

Monday, Oct. 22, 2007, Weekday

6:30 Sister Adelaide O'Hickey RSCJ †
9:00 Gloria Frances Bryan

Tues., Oct. 23, Weekday; John of Capistrano, priest

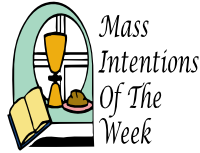
6:30 Marie Gabadio †
9:00 Grace Schoen †

Wed., Oct. 24, Weekday; Anthony Mary Claret, bishop

6:30 Jillian Bertapelle †
9:00 Mary Campbell †

Thursday, Oct. 25, Weekday

6:30 Cecile McCarthy †
9:00 Claire Dunn †



Friday, Oct. 26, Weekday

6:30 David McFadden †
9:00 Anne N. McCabe †

Sat., Oct. 27, Weekday; Blessed Virgin Mary (Sat.)

8:15 Lisa A. Eyer †
5:00 Nora & Edward McLaughlin †

Sunday, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Thomas H. Higgins †
9:00 Ludobina & Jose Esteves †
10:30 Martin Patterson †
12:00 People of the Parish

Readings for the Week of October 21, 2007

Sunday Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121; 2 Tm 3:14—4:2;
Lk 18:1-8
Monday Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-70,
71-72, 73-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21;
Ps 40; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1; Lk 12:49-53
Friday Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24; Lk 13:1-9



Please Pray For

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

Please let the parish office know when you can be removed from this list.

From the Pastor



After more than a year of discussion and deliberation between the priests, I have drawn up a policy for all funerals celebrated at St. John. This will go into effect on All Souls Day, Nov. 2nd and will apply to all funeral Masses and all celebrants both parish priests and guests. It covers such things as flowers, music, all readings and also states the correct position of the church on cremation.

7:30 pm on Nov. 2nd there will be the Mass for all the faithful departed, the First day of Novena. The names of all those who have died this past year will be read at the Mass. The Mass will be according to the 1962 missal and features the music of Durufle's *Requiem*.



Bad news on the rose garden front. Seventeen full, lush rose bushes have had to be removed and destroyed because of a lethal disease which has found a home in the area of Virginia. There is no known cure for it and the disease spreads rapidly. It all started with one rose bush that had some strange canes. They were odd colored and covered with very many thorns which were soft. They call them witches brooms. We removed this one rose, at the start of the summer but later we found it had spread to 17 others. They looked healthy but displayed a few strange small canes. We consulted an official rosarian of the Arlington Rose Society who lives in McLean. He said to pull them up at once. The rose eventually dies but it can effect others. This rosarian has lost 10 roses and he says the disease has spread to this area. In all my years of growing roses this is the first time I have encountered this problem. The disease is known as rose rosette disease. If you are concerned about your own roses, see our facilities manager John Balint for more information.



**Our help is from the LORD
who made Heaven & Earth.**

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions October 2007

General: That the Christians who are in minority situations may have the strength and courage to live their faith and persevere in bearing witness to it.

Mission: That World Missionary Day may be a propitious occasion for kindling an ever greater missionary awareness in every baptized person.

In Our Parish



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



OVER 50 CLUB: Mon., Nov. 19 we will welcome "Annie and Mac". With harmonica, banjo and guitar, they play and sing a wide range of music. A real treat! 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 \$20 made payable to St. John the Beloved with 'Seniors' on the memo line, in the parish office by Thurs. Nov. 15. Call Gladys Brennan for more information: 703-821-2547.



COFFEE & DONUTS this Sunday, October 21st, after the 9:00 & 10:30 am Masses, is being hosted by the St. John's Office of Evangelization RCIA group. Thanks to the members of the K of C, Council #11806, for hosting last Sunday. We still do not have a parish group to host "Coffee & Donuts" on the 4th Sunday of each month. Perhaps your parish group might want to volunteer to host 1 or more of the 4th Sundays. If so, please call the Parish Office.



TODAY IS SHARE SUNDAY: Please place your donations in the Share Car parked near the entrance of the church. Monetary donations will be used to assist families with emergency needs for rent, utilities, medical and dental bills. Checks should be made payable to St. John Church with "Share" on the memo line. Thank you for your generous support.

IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Irene Farrell.



News from "The Word"

St. John Parish Book & Gift Shop

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

Our featured book of the week is Christopher West's new book "*The Love That Satisfies*". West is a research fellow at the Theology of the Body Institute. In this book, he draws from the Pope's first encyclical (*God is Love*) a series of insightful and inspiring reflections on the nature of eros, agape, and the relationship between the two.

THRIFT SHOP NEWS ~ Quality at Bargain Prices:

Tues. - Fri. 11:00 am- 2:00 pm & Sat. 10:00 am-1:00 pm. In addition to our normal fashions and household items, we have some great **Halloween costumes**. There are still **two (2) fur coats** for sale, size 12, each valued at \$7,000: a Natural Blue Fox coat with Stand-up collar, Chevron Design, length 52" and a 58" sweep. The second coat is Natural Mink, also with a stand-up collar, straight sleeves, length 50" and a 72" sweep. We will be accepting offers on these exceptional donations, if interested please contact Marie @ (703) 790-0688. We will be accepting donations of **clean and usable** items during store hours. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions call during business hours (703) 356-7420.



Newly Baptized

WELCOME INTO THE FAITH OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED:

Lauren Frances Gatti, Eric Andrew Mizusawa, Ana Sofia Rosalie Johnson and John Tyler Majkowski .



TOY COLLECTION: A student club at Thomas Jefferson High School is collecting toys for infants and toddlers under age 3, such as blocks, books, puzzles, cars, balls, kitchen sets, etc. (No stuffed animals) These toys will go to benefit the underprivileged children with disabilities in the Fairfax and Arlington Counties. Please contact parishioner Rosa Kang at (703) 538-4974. She will come pick up the toys. THANK YOU!

Want to learn more about the Bible? Notice on page 4 of the bulletin all the new opportunities for scripture study right here at our church. Our Adult Education program (St. John Institute of Catholic Culture) meets at various times. Check us out!

Altar Server Schedule



Altar Servers

Novena/Mass: Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2007
7:30 pm Mike Kissinger, Duffey, P. Loria

Saturday: October 27
8:15 am Myer, Riordan, Hoernig
5:00 pm **Vigil** James & Jacob Eyer, Burelli, Girardi

Sunday Masses: October 28
7:30 am C. Earner, Hoernig, Grady
9:00 am Quinn, Coolidge, Fisher, Patrick Mea
10:30 am Beattys, Crnkovich
12:00 pm (Tridentine) J. & B. & Ricky Ludwick, Mehan, Hickey, Oeler, Alligood, D., P., J. McGiffin, A. & F. Mehigan

**SAINT JOHN ACADEMY
PTO FUNDRAISER*****CHRISTMAS
GREENERY:**

Beautiful greenery to decorate your home at Christmas can be purchased from St. John Academy. We are taking orders for wreaths, garland, and centerpieces for your Christmas decorating Oct. 21 & Oct. 28. Items will be available for pick up soon after Thanksgiving. Please stop by the table outside the church after the 9:00 & 10:30 Masses today and next Sunday and help support our school.



NOVENA PRAYERS & ROSARY:
the Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers and the Rosary begin at 7:10 p.m. The Eucharistic Holy Hour will follow immediately at 7:30 p.m. All parishioners are encouraged to adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and pray to the Blessed Mother for world peace and conversion of hearts.

ADORERS ARE NEEDED EVERY WEDNESDAY, and every First Friday and First Saturday of every month for Eucharistic Adoration. Contact Ann Thunder @703-442-0668 if you are able to spend an hour with our Lord or sign up for a specific hour on the **Schedule of Adorers Roster** in the vestibule of the church.

WHY NOT ADVERTISE IN THE BULLETIN? There are several empty spots available, just waiting for your ad. If interested in placing a new ad please call Diocesan Publications at 1-800-233-8200.



St. John Youth Corner

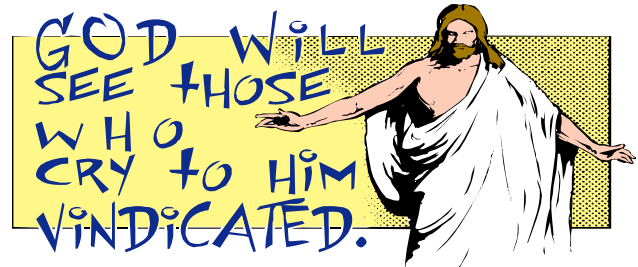
Senior Youth Group
**NEXT SENIOR YOUTH MEETING
SUNDAY Nov. 4th, 7:00 pm**

PHONE AUCTION: St. John's Women's Council is auctioning a week's stay in a lovely ocean front 2 bedroom 2 bath condo (sleeps 8) in the tropical paradise of Cancun, Mexico. Available the week after Thanksgiving **this year, Saturday to Saturday, beginning Nov. 24, 2007.** For more information, or to place a bid, call Ave Crawford at 703-534-8635. Bids must be received by Fri. Oct. 26, 2007.



CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE: This year your Women's Council presents, what they hope will be the most exciting Christmas Boutique yet! Finish your Christmas shopping at St. John's on **November 17th & 18th.** Highlights are the St. John Academy Children's Treble Choir singing Christmas

Carols and Hymns; a Chinese Auction featuring a signed Redskins memento, a one week's stay (**November 2008**) in a 2 bedroom condo in Cancun, an Oriental rug, a luxurious string of black pearls; international food, beautiful hand made tree decorations, exquisite hand crafted jewelry and rosaries, & designer and designer inspired handbags. We have gifted new vendors this year as well as the very best ones from last year.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
October 21, 2007	22	23	24	25	26	27
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY CCD PreK - K 10:30 - 11:30 am	<u>Sew & So Forth</u> 9:45 am DR Rm <u>CCD Gr. 1,2,3</u> 4:30 - 5:30 pm <u>Legion of Mary</u> 7:30 pm DR Rm	CCD Gr. 1 - 8 7:00 - 8:00 pm <u>Jr. Legion of Mary</u> 3:30 pm DR Rm <u>Bible Study</u> 7:30 pm	ADORATION <u>Confessions</u> 6:45 -7:15 pm <u>Novena Prayers & Rosary</u> 7:10 <u>Eucharistic Holy Hour</u> 7:30 <u>RCIA</u> 7:00 pm	<u>St. John Choir</u> 7:30 pm		

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

DEFENDING THE FAITH

The Bible vs. Tradition

One of the pillars of the Protestant revolt is the claim that the Bible and the Bible alone is the sole rule of faith for Christians. Thus, it is said that Catholics follow the traditions of men instead of the inspired Word of God, the Bible. If Catholics would trust solely in the Word of God, so the argument goes, they would find that many of the teachings of the Catholic Church contradict God's inspired Word. Following this assertion, Catholics are often convinced of the erroneous idea that many of the core teachings of the Faith are, in fact, unbiblical.

In defense of the Protestant position, a verse from today's reading of Saint Paul's second letter to St. Timothy, is often quoted. In this text we read, "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be equipped, prepared for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17). From these two verses, Protestants make the argument that Scripture is the sole rule of faith and is itself sufficient, thus, there is no need for "tradition." From this argument, a false dichotomy is placed between the Bible and Tradition. As with so many of our past topics, context is essential. Only one verse before this text, which supposedly supports Luther's doctrine of *sola scriptura* (i.e., the Bible alone is our sole rule of faith), we learn that Saint Paul's exhortation to Timothy refers to those Sacred Writings that Timothy learned "from childhood" (2 Tim 3:15). This is clearly a reference to the writings of the Old Testament, since much of the New Testament had not even been penned by the time of Saint Paul's letter. Thus, if the Protestant interpretation of this text is to stand, we must say that the Old Testament is the sole rule of Faith and is itself sufficient. Clearly, this interpretation would not be supported by any Christian, and therefore is shown to be a false interpretation of the text. In fact, Luther's doctrine of *sola scriptura*, is not found anywhere in the Bible, and is therefore a self-refuting teaching.

With this objection dispatched, let us turn to the authentic teaching of the Bible, as it has been handed down faithfully by the Catholic Church for two thousand years. In the last verse of the Gospel of John, the Evangelist writes, "There are also many other things which Jesus did; were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written" (Jn 21:25). Again, in Saint Paul's second letter to the Thessalonians we read, "So then, brethren, stand firm and hold to the traditions which you were taught by us,

either by word of mouth or by letter" (2 Thess 2:15). Through this exhortation of Saint Paul, we learn that Tradition is essential, both that which is written (Sacred Scripture) and that which has been handed down orally (Oral Tradition). Confronted with this biblical defense of Tradition, many Protestants will misunderstand Christ's condemnation of the "traditions of men" (Mk 7:8). Again, context is essential, for Christ was not condemning all tradition, but rather those teachings of the Pharisees which make null the Word of God (Mk 7:13). We must in fact, as Saint Paul explains, hold fast to those Sacred Traditions which make complete the Revelation of Jesus Christ. It is of this tradition which Saint John speaks in his second epistle when he writes, "Though I have much to write to you, I would rather not use paper and ink, but I hope to come to see you and talk with you face to face, so that our joy may be complete" (2 Jn 1:12).

Let us not place a false dichotomy between the two parts of God's Revelation. Rather, let us listen and learn from the Revelation of God, which is guarded and protected by the Church of Christ, "the pillar and bulwark of truth" (1 Tim 3:15), receiving both the Sacred Writings and the Holy Tradition as two manifestations of the same Revelation, given for our salvation.

The Saint John Institute of Catholic Culture . . .

(St. John's Adult Ed Program)

PRESENTS:

The Acts of the Apostles Bible Study

Tuesdays @ 7:30 pm Sept. 18 - **Nov. 6

(**Series extended)

Bring your Bible and Bring a friend!

Q? - Call St. John's Office of Evangelization @

703-504-8733 or www.sjicc.com

Salvation is from the Jews

w/Sabatino Camazzo

A study of the ancient Jewish Festal Cycle & its fulfillment in Christ, & the Christian Liturgical Year

Tues. @ 7:30 pm Nov. 27, Dec. 4 & 11

Conversion: Walking with God

w/Fr. Joseph Mary & Dr. John Cuddebak

Thursdays at 7:30 pm, Nov. 8, 15

Advent Retreat Dec. 14, 15, 16

From the Music Desk...

I understand many of you enjoyed reading "The Ten Commandments of Singing." All of the Masses at Saint John the Beloved are truly celebrations because of the prayerful excitement you bring with you. Remember ... we get from Mass exactly what we put into Mass. The more you actively worship, the more the Spirit has a chance to work in you.

I would like to express my support for Father McAfee and the funeral policies that he will be implementing beginning November 2. It is our job as clergy and staff to guide you with rites with which you may not be familiar. One quick and important thing to remember about funerals... the Requiem Mass in the church building is a Mass for the departed, not a Mass for those who are still living. Proper music will reflect this. Concurrently, the funeral wake / visitation is that unique time set aside for the living. This is where one reads a meaningful eulogy or sings a special song that might not fit in church at the Requiem Mass. Just because a particular song is in a hymnal or was heard at another funeral or at another church does not necessarily mean it is appropriate.

The Gregorian Chant Workshop is filling up. We have 60+ participants. Many of you who come to confession each Saturday listen to the beautiful Gregorian chant quietly in the background. Our church gave us this treasure, and it is my personal intention to work to preserve it. For more information, go to www.musicasacra.com/mclean

If you have any spare volunteer hours to give to the music dept., please let me know. Thank you to those who continue to help from time to time.

Musically yours,
David B. Lang,
Master of Music

COFFEE TALK WITH DIVINE MERCY : Please join The Missionaries of Our Lady of Divine Mercy Sat. Oct. 27th for **Coffee Talk with Divine Mercy** at St. Raymond's in Springfield. We will continue the series "Genesis to Jesus." Workbooks will be available for purchase. Bring your bibles. Registration for Coffee Talk is **FREE**, but we ask that you register in advance online at www.divinemerlynnow.org or by calling Tracie at the House of Mercy 703-659-1636.

In Our Area

MARYMOUNT CAMPUS VISIT DAYS: High school seniors and juniors & their parents are invited to check out Marymount's campus (2807 N. Glebe Rd.) on Sat. Oct. 27, or Sun. Nov. 4. Activities are from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. There will be tours, sessions on academic and financial aid. Please RSVP to 703-284-1500 or admissions@marymount.edu

NEWLYWED PROGRAM: Monthly series offers practical & spiritual tools for couples married 3 years or less. Wine and cheese, speakers, 7:30-9:30 pm. Cost \$15 per couple. Register at 301-365-0612. Dates: Nov. 3, Dec. 1, Jan. 5, Feb. 2, Mar. 1.

Other programs at the Center for Family Development in Bethesda include a Monthly Evening of Reflection for Men, and Spiritual Exercises Retreats. Call for more information.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY: Paul VI High School is celebrating its' Silver anniversary with a gala on Nov. 9 at 7:00 pm at the Westwood Country Club in Vienna. Proceeds go to support developmentally-disabled students and to raise money for Smart Boards in every classroom. Call 703-352-0925, x 346 or email kgallagher@paulvi.net

PAUL VI HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE for 7th & 8th grade students and their families will be Sun. Oct. 28 from 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Please join us. Call 703-352-0925, X 331 for more information. We also offer an Options Program for intellectually disabled students. Call Mrs. Desmarais as 703-352-0952, x333

BISHOP IRETON OPEN HOUSE is on Sun. Oct. 28 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. This diocesan, co-ed, college prep school is conducted by the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales. 703-751-7606.

BISHOP O'CONNELL OPEN HOUSE will be held on Thurs. Nov. 8 at 7:00 pm. Call 703-237-1433 for information.

HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS Learn about the perilous condition of Christians in the Holy Land. Attend the 9th Annual International Conference of the Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation here in Washington, DC on Oct. 26-27. Registration kits in church lobby. Questions or more information? Contact parishioners Carolyn or Bill Yontz at 703-847-0610.

Stress in Your Marriage? – There is less than a week left to signup for Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty. For confidential information about or to register for the April program beginning with a weekend on October 26-28th call 703 351 7211 or www.HelpOurMarriage.com