

**Mass Schedule & Intentions****Saturday (Jan. 23)**

4:00 PM Paul, Mary, Tom & Cindy Long by  
*Julie & Don Littig*

5:30PM Albert Martens by *Dorothy & Family* - MLOP

**3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time (Jan. 24)**

7:00 AM George White by *Fred & Lois DeCoster*

8:30 AM Willard Owens & Fr. C. Holerich - MLOP  
by *Nancy Owens*

10:00AM Blair Begyn *of the family*

11:30AM Stephanie Jones by *the Jones family* - MLOP

**Monday (Jan. 25)**

9:00 AM Special Intention of KR

**Tuesday (Jan. 26)**

7:45AM Gary Larsen by *Fr. Jim & the Parish*- MLOP

**Wednesday (Jan. 27)**

9:00 AM Special Intention for RV

**Thursday (Jan. 28)**

7:45AM Special Intention for Andrae Family - MLOP

**Friday (Jan. 29)**

9:00 AM Becky Grawe by *the parish*

10:30AM Special Intention of BJ *at Hope Creek*

**Saturday (Jan. 30)**

4:00 PM Brian Hall by *Margaret Francescon*

5:30PM Albert Martens by *Dorothy & Family* - MLOP

**4th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Jan. 31)**

7:00 AM George White by *Jim & Glenda Vyncke*

8:30 AM Leo & Dale Jones by *S, C & Family*- MLOP

10:00AM Special Intention for Linda Bloodsworth  
by *Mike & Marolyn Tope*

11:30AM Brian Ruppert by *Louise Flood* - MLOP

**January 24 - 31, 2010**

*Sunday - [Neh 8:2-4, 5-6, 8-10](#) [Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15](#); [1Cor 12:12-14, 27](#); [Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21](#)*

*Monday - [Acts 22:3-16](#), or [Acts 9:1-22](#); [Ps 117:1, 2](#); [Mk 16:15-18](#)*

*Tuesday - [2Sm 6:12-15, 17-19](#); [Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10](#); [Mk 3:31-35](#)*

*Wednesday - [2Sm 7:4-17](#); [Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30](#); [Mk 4:1-20](#)*

*Thursday - [2Sm 7:18-19, 24-29](#); [Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14](#); [Mk 4:21-25](#)*

*Friday - [2Sm 11:1-4, 5-10, 13-17](#); [Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 6-7, 10-11](#); [Mk 4:26-34](#)*

*Saturday - [2Sm 12:1-7, 10-17](#); [Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17](#); [Mk 4:35-41](#)*

*Sunday - [Jer 1:4-5, 17-19](#); [Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17](#); [1Cor 12:31-13:13](#) or [13:4-13](#); [Lk 4:21-30](#)*

**Parish Office Hours**

**Coal Valley** 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM Monday - Friday

**Orion** 9AM-2PM at 526-8422 Tuesday - Friday

Fr. Jim tries to be at SMG M-W-F and  
at MLOP on Tues. & Thurs.

**BELIZE MEDICAL MISSION**

This weekend is our collection for the annual Belize Medical Mission which will be helping those in Corozal Belize the first part of February. The funds will be used for medical supplies.

**CHRISTIAN UNITY****Annual Week of Prayer****“You Are Witnesses of These Things”**

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on Monday, January 18, and continues through Monday, January 25. The theme for 2010 is “You Are Witnesses of These Things” (Lk 24:48).

For more information go to: [www.geii.org](http://www.geii.org) and use the Daily Scripture and Prayer Guide to join with Christians around the world praying “that all may be one.....that the world may believe” (John 17:21).

Plan to join with members of other Christian churches and communities in our area for a special observance, a Christian Unity Service at

**4:00pm, Sunday, January 24**

**First Congregational Church, 2201 7th St., Moline**  
Several area clergy (including **Dr. Chuck Breeden**) have organized this event.

**TAX STATEMENTS** will be mailed upon request only. Please call or email Nancy in the parish office for a copy of your statement.

**ALTAR SERVERS CLASS**

**SATURDAY, FEB. 6th from 9 - 10 AM**

**Great way for students 4th grade & above to experience the Mass while helping Fr. Jim.**

If interested or have questions, contact Henry Hicks 762-0567 or Nancy in the Parish Office 799-3414.

Allouez Council 658 Knights of Columbus

**30TH ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2010**

Farrell Hall (St. Pius X)

2901 24th Street, Rock Island

7:45 AM—12:30 PM

COST: \$5.00 adults, \$3.00 children (12 & under) \$18.00 for a Family(2 adults and children 16 & under)

**SIT-DOWN SERVICE**

Proceeds from this breakfast support Pro-Life activities within the Quad City area.

**THIS WEEK AT ST. MARIA GORETTI**

**Sunday, 1/24** - 6 & 7 grade CCD 9 - 9:45 AM

Children's Liturgy of the Word &

Children's Church during the 10 AM Mass

Belize Medical Mission Collection

Ecumenical Unity Day Service at

1st Congregational Church, Moline at 4 PM

**Tuesday, 1/26** - RCIA at 7 PM

**Wednesday, 1/27** - Religious Education 5 - 6:30 PM

Liturgy Committee meets at 7 PM

**Saturday, 1/30** - Baptism of Madeline Sill &

William Selby at 2 PM

Follow Me signup after Mass

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**Stewardship "Sharing Our Gifts"**

**Thank you...**

- Barb Herbert, Marilyn Cronkleton & Sue Fournier for folding bulletins this month.
- Dc. Chuck Breeden, Henry Hicks, Rex Scranton, Ray Tschopp for helping with Don DeBlaey Memorial Mass last Saturday.
- Charmaine DeCrane, Barb Herbert, Sharon Scranton, Lois DeCoster, Margaret Francescon, Mary Ann Lapaczonok, Donna Boens & Nancy Robison for serving and clean up the funeral lunch last Saturday.
- All the parishioners who called and prepared food for that luncheon.
- Judy & Al DePorter for taking care of Coffee & Donuts at the 7AM Mass last weekend and Sharon & Rex Scranton for taking care of them at the 10AM Mass.

**SOUP SUPPER COMING SOON!**

Our annual Soup Supper will be on Ash Wednesday, February 17th after the evening Mass. All are welcome. There is no charge for this meal. This is an all parish event and help is always needed in the kitchen from making soups on Wed. morning, to serving soup, or cleaning up after the meal. Sign up sheets for the special soup items are in the foyer. Questions or to offer you help call the parish office 799-34114.

**Stewardship of Treasure**

*From the week of January 107 2010*

	[Last week]	[Fiscal YTD]
Building Fund	\$ 48.00	\$ 5,747.00
Budgeted Amount		<u>8,306.45</u>
Net Over <Under>		\$<2,559.45>
Regular Collection	\$ 2,392.89	\$ 104,526.47
Budgeted Amount		<u>99,123.68</u>
Net Over <Under>		\$ 5,723.29

2009-2010 Budget includes \$24,000 deficit  
Income to date (29 weeks) will result in an anticipated deficit of -\$10,615.55 for the current fiscal year.

**HELP NEEDED FOR**

**ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE**

St. Maria Goretti will host their annual blood drive on **Saturday, March 6**, from 7am to noon. Please contact Beth Carlson at 781-1786 if you would like to help. Volunteers are needed to call potential donors, to prepare treats and goodies to be served, and host/hostesses to assist donors and the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center staff on the morning of the drive. Let's make this year's drive a great success!

## Always in the Peace of the Lord

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our Gospel passage this week, mostly taken from the fourth chapter of Luke, has a special place in my life since the quote that Jesus used from Isaiah, I used for a holy card to commemorate my ordination to the priesthood. Not that I was comparing myself to Jesus, for I dislike any references that priests are to be Christ for others, if by stating that, the meaning is that only priests can be Christ to others, since as Christians we all are baptized into the priesthood of Jesus Christ and hence are to be Christ to everyone we meet. As followers of Christ, as Christians, we try to love as Christ taught us how to love and how Christ showed us how to love.

He taught us all the great commandment when he asked a scholar of the law, in response to the scholar's question of "What must I do to inherit everlasting life?", "What is written in the law? How do you read it?". And the scholar responded by saying "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all our heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." And Jesus replied, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live." [Lk. 10:25-28].

Jesus showed us how to love, to "do" the great commandment by his selfless act upon the cross. His sacrifice fulfilled God's plan for our redemption; for our salvation. He also explained it to us when, after the scholar of the Law wished to justify himself, asked Jesus, "Who is my neighbor?" told the Parable of the Good Samaritan, perhaps one of the best known parables that Jesus shared. At the conclusion of the parable Jesus told the scholar and us, "Go and do likewise."

By our baptism the Spirit of the Lord is upon us. He has anointed us to bring his love to the poor, sent us to share liberty and give a vision of freedom to all so that when it is all said and done what we have said and done will be acceptable to the Lord.

Perhaps we know what we have done that is acceptable. Perhaps not! Perhaps we even know what we have done that is unacceptable to the Lord. Perhaps not! Perhaps our sincere personal and communal prayer will enlighten us. After all, the spirit of the Lord is upon us, for He has promised us His spirit, and He always keeps his promise.

Always in His Peace,

Fr. Jim

P.S. You may still give to the Catholic Relief Services to assist in the efforts to bring emergency aid and comfort to the people of Haiti by handing it directly to me or by dropping it off or mailing it to the parish office by this Wednesday. Thank you for your sacrifice.

P.S.S. Catholic Schools Week is January 31- Feb. 6. Please see the insert about Alleman Catholic High School.

P.S.3. I will be going on a vacation from Friday, February 5th until Sunday, February 14th. If you have an emergency and need a priest call St. Pius Rectory at 1.309.793-7373. Otherwise, call the parish office for assistance. In case of funerals Fr. Mike Schaab or Fr. Dick Bresnahan will be able to assist us.

P.S.4. Mark your spiritual calendars—Lent starts on Wednesday, February 17th; Only 3 1/2 weeks away. What might be the things we might be able to give up? What might be the acts of charity that we will perform?

## IS GOD CALLING YOU?

"You are the body of Christ and individually members of it." Are you being called to strengthen His body through a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life?? Call Fr. Brian Brownsey (309) 671-1550 or write: [fbrownsey@cdop.org](mailto:fbrownsey@cdop.org)

St. Malachy's Church in Geneseo will offer a **Divorce & Separated Support Group** on Thursdays at 7:00 PM in the School's Art & Music room. Begins Feb. 11 & a different session each week. Everyone is welcome, for additional information please contact Deacon Art Ries (309) 945-9101 or [ries@geneso.net](mailto:ries@geneso.net) or the St. Malachy's parish office (309) 944-5393. See flyer on kiosk

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Thursday, Jan. 28 - Vespers** at the Monastery 4:45pm—7:45 pm with Sr. Charlotte Sonnevile. Cost \$15. Call (309) 283-2108 or email: [retreats@smmsisters.org](mailto:retreats@smmsisters.org)

**Saturday, January 30 & Sunday, January 31 - St. Malachy's Winterfest** (Craft show, Silent auction, Spaghetti Supper & More) See flyer on the kiosk

**Saturday, January 30 - Fellowship Day** with the QC Mallards at 7:05PM. See kiosk for ticket prices. & other info.

**Sunday, February 2 - Pro-life Mass** at St. Anthony Church, 324 Main St., Davenport & rosary following Mass in church then in front of Planned Parenthood, Bettendorf.

**Saturday, February 6th** - Enjoy **Belgian Waffles** at the Belgian Culture Center, 712-18th Ave., Moline from 7- 11AM. The Belgian lace makers will be at the Center from 1- 4 PM

**Friday, February 12 - Valentine Program** at the Monastery, "**Do You Still Love Me?**" from 5:30—9:30 Cost \$25 couple. Register with Jackie Walsh (309) 283-2108 or [retreats@smmsisters.org](mailto:retreats@smmsisters.org)

**Saturday, February 13 - Celebrating World Marriage Day** at Farrell Hall, St. Pius Church, RI from 5:30—9 PM. Cost \$35 couple. Check out flyer on the kiosk

**6 Wednesdays, beginning February 17th - Scripture from Scratch** with Sr. Charlotte Sonnevile, OSB. Cost \$25 at the Benet House, St. Mary Monastery. Register (309) 283-2108 or [retreats@smmsisters.org](mailto:retreats@smmsisters.org)

**"Being Different: A Faith-Based Management Seminar"** How do I integrate my faith into my work? On Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010 the Diocese will be hosting "Being Different: A Faith-Based Management Seminar" at the Spalding Pastoral Center in Peoria especially for leaders in the business community. Join with others from Central Illinois in prayer, interaction and the celebration of Holy Mass, and hear the insights and experience of four business professionals on how they have striven to incorporate their faith into their work. For more information and to print a registration form, go to [www.faithbasedmanagement.org](http://www.faithbasedmanagement.org) If interested brochures are available on the table near the door.

## Alleman Catholic High School

### Welcomes the Class of 2014

#### Explore Test

Date: Saturday, January 30th

At: Alleman catholic High School Cafeteria

Time: 7:45am to 11:45am

Bring with you: your SS#, \$15.00, Two #2 pencils and a Calculator

Enter at Main School Entrance 40th Street & 12th Avenue

Parking lot at 40th Street & 13th Avenue

#### Other dates to remember

Parents' Night — February 24th, 6:00pm—7:00pm in Fine Arts Building

Registration for Class of 2014—March 3rd, 2:30—5:30pm in Cafeteria

#### Open House for

#### Seton Catholic School

16th Av. & 14th St., Moline

Wednesday, February 3rd

8:30am to 11:00am

## FOLLOW ME 2010

Registration begins next week for weekly small faith sharing groups during Lent. Adults meet weekly, in homes or the parish hall, to reflect together on the coming Sunday Scripture readings. Materials are provided; each group has a facilitator who has attended an orientation session. Parishioners consistently rate their experience of these groups as excellent or very good. They especially appreciate the opportunity to look more deeply at the Scripture readings, and to get to know fellow parish members. We encourage newcomers to consider registering for a group. Last year we had 10 active groups---all of them are eager to welcome new members!! Be thinking of the times that work best for you, and be ready to register at Masses next week.

## 2010 LIVING THE WORD

*Living the Word* booklets with Scripture reflections and commentaries for Sundays and Holy days for the year 2010 are available in the foyer. Cost of single copy is \$14.95 but we are offering them for \$7.50. An envelope will be provided for your offering. It can be placed in the collection basket or directed to the parish office.

### Coal Valley Food Pantry/Food Bank

#### Volunteers Needed

The Coal Valley Food Pantry is looking for a couple of volunteers who would be willing to go to the Riverbend Food Bank on the second Tuesday of the month to pick up items for the Coal Valley Food Pantry. The food pantry site manager will go with the volunteers to the food bank to pick up needed items. Those items will then be taken to the Coal Valley Food Pantry. The estimated time for this volunteer opportunity would be about two hours. The first trip to the food bank is scheduled for 9:00am on Tuesday, February 9th. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mary Crider at 309-799-9817

### Please support our bulletin ADVERTISERS!

They help make this bulletin available to you each week

### Please pray for...

*For those who have died, especially* Brian Hall, son of Betty Hall.

### For those who are sick and in need of healing...

#### at Maria Goretti

Jim Behn, Bob Bennett, Pat Bitel, Robert Cartwright, Donald Cleary, Rose & Leroy Glauzel, Earl Greif, Bob Gunnare, Olga Jordan, Eileen McKenzie, Carol Solomon, Ann Toney, Chuck Ulfig, Richard Verscha. & Roy Yeater.

### And at Mary, Our Lady of Peace...

Derrick Andrae, Robert Dryoel, Alice Isaacson, Robert & Mary Johnson, Barb Marchant, Keith Robinson, Ben Schnerre, Stephen Sottos, Myrtle Versluys and Joan & Chet Wexell.

### Prayers have also been asked for....

Alice Bonche, Linda Bloodsworth, Sandi Brandes, Otto Denny, Maria Goebel, Luis Gonzales (brother of Luz Helena Upegui), Robert Greif, Doug Hollmer, Ed Jacobs (father of Bill), Steph Jacobs (daughter-in-law of Marcia & Bill Jacobs), Lynette Marr, Kay Murphy, Shirley & Len Nelson, Sonia Riberio, Abby Scott, Elaine Siebers, Janice Slavish, Kris Sommers, Sarah Swanson, Ann Tillman, Kathy Watson & Ramon Vielma (brother of Teresa Dukes)

from MLOP...Kathy Anderson, Jennifer Bergstrom, Alice Bouche, Gina Carlile, Lynn Chartier, Jeff Dahl, Ralph Dantino, Darrell DeMont, Beverly Fransen, Loretta Gainey, Melissa Haynes, Jean Honeywell, Ken Kempen, Fr. James King, Kim Kingsley, Sylvester Kouassi, Matthew Lee, Phyllis & Grace Mitchell, Lillian Morrison, Jackie Mowder, Gerry Moyer, Don Nelson, Jordan Palmer, Sue Peterson, Carol Phillips, Emma Schnerre, Donna Schultz, Helen Sheesley, Toni Versluys, Hannah West and Bernice Ziegenhorn.

### Don't forget our Military & and their families

Sgt Mark Britton (Army-U.S), AB Corbin Carlson (USA), John Goebel (Natl. Guard-U.S.), Michael Gravitt (Marines-Japan), Luke Heritage (Natl. Guard-U.S.), Major Andy Maguire (Natl. Guard - Iraq), Sr. Airman Jeff Topham (Air Force - Korea), PFC Aaron DePorter (Army - U.S.), E6 Amy Rogan (Navy - on ship), Major Luke Sustman (Air Force - U.S.), Shawn Taylor (Army), Cpt. Adam Underklof-ler (Marines - So. Africa), Cpt. Mark VanVeldhuizen (Natl. Guard - Iraq)

**Alleman Catholic High School**  
**Celebrating Catholic Schools Week**  
**“Catholic Schools—Dividends For Life”**

**Open House**  
**January 31st, 2010**  
**Noon to 2:00pm**

Dear Parents,

The Alleman administration, faculty and staff extend to you a heart-arming invitation to you and your family to visit Alleman during our Open House on Sunday, January 31st from Noon to 2:00pm. Guided tours of the school building and fine arts center will be given by faculty and students, allowing you to see the many departments of Alleman that make our school so special—the school with a “touch of class.”

The theme of Catholic Schools Week for 2010 is “Catholic Schools—Dividends for Life”. This is indeed a very fitting and meaningful theme. Due to many changes in our culture, our students now face many more challenges than you and I faced when we were their age. In our Alleman Catholic School atmosphere, faith, knowledge, discipline and morals are stressed, but especially that each person is made in the image and likeness of God, is evident in our treatment of each and every student. These traits are so fundamental in order to prepare the students for their post Alleman education and their life that lies ahead of them.

I will be offering Mass in the Morris Gym at 11:15am, just prior to the Open House. I will be most pleased to have you join me as we celebrate the Holy Eucharist for you and for all of our young people. Some time ago I was given a prayer that I would like to share with you. It has affected me deeply and I pray you too will feel the same way.

*A Student's Prayer*

*Lord God, it is not clear to me how I should live my life.  
It is not clear to me who I should listen to or the way I should go.  
I am in such need for guidance.  
So many attractive things hold out empty promises for happiness.  
Help me, Gracious Lord, through the intercession of the Blessed Mother of Jesus,  
who has helped so many to find the way to do God's will  
in the choices I make in life.  
Help me Lord, I beg you,  
to know Your will for me and give me the courage to follow your desires.  
May I always know the true joys that are only found living my life in your name.  
Amen.*

My dear parents, as you read this prayer, I only hope that you realize the greatest treasure that God has given to you is your daughter or son. Don't you feel that you should give them the opportunity have a Catholic education that Alleman provides. Remember the theme of Catholic Schools Week 2010: “Dividends for Life” and a caring and loving environment where every student is a masterpiece created by God in His image and likeness. Please, do come and visit us at Alleman Catholic High School.

Always and Ever, Rev. Daniel Mirabelli, C.S.V., Director of Development