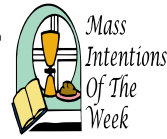


**Monday, August 20, 2007, Bernard, abbot, doctor**

6:30 Father Valinho  
9:00 Eliseo H. Paulino, M.D. †

**Tuesday, August 21, Pius X, Pope**

6:30 The Mendez Family  
9:00 Dr. Eliseo Paulino



**Wednesday, August 22, Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

6:30 Elizabeth Warchot †  
9:00 Fred R. Wall †

**Thursday, August 23, Weekday, Rose of Lima, virgin**

6:30 Jim & Jean Dudek  
9:00 William Hungate †

**Friday, August 24, Bartholomew, apostle**

6:30 George & Jane Cleary †  
9:00 Mary Campbell †

**Saturday, August 25, Weekday/Louis of France/  
Joseph Calasanz, priest**

8:15 Margaret Williams †  
5:00 Isabelle Fleming †

**Sunday, August 26, Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 Siegfried Wolf †  
9:00 Ludobina & José Esteves †  
10:30 Fred R. Wall  
12:00 People of the Parish

**Readings for the Week of August 19, 2007**

Sunday Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40; Heb 12:1-4;  
Lk 12:49-53  
Monday Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106; Mt 19:16-22  
Tuesday Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85; Mt 19:23-30  
Wednesday Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21; Mt 20:1-16  
Thursday Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40; Mt 22:1-14  
Friday Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145; Jn 1:45-51  
Saturday Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128;  
Mt 23:1-12



**Please Pray For**

Albert & Marie Balint	Gary & Cindy Hogan	Al Parsons
William T. Berry	Laura Holleran	Mary Pistorino
Sonja & Soraya Borghese	Maureen Hollingsworth	Elia Priestley
Michelle Brewer	Muriel Jennings	Joseph Riotto
William Carnazzo	Mary Johnson	Lois Riscile
Esperanza Castillo	Mimi Johnson	Edelisa Samson
Juan Chirino	Billee Jordan	Margaret Serrao
Michael Clarke	Dede Kazunas	Leah Shannon
Carol Coad	Shirley Kelley	Sister Jeanine
Vincent Corcoran	Col. James J. Kelly	Sister Marion
Edward Cotter	Alice Koutsoumpas	Barbara Skytell
Estelle Danielson	Katherine Malcolm	Mary Spann
Marie Davalos	Annette McGovern	Margaret Stimpfle
Jessie Dillon	Ferenc Molnar	Eileen Sweeney
Lucille Dion	Matthew Morgan	Raymond Vagli
Denis Downey, Jr.	Marilyn Middleton	Theresa Vartanian
Bryan Downie	Edmund Milauckas	Graham Waite
Pam Dunne	Nancy Miller	Mary Ellen Waite
Phil Dunton	Monica Mizerek	Mary Frances Weil
Kathleen Harrington	June Nage	
Scott Harris	Fatima Neto	
Charles Harrison	Lang Nguyen	
	Ernest Oddono	

**Please let office know when to remove your name from this list.**

**From the Pastor**

The Missale Romanum issued by Pope Gregory the Great was influenced by the lands north of the Alps. This influences included the offertory prayers and the Nicene Creed. The pure Roman Rite was very simple and dull!! The liturgy north of the Alps (Gallican Rite) was more colorful and exuberant. Much of the Holy Week ceremonies that we have today are due to this Gallican influence.

The Gloria is of Gallican origin as was the blessing at the end of Mass and the Last Gospel. The Gallican influence made the Roman Rite more beautiful. By the time of the Council of Trent in the 16<sup>th</sup> century there had arisen many missals containing variations of the Roman Rite. Local communities would add their own saints to parts of the Mass. People would sing acclamations to the Virgin Mary in the middle of the Gloria. Priests would add long prayers (called "apologies") in which he bemoaned his own sinfulness and unworthiness. Some of these were so long they aggravated the people.

The Council of Trent declared a return of the Mass which was carried out in 1570 by Pope St. Pius V. Pope St. Pius V did not reform the Mass by composing a new Mass; rather he restored an old one which had been used in Rome for a long time. The invention of the printing press enabled the Church to issue a missal free of the personal additions penned by the monks who for so long had transcribed the missal by hand. Everyone in the West was to use this missal unless the rite had been in existence for more than 200 years. The Church has never wanted to impose uniformity in worship by only having one missal.

This reformed Mass which goes back to the days of Pope Gregory and even beyond him was the missal many of us grew up with. It was updated over the years especially by Blessed Pope John XXIII. This is the 1962 missal which the bishops used at the Second Vatican Council and was in use in the Church until 1970 (it was reworked in 1965 and 1967) when a new rite of the Mass took its place. It is this missal of 1962 which our present Holy Father has reinstated it to its rightful place of honor in the Church as the extraordinary form of the Roman Rite.

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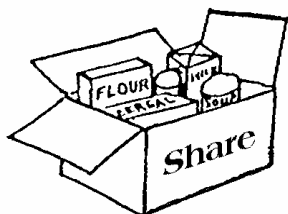
## Religious Education

**CCD REGISTRATION FORMS:** Have you sent in your completed registration forms? If not, please do so at your earliest convenience. Knowing how many teachers are needed, etc. greatly facilitates planning for the new school year.

### THE ST. JOHN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

is still looking for enthusiastic, well-formed catechists to volunteer as teachers and aides for the 2007/2008 school year. If you enjoy working with children and are excited about passing on the faith, please contact Laura Pennefather at 703-356-5275. \*If you know a parishioner you would like to recommend for one of the positions, please call the RE office.

## In Our Parish



### TODAY IS SHARE SUNDAY:

a Vehicle is parked outside to accept your contributions for families in need. Monetary donations will be used to assist families with emergencies for rent, utilities, medical and dental bills. Please make checks payable to St. John Church with "Share" on the memo line. Thank you for your continued support.

**RCIA CLASS NOW FORMING:** Interested in joining the Catholic Church? The 2008 class is now forming. For more information, please contact St. John's Office of Evangelization at 703-504-8733.



### SAVE THIS DATE...

Saturday, 6:00 pm, September 22, 2007 for the St. Peter Claver Dinner to benefit African Orphans with AIDS. More information TBA.

### Holy Father's Prayer Intentions August 2007

**General:** That all those who are going through moments of inner difficulty and trial may find in Christ the light and support which leads them to discover authentic happiness.

**Mission:** That the Church in China may bear witness to ever greater inner cohesion and may manifest her effective and visible communion with Peter's Successor.



### News from "The Word"

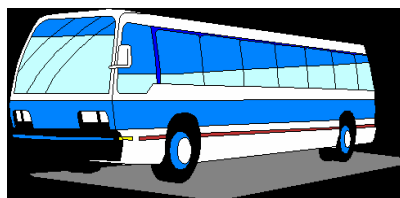
**St. John Parish Book & Gift Shop**

The WORD is open on Wednesday evenings 6:45-7:30 pm, and  
Sundays after the 9:00 & 10:30 am Masses

**August 19:** The WORD is closed today for summer vacations. We will reopen on Sunday, August 26th.

### THRIFT SHOP NEWS ~ Quality at Bargain Prices:

**We are in need of two 30" wide x 6' tall book cases. Call parish office to donate. Thank you.** Re-opens on Tuesday, September 11. Taking donations of clean usable clothing and household goods on Mondays from 9:30 am - Noon starting on August 13. Volunteers are still needed. Please consider giving your time to this charitable work. If you are interested please call Marie at (703)790-0688 or Marge at (703) 356-1830.



**SENIORS:** Our first trip of the Fall will be on Thursday, October 11, 2007, to the newly renovated Baltimore Basilica and the

Walters Gallery. Lunch included. A sign-up sheet will be posted in late August in the Vestibule of the church. Bring your friends, Seniors or not. Sign up early. Questions? Call Ray Bergan at 703-288-0946.


### GRUPPO FRASSATI: ST. JOHN'S YOUNG ADULTS

Events for adults ages 20's - 40's, single or married: **Middle Eastern Food Festival & Byzantine Church Tour**, Holy Transfiguration, Lewinsville Rd., McLean, Labor Day Weekend, Sept. 1 (11:00am-11:00pm). Many young adults (this will be a YAM event, as well) from the area will meet at Holy Transfiguration for Saturday Evening Vespers, followed by a Church Tour (conducted by Sabatino Carnazzo, Director of Evangelization at St. John's) and a delicious Lamb Dinner. Please arrive around 5:30pm to be in time for Vespers.

### RACE INTO AUTUMN 5K & BRUNCH:

September 22, 8:30am, Fairfax, VA (\$20 race entry fee). Proceeds go to benefit adults with disabilities. Please register for the race on your own and then let Jamie Taylor know at [1pet3.4@gmail.com](mailto:1pet3.4@gmail.com). There will be a brunch/lunch after the race at Lynda Rozell's home in Fairfax. Not racing? Come and cheer "team Frassati" on, and then join us for brunch. For brunch, please RSVP to Lynda at [gsdove116@yahoo.com](mailto:gsdove116@yahoo.com) or call her at 703-591-3879 for address and directions.

**Altar Server Schedule**



**Daily Mass Monday, August 20, 2007**  
9:00 am O'Donnell

**Daily Mass Tuesday, August 21**  
9:00 am Duffey

**Wednesday, August 22**  
9:00 am Delvecchio, D. Kennedy

**Novena:**  
7:30 pm McCauley, A. Prabhu

**Daily Mass Thursday, August 23**  
9:00 am Crnkovich

**Daily Mass Friday, August 24**  
9:00 am Stetchschulte

**Saturday, Daily & Vigil August 25**  
8:15 am A. Prabhu, Fisher  
5:00 pm Vigil Glover, Mullers


**Sunday Masses, August 26**  
7:30 am Sniezeks, Fisher  
9:00 am Earners, Giaimo  
10:30 am Grady, Berry, Quinn  
12:00 pm Manns, Wunderlich, Hickey, Oeler, Mehan

**AN INVITATION TO SERVE AT THE ALTAR:** The Altar Server Corps at St. John the Beloved invites **all boys in Grades 5 through high school** to join the dedicated group of young men who serve at the altar. Training sessions begin in early September and we look forward to welcoming many new Servers to the Server Corps. Please contact Mrs. Thunder at [ithundergroup@juno.com](mailto:ithundergroup@juno.com) if you are interested or have any questions.



**CONTRIBUTIONS:** To make contributing to St. John's more convenient for our parishioners we can automatically debit your checking/savings account (EFT) from your own bank, or you may pay monthly with a credit card. You may come by the parish office to fill out forms to start this process. Thank you.


 **LORD,**  
*Come to my aid!*



St. John Youth Corner

Senior Youth Group Website— [www.sjsyq.org](http://www.sjsyq.org)

**~NEXT SENIOR YOUTH MEETING~**  
NEW SCHOOL YEAR KICK-OFF MEETING  
**September 9th at 7:00 pm**  
COME SEE YOUR FRIENDS, MAKE NEW ONES, AND JUST HANG OUT BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS AGAIN!





**SAINT JOHN ACADEMY**

Your child deserves the best education for mind, body and soul you can provide.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

St. John Academy, with its rich 50 year history, provides children in pre-school through eighth grade with a classic Catholic education rooted in a rich tradition of academic excellence and spiritual formation reflected in the school's motto, "Faith, Knowledge, and Joy" - the three virtues that epitomize the Academy's approach to education. Through **Faith**, children learn to look beyond themselves. **Knowledge** denotes the curriculum, which educates the intellect, the body, and the soul. **Joy** completes the mission of St. John Academy, rooted in the Christian understanding that true happiness is found through self-sacrifice, charity and service to others.

**HOMILIES ONLINE:** You can now listen to some of Father McAfee's wonderful homilies, preached during St. John's Noon Mass, online. The audio repository, kindly donated by one of our parishioners, can be found at <http://tallquyav.com/stjhomilies.html>. All homilies presented on the site are in mp3 format and are free of charge. The readings usually precede the homily to give it context. Most homilies are preached by our pastor, Father McAfee. A credit is provided if this is not the case.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
August 19, 2007	20	21	22	23	24	25
	<p><u>Sew &amp; So Forth</u> 9:45 am DR Rm</p> <p><u>Legion of Mary</u> 7:30 pm DR Rm</p>	<p><u>Jr. Legion of Mary</u> 3:30 pm DR Rm</p>	<p><b>ADORATION</b> <u>Confessions</u> 6:45 -7:15 pm <u>Novena Prayers &amp; Rosary</u> 7:10 <u>Eucharistic Holy Hour</u> 7:30</p>	<p><u>St. John Choir</u> 7:30 pm</p>	<p><i>I Have Come Not To Bring Peace.</i></p> 	

*From St. John's Office of Evangelization . . .*

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE VIRGIN (part II)**

Having last week reviewed a sample of the biblical evidence for the assumption of the Mother of God, we turn this week to history. Did Christians through the centuries believe that Mary was assumed into heaven? Or, as many Protestants claim, was the doctrine of the Assumption of the Mother of God an invention of Pope Pius XII in 1950, seeking to take glory away from Jesus as the only mediator between God and man? Let us turn once again to the well-known anti-Catholic author Jack Chick and hear first-hand his thoughts regarding this Catholic teaching. "Central is their Virgin Mary who has been elevated by papal decree to the status of a goddess." Again we ask, what is the truth? Did Pope Pius XII, in 1950, make-up the dogma of the Assumption of Mary, as Mr. Chick claims? Let us, this week, turn to the wisdom of the Church and test the claims of Mr. Jack Chick in the light of the great teachers of the Church.

Timothy of Jerusalem, writing in the fourth century, states clearly, "Wherefore the Virgin is immortal up to now, because He who dwelt in her took her to the regions of the Ascension."

Bishop Theoteknos of Livias (c. 550- 650) writes of the Assumption of the Mother of God in this way, "For Christ took His immaculate flesh from the immaculate flesh of Mary, and if He had prepared a place in heaven for the Apostles, how much more for His mother; if Enoch had been translated and Elijah had gone to heaven, how much more Mary, who like the moon in the midst of the stars shines forth and excels among the prophets and Apostles? For even though her God-bearing body tasted death, it did not undergo corruption, but was preserved incorrupt and undefiled and taken up into heaven with its pure and spotless soul."

St. John Damascene, writing in the eighth century, records for us the ancient tradition of how Mary's Assumption was discovered by the Apostles; a tradition which reaches back to the early days of the Church. "Mary," he writes, "died in the presence of all the Apostles, but . . . her tomb, when opened upon the request of St. Thomas, was found empty; wherefrom the Apostles concluded that the body was taken up to heaven."

St. John Damascene continues in poetic fashion, "It was fitting that she, who had kept her virginity intact in childbirth, should keep her own body free from all corruption even after death. It was fitting that she, who had carried the Creator as a child at her breast, should dwell in the divine tabernacles.

It was fitting that the spouse, whom the Father had taken to himself, should live in the divine mansions. It was fitting that she, who had seen her Son upon the cross and who had thereby received into her heart the sword of sorrow which she had escaped in the act of giving birth to him, should look upon him as he sits with the Father. It was fitting that God's Mother should possess what belongs to her Son, and that she should be honored by every creature as the Mother and as the handmaid of God."

Again, in the eighth century, we learn from St. Germanus of Constantinople, who witnesses to this ancient tradition of the Church, "You are she who, as it is written, appears in beauty, and your virginal body is all holy, all chaste, entirely the dwelling place of God, so that it is henceforth completely exempt from dissolution into dust. Though still human, it is changed into the heavenly life of incorruptibility, truly living and glorious, undamaged and sharing in perfect life."

St. Modesta of Jerusalem, also writing in the eighth century states, "As the most glorious Mother of Christ, our Savior and God and the giver of life and immortality, has been endowed with life by him, she has received an eternal incorruptibility of the body together with him who has raised her up from the tomb and has taken her up to himself in a way known only to him."

Having only witnessed a sampling of the historical evidence for belief in the Assumption, how can we understand the claim that the Virgin Mary has been "elevated by papal decree to the status of a goddess" as anything but wholesale poppycock? Based upon the evidence quoted above, it appears that the only belief about the Mother of God that was invented in the twentieth century is that of anti-Catholic author Jack Chick. In the face of such offenses against our Blessed Mother, let us rally to the side of truth, and proclaim with the great tradition of the Church, that Mary, our Immaculate Mother, has been assumed and enthroned as Queen of Heaven.

*The Saint John Institute of Catholic Culture . . .*

**PRESENTS**

*Tuesday evening seminar series (7:30pm)  
on the Catechism of the Catholic Church!*

**CATECHISM 101**

**August 7, 14, 21 & 28**

*Bring your bible and Catechism!*

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## From the Music Desk...

Below is continuing information about the pipe organ from the Wikipedia website...

### Romantic period



The English [Romantic](#) organ at the [Parish Church of Saint Mary the Virgin in Ewell, Surrey](#)

During the [Romantic](#) period, the organ transitioned from a polyphonic to a symphonic instrument, capable of creating a gradual crescendo from the softest stops to "full organ" (the state in which all the stops are engaged). Through the developments of the organ builders [Aristide Cavallé-Coll](#) and [Henry Willis](#), the size of the Romantic organ grew as new technologies developed alongside them. Stops increased in number, became more varied in sound and texture, and were disposed over more divisions.

The desire for louder, grander organs required some stops, notably the reeds, to be voiced on a higher wind pressure than before. This necessitated a change in the action mechanism, as the physical force to overcome the wind pressure and depress the keys became too great. Cavallé-Coll configured the English "Barker lever" to use the organ's own wind supply to assist in operating the action. Various combination actions were invented to assist the organist with the multitude of registration changes that were necessary to play romantic music, and the physical position of the draw stops was set at an angle in order to make them easier to manipulate. Organs were also built in concert halls (such as the organ at the [Palais du Trocadéro](#) in [Paris](#)), and composers such as [Camille Saint-Saëns](#) and [Gustav Mahler](#) used the organ in their orchestral works.

Musically yours,  
David B. Lang,  
Master of Music



### **ADULT CONFIRMATION:**

Did you know that the gifts of the Holy Spirit are a necessary part of the Christian Life? Were you Baptized but have never received the Sacrament of Confirmation? If you are interested in being

Confirmed this coming Easter please call Sabatino Carnazzo at the St. John's Office of Evangelization Telephone 703-504-8733.

### *In Our Area*

**MARRIAGE JUBILEE MASS:** Were you married in either 1957 or 1982 so that you will be celebrating your Silver or Golden Marriage Jubilee this year? Then contact the St. John's parish office (703-356-7916) to register for the "2007 Marriage Jubilee Mass". The Mass will be celebrated at 2:30pm on October 21st, at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More in Arlington. The parish office must submit all registrations to the diocese by September 14, 2007.

**SCHOOL ESSAY AND POSTER CONTEST:** In preparation for the Diocesan 2007 Pilgrimage on October 13, Offices of Youth Ministry, Catechetics, and Catholic Schools are co-sponsoring an essay and poster contest. The theme for the pilgrimage and contest is *Our Lady of Fatima, Open our Hearts to Christ!* The essays and posters will be judged on how well they address this theme.

The poster contest is open to children in grades K-6. Winners will be displayed at the pilgrimage. The essay contest is open to children in grades 7-12; the winning entry will also be displayed at the pilgrimage. There will be \$50 gift certificates for each of the winners the Diocese selects. Entries should be sent to the Office of Youth Ministry, 200 North Glebe Rd., Suite 519, Arlington, VA 22203. If you have any questions, please call 703-841-2559.

### **DON'T MISS**



### **THE 14th ANNUAL MIDDLE EASTERN FOOD FESTIVAL**

at the Holy Transfiguration Melkite-Greek Catholic Church Labor Day Weekend. All friends of St. John's are invited to attend the Food Fest at our sister parish here

in McLean. Come for delicious Middle Eastern Food, Dancing and Byzantine Church Tours.