



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I hope that these first few days of Lent have gone well for you and that you have already begun to experience some of the special help and graces the Lord gives us in this season. As we move into our first full week of Lent I want to remind you of the many opportunities we will have to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this season: Saturday afternoons from 3:15 – 4:15pm, Wednesday nights on March 4, 11, 18, 25 and April 1 from 7:00-8:30pm in the Church and on Thursday, March 26 at 7:00 pm as we celebrate our Parish Lenten Penance Service with a number of additional priests here to help.

In order to help get you more comfortable and familiar with how to go to confession please pick up one of the pamphlets found throughout the church that are part of “The Light is on for You” program that every parish is offering. It explains the sacrament step by step and offers a helpful examination of conscience to think about the sins we need to let the Lord forgive.

Please know that I will be praying for you throughout this special season that the Lord will give you the courage and strength to leave sin behind and experience more fully the abundant life He offers us. God Bless!

Rev. Erik Arnold




Next weekend March 7 and 8th—we will be visited by the Little Sisters of the Poor . There will be baskets at all the doors for donations *At the service of the elderly poor throughout the world.*

Please include the sick of our parish in your prayers that they may experience Christ’s comfort and healing.

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| John L Baker | Francis Hubbard | Rosemarie Rippel |
| Carol Beall | Eugene Huget | Mary Ann Sharp |
| Clyde Bradley | MaryAnn Humm | Debbie Shipley |
| Diane Buckley | Conrad Katulski | Ann Shively |
| Helene Cadman | Jack Kelly | Mary Ellen Shotting |
| Rose Centineo | John F. Klosek | Billy Simpson |
| David Clark | Fred Lourenso | Jack Simpson |
| Mary E. Clarke | Lois Malarkey | Christopher Sliker |
| Daniel Couvillion | Joyce Mathias | Ardelia Smith |
| Patricia Donadio | Lucy McKenna | Julia Smith |
| Mike Doshim | Sandy Miller | Bill Snyder |
| Warren Drell Jr. | Joseph Murray | Rosemary Snyder |
| Doris Eustis | Nathan Niessner | Joanne Strock |
| Janet Feldman | Mary Joyce O’Neill | Jessica Tupis and |
| Jayne Fleischer | Larry Putgenter, Sr. | Tupis Babies |
| Richard Flynn | Mary Reichel | Edna Walker |
| Mary Grace Howard | Miss Lucy Bodner | Libby Weller |
| | | Kyla Zeilinger |

If you or your loved one is on the mend, please notify the Rectory!

 Masses For The Week		
Mon., March 2nd	6:30 am	Martha Riuard †
	8:15 am	Margaret Teague †
Tues., March 3rd	6:30 am	Kevin Lodawski
	8:15 am	Bill Hawes †
Wed., March 4th	6:30 am	Robert Halloran †
	8:15 am	Jane Pietrusza †
Thurs., March 5th	6:30 am	Patricia Gautier †
	9:30 am	Vivian Putgenter †
Fri., March 6th	6:30 am	Tillie Juzwiak †
	8:15 am	Orlando & Noemi Sanidad
Sat., March 7th	8:15 am	Carolyn Mulligan †
	4:30 pm	Raymond Crawford †
Sun., March 8th	7:30 am	Judith Hahn †
	9:00 am	Felita Olivieri †
	11:00 am	For the People
	5:00 pm	Carol Beall

To participate in the **Faith Direct** program - information and forms can be found in the racks in the Narthex.

If you are upset by Republican Senator Allan Kittleman voting with the NATIONAL ABORTION RIGHTS ACTION LEAGUE call him at (410) 841-3671 or (301) 858-3671. You can also email him at allan.kittleman@senate.state.md.us to express your feelings.



If you have Kittleman as your state senator, now's the time to let him know where you stand. Go to <http://www.mdcathcon.org/main.asp> and click on "Find Your Legislator", type in your address and let it do the rest.

Rest in Peace

Please remember in your prayers:

James Robert Gordon
†
Brother of Bob Gordon

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MINISTRY SCHEDULE for March 7-8, 2009

Saturday	4:30 pm
Lectors	Rusnak, Snavely
EMHC	Brasauskas, Higgins, Schroeder
Servers	Graziano, Graziano, Graziano
Greeters	Bertulis, Jenkins
Sunday	7:30 am
Lectors	Couvillion, Torosino
EMHC	C Krause, K Plants, E Lucas
Servers	M Krause, K O'Neill, K. O'Neill
Greeters	Kisak, Kisak
Sunday	9:00 am
Lectors	The Children
EMHC	Douglas, Mulroy, Schwerdt, Ackroyd, H Novotny, L Schuberth, Roche, Procopio, J Smith
Servers	Douglas, Kerstetter, Mulroy
Greeters	Dragin, Dragin
Sunday	11:00 am
Lectors	Sarver, Hanratty
EMHC	Childres, Childres, Coelho, Hanratty, Bach, Auger, Weaver, Stavely, Quinn
Servers	Sarnecki, Childres, Coelho
Greeters	Clagett, Clagett
Sunday	5:00 pm
Lectors	Green, Hochkeppel
EMHC	Mills, Mills, Longo
Servers	Sinnott, Sinnott, Sinnott
Greeters	None scheduled—call the rectory to volunteer


FROM THE
ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S
DESK

THE CHURCH AND THE MYSTERY OF PENTECOST

Join us for the Third Monday of the Month Bible Conference on 16 March at 7 pm in the Parish Center. The topic will be "THE CHURCH AND THE MYSTERY OF PENTECOST." Contact Fr. Larry for more information.

UNDERSTANDING THE CHURCH SINCE VATICAN II

Join us for the next meeting of the Catholic Book Club on April 17th at 10 am in the Ministry Center and 7 pm in the Parish Center. We will discuss "THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES: UNDERSTANDING THE CHURCH SINCE VATICAN II" by Fr. Richard Gilsdorf. The articles in this book "demonstrate the historical and theological points of division in the Church that arose in the past few decades. After finishing this book, the reader will understand what caused the many distortions and misapplications of the Second Vatican Council's teachings." (Patrick Beno, editor). Copies of the book will be available on the parish book rack. Please join us even if you have not read the book for an interesting discussion of the the Church today. For more information, contact Fr. Larry

	
Offering for 2/22/09	
Envelopes	\$15,620.00
Loose	\$1,883.09
Children	\$86.00
Total	\$17,589.09
Poor Box	\$24.00

OLPH SCHOOL

Applications are being accepted for OLPH School's Fall 2009 Kindergarten class. Kindergarten screening is February 27, so apply as soon as possible. Admission for Grades 1-7 is on a rolling basis, and shadow days may be scheduled at any time. Please call school or e-mail bmunoz@olphschool.org for information.

Introduction to the *Agnus Dei*

Gregorian chant and the Latin language are part of the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. This year during Lent, we will be introducing the Latin chant, *Agnus Dei*, at several of the weekend Masses. *Agnus Dei* translates to "Lamb of God," and is sung or spoken as part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. It is part of the "Ordinary of the Mass," meaning that it is one of the prayers at Mass that does not change from day to day or season to season. The text is as follows:

- Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.*
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.*
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.*
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

NEIGHBOR RIDE SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

Neighbor Ride is a volunteer-based nonprofit dedicated to decreasing isolation and improving the quality of life for Howard County's older residents by providing transportation for health care appointments, cultural and social events, community volunteering, religious services, exercise and educational activities, shopping, and other personal needs. **Our volunteers enjoy flexible schedules and love knowing they're helping seniors remain active, independent and connected to the community.**

Contact Rosemary Noble, Volunteer Coordinator, at volunteer@neighborrideride.org or (410)884-RIDE for more information

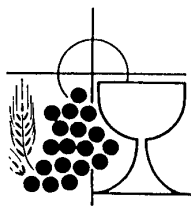
CATHOLIC FORMATION MINISTRIES

Office Phone Numbers: 410-747-0131, 410-455-0399
Office Hours are Monday—Friday 9am—4pm

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEWS!!!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS BACK! Mark your calendars for July 13-17! Volunteers are needed in many different areas. Please contact Judy Gruel, jgruel@archbalt.org as soon as possible if you can help.



Reminder for First Communion Families: Our Eucharistic Learning Day is coming up on Saturday, March 14th in the Gym. If your last name begins with M-Z, you should attend at 10:00. If your last name begins with A-L, you should attend at 12:00. If you need to change your assigned time, please call the

Ministry Center. **This is a required activity. All First Communicants are expected to attend!**

CONFIRMATION: Letters of readiness to Bishop Rozanski and to Fr. Arnold are due to Kristen by TODAY.

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help at our Friday Lenten Soup Suppers. Please contact Kristen for more info and to sign up!

Revelations is TODAY, March 1st! Change in time: 3:00 - 5:00, right before the new Sunday evening Mass. ALL in high school are welcome to join in on the fun with friends and our faith! Bring a friend, even if they don't go to OLPH! See you there!

We still have some spots left for our summer trips! **Catholic HEART Workcamp** will be 8/2 - 8/8 in Kearny, New Jersey. Steubenville Conference is July 10th - 12th. Erin is accepting first deposits of \$100 now to save your spot - and they ARE filling up fast! Drop them off at the Ministry Center any time with a check made out to OLPH. Paperwork is now in the back of the church.

IMPACT winners from our Winter session of Discipleship are reminded to join us Sunday, March 1, at 3:00 pm in Harrison Hall for tons of ice cream! Great job memorizing

Spring Sundays of IMPACT: Creed begin this Sunday, March 1! Because of the new 5:00 pm Mass, this spring session will begin each week at 6:30 pm instead of 6:00 pm. We will still conclude at 8:30 pm each night.

Grab our new Spring Middle School Flyer of Events from the narthex for info on upcoming Holy Hours, Mock-Lock-Ins, Olympics, and more!



JOIN US for Soup Suppers, Stations of the Cross, and an evening DVD Retreat each Friday during Lent. The Suppers will begin at 6:00, followed by Stations at 7:00 and the retreat at 7:30pm. Be challenged to embrace the Gospel message and answer Christ's call to discipleship during this Lenten season.

Young Adults

Are you a young adult in our parish who is looking for some community? Or even just visiting? Email Erin Cooney to be put on her email list at ErinCooneyOLPH@yahoo.com. Whether you're single, married, with children, or still in college, please be sure to contact her! Thank you!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE 30TH ANNUAL
MARYLAND MARCH FOR LIFE
www.marylandmarchforlife.org



Monday, March 9, 2009
meet at
St. Mary's Church
109 Duke of Gloucester Street
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

need a ride?

Buses from 6 locations! See website and/or flyer attached.

5:00 pm Registration (not required)

**5:30 pm Mass in the Church - Archbishop O'Brien
celebrating**

5:30 pm Prayer Service in the Auditorium

6:40 pm March begins

7:00 pm Rally at Lawyer's Mall

8:00 pm Legislative Session Begins for those who wish to
observe

8:00 pm Refreshments back at St. Mary's Auditorium

For more information call 410-269-6397

**ATTENTION
WOMEN**



Join 1,000 women 18 and older for a time of prayer, praise, education, discussion and renewal at The Illuminate Catholic Women's Conference. The conference will be held October 9th and 10th at St. John Westminster. For details visit www.catholicilluminate.com and or contact Lynn Steer at lynnsteer@gmail.com/410-599-3878.

Reconciling the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the 21st Century

Saturday, Mar. 14, 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM. This retreat is an opportunity to explore the sacrament of Reconciliation more deeply. We will look at how Reconciliation is important in our own lives and examine the changes that have been made to the rite since Vatican II. Additionally, we will spend time looking at different aspects of sin – original, corporate, social, etc as well as spend some time meditating on our own personal need for reconciliation. There will be time for a communal celebration of the sacrament including opportunities for confession or spiritual direction, and a reflection upon the experience of the rite. Guided By: Jerry Hall, SJ and Kevin O'Neil, CSsR . Bon Secours Spiritual Center, 1525 Marriottsville Rd, Marriottsville Md. 21104. Cost: \$50.00 To register, please call (410) 442-1320 or visit www.BonSecoursSpiritualCenter.org