.16 | \$6,679.48 | |
| 2nd Sunday | \$7,482.53 | \$6,129.29 | |
| 3rd Sunday | \$5,826.25 | \$6,902.36 | |
| 4th Sunday | \$6,510.24 | \$6,953.82 | last week |

Thank you for your continuous generosity to St. Terrence Parish.

Fr. Ed Barrett

AN ANGEL OF THE LORD APPEARED TO MOSES IN FIRE FLAMING OUT OF A BUSH



Rest in Peace

Please remember in your prayers the following who have recently died:

- Robert Schick*
- Grace M Latino*
- Brother Vito Aresto*