

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, March 8

2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30

7:00 a.m. James O'Brien

8:45 a.m. Warren & Fran Smith

5:30 p.m. Mabel Angeline

TUESDAY, March 9

Dn 3:25,34-43; Mt 18:21-35

7:00 a.m. William Ripper

8:45 a.m. Jane Lynn

5:30 p.m. Warren & Fran Smith

WEDNESDAY, March 10

Dt 4:1,5-9; Mt 5:17-19

7:00 a.m. Enis Meese

8:45 a.m. Warren & Fran Smith

5:30 p.m. Mildred Fox

THURSDAY, March 11

Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23

7:00 a.m. George Lett, Sr.

8:45 a.m. Michael Kuzmick

5:30 p.m. Richard Luqullo

FRIDAY, March 12

Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34

7:00 a.m. George Humetsky

8:45 a.m. James O'Brien

5:30 p.m. Peter Kohn

SATURDAY, March 13

Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

8:00 a.m. Peter Kohn

5:30 p.m. Theresa Dewofa

7:30 p.m. Warren & Fran Smith

SUNDAY, March 14

Jos 5:9a,10-12; 2Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3,11-32

7:30 a.m. Ann Connolly

9:00 a.m. John Kowalski

10:30 a.m. Carol Sharkey

12:15 p.m. Bonnie DeMicco

P.E.A.C.E.

Continues in our parish on Monday, March 8 and concludes on Friday, March 26, with a special closing at 7:30 p.m. in Church.



"My sacrifice, O God, is a contrite spirit."

- Psalm 51:19

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

MARCH 13-14

5:30 p.m. Max & Chris Bernecker, Isabelle Stringer

7:30 p.m. Zach Bross, Brock McElhenney, Patrick McKellick

7:30 a.m. Matthew Freeman, Rosie Kean, Barry Seng

9:00 a.m. Charlotte Brochu, Daniel & Caitlin Patt

10:30 a.m. Alexandra Fink, John Panza, Jake Patridge

12:15 p.m. Nicole & Zach Hodrick, Zachary Adams

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

MARCH 13-14

5:30 p.m. Chris Bernecker, Gene Buckley

9:00 a.m. Jim Anthony, Philip Brochu, Tim Schamberger

10:30 a.m. Connie Barberic, Derek Peiffer, David Swaintek

12:15 p.m. Laura Michaelis, Frank Steckel

LECTOR SCHEDULE

MARCH 13-14

5:30 p.m. Anna Miller, Jerry Palguta

7:30 p.m. Barbara Grofic, Jill Maurer

7:30 a.m. Brian Misanko

9:00 a.m. Jerry Judge, Bruce Gilbert

10:30 a.m. Bruce & Jackie Wynocker

12:15 p.m. Midge Barilla, Ed Olearczyk

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1-6 - Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28.

Grades 7-8 - Mar 8, 22.

NEWLY BAPTIZED

We are pleased to welcome into our Parish Community Weston Daniel Husser, Aaron Michael Mohr and Peyton Angelica Webb, We congratulate their parents.

STM FAMILY BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

8- 12 NOON

STM FAMILY CENTER

Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Cereal, Fruit, Bagels, French Toast, Pancakes, Potatoes and More

ALL 5TH GRADERS EAT FREE!

Sponsored and Hosted
by the Men of St. Thomas

M.O.S.T.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING YOUR OLD PALM TO CHURCH THIS YEAR!

March 7, 2010

FROM THE PASTOR

St. Thomas More has exceeded its five million dollar goal!

\$5,102,112 has been pledged by 933 families.

Please remember this is a 5 year pledge that will benefit the church renovation and the school expansion. We trust that each family will make a pledge no matter how small or large.

The additional pledges will be placed in an endowment fund which will enable future generations to continue the mission of holiness and evangelization and education at STM.

If you are unable to make a monetary pledge, then please pledge your prayers.

PRIME TIME NEWS

Thurs., Mar. 11 - Next monthly meeting at 1:30 p.m., Family Center. Wine & Cheese party. The 2010 dues of \$5 are payable to Marilyn Hamel.

Wed., Mar. 24 - Mohegan Sun - Cost \$20, rebate \$20 slot play and \$10 food credit or free buffet. Leave STM at 10:00 a.m.

April 14 - Sight & Sound for the show "Joseph". Eat at Shady Maples. Cost \$85. Leave STM at 11 a.m.

Wed., Apr. 21 and May 19 - Mohegan Sun - Cost \$20, rebate \$25 slot play and \$10 food credit or free buffet. Leave STM at 10:00 a.m.

All trips include **all** tips. Non-members welcome, any age. **Please note: Take photo ID on all casino trips and must be 21 years of age.** On all our bus trips your check is your reservation and will be handled in that order. If you need to cancel, you are responsible for filling your reservation. We will try to assist you if we have a waiting list. **Call Marie Ormanoski, 610-965-9960.**

STM SUMMER THEATRE MAGIC, 2010

Auditions for "Annie" will be held on **Sat., Mar. 13, 9:00 a.m. sharp for children and 10:00 a.m. teens and adults, in the STM School Music Room. (Please enter by way of the school gym doors.) Adults and teens who wish to be considered for principal/featured singing/acting roles should be prepared to stay until 1 p.m. Adults and teens who wish to be members of the ensemble may leave after they have completed both vocal and acting auditions. All children will leave by Noon. Ques., contact Natalie at 610-433-7413x18 or natalie@stmchurchallentown.org**

PRAY FOR PEACE

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR STM PARISHIONERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

"We live in the land of the free because of the brave."

STM MILITARY FAMILIES SUPPORT GROUP

Is requesting your help to create an updated list of all families who have members currently serving in the armed services, domestically or abroad. Please contact me with your information: elaine.swaintek@gmail.com or Elaine at 610-682-1834.

CAREER NETWORK

Will meet on **Tues., Mar. 9 at 7:30 p.m.** in our school computer lab. Ed White and Alex Spatz will be showing us how to search the internet for jobs using the computer. Ed White will show how to use various employment networking sites such as LinkedIn. If interested, please come to the front entrance of the school on Tuesday night. Ques., call Deacon Jim Toolan at 610-433-7413.

STM BEREAVEMENT SFG

To meet **Tues., Mar. 9, 7:00 p.m.** in the Church Library. Anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one is invited. Ques., call Connie Barberics, 610-428-0495.

HAVE A HEART

Wed., Mar. 10 - Mary's Stations of the Cross, **6:30 p.m.** Potluck dinner following at **7:30 p.m.** Both in the Family Center. Call Connie at 610-740-0344 with your dish or to ask what is needed.

VOCATION CORNER

O Jesus, Good Shepherd, raise up in all parish communities, priests, deacons, religious, consecrated lay people and missionaries according to the needs of the whole world, which you love and want to save. We entrust to you in a special way, our parish; create in it the spiritual atmosphere of the first Christians in order that it may be a cenacle of prayer where we lovingly receive the Holy Spirit and His Gifts. Direct your loving gaze to the many well-disposed young people and invite them to follow You. Help them to understand that only in You they can achieve their fulfillment.

PLEASE USE RICE BOWL

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

BUS TRIPS:

Million Dollar Quartet - Sat., Mar. 27 - Cost \$111. New Broadway musical recreates the legendary jam session of Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley and the story of the men who made it happen. Bus leaves Trident at 8:00 a.m.

Come Fly Away/Kips Bay Decorator House - Wed., May 5. Select from following options: Come Fly Away is a Broadway dance musical set to the tunes & voice of Frank Sinatra and choreographed by Twyla Tharp. Show and bus cost is \$120.

Kips Bay Decorator Show House tour and bus cost is \$55. Do the show, the tour and bus for \$143. If you want a spring day in NYC on your own, bus only is \$30. Bus leaves Trident at 8.

Miracle Worker - Sat., May 22. Cost \$129. Story of Helen Keller. Starring Abigail Breslin and Alison Pill. Bus leaves Trident at 8:00 a.m.

Phillies/Cincinnati - Fri., July 9 (with fireworks). Cost \$45. **Citizens Bank Park. Bus leaves STM parking lot at 4:00 p.m. Game begins 7:05 p.m. Bus leaves after fireworks to return.**

PLEASE NOTE! On all bus trips your check is your reservation and will be handled on a first come, first served basis. Trips are subject to cancellation if minimum number of reservations is not met. Mail checks made out to STM Women's Guild to Lori O'Hara, 1960 Little John Lane, Allentown, PA 18103. In the event of a need to cancel, participant is responsible for resale of ticket or reservation. We will attempt to assist if we have a waiting list. Ques. to Lori 610-432-3863.

WHAT'S ALL THE BUZZ ABOUT?

Come find out at the STM Women's Guild Annual **Mother/Daughter Breakfast** to be held in the Family Center on **Sun., April 11, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.** Adults \$15, children \$6. Details will follow in future bulletins. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer time or talent, or donate an item for our door prize raffle, please call co-chairs Staci Sander, 610-530-0885 or Michelle Stringer, 610-336-0612.

R.C.I.A.

What role does your conscience play in the decisions you make? **How do you form your conscience?** How do you develop **virtues?** Fr. Butera continues to address Moral Issues this **Tues. from 7:30-9:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center STM Room.

ADULT EDUCATION

On **Mon., March 8, at 7:30 p.m.**, all are welcome to the Disciple's Room for **The Church and the Modern World.** Dr. Brennan Pursell will lecture on "Catholicism and the Islamic World."

STM BOOK FAIR

Is scheduled for the weekend of **March 12, 13 and 14, in the School Art Center on Fri., from 7-9 p.m. and after all Masses on the weekend. Proceeds benefit School Library.**

ST. THOMAS MORE FAMILY CENTER

Let us help you customize your special event

Wedding Receptions, Cocktail Parties,

Corporate Events

FOR INFO CALL

Gwyn Baker 610-217-0840 or

Erin Eisenhard 610-217-1196

www.stmweddings.com

All proceeds benefit St. Thomas More School

YOUTH MINISTRY

Open to all H.S. teens, grades 9-12. Contact Cory and Joe Lamack at 610-395-6516 or email at jlamack@rcn.com with any questions.

A Night of Prayer and Praise for Vocations - hosted by Cathedral Youth Group, **Sun., Mar. 14, 6:30-8:30 p.m.** at the Cathedral. Bishop Barres will be present to meet with the teens. Entertainment by Catholic FX. Please let Mrs. Lamack know if you plan to attend and if you will need transportation.

Retreat - April 16-18. Reserve the date.

LENTEN CALENDAR

Daily Masses - **7:00, 8:45 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Church.**

Confessions - **Fri., 6:30-7:30 p.m., Sat., 4:30-5:30 p.m. and after 7:30 p.m. Mass.**

Stations of the Cross - **Fri., Mar. 5, 7:30 p.m., Church.**

RICE BOWL MEAL - WEEK THREE: Corn Chowder, Rye Crisps, Fresh Apple OR Baked Cheddar Cheese, Stuffed Potato, Pineapple Chunks.

READ: Luke 14:12-15

MEN OF ST. THOMAS

Is organizing a weekend retreat to St. Joseph in the Hills, located in Malvern, PA, starting on **Friday evening, March 26 to Noon on Sunday, March 28.** All men of the parish are welcome. Please call Bob Zunino at 610-366-7373 or Rick Kush at 610-395-7014 for reservations or any questions.

STM WOMEN'S GUILD BASKET BINGO

Thurs., Mar. 11, 7:00 p.m. in the Family Center (snow date March 18). Members \$20; non-members \$22 for 20 games. Seating is limited; tickets must be purchased in advance. Ques., or to volunteer for refreshments, call Bobbi Marler at 610-421-8558 or bobbi.marler@yahoo

REMEMBER TO USE MORE BREAD!