THE WORD OF GOD

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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 (31)

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

EZ 37:12-14 ROM 8:8-11 JN 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45 (34)

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

* 7:25 a.m. - Recitation of the Rosary (Mon-Sat.; Chapel) SUNDAY - MARCH 26

K of C Coffee & Donuts - After All Masses

6:00-7:30p.m. - Youth Group Taco Talks

6:00p.m. - Confirmation Practice

6:30p.m. - RCIA

MONDAY - MARCH 27

1:30 p.m. - OLPH Fellowship Group

TUESDAY - MARCH 28

4:30 p.m. - CONFIRMATION

6:00-7:30p.m. - Grief Support Group (Chapel)

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 29

3:00p.m. - Youth Bell Choir

6:00-7:00p.m. - REP Classes

7:00p.m. - Adult Bell Choir

THURSDAY - MARCH 30

2:15p.m. - Stations of the Cross

3:00p.m. - School Choir

4:30-5:30p.m. - REP Classes

6:30p.m. - Sounds of Joy

7:30p.m. - Adult Choir

FRIDAY - MARCH 31

Parish Retreat

6:00-7:00p.m. - Evening Prayer & Adoration (Church)

7:00p.m. - Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY - APRIL 1

Parish Retreat

8:00-10:05a.m. - Salesian Saturdays (Chapel)

 $6:00\hbox{--}8:00p.m.\hbox{ -- Lenten Micro Retreat (for High-schoolers)}$

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mary Jane Fertal, Jeff Salabsky, Marion Donohue, Jamie Baran, Frank Sforza, Robert Dunnigan, Larry Mancino, Mary Schwartz, Nora Lee Tarney, Rose Novak, Dorothy Pavlinski, Baby Juliana, Baby Layla, Parker Grant, Ryan William, Sylvia Klepeis, Nemesio Padua, Dolores Steffie, William Blake, Elizabeth Martlock, Terry Bruch, Kayleigh Galante, John J. Jordan, Rose Lichtenwalner, Doris Roscioli, Joseph Persons, Christopher Oravec, Barbara Tuscher, Rose & Joseph Jackson, Lorraine Martin, Francesca Kostalis, Joseph Midash, Katie Kislow, Shad Barry, Kevin Meister, Gina Paulino, Michael Cunningham, Jim Monahan, Pucci Family, Linda Massari, William Huber, Dolores Lengyel, Ann Marie Janders, Barbara Martino, and Adam Recke. Remember the deceased members of our parish family. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Names removed after 4 weeks to keep list current. Please call to keep a name on the list for the next month.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Collection: (**Average** per week), for the month of **February**, <u>including</u> Electronic Giving: \$21,488.25. We thank you for your support. May God bless you for your kindness.

OLPH FOOD BANK

ALL ITEMS NEEDED! All non-perishable boxed, bagged, or canned items: Pasta, rice, vegetables, sauces, instant potatoes, soups, cereals, jelly, peanut butter, tuna, coffee, tea, gravy, etc.

Thank you so very much for your continued support!!

*If you or any parishioner needs food, or info on our Parish Food Bank, call Carol (484-547-4412). God bless each of you!

REP NEWS

Carol.salabsky@my-olph.org or call 484-547-4412.

OLPH LADIES GROUP

<u>MEETING</u>: Tues., <u>April 4th</u>, at 1:30p.m., in the Marian Inn. Speaker: Sr. Barbara will give a talk on the Triduum. Info: call Judy Oliver (610-849-2179).

OLPH FELLOWSHIP GROUP

This 55+ group meets every 2nd & 4th Monday at 1:30p.m., in the Marian Inn. Annual dues: \$10. Info: Tom (484-456-6818).

TRIP: Virginia Beach, VA & Ocean City, MD: Sep. 4th-8th. Full breakfasts (4); Dinners (4); Guided tour of Assateague Island; Norfolk Naval Base; Douglas McArthur Memorial.

*For more info, call Tom DiSante (484-456-6818) or June Venanzi (484-767-8669).

YOUTH GROUP CORNER

TACO TALKS: Sunday, March 26th, 6-7:30p.m.

HIGH SCHOOLERS (9th-12th grs.): Lenten Micro Retreat, April 1st, 6-8pm at the Youth Group House.

EASTER EGG HUNT (ages 1-10): April 8th, at 10:30am. Registration form coming soon! If you can donate plastic Easter Eggs, please put them in the basket underneath the Youth Ministry bulletin board in the Gathering Space beginning 3/18 & 19!!

Joey Moser (610-867-8409x25) or <u>joey.moser@my-olph.org</u>

OLPH SCHOOL AND STUDENT NEWS

*facebook.com/olphbeth or Twitter @ OurLadySchool Registration open for all new students wishing to enroll for the 2017-2018 school year. Please contact the school for information/tour (610-868-6570 or moserd@olphbeth.org).

Check out the school video on YouTube! #olphschoolspirit

PARISH GOLF TOURNAMENT

Mon., <u>June 12th</u>, at Southmoore Golf Club. Shotgun start 1pm. <u>Cost</u>: \$85/pp (includes greens fee, cart, lunch, awards dinner, 10% discount on clubhouse purchases and range balls).

We are looking for individuals or businesses to be sponsors for this event. <u>To become a sponsor, or for more info, contact</u>: Dave

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, MARCH 27 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:45a.m. - John Boyle - Anita Shorey

8:00a.m. - Fran Buragino (Ann.) - M/M Arthur Donohue Sr

7:00p.m. - Virginia Curry - Pamela Norton-Seitz

TUESDAY - MARCH 28 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:45a.m. - Jeffrey Labelle (Ann.) - Sharon Labelle

8:00a.m. - Arleen Pierzga - M/M Thoden

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:45a.m. - Mass for the People

8:00a.m. - Francis Petruccelli - Wife, Pina

7:00p.m. - M/M Stuart Feinberg (Int.) - Niece, Erin

THURSDAY, MARCH 30 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:45a.m. - Louisa Ann Check - Joann Vasquez

8:00a.m. - Mary Lou McDonald - Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 31 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

6:45a.m. - Al Gregory - The Kinkead Family

8:45a.m. - Kathleen Daley - Clemons Family

& OLPH 4th Gr. Class - Janet "Cookie' Barry

SATURDAY, APRIL 1 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:00a.m. - Joseph Pierino Vevivino - Emily Gilotti

5:00p.m. - Leroy Tuscher - Pat Zawarski

& John Norton - LeBeau Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 2 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30a.m. - Arlene Preisler - Jeff & Pat Andrews

9:00a.m. - Olga Wiktor - Rick & Family

& Eileen A. O'Brien - The Hartman Family

10:30a.m. - Dcn. William J. Wagner - M/M Bruce Dague

& Thommathew Thomas - Wife, Mary

12:00noon - Leroy Tuscher - The DeLuca Family

& Lorraine Derrico - Galski Family

Ney: *davney@aol.com* or call 610-704-6909. Proceeds benefit maintenance & repairs on our church buildings.

WEDDING LITURGY WORKSHOP

Sun., <u>April 9th</u>, at 2:00p.m., in the church. Presented by our music director & wedding co-ordinator. Couples getting married at OLPH in 2017 are encouraged to attend. <u>Register</u> with Sue Bennett: 610-782-1101 or email *dasub61@yahoo.com*

K of C COFFEE & DONUT GET-TOGETHER

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Coffee & Donut get-together after the 7:30, 9:00, and 10:30am Masses, TODAY, Sunday, <u>March 26th</u>, to thank OLPH parishioners for all their support through the years.

ANNUAL TRICKY TRAY

Sponsored by the Home/School Association, will be held April 7th, 8th, and 9th in the Marian Inn. The Committee is presently asking for donations and contributions from area businesses & individuals. If any parishioner owns or works for a

business & would like to make a donation, or if an individual would like to donate a new or handmade item, please contact Denise McGee (1-215-880-0275) or Fran Raneri (1-848-391-9145). Thank you for your support! Tickets on sale after Mass!!

GREETERS MINISTRY

We're in need of Greeters for Confirmation (March 28th, 4pm - arrive at 3:30pm), also for Holy Thursday (7:00pm), Good Friday (3:00pm), & Holy Saturday (8:00pm). Greeters are asked to arrive ½ hour before each scheduled time. Sign-up schedules are in the Coat Room. Questions: Contact Anita Guerriere at 484-241-1615 or gordonguerriere@aol.com Thank you!

HOLY THURSDAY

All <u>LITURGICAL MINISTERS</u> are invited & encouraged to attend the Recommissioning of Liturgical Ministers, during the Holy Thursday Mass, April 13th, at 7:00p.m. We thank you for all the work you do throughout the year.

All <u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & LECTORS</u> are invited to participate in the Holy Thursday Procession, April 13th. Please arrive in the Marian Inn at 6:30p.m. RSVP to the Parish Office (610-867-8409) or email: *OLPHMusicDirector@gmail.com*

PARISH BUS TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUND THEATRE

<u>Tuesday, May 9th</u> - To see the biblical production of "<u>Jonah</u>" at the Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA. <u>Cost</u>: \$100/pp (includes show ticket & bus). Leave OLPH parking lot at 8am, return at 7pm. Please contact Tony Saldutti (610-533-2711) or *tsaldutti99@gmail.com* if interested!

BETHLEHEM CATHOLIC BASKET & BAG BINGO

TODAY, Sun., March 26th, beginning at 1:30p.m. (doors open 12:30pm), in the Bethlehem Catholic H.S. Cafeteria, 2133 Madison Ave., Bethlehem, PA (enter door at back of building). Tickets: \$25 at the door (20 games, specials, raffles, 50/50 cash, door prizes). Food available. Featuring Longaberger baskets & Vera Bradley and Coach designer handbags. Sponsored by the Bethlehem Chapter of UNICO and benefits its scholarship program. Questions: call Michelle Pelizoto (610-868-6390).

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

A blind man's conversion of heart stands in stark contrast to the stubborn blindness of the Pharisees.

Observing how a blind person negotiates his or her way through life is inspiring. Observing blindness of heart, however, is troubling. Those who are blind to the truth often stumble through life because of obstacles they place in their own paths. When we seek the truth of the Gospel, we are like the blind man who came to believe in the Son of Man.