



Dear Parishioners,

Today's gospel is the Parable of the Prodigal Son. The word prodigal means wasteful, and so the parable starts off by showing how the son wastes his inheritance on wine, women and song. Only afterwards, does he realize how foolish he acted and returns home hoping for some small assistance from his father. He realizes his past ingratitude toward his father deserves no consideration. His only hope lies in the mercy of his father. Surprisingly, the father welcomes him home most joyfully and restores him totally in the family. In short, the father wastes his love on his undeserving son. The story should really be called the Parable of the Prodigal Father.

We experience this wasteful love of the Father every time we go to the sacrament of penance. The son was foolish and came to the father before it was too late. Let us pray for our brothers and sisters who have foolishly left the Catholic faith, that they may realize what they have lost and so return. Let us also pray that we will attend this beautiful sacrament of mercy more frequently and not be so foolish as to think we don't really need it.

Fr. Carl

Our Lord always concealed anything which would bring honor to himself.
~The Saint Cure D'Ar

PLEASE JOIN US . . .

After all Masses **THIS WEEKEND**, we will have a reception in the Parish Hall with light refreshments to celebrate Father Carl's Investiture as Monsignor. Please stop by to congratulate him on this very special honor.

Our Parish Family . . .

Through the holy waters of Baptism, we welcomed into the St. Jane Parish Family on **March 7, 2010:**

Emersyn Dorothy Swader, daughter of Christopher Swader and Anna Wade Swader.

Sunday, March 14, 2010

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday, March 21, 2010

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14
John 8:1-11



Mass Intentions

Mon., March 15th	8:30 a.m. – Donald McKay, Sr.
Tues., March 16th	8:30 a.m. – Ruth Norton
Wed., March 17th	8:30 a.m. – Thomas Rippetoe
Thurs., March 18th	8:30 a.m. – Michael Haloskey, Jr.
Fri., March 19th	8:30 a.m. – Patricia Madden
Sat., March 20th	8:30 a.m. – Ida Hartley
	5:00 p.m. – Charles Dewling, Sr.

Sun., March 21st

7:30 a.m. – For The Parishioners
9:00 a.m. – John & Sophia Matusky
10:30 a.m. – John Kopp
12:00 p.m. – George Fritz

God's Plan for Giving:

Giving: Weekend of March 7, 2010.	\$ 17,555.02
Children's Envelopes	\$81.70
Repair and Maintenance Collection	\$4,366.00
Mass Attendance	1221
Giving: Weekend of March 8, 2009.	\$15,619.39
Mass Attendance	1169

CALENDAR OF EVENTS . . .

Monday, March 15th

7:00 PM – Bell Choir Rehearsal – Choir Loft
7:30 PM – RCIA – Muth Room

Tuesday, March 16th

6:30 PM – Workcamp Bingo – Parish Hall
6:45 PM – Prayer Group – Chapel
7:00 PM – Liturgy Committee Meeting - Rectory

Wednesday, March 17th

9:00 AM – Bereavement Group – Parish Center – Rm. 2
6:50 PM – Ensemble/Choir Rehearsal – Choir Loft
7:00 PM – Church Leadership Institute (CLI) – Par. Ctr. Rm. 2

Thursday, March 18th

7:00 PM – Bereavement Group - Parish Center – Rm. 2

Friday, March 19th

4:00 PM – KOC Fish Fry – Parish Hall

To reach Msgr. Carl Cummings via email,
please use the following address:

ccummings@archbalt.org instead of ccummings@stjane.org.

St. Patrick

Everyone knows when St. Patrick's Day is. But in the world of Catholic trivia, March 17 is often something else.

St. Patrick served as archbishop of Armagh in the fifth century. He brought Christianity to Ireland, where it continues to flourish. Today, Patrick has advanced far beyond most other saints, into the world of secular calendars, parades, greeting cards, table decorations and parties. Not even the 12 apostles can boast such a festive following.

However, because of our quirky church calendar, many March 17s come and go without a mention of Patrick at Mass.

Our church ranks saints' days by their importance. The principal days are called "solemnities." Christmas and Easter are the two most important. Next are the celebrations called "feasts." Here is where we find, among others, the apostles. Then there are "memorials," the saints of general interest on the universal calendar like Francis of Assisi, Therese the Little Flower, and some of our newest saints like Maximilian Kolbe and Andrew Dung-Lac and companions. They show the multiculturalism of the communion of saints.

Then there are "optional memorials." These saints have limited or local interest, and your community may opt in or opt out of celebrating them. These include Nereus and Achilleus, Maria Goretti, Turibius de Mogrovejo, and believe it or not, Patrick. Consequently, a parish could skip over Patrick every year and celebrate something like "Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent." When March 17 falls on a Sunday, Patrick drops out for a year. Sundays take precedence over optional memorials.

However, the principal patron of a diocese, parish or country takes the status of a solemnity. When March 17 falls on a Sunday in Lent, locales under Patrick's patronage may celebrate his day on March 18.

The liturgical color for Patrick is white, as for other saintly bishops who were spared a martyr's death. We reserve green vestments for ordinary time.

Paul Turner

Catholic Men's Conference

Saturday, March 20 * 8:30 am – 5 pm

George Weigel

Biographer, John Paul the Great

Father Thomas Euteneur

President, Human Life International

Father Rick Wendell

Heroic Priest from West Bend, WI Tells His Story

Towson Catholic High School

Towson, Maryland

410-252-5737 * 410-337-3548 * CatholicMensFellowship.com

OUR DAILY BREAD CASSEROLES

"I was hungry and you gave me something to eat."

We deliver casseroles to Our Daily Bread on the 5th Friday or 5th Monday of the month. Our **next delivery date** is **Monday, March 29th**. Making the casseroles is easy and the pans, complete with instructions, are located at all entries to the Church. As you know, during these harsh and very cold times, the need is great.

Please consider making 1 or 2 casseroles in support of our effort to help those whose lives depend on the meals they receive at Our Daily Bread.

Frozen casseroles can be dropped off when bringing children to school or at the Rectory between 9AM and 4PM Monday through Friday. They can also be brought to Fellowship Sunday or brought to the Parish Hall cafeteria door on Sunday, March 28th between 10:00 and 10:30AM. Thank you for your support.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Today, we take up the Catholic Relief Services Collection. You are invited to **give hope to Jesus in disguise**. The Catholic Relief Services Collection helps to fund programs that give hope to refugees, immigrants, and the impoverished, including victims of war, natural disaster, and drought. Please be generous in today's collection.

St. Jane Frances

8th Annual

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 27, 2010

Please join us in the Parish Hall.



**Door Prizes
Easter Bunny
Bring Your Camera**

Ages 0-3	9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
Ages 4 - 6	10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Ages 7 & up	11 a.m. - noon



BULLETIN DEADLINES:

Bulletin Date:

Deadline for submission:

March 28 2010

Monday, Mar, 22, 2010 – 9 a.m.

(Items for the bulletin should be typed and either emailed to lpelesky@stjane.org or dropped off to the Parish Office).

Youth/Young Adult Ministry

Melissa Serafin (410) 255-4646, Ext. 1418

mserafin@stjane.org

PASSION PLAY PRACTICE tonight, Sunday, March 14th, 6:00 – 6:45 p.m. – Upper Church

HIGH SCHOOL DROP-IN TONIGHT - Sunday, March 14th, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. Join us and bring a friend!

PARISH EVENTS

BILOXI WORKCAMP BINGO: This summer teens and adults from St. Jane Frances will travel to North Carolina to help rebuild the homes! Help us help others!

Dates: March 16th, 23rd, April 12th, 19th - 7:00pm

Location: St. Jane Frances Hall; doors open at 6:30pm

Price: 1 package: \$12.00 (all paper cards with 20 regular games and 5-3 face special games)

(Must be 18 to play)

Also Available for sale: 50/50's, raffles, specials, and great food!!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL NO. 10966

LENTEN FISH FRYS - FRIDAYS,

MARCH 19 & 26, 4 PM TO 7 PM

ST. JANE FRANCES HALL

ADULTS: \$9.50; CHILDREN 12 AND

UNDER: \$7.50



*FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT DON SPARKLIN
AT 410-255-5080.

*NO FISH FRY ON MARCH 12 (ST. PATRICK'S DAY BAZAAR)
OR GOOD FRIDAY.

WELCOME RECEPTION

The Evangelization Committee will be hosting a Welcome Reception, for parishioners who have joined our parish over the past 15 months, at the MARCH FELLOWSHIP.

An area of tables will be reserved near the ST. JANE FRANCES banner.

Please join us.

If you have any questions, call Pat Holt at the Parish Office.

*****FELLOWSHIP*****

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US ON

SUNDAY, MARCH 21st,

AFTER ALL MASSES, IN THE SCHOOL HALL FOR SOME FUN, FOOD, AND FELLOWSHIP.

WE WILL BE HAVING DONUTS, JUICE, COFFEE, TEA AND MILK,

ALONG WITH SUGAR FREE COOKIES.

THERE'S ALWAYS A SURPRISE PIE IN THE EARLY MORNING.

COME OVER TO THE HALL, ENJOY THE REFRESHMENTS, AND HAVE SOME GOOD CONVERSATION. SEE YOU THERE!



SJF SCHOOL NEWS

Happy Helpers Award

Congratulations to the Student Council, Mrs. Jones and Kristen

Englert for receiving an award for achieving 200 community service hours by contributing to the Bag A Breakfast Program. Each month our school students are asked to donate non-perishable breakfast items that are collected and distributed by Happy Helpers for the Homeless. Thanks to all for helping us achieve this goal.

Daily Draw – Cost is still \$5 per ticket, per month. The winning ticket will be drawn each day in our school office. Winners will be notified by mail or phone. Please make checks payable to St. Jane Frances School and send in care of Charlotte Jenkins. For additional info, please call the school Outreach office at (410)255-4750.

March Numbers:

3/7/10	962	3/8/10	095
3/9/10	930	3/10/10	722
3/11/10	452	3/12/10	565

Shop with Scrip –Purchase gift cards/ certificates that can be used for your everyday shopping, (grocery, clothing, etc.), or do you have a special occasion coming? (Birthday, Easter, 1st Communion, etc.). **March orders due 3/22.** Go to www.shopwithscrip.com or call Kathy Walker or Donna Hall at 410 255-4750.

Market Day – Easter pie sale. Purchase delicious pies for your Easter celebration and help our school earn extra profits. In addition, when you purchase everyday foods, SJF earns a portion of that sale too. Buy quick and easy meals for those busy weekday breakfasts and dinners. **Orders due 3/18.** Pickup at Riviera Beach Elem. School on 3/25 between 6 & 7 p.m. Call Kathy Walker at 410-255-4750, x 1214.

A MESSAGE OF THANKS . . .

Many thanks to our Pastor, Msgr. Carl Cummings, Lori Pelesky, Jackie McGuire, Pat Holt, Maureen Galeski, Church donors, and members of the Holy Name for their many hours of hard work to make our Blood Drive on February 28th a success.

A special thanks to Bill Green of the Stoney Creek Inn for all the food he donated.

The Red Cross collected **98 pints** of blood, **saving 294 lives.** Fourteen donors had to be turned away as a result of them having consumed too much ice tea prior to the testing. (Future donors please take note and try to limit the amount of caffeinated beverages you drink prior to coming to give blood).

The Red Cross was counting on our blood drive here at St. Jane's because many other centers were closed due to the large snowfall.

Joe Turchetta
Holy Name President