

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Rosary Cathedral:

As we begin the holy season of Lent this week, I am reminded of the challenge Jesus himself calls us to consider: change your ways. The Christian moral life is based on human dignity and God's gracious desire to nurture those institutions that promote life. Some week's ago, the priests and pastoral leaders of our parishes in the diocese received a communiqué from Bishop Blair indicating an effort undertaken by prominent Christian clergy, ministry leaders and scholars in our nation expressing concern for three foundational principles of justice and the common good in American society. Known as the *Manhattan Declaration: A Call of Christian Conscience*, this unprecedented document upholds 1) the sanctity of human life in all stages and conditions; 2) the dignity of marriage as the conjugal union of husband and wife; and 3) the rights of conscience and religious liberty.

Originally signed by more than 125 Orthodox, Catholic and evangelical Christian leaders, the declaration now has over 400,000 signatures, including our own Bishop Leonard Blair. The Declaration's concluding remarks capture the aim and intent of the joint faith-based statement: *"Because we honor justice and the common good, we will not comply with any edict that purports to compel our institutions to participate in abortions, embryo-destructive research, assisted suicide and euthanasia, or any other anti-life act; nor will we bend to any rule purporting to force us to bless immoral sexual partnerships, treat them as marriages or the equivalent, or refrain from proclaiming the truth, as we know it, about morality and immorality and marriage and the family. We will fully and ungrudgingly render to Caesar what is Caesar's. But under no circumstances will we render to Caesar what is God's"*.

While Lent offers us the opportunity to review our individual consciences and make reparation to God, it also charges us to review the collective conscience of society. Faith tells us we will render an account of our life on earth before the judgment seat of God. Acts of societal defiance and pride against human life and God given institutions are no exception to that judgment. Anyone interested in supporting and promoting the unified witness of the Manhattan Declaration can add their signature by going to the national website: [manhattandeclaration.org](http://manhattandeclaration.org).

Moral issues abound at our time in human history. Hopefully that record will say that we did everything to sustain and nurture the gift of life given to us by God.

Prayerfully yours this Lent,  
Father Singler

Liturgies for the Week

February 15 - 21, 2010

Monday	7:00 a.m.	✠ No Intention
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	✠ Deceased Members of the Skinner Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:00 a.m.</b>	✠ Special Intention
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	✠ David Hoffman
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	✠ No Intention
Friday	7:00 a.m.	✠ Louis F. Toral
Friday	12:00 Noon	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	✠ No Intention
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	✠ Mary Margaret Mahaffey
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	✠ George Mahaffey
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	✠ Bruce Brown ✠ Raymond Avina
Sunday	3:00 p.m.	Rite of Election



**Please Pray For**

Mary Bachli, Timothy Bohland, James Damazyn, Augustine Escobar, Harold Hanley, Bill Henderson, Shelly Howald, Joe Kibler, Alice Marie King, John F. King, Judith Lerner, Inez Leyland, Dean Malone, Michael McKittrick, Richard Murphy III, Katie Nichols, Nick Pinkstaff, Lydia Ramirez, Mabel Rice, O. B. Rose, Lois Schram, Ron Snyder and Tess Stallkamp.

**READINGS FOR TODAY**

**In the First Reading,** Jeremiah 17:5-8

A prophet explains the advantages of faith. It leads to life and countless blessings.

**In the Second Reading,** 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

Paul insists on the bodily resurrection of Jesus to glory. Jesus' resurrection gives assurance that all who put their faith and hope in him also be raised.

**In the Gospel,** Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus begins his Sermon on the Plain with a series of Beatitudes and Woes.

Readings for next weekend:

February 21, 2010 – First Sunday of Lent

First Reading Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Second Reading Romans 10:8-13

Gospel Luke 4:1-13



**BLESSED  
ARE YOU  
WHO ARE POOR,  
FOR THE  
KINGDOM OF  
GOD IS YOURS.**

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Offertory Report for February 6 & 7, 2010

120 Offertory Envelopes	\$	3,578.15
Loose Collection	\$	1,052.23
Mailed Offertory	\$	717.50
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,347.88</b>

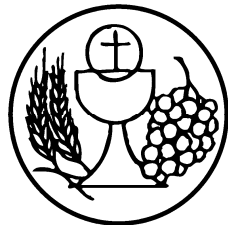
Average 32 weeks	\$	4,309.66
Minimum Weekly Offertory Needed	\$	4,676.13
Total Year to Date Received	\$	137,909.21

St. Vincent de Paul	\$	15.00
Initial Offering	\$	5.00
Church in Latin America	\$	15.00
Parish School Expense	\$	8.00
Home Missions	\$	20.00
Church in Eastern Europe	\$	20.00
Christmas Mailing – Alum & Friends	\$	60.00

### OPERATION RICE BOWL

Lent begins this week with Ash Wednesday. As part of our community's observance of Lent, we ask all families to participate in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, a program of prayer, fasting, learning, and giving. The Lenten rice bowls are available at the entryways of the Cathedral Church this weekend for those who would like to feed those in the mission countries of our world. These boxes will be collected on Palm Sunday and at the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. Thank you for your generosity.

### FIRST



### HOLY COMMUNION

Any parents wanting their child (7 years or older) to receive their First Holy Communion at Rosary Cathedral are asked to call the Parish Office (419-244-9575) to register their children for preparation program as soon as possible. The child *must* have already celebrated their First Penance (Confession). ***First Holy Communion preparation classes will begin on Sunday, March 7, 2010 at 9:45 AM and will end at 10:30 AM in the Parish Activities Center.***



*Ashes will be distributed  
at all Masses on  
Ash Wednesday,  
February 17, 2010.  
Mass times are 7:00 AM  
and 6:00 PM.*

### 2010 PARISH LENTEN ALMSGIVING

It has been our custom for a number of years as a parish to solicit a second collection at all weekend Masses during the Lenten season generating funds for the Cathedral conference of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Our local conference provides food items to those who seek our assistance. A second collection will be taken each Sunday during Lent for this purpose. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### RITE OF ELECTION AT ROSARY CATHEDRAL

Bishop Blair will preside at the annual Rite of Election service **next Sunday, February 21, 2010 at 3:00 PM** in Rosary Cathedral. This service is not a Mass. Catechumens and Candidates for Full Communion with the Catholic Church, along with their godparents and sponsors and parish representatives will gather for this annual event. Please pray for all the catechumens and candidates of our diocese as they begin the period of illumination to the Easter sacraments.

### Stand & Pray: Lent 2010

What is your Lenten devotion this year? Why not be a witness to Life!! Join others in peaceful prayer outside Center for Choice, 328 22nd St., Toledo, **from Ash Wednesday (2/17) through Good Friday (4/2)**. This is an invitation to come and **PRAY** any time it's convenient for you, but the most helpful times are: Mon, Tues, & Wed: 8am-5pm; Thurs: 2-10pm; Fri: 8am-1pm. For more information, contact Ann at [toledoagle@hotmail.com](mailto:toledoagle@hotmail.com) or (419) 708-9497, or visit [www.prolifeconnection.com](http://www.prolifeconnection.com).

St. Francis de Sales High School invites all 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grade boys and girls to their Band Night during the SFHS basketball game against Clay High School on **February 19th**. If you play an instrument you are welcome to play with the pep band or just hang out and see what the band is all about. Admission is free and the event will start at 6:00 with pizza being served. We hope to see you at this fun event! An RSVP is necessary to our Band Director, Mr. Carl Collier @ (419) 531-1618 or e-mail to [ccollier@sfstoledo.org](mailto:ccollier@sfstoledo.org)

Do you know someone who has poor vision or is blind? Do you know someone who has trouble holding a magazine or a book? **The Xavier Society for the Blind** has religious material in Braille, large print and audio CD's, at no charge. For more information, call 212-473-7800 or 800-637-9193. Visit us on the web at [www.xaviersocietyfortheblind.org](http://www.xaviersocietyfortheblind.org).

St Adalbert Holy Rosary Society will be having their 10th Annual Soup & Salad on **Saturday February 27** from 2p.m. to 5 p.m. at St Adalbert parish hall 3233 Lagrange Street corner of Oakland. Cost is still \$6. Over 18 favorite homemade soups, including duck soup "Czarnina." For more information contact Marge Stefanski at 419-345-7396.

  
**BLESSED**  
Are They Who Hope In The Lord.

St. John's Jesuit High School (located at 5901 Airport Highway, Toledo, Ohio 43615) Fathers' and Mothers' Clubs present a Marti Gras and Reverse Raffle Evening on **Saturday, February 20** from 5 p.m. to midnight. Dinner by Bravos, casino games, music by Tom Turner and Slow Burn. The event benefits the arts at SJJ. Tickets are \$35 and \$50. For more information go to [sjjtians.org](http://sjjtians.org) or call Dave Bethel at 419-635-6570.



**Monday, February 15, 2010**

- 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Act. Rm. II)
- 1:00 p.m. SCM Taping (Chapel)

**Tuesday, February 16, 2010**

- 10:00 a.m. SCM Taping (Chapel)
- 11:30 a.m. SCM Taping (Chapel)
- 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. RCS Basketball Practice (Gym)
- 7:00 p.m. MCCR Planning Meeting (Act. Rm. II)

**Wednesday, February 17, 2010**

- 8:30 a.m. Mass – All School (Cath)
- 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. RCS Basketball Practice (Gym)
- 6:00 p.m. Mass (Cath)
- 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. HS Basketball Practice (Gym)

- 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Cath. Choir Prac. (Choir Rm.)
- 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Café)

**Thursday, February 18, 2010**

- 1:00 p.m. Tour: Spiritus Santos, Plymouth, MI Grades 7 & 8 (Cath)
- 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. RCS Basketball Practice (Gym)

**Friday, February 19, 2010**

- 12:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Cath)

**Saturday, February 20, 2010**

- 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. CYO Basketball (Gym)-Tentative
- 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Honor Guard Training (Cath)

**Sunday, February 21, 2010**

- 10:00 a.m.-10:45 a.m. Confirmation Class (Act. Rm. II)
- 3:00 p.m. Rite of Election (Cath)

**PARISH REGISTRATION:**

Please notify the Parish Office at 419-244-9575 when you have a telephone number and/or address change so we can keep our records current. New members are always welcome and can register in person or by calling the Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

Baptisms are celebrated at Rosary Cathedral on the third Sundays of the month at 12:15 p.m. Parents of first-born children are required to attend a one-hour preparation conference before the baptism. Call the parish office at 419-244-9575 for more information and to register for the conference.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:**

Marriages at Rosary Cathedral are celebrated on Fridays at 5pm or 6pm, Saturdays at 12noon, 2pm and 6pm. Engaged couples should contact the parish office a minimum of six months in advance in order to complete the necessary preparation. At least one member of the couple **MUST** be in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Confessions are heard each Saturday from 3-3:30 pm in the Cathedral. Communal Reconciliation services are also held during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

**HOSPITAL VISITATION:**

When admitted to an area hospital, parishioners should contact the Parish Office in order to receive a pastoral visit, the Sacrament of the Sick or Holy Communion.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held in the Bishop's Daily Mass Chapel every First Friday of the Month following daily 7am Mass until 12noon October to June.

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

DAY & TIME	SAT., Feb. 20 4:00 PM	SUN., Feb. 21 9:00 AM	SUN., Feb. 21 11:00 AM	SAT., Feb. 27 4:00 PM	SUN., Feb. 28 9:00 AM	SUN., Feb. 28 11:00 AM
DEACON	Deacon Caruso	Deacon Caruso	Deacon Caruso	Deacon Henderson	Deacon Henderson	Deacon Henderson
LECTORS	1. P. Felton 2. J. Felton	1. M. Butcher 2. B. Gackstetter	1. A. Sutton 2. G. Johnson	1. Y. Tertel 2. J. Paden	1. M. Glowacki 2. E. Glowacki	1. J. Etzel 2. J. Malhoit
EXTRA- ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	3. C. Keran 4. M. Canales	3. R. Gackstetter 4. S. Gage	1. M. Knowles 2. R. Knowles 3. S. Avina 4. D. Tomczak 5. M. Tran 6. M. J. Flores	3. B. Beerbower 4. T. Wevers	3. K. Wielfaert 4. L. Johnson	1. D. Pribor 2. C. Hoffman 3. B. McDonagh 4. B. McDonagh 5. L. Nordhaus 6. S. Lopes
MC's	M. Leasor	D. Demski	- - -	M. Leasor	- - -	- - -
ALTAR SERVERS	S. Toral <i>Need</i> <i>Need</i>	C. Gackstetter C. Lightfoot T. Taylor	J. Sauber <i>Need</i> <i>Need</i>	A. Dillon H. Dillon <i>Need</i>	T. Dysard B. Thomas D. Thomas	M. Hoffman <i>Need</i> <i>Need</i>
USHERS	R. Snyder J. Ibarra E. Ibarra V. Fantozzi	M. Coleman B. Johnson L. Hemmelgarn J. Chaytor K. Kozlowski	C. Renner J. Maher M. Torres	R. Snyder J. Ibarra E. Ibarra V. Fantozzi	M. Coleman B. Johnson L. Hemmelgarn J. Chaytor K. Kozlowski	C. Renner J. Maher M. Torres