



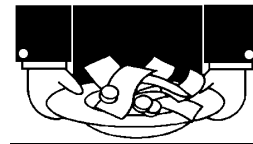
02/06	9:00 am	Mimi Mitchell (Barbara & Jim Alvord)
	4:00 pm	Wally Regan (The family)
02/07	8:00 am	Eva D'Amico (Clorinda Pisco)
	9:15 am	Gerry Capriulo (Carey family)
	11:00 am	Vincenzo Iannone, Jr. (The family)
	6:00 pm	Fran Panagiotopoulos (10 th Anniv) (Her friends)
02/08	9:00 am	Ann D'Orso (M/M Gerald Vento)
02/09	9:00 am	Nettie Uzzilio (Fr. David)
02/10	9:00 am	Matthew Mitaly (Grandparents, Helen & John Mitaly)
02/11	9:00 am	Mimi Buccola (Ebie & A.J. Milton)
02/12	9:00 am	Erminia & Benjamin Cufone (Nilda Canevari)
02/13	9:00 am	Robert Pelletier (4 th Anniv.) (The family)
	4:00 pm	Anthony Miserendino (The family)
02/14	8:00 am	Rosemarie Lepore (The parish)
	9:15 am	Ana Rentas (Rentas family)
	11:00 am	Julie T. Celentano (M/M Gerald J. Moran)
	6:00 pm	Mimi Mitchell (Pat & Phil Florio)

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers for this weekend are in memory of Fran Panagiotopoulos, given by her friends. The flowers for next weekend are in memory of Julia T. Celetano, given by Mr. & Mrs. Gerald J. Moran.

If you would like to memorialize a family member or friend, in a special way, altar flowers are a lovely gesture. The donation is \$50. Your intention will be announced in our bulletin the week before and also on the date you have chosen. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity, call Pat, at the parish office at 203-847-5349, to schedule.

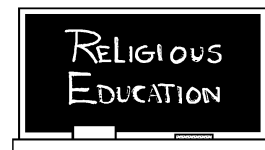
JUST A REMINDER: DURING LENT WE DO NOT PUT FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR AND THERE ARE NO SCHEDULED BAPTISMS.



MONTHLY OFFERTORY SUMMARY

January 31, 2010	\$ 5,805
Total January offertory	51,144
January offertory budget	51,900

As always, thank you for your generous support of our parish.



On the first Wednesday of each month, immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass, there will be an anointing of the sick in the sanctuary. Anyone with an ongoing medical condition or who is seriously ill, anticipating a medical procedure or operation, is welcome to come

MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Jerome Parish, a Roman Catholic community, proclaim our belief in the message and mission of Jesus Christ. As disciples of Jesus we are called to proclaim the Kingdom of God and to work for its values in the local community and beyond. We are committed to: worship, religious education, shared faith and service. We welcome all people with respect, acceptance and support

I look to the faithful in the land
that they may dwell with me.
He who walks in the way of perfection
shall be my friend.

REACH, Today February 7th

Grades K-3 meet this morning
Grades 4-6 GIFT session this morning
Grades 7&8 NO CLASS

Sunday, February 14th
(Pancake Breakfast in the Hall)
NO CLASS – WINTER BREAK

Sunday, February 21st (SCOUT SUNDAY)

Grades 1-6 meet in the morning
If you are a Girl Scout or a Boy Scout, please wear your uniform to Mass and come up for a special blessing.

Family Gospel Connection

In the people whom Jesus chose to be his closest friends-his disciples-we see many of the characteristic

foibles of ordinary human beings. We also see the ways that God uses the gifts he gave us to transform us into new people, the agents through whom God will lead others to Jesus and to his kingdom. Let's consider the person Jesus chose to be a leader among the disciples and whom he sent to "catch people." Based on the evidence found in Scripture, we can imagine what Peter must have been like:

Peter seems unafraid to speak his mind, yet he is also able to take direction. In today's gospel, Simon Peter lowers his nets as Jesus commands, but not before reminding Jesus that he and his partners have been fishing all night and haven't caught anything.

Peter is a leader, a spokesperson for others. Today's Gospel suggests that Simon Peter was a leader in his fishing business. When Simon Peter chooses to follow Jesus, others become Jesus' disciple as well.

Peter's personality and charisma seem to make him the center of attention; yet Peter learned to be transparent, to let others see Jesus through him.

Peter possesses a dynamic and open relationship with Jesus. Peter often approaches Jesus and speaks what is in his heart.

Gather as a family and spend some time imagining the person of Simon Peter. Encourage family members to tell details about Simon Peter that they recall from Scripture. Consider these questions: Is Peter someone you would like to be friends with? Why or why not? Do you consider Peter a good leader? Why or why not? Read aloud today's Gospel, Luke 5:1-11. Jesus chose Simon Peter to be the leader of the disciples. Peter continued to be a leader in the early Christian community; we continue to speak of Peter's leadership when we call the pope the successor of Peter. Discuss the role of the papacy and of other leaders in the Church. In what ways do we participate in the mission of the Church by leading people to Christ ("catching people")? Pray for those who lead the Church. Pray together the Prayer to St. Joseph, the Protector of the Church.



TOTAL

There is rehearsal tonight and next week for soloists and small group singers. The rest of the cast will have full rehearsal on Sunday, February 21st after Mass.

Small group classes for Confirmation will begin the week of February 22nd.

The 30 Hour Famine will be held on February 27-28. This event is held at St. Philip's. We have been a part of the Famine for the past several years, with the teens from St. Philip. It is a great way to raise awareness for world hunger and to also help people

in our own town.

Both "The Fourteen Steps" and the 30 Hour Famine can be put towards Confirmation service hours for this year's Confirmation candidates.

Help is needed at the Kevin Eidt Dinner Dance on March 27th. The Hours for help will be from 8:30PM to 11:30PM. Anyone interest in helping out can call me at 203-847-0501 or email me at patolson3321@aol.com

TREAT YOUR VALENTINE TO A-PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH

Treat your Valentine to breakfast! Tickets are on sale this weekend for our parish Valentine's Day Pancake Breakfast on next Sunday, February 14. Please buy your tickets in advance so we know how much food to purchase. Breakfast will be served from 8:45 to 11:00am in the church hall. Come as a family and enjoy delicious pancakes with berry and chocolate chip toppings, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, orange and apple juice, milk, chocolate milk, and tea and coffee. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children (age 12 and younger), and under age 3, free. And be sure to view the artwork submitted by parishioners for the "St. Jerome's Got Talent" display in the rear room of the hall.

SAVE THE DATES! - FEBRUARY 27-MARCH 4!

Join us as we welcome back Sister Joan, Father Nick, and Father Mike. They will be with us for a week of talks, sacraments, and sharing, helping us again renew our hearts and spirits on our Lenten journey.

Help will be needed with preparations and hospitality. If you can lend a hand, please call the REACH office at 203-846-2111 or email at reachstjerome@optonline.net

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY ON PSALMS STARTS FEBRUARY 23RD! SIGN UP NOW!

We again, will offer a weekly Tuesday Bible Study program, this spring on the Psalms. There are 10 sessions from Feb. 23 through April 27. You can attend either the morning session after the 9:00AM Mass or the evening session at 7:00PM. Sessions are 90 min. We again will use Jeff Cavins DVD video presentations, group discussions, and at-home reading and study.

The Psalms reveal Israel's response to God's covenant offer and serve as a model for our response to Him. The Psalms tell the "inside" story, which comes from the deeply personal perspective of one who is seeking God. Our communication with God is enhanced by a deeper understanding of the book of Psalms and of the individual psalms that reside in each of our hearts.

A Psalms Study Kit is furnished free-of-charge to all participants. Donations to defray some of the \$23.00 cost of the kits would be welcome, but are entirely and completely optional. Please sign up now in the church hallway so we know how many kits to order. Sign-ups begin this weekend and end February 21st.