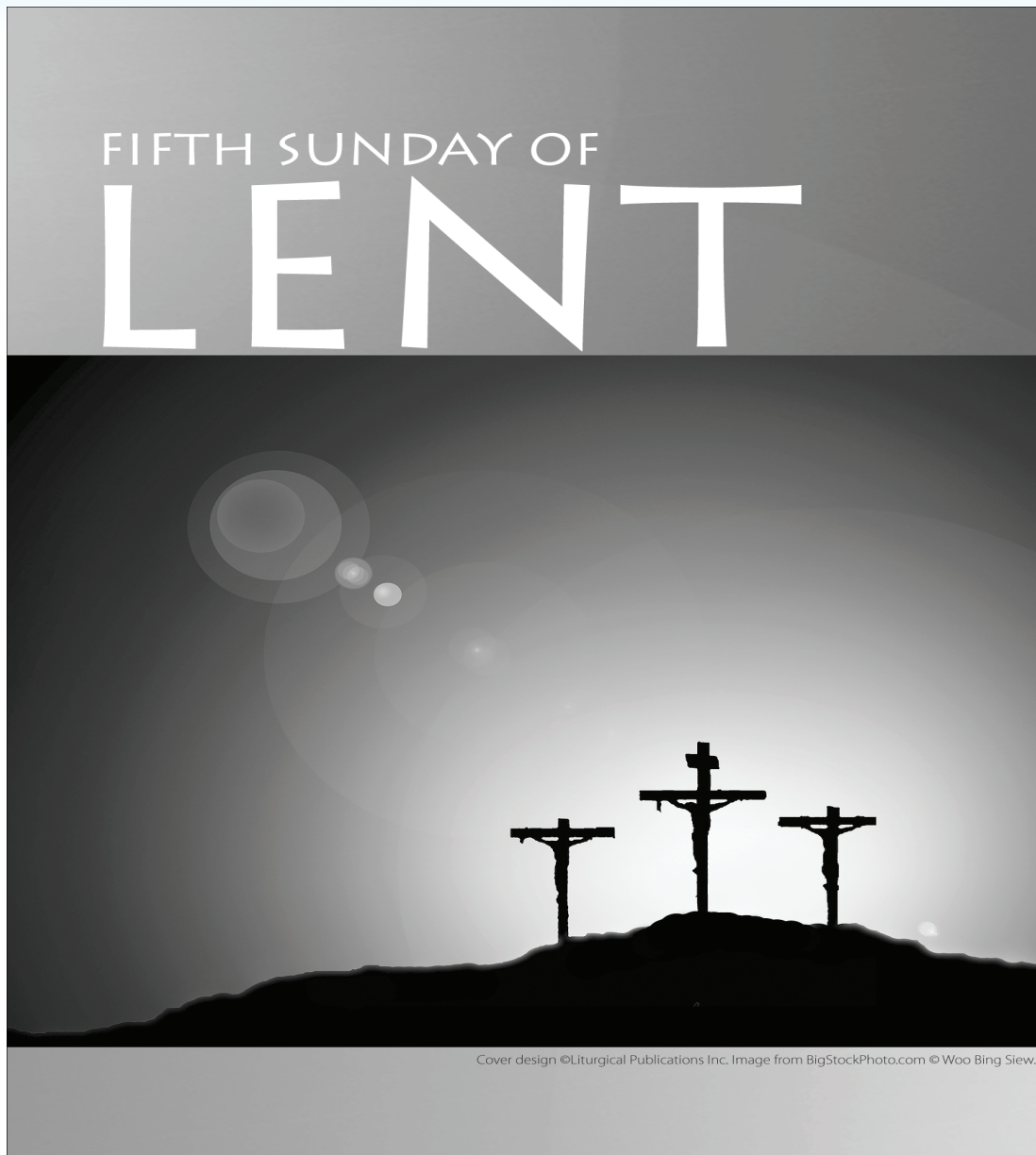


FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT- APRIL 10, 2011

ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH COMMUNITY



This Easter season we will provide the opportunity for you to have flowers placed in the Church in honor of relatives and friends who have died or in thanksgiving of blessings received during the year. **PLEASE INCLUDE THE NAME(S) OF YOUR LOVED ONES AND \$10 FOR EACH NAME IN THE EASTER LILY MEMORIAL ENVELOPE IN YOUR ENVELOPE PACKET.**

The names of your loved ones will be posted in the bulletin Easter Sunday.
(We regret that any names turned in after THIS FRIDAY, APRIL 15th will not be posted due to the holiday printing schedule.)



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

One of the remarkable things about the Jewish scriptures that we know as the Old Testament is that God did not reveal much, if anything, about life after death. We find a couple of references in the later books, namely Wisdom which states: "The souls of the just are in the hand of God and no torment shall touch them. In the view of the foolish they seemed to be dead, but they are in peace." (Wisdom 3:1). Second Maccabees makes reference that it is a holy thought to pray for the dead. There are not many other relatively clear statements that the Jews of old believed in life after death.

At the time of Jesus there was a conflict between the Pharisees who believed there would be a resurrection from the dead at the end of time, and the Sadducees who believed that when one is dead, they are dead. Period. Even the Pharisees did not believe in the immortality of the soul, but rather when one died they went to the place of the dead. Clearly there was no clear teaching regarding death, immortality of the soul, and final resurrection from the dead as we believe.

The Book of Genesis is clear that because of the sin of Adam and Eve, death came into the world, along with all the other disorders in creation. Death is seen as the major disorder because it involves the loss of life being maintained in a body. Death is very final, and as we all know well, causes much grief for those who remain.

In today's reading from the Prophet Ezekiel we find a reference that God "will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel." I think that the people who heard these words thought Ezekiel meant that the form of death the Israelites suffered in Babylon would be overcome when they returned home. They may not have seen it as a reference to what we refer to as resurrection. In our terms, we see it clearly enough that it refers to resurrection from the dead.

By the time Jesus came onto the scene, it would have been common thinking among the people that when you die, it is the end. The Gospels relate the story of the raising of the daughter of Jairus, the bringing back to life of the only son of the widowed mother, and in John's story of the raising of Lazarus, as we hear in our Gospel reading for today.

Jesus came into the world to "redeem" it. Our understanding of that is that he came to "buy back" or to restore what had been lost by Original Sin. We usually say that he came to destroy sin and death. St. Paul will later say that all creation longs for redemption.

Most of us regard death, our own as well as that of loved ones, as the worst of reality we have to face. It makes sense to all of us who have indeed lost loved ones. It is painful. We see it in the story of Mary and Martha and their grief at the loss of their brother Lazarus, grief that is shared by Jesus.

The central issue discussed in the story is that "some of them (present) said: 'Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?'" And Martha, who states that "If you had been here my brother would not have died", seems to indicate that he was capable of healing so that Lazarus would not have died. His death was indeed terminal in her sight.

But Jesus will raise Lazarus, now dead for three days, and bring him back to life. We might call this "resuscitation," rather than resurrection. And Lazarus does indeed come out of the tomb to live and die another time.

The raising of Lazarus becomes the base for Jesus to teach that he has the power over life and death, and that sharing life with him leads, not to resuscitation, but to resurrection, in which case we will never die: "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." And he adds the question to Martha: "Do you believe this?"

The Gospels, and St. Paul's epistles later, will reveal to people of faith that death is not the end but the great entrance into the eternal life that Jesus won for us in his death and resurrection, Jesus, the firstborn of all who will rise from sleep.

Our hope in Jesus flows from our faith that Jesus has indeed destroyed the meaning of death. Paul will say: "Console one another with these words."

May God bless and keep you and your loved ones.

Sincerely,
Father Pat McCaslin

CONTRIBUTIONS LAST SUNDAY

April 3, 2011

Sunday Collection: \$ 16,017
Dollar Collection: \$ 545

Proverbs 11:25

A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.

Baptisms

Our **Welcome Your Child** Baptism preparation program consists of two mandatory sessions, each lasting two hours. All registered parents having a child baptized will be required to attend, even if they have had a child baptized before. Please plan to attend classes **after** your child has been born.

Please call the Parish Office at 895-0808 to sign up for classes.

Upcoming Classes:

Sunday, May 1st and Tuesday, May 3rd
Sunday, June 5th and Tuesday, June 7th
Class on Sunday begins after the 9:30am Mass, class on Tuesday begins at 7:00pm.
Please meet downstairs in the Education Center, Rm 9.

Upcoming Baptisms:

Sunday, May 8th at 9:30 Mass
Sunday, June 12th at 11:30 Mass

Expectant Parent Blessing:

Sunday, April 10th at 11:30 Mass

The Boys Town Annual Booster Banquet featuring Danny Woodhead will be held on May 3rd from 6-9pm at Embassy Suites in La Vista. Tickets are \$90 and may be obtained at www.boystown.org/boosters or by calling Teresa Brownell at 498-1056.

St. John Vianney Parish Community Lenten Outreach Program 2011

Sixth Sunday of Lent, April 17th

"I was a child and you cared for me."

The Child Saving Institute promotes the well being of children and their families. Please help them by bringing hair combs, brushes, hair picks, African American hair products, store gift cards, movie theater certificates and bowling alley certificates. *Please leave your donations in the marked containers in the Narthex. Thank you for your generosity.*

Knights of Columbus Adopt-a-Highway Cleaning Project



Saturday, April 30th or Saturday, May 7th
****Adults and Teens****

Weather permitting

Meet at the south church parking lot at 8:00am.

Lunch provided

Wear old clothes, tennis shoes or work boots and bring gloves!!

Contact: Darrell Henning, 402-894-5744

Great Discipleship Project!

Upcoming Lenten Dates to Remember

~Daily Mass, M-F at 7am, 9am

~Tuesday Mass with Fr. Pat at 5:30pm

~Stations of the Cross: April 15th at 5:30pm

~Fish Fry: Friday, April 15th, 4:30-8pm

Drive Thru also available

LIVE music with Win Lander!

~Adults \$9, Seniors \$6, Kids 12 & under \$4 and no immediate family pays more than \$25!



Don't forget to stop at the Bake Sale.

PARISH PORTRAIT DIRECTORY

There are LOTS of times still open to fit your busy schedule! Don't miss out on being a part of this book.

Tuesday-Saturday, (April 26th-April 30th) -AND- Tuesday-Saturday, (May 3rd - May 7th)

Times are Tuesday-Friday from 2:30-9:00 and Saturday from 10:00-5:00 both weeks

You'll be in and out in less than one hour! Bring the pet! You will receive one FREE 8 x 10 portrait and a FREE directory! You can order more portraits, **BUT YOU ARE UNDER NO OBLIGATION!**

We just want you to be part of our parish directory.

You can sign up after weekend Masses OR by calling the office at 895-0808 OR online during the week . Just go to our website at www.sjvomaha.org and click on the link to sign up for your portrait. It's that easy!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

895-0896

Wednesday, April 13th

- 4:15pm RE Classes-Education Center
6:00pm RE Classes-Education Center
7:30pm RE Classes-Education Center

Please join **MORNINGS FOR MOMS** this Tuesday morning from 9:30-11:00 in the Youth Room. We're a warm friendly group of 'Moms', and this week's open topic let's the Moms decide what we'll talk about. For info call Janis Weaver 895-3185.

2011 SJV Portrait Directory Ministry Photo Schedule

Sunday, April 10th after 9:30 Mass

Catechists/Aides/Liturgy of the Word
Ushers and Greeters

Thursday, April 14th

Parish Council (during meeting)

Sunday, April 17th after 9:30 Mass

Welcoming Committee, 31 Club, Environment
(Church decorations, altar & candle care)

Wednesday, May 4th before May Crowning

RE students group shot

Thursday, May 5th

Vocations (during meeting)

Sunday, May 8th after 9:30 Mass

Adoration, Welcome Your Child, Deacons

Sunday, May 15th after 9:30 Mass

****EM picture RETAKE****, Millard Manor/Good
Sams EMs

For Sunday photos, please meet in the Church immediately after 9:30 Mass. Each ministry has only one photo date so please mark your calendar for your ministry(ies).

**Margaret Cotton from St. Gerald's
in concert at the Holy Family Shrine!
TONIGHT (Sunday, April 10th) at 7pm**

Reception to follow—donation to benefit the Shrine—please visit www.holyfamilyshrine.com

CLASSY SENIORS REMINDER: Sunday, April 17th, we will be going to the German American Society at 3717 S. 120th St. to see the 26th anniversary performance by the Intergenerational Orchestra. We will meet at 12:45 at the German American Society and Dee Hobza will hand out tickets at the door. Any questions, please call Dee Hobza at 402-895-3546.

THURSDAY, MAY 12 we will be taking a day trip to the Stuhr Museum in Grand Island. We will meet in the SJV lot, boarding at 8:15am and leaving at 8:30 sharp. We will arrive in Grand Island around 11 and have a buffet lunch at Grandma Maxs. We will then head to the museum where we will spend about 2½ hours. We will board the bus between 2:30 & 3pm for the return home arriving around 5:30pm.

Due to the rise in gas costs, the bus rental has increased. Cost will be \$38 per member & non-members. Price includes bus, lunch & museum admission. A deposit has been made on the bus so money needs to be to Lee Sanford, 13930 Meadow Ridge Rd., 68138 by APRIL 18th. If we do not have enough people we need to cancel before APRIL 21st in order to get our deposit back. If for some reason you sign up and are unable to go, you will need to find a replacement for yourself, for there will be NO RETURN OF MONEY after April 20th unless trip is cancelled. Any questions, please call Dee Hobza 402-895-3546.

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS 31 Club Members

Monday, April 11: E. Archer, L. Inzerello, C. Schipporeit

Tuesday, April 12: P. Friend, C. Agbozo

Wednesday, April 13: K. Beran, M. Bosco

Thursday, April 14: M. Drew

Friday, April 15: B. Dietsch, N. Furlong, L. Siemek, D. Martinez

Saturday, April 16: K. Horak

Sunday, April 17: R. Pecha, M. Rooney

It's easy to participate. Pick a date and attend an extra Mass each month on that date to pray for an increase in vocations.

For more information on how you can become a member of the 31 Club please call the office at 895-0808 or email mjohnson@sjvomaha.org.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, April 11th

- 7:00pm Book Discussion-Ars Room
- 8:00pm Al Anon-Room 8

Tuesday, April 12th

- 1:00pm Pinochle-Family Room
- 5:30pm Mass
- 7:30pm AA meeting-Youth Room

Wednesday, April 13th

- 4:15pm RE Classes-Education Center
- 6:00pm RE Classes-Education Center
- 7:30pm RE Classes-Education Center

Thursday, April 14th

- 10:00am Al Anon meeting-Youth Room
- 6:30pm Parish Council meeting-Conference Room
- 7:00pm RCIA
- 7:30pm Adult Choir-Church

Friday, April 15th

- 9:30am Book Discussion-Conference Room
- 10:00am Mass at Good Samaritan

Saturday, April 16th

- 8:00am Cleaning Crew
- 9:00am Youth Choir-Church
- 4:30pm Fish Dinner-Social Hall
- 5:30pm Stations of the Cross

Sunday, April 17th *Palm Sunday*

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 11th

- 7:00am Intention of Mitch & Stella Globe Family
- 9:00am † Harold Vashon

Tuesday, April 12th

- 7:00am Intention of Bob Wall
- 9:00am † Andrea Sinnett
- 5:30pm Special Intention

Wednesday, April 13th

- 7:00am † Jodi Weiler
- 9:00am † The Roberts Family

Thursday, April 14th

- 7:00am † Hildegarde Ullrich
- 9:00am † Deceased members of Hyslop Family

Friday, April 15th

- 7:00am The living & deceased of Pat Fox Family
- 9:00am † Patricia Seitz
- 10:00am † Our friends from Good Samaritan @ Good Samaritan

Saturday, April 16th


- 7:00am † Joe & Lillian Vitek

Palm Sunday

- 5:30pm † Verna Dame

Sunday, April 17th

- 7:30am † Bill Sealock
- 9:30am † Norbert Henning
- 11:30am For the living parishioners

 *Please continue to pray for our military men & women and their families, including our SJV military family members who are listed in our glass trophy case.*

Please remember in your prayers all our loved ones who have passed away recently, especially Lou Seger, aunt of Don Schaaf and Perry Barnes and for Jim Beveridge, husband of Mary. *If you have a loved one who has recently passed away and would like their names listed, please call the parish office.*

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

4/16-17	Saturday 5:30pm	Sunday 7:30am	Sunday 9:30am	Sunday 11:30am
Presider	Fr. Pat	Fr. Jack	Fr. Dennis	Fr. Pat
Eucharistic Ministers	1. D. Cosgrove 2. J. Choi 3. J. Samson	1. B. Drewes 2. J. Kronschnabel 3. L. Finney	1. K. Korth 2. H. Sawtelle 3. C. Thramer	1. P. Rooney 2. C. Luczynski 3. M. Downey
L. Inzerello/ C. Luedtke to Millard Manor R. Balwanz to Good Samaritan	4. L. Bosco 5. M. Bosco 6. C. Potter 7. K. Rueschhoff 8. D. Henning 10. K. Janousek	4. R. Laughlin 5. B. McGowan 6. N. Mickells 7. R. Milan 8. J. Pleskac 10. M. Pleskac	4. M. Johnson 5. M. Janousek 6. S. Korth 7. M. Olson 8. S. Sparks 10. D. Ringer	4. S. Buscher 5. M. Buscher 6. M. Rooney 7. P. Fisher 8. L. Sanford 10. B. Brown
Lectors	1. M. Bruckner 2. P. Geary	1. R. Baker 2. M. Drew	1. D. Denson 2. H. Schanzer	1. B. Hooper 2. B. Menousek
Servers	1. B. Tvrdy 2. B. Tvrdy	1. M. Fraass 2. E. Fraass	1. M. Meiners 2. N. Meiners	1. N. Prochaska 2. V. Araya
Gift Bearers	D. Laferriere & L. Ihde	Tom & Rosie Laughlin	Win Lander Family	Mark Handke Family

Looking Ahead



April 10	Parish Pig Roast & Auction
April 18	Reconciliation
April 19	Reconciliation
April 24	Easter
April 26-30	Portraits taken
May 3-7	Portraits taken

Help Lines

Alcoholics Anonymous.....556-1880
 AL-ANON.....553-5033
 Domestic Abuse.....558-5700
 Gamblers Anonymous.....978-7557
 Parents Asst. Line.....397-9909
 Project Rachel.....1-800-964-3787
**Prayer Request Line...call the parish office or
 email sjvprayerline@hotmail.com**

PASTORAL DIRECTORY

MASSES

Monday-Friday	7:00am & 9:00am
Saturday.....	7:00am & 5:30pm
Sunday	7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am

PARISH OFFICE

Parish Office(402) 895-0808
 Religious Education Office.....(402) 895-0896
 Fax.....(402) 932-1336
E-mail address mjohnson@sjvomaha.org
Web Site..... www.sjvomaha.org
**Facebooksearch for Official St. John Vianney
 Catholic Church Omaha Group**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday	8:00am-9:00pm
Friday.....	8:00am-5:00pm
Saturday.....	10:00am-4:00pm

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Pat McCaslinPastor
 Fr. Jack Cuddigan, S.J.....Assistant Pastor
 Fr. Dennis McNeilly, S.J.....Assistant Pastor
 Fr. Paul Vasquez In Residence
 Joseph Choi..... Deacon
 John Kronschnabel..... Deacon
 Chuck Luczynski Deacon
 Harold Sawtelle Deacon
 Frank Telich Deacon

PARISH STAFF

Brian J. Corey..... Pastoral Minister
 Terry GloeMaintenance
 Mary JohnsonSecretary/Receptionist
 Sr. Marietta Kerkvliet.....Director of Religious Ed.
 Marcia Potts..... Pastoral Associate/Finance
 Tim Van RoyDevelopment/Property Manager
 Christy Vranes.... Parish/Religious Ed. Coordinator

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Bill Menousek 895-2627 President
 Karin Martinez 896-4607 Vice President

REGISTRATIONS

In the Narthex by the Family Room

HOSPITAL VISITS

If you or a family member are admitted into the hospital and would like to be visited by a priest, **please call the parish office at (402) 895-0808.** Hospitals no longer contact us with names of patients.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

4:00-5:00pm Saturday, and by appointment.

BAPTISMS

See schedule in bulletin for dates of Baptism Classes and Masses.

WEDDINGS

Contact church at least six months in advance.

MOVING

Contact parish office (402) 895-0808

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday by 12:00 noon.
 All bulletin information submitted will be subject to review for content and editing due to space availability.

LECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

All announcements to be read at Masses need to be into the parish office by NOON on Friday and are subject to review for content.

**St. John Vianney Catholic Church
 5801 Oak Hills Drive, Omaha, NE 68137**