

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thank you to everyone who took part in this year's "Families Helping Families at Thanksgiving". Your generosity and love in preparing Thanksgiving boxes will allow more than 300 families to share a Thanksgiving meal together. Opportunities to serve in this way help us to be grateful for the gifts that God gives us, gifts that we might otherwise take for granted. As is often the case, we receive back more than we give - I pray that the Lord will bless us in this way. Thank you, as always, to our St. Vincent de Paul Society for organizing our Thanksgiving outreach - what a great team we have that makes it possible for our parish to help our brothers and sisters around us!

Several times at Mass I've mentioned my hope to increase the number of parishioners we have serving in our Ministry of Hospitality at Mass. It's a simple but very essential ministry - offering a sincere and loving welcome to everyone who joins us for Mass, and also helping our Mass to run more smoothly and prayerfully by attending to the small details (like helping to seat a family or making sure we have a family to bring up the gifts). I would love to have you join us in this ministry and invite you to join us for a training as we prepare for Christmas. We have two different trainings that you can choose from: Sunday, Dec. 1, at 2:30pm in the Church, or Monday, Dec. 2 at 7:30pm in the Church. Please save one of those dates and join us in extending a warm and loving welcome to everyone who is looking for a spiritual home!

Rev. Erik Arnold

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

WALTER HAWK
Husband of Charlotte Hawk



ALTAR FLOWERS
ARE IN MEMORY OF

GENE DUARTE

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY PRAYER SERVICE

This weekend, on Sunday, November 17th at 3:00pm, we will gather as a parish family to have our annual prayer service at our parish cemetery, St. Mary's. Together we will pray for all those buried there who await the Resurrection.



TRAINING SESSION—NEW MINISTERS
OF HOSPITALITY

Training for those interested in becoming Ministers of Hospitality will be held on Sunday, December 1st from 2:30pm until 3:30pm, and on Monday, December 2nd, at 7:30pm.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

November 24, 2013

Christ the King

2 Samuel 5:1-3; Psalms 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5;
Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43

MASS INTENTIONS—It is a spiritual work of mercy to pray for others, both living and deceased. To offer a Mass for a friend or family member, please call 410-747-4334, or stop by the parish office. Dates fill quickly. The customary offering is \$10.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 16 (*St. Margaret of Scotland*)
8:15am Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary ☩
4:30pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday, November 17 (33rd Sunday in Ord. Time)
7:30am Int. Fr. Manuel Roman, 88th Birthday
9:00am Therese McElwee ☩
11:00am Int. of The Marks Family
5:00pm John Francis Bovelto ☩

Mon., Nov. 18 (*Dedic. of Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne*)
8:15am Mary Ann Humm ☩

Tuesday, November 19
8:15am John Sadowski ☩

Wednesday, November 20
8:15am Russell Westlock ☩

Thurs., Nov. 21 (*Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*)
8:15am Linda Winchell ☩
9:30am Amy DeSantis ☩

Friday, November 22 (*Saint Cecilia*)
8:15am Emma Verselder & Cathy Milazzo ☩

Sat., Nov. 23 (*St. Clement I, St. Columban, Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro*)
8:15am Verna (Last Name Unknown) ☩
4:30pm Medee Dean ☩

Sunday, November 24 (Christ the King)
7:30am For the People of the Parish
9:00am Int. of The Fonmedig Family
11:00am Shirley Ann Miller ☩
5:00pm Thomas Saia, Sr. ☩

"We ought to speak, shout out against injustices, with confidence and without fear. We proclaim the principles of the Church, the reign of love, without forgetting that it is also a reign of justice."

— Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

'TIS THE SEASON TO SING



The OLPH Traditional Choir is looking for singers to join us for our Christmas Eve Masses.

This is a wonderful opportunity if you have always wanted to sing in the choir, but are not able to make a year-round commitment. Rehearsals begin the first week of December. If you are interested, please contact Dana La Rosa, Director of Music at dlarosa@archbalt.org or 410-747-4334.

OLPH CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB

OLPH Catholic Book club has the next book selection! Please join us in reading *Jesus Shock* by Peter Kreeft. Jesus is the single greatest agent of change in human history. A quote from page 43 of *Jesus Shock* is interesting, "Where do we find sloth? Go to your nearest Sunday morning church service, Protestant or Catholic. Then go to your nearest athletic field, amateur or professional. Compare the interest, the passion, the energy, the investment of the heart in those two places... Don't we know what's going on in church?" Copies of *Jesus Shock* may be available on the OLPH Bookrack for three dollars. Meeting date to be determined soon.

ST VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY MEETING

Monday, November 18th at 7:00pm
Parish Center, 2nd floor, Triple Room 205
Everyone is welcome. Our mission is to help the needy so if you are interested, we invite you to attend and find out more about our activities.
Please call Ed Parvis at 410-379-2902 if you would like more information.

CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS POST 1961 FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

The CWV Post 1961 will have a Fellowship Breakfast on Wednesday, November 20th at 8:00 a.m. at the Bob Evan Restaurant (4900 Beaver Run Court, off Rt. 100 and Executive Drive and opposite Chick fil A). Any Catholic veteran or active duty military interested in learning about the CWV are invited to attend. This would be a great time to learn more about the post and its activities. The post holds a Fellowship Breakfast every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

The Post holds monthly meetings on the 2nd Tuesday at St. Paul's Church at 7pm, in Room 207 in the Center for New Evangelization (755 St. Paul Street, Ellicott City). All Catholic veterans or active duty military are invited to attend.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Bereavement Support will meet on Monday, November 25 at 7pm in the Parish Office. All are welcome. For more information, please call Sister Lorraine at 410-747-4334, ext. 314.



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

"Anna & Family"
Rob Baldwin
Domenick M. Bellia
Lucy Bodner
Joe Botkin
Graham Burrell
Maureen Colclough
Kaelynn Collazo
Sean Cunningham
Anna Curry
MaryJo DeFillipo
O.P. Ditch
Kay Donahue
Robert Dovalovsky
William Dovalovsky
John Duvall
Janet Feldman
Effie Fernandes
Charles Fleischer

Jayne Fleischer
Richard Flynn
Carol Freese
Thomas French
Julie Gallagher
Lorraine Gallagher
Ray Gallagher
Tommy Gregorini
Joe Haupt
Gail Higgins
Mary Grace Howard
Chuck Hutzell
Alan Ignacio
Meghan Jaecksch
Ally Jarkiewicz
Marian Kubic
Phil Lewellen
Fred Lourenso
Josephine Lucas

Jim McKelvey
Lucy McKenna
Herb Michael
Bob Moan
Peggy Moan
Caroline Mohler
Joseph Murray
Nathan Niessner
Sara Ann Ring
Rosemarie Rippel
June Rosemary
Ephel Sandford
Hugh Sandford
Pearline Sandford
Bill Schone
Sheila Schone
Jack Simpson
Ardellia Smith
Bill Snyder

Rose Sorbello
Crystal Spicer
Mary Stevens
Ted Stromberg
Linda Uliana
Lauretta Vaccarino
Sunny Vacek
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.

OLPH CATHOLIC MOMS

Are you a Catholic mom who is looking to share your faith and time with other mothers and their children?

If so, we would love for you to join the Catholic Moms Group. We are a group of moms with children ages 0-5. We have a variety of events every month, including activities for stay at home moms and working moms, as well as events for the entire family!

**-Saturday, November 23: (3:00pm)
College Football Game Watch and Potluck
at Emily's House**

For more information about how this group may enhance your experience in the OLPH parish, please contact Kelly or Emily at

OLPHCatholicMoms@gmail.com.

You can also find our calendar of events at
www.olphparish.org/CatholicMoms.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS

2013 Christmas Card and Ornament Sale

Order forms and brochures for these beautiful religious Christmas Cards and Ornaments are now available in the Narthex. Your Knights of Columbus Council 9638 is sponsoring this sale. Please direct any questions to co-Knights in Charge Dan Borisko (410-313-8155) and Paul Mainhart (410-929-0819) or email us at **9638ChristInChristmas@gmail.com**

Thank you for your support!

ARCHBISHOP SPALDING HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE PRESENTS: FAIRY TALE THEATRE

November 15th, 16th, and 17th at Archbishop Spalding High School. The production features eleven short children's plays and is fun for the whole family! Come and meet the Three Little Pigs like you've never seen them before, explore Aesop's fables, and join in the adventure of Prince Charming searching for his one true love. Directed by Jacki Dixon. Tickets \$10 (\$7 children under 7), available at the door. November 15th and 16th at 7:00pm, November 17th at 2:00pm.

For more information, visit
www.archbishopspalding.org or call 410-969-9105.
Archbishop Spalding High School is located at
8080 New Cut Road, Severn Maryland.

Archbishop Spalding High School is a Catholic college preparatory secondary school that is committed to challenging our students to grow spiritually, academically, physically, and socially. The school community provides a caring environment that affirms the dignity of the individual and promotes learning

MARRIED COUPLES—SAVE THE DATE!

February 7-9, 2014: Build-Your-Own Marriage Weekend. Because of the high cost of going on a retreat, we are planning our very own weekend for married couples at Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Fr. Arnold and Joe & Cinda DeVet will present three opportunities for reflection. You may choose to go to one, two, or all three. Friday night: Holy Hour and reflection on Prayer in Marriage followed by a time of fellowship. Saturday: Day of Reflection—Excellence in Marriage followed by dinner and fun. Sunday: Afternoon of Reflection—Our Marriage and Our Blessed Mother. Stay tuned for more information



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 8
8:00 AM TO 12:00 PM
PARISH CENTER GYM**

BREAKFAST W/SANTA PHOTOGRAPHER NEEDED

The Breakfast with Santa Committee is looking for a Photographer to donate their time on Sunday, December 8th from 8am-12pm to take pictures of the children with Santa.

The committee will provide supplies.

Are you interested or do you know someone who would be? Please contact Trish Baldwin at 410-852-3596 or **trishbaldwin19@gmail.com**

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA LOOKING FOR DONATIONS

Do you have a home based business? Would you like a fun opportunity to promote it and generate extra sales? E-mail Joelle Eikenberg at

Joelle.joy@comcast.net to learn more about hosting a sales table or donating raffle items for Breakfast With Santa on December 8th

CALLING ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS!

Our LifeTeen High School youth group meets every Sunday night after the 5:00 mass. All high schoolers are invited to come and learn more about their faith and talk about how they can apply it directly to their everyday lives. Friends are always welcome!

Our high school youth group also has monthly service/mission days, social events, and retreats throughout the year!

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUR CATHOLIC SAINTS: *Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro (1891-1927) Feast: November 23*

Born into a prosperous, devout family in Guadalupe de Zacatecas, Mexico, he entered the Jesuits in 1911 but three years later fled to Spain, because of religious persecution in Mexico. He was ordained in Belgium in 1925. He immediately returned to Mexico, where he served a Church forced to go “underground,” as in 1926, President Plutarco Calles began strictly enforcing anti-Catholic laws. Fr. Pro became known as the undercover priest who would show up in the middle of the night – dressed as a beggar or a street sweeper – to baptize infants, hear confessions, distribute Communion, or perform marriages. Sometimes, disguised as a policeman, he slipped unnoticed into police headquarters to bring the sacraments to Catholic prisoners before their execution. Using clandestine meeting places, disguises, and coded messages to underground Catholics, Fr. Pro carried on his priestly work for the Mexican faithful under his care. In November of 1927,

he and his brother Roberto were arrested on trumped-up charges of attempting to assassinate Mexico’s president. Roberto was spared but Calles ordered Fr. Pro to be executed by firing squad. On November 23, 1927, as he walked from his cell to the courtyard and the firing squad, Fr. Pro blessed the soldiers, knelt and briefly prayed quietly. Declining a blindfold, he faced his executioners with a crucifix in one hand and a

rosary in the other and held his arms out in imitation of the crucified Christ and shouted out, “*May God have mercy on you! May God bless you! Lord, Thou knowest that I am innocent! With all my heart I forgive my enemies!*” Before the firing squad were ordered to shoot, Fr. Pro raised his arms in imitation of Christ and shouted, “*Viva Cristo Rey!*” (“*Long live Christ the King!*”) Fr. Pro’s funeral became a public demonstration of faith. 40,000 mourners lined his funeral procession and another 20,000 waited at the cemetery where he was buried without a priest present, his father saying the final words.

When Father Pro was executed in 1927, no one could have predicted that 52 years later the bishop of Rome would visit Mexico, be welcomed by its president and celebrate open-air Masses before thousands of people (an act which would have been a crime during Father Pro’s life and was still technically illegal at the time of the pope’s visit, though unenforced).

At his beatification on September 25, 1988, Pope John Paul II honored Father Miguel Pro with these words: “*Neither suffering nor serious illness, neither the exhausting ministerial activity, frequently carried out in difficult and dangerous circumstances, could stifle the radiating and contagious joy which he brought to his life for Christ and which nothing could take away. Indeed, the deepest root of self-sacrificing surrender for the lowly was his passionate love for Jesus Christ and his ardent desire to be conformed to him, even unto death.*” Blessed John Paul II made additional trips to Mexico in 1990, 1993, 1999 and 2002. Those who outlawed the Catholic Church in Mexico did not count on the deeply rooted faith of its people and the willingness of many of them, like Miguel Pro, to die as martyrs.



Bl. Miguel Pro, praying moments before his execution. Nov. 23, 1927. wikipedia.org

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