

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: We have need of someone who can take midnight Friday into Saturday on alternate weeks, also, midnight Saturday into Sunday and a 12 noon on Tuesday. Please call Linda at 301-829-2888 or Diane at 301-898-0833. Thank You!

MOTHER'S DAY AD: St. Peter's Respect Life will be doing a Mother's Day Ad for the Frederick News-Post in appreciation for our moms – with Frederick County Right to Life. The ad message will be "Thanks, Mom, for the Gift of Life!" It is intended to show the sanctity of all human life and to honor mothers for choosing to give life. Donations per line for family name/individual will be \$10 to defray ad's cost. We will be in the Fr. Gene Room in the Parish Center the first two weekends, April 6th and 13th, after all Masses and checks can be made out to (FCRTL) Frederick County Right to Life and we know we will have your generous response. Thank You!

PRAY WITH THE HEART PRAYER GROUP will meet this Wednesday, April 2nd, 7:30pm for Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary and Prayer in the Adoration Chapel.

WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS for our Annual Yard Sale in June, and our Annual Auction in August. Donations MUST be in clean, useable condition. Please do not bog us down with trash! It costs your church money to dispose of junk, so PLEASE review your items, and decide if you really want to give them to the church. **WE ARE NOT ACCEPTING ANY T.V.'S.** Auction items should be of auction quality and value. Couches and upholstered chairs need to be approved by staff. Contact Laura or Janice at 301-898-5111, ext. 13 with any questions. Thank you in advance for your understanding and generosity!

MCPc COMPUTERS is accepting your old computers to refurbish them to sell at a later date. They will be completely cleaned of all your personal information. MCPc computers is a Dell Registered Partner Reseller. You can purchase any of your Dell computers that you have seen in Wal-Mart or internet. We also will give a free estimate on any repairs any Dell laptops or desktops. When you purchase your computer they all come with free delivery, and setup. MCPc computers also custom builds computer to your special needs. **A portion of the sale price will be donated to the St. Peter Building Fund in your name.** Please call Mike 301-639-8280 and we will come and pick up your computers.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Exemplification of the Fourth Degree on Saturday, April 5th. All 4th degree knights are invited to attend the exemplification at 1pm and visit the Assembly hospitality room at the Holiday Inn at the FSK Mall. ...Degrees in our district—1st degree Monday, April 7th at 7:30pm at St. John's on Tuesday the 8th also at St. Johns, Candidates are to report by 7:30pm. ...**Youth Fishing Derby-** sponsored by "Our Lady of the Valley" K of C council 11703 in Middletown, MD Saturday, April 12th from 9 to 11:30am at the Middletown Community Park Pond which is stocked with trout. All parish youth ages up to grade 8 are invited to participate. No fee, registration is on site, hotdogs, sodas, and prizes for all. Identify yourself as a member of St. Peter the Apostle in Libertytown. For more information contact Bob Droter at 301-865-4565. ..Interested in becoming a Knight of Columbus? There are information packets at our mini kiosk in the Parish Center foyer. ...Visit us at st.peterskofc.home.att.net/

ADULT CHURCH SOFTBALL TEAM: St. Peter's will again field a team in the Frederick County Church Softball League, as we have for over 25 years. This is a slow-pitch league which plays games on Sunday afternoons from April till August. Anyone interested in joining the team this year should contact Ivan Palkovic 301-845-4675 or Palkovic@olgchs.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK- Tom McKoy, Andrew Illig, Christina DiGregory, Gail Zigafoose, Mary Hunt, Jamme Ray, Michele Gray, Donald Fischer, Kathy Martin, Tim Stillwater, John Haynes, Denis Ellis, Linda Seifert

Names will be kept on the prayer list for 1 month from the time they are requested. At the end of that time, you may renew your prayer request by calling the Parish Office. Anyone wishing to receive Communion and/or the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the Parish Office.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH: For the safety of the construction workers working on the church.

MOTHER SETON SCHOOL-EMMITSBURG: 1) Open House Wed., Apr. 16th, 10 to 1:30pm with information meeting at 11am. We offer classes for pre-K through 8th grade, with before and after school care, transportation and financial aid available. 2) Free parent & child workshops, Sat., April 5th, 10:30-12:30pm. www.mothersetonschool.org for a list of workshops, times and how to register. 3) Vera Bradley Bingo Sat., April 19th. Bingo begins at 7pm. For details 301-447-3165.

NEED SOME PARENTING TIPS: The nationally acclaimed "*Smart Discipline*" workshop will be at St. John (Westminster) Wed., April 23rd, 7-9pm at the Portico. This dynamic program helps equip parents to make peace in their homes and raise happy successful children. Cost \$10, for more details/purchase tickets call Jordon Tippett 410-848-8443.

VISITATION ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE for prospective parents on Tues., April 29th between 10am-2pm, a Catholic all-girl school for grades PreK3 to 8th. Meet students, parents and teachers to see what makes our all-girl school so special and our academic standards so high. For further information call 301-662-2814 or website www.thevisitationacademy.org.

The 11th Annual Msgr. Echle Memorial Golf Tournament to benefit St. John Regional Catholic School will be held Monday, May 12th at Musket Ridge Golf Club. Player registration forms are available at www.sjrsc.org.

SJRCS Summer Camp – July 7th – August 1st. for any student entering Kindergarten through 4th grade. Hours are 8am - 12noon daily, weekly fee \$135 or \$475 for all four weeks. Registration forms and information available on school website www.sjrsc.org or call Paul Fer 301-662-6722 x 2204.

RETRouvaille MARRIAGE PROGRAM: **Has your MARRIAGE become cold or unloving?** Are you making plans to move out, considering separation or even divorce? There is a Catholic Program called Retrouvaille designed to help hurting couples mend and heal their brokenness. All calls and inquires are confidential. Our next weekend is May 16-18, 2008. For more info call 410-647-0350 or 301-468-6764.

FRIENDS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION scholarship JOHN DENVER TRIBUTE CONCERT: St. Timothy Catholic Church presents the "Friends with You" band in a tribute to John Denver on April 5th at 7:30pm at the Lynfield Event Complex Building No. 5, 10142 Hansonville Rd., Frederick, tickets are \$20 in advance, at the door \$25, call Charlie Abell 301-473-5805 or John Dilley 301-606-5522.

BLESSINGS AND BEGINNINGS: a day of reflection for persons with developmental disabilities, their families and friends, Sun., April 13th 2-7pm at the Bon Secours Spiritual Ctr., Mariottsville. Fr. Joe Breighner is the presenter and Mass celebrant Cost \$10, includes dinner. to register 410-547-5403.

SPRING TO LIFE: Birthright of Frederick presents their annual Spring to Life Luncheon and Silent Auction Sat., April 5th at 12noon at Dutch's Daughter, tickets \$30. For tickets or more information call 301-663-0111.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS
MARCH 30, 2008

ADULT MINISTRY

- **BAPTISM PREP CLASSES** - For parents meets on Tuesday, Tuesday, April 15th or May 20th from 7 – 9 PM in the Birch Library. You need only one godparent and this person must be Catholic; to have celebrated Confirmation; is at least 16 years of age, and is practicing the faith (attending mass each week and celebrating the sacraments)

- **FOR YOUR MARRIAGE** - Visit the website sponsored by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops at: <http://www.foryourmarriage.org/>

Marriage Tip of the Week: Learn something new about your spouse today, no matter how long you've been married.

- **ANNULMENTS** –If you would like information on annulments, contact Carolyn at 301-898-5111 x 14.

- **THANK YOU** to Ken Vaughan, Susan Suprock, Pat Oliver, and Doug Nathan for being catechists on the RCIA team that forms adults desiring to become Catholic! Ken and Susan together have over 25 years of RCIA initiation ministry! Very special thanks to Dorothy Pollock, Kathy Ford, Kay Singer and Jean Sherman for the delicious and lovely Easter Vigil reception! May God continue to bless your ministries!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DATES:**

✠ **April Sessions:**

- April 6, 13, 20, 27 (Pre-School – Grade 2)
- April 7, 14, 21, 28 (Grades 3-5)
- 2008 – 2009 Religious Education

Registration will be available online & in the bulletin after Easter.

- **FIRST EUCHARIST INFORMATION:**

✠ St. Peter's Catholic Community will celebrate First Eucharist on May 10th & 17th. Call Stacy (301-898-5111 ext. 18) to reserve your dates.

Saturday, May 10th is now full.

- **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Join us at the Beach Party June 23 – June 27. Art Coordinator needed. Call Anne Mason or Stacy for details.

**FIRST EUCHARIST
FAMILY DAY**

April 12th

Time: 9AM – 12:30 noon.

(Required for all children celebrating First Communion)

YOUTH MINISTRY

- **ALL YOUTH MINISTRY MEETS TONIGHT!**

- **High School Teens are reminded of the Chastity talk** to be given next Sunday, April 6th at 7PM at St. Katherine Drexel. Permission slips are necessary to attend. Parents are welcome. There will be no **SPY** or 5:45PM Mass next Sunday. JC's Gang & JR SPY will meet as usual.

- **PARENTS:** Save time & gas – feel free to stay in the Birch Library during Youth Ministry.

- **CONFIRMATION –**

✠ A letter has been mailed to the parents of all Confirmation candidates discussing the required letter to the Bishop, Confirmation name and sponsor, personal interviews, and attending the Rite of Confirmation. If you have not received this letter please call the Religious Education office as soon as possible!

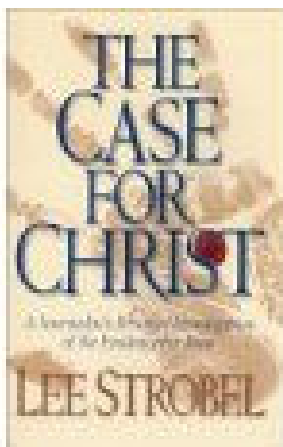
✠ The next small group discussion is Wed. April 2nd. Please remember to bring your letter to the Bishop, any sponsor forms, and your confirmation name to small group.

- **STEUBENVILLE Conference** is June 20th-June 22nd. The cost is \$140.00 A deposit of \$50.00 should be turned into the Religious Education office by March 31st.

- **Appalachia** is July 13th-18th. Sign ups will begin in April. Any adult interested in helping please contact Harry in the Religious Education office.

- **Congratulations to Joe Wolf** – he has been given the Archdiocesan Award "For God and Youth" for his 15 years of invaluable service to the 6th graders and other youth of St. Peter's.

**PARENT MEETING for
Kindergarten – 5th Grade
Monday, April 7th @ 7PM
in Sullivan Hall
Explanation of 2008-2009
religious education calendar!**



The *New York Times* ran an article in January entitled, “Jesus ‘Tomb’ Controversy Reopened.” It appears as if someone has found what is believed to be the burial tomb of Jesus’ family...again.

As Christians, we know they are not going to find the bones of Jesus buried anywhere. The question remains: Can you provide incontrovertible evidence proving Christianity’s claim? Do you have family members who may have stopped practicing their Christian faith or perhaps do not believe in Christ?

You are invited to join us in the study of ***The Case for Christ***. The author, Lee Strobel, was an atheist, an attorney and the legal affairs editor of the *Chicago Tribune*. His wife became a Christian and he then launched an all-out investigation into the facts surround the case for Christianity. Lee posed questions to experts in the fields of history, archeology, ancient literature, and the Scriptures and challenged them with the objections he had as a skeptic.

Here are some of the topics we will be investigating:

- Can the biographies of Jesus be trusted and do they stand up to scrutiny? Have they been reliably preserved for us?
- What does history and archeology say about Jesus?
- Was Jesus really convinced that he was the Son of God or was he just crazy?
- Did Jesus fulfill the attributes of God? Did he match the identity of the Messiah?
- Was Jesus’ death a sham and his resurrection a hoax?
- Was his body really absent from the tomb? Was he seen alive after his death?
- Are there any supporting facts that point to the resurrection?

You be the jury. After studying and investigating this book and researching the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, the evidence is overwhelming for the ***Case for Christ!!***



Register me for *the Case for Christ class!!*

Select One: **Mondays, 9:15 -11:15 a.m. (April 7, – May 27, 2008)**
 Wednesdays 7 - 9 p.m. (April 9 – May 28, 2008)

Name: _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Class Fee: \$10/person **Make checks payable to: St. Peter’s Church**
Mail to: Carolyn Nolan, P.O. Box 278, Libertytown, MD 21762

If you have any questions, contact Carolyn at 301-898-5111 x 14 or via E-Mail at nolanck@hotmail.com.