



**Mass Intentions
Of The Week**

Monday, February 27, 2006, Weekday

6:30 Helen McManus †
9:00 Anne McCabe †

Tuesday, February 28, Weekday

6:30 Mr. & Mrs. Bert Coble
9:00 Josefa Coquia †

Wednesday, March 1, ASH WEDNESDAY

6:30 Rev. Ramon Draz
9:00 Pierre Caron

Thursday, March 2, Lenten Weekday

6:30 Rev. Wilhelm Ettner
9:00 Martha McDowell †

Fri., Mar. 3, Lenten Weekday, Katharine Drexel, virgin

6:30 Special Intention
9:00 Doris VanGundy †

Saturday, Mar. 4, Lenten Weekday, Casimir

8:15 Alexander DeFillipis †
5:00 Rev. John McKlindon †

Sunday, March 5, First Sunday of Lent

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

Readings for the Week of February 26, 2006

Sunday: Hos 2:16b, 17b, 21-22; Ps 103;
2 Cor 3:1b-6; Mk 2:18-22
Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111; Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98; Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: JI 2:12-18; Ps 51; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2;
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

**THE LORD IS KIND AND
MERCIFUL.**



Please Pray For

Phyllis Addy	Pacita Gonzaga	Monica Mizerek
Maria Isabel Alves	Alex Hargenrader	Rita Mughir
Margaret Amorosi	Kathleen Harrington	Ernest Oddono
Ronald Bashion	Charles Harrison	Joseph Riotto
Toni Burger	Gary & Cindy Hogan	Lois Riscile
Harry Clarke	Laura Holleran	John Ronan
Michael Clark	Maureen Hollingsworth	Edelisa Samson
Polly Cedar	Mary Johnson	Martin Schaffer
Peter Conrad	Billee Jordan	Barbara Skylell
Vincent Corcoran	Blanche Kane	Mary Spann
Edward Cotter	Dorothy Kennedy	Margaret Serrao
Marie Davalos	Joan Leitch	Margaret Stimpfle
Lucille Dion	John Long	Virginia Waters
Denis Downey, Jr.	Katherine Malcolm	
Pam Dunne	Lou McGuinness	
Delores Frazier	Helene McGrath	
Charles Galligan	Nancy Miller	

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

From the Pastor

Next Sunday, the 10:45 High Mass will be sung in Latin. Afterward, the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month will have a Latin Mass at 10:45 until further notice; the other Sundays the 10:45 Mass will be mostly English. Why Latin? As I have written, the Second Vatican Council decreed that people should participate in Mass by being able to say or sing those parts of the Mass that pertain to them. Why Latin? Pope Benedict has told us we should.



Why Latin? Listen to other voices: *"In those days they still had the wonderful Latin Mass with its resonant sonorities, and mysterious ritual movements, the incense, music, choir, organ, bells, candles, the muted light through stained glass windows."* {Jerry Garcia of the Grateful

Dead (after whom the ice cream Cherry Garcia was named).}

"When Catholics go to Mass in Latin, the priest is addressing the infinite in a language that has no domestic association; the people attending are thereby elevated into transcendence". {Joseph Campbell, mythologist}

"When I find the monks wanting to throw out Latin altogether I hesitate. Our Latin liturgy is pretty good and very solid...the chant is...inexhaustibly good. I defy them to replace that with anything one-tenth as good". {Fr. Thomas Merton, Trappist monk}

"Anyone who has ever attended a Latin High Mass...has really attended a charismatic event. This style of worship makes us realize that the early Christian church had taken the wild fires of charismatic zeal and compressed them into the intense flames of monastic chant...They utter them (their religious sentiments) in this strange singing unlike any other singing on earth. They are madmen, breaking out in a focused, unified, musical glossalalia!" {Thomas Day, Chairman of the Music department, Salve Regina College, Newport}

**ASH
WEDNESDAY**

Next Wednesday begins Lent. Ashes are a sacramental, not a sacrament, therefore anyone may receive ashes. Catholics who are not married in the church, ex-Catholics, people who want to be Catholic, Protestants, Jews, Hindu, etc. all can receive the sacramental. The service at 4:30 pm is not a Mass and does not have communion. This allows someone to receive ashes who isn't Catholic. Please plan your Lent and carry through on the plans.

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.

**NO ONE POURS
NEW WINE
INTO OLD
WINESKINS; NEW WINE
IS POURED INTO
FRESH WINESKINS.**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF
CAROLE SCHNEBERGER**



Religious Education

Note: Regular CCD classes Mon. 27 & Tues. 28.

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

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 on Thursday, **March 2**, is on the early Church: “Mustard Seed & Persecution (33 – 313). Please plan to join us in the Parish Hall for this fascinating time-line of our cultural heritage as Catholics.

PARENTS FIRST EUCHARIST MEETING will be Mon., Mar. 6 at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. This is a required meeting for all parents of children preparing for First Communion, esp. 2nd graders. Rev. Basil Cole will be the guest lecturer. All parishioners are welcome to attend this talk on the Holy Eucharist.

In Our Parish



FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS begin after the 9:00 am Mass with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Please come and spend a grace-filled hour in the presence of Our Eucharistic Lord

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS: This Saturday, the 8:15 Mass will be followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, devotions and Benediction.

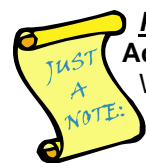
PRAYER SUPPORT FOR MILITARY

OVERSEAS: If you have a family member deployed to Iraq, Afghanistan or other areas of hostility and would like to join other parishioners to pray them home safely please contact Ann Thunder at (703)442-0668 or thundergroup@juno.com



MESSAGE FROM BISHOP LOVERDE

may be found in the Herald newspaper in its entirety. Here are some excerpts from his message: **“Repent and believe in the gospel (Mk 1:15)...Like Jesus we too are being led by the Holy Spirit into the desert of Lent...which begins Ash Wednesday...Lent calls us to more genuine self-discipline, more intense prayer and more gracious charity...Fasting or penance, prayer and almsgiving provide us with the means of growing more into the image of Christ...Let us respond wholeheartedly to the Holy Spirit....We shall emerge at the end of Lent more deeply united to Christ and to one another”.**



PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Eucharistic Adoration, or Novena or Benediction on Wednesday, March 1 which is Ash Wednesday.

PLEASE NOTE: You may want to tear out the insert in today’s bulletin for the **Lenten Lecture series and Lent Schedule** to post on your refrigerator for easy reference. Check out these 2 inserts plus **Guide to Confession** which are all posted on our website (in color) under the EVENTS tab. You will find the latest bulletin plus church history, priest biographies & church committees. Check us out at: www.stjohncatholicmclean.org



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.

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Why not stop by and pick up some spiritual reading to accompany you on your Lenten journey? We can suggest several titles, including *What Jesus Saw From the Cross* and *The Fire in the Cloud Lenten Meditations*.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS——Quality at Bargain Prices:

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

We will continue our **half price sale** on Ladies coats, blazers, suits, skirts and blouses. Thank you for your support. Should you have any questions please call (703) 356-7420 during business hours.

WIDOWS/WIDOWERS GROUP: The next meeting of the Widows/Widowers group will be Thursday, March 2, in the Adult Ed room following 9:00 am Mass. Anyone who has suffered the loss of a spouse is most welcome to join us.



WOMEN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION:

All ladies of the parish are invited to attend a Day of Recollection, conducted by Rev. Michael Hann, on Thurs., March 9 at 9:00 am at Marymount University. There will be registration, coffee, conferences, confession, Mass and lunch. The day will end after a final conference at 2:30 pm. A sign-up sheet is in the church vestibule. Leave a \$35 check payable to St. John the Beloved, (memo: Day of Recollection) in the parish office by Friday, March 3. For information and reservations call Mary Elizabeth Bergan at 703-288-0946.



SENIORS:

Tues., March 28: a trip to the John Paul II Cultural Center & 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. Lunch at Kelly’s Ellis Island Restaurant. \$67 per person. Trip from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Don’t miss this trip. Sign up in the vestibule of the church.

OVER 50 CLUB: Monday, March 20, Officer Tom Black from the Fairfax county police department will speak to us about issues related to senior safety. These include identity theft and security procedures. Mass is at 11:30 am with lunch following in the parish hall. Sign up in the church vestibule. Cost is \$15, payable to St. John the Beloved Church. (Memo: Seniors). Deadline is Thursday, March 16. Call a friend and have them accompany you to this very informative meeting. Info: Nancy Ingrisano 703-356-5538.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE

March 1, 2006,
Ash Wednesday





Wed. March 1, 2006, Ash Wednesday:

7:30 pm Himpler, Lunde, Clark

Fri. March 3, Stations of the Cross

7:30 pm Potocki, Oeler, Hickey, Girardi

Saturday, March 4 First Saturday

8:15 am McCauley, Giaimo, Burelli

5:00 pm **Vigil** Delvecchio, Wunderlich, Ensher, Brady

Sunday Masses, March 5

7:30 am Lunde, D'Ernes, Nugent

9:00 am B. Evans, Caron, Guillen, Adams

10:45 am **LATIN MASS** D. Kennedy, Tata, guest servers, Breed, D. Ogdock, Crouch

12:30 pm Duffey, Sms. Kearns, Sean Kearns, Holmes

ELECTRONIC DONATION PROGRAM: St. John the Beloved is implementing an electronic donation program that will enable our parishioners to choose to have their weekly/monthly contributions sent directly to the parish through their bank account. Enrollment forms are available in the church office.

CREDIT CARD DONATIONS: St. John now has the capability of processing Credit Card donations. If you would like your weekly, monthly, yearly donations to be charged on your credit card please contact the Rectory Office and we will help you proceed.

In Our Area

DEUS CARITAS EST: St. John parishioners are invited to join Father Frederick Edlefsen for a Lenten reflection based on Pope Benedict's new encyclical letter **Deus Caritas Est**. This Bishop O'Connell PTO sponsored event will take place at Bishop O'Connell HS on Thursday, March 16, in the student chapel. We will begin at 7:30 pm with prayer and conclude with refreshments. All are invited.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION AT ST. THOMAS MORE: Come to an Open House on Wed., March 8 at 9:00 am at the cathedral school to learn about an outstanding program for students Pre-K through Grade 8. Website: stmschool.org 703-528-6481

HANDICAPPED RETREAT: Handicapped Encounters with Christ is sponsoring a Catholic retreat with the theme of "Sing a New Song Unto the Lord" May 26 to 28 at the Bon Secour Retreat Center in Marriottsville, MD. Anyone interested in attending or helping to plan, contact Patti or Dean DeBuck at 703-532-7616.



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.

Thanks to all those who have returned their raffle tickets---special thanks to those who have picked up extras to sell to relatives, and friends. One \$5 ticket offers the chance to win all 5 vehicles plus \$20k in cash prizes. \$3 of the \$5 goes to our parish. You still have time to participate.



Gifts for God **RICE BOWLS** will be handed out by the Youth Group the first Sunday of Lent, March 5.

DYING TO KNOW workshop for healthcare providers about end-of-life issues will be held March 4 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at St. Veronica's parish in Chantilly. This will enable physicians, nurses, lawyers to recognize the central moral and ethical teachings of the Catholic church on these matters. Contact Claire at 703-773-2013 for info.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS WITH HEART: The Inova Heart & Vascular Institute on the Inova Fairfax medical campus, needs volunteers for various tasks early mornings and daytime to support patients awaiting heart surgery. Call Volunteer Services at 703-776-3104 or visit www.inova.org and click on Volunteer to apply.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY: Travel with Bishop Loverde, Bishop of Arlington and President of The Catholic Distance University, on an 11-day pilgrimage to Rome, Sicily and Naples from Sept. 19 - 29, 2006. The itinerary is exciting. There will be daily Mass. Cost is \$3,099. Call Carolyn Forman 1-888-254-4CDU or 540-338-2700 x703. Reserve your place now.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb. 26, 2006	27	28	Mar 1 Ash Wednesday	2	3 First Friday	4 First Saturday
<u>CCD Pre-K - K</u> 10:45 - 11:45 am	<u>Sew & So Forth</u> 9:45 am DR Room	<u>CCD</u> Gr. 1 - 9	<u>Mass: 6:30, 9:00 am,</u> & <u>7:30 pm</u>	<u>Widows/Widowers</u> 9:45 am Ad Ed	<u>Stations of the Cross</u> 7:30 pm	<u>Latin Class</u> 9:00 - noon Parish Hall
<u>Scouts</u> 6:30 pm Gym	<u>CCD Gr.1,2,3</u> 4:30-5:30 pm	7:00 - 8:00 pm	<u>Liturgy of the Word</u> 4:30 pm	<u>Brownies</u> 3 - 4:30 pm Ad Ed		<u>Missionaries of Charity</u> Ad Ed Rm
<u>Senior Youth Group</u> 7:30 pm	<u>Deal Hudson series</u> 7:00 pm Ad Ed Rm		<u>Confessions</u> 6:30 pm (No Eucharistic Adoration or Benediction)	<u>Lenten Lecture</u> 7:00 pm PH		<u>Jr. Legion of Mary</u> 10:00 am DR Rm
	<u>Legion of Mary</u> 7:30 pm DR Rm		<u>Mass</u> 7:30 pm Family Choir 7:30 pm	<u>RCIA</u> 7:00 pm		
				<u>St. John Choir</u> 7:30 pm		