

ST. PETER'S PARISH

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 16, 2009

		<u>MASSES</u>		
MON	AUG 17 7:00pm	COMMUNION SERVICE		
TUE	AUG 18 8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE		
WED	AUG 19 8:00am	INT OF MARK & JOLENE SPIELMAN		
THU	AUG 20 8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE		
FRI	AUG 21 9:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE		
SAT	AUG 22 8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE		
	5:30pm	MARIA TAMARGO		
SUN	AUG 23 7:15am	PARISHIONERS		
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	9:00am	EDWARD ABDI		
	11:00am	JOSH PICARELLA		
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			*COLLECTION	\$18,314.00 \$ 13,725.35 2,493.00
			*POOR BOX	\$ 721.00 \$ 268.00
			*CHURCH MORTGAGE MO.	\$ 8,481.50 1,687.00
			*CATHOLIC COMM/CATHOLIC UNI V	\$1,609.60

AUGUST 22 & 23

<u>MASS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVER</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>
AUG 22 5:30pm	E & P GILL & LEE	LAWRENCE & DuBOYCE
AUG 23 7:15am	J & P & T RUBELING	JACKSON & HAYES
9:00am	BISHOP & DECKERT & MERKEL	PUGH & CLEMONS
11:00am	L & N DiGREGORY & GORDON	SIMONS & THOMPSON

MY NEW FRIENDS,

As I write this note for the bulletin, I am excited to say that it is only 21 days until I officially arrive at Saint Peter's. And as I prepare for my arrival, I have a great many things blowing through my mind about what I want to share with you during my first few weeks. Of course there are the usual details about settling in, but there are also those awkward moments as we get to know each other; such as my first homily or how I will measure up to the high standard left by Fr. John. Because as we all know, first impressions are lasting impressions.

As for my first Sunday homily for Sunday, September 6th, I feel much better having read the first words for the first reading for that day. **"Thus says the Lord: Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not!"** (Is. 35). Isn't it wonderful how the Lord works? I may take that as my motto.

But, as for measuring up to Fr. John, I cannot. Two different individuals can never measure up to each other, especially when it comes to doing the Lord's work. And, I have been taught that we should never seek to boast about ourselves, but only speak about others. I know Fr. John to be a wonderful man and a very good priest I pray daily that I may live out the Gospel as best I can, and that I may be the best priest I am able to be. All in all, God will take care of everything, if we work in accord with His will. The only thing I can say is that I am sure that I will come to love Saint Peter's and all its parishioners as much as I have loved each of my other assignments, and that is a lot. I only ask that you give me time, and that we work for the good of the parish family as we seek to do the Lord's will together.

God Bless,
Fr. Jason

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

PRV 9: 1-6; EPH 5: 15-20; JN 6: 51-58

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

JOS 24: 1-18b; EPH 5: 21-32; JN 6: 60-69

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.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR this week are in celebration of the marriage of Emily Gorman and Dan Shields.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE NEW CHURCH DEDICATION is Monday, September 7th (Labor Day). Please join us for a special mass in celebration of that day at 7:00pm in the church. The candles in the 4 corners of the church will be lit and some of the music which was sung at the Dedication will once again be incorporated into the mass. Hope to see you there!

CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED: If you are interested in singing in the choir for the Anniversary of the New Church Dedication at 7:00pm on Monday, Sept. 7th, please contact Sherri via email or by calling the office. We will have one rehearsal on Thursday, Sept. 3rd at 7:00pm. Let's all raise our voices in joyful praise and thanksgiving to the Lord for our beautiful house of worship.

THE PARISH SPONSORED TRIP TO SPAIN & PORTUGAL NEXT APRIL has 12 spaces (6 couples) left to fill. We are only taking 48 people. The trip will soon be offered to other Archdiocesan churches in our area, so if you are interested in the trip, please call Laura at 301-898-5111 ext. 13, to get your name on the list. Brochures can be found in the foyer of the church.

DONATIONS FOR OUR ANNUAL AUCTION SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH are not coming in as readily as we would like. We understand that we are in lesser economic times, but if you could search your heart, your homes, and your belongs, for items that you really no longer need or use, this fundraiser to support our church mortgage, can really use your help. Furniture, jewelry, antiques, and yes, even cars and boats are all very auctionable items. To donate, call Laura at the Parish Office. All donations are tax deductible.

LITTLE BETHLEHEM CHRISTIANS is a group that represents 170 Christian families who live in Bethlehem the hold land, and make their living as wood carvers. After all Saturday and Sunday masses, the group represented by Alsahouri family will display a collection of hand-carved olive wood religious items,

as they are also for sale. The profit goes to support the Christianity in the land of Christ. Please look at them. Please visit our website, www.little-Bethlehem.org

40 DAYS FOR LIFE (Sept. 23rd-Nov. 1st) is a nationwide prayer effort at local abortion facilities. St. Peter's has participated at the facility in Frederick in the past. This year, we need volunteers to coordinate our parish. If you wish to help, please call Linda at 301-829-2888 or Kathy at 301-845-0243. Thank You!

GABRIEL NETWORK NEEDS a bouncy seat for a young pregnant mom. Please call Catharine Martin 301-865-9089.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: This is a wonderful opportunity to spend prayerful, quiet time with the Lord! There are hours available for a new adorer – **3:00pm on Tuesdays**. Also, if you would like to sub please call Linda 301-829-2888 or Diane 301-898-0833 to take an hour. Thank you so much.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION – Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over one pound now, and his mother can feel him. Please continue to pray for your child and an end to abortion.

PRAY WITH THE HEART PRAYER GROUP will meet this Wednesday, August 19th, 7:30pm for Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary and Prayer in the Adoration Chapel.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 13290: Fund Raisers - The council is involved in two efforts this month as well as for September. These being our "SIX DRAW RAFFLE" for the benefit of our parish building fund and our State Council Car Raffle which goes to support our State Council Scholarship program and our council's charities. Please participate and take some tickets to sell to family, friends and coworkers. Visit our table in our church gathering area after Sunday Mass. ... **Membership** – The council is accepting applications for membership for the September 6th First Degree at St. Peter the Apostle parish center. Applications can be obtained from a member or from the brochure kiosk in our church gathering center. **Members:** Please ask a fellow Catholic Man to join us in our Fraternal Order. **Programs:** Many thanks to the Breakfast crew and to our dance lesson team for their efforts in running these programs for our parishioners' enjoyment. For more information, visit our Supreme Web site at Knights of Columbus, Supreme Council. "WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE"

PARISH NURSE NOTES: Thinking about back to school? As you prepare for the kids to go back to school or off to college, please be sure their immunizations are up to date. It is always better to prevent disease than treat it. Vaccines prevent disease and protect those who are vaccinated from those who are unvaccinated. Vaccines help prevent infectious diseases and save lives. They have helped control diseases that were common in our country including measles, diphtheria, whooping cough, and Haemophilus flu b (Hib). Parents are constantly concerned about the health and safety of their children and take steps to protect them. Child-proof latches, carseats, safety gates. In the same way, vaccines work to protect all of us from diseases. Even though things like polio have been basically eliminated in this country, they are still only a plane ride away in our mobile society so we need to remain vigilant. We know there are concerns about some vaccines, but the proven ones are safe for the general population. Any questions or health issue needs, call Marybeth Terrell at 301-845-6572.

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, Joshua Wade, Pearl Gallagher,

Marilyn Hall, Ginny Abel, Robert Mays, Doris Cottingham, Kyla Zeilinger, Jeremy Picarella, Ruth Gruodis, Mary Smith, Alan Thornton, Linda Sauls, Clare Farrell, Mabel Davis, Gloria Smith, Faith Frazier, Billy Stoner

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.

CONSIDERING A CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION FOR YOUR CHILD? St. John Regional is an Archdiocese of Baltimore Catholic School. We are your parish school and offer a parishioner tuition rate. Applications are currently being accepted for pre-K through 8th grade for the 2009-10 school year. Please visit our website to download registration forms. Please contact Jean Wright, Admissions Director at 301-695-9358 or jwright@sjrcs.org for more information. Summer office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm. School starts Aug. 24th for grades 1-8 and Aug. 31st for Pre-K and Kindergarten students.

HELP WANTED: Maintenance Assistant, 2nd shift (with seasonal shift changes). Set up/tear down events, general maintenance and building security. Clean driver's record required. Send resume to Principal Smith, St. John Regional Catholic School, 8414 Opossumtown Pike, Frederick, MD 21702 or email ksmith@sjrcs.org

THE VISITATION ACADEMY, the ONLY all-girl accredited Catholic elementary school in Maryland, located at 200 East 2nd Street, Frederick, is currently accepting applications for students in Grades Pre-K-3 through 7th. Small class sizes with proven excellence in scholastic achievement, sports, languages (Spanish and Mandarin Chinese), Tap Dance and extra-curricular activities. Before and after school care available. For additional information please contact us at 301-662-2814 or visit our website at www.thevisitationacademy.org.

2009 EVANGELIZATION CONFERENCE, SAT., AUG. 22ND, 8:30AM-1:30PM, Resurrection Parish, Ellicott City. Featuring, Rev. Joseph Muth, Pastor of St. Matthew Parish, Baltimore City. Fr. Muth has a dynamic presentation style and great insights for creating an evangelizing culture amid parish life – you won't want to miss it! To register or for more info visit <http://www.archbalt.org/evangelization-catechesis/conference/>

A RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKEND RETREAT for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Faulkner, MD Sept. 2-4, 2009 and Sparks, MD Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009. The retreat is a confidential and emotionally safe environment for those struggling after abortion. Contact Project Rachel 1-800-286-4224 or email projectrachel@archbalt.org. Please visit www.project-rachel.net and www.rachelsvineyard.org or call the toll-free national hotline, 1-877-HOPE-4-ME.

DO WHATEVER HE TELS YOU", Silent Retreat, August 21st-23rd. Sponsored by the Frederick Carmelite Community. Fr. Angelus Shaughnessy OFM Cap. is the retreat leader, cost \$175.00. Please contact Dawn Walsh at dwalsh33@gmail.com or 410-876-0250 if interested.

ANNUAL LABOR DAY FESTIVAL Monday, Sept. 7th, 12N until 5:00pm at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Thurmont, MD (on the Church ground on Church St. in downtown Thurmont). Air conditioned dining room. Live music by the Home Comfort Bluegrass Band and much more. Enjoy a day with us! For directions visit our Website: www.emmitsburg.net/sasolmc.

BLOOD DRIVE AT LIBERTY FIREHALL, Tuesday, Aug. 18th, 3-8pm. Please call Jackie at 301-829-0344 to schedule your donation for the gift of life.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

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ADULT MINISTRY

Carolyn Nolan: cnolan@archbalt.org

Marriage Tip of the Week: Your marriage vow is a commitment to unconditional love. Sometimes we just get tired of or annoyed with each other. The feelings of love cycle in and out. Love anyway. Visit: www.foryourmarriage.org for great relationship ideas!

- **Baptism Prep Classes** - meets on Tuesday, Aug. 18 or Sept. 15 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.
- **THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for anyone aged 18 and older who would like to join the Catholic Church. Our weekly sessions begin September 1st in the Birch Library. Call Carolyn (see number above) for more info. Classes meet each Tuesday until after Easter 2010.

ADULT CLASSES REGISTRATION NOW UNDERWAY!!

- **CHURCH HISTORY & CATHOLIC 201** visit St. Peter's on-line for registration & information. Links are http://www.stpeter-libertytown.org/pdf_forms/EPIC-Flier-Form.pdf for Church History (Epic) & http://www.stpeter-libertytown.org/pdf_forms/Catholic201-Form.pdf for Catholic 201. Come and join us for these exciting adult education sessions.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Anne Mason: amason@archbalt.org

Religious Education News:

✠ Important Dates:

- **August 31st** "New" Catechist & Aide meeting @ 7PM – location TBA. Come join us in late August to get you started in your new ministry. RSVP to Stacy @ sjohnston@archbalt.org or 301-898-5111 ext 18.
- **September 14th** Catechist Meeting @ 7PM in Sullivan Hall. This meeting is for all volunteers in the religious education program.
- **September 15th** Parent Meeting @ 7PM in Sullivan Hall. Review of the 2009-2010 schedule & program. Please RSVP to Stacy Johnston @ sjohnston@archbalt.org or 301-898-5111 ext. 18.
- **September 20th** Catechetical Sunday – Rededication & Commissioning for all catechists & youth ministers.
- **September 22nd** Pre-school to Grade 5 begin class.
- **October 1st** Sacramental Prep orientation @ 7PM. This is for parents of children who plan to celebrate Reconciliation & Holy Eucharist.

Wish List for Religious Education: www.rugheaven.com –

Kist of 20 rounds for our classroom floors. What a great surprise for our little ones!

Religious Education Volunteers 2009 – 2010 needed

What is an aide? An adult assisting with attendance , snack & crafts.

Monday @ 5PM

Grade 3 – Aide

Monday 6:45PM

Kindergarten - Catechist

Grade 3 –Aide

Grade 4 – Catechist & Aide

Call Anne Mason if you have a willingness to work with our parish children this year.

301-898-5111 ext. 17 or amason @archbalt.org

Home Program 2009-2010 News: Families registering for the Home Program should be aware that beginning in September we begin a new program with "Family Sessions". They will consist of 5 meetings for the entire family on designated Saturday afternoons from 3pm-5pm. Following the session families will be encouraged to celebrate Mass together at 5:30pm in the church. Family Orientation (Session 1) will be in September TBA. (All families participating in the Home Program are expected to be present at the family sessions.)

YOUTH MINISTRY

Harry Ford: hford@archbalt.org

Parents! Please plan to attend the youth ministry orientation night on Sept. 20th at 7PM in the parish center. There is a lot of information about the upcoming year that you need to know.

Teens! If you wish to volunteer in any capacity at St. Peter's you **MUST** have received the "Worthy of the Call" training. The next time is Monday, August 31st at 7PM in Sappington Hall. Please call Stacy at 301-898-5111x18 to register.

Confirmation 2010: Please mark your calendars for Friday, May 14th at 7:30PM for the Rite of Confirmation.

Important Youth Ministry Dates For 2009-2010:

Parent Only Orientation: Sept 20th @ 7PM

Opening night of Youth Ministry & 5:45PM Mass- September 27th

JR Spy Retreat October 9th – 11th

Spy Retreat – November 6th – 8th

Confirmation Retreat – March 19th – 21st

EPIC: A Journey through Church History: Teens! For those who have been Confirmed: Crusades? Inquisitions? Galileo? Reformation? What really happened! Join your fellow teens for "EPIC – A Journey Through Church History." Starting Sept. 16th at 7PM in the Parish Center. The group will be led by Terri Jackson and will last until Feb. 18th. Call Harry in the youth ministry office for more information. Cost is \$35 to cover materials – this fee will be refunded to those teens **faithfully** attending the class.