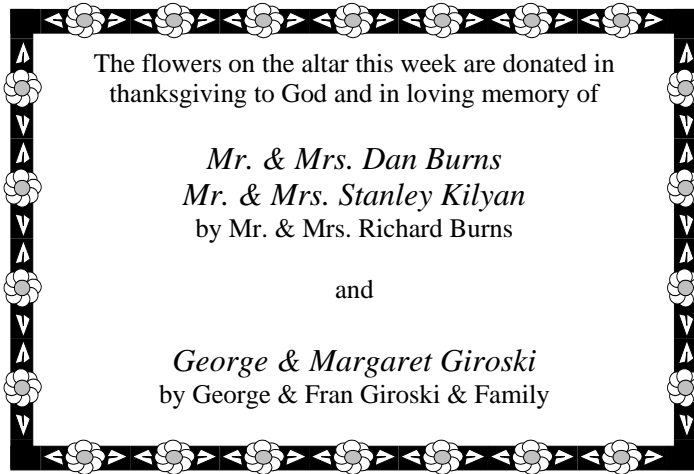
 Jilda Rusbashan, Fran Reardon, Bob Wilds,
Pray for ... Clyde Benson, Debbie Madden, Pam Adams

Funerals

Our sympathy and prayers to the family of Michael Sember and Cindy Kalogeras for the loss of their loved ones. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Easter Memorial Flower Offering

Anyone who wishes to have a loved one, living or deceased, remembered during the Easter season, please place the "Easter Flower Offering" envelope in the collection basket with the name of your loved one, printed clearly on the envelope, along with your donation. A list with your loved one's name will be printed in the bulletin at Easter. All names must be into the Church by **April 2**.



Annual Women's Retreat

Fr. Mark O'Hern, as the retreat master for the Mercer County Catholic Women's League annual retreat, invites the women of Mercer County to an afternoon of reflection on *Forgiveness and Healing*. The afternoon includes lunch, two presentations, opportunities for the Sacrament of Confession and prayer, and concludes with Mass. Since this retreat occurs on the 1st Sunday of Lent, it is an excellent way to kick off this season of spiritual growth. If you've been carrying too much emotional baggage lately, why not check it in at this retreat and leave the driving to us. This retreat will be held at the Church of the Good Shepherd in West Middlesex on **March 5**. Doors open at 12 noon; lunch at 12:30 pm; Mass at 4 pm. For tickets (\$10) or for more information, please call our parish representatives, Vi Bowers at 724-347-2921, Wanda Nigborowicz at 724-347-2550 or Anna Guster at 724-646-2351.

Palms



Don't forget to drop off your palms from last year's celebration of Palm Sunday in the basket provided in the gathering space. We will burn them for the ashes that will mark our foreheads and the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday (March 1)



They removed the roof above him and let down the mat...

The sick, diseased and demon-possessed have all been healed by Jesus up to this point in the Gospel. He has power to deal with illness of mind and body. Today, Jesus reaches into another arena of humanity....the heart, and works the most spectacular cure of all - announcing that sin is forgiven. Just the insinuation of that leaves the Scribes ready for a heresy trial. One of the remarkable parts of the story, however, is the gutsy determination of the crippled man's friends. Hauling him through the narrow streets, trying to push, pull or cajole the crowd out of the way and meeting resistance at every turn, they find a way up to the roof and have the gall to tear it apart, creating a hole big enough to drop a stretcher through. How would you feel if you were the homeowner? How deeply grateful would you feel if you were the crippled friend? Do you have friendships that deep? That persistent? That relentless? This week we're being given a chance to rediscover the deep friendship we have in Christ through our annual Parish Mission. Father Norm Douglas and Attorney Larry Vuillemin will be our guides as we come to see how *God Revives Our World* (GROW). Please mark off 7 - 8:45 pm each evening this week, beginning tonight (Sunday) and come back here among friends. We'll be looking into elements of the spiritual journey we all take in life and discover together how much faster we can come to Christ with the help of our friends.




You are cordially invited to an Open House at St. Joseph School to be held Tuesday, **February 21**, Wednesday, **February 22** and Thursday, **February 23** from 8:30 am to 2 pm. You will have the opportunity to tour the school, led by student ambassadors. Visitors will be able to meet various school personnel and the school secretary and principal will be available to answer any questions regarding St. Joseph School. We have a dedicated, faith-filled faculty. With highly educated personnel, you can expect a quality education for your child. We build tomorrow's leaders through faith and academic excellence. Come and visit. See what St. Joseph School has to offer!

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Please Note Change in Time: Sunday Night with St. Joe will have high school religious education tonight from 7 - 8:45 pm. Students are attending the mission in the main church and attendance will be taken. Next Sunday class will be at the regular time of 6 pm.

Baby Bottle Drive

Thank you for taking a baby bottle last week to fill with loose change to help Pro-Life of Mercer County. Please remember to return the baby bottles by **February 26**, to the baskets located in the Gathering Room. Contributions by check can be made out to Pro-Life of Mercer County with baby bottle drive in the memo line. New baby clothes and diapers will also be collected. Pro-Life of Mercer County is committed to helping parents nurture human life and promoting respect for all human life from conception to natural death. Thank you for your support, prayers and for especially offering love. Let us all continue to "speak up for those who can not speak for themselves."



**2006 Pot of Gold Calendar
This Week's Winners**

Monday, February 6	696
\$25 No Winner	
Tuesday, February 7	680
\$25 John Keaveny	
Wednesday, February 8	032
\$25 No Winner	
Thursday, February 9	241
\$25 Cheryl Brenner	
Friday, February 10	681
\$25 Peg Hansley	
Saturday, February 11	359
\$25 No Winner	

Women's Guild Meeting

The Women's Guild meeting on Tuesday, **February 21**, will be lunch out at Thunder Alley (part of Quaker Steak & Lube) at 1:15 pm. Call Judy Mausser, 724-981-0797 for reservations by **February 18**. All Women's Guild ladies are invited to Judy Moroco's new home for her house blessing by Fr. Whitman and for cake and coffee after the luncheon.

Widows Group

There will be a meeting in the Annex Room in the Church Hall on Thursday, **February 23** at 1 pm. Guest speaker will be Registered Dietician, Vivian Moon, who will speak on "Developing a Healthy Christian through Sound Nutrition." All are invited.

Holy Name Society

Please Note Change: The Holy Name Society will meet on Sunday, **February 26** at 7 pm at the Sharon Knights of Columbus located on Division St., Sharon. New members are always welcomed to attend.



Mark your calendar now and keep that date open - Church Picnic will be held this year on Sunday, **July 23** at the Shriners Picnic Grounds. More information will follow, so stay tuned!

Cookies Needed!

We are in need of cookies for the last night of our Parish Retreat - Thursday, **February 23**. We would appreciate your bringing the cookies to the Gathering Room on Thursday, **February 23**, any time during the day.



It's Mardi Gras Time!!!!

St. Joseph PTO's Annual Reverse Raffle
Saturday, February 25
Tickets available at the Church/School Office or
Contact Jenny Summers 724-962-4245
Still a few tickets left - Call now!

News Around Town

Shrove Tuesday, Pancake & Sausage Super, February 28, 4 - 7 pm. Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, 5130 E. State Street, Hermitage, Free will offering

Chicken Pie Supper, First United Methodist Church, 237 W. Silver Street, Sharon, March 4, 4- 7 pm. Adults \$750; Children 12 and under \$3.50

Coffee & Contemplation, a morning of prayer, Tuesday, March 7, from 8:30 -11:30 am at Villa Maria Retreat Center. Program entitled Lent - an Opportunity to Deepen our Ways of Being Disciples. Suggested offering \$3-\$5. Call 724-964-8920, ext. 3358 to register.

Seniors for Safe Driving, for drivers over **55**, March 20 & 21, 6 - 9:30. Classes will be at Notre Dame Church, Hermitage. To register call 800-559-4880.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter, March 24-26 at Lake Chautauqua Retreat Center, offers the tools to keep a relationship in top condition, sponsored by the Erie Diocese. Call 800-432-7383, enter 4162 or visit www.wvme.org.

Veronica's Veil, performed two weekends: March 24/25/26 and April 1/2, in the Veronica's Veil Auditorium, 44 Pius Street on the South Side Slopes, Pittsburgh. Make your reservations early by calling 412-431-5550 or visiting

www.veronicasveilplayers.org. There also will be a special presentation of the Living Stations on Friday, March 31 at 7 pm **Godspell - Station Dinner Theater**, Erie, PA. Lunch and matinee performance of "Godspell, April 11. Leaving St. Bernadette's Church, Masury, OH at 10:30 and returning 4:45. Cost is \$62. Call Dorothy Mastronardi at 330-448-8834 for reservations.

Daniel O'Donnell Show, Benedum Center, Pittsburgh, **May 23**. Leaving St. Bernadette's Church, Masury, OH at 2:30 pm and approximate return 11 pm. Cost is \$85. For reservations call Dorothy Mastronardi at 330-448-8834

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage, Mexico City, October 10-15, Spiritual Director Fr. Rich Toohey/Pilgrimage Coordinator, Joe Ranelli. Cost \$1280 Double occupancy. Deposit of \$300 due by March 31. For reservations contact Joe Ranelli at 724-962-5059.

Congratulations!

The following students of Sharon High School made the honor roll for the Second Quarter: **Highest Honors:** Aryn Christman, Erin Sypolt Kara Gustafson, Matthew Masotto, Katie Kelly, Jeffrey Gavin, Aaron Sizer, Gabrielle Rahn, Zachary Revale, Christine Kuester, Alexandra Miller, William Palmer, Ryan Sypolt, Jessica Cerroni, Christopher Greenawalt, Walter Carpenter Grace Anderson, Allie Schweiss, Christian Davis, Anna Rueberger, Arica Christman, Benjamin Calla, Jeffrey Parry, Ellen Anderson. Jayne Sherretts, and Thomas Chavara **High Honors:** Danielle Cerroni, Danielle Shaffer, Melinda Burke, Robert Sherretts, Salvator Messina, Aimee Buchanan, and Jordan Masotto.

Kennedy Catholic High School Prom Fashion Show

The 4th Annual Prom Fashion Show sponsored by the Students for Charity, will be held on Sunday, **February 26** at 3 pm in the Gym at KCHS. Cost is \$5 and tickets can be bought at the door. All proceeds go to Prince of Peace.



February 25/26

5:15 pm - Maury Keaveny
8:00 am - Dennis Rubano
10:00 am - Al DeBonis
12:00 nn - Carole Giroski

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5:15 pm - Ray Fabian, Mary Ann Fabian, Brad Williamson, Harry Necastro, Frank Smeraglia, Michelle Christman. **John Bosley**, JP Scanga, **Paula Miller**, Stephanie Alter, Karen Jofery

8:00 am - Beverly Chalupka, Cathy Dorfi, Paula Emery, Joe McLaughlin, **Bob Poerstel**, **Dr. Stypula**

10:00 am - Dr. D'Amore, Debbie D'Amore, Regina Donnelly, **Paula D'Onofrio**, Linda Collins, Tom DeMarco, Rose DeMarco, Kelly Bonomo, Scott Burke, **Joe Sherbine**, Sr. Sandy Pedone

12:00 nn - Fran Giroski, Dorothy Harrison, Mary Beth Jones, Kay Stockan, Michael Stockan, David Ranelli, **Kathy Slattery**



February 25/26

5:15 pm - Anna Bonomo, Patrick Thomas, Alex Griffiths
8:00 am - Caly & Jack Evans
10:00 am - Ashley & Jacob Carenbauer
Khala Santiago, Maureen Walsh
12:00 nn - Miriam Necastro, Gabriele Nevant

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19
Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:41-50
Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Mk 10:13-16
Sunday: Hos 2:16b, 17b, 21-22; Ps 103;
2 Cor 3:1b-6; Mk 2:18-22



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Monday, February 20 - Weekday

8:00 am - Tom Smithyman (Family)
12:10 pm - Julia Gloria Moroco (Judith Moroco)

Tuesday, February 21 - St. Peter Damian

8:00 am - George Bell & John Hanisko (Family)
12:10 pm - Violet Fabry (Lisa & Bob Buzzeo)

Wednesday, February 22 - Weekday

8:00 am - Jenn Waters (Namey Family)
12:10 pm - Reynold Schneider (John Schneider)

Thursday, February 23 - St. Polycarp

8:00 am - Harold Herrmann (Raymond & Mariam Dunn)
1:30 pm - Paul Isco (Deborah Crosby & Ellen Galacia)
(Mass at Shenango Inn)

Friday, February 24- Weekday

8:00 am - Sara DeNoble (Estate)
9:00 am - Antoinette Messere (Pam & Paul Baxter)
(6th Grade Liturgy at the School)
12:10 pm - Martin Hess (Louise, wife)

Saturday, February 25 - Weekday

5:15 pm - Donnelly Family (Dorothy & Bill Ogg)

Sunday, February 26 - Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am - Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
10:00 am - Martha & Jack Devine (Maryanne & Lou Dunch)
12:00 nn - James & Elizabeth Finnegan (Betty Hyatt)



Weekly Expenses	15,734.00
Last Week Offertory	9,920.00
Surplus/(Shortfall)	(5,814.00)
Average Weekly Donation	24.62
Food Pantry	213.00
Parish Debt Reduction	497.00
Special Gifts	170.00
Easter Flowers	175.00

Envelopes Used 403

Unpaid Debts

2004	Paid In Full
2005	\$83,416.50
2006	15,725.75