

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which marks the end of the Christmas Season. This great feast reminds us that the child born in Bethlehem is truly the Son of the Eternal Father, and remains ever child-like in his trust of the Father. As we hear the Father's voice declare in the Gospel today: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." The Father is pleased because even as His son grows in earthly wisdom, age and grace, He remains confident in the Father's care for him. This will be especially true as Jesus approaches the Cross and entrusts his life to the Father even in the darkness of the Cross.

As we celebrate this Feast, we pray that the Lord will give us that same child-like trust and confidence in our heavenly Father, so that like Jesus, we will remain unshaken even in the most difficult of trials and troubles.

May God bless you and your loved ones this new week!





PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

RAY FRANCKWITZ Father of Ona Corkrin

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A POINSETTIA PLANT?

The Christmas decorations are being removed from the church. Following the 5pm Sunday, January 13th Mass, you are invited to take home a poinsettia plant.

Plants will be available in the narthex from January 13th-18th.

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.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

January 20, 2013

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 John 2:1-11

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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 †

Monday, January 14

8:15am Harriette Morton \(\phi\)

Tuesday, January 15

8:15am Janet Heffner \(\phi\)

Wednesday, January 16

8:15am Margaret McAndrew *

Thursday, January 17 (St. Anthony, Abbot)

8:15am Anna Thompson †
9:30am Joseph Young †

Friday, January 18

8:15am Mary Ann Humm 🕈

Saturday, January 19

8:15am Lucille Griebel †
4:30pm Christine Frusciante †

Sun., January 20 (2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

7:30am Jane Stromberg †
9:00am Stella Giesey †
11:00am Int. of Kayd Ruggles
5:00pm For the People of the Parish

"Little children follow and obey their father. They love their mother. They know nothing of covetousness, ill-will, bad temper, arrogance and lying. This state of mind opens the road to heaven. To imitate our Lord's own humility, we must return to the simplicity of God's little ones."

CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF MARYLAND CONFERENCE

The Catholic Men's Fellowship of Maryland will hold its annual conference, Proclaiming Christ in a Secular World, at Calvert Hall College High School in Towson, MD on Saturday, March 16th from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The scheduled speakers include Ralph Martin, Steven Ray and Richard Lane. Archbishop Lori is scheduled to join for the closing Mass at 3 pm. Online registration is available at www.catholicmensfellowship.com/tickets.html For questions, please contact Greg Douglas at rgdouglas1@comcast.net or at 202-297-3293.

CURSILLO MEN'S AND WOMEN'S WEEKEND RETREATS

The Cursillo Movement of Baltimore is offering a Men's Weekend Retreat, February 21 – 24 and a Women's Weekend Retreat, February 28 – March 3rd. You may learn more about Cursillo at www.baltimorecursillo.org.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Greg Douglas at **rgdouglas1@comcast.net** or at 202-297-3293 for more information.

CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS, 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 ONeill, 410-465-0791

OLPH School

Monday, January 21

(Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

11:00am ~ 12:30 pm.

PreK4 - Grade 8 Open House

Scheduled presentations and tours begin promptly

OLPH offers YOUR child

Personalized attention in a Christ-centered environment
 Academic excellence and enrichment programs

- Integrated religious education and Mass weekly
- A competitive edge for high school preparation
- Extra-curricular activities, clubs, and sports programs
- Full- or half-day PreK4; student-teacher ratio of 10:1
- Bus service, daily hot lunch, before- and after-care
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Come see why families



RSVP please to 410-744-4251 or office@olphschool.org



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 Javne 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.



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.

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

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. DO NOT leave them in the church pews. * For more information, please contact Karen Vorsteg (kvorsteg@gmail.com) or Vince Florenzo (vcmaflo@verizon.net).

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**

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**

HELP WANTED-HOWARD COUNTY PREGNANCY CTR.

Is one of your New Year's resolutions to speak up for those preborn babies who cannot speak for themselves? The Howard County Pregnancy Center is in need of a few volunteers to work with women in crisis pregnancies.

Could you commit to a few hours every other Wednesday evening from 5:30pm to 7:30 pm? We are also in need of: A Spanish speaking volunteer (we could work around her schedule), and an RN or an RDMS to be the nurse manager of our sonogram clinic (that will be up and running as soon as we get staffed and trained)! To volunteer or for more information on the RN/RDMS position, please contact Kim Hartman at Howard County Pregnancy Center at 410-730-3223. Thank you!

OLPH CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS MONTHLY MEETING.

The first meeting of 2013 will be January 14th in the Parish Center Triple Rooms (2nd floor). We will begin at 6:30pm with the recitation of the Rosary, followed by the meeting at 7:00pm. New members are welcome to join one of the oldest and largest organization of women in the Americas. We provide a helping hand to alleviate pain, sorrow and sickness.

We also enjoy doing fun activities throughout the year and administer scholarship programs.

Please call our local Regent Marta Minadeo at 410-730-2670 for additional information.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

GETTING TO KNOW OUR CATHOLIC SAINTS: St. Hilary of Poitiers (315-367) Feast day: January 13

Hilary was born into a prominent, pagan family in Gaul (now France). The name means "cheerful one". Seeking truth and virtue, Hilary came to believe in the true God, and, upon reading the Scriptures, gladly became a Christian. Although he was already a husband and a father, his learning, eloquence and humility led the people of Poitiers to demand that he serve as bishop. The empire was violently troubled by the Arian heresy, to which many bishops and the Emperor, Constantius, had succumbed. Hilary began to debate and write in defense of the true faith; some of his works are still extant. Shortly



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

and write in defense of the true faith; some of his works are still extant. Shortly, his opponents had him exiled to Phrygia (now the center of Turkey). He continued his work, setting out to confront heretical bishops who were promoting less obvious versions of Arianism in the wake of its condemnation at the Council of Nicea in 325. Threatened by him, whom Jerome would call "the trumpet of the Latins," these bishops asked the Emperor to send Hilary back where he came from. In 361, Hilary returned to a joyful welcome in Poitiers. His protégé, St. Martin of Tours, even came to visit him. The great bishop did not leave his diocese until his death in 368.

He was declared a doctor of the Church by Pope Pius IX in 1851.



UNBOUND PRAYER MINISTRY

On Saturday, January 26th, 2013 we will have prayer leaders available to provide prayer ministry using the Unbound 5 keys model for those that would like to experience greater freedom in Christ. These 5 keys are very simple and help you work through areas of your life that have held you back. This Unbound prayer model provides compassionate listening without judgment to help you uncover obstacles in your life that are keeping you from attaining greater freedom in Christ. If you are interested in receiving this kind of prayer please contact Dan Gahagan at 410-203-9520, to learn more about this and to schedule a time for prayer.