

## Pastor's Corner

My Dear Friends,

First, with this Palm Sunday, we begin the holiest week in the Church Year for Christians—Holy Week. I hope you get a chance to come to the special celebrations we have this week, especially the Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 p.m. Holy Thursday, the Good Friday celebrations at 2 p.m. in English and 7 p.m. in Spanish, and the Living Stations (Vía Crucis) performed live outdoors by our Hispanic Young Adult Group at 4 p.m. on Good Friday. At the Easter Vigil Mass that begins at 8 p.m., we are welcoming into the church 42 people. What a celebration that will be! Finally, on Easter Sunday we will have 5 Masses: 6:30; 8; 9:30; and 11 all in English, and 1 p.m. in Spanish.



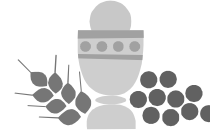
Second, congratulations to Sr. Isaac who has won the "Alumni Service to the Community Award" by Marquette University in Milwaukee. Sr. Isaac, a 1968 graduate of Marquette, will be honored at a special Alumni National Awards Dinner at the University on April 25<sup>th</sup>. The blurb in the Awards Weekend booklet describes Sr. Isaac this way: "Part caseworker, part religious representative, Sister Isaac is often called 'the Mother Teresa of Wilmington, NC.' Through her ministry, Tileston Social Outreach, she has provided food, financial assistance, shelter, clothing, comfort, a welcoming smile and a listening ear to North Carolina's working poor for nearly 25 years." Needless to say, we are proud as punch having Sr. Isaac as a leading light of St. Mary's!

Third, many thanks to the St. Mary Latino Band and the St. Mary Renaissance Choir for providing such spirited music at the Second Annual Interfaith Holocaust Memorial that was held at St. Mary's last weekend.

Finally, congratulations to four of our parishioner-authors who have just published books! In a future edition of our bulletin, I will be doing a special page on these four books. Our authors and their latest works are: Paul Wilkes' autobiography *In due season*; A Catholic life; Charles Hankins' *What we blacks need to do: The first book in a three book series*; Joe Sheppard's *The True Republican or American Whig: 'The truth our guide—the public good our end'*," and David D. Hume's novel, *Beyond the Long-Eared Mountains*.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
- Father Bob

## Liturgies & Paraliturgies Including Mass Intentions



### Saturday, April 4:

- 4:00 – 4:45 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation  
5:30 pm Mass – † Stephen Plocki  
*Offered by The O'Leary Family*  
7:00 pm Mass – † Mass for the Parishioners

### Sunday, April 5 – Palm Sunday:

- 8:00 am Mass – † Margaret Damiani  
*Offered by Ettore Damiani*  
9:30 am Mass – Paul Ridilla  
*Offered by Michael*  
11:00 am Mass – † Edward B. Williams  
*Offered by The Williams Family*  
1:00 pm Mass – Mass for the Parishioners

### Monday, April 6:

- 7:30 am Mass – † Richard and Elsi Twiss  
*Offered by Richard and Magdalen Twiss*

### Tuesday, April 7:

- 7:30 am Communion Service

### Wednesday, April 8:

- 7:30 am Communion Service

### Thursday, April 9:

- 7:00 pm Mass – Mass for the Parishioners

### Friday, April 10:

Good Friday – No Masses

### Saturday, April 11:

- 8:00 pm Easter Vigil

### Sunday, April 12 – Easter Sunday:

- 6:30 am Mass – In English  
8:00 am Mass – † Rose Dibs  
*Offered by Walt Chmielenski*  
9:30 am Mass – 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Mass  
for Lois and Ralph Petrone  
*Offered by The Petrone Family*  
11:00 am Mass – † Deceased Members of the  
Metzgar Family  
*Offered by Maryann Metzgar*  
1:00 pm Mass – Thiong Hoang Ha  
*Offered by Joseph*

#### **Weekend Mass Schedule at a Glance**

Saturday Mass in English – 5:30 pm  
Saturday Mass in Spanish – 7:00 pm  
Sunday Mass in English – 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am  
Sunday Mass in Spanish – 1:00 pm

To schedule a **Mass Intention**, to donate the **Altar Flowers** in memory of a loved one or special occasion, or for information on **Baptism**, please come to the Parish Office or call 762-5491.

**Today's Readings**

**Gospel at the Procession with Palms** — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

**First Reading** — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

**Psalm** — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

**Gospel** — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]).

**Readings for the Week**

- Monday: Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11
- Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
- Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25
- Thursday: Christ Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21  
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
- Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
- Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; d) Is 54:5-14; e) Is 55:1-11; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mk 16:1-7

**Next Sunday**

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 (or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

Readings for the week may be found on [www.thestmaryparish.org](http://www.thestmaryparish.org) - Click on **Worship**

**Camillus Ministers Needed**

If you are interested in becoming a Camillus Minister, please call Frank Grant at 392-6084



**Scrip Card Information**

St. Mary School would like to announce the we will be discontinuing the SCRIP program. There are still a few Food Lion and Port City Java cards available for purchase. Please contact Lisa Picken at 679-4120 or Catherine Jones at 798-2389. Thank you for your support of the SCRIP program.

**The St Mary Parish Bookstore**

Sunday 9am – 1pm

Tuesday thru Friday 10am – 3pm

**St.Mary Altar Guild**

Will meet on April 20<sup>th</sup> at Noon  
The Oceanic Restaurant  
Wrightsville Beach  
Any questions, call Nancy Desbach at 264-9480

**Please Pray for Our Sick**

|                   |                     |                      |
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| Shirley Ammons    | Madeline Dowell     | Elizabeth Militscher |
| Ashley Ashton     | Shari George        | Kathy Murphy         |
| Robyn Baily       | Mildred Gibbons     | Katherine Oxx        |
| Charles Baird     | Betty Glasenapp     | John Pavolonis       |
| Evelyn Baird      | Louise Gordon       | Laura Purin          |
| Stephanie Barrows | Kristal Grant       | Celia Rudd           |
| Cheryl Bezek      | Michael J. Gressman | Geraldine Saburn     |
| Arenda Bingham    | William Grundy      | John Slaughenhoupt   |
| Judy Brooks       | Mary Haywood        | Adell Suhoski        |
| Lecia Burns       | Dolores Hicks       | John Leroy Trader    |
| Patrick Caporale  | Andrew Kegl         | Felix Usewicz        |
| Bob Carey         | Josephine Kidney    | Paula J. Veltz       |
| C.J. Carroll      | Nancy Lange         | Catherine Veres      |
| Clara Carter      | Anna Lenortav age   | Chris Watson, Jr.    |
| Robert Cary       | Francis Leonard     | Jim Watters          |
| Joyce Christine   | Louise Leonard      | Jeff Weeks           |
| Roy Clifton       | Patrick Leonard     | Sheila Weeks         |
| Jeanne Currier    | Mary Eugenia Mazur  | Jeff Wiener          |
| Barbara DeBellis  | Gen. McDaniel       | Anne Williams        |
| Janet Dowell      | Lindsav McDuffie    | Sheila Wolfe         |

To add a name or change name, please contact: [thebestmaryparish.org](mailto:thebestmaryparish.org) or 392-2063

**St. Mary Nursery News**

The nursery is now open for 9:30 Sunday Mass!  
We are always in need of volunteers - contact **Allen and Kelly Sanderson** at [nursery@thestmaryparish.org](mailto:nursery@thestmaryparish.org) or you may stop by the nursery before and after the 9:30 Sunday mass.

**English as a Second Language Classes**

Classes are Sundays from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm in the Tileston Building.  
**Volunteer teachers as well as clerical help is needed.**  
No experience is necessary.  
Please contact the Church office.

**St. Mary Gospel Choir CDs are back!**

The St. Mary Gospel Choir has restocked the St. Mary Parish Bookstore.  
Please visit the Parish Bookstore if you need a copy of the CD.

**2008 Contribution Statements**

are available for pick up in the Parish Office  
Monday – Friday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

**INVITATION TO MEN WITH SPIRITUAL HUNGER!**

Come join Fr. Bob and a growing group of men who meet each Friday morning from 7:00 am - 7:45 am in the Tileston Building. We study and reflect on scripture and simply share what is on our hearts and minds.  
Come join us as you are able. We welcome you!

**Eucharistic Ministers**

If you would like to serve as a Eucharistic Minister, please contact Stephanie Watts at 799-7623 or [ewatts1949@aol.com](mailto:ewatts1949@aol.com).

**Centering Prayer**

An hour of contemplating prayer and the Centering practice Wednesday afternoons in our Chapel in Tileston. From the following web page, you can view a video, in three parts, about Centering Prayer. <http://www.centeringprayer.com/reachinout.htm>

**When:** Wednesday from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

**Place:** Chapel - Tileston – 1<sup>st</sup> floor

More information: contact Joan Regan – 383-2804

**Are you interested in reciting the Rosary after Daily Mass**

Please join us after Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Communion Service, and Friday Masses,  
All are welcome.

### ***The Week Ahead In Our Parish***

#### **Saturday, April 4 (Palm Sunday) – Holy Week Begins:**

Regular Saturday Mass Schedule with distribution of Palms

No First Saturday Mass

National Catholic Youth Convention Pilgrims Azalea Festival  
Parking – 7:30 am – 11:00 am (entire campus)

Youth Gospel Choir Rehearsal\* - 9:00 am in the Church

Gospel Choir Rehearsal\* - 10:15 am in the Church

RCIA Retreat – 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

#### **Sunday, April 5:**

Share Sunday – All Masses

Nursery\* – Available at the 9:30 am Mass

**No Faith Formation** – 9:30 – 10:30 am – St. Mary School

Faith Sharing\* - 9:45 am in Tileston

English as a Second Language Class\* - 11:00 am – 12:30 pm in  
Tileston

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament\* - 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the  
Church

Middle and High School Youth Group\* - 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm in  
Tileston

#### **Monday, April 6:**

Rosary following Mass (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday)

Vickie Hudson - Joe Hudson Convalidation – 6:00 pm in the  
Church

Contemporary Choir Rehearsal\* - 7:00 pm in the Church

Hispanic Young Adult Group (El grupo de jóvenes adultos)\* -  
7:30 pm in Tileston

Grupo De Alcohólicos Anónimos\* - 8:00 – 9:30 pm en el gimnasio

#### **Tuesday, April 7:**

7:30 am Communion Service (No Mass at St. Mary) – Chrism  
Mass in Raleigh

Divine Mercy Chaplet\* – 12:30 pm in the Chapel at Tileston

Adult Education\* – 6:00 pm in Tileston

Practica de la Banda Latina de Domingo\* - 7:00 pm in Tileston

#### **Wednesday, April 8:**

Centering Prayer – 1:30 – 2:30 pm in the Tileston Chapel

Practica de la Banda Latina de Sabado\* - 7:00 pm in Tileston

#### **Thursday, April 9 (Holy Thursday):**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament\* - 8:00 am – 9:00 am in the  
Church

Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual) – 7:00 pm  
Reception of the holy oils and Washing of the Feet

Adoration in Tileston – 8:00 pm - Midnight

Renaissance Choir Rehearsal\* - 7:30 pm in Tileston

#### **Friday, April 10 (Good Friday):**

Noon – Church open for silent meditation

Veneration of the Cross, Passion, Communion Service (English) – 2:00 pm

Outdoor Via Crucis (Living Stations of the Cross) – Hispanic Youth Group –  
4:00 pm

Veneration of the Cross, Passion, Communion Service (Spanish) – 7:00 pm

Grupo De Alcohólicos Anónimos\* - 8:00 – 9:30 pm en el gimnasio

#### **Saturday, April 11 (Easter Vigil):**

Rehearsal for RCIA – 9:00 am in the Church

Blessing of the Easter food baskets – 10:00 am in the Church

Youth Gospel Choir Rehearsal\* - 9:00 am in the Church

Gospel Choir Rehearsal\* - 10:15 am in the Church

Easter Vigil Mass (Bilingual) – 8:00 pm – Reception to follow for new  
Catholic Christians and their guests.

\*denotes weekly activity

**St. Mary School and Church offices closed from  
April 6 – April 10 (Spring Break)**

### **Knights of Columbus Council 1074**



Come learn a little about your faith with Knights of Columbus Council 1074. On the first Wednesday of each month, we will study the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Our guide will be the Compendium of the Catechism and discussions by Bishop William E. Lori Supreme Chaplin of the Knights of Columbus. The sessions will start promptly at 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers in Tileston. All Parishioners are welcome to attend.

### **ANNUAL SPRING DANCE**

**Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 pm**

**Tileston Building's Upper Room**

Today is your final opportunity to get your tickets outside. Whether it be dancing or just listening, you will definitely get your money's worth so don't be left out of the fun.

After today, tickets are available at the parish office and bookstore or by calling Jeanne Bu a 799-0164

### ***Being Prophetic Voices in Mission***

*North Carolina Maryknoll Affiliate Gathering*

*May 1 – May 2, 2009*

*Second annual Maryknoll Affiliates Gathering, which will be hosted at the lovely ocean front Christian Family Living Center on Topsail Beach.*

*This gathering will be hosted by the Father Price Affiliate Chapter her in Wilmington, CARE and community volunteers.*

*Come and relax with us as we grow deeper in our Maryknoll commitment and our commitment to one another.*

*Contact CARE for registration and information at 232-5324*

## From the Office of Social Outreach

### Palm Sunday

By: Sister Isaac

The **Word** today speaks to us of triumph as we wave palms and greet our Savior. All too quickly though, Mark's account of the Passion calls us to focus on the brutal reality of pain, suffering, apparent abandonment and death. We are entering the holiest week of our Church Year and we are called to reflect on what our Baptism into Jesus means. His suffering, death and resurrection urges us to pray:

What have I done for Christ?  
 What am I doing for Christ?  
 What will I do for Christ?

The ministry here at the Outreach is one way to answer these questions. It is by humble service to our brothers and sisters that we try to imitate in a small, simple way the unconditional love of our God. Bringing in food and clothing and household goods, hygiene products, an occasional car or calling our "Three Men, One Woman and a Truck" asking us to pick up bicycles, washers and dryers, couches, tables and chairs can be for us who follow the Lord more than good citizens practicing recycling! We care about others and these difficult economic times can help us distinguish between our needs and our wants. Sharing brings many blessings to everyone involved in the good deed.

Let us pray for one another as we ponder the depth of God's incredible love for us. May we respond with full and grateful hearts as we renew our Baptismal Promises at our Easter Masses.

### Special Need of the Week

Now we can use some socks, to go with the men's shoes that are coming. Thank you for always helping us help others.

### **Adoration**

Why not "watch and pray" an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament? We have Adoration on First Friday from after the 8:30am Mass until 3:30.

### **Alumni National Awards Dinner**

On April 25, 2009 Marquette University will honor and acknowledge alumni at the Alumni National Awards Dinner on the campus of Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Among this year's recipients is our own Sister Mary Isaac Koenig, S. U. Sister Isaac graduated from Marquette University in 1960. Sister Isaac was nominated and is being recognized for the *Alumni Service to The Community Award*.

Sister Isaac is "...part caseworker, part religious representative...Through her ministry, Tileston Social Outreach, she has provided food, financial assistance, shelter, clothing, comfort, a welcoming smile and a listening ear to North Carolina's working poor for nearly 25 years..." She has joyfully committed herself and inspired all of us to feed the hungry, to provide drink to the thirsty, to welcome the stranger, to clothe the naked, to take care of the sick, and to visit the imprisoned (Matthew 25).

### **Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 1036**

will hold their next meeting at 7:00 pm on Monday, April 6 in the Clubhouse at Jumpin' Run.

All Catholic women are invited to attend.

### **Senior Singles Meeting**

Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Olympia Restaurant  
 5629 Oleander Drive

For more information, call Gloria at 395-4307

## *Diocesan Events*

### **40 Days for Life Spring Campaign**

40 Days for Life campaign.

To learn more, please visit us at [www.40daysforlife.com/raleigh](http://www.40daysforlife.com/raleigh).

For additional information please email: [prayforlife247@aol.com](mailto:prayforlife247@aol.com)

### **Tileston Health Clinic**

#### **Executive Director**

#### **Job Announcement**

Executive Director for the Tileston Health Clinic, a free clinic serving the poor and uninsured in this area. Responsibilities include the leadership and direction of all clinic programs; management of the staff and volunteers; ability to generate clinic funding through effective grant writing and development of donor relations within the community; collaboration with other health providers to address community health care needs and best utilization of collective resources. Requires successful experience in operations and management in the health care sector. Salary commensurate with education and experience. Benefits package. Email résumé or inquiries to [tilestonexecdirec@hotmial.com](mailto:tilestonexecdirec@hotmial.com). Please no phone calls.

### **Project Rachel Retreat for Healing After Abortion**

Project Rachel weekend retreat on May 15-17, at the Short Journey Center in Smithfield. For more information or to register for the retreat, contact Project Rachel at (919) 852-1021

or [projectrachel@nc.rr.com](mailto:projectrachel@nc.rr.com). The cost is \$95 for lodging, meals and all retreat materials.

Registration deadline is May 8.

### **FEELING ALONE IN YOUR GRIEF?**

Come to the Comfort Gathering at St. Therese and join others who are grieving the loss of someone close to them.

Pray, share, or just listen with us.

**A bereavement counselor from Lower Cape Fear Hospice will join us on Wednesday, April 22 at 10am**

at the St. Therese Education Building  
 (building on the right side of the church).

Refreshments will be provided.

Sponsored by the St. Therese Ladies Guild.

Call 799-1346 for more information.

### **Carolina Catholic**

In April, our show features an interview with Immaculee Ilibigizia, an author of three books and a survivor of the 1994 Rwanda genocide. Immaculee hid in a bathroom with six other women and a seven year old girl for 91 days during which time her mother, father, and two brothers were murdered and the gangs came for her many times. Immaculee prayed 27 Rosaries a day, and she credits the Rosary with her survival and her ability to forgive the man who killed her family members. Her books are *Left to Tell*, *Led by Faith*, and *Our Lady of Kibeho*. You can read more about Immaculee at her website:

<http://www.immaculee.com/>

This show will air on Saturday, April 11th at 11 a.m. and Sunday, April 5th and 12th at 6 p.m.

92.7 FM. Wilmington Catholic Radio.

### Catholics Confront Global Poverty

Recently the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) launched the much-anticipated Catholics Confront Global Poverty initiative. Bishop Howard J. Hubbard, Chairman of the Committee on International Justice and Peace at the USCCB, announced the launch of the initiative and urged Catholics around the country to join the effort. The two-year nationwide effort, inspired by Pope Benedict XVI's 2009 World Day of Peace Message, "Fight Poverty to Build Peace," calls on one million Catholics to confront global poverty by learning about global poverty and taking action to defend the life and dignity of people living in poverty. The initiative focuses on seven issues that are key to confronting global poverty:

- increasing and improving international assistance
- strengthening international peacekeeping and peace building
- reforming U.S. trade and agricultural policies
- completing debt relief
- addressing global climate change
- supporting transparency, participation and consent of local communities in natural resource extraction, and
- addressing the root causes of migration

### Catholic Family Retreats

The Christian Family Living Center  
Topsail Island, NC  
910-328-1584

**May 8-10, 2009**

**Mother's Day Retreat – A Family Affair**  
**June 19-21, 2009**

**Celebrate Father's Day Weekend**

\$70 ages 2-7; \$100 ages 8-adult. Family max is \$490.

### Office of Youth Ministry

John Walsh, DRE

762-5491 ext. 14

[jwalsh@thestmaryparish.org](mailto:jwalsh@thestmaryparish.org)

### Registration for 2009 – 2010 Faith Formation Year

All children/youth that plan on attending faith formation for 2009 – 2010 must be registered in advance.

#### Confirmation for Adults

Confirmation classes for adult Catholics who have been baptized will begin in May. Please call Mr. John Walsh if you are interested in attending. Pre-registration is mandatory.

The classes will be held on Thursday evenings in May (beginning on May 7) at 7:00 p.m. in the Tileston building with Confirmation being celebrated on Pentecost Sunday (May 31). You will be required to have a baptism certificate on file with the religious education office.

### Preparation classes for the Sacrament of Baptism of infants and young children (in English)

Beginning on **Monday May 4, 2009** the mandatory preparation class for the Baptism of infant and young children (in English) will be held on the first Monday of each month at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Amy Bradley Room located in the Tileston building. If the first Monday is a holiday then the class will be given on the next Monday that is not a holiday. The parish website and bulletin will be updated regularly with the latest schedule.

You must RSVP ahead of time with me to take the class. When you RSVP for the class I will discuss with you the necessary steps needed to be completed in order for the sacrament to be celebrated.

### Baccalaureate Mass Graduating High School Seniors Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am



All graduating Seniors of St. Mary Parish are invited. You will be recognized for your hard work and will receive a special blessing from Father Bob. A Reception for all family and friends will follow in the St. Mary School Cafeteria. Please RSVP to John Walsh by May 31<sup>st</sup>. 762-5491, ext. 14



#### April 4 – 5 (Palm Sunday)

Regular Schedule of Masses with palm distribution

#### April 6

Regular Daily Mass at 7:30 am

#### April 7

Communion Service at 7:30 am (No Mass)

#### April 8

Communion Service at 7:30 am (No Mass)

#### April 9 (Holy Thursday)

Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual) at 7:00 pm  
Reception of the holy oils and Washing of the Feet  
Adoration in Tileston – 8:00 pm until Midnight

#### April 10 (Good Friday)

Church opens for silent meditation at Noon  
Veneration of the Cross, Passion, Communion Service (in English) – 2:00 pm  
Outdoor *Via Crucis (Living Stations of the Cross)* -  
Hispanic Youth Group – 4:00 pm  
Veneration of the Cross, Passion, Communion Service (in Spanish) – 7:00 pm

#### April 11 (Easter Vigil)

Rehearsal for RCIA – 9:00 am  
Blessing of the Easter food baskets – 10:00 am  
No 5:30 pm or 7:00 pm Masses  
Easter Vigil Mass (Bilingual) begins with Blessing of the New Fire 8:00 pm

#### April 12 (Easter Sunday)

Regular Mass schedule with an addition of 6:30 am Mass (in English)


**Celebrations**  
**March 28 – March 29, 2009**

*St. Mary Parish Members*  
**15 Years**  
**April 2009**  
*Frank and Frances Bindewald*

**Weddings**  
*Raymond Philip Soporowski & Elizabeth Ann Butler*  
  
*Francis Metzgar & Vanessa Metzgar*

**Liturgical Minister's Schedule**  
**Weekend of April 11 – April 12**  
 For Masses in English  
 Easter Sunday  
 -Schedule does not show substitutions-

|                      | Saturday<br>8:00 pm                                 | Sunday<br>6:30 am               | Sunday<br>8:00 a.m.   | Sunday<br>9:30 a.m.   | Sunday<br>11:00 a.m.   |
|----------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---|--|
| Eucharistic Minister | J. Bua<br>E. Flewellin<br>M. Friedrichs<br>S. Watts | Y. Sims<br>C. Walsh<br>J. Walsh | M. Adkins<br>B. Grace<br>P. Gross<br>R. Keegan<br>L. Newton<br>O. Niles<br>E. Teaster | J. Demonte<br>L. Dezio<br>T. Graham<br>C. Jones<br>H. Latham<br>M. Reis<br>G. Worsley | C. Bennett<br>T. Bennett<br>D. Linkfield<br>M. Metzgar<br>B. Murtagh<br>J. Murtagh<br>J. Zukar |
| Lectors              | C. Lively<br>C. Grant                               | T. Connette                     | B. Habib<br>R. Shackelford  | P. Rogers<br>D. Thompson  | C. Stiles<br>L. Perunko  |
| Altar Servers        | E. Harris<br>C. Lachance<br>K. Malkin               | E. Walsh<br>C. Walsh            | K. Black<br>C. Martinez<br>B. Sheehan   | B. Jackson<br>A. Oehling<br>S. Okonmah  | B. Craddock<br>C. Craddock<br>L. Craddock  |



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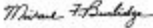
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

During the month of April, as we observe National Child Abuse Prevention Month, we are reminded of the priority we give to the care of children and young people as part of our Catholic belief in the protection of life and the dignity of the human person at every age. This important work to improve the safety of children includes not only those who are in the care of the Church, but also extends itself to improving the safety of all children in our society.

I extend my appreciation to the priests and religious serving in our Diocese, as well as the laity, especially those who are members of Safe Environment Teams, who together serve our children and youth and exemplify our Diocesan commitment to providing a safe environment.

In response to the *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* promulgated in 2003 by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, a dedicated group of Diocesan representatives, together with members of the community, began work to enhance our Diocesan guidelines to maintain a safe environment for the children and young people entrusted to our pastoral care. Since 2003, over 10,000 background searches have been performed to assist in the process of discerning who will serve the faithful of our Diocese as clergy, employees and those in leadership positions in ministry with minors. In the instructional year ending in 2008, our Diocese has trained over 2,400 adults in how to recognize and report child abuse and neglect. In addition, nearly 22,000 parents have received information on how to maintain a safe environment for their children. These efforts demonstrate our continuing Diocesan commitment to ensure that our children and youth will always have a safe setting where they can learn and grow in the faith of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

As we diligently continue to safeguard and nurture the faith of our children, please be assured of my prayerful support for this important work. May our Lord Jesus bless you and Mary, Mother of the Church, watch over you always.

Sincerely in Christ,  
  
 Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge  
 Bishop of Raleigh

**Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Altar Servers**

Please contact Stephanie Watts at 799-7623 or [ewatts1949@aol.com](mailto:ewatts1949@aol.com) with your email address so the monthly schedules can be sent electronically.

**Are you Celebrating 25, 50 or more years of Marriage?**

Bishop Michael F. Burbidge invites all couples celebrating 25, 50 or more years of marriage to honor their vocation of marriage. The Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on Sunday, May 17 at 3 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 2718 Overbrook Dr. Raleigh. Family Members are welcome to attend. Please register through your parish office by Friday, May 1.

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**Stewardship of Treasure**  
*"For everything is from you and we only give you what we have received from you."*  
 ---- 1 Chronicles 29:14-16  
**March 22, 2009**

|                     |      |                                 |         |
|---------------------|------|---------------------------------|---------|
| Envelopes Mailed:   | 1230 | Children's' Envelopes Received: | 0       |
| Envelopes Returned: | 425  | Total Children's Offertory:     | \$ 0.00 |

|                     | OFFERTORY     | BUDGET        | EDUCATION   |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|
| 03/22/2009          | \$ 18,071.69  | \$ 13,000.00  | \$ 105.00   |
| 07/01/08 to present | \$ 598,383.47 | \$ 587,900.00 | \$ 22353.33 |

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**From the Desk of Joyce Price, Principal**  
Will Return Next Week



## New Beginning Fencing Class Starting

3:30 -4:30 pm

Two days per week until school ends

Mon. or Tue. & Wed. or Thurs.

M-W, M-Th, Tu-W, Tu-Th

Students can start either April 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> (Spring Break)

or

April 13<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup>

All equipment provided

\$50

2<sup>nd</sup> grade and up

No experience necessary

Basement of the Tileston Gym on St. Mary campus

For more info contact Greg Spahr

799-8642 or

[gregoryspahr@yahoo.com](mailto:gregoryspahr@yahoo.com)

## St. Mary School Sports News

Spring training for the volleyball team will began Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Team members should report to the gym immediately after school, dressed to play with knee pads and a drink.

Practice will run until 4:45 pm.

All athletes should check the website weekly for updates on practice and games. Click on weekly events link.

### Thursday Basketball

Come and join a group of St. Mary parents who get together every Thursday from 7:00 -9:00 pm for pick-up basketball in the Tileston Gym.

Middle school students are welcome, accompanied by a parent.

## Dates to Remember

April 6-10 - Spring Recess – No School

April 13 – Classes Resume (Snow Make-up Day)

April 20 – 27 – Scholastic Book Fair

April 22 – Spaghetti Dinner

April 24 – Field Day (Hugh McRae Park)

April 24 – 25 - NC Science Olympiad State Competition - Raleigh

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Catholic School

## Community Events



Spring Break Surf Camps

April 6 – 10

April 20 – 24

12 – 2 pm Monday through Friday

Oceanic Pier

910-274-3565 or [indojaxsurfschool.com](http://indojaxsurfschool.com)

St. Mary School Teachers:

Jack Viorel (1)

Kevin Murphy (5)

## Viva St. Mary!!! Vegas Casino Night



High Rollers and Tacky Tourists Welcome!

**Save the Date**

**May 9th, 2009**

**7 - 11pm**

Tileston Auditorium

Great Food, Great Fun!!!

Live and Silent Auctions

\$25.00 per person

Price includes heavy hors d'oeuvres

Cash Bar

Wear your craziest "Tacky Tourist in Vegas" outfit or maybe you are more the James Bond type? Elvis? Or just plain ole t-shirt and jeans. It is casual and all about fun!

All proceeds benefit our teacher's wish list!  
"Helping our teachers make our children's dreams come true!"

The St. Mary School Spring Gala committee "Viva St. Mary" Casino Night is looking for auctions items for this event.

If have any auctions items or talents to donate, please contact Christy Kramer at 910-52-4616.