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7:30am EZ 47: 1-12, JN 5: 1-16 Jane Alfreno Scheiwe — Rudy & Eleanor Stefanovsky

Wednesday, April 1

5:15pm IS 7: 10-14, HEB 10: 4-10, LK 1: 26-38 (A) Angelo and Giulia Pessagno — The Saglio Family

Thursday, April 2

7:30am EX 32: 7-14, JN 5: 31-47 Molly O'Neil — Zellamarie McDougall

Friday, April 3

7:30am WIS 2: 1-22, JN 1-30 In Reparation to the Sacred Heart — Maureen Walsh

7:00pm Hope and Power Tour

Saturday, April 4; Vigil: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

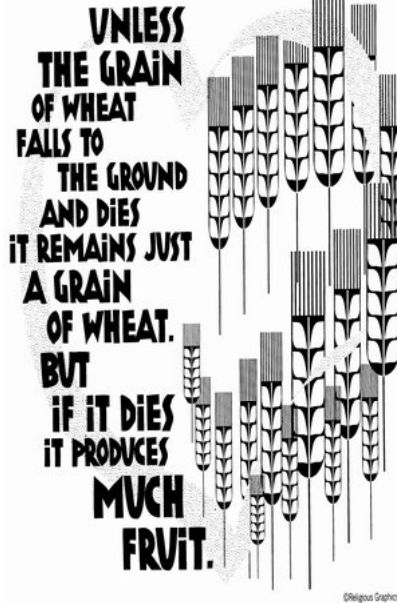
5:15pm EZ 37: 21-28, JN 11: 45-56 (MM) Pauline Hedglin — Knights of Columbus Council #3658

Sunday, April 5; Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

8:00am IS 50: 4-7, PHIL 2: 6-11, MK 14: 1-15: 47 Albert Malarich — The Garvis Family
11:00am For the Living and Deceased Members of our Parish

No Stations of the Cross on Friday, April 3rd

Area Catholic high school youth will be gathering at our parish on Friday, April 9th for the first ever "HOPE & POWER TOUR" from 7pm - 10pm. Due to this function, we will have the church open during the day for private visitations and the opportunity to pray the Stations of



Today's gospel teaches: "Whoever loves his life, loses it." Letting go and dying to ourselves are key to a successful relationship. Holding on too tightly risks smothering the other. Hear Jesus today: "If the grain of wheat dies, there is much fruit." Family life and relationships require sacrifice. Unless we die to ourselves, our chances for growth are minimal.

Parish news:

Scott Hahn is Coming to Beloved Disciple & GCC

Dr. Scott Hahn, noted Scripture Scholar, educator and director of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology, will be speaking at Beloved Disciple Church, at 4:00pm on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 19th. His topic will be "Lord, Have Mercy" and promises to be an insightful talk. At 7:30 pm, Dr. Hahn will speak on the campus of Grove City College and speak on "The Gospel According to St. Paul." There is \$5 charge for this lecture. For information and tickets, go to www.beloved-disciple.com or call our parish office at 724-748-6700.

Palm Sunday Spaghetti Dinner

The Knights of Columbus and the Rosary-Altar Society will be serving the traditional Palm Sunday Spaghetti Dinner from Noon to 6:00 PM on Sunday, April 5, 2009 at the K of C Hall. Donation is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children 12 and under, and kids 5 and under eat free. Sorry, no roast beef this year.

Announcing a Movie Premier: "C Me Dance"

On March 27th 2009 "Uplifting Entertainment" is releasing a very good Christian film entitled "C Me Dance." It will be premiering at various cities in Pittsburgh and Meadville with more information made available by visiting www.cmedancethemovie.com. Our own native son, Michael Kyle worked with the crew of this production.

Space Available at Tushim Manor

Tushim Manor, named after the late Father Frank Tushim of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Mercer, has very nice senior citizen apartment available. For more information and a tour of the facilities, please call 724-662-5901.

Sacrificial Giving from the Weekend of March 22, 2009

Families in Parish: 560

Envelopes Mailed: 495 Envelopes Used: 213

46% of our parishioners financially support 100% of our parish needs

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes Weekly (3780.32), Loose (264.00), Monthly (462.50), Children (2.41), Sister Parish (118.00), CSA 2009 (9312.00), RE Building Fund Collection & Payments (11,137.78).

Thank you for supporting our parish! We are very grateful.

Beloved Disciple Paver Project

Help to be part of living history! Make a valuable contribution and have your family's name, a loved ones name, or a special occasion etched in a new paver as an everlasting part of the concrete walkway around our bell tower. Each concrete paver is custom poured and engraved to your satisfaction. 2 sizes are available. For more information contact, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Trindle @ 724-748-4336.



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**with PARENTS 11:00am Mass - 3:00pm  
7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Grade Class**

- Apr. 1 Wednesday Elementary Class  
 Apr. 3 **The Hope and Power Tour 7:00 -  
10:00pm - 9<sup>TH</sup>-11<sup>TH</sup> GRADE,  
12<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS WELCOME!**  
 Apr. 4 **First Reconciliation 11:00am - 1:45pm**  
 Apr. 5 Sunday Elementary Class  
 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Grade Class  
 Apr. 8 & 12 **No RE Classes - Holy Week & Easter**

### Second Grade Reconciliation Retreat

On Sunday, March 29, the second grade will have their Class Mass and Retreat to prepare for First Reconciliation. The retreat starts with the 11:00am Mass and will be over by 3:00pm. Because of the retreat, the second graders will not have morning class on March 29 or Wednesday afternoon class on April 1!

### First Reconciliation

First Reconciliation for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders will be celebrated on Saturday, April 4 beginning at 11:00am. Everyone is always invited to come, pray, and support our children! Lunch will be provided for the 2<sup>nd</sup> graders and their families. First Graders and parents will be making cookies for their special reception.

### The Hope and Power Tour

Attendance will be taken on for all 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> graders on Friday, April 3 for the Hope and Power Tour. All 12<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome and encouraged to attend as well. The Tour lasts from 7:00-10:00pm. What is The Hope and Power Tour? It is a 3-hour teen (Grade 9th - 12th) mini retreat. This event is intended to be powerful, lively, life-changing presentations of the Gospel. Music and drama will enhance the presentations. Stay tuned for more details! \*Please note that there are regular Sunday classes that weekend, April 5.

### Cursillo

A brief three day retreat for adults which re-affirms one's love of our Lord and the Church. This retreat has been noted to change lives! If a candidate is married, the husband goes on the retreat first, then his wife. For more information, please contact the parish office at 724-748-6700.

### Hollywood vs. Faith

Instead of meeting for a regular class on March 29, the 10<sup>th</sup> grade class will be traveling to Notre Dame Church in Hermitage, PA to listen to a performance by actor Frank Runyeon on "The Sermon on the Mount" followed by "Hollywood vs. Faith." Both of these performances fit well into the 10<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum based on Moral Theology. There is no cost for this event. Please be at the Beloved Disciple Parking Lot on March 29 no later than 6:15pm. The event begins at 7:00pm.

### Planning Ahead—Holy Week Schedule

- *Palm Sunday Weekend: Regular Weekend Mass Schedule*
- *Monday, April 6: 7:30am Mass*
- *Tuesday, April 7: 7:30am Mass; (LAST CHANCE CONFESSIONS: 7pm Good Shepherd Parish, West Middlesex)*
- *Wednesday, April 8: 5:15pm Mass*
- *HOLY THURSDAY, April 9: 7:30pm Mass; 10:00pm Night Prayer*
- *GOOD FRIDAY, April 10: 3:00pm Passion Service*
- *HOLY SATURDAY, April 11: 12 noon Blessing of foods; **No early evening Mass;** 8:30pm EASTER VIGIL - The most beautiful liturgy of the year!*
- *EASTER SUNDAY - 8:00am, 11:00am*
- *Monday, April 13 - **No Mass***
- *Tuesday, April 14 - **No Mass***
- *Wednesday, April 15 - Normal Schedule resumes...*

The **Holy Week** schedule was not included in the current Liturgical Minister Schedule. This was intentionally left out so that parishioners that are available during Holy Week can sign up on their own if they would like to participate. Sign-ups will be after all masses the next two weekends. We will need ministers for Lectors, Commentators and Eucharistic Ministers.

### Ultreya

Beloved Disciple will be hosting an Ultreya on Wednesday, April 1st at 7:00pm with Father Hoffman presiding. "Ultreyas" comes from the Spanish word meaning, "go further" or "go higher." The concept behind such gathering again is the need for personal support if a person is to keep living up to his Christian Ideals. At these Ultreyas, the person brushes against a large number of people whose presence tells him or her that these people are as serious about the Christian Life as I am! Ultreyas usually include the Eucharistic Liturgy. Please bring a snack to share. If you have not attended an Ultreya in awhile, how about getting reacquainted?