

Bulletin #947100

**St. Wendelin Church
210 St. Wendelin Road
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Contact: Donna/Cheryl

Dear Linda/Brenda,

Thanks,

Cheryl

Mass Intentions



Saturday, March 10 - Weekday

6:00 PM Gary Geibel

Sunday, March 11 – Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM James Furl

10:00 AM St. Wendelin Parish

Monday, March 12 - Lenten Weekday

7:30 AM Faithful Departed Souls

Tuesday, March 13– Lenten Weekday

6:00 PM Special Intention

Wednesday, March 14 - Lenten Weekday

7:30 AM Sally Young.

Thursday, March 15 - Lenten Weekday

7:30 AM Reid Karenbauer

Friday, March 16 - Lenten Weekday

9:00 AM Martha Young

Saturday, March 17 - Saint Patrick

9:00 AM Special Intention

6:00 PM Esther Stephenson

Sunday, March 18 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30 AM St. Wendelin Parish

10:00 AM Joe Musthaf

Sanctuary Candles Burn For:

Immaculate Mary	Peggy Oesterling
Sacred Heart	Jay Stephenson
St. Joseph.....	Special Intention
St. Wendelin.....	Jay Stephenson

Please keep in your prayers all those in need of our prayers at this time including:



Josephine Hesidenz, Vera (Sis) Geibel, Ed Welter, Neal Arnold, Sally Coyle, Colleen Collins, Ed Murray, Michelle Gould, Debbie Hudson, Lawrence Osche, Bob Mitch, Jesse Kretzer, Alice Waltman, Bernadette Geibel, Leo & Helen Rodgers Sr, Doug Krisely, Norma McCorry, Maxine Bauldoff, Lois Arnold, John Neudorfer, Jay Stephenson, John Stewart, Ed Neff, Jake Ribald, Jim Dillaman, Anna Marie McKivigan, Patty Carben, Mary O'Donnell, Debra Wick, Ken & Charlotte Ross, Barry Porter, Elizabeth Ozella, Joanne Steighner, Marie Kaufman, Cody Fend, Mary Reed, Olivia Smith, Eugene Bergbigler, Sr., J. Manculich, Barb Campbell, Debbie Selfridge, Fr. Lou Pascazi, Nadine Ball, Gary Osche, Joel Ball, Ron Kabel, Mary Weiland, Sarah Lucas, Doris Rasch, George Bauldoff, Claire Hilderbrand, Brian Roush, Diane McDonald, Mike Smith, Kim Sutton and Pete Green.

If you or anyone for whom you have requested prayers have had improved health and you feel it is no longer necessary to keep them on the prayer list, please let us know.

**IF NOT,
YOU CAN CUT IT DOWN.**



It may bear fruit *in the future*? Jesus presents this parable to some people, whether disciples or not to emphasize the need to repent, to have a change of heart. Looking at the Providence of God, the Jews literally believed that God's love or wrath was directly linked to our actions. That not only do we sin but, we reap the consequences of those sins. We understand too that our sinful behavior, if continued, will only result in a sinful lifestyle! God doesn't cause this. Our choices alone do. We should know this? But for the Jew their sin brought about the wrath of God! For instance, if you suffered from leprosy this was because of your sins and/or those of your ancestors. So the need to repent! But in the parable the gardener pleads with the planter of the fig tree that has produced no fruit to give it more time, that maybe with the ground around it fertilized and cultivated it may bear fruit. If not, it will be cut down. Basically, Jesus says that we must recognize the need to repent and change our lives, thus showing our God that we understand our faults and plan to constantly change in our decisions. **As one Act of Contrition states:** "I firmly resolve with the help of thy grace to confess my sins, to do penance and to amend my life. Amen. To amend my life...how long does it take? The man in the parable gives the fig tree one year of cultivation, one year of constant nurturing, constant change in its soil. How long do we need in order that our ground might be cultivated? How long do we need before it is too late?

While on the subject of repentance...

Congratulations to our Second Graders for taking part in and celebrating for the very first time on Saturday morning, March 4th the Sacrament of Reconciliation!

God Bless You!
Rev. Kev

Please pray for the men and women who are serving in the military, especially those from our parish.



Brian J. Neff	Garrett Dietrich
Brian Stephenson	Douglass Swigart
Derrick Baptiste	Jeremy Welter

“The rich man is not one who is in possession of much, but one who gives much.”

St. John Chrysostom

Collection for March 3/4

Offertory \$3825.61

Adopt-A-Child..... \$230.56

MONTHLY 50/50 RAFFLE

WINNING TICKET.....#2694

AMOUNT \$1,075.00

WINNER D. Craig

SELLER D. Craig

WINNER OF 10+ books (\$100).....Ruth Rodgers

WINNER OF 25+ books (\$200)..... Darla Livermore

Please pick up your March tickets in the vestibule.

Thank you for your continued support.

ST. WENDELIN SCHOOL NEWS



Do you know someone who is looking for an alternative to public schools?

Have them give us a call.

Registration for Kindergarten through 8th grade for the 2007-2008 school year is now underway. For more information call the school at 724-285-4986 between 9 - 2 PM.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for 3 and 4 year olds is now being accepted for 2007-2008 school year. Call the school at 724-285-4986 for a registration form and a diocesan grant application or for more information about the program. Class size is limited.



The students will participate in the Stations of the Cross at 2:00 PM on Fridays during Lent. Please join us.

ST. WENDELIN PTG GOOD FRIDAY FISH DINNER

11 AM to 6 PM - Serving Baked or Pan-fried fish, a variety of side-dishes, dessert and beverage.

The “Colored Fish” and donation envelope on the bulletin board were made by grades K, 1 and 2. Stop by and pick your favorite catch, place your monetary donation in the envelope and return by March 28th.

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IT IS TIME !

We are updating our Parish Directory. Clothing is looking a little outdated, children are growing and we have many new faces to add to our family album here at Saint Wendelin Parish.

We need your help! Please take the time to come and have your family portrait taken. Receive a FREE 8 x 10 color portrait and a Complimentary Parish Directory when you sign up and help to fill our family album.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY - 12 Noon to 6 PM - Eucharistic Adoration

TODAY - 6:00 PM Vespers and Benediction

TODAY - 7:00 PM Knights of Columbus meeting

Tuesday, March 13 - 7 PM Parish Council

Wednesday, March 14 - 5:30 PM Meager Meal

Wednesday, March 14 - 7:00 PM Lenten Study Group

Wednesday, March 14 - 7 PM Penance Service at

St. John, Coyleville

Knights of Columbus

Any men in the church 18 years of age or older are welcome to attend the meeting this evening.

Knights pancake breakfast next Sunday, March 18th from 7:45 AM to 12:00 noon. Bring your appetite!

NEIGHBORING EVENTS

ST. JOHN, Coyleville - Will be having a class on the Passion Narratives on Thursdays, Mar. 15, 22, from 6:30-9 PM. If interested in attending contact Amanda Kramer at 724-287-0426.

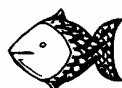
ST. JOSEPH, North Oakland- Spring Card Parties begin at 1:30 PM on Sunday, March 11, 18 and 25. Donation with lunch is \$3.

ST. PAUL, Butler- Monday, March 12, 7 PM - Holy Hour for Peace - Rosary, Novena Prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Benediction. Spend an hour with Our Lord this Lent.

ST. FIDELIS, Meridian - Support Group for those experiencing separation or divorce: Every Tuesday evening starting Mar. 13 through May 1. Registration call 724-482-2690 ext. 2. Fee \$15 includes book.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, Butler - Saturday, March 17. St. Patrick Day Dinner 5-8 at the K of C Hall on North St. Corned Beef and Cabbage. Adults \$8, children 2-10 \$4, under 2 free

SAINT EUSEBIUS, East Brady - March 24, Roast Pork Take-out Dinner. Roast pork, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy and vegetable. \$5.00. Order by Thursday March 22 by calling Kay Weibel at 724-526-5563 or Jo Vasbinder at 724-526-5575.



LENTEN FISH FRIES—Every Friday through Lent.

St. Mary, Herman - serving 4-7 PM

St. Fidelis, Meridian - serving 4-7 PM