



Mon., January 23, 2006, Weekday

6:30 Edward Bird †
9:00 Josephine Dwileshi †

Tues., Jan. 24, Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor of the Church

6:30 David Higgins †
9:00 Mary Campbell †

Wed., Jan. 25, The Conversion of Paul, Apostle

6:30 Margaret Cambone
9:00 John Cedar †

Thursday, Jan. 26, Timothy and Titus, bishops

6:30 John W. McCarthy Jr. †
9:00 Anne McCabe †

Friday, Jan. 27, Weekday, Angela Merici, virgin

6:30 Mae Colgan †
9:00 John Shaughnessy †

Sat., Jan. 28, Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor of the Church

8:15 Audrey Mattingly †
5:00 Robert Marsan †

Sunday, Jan. 29, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 James & Marguerite Sullivan †
9:00 Amelia & Adriano Fernandes †
10:45 People of the Parish
12:30 Mary M. & Robert D. Cashman Sr. †

Readings for the Week of January 22, 2006

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89; Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117; Mk 16:15-18
Thursday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 132; Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28

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	Ronald Griphover Sr.	Joseph Riotto
Maria Isabel Alves	Alex Hargenrader	Lois Riscile
Margaret Amorosi	Kathleen Harrington	John Ronan
Ronald Bashion	Charles Harrison	Edelisa Samson
Toni Burger	Laura Holleran	Martin Schaffer
Harry Clarke	Maureen Hollingsworth	Carole Schneberger
Michael Clark	Mary Johnson	Mary Spann
Polly Cedar	Billee Jordan	Margaret Serrao
Vincent Corcoran	Blanche Kane	Margaret Stimpfle
Edward Cotter	Dorothy Kennedy	Marie Watermaier
Marie Davalos	Joan Leitch	
Lucille Dion	Katherine Malcolm	
Denis Downey, Jr	Lou McGuinness	
Pam Dunne	Helene McGrath	
Charles Galligan	Nancy Miller	
Pacita Gonzaga	Rita Mughir	
	Ernest Oddono	

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

From the Pastor

Gregorian Chant: a thing of the Future?

The following is from an interview with President of Pontifical Institute of Sacred Music, (Vatican City, Dec. 24, 2005, ZENIT.org): Gregorian chant has been unjustly abandoned and its place in the life of the Church should be recovered, says a Vatican aide.

Monsignor Valenti Miserachs Grau made this declaration at a recent encounter organized by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments at the Vatican. Monsignor Miserachs has been president of the Pontifical Institute of Sacred Music since 1995. This Spanish musician, who has composed more than 2,000 pieces, is also the canonical chapel director of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome. ZENIT interviewed him about the state of Gregorian chant.

Q: On a day in the Vatican dedicated to chant you have asked that Gregorian chant be recovered and the proposal was well applauded. Does this mean that there is a consensus on its recovery?

Msgr: *I believe that this means that there is a general opinion that coincides on the necessity of recovering Latin and Gregorian chant, which is the chant proper to the Church. Gregorian chant has been abandoned and left to concert halls and CD's when its proper place was and is the liturgy.*

Q: In the 21st century, does it seem logical to you that Church music be not exclusively Gregorian chant?

Msgr: *I think that new musical products, in the majority of cases, have not learned or have not been able to root themselves in the tradition of the Church, thus dragging in a general impoverishment. It is incomprehensible, especially in the Latin countries, that Latin and Gregorian chant has been pushed aside in the last 40 years. Latin and Gregorian chant form part of tradition--and they have been amputated. It is like cutting the roots...Forgetting Gregorian has created the conditions for the proliferation of new musical products that sometimes don't have sufficient technical quality. Those that do have it can be used along with Gregorian, why not?*

Q: Why is the capacity of the faithful to learn Latin melodies not appreciated?

Msgr: *It was thought that they were incapable, but this is wrong. Before, people knew how to sing the basic songs in Latin. Today, it seems that efforts are being made to make them unlearn what they knew. It is obvious that we cannot propose they learn the entire repertoire, which contains 5,000 pieces. In liturgical chant the assembly does not have to be the only protagonist. A certain order must be kept. The people should sing their part and the rest should be done by the choir, the chanter, the psalmist, and obviously the celebrant. To launch Gregorian chant in the assembly again, we could begin remembering the Pater Noster, the Kyrie, the Sanctus, and the Agnus Dei. If they were invited, given the music and then properly trained, the people would be completely capable of following and singing easy Gregorian melodies, even if it were the first time they heard them. Just as the repertoire of Gregorian chant is learned, so also other songs in living languages can be learned. I obviously am referring to those that are worthy of being beside the Gregorian repertoire.*

Q: Is sufficient attention given to the question of sacred music in the Church?

Msgr: *No. For some time, we have insisted on this point. Our institute does its job, but it is only an academic institution, not a normative body and it thus has no say in these affairs. A Vatican body is needed that would directly oversee the matters of sacred music. John Paul II stated that the musical aspect of liturgical celebrations cannot be left to improvisation or to the free will of the people. It should be confided to a concerted direction and the respect for certain norms. Authorized indications are awaited and this concerns the Church of Rome, the Holy See.*



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.

PLEASE NOTE: If you ordered a DVD of the **2005 CONFIRMATION** and have not yet received it, please call the Religious Education Office (703-356-5275) to arrange to pick it up.

In Our Parish



TODAY: Church in Latin America: This collection helps educate priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders, assists missionaries, and trains catechists and youth ministers.



COLLECTION IN SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH SCHOOL: Jan. 29, next week. Please help support our local school, teachers, staff and pupils. Thank you.



OVER 50 CLUB: A President's Day Treat! Carole L. Herrick, a local author, will join us on Monday, February 20. Her latest book, "*August 24, 1814: Washington in Flames*" is a readable, almost hourly account of the British sacking and burning of Washington during the War of 1812. Mass will be celebrated at 11:30 am with lunch following at noon in the Parish Hall. A sign-up sheet can be found in the church vestibule. Please leave a check for \$15.00 made payable to St. John the Beloved, with 'Seniors' on the memo line, in the parish office by Thursday, February 16. For added information, call Nancy Ingrisano 703-356-5538.



39 to 34: This was the exciting ending score of the basketball game between St. John School teachers and 8th grade boys and girls. The Faculty-Student game drew a large crowd and all who came were thoroughly entertained by the fast-paced determined team members who played. The 8th grade students won, however. Perhaps there will

be another playoff at the end of the year. We certainly hope so. This game was well worth the admission fee!!! Go St. John Eagles!!!!

From this week's readings:

Teach me Your ways, O Lord.



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.

Is deepening your spiritual life one of your New Year's resolutions? Spiritual reading is a must for anyone serious about progressing on their faith journey. The WORD has many titles available, both classic and contemporary, that can assist you on your way to a deeper knowledge of God.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS—Quality at Bargain Prices:

Tuesday - Friday 11:00 am - 2:00 pm & Saturday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm
February 24 to 28 there will be a half price sale on children's (clothing and toys) and household goods. Thank you for your support. Should you have any questions please call (703) 356-7420 during business hours.



TODAY IS SHARE SUNDAY: A vehicle is parked outside church during all the masses for your contributions. Monetary donations to help families with emergencies needs such as rent, utilities, medical and dental bills will also be gratefully accepted. Please make checks payable to St. John Church with "Share" on the memo line. Thank you for your continued support.

BLESSING OF THROATS: at Masses on Friday, Feb. 3, Feast of St. Blaise

MOTHER'S GROUP: Next week's Wednesday Outing: **Weds. Jan. 25th 9:30 am:** Morning of Reflection at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. The Priest gives two talks, there is a buffet breakfast, and an opportunity for confession. The meeting ends with Mass. No cost, but Baby-sitting is provided at \$10.00 for the first child and \$5.00 for each additional child. This event is also repeated in the evening! Call Jen Morano for more information. 703-980-1122.

LATIN CLASSES: Due to the tremendous response to the Latin classes, the meetings will be moved from the Adult Ed room to the Parish Hall.

PRO-LIFE NEWS

MARCH FOR LIFE---33rd annual March for Life, Monday, Jan. 23 in Washington, D.C. Youth Rally and Mass at MCI center at 9:00 am. March for Life 12:00 noon. Be at the bus in the lower parking lot at 10:45.



PRO-LIFE ESSAY CONTEST---7th & 8th grade can write a 500 to 750 word essay and 5th & 6th graders can create a poster. There are prizes offered by the Knights of Columbus.

Altar Server Schedule



Novena: Jan. 25, 2006
7:30 pm Glover, J. McCoy, Clark
Saturday: Jan. 28
8:15 am O'Donnell, Himpler, L. Berry
5:00 pm **Vigil** McCauley, Duffey, Burelli, Buckley
Sunday Masses: January 29
7:30 am Oeler, J. Ludwick, R. Ludwick
9:00 am Quinn, Girardi, Guillen, Alligood
10:45 am Mehan, Bello, Caron, G. & D. Kennedy, Tata,
Breed, Delvecchio, Nugent, Beaver, D'Ernes,
Schaumburg, Nakamura
12:30 pm Potocki, Crnkovich, Earner, Wiese

In Our Area

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



LOCAL SCHOOLS:

ST. ANSELM ---Washington, DC--Entrance exam, boys grades 6-12 for Fall 2006; Sat. Feb. 4, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 202-269-2379 or admissions@saintanselms.org

BISHOP O'CONNELL ---Accepting applications for 9th grade (2010 Class). Deadline Jan. 27. Call 703-237-1433 or mmcalevy@bishopoconnell.org

BISHOP IRETON ---Bull & Oyster Roast on Sat. Feb. 4 from 6:00 - 11:00 pm. Charcoal meats, oysters and clams, BBQ, Soup & drinks for \$50 per person. Call Terry at 703-212-5182.

RESCHEDULED DATE: Join us for a **Theology of the Body Workshop** on Saturday, Feb. 4, 2006 from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm at St. Ann's Catholic Church at Tenleytown, D.C. Reservations are required. In order to secure a place, registration must be received by January 31, 2006. Fee is \$35; or \$20 for religious, clergy, and students. This includes lunch. For more information, please contact Women Affirming Life at 202-962-0040 or TOBStudy@aol.com.



St. John Youth Corner

Website: www.sjsyg.org
Sebastien Jansen, Youth Director
sebastienjansen@yahoo.com 703-356-0536

Senior and Junior Youth Group: It is not too late!!! You can still sign up for the ski trip, **Sunday, January 29**, by contacting Sebastien Jansen as soon as possible. Fill out the permission slip found on our website and return them to Sebastien Jansen. There are additional forms to fill out at the parish office if you are interested in renting skis. **Please see our website for ski price and rentals.**



All Youth: The March For Life is tomorrow. Please pray for the success of the march and we hope to see you there.

WorkCamp 2006: This Sunday is our fundraiser event. Please be ready to work for two hours. This event is **crucial** for the success of WorkCamp. Please come on time and bring a friend for help. **June 24 - 30.**

Youth Group Meeting is at the Old Firehouse Teen Center, 1440 Chain Bridge Road, at 5:45pm. Bring \$5 for entrance fee. **Do not meet at the Parish Hall.**

BISHOP O'CONNELL HIGH SCHOOL'S ANNUAL GALA/AUCTION, "WIRED to the HEART" will be held on February 4, 2006 at the McLean Hilton Hotel starting at 6:00 pm. Please support this worthy fundraiser, the proceeds from which will continue to upgrade the technology infrastructure at the school. Come for an evening of silent and live auctions, accompanied by dinner and dancing. Join in the fun! For information on ticket reservations, donations, and program advertising, please contact Bishop O'Connell High School directly by calling the Advancement Office, 703-237-1437, or advancement@bishopoconnell.org. Thank you for your support!

FR. BENEDICT GROESCHEL will speak at Blessed Sacrament Church in Alexandria on the day of the March for Life, Monday, Jan. 23 at 7:30 pm. There will be a talk and Adoration followed by book signing. A free-will offering will go to support the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jan. 22, 2006	23	24	25	26	27	28
<u>CCD PreK - K</u> 10:45 - 11:45 am	<u>Sew & So Forth</u> 9:45 am DR Room	<u>CCD Gr. 1 - 9</u> 7:00 - 8:00 pm	<u>Confessions</u> 6:30 pm	<u>Brownies</u> 3:00 Ad Ed Rm		<u>Latin Class</u> 9:00 - noon Parish Hall
<u>Scouts</u> 6:30 pm Gym	<u>March for Life</u> Bus leaves 10:45		<u>Novena</u> 7:30 pm	<u>RCIA</u> 7:00 pm		<u>Jr. Legion of Mary</u> 10:00 am DR Rm
<u>Senior Youth Group</u> 7:30 pm	<u>CCD Gr.1,2,3</u> 4:30-5:30 pm		<u>Family Choir</u> 7:30 pm	<u>St. John Choir</u> 7:30 pm		
	<u>Legion of Mary</u> 7:30 pm DR Rm					