



# St. Priscilla Parish Family

St. Priscilla Parish Mission Statement

We are a diverse community of caring Christians who celebrate Eucharist and proclaim the Gospel by service to all in the community.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 2, 2008

## FR. JIM'S JOURNAL



Our Parish Pastoral Council has been hard at work helping me to set the direction for the parish. We decided that this year we should revisit and re-write the Parish Mission Statement. We have finalized the Parish Mission Statement as follows:

We, the people of St. Priscilla Parish, grounded in the Word of God and Sacred Tradition, find strength and joy in the transforming power of Christ's sacrificial love as manifested in the Eucharist. We commit ourselves to lifelong spiritual formation, compassionate service, evangelization and the generous sharing of God's gifts with our parish family and the community at large. We invite people from all cultures and walks of life to join us in our faith journey.

The old Parish Mission Statement still appears in our Parish Bulletin header this week so that you can see it for comparison. Next week, the new statement will replace it. You will notice right off the bat that the new statement is much longer than the old statement. We believe that the added detail was needed to help define more completely the mission of our parish.

You will notice that the Eucharist is central to our spiritual life in the parish. It is from the Eucharist that everything else in the parish flows. It is through the Eucharist that we find strength, joy and transforming power. It is our continued mission to improve the quality of our weekend liturgies in any way possible.

Evangelization is also a key part of our mission. According to *Evangelization in the Modern World*, "The task of evangelizing all people constitutes the essential mission of the Church. Evangelizing is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize....To evangelize is to bear witness, in a simple and direct way, to God revealed by Jesus Christ, in the Holy Spirit." Evangelization is focused upon six primary groups: active Catholics; nominal Catholics; inactive Catholics; our children; other Christians; and non-Christians. We are currently looking into participating in an evangelization program through the Archdiocese of Detroit. We will then have to determine which portions of this program are appropriate for our parish.

(Continued on page 4)

## Meetings/Events of the Week

- Mon-3/3**-Adoration 8:30am-8:30pm  
Social Comm./HS Youth gr-7pm
- Tues-3/4**-Bible study-10am  
Bingo-6:30pm Ed. comm.-7pm
- Wed-3/5**-50+ Club-12:30pm  
St. Vincent de Paul-6:30pm  
Rel Ed 5:30-7pm  
Choir/Youth Ldrs.-7pm
- Thurs-3/6**-Rel Ed 4:45/6pm  
**MASS-7pm**  
Boy Scouts/Bible study-7pm  
Homily Help mtg.-7:30pm
- Fri-3/7**-Soup Supper hosted by the  
Boy Scouts-6pm  
Stations of the Cross-7pm
- Sat-3/8**-Men's Fellowship-7:30am  
Eucharistic Workshop-12:30-2:30pm  
Hospitality/BP's after Mass
- Sun-3/9**-PreK -11am  
Hospitality/BP's

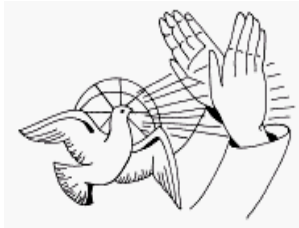
**Thursday, March 6th**  
**7:00 pm Mass**  
**Special Intention;**  
**Forgiveness and**  
**Reconciliation**

**Here comes Peter Cottontail....**

....and you can come help find the Easter eggs. **March 15th.**  
**Sign-up at mass.**



*"...To everything there is a season  
and a time to every purpose  
under heaven..."*



**a time to be born.....**

**.a time to heal** .....Ruth Dagnes, Lee Curtis, Diana Cook, Gerald McDonald, Connie Verbison, Rosa Loria, Phillip Averill, John Musico, Mark Theisen, Elaine Wolfe, Joe Pomaville, Bernard Baker, Crystal Bearden, Darlene Watkins, Brenda Murphy, Darlene Bryant, Jean Socolovitch, Mary Maurin, Nancy Sans, Joseph Kvasnovsky, Marion Russette, Loretta Adams, Mark Nemeth, Jeanne Harris, James Pascal O'Hagan, Barry Lehto, Angela Snyder, Shirley Rebeck, Theresa Kugan, Janet Stohlin, Darlene Watkins, Norma Kroda, Sharon Naidus, Lena Giganti, Barbara Grant, Louise Mazure, Dave Dempsey, Gene West, Quy Nguyen, Walter Biel, Andrew Ricotta, Emily Coon, Linda Newell, Rosa Corsi, Audrey Negro, Clara Barry, Mary Woodall, Rae Classen, Patrick O'Mara, Marion Perttunen, Dan Tyrrell, Marigold & Bernie Szeliga, Carol Belcard, Stojce Josifovski, Dino Manolatos, Mark Williams, Kati Fennimore, Antonia Diponio, Kevin Sweetman, Pat Abdo, Kathleen Brule, Juanita Teniger, Faith Newell, Sandee Haffee, Chuck Paquette, Nancy Redington, Tamra Newell, Kim Landis, Marty Fox, Larry Boston, Debby Szilagy, Luellen Link, Michael Pinal, Karen Marcus, Noreen Quantz, Margaret Lambert, Ron Gosset, Laura Murphy, Justin Richards, Kathleen Roegner, Michael Pastucha, Harold Michnal, Amy Callaghan, Steven Wilson, Donald Hultquist, Carol Ducharme, Dominic Lombardi, Rita Maczka, Kaitlyn Dehaan, Leslie Rogers Turner, Lory Valuet, Delphine Whitesock, and Eleanor Rakozy.

**a time to die.....**

**..Please hold our Service men and women in your prayers** .....Chris Pietryka, .Anthony Kriszt, Erich Hetke, .Antonia Blue, Fr. Ray Bucon, Aaron Sotzen, Jeffrey M. Kane, Kyle Wroblewski, Jessie Stevens, Eric Hudzinski, Grady McElhinney, Bobby Wentworth, Steve Reynolds, Justin Boomgaard, Samantha Ciaramitaro, Peter Herrmann, Griffin Schager, Byron Hemphill, Rachael Brown, Richard Bastien, Robert E. Oldani, Seth Janisse, Christopher Masel, Ryan Masel, Robert Uren, Jr., Fletcher Armstrong, III, Michael Goodrow, Tanya Dudek, Nicole Pawlowicz, Nicholas Mitchelle, Ryan Bierschbach and Marc Hudzinski.

To have someone from your family enrolled on the prayer list, please call the church office. Names will be listed for one month unless the office is notified that the condition continues and that prayers are still needed.

**Handmaids**

**March**

- 6** Dolores Murphy
- 13** Jean Socolovitch  
Sherry Concatto
- 20** OFF
- 27** Marge Kelly  
Barb Beauchamp



**Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, March 2nd, 9:00AM**

Deceased Members of the Vettraino, Morelli, Fragnolli & D'Agostino Families by Mr. & Mrs. Vettraino

Umberto & Giacinda Tartaglia by family

Robert Walsh by Pat Petriches

Frank Phelps by Joni & Rick Benson

Mary Anita & Phil McHugh (64th Ann.) by

Friends

**11:00AM**

Tom & Tommy Gallagher by Helen Gallagher

Alessandro Marinelli by Parish Family

Bill Collins by Don & Marge Merritt

Claude McCammon by Howard McCammon

**Monday, March 3rd, 8:00 AM**

Members of the Bonfiglio Family by Mr. & Mrs. Jurak

**Tuesday, March 4th, 8:00 AM**

Gloria DeWolf by Jackie Bender

**Wednesday, March 5th, 8:00 AM**

The Unemployed & Homeless

**Thursday, March 6th, 7:00 PM**

John Trujillo by wife, Rose

Richard Jacobs by Cathy Rogers

Phillip Averill by Barb Matestic

Forgiveness & Reconciliation

**Friday, March 7th, 8:00 AM**

Ed Contway by wife, Peggy

Deceased Members of the Beauchamp & Martin Families

**Saturday, March 8th, 4:30pm**

Emilio Russo by Carmine Tonina Sacco

Arnold Thibodeau by Barbara Cunmulaj

Alessandro Marinelli by wife, Yolanda & Fam.

Joseph Meyer by wife, Toni

**Sunday, March 9th, 9:00 AM**

Antonia Caruana by Friend

Betty Monendo by Patty & Tom Niezgoda

Ruth Wagner by Pat Petriches

Alessandro Marinelli by Jack & Johane

Bongero

**11:00 AM** Deceased Ushers

Mary & Andrew Yuhas by Eleanor Naylor

Jim Korn by Bob & Mary Rich

DATE	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVER
<b>March 8 4:30PM</b>	S. Atherton Y. Nemeth	M. Mamon, B. Szeliga, D. Judd, M. Keith, S. Konal, B. Pumo, P. Stebbins	G. Kluft K. Palleschi R. McDougall
<b>March 9 9:00 AM</b>	H. Sullivan L. Flaherty	M. Lyman, P. Shepley, K. Tuttle, M. Tuttle, E. Sacha, S. Depowski, L. Goode	M. Barill J. McDougall M. Prince
<b>March 9 11:AM</b>	M. Barill L. Barrett CLW-C. Wood	L. Curtis, B. Strohmer, M. Gallagher, M. Marino, E. Strohmer, H. Arnould, A. Yorkchak	L. Peters T. Peters K. Seifert

Please remember to find a substitute if you are unable to attend.

**March Usher Schedule - Saturday-Team B / Sunday-Team B**

**BINGO Team 1**

**Floor Operator:** Bill Statetzny, Ellen Bishop, Lue Jarrett, Dick Schmidt, Alec Yorkchak, Mary Kay Lebourdais and Jake Subatch.

**Door Captain:** Peggy Contway, Bernice Pawlowicz & Louise Bridgeman.

**Cashier:** Judy Waling

**Bookkeepers:** Jackie Bender and Bernie Paquette.

**Kitchen:** Anita & Rita Pastucha, Jean Socolovitch, Evalina Bryant, Richard & Sherri Orell, Yolanda Kiel.





**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Joni Benson, DRE  
dre@stpriscillalivonia.org  
248-476-4702

**Calendar Update:**

Preschool/Kindergarten will meet on March 9 and 16. Students in grades 1—8 will have class on March 5/6 and 12/13.

The Education Commission will meet on Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00 PM. If you are interested in being on the commission, please feel free to join us and find out what we do. We will be discussing topics for next year's GIFT Sessions.

**FIRST COMMUNION WORKSHOP**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 10:00AM—12:00 PM**

Students preparing for First Holy Communion are to attend the workshop with a parent. No student should attend alone. We will be looking at two ways Jesus is present to us at Mass. In the scriptures and in the bread, the Body of Christ.



**Can You Help???**

The St. Vincent de Paul thrift stores have experienced a dramatic drop in donations. They are in desperate need of mattresses and furniture at this time. Other items that are in short supply are: sofas, tables, and chairs. So if you can help contact the toll free customer service line at 1-877-ST-VINCE (1-877-788-4623).

**Do You Have Household/Clothing Items to Donate?**

**St. Vincent de Paul drop boxes are available at the following locations:**

- Our Lady of Loretto** – corner of Six Mile and Beech Daly
- St. Gerald** - 21300 Farmington Rd. in Farmington
- St. Edith** - 15089 Newburgh Rd. Livonia, MI

**St. Edith and St. Kenneth Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)**

**Semi-annual Mom to Mom Sale Saturday, March 29th.**

**9am-1pm at St. Edith Church 15089 Newburgh Road**

**Strollers are allowed**

**Admission is \$1.00**

**Approximately 70 tables of gently used items & large items.**

**50+ Club**

Members are reminded of our next meeting, **March 5th at 12:30pm.** Plan on joining us. Any questions, contact Mary at 248-477-0424.

**St. Vincent de Paul**

**Pantry Items**

Featured weekly items: peanut butter, pancake mix & syrup, ramen noodles, canned fruit, rice, noodle or potato dinners.



Drop-offs can be made at mass (BIG BLUE BARRELL) or anytime at the parish office!! Thank You.

**Parish Nurse Ministry**

Parish Nursing promotes healthy living and disease prevention, including physical, psychological, spiritual and social aspects of each individual. Areas we are available to assist with include health education, assistance with health referrals, individual health counseling including home visits, training of volunteers to serve in various areas of the health ministry and to promote an understanding of the relationship between faith and health. To request assistance please call the parish office at 248-476-4700.

**LITURGY OF THE HOURS WORKSHOP**

Learn about the manner in which the passage of time has been made sacred by Christianity. Engage in an Evening Prayer Experience

**Where:** St. Aidan Parish, Bixman Hall (church building)  
**When:** Wednesday, March 12 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
**Presenter:** David J. Conrad

Refreshments Provided  
Registration Appreciated.  
Call 734-425-5950, or email: davidjconrad@staidanlivonia.org

*(Continued from page 1)*

Our parish is also about compassionate service. Over the past couple of years we have been working on improving the quality of services provided to parish members. We have had a very active outreach to all of those in need within our parish boundaries for many years through our St. Vincent DePaul, which is partially funded by 6% of our Offertory collection. Over the coming years we will be expanding our efforts to provide compassionate service beyond our parish boundaries. The establishment of our Christian Service Commission is the beginning of this effort and will continue to look at many service opportunities.

We are also committed to the spiritual formation of our children and the lifelong formation of adults. The Growing In Faith Together (G.I.F.T.) session is one effort to reach all members of our parish community. The R.C.I.A., classroom religious education for children and sacramental preparation programs are all part of this important effort. We will continue to attempt to improve the quality and expand our programs to meet the needs of all.

We are primarily a Catholic community grounded in the Word of God and Sacred Tradition. We have a very rich Tradition, and our Catholic identity is extremely important to us. We want to share this great gift with all who are interested, and want to actively invite others to join our parish family. All are welcome here!

As you can see, there is a great deal included in our Parish Mission Statement. Many thanks to the Parish Pastoral Council members who crafted and approved this statement. The Council will continue to be hard at work establishing goals to carry out this mission. Love and Peace,  
Fr. Jim



### Lenten Links

#### Fourth Sunday: "The Light that never fails.

**(The Light of the world beckons us home to safe harbor from the dark sea.)**

1 Samuel shows that, with the light of God's vision, He sees our every fiber, knows our every thought. He sends the Spirit to light our way.

Psalms reveals how faith in God, the perfect remedy for travel through life's dark valleys, leads us to the Light.

Paul reminds us that the Light of Christ brings us back from death caused by sin.

John tells us that the mercy of Christ is available for all, whether worthy or not, and how our sin-caused blindness can be burned away by the Light. We can choose to live and see in the Light or we can remain in our sin and stay in the dark while claiming to be able to see.

### Day of Recollection Wednesday, March 5th St. Paul of the Cross Passionist Retreat Center

Only \$17 / \$16 Seniors

Includes a hot lunch

To reserve your space, please call Mitzi Hanlon at 313-532-7950 or St. Paul of the Cross Retreat Center at 313-535-9563.

Open to groups or individuals.

Everyone is welcome!

### Readings of the Week

#### Sunday, March 2nd:

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Eph 5:8-14

Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

#### Monday, March 3rd:

Is 65:17-21

Jn 4:43-54

#### Tuesday, March 4th:

Ez 47:1-9, 12

Jn 5:1-16

#### Wednesday, March 5th:

Is 49:8-15

Jn 5:17-30

#### Thursday, March 6th:

Ex 32:7-14

Jn 5:31-47

#### Friday, March 7th:

Wis 2:a, 12-22

Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

#### Saturday, March 8th:

Jer 11:18-20

Jn 7:40-53

#### Next Sunday:

Ez 37:12-14

Rom 8:8-11

Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

©Liturgical Publications Inc



### Easter Flower Memorials

In order to include the names of your loved ones in the Easter bulletin, your envelopes need to be submitted **NO LATER than Sunday, March 9th**. Thank you for your cooperation.

**What is a Steward?....and why in the world would I want to be one?**

The dictionary defines a steward as a person entrusted with the management of estates or affairs that are not his own, an administrator. Most of us probably remember Matthew's telling of the Parable of the Talents and the fate of the fearful steward who buried the one talent entrusted to him and was, when his master returned, berated and thrown into the darkness, where there was wailing and gnashing of teeth. Many Catholics think of stewardship as simply the obligation to financially support the Church.

True Catholic stewardship, however, should be much, much more. It should be a way of life; something that flavors and imprints itself upon every aspect of our daily living. How we treat and teach one another, how we raise our children, how we value life, how we respect environmental resources, how we give of ourselves, our time, and our talents to build a sense of community among our neighbors, and yes, sharing out treasure with God's church are each only examples of how far-reaching stewardship should be.

An understanding of Catholic stewardship begins with our understanding our own essential relationship with God, our Father. Stewards recognize that all we have comes from God ...our lives and those who share it, our talents, our possessions, the fruits of our labors, even the number of our days upon this earth come from God. Stewards also realize that all these things are given to us "in trust", so to speak, and that we are to cultivate them, grow them, and return them in greater fruitfulness to God. This is a tangible sign of God's immense, unselfish love for us and, in turn, our love for Him. Good stewardship makes time and space for God to burst into our lives in a very real way and shake things up. What does God want to be doing in your life right now?

**The Council of Catholic Women  
invite all women to their  
2008 Biennial Assembly  
Bringing Light to our  
Global Society**

**Thursday, April 10, 2008**

**8:30 am to 3:00 pm**

Sacred Heart Major Seminary

Adam Cardinal Maida,

liturgy celebrant

Total donation \$25.00

Send reservations with your check  
to CCW/AD

305 Michigan Ave.

Detroit, MI 48236

Deadline for reservations:

March 31, 2008

Call The CCW office at

313-237-5896 for more

information.

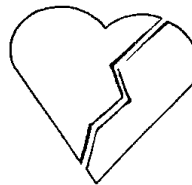
Shop at "Work for Human Hands"  
sale.

**Men's Fellowship**

St. Priscilla Catholic Men's Fellowship is a meeting at 7:30 am on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. The men of St. Priscilla meet in the chapel for a communion service; lasting about an hour, sharing God's work in our life, review of the following Sunday's Gospel and prayers for the intentions of the men. Fellowship after. All men are welcome. Please join us. Come as you can. There is nothing to join and no commitments to make. The next meeting is **March 8th, 2008 at 7:30 am** in the chapel. Enter at the door near the office. For more info email reminder of meeting: Jim Kennedy at jimk@twi.rr.com or [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/stpriscilla\\_cmf/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/stpriscilla_cmf/)

**IS YOUR MARRIAGE BREAKING YOUR HEART?**

- ◆ Are you frustrated, hurt, angry with each other?
- ◆ Are you constantly arguing or fighting?
- ◆ Do you feel cold, alone, distant?
- ◆ Do you feel disillusioned or bored?
- ◆ Are you thinking about separation or divorce?



Have you given up on talking it out?....  
And you don't know how to change or where to turn?

**THE FIRST STEP IS A PHONE CALL AWAY.  
RETRouvaille CAN HELP.**

**For confidential information about the program or registration  
CALL 800-470-2230. [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)**

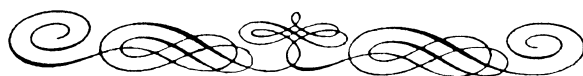


**Reflections of March 2nd  
by Deacon Robert Fitzgerald**

The existence of tragedies and illness in the world often makes us ask why God allows these things to happen. The people around Jesus asked if this man in today's Gospel, who was blind from birth, had sinned or was it his parent's sin that caused this to happen. Jesus was quick to point out that this illness was not the result of sin but rather was something that would serve the purpose of glorifying God. Often we tend to think that sufferings of people are punishment for things that they have done. Suffering is like anything else in this world, it can be used for either good or bad. Often the most important times that make us who we are, are the tough periods of life. These are what help us to grow stronger and wiser. It is in time of trouble that we come to recognize our dependence on God. When we no longer can control things we turn to God and it is then that we realize his power and mercy. Our mistakes, failures and weaknesses, if placed in the hands of God can be the stepping stones to our good decisions, successes, and strengths.

The Church has a sacrament that heals us in time of sickness and trial. The anointing of the sick can be a very useful and important tool for us in this world. It not only can provide physical healing, but can help us to understand and accept the things that are given to us to deal with. Many of the happiest people that I know, are the ones who have been given the most trials in life. Many people with the greatest faith are the same ones who have the most reason to be bitter about the hand they were dealt.

Jesus talks about a different kind of blindness in the Gospel reading. He talks about spiritual blindness. He tells us that this type is even more disabling than the physical kind. He says that he is the light of the world and without that illumination we are all blind in the spiritual sense. The light of Christ opens up all kinds of possibilities that we would not have, operating in darkness. Many people live in spiritual darkness and so their options in life are severely limited. That is why we must refrain from trying to judge others, because we cannot know how limited there options are. All we can do is try and keep the light, that we have been entrusted with, burning brightly by staying close to God through prayer and receiving the sacraments regularly. We also must try and light the way for others who don't have the same opportunities as we have. Jesus warns us not to hide our light under a basket, but let it shine for all to see. Our world needs all the light it can get because life can get pretty dark for those who do not have the Lord in their lives.



**Fourth Sunday of Lent - Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers**



Jean Denis and Francois are neighbors in Coteaux, Haiti. For years they barely supported their families through

subsistence farming. In 2002, they joined an agricultural cooperative organized by Catholic Relief Services and began to see change. They received and planted better seed, diversified their crops, found better techniques for raising livestock, learned to combat erosion, and generated surplus crops to take to market. Now their families no longer face hunger or malnutrition. As Jesus transformed the life of the blind man, so CRS transforms the lives of rural farmers. By giving through Operation Rice Bowl and purchasing Fair Trade products, you support the dignity of workers by ensuring just wages and economic self-sufficiency.

*Church Address*  
**19120 Purlingbrook Road  
Livonia, Michigan 48152-1986**  
[www.stpriscillalivonia.org](http://www.stpriscillalivonia.org)

**Parish Office 248-476-4700**  
**Religious Ed. Office 248-476-4702**  
**Office Fax 248-476-7831**

**MASS SCHEDULE**  
SATURDAY - 4:30 PM  
SUNDAY - 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM  
WEEKDAY-8 AM except THURSDAY-7PM  
HOLIDAY 9 AM & 7PM

**OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
8:30AM - 4:30PM  
Thursday 8:30 AM - 7:00 PM  
Friday - 8:30-AM - 12:30pm

**BAPTISMS**  
Baptisms are celebrated the 4th Sunday of the month. Please call the office to register for the Baptism preparation class.

**RECONCILIATION**  
Saturdays 3:00 PM

**SICK CALLS**  
Arrangements made by notifying Parish Office .

**WEDDINGS**  
Please contact the Parish Office a minimum of six months prior to the wedding date.

**U.P. Masonry Construction**

**(734) 591-3437 or (313) 215-5659**



Masonry Repairs, Steps,  
Chimney, Glass Block

**Best Care Home Health Services, Inc.**

Expect the Best

**Phone: 734-513-0400**  
17324 Farmington Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48152



Towing Also  
Available

**Certi-Tech Auto Care, Inc.**

Diagnostic Specialists

27820 7 Mile Rd. (Between Inkster & Middlebelt)

**248-777-7000**

**15% off of labor per coupon**  
(must present coupon, 1 coupon per car)

**Do you know . . .**

**. . . that this publication is produced at no cost to your church?** The cost of assembling, printing and delivery is carried by the advertisers which appear on these pages. By paying for advertising space, these businesses help your church communicate with its members. When you patronize these businesses, it proves that advertising in your publication is a good investment which brings a return. **Please mention that you saw the company's ad in this publication** - solid evidence which encourages advertisers to continue their support!



Liturgical Publications Inc  
Connecting Your Community™

**HELP A CHILD'S DREAM OF  
A BETTER LIFE COME TRUE**



SPONSOR THROUGH CFCA.



WWW.CFCAUSA.ORG

Offering hope. Restoring dignity. Worldwide.  
**800-875-6564**

*Thanks*

To our Advertisers,  
this publication is printed  
**Free** for your church!  
**Please patronize these  
Advertisers!**  
To call for advertising:  
**800-521-4486**

***We have a space reserved for you!***

The advertising that appears on this page will defray  
the costs of your newsletter service.

At the same time, your business name is  
presented to families in our area!

Please call us if you are interested in placing an ad  
which will support your publication.



Liturgical Publications Inc  
Connecting Your Community™

**Please call  
Liturgical Publications, Inc.  
at 800-521-4486**



# Manns-Ferguson Funeral Home

17000 Middlebelt At Six Mile, Livonia • (734) 425-1800

Charles Manns  
Pre-Planning

Elwood Manns  
Founder

Dickson Manns  
Manager

**FARON ROOFING CO., INC. • 734-326-8321**  
Res. & Comm. Roofing • Kitchen & Bath Remodeling  
37520 Glenwood, Westland, MI • Lic. #2104060860 • Ins.

**MIKE'S PLUMBING**  
Complete Plumbing • Sewer & Drain Cleaning  
MASTER PLUMBER • Michael J. Wood • 734-421-4633

**AE Auto Care**  
Complete Auto & Truck Repair  
Art Eliason  
(734) 522-7222 • Fax (734) 522-1530  
17175 Middlebelt (at 6 Mile) • Livonia, MI 48152

**COMPLETE LANDSCAPING SERVICE**  
Residential • Commercial  
**Reliable Landscaping, Inc.**  
Open to Public  
Landscape Supplies for All Your Needs  
Nursery Stock  
10% OFF DELIVERIES  
8285 Lilley Rd., Canton • 734-455-3220

**The Barbers' Post**  
29109 W. 8 Mile Rd. • Livonia, MI 48152  
Phone: (248) 477-0930  
Bring this coupon in and \$1 from your \$11 haircut will be donated to St. Priscilla Catholic Parish  
Expires August 2008

Open a Totally FREE CHECKING at Catholic Parishes Federal Credit Union



- Free Online Banking & Bill Pay
- Over 30,000 Surcharge Free ATMs
- No Minimum Balance
- No Maintenance Fees
- Earn Dividends On Your Balance

**Main Branch:** 36111 Five Mile Road  
Livonia, MI 48154; Phone: (734) 432-0212  
**St. Valentine Branch:** 25800 Dow  
Redford Twp., MI 48239; Phone: (313) 533-0040  
[www.catholicparishesfcu.org](http://www.catholicparishesfcu.org)

**BETTY BJARNESEN**  
Keller Williams Realty  
Livonia, Michigan  
734-452-1099  
www.betty-b.com  
realtor@betty-b.com

  
Ask for Betty "B"

**WILL FUNERAL HOMES**  
Kevin Bullock, Manager  
37000 Six Mile Road, Livonia MI 48152  
734.591.3700  
Redford & Wayne Chapels - Ask about our Silver & Gold Trips

**MICHIGAN HUMANE SOCIETY**  
SOMEBODY HERE NEEDS YOU.  
Detroit | Rochester Hills | Westland  
(313) 872-3400 | (248) 852-7420 | (734) 721-7300  
www.michiganhumane.org



Looking for a great relationship? You're sure to fall in love at the Michigan Humane Society.  
Dog and cat adoptions include sterilization, age-appropriate vaccinations a 10 day health plan and, of course, unconditional love.

**ANDAN CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC**  
SPECIALIZING IN:  
PEDIATRIC & FAMILY HEALTH CARE  
•(248) 474-5252 •  
18444 Farmington Rd., Livonia, MI 48125  
Parish Member • www.andan.net

**DON'S PLUMBING • CALL 248-349-0675**  
Expert Plumbing, Sewer & Drain Cleaning  
Licensed Master Plumber • Fast Service

**PLYMOUTH DENTAL ASSOCIATES**  
Serving the Community for Over 42 Years  
All In One Family Dental Care

Gary E. Hall, DDS  
Dean B. Sommerfield, DDS  
Thomas J. Gradolph, DDS  
Steven J. Olds, DDS  
Thomas Stein, DDS, MS-Endodontist  
Peter Leone, DDS, MS-Periodontist  
Paul S. Ho, DDS-Oral Surgeon

42801 Schoolcraft @ 5 Mile in Plymouth  
**734-420-2326**

**WP & B WRIGHT PENNING & BEAMER**  
wrightpenning.com  
**Lee Flaherty**  
Attorney  
• Real Estate  
• Business Law  
• Estate Planning  
**(248) 477-6300**



**JOHN WOOD PLUMBING • 734-425-0370**  
29444 Lyndon, Livonia • Master Plumber • Fast Professional Svc. • Reasonable Rates • Expert Sewer & Drain Cleaning

**Fatima's Promise**  
ROSARIES MADE TO ORDER  
Louise Hudzinski: (248) 478-9239  
fatimaspromise@gmail.com  
19511 Brentwood St., Livonia, MI 48152-2203



**We have a space reserved for you!**  
The advertising that appears on this page will defray the costs of your newsletter service. At the same time, your business name is presented to families in our area! Please call us if you are interested in placing an ad which will support your publication.

  
Please call  
**Liturgical Publications Inc**  
at **800-521-4486**  
Liturgical Publications Inc  
Connecting Your Community™

**★ Denmark 734-722-3870**  
Heating & Cooling  
FREE IN HOME ESTIMATES  
Commercial • Industrial • Residential  
2280 Hix, Westland • denmarkheating.net

**Michigan Single Catholics**  
CatholicMatch.com/MI



  
**Charles R. Steg**  
Funeral Home  
18425 Beech Daly Road  
Between 6 & 7 Mile Roads  
**313-531-1888**

**FARMINGTON GOODYEAR**  
WEEKDAYS 7:30-6 SATURDAY 8-3  
LOCAL SHUTTLE SERVICE  
YOUR ONE STOP  
AUTOMOTIVE CENTER  
DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN  
33014 GRAND RIVER AVE.  
248-477-0670  
OWNER FRANK GRECH CC '87



**BABYSITTER AVAILABLE**  
20 Years of Experience  
Call Annie 734-591-6069 References Available

**Sewer & Drain Cleaning Residential**  
Plumbing Repairs - Rick Shipley  
734-788-8997 • 734-522-2412  
Reasonable Rates

**PATIENT'S CHOICE HOME HEALTH CARE, LLC**  
JCAHO & Medicare Certified  
20002 Farmington Rd. • Livonia, MI • 248-888-1952

**Neely-Turowski**  
**FUNERAL HOME**  
30200 Five Mile • Livonia • 734-525-9020  
Directors: Leonard A. Turowski • Leonard A. Turowski, Jr.



**Life Teen**

**All high school teens are welcome!**  
**Monday Nights 7-8:30 p.m.**  
**Youth Room (Rm. 4) at the Parish Offices**

*Spotlight on Youth Culture- Teens & Money*

Current population of teens (ages 12-19) in the U.S. - **31.6 Million**.  
 In 2005, they spent **\$155 Billion**.  
 The average young consumer spends **\$84** per week. Approximately **\$57** of this is their own money, while the remaining **\$27** is from their parents.  
 Boys under 18 have an average of **\$525** to spend each month. Girls have an average of **\$430** to spend each month.  
 American young people (ages 8-21) spend **81.5%** of what they earn.  
**22%** of U.S. teens have credit cards in high school.  
**80%** of college seniors are graduating with credit card debt.  
 Average Americans see over **3,000** advertisements each day.  
 The 8-21 age group currently spends **\$22** billion per year online.  
 The average allowance for a 6-8 year old is **\$4.80** per week, a 9-11 year old is **\$7.00** per week, and a 12-17 year old is **\$16.60** a week.

Sources: Teenage Research Unlimited, Harrison Group, Harris Interactive. Alloy Media, Juniper Research, Nickelodeon/Yankelovich Youth, Monitor survey

**SPENT!**

*Many teens feel as though the call to tithe is only for adults, but our Life Night last week helped them to begin to understand how tithing is connected to a healthy spirituality at any age. We began our night with a spending spree. Each teen was given 3 minutes to spend their \$1000 in fake \$100 bills in seven different stations (college, cars, clothes, electronics, savings, travel/vacation, church/charity). Much fun was had spending and wishing this could be real.*

*Considering the fact that most teens disregard the topic of tithing as not relevant to them we knew we had our work cut out for us. We acknowledged a few presumptions up front:*

- Tithing is just for adults.*
- They are the ones who get envelopes to put in the basket.*
- They have jobs and get paychecks- so it's their responsibility, right?*

Wrong. Teens have more disposable income than any other age group. Many of them get allowances and many have jobs. Tithing is a call for them just as much as for their parents.

The teens learned that tithing isn't just about money. Not having money doesn't get them off the hook. Just as valuable as money is the gift of their time and talents and is equally valuable. Giving ten percent back to God means giving of your time, talent and money.

We also looked at the story of the widow's mite found in Mark 12:41-44. All the big shots of the temple put in large sums of money while a poor woman put in the equivalent of a penny. Jesus points her out and says that she has given more because she gave from her poverty and the rest gave from their excess. This story helped the teens to put things into proper perspective.

We ended our night with reflection questions about "what do I have?" and "what can I give?" They placed their reflections at the foot of the cross as an offering to Christ as a response of gratitude.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Lansing and Archdiocese of Detroit Offices of Young Adult & Campus Ministry  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Michigan Young Adult Conference**

*Just Live It II- Everyday Discipleship*  
**Saturday, March 29, 2008 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.**  
**St. Francis of Assisi Parish**  
**Ann Arbor, MI**

**Featured Guest: Mike Hayes (Managing Editor, BustedHalo.com)**  
 Short Sessions Include: Living Scripture Everyday, Parenting Young Children in Faith, Relationships, and Identity & God, Praying as a Couple, Faith During Transitions, Integrating Faith, Life & Work, What's a Catholic Voter to Do?!, Adoration & Holy Hour, Financially Free & Responsible, Taize Prayer.  
 Most Reverend Daniel Flores, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Detroit will be celebrating Mass.

For more information, or to register, please visit [222.genesis.ministries.org/yac2008.htm](http://222.genesis.ministries.org/yac2008.htm).

**Commission Chairpersons and Representatives**

- Stewardship Commission**  
 Lou Lyman 313-255-2146
- Worship Commission**  
 Gene Tatro 248-408-0512
- Eucharistic Ministers**  
 Esther Strohmer 248-380-6572
- Lectors**  
 Lou Barrett 248-477-7741
- Altar Servers**  
 Rosemary Yokom 313-538-7823
- Art & Environment**  
 Barb Matestic 734-261-9757
- Education Commission**  
 Margaret Sanovic 248-553-2835
- Christian Service Commission**  
 Linda Benko 248-478-6284
- Social Committee**  
 Jim Rehlund 734-525-5457

**Parish Nurse Ministry**  
**By Kay Kermode**



**Colorectal Cancer:**

*What you need to Know*

**What are your chances of getting colorectal cancer?**

Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths among men and women in the United States.

Each year, more than 140,000 men and women are diagnosed with colorectal cancer. More than 55,000 people die from the disease. African Americans have the highest death rate from colon cancer of any racial or ethnic group in the country.

**You are at risk for developing colorectal cancer if:**

- ◆ You are over 50.
- ◆ Your diet is high in fat, calories and alcohol.
- ◆ You have polyps (noncancerous growths) on the inner wall of the colon or rectum.
- ◆ You have had colorectal ovarian, uterine or breast cancer.
- ◆ You have ulcerative colitis, a condition in which the lining of the colon is inflamed.
- ◆ Your parents, brothers, or sisters had colon cancer or polyps at a young age.
- ◆ You smoke.
- ◆ You are overweight and not physically active.

**Symptoms of colorectal cancer:**

Note: *Early colon cancer usually has no symptoms. Consult your health provider if you experience:*

- ◆ A change in bowel habits.
- ◆ Diarrhea, constipation or feeling that the bowel does not empty completely
- ◆ Dark or bright red blood in the stool.
- ◆ Stools that are narrower than usual
- ◆ General abdominal pain such as frequent gas pains, bloating or cramps.

**How to lower your risk for colorectal cancer:**

- ◆ Eat five or more servings of fruit and vegetables daily.
- ◆ Eat foods rich in fiber, such as whole grains and beans.
- ◆ Choose foods low in fat.
- ◆ Replace red meat with poultry and fish.
- ◆ Limit alcohol.
- ◆ Don't smoke.
- ◆ Exercise daily and maintain a healthy weight.
- ◆ Have colon polyps removed.

**PASTOR**  
Rev. Fr. James McNulty  
Pastor@stpriscillalivonia.org

**WEEKEND ASSOCIATE**  
Rev. Fr. John Wheeler  
JPWCSB@aol.com  
248-596-3856

**DEACON**  
Rev. Mr. Robert Fitzgerald  
bkfitzer@yahoo.com

**DIR. OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
Joni Benson  
DRE@stpriscillalivonia.org

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC**  
Jeanne Marie Laframboise  
MusicMinister@stpriscillalivonia.org

**COORDINATOR OF YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**  
Mary Ann Jenkins  
youthminister@stpriscillalivonia.org

**CHRISTIAN SERVICE COORDINATOR**  
Kay Kermode  
christianservice@stpriscillalivonia.org

**Parish Secretary**  
Mary Jo Lafer  
ParishSecretary@stpriscillalivonia.org

**Religious Education Secretary**  
Christine Depowski  
ReligiousEd@stpriscillalivonia.org

**Maintenance Supervisor**  
Sam Atherton  
maint@stpriscillalivonia.org

*Church Address*  
**19120 Purlingbrook Road**  
**Livonia, Michigan 48152-1986**  
www.stpriscillalivonia.org

**Parish Office 248-476-4700**  
**Religious Ed. Office 248-476-4702**  
**Office Fax 248-476-7831**

**PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS**  
Lee Flaherty (Chair) 248-471-4649  
Barb Matestic (Vice-Chair) 734-261-9757  
Mark Yokom (Secretary) 313-538-7823

**Members at-Large**  
Jim Kremer 734-679-9734  
Lorna Mattson 734-525-1597  
Marge Marino 248-476-3109  
James Rehlund 734-525-5457  
Stuart Dunlap 313-255-3451  
Paul Wrosch 248-426-7465