

You have heard the homily. You have received the letter. You have thought about it. It begins! Monday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm is the start of your **Lenten Mission**. The speakers, Michael DiMucci, June Scanlon, and Judy Dyer are ready. Deacon Paul and the music ministry are set. Yes, we are ready, set and now you must GO to the mission this week; Monday through Thursday at 7:00 PM. The theme is "Come to me all who are weary and find life burdensome". Come and let the Lord refresh you. Be nice and invite a friend or neighbor.

***Thursday night social***

To celebrate the success of the mission, on the final night there will be a social in the auditorium at the close of the mission. We are looking for people to bake. Please sign the appropriate sheet on the back table.

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***Be a Better Steward of God's Creation:  
Reduce Your Carbon Footprint, Energy Use  
& Costs***

St. Luke's Church, Barrington, has scheduled a RI Interfaith Power and Light Cool Congregations Workshop, for Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. Helen Hawkinson, a St. Mary's Parishioner will present a slide program on climate.

Participants will be able to calculate their household's current carbon imprint, compare that to the usage of other American households of equal size and review ways they can make reductions, both in usage and in costs.

Kristin Caproni, Education Specialist of the Diocesan Office of Catholic Charities and Social Ministries, will present information on the St. Francis Pledge from Catholic Climate Covenant: Care for Creation, Care for the Poor and explain how to make the pledge. Light refreshments will be served. To register or for more information e-mail R.I. Interfaith Power and Light at [info@riipl.org](mailto:info@riipl.org) by March 7, 2010 or call 267-0029.

***Catholic Charity Fund Appeal***

This week and next we will be conducting our in-pew solicitation. We ask you to take an envelope, pray about it and then fill in the information about your pledge or gift. On the front of the envelope there is a section for credit card use or electronic transfers. On the back of the envelope please fill in section A and then either section B or C. **Checks should be made payable to the Catholic Charity Fund.**

Catholic Charity Appeal impacts thousands of lives every year. The 39 ministries and programs supported by the appeal change lives every day thanks to your generous support.

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***4<sup>TH</sup> of July Float***

I hope you have started to think of a design. We need a patriotic theme that includes our parish. Your idea should be submitted to Fr Barry. Should your design be chosen, you will receive a \$100.00 gift certificate to S S Dion.

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***Adoration in the Chapel***

This Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> Adoration will end at 6:45pm due to the Mission starting at 7:00pm

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***Parish Council***

Next meeting is Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

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***Parish Penance Service***

Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm  
After a brief service of the Word, you will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation through confession.

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***Need for prayers***

We are receiving so many requests for prayers that each weekend the binder for prayers will be brought to the altar in the opening procession. This binder for your prayer petitions will be on the back table before and after every Mass.

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Next weekend, we will begin using a ***new chalice*** that has been donated to the parish in memory of Salvatore Parella by his family. His grandson, Gregory and parents gave us a color laser printer and banner stands.



Saturday, Feb. 27 <sup>th</sup>	
4:00 PM	Harold Bannister requested by our St. Vincent dePaul Society
Sunday, Feb. 28 <sup>th</sup>	
8:30 AM	Muriel Kane (4 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) requested by Jay Desilets
10:00 AM	Raymond J. Fournier (8 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) requested by his family
11:30 AM	John McIntyre requested by our St. Vincent dePaul Society
Monday, Mar 1 <sup>st</sup>	
8:00 AM	For the captive souls in Purgatory
12:00 PM	<b>Intention Available</b>
7:00 PM	<b><u>Parish Mission</u></b>
Tuesday, Mar. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
8:00 AM	Ron Gladue requested by his wife Paula
7:00 PM	<b><u>Parish Mission</u></b>
Wednesday, Mar. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	
8:00 AM	Joseph and Artemizia Cordeiro requested by their daughter Theresa
12:00 PM	<b>Intention Available</b>
7:00 PM	<b><u>Parish Mission</u></b>
Thursday, Mar. 4 <sup>th</sup>	
8:00 AM	<b>Intention Available</b>
7:00 PM	<b><u>Parish Mission</u></b>
Friday, Mar. 5 <sup>th</sup>	
8:00 AM	Alfred Lucier requested
12:00 PM	For the parishioners of St. Mary's
7:00 PM	<b><i>Stations of the Cross</i></b>
Saturday, Mar. 6 <sup>th</sup>	
4:00 PM	Charles and Angie St. Angelo requested by their family
Sunday, Mar. 7 <sup>th</sup>	
8:30 AM	Charles B. Devol Sr. (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary) requested by his family
10:00 AM	Manuel C., Elizabeth A. and Dale Silvia requested by their family
11:30 AM	Deceased members of the Parella and Callan families by their family



With the additional noon time and 7 PM Masses being offered during Lent, there are plenty of available dates to have a Mass said for a departed love one or for a special intention. Please contact the rectory during regular business hours. The stipend is \$10 per Mass.

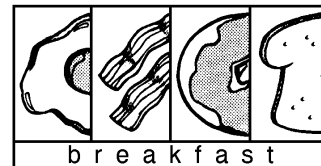
Fatima High, a NEASC-accredited, co-ed school serving grades 7-12, is hosting an open house on *this coming Saturday morning, March 6<sup>th</sup>* from 10:30 AM to 12 PM. The Catholic High School Entrance Exam will be held at Fatima on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM. Fatima High School, located at 360 Market Street (Rt 136) in Warren offers both college prep and honors programs integrated with many co-curricular clubs as well as Varsity and Junior Varsity athletics. For more information call 245-4960 or visit their web site at [www.fatimahs.org](http://www.fatimahs.org).



**OFFER A LOVING HAND**

*The Marthas of St. Mary's* is a group of parishioners who help those who temporarily cannot, for whatever reason, cook for themselves. The group members take turns cooking and delivering a daily meal to those in need. If you have been a member of the Marthas and would like to continue to do so, please contact Mary Lytle at 253-3457 to be included on the updated list of volunteers. If you would like to join the group and be added to the list, please call Mary. If you know of someone who needs the services of the Marthas, please call David at the rectory.

St. Alexander's Church, 221 Main St. in Warren will be holding a Winter Breakfast *this Sunday, Feb 28<sup>th</sup>* from 10AM to 12 PM. The menu will feature a waffle station, eggs, ham, muffins, fresh fruit, juice, coffee and other items. Tickets are available at the door. The cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.



This week the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of *Joan St. Germain* requested by her daughter Ann. Please remember her in your prayers.



**PRAY FOR PEACE**

