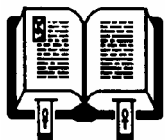


TODAY IS THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 15, 2009

**Scripture Readings for Today****1st Reading:** Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46**2nd Reading:** 1 Corin. 10:31– 11:1**Gospel:** Mark 1:40-45

In today's second reading, St. Paul urges the Corinthians to "do all for the glory of God". If we follow that advice in everything we do, we cannot help but be good stewards!

Scripture Readings for February 22nd**1st Reading:** Isaiah 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25**2nd Reading:** 2 Corinthians 1: 18-22**Gospel:** Mark 2:1-12

Dear Parishioners,

At the time of Christ a person with leprosy was not welcome in the community with others. Their illness was considered a reflection of their sinfulness and they were avoided by their world. Jesus, however, did not avoid them. When the leper asked to be made clean, Jesus healed him. This is Jesus' mission reflected in our readings these last few weeks. He comes to reach out, touch and bring the unwanted and alienated into His community. For some they were healed by Jesus' invitation. We experience this love of Christ whenever we enjoy the sacrament of penance. Like the leper, we kneel as we confess our sins. The Lord takes away the guilt of our sin through the divine word spoken by the priest. Kneel before the Blessed Sacrament, open your heart to God and feel His love. Jesus touches the soul and asks us to bring his healing love to our community. Serve your family and your co-workers with Christ's love, through your prayers and physical support. Testify to your own healing by living a changed life. When you awake each day give thanks to God for one more day to serve Him. Before you sleep at night, kneel and pray thanking Jesus for the day. Do this and all things for the glory of God.

Deacon Jack

THE COLLECTION FOR FEBRUARY 7- 8TH

Envelopes	\$13,084.00
Loose	\$1,443.01
Poor Boxes	\$396.92
Children's	\$37.45
Building Fund	\$2,519.00

"Everyone must give according to what he has inwardly decided; not sadly, not grudgingly, for God loves a cheerful giver."

THE MASS COUNT FOR FEBRUARY 7- 8TH

5 PM – 265	7:30 AM – 179	9 AM – 305
10:30 AM – 316	12 PM – 273	Total – 1338

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of Boyd Crotts.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS, especially those in hospitals – Cathy Parsons, Jacob Soboleski, Edna Fowler, Ruth Crotts, Margaret Mary Neeley, Dottie Lappe, and Concetta Glorioso Fowler.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED: for all those recovering from surgeries and illness and for: Charles Payne, Catherine Cleaver, Mary Van Dusen, Florence Fink, Milton Getka, Dolores Carver, Fr. Vitesse, Margaret Blinke, Lou Kaminski, Charles & Jacque Harris, Maribelle Kursch, Mr. and Mrs. William Lang, and Noreen Newcomb.

PRAYER FOR OUR SERVICE PEOPLE: We ask



you to remember the parishioners, family & friends serving in the military: USMC – Cpl. Joseph Bytella, LCpl. Sean Fitzpatrick, LCpl Alex Webb, LCpl. John J. Cohee, Jr., Sgt. David Burton; Nat'l Guard – Pfc. Ryan Kamauff, David Parker; Navy – Daniel Gately; Army – Andy Deponai, Timothy Muhl, Sgt. Joshua Callow, Specialist Stephen Grenfell, 1st Lt. Stephen Winter, 1st Lt. Sheldon Broedel, Recon Scout Matt Lambert.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 16-22ND

MONDAY 2/16	6:30 a.m. – Fr. Wayne Funk 8:00 a.m. – Eleanor Meyd
TUESDAY 2/17	6:30 a.m. – Marion Visel 8:00 a.m. – Gregory Matthew Snead
WED. 2/18	6:30 a.m. – Mary Plazek 8:00 a.m. – Robert Holler
THURS. 2/19	6:30 a.m. – Miroslawa Ciesla 8:00 a.m. – Joseph W. Smith Sr.
FRIDAY 2/20	6:30 a.m. – Donna Broccolino 8:00 a.m. – Thomas Callanan
SAT. 2/21	8:00 a.m. – Andrew Windham 5:00 p.m. – Mary Terracina
SUNDAY 2/22	7:30 a.m. – Ernest Gruber 9:00 a.m. – Margaret Moran 10:30 a.m. – Joseph Topper Sr. 12:00 p.m. – For the Parishioners

DAILY READINGS

Monday 2/16	<i>Weekday</i> Reading: Genesis 4:1-15, 25 Gospel: Mark 8:11-13
Tuesday 2/17	<i>Memorial of the Seven Founders of the Order of Servites</i> Reading: Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10 Gospel: Mark 8:14-21
Wednesday 2/18	<i>Weekday</i> Reading: Genesis 8: 6-13, 20-22 Gospel: Mark 8:22-26
Thursday 2/19	<i>Weekday</i> Reading: Genesis 9:1-13 Gospel: Mark 8:27-33
Friday 2/20	<i>Weekday</i> Reading: Genesis 11:1-9 Gospel: Mark 8: 34– 9:1
Saturday 2/21	<i>St. Peter Damien</i> Reading: Hebrews 11:1-7 Gospel: Mark 9:2-13

SOUP AND STATIONS will be held each Friday during Lent. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. in the Old School Hall. Stations of the Cross will be held at 7 p.m. in the Church. Bring the whole family! If your ministry would like to sponsor a night with meatless soups, call Denise Zambotti at 410.247.3754.

FLOWERS: Flowers on the Main Altar are in loving memory of Rose La Martina. Flowers on the Holy Family Altar are in loving memory of Mary Terracina; both are requested by Mary Lou. To donate fresh flowers, call Doris Mellendick at 410-747-2751.

SAINT AGNES MEN'S CLUB will meet this Wednesday, February 18th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Old School Hall. All men of the parish are invited.

OUR DAILY BREAD VOLUNTEERS – The next food delivery date is this Friday, February 20th. Drop off time at church can be either Thursday evening, 6:30-7:45 PM or Friday morning prior to the 8:00 AM Mass. Confirmation candidates can also bring food donations – hard-boiled eggs, or foil-wrapped macaroni and cheese casserole or meatloaf. Frozen store-bought macaroni and cheese casseroles are also welcome. Thank You!

ST. AGNES SCHOOL REGISTRATION for new students in grades N-7 will be held on Friday, February 20th from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM. For more info: call the school office at 410-747-4070.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL is now underway. A message from Archbishop O'Brien will be read at all the Masses this weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses this weekend and next weekend. Please answer the Archbishop's request and make a generous pledge. Thank you in advance for your support.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER will be held Friday, March 6th at 11 AM in the Chapel at St. Mark in Catonsville. World Day of Prayer is the one and only time that the various congregations, in and around Catonsville, gather for worship and fellowship. This year, we will pray for peace and make an offering to support the needs in New Guinea. All are welcome! You are invited to bring a non-perishable food donation for the poor.

ST. AGNES SCHOOL is planning an **All Class reunion** on Saturday, June 6, 2009. If you are interested in attending or in helping plan this event, please send an email to sasallclassreunion@yahoo.com with your name (maiden name), address, phone #, graduation year and email address or call Sue Bianco at 410-788-3537 or Susan Thompson at 410-465-6999.

ST. AGNES SCHOOL NEWS!

New Student Registration for grades N - 7th grade will take place on **Friday, February 20th**. Please bring your child's birth certificate, social security card, immunization records, Baptismal certificate if Catholic, and for Grades 2-7 the last 2 report cards and latest standardized test scores. There is a non refundable \$125 registration fee due at the time of registration.

Thank you to all who supported our Pizza Sale fundraiser! We appreciate your generosity!

A Huge Thank You to the St. Agnes School Community for raising \$1,000 to send to our parish community in Haiti. We held a dress down day and bake sales to raise the money. Thanks to all who baked and thanks to all who purchased the goodies.

Spirit Night is coming! School families mark your calendars for this fun filled fundraiser for our 8th grade class. This year's event will be held on **Friday, March 6th** at Mt. St. Joseph's High School from 6:00-9:00 PM. More details will follow.

Dates to Remember:

- 2/16** Presidents' Day – School closed
- 2/18** Pizza Pick-Up Day in the Activity Center.
- 2/24-27** Middle School Trimester 2 Tests

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The registration form (blue form) from the Confirmation packet (distributed at the meeting on January 18) was due February 8-9. If you have not yet handed this in, please return the form and a payment for the Confirmation Fee (\$90) to your teacher or to the Office of Religious Education.

THE MEN'S CLUB BULL AND OYSTER ROAST happens again on Saturday, Feb. 28 from 7 – 12 pm at The Lodge, in Catonsville. Tickets are \$40. Contact Mike D. 410-788-6822. Please help support our parish youth athletic programs.

MEMORY VERSE 1 CORINTHIANS 10:31

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

Maryland Catholic Conference Lobby Night: Join hundreds of Catholics from throughout the state Monday, **February 16** – to be “powered by faith” at Lobby Night 2009. You will have the opportunity to speak face-to-face with your elected officials. www.mdcathcon.org/lobbysnight2009.

Paul Schenck, founder of the National pro-Life Action Center on Capitol Hill, founder of National Pro-Life Radio, and Director of Respect Life for the Diocese of Harrisburg will speak at Our Lady's Center, 3301 S. Rogers Ave., Ellicott City on Friday, Feb. 20th at 1 PM. The focus of his talk will be how new Democrats and new Republicans will reverse Roe v Wade and end abortions. There will be Mass at 12 noon followed by Adoration. 410-461-5066.

ST. AGNES YOUTH MINISTRY

Friday-Sunday, Feb. 13-15 – Mount 2009 Retreat

Please keep our group in your prayers this weekend, as 20 youth and 4 chaperones travel to Mount Saint Mary's University for their annual Mount 2000 retreat.

Sunday, February 15 – No Youth Night

There will be no youth night tonight, as our group will be returning from the Mount 2009 retreat weekend.

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER DANCE – St. Agnes Council Knights of Columbus will host a St. Patrick's party at the council home, 2021 Frederick Rd. on Sat. March 14 from 7-11 pm. Dinner will be corned beef and cabbage or ham with all the trimmings, beer, wine & soda. Tickets are \$17. DJ Ken Jackson will play big band and easy listening for dancing. For tickets call Bernie McNulty at 410-480-0661 before March 3rd.

CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP CONFERENCE:

The annual conference will be held on March 21st at Towson Catholic High School. Among the speakers will be Archbishop O'Brien, who will also preside at the Mass following the conference. It's always a great day for the men who attend; sons of high school age and older are also welcome. For details and registration info go to www.catholicmensfellowship.com. Or call Mike Burke 410-788-0171.