



## Upcoming events at Saint John Fisher in the early months of 2012

We will gather on **Saturday, December 31** at 4:30 pm for the vigil mass and on **Sunday, January 1** at 8:00 and 10:00 am and at 12:00 noon in celebration of the **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**, a holy day of obligation. This is always a day designated by the Church universal to pray for peace in the world. May our prayer together as we begin the new calendar year bring us peace and joy!



Our Tuesdays @ 10 Adult Faith Formation group will begin the new year on **Tuesday, January 3** with a twelve week session on the Book of Psalms. All are welcome to join this time of learning.

On **Saturday, January 7, and Sunday, January 8**, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord with our regular Mass schedule of 5:30 pm Saturday, and 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon on Sunday.

Confirmation preparation classes continue on **Sundays, January 8 and 22, February 12, March 11 and April 15**. Archbishop Emeritus Pilarczyk will join us for the celebration of the sacrament of Confirmation on **Sunday, May 20** at 12:00 noon. Please keep our young people in your prayers as they prepare to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in their lives.

On **Saturday, January 21** from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, all women of the parish are invited to attend a retreat centered on the role of bread in our faith lives. A registration form will be included in the bulletin. Come and spend time with other women of our parish community.



Our annual Cana Dinner will be held on **Saturday, February 4**, following the 5:30 pm Mass. Please watch the bulletin for further information regarding sign-ups.



First Communion classes will begin on **Sunday, February 19**. Please keep in prayer the children who are preparing to join us at the Table of the Lord on April 28 and 29.

**The Holy Season of Lent** will begin as we gather to celebrate **Ash Wednesday, on February 22**. We will celebrate the Eucharist and impose Ashes at 8:00 am and again at 6:15 pm. The evening Mass will be followed by our annual Soup Supper at 7:00 pm.

**On Tuesday, February 28** at 7:00 pm, we will gather for **Taizé Prayer Around the Cross**. This sung prayer, modeled after the prayer of the Taizé monastic community in France, is an excellent way to enter into the mystery of Christ's cross and the many ways we experience it in our world today.



A Lenten Bible Study, focusing on the Passion and Resurrection Narratives of Jesus, will be held on **Wednesdays, February 29, March 6, 13, 20 and 27, and April 4** at 7:00 pm. A sign-up sheet will be available as we draw closer to the start date.

**On Tuesday, March 6** from 7:00 – 8:15 pm, we will welcome guest speaker, Father Jim Schutte. Father Jim will talk about his ministry to refugees and immigrants in the parish of St. Leo here in Cincinnati.

**On Tuesday, March 13** we will gather for our annual **Lenten Penance Service** at 7:00 pm. Please join us to celebrate the mercy and forgiveness that is ours in Christ.



**On Tuesday, March 20**, Fr. Len Fecko will join us for an inspiring evening of reflection on the parable of the prodigal son. Plan on joining us for this evening of growth in faith from 7:00 – 8:30 pm.



**Tuesday, March 27** at 7:00 pm, our Music Directors, Mark Friedman and Janet Vogt will lead us in prayer centered on the Seven Last Words of Jesus as we prepare to enter Holy Week. This inspiring prayer of music and meditation will bring our Lenten Tuesday evening series to a close.

We will celebrate the great **Easter Triduum** beginning with the **Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday, April 5 at 7 pm**.

**On Good Friday, April 6**, we will pray the Stations of the Cross at 12:30 pm, and we will celebrate **The Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 1:30 pm**.



**On Holy Saturday** we will gather for the great **Vigil of Easter at 8:45 pm**.

**On Easter Sunday**, our regular Sunday Schedule of Masses will be at **8:00 am, 10:00 am, and 12:00 noon**. Join with your parish community to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord!

