



Scripture Readings for Today

1st Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
2nd Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32
Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Scripture Readings for August 24th

1st Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23
2nd Reading: Romans 11:33-36
Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20



In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Romans, "God's gifts and his call are irrevocable." To what is God calling me today? What gifts are mine to share?

"They gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability."

2 Corinthians 8:3

Dear Parishioners,

As the Olympics take place in China, there is great nationalistic pride. China, South Korea, the United States, and many other countries have many supporters to encourage and support their athletes. When they do well, a nation's pride swells. That's all well and good up to a certain point as long as it is friendly competition. However, we must never forget we all make up the human race and are sons and daughters of God. The scripture readings this weekend all point to this in one way or another. Isaiah yearns for the day when God's house will be a house of prayer for all nations. The psalm response, "O God, let all the nations praise you", echoes that theme. Jesus, himself, heals the daughter of an outsider, a Canaanite, and Paul is reaching out to the non-Jews the Gentiles. So by all means let us root for our country's athletes at the Olympics but let us pray that the friendships that develop among the athletes might expand to the political leaders so that all the nations might praise God by living in peace and one day solidarity with one another.

Fr. Carl

THE COLLECTION FOR AUGUST 9-10TH

Envelopes \$13,995.00
 Loose..... \$1,377.14
 Poor Boxes..... \$561.54
 Children's \$25.10

THE MASS COUNT FOR AUGUST 9-10TH

5 PM – 292 7:30 AM – 169 9 AM – 199
 10:30 AM – 315 12 PM – 251 Total – 1226

Children's Stewardship

Four-year old M.K.:
 Time: praying for my Dad
 Talent: helping my Sister
 Treasure: \$1.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of Frances Ray.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS, especially those in hospitals – Joan Kerr, Ernest Gruber, Marie Cronise, Mary Agnes Stricker, Sharon Hohlbein, and Joseph Hallameyer.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for all those recovering from surgeries and illness and for: Charles Harris, James Anthony III, Mr. and Mrs. William Lang, Tammy Randle, Noreen Newcomb, Christian Murray, Robert Nelson, Boyd Crotts, and George Weinhold.

PRAYER FOR OUR SERVICE PEOPLE: We ask



you to remember the following parishioners, family & friends serving in the military: **USMC** – Pvt. Harry Harrison Bruns, LCpl. Joseph Bytella, LCpl. Sean Fitzpatrick, LCpl Alex Webb, LCpl. John J. Cohee, Jr., Sgt. David Burton; **USAF** – Capt. Brian Gallagher; **NAVY** – 2nd Class Petty Officer John Benjamin Maggio; **NAT'L GUARD** – Pfc. Ryan Kamauff, David Parker; **ARMY** – Sgt. Joshua Callow, Specialist Stephen Grenfell, 1st Lt. Stephen Winter, 1st Lt. Sheldon Broedel, Recon Scout Matt Lambert, 101st Airborne.

Mass Intentions**MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 18-24TH**

MONDAY 8/18	6:30 a.m. – Alvin Keough 8:00 a.m. – Antoinette Reddy
TUESDAY 8/19	6:30 a.m. – Toni Reddy 8:00 a.m. – Michael Miller
WED. 8/20	6:30 a.m. – Joseph Terracina 8:00 a.m. – Augustine Palackal
THURSDAY 8/21	6:30 a.m. – Anthony W. Grabus Sr. 8:00 a.m. – Bob Mellendick
FRIDAY 8/22	6:30 a.m. – Eileen Quinn 8:00 a.m. – Francis & Peggy Levy
SAT. 8/23	8:00 a.m. – Shirley Kelly 5:00 p.m. – Thomas Dougher
SUNDAY 8/24	7:30 a.m. – Tom Bryant 9:00 a.m. – John Roca 10:30 a.m. – For the Parishioners 12:00 p.m. – Bob Mellendick

DAILY READINGS

Monday 8/18	<i>St. Jane Frances de Chantal</i> Reading: Ezekiel 24:15-23 Gospel: Matthew 19:16-22
Tuesday 8/19	<i>St. John Eudes</i> Reading: Ezekiel 28:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 19:23-30
Wednesday 8/20	<i>St. Bernard of Clairvaux</i> Reading: Ezekiel 34:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16
Thursday 8/21	<i>St. Pius X, Pope</i> Reading: Ezekiel 36:23-28 Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14
Friday 8/22	<i>Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14 Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40
Saturday 8/23	<i>St. Rose of Lima</i> Reading: Ezekiel 43:1-7ab Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40



CONGRATULATIONS to the families of Cecelia Michelle Brown and Ava Gately Guidi who were baptized in our Church last weekend.

FLOWERS – Flowers on our Main Altar are in loving memory of Mary & Joe Terracina, requested by Mary Lou. To donate fresh flowers, please call Doris Mellendick at 410-747-2751.

IMPORTANT PACK 336 CUB SCOUT MEETING:

A meeting will be held at St. Agnes OSH on Tuesday, August 19th at 7:00 pm to discuss the future of Pack 336. All current and future scout families are encouraged to attend. For more information, call John Wilson 410-242-6632.

SAINT AGNES MEN'S CLUB will meet this coming Wednesday, August 20th, at 7:30 PM in the Old School Hall. New members are always welcome.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: formation sessions for adults interested in becoming full members of the Catholic Church will begin this fall on Monday evenings. If you or someone you know is interested in these classes call the parish office at 410-744-2900.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Classes will resume Sunday, September 7th from 10:05-11:20 am. Please call Amanda Barrick, Director of Religious Ed. at 410.747.9073 to register by Friday August 29th. A part-time secretary (10-12 hrs per wk) is needed in the Religious Ed. Office. Please call Amanda at 410.747.9073.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: beginning August 25, St. Agnes School will open at 8:05 a.m. Children will begin arriving on our parking lot at 7:50 a. m. Parishioners who wish to park on our lot to attend 8 a.m. Mass, please arrive prior to 7:50 a.m. If you are able, please park on the Shoppers' Food Warehouse lot. Thank you.

DONATIONS NEEDED — Items are still being collected for Africa, including: bicycles, shoes, school bookbags and newborn clothing. The items will ship soon. Please call 410.814.1343 by Aug. 25th.

ATTENTION BETTY CROCKERS: Due to the popular demand of homemade cakes at the Spring Gala, we would like to include a cake wheel at the Annual Crab Feast. If you would like to donate a homemade cake or pie, please call Julie Williams 410.242.9205. Cakes may be dropped off on the Church parking lot on Friday, August 29th between 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. OR we will pick them up. Thank you for your support!

ST. AGNES SCHOOL NEWS!

New Student Welcome will be held on Thursday, August 21 at 11:00 A.M. in the cafeteria. STAND training for new parents will take place at 12:00 Noon. Please contact the School Office at 410-747-4070 if you are planning to attend the Welcome and STAND training. Thank you.

Dates To Remember:

8/21	New Student Welcome 11 A.M.
	STAND Training 12:00 Noon
8/23	Class lists posted / Old School Porch
8/25	School reopens! 8:05 a.m.
8/25-8/28	12:30 dismissal each day
8/26	Home School Association
	Volunteer Night 7:00 P.M.
8/29	No school
9/1	No school – Labor Day

HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATION will have a Volunteer Meeting Tues. Aug. 26th 7 pm in the Cafeteria. All school families are required to fulfill 20 hrs of volunteer service per year. Come and find out more about our volunteer opportunities. You will receive 1 hour just for attending!

ST. AGNES BASKETBALL REGISTRATION:



Basketball registration forms for players in grades 3rd through 8th have been mailed. Cost is \$70 for one player and \$100 per family. This will be our only registration. If you have not played in our program in the past and would like to register please call Sue Bianco 410-788-3537. Players in grades 6th through 8th should have previous playing experience. Please look for information on registration for players in 2nd grade at a later date.

DONATE YOUR CAR TO CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Call 410-625-8444 or toll free at 1-866-486-6140 or donate online at www.cc-md.org. FREE pick-up and towing!

CONSIDERING ADOPTION: Catholic Charities of Baltimore has both International and Domestic Adoption Programs. Our next meeting to discuss all of our programs will be held on Wednesday, August 27, 2008, 6:45-9 pm at our office 11 E. Mt. Royal Ave., Baltimore, MD 21202. For further details or to register, please call 410-659-4050.

St. Agnes Youth Ministry

Sunday, August 17 – Fr. Tim Night

Join us for a talk by our very own Fr. Tim Fell!

Permission forms for next week are due tonight!

Sunday, August 24 – O's Outing

Come see the O's take on the Yankees at this afternoon game! Bring the whole family! Permission forms and \$10 are due by Sunday, August 17. Game time is 1:35pm. We will leave from the Shoppers lot at 12:45pm. **There will not be a youth night this evening.**

Sunday, August 31 – Back to School Prayer Service

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). Place your worries, fears and doubts in God's hands tonight as we pray for His blessings on the upcoming school year.

OUR 3rd ANNUAL PARISH CRAB FEAST will be held Friday, August 29th. For ticket information, please call Sue Bianco at 410.788.3537 or visit www.stagnescatholicchurch.org.

WOMEN'S RETREAT: Oct. 17-19, 2008 at Loyola Retreat House in Faulkner, MD. Cost \$215. Since there are 4 parishes participating, St. Agnes is limited to 12-15 women at this time. Call Cathy Arini 410.747.7736 for more info

ST. AGNES SCHOOL FUNDRAISER: Before you go to the store, stop by the Food Certificate table after Mass and purchase a \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50 or \$100 food certificate to put toward your groceries, or prescriptions. St. Agnes School will receive 5% of your grocery bill -- at no cost to you! Certificates are also available in the School and Parish offices.

TRAVELING THIS SUMMER? For nationwide Mass times and locations, call 1.410.676.6000 or visit the web at www.masstimes.org.



MEMORY VERSE

MATTHEW 15:28

Then Jesus said, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish."