

# St. Brigid Church Bulletin

March 6 & 7, 2010

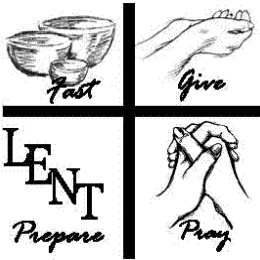
3<sup>RD</sup> Sunday of Lent



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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday - 8 AM - 4:00 PM  
Friday - 8 AM - 12 Noon



## HOLY EXPERIENCES OF GOD

**“Remove your sandals for the place where you stand is HOLY ground”**

How would you define “HOLY?” Is it someone or something that is shown reverence, or considered sacred? Is it someone or something that one holds in the highest esteem?

Christian faith teaches us that of all that is **HOLY, GOD IS HOLY!** Actually, in liturgy, you hear the words: **HOLY HOLY HOLY IS THE LORD.**

There is a certain connotation that if you say something three times, that it really means what it really, says. **HOW TRUE - GOD IS HOLY!**

I invite you this week to recall an experience with God just as Moses did in the first reading from the book of Exodus. Is there a person, a place or an event in your life that made you stop and think about the presence of God in your life? At the Baptismal Classes that I conduct, I ask that very same questions of the proud parents and godparents.

99% of the time when they think of a **person** that makes them think about God, it will be their baby, most especially if the baby happens to be their first-born. The miracle of life, the miracle of love can easily cause us to think about God.

Some people when thinking of a **place** where they can sense the presence of God is at the ocean, the smell of the salty air, and being mesmerized by the movement of the waves upon the shore. Others sense the presence of God by being up in the mountains, viewing a beautiful sunset, and listening to the sounds of a babbling brook or the chirping of birds.

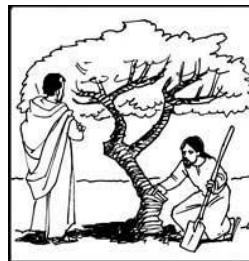
There are some people who can recall an event, either joyful or sad that made them stop and think about the presence of God. Maybe they had a close-call, and given a second chance. Some people have changed their lives completely around because of such an encounter. People like Moses, St Paul, and Mary Magdalene just to name a few. How about you? Is there a God-like experience that you can recall? It just helps you during the Season of Lent to turn our attention to **God who is Holy and who loves us no matter what.**

**God Bless, Fr. Joe**

Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week

### MARCH

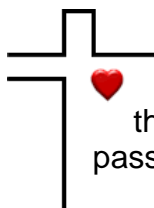
- 06~ 4:00 John Mach (Joyce Mach)
- 07~ 8:00 Eleanor Goodhues (Helen Toporzycki)
- 11:00 Eugene C. Brukiewa (Genevieve Brukiewa)
- 08~ 7:30 Tillie Pawlak (Lois C. Pawlak)
- 09~ 7:30 Steve Rzczkowski (Carolyn Rzczkowski)
- 10~ 7:30 Paul Sloboda (Julie Scott)
- 11~ 7:30 Stanley Sdanowich (Mary Brukiewa)
- 12~ 7:30 Fr. Joe Bochenek-Birthday (Sam Raatjes)
- 10:00 Eleanor Goodhues (Jo Ellen Shorb & Family)
- Mass is said at Brightview**
- 13~ 7:30 Jeffrey Overfield (Teresa Lembach)
- 4:00 Melvin Brukiewa (Mary Brukiewa)
- 14~ 8:00 Peter Miklovic (Julia Scott)
- 11:00 Francis & Sallie, Francis & Marguerite, &  
    Daniel Hall (Marian Weiderhold)



**March 7, 2010**  
**3rd Sunday of Lent**  
“Leave it, sir, this one year  
while I dig around it. If it  
bears fruit, well and good.”  
Luke 13:9

### COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK

	2009	2010
<b>Offertory Envelops</b>	\$1837.00	\$3784.00
<b>Offertory Loose</b>	485.50	1028.13
<b>Total</b>	\$2295.50	\$4812.13
<b>Poor Box</b>	97.27	55.53
<b>Attendance</b>	170	176



Please remember in your prayers  
the soul of Margaret Elder who  
passed away and their family & friends.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS -- During** Lent,  
Stations of the Cross are held **every Friday at 1PM**. Come & spend just 45 minutes of your time retracing Jesus’ journey. Stations will be held in the Chapel. We hope you will come & celebrate with us.



## PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR

**SICK:** Christina Arthur, Christopher Baldwin Jr, Elizabeth Bamberger, Ramona Battersby, Mary Jane

Beach, Nick Bertoldi, Lee Blumeafeld, Leo Bochenek, Robert Bosley, Bill Brandt, Richard Brzeczko, Theresa Bunk, Don Byers Florence Claybaugh, Dora Coakley, Marcella Collins, Ronald Collins, Catherine Contino, Mary Cook, Ann Crossland, Florence Diehl, Anthony Dietsch, Marian DiSaia, Logan Dunnigan, Robert Durham, Rita Fiddes, Marge Foble, Effie Gasiorowski, Barbara Gaudino, Joanlee Griebel, Drew Hagan, Catherine Hall, Marg Hemanski, Joe Hybdzinski, Baby Ally Jarkiewicz, Samuel Jackson, Lois Jones, Bernie Kegan, Bill Klaus, Pauline Knight, Fred Kremeyer, Stuart Lehman, Marie Leonard, Marge Long, Leopold Luberecki, Cass Machowiak, Carolyn Maiden, Daryl Marciszewski, Frank & Eleanor Mazur, Henry Mazur IV, Laura McVicker, Jessie Messick, Barb Miller, Britteny Muth, John Nowakowski, Marian O'Leary, Linda & Joe Oleszczuk, Lorraine Olver, Rose & Joseph Owsianiecki, Dolores Para, Marlene Parks, Catherine Paskiewicz, Edward Pazdan, Evelyn Picker, Joan Puppe, Marie Reimer, Mary Rostkowski, Mary Sands, Mary Schech, Virginia Schenning, Betty Schroeder, Stan Sdanowich, Eva Sloboda, Paula Skarda, Regina Sroka, Julia Staylor, Mary Stevens, Haylee Sudbrook, Joyce Washington, Desiree Watts, Margaret Wiley, Lisa Wolf, & Greg Wright.,

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL OUR MILITARY SERVICE MEN & WOMEN:

**Maradone Sylvester**–Iraq,  
**Matthew Hughes**, U.S.N.,  
**Brian Gracey** – USCG,  
**Sean C. Fitzpatrick**, USMC,  
**Nathan Flores**– Iraq,  
**Michael Brown** – Iraq, **Neil Pitruzzella** – USMC  
**Geoffrey Gilbert** – Afghanistan, **Alan Sherrod**– USN,  
**Stephen Bochene** –USAF, **Christopher Brent**–Iraq,  
**George A. Handlin, III** - Afghanistan



## Year for Priests



June 19, 2009–June 19, 2010

**This is the “Year for Priests”** as declared by Pope Benedict XVI, Visit the Archdiocese's *Year for Priests* website at

[www.archbalt.org/news/year-for-priests/](http://www.archbalt.org/news/year-for-priests/) for more information & view various video tributes that acknowledge the contributions of our Catholic Priests & their leadership. Please pray for vocations & send us your memory of a Priest who has touched your life.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

### MARCH

- 7 Class Sixteen **‘JOSEPH’S TABLE’**
- 14  Class Seventeen
- 21  Class Eighteen
- 28 Class Nineteen – Palm Sunday

**Blessing of Palms 9AM**  
**Seder Meal 10AM**

### Registration Information:

**Registration fee:** \$65.00 (per family)  
**Book fee:** 25.00 (per child)

- Financial assistance with fees is available for those in need. Call Ms. Jo Ellen @410-563-1717 for information.

### St. Brigid Youth Group:

**“The L.I.T.E. - nurturing spiritual growth while enjoying social interaction.”**



**Please pass the word.....**The LITE is open to youth from Middle to High school age. **We welcome all youth to spend a Sunday morning with us or join us for a Youth Group Event or activity.** If you know a young person, **tell them about us.** Meetings are **Sunday mornings at 10:30 AM.**



### LENTEN SOUP MEALS -

**A Special hors d'oeuvre** - For those who wish to add a special blessing to their lives, we are offering A Wednesday Lenten Mass in the Chapel at 4PM before our meals. Come celebrate with Fr. Joe & then enjoy a good meal. Please join us on Wednesdays during this Lenten Season & enjoy good soup & good company as you support a local charity.

The Lenten Soup meals are served every Wednesday from **4:30 - 6:30PM**. Cost is \$6.00, which includes a cup of soup & 1 refill, coffee or tea, fresh baked bread, & dessert. All proceeds go to charity. **Please inquire about the group price for all meals.**

<b>Soup of the Week</b>	<b>Special Potato Soup</b>
<b>Chef of the Week</b>	<b>Diane &amp; Wayne Corkran</b>
<b>Charity of the Week</b>	<b>Raise A Cross Ministry</b>

### SODALITY LUNCHEON BINGO



Tuesday, **March 9<sup>th</sup>** there will be a Luncheon/Bingo. Doors open at 11am. A Cod Fish Cake lunch will be served. Come & bring a friend. Cakes are needed for the cake raffle.

**SPECIAL IRISH LENTEN MEAL, MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>**



Because of our Irish Heritage we are planning a special Ham & Cabbage Dinner on Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, Henry & Gregory O'Battersby are providing this Irish treat for all fellow Hibernians complete with Irish music. **You must buy your ticket by March 14<sup>th</sup>** so that we can prepare adequate food. No walk-ins for this meal. **Tickets are \$8** and include Ham, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, a drink & dessert. *An Irish gala.*



**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU** -- All parishes of the Archdiocese of Baltimore will participate in the Archbishop's campaign to promote Reconciliation, *The Light is on for You.* The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at St.

Brigid on Wednesdays from 3-4PM in the Chapel. (Excluding Ash Wednesday and the Holy Week). If you have been reluctant to come to the sacrament or have been away for some time or just found it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon confession time, this is a great opportunity to receive penance. **Come, rediscover your faith! Mass is celebrated at 4PM.**

**ARCHBISHOP ANNUAL APPEAL**

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Annual Appeal. Please remember if you haven't made your contribution yet, please send it in as soon as possible. We will know soon if we have made our goal. Once again thank you for your generosity to this campaign.

Parish Calendar for MARCH 2010	
7	Joseph's Table (Religious Ed)
9	Hatton Center 3 - Pastor Hudson Sodality Luncheon Bingo
10	<b>3-4PM</b> - "THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU" <b>4:30-6:30PM</b> - LENTEN MEAL SPECIAL POTATO SOUP
12	<b>1PM</b> - Stations of the Cross in Chapel/Parish Center
14	<b>Bonanza Bingo - Doors open @ 11AM</b>
15	Parish Office Closed
16	Hatton Center 4 - Pastor Syracuse
17	"HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY" <b>1PM</b> - Stations of the Cross in Chapel/Parish Center <b>4:30-6:30PM Lenten Meal</b> - Ham & Cabbage Dinner Tickets must be purchased NLT 3/14/2010

**EASTER MEMORIALS**

Please **PRINT** the names of those whom you wish to have in the booklet. Put your list & donation (\$5 per name listed) in an envelope & return by way of the collection basket or drop off to the parish center no later than **MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2010.** **Forms are on the table in back of church.**

**2010 Calendar of Important Holy Days**

- † Palm Sunday (**Sun, March 28**)
- † Holy Thursday (**Thurs, April 1**)
- † Good Friday (**Fri, April 2**)
- † Holy Saturday (**Sat, April 3**)
- † Easter Sunday (**Sun, April 4**)
- † Divine Mercy Sunday (**Sun, April 11**)
- † Ascension (**Thurs, May 13**) Holy Day of Obligation (transferred to **Sun, May 16** in most dioceses of the United States)
- † Pentecost Sunday (**Sun, May 23**)
- † Trinity Sunday (**Sun, May 30**)
- † Corpus Christi (**Thurs June 3**; transferred to **Sun, June 6**)
- † Assumption of Mary (**Sun, August 15**) Holy Day of Obligation
- † All Saints Day (**Mon, November 1**) Holy Day of Obligation (abrogated because it falls on a Monday)
- † First Sunday of Advent (**Sun, November 28**)
- † Immaculate Conception (**Wed, December 8**) - Holy Day of Obligation
- † Christmas (**Sat, December 25**) Holy Day of Obligation

**BEANS & BREAD PROGRAM** - What do you do every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month? We are looking for people who can take care of the Beans & Bread program. It involves being at the parish center on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday from approximately 7:30 until 9:30AM to receive the casseroles, place them in trays & wait for them to be picked up. We could use another driver or two to deliver them to Beans & Bread. If we have a few volunteers, we could alternate months that you need to volunteer. Please call the parish office if you have time to volunteer for this Outreach Program.



**BONANZA BINGO** - The next Bonanza is Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup>. A Fried Shrimp

Dinner is being served. Come and see what is new. Doors open at 11 AM. Cost is \$20. For reservations, call Betty @410-675-9463, Patty @ 410-675-3691 or the Parish Office @ 410-563-1717.



**UPDATE:** Lorraine Olver is now residing at Riverview Care Center, 1 Eastern Blvd, Essex, MD 21221 if you would care to send her a card or note.

### At St. Casimir's --

- Homemade Lenten Foods Delights the Taste buds continues through **Wednesday, March 31**. Codfish cakes @ \$2.00 each/unfried; \$2.25 fried & **crab cakes** @ \$5.00 each/unfried, \$5.25 fried. Potato salad, macaroni salad, & cole slaw are available @ \$2.00 per pound. **Lenten Foods must be ordered in advance.** Orders are due by 2PM Wed w/pick up on Fri. 11AM - 3PM To place orders...call Lauren Brunelli, 410-342-4975 until 5PM & Carol Kramer, 443-414-6784 from 5 - 9PM. Questions & Orders may also be directed to school @ 410-342-2681.
- **"Living Stations of the Cross"** at 1:45 & 7PM, Friday, 3/19 presented by the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class. Call the school at 410-342-2681 for information.
- **The Faith Community of St. Casimir** presents our LENTEN SERIES March 20 to March 24. Join us & the well-know Fr. Joe Breighner & let us prepare ourselves for Holy Week & Easter by joining together in prayer, worship & listening, so that we might all experience more profoundly & deeply the love, the peace & the freedom of Jesus, our Savior.

### From Elaine & Frank Galeone

Join us in a "Married Couples" Retreat at Priestfield, WV on the weekends of March 12, March 19, March 26, & April 30 More info call Elaine 410-252-5355.

**Catholic Charities' Answers for the Aging** is a free telephone information and referral service for older adults, their families, friends and caregivers. Our caring staff is experienced and waiting to help answer questions on understanding your options for housing, in-home care, community resources and much more. We also offer telephone support to caregivers - those who are caring for a loved one or friend. We welcome and serve people of all faiths and races. If you are looking for someone to take the time to listen to your situation and help sort out your thoughts about options for care, please call ANSWERS FOR THE AGING - 410-646-0100, Monday through Friday during the hours of 9:30AM to 3:30PM.



### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

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| <b>3/14/2010</b> | Bonanza Bingo- Shrimp Dinner          |
| <b>4/18/2010</b> | Shrimp Feast -12:30-5:30              |
| <b>4/30/2010</b> | Vera Bradley-Longaberger Basket Bingo |



### IND presents Peter Pan

The Institute of Notre Dame (IND) presents *Peter Pan* for its annual spring musical: Friday, March 26 & Saturday, March 27 at 7:30PM & Sunday, March 28 at 2PM. IND's talented cast & crew will bring the popular story of Peter, the boy who refused to grow up, to the stage. General admission tickets are \$10 for adults; \$6 for children 10 and under. Tickets are available for purchase at IND the week prior to the show & at the door. For more information, call 410.522.7800 or visit [www.INDofMD.org](http://www.INDofMD.org).

### **ARCHDIOCESAN Second COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND**

Approximately 1/2 of the world's Catholic population lives in Latin America. The Church in that region is losing members at an alarming rate. The reasons are many & the tensions can contribute to the destabilization of families & faith communities. You can keep faith through your support of next week's Collection. Your generosity supports pastoral work that engages parishioners & fosters the faith. The Church in Latin America needs your help.

### **Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Highlandtown Foster/Highland Avenues**

Longaberger/Vera Bradley Basket Bingo  
Friday, March 26th at 7:30 PM. Tickets are \$15 in advance/\$18 at the door. Call the Rectory office (410-342-4336) to make a reservation.

### **HATTON CENTER**

- Members, friends and guests of the Hatton Center will celebrate our **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** on March 11, 2010. This is the actual date of the center's dedication in 1985. If you would like to join in this happy occasion, please call 410-396-9025 or stop by for details.
- It is **tax time** so call the Hatton Center at 410-396-9025 to make your appointment.
- If you would like to work for **census, 2010** please call 1-866-861-2010.

**FYI -- Make Your Voice Heard** -- Now through March 19th, the American people can make a difference by providing feedback on the development of each Federal Agency's open government plan, including ideas for how to make the agency more effective & efficient & provide suggestions for data that should be published online. Participate in the discussion, View the ideas of others & comment on them, Submit your own ideas, take the opportunity to participate now. Visit <http://www.whitehouse.gov/open>

*Loving God, I hear your invitation, "Come back to me" & I am filled with such a longing to return to you. Show me the way to return. Lead me this day in good works I do in your name and send your Spirit to guide me and strengthen my faith. I ask only to feel your love in my life today. Amen*