

MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

JANUARY 30 AND 31

PRESIDERS

Sat	4:00 PM	Reconciliation	Fr. Jojo
	5:00 PM	Fr. Jojo	
Sun	7:00 AM	Fr. Jojo	
	8:00 AM	Fr. Russell	
	9:30 AM	Fr. Russell	
	11:00 AM	Fr. Gene	
	12:30 PM	Fr. Gene	
	6:00 PM	Fr. Gene	

SERVERS

Sat	5:00 PM	S. Phillips; Z. Phillips
Sun	7:00 AM	J. Kanik
	8:00 AM	M. Fiorina; C. Williams
	9:30 AM	R. Bachkosky; A. Lanzillotta
	11:00 AM	B. Durham; A. Durham
	12:30 AM	M. Parode; A. Rutherford
	6:00 PM	C. Sutherin; A. Ruff



Sun	Jan	24	7:00 AM	Paul & Dorothy Meyd
			8:00 AM	Henry Blackowicz
			9:30 AM	Nicholas Chaparro
			11:00 AM	John Berner
			12:30 PM	George Hall, Jr.
			6:00 PM	Paul Raspa
Mon	Jan	25	8:30 AM	Iona McManus
Tues	Jan	26	8:30 AM	Michael Dale
Wed	Jan	27	8:30 AM	B & D Gunness
Thur	Jan	28	8:30 AM	Lindsay Traboulay
Fri	Jan	29	8:30 AM	Frank & Julia Farese
Sat	Jan	30	8:30 AM	Victor Cober
			5:00 PM	Norma Dominique
Sun	Jan	31	7:00 AM	Daniel Shriner
			8:00 AM	Bruce & James Cole
			9:30 AM	William Scott
			11:00 AM	Peter Scarpulla
			12:30 PM	George Hall, Jr.
			6:00 PM	Ed & Mary Reynolds

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Envelopes:	\$14,672.00
Loose Money:	\$3,536.00
Poor Box:	\$1,541.00
2 nd Collection:	\$5,120.00

Mass Attendance last weekend: 2,151



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is from **9:00am every Thursday until 8:30am Friday in the hall. More Substitutes are needed.** It is just one hour a week and will bring many blessings to you! If you would like to be added to the list of guardians or substitutes please call Liz Spears at: 410-923-2618 or e-mail at: espears@comcast.net.

CALENDAR

Sunday January 24

9:30 AM – Children’s Liturgy of the Word (203-204)
2:00 PM – 1st Eucharist Enrollment (Make-Up) Mtg. (Hall)
7:30 PM – Talk with Pat Brady (Hall)

Monday January 25

7:30 PM – Prayer Group (Hall)

Tuesday January 26

Wednesday January 27

Thursday January 28

9:00 AM – Eucharistic Adoration (206)
9:30 AM – Rosary Making (205)
7:00 PM – AA Singles Again – Making Sandwiches (102)

Friday January 29

Saturday January 30

7:30 AM – Cursillo Group (203-204)

Sunday January 31

9:30 AM – Children’s Liturgy of the Word (203-204)

TAX CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

2009 Tax Contribution Statements will be available by request only. Please call the parish office at: 410-729-8594 and leave your name and envelope number. Statements will be mailed at the end of January. Thank you!

OUR LADY OF THE FIELDS WOMEN IN FAITH GROUP

OLF Women in Faith Bible Study **begins Wed. Feb. 3.** The book this session will be “Those Mysterious Priests” by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen (1895-1979). For the Year of The Priest “This work is a veritable treasure of wisdom and insight into the nature and practice of the priesthood...” Come join us! For more info please call Peggy O’Berry at: 410-987-1726.



BASKET BINGO AT OUR LADY OF THE FIELDS

Our annual Basket Bingo will be held on **Fri. Feb. 5th at the Gambrills Athletic Club, 682 McKnew Rd., Gambrills.** Tickets - \$18.00 in advance; \$21.00 at the door. Doors open at: 5:30pm – First Game at 7:00pm. Games, specials, raffles, door prizes and refreshments. Tickets available in the parish office or for more info call 410-729-1702.

WELCOME HOME TO INACTIVE CATHOLICS

Parishioners are again encouraged to invite anyone who has been inactive to consider reconnecting with their faith by joining these welcoming, informative, and confidential WELCOME HOME sessions. The next series will be during Lent - **beginning February 18th and ending on March 25th**, the week before Easter. For details please call Ken Hennigan at 410-987-8701 or the Parish Office.



Lent begins as we have Mass with Ashes on Wed. Feb. 17th:

7:00am & 8:30am
4:30pm (Service for Children)
6:00pm & 7:30pm

FR. GENE'S NOTE

It has been difficult to watch the images of the people of Haiti, victimized helplessly by an earthquake, as they keep coming before my eyes on the T.V. news. Their losses of loved ones to death, their losses of limbs to amputation; their losses of normalcy of life and family - it is all heartbreaking. It is what Paul meant when he wrote in today's Letter to the Corinthians: "when one suffers, all suffer." It is also a reminder, even in their hardships, of constant blessings: a child found alive; a wound healed; a family reunited. Our tears, our hearts, our love and our prayers go out to them. Jesus speaks in our Gospel of being an instrument of recovery for others; let us help by being Jesus - by helping to bring recovery - to them for not just this weekend, but for months to come.

There is an important lesson in today's Gospel about who Jesus is. Many people answer the question: 'what did Jesus do?' by saying he was a carpenter. That is because Joseph, his earthly father who took Mary into his house, was a carpenter; kind of 'like father, like son'. This Gospel shows Jesus in a very different role than carpenter. Jesus in today's Gospel is clearly shown as a teacher; a man of knowledge who can read and interpret the Hebrew Scriptures - a rabbi. This meant that, as He was growing up, Jesus had spent years at the local synagogue studying and learning how to read, and His only text to learn with would have had to be the scrolls of the Hebrew Scriptures. So he read them, prayed over them and found Himself in them. (This is a great model for us to follow with reading the Bible - read, pray over and find ourselves in them!) Jesus did this and we hear the result of His studying in today's Gospel. He finds a passage from Isaiah the Prophet; He proclaims it and, sitting down as the teacher, He claims the passage as referring to Himself and His mission. He identifies Himself with the anointed one of God; He claims the title "The Christ". Jesus will back up this claim with His miracles, and reveal to us all God's love - God's healing and forgiveness - God's gift of salvation.

Please read and respond to the Archbishop's letter about the Annual Appeal that has now begun. I will be conducting the ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL this weekend Jan. 23 - 24 and will present the program for your kind consideration and then, on Jan. 30 -31, we will do the process of the Appeal in the pews. It was a great success last year, and I hope you will consider doing your best again this year.

We will again be helping St. Thomas Aquinas School in the city; Sarah's House for Homeless Families at Fort Meade and Tuition Assistance for families sending their children to Catholic Schools, as well as all the outreaches the Archdiocese supports.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES - ISLAND CELEBRATION FUNDRAISER

Holy Apostles will be having an **Island Celebration Fundraiser on Fri. Feb. 5th from 7-11pm**. Come enjoy a Caribbean buffet, music and fun. There will also be a silent auction. Tickets are \$50.00 per person. For more info call: 410-519-2291.

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

◆ Neh.8: 2-4a; 5-6; 8-10 ◆ 1Cor.12: 12-30 or 12: 12-14; 27 ◆ Lk.1: 1-4; 4: 14-21 ◆

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

The question of the week invites reflection on the Sunday readings and when shared in our environments, we begin to see the hand of God in our lives.

Adults: **Name a moment in your life when you knew Jesus was present in a very special way in your family. How did you know?**

Children: **Jesus is present to each of us in a different way. Describe a time when you knew Jesus was with you.**

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

◆ Jer.1: 4-5; 17-19 ◆ 1Cor.12: 31; 13: 13 or 13: 4-13
◆ Lk.4: 21-30 ◆

PARISH COUNCIL

Our Parish Pastoral Council began the New Year with a retreat last Saturday, led by Deacon Paul Mann of the Archdiocese of Baltimore. Officers for the coming year were elected: Chair is Mike Grieco, Vice-Chair is Chris MacIntire, Recording Secretary is Bitsy Anderson and Corresponding Secretary is Ann Lamdin Thommen.

We are very grateful for the leadership and hard work given to the Council by Howard Larson and Maureen Phillips and all the outgoing Council members over the past two years. The next meeting of the Council is Mon. Feb. 15; if you have any agenda items you, as a parishioner, wish the Council to discuss, please call any member listed on the front of the bulletin and bring it to their attention.

SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION OPEN HOUSE

Jan. 30 from Noon - 3pm: Tours and application packets for incoming 2010-2011 students will be available. For additional info call 410-519-2285.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK CELEBRATION MASS

All are welcome! Please come join us as we celebrate 10 years of excellence in Catholic education at the **5:00pm Mass on Sat. Jan. 30. Fr. Gene will be the celebrant!**

ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

St. Philip Neri School, Linthicum will be holding 2 Open Houses: **Sun. Jan. 31 from 10:30am - Noon and Thurs. Feb. 4th from 8:30am - 11:30am**. For more info please call 410-859-1212x206.

MONSIGNOR SLADE EDU-CARE CENTER

Registrations are now being accepted for the 2010 pre-school programs - both full day and part day. Programs are available for 2's; 3's and 4's. For more info contact Jane Kircher at: 410-760-2024 or arthursladedcare@hotmail.com.

BISHOP'S STATEMENT ON SUPPORT FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

One of the most powerful testimonies to the culture of life is support of pregnant women in need. In the new statement "Set Out in Haste", the Maryland bishops discuss the need to reach out to pregnant women, as well as review recent proposals that target pregnancy resource centers, which provide pregnant women with emotional and material support. To learn more about this issue and how you can help please read the bishops' statement at: www.mdccathcon.org.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Tel: 410-923-2195 – e-mail: olfffaith@yahoo.com

First Eucharist Parent/Child (Make-Up) Meeting:
Today - Sun. Jan. 24th at 2:00pm in the Parish Hall.
Children already enrolled for 1st Eucharist should attend with one parent.

CATECHISTS: Please mark your calendar for:
Teacher Planning Meetings for Lent (Classrooms 203-204):
Grades 6, 7 & 8 - Mon. Feb. 1st from 7:00 – 8:30pm
Grades PK–5 - Thurs. Feb. 4th at 7:00pm or
Fri. Feb. 5th at 10:00am

Incident Weather Policy:
Weekday classes are cancelled whenever Anne Arundel County Public Schools cancel after school activities, close early or for the day because of bad weather.
We are not affected by other school holidays.
For weekend activities and Sunday class cancellations:
Call the Faith Formation office at 410-923-2195 for a recorded message.



BAPTISM: Our faith community welcomes **Scarlett Rose Ray** daughter of Stephen & Erica Ray. Please join us in asking God to bless her and her family.

**MARYLAND CATHOLIC CONFERENCE
TESTIMONY OF CHARITY**

Join Maryland's bishops and hundreds of fellow Catholics on President's Day – **Mon. Feb. 15th** for the 26th Annual Catholic Lobby Night in Annapolis, where this year's theme of "Testimony of Charity" is drawn from Pope Benedict's recent encyclical. Lobby Night is an advocacy event that gives Catholic voters the opportunity to speak in person with their elected officials about issues. Call 410-269-1155 or 301-261-1979 to register and for more info.

PRAYER FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Archbishop Edwin O'Brien has asked that you offer this prayer for Catholic Schools:

Loving god,
we thank you for the mission given us by Jesus to go and make disciples of all nations.
Guide us throughout this year as we study and reflect on the mission of Catholic schools.
Bless our school communities and all who generously support them.
Show us your will to strengthen and enrich these schools that we may give greater glory to you.
We ask all these things through your son, Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God forever and ever.
Amen.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Pray for us.
St. John Neumann Pray for us.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE

Fair Trade coffee, chocolate, olive oil and soap will be on sale by the elevator lobby after all the Masses on the **weekend of Jan 30/31.**

YOUTH MINISTRY

Scott Link - 410-729-1702

Life Teen is the High School Youth Ministry Program at Our Lady of the Fields. We meet every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month after the 6pm Mass.

SKI LIBERTY TRIP – JANUARY 29TH, 2010 – All teens are welcome to join us as we go to Ski Liberty for some night skiing. We will depart OLF at 3pm and arrive home at 12pm. The cost is \$85.00 - includes bus, dinner with lift ticket and rental, \$65 for just lift ticket, and \$65 for tubing (4 hours).



**FR. GENE'S LATEST ADVENTURE
NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA**

Join Fr. Gene next year for a 17-day trip to New Zealand and Australia from Feb. 18 – March 7, 2011. There will be a **meeting here at OLF on Thurs. March 18 at 1:00pm to discuss details.** All are welcome!



WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

All married couples are cordially invited to join Archbishop O'Brien for a special **World Marriage Day Mass and Reception at the Cathedral of Mary our Queen on Sun. Feb. 14th at 3:00pm.** Longest Married Couples from each parish and couples celebrating 50 and 25 years will be recognized. All couples, no matter how long they are married, as well as marriage preparation team couples are encouraged to attend.

LONGEST MARRIED COUPLE AT OLF

Our Lady of the Fields is looking for our longest married couple. To nominate someone call Sue at: 410-987-5171 or Terry & Bitsy Anderson at: 410-987-8407. Couples celebrating **25 and 50 years** should register for special recognition at wmdloughestmarried@gmail.com.

RE-MARRIED IN LOVE COMMUNITY ANNUAL RETREAT

The Re-Married in Love Community is a dedicated group of Faith-Filled Re-married couples who are committed to growing spiritually as couples and individuals and to supporting one another. All Re-Married couples are invited to the Annual Retreat from **Feb. 19-21** at Holy Trinity Spiritual Center, 8400 Park Heights Ave., Baltimore. Cost - \$292 per couple - includes 2 nights and 6 meals. For more info call Lauri Przbysz at: 410-547-5420 or Kay LaHatte at: 410-335-2897.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT & RENEWAL WEEKEND

Marriage Encounter: Make a healthy marriage even better the weekend of **Feb. 19-21.** Register at: www.wwme.net.

MARRIED COUPLES RETREAT

All married couples are invited to attend a "Married Couples" Retreat at Priestfield, WV on the weekends of **Feb. 26;** March 5; March 12; March 19; March 26 and April 30. For more info call Elaine at: 410-252-5355.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Sue Dobrzykowski – 410-987-5171

RITE OF RECEPTION OF BAPTIZED CHRISTIANS INTO THE FULL COMMUNION OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

Our RCIA candidates **Scott Leroux and Erica Randolph** will be joining our faith community on this **Sun. Jan. 24 at the 12:30 pm Mass** with the reception of Eucharist and Confirmation. You are invited to share in this celebration and are asked to pray for Scott and Erica.

ARE YOU YEARNING TO LIVE A DEBT-FREE, STRESS-FREE LIFE?:

Join us on **Sunday, Jan 24 at 7:30 pm** in the hall for a talk, "In God We Trust," with Patrick Brady, author of "Walk Confidently With God." Pat will talk on how he learned to trust God even for his personal finances and using sound biblical and financial principles was able to go from being buried in debt to completely debt free in 8 years. Pat is a parishioner and singer in Lifeteen and currently teaches World Religions and Christian Spirituality at Archbishop Spalding High School in Severn, MD. Books will be on sale that evening.

PRESENTATION ON PRAYER: MANY METHODS, ONE

PURPOSE: Join Sr. Kass Collins, SFCC from Renew International on **Wednesday, Feb. 3 in the Hall, 7:00 to 9:00 pm** for a presentation that explores the richness of prayer in our Catholic heritage. This evening will provide an opportunity for participants to grow in their awareness, understanding, and appreciation of many prayer forms.

STUDY PROGRAM ON PRAYER: Join our spring Why Catholic? small groups as we journey through Part Four of the Catechism, "**Christian Prayer: Deepening My Experience of God.**" In this six-week study, we will look at: Vocal Prayer and Meditation; Contemplative Prayer; Difficulties in Prayer and three sessions on The Lord's Prayer. Sign-up on Feb. 6 & 7 and Feb. 13 & 14. Sessions begin Feb. 15. Eleven small groups meet at homes and at the parish center. Workbooks are available in the office. Join us this Lent and learn what the apostles asked Jesus, "Teach us to pray."

LENTEN EVENING OF REFLECTION USING LECTIO

DIVINA: Take this opportunity to begin the Lenten season learning how to use the practice of Lectio Divina with **Fr. Gene on Sat., Feb. 27 from 6:15 to 7:30 pm in the hall.** This practice helps us read and reflect on Scripture in ways that enable us to hear God speaking to us in our thoughts and hearts and enables us to grow in our spiritual lives. Bibles will be available for sale.

PARISH MISSION: March 1, 2, and 3

with cluster parishes, Elizabeth Seton, St. Joseph, and Holy Apostles. Mission begins Mar 1 with a Penance Service and on Mar 2 & 3 Doug Brummel will present "Lighten Up! A Wise & Witty Celebration of Faith and Family." This Whole Community Celebration is for senior citizens, teens, empty nesters, young adults, school kids and everyone in between! Doug's popular presentation connects faith into everyday life and is filled with ageless wit and wisdom.

LOOKING AHEAD: Morning Workshop on: "**What is Stress, How it affects us and Ways of addressing it,**" will be presented by Dr. Pat Forarelli, Sat., **March 20, 9:30 am to 12:30 pm in the hall.**

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Please e-mail or call the parish office with your prayer requests for the Prayer of the Faithful or our private prayer.

SOCIAL JUSTICE MATTERS

SARAH'S HOUSE

Please join us as we serve dinner to the men, women and children residents of Sarah's House on **Mon. & Tues. Feb. 15th and 16th.** Call Rita at: 410-923-4480 for more info.

PREGNANCY CLINIC

At present, the Pregnancy clinics of Bowie and Severna Park are in need of: diapers (newborn sizes 1 & 2); baby wipes; shampoo, baby wash; powder, ointment and receiving blankets. Other items such as: towels, washcloths, onesies, gowns and even notes of encouragement. Contact Ginger at 410-431-5000 for questions or to arrange delivery.

H.O.P.E. BABY SHOWER

HOPE will be having a Baby Shower on **Sun. Feb. 7th from 9-11am at St. John Lutheran Church, 300 West Maple Rd, Linthicum.** Coffee, juice and a breakfast you won't want to miss will be served! Monetary donations and/or gently used or new infant and toddler items will be collected.



THE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

"When you say your Rosary, the angels rejoice, the Blessed Trinity delights in it, my Son finds joy in it too, and I myself am happier than you can possibly guess. After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, there is nothing in the Church that I love as much as the Rosary."...Our Lady to Blessed Alan de la Roche. Sign up sheets for the pilgrim statue are in the foyer. For more info contact Lana Kanik (410) 674-6180 or (410) 446-5845.

FRANCISCAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land will be from Oct. 25 to Nov. 2, 2010. Fr. Russell Governale, OFM Conv., will be the pilgrimage leader. Brochures are available in the display rack at the entrance to the hall. **Note: Reservation deposit is now due.** For more info contact Susan Burns at: 410-760-6593 or seburns318@comcast.net.

RETRouvaille

Lifeline for Troubled Marriages: Retrouvaille is a Catholic program designed to help hurting couples mend and heal their brokenness. For more info and to register for a weekend retreat call 301-468-6764.

H.O.P.E.

Infant and children's clothing from age 0-14. Diapers, beds - twin, full and queen - complete with mattress, box spring and frame; bunk beds and lamps. Donated or inexpensive warehouse space. Also looking for 1,000 donors who could give 10 cents a day for a year to help cover expenses. For more info, volunteer opportunities and to arrange pick-up call 410-859-1297.

SICK, HOSPITALIZED & SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please keep the following parishioners in your thoughts and prayers:

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| Charles O'Hara | Mary Mills | Rex Mills |
| Rhoda Baldwin | Robert Conner | Helena Scher |
| Chrissy Clemens | Sandy Butala | Dixie Mitchell |
| John Petrovick | Jean Provensa | Erica Bury |
| Marge Crabtree | Ken Boretti | Lelia Davage |
| Carmel Stefanelli | Debbie Baldwin | Joe Bargas |
| Alfred Nelka | Marie & John Schiller Sr. | |
| Eileen Fontana | | |