

ST. PETER'S PARISH

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

DECEMBER 28, 2008

| MASSES | | | |
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| MON | DEC 29 | 7:00pm | FLOWER MEMORIAL |
| TUE | DEC 30 | 8:00am | FLOWER MEMORIAL |
| WED | DEC 31 | 8:00am | FLOWER MEMORIAL |
| | | 5:30pm | FLOWER MEMORIAL |
| THU | JAN 1 | 10:00am | FLOWER MEMORIAL |
| FRI | JAN 2 | 9:00am | COMMUNION SERVICE |
| SAT | JAN 3 | 8:00am | FLOWER MEMORIAL |
| | | 5:30pm | PARISHIONERS |
| SUN | JAN 4 | 7:15am | EDNA WRIGHT |
| | | 9:00am | SPECIAL INTENTION |
| | | 11:00am | ANNE MORRISSEY |
| | | 5:45pm | INT OF KELLY SPRING |

| | GOAL | COLLECTION & EFT FIG. | |
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| *COLLECTION | \$17,060.00 | \$ 17,580.00 | 2,069.00 |
| *POOR BOX | \$ 721.00 | \$ 1,004.25 | 208.00 |
| *CHURCH MORTGAGE MO. | \$ | 5,961.00 | 1,712.00 |
| *CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION | | \$1,217.00 | |

| JANUARY 3 & 4 | | | |
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| | <u>MASS</u> | <u>ALTAR SERVER</u> | <u>LECTOR</u> |
| JAN 3 | 5:30pm | C & G & L MOCHI | FORD & DuBOYCE |
| JAN 4 | 7:15am | DECKERT & HUTCHISON | BOLGER & HAYES |
| | 9:00am | STURM/A THOMAS | CLEMONS & DeNARDIS |
| | 11:00am | L & N DiGREGORY/GORDON | BALLANTINE & GILL |
| | 5:45pm | M & R & S SLATTERY | youth: FORD & RUBELING |
| | | | <u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</u> |
| | | | GAUDINO/KENNEDY/MASON/NOLAN |
| | | | E & K RUSSO/STANLEY |
| | | | KRCMA/VAUGHAN/ZARICK |
| | | | CONKO/NAPLES/LAWN/D & D STURM |
| | | | M & D TERRELL/B & D WADE |
| | | | BALLANTINE/A & M DiGREGORY |
| | | | DIRNDORFER/C & S GORDON/GRIMES |
| | | | JONES/KOEHLER |
| | | | youth: J & K MUNLEY/FORD/J SLATTERY |
| | | | RATCHFORD |

BLESSINGS TO ALL IN THE NEW YEAR

NO 5:45 EVENING MASS THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28TH.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1ST is a HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.
Mass on New Year's Eve is 5:30pm and New Year's Day is 10:00am.

OFFICES ARE CLOSED this week, Thursday and Friday.

NEXT WEEKEND the second collection will be for Church Mortgage. Envelopes are in your packets

JUST A REMINDER that we have hearing aid devices for those who need a little extra help. They are in the Ushers Room. An usher will assist you to learn how to use them.

ALSO, we have gluten free hosts for those who have a wheat allergy. If you are interested, let Fr. John know.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

GN 15: 1-6; 21: 1-3; HB 11: 8-19; LK 2: 22-40

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

IS 60: 1-6; EPH 3: 2-6; MT 2: 1-12

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: D'Jaris Jenkins; Patricia Lilly, Mother of Bob Lilly; Linda Cunningham, wife of Marty Cunningham

IF anyone would like to send Fr. Jim Grear a card, note or give him a call, he resides at 121 Daly St., Phila., Pa. 19148 or call him at 215-462-0447. He would love to hear from you.

ON SUNDAY, January 25th at the 11:00am Mass we will celebrate the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. Some of our children will participate as ministers at that Mass. Erika Haynel, 410-935-9055 will coordinate this effort. If your child attends a Catholic School and would like to participate, please notify her.

BIRTHRIGHT GIVING TREE: Thank you for your help. Those who wish to give and did not get a tag – Birthright especially needs diapers (preemies; size 1 and size 2) and crib sheets this year. Please bring them back unwrapped January 3rd/4th. Our gratitude for your generous hearts.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR- We will be needing flowers on a regular basis to beautify our church. To enable us to do this we are offering opportunities to honor special occasions for the living and deceased for \$80. Please call Rose at 301-606-6419 if you have questions or want to schedule a weekend.

CROSSING GUARD VOLUNTEERS: We are still looking for 10 more crossing guards. Call Phil Burr 443-604-0508 or Rick Gaudino 301-865-1457 if you can donate your time.

ST. PETER'S IS IN NEED OF couches for the Usher's/Bride's Room and for the Parish Center Ladies Room. If you have a sofa in excellent condition, that you would like to donate to the Parish, call Laura at 301-898-51111, ext. 13. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Hours are needed for an alternate Friday into Saturday, midnight hour; 9:00pm Sundays and an occasional sub for 1:00am or 2:00am Sunday into Monday morning. We can always use more people to sub for both day and night hours. Please call Linda 301-829-2888 or Diane 301-898-0833 to take an hour or for more information. Our Chapel's visiting hours are 7am-7pm (but closed the hour of daily Mass or Communion Services). **We are still working**

out the opening of the Chapel. We will keep you posted. Thanks for your understanding and patience.

NEW YEAR'S is on Thursday this year. We will have **volunteer sign-ups for subs in the Chapel** for those who need them.

LIFE MARCH IN D.C. – Thursday, Jan. 22nd. The bus will leave from St. Peter's and we will take sign-ups immediately after the holidays.

RESPECT LIFE EVENT: Weekend of January 24th/25th – Post Card project to ask our legislators to reject FOCA (Freedom of Choice Act) to be conducted in our parish. Please pray for the success of the endeavor.

PRAY WITH THE HEART PRAYER GROUP will not meet again until after the New Year. Merry Christmas and May God Bless You Abundantly throughout the year.

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER: Just a reminder that Electronic Funds Transfer, or EFT, is a dependable and easy way to give your weekly donations to St. Peter's. You can set up for once a month giving on the 1st or 15th of each month, or you can choose bi-monthly giving on the 1st and 15th of the month. EFT allows St. Peter's to be more accurate in budgeting monthly expenses. If you are interested in more information, please call Liz at 301-898-5111 ext. 11.

NOTE: When writing an on-line check to St. Peter's, please remember to designate the purpose of the check (envelope #, Building Fund, etc.). Thank you.

EVENT RENTALS-Please visit our new rental website at www.stpetersrental.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Announcing two new programs for the new year – the council will sponsor a breakfast for all parishioners after the Sunday 7:15 and 9:00 Masses beginning on the January 11, 2009. This will continue on each 2nd Sunday of the month. Proceeds will go to our parish. The other new activity is Ball Room Dancing Lessons on the first and 3rd Saturdays starting January 3rd. The event is planned to go through June. ...On January 4th the council will hold its inaugural 1st degree with its own team at 1pm. We are in need for non speaking parts. Call Team Captain Jim Conko if you can serve 301-831-3167. ...The district is in need of a chancellor for the 2nd degree team, get in touch with DD Bob Droter if interested, 301-865-4565. ...Become a member today, call Grand Knight Jim Zik, 301-829-2872. ...For more council information visit us at st.peterskofc.home.att.net/ "WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE"...To our fellow parishioners – **Happy New Year from the Officer Team and the Men of St. Peter the Apostle Council – THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.**

CONTACT INFORMATION: Have you moved? Have a new phone number? Or email address? Please help keep our records up to date. Please call the Parish Office if you have any changes in you contact information. If you are new to St. Peter's Parish please fill out a registration form located in the vestibule or give us a call at 301-898-5111.

MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE – October 13-25, 2009 – Join Msgr. John on a 12 day, Oct. 13th – Oct. 25th, 2009 cruise from Rome to Naples, Athens, Ephesus, Istanbul, Mykonos, Cairo and Alexander (to see the Pyramids) and back to Rome. Price range from \$3,500 to \$5,300 depending which cabin is chosen. Without air fare, prices range from \$1,900 to \$3,800. For more information call Diana Reuling at 301-663-0485 or e-mail dreuling@2ytc.com. Includes airfare to Rome, meals, taxes, port charges and cruise fare.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK - Mary Unglesbee, Tom and Mary Ellen McKoy, Victoria Gruodis, Barbara Slick, John Seifert, Kerry Santullo, Benjamin Larrick, Adam Berlin, Kathy King, Joe Good, Laura Anne Luszenski, Robert Lapanne, Deacon Mike Misulia, Roy Haynes, Nicole Hickey, Richard Duncan, Ed Sadler, Myrtle Carlin, Maryanne Mason, Jessica Smith, Gabby Cannella, Joshua Wade, Ann Fowler, Joanne Racheff, Dot Delair, Judy Churco

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.

ST. JOHN'S REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL applications for the 2009-10 school year are now being accepted for new students enrolling in Pre-K through 8th grade. Download forms from our website www.sjrccs.org. Tuition and financial aid information will be available in January. Questions about the enrollment process can be directed to Jean Wright, Admissions Director, 301-695-9358 or jwright@sjrccs.org

JOHN DENVER TRIBUTE CONCERT: St. John Regional Catholic School is sponsoring the "Friends With You" band, John Denver Concert Sat., March 21st, 2009 at the Weinberg Center in Frederick. For tickets and information 301-600-2828.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Are we willing to have the faith of Mary in believing the angel? Do we have faith in our spouse that will give us the strength to make our Sacrament holy? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Feb. 8-10 and August 8-10, 2009. For more information or to register call toll free 1-877-558-LOVE (5683) or visit our Web site at <http://wwme.net>.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY: Parishes are invited to nominate a couple to represent them at the annual World Marriage Day liturgy at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen, February 8th at 3:00pm. Archbishop O'Brien will preside at the Mass. Parishes send nominee names to wmdlougestmarried@gmail.com. Couples celebrating 25 and 50 years email wmdjubilee@gmail.com. All married couples are invited to attend, as well as priests and deacons from throughout the Archdiocese. A reception follows in the parish hall. Sponsored by the Division of Evangelization and Catechesis and World-Wide Marriage Encounter.

GABRIEL NETWORK: Are you facing an unexpected pregnancy? Would you like to learn more about parenting? The Gabriel Network is offering a Health Class for New Moms. If you are interested please contact Katherine Hancock at 301-850-4733 before January 1, 2009.

SUFFERING POST-ABORTION SYNDROME? Call **Project Rachel** – 1-800-286-4224 or **Birthingright**, 301-663-0111

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES, ROME – Join with fellow parishioners on a pilgrimage to Lourdes, Rome and points between, led by Rev. Leo Patalinghug! May 11- 21, 2009; cost \$3,099 from Washington DC. This trip will fill up very quickly! Contact Ginny Emerson, 301-842-2325.

ALLIANCE OF FILIPINO CATHOLIC & CHARISMATIC PRAYER COMMUNITIES 15th National Convention on June 26-28, 2009 at Baltimore Convention Center. It will be alive with joyful praising, heartfelt fellowship and stirring preaching. \$40/adults and \$20/youth. To sign up, call Lita 410-570-3936.

TRAVELING CATHOLICS: For nationwide Mass times go to www.masstimes.org or call 1-800-527-7846.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

December 28, 2008

ADULT MINISTRY

Carolyn Nolan: cnolan@archbalt.org

Marriage Tip of the Week: "On the fourth day of Christmas my true love gave to me..." How do you call your true love? Do you have a pet name? Say it with special tenderness today.

Ten Great Dates program being offered to help make your marriage a high priority!

- **Baptism Prep Classes** - meets on Tuesday, January 20 or February 17, 2009 from 7 – 9 pm in the Fr. Gene Room in the upper hall of the Parish Center. 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.)
- **Annulments** –If you would like information on annulments, contact Carolyn at 301-898-5111 x 14.

ADULT CLASSES

- **10 GREAT DATES** – Do something really great for your marriage and make a date with your spouse! The next date is Saturday, January 10 at 7 pm at St. John, Frederick. The topic is *Becoming an Encourager*. Cost is \$15/book/couple.
- **BIBLE STUDY – St. Paul on the Sacraments** begins Wednesday, January 7 at 7 pm in the parish center. Learn what St. Paul taught about each of the sacraments in his various letters to the Early Church. Cost \$10 for the book.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Anne Mason: amason@archbalt.org

JANUARY CALENDAR:

Monday : 5th, 12th & 26th AND Tuesday: 6th, 13th & 27th
As a reminder, these are the start times for our classes:

Monday: 5PM & Monday 6:45PM

Tuesday 6:15PM

All classes are 1 hr. 15 minutes – please make every effort to be on time to class.

Catechist Information: Catechist Meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, January 20th @ 7PM.** "Leading Meaningful Prayer Experiences for Children".

Sac Prep Information:

- Beginning January 5th – Call Stacy 301-898-5111 Ext. 18 to reserve your date for First Communion. Saturday May 9th or 16th @ 10:30AM.
- February 14th: 9am – 12Noon, Reconciliation Retreat . BOOKS DUE!
- February 17th: 7PM Reconciliation Service

YOUTH MINISTRY

Harry Ford: hford@archbalt.org

The new youth ministry web page is up and operational! Please check it out for the latest in news, pictures, and events!
www.stpeter-libertytown.org.

On behalf of St. Peter's food pantry, Joe Dombek thanks all SPY, Jr. SPY and JC's gang who donated food at the Christmas party.

JC's Gang is having a retreat! On Jan. 10th from 1PM -5PM in Sappington Hall. Theme of the Retreat is "Storytelling and the Bible!" Cost is \$8.00. Call or e-mail the Rel. Ed. Office by Jan 4th to register.

There is **NO Youth Ministry or 5:45 Mass on the 28th of December!** Please note this!

CONFIRMATION

- **Confirmation program begins January 17th.** The first mini-session runs from 10AM – 5PM. Bring a bag lunch. **Continue to send in the Confirmation information sheet . Please fill in missing information and return as soon as possible. Thank you!**
- **Information letters were sent to both parents & Confirmandi last week** – please call the office if you did not receive these letters.
- **Confirmation Peer Ministers!** If you haven't been through the "Worthy of the Call" training, you must attend the session on Mon. Dec. 29th in the basement of the Parish Center. Please call Harry to register or if you have any questions concerning your status.

Adults interested in becoming a Youth Minister or working on the Confirmation Team, call Harry for further information

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY:

- * If Frederick County Public Schools **are closed**... we **do not** have sessions for children or adults.
- * If FCPS **close early**...we **do not** have sessions for children or adults.
- * **Youth Ministry**...tune into WTTR and WFRE – decisions will be made as early as possible.
- * Announcements will also be on radio stations... WTTR and WFRE after 3PM Monday through Friday.
- * Weekend Mass will take place as usual unless otherwise noted.