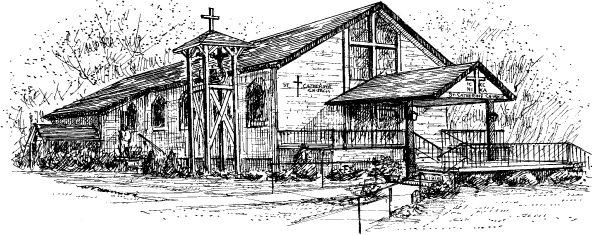


April 4, 2010

Easter Sunday: Resurrection of the Lord

St. Catherine of Siena R.C. Parish
199 McGovern Boulevard • Crescent, PA 15046



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(Bulletin submission deadline is Tuesday at noon.

Please put submissions in writing)

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday ~8:30 AM (No Wednesday 8:30 AM Mass)

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM

Sunday Morning: 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM

Holy Days as Scheduled

See inside for Daily, Holiday and Special Events

SACRAMENTS

Confessions: Saturday's: 3:15 PM to 3:45 PM & 5:00 PM; also by Appointment.

Baptism: By Appointment.

Weddings: Call the Parish Office 6 months in advance of the prospective date. Marriage classes - required.

Anointing of the Sick: After every Mass (please ask the priest) and by request.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM.
Friday 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE HOURS

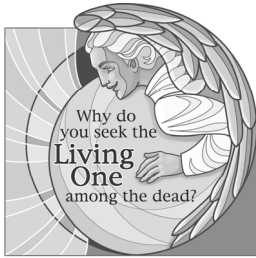
CCD OFFICE HOURS: SUNDAYS 8:30 AM—11:30 AM
CCD HOURS: ON SUNDAYS—10:00 TO 11:15 AM

MISSION STATEMENT

We of St. Catherine of Siena Parish, have a commitment to meeting the spiritual needs of our members and community by building a strong bond through worship.

It is in mutual understanding and commitment to our baptismal call that we will grow in faith bringing Christ's love and peace to those we encounter.

In this we also commit ourselves to the Catholic Church's Mission of Evangelization.



EASTER SUNDAY: RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Saturday	April 3rd
1:00 PM	Blessing of Food
7:30 PM	Easter Vigil Parish Family
Sunday,	April 4th
9:00 AM	Parish Family
11:30 AM	Parish Family
Monday,	April 5th
8:30 AM	Parish Family
Tuesday,	April 6th
8:00 AM	Rosary
8:30 AM	Katherine Bindi (family)
Thursday,	April 8th
8:30 AM	Parish Family
Friday,	April 9th
8:30 AM	Parish Family
Saturday	April 10th
4:00 PM	Nick Zernick (daughter, Marion)
Sunday,	April 11th
9:00 AM	Van Nesselrode (children & grandchildren)
11:30 AM	Fr. Matthen Tosello (St. Christopher at the Lake Women's Guild)

YEAR OF THE PRIEST PARISH PRAYER

God, give us worthy priests
in sufficient numbers

NEIGHBORING CHURCHES

WEDNESDAY MORNING MASSES

Our Lady of Fatima in Hopewell Twp.	9:00 AM
St. James in Sewickley	6:45 AM & Noon
St. Titus in Aliquippa	7:00 AM
St. Margaret Mary	8:30 AM
Good Samaritan	M, T, H, F, 8:00 AM - Wednesday, 6:30 PM

PRAYER REQUESTS

In your kindness will you please pray for the following :

Norma Lise, Mary Margaret, Rock, Matt, Matt's Dad, Reno. Anna Avolio, Ray Masciano, Shirley A.

PLEASE NOTE: We have discontinued the practice of publishing reasons of prayer requests due to the HIPPA Act. If you wish to add a name on this list please complete a slip (PLEASE PRINT) at the entrances to the church.

Also: Prayer intentions will now only be published for a 2 week period. If you wish to fill out another intention slip after that time, you are more than welcome to do so, but the list will be updated **every** week and, again, each intention slip will only be printed for 2 weeks. Thank you.

CCD NEWS

There will be no CCD today, April 4th due to Easter. We will resume on April 11th.

The 7th grade class will be performing the Lazarus Story down in Siena Hall on April 18th at 10:15 AM. All are invited to watch this performance.

WANTED - teachers to teach in the 2010-2011 school year.

Must be willing to take certification classes and get clearance from the data base at the diocese.

Please see Sue Tranter for details.

We are in need of two or three teachers or backups.

Sympathy - The parish of St. Catherine of Siena would like to extend our sympathy to the family of *Regina Riley* whom God has called. Please remember her and all our dearly departed in your prayers. *"May the Choirs of Angels receive them, and may they with the once poor Lazarus have rest everlasting.*

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office will be closed on April 5th, Easter Monday.



Centennial News

We've been busy laying the plans for activities and initiatives during our centennial year and beyond. Below is a list of *ideas* and confirmed dates for special celebrations in the coming months. Although it is a special occasion, don't look at it as an event, rather a new beginning to our next 100 years! Add your ideas for St. Catherine's Centennial celebration or be a volunteer and be a part of this most joyous occasion.

Dates to Remember

April 25, 27-29, Parish Renewal with Rev James Gretz, Dir. of the diocesan Worship Office

August 22, Centennial Celebration mass with Bishop Zubik, 11:30

August 22, Centennial reception at the Fez (ticket details to follow)

Please provide your ideas or volunteer to help in any capacity.

- Administrative:** Centennial coordination
- Apostolate:** Organizations in the parish.
- Education:** CCD coordination, teachers, & students, Guest speakers, Deaconate program
- Temporalities:** Photo directory
- Worship:** Parish Renewal

**Drop in the offertory basket or phone/email
Debbie Michalik, 724-266-5452,
dfm0912@msn.com.**

Small things count too! Write a paragraph describing your thoughts about St Catherine of Siena Parish.

Would you answer these questions?

"What were the circumstances that brought you to St Catherine's?"

"What were your happiest moments in recent times at St. Catherine's?"

Can you remember a sad time at St. Catherine's?"

"What will St. Catherine's look like in 2020?"

MARCH 28, 2010

Regular Offertory Collection.....
DATA TO BE PROVIDED LATER

(This is ordinary income from contributions for the general running of the parish. It is subject to a 17.6% tax to the diocese of Pittsburgh.)

Parish Share Program
DATA TO BE PROVIDED LATER.

This is our 2010 assessment. A full report will be in the bulletin during the appeal period in Lent. Please continue to use your monthly envelopes at the same rate - it is a year round campaign for us. God bless you for your cooperation.

Debt Reduction
DATA TO BE PROVIDED LATER

EXCESS on goal
GREAT NEWS! We have exceeded our goal and now have a surplus in our Debt Reduction. Thank you to everybody for all of your hard work and generosity. However, now what we collect in Debt Reduction is TAXABLE by the Diocese, but keep in mind Parish Share is not! Thank you again and God Bless!

Religious Education
DATA TO BE PROVIDED LATER

(This is an assessment by the diocese based on between 2% to 10% of gross parish income. Currently, by dispensation, we are at 2%. It is exempt from the PSP tax up to our assessment, and then the surplus is taxed.)

Special Collection
DATA TO BE PROVIDED LATER

(These collections are mandated by the diocese for specific purposes. These moneys are remitted in total to the diocese and are not taxed.)

Weekend Attendance

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Contribution Forms have been mailed out. If you didn't receive yours, please call the office.

EASTER SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

There will be 2 Easter Collections today, Easter Sunday. The first is a regular Sunday Collection and the second is the Easter gift to the parish; these are two separate envelopes. Thank you.

CHRISTIAN LADIES SOCIETY NEWS

The Christian Ladies Society would like to thank all those who worked so hard and all those who patronized our pasta dinner. Your participation helped make it a success.

A DAY TOGETHER - To "Get Into Spiritual Shape"

(Sponsored by "The Catholic Men's Fellowship of Pittsburgh")

Whether you are a grandfather, father, single man, or son, whatever your level of faith or whatever your level of spiritual fitness, come and see how you can direct your thoughts and energy toward fostering a stronger relationship with God, family, friends, and co-workers.

SAVE THE DATE!

Receive the gift that has eternal value

When: April 10, 2010

Where: A.J. Palumbo Center, Duquesne University

Pre-registration: \$35 (deadline is April 4th)

Online Registration at CMF Pittsburgh

For more information contact:
Bob Bittner @724-378-0903

SPRING CLEANING AT MR. OLIVET CEMETERY

Mt. Olivet Catholic Cemetery will be conducting spring cleaning starting Monday, April 5th. Anyone wishing to place Easter decorations may do so, but please note that all of the Easter decorations will be removed Monday, April 12th. No Exceptions!! Mt. Olivet also has spring flowers for sale. These are the flowers that go in the crypt vases only. The crypt flowers are being sold for \$8.

**EPIC
A JOURNEY THROUGH CHURCH HISTORY**

Experience Church History like never before with one of the most inspiring teachers and historians in the Catholic Church today - Steve Weidenkopf.

Good Samaritan Church
725 Glenwood Avenue
Ambridge, PA 15003
724-266-6565

Saturday, April 17, 2010
7:00 am to 8:00 am
On-site Registration and Sign-in

7:30 Rosary

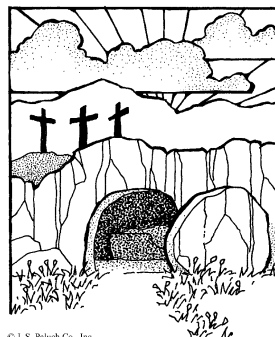
8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Seminar (Lunch included)

4:00 pm
Saturday Vigil Mass

(Celebrant: Fr. Joe Freedy, Diocesan Director of Vocations)

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT DINNER

Makes plans to bring your spouse to the Marriage Enrichment Dinner at Gilmory Center on Friday, April 16th at 7 pm. Enjoy a six course dinner and hear a talk that will strengthen your marriage. Guest speakers are Fred and Marina Miller. Call 412-264-8400 for complete information or email: info@gilmorycenter.org. Registration is required by Tuesday, April 13th. Forms can be downloaded from our website www.gilmorycenter.org under the "Upcoming Events" tab.



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Novena in Honor of St. Anthony

Good Samaritan Parish, 725 Glenwood Avenue, Ambridge, PA will be holding its annual Novena in honor of St. Anthony of Padua beginning Tuesday, April 13, and running for nine consecutive Tuesdays through June 8. Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 PM by various visiting priests followed by novena prayers. We look forward to seeing you. We are "One Parish - Many Traditions". For more information, please call 724-266-6565.

WE REMEMBER YOU, O RISEN LORD

We remember you, O risen Lord,
New Covenant at the feast of the cross.
Your resurrection dresses the table
for the bread of heaven and the cup of salvation.

Blessed are you!

—From *Come, Lord Jesus* by Lucien Deiss, CSSP,
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PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome all those who would like to become members of St. Catherine of Siena Parish community. To register as a parishioner, please complete the following information and return it to the Parish Office or drop it in the collection basket at Mass. If you need to update your parish info, use this form also.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Best Time to Reach you: _____ **New** _____ **Address Change** _____

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LA ROCHE COLLEGE SPRING VISIT LRC

La Roche College, a private, nonprofit, Catholic, co-educational institution in the rolling North Hills of Pittsburgh, invites high-school sophomores, juniors and seniors from your parish to its spring *Visit LRC* campus experience this spring scheduled for Sunday, April 11.

Visit LRC features a continental breakfast, a morning Admissions presentation opened with a greeting from College President Sister Candace Introcaso, a campus tour, an opportunity to talk with faculty in the major of your choice, lunch in the campus dining hall, financial aid presentations, specialty tours, and more! Prospective students and their families can begin to check in at 8:30 a.m. and collect materials; speakers begin at 9:15 a.m. Specialty tours towards the end of the event begin at 12:30 p.m.

To register for the event, prospective students should visit www.laroche.edu and click on the far right text on the home page that reads Visit Campus! Undergraduate Visit LRC Event, April 11, 2010, to be linked to the event registration page. Questions about an education at La Roche College? We offer more than 50 majors! Contact the Admissions Department at admissions@laroche.edu or 412-536-1272. Also, visit our website at www.laroche.edu

EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED

We all know what to expect of Easter: lots of lilies around the altar, our "Alleluia" joyfully sung over and over, perhaps a tasty ham dinner later in the day, topped off by some chocolates from the Easter basket. But all of this began, as we hear in today's Gospel, with the "unexpected" when Mary Magdalene found the tomb empty. Indeed, Peter's speech from Acts in the first reading could insert the phrase "you might have expected" at a number of points . . . that Jesus would baptize John, not the other way around . . . that his healing and exorcising ministry would win him acclaim, not death . . . that his resurrection would place him in another dimension, not back at table with his followers. On a day like Easter, a day filled with traditions, customs, and expectations, we are called more than ever to keep looking for God's will in unexpected places, people, and events. In this way we can continue to give witness, like Mary Magdalene and Peter, that Christ is truly risen from dead, and continues to live among us.

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DIOCESAN ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES

Our final presentation of the diocesan Adult Faith Formation Series will be given by Mr. Ralph Martin, Director of Graduate Theology Programs in Evangelization and Assistant Professor of Theology at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in the Archdiocese of Detroit. He is also president of Renewal Ministries (www.renewalministries.net), an organization devoted to Catholic renewal and evangelization. Renewal Ministries is the sponsor of "The Choices We Face," a weekly Catholic television and radio program throughout the world. Mr. Martin's presentation, *Responding to the Call to Holiness with the Wisdom of the Saints*, will take place at St. Paul Seminary Auditorium, Thursday, April 15th at 7:30 PM. Continuing education credit is available for priests, deacons and catechists. The lecture is free - all are welcome to attend. Bring a friend.



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Providence Villa Group Guided Retreat Series

We all admire the beauty and color of the budding spring garden. There is an upside – the fragrance, the vivid tints, the hardiness of new life; there is also a downside – the worms, the crackly earth, the dirt in fingernails and clothing. How like us in multiple ways is this planting reality! You will uncover and discover more than buds in this spring retreat. Please wear garden attire! This retreat will be at Providence Villa, 10745 Babcock Blvd., Gibsonia, PA

Facilitator: Agnes Raible, CDP, MA

Fee: \$25 includes lunch

Date: Tuesday, April 13, 2010 10 am - 2 pm

Register: call 412.366.1124 or email kearnssc1@pghcdp.org

BEGINNING AND END

Faith is the beginning and the end is love.
—St. Ambrose

“Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: Rejoice!”

PASTOR'S CORNER ~ Fr. Lou Vallone

(Because the bulletin had to be sent in before Palm Sunday, this is a repeat)

Today is the culmination of the High Holy Days of our Christian Faith. Spiritually, theologically and liturgically, it has been akin to a roller coaster ride. Unlike the Christmas holiday, a merry season of unalloyed joy, Holy Week shifts a lot.

We go from the high of the triumphal procession into Jerusalem to the low of the Passion in the same liturgy on Palm Sunday. We shoot back up again on Holy Thursday with the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral blessing all of the oils for our sacramental use throughout the year, and stay on that ascent through the Mass of the Lord's Supper, commemorating the institution of the Eucharist and the ordained priesthood. But we plummet again before the night is out as we keep vigil with the Lord in the Garden of Gethsemane, right into the Good Friday low of the Passion and Death of Jesus. We sort of coast through Holy Saturday on a plateau, but now we rise to the greatest of heights with the Easter Vigil: lighting the new fire, blessing the new water, receiving in new members by baptism and confirmation. And of course, soaring with the Resurrection of the Risen Lord in our glorious Easter Sunday Masses. On this high we stay for the next fifty days, until Pentecost. Quite a ride!

As rich as all this liturgical activity is, somehow Easter does not carry with it the same emotional punch as Christmas, nor is it as universally entered into by non-believers. Bunnies and bonnets and dyed eggs and baskets some how fall short of the impact of the Star and Tree and wreaths and candy canes and other accouterments that the Yule Tide brings. Maybe we are more urgent at Christmas because of the depths of winter, and more laid back at Easter because of the dawning of Spring. But even the paler symbols of Easter carry their hidden spirituality:

**Jelly Bean Prayer**

Red is for the blood He gave,
Green is for the grass He made,
Yellow is for the sun so bright,
Orange is for the edge of night.

Black is for the sins we made,
White is for the grace he gave,
Purple is for His hour of sorrow,
Pink is for our new tomorrow.

A bag full of jelly beans,
Colorful and sweet,
Is a prayer, is a promise,
Is a friend's small treat.

Jesus Christ is Risen, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**THE EASTER OCTAVE**

Sunday, April 4 - Sunday, April 11, 2010

Easter time lasts fifty days: seven weeks of seven days (seven equals Biblical perfection) plus one day: perfection plus! Like an eight-day Jewish wedding, or a child who can't bear to let go of Christmas, birthdays, and school vacation, the Church celebrates the Easter Octave: "the marriage of heaven and earth," as the Vigil calls Jesus' resurrection; our new members' baptismal rebirth; our renewal of baptismal vows; our hearts' "divine vacation" (Latin *vacare*, "to be empty"), newfound time and space for love of God and neighbor. Make home an Easter garden! Adorn the dining table with a pillar candle (your "paschal candle"), a bowl full of water (ideally, from the parish's baptismal font), a vase of flowers or bowl of sprouting grain with Easter eggs. Even non-singers can handle the three-fold Gospel Alleluia! Let that be your grace before meals, perhaps with a prayer recalling Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35): "Be known to us, Risen Lord Jesus, as you were to the first disciples, in your word, in the breaking of bread, and in everyone we meet." —Peter Scagnelli,

"Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: Rejoice!"