

**William & Mary Lynagh Scholarship** - a one year full tuition to incoming freshman from St. Richard's, St. Jerome's, or Blessed Theresa Parish. Applications are at the parish office or Marian & are due at Marian by April 6.

**Trinity's Bring a Friend to School Day** - Wed., April 6. Families must pre-register. Forms are available at the school office or on [www.trinitymatters.com](http://www.trinitymatters.com).

**Trinity Pre-School Registration** - in the Father W. Ciszek Education Center in Shenandoah. Call the office at 570-462-3927 for more information.

**Marriage Help** - Retrouvaille can help your marriage. The next program will be at St. Joseph in the Hills Malvern Retreat Center, Malvern, PA on April 8-10. For more info call 1-800-470-2230 or 302-832-8044 or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

**Marian Easter Egg Hunt** - Sat., April 23rd at the Marian campus. Registration will be at 9:30 and the Egg Hunt will begin at 10:00am. All children up to & including second grade(7 to 8 yr olds) can participate. Gift bags for all & prizes to some lucky participants. For more info contact Susie Gerhard at 570-467-0641. The hunt will be held rain or shine.

#### **Memorial Candles -**

Special Intention by Sue & Jay  
Safe Trip Home for SPC Paul Yost by Family  
A Great Checkup for Lila by Mam & Pap  
Special Intention by Regina  
Special Intention by Jeffrey  
Special Intention for Lisa & Family by Mom & Jeff  
Special Intention for Mitch & Ricky by Mams & Unc  
Special Intention by Donna Kamenas  
Special Intention for Lauren & Edward  
Special Intention for Mary  
Special Intention for Work  
Special Intention for Frank  
Special Intention by The Bruni's  
Special Intention for Cara by The Bruni's  
Special Intention for Marie Sofranko by Sister Margie & Family  
Special Intention for Children & Grandchildren by Nan  
Parish Personnel & All Our Military by Margie K  
SSG Frank Gill by Dad & Mom  
All Gill Grandkids by Pap & Nana  
Special Intention by The Gills  
Special Intention for Brenda Wilner by Marcie Gill  
Special Intention for Michael by M & J Konidas  
Special Intention for Jamie by Michelle Pyrdsa  
For a Very Special Intention by Patty  
Happy Birthday Sarah by Patty  
For Sarah from Mom & Dad

Special Intention by The Neverosky's  
Thank You God for Healthy Delivery of Our Beautiful Baby Boy & Very Happy Mother, Love Mom  
Special Intention for Sharon, Michelle & Amanda  
Successful Surgery for George Koval by The Blue Family  
Special Intention for Our 2 Grandkids by The Blues  
Health of Mary Ann by Lou & Margie  
Thank You by Lou & Margie  
Successful Surgery for Charlie by Lou & Margie  
Healing for Jeffrey by Steve & Joann Souchak  
Special Intention for The Gacek, Mihealsick & Pyrdsa Families by Michelle Pyrdsa  
Special Intention for Jeffrey Payne by Anthony Markosky  
Special Intention for Strength & Patience  
Special Intention for Steve Romanick by Wife & Children & Gram  
Healing for Anna Lisa by Barbara  
Welcome & God Bless Baby Antz by Barbara  
In Loving Memory of Steve Hercek  
Good Health of Rev. Joseph Whalen  
Strength & Comfort for the People of Japan During Their Recovery by John & Barbara  
Safe Traveling by John & Barbara  
Good Health for Family Members by J & B  
Comfort for All Those Who Recently Lost Loved Ones by John & Barbara  
Peace on Earth by John & Barbara  
Rest In Peace Elizabeth by John & Barbara



**St. Richard's Church**  
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**570-467-2315 Fax: 570-467-2462**  
**Website - [www.strichard.org](http://www.strichard.org)**  
**Reverend Joseph T. Whalen, Pastor**  
**Deacon John Setlock**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Daily Mass at 8:00 a.m. Mon to Thur., Sat. - 6:00 p.m. Fri., Sat. Eve., Mass 4:30 Sun., Mass 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.**

**Confessions Every Saturday 3:30 - 4:15 p.m.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Friday Devotions: 8am Mass, Adoration all day, Benediction & Sacred Heart Novena 6<sup>pm</sup>**

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator: Mrs. Helen P. Kelleher, LSW - Confidential Phone - 800-791-9209

Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator - Sister Meg Cole, SSJ - Telephone: 610-289-8900 x. 222

**Rectory Office Hours - Monday, Wednesday and Thursday - 8:30 a.m. to Noon**

#### **Daily Mass Intentions -**

Monday - Paul Krukas by Antonette O'Brien  
Tuesday - Rose Marie Zukoskie by Gerry & Joe Kandrot  
Wednesday - Daniel F. Guinan Jr. by Trust Fund  
Thursday - Bertha Lemonovich by Peter & Vicky  
Friday - \*8:00 a.m.\* - Paul Krukas by Mary Cumers  
Saturday - Margaret Haehnlen by Trust Fund

#### **Saturday - April 9<sup>th</sup> - 4:30 p.m.**

Intention - Joseph McKlusavage by Gerry & Joe Kandrot  
Lector - Marge Coassolo  
Eucharistic Ministers - Gerry Kandrot, Steve & Joann Souchak  
Altar Servers - Charlene Yost

#### **Sunday - April 10<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 a.m.**

Intention - Al Cumers by Mary Cumers  
Lector - Ann Paisley  
Eucharistic Ministers - Joe Dereskavich, Frank & Cathy Riotto  
Altar Servers - Jennifer McKinley & Brandon Updike  
Greeter - Mackenzie Sugrue

#### **Sunday - April 10<sup>th</sup> - 10:30 a.m.**

Intention - Michael Konidas Jr. by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Konidas Sr.  
Lector - Gloria Burda  
Eucharistic Ministers - Melissa Burda & Mike Burda  
Altar Servers - Jake & Luke Holman  
Greeter - Mike Wall

**Today's Responsorial Psalm - The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

**Banns of Marriage - Ryan Setlock. and Stacy Kane.**

**Religious Ed** - Confirmation - Tues., April 5, 4:30 pm

Sunday, April 10, RE, 9:30 am. Practice for Palm Sunday, All Classes and schools

**Sunday Collection** - \$2,362.00 Other Weekly Collection - \$236.00. Thank you .

**Feast of St. Richard Collection** - will be taken this weekend in our regular Sunday collection.

**Operation Rice Bowl** - There will be a second collection during the weekends of Lent for Operation Rice Bowl. Please be as generous as possible to help feed the poor.

# dear Padre

April 3, 2011

## Which sins are mortal?

I know we're supposed to confess serious sins, but I'm not sure what they are. Is there a list I can check?

Tom

Dear Tom,

According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, mortal sin "destroys charity in the heart of man by a grave violation of God's law; it turns man away from God." In other words, grave sin involves violating one of the Ten Commandments. Less serious sin "allows charity to subsist, even though it offends and wounds it" (1855-1858). Venial sin is like a minor heart attack that wounds us, but we're still alive with God. Grave or serious sin is more like a massive heart attack that kills us. A decisive act is required to return us to God's presence.

The Church has tried to move us beyond simple lists of sins. We study Church teaching on the moral life, Scripture, and the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* to properly form our conscience. We are then able to determine whether we have sinned by reflecting on our actions and on how they affect our relationship with God.

The *Catechism* gives three criteria for a sin to be mortal. First, the subject of the sin must be serious. Second, the person committing the act must do so with full knowledge that the offense is a mortal sin. Third, the person must commit the offense deliberately and freely (1857). While some sins are clearly grave in nature, many of our actions are more personal, and we must look at the entire picture.

The best advice is to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation on a regular basis and discuss the areas of your life you have questions about with your confessor. It's also a good idea to stay with the same confessor. That way, he can track your progress and offer advice on the areas you have difficulty with.

*Tuan Anh Pham, CSSR*

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**St. Richard's Lenten Schedule** – Friday's: 8:00am Mass with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all day until Stations of the Cross & Benediction at 6:00pm.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Friday's from 5:00 to 6:00pm, Saturday's from 3:00 to 4:15pm, and anytime by appointment.

**Please Remember the Sick & Shut-ins in Your Prayers, Especially :** Joanne Scagnelli, Marge Hoppey, Georgine Dowd, Ann & John Balas, Marge Grohol, Jenny Bowman, Kevin White, Jill Palermo, Ray Dunsavage, Carol Zoog, Mary Ann Gallagher, Betty Frye, Laurie Russell, Joe Weicicoskie, Eileen Gnall, & Mary Light.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society** - Please make a donation of a non-perishable food item and place it in the basket in the vestibule. Monetary donations can be placed in the poor boxes. No clothing please! Thank you for your support.

**Reading Phillies Baseball Game Bus Trip** - All altar servers are invited to go for free! Friday, July 22nd. The Phillies opponents will be the Binghamton Mets. Game time is 7:05 and a buffet served 6:00-8:30pm which includes Barbecued chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, pasta & potato salads, chips, pretzels & cookies. More info will follow.

**St. Richard's Bus Trip** - Monday, April 11 to Washington D.C. Tickets are \$45.00 each & payment is due as soon as possible. A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule.

**St. Richard's Cirque Du Soleil Bus Trip** - August 13th. Zarkana at Radio City Music Hall. Directed by Francois Girard with a cast of 71 international artists. Tickets are \$140 & payment is due as soon as possible. We had to prepay for the trip in order to get a 20% discount on the show tickets. The tickets are for the 1st mezzanine! There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule.

**The Diocese of Allentown, A History** - available for purchase. Order forms are in the vestibule. Price is \$30.00.

**Schuylkill Deanery Holy Name Society Stations of the Cross** - April 10th at St. Patrick's in Pottsville at 7:00pm.

**Lenten Fish Dinner** - Fri. April 15, 4:30-7 pm \$8.50 includes french fries, green beans, cole slaw, & either crab or haddock. Eat in or take out. Marian High School Café. Place your order by Mon. April 11. Call Susie at 570-467-0641.

**Palm Sunday Breakfast with the Easter Bunny** - to benefit the people of Japan - Sponsored by the ACTION Youth Group-April 17-8:30am to 12pm at Blessed Theresa Hall. Tickets are \$6 for adults; \$3 for children. Includes eggs made to order, bacon, toast, juice, coffee, & a cereal bar. Games & face painting. Questions...please call Debbie at 773-0813.

**Living Stations of the Cross** - Good Friday, April 22 - beginning at 6:30 pm, at St. Cecelia's Chapel (Catawissa St., Mahanoy City) - Sponsored by ACTION. All invited to the Via Dolorosa to walk the Way of the Cross from the Chapel, onto Mahanoy St., and will end in Blessed Theresa Church.

**Flapjack Breakfast for Marians Music Program** - at Applebee's in Hazleton on Sat. April 16 from 8-10am. Includes unlimited pancakes, link sausage, & drink. \$5 for adults; \$4 for 10 & under. Eat in or take out. Call Debby at 570-952-8395 for tickets.

**Catholic Education** - Extraordinary opportunities for students. Success & personal growth. Call Marian High School 570-668-2225. Development Office 570-467-0641. St. Jerome Regional School 570-668-2757. Call for visitation and/or tours. Financial assistance available. Visit our website at [www.mariancatholics.org](http://www.mariancatholics.org)

**Nativity Alumni Scholarship** - Application forms for incoming Freshmen are available at Nativity BVM High School. Students must have a parent who is a graduate of Nativity BVM. For more information call (570)544-2550.

**2011 Nativity BVM Century Benefit** - April 9th at nativity BVM High School. Cocktail hour begins at 6pm with drinks & hors d' oeuvres followed by a gala buffet at 7pm, installation of the 2011 Golden Cross Society members and music by DJ Joe Devine. Cost is \$75. For tickets call 570-622-8110.

**Paul G. Nester Jr. Scholarship** - The Nester Family will award 2 full one-year scholarships to incoming 9th graders entering Marian. Applications are available at the feeder schools or the rectory & are due at Marian by April 6.