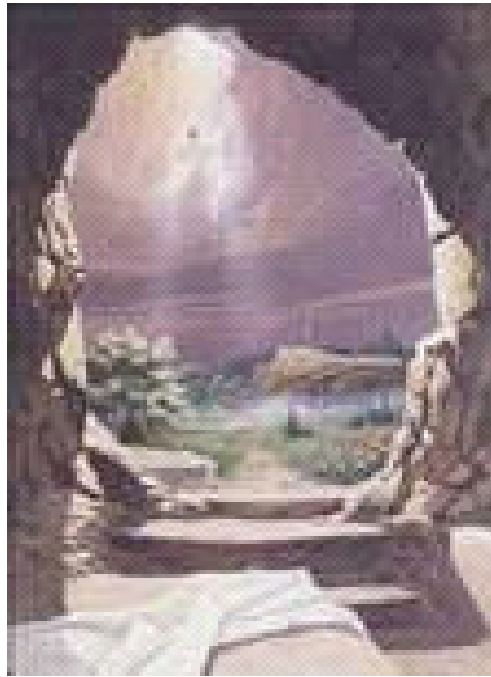




# St. Michael's Messenger

April/May 2010



## Happy Easter

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# VICAR'S VIEW

**Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**So begins the greetings of the Easter Season. What does all this mean for us? Are we just the people of spring breaks and vacations? Of course not. There is the old saying, new in the 60's, "we are the Easter people and Alleluia is our song."**

**We are not the people of the cross and grave. We cannot be the people of the tomb. Given eternal life in the power of the Holy Spirit we have a gift beyond measure that will last forever, we have life because of Jesus Christ and the cross, grave and resurrection that he endured.**

**Having said that we might try not to get too caught up on the eternal life .and miss the human life we lead here and now. The very human and very Jewish Jesus is seen in the Gospels as a man engaged in life. Wherever he found injustice, pain and falsehood he spoke out and took a stand, a stand for the truth of God's Word.**

**For Jesus as for any faithful Jew anything that diminishes life partakes of death and Jesus life was spent clearing the 'fogginess of sin and death' and presenting the clear and shining light of God.**

**2 That kind of life comes with a cost. We can point**

**to modern day prophets and people of conviction who have been marginalized by our society and even killed. It was much the same for Jesus, his life was spent in the care of the people around him and death was the consequence of his being faithful to the Father's will. I am not very comfortable with the medieval vision of Christ the King almost mounting the cross as a throne as if it didn't hurt. The brilliance of the light of Christ is that it was shone on all that Jesus encountered unflinchingly even though it would lead to his death.**

**That kind of faithfulness is unique and yet universal. That is the type of Christianity we are all called to follow and so rarely find ourselves capable of. Thanks to the Heavenly Father's love, Jesus was not left in death, but raised from the dead that we, the Body of Christ, can continue to shed his compassionate light on those who need it most.**

**We are the Easter People and the Alleluias of life need to be given freely to those who find themselves in places where they cannot or dare not sing. Live the life of a disciple, the life Christ calls us to live and everlasting life will take care of itself. It is, after all the free gift of our Gracious Heavenly Father. So we can afford to sing Alleluia! And invite and teach others so that they can join the song.**

# VESTRY DIGEST

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## Present:

Jack Bidell, Bob Weekley, Sharon Schlossin, Bruce Von Hasseln, Ed Gorczyca, Shirley Gardinier, John Neubert, Larry Schlossin

Clerk: Carol Weekley

Absent: Fr. Marshall, Father's brother passed away. Memorial service will be on Feb 12 at Trinity Church in Lancaster.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 with prayer by Robert Weekley

**Correspondence:** Transition task force letter.

## **Minutes of Previous Meeting–**

A motion was made by Shirley Gardinier to accept the annual meeting minutes with correction. Seconded by John Neubert. Passed.

A motion was made by Sharon Schlossin to accept the January meeting minutes. Seconded by Bruce VonHasseln. Passed

## **Fr. Marshall's Report:**

Father has started visiting the shut-ins.

*Shirley Gardinier made a motion that we take \$200 from the nurturing fund to be sent to the American Cancer Society in loving memory of Michael Marshall from St Michael and All Angels family. Seconded by Robert Weekley. Passed.*

## **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

### **2010 Budget Review –**

#### **Merrill Lynch Accounts Special Checking Account**

Jack Bidell made a motion to accept the budget report as presented. Seconded by Larry S. Passed.

Women's guild checking account money has been moved into the special accounts fund. Bob suggested that we put the Men's club money on a line item in there also.

The Pension fund has not sent a bill for Father's pension yet.

## **TEAM REPORTS**

4 **Worship (Bob/Jack)**

Old Business –  
Visitations to the Shut-Ins:  
Father is doing visitations.  
New Business –  
Service Schedule – Ash  
Wednesday; Lent; Holy Week;  
Easter:  
Bob will ask Deacon Shirley to do a 10:00 AM service for Ash  
Wed. and Father Marshall to do a 7:30 PM.  
There was some discussion about the Sunday worship music.

**Missions & Outreach (Bruce)**

No special report.

**Evangelism (John)**

There has been no meeting as  
yet. They will try to have a  
meeting Feb 21 after church.

**Education (Fr. Jack)**

Old Business –  
Cleaning of Sunday School Rooms – Great work by all!  
Installation of speaker wire & speakers in Undercroft should be  
done soon. Work date set for Mon Feb 15, 5:00.  
New Business –  
Purchase of a few new toys for Sunday school.

*Shirley Gardinier made a Motion to purchase toys for nursery  
not to exceed \$100, money from nurturing fund. Seconded by  
Jack Bidell. Passed.*

**Nurturing (Sharon/Shirley)**

No report  
We discussed that it would be OK for Carol to be reimbursed for  
cookie supplies for Sundays.

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## **Mother's Day Dinner**

May 8th, 2010  
5:00 pm

The Men's Brotherhood Team invite all mothers, daughters, grandmothers, sisters, etc.

To a Mother's Day Dinner  
In the parish hall.

Please RSVP to  
Mike Ham or Bob Weekley  
by May 2nd.

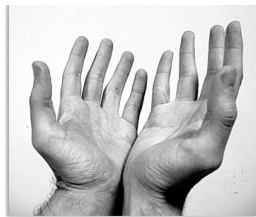
## 2010 Lenten Schedule



**Good Friday:** 7:00 pm Stations of the  
4/2 Cross



**Easter Sunday:** 9:30 am Holy Eucha-  
rist  
4/4 Rite II



## **Please Keep in Prayers**

Eve David, Dennis DiLiberto, Norma Fox,  
Marge Lang, Mildred Sanes, Norma Miranda,  
Helen Neubert, Virginia Bradley, Peg James,  
Chris Stalling, John Garske, Marion Wolford,  
Joe Poltorak, Peg Gorczyca, Gladys Meacham,  
Isabel Gardinier, Glenda Sundin, Gloria Butler,  
Logan Godar, Norma Crump, Fabian Catalano,  
Daniel Mogavero.

Please let us know if someone needs to be  
added or removed from the prayer list.

## **April Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- 1 Larry & Sharon Schlossin**
- 6 Justin Kropczynski**
- 7 Mia Curry**
- 10 Sharon Schlossin**
- 13 Marge Blarr**
- 20 Virginia Bradley**
- 22 James Gibson**  
**Janet Casagrande**
- 23 Norman & Faye Hambridge**
- 28 Jerry Broome**
- 29 Keith Szen**



## **May Birthdays & Anniversaries**

- 1 Cynthia Dedde**
- 3 Diane Meacham**
- 5 Leon & Carol Schatzel**
- 9 Mark Bidell**
- 24 Gary Von Hasseln**
- 26 Norma Miranda**

**Editors Note: We are looking to update the parish listings and hope to publish a new directory. Please remove the page at the right and mail it to the parish office or email the information to us at [st.michaelschurch@verizon.net](mailto:st.michaelschurch@verizon.net) or [maritamar66@yahoo.com](mailto:maritamar66@yahoo.com)**

**2010 DIRECTORY INFO**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Listed
- Unlisted (will not be published)

**Email(s):**  
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**Members of Household:**

<u>Full Name:</u>	<u>Birthday:</u>
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Please include year of birth.  
This is for office purposes only  
and won't be published.

- Check here if you don't want any  
information published in the directory.

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**Administration & Stewardship (Jack/Bob)**

Old Business –

Sacristy Roof repairs –

The roofing people have worked on the roof and are almost finished.

We talked about getting Al Price here to talk about the constructing of the Sunday school wing roof, on Sunday March 7 or March vestry meeting.

Heating system update –

Work beginning on Sunday school wing on Monday.

“Digital” Service Music system Bob checked into prices and is now looking for reputable store.

**Got any bright ideas?**

If you have an idea for the newsletter - an article, a picture, a funny story or joke - please let me know and I'll try to add it to the newsletter. You can either tell me on Sunday, or email your idea to me at [maritamar66@yahoo.com](mailto:maritamar66@yahoo.com). Please also feel free to let me know if I need to make any corrections, additions or deletions.



*-Mary Marshall, editor*

✠ **St. Michael and All Angels Information** ✠  
*Come worship with us*

**Sunday:** 9:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Rev. John A. Marshall, Vicar home: 434-3597  
Rev. Shirley Trail, Deacon home: 892-1563  
Linda Seitz, Music

**Office Information:**

Tabitha Noonan, Secretary  
Office: 836-0220

**Office Hours:**

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 12:00 - 4:00 pm  
*Other times by appointment*

2010 VESTRY	
Sr. Warden:	Jack Bidell
Jr. Warden:	Bob Weekley
Class of 2010:	Sharon Schlossin Bruce Von Hasseln
Class of 2011:	Shirley Gardinier Ed Gorczyca
Class of 2012:	John Neubert Larry Schlossin

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