



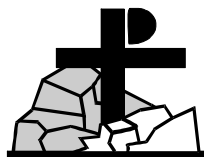
## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**THE BRISTOL CONFIRMATION CLASS** would like to invite you to our last Lenten dinner on Friday, March 26, from 5:30 – 7:00. We will be serving spaghetti with sauce, salad, garlic bread and dessert. The movie will be "Rigoletto." We ask for a \$5 donation pp/\$20 per family. We would like to extend our gratitude to the parishioners who were able to come and support the students in their fundraising effort. Along with Holy Trinity's parishioners, we had visitors from the parishes in Franklin and Tilton. We would also like to extend our thanks the St. Timothy Knights of Columbus, St. Timothy Women's Club and the Confirmation parents for their generous help in providing the meals.

### CHRISTIAN SEDER

On Palm Sunday, following the 9:30 Mass at Our Lady of Grace Chapel, the Holy Trinity Community is invited to view the Faith Formation Students at a Christian Seder. The history of the Exodus comes alive for the children at this event, opening them to our Christian roots in the Old Testament. You can enjoy coffee and tea while the children taste the foods common only at Passover, just as Jesus did when He shared His last meal with His Apostles.

**"ROMERO" MOVIE & DISCUSSION:** Tuesday, March 30, 7 pm at Frost Academic Commons at Plymouth State (white house, on School St. next to St. Matthew's parking lot). Starring Raul Julia as Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador, this film chronicles Romero's transformation from an apolitical, complacent priest to a committed leader of the Salvadoran people. Thirty years ago this month, a government death squad killed Romero while he was saying Mass, for taking a passionate stand against social injustice and oppression in his country. Sponsored by Catholic Campus Ministry at Plymouth State University.



### CORNERSTONE RETREAT

*Breathe on me, O Breath of God*

is the theme of this year's Cornerstone. The Cornerstone Women's Retreat calls all women together in fellowship, each bringing her own unique gifts bestowed

by the Spirit. Team members will share their own stories of responding to Jesus and receiving His love. This overnight weekend retreat takes place at The Silver Fox Inn in Waterville Valley on April 16-18, 2010. Give yourself this wonderful gift!

To register please call Marilyn Olivier at 603-786-9726. Brochures are available at all church locations.

Registration deadline: April 5, 2010

### OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Offertory envelopes for 2010 that were not picked up have been removed from the churches and are now at the parish offices. If you would like to use the envelope system, please call Sandy at 536-4700 (St. Matthew & St. Agnes) or Marilyn at 744-2700 (Our Lady of Grace) to arrange pickup.



**SOLES FOR LITTLE SOULS** is a project adopted by the New Hampshire Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and St. Timothy Women's Club. We are collecting NEW sandals and a NEW pair of socks in 3 – 6-year sizes for delivery to

Ray and Lauretta Seabeck's mission to Haiti. All parishioners are invited to participate. (To learn of the Seabeck's mission, see the Jan./Feb. issue of *Parable Magazine*.) A collection bin is located at the entrance of Our Lady of Grace Chapel. The Sisters of Charity have eight orphanages in Haiti and these sandals will be used at one of these facilities. Mother Teresa asked that we do small things with great love. These little sandals will bring great love to these little souls. This project will continue through Lent.



**EASTER FLOWER OFFERINGS** may be made in memory of a loved one. Envelopes are included in the boxed sets or may be obtained at the church entrance. Memorials will be acknowledged in the bulletin.

### CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS

**ENJOY SPRING BREAK** this week! Whether you're staying on campus, going home, or going on vacation, relax, have a good time, and be safe.

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### WELCOME

We welcome newcomers to Holy Trinity Parish and hope that you will become actively involved in our parish activities. Registration forms can be found at the entrance of each church or stop by at either parish office located at 46 Langdon Street, Plymouth or 111 School Street, Bristol.



### EARTH HOUR 2010

Next Saturday, March 27, 2010, at 8:30 PM local time, hundreds of millions of people will come together to call for action on climate change by doing something quite simple – turning off their lights for one hour. Earth Hour symbolizes that by working together, each of us can make a positive impact in the effort to protect our future and that of future generations. Visit [www.EarthHour.org](http://www.EarthHour.org) to connect with others in the movement. Be part of this year's action!



**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESKTOP  
"LENT 2010: BECOMING DISCIPLES!"**

**RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

Our Parish Reconciliation Service with confession will be held on Monday, March 22 at 7:00 PM at St. Agnes Church. Do plan to prepare to celebrate Easter and the New Life the Lord wants to grant us. There will be several confessors in addition to a time for prayer and reflection.

**LENTEN PRAYER PRESENTATION**

A special presentation/workshop will be offered on prayer on Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM at St. Matthew Hall, Plymouth.

*What Have You Learned About Prayer?* will be presented by Paul Giblin, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Pastoral Counseling at Loyola University, Chicago's Institute of Pastoral Studies (IPS), where he directs the graduate program in pastoral counseling. Dr. Giblin is married and has two grown children.

In this brief time, a time of Lent, we will reflect on what our lives are teaching us about prayer. What have suffering and love taught us about prayer? What has prayer taught us about God, others, ourselves, and the world? Has prayer changed for us over time? Has our relationship with God changed over time? Come and share one, two, or three of your learnings or experiences with prayer with fellow parishioners. Please note: almost all of us suffer from low prayer esteem! Do take advantage of this unique opportunity.

**QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

Have you ever felt that God doesn't or couldn't love you? If you brought this feeling to Jesus, what do you imagine He would say?

**BULLETIN CONNECTION**

The story of the woman caught in adultery resonates in the headlines today. How often have we heard of someone shamed in public, whether it is the application of Shariah law in a distant land, or the exposure of spousal betrayal in the political realm? While sin is sin, at the same time an honest assessment leads us to recognize that none of us is completely pure. The corruption of sin is part of each one of us.

The blessing is that God offers us mercy and forgiveness. This gift from God is something that we all want for ourselves. But almost like selfish children, we are sometimes less inclined to share God's mercy and forgiveness with others. The hardest part of sinfulness may not be the confession and turning back to God. After all, God is always merciful. The most difficult part of sin may be turning toward others and forgiving them.



**Veiling of Statues**

This Sunday we begin the Lenten period of Passiontide, marking a change in the focus - or intensity - of Lent's inexorable movement toward the Passion. This period is emphasized here at Holy Trinity by veiling statues and crosses. Just as Jesus hid from public view before his Passion, so the crosses and statues in our churches (wherever practical) are hidden during Passiontide. For a time, starting in 1969 when the liturgical rites were revised, veils were discouraged; but in 2001, the U.S. bishops said that parishes were allowed to cover crosses and statues if they wished. Rome approved that vote and it went into effect in April, 2002.



April 1  
7:00 PM

**Holy Thursday**  
**Mass of the Lord's Supper**  
St. Agnes/Our Lady of Grace  
Adoration until 10:00 PM

April 2  
3:00 PM

**Good Friday**  
Stations of the Cross  
St. Agnes

7:00 PM

**Liturgy of the Lord's Passion**  
St. Matthew/Our Lady of Grace

April 3  
**7:30 PM**

**Holy Saturday**  
**Easter Vigil** First Mass of Easter  
St. Matthew Church

April 4  
8:00 AM  
9:30 AM  
11:15 AM

**Easter Sunday**  
St. Matthew/Our Lady of Grace  
St. Agnes/Our Lady of Grace  
St. Matthew



**WAVE THOSE PALMS!** Next Sunday is Palm Sunday which marks the beginning of Holy Week with a remembrance of the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. The Gospel stories tell us that when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the crowds greeted Him with waving palm branches, and by covering His path with palm branches. Hold your palms high and wave them at Mass.

Palms can be dried and displayed in your home - standing tall in a vase, tucked behind a crucifix or pressed in your family's Bible. Palm branches remind us that Jesus is our light and salvation.

**Holy Trinity Parish  
Lenten Reconciliation Service  
St. Agnes Church  
Monday, March 22 7:00 PM**