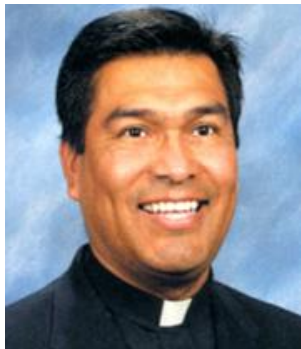


## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



### The Fig Tree...

Jesus is talking with his people about conversion, about the “changes” in our lives that are necessary if we want to inherit eternal life. Jesus is asking us not to see other people as reference for our own examination of conscience, because we run the risk of believing that we are better than them. Jesus is asking us to be sincere in our love for God and neighbor.

St. Luke’s gospel this third Sunday of lent is giving us the opportunity to reflect more deeply on our Christian life. Today we have the time to “stop” our journey of faith and see it from above. I mean to review it, if we are in the fulfillment of God’s commandments. You and I received a personal invitation from Jesus to evaluate ourselves in matters of faith. How is my faith? How do I live my faith? Which are the fruits of my faith?

The fig tree that appears in the parable of Jesus in today’s gospel has a great message for all of us. The fig tree represents each of us, our lives, and the owner (God the Father) is looking for fruits, for good actions. The owner of the fig tree in the gospel wants to cut it down because of its lack of fruits. However, the gardener (Jesus) asks for more time. He wants cultivate and fertilize the ground around it in order that it may bear fruit in the future. The gardener does not want to cut down the tree; he wants to give it another opportunity to bear fruits.

This could be our own life’s story. This could be my story, and I am receiving the opportunity to correct my life today. The opportunity to review the good fruits in our lives (good actions) is an invitation for all of us. Today we have the time to make the changes in our lives that are necessary in order to bear good fruits. These good fruits (good actions) will be the key to heaven. Jesus is on our side and he wants us to bear good fruits through our daily actions.

Let us begin today; small steps will lead us to a life of holiness. Small good actions will change our lives and the lives of those around us. The most important thing is that those good fruits will lead us into eternal life.

Keep up your Lenten resolutions and work with energy on your own salvation. We have Jesus on our side and he really wants to help us. God bless you!

*Fr. Daniel Robles-Carvajal*



# NEWS FROM OUR PARISH

## MARCH 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> - THE THIRD SUNDAY OF

### LENT

#### Liturgies This Week

Saturday	03/06	4:00 pm	Bishop & All Priests
Sunday	03/07	9:30 am	+Joe Bridges
		12:00 pm	+Cristóbal Robles
		6:00 pm	
Monday	03/08	8:00 am	No Mass
Tuesday	03/09	8:00 am	No Mass
Wednesday	03/10	8:00 am	
Thursday	03/11	8:00 am	No Mass
Friday	03/12	8:00 am	No Mass
Saturday	03/13	4:00 pm	+Ellsworth Domer
Sunday	03/14	9:30 am	+Frank & Angie Pohl
		12:30 pm	
		6:00 pm	

## EVENTS OF THE WEEK

### MONDAY, MARCH 8

--Fr. Daniel to Mexico thru March 19

### FRIDAY, MARCH 12

--Soup and Stations, 6:00 pm – Fundraising

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

### SATURDAY, MARCH 13

--Catholic Relief Services - Second Collection

--Respeto Meeting, 11:00 am

### SUNDAY, MARCH 14

--Catholic Relief Services – Second Collection

--No 6:00 pm Mass

### TUESDAY, MARCH 16

--Baptismal Class – Spanish, 7:00 pm

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

--No 8:00 am Mass – Mass at 11:00 am

Followed by Young At Heart Luncheon

--Youth Group, 6:00 pm

## MINISTERS SCHEDULE

### MARCH 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>

**4:00 pm:** Lector: B. Horton Ushers: S. Michael, M. Michael Server: A. Ogle  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** M. Meyer, D. Meyer, H. Pohl, D. Pohl **Mass Captain:** Otradovec  
**9:30 am:** Lectors: M. Tardie, S. Frey  
**Ushers:** S. James, S. Franklin **Servers:** A. Lopez, A. Collison **Eucharistic Ministers:** R. Leyva, G. Nutting, R. Lawson, B. Osredker, R. Hornback  
**Mass Captain:** Frey

## SOUP AND STATIONS



On Friday evenings during Lent, we will again have our traditional "Soup and Stations." It is always nice

to gather in fellowship for a light meal before entering the Church for the Stations of the Cross. The dinner will start at 6:00 pm followed at 7:00 pm by the Stations. Please plan on joining us during this time of Lent, we always have wonderful soups, breads, crackers, etc. The dates are: March 12 (Fund(Fun)Raising), March 19 (Parish Council), and March 26 (Hispanic Committee).

## OUR GIFT TO GOD FEBRUARY 28<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Envelopes: \$1,097.00	Plate: \$692.25
Maintenance: \$20.00	Other Gifts: \$1,020.00
Capital Campaign: \$76.00	

## Youth Activities

The next youth group meeting will be held on



Wednesday, March 17, at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall. All high school age youth (grades 9-12) are invited to participate. Please come and join in the fun with Fr.

Daniel, Ellen Chindlund and Molly Michael. We look forward to seeing you. *We will be having a second collection after all the Masses on March 20 and 21 to help defray the cost of the Youth Conference in West Plains.* Please help the youth of our Parish attend the conference on March 26-28. Thank you for your help.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE



Fr. Daniel will be leaving for Mexico to visit with his family from Monday, March 8 through Friday, March 19.

**We will not have the 8:00 am morning Masses during those**

**two weeks except Fr. Bob Landewe will celebrate the 8:00 am Mass on Wednesday, March 10 followed by the Senior's Breakfast. On Wednesday, March 17, the Mass will be at 11:00 am followed by a St. Patrick's Day Luncheon. On March 13, we will have the Saturday 4:00 pm Mass and on Sunday, March 14, we will have the 9:30 am, and 12:30 pm Mass. We will not have a 6:00 pm Mass on Sunday, March 14.** Fr. John Hanson, S.M.P., The Society of our Mother of Peace, will celebrate the 4:00 pm Saturday Mass (March 13) and the Sunday 9:30 am Mass (March 14). Fr. Rahab Isidor will celebrate the 12:30 pm Mass on that Sunday. We wish Fr. Daniel and safe trip and an enjoyable time with his mom, siblings and friends.

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING



The Parish Council Meeting scheduled for **Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>** has been

**cancelled.** The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.

## NEWS AROUND THE AREA

### Saint Joseph Catholic School, Springfield



St. Joseph School is now accepting applications for enrollment in our full-day Montessori Pre-school (ages 3, 4, and 5) and Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Potential preschoolers must be at least 3 years old by August 1. Kindergarteners must be 5 years old by August 1. Applications are available from the office at 866-0667. **St. Joseph is going thru the transition from a system-run school to a parish school.**

## ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL EDUCATION FAIR

You are invited to the St. Joseph School 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Education Fair on Thursday, March 18 beginning at 6:30 pm. Come see student projects and presentations in every subject area, at all grade levels. Also, Friday, March 19 is the feast of St. Joseph. You are invited to join the faculty and students of St. Joseph in a feast day Mass at 8:30 am. Our celebrant will be Bishop Johnston.

## SCHS PROJECT GRADUATION 2010



Project Graduation is a parent sponsored all-night celebration funded entirely by donations. To help with the fun night for our 76 seniors, please consider making a tax-deductible donation payable to SCHA Project Graduation and mail it to Project Graduation, Springfield Catholic High School, 2340 S. Eastgate, Springfield, Mo. 65809. If you have any questions, please contact Gerri Dielhofner at 887-1946 or 849.6794. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

## BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND RETREAT



Are you single due to separation, divorce or widowhood? Beginning Experience offers a weekend away for a lifetime of change. It is a Christian based retreat, open to persons of all faiths. The Retreat is held at Maranatha Retreat Center in Everton, Missouri, and begins on Friday, April 9 at 7:00 pm and concludes on Sunday afternoon, April 11, at 4:00 pm. It is presented by a team of people who have suffered the loss of a loved one and are willing to share their own experiences to help others. Cost for the entire weekend, including lodging and meals is \$80. For more information, or to register, please call Don Eiken at 358-0235 or Holly Graham at 880-3298. Beginning Experience also conducts a 10-week Rebuilding Program in the summer scheduled to begin June 7, a 6-week Coping with Life Alone series beginning August 6 for 6 weeks and a Fall Retreat Weekend on October 22-24.

## Encounter with God's Call

April 17-19, 2010

### Conception Seminary College



Young Men's  
Retreat

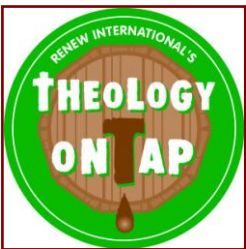
Encounter with God's Call is a discernment retreat for young men 16 and older who are considering the vocation to Priesthood. This visit is **free** and an excellent opportunity to meet the Seminarians as they share their stories of responding to God's call. For more information, please contact Fr. Patrick Nwokoye, Director of Vocation Promotion at 573-335-3899 or by email at [pnwokoye@dioscg.org](mailto:pnwokoye@dioscg.org). You can also contact Fr. J. Friedel at [jfriedel@dioscg.org](mailto:jfriedel@dioscg.org).

## SINGLES REACHING OUT



SRO presents "Wearing and Eating of the Green" Game and Volleyball Night on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at Holy Trinity Parish. The cost for the evening is \$5 and a green snack to share. Green is the color of the evening. Special music for the evening will be by the "Galloway Crossing." For more information please call Carolyn at 882-4754 or visit their website at [SinglesReachingOut.org](http://SinglesReachingOut.org).

## Theology-on-Tap (ToT)



TOT is a series for Catholic singles and couples in their 20s and 30s to learn more about faith, make connections to everyday life, and enter into conversation with your peers. Each session will include a guest speaker and informal follow-up discussion. The 4th session one will be held Tuesday, March 9th [please note the time change]. We will begin at 6:00 pm upstairs at Ebbets Field, 1027 E. Walnut. Full bar and menu service are available. Fr. Fergus Monaghan, Pastor, Holy Trinity parish in Springfield will speak about Lenten reflections. For more information, feel free to contact Amy LaHay at 343-2141, Natalie Dosch at 838-2447, or Catherine York at 844-2212 or visit the website at [www.holytrinity-catholic.com](http://www.holytrinity-catholic.com).

## Mary's Way of the Cross A Lenten Night for All Women in the Area



The PCCW at Immaculate Conception Parish invites all women of the area to walk the Stations of the Cross with Mother Mary, on Tuesday, March 16, at 6:00 PM, in the church. The "Angel Voices Group" will lead us in music during the evening as we "Walk with Mother Mary." This night gives us the opportunity to feel the pain and sorrow that Mother Mary felt. Our main speaker is Sister Pauline Nugent, PhD. Margarita Gagliardi will share her faith journey, and Amy Dykman will share her faith walk. Fr. Lewis will close this special evening with a blessing. We are inviting all women of the area to attend this special night. As women we feel Mother Mary's pain. This is a special time to share it. For more information call Noreen Penn at 881-1234.

## WALKING WITH CHRIST: LIVING THE BEATITUDES

Monday, March 15, 6:30 PM  
St. Joseph the Worker, Ozark



This evening will focus on integrating the Word of God and the Church's teaching into our daily lives. Presenter: Father Abraham Orapankal, Missionary Priest known for his deep spirituality and countless jokes. All are welcome; there is no charge and no need to register.

## CAMP Re-NEW-All



This is a diocesan sponsored camp for Catholic young people or those interested in the faith and who are going into the 5th through 9th grade following the camp season. There will be eight sessions of camp this year. Applications are available in the Gathering Space. Deadline for camper applications is April 15. There is a need for high school and adult camp staff members. Staff applications are due by March 15. For more information contact Rosie at 866-0841 or check the website at [www.dioscg.org](http://www.dioscg.org).

## ATTENTION ALL SCOUTS



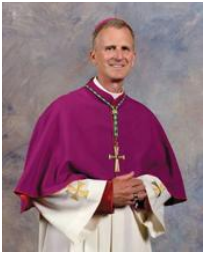
Religious awards for all Boy and Girl Scouts need to be received by March 15. Completed applications and other information should be sent to Ben Francka, 829 W. Rockwood Street, Springfield, Missouri 65807. Questions may be directed to Ben at 861-8847.

**OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES—**  
**2010 UNITED STATES CENSUS**



You are encouraged to participate in the 2010 U.S. Census. The census is used to determine representation in our state and national legislative bodies. In order to have our voices as Catholic Christians heard, and to assure that Catholic positions are considered when decisions are made, particularly in providing care for the poor, sick, and marginalized among us, it is essential that each person be counted. For more information please visit their website at <http://2010.census.gov/2010census/>.

**PROJECT ANDREW DINNER WITH BISHOP**  
**JAMES V. JOHNSTON, JR.**



The diocesan Office of Vocations extends an invitation to all Catholic men, ages 14-35, to attend the Project Andrew Dinner on Sunday, April 25, 2010. The dinner will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Springfield with Bishop Johnston and priests who will give witness to how they heard God's call. The evening begins at 6:00 p.m. and will conclude by 8:00 p.m., following Evening Prayer. If you are interested in participating in this event, contact Fr. Daniel, the Office of Vocations at 866-0841, Father Patrick Nwokoye at [fatherpatrick@ccmin.org](mailto:fatherpatrick@ccmin.org) or by phone at 335-3899, or Monsignor Tom Reidy at [treidy@dioscg.org](mailto:treidy@dioscg.org) or 887-6472. Reservations are needed one week in advance. Always feel free to contact the Office of Vocations with questions.

**THE 13<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL JERRY BETTLACH/JIM**  
**TRIMBLE MEMORIAL BENEFITING**  
**THE KITCHEN**



The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Jerry Bettlach/Jim Trimble Memorial benefiting The Kitchen will be March 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> at all five Harter House locations (Springfield, Strafford, Kimberling City and Hollister). Harter House will donate 5% of store sales to The Kitchen. Please shop with Harter House for this worthy cause. Call Kippie Kutz at 837-1500 for more information.

**VOICE FOR LIFE**

The "You, Can Stop Abortion" conference will be held on March 11. Two identical sessions will be held: 10:00 am -12:00 Noon at Pallotti Center, 601 S Jefferson (enter off parking lot) and 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1415 S Holland, Springfield MO. The Keynote speaker is Pam Fitcher, President of Missouri Right to life (MRL), who will speak on "The Challenges We Face", Rosie San Paolo, VFL founder, "Battle for Life" and Dave Plemmons, SWMO Reg. Chair of MRL speaks on "Crucial Nature of Activism." for further information call Rosie at 417-883-0617 or [voiceforlife1@gmail.com](mailto:voiceforlife1@gmail.com).

**Irish Fun Fest Spring Carnival**

You and your family are invited to our First Ever Irish Fun Fest Spring Carnival at Springfield Catholic High School. This fun weekend will take place on Friday and Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 210. Join your friends to enjoy carnival rides, jumps, live entertainment, games, food from Buckingham's BBQ, concessions, ice cream, beer garden and lots of surprises. Be a part of this new tradition while helping out in the concession stand, beer garden, ticket booth, parking lot or clean up. If you or your group would like to help out, please call one of the following people: Monique James 883-3286 or Rhonda Jasinski 887-2717 (parking, clean up, tickets), Michelle Straus 890-0763 (entertainment), Laura Meek 887-1812 (beer garden), Julie Mullen 724-9685, Ann Bumberry 882-6388, Debbie Randell 889-9308, Phaedra Craig 890-9724, Carmen Dorman 883-2573 (concessions).



**SEAS SHRIMP BOIL**

**Friday, March 12, 4:30—7:00 PM**



Peel & Eat Shrimp, Corn on the Cob, Potatoes, Hush-puppies, Drinks and Dessert. All you can eat. Grilled cheese for the kids. Adults \$10 in advance; \$15 at the door (limited). Kids ages 6-11 - \$5; under 5 is free. All proceeds benefit SEAS School.

## GENERAL

### HELP US



Please help us keep our Prayer List updated. Please call the office when someone's name needs to be added to our list or can be removed from our weekly listing. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### EASTER FLOWERS



You are invited to honor your loved ones, living and deceased, in a special way by donating for the Easter Flowers in the church. If you wish to make a contribution, please place it in the envelope marked "Flowers" and include your name and the name of the person (or persons) you wish to be remembered. It may be placed in the collection basket or brought to the Parish Office. A list will be published in the bulletin.

### LENTEN REGULATIONS



**Fast and Abstinence from Meat** – Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

There is a limit of one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59, inclusive.

**Days of Abstinence** – All Fridays in Lent. All who have reached their 14<sup>th</sup> year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITY



Deacon Ed Ellman, Paul Aulick, Paul McKim, Jeff Bazyn, Marilyn Swisher, Joe & Joellyn Reuter, Maryann Jennings, Pat Lohmeyer, Ervin Meyer, Pauline Thomas, Joan Lehar, Mary Bridges, Mel Sinderman, Mary Lawson, Charles Turner, Joe & Marion Petersen, Joe & Martha Miller, Ruth Adams, Carol Shaw and Richard & Marian McNabb, Charlene NcLendon, and Elpidia Gonzalez. ***May they experience God's grace and healing power.***

## PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL



Please pray for the following friends and family of Sacred Heart in the military: Chris Michael, Michael Kellner, Aaron Kellner, Aaron Belt, Carlo Lorge, Tessi Bowmaker, Will Hornback, Ken Austin, Jason Jennings, Susan Kerr, Jenna Murphy, Emilio Valdez, David Lukansky, Daniel Newsome, Donald Moor, Kathy Pohl, Peter Pohl, Ben Grote, Heath Jennings and Thomas J. Peebles.

### OPERATION RICE BOWL



Today we hear the call of Moses to lead his people from oppression to freedom. God promises to be with them as they journey to a new life. Our participation in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl unites us in prayer, fasting and giving with the millions of people throughout the world who are oppressed by poverty, injustice, war, disease, and lack of education and other opportunities. Operation Rice Bowl is about Lenten sacrifice and has global dimensions. Catholic Relief Services is the official International Humanitarian Agency of the US Catholic community with offices and services in places across the world. Use the calendar that comes with each rice bowl to connect with our brothers and sisters overseas through prayer, fasting, learning and giving in solidarity with those in need. If you have not already done so, please pick up your Rice Bowl today.

### CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION



Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This Collection helps to fund six Catholic organizations that improve the quality of life and protect human dignity. Your gift will support agricultural development to strengthen economies and create food sustainability, provide outreach services to survivors of human trafficking, and supply pastoral care and advocacy for immigrants and refugees. By helping the marginalized and impoverished, you give hope to Jesus in disguise. Please be charitable in next week's Catholic Relief Services Collection.

## HEART TO HEART RETREAT



Save the date for the Heart to Heart Women's Group Retreat at St. Scholastica in Fort Smith, Arkansas, April 23-25, 2010. The fee is \$150 per person and will include room and meals. The Retreat will be facilitated by Sr. Macrina Wiederkehr and the theme will be the "Sevensacredpauses." These retreats are refreshing and spiritual, a lot of fun, and are always enjoyed by the ladies who attend. Don't be left out, contact the office today. Deadline for the \$50 deposit is March 15.

## SPRINGFIELD AREA LENTEN COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES FOR 2010



*The Sacrament of Penance is a prayer of praise and worship. This sacrament is a powerful sign through which Jesus forgives our sins. We know we are reconciled to God and to our church community. We receive God's help to do God's will, to avoid all forms of sin, and to live as God's people. For this reason, we celebrate Reconciliation even if we do not have serious sin. Please join us for this special time of healing as we await the resurrection of Jesus, Son of God.*

Holy Trinity (Aurora) - Sunday, March 7 - 4:00 PM  
Sacred Heart (Bolivar) - Wednesday, March 10 - 7:00 PM  
Our Lady of the Cove - Sunday, March 14 - 4:00 PM  
St. Agnes Cathedral - Monday, March 15 - 7:00 PM  
Our Lady of the Lake - Wednesday, March 17 - 7:00 PM  
St. Francis of Assisi - Wednesday, March 17 7:00 PM  
Catholic Campus Ministry - Saturday, March 20 - 8:30 PM  
St. Joseph the Worker - Sunday, March 21 - 4:00 PM  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - Monday, March 22 - 7:00 PM  
**Sacred Heart - Tuesday, March 23 - 7:00 PM Bilingual**  
Holy Trinity (Springfield) - Tuesday, March 23 - 7:00 PM  
St. Joseph (Springfield) - Sunday, March 28 - 7:00 PM  
Our Lady of the Ozarks - Tuesday, April 13 - 6:30 PM

## YOUNG AT HEART ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION



*On Wednesday, March 17, we will have an 11:00 am Mass. We will not have an 8:00 am Mass that morning. Following the Mass, the Young At Heart Seniors will be having their St. Patrick's Day Celebration. Meat, bread and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share and join in on the fun. Fr. Bob Landewe will celebrate the Mass and will join the group for lunch. Come and enjoy the fellowship and spend some time with Fr. Bob.*

## MIRROR UPDATE



This year's Mirror subscription bill is **\$2,002**. To date, we have received \$836 or 41.76% of that total.

If you have not paid for your subscription yet, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you to all who have already submitted their payment, and to those who added extra to help with the cost of another parishioner's subscription. If you want to cancel your subscription, please contact the Parish Office at 869-3646.



**Ann Griesemer** will deliver food to The Kitchen for **My Brother's Keeper** Program during the month of **March**. Thank you for your continued support.

## NEW SACRED HEART OUTREACH

I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink."  
— Matthew 25:35



Since Sr. Laureana has moved to San Antonio, our St. Vincent de Paul Society has not been active. They have put our St. Vincent de Paul Society in abeyance. We are no longer an active organization, which means we have been unable to use these funds. The remaining funds have been transferred. Fr. Daniel wants to continue our charitable work in the church and community by establishing a new Sacred Heart Outreach Fund. In the next envelope mailing you will see our St. Vincent de Paul envelopes replaced with the new Outreach envelope. Please continue to be as generous with the new Outreach Fund as you have been with the St. Vincent de Paul Fund. Father will establish a committee and new guidelines for the new fund.

*Altar Supply Sponsor for the Month:*  
**The**  
*Fundraising Committee*



## THANK YOU



We received a Thank You from the Sigma House Recovery Center thanking us for our recent donations of snacks and books for the residents of the center. They expressed their appreciation for our efforts to help their clients recover their health and well-being and to move forward with their lives. Thanks Sacred Heart parishioners.

## SPRINGFIELD CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



**Springfield Catholic Preschools** are now registering students for the 2010-11 school year. Children must be 3 years old prior to August 1, 2010 to be eligible for the three-year old program and 4 years old prior to August 1, 2010 to be eligible for the four-year old program. Preschool programs vary among the schools. Please call the individual school of interest for further information.

**Springfield Catholic Elementary Schools** are now accepting applications for registration for the 2010-11 school year for grades K-8 at Immaculate Conception, and St. Agnes Schools and grades K-5 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School. If you are interested, please contact the school.

Springfield Catholic High School – **For information regarding SCHS, please contact Mr. Tim Dilg, Principal, or Mrs. Jodi Samsinak, Academic Advisor, at 887-8817.** Springfield Catholic High School presents the musical, “The Lady Pirates of Captain Bree” on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>. **Emerald Evening XVI – “Welcome to EMERALD ISLE”** raffle drawing will take place on Saturday, March 20 at the Doubletree Hotel in Springfield. The raffle tickets sell for \$100 each for a cash grand prize of \$8,000 or a “Hearts on Fire” diamond pendant. You need not be present to win. All proceeds support Springfield Catholic Schools. Call the Central Office at 865-5567 for further information or to purchase raffle tickets. This event is SOLD OUT.

**“Catholic Schools – Dividends for Life”** – Annual Fund Campaign 2009 – This year’s Annual Fund Drive is in full swing. Please give prayerful consideration to your support for quality Catholic education for children in the Springfield Catholic School System. If you have not received a mailing about this year’s campaign or would like more information, please call the Central Office at 865-5567. The thanks and blessings of all our students go out to you.

**Springfield Catholic Schools “Pot of Gold” Coupon Books** contain 100+ coupons/discounts to LOCAL businesses with values of over \$2,000 and sell for only \$20 a book. Many of the coupons are EXCLUSIVE to this book. Proceeds support the If operating budget of Springfield Catholic Schools. interested, books are available at the Central Office (417-865-5567).

## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS



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**Monday**–2 Kings 5:1-15ab;  
Psalm 42:2-3; 43:3-4;  
Luke 4:24-30

**Tuesday**– Daniel 3:25, 34-43;  
Psalm 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9;  
Matthew 18:21-35

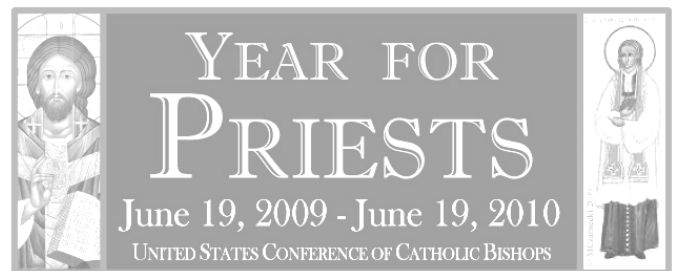
**Wednesday**–Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9;  
Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;  
Matthew 5:17-19

**Thursday**–Jeremiah 7:23-28;  
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9;  
Luke 11:14-23

**Friday**–Hosea 14:2-10;  
Psalm 81:6c-8abc, 9-11ab, 14, 17;  
Mark 12:28-34

**Saturday**–Hosea 6:1-6;  
Psalm 51:3-4, 18-21ab;  
Luke 18:9-14

**Sunday**–Joshua 5-9a, 10-12;  
Psalm 34:2-7;  
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32



The parable in today’s Gospel clearly warns that we, like the fig tree, will be judged by our fruit. While God mercifully provides us with time and opportunity, let us give witness to our faith with deeds of kindness and generosity!