

## Pastor's Perspective

### \*Fridays of Lent

Remember: Fridays of Lent are both officially days of abstinence from meat but also the parish's focus for Lenten penance. We invite you to keep Friday in a way that will remind you that we are in the Lenten season. Perhaps an extra time in prayer or let it be a day of fasting from something.

As has become our custom, we gather on Friday evenings for "Food for Thought" with a simple (but hearty) soup and bread meal that fits into the spirit of fasting for the day which leads into either prayer (Stations of the Cross) or a talk and brief prayer. See elsewhere in the bulletin for upcoming speakers for the Fridays of Lent.

### \*Stations of the Cross

I hope many have noticed the new backdrop for each station of the cross. The art and environment subcommittee of the Worship Commission came up with the idea in order to add a bit more character to the interior of the church. You will notice that for Lent they have encircled them with some purple cloth to bring out the color of the season.

Our upcoming G.R.A.C.E. session (see below) will focus on this Catholic tradition of praying the Stations of the Cross as a way to deepen our understanding of conversion and the role of conversion in the Christian life. The new look to the stations comes at a perfect time for that.

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Remember our Food For Thought  
Fridays during Lent -- See page 4

**G.R.A.C.E.**

**Growing & Responding  
As Catholics Everyday**

### **HAVE YOU REGISTERED YET for the March Session?**

Registration Forms can be found in the back of church and the parish office.

**Theme: WHAT IS CONVERSION?**

**Event: STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Filled

You will be able to choose from 4 opportunities –

~~Sun., Mar. 4  
5-7:45 p.m.~~

Mon., Mar. 5  
5-7:45 p.m.

Tues., Mar. 6  
6-8:45 p.m.

Wed., Mar. 7  
6-8:45 p.m.

Sessions are designed to take events which are part of Catholic life, connect them to core themes of our faith, and then explore these themes. Each of us can then participate in these events more meaningfully and households will have a common foundation on which to share about these themes and events.

If your family is registered in the Religious Formation Program cost of the meal is included in this year's tuition; otherwise, a free-will donation will be taken up at dinner for those not registered in the program.

**Note: There will be no 7:00 p.m. Mass  
on Monday, March 5, due  
to our G.R.A.C.E. program**

# Here's what's happening this week!

## Monday, February 26:

- \*Mass at 7:00 p.m.
- \*NO RE for Gr. 1-6
- \*Adult Bells 7:45 p.m.

## Tuesday, February 27:

- \*Mass at 9:00 a.m.
- \*NO RE for Gr. 1-6
- \*Jr. Choir 5:00
- \*6:30 RCIA
- \*7:00 First Eucharist Prep

## Wednesday, February 28:

- \*9:00 a.m. Mass
- \*6:30 Taize Prayer
- \*7:00 First Eucharist Prep
- \*7:00 Gr. 7-8 Lesson Planning
- \*7:00 Budget Meeting

## Thursday, March 1:

- \*7:00 Choir

## Friday, March 2:

- \*6:00 Friday soup & speaker

## Saturday, March 3:

- \*3:00 Confessions
- \*3:00 Teen Bells

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## Regular Parish Office Hours

- Mon. - Wed. — 9 :00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
- Thursday — 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Friday — 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday—12:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- Sunday — 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



**Taize Prayer**  
**Wednesday, February 28**  
**6:30 p.m.**

## *SS. John & Paul proudly presents this year's RCIA members*

Our newly Elected beginning their final period of preparation leading to their full initiation through Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation at this year's Easter Vigil...



Catherine Hartkop



Terry Crabtree



Lisa Lulis



Eric Noyes

And our candidate for full communion into the Catholic church through the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at this year's Easter Vigil...

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The community of SS. John & Paul is proud of these people and is eager to welcome them as full member of our family this April.

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This year's RCIA team has journeyed with the Elect and Candidates throughout this process.

Our parish is very grateful for the time, energy, and support they have given.



RCIA Team (left to right) Donna Michalski, Marilyn Weathers, Larry Weathers, JoAnne Owens, Bev Huellmantel, and (far right) Paul Gielow



**2006-2007  
Religious  
Formation  
Program**

**October-May**

**Early Childhood**

(ages 3-4-5 years)

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Sessions: Mar 4, 11, 18, 25

**Grades 1-6**

Monday: 4:45-6:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 4:45-6:00 p.m.

& 6:30-7:45 p.m.

NO Session: Feb. 27/28

Sessions: G.R.A.C.E. Mar. 4-7

Mar. 12/13, 19/20, 26/27

**Grades 7-8**

Sunday: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

In weekly blocks of time

NO Session: Feb. 25

Sessions: Mar 4, 11, 18, 25

**G.R.A.C.E.**

All Are Welcome!

Sunday—Wednesday

\*March 4-5: 5:00-7:45 p.m.

March 6-7: 6:00-8:45 p.m.

\*Sunday, March 4, is filled

Please register in the parish office

***Repentance Only  
Is Not Enough***

Repentance of itself is not enough—  
grace must be available. But if grace is  
offered and not accepted, then nothing  
comes of that either.

There is no point in putting up a sail if  
there is no wind.

There is no point in planting a seed if  
the ground is frozen.

There is no point in pruning the tree if  
spring does not come.

It is not enough to cut into people's  
hearts in order to save them—they must  
be touched by grace.

*Lord, touch our hearts with your grace,  
so that we may produce the  
fruits of repentance.*

**ONE WEEK TILL G.R.A.C.E.**

**Are you coming to G.R.A.C.E?  
There's still time to register**

**Theme: Conversion**

**Event: Stations of the Cross**

Your choice: Sun / Mon / Tues / Wed

March 4 & 5 at 5-7:45 p.m.

March 6 & 7 at 6-8:45 p.m.

**Note: Sunday, March 4, is now filled!**

Pick up registration forms in the office.  
Questions?? Call the Formation Office 781.9488  
or the Parish Office 781.9010

**Preparation for the  
Sacrament of First Eucharist**

**Parent / Child Session #2  
Tuesday or Wednesday February 27/28  
7:00 p.m.**



For all parents and children who continue their preparation for this sacrament. If  
you haven't signed up yet, please call the religious formation office, 781.9488, to  
sign up for the night that you are attending and the ingredient you will bring for  
Stone Soup.



**Parent / Child Session #3  
Tuesday or Wednesday, March 13/14  
7:00 p.m.**

This will be the last session of preparation for the families of our Eucharist  
candidates. As this session will be vital to the candidates in their preparation of  
the reception of this sacrament all families will be expected to attend this session.

Please mark this date on your calendars. If for some reason you will not be able to  
attend you must call Linda Bauer to make arrangements to meet with her and your  
family.



## The Temptations of Jesus

The temptations of Jesus in the desert reflect the three great temptations of all of us...love of pleasure, love of riches, and love of power. These temptations also relate to the Israelite experience of wandering 40 years in the desert after their deliverance from Egypt. There they were tested by physical hunger, the lure of idolatry, and the temptation to test God.

Led to the desert by the Spirit for forty days, Jesus experiences the same temptations but responds to each of them out of his deep fidelity to God. He chooses to rely on God's word, to worship God alone, and to trust God humbly. By doing so, Jesus reverses the human unfaithfulness of the Israelites, the chosen people, and as the "chosen one of God" shows the right response to his loving Father.

We, as the new people of God, need to carefully look at the complete trust in God that Jesus had when he was tempted by the devil, and to remember to be faithful to our Father through prayer and right responses whenever we are tempted.

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*"Christ Jesus  
we cannot live by bread alone,  
You—you alone are what we need.*

*We are called to worship  
you and you alone.  
You—you alone are the one  
that we surrender to.*

*We are called to resist  
the temptation of  
selfishness and greed.  
You—you alone are the way  
to service and compassion.*

*We live not by bread alone,  
your Word is all we need."*

## Food For Thought Fridays During Lent

6:00-7:30 p.m.\*

\*March 2 and 23 until 8:00 p.m.



**Please join us this Friday, March 2,  
for a presentation by guest speaker Tom Reed,  
Director of Catholic Services of Macomb.  
Mr. Reed will be incorporating aspects of  
Pope Benedict's encyclical, "God is Love"  
into his talk on our tradition of social ministry  
and the connection between Catholic  
services agencies and parishes.**

**Please join us for an informative evening!**

*If you would like to donate soup or bread please sign up  
on the poster in the hallway to the Parish Center.  
Thank you!*

## For Widowed Men and Women

*Widowed Friends* of the Archdiocese of Detroit invites widowed men and women of all ages for dinner and support:

- **March 9** — "Family Style" dinner at the American Polish Cultural Center, northwest corner of 15 Mile (Maple) and Dequindre in Troy. Social time starts at 5:00 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m. Enter from Dequindre side door. Cost is \$13 cash payable at the door. Bar drinks and deserts are extra. Conversations and games until 9:00 p.m. in a safe and supportive setting. RSVP by March 6 to Pat at 586.416.2542, Bonnie at 586.786.6374, or Sue at 248.547.1782.
- **March 14** — Dinner at the Olive Garden, located on Rochester Road in Rochester Hills, 6:00 p.m. RSVP by March 11 to Carol at 248.628.5437. Dinner and socializing in a safe and friendly setting. This is a good opportunity to meet new friends who are widowed.

## Samaritan House “Adopt-A-Bag”



Our Samaritan House food drive for the month of March, which is March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, will be the Adopt-a-Bag program. For those of you not familiar with this, Samaritan House provides us with paper grocery bags that have labels attached. The labels have lists of items of either breakfast, lunch, dinner or personal items like toothpaste or shampoo. The bags are to be taken home and filled then returned on the weekend of March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Bags will be available by the hallway to the Activities Center and in the kitchen starting February 18<sup>th</sup>. Please do not feel that you must buy all the items on that list and don't let that stop you from taking a bag. Every little bit helps, so just buy the items you can comfortably afford.

Thank you,  
Mary Hendershot  
SS. John & Paul Samaritan House  
Co-Representative

## Knights of Columbus Respect Life Dinner

The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Respect Life Dinner, hosted by the Knights of Columbus Michigan State Council and the Right to Life of Michigan Educational Fund, is slated for Thursday, March 15, 2007, beginning with a 6 p.m. social hour and 7 p.m. dinner at the Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft, in Livonia. Featured speaker is the dynamic Dr. Alan Keyes, statesman, author, and outspoken protector of the unborn. Tickets are \$50 per person (\$20 tax-deductible) and \$475 for a table of 10 (\$200 tax-deductible). Sponsorships begin at \$200 with recognition in the program. For more information contact Diane Hanson at 734.455.1973 or email: [RespectLifeDinner@rtl.org](mailto:RespectLifeDinner@rtl.org).

## March is...RED CROSS MONTH

Each year since 1943, the U.S. President declares March as Red Cross Month to recognize Red Cross humanitarian efforts and encourage support from the American people. The Red Cross is asking southeast Michigan to continue their generosity through gifts of time, money, and blood to ensure that life-saving programs and services are delivered where and when they are needed.

One way you can help is ... **GIVE BLOOD!** When you donate a single unit of blood, you can save up to three lives. Donating blood takes less than an hour and is relatively painless and you can donate every 56 days. To donate blood you must be in good health, weigh 110 pounds or more and be at least 17 years old.

### SS. JOHN & PAUL CHURCH IS HOSTING AN AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>  
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

**Please sign up on the Blood Donor Schedule at church  
or call the parish office to schedule an appointment.**

**EACH DONOR MAKES A DIFFERENCE!**

## Operation Rice Bowl: Jesus' Temptations

Jesus went to the desert after his baptism to reflect on God's word, and specifically God's call to Him. He was tempted by the devil with worldly goods, but always remained faithful to God, knowing that "no one who believes in Him shall be put to shame."

In our own day many people struggle to find adequate work and earn a living wage for their families. As Catholics we believe that all people should be respected for their work and that all people have certain basic rights, including the right to earn a wage that is adequate to support a family. Catholic Relief Services helps individuals and small groups in Mexico and other countries start their own businesses, such as farm cooperatives or small stores, so that they may earn enough for food and to pay for their children to go to school. Please support CRS' microfinance projects with your prayers, fasting, learning and giving with Operation Rice Bowl this week. Visit [www.crs.org/orb](http://www.crs.org/orb) to learn more.

## Adoption Informational Meeting

Celebrating 50 years of providing infant adoptions in Macomb County, Catholic Services of Macomb is sponsoring an informational adoption open house on Tuesday, March 20, at the Clinton Township office at 15945 Canal. You can meet staff, inquire about the adoption process, hear panel presentations, and ask questions and more. The evening begins at 7:00 p.m., first presentation will start at 7:30 p.m. This presentation is free and no registration is required. For more information please call 586.416.2300.

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The Stations of the Cross can be prayed both as a communal event and also as a personal or family devotion. We will have booklets at each entrance which can be used by individuals and families throughout the season, if you want to make this part of your Lenten prayer.

### **\*Growing and Responding As Catholics Everyday**

Some have asked whether the name G.R.A.C.E. is used by all parishes that follow this model. No, that is our own acronym. The parish staff did some brainstorming and wanted a title that has meaning on its own as well as appropriate for what we are trying to do. Thus "G.R.A.C.E." was born. It captures the reality formation is life-long and ongoing. We need to grow and respond as Catholics everyday of our lives.

Our first 'test drive' of the new intergenerational and whole community model for formation is coming up next week. Sunday night is filled to capacity. Monday is getting close to filling. Tuesday and Wednesday have room for more. As a whole community model it means that each portion is part of the experience. We begin with a simple, brief dinner so that people have time to meet one another, perhaps eat at table with someone you've never met, and have some conversation together. The cost of the meal is free for children in the formation program. For adults and all others we ask that a free will donation be made. Typically the meals will cost around \$3 a person.

We then have a time together in the Church so that all of us—young and old—start with a shared experience that will launch us into the rest of the evening. We will then break down into age appropriate groups so that each group can explore the meaning of conversion, as well as appreciate and learn about the Stations of the Cross as a prayer form. We then come back together for some wrap-up. As people leave they will have a packet of material that will let them continue in the weeks

ahead, as individuals or families, to pursue some of the ideas and experiences that happened during the G.R.A.C.E. session.

As a "test drive" we will need some feedback/evaluation of the evening. It is a huge undertaking of time and energy in order to have everything coordinated and for the evening to have some substance to it. We think you will enjoy it, learn from it, and by being part of it, help others appreciate the importance of ongoing formation in their Catholic lives.

We will then take that information and use it for our second test drive the week of April 22<sup>nd</sup> which in turn will help us plan for next year. When families register their children for religious formation next year, they will have to choose one of the monthly evenings on which G.R.A.C.E. will be held. So please do your best to be at both. Remember, each child needs one parent/grandparent with them. Other adults are strongly encouraged to make this part of their formation as well so that the evenings can truly be intergenerational.

Tuesdays and Wednesdays have plenty of spots open. Are you going to G.R.A.C.E.?

### **\*General Intercessions or Prayers of the Faithful**

A request came to the Worship Commission recently which asked that we add an intercession at Sunday Mass which would allow for personal intercessions to be prayed in the silence of our heart. We discussed it at last month's meeting. Some practical considerations came up—we already have two 'set' petitions for the sick and those who have died. Do we want to always add a third set petition? But for me the key is for all of us to understand what the General Intercessions or Prayers of the Faithful are doing in the Liturgy.

The tradition goes back to our Jewish roots. In a synagogue liturgy a series of eighteen blessings were prayed

to God, requesting individual and universal needs. Because of those Jewish roots such prayers became part of the Christian Eucharist at a very early stage. Notice the ancient name for them, the "Prayers of the Faithful." So significant was this ministry of interceding as a Christian community—standing before the Lord and begging his mercy and help for others—that those who were not fully initiated could not be present when it was done. One had to be fully initiated and mature in prayer before attempting such intercession. So, catechumens were first dismissed. Then the Prayers of the Faithful were prayed.

Over the centuries the purpose of these prayers was lost and faded from the liturgy in the West, except in the ritual for Good Friday. There the Church kept—and still keeps—as a significant moment of the liturgy on Good Friday, solemn intercessions for the Pope and the Church, for Christians everywhere, for Jews, for Muslims and other who believe in God, for non-believers, for the sick and dying and all in need. When the Church renewed the liturgy 45 years ago after the Second Vatican Council, one of the decisions made was to recover the role of the Prayers of the Faithful in every Mass, as a way to end the Liturgy of the Word and transition into the Liturgy of the Eucharist. There is a certain focus on the deacon as one who typically announces these prayers, since from early times the deacon's ministry focused upon the sick, the poor, widows, orphans, and anyone in general need. But the lector, cantor or another person can also announce these intercessions.

Notice the intent of these prayers. Having listened to and having been fed by God's Word in the Liturgy of the Word, we proclaim our common faith once again in the Creed and then recognize that our faith, now so enlivened, is never just for our own benefit but must be directed to the real needs of others. We are God's chosen and formed people. We are the saints of God who must intercede on behalf of others before moving into the great remembrance prayer that leads to eucharist and communion.

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But whom do we pray for? The guidelines suggest a series of general intentions with the following focal points: 1) the needs of the Church; 2) for public authorities and the salvation of the whole world; 3) for those burdened by any kind of difficulty; 4) for the local community. In addition, if the celebration is a particular marriage, baptism, confirmation, funeral or the like, a petition for the special occasion can be added. They are meant to be communal, general, and public prayers. Whom do we as a Church need to be praying for this week? Whom do we need to stand alongside of and cry out "God, hear our prayer for these people"? As such, general intercessions are not meant to be a private moment but a public embrace of the needs and sufferings of the people around us which impels us to send up our cries to the Lord for help.

This does not mean that there is no place for private, personal intercession. It is an excellent idea to bring such intercessions to the time of Liturgy and let the Mass be a way to express our concern and prayer to God. In addition to any personal prayers we might pray before the Mass begins, there are two points in the celebration of the Eucharist where we explicitly should express to God our private, personal intentions. One is when the gifts of bread and wine are carried forward. We place ourselves, our needs, all the needs of those we are praying for in that offering of bread and wine. The second moment is during the Eucharistic prayer. Each Eucharistic prayer contains a moment to pray for the dead, for the Pope, for the bishops, but also moments to pray for personal needs. This is very explicit in Eucharistic Prayer I, but less so in some of the others. For example in Eucharistic Prayer III we pray "Father, hear the prayers of the family you have gathered here before you." Because there are so many words thrown at us in the long Eucharistic Prayer, I think such sentences can get easily lost.

So, here is what I will try to do in response to the request for that generic, personal prayer of the faithful.

Occasionally we will try to add something like "And all other intentions we as a Church need to be praying for at this time (pause)...we pray to the Lord." The key to that wording is to call attention to ourselves not as individuals but as a Church united before God, praying as a Church not as individuals. Secondly—and this will take some practice and undoing of 27 years of habits—I think it would be good and helpful and right to pause more often during the Eucharistic prayer, when it is calling for our own personal connection to the intercessions. Thank you to the one who brought up the idea.

So, Eucharistic Prayer III:  
"Father, hear the prayers of the family you have gathered here before you...(during the pause add your own intentions)"

Fr. Buersmeyer



"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart." Jesus, the Eternal Word, continues to call many to lives of holiness as priests, deacons, and in the consecrated life. Could you be one of them? For information, contact the Vocation Office at 313.237.5875 or e-mail [vocations@aod.org](mailto:vocations@aod.org).

## A Family Perspective

By Bud Ozar

The devil tempted Jesus to ignore his Father and to rely on his own abilities (possessions, fame, and power). We face the same temptations if we think we earned our blessings. Jesus teaches us to recognize God's protection and love as the source of our blessings and warns not to "put the Lord, your God, to the test."



## G.R.A.C.E.

This program is for all family members, even the teens in grades 9-12.

- The evening will begin with dinner
- There will be an opening in the church
- Then the teens will break out into their regular youth group setting

Please register your family for this wonderful evening of faith formation. Registration is needed to ensure proper supplies and meals. Any questions, call Mrs. Bauer or Mrs. Peters at 586.781.9488.

## Lent — The Rallying Call

The season of Lent begins with the "rallying" call on Ash Wednesday. Lent is not so much a time for us to concentrate on what we are going to "do", as on what we are called to "be"—disciples of Christ. The focus for Lent is *Baptism*—what does it mean to be a disciple of Christ and a member of his church?

To be a disciple (follower) means to practice discipline (following). Lent is our "practice" season or "training camp" for would-be disciples. We practice allowing our old selves to die so that we can be "born anew" in Christ.

As Catholics, we believe in dying with Christ and being born again...and again and again — that is why we return to Lent year after year. If our focus is not on the resurrection of Christ and the renewal of our Baptism in Christ, lent holds no meaning.

On Ash Wednesday, we are called as a community to **remember**. To **remember** that God alone sustains us, without God we are dust. We **remember** that as humans we always struggle to "get it right" — right with ourselves, others and with God. We **remember** the ancient disciples of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

## Contribution Statements for 2006

Statements have been sent to those families who contributed \$250 or more during the 2006 calendar year. If you did not contribute \$250 or more during the year and would like a statement, please call the parish office at 586.781.9010 and we will gladly send you one.

## Advertisers Needed

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## North Macomb Vicariate Newsletter

News from parishes in our North Macomb Vicariate is available online at [www.NMVonline.org](http://www.NMVonline.org). The newsletter also lists the mass time for every parish in our vicariate. For the current issue and archives of past issues of the newsletter, check out the page entitled "View the North Macomb News". You can also use Yahoo! or Google's search engine by putting in the search line: North Macomb Vicariate or North Macomb Vicariate News.

### Pray for our sick



Mary Angelosante, Rita Bayer, Suzanne Bawol, Chris Becker, Mary Burcar, Bill Cauley, Vivette Clark, Ralph Cleary, Deborah Conn, Lorraine Dawe, Chris Del Pappa, Lauren DeNio, Art Donovan, Antoinette Errante, Alojzy Filipowicz, Krystyna Green, Mark Hansen, Ronnie Housewright, Jerry Hyvonen, Janet Johnson, Anna Kaltz, Hayden Kroll, Mrs. Fred LaRose, Jacob Main, Bernice Mayer, Agnes Mehlick, Bob Mehlick, George Mehlick, Trudy Mehlick, Adele Miller, Larry Newsom, Denise Olejniczak, John Pakledinaz, Dorothy Puffpaff, Hank Roman, Mary Ruppert, Albert Sabbe, Alice Sabbe, Camille Smith, Michelle Smith, Tommasina Smith, Mary Sorrow, Barbara Supina, Karen Shea, Duane VanPamel, Elvire VanPamel, Nathan Walper, Richard Waluk, Ken Wiloughby, Arthur Wiczko, Evelyn Wiczko

### Pray for our military



Noel & Greg Ales, Nick Bassett, Augie Biache III, Mike Boback, Andrew Eppens, Eric Eppens, Tony Gentilia, David Krzycki, Jonathon Krusinski, Chris Krusinski, Paul McGowan, David Newberry, Ryan Ribant, Thomas Schmidt, Chris Staniszewski, Vincent Titeriga, Daniel Trendell, Hunter Taylor

## Stewardship Report February 17-18, 2007

**Weekly budget .....\$11,600.00**  
 Offertory.....\$8,875.00  
 No. Sunday envelopes used.....274  
 ESO (15th of month) .....\$2,007.50  
 No. ESO .....27  
**Total offertory .....\$10,882.50**

### Other Monies / (# Envelopes)

Debt Reduction / (3).....\$90.00  
 Children's Env. / (6).....\$9.01  
 Easter Flower / (1).....\$5.00

Time is one of God's most precious gifts. Prayer provides a way to give back to God some share of the time that we've been given. It is a very powerful way to make ourselves available to God in order to see more clearly the way He is calling us to use the many gifts He has blessed us with.

## Readings for the Week of February 25, 2007

### Sunday, February 25:

Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91; Rom 10:8-13;  
 Lk 4:1-13

### Monday, February 26:

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19; Mt 25:31-46

### Tuesday, February 27:

Is 55:10-11; Ps 34; Mt 6:7-15

### Wednesday, February 28:

Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51; Lk 11:29-32

### Thursday, March 1:

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138; Mt 7:7-12

### Friday, March 2:

Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130; Mt 5:20-26

### Saturday, March 3:

Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119; Mt 5:43-48

### Sunday, March 4:

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27;  
 Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

## Sponsor of the week

Poljan Insurance



**Eucharistic  
Prayer  
Requests**

**Saturday and Sunday  
February 24-25, 2007**

Geri Dale by E. MacDougall  
Anna Catenacci by Yazbeck Family  
Anna & Thomas Balicki by Family

**Monday, February 26, 2007**

Mrs. Novak by G. Flint

**Tuesday, February 27, 2007**

Joseph Yoskovich by Family

**Wednesday, February 28, 2007**

Andrew VanDamme by Elsie DeLos

**Saturday and Sunday**

**March 3-4, 2007**

Dorothy Dawood by Family  
Clemente Truden by A. Truden  
Lorraine Darga by J. Martino Family

<b>Liturgical appointments for March 3-4, 2007</b>				
	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>11:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Celebrant</b>	Fr. Buersmeyer	Fr. Buersmeyer	Fr. Buersmeyer	Fr. Sayes
<b>Lectors</b>	P. Brunet B. Conlon	G. Bawol J. Giffin	G. Dickens T. Fletcher	M. Catalano S. Martino
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