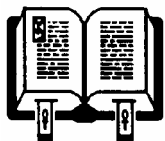


TODAY IS THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 17, 2009

**Scripture Readings for Today****1st Reading:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48**2nd Reading:** 1 John 4:7-10**Gospel:** John 15:9-17**Scripture Readings for May 24th****1st Reading:** Acts 1:1-11**2nd Reading:** Ephesians 1:17-23**Gospel:** Mark 16:15-20

Dear Parishioners,

“Silence is golden.” I don’t know who came up with that old adage, but it is just as true today as it was when first coined many years ago. Today we live in a world of noise from the traffic on the streets, to our cell phones, stereos, big screen HD TV’s, and music blaring in stores, restaurants, and bars. The one lone haven of peace and quiet is a church. At least that used to be the case. Traveling to other cities I am amazed at the amount of talking before Mass. It is like being in a concert hall or theatre before the show begins. I am grateful that St. Agnes is not like that. Usually people are praying before Mass begins, but there is a growing tendency even here to engage in idle chatter as we seem to forget the words of Jesus, “My house is a house of prayer.” After Mass, it is becoming very noisy. While it is wonderful to see our worship build up the community afterwards, we are making it very difficult for our brothers and sisters who want to say a few quiet prayers after Mass. Now that the weather has improved, please wait until you get outside before socializing so as to respect God’s house and those who wish to have some extra prayer time with the Lord.

Fr. Carl

THE MASS COUNT FOR MAY 9-10TH

5 PM – 227	7:30 AM – 185	9 AM – 334
10:30 AM – 355	12 PM – 266	Total – 1367



Jesus’ commandment is that His disciples love one another, even to the point of laying down their lives. What gifts

of myself — my skills and talents, my time and resources — will best demonstrate my love for God’s people?

THE COLLECTION FOR MAY 9-10TH

Envelopes	\$14,674.23
Loose	\$975.71
Poor Boxes	\$403.15
Children’s	\$51.65

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL of Charles Harris.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS, especially those in hospitals – Thomas Schwartz, Bob Meyer and Florence Dunne.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for all those recovering from surgeries and illness and for: Frances Amann, Genevieve Randle, Cathy Parsons, Bonnie DeVito, Catherine Teal, Mike Steer Sr., Evana Feeney, Mary Barber, Heather La Martina, Ann Finnel, Dottie Lappe, Concetta Fowler, Sandy Miller, Ruth Crotts, Patty Kuzmak, Charles Payne, Mary Van Dusen, Florence Fink, Milton Getka, Margaret Blinke, Jacque Harris, Mr. & Mrs. William Lang.

PRAYERS 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** – David Roussey, Daniel Gately; **ARMY** – James Lowe, Andy Giotis, Andy Deponai, Timothy Muhl, Sgt. Joshua Callow, Specialist Stephen Grenfell, 1st Lt. Stephen Winter, 1st Lt. Sheldon Broedel.

Mass Intentions



MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 18-24TH

MONDAY 5/18	6:30 a.m. – Margaret Korb 8:00 a.m. – William Rodgers Ragland
TUESDAY 5/19	6:30 a.m. – John Henderson 8:00 a.m. – Richard Lanciotti
WED. 5/20	6:30 a.m. – Natalie Cutler 8:00 a.m. – Bill Dulaney
THURS. 5/21	6:30 a.m. – Ann Marie Brocato 8:00 a.m. – Sean Henn
FRIDAY 5/22	6:30 a.m. – Ida Comegna 8:00 a.m. – Steve Sams
SAT. 5/23	8:00 a.m. – Frank & Barbara Zeiler 5:00 p.m. – Christopher Maddox, Jr.
SUNDAY 5/24	7:30 a.m. – For the Parishioners 9:00 a.m. – Mary MacDaniel 10:30 a.m. – Sal Maggio Jr. 12:00 p.m. – Shirley Hartge

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION – This weekend, May 16-17th, we will have a second collection for our building fund. Thank you for your generosity

ST. AGNES MENS CLUB will hold their monthly meeting this Wednesday, May 20th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Old School Hall. All men of the parish are invited to attend.

REMINDER – The Feast of the Ascension will be celebrated next Sunday, May 24th, not Thursday, May 21st.

RECYCLE AT ST. AGNES! Please help us to be good stewards of our environment and earn money for St. Agnes School by bringing your weekly recyclables to our new bin outside the New School! Bring us your newspapers, catalogs, magazines, and junk mail. Your recyclables will be made into newsprint for local newspapers; therefore **NO CARDBOARD, NO FOOD CONTAINERS, NO PHONE BOOKS** can be recycled in this bin. Thank you so much!

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION SUPPER will be held Tuesday, June 9th, at 6:30 PM in the Old School Hall. All parish organization volunteers are invited to attend including: Stewardship Finance, Haiti Committees, Respect Life, Ushers, Lectors, Cantors, EMHC, Greeters, Religious Ed Teachers and Aides, Sponsor Couple, RCIA Team, Sacristy Ladies, Money Counters, Family Ministry, Choir Members, Children's Liturgy, Men's Club, Youth Group Adult Advisors, Evangelization, NFP instructors, Scout leaders, Soup and Stations volunteers, Loaves and Fishes, Prayer Chain, Crèche Kringle, and ODB volunteers. Please RSVP using the form below.

**Volunteer Appreciation Supper Tuesday,
June 9th 6:30 pm in the Old School Hall**

I will attend: _____

With my Spouse/Friend: _____

Name: _____

Please drop in the collection basket by May 31st. Or call the Parish office by June 5th.

DAILY READINGS

Monday 5/18	<i>Pope John I</i> Reading: Acts 16:11-15 Gospel: John 15:26 – 16:4a
Tuesday 5/19	<i>Easter Weekday</i> Reading: Acts 16:22-34 Gospel: John 16:5-11
Wednesday 5/20	<i>St. Bernardine of Siena</i> Reading: Acts 17:15, 22 – 18:1 Gospel: John 16:12-15
Thursday 5/21	<i>Easter Weekday</i> Reading: Acts 18:1-8 Gospel: John 16:16-20
Friday 5/22	<i>St. Rita of Cascia</i> Reading: Acts 18:9-18 Gospel: John 16:20-23
Saturday 5/23	<i>Easter Weekday</i> Reading: Acts 18:23-28 Gospel: John 16:23b-28



FLOWERS –To donate fresh flowers for one of our Altars; please call Doris Mellendick at 410-747-2751.

ST. AGNES SCHOOL NEWS!

CONGRATULATIONS to St. Agnes School's Msgr. Roche Scholarship winners:

John Bilenki
Kathryn Flynn
Erin Lloyd
Colleen Ogden
Michael Wright

Alternates: Julia Cholewczynski & Elizabeth Hill.

We are so proud of our seven scholars!

CONGRATULATIONS to our Track Team 2009!

They did an outstanding job last Saturday at the Archdiocesan Meet at Calvert Hall. Jessica Matthews won a trophy for Outstanding Female Athlete. Tyrone McCray won a trophy for Outstanding Male Athlete. St. Agnes earned a total of 37 Medals! Our students were as gracious in their many wins as they were in their losses. It was a wonderful day with many parent supporters and fantastic coaches working with our students. Thanks to Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Kuehne, Mrs. Reynolds, and Mrs. Armstrong for your hard work getting our students ready for the meet and congratulations to our 60 students athletes for a job very well done. We are so proud of your many accomplishments on Saturday.

CONGRATULATIONS to another student scholar: Christy Bissally: this past Saturday, the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth honored Christy, for her high achievement in the ACT exam. She received the highest score in the state of Maryland and a distinguished score in Reading! Thank you Christy, for representing St. Agnes School so well!

Dates to Remember

May 18-21 8th Grade Trimester 3 Exams
May 19 Band Concert 7:00PM Cafeteria
May 21 Nursery School's last day
May 22 Pre-Kindergarten's last day
Kindergarten's Field Day / 9-11:15
Middle School Field Trips
May 25 School Closed for Memorial Day

MEMORY VERSE

1 JOHN 4:9

In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through Him.

A PENTECOST NOVENA will be taking place at St. Charles Borromeo Church 101 Church Lane, Pikesville, 21208 for nine consecutive evenings: May 22 - May 30, 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Prayers, Scripture Readings, Hymns of Praise, and Preaching on the Gifts of the Spirit will be part of this nightly Novena in honor of the Holy Spirit. All are invited to join us during these nine days of prayer in anticipation of Pentecost. For more information, contact: Sr. Edna Maier, SND, at 410-302-1578 or emaier@archbalt.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

For those who did not receive them after the May Procession, report cards will be available in the parish office for two weeks.

Registration has opened for the 2009-2010 Religious Education school year. Registration forms are available in the parish office. Anyone wishing to receive First Holy Communion in 2nd grade or Confirmation in 8th grade must enroll into the Religious Ed class the year prior to the Sacrament year (1st or 7th grade). Please call 410.747.9073.

ST. AGNES YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday, May 17 – Mass and Catholic Concert

Join us as we head to St. Isaac Jogues for Mass with Bishop Madden. After Mass, Catholic recording artist Steve Angrisano will perform live! This is a free event. We will leave St. Agnes at 4:30 and return by 9:30pm. Please bring money if you would like a Frosty on the way home. You must turn in a permission form if you would like to attend. Contact Amanda in the parish office to reserve your spot!

CARE OF THE SICK

If you or a loved one is unable to attend Mass due to illness, please notify the parish office. Call 410.744.2900 or complete this form and place it in the offertory basket during Mass.

Parishioner to be visited:

Address _____

Phone _____

Your name & telephone: _____