Third Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2012

MASSES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, MARCH 11, 2012

9:00 am Ginny Emmrich (d)

11:00 am Paul & Carolyn Sunderhaus (d)

7:00 pm For the Parishioners

MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2012

8:00 am Topicz & Hacker families

9:00 am Fred Rolfes (d)

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2012

8:00 am Marian Clark (d) 9:00 am Bob Frommeyer (d)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2012

8:00 am Ailiene Casada (d)

9:00 am Pilgrims

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2012

8:00 am Lucille Meirose (d) 9:00 am Betty Haass (d)

3pm – 5pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2012

8:00 am Lucille Gloystein (d) 9:00 am Marian Wittkamp (d) 5:00 pm Edward Geiger (d)

SATURDAY MARCH 17, 2012

Saint Patrick, bishop

8:00 am Ed Donaldson

3pm – 4pm CONFESSIONS

4:30 pm Rosalie Lemkuhl

SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2012

9:00 am Karches & Dee families11:00 am Deacon George & Mil Kelly7:00 pm For the Parishioners

St. Lawrence is Thinking of You

ARCHBISHOP LEIBOLD HOME: Irma Hornback **BAYLEY PLACE**: Ruth Jean Boschert, Ida Krupp,

Florence (Babe) Lott, William Weidner

MERCY FRANCISCAN AT WEST PARK:

Clara Eichhold, Eileen Meyers

PLACE YOUR AD IN OUR BULLETIN AND SUPPORT OUR PARISH!

Group Health Associates Physicians & Surgeons 249-7000 Affiliated with Tri-Health

PLEASE NOTIFY US AT THE RECTORY

when a family member is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of Penance.

SERVERS

March 17/18 S Sunderman. B Rouse B Brannon, A Hines

11:00 am P Phan, T Dao E Sweet, M Sweet

4:30 pm

9:00 am

LECTORS

March 17/18

 4:30 pm
 J Mueller

 9:00 am
 C Manegold

 11:00 am
 E Prater

 7:00 pm
 A Backs

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

March 17/18

4:30 pm <u>C Hornback</u>, N Hornback,

C Hoffman, Sr. Helen Julia Hahn

9:00 am <u>B Kessling,</u> L Kessling,

M Jones, S Jones

T Phan, R Weinheimer

7:00 pm <u>*M Thompson*</u>

Please be sure to stop in the sacristy before Mass to let Father know you are present. Thank you!

OFFERING

MARCH 4, 2012

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<u>Vocation View</u>: "We proclaim Christ, Crucified!" (1 Cor 1:23) In the Crucifixion, we find strength. In the Cross is our triumph. Rest in His Mercy that you might proclaim Him in all that you say and do.

<u>Thought for the Day</u>: The home must be in accord with the Church, that all harmful influences be withheld from the souls of children. Where there is true piety in the home, purity of moral reigns supreme.

St. John Vianney



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Bingo

Sunday workers: please report at 11:30 Tuesday workers: please report at 5:30

Parents of the students listed below are asked to work the following Bingo:

SUNDAY, MARCH 11: E Long, A Sanders, T Smith, D Weber-Walker

TUESDAY, MARCH 13 Y Sopapia, K Stewart.

M Sweet

SUNDAY, MARCH 18: A Thomas, A Thomas, N Varin

TUESDAY, MARCH 20: M Clayton, D Dudley,

M Foreman

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Ash Wednesday (February 22) and Good Friday (April 6) are days of fast and abstinence. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence only. The law of abstinence applies to everyone 14 years and up. Abstinence means no meat. The Law of Fasting pertains to all Catholics from 18 years of age to their 59th birthday. Fasting means one full meal a day or two lesser meals not to equal a full meal.

St. Lawrence Summer Festival: "Plans are getting underway for this year's Summer Festival. The St. Lawrence Festival dates are July 6, 7, and 8, 2012. Mark your calendars for the big event!"

The teachers are getting an early start collecting the 600 items needed to stock the Variety Pull-Down Booth. Handcrafted items are great, as well as: afghans, plush animals, toys, figurines, small household items, etc. Be creative! Items can be dropped off at the rectory or call 921-0328 to make arrangements for pick-ups.

<u>The "Baskets For All Occasions"</u> booth is in need of your help. This booth consists of baskets filled with items categorized by themes. Examples of baskets for this booth are: Sports, Jewelry, Household Items, or Services, Games, Corn Hole Sets, School Supplies, Gardening, Weekend Packages, Tickets to Sporting Events, Dinner Gift Cards, Family Fun Packages, Gift Certificates, Gas Cards, or any number of other great items. Please send donations to the rectory, to the attention of the Basket Booth.

from the Pastor's Desk

Fish Fry: Our Lenten Fish Fry is held on all the Fridays of Lent, from 4 to 7pm in Heritage Hall. You can dine in, drive-thru or carry out. Our Fish Fry is one of the best on the Westside! So, don't miss it!

Mass and the Way of the Cross: On the Friday afternoons of Lent we will have the Way of the Cross beginning at 5:00pm followed immediately by Holy Mass. Please remember, too, that Eucharistic Adoration is every Thursday afternoon from 3:00pm. to 5:00pm. Father hears confessions during part of the first hour of adoration. Of course, confessions are regularly scheduled on Saturday afternoons from 3:00pm to 4:00pm as well. Confessions, the Way of the Cross, Holy Mass and Eucharistic Adoration are excellent ways to prepare our souls to celebrate the Lord's resurrection at Easter.

<u>Confirmation</u> Please pray for our St. Lawrence students who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, March 21.

Freedom-Standing Together! As you know, the Federal Government is forcing all of us to pay for sterilizations, abortion-inducing drugs and contraceptives through Health Care Insurance premiums. Let your Congressional Representatives know of your opposition to this assault on your freedom, religious freedom and conscience. You can contact your Representative by calling the U.S. Capitol switchboard at 202-224-3121.

<u>CMA</u>: Next weekend, March 17 and 18, will be 2012 Catholic Ministries Appeal Commitment Weekend here at St. Lawrence. You should have received a mailing from Archbishop Schnurr this week with an invitation to make your pledge. If you did not receive a mailing, or you are not on the parish mailing list, please take a pledge envelope from the CMA poster display. We invite all parishioners to respond generously to the Catholic Ministries Appeal by bringing your completed pledge card in the reply envelope for collection in next weekend's offertory collection. Thank You!

Elder Travel Group...Thinking Ahead: Join members of the Elder Family on exciting excursions to out-of-town Reds games, a tour of Kentucky's Bourbon Trail, the Grand Ole Opry, or cruise to Bermuda! There are five exciting trips planned for 2012! Elder Travel Group trips are open to Elder Alumni and friends, and they benefit the Elder High School Scholarship Endowment. Visit the Elder Travel Group's page at www.elderhs.org for more information or call Norb Guetle at 513-451-1227.

40 Days for Life will be held from now until Sunday, April 20, 2012. Greater Cincinnati will again unite with hundreds of other locations throughout the United States, and beyond for the Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign, to pray for an end to the abortion holocaust. Vigils will be conducted at Planned Parenthood's abortion headquarters on Auburn Avenue and the Women's Medical Center abortion mill in Sharonville. Contact the Planned Parenthood vigils: Mary Clark at 791-4039 or visit cincinnatidays40@live.com, or www.40daysforlife.com/cincinnati. Contact for Women's Med Center vigils: Mary Jo Suer at maryjos1@fuse.net.

<u>Congratulations</u> to the St. Lawrence High School boy's basketball team. They will be representing the Cincinnati Archdiocese in Akron, Ohio in the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) State Tournament this weekend, March 9, 10, and 11. Please keep them in your prayers.



Lenten Lunch with the Lord: The Lenten series of Lunch with the Lord takes place on Mondays, March 12, 19 and 26 following the 11:00am Mass at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral to contemplate the upcoming Sunday readings with Fr. Mark Burger, who will be accompanied by musicians. They meet in the Cathedral Synod Hall from noon until about 1:00pm.

Bring your lunch if you like and at the same time, feed on God's word. Soft drinks and water will be available for purchase. Coffee and tea are provided. All sessions are free and open to the public.

St. Lawrence PTO Annual Fish Fry is selling chances to raffle an I-pod Touch with accessories. This is over a \$200 value. Chances may be purchased one chance for \$1 or six chances for \$5. The raffle will be held on Good Friday, April 6. You need not be present to win. Chances may be bought at the Fish Fry, which is held on all Fridays of Lent, in Heritage Hall, from 4-7pm.

<u>PTO Fish Fry</u>: Thank to all who helped volunteer at the Fish Fry so far, particularly the Knights of Columbus. Your help is much appreciated.



St. Lawrence couples who will be celebrating 75, 70, 60, 50 or 25 years of marriage in 2012 are asked to call the rectory at 921-0328 by Monday, March 19. Saturday, May 12, 2012 at 1:00pm, Most Reverend Joseph R. Binzer, Bishop, will be the principal celebrant of the Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass at St. Peter in Chains Cathedral. Invitations will be mailed to each couple celebrating 50 years of marriage.

searching for a young man to serve as assistant Scoutmaster. You must be 21 years of age with good maturity and common sense. Love of the outdoors is essential. Full training will be provided. Having a trailer hitch is a plus. Troop 302 has over 20 boys and is a strong youth ministry of our church. The troop meets on Tuesday nights in Heritage Hall from 7:00pm – 8:30pm. If you are wiling to answer the call or would like to recommend an individual, please

St. Lawrence Boy Scout Troop 302 is

"It is better to build boys than mend men."

call Bill Aufermann, Scoutmaster, at 921-8208.

A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT Seminar will be held on Wednesday evenings from now until April 25, from 7:00pm to 9:00pm in St. Ignatius Church in Hilvert Center (I-74 & North Bend Road). Listen to dynamic teachings that will help you to encounter Jesus personally and experience the powerful love of the Holy Spirit. Suggested donation: \$5 for materials. For more information and to register call Sue & Tom (513) 923-1662 or Lighthouse Community at (513)-471-LITE).

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<u>Elder High School</u> is once again having their tech-reach computer classes during the month of March in the Schaeper Center. Each course fee costs from \$30. - \$35. To register: send payment with completed registration form, which can be found at www.tech-reach.org, to 3900 Vincent Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45205 or call 921-3744 ext. 3601 or ext. 3636. Make checks payable to tech-reach. There is plenty of free parking, and we are located on the bus line. Enter parking lot from 4005 Glenway Ave. or from 3900 Vincent Ave.

Elder & Seton High Schools Mark your calendars! On Sunday, March 25 at 3:00pm in the Seton Performance Hall, the Cincinnati Metropolitan Orchestra will present its free winter concert, "Stormy Seas". This performance will feature music with a nautical or weather theme. Classical pieces include Beethoven's 6th Symphony ("Pastoral") and Grieg's Peer Gynt Suite. You will also hear melodies from the movies, with selections from Titanic, Pirates of the Caribbean, and The Sea Hawk. For concert information, visit www.gocmo.org or call the CMO hotline at 941-8956.

In addition, the Elder High School Glee Club will sponsor its annual Italian Dinner from 4:00pm – 7:00pm in Elder's cafeteria (carryout is available). For information about the dinner, contact Diane Laiveling at 451-7460.



The Sisters of Charity Spirituality Center is offering Creator, Reshape My Heart, God Steady My Spirit, a weekend retreat during Lent. Led by S. Wanda Smith, RSM, this retreat begins on Friday evening. March 23 at 7:00pm and concludes on Saturday, March 24 at 3:00pm. Participants are welcome to stay overnight or commute for the retreat. The program will be held at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse. For registration information or questions please contact us at 347-5449 or spiritualitycenter@srcharitycinti.org.

St. Lawrence Athletic Association is hosting its annual Monte Carlo Night (Ham Dinger) on Saturday, March 24 from 8:00pm to 12:00am in the St. Lawrence Parish Center (Bingo Hall). Join us for a fun-filled evening of basket raffles, poker, instants, cart of cheer and split the pot raffles and much more! You can even win a ham for your Easter dinner! Cost is \$5, which includes beer, pop, and chips/pretzels. All proceeds DIRECTLY benefit our student athletes!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: It's March! Escape the Madness with a Marriage Encounter Weekend! Schedule a weekend away – just for the two of you! Make your good marriage warmer and happier with a Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Marriage Encounter weekends in this area are March 16-18, 2012 at the Wyndham Hotel in Dayton, OH, May 4-6, 2012, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Blue Ash, OH, and July 20-22, 2012 at the Holiday Inn Eastgate in Cincinnati, OH. Weekends fill up quickly, so a prompt response is encouraged to avoid the waiting list. For more details or reservations, call Dave & Jan Stockleman at 1-800-547-1251 Code 00 or on the web at www.esharing.org.

Lenten Series at St. William; St.William Lenten Series proudly presents: "Christ Call to Forgiveness and Reconciliation." Fr. John Amankwah, Associate Professor of Communication Studies at the College of Mount St. Joseph, will explore the call of Jesus to forgiveness and reconciliation. The series is on Wednesdays, March 7th, 14th, and 21st at 7:00pm in Father Reardon Hall (beneath St. William Church). There is no cost and all are welcome.

St. William Parish's Pilgrimage to Canada is planned for this summer. Father Umberg is planning a bus pilgrimage to Niagara Falls, Montreal and Quebec shrines this July. Shrines include the Notre Dame Basilica, St. Joseph's Oratory, and Saint Anne de Beaupre. 6 nights lodging includes overnights, 6 breakfast and 4 full course dinners. If you are interested or would like more details, call the Parish Center at 921-0247 or Tom or Judy at 251-0539. We need a minimum of 35 people for this trip.