



Scripture Readings for Today

1st Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11
2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13
Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

Scripture Readings for October 18th

1st Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11
2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16
Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

Dear Parishioners,

What would you say if Jesus asked you to come follow Him? Some would consider it an awesome request. Yet this is a question Jesus asks all of us sometime in our life and many hesitate to sell all of their possessions because they have never thought about the ‘treasure in heaven’ Jesus promises His followers. The choice to follow Jesus results in an awesome relationship. Sadly, for many in our world their relationships with possessions become more important than their relationship with Jesus. Reverend John Kavanaugh, S.J. in his book *Following Christ in a Consumer Society*, wrote “The infinite longing of the human heart has been introjected into products – the newest, the best, the costliest, and the always interminably improved. Our malls are ‘cathedrals of consumption’. Eternity is found in Calvin Klein’s bottles, Infiniti in a Japanese automobile. One’s heart, no longer a throne wherein the transcendent personal God might dwell,... [is] now anchored or even chained by the promise of possessions.”

There is much temptation in our world. It is time, now to love God through prayer, the sacraments and our relationship with family, friends and church. Be a good example for others. If you choose to risk all for Christ, it is a true commitment to love. Live your daily life as if it is an audition of your greatest work. Remember and reflect upon St. Augustine’s words, “You have made us for yourself, O’ Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you.”

Deacon Jack

COLLECTION FOR OCTOBER 3-4TH

Envelopes	\$17,064.30
Loose.....	\$1,169.02
Poor Boxes.....	\$443.22
Children’s	\$42.65



In today’s Gospel, Jesus asks the rich young man to give away all that he has in order to have treasure in heaven. But he is unable to free himself from his possessions, and so he goes sadly away. Does what I own keep me from following Jesus?

MASS COUNT FOR OCTOBER 3-4TH

5 PM – 225 7:30 AM – 168 9 AM – 263
 10:30 AM – 320 12 PM – 250 Total – 1226

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS of Margaret Wagner and Nellie Spahn.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS, especially those in hospitals – Leo Bukowinski, Anton Holz, Marilyn Mengele, and Kevin Kucker.

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED for all those recovering from surgeries and illness and for: Stephen Peters, Quinn Degenhard, May Herzing, Rev. Edward Hemler, Brother James Kelly, C.F.X., Rose Rauser, Patty Kuzmak, Bernard Maddox, Edward Flannagan, Kyla Zeilinger, Jo Keyes, Teddy Skinner, Bill Herman, James DeMatteo, Margaret Peter, John L. Bastress, Florence Fink, Lillian Goldwine, Lorraine Keough, Kathleen Ricker, Helen Bopp, Fred Replik, Jr., Frances Amann, Genevieve Randle, Evana Feeney, Heather LaMartina, Ann Finnel, Dottie Lappe, Concetta Fowler, Sandy Miller, Margaret Blinke, 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** – SSG Patrick Flanagan, Sgt. Alex Kuziel, James Lowe, Andy Giotis, Andy Deponai, Timothy Muhl, Sgt. Joshua Callow, Specialist Stephen Grenfell, 1st Lt. Stephen Winter, Capt. Sheldon Broedel.

Mass Intentions**MASSES FOR OCTOBER 12-18TH**

MONDAY 10/12	6:30 a.m. – Catherine Cleaver 8:00 a.m. – Rick Roberts
TUESDAY 10/13	6:30 a.m. – Paul Schmitt 8:00 a.m. – Brigid McGee Willinger
WED. 10/14	6:30 a.m. – Bobby Lee Smelser 8:00 a.m. – Charlie Harris
THURS. 10/15	6:30 a.m. – Noreen Newcomb 8:00 a.m. – Patricia Walsh
FRIDAY 10/16	6:30 a.m. – Rose & Sam LaMartina 8:00 a.m. – Teresa Peters
SAT. 10/17	8:00 a.m. – Elaine Hawke 5:00 p.m. – George Fodel
SUNDAY 10/18	7:30 a.m. – Helen P. Meyer 9:00 a.m. – For the Parishioners 10:30 a.m. – Concetta & Vincent Vinci 12:00 p.m. – Salvatore Tumminello & Nunzio Longo

DAILY READINGS

Monday 10/12	Weekday Reading: Romans 1:1-7 Gospel: Luke 11:29- 32
Tuesday 10/13	St. Bruno, Priest Reading: Romans 1:16-25 Gospel: Luke 11:37-41
Wednesday 10/14	Pope Callistus I Reading: Romans 2:1-11 Gospel: Luke 11:42-46
Thursday 10/15	St. Teresa of Jesus Reading: Romans 3:21-30 Gospel: Luke 11:47-54
Friday 10/16	St. Hedwig & St. Margaret Mary Alacoque Reading: Romans 4:1-8 Gospel: Luke 12:1-7
Saturday 10/17	St. Ignatius of Antioch Reading: Romans 4:13, 16-18 Gospel: Luke 12:8-12

FLOWERS – Flowers on our Main Altar are in loving memory of Robert Bockmiller, requested by Barbara. Flowers on our Holy Family Altar are in loving memory of Robert A. Russell, requested by his family.

PREGNANCY CENTER BABY SHOWER: During the month of October, our parish will conduct a Baby Shower for the Pregnancy Center West. There will be a bassinette available to collect new baby articles or checks made payable to the Pregnancy Center West. Items of need: winter hats, mittens, snowsuits and coats. Thank You!

RCIA will be held Monday, Oct. 12th at 7 p.m. in the New School. The topic will be **Sin / Conversion**.

BASKETBALL CONCESSIONS: There will be a meeting for anyone interested in serving on the concession stand committee for our basketball program on Monday, October 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the Activity Center meeting room.

OUR DAILY BREAD: The next food delivery date is this Friday, October 16th. Drop-off time at Church will be either Thursday evening, 6:30-7:45 p.m., or Friday morning prior to the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Food donations are welcome and include hard-boiled eggs, foil-wrapped macaroni and cheese and meatloaf. Our Daily Bread staff thanks you for your generosity!

NEXT SUNDAY IS MISSION SUNDAY: The Second Collection taken up at all the Masses **next** weekend will be the Annual Archdiocesan Collection for the Propagation of the Faith. Your contributions will affect the life and faith of millions of people around the world. Make checks payable to St. Agnes Church.

ARCHDIOCESAN VISITATION: Please join us Thursday, October 29th at 7 pm in the lower Church for a meeting with the Archdiocesan visitation team concerning the appointment of our new pastor. Members of the team will explain the process of choosing a new pastor and listen to the suggestions and opinions of parishioners to aid them in their decision. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this important meeting.

OUR FORTY HOURS DEVOTION will be held Nov. 1st – 3rd. Please set aside these dates and plan to attend. Rev. Raymond L. Harris will conduct the services.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: St. Agnes Council wishes to thank everyone who supported their Tootsie Roll drive for the Mentally Handicapped. The amount collected was \$852.30. Thank you for your generosity!

ST. AGNES SCHOOL NEWS!

Hike for Haiti: St. Agnes students will be "hiking" for Haiti in a walk-a-thon to raise money for our sister parish, St. Peter & St. Paul in Desdunes, Haiti. If you would like to sponsor a student or donate to help the students in Haiti, please call the school office at 410-747-4070.

5th ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER: Join us for a scrumptious Italian dinner on Saturday, October 17, starting at 6:00 pm in the Activity Center. Prices are Adults \$10; Children \$5.00 and \$30 for the family.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 10/12 Hike for Haiti/ 1:30pm – 2:30pm
- 10/13 Confirmation Retreat
- 10/14 Bring in a Pound of Pasta Day
- 10/14 High School Fair at Our Lady of Victory
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
- 10/16 12:30 Dismissal / Faculty Meeting
- 10/17 Spaghetti Dinner 6-8 pm
- 10/26 First Reconciliation Parent Meeting 7:00 pm

CARE PACKAGES: VFW Post 6458 will send care packages to parishioners and loved ones serving in the military in areas of conflict. Please send names & addresses to Bob Gollery at remshut76n81@aol.com or call the parish office.

MASS FOR RETIRED PRIESTS – In celebration of the Year for Priests, Archbishop O'Brien will honor the retired priests of the Archdiocese of Baltimore at a special Mass at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen on Sunday, October 25 at 3:00 p.m. All the faithful are welcome to attend. No tickets will be necessary.

MARRIAGE, DIVORCE AND ANNULMENTS FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE: The Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Baltimore will be giving a presentation concerning divorce and annulments Tuesday, Oct. 27 at 7 pm at St. Mark in Catonsville. For more information, please call 410.547.5533. No prior registration is required.

A RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKEND RETREAT



for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Sparks, MD, October 30-November 1, 2009. The retreat is a confidential and emotionally safe environment for those struggling after abortion. Call 1-800-286-4224 and please visit www.rachelsvineyard.org.

COME AND SEE WEEKEND: Are you a woman aged 19 - 49 who is curious about religious life? Visit with the Sisters of Bon Secours October 30th – November 1st. For more info, please call 1.877.742.0277.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR GALA 2009

Mr & Mrs. Brooks Robinson and the Little Sisters of the Poor host the **Celebrating the Gift Gala** on Wednesday **November 4, 2009** from 6:30 to 10:00 p.m. at Martin's West in Baltimore. Jamie Costello of ABC-TV Channel 2 will serve as the evening's emcee. Join them for a filet mignon and crab cake dinner with all the trimmings, live and silent auctions and a special surprise. Proceeds will be used to form a Winter Fuel Fund for St. Martin's Home for the Aged. Tickets are \$100 (a portion is tax-deductible.) For information and to reserve your tickets, contact Meg Ducey at: 410-744-9367, ext. 174, or visit us on the web at: www.celebratingthegift.org.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Let a marriage encounter weekend renew your love. Upcoming weekend is Nov. 6-8 2009. For more info call 1-877-558 5683 or visit www.wwme.net.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

40 Days for Life Update: Since September 23 - 95 babies have reportedly been saved and 2 abortion staffers have walked away from their jobs. Please continue your prayers. They are being heard!

Gabriel Network 5K Walk/Run for Life: Saturday, Oct. 17 at 9 AM Walk for LIFE held at Oregon Ridge Park in Cockeysville. If you can't walk you may contribute in other ways www.gabrielnetwork.org.



Between 4 and 5 weeks after conception, the child's brain develops at an incredible rate, and the stomach, esophagus, pancreas, intestines, kidneys and reproductive organs are all developing. Between 5 and 6 weeks the embryo begins to move spontaneously and reflexively. By 6 weeks, the child's brain waves have been recorded by EEG.

Pregnant, Need Help?

Call the Gabriel Network: 1-800-ANGEL-OK

Suffering Post-Abortion Stress?

Call Project Rachel: 1-800-286-4224

ST. AGNES YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday, October 11 – Open Gym Night: Please wear tennis shoes & bring a snack or drink to share!

Sunday, October 18 – Mary / Rosary Night

Sunday, October 25 – Halloween Party

Come in costume, and bring a friend! We will have a costume contest, make caramel apples and play chubby bunny! Please bring a snack /drink to share.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Sunday, October 11 –Confirmation Retreat
Permission Forms Due

All 8th grade students should turn in their permission forms to Mr. Martel on Sunday. (Students of St. Agnes School should turn in their forms to Mrs. Herwig.) No student will be able to attend the retreat without a permission form.

Tuesday, October 13 – Confirmation Retreat

Students should meet Mrs. Barrick and Mr. Martel near the bus on the Shoppers parking lot by 8am. Parents/Guardians should pick up students on the Shoppers lot at 3:30. (Students of St. Agnes School should report to their homerooms. Their teachers will escort them to the bus.)

Monday, October 26 –First Reconciliation Parent Meeting

All parents/guardians of 2nd graders to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation should attend this informational meeting. Please meet in the lower church at 7 pm. The meeting will end by 8:30 pm.

CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are available in the parish office for parish children who do not attend St. Agnes School or Religious Education. The envelopes feature a different patron saint each week, so they can learn about the heroes of our faith. Children can write down their time, talent and treasure given to God each week. Help your child form a lifelong habit of giving back to God.

MEMORY VERSE

MARK 5:3

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.

"IN HIS LIKENESS"

St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor

Feast Day – October 15

St. Teresa of Jesus (of Avila) (1515-1582) is one of the most down to earth mystics that the Church has ever known. She was described as "intelligent, hardheaded, charming, and deeply spiritual." Another described her as "talented, outgoing, affectionate, courageous...totally human. She is wise, yet practical; intelligent, yet much in tune with her experience; mystical, yet an energetic reformer. The mark she left on the Church and the world is threefold: she was a woman; she was a contemplative; she was an active reformer."

Born at Avila on March 28, 1515, Teresa was later educated by Augustinian nuns. She had to leave that convent because of illness. In 1536 she entered the Carmelite Convent at Avila, left two years later because of illness and returned in 1540. Her mystical experiences began fifteen years later. It was only after much anguish and the assurances of St. Peter of Alcantara that she became convinced of the authenticity of her experiences. In 1562 she founded her first convent of reformed Carmelites. These nuns wished for a more cloistered and contemplative observance than the relaxed discipline of her time. She went on to found sixteen more, traveling throughout Spain. At the time she founded her second convent she met a young Carmelite, John of the Cross, and through him founded her first monastery for men.

Her years of reform and renewal were turbulent years of struggle, but Teresa was equal to the task.

Teresa's letters and writings are spiritual classics, including her autobiography. If you want proof that a mystic can be practical, read St. Teresa. For her, action must be nourished by prayer and contemplation in union with the redeeming Christ. She taught that mental prayer is the best means of making oneself available and useful to the Church and to all in the Church. St. Teresa of Jesus is one of the greatest mystics of the Church, and it was a glorious day in 1970 when she was declared a Doctor of the Church. It was an official and public recognition of something that the Church long knew, that God by his Spirit "raised up St. Teresa of Jesus to show His Church the way to perfection." So we pray "her inspired teaching awakens in us a longing for true holiness".



CATHOLIC ADVOCACY NETWORK

“To desire the common good and strive towards it is a requirement of justice and charity.” *-Pope Benedict XVI*

The Maryland Catholic Advocacy Network (CAN) is an outreach of the Maryland Catholic Conference. The Conference advocates on behalf of the Archdiocese of Baltimore, the Archdiocese of Washington, and the Diocese of Wilmington for public policies that promote the dignity of the human person and social justice. Help bring Gospel values to the public square by joining CAN, which features:

- E-mail alerts on legislation under consideration by state and federal lawmakers.
- E-mail messages relevant to issues you choose: education, family life, respect for life, or social concerns.
- Quick, easy-to-use, pre-drafted messages to send to your elected officials (as-is, or modified to suit your style).
- Strict protection of your information, which will not be shared with other organizations.

www.mdathcon.org

Fill out form and return to the parish office.

JOIN TODAY!

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Name: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail: _____
(E-mail required)

Parish/School: _____ Phone: _____

I would like to receive alerts about:

- Education** (Catholic schools)
- Family Life** (marriage, adoption, family/work issues)
- Respect for Life** (the unborn, pregnancy support, bioethics, end-of-life, death penalty)
- Social Concerns** (poverty, health care, immigration, criminal justice)
- All of the above**

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