

ST. PETER'S PARISH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 3, 2009

			<u>MASSES</u>			
MON	MAY 4	7:00pm	JIM LEE			
TUE	MAY 5	8:00am	BILLOTTI – WOOD FAMILY			
WED	MAY 6	8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE			
THU	MAY 7	8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE			
FRI	MAY 8	9:00am	PRO-LIFE INTENTION			
SAT	MAY 9	8:00am	INT OF GRIMES FAMILY			
		5:30pm	FLOWER MEMORIAL		GOAL	COLLECTION & EFT FIG
SUN	MAY 10	7:15am	FLOWER MEMORIAL	*COLLECTION	\$ 17,060.00	\$ 13,942.39 2,069.00
		9:00am	HELEN MABEN	*POOR BOX	\$ 721.00	\$ 288.00
		11:00am	PARISHIONERS	*CHURCH MORTGAGE MO.	\$ 9,567.50	1,712.00

		<u>ALTAR SERVER</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION</u>
MAY 9	5:30pm	A & K THOMAS/C RATCHFORD	SCHIEBER/DuBOYCE	GAUDINO/HOEHL/KENNEDY/NOLAN/E&K RUSSO RATCHFORD
MAY 10	7:15am	M & B MOCHI	GRIBEN/KUTLIK	SMELLER/TERCERO/VAUGHAN
	9:00am	C & C GAUDLIP	NAU/CLEMONS	GRABENSSTEIN/GRANT/GRUODIS/LAWN/NAPLES POLLOCK/PUGH/ROAN/SIMONS
	11:00am	M & M MERKEL/S SUPROCK	LILLY/GILL	KYLE/MARLEY/MAGUIRE/MOXLEY/J&S MULVEY PALMISANO/POOLE/SCHABDACH

DEAR PARISHIONERS,

The Archdiocesan Personnel Office will be holding a consultation evening on Tuesday, May 12th to get input from parishioners on what qualities you are seeking in the new pastor and what are the defining characteristics of our Parish. All interested parishioners are invited to attend. The gathering will be at 7:30pm in the Parish Center.

HOLD THE DATE: A farewell to Fr. John picnic will be held on Saturday, June 20th after the 5:30pm Mass.

OUR ANNUAL MAY DAY PROCESSION is this Sunday, May 3rd, following the 11am Mass. Like all ~~years~~ Mary loves to see her children gathered together. Plan to process in prayer and song with your parish family to our outdoor grotto where we will then crown the statue of our Blessed Mother. Like all ~~years~~ Mary loves to see her children gathered together.

TO HONOR MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD we will have the recitation of the Rosary each Saturday of May prior to the 5:30pm Vigil Mass . please join us in this pious practice beginning at 5:05pm!

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

DEACONATE ORDINATIONS are Saturday, May 23rd at 10am at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen, 5200 N. Charles St. Our parish will be well represented as Joseph Gill will be ordained as a transitory deacon (meaning he plans to go on to be ordained a priest), and John Martin and Doug Nathan are being ordained as permanent deacons. This is a great opportunity to witness an ordination. I hope many of you can be present to support these guys at their ordinations.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

ACTS 4: 8-12; 1 JN 3:1-2; JN 10: 11-18

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

ACTS 9: 26-31; 1 JN 3: 18-24; JN 15: 1-8

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE meets on Thursday, May 7th at 8pm in the Parish Office Building.

MOTHER'S DAY SPIRITUAL BOUQUET MASS CARDS are available in the back of church today. Special Masses will be offered on Mother's Day for requests submitted. Donations can be placed in the special marked pink bag in the vestibule of the Church or collection basket by May 3rd.

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.

HANDMAIDS: Help keep our new church beautiful by cleaning once a month on Fridays and/or Saturdays or if you would like to be a substitute. Please call Diane 301-898-0833.

CROSSING GUARD VOLUNTEERS: We are still looking for 5 more crossing guard volunteers. They must be at least 21 years old. Call Phil Burr 443-604-0508 or Rick Gaudino 301-865-1457 if you can donate your time or have questions.

NEEDS A RIDE TO SUNDAY MASS: Looking for someone to bring her mother to either 9:00 or 11:00am Mass. Her mother is 88years old and lives off Rt. 75 on Old Annapolis Road. If you can help please call Stephanie Hawthorne 240-285-7927.

GABRIEL NETWORK is in need of a baby car seat. Call Catharine Martin 301-865-9089.

GIFT CARDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE for the Wal-mart and Outback/Bonefish/Carrabas as well as our regular stores.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY . The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ is June 14th this year. A procession of the Most Blessed Sacrament will follow the 11am Mass with outdoor Benediction under the Pavilion. All are invited on this great day of the Blessed Sacrament. You are asked to bring a flower (some will be provided) which will be given at Benediction before the altar. Potluck picnic to follow at the Pavilion.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: 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.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION: Please continue to pray for your baby.

MORE PRO-LIFE ACTION: Because the new administration is firmly pro-abortion, we need to be pro-active, even pestering our Senators Cardin and Mikulski . both pro-abortion . not to pass immoral measures which use our tax moneys to take life. You may want to call the White House comment line . 202-456-1111 or the U.S. Capitol switchboard . 202-224-3121 (ask for our Senators) and register your displeasure and opposition at the new directive to fund overseas abortions, to give more funds to title X (planned parenthoods) and the whole agenda of the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA). Our voice needs to be heard and our prayers constant. Thank You!

THERE IS ROOM AT THE INN: Room has become available at Mary's House, a non-denominational Christian Pregnancy Support Home for women who are homeless or will soon become homeless as the result of their refusal to abort. If you know someone who meets this criteria, please have them call Ron or Bea at 301-845-1234. Or, if you notify us of the need, we will reach out to the young woman

PRAY WITH THE HEART PRAYER GROUP will meet this Wednesday, May 6th, 7:30pm for Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary and Prayer in the Adoration Chapel.

CALL FOR PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: Parish Council elections will be held over the third weekend in May. There will be three vacancies that will need to be filled so we need a minimum of six candidates. Please take a few moments to consider putting your name into consideration or nominate someone you feel has a calling to this ministry. With our new church building completed, this is an exciting time for our Parish as we grow into our new space. Please give thoughtful consideration to this call for nominations. Contact Mike Horrigan at 410-549-1463 or email him at thehorrigan@comcast.net by April 27th if you have questions or wish to make a nomination.

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.

MULCH FOR SALE to benefit St. Peter's Mortgage Fund. We are selling mulch this year at the back parking lot, this Sunday after all the masses, 10 bags \$35 (\$3.50 a bag); or \$3.75 each, free delivery for 15 bags or more within a 15 mile radius. For delivery call Grant Deckert 301-788-4281.

SENSITIVE TO THE LEGAL, CULTURAL, AND MORAL PRESSURES facing Catholic healthcare professionals, Archbishop O'Brien invites them to join him on May 9th at St. Joseph Medical Center, Towson, MD for the 1st Annual Symposium for Catholic Medical Professionals, Conscience and Ethical Dilemmas in Catholic Healthcare. This event will feature Dr. Janet Smith's *Humanæ Vitæ and Conscience* and a panel addressing rights of conscience; providing healthcare that truly reflects a Catholic approach to human life, the body, and fertility; and practical issues facing a Catholic physician. Panelists include Dr. John Brehany, Executive Director of the Catholic Medical Association; Mark Rienzi, JD,

Counsel at WilmerHale; and Dr. John Bruchalski, MD. For more information, please see www.archbalt.org/respect-life/catholic-healthcare-symposium/.

PARISH NURSE NOTES: National Donate Life Month . 20 million Americans have kidney disease. The most common causes of kidney disease are diabetes and high blood pressure. It can be treated if detected early but since early kidney disease has no symptoms, routine screening by your doctor is important. Controlling you blood pressure and diabetes with regular follow-ups is necessary. Kidney disease leads to kidney failure so that the person needs dialysis three days a week or transplant. The good news, 128,000 kidney transplants are making people healthy again. Marybeth Terrell, Parish Nurse 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 through May 17th. 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 13290: Council Elections will take place on our business meeting on May 19th, plan to attend. Nominations were placed on the record at our April 21st meeting. • Make plans to help out or play in our annual charity / parish building fund Golf Tournament on Friday, June 12th. • Other coming events on our council calendar include assisting with the ushering for our Parish's 1st Communion services on May 9th and 16th; the annual Maryland State Convention on May 15th . 17th, and the parish Corpus Christi Procession as well as our dance lessons through June. Contact either Program chairman Marty Nau 301-620-0658 or Gk Jim Zik 301-829-2872 if you can help out. • We wish to congratulate our new 3rd degree knights: Kent Hunter, Philip Bohrer, Sean Gannon and Shawn Curry • Ask a Catholic man to become a Knight of Columbus! Remember We Are Called To Serve • For more council information, • visit us at st.peterskofc.home.att.net/ remember

BALLROOM DANCE LESSONS CONTINUE through the end of June on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays at 7:30pm (May 16, June 6, and June 20). There is a two hour dance that follows the one hour lesson. Cost is \$6 for students, \$12 single, \$20 a couple, and max of \$40 for family.

LOST & FOUND: Any items in the lost & found box in the church will be donated to the Thrift Shop on May 11th.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK - Mary Unglesbee, Tom and Mary Ellen McKoy, Deacon Mike Misulia, Ed Sadler, Myrtle Carlin, Judy Churco, Ann Fowler, Baby Hope, Baby Charlie, Joshua Wade, Gabby Cannella, Bernadette Plesniak, Scott Walsh, Kathy King, Pearl Gallagher, Cheryl & Helen Pohlit, David Senior, Marilyn & Bill Hall, George Velez, Joseph Lang, Andrew Illig, Stephen Horn, Amy Dusza, Charles Payne, Sean Mulvey

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.

SPRING RETREAT FOR LAITY May 29th-31st Living Supernaturally in a Secular World directed by Fr. Jack Lombardi. Held at Mt. St. Mary's Seminary. For more info call: 301-447-5318 or email: grotto@msmary.edu. All are welcome!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDER

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ADULT MINISTRY

Carolyn Nolan: cnolan@archbalt.org

Marriage Tip of the Week: If you made a list of reasons why any couple got married, and another list of reasons for their divorce, you'd have a lot of overlap" (Mignon McLaughlin). Often the very trait that you admired gets on your nerves because your spouse overdeveloped that quality.
Visit: www.foryourmarriage.org for great relationship ideas!

- **Baptism Prep Classes** - meets on Tuesday, May 19 or June 16 from 7 – 9 pm in the lower level of the Parish Office Bldg. 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, May 9 at 7 pm at St. John, Frederick. The topic is *Sharing Responsibility & Working Together.*

- **MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR FALL CLASSES** on Church History beginning Sept 15 & 16 and running for 20 weeks. Also Catholic 201 begins Sept. 21 & 22 with "Why Be Catholic?" and "What Catholics Really Believe." This class runs in conjunction with Children's Rel. Ed. Classes. More details to follow soon!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Anne Mason: amason@archbalt.org

MAY CALENDAR: Monday, May 4th & Tuesday: May 5th – Last classes for this year.

Religious Education Registration 2009-2010

- ✚ Is now open. Registration Form available in today's bulletin & will once again be available on line at our secure web site www.stpeter-libertytown.org
- ✚ Classes will remain on Monday and Tuesday evening for Preschool through Grade 5
- ✚ Religious Education volunteers 2009 – 2010 needed for the following classes:
 - Pre-K: 5PM Monday;
 - Kindergarten: 6:45PM Monday; Other grades TBA

First Eucharist

- ✚ **A special thank you to all the catechists who helped make our retreat a special day for the children!**
- ✚ 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!

- ★ Registration now open on line & Form available in this weeks bulletin.

- ★ Ages 4 through Grade 6 in sessions...Grades 7-12 as Junior Leaders. **Children must be 4 by June 1st to participate in VBS.**

- ★ **Aide needed for our Kindergarten Class.**

- ★ **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.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Harry Ford: hford@archbalt.org

- **We are looking for several adults to help with the youth ministry program next year. All adults who have worked with the program have found it very rewarding. We have many new ideas, but need several more adults to make these happen!**
- **Appalachia Adult Team** meeting is Wed. May 6th at 7PM in the Birch in the Birch Library. Any other interested adult is invited to attend.

SPY:

- Appalachia Signups are now open. Appalachia is July 12-18, final cost will be \$110. Contact Harry in the Religious Education Office to sign up!
- SPY is running a raffle for a gas grill. Proceeds will help pay for Appalachia. We need help to sell tickets after all Masses on May 10th and 17th. Please call Harry to signup.
- All high school teens are invited to join us on Friday, May 8th in the pavilion from 7-10PM for volleyball and other games. Bring a snack to share.

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to all our newly Confirmed youth! Our post-Confirmation picnic will be in the pavilion on Sunday, May 17 from 3PM until. Please RSVP by May 13th to Harry (hford@archbalt.org) whether or not you will attend.