

## *LENT and the Whispers of Spring...*

*LENT* invites us to think in new ways and open mental & spiritual windows for a little bit of the Spirit's fresh air.

*LENT* challenges us to change and grow into more than we thought we could be.

**SO...How's the growing going?**

Don't miss these opportunities to keep our Lenten efforts and our spirits alive. ***Come and See! Bring a friend!***

### PRAYER

#### **Weekday Mass in the Church**

Monday ~ Tuesday ~ Wednesday at 12:10pm

*The Church will be open Monday through Friday*

*8am ~ 3pm for private prayer and reflection*



#### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

*The "Way of the Cross" is a journey of self-discovery and examination of conscience leaving the faithful with a sense of expectation of the resurrection in faith and hope.*

**Join Fr. Andrew for Stations of the Cross at 7pm  
in the Church every Friday in Lent**

#### **WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT**

*Prayer, Poetry and Reflection on the Way of the Cross*

*Two Sessions – each session offered 2x for busy women:*

**Session I** in Prayer Room in Student Center

**Sunday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 10am OR Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 7pm**

**Session II** in Prayer Room in Student Center

**Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 10am OR Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 7pm**

*Call Julie or Roberta in the office for more information*

*Come back to me with all your heart*  
**Parish Reconciliation Service**  
**Monday Evening, March 22**  
**Individual Confession**  
***Saturdays at 4pm or by appointment***

#### **Lenten Soup and Bread Suppers Wed. at 6pm**

Bring your family to share a simple meal of homemade soup and bread, and fellowship with each other - in the Church Hall  
Sign-ups to bring soup and bread are in the Church foyer.

*THEN...Experience the gift of communal prayer and  
Prayer / Song / Inspirational Reflection / Intercessory Prayer*

#### **Evening Prayer/Reflection Wed. at 7pm**

*"From everyone who has been given much, much will be required,  
and from the one who has been entrusted with much,  
even more will be asked." Luke 12:48*

**February 24** UNH students on Break Outreach insights  
**March 3** Dr. Janet Perkins-Howland on Experience in Haiti  
**March 10** Fr. Andy "A Woman Wrapped in Silence"  
**March 24** Fr. Peter Murray, SJ

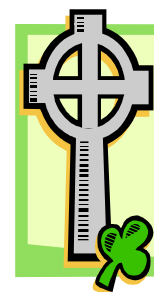
#### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

*Wednesday, March 17*

Mass at 12:10pm and 6:30pm

Dinner in the gym 7pm.

*Watch for Sign-ups*



#### **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE RICE BOWLS**

Our Lenten Fast increases our awareness and response to our brothers and sisters in need, and moves us to action for others. A Rice Bowl on your table can remind you of your sacrifice.

Pray for the poor in our community and in the world  
RICE BOWL donations are collected during Holy Week.

## Orientation to Holy Week ~ Fr. Peter Murray, SJ

Fr. Murray will be joining us the 5<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent to offer special opportunities to prepare for Holy Week. He will share reflections during weekday liturgies; be available for Spiritual direction and Reconciliation; share insights on March 24<sup>th</sup> at Evening Prayer and lead Stations, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

### HOLY WEEK SERVICES

*This greatest week in the church calendar celebrates the Good News that God has reconciled the world to Himself in the suffering, death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.*

#### **Sun., March 28, Palm/Passion Sunday**

*Gather in Gym before all Masses / Bless palms/ process to Church*

#### **Tues., March 30, 6pm Chrism Mass** *Manchester Cathedral*

**TRIDUUM** – *three days / one liturgy*

**Thurs April 1, The Lord's Supper 7pm** *Oils, Wash Feet, Lord's Supper; Repose Eucharist; "Watch" in Hall Garden / 8-10pm*

**Fri. April 2, Good Friday 7pm** *Lord's Passion; Veneration*

**Sat. April 3, Easter Vigil 8pm** *Process from Gym to Easter Fire; New Paschal Candle-Christ Our Light; New Water*

**Sun., April 4, Easter Sunday 9:00am & 11:15am**  
*Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection – Alleluia!*

Check our Bulletin and website for the latest details on parish events  
stmdurham.org  
Parish Office 868-2666 [stmdurham@comcast.net](mailto:stmdurham@comcast.net)

## JOURNEY from LENT to EASTER 2010

### Broken and Shared...



Liz Finnegan, Potter

### ...Life for the World

"Our penance ~ *metanoia* ~ change of heart  
is our response to the Gospel message...  
if we do not harden our heart.  
Through penance and self-denial we find contrition  
~ *the breaking up of that hardness of heart* ~  
which prevents us from understanding  
God's command to LOVE."

THOMAS MERTON, *Seasons of Celebration*, 130

Wishing you and those you love  
a Blessed and Life-Giving Lenten Journey