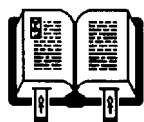


**TODAY IS THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED      NOVEMBER 2, 2008****Scripture Readings for Today****1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Wisdom 3:1-9**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Romans 5:5-11**Gospel:** John 6:37-40**Scripture Readings for November 9<sup>th</sup>****1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17**Gospel:** John 2:13-22

Dear Parishioners,

Many passages from the book of Wisdom appear in Church liturgy. Today we learn most importantly that it is "foolish" to think that the just who precede us in death are actually dead. The truth is they are at peace, "their *hope* is full of immortality." Paul says this "*hope* does not disappoint, because the love of God" is in our hearts. If we keep God's love in our hearts Jesus will raise us on the last day. A casual look at the world we live in presents a mixed picture of how mankind practices God's love. The word "love" is so often misused. Many in this world are not living the "will" of God: many Catholics do not attend Mass on Sundays; some refuse to feed, cloth and shelter the poor, the immigrant, and the neglected; and some simply are selfish. The truth is God is right. His promise is true. There is eternal life after death. St. Pio (Padre Pio) was eating with the friars in the kitchen when someone knocked at the back door. One of the friars went to the door and opened it. After a few moments he returned to the table and told St. Pio there were gentlemen at the door to see him. St. Pio went to the back door and talked to the men. After a brief discussion, he returned to dinner with the friars. One of the friars asked him who the men were. St. Pio told him the men were on their way to heaven from purgatory. They came to the kitchen to thank him for all his prayers which helped end their purgatory and open heaven to them. Do not be foolish. Embrace life with the Holy Spirit. Pray for those who don't attend Mass on Sunday and live a "selfish" life. You may be the person whose prayers bring them back to Jesus Christ. Abide with God in love "because grace and mercy are with His holy ones."

Deacon Jack



God has given each of us some special abilities. It is important that we use them to help one another, passing on to others the many blessings that God has given us.

**THE COLLECTION FOR OCTOBER 25-26<sup>TH</sup>**

Envelopes .....	\$13,001.50
Loose .....	\$1,027.51
Poor Boxes .....	\$320.78
Children's.....	\$43.20

**THE MASS COUNT FOR OCTOBER 25-26<sup>TH</sup>**

5 PM – 195	7:30 AM – 169	9 AM – 297
10:30 AM – 352	12 PM – 266	Total – 1279

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS** of Josephine Dougherty, Jennie Hale and Msgr. Richard Smith.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**, especially those in hospitals – Claire Anderson, Andrew Hill, Tammy Randle, Charles Payne, Edwina Jones, Helen Giber, Zachary Watkins, Mary Brooks, Dorothy Mihalovic, Maribelle Jane Kursch, Bill Amann, and Audie Murphy.

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED** for all those recovering from surgeries and illness and for: Lou Kaminski, Mary Van Dusen, Charles & Jacque Harris, John Joseph, Kyla Zeilinger, John Hartner, Mr. and Mrs. William Lang, Noreen Newcomb, and Robert Nelson.

**PRAYER FOR OUR SERVICE PEOPLE:** We ask you to remember the 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; Nat'l Guard – Pfc. Ryan Kamauff, David Parker; Army – Timothy Muhl, Sgt. Joshua Callow, Specialist Stephen Grenfell, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Stephen Winter, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Sheldon Broedel, Recon Scout Matt Lambert, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne.

*Mass Intentions***MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3-9<sup>TH</sup>**

MONDAY 11/3	6:30 a.m. – Henry & Cecelia Hoffman 8:00 a.m. – Poor Souls in Purgatory
TUESDAY 11/4	6:30 a.m. – Poor Souls in Purgatory 8:00 a.m. – Ann P. Hoffman
WED. 11/5	6:30 a.m. – Michael Lawler 8:00 a.m. – Poor Souls in Purgatory
THURSDAY 11/6	6:30 a.m. – Poor Souls in Purgatory 8:00 a.m. – Bill Dulaney
FRIDAY 11/7	6:30 a.m. – Francis & Peggy Levy 8:00 a.m. – Poor Souls in Purgatory
SAT. 11/8	8:00 a.m. – Poor Souls in Purgatory 5:00 p.m. – Bill Dulaney
SUNDAY 11/9	7:30 a.m. – Colleen Waite 9:00 a.m. – Adalbert Kopec III 10:30 a.m. – Edwina Formhals 12:00 p.m. – For the Parishioners

**DAILY READINGS**

<b>Monday</b> 11/3	<i>St. Martin de Porres, Religious</i> <b>Reading:</b> Philippians 2:1-4 <b>Gospel:</b> Luke 14:12-14
<b>Tuesday</b> 11/4	<i>St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i> <b>Reading:</b> Philippians 2:5-11 <b>Gospel:</b> Luke 14:15-24
<b>Wednesday</b> 11/5	<i>Weekday</i> <b>Reading:</b> Philippians 2:12-18 <b>Gospel:</b> Luke 14:25-33
<b>Thursday</b> 11/6	<i>Weekday</i> <b>Reading:</b> Philippians 3:3-8a <b>Gospel:</b> Luke 15:1-10
<b>Friday</b> 11/7	<i>Weekday</i> <b>Reading:</b> Philippians 3:17— 4:1 <b>Gospel:</b> Luke 16:1-8
<b>Saturday</b> 11/8	<i>Weekday</i> <b>Reading:</b> Philippians 4:10-19 <b>Gospel:</b> Luke 16:9-15

**FLOWERS** – Flowers on our Holy Family Altar are in loving memory of Paul Blair, requested by his family. To donate flowers in loving memory or in celebration of a special occasion, call Doris Mellendick at 410.747.2751.



**OUR FORTY HOURS DEVOTION** will begin this weekend. Fr. Tim will conduct the services which will be held on Sunday, Monday, & Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. A sign-up sheet for Adoration can be found in the front of Church.

**FORTY HOURS SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:**

Sunday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Opening Mass: 12 Noon  
Adoration: 1:00 – 7:00 PM  
Evening Service & Talk: 7:00 PM  
Monday, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Masses: 6:30 & 8 AM  
Adoration: 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM  
Evening Service & Talk: 7:00 PM  
Tuesday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> – Masses: 6:30 & 8 AM  
Adoration: 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM  
Solemn Closing & Procession – 7:00 PM

**FAMILY ROSARY** - Please join us to pray the Glorious Mysteries this Wed., Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. Later this month (Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>), we will celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin, when her pious parents, Joachim and Anne, offered their most beloved child to be educated in the service and law of the Lord so that she might be guarded against the defilements of this world. God requires that we take care to keep our children pure and holy and to this end, we should not fail to appreciate the value of praying the rosary together as a family.

**CONFESSIONS** will be heard this Thurs., Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 4:30 PM, in preparation for First Friday.

**FIRST FRIDAY MASSES** will be held this Friday, Nov. 7 at 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION** – Holy Hour will be held this Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, from 7 to 8 p.m. After this Hour the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed until 8 a.m. Saturday. Parishioners are needed to rest with Jesus during these 12 hours. A sign-up sheet can be found in the front of church. *“Closeness to Christ in silence and contemplation does not distance us from one another. On the contrary it makes us more attentive and open to human joy and distress and broadens our hearts on a global scale...”* Pope John Paul II

**ST. AGNES CHRISTMAS CARDS** – will be for sale this weekend and next after all the Masses. The Stained Glass Window of the Nativity from our Church is beautifully photographed for the card. Profits are to benefit the Building Fund.

**ST. AGNES SCHOOL NEWS!**

A special thanks to the many parents who planned and volunteered at our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual **Fall Fest**. Even though the weather was gloomy and we had to move inside, the children had a great time making scarecrows, painting pumpkins, doing lots of seasonal crafts, and taking their chance at winning snack attack bags, goldfish, crazy hats, cakes, and fall flowers. Both the cafeteria and gym room were constantly filled with busy little ones having a great time. One of the biggest surprises was the STAR WARS characters who visited all of our boys and girls. The characters looked so real that some of the very little ones hid their faces in Mommy and Daddy's arms, but the bigger kids loved the visit from the costumed characters.

We hope this fun event continues to grow at St. Agnes School and Parish.

Thanks to all the volunteers and all our visitors!

**Please save** "Box Tops for Education" labels, barcodes, and box tops, empty printer cartridges, and used cell phones for our school collection. Send them in with your favorite St. Agnes student.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Tuesday, November 4	7:00 pm	Forty Hours Closing Mass
Thursday, November 6		Safeguard ID Program

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY (CLOTHING DRIVE):** will be held November 15-16<sup>th</sup>. A truck will be parked on our lot to accept your donation of clean usable clothing. No furniture please.

**OPEN HOUSE –** Area High Schools welcome new students to their Open Houses:

Mount St. Joseph – Sun. Nov 2 11-2 pm  
[www.msjnet.edu](http://www.msjnet.edu)

Mount de Sales – Sun. Nov. 2 12-3 pm  
[www.mountdesales.com](http://www.mountdesales.com)

Calvert Hall – Sun. Nov 9 12-4 pm  
[www.calverthall.com](http://www.calverthall.com)

Institute of Notre Dame – Sat. Nov. 15 11-2 pm  
[www.indofmd.org](http://www.indofmd.org)

**Cardinal Gibbons School** Open House was Saturday Oct.25<sup>th</sup>, 2008. If you were unable to attend, please contact the Admissions Director Michael Hoos at 410-644-1770 ext. 109.

**St. Agnes Youth Ministry**

**Sunday, November 2 – Forty Hours Devotion**

Please meet in the youth room by 6:50pm. We will gather as a group before heading over to the Church for the Forty Hours devotion.

**Sunday, November 9 – S'mores and Songs**

Join us at the Boehk house for a night of singing praise and worship and making s'mores around a fire. Ladies, please bring graham crackers. Guys, please bring a non-cola soda or other beverage. Everyone, please bring a skewer or stick for roasting your marshmallows! Marshmallows, chocolate, cola and hot chocolate will be provided.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

**Sunday, November 23** – Grade 8 Confessions– Confession will be offered to our 8th grade students-during RE class 10 – 11:20 am- in preparation of their Confirmation on December 4.

**Sunday, November 30** – No Religious Education Classes – Happy Thanksgiving!

**DEACON JACK'S TURKEYS** - Throughout the month of November, Deacon Jack will be collecting money to purchase CHRISTMAS Turkeys for the Transfiguration Parish in Baltimore City. Donations may be placed in an envelope marked **Deacon Jack's Turkeys** and placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office. If donations exceed the cost of the turkeys, the extra funds will be sent to our sister parish in Haiti. Thank you for your kindness.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - Volunteers are needed to help cover the new parish missalettes. If you have some time to spare and can help out anytime between 8:30 a.m. -4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, please call the parish office at 410.744.2900. Thank you.

**MEMORY VERSE**

**JOHN 11:25a, 26**

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die.

**Voting Pro-Abortion Called Cooperating in Evil — Texas Bishops Resolve Doubts for Faithful Citizens**

**DALLAS, Texas, OCT. 22, 2008 (Zenit.org).**- Voting for a pro-abortion candidate when there is an alternative option is to cooperate in evil, and therefore morally impermissible, clarified two Texas bishops.

In a message made available to the faithful during this Respect Life month, bishops Kevin Farrell of Dallas and Kevin Vann of Fort Worth seek to "dispel any confusion or misunderstanding that may be present among you concerning the teaching contained in the U.S. bishops' document on faithful citizenship.

"Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship' clearly teaches that not all issues have the same moral equivalence," the bishops explained. "Some issues involve 'intrinsic evils'; that is, they can never under any circumstance or condition be morally justified. Preeminent among these intrinsic evils are legalized abortion, the promotion of same-sex unions and 'marriages,' repression of religious liberty, as well as public policies permitting euthanasia, racial discrimination or destructive human embryonic stem cell research."

Thus, bishops Farrell and Vann stated, "we cannot make more clear the seriousness of the overriding issue of abortion -- while not the 'only issue'-- it is the defining moral issue, not only today, but of the last 35 years. This electoral cycle affords us an opportunity to promote the culture of life in our nation.

"As Catholics we are morally obligated to pray, to act and to vote to abolish the evil of abortion in America, limiting it as much as we can until it is finally abolished."

**Not Enough**

The prelates acknowledged that there are a number of important issues voters must consider "such as immigration reform, health care, the economy, care and concern for the poor, and the war on terror."

"As Catholics we must be concerned about these issues and work to see that just solutions are brought about," they wrote. "There are many possible solutions to these issues and there can be reasonable debate among Catholics on how to best approach and solve them. These are matters of 'prudential judgment.' "

"But," the prelates emphasized, "let us be clear: Issues of prudential judgment are not morally equivalent to issues involving intrinsic evils. No matter how right a given candidate is on any of these issues, it does not outweigh a candidate's unacceptable position in favor of an intrinsic evil such as abortion or the protection of 'abortion rights.' "

**Salvation at Stake**

The Texas bishops, citing the U.S. Episcopal conference document, addressed the question of if it is "permissible for a Catholic to vote for a candidate who supports an intrinsic evil -- even when the voter does not agree with the candidate's position on that evil."

They said there are only two conditions when voting for a pro-abortion candidate is permissible: "A. If both candidates running for office support abortion or 'abortion rights,' a Catholic would be forced to then look at the other important issues and through their vote try to limit the evil done; or, "B. If another intrinsic evil outweighs the evil of abortion. While this is sound moral reasoning, there are no 'truly grave moral' or 'proportionate' reasons, singularly or combined, that could outweigh the millions of innocent human lives that are directly killed by legal abortion each year.

"To vote for a candidate who supports the intrinsic evil of abortion or 'abortion rights' when there is a morally acceptable alternative would be to cooperate in the evil -- and, therefore, morally impermissible."

The bishops concluded affirming that the decisions made on such political and moral issues "may affect each individual's salvation."

"As Catholics, we must treat our political choices with appropriate moral gravity," they wrote, "and in doing so; realize our continuing and unavoidable obligation to be a voice for the voiceless unborn, whose destruction by legal abortion is the preeminent intrinsic evil of our day."

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