MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 10
9:30am - Rose Senese - Husband Joseph & Family
11:30am - People of the Parish, Living & Deceased

Tuesday, April 12
8:00am - Lena Loce - Husband, Albert
7:00pm - (Spanish) Marie J. Brower - Estate

Wednesday, April 13
8:00am - Vito Di Nanno - Wife, Lena

Thursday, April 14
8:00am - Deceased of the Weber family & Grandma Orandel - Mildred Francis

Friday, April 15
8:00am - Eleanor Pohl - Children

Saturday, April 16
4:00pm - Douglas Bryant, Sr. - Rita Gleason

Sunday, April 17  Palm Sunday
9:30am - People of the Parish, Living & Deceased
11:30am - (Spanish) Deceased of the Menzner Family - Estate

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 10
9:00am - Rosary for Peace
Jubilee Celebration for Sr. Blanche & Sr. Florence - After All Masses

Monday, April 11
12:30pm - HART Club (Rectory)
4:30pm - Urban Ministry Meeting (Sacred Heart Cathedral)
7:00pm - Alcoholics Anonymous (HA)

Tuesday, April 12
7:00pm - Narcotics Anonymous (HA)
7:30pm - Bingo (341 Ridge Rd. E.)

Wednesday, April 13
11:00am - Bible Study (Urban Ctr.)
7:00pm - Prayer Meeting, Spanish (Urban Ctr.)

Thursday, April 14

Friday, April 15
5:30pm - Evening Prayer - (HA)
6:00pm - Youth Group (Youth House)
6:30pm - Holy Hour, Spanish (Chapel)

Saturday, April 16
11:00 -12:30pm - Penance Service (Church)
11:00am - Faith Formation Class (Urban Ctr.)
3:00pm - RCIA (Rectory)

Sunday, April 17  Palm Sunday
9:00am - Rosary for Peace
9:30am Mass - SPECIAL PRESENTATION OF THE PASSION ACTED OUT & MIMED BY YOUTH GROUP FROM ST. JOSEPH'S PENFIELD

HOLY APOSTLES LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

April 16th, 2011 On this day we will come together to celebrate God’s gift of love and mercy at our Penance Service! God loves you! God wants you to be the beautiful, wonderful, creative, courageous, faith filled and loving person that you have been created to be! Our weaknesses and sinfulness gets in the way of our growth in God. In our humanness and with humility we admit that we fall short. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a gift that allows us the opportunity to experience God’s love and mercy that heals us, empowers us, and can give us peace. Please come and bring EVERYONE THAT YOU LOVE! The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered through individual confessions.

Pastoral Council’s Corner

CHRIST IS WITH YOU - Yes indeed, Christ is with us always. But on this occasion, Christ is with you: Yes this is a new ministry that we started with the purpose of bringing joy and hope to people who are lonely or ill, some terminally ill.

Some time ago, while talking, with Vellon, Bruni and Milagros, we thought how funny my puppy is. Vellon came up with the idea of naming the dog a missionary puppy in our community here at Holy Apostles. People are attracted to her and think she is very sweet. And so came the idea of forming a ministry to visit other people in need of affection and companionship with Plush Dog Missionary. The purpose is to bring comfort and companionship to people in need and their families. Usually during the visit we have a time of prayer, read the Bible, sing, talk and if requested by them also bring the Eucharist.

Personally I feel very blessed that the Lord has given me this opportunity and now I can see life in another way. Often humans do not value what we have and we are locked in our concerns and forget that we can do something to help others. As a mother I am very pleased to see the spiritual growth that my young daughter at age 16 is developing at a young age. My hopes are that God can use her as an instrument to convey to others hope and love.

This experience not only helps the needy but also helps us to feel the presence of God in our lives and the power of prayer. We are confident that Christ is with us forever.

God Bless,  
Brigette Hernandez & Millie
SISTER BLANCHE LEISING, SSND - On the last day of October I was blessed to be born to wonderful parents who taught me much about God. They did this by word and example. The church and prayer were very important in our home. I was the 8th of nine children. My younger sister, Sister Florence was born two years later on my birthday. My sister, Sister Dorothy Mary was about 2 years older than me. The three of us have always been very close.

On August 27, 1948 in St. Mary's Convent, Buffalo, N.Y., Sister Florence and I were received as candidates in the School Sisters of Notre Dame. This was to signify that we had now entered a period of training for the religious life as a School Sister of Notre Dame. After a year of training my Sister, Florence and I were sent to St. Michaels in Rochester, NY. to teach 2nd grade.

After a year of Novitiate in 1951 we professed our first vows for a period of 3 years. At the end of three years we professed our temporary vows for another 3 years. In 1956 we professed our Final vows.

From there I was sent to a new school which we were opening to teach 5th grade in Baltimore, Maryland. Next to Washington, D.C. as principal and 8th grade teacher, then back to Rochester to St. Boniface to teach 8th grade for 2 years. My next assignment took me to New York City as principal. Then back to Rochester to St Michaels, Mount Carmel, St. Boniface, then to Providence, Rhode, Island. After that Irvington, New Jersey as principal then back to St Boniface, Rochester, as Principal.

My next apostolate was to Holy Apostle as secretary and later on as parish minister to St Anthony. Sister Dorothy Mary and I came to Holy Apostles in 1990. When St Anthony closed I went back into school and taught remedial Math and Reading at Sacred Heart Cathedral. When that closed, I taught at Holy Rosary for a year. Lastly to Corpus Christi School until it was closed. Presently I volunteer at our Notre Dame Learning Center and help out with various projects at Holy Apostles. Holy Apostles has been a very happy experience for me, working with my Sister. Sister Dorothy Mary, and so many warm out-going people.

I thank God for all the wonderful opportunities He has given me as a School Sister of Notre Dame.

Sister Blanche Leising, SSND

SISTER FLORENCE LEISING, SSND - My religious life in the convent began in Baltimore in 1948. After three years of formation, I took my first vows in 1951. The second year of formation was spent at St Michaels, in Rochester, as a second grade teacher. In 1951 as a professed sister I was sent to teach in the intermediate grades in Maryland for three years.

After the renewal of my vows for another three year period, I was sent to Puerto Rico. During my time in Puerto Rico for 14 years I took my final vows and spent time teaching in the junior high and also as principal.

Returning to the states in 1968 I spent several years in Rochester in the junior high and also as principal at St Peter and Paul until the school closed in 1972. After spending 5 more years at St Boniface I was sent to Boston in 1978 for another 10 years. Teaching for 4 years in the junior high and the next 6 years were spent in administration.

I was granted a time for renewal at Chatowa, Mississippi. The following six months were spent in Spiritual Renewal. My last 16 years of active duty were in New Jersey, teaching in the intermediate grades.

At the present time I am at The Villa of Notre Dame, our retirement house for religious. I serve on the hospitality committee there. We have many important meetings here and also many guests.

My life as a School Sister of Notre Dame has been greatly blessed. When you are happy in doing what you are doing time passes very quickly. My 60 years seem like they started only yesterday. This is a day for remembering all the beautiful things that have been, and a day for looking forward to all the beautiful things that are yet to come.

Sister Florence Leising, SSND