

ST. PETER'S PARISH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 29, 2009

		<u>MASSES</u>			
MON	MAR 30	7:00pm	INT OF KATE LOHMANN		
TUE	MAR 31	8:00am	FRAN EGGERS		
WED	APR 1	8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE		
THU	APR 2	8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE		
FRI	APR 3	9:00am	PRO-LIFE INTENTIONS		
SAT	APR 4	8:00am	INT OF GRIMES FAMILY		
		5:30pm	WALLACE MABEN		
		208.00			
SUN	APR 5	7:15am	COLLEEN DEAN	*COLLECTION	GOAL \$17,060.00
		9:00am	INT OF CHURCO FAMILY	*POOR BOX	\$ 721.00
		11:00am	PARISHIONERS		\$ 16,068.00
		5:45pm	INT OF JOAN STIENS	*CHURCH MORTGAGE MO.	\$ 7,647.00
					2,069.00
					785.40
					1,712.00

		<u>APRIL 2, 3, 4 & 5</u>			
	<u>MASS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVER</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION</u>	
APR 2	7:30pm		JACKSON (Reconciliation)		
APR 3	7:30pm	E & P GILL, THOMAS (Stations of the Cross)			
APR 4	5:30pm	M & P DuBOYCE/NORRIS	LAWRENCE/DuBOYCE	GAUDINO/HOEHL/KENNEDY/MASON/NOLAN STANLEY/TERCERO	
APR 5	7:15am	GREGORY/HUTCHINSON/SMELLER	POSKA/HAYES	KRCMA/SMELLER/ZARICK	
	9:00am	A & B RICE	CLEMONS & GAUDLIP	CONKO/DORSCH/B&S GORMAN/SIMONS	
	11:00am	J & T MOXLEY	GETSINGER & MOXLEY	WEAVER/D&S WILKS/WOODCOCK	
	5:45pm	J&P&T RUBELING	youth:FORD & RUBELING	MOXLELY/PALMER/PALMISANO/POOLE SCHABDACH/SIMON/SUPROCK/THOMPSON TURLIK	
				youth:RATCHFORD/NELABOVIGE/SLATTERY ADAMS/DENNY	

NEXT SUNDAY IS PALM SUNDAY. We will begin each Mass with a blessing of Palms on the Patio area and then process into the Church. (At the 7:15am we will gather in the foyer instead of the Patio).

NEXT WEEKEND the second collection will be for the Church Mortgage.

COFFEE AND DONUTS will be served in Sappington Hall next weekend.

DURING THE TRIDUUM (Holy Thursday-Easter Vigil), the votive light candles will be removed from the church. As the candles are 6 day candle, the last day to light a votive candle prior to Easter will be this Thursday.

THIS IS THE WEEK TO GO TO CONFESSION (There are no scheduled confessions next week).

AREA RECONCILIATION SERVICES ARE AS FOLLOWS:
St. Katharine Drexel on Opossumtown Pike –

Monday, March 30th, 7:30pm
St. John, Frederick, Second St. – Tuesday, March 31, 7:30pm
St. Peter's, Libertytown – Thursday, April 2nd, 7:30pm

There will be 8-10 priests at each service. In addition, there are confessions Wednesday evening at St. Peter's from 7-8:30pm and on Sat. 2:30 – 5:00pm.

THIS FRIDAY, APRIL 3RD OUR FIRST TENEBRAE SERVICE will be held at 8:00pm. This will take the place instead of the Stations of the Cross. It will be a unique experience of celebrating the Lords Passion and I encourage you to come and participate in this ancient ritual. It will set a good tone for the upcoming Holy Week.

TWO IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER: April 10th, Good Friday the Divine Mercy nine day Novena begins. Sunday, April 19th, Divine Mercy Mass at 11am with outdoor Procession following.

IF YOU ARE NOT REGISTERED IN THE PARISH, next weekend the Parish Council will host a table for people to register.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS
JER 31: 31-34; HEB 5: 7-9; JN 12: 20-33

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS
MK 11: 1-10; IS 50:4-7; PHIL 2:6-11; MK 14:1-47

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: Matthew Furman, father of Laura Ruddy; Blanche White, adopted mother of Albertus-Hugo and Evelyn Van den Bogaard

ST. PETER'S LADIES CLUB meeting will be on April 3rd at 10:00am in Sullivan Hall. Bring your lunch. Drinks and dessert will be furnished.

ST PETER'S FOOD PANTRY will be giving out "Easter Dinners" to those in need. As in the past, we ask your support by donating \$25.00 for a dinner, payable to St. Peter's and dropped in the poor box. Thank you!

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL: If you would like to make a contribution toward the Easter Flowers in memory or in honor of someone, please use the Easter Flower Envelope that are in the vestibule. Please return them in the collection basket by April 5th.

HANDMAIDS: Help keep our new church beautiful by cleaning once a month on Fridays and/or Saturdays. Please call Diane at 301-898-0833.

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 Lucia Kline 301-865-5243 or Mary Burr 410-861-6206 if you have questions or want to schedule a weekend. **Also,** any donations that one would like to contribute to the Flower Fund will go to the weekly beautification of our Church. All donations are appreciated.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Hours are needed for 6pm Tuesday and a 12 noon on Friday. 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 info.

PRO-LIFE ACTION: Upset about Pres. Obama's lifting of the ban on tax funds for overseas abortion and Embryo Stem Cell research? Call him and congress and let them know, also tell them you want to keep the Dickey-Wicker Amendment prohibiting tax dollars for embryo research and keep the Hyde Amendment which prohibits tax funds for abortion. White House comment line 202-456-1111, Congress switchboard 202-224-3121 – call MD Senators Barbara Mikulski and Ben Cardin. Dem. Whip Harry Reid and Rep. Minority Whip Mitch McConnell. MD Rep. Roscoe Bartlett, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Minority Leader John Boehner. Please keep all of this in your daily prayers.

HELP: LIMITED-TIME PROLIFE ACTION ends April 9th, Dept. of Health and Human Services (HHS) invites public comment on Admin's proposal to lift conscience protection of doctors, hospitals and health care workers (concerns abortions, morning after pills (abontificants) contraceptives, etc.)! Comments on this proposed Rescission are due by April 9th, 2009.

COMMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED electronically at www.regulations.gov. Click on regulations.gov In search box, type: proposedrescission@hhs.gov; click go; click on "send a comment or submission"; fill in your name and the comment box and go to bottom of page, click on next and again go to bottom of page to print your comments, click submit. Or mail your comments to Attn: Rescission Proposal Comments, Hubert H. Humphrey Bldg., 200 Independence Ave., S.W. Rm. 716G, Washington, DC 20201. (You need to send 2 copies with your letter as comments will be made public (no personal info is made public).

PRAY WITH THE HEART PRAYER GROUP will meet this Wednesday, April 1st, 7:30pm for Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary and Prayer in the Adoration Chapel.

THERE IS AN IMMEDIATE NEED FOR A LAPTOP AND LCD PROJECTOR for use in both children's and youth ministry. If any parishioner has access to either and is willing to donate the item, please contact Anne Mason or Harry Ford as soon as possible 301-898-5111.

ANNUAL YARD SALE: We are gearing up for our Annual Yard Sale on **June 6th**. If you would like to donate yard sale items, please make sure that they are in CLEAN, WORKABLE order. You may drop your items off in the red shed out front of the Parish Office Building anytime of the day or week. Thank you in advance for your donations to this fundraiser. Please do not use the Yard Sale as an excuse to rid your home of junk. If it belongs in the trash, then please use the County Dump to throw unwanted or broken things away. It costs the parish time and money to dispose of trash, which will defeat the purpose of the fundraiser.

If you would like to donate furniture or larger items for the Auction in August please contact Laura 301-898-5111 ext. 13.

THANKS TO ALL who came out to give blood. There were 42 people who donated. God Bless your generosity!

THE LOST & FOUND is in back of church by the main entrance. There are gloves, scarves, books and much more, please check it out to see if any of these items are yours.

WHAT DOES A PARISH NURSE DO? As a professional Registered nurse, the parish nurse follows the same professional rules as a nurse in a hospital. All the information you share is kept confidential. If there is some information you

want her to share, she will only share with your permission. All the records are confidential as well.

The parish nurse can work with other volunteers to help provide health education and assistance to people in the faith community. These volunteers would be under the same rules of confidentiality. For more information call Marybeth Terrell 301-845-6572.

GRILL RAFFLE: A gas grill will be raffled off in support of the SPY Appalachia Work Camp to be conducted in Preston County, WV July 12-18, 2009. Tickets will be on sale in the Church Narthax on Sundays (except Easter) through May 17th. Sales will be in Sappington Hall on Palm Sunday. Drawing will be held after the last mass on the 17th. This is a very important St. Peter's program that assists the disadvantaged with home repairs and affords our youth valuable lessons in compassion, love, and the responsibility, through God, to those in need. Please be generous in your support.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 13290: New members- The council is still accepting applications for our May 3rd induction ceremony. Contact Grand Knight Jim Zik for information 301-829-2872. ...Council leadership nominations will take place during April, if you wish to serve your council in a leadership role, please contact Deputy Grand Knight Ed Kutlik. ...**First Degree-** There will be a First Degree at St. Peter's on Sunday, April 5th at 1:30pm; Candidates to arrive by 1:00pm, degree team by 12:30pm. The council extends its thanks to all that have worked our many events this past three months as well as to all that supported them. ...**EASTER EGG HUNT:** The council will hold the annual parish Ester Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 11th on the parish campus. Watch for a flyer in next weeks bulletin. ...**DANCE LESSON- THE NEXT DANCE WILL FEATURE THE Samba** on Saturday, April 4th at 7:30pm. Mike Santos instructing. ...**Sunday – Monthly Breakfast –** The April 12th Breakfast will not be held as it is Easter Sunday. The Knights sponsored breakfasts will resume on June 14th. There will be a special Mother's Day Breakfast on May 10th, under parish sponsorship. ...**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT US AT** st.peterskofc.home.att.net/ "WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE"

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK - Mary Unglesbee, Tom and Mary Ellen McKay, Deacon Mike Misulia, Ed Sadler, Myrtle Carlin, Judy Churco, Brittany Dodd, Ann Fowler, Baby Hope, Baby Charlie, Joshua Wade, Gabby Cannella, Ed Noonan, Joseph Andreano, Nick& Nicole Derita, Eileen Kiley, Anne Neher, Rachael Miller, Suzanne Brodt, Dianne Rice, Melissa Eakle, Charles Payne, Andrew Illig, Bill Wiskman, Rolinda Sweitzer Bernadette Plesniak, Scott Walsh
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 are being accepted for Pre-K through 8th grade for the 2009-10 school year. Download forms at www.sjrsc.org. Contact Jean Wright 301-695-9358 or jwright@sjrsc.org for more info.

PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE – Tuesday, March 31st, 9-11am. Visit classrooms, view curriculum and meet teachers. Applications for 2009-10 school year will be accepted. The school is located at 8414 Opossumtown Pike.

MSGR. ECHLE GOLF TOURNAMENT Mon., May 4 at Musket Ridge Golf Club. Tickets and sponsorships now available. For applications and sponsor forms, visit www.sjrscparents.org/fair.

VERA BRADLEY BINGO at **Mother Seton School**, Emmitsburg on Sat., April 25th, doors open 6pm, Bingo begins at 7pm. For advance purchase call 301-447-3161.

THE VISITATION ACADEMY will have a Raffle, grand prize is \$10,000, 2 second prizes of \$1,000. ONLY 600 tickets will be sold! Drawing May 9th, for tickets call Visitation Academy weekdays 8am-3pm 301-662-2814, Cindy 410-456-5501/sellersn@aol.com or Kirsten 301-908-1366/kirstentydings@yahoo.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

March 29, 2009

ADULT MINISTRY

Carolyn Nolan: cnolan@archbalt.org

Marriage Tip of the Week: Of course you love your spouse and may even say, "I love you" frequently, but sometimes it's nice to add something like, "I'm really glad I married you because...".

Visit www.foryourmarriage.org

- **Baptism Prep Classes** - meets on Tuesday, April 21 or May 19 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 Friday, April 17 at 7 pm at St. Peter's in the Parish Center. The topic is *Building a Creative Love Life*.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Anne Mason: amason@archbalt.org

MARCH CALENDAR:

Monday : 30th AND

Tuesday: 31st

Religious Education Registration 2009-2010 - Coming after Easter! Classes will remain on Monday and Tuesday evening for Preschool through Grade 5...volunteers will be needed to keep our parish program growing...think about joining our parish team of dynamic catechists! Call: Anne for details.

First Eucharist

- First Eucharist Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, April 25th – *Check in time is 8:45AM.*

All children should bring their text, *The Gift of Eucharist*, to the retreat! Their names should be printed clearly on the FRONT cover.

✠ First Communion May 9th @ 10:30AM – *Practice will be Friday, May 8th @ 7PM in the church.*

✠ First Communion May 16th @ 10:30AM – *Practice will be Friday, May 15th @ 7PM in the church.*

Vacation Bible School: Come climb to new heights as we "Experience and Discover God Everywhere-EDGE" the week of June 22-26 from 9am until 12noon! A week of fun with Scripture stories, crafts, games, songs, skits, snacks and friends! Watch for registration after Easter in the bulletin or online!

- ★ Ages 4 through Grade 6 in sessions...Grades 7-12 as Junior Leaders

- ★ **Adult Leaders** needed to be Group Leaders

- ★ **Nursery Leader** needed for the volunteers children!

- ★ **Wish List:** Artificial Green Christmas Trees, tents, camping gear, oars, blue tarp.

Call: Anne or Stacy @301-898-5111 Ext.17 or 18

- ★ STAND /WOTC – Reminder to all volunteers, **both teens and adults** must be STAND compliant. See Stacy for information.

- ★ **TEAM MEETING:** April 16th @ 7PM. Please make every effort to attend – materials will be distributed at this meeting.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Harry Ford: hford@archbalt.org

SPY:

- 30 Hour Fast Lock-in and trip to Baltimore Pilgrimage is planned for April 3-4 in the basement of the Parish Center. Final Details will be available at SPY on March 29th.

- Steubenville and Appalachia Signups are now open. Deposit for Steubenville is due by April 19th. Come to SPY for news concerning Steubenville.

- SPY will be running a raffle for a gas grill. Proceeds will help pay for your way to Appalachia, details at SPY as to how you can earn credits towards this trip.

JR SPY

- **NO JR SPY TONIGHT!**

CONFIRMATION

- Next small group meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 15th or Thursday, April 16th. Letters to the bishop are due no later than April 16th.

Tenebrae Service

April 3, 8 p.m. in the Church

The word "tenebrae" comes from the Latin meaning "darkness." Tenebrae is a public singing of Matins (a night office) and Lauds (a morning office) part of the old form of Liturgy of Hours. The tone of the liturgy is one of mourning and a ceremony of light. A triangular candle stand with fifteen candles is used. In the service itself are scriptural readings and musical settings on the Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ. After each reading and musical setting these candles are extinguished one by one. After the last candle is extinguished a prayer is offered in darkness and one candle is re-lit. The assembly is asked to leave in SILENCE. All are welcomed to come and participate in this beautiful service. Tenebrae will spiritually prepare you for the holiest season of the Liturgical Year.

Let us now learn the meaning of these ceremonies. The glory of the Son of God was obscured and, so to say, eclipsed, by the ignominies He endured during His Passion. He, the Light of the world, powerful in word and work, Who but a few days ago was proclaimed King by the citizens of Jerusalem, is now robbed of all his honors. He is, says Isaias, the Man of sorrows, a leper (Isaias 53:3,4). He is, says the royal prophet, a worm of the earth, and no man (Psalm 21:7). He is, as He says of himself, an object of shame even to his own disciples, for they are all scandalized in him (Mark 14:27) and abandon Him; even Peter protests that he never knew Him. This desertion on the part of His apostles and disciples is expressed by the candles being extinguished, one after the other. Jesus, our Light, though despised and hidden, is not extinguished. This is signified by the candle which is momentarily placed on the altar; it symbolizes our Redeemer suffering and dying on Calvary. In order to express His burial, the candle is hidden behind the altar; its light disappears. A confused noise is heard in the house of God, where all is now darkness. This noise and gloom express the convulsions of nature when Jesus expired on the cross: the earth shook, the rocks were split, and the dead came forth from their tombs. The candle suddenly reappears; its light is as fair as ever. The noise is hushed, and homage is paid to the Conqueror of death.

Please reserve April 3 and bring your families to this very prayerful experience of the Passion of Our Lord.

