

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
January 17, 2010

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Wed., Jan. 20 St. Fabian, Pope
 St. Sebastian
Thur., Jan. 21 St. Agnes
 Fri., Jan. 22 St. Vincent

Msgr. Karl's Korner



I think everyone knows how very passionate I feel about "life issues"--especially the killing of the unborn. Moreover, I think most of us are "on board" with the church teaching which goes back to Apostolic times (the Didache) that defends the life of the unborn and is gravely sinful when one procures an abortion, performs an abortion, legislates abortion, or talks someone into an abortion--this is "formal cooperation".

We have put much information about those who will brave the cold on January 22, transportation to and fro, different schedules of events, and the mass to be celebrated in Washington by a score of Bishops, Priests and Deacons and attended by thousands of people. I support these front line pilgrims who will demonstrate peacefully in our Nation's Capitol, and to let law makers and the nation know the gravity of this horrible sin of abortion. We pray that perhaps this could be the year the Lord will change hearts and minds to forever eradicate this abomination before God once and for all.

Some of us will be unable to march this Friday, and would be wondering what one can do on this day. The NCCB and our Archbishop has called 22nd of January a "Day of Prayer and Penance." What we shall do at St. George is to celebrate a Mass of atonement at 9:00 a.m. (regular mass time), then afterwards expose the Blessed Sacrament from after Mass until 3:00 p.m. Hence, while folk are marching and saying their Rosaries, we will be praying for them, and making atonement for the sins of abortion.

One might say, "Monsignor, the little crosses, the march, the prayers...." Why the effort for a single issue? It is because if Jesus Christ were here right now, he would be in the front of the line, at the halls of congress, and healing every woman who has been emotionally and physically wounded because of this horrible sin! Yes, I am very passionate about abortion because tens of thousands of my little fellow Americans are being massacred worse than anything Adolf Hitler or Stalin could ever create. I thank you for either marching on the 22nd or praying with me at St. George Church along with the entire American Catholic Church.

Msgr. Karl

2010 ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL BEGINS
"I WILL GIVE YOU THANKS, O LORD" (PSALM 138:1)

Many of our parishioners have received a mailing recently from Archbishop Wuerl. He has asked that you make a pledge to the 2010 *Archbishop's appeal*.

The appeal not only funds the operations of the archdiocese, it funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is, "I Will Give You Thanks, O Lord." (Psalm 138:1) Clearly, we have so many reasons to give thanks to God for all He has given us. Our contributions to our parish and our archdiocese multiply the thanks that we give to our God by enabling ministries and services that touch thousands of lives.

Please prayerfully consider a generous pledge to the 2010 Archbishop's Appeal.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon., Jan. 18 9:00 AM Adrian Jette
 Tues., Jan. 19 9:00 AM Jack Scrivener
 Thur., Jan. 21 9:00 AM Rev. Thomas S. Schaefer
 Fri., Jan. 22 9:00 AM The Unborn
 Sat., Jan. 23 5:00 PM Bernard J. McKay, Jr.
 Sun., Jan. 24 8:30 AM Vera Dilworth
 Sun., Jan. 24 11:00 AM Donald Hayden

PARISH FINANCE

Offertory January 10, 2009

General Collection	\$3,474.00
Vestibule Fund	390.00
Solemnity of Mary	623.00
Christmas	500.00
Black & Indian Missions	160.00
Poor Box	24.00
Identifiable Gifts	126
2 nd Sunday of January, 2009	\$4,701.38

Tithing--Sacrificial Giving-- Joyfully giving thanks to God. Gratitude for your faithful parish support.

Statement of 2009 Offertory Contributions may be requested by signing the yellow tablet at the doors of the church, or by calling the church office, 301-994-0607.

PRAYERS


Please remember the sick of our parish: especially Franklin Adams, Louise Adams, Ellen Andrews, Thomas Barnes, Agnes Geneva Blackwell, Catherine Briscoe, Ann Clayton, Alice Countess, Paul Dickens, Joan Dorsey, Mary Dyson, Kristin Hibbs, Gail Holden, Dorothy Lampkin, Alverta Lawrence, Mary Nellie Lawrence, Frances Morgan, Hilda Mowery, John Mundie, Gloria Robinson, Marian Slade, infant Christian Joshua Taylor, Arianna Tiger.

Others in need of our prayers (requested by parishioners): All members of our military and their families, Charles Andrews, Kyle Bennett (in Iraq), Richard Bowen, Sarah Burch, Betty Coffman, Shannon Copp, Benjamin Countess, Caroline Countess, Arielle Davis, Phyllis Davis, Ronald Dews, Fran Dicus, Ray Dicus, Julie Marable Donaldson, Diane Dorsey, Sister Louise Dowgiallo, OSB, George Fairfax, Ruth Farr, John Gateau, Mary Gavariniski, Paul Greenwell, James Gross, Judy Guffie, Jack Gumtow, Margaret Hankla, Sue Hoag, Mary Ann Hulth, Barbara Hunter, Wendy Jackson, Cathleen Johnson, Bill Keeton, Vivian Keeton, William Kelmickis, Lois Krzeski, Cathy LaBelle, Lee Lancaster, Ann Lanctot, Dr. Claude Lanctot, Lovetta Lawrence, Danny Mahoney, Joseph Martin, Doris Mattingly, Dee Mauer, J. P. McCord, Barbara McDonnell, Maria McGuigan, Beverly McKay, Beth Meister, Vicki Moak, Margaret Murray, David Peixeira, John Pierce, Donna Poudrier, Tom Puckett, Eleanor Raley, Sharon Redman, Tony Reeves, Carol Rice, Mary Sue Robinson, James Ronan, Loretta Rule, Nancy Schmidt, Raymond Schmidt, Hunter Scott, Ami Shah, Evaon Shroeder, Palma Sileo, Sister Mary Rebecca, RSM, Sister Rose Bernard Tarleton, Dewayne Thompson, Jennie Umas, Rose Varela, Tom & Liz Warren, Elizabeth Weatherly, Gracie Webb, Bette Werner, Eugene Wright, Bob Ziebol.

Note: Please let us know when a name should be removed from our Prayer List. We are happy to know when prayers have been answered.



PARISH CALENDAR

- Sun., Jan 17** "Teen Timeline" for high school teens, 6-7:30 PM, Community Center. Bring a friend and come to smile, laugh and learn!! 
- Wed., Jan. 20** Cantor & Choir Rehearsals, 6:30 & 7 PM
- Sat., Jan. 16** Rosary Devotion, 4:30 PM, in Church
- Fri., Jan. 22** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the March for Life, 10AM-3PM.
- Mon., Jan. 25** Parish Council Meeting, 6:30 PM

LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL NEWS

Fundraising for Little Flower School:

EZ Money Raffle: \$2,500 Grand Prize. \$1,250 in other prizes. \$25.00 per ticket. Drawing at LFS Italian Night, February 12, 2010. Info: Nancy Szewczyk, 301-863-2840
"500 Club" memberships are currently being sold. This is a monthly raffle with prizes each month totaling \$950. Your chances of winning each month are 1 in 8. Cost: \$100/year, payable quarterly or annually. Info: C. Damon, 240-398-0157

AREA NEWS

- Mon., Jan. 18** Deadline to reserve bus transportation from Immac. Heart for March for Life. 301-862-2479. From St. Aloysius 301-475-2166 or 301-475-8064.
- Thur., Jan. 21** St. John Vianney, Prince Frederick, "A Night to Unite", 6 PM. Casual Dinner, Live Christian Music, Guest Speaker (Leslie Dean from *Silent No More*), Movie *Bella*. Info: Allie Levitas, 410-414-9099.
- Fri., Jan. 22** Youth Rally and Mass for Life, 7am-11:30am. Busses depart Southern Maryland from IHM at 4:30 AM. Mass celebrated by Archbishop Wuerl and other bishops and priests.
- Sat., Jan. 30** Southern Maryland Regional Ministry Day, St. Francis Xavier, Newtowne, 9:15am-12PM. A gathering of the pastors and parishioners of Southern Maryland to strengthen the vitality of our local parishes. If interested in attending, please notify Msgr. Karl or St. George parish office (301-994-0607).
- Sun., Jan. 31** Mass of Thanksgiving in Celebration of the Canonization of St. Damien of Molokai, SS.CC, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C., 2:00 PM.

Notes of Thanks . . .

"We wish to thank our St. George family and friends for the cards, visits, meals and most importantly the prayers extended to us during my recent illness.
 Gratefully, *Bob and Gail Holden*"

"Thank you for making the 2009 Christmas Caring Program a success. Each year the Department of Human Services receives requests from hundreds of families for gifts of toys, clothing and/or food. It is always a challenge to locate adequate donations to fulfill these requests. Your volunteer efforts were greatly appreciated.
 Cynthia Brown, Senior Manager, Dept. of Human Services"

MARCH FOR LIFE NEWS

Please plan to attend the 37th Annual March for Life on Friday, January 22, 2010 in Washington, D.C. We mourn the loss of 51,000,000+ preborn innocent babies who have lost their lives since the tragic Supreme Court decision, Roe v. Wade, which legalized abortion for ALL nine months of pregnancy.

Edmund Burke said, "The only thing necessary for evil to flourish is for good men and women to do nothing". The evil of abortion is flourishing in our country and the world. What are you doing to witness to Life?

Bus transportation is available and we request a \$15 offering to help defray the cost, which is now over \$700 per bus. Two early buses will leave IHM Church in Lex. Park at 4:30 a.m. to attend the Youth Rally and Mass, and a third bus will leave after the IHM 9:00 a.m. Mass. Please call Pat Poole at 301-862-2479 or e-mail at patforlife06@yahoo.com for reservations. Buses will return at about 6:30 p.m. Seating is limited and reservations need to be made by Mon., January 18. A bus is also leaving from St. Aloysius in Leonardtown at 10:00 a.m. Please call St. Aloysius at 301-475-8064, or Chris Guy at 301-475-2166 for info/reservations on their bus.

Everyone can do something! If you can't attend the March, please sponsor a Marcher by praying for that person and making a donation for Life. Make checks payable to St. Mary's County Right to Life and send to P.O. Box 1924, Leonardtown, MD 20650. Thanks and God Bless.

CASINO NIGHTS TO BENEFIT LOCAL SCHOOLS

Fri., Jan. 29 St. John's School is hosting a Casino Night. Adults 21 and over are welcome. Doors open, 6 PM; tables, 7 PM. Dinner & drinks may be purchased. Call Patrick Dugan, 301-672-1925 for information.

Sat., Feb. 6 Benefit for Mother Catherine Spalding School at Bowles Farm, Clements, MD 6 PM-12 Midnight. Info: Tammy Pilkerton, 301-904-4020.

SCHEDULES:	ALTAR SERVERS	ORGANIST/CANTOR	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	GREETERS	SCRIPTURE READINGS
Sat., Jan. 23 5:00 PM	R. Anderson M. Bowes	B. Carpenter	A. Fenwick C. Galli	Deacon L'Heureux	J. Adams Volunteer	First: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
Sun., Jan. 24 8:30 AM	E. Carpenter E. Carpenter C. Rodgers	B. Carpenter J. Heather	D. Adams J. Blackwell	J. Carpenter	W. Blackwell J. Rodgers	Second: 1 Cor 12:12-30
Sun., Jan. 24 11:00 AM	J. Heisey A. Hills K. Hills	B. Carpenter C. Kolman	P. Heisey M. Kibler	A. Taylor	R. Cutchember J. Mason	Gospel: Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Daily Mass Lectors, Jan. 18, 19, 21, 22: A. Fenwick, T. Buckler, D. Orwig, M. Goldsmith
Meals on Wheels, Jan. 19, 20, 21: E. Russo, J. Knott & M. A. Springer, J. McKay
Desserts for Senior Citizens' Party [Chancellor's Run Road], Jan. 20: K. Britton, V. McKay
Altar Preparation, Jan. 23: R. Keatley
Flowers on the altar this weekend are in memory of Doris Bean, gift of Jimmy Bean.

