

7TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME  
FEBRUARY 22, 2009

# WELCOME BISHOP BRADLEY

On Thursday, February 26th, Bishop Paul Bradley will be here at St. Bart's to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on students from St. Bart's, St. Gerard Majella, St. Joseph's, and St. Susanna's (4 of our Cluster Parishes). We also welcome Mr. Tom Joyce as his Master of Ceremonies.

## PARISH SHARE

This weekend members of our Parish Finance Council will be speaking to us about the Parish Share Program (PSP) of our Diocese. You will also receive in the mail this week a letter from me along with your pledge card. I know that the financial situation for many is very tenuous. I just ask that you be as generous as you are able. Our goal this year is \$79,196. Any amount over this that we collect stays here in the parish for our use and is not taxable by the Diocese. Thank you for your continued generosity and support of me and our Parish endeavors.

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

Sinning in return is the usual response to being sinned against. Only the spirit of forgiveness can break the cycle and bring about a new world. Pray that the healing forgiveness of God will touch and transform the hearts of all those bent on exacting vengeance.

*F.Y.I. — Fr. Dave Bonnar, our former pastor has been assigned as Pastor of St. Bernard in Mt. Lebanon. Please join me in keeping Fr. Dave in prayer as he transitions to this new assignment that will become effective on April 20, 2009. Congratulations Fr. Dave and may God continue to bless and guide you in your service to the Church.*

## Lenten Schedule

### ASH WEDNESDAY

10 AM — Mass

7 PM — Mass



### STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Friday, 2-27-09  
St. Susanna — 7 PM  
Bishop Zubik will preside  
All are welcome to attend.

Friday, 3-6-09  
St. Bart's — 7 PM

Friday, 3-13-09  
St. Gerard Majella — 7 PM

Friday, 3-20-09  
St. Irenaeus — 7 PM

Friday, 3-27-09  
St. Joseph — 7 PM

Friday, 4-3-09  
St. Susanna — 7:30 PM

We will also have stations on Fridays of Lent at 2 PM here in our Church.

Please join us for our Annual Fish Fry, sponsored by St. Bart's School PTG, each Friday of Lent in the Cafeteria 4:30 until 7:30. Let's make this a successful fundraiser for our PTG!



*Have a blessed week.  
Sister Dorothy*

## OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to St. Bartholomew School's Open House on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm. We will be showcasing our beautiful school. If you have students attending or planning on attending 3 year & 4 year preschool thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade, we encourage you to join us for this Open House. We are blessed with not only the best teachers and staff but wonderful students. All are welcome. Contact the school office for more details.



### Confirmation

Please remember our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in your prayers as they celebrate Confirmation on

Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at our church. We are so blessed to have Bishop Bradley confirming our students and the students from St. Gerard Majella, St. Joseph and St. Stusanna.



### Lenten Fish Fry

It is that time of year again, our Annual Lenten Fish Fry. Fish Fry will be every Friday during lent from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the school cafeteria. Dinner can be eaten in or taken out. Please join us & support our largest fund raiser.

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The Lenten season also challenges those already baptized to renew their baptismal commitment.

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## Oakland Catholic and Central Catholic

High Schools

have proudly announced that the following students from our parish have achieved honor roll status of the second quarter of the 2008-2009 school year.

### OAKLAND CATHOLIC Highest Honor

Sarah Butterfield      Emily Goling  
Claire Giblin          Carly Pina

### High Honor

Brittany Restori      Amanda MacDonald

### Honor

Samantha Boggess      Alexis Modera  
Alesis Restori

## CENTRAL CATHOLIC

### High Honors

Christopher Craver      Jonathan Dawson  
Brenden Rick

### Honors

Jason Dillon      James Maher

**Congratulations to these students for their outstanding academic achievements.**



St. Bartholomew's Annual Men's Retreat will once again be held at St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center, on the South Side of Pittsburgh. It will be the weekend of March 20 through the 22nd. All men of the parish 18 years of age and over are invited and encouraged to attend. Car pooling will be available. Please call Sam Manganello for further details at 412-824-2526. You may sign up for this retreat on the sign up sheet located on the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church.

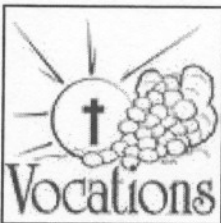


St. Bartholomew Parish will be hosting our area's observance of The World Day of Prayer for Women on Friday March 6, 2009. This year's theme is **"In Christ, There Are Many Members, Yet One Body"**. The mission of the World Day of Prayer is to promote global awareness of the concerns of women and children, the role of prayer in mission work and the promotion of peace.

All women and men of the parish are invited to participate in this most important ecumenical Lenten event. The day begins with fellowship in the cafeteria at 10:00 am followed by a prayer service at 11:00 in the church. As the host church, let's have a large turnout to greet and pray with our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

### LENTEN PILGRIMAGE

In honor of Pope Benedict XVI declaring June 2008-June 2009 the "Year of St. Paul" we have planned a one day Lenten trip with Wendt Spirituality Tours to the Sacred Shrines of Ohio on Tuesday March 24, 2009. We will visit the Church of the Conversion of St. Paul along with visiting the shrines of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Stanislaus in the magnificent Slavic Village of Cleveland. Trip includes deluxe motor coach transportation, group dinner, all admissions & shrine donations, Mass & prayer and Pilgrimage Coordinator. Cost is \$79.00 per person. For reservations or questions call Bess at 412-242-7357



Have you been thinking about life as a Priest, Sister or Religious Brother? The Pittsburgh Religious Vocation Council and the Serra Clubs of the Pittsburgh Diocese are sponsoring a Vocation Awareness Weekend at the Martina Spirituality Center, 5244 Clarwin Avenue, West View. The event will begin Friday, March 27, 2009 at 6:30 PM and end Sunday, March 29 at 12:30 PM. The weekend is open to Catholic men and women, ages 18 to 55. There is no cost to the attendees. For information about registration call the Department for Consecrated Life at 412-456-3068.



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**MON., February 23 Polycarp, bishop & martyr**  
10:00 AM John DeLuca (Wife, Elsa)

**TUES., February 24, Weekday**  
8:00 AM St, Irenaeus  
9:00 AM St. Gerard Majella, St. Joseph

**WED., February 25, Ash Wednesday**  
10:00 AM Marcella Maizie (Family)  
7:00 PM John Paul LaMontagne (Mike & Colleen Ford)

**THURS., February 26, Lenten Weekday**  
10:00 AM 60th Wedding Anniversary  
Charles & Eileen McCartney  
7:00 PM Confirmation

**FRI., February 27, Lenten Weekday**  
10:00 AM Mary Rose Calvano (Pat & Family)  
2:00 PM Stations—St. Bartholomew  
7:00 PM Stations—St. Susanna (Bp. Zubik)

**SAT., February 28, Vigil First Sunday of Lent**  
4:00 PM Confessions  
5:00 PM Edward J. King, Jr. (Rich & Donna Preisach)

**SUN., March 1, First Sunday of Lent**  
8:00 AM People of the Parish  
10:30 AM Jessie Fleming (Ruth & Amy Smith)

**Please remember in you prayers the sick, shut-ins, and hospitalized members of the Parish.**  
**Please remember in your prayers the departed members of our parish family, especially.**  
**Rosa Pimpinella**



**The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in memory of Dale Ann DeLuca from her Mother**

# St. Bartholomew Annual Lenten Fish Fry

**Where:** St. Bart's School Cafeteria,  
Frankstown Rd at Erhardt Dr, Penn Hills

**When:** Begins Friday February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009, and continues  
each Friday through April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009.  
Eat in or take out - 4:30 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.

**THE "BIG BART" GIANT FISH DINNER - \$7.50**  
**Senior Citizens - \$6.50**

**Includes:**

- Freshly battered, breaded or baked cod or 2 crab cakes or 6 breaded jumbo shrimp served with a dinner roll or on a sandwich bun
- choice of french fries, halushki, or macaroni & cheese
- coleslaw
- dessert
- choice of coffee, tea, or soft drink



## A LA CARTE MENU

JUMBO FISH SANDWICH	\$5.00
CRAB CAKES (two per order)	\$4.00
BREADED JUMBO SHRIMP (6 per order)	\$4.00
PIZZA	\$1.50
PIEROGIES (six per order)	\$3.50
NACHOS w/cheese (w/jalapeno peppers)	\$3.00
BREADSTICKS w/ RED SAUCE (three per order)	\$2.00
FRENCH FRIES (w/cheese add \$.50)	\$1.50
CHEESE STICKS (five per order)	\$3.50
HALUSHKI OR MACARONI & CHEESE	\$1.50
COLESLAW	\$1.00
DESSERTS	\$.75
SOFT DRINKS	\$.75
TURNER'S DRINK ,COFFEE OR HOT TEA	\$.50
BOTTLED WATER	\$1.00

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