

THE CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER – SARASOTA, FL

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The Third Sunday in Lent (Yr C RCL)

7 March 2010

WELCOME VISITORS!

The Church of the Redeemer is delighted to have you with us today to share in our mission to know, love, worship and obey our Lord Jesus Christ.

Whether this is your first, second, or third visit, please help us welcome you by wearing a visitor name tag found inside the parish brochure in the pew racks in front of you. We also invite you to join us for coffee and Christian fellowship after the services on the veranda (weather permitting) or inside Gillespie Hall. Look for the Welcome Table in Gillespie Hall. As you exit the front of the church, simply follow the pathway to your right, past our Rose Garden, and around to the veranda and Gillespie Hall.

If you would like to receive more information about our services, ministries and mission, or be placed on our mailing list, please fill out the Visitor Card attached to the visitor name tag, and place it in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher, and be sure to come to the visitors' table in Gillespie Hall. We hope you will choose to return to the Church of the Redeemer and invite you to call on us at anytime (955-4263) or visit our website (www.redeemersarasota.org).

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION

Today . . .

Our guest preacher this morning is the Rt. Rev. William Skilton. Bishop Skilton is the Assistant Bishop of the Dominican Republic.

The Bridge to the Word is an adult education class meeting in Room 207 between the 9:00 and 11:00 masses. All adults are welcome! We will be using the book, *Journeying through Lent with Luke* by Nancy Koester today and we invite you to join us for conversation, fellowship and a cup of coffee.

Senior EYC will meet at the Devitts' house, 1538 Flower Drive. Dr. Pat Fitzgerald will be our guest speaker. Pat will be talking about his ministry as a surgeon and also a little about his journey to finding his calling. After Dr. Pat speaks we will head outside for a fire and some s'mores!

The Florida Voices – an acclaimed Sarasota hometown choral ensemble – will perform the powerful *Celtic Mass* and rekindle favorite Irish songs today at 5:00 PM, under the direction of Betty Mullet. Suggested ticket donation is \$10.

We now have a new supply of Lenten materials in the tract rack which can serve as aids for your personal Lenten discipline. The tract rack is located in the narthex.

This week . . .

Stations of the Cross are walked in the church every Wednesday during Lent. We gather for Evening Prayer at 5:15 PM, and Stations of the Cross begins immediately after that. **A supper of soup and salad** for \$8.00 will be served immediately after the stations. Please sign up for supper in Gillespie Hall or contact the parish office, award@redeemersarasota.org or 955-4263.

Child care is available on Wednesday evenings for Stations of the Cross and the evening classes.

Junior EYC will have a very special guest this week. Dr. Sharon Marshall, Licensed Psychologist, will speak to us. Sharon will tell us about how her chosen career is a ministry. After we hear from Sharon we will head outside to play "THE GAME."

The recitalists for the Lenten Organ Recitals Series on Wednesdays, 12:10 – 12:40 PM, are as follows:

10 March	Neil Page
17 March	Linda Peterson
24 March	Carol Hawkinson and Richard Storm, Bass
31 March	Ann Stephenson-Moe

The Manasota Spring Deanery Meeting of the ECW is this Thursday, 11 March, at St. Mary Magdalene Church. All women of Redeemer are invited to attend. We will begin with registration and coffee at 9:00 AM and finish with lunch (\$8.00) at noon. Guest speaker is Pam Hindman of Guardian Ad Litum. Please make checks payable to ECW/St. Mary Magdalene and mail to Gay Swain, 5234 Bouchard Circle, Sarasota, FL 34238 by 8 March. For questions or to carpool, call Gay at 923-2939

Would you like to help make palm crosses for Palm Sunday? Next Sunday there will be palms to be picked up in Gillespie Hall, and someone will be there to show you how to make the crosses. We need many hands!

Next week . . .

The Bloodmobile will be returning to Redeemer next Sunday, 14 March, from 8:15 AM to 12:45 PM in front of the church. Please mark your calendar. It is not necessary to make an appointment. There is an age requirement for youth participation (age 16 with parent consent and age 17 without parent consent). The need for blood is ongoing, and your blood donation will help to save lives.

The Annual Bach Festival concert will be presented on Friday, 12 March, 8:00 PM, at Christ Church, Bradenton, and next Sunday, 14 March, at 5:00 PM here at Redeemer. Included will be *Cantata 131*, *Brandenburg Concerto No. 6*, *Unaccompanied Cello Suite No. 2*, and *Concerto for Harpsichord in A Major*, with Cellist, Isabelle Besancon, Harpsichordist, Julane Rodgers, and Organists Ann Stephenson-Moe and Richard Benedum. Ticket donation is \$12.00.

The Dartmouth College Glee Club will appear in concert at Redeemer on Thursday, 18 March, at 7:00 PM. Music will include selections from the *Mozart Requiem in d minor*, a capella sacred motets, spirituals, folk song settings, and songs of Dartmouth College. Dartmouth College is in Hanover, New Hampshire, and the glee club members are undergraduate students. Ticket donation is \$20.00 (students are free) and a reception will follow in Gillespie Hall. Please make advance reservations by contacting Dave Bustard, rbustard@williamsparker.com, or 329-6629.

Doing your spring cleaning? Consider taking a table at the Redeemer Yard Sale on Saturday, 20 March 9 AM - 12 PM, to sell your unwanted household goods. You run the table sales. At sale's end, 10% of what you make on your items goes to Redeemer, and unsold items either go home with you or stay to be donated to the Thrift House. The event is coordinated by MOR. For information, contact Russ Ryan, russryan@gmail.com or 400-9140.

Future events . . .

Join us for the CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, 21 March. John Maxwell will be the Coordinator for our parish involvement in this upcoming event. Please stop by the table in Gillespie Hall to sign up to walk. Our goal is to raise \$3,000 in donations. The itinerary on the 21st:

1:00 PM - Meet at Redeemer to carpool to St. Armand's Key Lutheran Church.

1:30 PM - Registration

2:00 PM - Announcements and Blessing, and the walk begins.

The route will be a 5 mile walk over the Ringling Bridge into Sarasota and back to the Lutheran Church. Hunger Walks are ecumenical, interfaith community events that help support the programs of Church World Service (www.churchworldservice.org). For more information about the CROP walk, please contact John Maxwell, 926-3377 or 812-3638.

"Soaring Solo," for Redeemer ladies in their 40's, 50's and 60's who are single, divorced, or widowed, will meet on Sunday, 21 March for wine tasting and dinner at J. Ryan's. Contact Julie Eisele, eiselej@comcast.net to make your reservation or for more information.

ECW (all women of Redeemer) are invited to DaySpring on Saturday, 27 March, for "A Day With Our Bishop." Registration begins at 8:30 AM with coffee and pastries, and lunch will be served. The speaker is Bishop Dabney Smith. Make checks for \$25.00 (includes lunch) payable to Diocese of SW Florida ECW. The deadline to sign up is 17 March. Mail your check to Gay Swain, 5234 Bouchard Circle, Sarasota, FL 34238. For information or to carpool call Gay at 923-2939.

The Episcopal Thrift House operates with a staff of about 38 fulltime and substitute volunteers. We desperately need new people for this ministry. Volunteers may be seasonal residents. Some volunteers choose to simply fill in when needed. The work is very rewarding, and requires only three hours a week. Please consider signing up to become a full or part time helper. The Thrift House received many, wonderful outer wear donations. We are very grateful for those who sent us garments. Currently, our supply of jewelry is extremely low. Please consider sorting through your unworn jewels to help increase our stock at the Thrift House. Thanks to you all! *Melinda Sutter, Thrift House Manager*

The parish family extends its sympathy to Mary Jane and Mike Hartenstine in the death of Mary Jane's brother, Bobby Joiner, who departed this life on 26 February 2010; Eileen Thompson in the death of her husband, Mark Thompson, who departed this life on 1 March 2010; and to Barney and Jennifer Boyle in the death of Jennifer's father, Robert Schuermann, who departed this life on 28 February 2010. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, and may light perpetual shine upon them.

† WEEK OF 7 MARCH 2010 †

Daily Morning Prayer – 8:30 AM (except Sunday)
Daily Evening Prayer – 5:15 PM (except Saturday & Sunday)

Sunday	EUCARIST- 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 AM; 1 PM (Spanish) Gift Shoppe open after the 9 and 11 AM Masses Rector's Class Bridge to the Word, 10:10 AM, Room 207 Concert: Florida Voices, 5:00 PM Senior EYC, 6:00 PM, 1538 Flower Drive
Monday	EUCARIST – 10:00 AM NA, 7:30 AM & Noon, Sunday School Wing Daughters of the King, 9:30 AM, Eva Pope Room 11 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal, 3:45-5:00 PM Canterbury Choir Rehearsal, 5:30 PM Mission & Outreach, 5:15, Church Cub Scout Pack 24, 6:30 PM, Upper Room
Tuesday	Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, c. 394 EUCARIST – 10:00 AM NA, 7:30 AM & Noon, Sunday School Wing Chicks with Sticks, 10AM-Noon, 1806 S. Osprey Avenue Lectionary Bible Study, Noon, Eva Pope Room Women's NA, 5:00 PM, Sunday School Wing Bereavement Group, 7:00 PM, Room 205 Chicks with Sticks, 7-9 PM, Upper Room
Wednesday	EUCARIST – 10:00 AM Christian Leadership Concepts, 6-8 AM, Eva Pope Room NA, 7:30 AM & 11:30 AM, Sunday School Wing MOR Leadership, 9:00 AM, Rooms 202-204 Beth Moore Bible Study, 9:30 AM, Rooms 207-208 Gift Shoppe open, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM "Christ's Life: Our Life," 10:30 AM, Gillespie Hall Theology & Philosophy, 10:30 AM, Upper Room Deadline for Easter Flower donations, 5:00 PM Organ Recital, 12:10 PM Youth Confirmation, 4:30 PM, Rooms 202-204 Redeemer Knights & Westminster Choir, 4:30 PM Stations of the Cross, 5:30 PM Lenten Soup Supper, 6:00 PM, Gillespie Hall Junior EYC, 6:00 PM, Eva Pope Room Beth Moore Bible Study, 6:30 PM, Rooms 207-208 "Christ's Life: Our Life," 6:30 PM, Church Theology & Philosophy, 6:30 PM, Upper Room
Thursday	EUCARIST – 10:00 AM & 5:30 PM NA, 7:30 AM & Noon, Sunday School Wing Needlepoint Group, 10:00 AM, Gillespie Hall Truth Project, 6:30 PM, Upper Room Inquirers' Class, 6:30 PM, Rooms 202-204 9 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 PM, Music Room
Friday	Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, 604 EUCARIST WITH ANOINTING FOR HEALING – 10 AM NA, 7:30 AM & Noon, Sunday School Wing Men's Prayer Breakfast, Morning Prayer, 7:30 AM, Church Class on Healing, 9:00 AM, Eva Pope Room Vestry Retreat, 6:00 PM, Gillespie Hall
Saturday	EUCARIST WITH ANOINTING FOR HEALING – 10 AM Men's Prayer Group, 7:30AM, Eva Pope Room Vestry Retreat, 8:00 AM, Gillespie Hall Confessions-Chapel Altar (Father Lampert)-11 AM EUCARIST (Contemporary) with Healing – 5:30 PM
Sunday 14 March 4 Lent	EUCARIST- 7:30, 9:00, & 11 AM; 1 PM (Spanish) Gift Shoppe open after the 9 and 11 AM Masses Baptism Preparation, 10:15 AM, Rector's Office Rector's Class Bridge to the Word, 10:10 AM, Room 207 Bach Festival Concert, 5:00 PM Senior EYC

Your attention please . . .

Congratulations to Mary Akemon for her role in the Sarasota Opera's performance of Mozart's *The Magic Flute* and **Elizabeth Devitt** for her role in Engelbert Humperdinck's opera *Hansel and Gretel*. Mary and Elizabeth are both scholarship singers in our choir.

Guild of the Christ Child would like to include you in the Prayers of the People on the first Sunday of each month if you are expecting the birth of a child. Please contact Cathy Brush, 359-3388, to be included in the prayers.

If you have family members in the active military please call the parish office to have them put on our prayer list. Additionally, please let us know if they are in the combat zone and special prayers will be offered.

Donations for Easter flowers are now being received. An envelope for this purpose was included in the March issue of the *Pelican* and there are extra envelopes available in the narthex. Make checks payable to "Church of the Redeemer" marked "Easter Altar Flowers." Indicate one of these categories: In Memory of . . . , In Memory of the Loved Ones of . . . , In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received by . . . , and print the names. Offerings must be in the parish office no later than 5:00 PM, Wednesday, 10 March, in order for names to be printed in the Easter bulletin.

Diocesan events for children and youth . . .

Happening #63 is 19-21 March 2010. The Happening weekend is a one-time encounter designed specifically for high school youth, grades 9 – 12. The event takes place over a weekend and is filled with fun, fellowship, sharing, caring and experiencing God's love. This event is run by young people in conjunction with an adult support staff, who work and pray together to make each event a memorable success. There are talks, singing, worship, small group discussions, fun, games and a few surprises. Hannah Meister and Chris Wood will both be on team for this Happening event! Cost is \$100 and scholarships are available – just ask!

New Beginnings #47 is 30 April – 2 May 2010. The New Beginnings weekend is designed especially for youth in grades 6-8. It was created by adults and young people to help participants grow in their love of our Lord Jesus Christ. During the weekend, participants meet peers from across the diocese, enjoy skits, listen to talks, and participate in small group activities and discussions. Free time is built in for youth and sponsors to have an opportunity for fellowship with their new found friends. Cost is \$100 and scholarships are available – just ask!

Haiti Relief . . .

Please continue your participation in the relief effort for victims of the earthquake in Haiti, by making financial offerings to Episcopal Relief and Development, dedicating our contributions to the Haiti Fund. Please send your checks to: Episcopal Relief and Development, P. O. Box 7058, Merrifield, VA 22116-7058, or turn them in to the parish office.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to help Haiti. It made us feel wonderful to be able to help.

The Third Grade Sunday School Class

† † † REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS † † †

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, Hong Kong Island, Hong Kong, the Most Rev. Paul Kwong

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Luke's, Fort Myers; St. Margaret of Scotland, Sarasota; St. Mark's, Marco Island; St. Mark's, Tampa; St. Mark's, Venice; St. Martin's, Hudson

Mission: for guidance and discernment in our efforts to reach out to the unconverted and unchurched in this community and bring them to faith in Jesus Christ

Those celebrating their birthdays today: Susan Berkowitz, Beth Cave, Suzy Conover, Dee Frye, Katie Shaffer, Tom Szefti

Thanksgiving: for the blessing bestowed upon all those families awaiting the birth of a child: Scott & Jessica McClung; Kurt & Jennifer Grade

Repose of the Soul for: Bobby Joiner, Mark Thompson, Robert Schuermann, Marian Kunemund, Nancy G. Ackerly, Gladys H. Foley

Safe Travel: Gar & Shirly Platt; Chuck & Flo Miller, John Robert Meyer; Chris, Kate, & Maggie-Jane Wood

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The Sanctuary Candle is given to the glory of God in loving memory of Walter E. Mullin and the loved ones of the Boardman and Masters families.

And the prayer of faith will save the sick...

Please be sure to let us know if you are going to be in hospital or are undergoing treatment so that we can put you on the prayer list. If you will be in a rehabilitation facility following surgery, be sure to let us know that too, so that we can arrange a pastoral visit.

The nursery for infants and toddlers is available during the 9 and 11 AM masses every Sunday and every Saturday during the 5:30 PM Contemporary service.

Those persons who find it difficult to come to the altar to receive Holy Communion are asked to inform one of the ushers, who will then see that Communion is brought to your pew.

Listening devices for the hearing-impaired may be obtained from an usher. The Hard of Hearing Assistance System operates on a frequency of 72.9 for those whose hearing aids have the capability to pick it up.

A CD recording of today's service may be ordered through the parish office, 955-4263.

Gluten-free communion wafers are available: Sundays, 7:30 AM Mass – high altar; 9:00 and 11:00 AM Masses – chapel altar. Indicate your need to the priest administering the host.