

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 9, 2008

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;
LORD, hear my voice!

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— Psalm 130:1

March Rosary: For those suffering from cancer.

Music for Sunday,

539 – LiftUp Your Hearts

594 – O Eagle’s Wings

59 – Sanctus

60 – Post Consecrationem

61 – Amen

62 – Agnus Dei

160 - Taste and See

548 – Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the Lord GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

Psalm — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

Gospel — Lazarus, dead four days, comes out of his tomb when Jesus calls his name.

(John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62];

Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22;

Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11 (procession);

Is 50:4-7; Ps 22; Phil 2:6-11;

Mt 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent;
Third Scrutiny; Girl Scout Sunday;
Daylight Saving Time begins

Monday: Orthodox Lent begins

Friday: Abstinence

Saturday: St. Joseph

This Week at Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday March 8th

Mass – 8:15 am

Confessions – 3:00 – 3:30 pm

Mass – 4:00 pm

Sunday, March 9th

Mass 8:00 am & 10:30 am

K of C Egg Breakfast after 8:00 am Mass

PRE 9:15 am

Adult Classes – 9:15 am Krug Hall

Spanish Mass 5:00 pm

Bible Study Class 7:00 – 9:00 pm Krug Hall

Monday, March 10th

Mass– 8:15 am

Tuesday, March 11th

Mass – 8:15 am

K of C Business Meeting 7:30 pm Krug Hall

Wednesday, March 12th

Mass - 6:30 pm

Legion of Mary Meeting 5:15 pm Lucius Hall

RCIA Classes 7:00 pm Krug Hall (Gerry Taulman)

Youth Group 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 13th

Mass 8:15 am

PTO Gym Report Card

Baptismal Class 7:00 pm Krug Hall

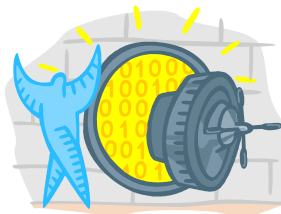
Bible Study Class 9:30 – 11:30

Friday, March 14th

Mass– 8:15 am

Stations of the Cross – 6:30

Poor Man Supper – K of C



OLS TRIVIA NIGHT –

Think you have a good memory? Think you’ve mastered the game of Trivia Pursuit? Put your brain and memory to the REAL TEST.

OLS Trivia Night is coming **March 29th**. Watch the bulletin for more details. Meanwhile, get your team together for your chance to conquer the greatest memories in town. Prizes and Fun! All proceeds benefit OLS Parish School.

No **baptisms** will be celebrated during Lent to focus our attention on the call to conversion and the significant role the sacrament plays in the celebration of the Easter Vigil. In fact, there will be no holy water available during the season.

May Mania is May 3rd! It is time to start organizing our efforts to make this year's maniacal evening even more successful than last 2007. We need people to take charge of advertising, donation solicitation, volunteer enlistment, ticket sales, set-up, clean-up, and anything else that comes up. Please contact Carolyn Roberts at the Parish Office (353-1530). Pat Kurrus has accepted this position as chairperson.

In your prayers please remember: Barbara Allard, Bill & Grace Aspinall, Dewey Aureli, Theresa Baker, June Bennis, Rebecca Bethune, Julius (Sonny) Black, Robert Butler, Carolyn Fracchia, Trudi Collier, DePriest Family, James Essary, Elena Everroad, Margaret Dries, Rena Frazier, Sue Guinn, Linda Gonzales, Eileen Haklitch, Amanda Hall, Bootsie Hammett, Peggy Hooten, Michael Jackson, Margaret Jones, Earline Johnson, Paul Kennedy, Robert Kuehner, Mildred Lewis, Robert Lutts, Jerry Lynn, Louise Macdonald, Thomas Miller, Bill Nutt, Eudora Mays, Jackie Perfetti, Waldyr Poilis, Dr. Cheryl Pearson, Kenneth Rainey, Louisa Reilly, Maureen Spain, Fr. Bryan Timby, Keith Trenham, Carolyn Walsh, Lewis Wilkinson, Mary Wilson, and Angie Wright.

Parish Retreat Weekends – The Cathedral parish has invited members of Our Lady of Sorrows to join with them in making a spiritual retreat at Our Lady, Queen of Peace Retreat Center in Danceyville, TN (I-40 East, exit #47). A Women's Retreat is scheduled for April 4-6. Henry Littleton is coordinating our participation in these retreats. If you are interested in participating in one or more of the retreat weekends, please contact the Parish Office.



Each Friday evening we will meditate on the **Stations of the Cross** at 6:30 p.m. The Stations were originally promoted by St. Francis of Assisi as a way for those were unable to visit Jerusalem and trace Our Lord's steps along the Via Dolorosa to make the ascent with Jesus to Calvary in their parish churches. Besides being a good spiritual exercise, *a Plenary Indulgence is offered to those members of the faithful who make a good confession and complete their penance within a week prior to meditating on the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent and on Good Friday.* **Benediction** will conclude the Stations of the Cross each Friday evening.

Parish Lenten Penance Service – The combined penance service for nine parishes held at the Cathedral during Advent was such a huge success with more than a dozen priests and 200+ people in attendance that we are joining forces again during Lent. Our Lenten



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Penance Service will be at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception this Tuesday, March 11, at 7:00 p.m. Several priests will be available to assist those who speak Spanish. Come, be a part of this wonderful celebration of God's mercy and compassion!

Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday, are also days of **abstinence** from meat and meat by-products. *All Catholics who have celebrated their 14th birthday are obliged to*



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abstain from meat and all food made with or flavored with meat on these days. For those

who wish to beg the question "What is meat?" the answer is: "meat" is the slaughtered of flesh of any creature that uses lungs to

breathe, e.g., cows, chickens, whales, frogs, snake, etc. Fish and other creatures that use lungs to breathe are not considered "meat" and may be consumed in days of abstinence. There is no dispensation from abstinence, not even for health reason or "old age," despite the valiant efforts of some to get me to give one

Ministers Schedule – for March 8th & 9th

*****Please note the dates*****

for the Minister and Altar Server Schedule

4:00	8:00	10:30	5:00
D.Bennis	M.Kissell	P.Badowski	
F.Bursi	C.Vasquez	S.O'Brien	
G.Hooten	P.Stavrum	K.Pope	
Lectors			
G.Taulman	B.Plessinger	B.Bustos	
Altar Server			
L.Carter	H.Williams	E.Foote	A.Flores
	G.Williams	D.Butler	A.Zemero

Ministers Schedule – for NEXT

Weekend of March 15th & 16th *Please note the dates*****

for the Minister and Altar Server Schedule

4:00	8:00	10:30	5:00
D. Bennis	M. Hensley	M.Standridge	
G. Pannell	T. Acklen	B.Comans	
R. Pannell	B.Plessinger	L.O'Donnell	
Lectors			
E. Monroe	D.Gohman	M.Standridge	
Altar Server			
L.Carter	B.Hudson	E.Foote	J.Rivera
	K.Hudson	D.Butler	S.Roque

St. Benedict Spring Break Sports Day Camp, Mon - Thur, March 24-27, ages 5-12, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at St. Benedict High School. \$120 for week/\$30 per day. Lunch and snacks provided. Contact Coach Buchanan at 260-2888 or buchanana@sbaeagles.org.

Gantert Memorial 4 mile Run/Walk – The second Annual Gantert Memorial Run in memory of Fr. Rick Gantert, will be held April 13 at 2:00pm. Scholarships will be established at St. Paul and Our Lady of Sorrows Elementary Schools, where he was Pastor for many years. A memorial donation to Johns Hopkins will also be made. For more information, to become a sponsor or to register for the run visit the website www.gantertmemorialrun.net. You can also reach the race director, Linda O'Donnell at 382-2167.

Mass Intentions

Saturday March 8th 4:00 pm

Ella Mae Zsidi+

Sunday March 9th 8:00 am

Int. of Harry Shivers

Sunday March 9th 10:30 am

People of Parish

Sunday March 9th 5:00 pm

Louse Fracchia+

Monday March 10th 8:15 am

Benny Langston+

Tues. March 11th 8:15 am

Int. of Angelo LoBianco

Wed. March 12th 6:30 pm

Fran Schmitt+

Thur. March 13th 8:15 am

Int. of Dr. Abullah Baig

Friday March 14th 8:15 am

Communion Service

Saturday March 15th 8:15 am

Seth Sears+

Saturday March 15th 4:00 pm

Fran Schmitt+

Ms. Madison Tracy, Development Director for OLS is looking for an energetic person that will launch Eaglefest 2008. We are in need of individuals to perform services in the Board Committee and to lead several committees that make this event successful every year. If you are interested, please contact Ms. Tracy at Our Lady of Sorrows School at 358-7431, or Mrs. Carolyn Roberts at the parish office at 353-1530.

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HAPPINESS

Happiness is a mystery, like religion, and should never be rationalized.

—G. K. Chesterton

**Financial Report for Weekend of March 2nd
2008**

Envelopes	\$3,526.00
Loose Checks	990.00
Loose Currency/Coin	189.21
Improvement	326.00
Debit	1,567.00
Initial Offering	15.00
Catholic Relief	149.00
Total Collection	\$ 6,762.21
Church Budget for the Week	<u>-5,324.00</u>
Collection Diff for the Week	1,438.21

Collections Revenues Y-t-D	175,839.26
Church Budget Y-t-D	<u>191,664.00</u>
Collections Deficit Y-t-D	\$(15,824.74)



Information for those to be confirmed in April: The letters from your sponsors' pastor are now due. These letters are required by the Diocese of Memphis to authenticate a person's eligibility to serve as a sacramental sponsor. Please

encourage your sponsor to return the letter to OLS parish office as soon as possible. If letters are not received, Fr. Timby will appoint someone from the parish to serve as your sponsor.

OLS is seeking a person to do light maintenance 8-12 hours each week during Kim Hissong's leave of absence. The work will include cleaning the church and adjacent buildings (not the rectory), keeping the yard free of debris, changing light bulbs, etc., and any special projects Fr. Timby determines. The position pays minimum wage. Please make an appointment with Fr. Timby to discuss your interest. All employees/volunteers of the Diocese of Memphis are required to participate in VIRTUS training before undertaking their assigned duties.

PARISHONERS IN NURSING HOME:

**Carolyn Fracchia
St. Peter Villa, 331-A
141 North McLean
Memphis, TN 38104**

**Paul Kennedy
Ave Maria Nursing Home
2805 Charles Bryan Road
Bartlett, Tn 38134**

**Jackie Perfetti
St. Francis Nursing Home
5959 Park Ave, room 306
Memphis, Tn 38119**

Visit the sick and/or send them a card to let them know they are not forgotten

You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the Spring program beginning with a weekend on April 11-13th call 901-465-8538 or email: MemphisRV@comcast.net or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Seeking Employment: Maria Flores mother of Alejandra, a student at OLS is seeking employment. She is interested in housekeeping please call Maria at 353-7094.

Monthly Bus Trip – The Bus Trip will be Sunday, March 30th after 10:30 am Mass. If you are interested in going, please call Bonita Comans at 412-6700.

Trivia Night Door prizes – the first OLS Trivia Night will be here in just a few short weeks (March 29), and we are in need of door prizes to be given away while scores are tallied after each round. Do you have a Christmas present that you received that you are not likely to use or are considering re-gifting next year? Why not donate it to the prizes to be given at Trivia Night? Your contribution will help our parish school.

OLS Trivia Night – Join us for our first-ever Trivia Night under the direction of Brother Ignatius, FSC, on Saturday, March 29. Get your friends together to test your collective memory of all things important and not so important. There will be gifts for all members of the winning team and multiple door prizes. There will be a prize for the woman wearing the best decorated Easter Bonnet and another for the man wearing the best decorated Easter Bonnet. Test your luck in the “Heads and Tails” competition. Teams of six at \$10.00/person. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Individual walk-ins are welcome and will be teamed with others. Competition begins at 7:00 p.m. All proceeds benefit OLS Parish School. To register or for more information, call 353-1530.

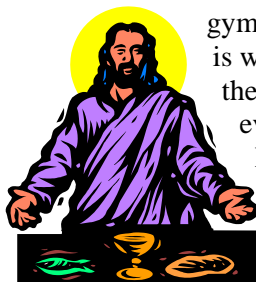
EASTER CALENDAR – Easter is always the 1st Sunday after the 1st full moon after the Spring Equinox (which is March 20). This dating of Easter is based on the lunar calendar that Hebrew people used to identify Passover, which is why it moves around on the Roman calendar. Based on this schedule, Easter can actually be one day earlier (March 22) but that is pretty rare. Here's the interesting info. This year is the earliest Easter any of us will ever see. Only the most elderly (95 or older) of our population have seen it this early and none of us have ever, or will ever, see it a day earlier! Here's the facts:

1) The next time Easter will be this early, (March 23), will be the year 2228 (220 years from now). The last time it was this early was 1913, so if you're 95 or older you were around for that.

2) The next time it will be a day earlier, (March 22), will be in the year 2285 (277 years from now). The last time it was on March 22 was 1818. So, no one alive today has, or will, ever see it any earlier than it is this year.

May Mania Auction Items – It is not too early to begin asking your employers for donations to our May Mania Auction on May 3. Perhaps you would like to donate NEW items to be auctioned. Some of the items we have received already include a *set of luggage, a very nice toaster oven, some lovely vases, a UT stained glass end table, a UT stained glass illuminated wall pennant, a five-course gourmet dinner for 6, and some professionally framed photographs from the recent Memphis-UT basketball game.* It never too early to get busy for the benefit of our school! **Barbecue Butts** will go on sell in April.

Seder Meal – Come a join us as the parish celebrates the traditional Seder Meal on Monday, March 17, in the



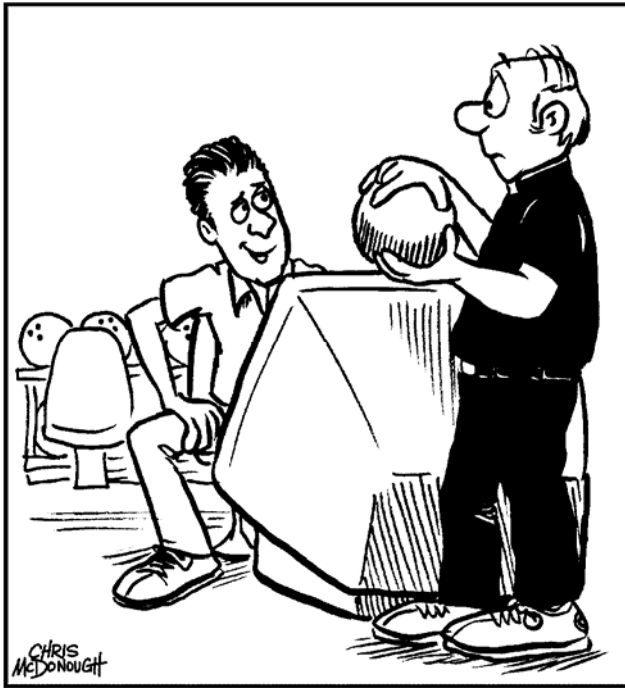
gymnasium at 6:30 p.m. The Seder Meal is what Jesus shared with his Apostles at the Last Supper and recalls the great event of Moses leading the Chosen People out of Egypt. It is significant for Christians because Jesus leads us out of our slavery to sin. Each family should bring a covered dish to share that is enough for all

members of the family plus 4 other adults. Drinks will be provided. Call the Parish Office to reserve your family's seats at the table.

CHRISM MASS – The annual Chrism Mass at which the bishop blesses the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens and consecrates the Sacred Chrism used in the baptism of infants, Confirmation and ordination of Priests and Bishops will be at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Tuesday, March 18, at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and support their parish priests who will renew their ordination promises during this Mass.

Good Friday – Fr. Timby has accepted the invitation of the Frayser Ministerial Association to deliver “the Message” at the Ecumenical Prayer Service on Good Friday. The service will be held at Schoolfield Methodist Church, 1621 Dellwood Ave., at 11:30 am on Good Friday. Lunch will be served following the service. Please make plans to attend as a sign of our support of Fr. Timby and the Frayser Community.

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Thoroughly Modern Millie at St. Benedict, the rollicking toe-tapping musical about a small-town girl seeking fame and fortune – presented Thurs., March 13-15 Thurs-Sat., 7:00pm and Sunday Matinee, March 16, 2:30pm at the SBA Performing Arts Theatre in Cordova. Reserved seat tickets \$8.00 in advance, \$10.00 at the door (while available). information, call 260-2840.

St. Agnes to Host Anna's Closet Dress Sale
Saturday, March 8 from 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. St. Agnes Academy will sponsor Anna's Closet, a second-hand dress sale to benefit young women in our community through the Emmanuel Center. All dresses will be sold for a \$10 donation. Shoppers will be able to buy great prom dresses, black-tie Gala attire, or casual eveningwear. The sale is open to the public and will be held in Siena Hall on the St. Agnes campus located at 4830 Walnut Grove Road.

JESUS' MINISTRY SUMMARIZED

The story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead is the single longest story (apart from the Passion) in the Gospel of John. In it we find a summary of most of Jesus' ministry. We see his very human nature as he is moved by Martha and Mary's sorrows and as he himself

weeps at the tomb of Lazarus. He is the wisdom of God's Word made flesh as he explains to his followers that the death of Lazarus will serve as a sign of the glory of God. He crowns the miracles he works in John's Gospel (which began with the most "human" miracle of making new wine at Cana's wedding) by raising Lazarus from the dead—a "preview," if you will, of his own death and resurrection to come. This portrait of Jesus reminds us, as we near the end of our Lenten journey, that he is with us, knows us, understands us in every moment of our lives. He knows the joy of our human feasting, he knows the sorrow of our weeping. As we prepare to walk with him through the days of Holy Week, we are filled with faith that—through Christ—God's glory will be with us in every moment of our lives and—with Christ—in our life everlasting.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Blessed Sacrament was not reserved in church buildings in the first centuries of the church. In those early years, of course, people met in borrowed "house churches," gathering on the Lord's Day for community, apostolic teaching, the breaking of the bread, and the prayers, as Acts of the Apostles tells us. Dispersed, people went their way into the workaday world until the next assembly. Weighing down their hearts was the absence of brothers and sisters, not only the sick, but those imprisoned for the faith. No wonder they developed a way of extending the food of the Holy Table to them.

Forty years ago, every altar boy in training heard about Saint Tarcisus. He was a twelve-year-old boy at the time of intense persecution in fourth-century Rome. His community had begun to convey the consecrated bread from their Eucharist to those condemned to death or awaiting trial. Normally deacons did this, but on one occasion, it was necessary to send the boy to bear the holy mysteries to the prison. The legend says that he was an athlete, and was detained on the way by some playmates who wanted him to join in their game. When he refused, they demanded to know what he was carrying. The situation went from bad to worse, and he was badly beaten and died of his injuries. A hundred years later, a pope called him a second St. Stephen. In the nineteenth century, Cardinal Nicholas Wiseman of England wrote a novel in which he expanded the story and popularized it. By then, no one seemed to notice that this twelve-year-old was actually touching and ministering the Eucharist, unthinkable until recently. Scholars say the story rings true: the first reason for setting some Eucharistic bread aside was not adoration, but Communion of the sick.

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