

**From the  
Pastor's Desk**



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy 4th Sunday of Lent! I hope and pray that you have been strong in keeping your Lenten Promises of "giving up" and "doing more!" In order to strengthen us on our Lenten Journey, we have our Lenten Mission mid-way to inspire us, challenge us, and draw us closer to the Lord and one another. This year, we welcome Father Michael Camilli. Father Camilli is an energetic and inspiring speaker. Please take some time to review the schedule provided this weekend as an insert. Consider bringing along a friend or inviting someone who has drifted away from their faith.

Please do not forget to support our Lenten Can Drive next weekend to assist Diakonia and The Seton Center. Your items can be dropped off next week in the gathering area. As we continue our celebration of "The Year for Priests" this Thursday, March 18, Bishop Malooly will preside at a Holy Hour at 7pm at St. Edmond's in Rehoboth. Father Cocucci will preach. All are welcome!

A Happy St. Patrick's Day to you all! One of my favorite hymns is St. Patrick's Breast Plate. May it remind us as we celebrate, that Christ should be part of our true celebrations:

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,  
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.  
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,  
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.  
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising, light of my life.

Christ be in all hearts, thinking about me,  
Christ be on all tongues telling of me.  
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,  
In ears that hear me, Christ ever be.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Father O'Protack".

Father O'Protack  
Pastor



**RECEPTION OF THE  
PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST**

Beginning with the weekend of Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, March 27-28<sup>th</sup>, we will resume the practice of offering the Precious Blood from the cup to all who choose to receive.

**YOUR LAST CHANCE  
FOR SOUP, SALAD & PIZZA!**

Friday, March 19

Serving 5 pm through 7 pm  
Most Blessed Sacrament School

**Admission:**

\$9.00 in Advance, \$10.00 at the Door  
Children ages 6-12: \$5.00, Children under 5: FREE

Please make your reservation at the Parish Office by  
**Tuesday, March 16**

**LENTEN FOOD DRIVE  
MARCH 20 & 21**

During this Lenten season, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is requesting your help in replenishing Diakonia, Seton Center and St. Vincent de Paul food pantries which serve the needy in our area.

Suggested food contributions:

Canned fruits and fruit juices, boxed juices  
Peanut butter, jelly, marmalade  
Pre-packaged meals-in-a-box, or canned (Dinty Moore Stew)  
Canned meats or fish, such as chicken, Spam, tuna, salmon  
Pork and beans, baked beans  
Canned soups-condensed, chunky, etc.  
Canned gravies and broths  
Canned green & yellow vegetables, potatoes, yams, etc.  
Pasta of any kind, pasta sauces, canned spaghetti/ravioli, etc.  
Boxed macaroni and cheese, instant potatoes, rice  
Mayonnaise, catsup, mustard, salt and pepper  
Oatmeal and boxed cereals  
Tea, coffee

Please bring your non-perishable food donation to the church vestibule on Saturday, March 20 or Sunday, March 21 before Mass. Food coupons would also be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your generosity.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Sunday, March 14-Daylight Savings Time-Spring Forward!**

10:00am 1st Communion Parent Meeting

**Wednesday, March 17-St. Patrick's Day**

7:00 pm Baptism Class

**Thursday, March 18**

7:00 pm Holy Hour with Bishop at St. Edmonds

**Friday, March 19**

11:00 am Stations of the Cross  
5:00 pm Lenten Dinner  
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 20-Lenten Food Drive**

8:30am-4pm PreCana Class

**Sunday, March 21-Lenten Food Drive**

11am-4pm PreCana Class  
7:00 pm Parish Mission with Fr. Camilli

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

April 11 Special Divine Mercy Regional Chaplet & Mass 3PM at St. Luke's  
May 5 Annual Parish Bus Trip to Annapolis



**BAPTISM**

We congratulate Alexander Patrick Johnson, child of Todd and Kimberly Johnson, and John Sullivan Crossett, child of David and Jennifer Crossett, who were baptized by Deacon Pinder on Sunday, March 6, 2010.

**WEEKLY READINGS**

**Readings for the Week of March 14, 2010**

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
Monday: Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54  
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16  
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30  
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47  
Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22  
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a  
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53  
Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

**Mass Intentions**

Monday, March 15 8:00 am Scott Hollendersky  
Tuesday, March 16 8:00 am Martha McLane  
Wednesday, March 17 8:05 am Mickelina Sabella  
Thursday, March 18 8:30 am Emmett McCarthy  
Friday, March 19 8:00 am Mark Matushik  
Saturday, March 20 8:00 am Mark Matushik  
5:00 pm Rush Buckley  
Sunday, March 21 8:30 am Thomas Evans  
10:00 am Stella Protack  
11:30 am Emmett McCarthy

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

This week, the Tabernacle Candle is burning for Scott Hollendersky. *(Please stop by the Parish Office if you would like to remember your loved ones or a special intention)*



***Rest in Peace***

Please pray for the families and loved ones of our deceased parishioners who now enjoy the everlasting life.

Eternal rest grant unto them and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

**ALTAR SERVERS, LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Schedules are available for pick up in the library. If you chose to have your schedule sent to you electronically, please check your email.

**CONFESSIONS/SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Parish Penance Services will be held during Lent: priests will be available to hear confessions:  
Services at our neighboring parishes:  
March 21 7 PM St. Ann  
March 22 7PM Holy Savior  
March 23 3:30PM & 7 PM St. Francis de Sales

**REQUEST FOR END OF THE  
YEAR TAX STATEMENT 2009**

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ENVELOPE #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete and drop in Offertory**



March 20 ~ Easter Basket Project

March 27 ~ Take up Your Cross Pilgrimage

For more information contact: Cheri Pearson

410-208-2956 ext. 212

[cpearson@stjohnneumannrcc.com](mailto:cpearson@stjohnneumannrcc.com)

**Calling All Young People: Take Up Your Cross!**

Bishop Malooly invites youth and young adults from all parishes and schools to join him as we come together for the inaugural Pilgrimage on Saturday, March 27, 2010. Young people from across the diocese will carry the diocesan pilgrimage cross through the streets of Wilmington with the bishop as a representation of Jesus' entry to Jerusalem and his journey on Good Friday to Calvary. Registration opens at 9:30 and the day concludes with an optional concert with Catholic musician Steve Angrisano, our emcee for the day. Don't miss this great opportunity to wrap up your Lenten journey with hundreds of your peers. Cost for the day is \$20 (bring your own lunch). To register, please contact 410-208-2854 or 410-208-2956 x 212. For more information, visit [www.cdow.org](http://www.cdow.org).

**FINANCE**

**Second Collections**

March 14-Catholic Relief

March 21-Seton Center

March 28-Operation Rice Bowl

**RAFFLE WINNER**

We congratulate Maureen Begley, of Berlin, MD, who was the \$537 winner on March 8.



**Creating Faith-Filled Families Tip #24**

Have you ever glanced around the Church during Mass and spotted a family who you view as being an example of the Catholic faith? Instead of worrying that your family doesn't measure up, review the example that your family sets in the community. Do you teach by example the tenets of the Catholic faith? Does your family gossip, cheat others, or curse?



Thank you so much to the generous donors who answered my plea for the sponsorship of the T-shirts for our Confirmation candidates' "Take Up Your Cross" Pilgrimage to Wilmington. May God richly bless you for your kindness during this Lenten season.

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

The Music Ministry continues its work to enhance worship with music. Adults should consider membership in the Adult Choir or in Conviction, the Contemporary Music Group. Both groups number fewer members than they should for a church of this size and this amount of music activity. Neither group obligates you to perfect attendance, and each group provides personal aesthetic growth, fellowship with other creative persons, and the opportunity to serve. In this time of energy crisis, don't hide your light under a barrel.

**VOCATIONS**

"We are ambassadors for Christ," St. Paul tells the Corinthians in today's second reading, "as if God was appealing through us." In every generation, God calls some men to serve in a formal way as His ambassadors, preaching the good news, celebrating the Sacraments, leading His holy people as they strive to grow closer to their Lord. If you are a man between the ages of 18 and 49 and believe that God might be calling you to serve as a priest, call or write Fr. Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113, [jcocucci@cdow.org](mailto:jcocucci@cdow.org)). Be sure to visit our website: [www.CalledByTheLord.com](http://www.CalledByTheLord.com)!

## PARISH GROUPS

**Scripture Study** meets on Tuesdays at 8:30 am in the library. We are currently studying the Gospel of Luke. All are welcome. Please call Kathleen Judge at 410-208-0661.

**Divine Mercy** - The prayers for the Three O'Clock Hour of Great Mercy, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Stations of the Cross are held each Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 pm. Come join us.

**Lay Carmelite Community** meets the second Wednesday of every month from 6:00-8:30 pm in the library. Anyone interested, please call Pat Kratz at 410-641-7419 or Jim Walsh at 302-945-9146.

**Charismatic Prayer Group** meets Thursday mornings at 9 am. The Charismatics meet to grow in holiness through praise, prayer, song, reading scripture, teachings, sharing our faith, praying together for healing and seeking and using the gifts of the Holy Spirit. All are welcome. For information, please call Kay or John Hannigan at 410-208-6296.

**The Supporting Hands Ministry** (formerly Ministry to the Homebound), will visit homebound parishioners, shop, provide a home-cooked meal, run errands, and/or give caregivers a couple hours respite. Perhaps you are recovering from surgery or an illness and would enjoy a friendly visit or have need of this type of assistance. Volunteers will drive parishioners to any parish activity-primarily weekend Masses. If you would like to volunteer for one or more aspects of this ministry, you will be most appreciated. Call Jeanne at 410-208-3250. This group meets the 4th Wednesday of each month.

**Caregivers Sharing Group** -This group meets the first Thursday of each month in the library at 1:30pm. It provides support and a place to share for those caring for spouses, parents and other family members on an ongoing basis. Respite care is available during the meeting time. For further information, please call Emily at 410-641-7720.

**Widowed Person's Support Group** - The group meets in the home of the coordinators. The meeting consists of prayer, meditation, sharing our walk with others and wherever we are led. If interested, please call Jim or Ione Salzman at 410-352-9858.

**Cenacle of Life**-meets every Friday at 8pm(during Lent), in the church, to pray 2 rosaries and fast once a week to help end the culture of death. If you are interested in joining us, please contact the Respect Life Committee, Cindy Schaffer at 410-641-4050.

**Social Justice Committee.** This Committee meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month in the MBS library at 7:00 p.m. The Committee promotes six objectives: Community outreach in tandem with other churches; Respect Life activities such as the Spiritual Adoption and Cenacles of Prayer programs; Legislation advocacy to support Catholic positions; activities to help save our environment; Social Justice education materials and presentations; and Health ministry activities for our parishioners. All are welcome. Call or email Jan Nissen-Hawkins for further information: 410-641-8217 or [jnishawk@mchsi.com](mailto:jnishawk@mchsi.com).



*From the desk of Mark J. Record, Principal...*

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School is pleased to announce that the following students have been recognized for their entries in the Daughters of the American Revolution Maryland State Junior American Citizens Contest. Each of these students is recognized with a first place award.

Alexa Fitz, Taylor Hayes, Kealey Allison, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Banners  
Aidan Baker, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Stamp Design  
Gracie Riley, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Stamp Design  
Kelsey Bassett, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Poems  
Colleen McAlister, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Poems  
Kelley Northam, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Short Story  
Maria Lopez, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Short Story  
Patrick Wojcik, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Short Story

These students and their families have been invited to attend the State Awards Luncheon to be held at Turf Valley Resort and Conference Center on March 20<sup>th</sup>. We congratulate each of our students who are being recognized and we wish to thank the General Levin Winder Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution for their sponsorship and support in this contest.

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School is pleased to announce that it has recently joined the arts integration initiative. As an Arts Integration School, we will be connecting our core academic curricula with the curricula for the visual and performing arts. Our professional staff is currently participating in a professional development program with Ms. Brandy Terrill, of Salisbury University, to develop strategies to enhance the integration of the arts into our core instructional program. In addition, our school will host a four week summer arts immersion program for children in kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Through the arts integration initiative, our instructional program will develop in our children an understanding and appreciation for the connection between the arts and the core academic curricula. We are looking forward to full implementation of our newest instructional initiative in the upcoming school year.

Our students recently participated in a Health Fair that was sponsored by the Nursing Department of Salisbury University and was presented at our school. The nursing students created learning stations for our students that taught and reinforced the healthy life-style habits. We extend our thanks to the Salisbury University Nursing Department instructors and students for their efforts in helping our students and their families develop and practice healthy choices.

**AROUND OUR DIOCESE**

The Parish of St. Ann Bethany Beach  
presents  
**Lenten Adult Series 2010**  
**Living Charity in Truth**

**Thursday, March 25**  
Andy Zampini

**The Cooperation of the Human Family – Conclusion**

All sessions start 7:00 P.M. in Delaney Hall, Rt. 26, Bethany Beach. Please join us. Comfortable chairs, challenging conversation and refreshments are provided in thoughtful company. Continuing education credit is available for catechists. Advanced registration is not required. Babysitting will be provided on request. For more information please call 302-539-5443.



**HOLY HOUR WITH BISHOP**



Bishop Malooly invites all our parishioners to join him and the members of the Ocean Deanery in an Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood in the Diocese of Wilmington to celebrate the Year for Priests on March 18th at 7:00pm at St. Edmond's Church. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Litany and Benediction. Please join us.

**AROUND OUR COMMUNITY**



**Knights of Columbus News**  
**410-524-7994**

Holy Savior/Knights of Columbus Bingo is held Friday evenings at the **Council Home** at 7pm (doors open at 6pm).

Breakfast Buffet every Sunday at the Council Home. "All You Can Eat" (includes coffee and juice) for \$9 per person. Children under 9 are half price. 9am-12noon.

Mark your Spring Calendar

The MBS Fashion Show "InStyle on a Starry Night" will be held on Thursday, April 22, 6:00 pm at MBS, and will feature dinner by Carrabba's, live and Chinese auctions, 50/50 raffle, and vendor booths. New to the fabulous fashion show is a "how to accessorize" feature. Table sponsorships are available and allow guests the opportunity to select their table on a first-come, first-served basis. The \$30 ticket includes all entertainment, dinner and two complimentary glasses of wine. Reservations now being taken at 410-952-4734. The decorating committee is in need of clear glass vases of any size and shape up to 14" tall. If you would like to donate the vases or loan (please mark the bottom) to the school, please drop off at MBS any time between 8:00-3:00 pm, or drop off at the parish and the committee will collect.

**AROUND OUR COMMUNITY(cont.)**

**Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians**– meets on the third Tuesday of the month (except July & August) at 10:00am at the Knights of Columbus Council Home. Membership is limited to practicing Roman Catholic women, Irish by birth or descent, or the wife or mother of a Hibernian. For more information call 410-250-2271.

**Ancient Order of Hibernians**- Meetings are the second Saturday of the month at 10am at the KofC Home. If you are interested in becoming a member or have questions, call 410-250-0362.

**TUTORING**-Experienced, certified educator currently available to TUTOR students in grades 1-8 in many subjects. Please contact Amelia Mike (former principal at Most Blessed Sacrament) at 410-208-9709 to discuss details and make arrangements to have your child/ren tutored.

**SPORTS CORNER**

Anyone interested in playing basketball, please contact Fr. Pileggi at the parish office, 410-208-2956 ext. 211 or [apileggi@stjohnneumannrcc.com](mailto:apileggi@stjohnneumannrcc.com).

**DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON  
BANKRUPTCY**

**In re: Catholic Diocese of Wilmington, Inc.;**  
**Case No. 09-13560**

**YOU MAY HAVE A CLAIM AGAINST  
THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON, INC.**

On October 18, 2009, the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington, Inc. (the "Debtor") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Bankruptcy Court").

**THE LAST DAY TO FILE AN ABUSE CLAIM  
AGAINST THE DEBTOR IS APRIL 15, 2010  
AT 4:00 P.M. (PREVAILING EASTERN TIME).**

**IF YOU WERE ABUSED BY ANY MEMBER OF THE  
CLERGY OR ANY OTHER PERSON CONNECTED  
WITH THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON,  
INC. YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM BY APRIL 15, 2010 AT  
4:00 P.M. (PREVAILING EASTERN TIME).**

For more information, including a complete list of all parishes and schools within the geographic territory of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Wilmington, or to receive a proof of claim form and associated documents, please (1) visit the Debtor's website at <http://www.cdow.org>; (2) visit the Claims Agent's designated website at <http://www.cdowreorganization.com>; (3) call the Claims Agent at (800) 761-6220, (4) write to The Garden City Group, Inc., Attn: CDOW Bankruptcy Administration, P.O. Box 9561, Dublin, Ohio 43017-4861; or (5) call the official committee of unsecured creditors appointed in this case at (888) 570-6269.