Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Lent has begun!

God’s Abundant Grace: I thank the Lord for the great turnout at both the Catholic Women’s and Catholic Men’s Conferences these past weeks. We were able to fill the bus for the Men’s Conference. Both buses had members of several local Catholic Churches, a great show of unity of faith in our area. And, our That Man Is You program continues to thrive. This weekend, we have several significant events in the life of our faith community. Our children making their First Communion this year went to First Reconciliation Saturday morning. And, on Sunday morning, our Catechumens and Candidates preparing to enter the Church at the Easter Vigil will be sent forth at the 8:00 a.m. Mass and then will experience the Rite of Election on Sunday Afternoon with Bishop Campbell at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Grove City. And, we will be celebrating another infant baptism! Please pray for all parishioners who are preparing for Sacraments in their lives: our parents who are scheduling the baptism of their children, our children preparing for First Communion, the members of our RCIA class as they prepare to enter the Church, and our couples who are preparing to enter into the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony by preparing to get married in the Church. All of these events are signs of life and the grace of God in our midst. As we will soon (hopefully) begin to see signs of spring and of new life in nature, so too we rejoice at the new life that God abundantly blesses our parish with through the power of His grace.

Lent at Blessed Sacrament: Lent is about prayer, fasting, and alms. I encourage you to participate generously in our Operation Rice Bowl campaign. Take advantage of the many opportunities we have for prayer each week. This includes our daily Mass and many hours of Adoration (remember to come in the side doors during Adoration Hours). And, take advantage of the additional opportunities for prayer, including Friday, 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross and Sunday 5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer. Renew the bonds of our parish family by joining us for our Wednesday Lenten Meals hosted by our Holy Name Society. AND, MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE HEART OF OUR PARISH LENTEN OBSERVANCE, OUR PARISH MISSION MARCH 23rd-27th.

Renewal of My Assignment: Thanks to all who have expressed such kindness at the news of my assignment being renewed at Blessed Sacrament. Please continue to pray for me as I try to be a good shepherd.

God bless,
Fr. Wilson

Mass Intentions for the Week of March 9th

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<td>Charles Dolan by the Ernest Family</td>
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Liturgical Ministers Schedule

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<td>Gia Mullins, Rudy Snider, Michael Snider, J.J. Snider</td>
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<td>Sunday, March 16th</td>
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<td>Theresa Selfe, Katy Selfe, Charlotte Campbell, Noah Campbell</td>
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<td>Maria Hayes, Taya Bigler, Kevin Bigler, Erica Rickey</td>
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Sunday Lector & Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

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<td>Christina Priest, Jodi Snider (L), Deacon Patrick, Theresa Nutter, Debbie Bickle, Phil &amp; Sue West (EM)</td>
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<td>Sunday, March 16th</td>
<td>8:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Kathy Wilson, Kim Montgomery-Carver (L) Deacon Patrick, Patrick Wesley, Barb Harris, Rita Shonebarger, Glenna Bowman (EM)</td>
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<td>10:30 a.m.</td>
<td>Matthew Canter, Yvonne King (L), Deacon Patrick, Michelle Stair, Allison Morrow, Kelli Morrow, Michael Burger (EM)</td>
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Remember in your prayers all parishioners who are ill or injured, especially for Victoria King, Don Montell, Teresa Williams, Jim Lannan, Eileen Gray, Brenda Cost, Garrett Minton, Joe Gilligan, Kate Grannan, Linda Gustovich, Joe Dragovich, Trinity Russell, Bob Smith, Theresa, Andrew, Katy & Erin Selle, Karen Addy, and for those who are homebound or in healthcare facilities.

Our love, prayers, and sympathy for the family and friends of Bobby L. Hartless, Sr. May he rest in the arms of Our Risen Savior.

Next week’s Scripture
Second Sunday of Lent
March 16th

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a
“Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.”

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

This week, we pray Liturgy of the Hours
Seasonal Proper I

Our Stewardship Collection
February 23rd

Budgeted per Week $ 10,528.84
Offertory (178 envelopes) $ 6,920.10
Loose Cash $ 384.16
Average Auto Withdrawal $ 2,991.77
(108 households – average weekly giving)
Total $ 10,296.03
DEFICIT ($ 232.81)
Building Fund Collection $ 91.80

March 2nd

Offertory (156 envelopes) $ 7,913.95
Loose Cash $ 291.32
Average Auto Withdrawal $ 2,991.77
(108 households – average weekly giving)
Total $ 11,197.04
Budget YTD (7/1/13-3/2/14) $ 379,038.24
Actual Offerings YTD $ 385,500.46
Building Fund Collection $ 2,223.00
Building Fund Collection YTD $ 28,403.83
Building Loan Balance as of 2/12/14 $2,113,759.55

What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions? Pride? Power? Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us!

See Psalm 51

Parish Prayerline

The entire parish is requested to pray:
The Vatican Intentions for the month of March
• Respect for Women. That all cultures may respect the rights and dignity of women.
• Vocations. That many young people may accept the Lord’s invitation to consecrate their lives to proclaiming the Gospel.

Father Wilson’s Intention. That all the sick of the parish would experience healing, strength, and peace.

All are invited to a presentation on Home Enthronement by the Sacred Heart of Jesus Columbus Apostolate on Tuesday, March 11th at 7:00 p.m. in Shepherd Hall. Come, join us and learn more about enthroning your home to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The whole family is invited to our Blessed Sacrament Lenten Parish Mission from Sunday, March 23rd through Thursday, March 27th at 7:00 p.m. in our church. Fr. Thomas Sullivan, C.P.M., of the Fathers of Mercy, will encourage and challenge the parish community to make a stronger, deeper commitment to Christ, His Church and the Sacraments. Among the topics he will speak on are: The Holy Blessed Sacrament, The Blessed Virgin Mary, The Mercy of God, The Ten Commandments and the Angels and the Saints. Daily Mass will be offered each morning (Monday-Thursday) at 8:15 a.m. Following daily Mass there will be a movie and light refreshments in Shepherd Hall. Evening childcare will be available for children 3-5 years in the school. For more information, call the parish office at 345-4290.

HNS Lenten Dinners begins this week! Our Holy Name Society is sponsoring Lenten Dinners each Wednesday from March 12th through April 9th in Shepherd Hall from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Join us for delicious meals beginning with Walt’s Chicken/Beef Noodles on March 12th. Mark your calendars for March 19th – Fish Fry; March 26th – Pasta Buffet; April 2nd – Panini Sandwich and Soup. Our last Lenten meal is a Fish Fry on April 9th. The cost is $8.00/adults; $24.00/family; $7.00/kids (4-12 years) and Seniors (65 years plus). Kids 3 years and under eat free. Great meals – Great value! Proceeds benefits Blessed Sacrament School Education Fund. For the success of these meals, volunteers are needed each evening for a variety of positions. If you are available to volunteer or would like more information, call HNS President Tom Koch at (740) 929-9903.
This Week

Sunday, March 9
7:30 a.m. Rosary
8:00 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. RCIA – Library
9:05 a.m. CCD Classes – School
10:30 a.m. Mass & First Communion Investiture
11:45 a.m. Mary Busic Baptism
12:00 p.m. Drama – Annex
5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer
6:00 p.m. HS Youth – Café

Monday, March 10
12:00 p.m. Adoration until 9:00 p.m. in the Church

Tuesday, March 11
12:00 p.m. Adoration until 6:00 p.m. in the Church
5:30 p.m. Reconciliation
6:15 p.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. BS Alumni – Marian Rm
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice – Church
7:00 p.m. Informational Meeting – Café

Enthronement of the Sacred Heart

Wednesday, March 12
8:15 a.m. Rosary
8:15 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Adoration until 12:00 a.m. in the Church
4:30 p.m. HNS Lenten Dinner – Café

Thursday, March 13
7:50 a.m. Rosary
8:15 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Nazareth Faith Sharing Group – Marian Room
1:55 p.m. BSS Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. St. Vincent Meeting Conference Room

Friday, March 14
8:45 a.m. Mass
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross & Benediction – Church

Saturday, March 15
6:30 a.m. “That Man is You” – Café
6:30 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group Conference Room
9:00 a.m. Protecting God’s Children Seminar – Cafeteria
3:30 p.m. Reconciliation
5:00 p.m. Mass

St. Vincent de Paul Collection

Sunday, March 16
7:30 a.m. Rosary
8:00 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. RCIA – Library
9:05 a.m. CCD Classes – School
9:15 a.m. Wyatt Markham Baptism
10:30 a.m. Mass
12:00 p.m. Drama – Annex
5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer w/Benediction – Church

In your Lenten journey, plan on attending Evening Prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction each Sunday from March 9th through April 13th at 5:00 p.m. in the church. Make this season a truly prayerful time.

Thank You!

Thanks to all who came to the “Fat Tuesday” Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by our St. Vincent de Paul Conference. With your generosity, after expenses, we collected $710.00 to help those in our community. A special “thanks” to all who helped volunteer for this event. Your help was appreciated!

You’re invited to participate in CRS Rice Bowl
This week, CRS Rice Bowl invites us to enter into solidarity with the people of Kenya. We are encouraged to reflect on the Catholic social teaching principle, Sacredness and Dignity of the Human Person, and reminded that our inherent dignity comes from our creation as children of God and not from any of our own actions. Let us pray this week for our brothers and sisters in Kenya and all around the world, that we may respect and uphold the sacredness of life and dignity of all people. Return your Rice Bowl by dropping it in the collection basket by Easter Sunday, April 20th.

Church Cleaning Crews Schedule
Anyone who wants to volunteer cleaning the church is welcome to join our cleaning crews and drop by on any of the listed cleaning dates. Please enter the unlocked, East side door of our church (nearest the church parking lot). Occasionally, a cleaning date is moved due to conflicting church events, so feel free to call Karen Davino at 745-1364 to confirm the schedule.

The Church Cleaning Schedule for March is as follows:
Team #4 – Friday, March 21st after the 8:45 a.m. Mass (approx. 10:00 a.m.).
Team #5 – Saturday, March 29th at 8:00 a.m.

Blessed Sacrament American Heritage Girls have begun their Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fund Raiser. Proceeds from this fund raiser will help with troop fees and field trips. For information or to order your Little Caesars Pizza kits today, contact Julie Courson at (740) 877-5463.
Blessed Sacrament
2014 Lenten Dinners

Wednesdays
March 12th through April 9th
4:30 to 7pm
Blessed Sacrament Shepherd Hall/Cafeteria
394 East Main St. Newark

DINNER MENU SCHEDULE

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March 12th - Walt’s Beef/Chicken & Noodles
March 19th - Fish Fry
March 26th - Pasta Buffet
April 2nd - Panini Sandwich & Soup
April 9th - Fish Fry

COST
$8 - Adults
$24 - Family Rate
$7.00 - Kids (ages 4-12) and Seniors (age 65 plus)
FREE - Kids 3 & under

Blessed Sacrament School Drama Club Students will provide entertainment
“snip-its” from their upcoming play “Princess Whatshernname”

50/50 DRAWING EVERY EVENING
These Events are Sponsored by The Blessed Sacrament Holy Name Society
Supporting Blessed Sacrament School Education Fund
Blessed Sacrament Church
378 East Main Street, Newark
is hosting a
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- The Blessed Virgin Mary
- The Mercy of God
- The Ten Commandments and the Angels and Saints

Bring the whole family!

Childcare will be available for children 3-5yrs.

Light refreshments each evening following the mission in Shepherd Hall/cafeteria.

Visit us at blsac.net or call the parish office at (740) 345-4290
Local Events of Interest

Lenten Communal Penance Services
Blessed Sacrament – Newark
March 22nd-March 27th: Parish Mission Week
Reconciliation offered 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.
(before and after each evening of the Mission)
St. Leonard – Heath
Sunday, March 30th, 4:00 p.m.
St. Edward the Confessor – Granville
Tuesday, April 1st, 7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel – Buckeye Lake
Sunday, April 6th, 4:00 p.m.
St. Francis deSales – Newark
Monday, April 7th, 7:00 p.m.
Church of the Ascension – Johnstown
Wednesday, April 9th, 7:00 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry (135 Wilson Street) has a critical need in stocking the shelves for those in our community who need help. Items needed are: juice, canned fruit, pasta of any kind and soups. Store hours are: Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. For information, call the SVdP Center at 349-8425.

Women’s Lenten Morning of Reflection, sponsored by the Women of St. Francis on Saturday, March 29th at St. Francis de Sales Church – Lamy Center/Johnson Hall (40 Granville Street) from 8:15 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. “Go Therefore and Make Disciples of all Nations” with Presenter – Fr. JCP Sullivan. Join us for registration followed by Mass (continental breakfast following Mass). The cost is a freewill offering. Parking is available behind the church. Make your reservation by calling Linda Baldeschwiler at 366-4074, Nancy Hoar at 366-4302 or email nhoar@roadrunner.com by Tuesday, March 25th.

A Time For Renewal: For Our Marriages Too
Have you thought this Lent about renewal? Even a good marriage needs periodic renewal and a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is the spiritual tonic your marriage needs. The next two Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends in Central Ohio are April 4th-6th and July 18th-20th. For information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at (740) 746-9003 or visit our website at www.wwmecolumbus.org.

Blessed Sacrament is hosting a Protecting God’s Children Seminar on Saturday, March 15th at 9:00 a.m. This session will be held in the school cafeteria (394 E. Main Street, Newark). In keeping with VIRTUS policy, no one will be admitted to this session after the first video has started. Go to www.virtus.org to register for the session. Please remember that in order to work with or volunteer around children of our parish, school and Diocese, you must attend a session of Protecting God’s Children and have a background check on file with the School and/ or Parish Office. For more information, contact the parish office at 345-4290.

Friday Lenten Fish Fry at Newark Catholic
You are invited each Friday during Lent for the annual “All-You-Can-Eat” Fish Fry sponsored by NC Athletic Association. This incredible meal includes all-you-can-eat fresh, hand-breaded perch, French fries, coleslaw, Mac & cheese, green beans, dinner roll, and Velvet Ice Cream. Choice of coffee, ice tea, fruit drink, or Beer is included. Join us from 4:00-7:00 p.m. and the cost is $10.00/person; $9.00/Seniors; $5.00/children 4-12 years; Children 3 and under eat FREE! Early Bird Special 4:00-5:00 p.m. Adults eat for $9.00, Seniors/$8.00. Carry-out available.

Around the Diocese

Respect Life Conference
The diocesan Respect Life Conference will be held on Saturday, March 15th at Immaculate Conception Church, 414 E. North Broadway, Columbus. Featured speaker is Dr. Marie Hilliard, director of bioethics and public policy of the National Catholic Bioethics Center. Mass is 9:00 a.m. Conference is 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Registration is $20.00, which includes lunch. To register, send a check payable to the Office for Social Concerns, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus. For more information, call (614) 241-2540 or email socmailbox@colsdioc.org.

Bethesda Healing Ministry
“Bethesda Healing Ministry offers a radiant witness to Christ’s merciful, healing love.” The women and men gathered the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month decided perhaps months or years ago that it was time to find comfort and inner peace from an earlier abortion. Healing time is offered through open enrollment to those who want to bid farewell to the grievous sorrow in her life and embrace growth, healing and hope. We await your call at (614) 309-0157 or (614) 309-2651. Be sure to “Like” us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/BethesdaHealing.

Day of Renewal
Join us March 13th at St. Elizabeth’s Church (6077 Sharon Woods Boulevard, Columbus) for a Day of Renewal. The theme is “The New Evangelization” as we begin with registration at 9:00 a.m., reconciliation, Praise and Worship at 9:30 a.m., Mass at 10:15 a.m., followed by a presentation on “Roadblocks to Overcome.” Stay for a potluck luncheon. Come, enjoy a time of spiritual pampering. For information, call the Catholic Charismatic Renewal at (614) 914-8556.