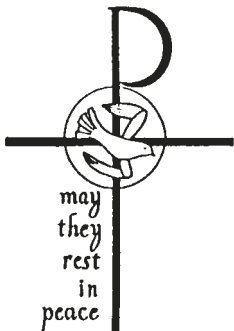


Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy Feast of the Epiphany! Our Christmas celebration continues as we remember and honor the visit of the Magi to the Christ Child. In their visit, the Lord is revealed as Savior to the nations. This revealing and making known (epiphany) is good news for the world as we celebrate God's loving power and desire to save all the nations. Their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh also reveal this child to be King (gold), God (Frankincense) and Suffering Servant (myrrh). As we celebrate Epiphany we pray that our understanding and knowledge of Jesus incorporates all of these three aspects, for if any one of them is missing from how we approach him then our relationship will be incomplete and lacking. To honor him as God, for example, but not let him be King over our lives, leaves it incomplete.

Thank you to our Family Dinner Night crew and servers who prepared a wonderful meal for us this past Friday evening. I am so grateful for all of their work and for all those who came out and joined us as we continued our Christmas celebrations as a parish family. What a blessing it is to be part of such a warm, loving family!

Rev. Eric Arnold



**PLEASE REMEMBER
IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

JEANNE SOKAS

HARRY O'NEILL
Father of Jonathan, Jason,
and the late Joseph O'Neill, and
Kelly Soles, and Tamara Dowrie .

SEPARATED AND DIVORCED:

The Church does want you!

Please join us in the parish office on January 7, 2013
at 7pm. For more information, please call
Sister Lorraine, 410-747-4334, ext. 314.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

January 13, 2013

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
Psalm 104:1b-2,2-4,24-25,27-28,29-30
Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 5 (St. John Neumann)

8:15am Wallace Schatz ☩

4:30pm Anna Campbell ☩

Sunday, January 6 (Epiphany of the Lord)

7:30am Jane Stromberg ☩

9:00am Charles Riebert, Jr. ☩

11:00am Mrs. Annette C. Horan ☩

5:00pm For the People of the Parish

Monday, January 7 (St. Raymond of Peñafort)

8:15am Teresa Nelson ☩

Tuesday, January 8

8:15am Robert Gordon ☩

Wednesday, January 9

8:15am Michelle Bivona ☩

Thursday, January 10

8:15am Arthur St. Clair ☩

8:15am Raymond Gick ☩

Friday, January 11

8:15am Frances Koontz ☩

Saturday, January 12 (St. Marguerite Bourgeoys)

8:15am Vincent Bonadio ☩

4:30pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, January 13 (Baptism of the Lord)

7:30am Stephen J. Lesniewski, Sr. ☩

9:00am Ray Phillips ☩

11:00am Jane Stromberg ☩

5:00pm Owen DeVet ☩

"It is true that all I have ever desired most deeply and what I still most ardently wish is that the great precept of the love of God above all things and of the neighbour as oneself be written in every heart." —St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTORAL COUNCIL

Our parish is blessed with many children and their presence at Mass is a testament to the faith and dedication of their parents. The renovation of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church required a significant sacrifice of time and financial resources by many members of the parish. In the past, the use of food, drinks and writing materials has caused permanent staining to the seat cushions and carpeting. We respectfully ask that all parishioners help maintain our new facilities by following these guidelines concerning the use of food, drink and art supplies:

1. We ask that, in ordinary circumstances, no food or drink be brought into the church. If it necessary to bring a drink for infants or young toddlers, please ensure that it is in spill-proof containers. Also, we suggest you consider utilizing the Narthex (front vestibule) or the cry room of the church for such needs.
2. Please make sure that any spilled items are cleaned up. Accidents do happen, we request you notify an usher as you leave church so that any spots can be immediately treated to avoid permanent staining.
3. We request you refrain from bringing art supplies to church (markers, crayons, pencils and pens) as in the past they have left considerable damage to the pews and the cushions. Please consider books or small hand held figurines for our young parishioners.

We understand the struggle in attending Mass as a family and do want to balance your concerns with preserving our newly renovated sacred place. As you need a space to accommodate such things as food, drinks or other needs, please consider locations like the Narthex or Little People's Church (Children's Room). We thank you.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES FORMING:

Are you an adult (18+) who has never been confirmed? Adult Confirmation preparation sessions are now forming. Classes will begin the middle of January. Classes will be held at a convenient time for the participants. Contact Judy Gruel, jgruel@archbalt.org.

The Confirmation celebration will take place in March at the Cathedral of Mary our Queen in Baltimore.

SAVE THE DATE: OLPH SCHOOL 2013 SPRING FLING , (FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE BULL ROAST)

Theme: *The Best of Baltimore:*

Dinner, Dancing, Casino Gaming, Live and Silent Auction

March 9, 2013, 7pm-12am, OLPH Parish Center, Catering by Dimitri's International Grill

Dinner tickets on sale starting in January.

\$55 each or \$50 each for tables of 8 or 10

*Money raffle tickets \$10 each or 3 for \$25
(Prize of \$5,000 cash or OLPH School tuition
for 1 child for 1 year)*

*TV raffle tickets \$5 each or 3 for \$10
(46" Samsung LED 1080P HD TV)*

**Please purchase or return tickets that have been mailed using the return envelope provided.
For more information, please contact Karen Vorsteg
(kvorsteg@gmail.com) or
Vince Florenzo (vcmaflo@verizon.net).

***Please include these people and their families in your prayers
that they may experience Christ's comfort and healing.***

John Austraw
Rob Baldwin
Lucy Bodner
Ron Bondo
Joe Botkin
Wayne Buckley
Kaelynn Collazo
Sean Cunningham
Anna Curry
MaryJo DeFillipo
Patricia Donadio
Robert Dovalovsky
William Dovalovsky
Janet Feldman
Jayne Fleischer
Richard Flynn
Carol Freese
Thomas French

Julie Gallagher
Lorraine Gallagher
Lewis Goode
Joe Haupt
Mary Grace Howard
Chuck Hutzell
Meghan Jaecksch
Ally Jarkiewicz
Emily Kerstetter
Joanne Kerstetter
Marian Kubic
Anne Labagh
Fred Lourenso
Josephine Lucas
Diane Lydic
Lucy McKenna
Bob Moan
Peggy Moan

Caroline Mohler
Joseph Murray
Nathan Niessner
Tina Prangley
Sara Ann Ring
Rosemarie Rippel
June Rosemary
Edward (Ned) Ross
Sally Ross
Ephel Sandford
Hugh Sandford
Pearline Sandford
Bill Schone
Sheila Schone
Barbara Segala
Jack Simpson
Ardellia Smith
Julia Smith

Bill Snyder
Rose Sorbello
Crystal Spicer
Mary Stevens
Linda Uliana
Lauretta Vaccarino
Ed Ward
Jon Web
Richard Weinroth
Robert Welsh, Jr.
Robert Welsh, Sr.
Clyde Wenzel
Kyla Zeilinger

We need your help! We are trying to keep this prayer list updated.

If you or your loved one is on the mend, please notify the Parish Office at 410-747-4334.



MARRIED COUPLES PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP

Join us on Friday January 18 at 7pm. We will start in the church where we will pray a Married Couples' Stations of the Cross and then move over to the Parish Center for a social hour. BYOB, light refreshments will be provided. RSVPs are appreciated, but not necessary. To RSVP, or if you have any questions, please contact Kathy Schmidt: 410-747-5611, mak.schmidt@gmail.com

RESPECT LIFE:

Pro-life Apologetics Training (Pro-life 101)
Saturday, February 2, 2013, 9am to 1pm
Center for the New Evangelization,
St. Paul's, 3755 Saint Paul Street Ellicott City
For more info or to RSVP (by January 29th), please contact: johanna.coughlin@archbalt.org;
(410) 707-9842.

40TH ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE—SIGN UP

40th Annual March will be on Friday January 25, 2013
Leaving OLPH at approx. 10am. We only have one bus with 45 available seats, first come, first served. No cost. Please contact Susan Smith at 410-750-7577 or email suziloveshim@verizon.net

THE ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:

"LOVE REJOICES IN THE TRUTH."

The 2013 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway. Many of our parishioners have received a mailing from Archbishop Lori asking you to make a pledge to this year's Archbishop's Annual Appeal. This year, the theme of the Appeal is, *"Love Rejoices in the Truth."* This is especially appropriate since "love" is the operative word in our Faith.

Love of our Church, love of its mission and love of one another. This love translates into support that can ensure that our Church is there for those in need now, as well as for future generations.

Your gift will enable archdiocesan support of ministry, education, and service that touch thousands of lives not only in our Archdiocese but throughout the world. Please answer the Archbishop's request and make a generous pledge. All pledges can be billed in ten monthly installments.

Thank you in advance for your support.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP)

Ever wonder what **Natural Family Planning** really is? Come and hear about the wonderful way God created us and how we can learn to read the signs of fertility to plan or avoid pregnancy. Safe, healthy, and effective and fully in line with Catholic teaching, NFP is something everyone should know about. Join us January 23 at 7:00pm in the Triple Rooms of the Parish Center for a brief information session. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Schmidt at 410-747-5611 or mak.schmidt@gmail.com

ARCHDIOCESAN DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Fr. Michael DeAscanis, Vocations Director, Archdiocese of Baltimore, & Fr. Brian Nolan, Chaplain, Mount St. Mary University.

Friday, January 11, 7pm – Sunday, January 13, 1pm
Single men 18 years and older. Silent retreat with talks on prayer & discernment of God's will, Mass on Sat & Sun, Sacrament of Confession, Eucharistic adoration, discussions with Archbishop Lori, and quiet time. Meals provided on Saturday and Sunday. Cost: \$30
St. Gabriel Retreat House, 1201 Hilton Ave, Catonsville, [410-747-6767] On the private grounds of the All Saints Sisters of the Poor. To reserve a spot, please call the Vocations Office 410-547-5426, or email Vocations@archbalt.org

THE PATRIOTIC ROSARY

St. Louis the King Council #11898 of the Knights of Columbus, along with the Elizabeth Ann Seton Assembly of the 4th Degree and the St. Louis Court of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, will once again present the *Patriotic Rosary on Tuesday, January 15, 2013, starting at 7:30pm*, in the sanctuary of St. Louis Church. We welcome all of your council members, their families, and the members of your respective church congregations, to join us in this one-of-a-kind salute to each of the 50 states of the United States of America, all referencing Our Lord in their respective state constitutions.

SAVE THE DATE!

On Thursday, February 7, 2013, The Church of the Resurrection will host a Women's Night of Reflection with Fr. Dan Leary. You won't want to miss this special evening that will include beautiful music, Eucharistic Adoration, and a spiritual talk by Fr. Dan. He is the pastor of St. Andrew Apostle church in Silver Spring and is a popular and much sought-after speaker. His inspiring talks have drawn many closer to Christ and have helped them grow in their faith. For more information contact Cheri Keating: cherikeating@verizon.net

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OUR CATHOLIC SAINTS: *St. Marguerite Bourgeoys (1620-1700) (Feast: January 12)*

“God closes a door and then opens a window,” people sometimes say when dealing with their own disappointment or someone else’s. That was certainly true in Marguerite’s case. Children from European as well as Native American backgrounds in seventeenth-century Canada benefited from her great zeal and unshakable trust in God’s providence. Born the sixth of 12 children in Troyes, France, Marguerite at the age of 20 believed that she was called to religious life. Her applications to the Carmelites and Poor Clares were unsuccessful. A priest friend suggested that perhaps God had other plans for her. In 1654, the governor of the French settlement in Canada visited his sister, an Augustinian canoness in Troyes. Marguerite belonged to a sodality connected to that convent. The governor invited her to come to Canada and start a school in Ville-Marie (eventually the city of Montreal). When she arrived, the colony numbered 200 people with a hospital and a Jesuit mission chapel. Soon after starting a school, she realized her need for coworkers. Returning to Troyes, she recruited a friend, Catherine Crolo, and two other young women. In 1667 they added classes at their school for Indian children. A second trip to France three years later resulted in six more young women and a letter from King Louis XIV, authorizing the school. The Congregation of Notre Dame was established in 1676 but its members did not make formal religious profession until 1698 when their Rule and constitutions were approved. Marguerite established a school for Indian girls in Montreal. At the age of 69, she walked from Montreal to Quebec in response to the bishop’s request to establish a community of her sisters in that city. By the time she died, she was referred to as the “Mother of the Colony.” Marguerite was canonized in 1982.



Courtesy of: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marguerite_Bourgeoys

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CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS, CHARLES CARROLL POST 1961

The “Heavenly Strikers” of OLPH won the Bocce Ball 2012 Tournament at Cedar Lane Park, Howard County, MD.

They are preparing for the up coming Spring Tournament and looking for new members.

For more information, please contact Bernie O'Neill, 410-465-0791