



Mass
Intentions
Of The Week

Monday, Feb. 20, Weekday

9:00 Doris Holly †

Tues., Feb. 21, Weekday, Peter Damian, bishop, doctor

6:30 Henry & Evan Olsen †

9:00 Rita Shea

Wednesday, Feb. 22, The Chair of Peter, Apostle

6:30 Special Intention

9:00 Feliks Sikora †

Thursday, Feb. 23, Polycarp, bishop, martyr

6:30 Special Intention

9:00 Terry Moore

Friday, Feb. 24, Weekday

6:30 Mrs. Hiller †

9:00 Mary Campbell †

Saturday, Feb. 25, Weekday, Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 Richard Donohoe †

5:00 General Maurice Casey †

Sunday, Feb. 26, Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Geraldine Shahin †

9:00 Alice & Jose Marques †

10:45 People of the Parish

12:30 Katherine Sawchyn

Readings for the Week of February 19, 2006

Sunday: Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25; Ps 41;

2 Cor 1:18-22; Mk 2:1-12

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23; Mt 16:13-19

Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49; Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141; Mk 10:13-16

Sunday: Hos 2:16b, 17b, 21-22; Ps 103;

2 Cor 3:1b-6; Mk 2:18-22

Pope's Prayer Intentions February 2006

General: End to human trafficking: That the International community may be ever more aware of the urgent duty to bring an end to the trafficking in human beings.

Missionary: Lay faithful: That in the Missions the lay faithful may recognize the need to serve their own country with greater commitment in its political and social life.



Please Pray For

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

Pacita Gonzaga
Alex Hargenrader
Kathleen Harrington
Charles Harrison
Gary & Cindy Hogan
Laura Holleran
Maureen Hollingsworth
Mary Johnson
Billee Jordan
Blanche Kane
Dorothy Kennedy
Joan Leitch
Katherine Malcolm
Lou McGuinness
Helene McGrath
Nancy Miller
Monica Mizerek

Rita Mughir
Ernest Oddono
Joseph Riotto
Lois Riscile
John Ronan
Edelisa Samson
Martin Schaffer
Carole Schneberger
Barbara Skylell
Mary Spann
Margaret Serrao
Margaret Stimpfle

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

From the Pastor

What is all that dirt doing? If you enter the church from the front you will notice the small expanses of dirt where trees were removed. That is preparation for the gardens which will face the Blessed Mother statue and the two memorials---one to the unborn and the other to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. These latter memorials were part of the parish project of the Capital Campaign Rooted in Faith.

To refresh your memory, the items specified by Fr. Hathaway in the first phase are: 1) Parish Hall complex, 2) rectory garage, 3) refurbishing of the interior of the church, 4) establishment of a shrine to the unborn and one to Mother Seton. The second phase comprised two wings to the church and an extension of the parking lot, and a bell tower. We are starting on the garage and drawing up plans for the hall. All of this, of course, depends on the parish getting its return (20%) from the Rooted in Faith campaign, and that depends on those who pledged to that campaign paying off their pledges. So please be faithful to your pledges---we benefit.

Last week most of you were prevented by the snowfall from coming to church and so I am repeating what I wrote in last week's bulletin. Canon Law says that a bishop may require parishes to have a parish pastoral council and the bishop of the diocese requires that every parish have one. The logical question is "Do we have one?" The answer is "No." Why not? Because according to diocesan law when a pastor dies, resigns, or is transferred the pastoral council ceases to function and is dissolved. The new pastor is to appoint a new council usually within a year or when he believes he has a sufficient knowledge of the parish. What does a pastoral council do? A parish pastoral council advises the pastor on the spiritual needs and programs of the parish. By Canon Law the council cannot legislate, it is only consultative. Canon Law stipulates that the agenda of the council is decided by the pastor and the council cannot meet without him. Canon Law also forbids the council from discussing the finances of the parish. This is the province of the parish financial council which also is only consultative to the pastor.

I will be establishing a pastoral council sometime in the spring and in order to appoint worthy members I ask that if you know anyone whom you believe would be a good member, please nominate him or her by sending me the name and the reason for your nominating them. No one will be contacted unless they are chosen to be members of the council. Nomination means that---it does not guarantee the person will be named at that time. The term is for 3 years, renewable once. I will name between 6 - 8 parishioners. Thank you for your help.


**LORD, Heal My Soul
For I Have Sinned Against
YOU.**



 **Religious Education**

No CCD classes Sun. Feb. 19, or Mon. Feb. 20

NEW ADULT EDUCATION SERIES: Deal Hudson will begin a new adult education lecture series entitled **“Christians in Contemporary Politics”**. The first of four monthly lectures: “With God on their Side: the Origins of the Religious Right” will begin on **Mon., Feb. 27**, from 7:00 – 8:00 pm in the Adult Ed room. Please join us for an informative evening including a discussion and refreshments.

 **ADULT CONFIRMATION:** (16 yrs. & Older) Adults 16 years and older who have not already been confirmed are invited to receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, June 4, at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington with Bishop Loverde. There will be 4 classes of preparation in March. To register, or for more information please call Laura Pennefather at 703-356-5275 in the Religious Education Office.


LENTEN LECTURE SERIES 2006: Steve Weidenkopf will be giving a six-week Lenten Lecture Series entitled: **“Epic - A Journey through Church History”**. The first lecture is on Thursday, March 2. Please plan to join us in the Parish Hall for this fascinating time-line of our cultural heritage as Catholics.

In Our Parish

OVER 50 CLUB: See you at lunch tomorrow. McLean author Carole L. Herrick will discuss her book, **“August 24, 1814: Washington in Flames.”** For last minute reservations call Nancy Ingrisano at 703-356-5538.

OFFICE CLOSED Monday, Feb. 20-- President’s Day. No 6:30 am Mass.



 **TODAY IS SHARE SUNDAY:** A vehicle is parked outside church to accept your contributions. Monetary donations will assist families with emergency needs for rent, utilities, medical and dental fees. Please make checks payable to St. John Church with “Share” on the memo line. Thank you.

 **AID TO THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE** March 1, Ash Wednesday

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR BOYS: Parents of St. John boys grades 1-8 are invited for coffee at the home of Bev Hoernig on Wednesday, February 22, from 8:45 - 9:15 am. Fr. Michael Sliney, LC will present information about the Leadership Training Program, sponsored by the Legionaries of Christ. Over 60 boys are currently involved from St. Luke, St. Agnes and a small contingent from St. John. Come and learn how LTP can strengthen the leadership skills and character of your sons through fun and engaging activities. Please rsvp at 703-821-1155.



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.

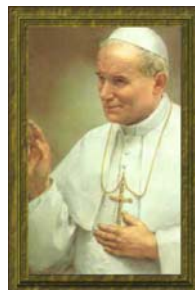
Mardi Gras, Fat Tuesday and the beginning of Lent are right around the corner. Did you ever wish to celebrate the Liturgical Year in a more Catholic manner? Why not check out Catholic Customs and Traditions, Keeping Your Kids Catholic, or The Handbook of Catholic Devotions? These books can help you with everything from how to make a King Cake to special prayers for Lent to recipes for hot cross buns for Easter.

The Word is closed today due to the President’s Day holiday weekend.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS——Quality at Bargain Prices:

Tuesday - Friday 11:00 am - 2:00 pm & Saturday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

We will have a **half price sale** on Ladies suits, skirts and blouses. Special household items: Yellow Floral 6 light Chandelier \$30; Queens size 100% cotton bed ensemble \$35; set 2 Lafayette speakers \$5; set 24 Wilderness series Time-Life books \$20; Rival crock pot \$5; 2 LexMark printers \$5 each. Thank you for your support. Should you have any questions please call (703) 356-7420 during business hours.



SENIORS: Hold the date of Tuesday, March 28, for a trip to the John Paul II Cultural Center and the nearby Franciscan Monastery. The JP II Center features a special exhibit entitled **“500 Years of Popes in Portraiture”**. The Franciscan Monastery features replicas of the Catacombs, Gethsemane, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, and much more.

Lunch at Kelly’s Ellis Island Restaurant. \$67 per person. Bus leaves St. John the Beloved at 9:00 am, to return by 4:00 pm. Don’t miss this trip. A sign-up sheet will be posted shortly in the vestibule of the church.



WOMEN’S DAY OF RECOLLECTION:

All ladies of the parish are invited to attend a Day of Recollection, conducted by Reverend Michael Hann, C.I.C.M., on Thursday, March 9 at Marymount University.

The day will begin at 9:00 am with registration and coffee in the Main House. We will move to the Chapel for conferences, confession and Mass. A lovely luncheon will be served in the university dining room. The day will end after a final conference at 2:30 pm. A sign-up sheet can be found in the church vestibule. Please leave a check for \$35 made payable to St. John the Beloved, with Day of Recollection on the memo line, in the parish office by Friday, March 3. For further information call Mary Elizabeth Bergen at 703-288-0946.

Altar Server Schedule

Daily Mass Feb. 20 President's Day

9:00 am Schuman, Wunderlich

Novena: Feb. 22

7:30 pm Schaumburg, Gross, J. McGiffin

Saturday: Feb. 25

8:15 am Lunde, Joe Beatty, C. Beatty

5:00 pm **Vigil** Oeler, M. & P. & N. Knise

Sunday Masses: Feb. 26

7:30 am Potocki, Glover, Grady

9:00 am Soltero, Clark, O'Donnell, Bello

10:45 am Breed, D. & J. & Jav. Arevalo, Brady,
S. & D. Ogdock, Quinn, Himpler, Hogan,
Jabbour, Stechschulte, Sullivan

12:30 pm L. & T. Berry, R. & J. Ludwick



Altar Servers



ST. JOHN MOTHERS GROUP

monthly meeting here at St. John will feature Carlie Dixon who will speak on Theology of the Body. The meeting is on Friday, Feb. 24 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm in the Dodi Regan Room. Baby-sitting provided in the Adult Ed room. Bring a dish to share if you like. Newcomers welcome. RSVP to Jen Morano at 703-849-9550.

ST. JOHN MOTHERS GROUP will attend Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center for a morning of reflection on Weds., Feb. 22. The event is from 9:45 am - 12:30 pm and includes talks, Mass, refreshments, & confession. Topic: "How to Love Those Who Don't Deserve It". Baby-sitting is available. RSVP to Jen Morano at 703-849-9550. The event repeats in the evening, without babysitting.

NEW DATE FOR ST. JOHN SCHOOL PTO SOCIAL: PTO Adult Dinner Social will be on **Sat., February 25** at 7:00 pm in the cafeteria. There will be a catered dinner by Maggiano's. Volunteers are needed. Call Yvonne McCool if you are available at 703/205-0947 or mccooljp1@aol.com

In Our Area



ST. PATRICK'S 26TH ANNUAL GAELIC MASS

will be on Monday, March 13 in St. Charles Borromeo Church in Arlington. A "Gaelic Choir" is forming & if you are interested, contact John Thiemen for rehearsal information. 703-938-1954. This event is sponsored by the Ancient

Order of Hibernians No. 1 of Arlington.



St. John Youth Corner

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

sebastienjansen@yahoo.com 703-356-0536

WorkCamp: We are still in need of one male Chaperone, Two female Chaperones and One Contractor. Please be on the look out for three Minivans that will be available for the whole week. **WorkCamp June 24-30**



Ski Trip: Depending on the weather, our next ski will be March 4 and 5. We will be going for a **two day** ski trip at Bryce Resort. Please keep in mind that this trip is somewhat limited due to the lack of chaperones. Please contact me if you have been fingerprinted by the Diocese of Arlington and want to be a chaperone. All necessary forms are on the website.

Car raffle tickets have been mailed to each family. All Saints Church (Manassas) has invited us to participate in their 5-car raffle. This allows us to earn more profit than purchasing a vehicle on our own and each purchaser has a chance with 5 cars! This makes "selling" at work or to family and friends more like an opportunity--just show them the ticket--it will sell itself. Prizes are 2006 vehicles (Honda Civic, Pontiac Vibe, GMC Canyon truck, Honda CRV, Pontiac Montana Van). One \$5 ticket offers the chance to win all 5 vehicles plus \$20k in cash prizes. \$3 of the \$5 goes to our parish. Turn in your raffle money. Good luck. You still have time to participate.




LIVE JESUS 2006 "VOICES OF DEVOTION & ME" is the theme for a day of Lenten reflection and renewal through the lens of Salesian Spirituality on Sat., March 25 at Bishop Ireton High School from 9:00 am to 2:00pm. There will be presentations by Oblates and Mass. If you wish to have lunch, indicate so when you register. To register online: www.oblates.org or call the school at 703-212-5163.



SPECIAL MUSIC

ST. THOMAS MORE CATHEDRAL CONCERT

presents John A. Romeri, organist, & John A. Romeri II, flute, on Friday, Feb. 24 at 8:00 pm for a program of Bach, Poulenc, Tournemire. Free concert. 3901 Cathedral Lane, Arlington.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb. 19, 2006	20	21	22	23	24	25
Scouts 6:30 pm Gym	OFFICE CLOSED No 6:30 am Mass	CCD Gr. 1 - 9 7:00 - 8:00 pm	Confessions 6:30 pm	Brownies 3 - 4:30 pm Ad Ed	Mothers Group Ad Ed/DR 10:00 am	Latin Class 9:00 - noon Parish Hall
Senior Youth Group 7:30 pm	 Senior Luncheon		Novena 7:30 pm	RCIA 7:00 pm		Jr. Legion of Mary 10:00 am DR Rm
	Legion of Mary 7:30 pm DR Rm		Family Choir 7:30 pm	St. John Choir 7:30 pm		PTO Adult Dinner 7:00 pm PH