

**SMG Religious Education  
Newsletter  
March 8, 2010**

**Calendar**



March 15 Reconciliation 5:30-6:30pm  
Don't forget! No regular class times!  
March 22 Class  
April 12 Class  
April 19<sup>th</sup> Class  
April 26<sup>th</sup> Last Class & Closing Mass

**Reconciliation next Monday, Mar. 15  
5:30-6:30pm**



Next Monday, Mar. 15, in lieu of our regular Religious Ed class, we will have Reconciliation at 5:30pm for grades 2-5 in church. All 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders are expected to attend. **First graders do not have class next Monday.**

We realize that this is not our usual time, but Father Mike asks your consideration to accommodate the priests who will be hearing confessions.

**Our Lenten reconciliation liturgy is an important part of being Catholic. Please make every effort to attend.**

**I Didn't Know We Could Do That!**



You and your family are welcome to bring up the gifts at the Offertory. All you have to do is get to Mass a few minutes early and mention to one of the ushers that you would like to bring up the gifts. They will give you directions.

Bringing up the gifts is a wonderful way to become more aware of what is happening at Mass and have your family actively participate in the liturgy.

**LOVE LIFE  
LIVE  LENT  
TRANSFORM YOUR WORLD**

We are now into our 3<sup>rd</sup> week of Lent. During Lent, we are asked to focus our lives on Prayer, Helping others and Sacrifice. When you talk with your child about Lent, think of things you can do as a family. What can we do this week for Lent? Can we reach out to someone who needs help? When would be a good time for us to pray together during Lent? What can we do without to help the poor? How can we show God we are trying to be more like him? Lent is about turning our hearts to God and asking ourselves what we can do to be better people...better children of God. It's never too early or too late to start.



**Don't forget to check us out on the St. Maria Goretti Website. Lots of great information there!**

<http://stmariagoretti.org/SMG/>

**Questions or concerns?**

**Please call the Religious Ed office.**

**Our door is always open to help you in any way we can.**

**Religious Ed Office**

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# Lent 2010

St. Maria Goretti  
Parish



## LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, Mass February 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28  
7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM

On preceding Saturday at 5:15 PM

Monday, February 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
6:30 AM & 8:00 AM

Tuesday, February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
6:30 AM & 8:00 AM

Wednesday, February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31  
6:30 AM & 12:15 PM

Thursday, February 18, 25, March 4, 11, 18, 25  
8:00 AM & 5:15 PM

Friday, February 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26  
6:30 AM & 8:00 AM

Saturday, February 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27  
8:00 AM



Dear Jesus,

Thank you for serving others with love.

Thanks especially for loving me enough to die  
and come alive again.

Help me serve others just like you did, with  
love and joy.

In your name I pray! Amen.



Dear Jesus,

Help me remember that my words and  
actions can sometimes hurt others.

Guard my mouth and my actions so that  
whatever I do or say is good and pleases you.

Forgive me for the times I have hurt others  
and help me forgive those who hurt me.

Thank you for suffering in my place so that  
my sins can be forgiven. Amen.



## Jump Prayer: A Leap of Faith Prayer Experience

March 7 – 10

In the Parish Center

We'd like to invite you to an excellent experiential  
prayer opportunity for middle school students  
through adults.

For four days, the Parish Center will be transformed  
into a place of prayer and reflection for your journey  
through Lent.

You are invited to travel through 8 or 9 different  
experiential prayer stations at your own pace while  
you focus on:

Diving into God's loving embrace

Taking that leap of faith into the arms of an unknown  
& trusting God

Healing from some of life's "falls"

How life sometimes can feel like we're in a free fall  
while we wonder when/if God will "catch us"

And more!

Allow yourself about 45 – 60 minutes. Come by  
yourself, or bring a friend. For more information call  
the Youth Ministry Office at 298-2098.

### Schedule

Sunday, March 7 8 AM – 9 PM

(last people entering at 8pm)

Monday, March 8 9 AM – 3 PM & 4 – 8 PM

Tuesday, March 9 9 AM – 3 PM & 4 – 8 PM

Wednesday, March 10 9 AM – 3 PM