

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, March 13 <sup>th</sup> ,	5:00 PM	Anniversary – Antonio & Concetta Previte and Leo & Connie Graves
Monday, March 15 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Special Intention
Tuesday, March 16 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	19 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Richard Huntley
Wednesday, March 17 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Members of the McKnight Family & George & Agnes McKnight
Thursday, March 18 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Peter Murray
Friday, March 19 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Lydia Coli
Saturday, March 20 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	Pro Populo
	5:00 PM	9 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Pamela Holmberg
Sunday, March 21 <sup>st</sup> ,	8:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Antonetta Pasquazzi
	10:00 AM	Birthday Remembrance – Bernice Plante

St. Veronica Chapel

Sunday, March 14 <sup>th</sup> ,	9:00 AM	In Memory – Barry Mills
	11:00 AM	2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary – Molly Contillo
Saturday, March 20 <sup>th</sup> ,	4:00 PM	Anniversary – Frank J. Surprenant
Sunday, March 21 <sup>st</sup> ,	11:00 AM	Anniversary – Donna Martone-Benner



*"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'let us celebrate with a feast because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'" - Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a*

**PRAYER CHAIN**

Did you know that our Parish has a Prayer Chain Ministry? If anyone would like some extra needed prayers, you may call 295-1241 and express your request.

**RCIA MEETING**

The next meeting of the RCIA is this Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM.



**IN HIS PRESENCE . . . HOLY HOUR**

**Struggling with a relationship?**

It is a difficult cross to carry, often invisible to others, and needing God's intervention to be healed. IN HIS PRESENCE, an hour of quiet intimacy and devotion before the Real Presence of our Lord, may be the path to self-transformation that will heal that relationship. Adoration, live music and a reflection from Fr. Taillon will compose our Lenten edition of IN HIS PRESENCE, to be held at **St. Veronica Chapel on Sunday, March 21 from 7-8pm.** An Intention Box where you can *confidentially* place the name of a family member or friend who is struggling in a relationship will be brought before the Blessed Sacrament for this hour of prayer. Expect Great Things!

**GOURMET DINNER CLUB BEING LAUNCHED**

Gourmet dinner club groups are forming now! Come join us to help organize our new endeavor, which we can gather to share food, conversation & build community. The next meeting is this Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup> – 7:00PM at St. Thomas More. For more information, please call Marguerite at 789-5074. We hope to meet once a month & are open to suggestions.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### Religious Education Schedule March 2010

<b>SUN. AM:</b> <b>GR. 1-4</b>	MARCH 14 <sup>TH</sup> , 21 <sup>ST</sup> & 28 <sup>TH</sup> 10:10-11:00AM @ ST. V.
<b>MON. PM:</b> <b>GR. 1-4</b>	MARCH 15 <sup>TH</sup> , 22 <sup>ND</sup> & 29 <sup>TH</sup> 4:10-5:00PM @ STM
<b>GR. 5 &amp; 6:</b>	WED., MARCH 17 <sup>TH</sup> , 24 <sup>TH</sup> & 31 <sup>ST</sup> 4:10-5:00PM @ ST. V.
<b>GR. 7 &amp; 8:</b>	WED., MARCH 17 <sup>TH</sup> & 24 <sup>TH</sup> 7:00-8:00PM @ ST. V.
<b>CONF. I:</b>	MARCH 15 <sup>TH</sup> & 22 <sup>ND</sup> 7-8:15PM - STM
<b>CONF. II:</b>	MARCH 15 <sup>TH</sup> 7-8:15PM - STM MARCH 29 <sup>TH</sup> - MOVIE - " <u>THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST</u> " - 6:30PM - THE PROUT SCHOOL

### YOUTH GROUP

The next meeting will be this Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00PM. All 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited. We will meet at the St. Thomas More Parish Hall. All are welcome.



*Children's Liturgy of the Word* is on Sundays during the 11am Mass at St. Veronica! Children ages 4-10 are invited to participate.

### ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!!

Steubenville East Summer Youth Conference - July 23-25, 2010 at the University of Rhode Island. High school age teens are invited to join us for this awesome weekend! Sponsored by Franciscan University and Life Teen, this weekend conference is a chance for teens to grow in faith through powerful liturgies, dynamic speakers, and fellowship with one another. More information coming soon. If interested, please contact Sarah Cullen at 783-2113. Space is limited!



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 7:00PM - St. Thomas More  
Daily Mass is at 9:00AM.

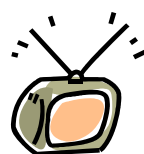
### REGIONAL PENANCE SERVICES

The following are the dates and times for each Penance Service. There are six priests available for each one. Please try to participate on one of the following dates:  
Thur., March 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM - St. Mary Star of the Sea  
**Fri., March 26<sup>th</sup> @ 12Noon - St. Veronica Chapel**  
Tues., March 30<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM - St. Francis of Assisi  
Wed., March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00PM - Christ the King

### OPERATION RICE BOWL

Families eat a "poverty meal" once a week during Lent and then place the money saved in a "Rice Bowl" as a contribution for the poor of the world. Contributions will be collected on Palm Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Please change coins into dollars or a check. Thank you!!

### ST. THOMAS MORE & ST. VERONICA MASSES LIVE ON THE INTERNET!!



You can invite shut-ins, those far from home to join us for Mass every weekend - starting next weekend at St. Thomas More.

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[www.stthomasmoreri.org](http://www.stthomasmoreri.org). Technology serving Christ in the Year of Evangelization.

### ST. EDMUND'S ENDERS ISLAND

#### Day of Recollection

The theme for this day of Recollection on Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-3PM is to explore the prayer/hymn attributed to St. Patrick - "The Cry of the Deer" also known as "St. Patrick Breastplate". The cost is \$35.00 per person and includes 2 conferences, Mass, confessions. Hot lunch is served. Pre-registration is required - please call 1-860-536-0565, ext. 110. What a way to spend St. Patrick's Day!

*MARCH 14, 2010*

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Congratulations to Nicholas Robenhymer, son of Joseph and Lauren Robenhymer and sacristan at St. Thomas More Church, for receiving the St. Timothy Award from Bishop Tobin at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral last Sunday afternoon. Nicholas was among other young people honored for their outstanding service to the Church and evangelizing their faith. Nick has been a tireless servant of our parish. He has taught CCD, Vacation Bible School, founded a new youth group this year that is flourishing and been on two missionary journeys to New Orleans and the orphanage in the DR. He has trained new altar servers and is a key anchor in all our major liturgy planning and execution. His personal prayer life and love for the Lord in the Eucharist is the basis of his service. While I know he will not be happy seeing this even mentioned in the bulletin I think this award is an opportunity to thank him for all he does and the many fine young people that evangelize every day in their communities. Blessings upon Nick!

Some have asked when the Catholic Charity Drive campaign will take place. This will formally happen the weekends of April 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. The vast majority of parishes in the diocese now have this campaign in Lent but we have asked and received an exemption to wait until Easter which is more suitable to facilitating the campaign and leaving our Lenten season intact.

The Finance Council gave approval this week to move forward to petition Bishop Tobin with regard to beginning a campaign to re-shingle and re-roof St. Thomas More Church that is in dire need. Please keep this challenge in your prayers and I will keep you posted as to the status of all this.

Thanks to Dr. Fritz Wenisch for his excellent Year of Evangelization talk last Sunday evening. The night was well attended (in spite of it being Oscar night!). Dr. Wenisch has generously prepared a summary reflection based on some of his points that we have inserted in this week's bulletin on the topic of *Why be Catholic--Do Denominations Matter?*. Good food for thought.

Please keep in your prayers the twelve adults who are in their final preparation for entering full initiation into the Catholic faith. How blessed our parish family is to have so many brothers and sisters who are responding to the Lord's call to full communion. They will be received at the Easter Vigil on April 3<sup>rd</sup>!

How is your Lent? Why not stop in St. Thomas More Church during the day to visit the Blessed Sacrament, say a prayer or light a candle? It soothes the soul and pleases the Lord!

Holy Lent to all!

*Fr. Tailon*

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