



Mass
Intentions
Of The Week

Monday, January 9, 2006 Baptism of the Lord

6:30 Marge Kenny †
9:00 Charles Carroll †

Tuesday, Jan. 10, Weekday

6:30 Rosemargelt Cuccias †
9:00 John Cedar †

Wednesday, Jan. 11, Weekday

6:30 Catherine Van LANDINGHAM †
9:00 Edward Hallinan †

Thursday, Jan. 12, Weekday

6:30 Mark Brizzolara
9:00 Josephine Dwileski †

Fri., Jan. 13, Weekday, Hilary, Bishop, doctor of the Church

6:30 Dominic Burgess
9:00 Richard Beam †

Sat., Jan. 14, Weekday, Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 Jim Durham †
5:00 Richard Beam †

Sunday, Jan. 15, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Geraldine Shahin †
9:00 Avelino Esteves †
10:45 People of the Parish
12:30 Dr. Charles Carroll †

Readings for the Week of January 8, 2006

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 29; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38
or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 116; Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1 Sm 1:9-20 ;
1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8; Mk 1:21-28 or
Mk 1:14-20 and Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40; Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44; Mk 1:40-45
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89; Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21; Mk 2:13-17
Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a,
17-20; Jn 1:35-42

FROM THE PASTOR

With this column I am finishing, at least for awhile, the series on the liturgy. I would recommend to those of you who would want to learn more to read the books on the liturgy by Pope Benedict XVI as well as the encyclicals of Pius XII Mediator Dei and the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy of Vatican II, Sacramentum Concilium. You might also wish to read the more difficult writing of Fr. Aidan Nichols O.P. The loss of Latin, by the way, was decried by a variety of people, for example, Dorothy Day, Vince Lombardi, Pat Buchanan and Mario Cuomo (for starters).

Joseph Campbell, the noted professor of mythology and comparative religion and somewhat follower of Carl Jung lamented what had become of the liturgy after Vatican II. A book review in the ultra-liberal National Catholic Reporter said, "Campbell believed that at least some of the reforms of Vatican II resulted in the destruction of mystery. A significant effort was made to make ancient symbols and rituals more rational. By translating the Latin liturgy into local languages, the reforms diluted or removed essential mystery. That meant a disowning of religious symbols that spoke directly to people without need of mediation. The old ritual of the Mass spoke powerfully to people, said Campbell. When Catholics go to Mass in Latin, the priest is addressing the infinite in a language that has no domestic associations; the people attending are thereby elevated into transcendence. The priest in a modern Mass risks losing his role as an intermediary of the mystery, and the very idea of transcendent experience is destroyed."

Similar feeling was expressed by the non-Catholic sociologist Margaret Meade. So the restoration of Latin is not the exclusive province of conservatives.

Some of you may be thinking that all the Masses will be in Latin so let me make it clear. One of the 5 Masses celebrated here on Sunday, one of the 16 public Masses offered here every week, will be in Latin. Will others follow? No. I do not plan nor is it even a possibility in my mind that more than one Mass on a weekend will be celebrated in Latin. 80%, 4 out of 5 Masses on a weekend, will be in English. People who are distracted by the Latin or simply don't like it are not bound to attend the 10:45 am Mass. They can go to one of the other Masses. They should also consider that there are many people in this parish who desire a Latin liturgy, and some I know would like all the Masses celebrated that way. The Church through Vatican II, Pope John Paul II, Benedict XVI, has urged us to use Latin and I am convinced that such a liturgy will be spiritually beneficial to the parish enriching even the Masses celebrated in the vernacular.

The Latin Mass which I hope to begin next month will at first be celebrated every other week. It will be celebrated in the New Rite according to the suggestions of Pope Benedict. A person attending will notice there is more silence.

While I am on the subject of liturgy, I want to take this time to praise a hidden liturgical jewel at St. John. The jewel is the 9:00 Family Mass with the choir. The blend of traditional with tasteful contemporary is an example to other parishes. I want to thank the choir and its able director Elisabeth Turco for doing a fine job.

Finally another question---will we ever have the old Mass, the Tridentine Mass, here at St. John? If the bishop will allow it or Pope Benedict grants a universal indulgence to allow it, we will.

Pope's Prayer Intentions January 2006

General: Unity of Christians: That the effort to bring about the full communion of Christians may foster reconciliation and peace among all the peoples of the earth.

Missionary: Migrants: That Christians may know how to welcome migrants with respect & charity, seeing in each person the image of God.



Remember In Prayer

Phyllis Addy
Maria Isabel Alves
Margaret Amorosi
Ronald Bashion
Toni Burger
Harry Clarke
Michael Clark
Polly Cedar
Vincent Corcoran
Edward Cotter
Marie Davalos
Lucille Dion
Denis Downey, Jr
Pam Dunne
Veronica Frazier
Charles Galligan

Pacita Gonzaga
Ronald Gripshover Sr.
Alex Hargenrader
Kathleen Harrington
Charles Harrison
Laura Holleran
Maureen Hollingsworth
Mary Johnson
Billee Jordan
Blanche Kane
Dorothy Kennedy
Joan Leitch
Katherine Malcolm
Lou McGuinness
Helene McGrath
Nancy Miller

Rita Mughir
Ernest Oddono
Joseph Riotto
Lois Riscile
John Ronan
Edelisa Samson
Martin Schaffer
Carole Schaeberger
Mary Spann
Margaret Serrao
Margaret Stimpfle
Marie Watermaier

Please let the bulletin secretary know when names can be removed. Thank you.

Lord, every nation on earth
will adore you.



Religious Education

CONFIRMATION: *Students in private Catholic schools* (Oakcrest, Heights, etc.) who are in 7th grade or above and **who have not been confirmed** should **register** with the Religious Education Office **now** for Confirmation in the Fall of 2006. Please call 703-356-5275 and leave a message including name, grade, school and home or cell phone number. Preparation for the sacrament begins immediately.

In Our Parish

CAMPAIGN REPORT FROM FR. MCAFFEE

The increased offertory stewardship program conducted here at St. John was an astounding success. The Moran Company who ran the campaign told me they usually pray that 18% of parishioners participate. In most of the parishes they have worked in, the coveted benchmark of 18% has been reached. Our participation level (people who returned the pledge envelope) is 28%. Parishioners who didn't return an envelope also increased their giving. At a recent meeting of pastors, one pastor mentioned that their parish had such a campaign and has a 20% increase in their collection. That is very good and the other pastors were edified. What about our campaign? How much have our collections gone up? We did not go up 20%, but we did go up 30%. The Moran Company was amazed at our results.

I want to thank you for your generosity to the parish, and your cooperation in the increased offertory campaign.

Fr. Franklyn McAfee

OVER 50 CLUB: The first Senior's Mass and luncheon of the New Year will be on Monday, January 16. Reverend Gary Selin will be our guest speaker. His topic will be "The Eucharist, the Blessed Mother and My Journey to the Priesthood." Mass will be celebrated at 11:30 am. Lunch will follow at noon in the parish hall. A sign-up sheet can be found in the church vestibule. Please leave a check for \$15 made payable to St. John the Beloved, with "Senior" on the memo line, in the parish office by Thursday, January 12. For information contact Nancy Ingrisano 703-356-5538.



MARCH FOR LIFE: Mark your calendar for Monday, Jan. 23, 2006. Youth Rally & Mass at MCI center at 9:00 am. March for Life at 12:00 noon on the Ellipse. Bus leaves St. John lower parking lot at 10:45 am. Sign up for bus transportation in the vestibule of the church. Dress Warm.

IN SYMPATHY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF JOSEPH R. HYLAND



News from "The Word"

St. John Parish Book & Gift Shop

The WORD is open on Wednesday evenings, Friday mornings and Sundays after all the Masses.

Today is our After Christmas sale. All remaining Advent and Christmas merchandise is 30% off for today only. Stop by and pick up a bargain.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS——**Quality at Bargain Prices:**

Tuesday - Friday 11:00 am - 2:00 pm & Saturday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
The shop has been restocked and we now have some great fashions and bargains. Come in and see for yourself. Thank you for your support. Should you have any questions please call (703) 356-7420 during business hours.

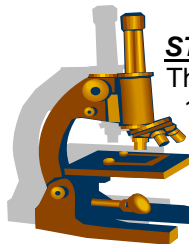


SCHOOL NEWS

MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE THIS WEEK:

St. John School will be hosting a "Middle School Open House" on Wednesday, January 11, 2006, at 7:00 pm. A formal presentation will be given by headmaster, Peter Schultz, the department heads and the teachers. Tours of the school facilities will follow. The school is located at 6422 Linway Terrace, McLean, Va. 22101. Contact Tammy DiBenigno at 703-356-7554 for further information.

WINTER OPEN HOUSE THIS WEEK: St. John School invites you to its "Winter Open House" Grades Pre-K thru Grade 8 on Thursday, January 12, 2006, beginning at 10:00 am. A formal presentation will be given by headmaster, Peter Schultz, followed by tours of the school facilities. Our school is located at 6422 Linway Terrace, McLean, Va. 22101. Contact Tammy DiBenigno at 703-356-7554 for more information.



ST. JOHN SCIENCE FAIR will be held on

Thursday, January 19, 2006 from 9:00 - 10:00 am. If you are interested in judging the Science Fair, please contact Anne Lortie at 703-356-7554 ext. 340 or alortie@stjohncatholicmclean.org

OUR LADY'S MISSIONARIES OF THE EUCHARIST

invites you to see the poster in the church vestibule about a way to find spiritual fulfillment and how to encourage the growth of faith for you and your family. Call 703-241-2582 for more information.



New Member

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS:

Mr. & Mrs. James O'Breine, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Pittman, Mr. & Mrs. David Kusnierkiewicz, Mr. & Mrs. John Husk, Ms. Christine Purk, Mr. & Mrs. George Lodge, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gildea, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Galdo, Ms. Kathleen Frank, The Honorable and Mrs. Robert Bork.

Altar Server Schedule



Novena: Jan. 11, 2006

7:30 pm Jam. Towey, Wunderlich, O'Donnell

Saturday: Jan. 14

8:15 am McCauley, A. Prabhu, P. Prabhu

5:00 pm **Vigil** Riordan, Beaver, Glover, Hogan

Sunday Masses: Jan. 15

7:30 am Duffey, B. Evans, Holmes

9:00 am Bre & Bri Murphy, P. & S. Pacious

10:45 am A. & S. Loria, Wiese, S. & D. Ogdod,
Berset, P. Dixon, Kang, P. & J. McCoy,
R. & Mi. Snizek, Bennett, Burelli,

12:30 pm G. & D. Kennedy, T. & L. Berry

In Our Area

CATHOLIC BUSINESS NETWORK OF N,VA invites you to a luncheon on Fri., Jan. 13 at 11:30 am at Maggiano's Restaurant in McLean to hear guest speaker **Mr. Jim Towey**, Director, White House Office of Faith Based & Community Initiatives. The cost is \$35 per person. RSVP by Jan. 10 to Shelly at 703-841-2551 or Marie 703-494-4008 or cbnnv.org

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT:

Parents with children entering kindergarten in September 2006 are invited to this information night to be held from 6:30 - 8:30 pm on Monday, Jan. 23 at the Arlington Central Library, 1015 Quincy St. in Arlington. Meet principals and teachers from our Diocese. An information session begins at 7:00 pm. Topics: Diocesan kindergarten curriculum, before and after school programs, registration, tuition and tuition assistance. Information will be available in Spanish and English. Call Allis Hanley for more info at 703-573-4570

DEFEND LIFE: Paul Schenck, Director of the National Center for Pro-Life Action on Capitol Hill, will speak about embryonic stem cell research on Friday, Jan. 13, at 8:00 pm at Annunciation Parish Hall in Washington, D.C. A Pro-Life Mass will begin at 7:00 pm preceding the talk. For more information call Missy at 202-337-1966 or www.defendlife.org



St. John Youth Corner

Website: www.sjsyg.org
Sebastien Jansen, Youth Director

sebastienjansen@yahoo.com 703-356-0536

Senior and Junior Youth Group: Please fill out your permission slips for the Liberty Ski Trip on **January 29** and return them to Sebastien Jansen by **January 15**. There will be additional form to fill out if you are interested in renting ski. **Please see our website for ski price and rentals.**



March For Life: There is a group from Alabama coming for the March For Life on Jan. 23. On Jan. 21-22, Saturday & Sunday, they need a place to stay for two nights. If you are willing to host these Southern Pilgrims, please contact Sebastien Jansen **as soon as possible**.

WorkCamp 2006: There will be a meeting this January 22 for WorkCamp. Share and spread the news of WorkCamp. The more people know, the more help we will be able to get when the time comes. **Please be on the look out.** We need **4 contractors, two male and two female chaperones, and 4 Mini Vans for the entire week.** Please pray for the success of WorkCamp: June 24 - 30.

PAUL VI HIGH SCHOOL'S OPTIONS PROGRAM serves developmentally disabled students, with cognitive impairment and /or significant learning disabilities. Applications are being accepted for the 2006/2007 school year. Information: Call 703-352-0952 ext. 333

ADMISSION MINI-OPEN HOUSE AT STONE RIDGE: Tuesday, Jan. 10 (JK - Grade 12), 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Tour campus; learn about the curriculum, activities, and the value of a Sacred Heart education. Location: 9101 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD. Call 301-657-4322 or go to the website for more information: www.stoneridge.org

CATHOLIC CHARITIES HOGAR HISPANO: Registration for English as a Second Language (ESL) will be held in Falls Church at St. Anthony's on Saturday, Jan. 14 from 10:00 - 12:00. Other churches also have classes. We welcome adults who wish to learn language and we have no residency requirements. Walk-ins after the registration period will be welcome. For more information contact the ESL department of Catholic Charities at 703-534-9805, ext. 222.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jan. 8, 2006 <u>CCD PreK - K</u> 10:45 - 11:45 am <u>Scouts</u> 6:30 pm Gym <u>Senior Youth Group</u> 7:30 pm	9 <u>Sew & So Forth</u> 9:45 am DR Room <u>CCD Gr. 1,2,3</u> 4:30-5:30 pm <u>PTO</u> 6:30 Ad Ed Rm <u>Legion of Mary</u> 7:30 pm DR Rm	10 <u>CCD Gr. 1 - 9</u> 7:00 - 8:00 pm 	11 <u>Confessions</u> 6:30 pm <u>Novena</u> 7:30 pm <u>Family Choir</u> 7:30 pm <u>Open House</u> 7:00 Middle Sch.	12 <u>Winter Open House</u> 10:00 am School <u>RCIA</u> 7:00 pm <u>St. John Choir</u> 7:30 pm	13	14 <u>Latin Class</u> 9:00 - noon Ad Ed Room <u>Jr. Legion of Mary</u> 10:00 am DR Rm