

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS and we have a month-long Novena. The All Souls Novena envelopes were included in the October mailing. Please write

the names of your beloved dead ones on a separate sheet of paper and insert it in the All Souls envelope with your offering, and drop it in the collection basket, Poor Box, or put it in the door slot at the rectory. If you misplaced your envelope, extra envelopes will be in the vestibule. Masses for those names we received will be offered EVERY DAY during November.

CONFIRMATION IN SCHOOL YEAR 2010-2011: If your 7th-grader is expecting to be confirmed here at Holy Cross as an 8th-grader in school year 2010-2011 and you have not yet talked to our DRE, Jeanmarie Keeney, please call her ASAP at 301-942-8790. Confirmation preparation is a two-year process. Your child must be preparing now.

NOVEMBER BOOK DISCUSSION The Catholic Book Group is now reading Robert Bolt's play, *A Man for All Seasons*. We will meet to discuss this story of St. Thomas More on Tuesday, November 3rd, in the school library. Come join us. For more information, call 301-942-8790

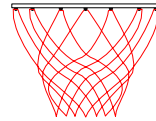
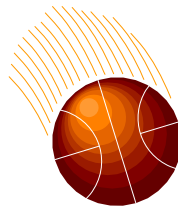
CONFIRMATION REMINDERS:

- HCS students will take the Confirmation Test on Friday, Oct. 23rd.
- SOR and KAOS students will take the Confirmation Test on Sunday, Oct. 25th.
- KAOS students must call Miss Keeney to sign up for a meeting on *either* Sunday, Oct. 18th, or Sunday, Oct. 25th, from 1:00 to 2:30 PM in Quinn Hall.



OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY: Why not give thanks to the Blessed Virgin Mother by joining a small group saying the rosary after the 8:30 Mass.

FLU-SEASON PRECAUTIONS: During the flu season, a verbal or other gesture of peace (such as bowing) may be used instead of the traditional hand shake or other close forms of greeting. **Remember**, if you are unable to attend Mass due to illness, the Mass for Shut-ins is on WDCW- 50 (Verizon Ch 3; Comcast Ch 23; RCN Ch 15) at 10:30 AM on Sundays.



ADW CYO website at www.washcyo.com and register by October 25th. Practices will start on or about November 1st.

HOLY CROSS CYO BASKETBALL REGISTRATION: The Holy Cross CYO is starting registration for the upcoming 2009-10 basketball season. If you are interested in playing or coaching please contact Paul Whelan at pauljwhelan@comcast.net. Parents interested in coaching need to meet the ADW child protection requirements which include finger printing and completion of the VIRTUS child protection workshop (see below). Players will need to go to the

Mother-Son Games are Just Around the Corner!!! Calling all school and parish families... Please submit your entry forms for the first ever Holy Cross Mother-Son Games event. Held at Holy Cross Field on Sunday, October 18, from 12:30-2:30. The cost is \$15 for a mother-son team and \$20 if there are two or more sons. First 50 entries get a t-shirt! Please contact Dana Dowd 703-585-0548, danad@sl.org with any questions and to volunteer.

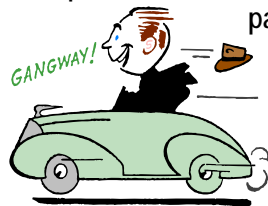
VIRTUS TRAINING AT HOLY CROSS: A Virtus class will be hosted at Holy Cross on Wednesday, October 28th at 7:00 PM. All Holy Cross parents and parishioners that would like to volunteer in the school should attend. Applications are available in the rectory.

Prior to volunteering, each individual must be in compliance with the Archdiocese Child Protection program. You can register for the class at www.virtus.org. Should the class be full, please contact the school office for possible walk-in availability. The following criteria must be met to be in full compliance: to volunteer:

- 1) Complete a Volunteer Application Form (*from the school*)
- 2) Register for an account on Virtus at www.virtus.org and attend the class
- 3) Be Fingerprinted

Please know that we will help you through this process, and welcome new volunteers!!!

DRIVERS NEEDED: Did you know that we offer transportation to Mass or to visit the doctor for those parishioners in need? We urgently need



a few volunteers to add to our list of those who are able to drive these parishioners. This is only an occasional need, and a real gift to our parish. If you can offer this assistance from time to time, please call Pat Chingari 301-

468-9486 to add your name and phone number to the drivers list. If you are in need of transportation, please do call Pat Chingari.

Health Care Reform and our Catholic Faith: Did you know that the Catholic Church is one of the largest private providers of health care services nationwide, including this area? As Congress debates health care reform, it is important to get the facts and to have a voice. This means encouraging legislation that reflects the needs we see daily in our Catholic hospitals and clinics, protects all life, expands affordable access and maintains existing conscience protections for health workers, among other moral and ethical principles.

Your voice is important at this critical time while legislation is being written. To get accurate information on health care reform from a Catholic perspective, visit www.usccb.org, the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. To receive legislative action alerts, sign up with the Maryland Catholic Conference (www.mdccathcon.org/healthcarereform) or D.C. Catholic Conference (www.adw.org/service/dccc.asp), and check the Catholic Standard and El Pregonero regularly.

Join Us for an Historic Event in Church History! The 1st NORTH AMERICAN CONGRESS ON MERCY (NACOM) -- Mercy: Our Hope. November 14-15, 2009, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. Discounts and preferred seating when you register by October 31. Visit mercycongress.org or call 1-800-462-7426.

At the close of the first World Apostolic Congress on Mercy held in Rome in 2008, **Pope Benedict XVI gave participants a mandate to "go forth and be witnesses of God's mercy, a source of hope for every person and for the whole world."** With that in mind, the U.S. Committee, with Bishop William E. Lori of Bridgeport, Conn., as Episcopal Advisor, invite you to be a part of this universal Church celebration — here in our Nation's Capital. With an exciting line-up of speakers that includes Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, and Theresa Bonopartis, this Congress will be a source of spiritual renewal and a bridge to the next World Congress scheduled for 2011 in Poland.

LOOKING FOR A CATHOLIC COLLEGE EDUCATION? You are invited to hear Patrick Reilly, President of the Cardinal Newman Society, discuss Catholic higher education in the Blue Room of the Shrine of St. Jude, 12701 Veirs Mill Road, Rockville, Thursday, October 15, at 7:30 PM. The Cardinal Newman Society promotes awareness within the Catholic academic community of the nature and value of a truly Catholic university education.

The Society is dedicated to renewing and strengthening Catholic identity at America's 224 Catholic colleges and universities. The Society focuses its work on assisting students, alumni and school officials; urging fidelity to the Magisterium of the Catholic Church; and researching activities both on campus and in the classroom. The Society publishes The Newman Guide to Choosing a Catholic College, which is now free online at <http://thenewmanguide.com/>

MARINE CORPS MARATHON RUN FOR VOCATIONS: THOMAS GRIMME, a parishioner, will be running in the Marine Corps Marathon for the cause of Vocations in the Archdiocese of Washington. The marathon will be held near the National Mall on October 25, 2009. Anyone who is willing and able to donate financially to this worthy cause is encouraged to write a **check** to the *Archdiocese of Washington* and include "*MCM-RFV Thomas Grimme*" in the memo. Any and all donations are gratefully appreciated and can be accepted in the Parish Office or weekly collection.



What first attracted you to your spouse? Often the very quality that you found so endearing can become the habit that drives you crazy later because it is an over-extension of a strength. www.foryourmarriage.org

Pope Benedict XVI: Caritas in veritate: The economic sphere is neither ethically neutral, nor inherently inhuman and opposed to society. It is part and parcel of human activity and precisely because it is human, it must be structured and governed in an ethical manner. (CV, 36) *Read the Holy Father's encyclical online at www.vatican.va*

PATTI GALLAGHER MANSFIELD, INTERNATIONALLY renowned speaker and author, will lead a one day conference of hope, "Abide in Him", on October 24, 2009 from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM at St. Edward's Church Bowie. Patti was a participant in the February 1967 Duquesne University Bible study weekend retreat marking the beginning of the Charismatic Renewal in the Catholic Church. On the vigil of Pentecost 2006, before a crowd of 400,000 people in St. Peter's Square, Patti expressed thanks to Pope Benedict XVI at the request of the Pontifical Council for the Laity, for his support of the Charismatic Renewal and other ecclesial movements. (See www.ccno.org or Catholic Standard issue of October 8, 2009) For tickets send a self-addressed stamped envelope and a \$12 check made out to WCCSC (to cover costs of the conference) or a \$ 21 check to also include a box lunch. Mail to Jack Werning, 4711 Miltfred Terrace, Rockville, MD 20853. Questions - Call Marge Sheehan-Swanke 301-460-4769 or email MadorySwanke@aol.com

RETREAT FOR CHILDREN OF SEPARATED OR DIVORCED FAMILIES: A one-day healing retreat for children (in grades 3 through 8) from separated and divorced families will be held **Saturday, November 7th**, at Saint Elizabeth School in Rockville. It will include small group discussions, individual reflection, and fun activities. Registration is required. For more information or to register, contact the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life at flm@adw.org or 301-853-5337.

BROADWAY ON HAREWOOD ROAD: The Tradition Continues. On Sunday, October 25, at 2:00 PM, Carroll High School alumni from the 60's and 70's (and alumnae from Carroll's sister schools at the time) will be performing a musical revue on the school's recently renovated theatre. Proceeds from this fund raiser will support Carroll's music and drama departments. Special guest appearances will include past directors Skip Tomaselli, Ron Frezzo, Janice Whitehead Schmidt, and Father Edson Wood. For more information or tickets call Fr. John Mudd at 202-529-1226 or Stacy Rubens at 202-529-0900 ext. 171.

ALL SOULS MEMORIAL MASS: Monday, November 2nd, is the Feast of All Souls, the day in the Catholic Church when we take time to specially remember all those who have died. Though we never forget our loved ones, and we celebrate their entrance into Eternal Life, the Church sets aside the month of November, and the 2nd in particular, to draw extra attention to all those who have died. This year a Memorial Mass will take place at 7:30 PM on the 2nd at St. Elizabeth Parish, Rockville, and everyone is welcome to attend. A reception will follow the Mass. Our liturgy will be enhanced by members of the NIH Philharmonia who will join with our choir in presenting musical selections from Fauré's Requiem. As part of our celebration, you are invited to bring in photos of your loved ones who are now gone and we'll display them on the tables in the Commons for that evening. Photos may be brought with you that evening and cards will be there as well so that you can identify your photo; you may take your photo with you following the Monday evening service. Please call the parish office (301.881.1380) if you have any questions.

8th Annual Ham and Turkey Dinner at St. Mary's Church and Shrine of Our lady of Fatima in Barnesville, MD (in the Shadow of Sugarloaf Mountains) on Saturday, October 31st from 12 Noon till 7 PM. Menu includes baked ham, roast turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, sauerkraut, green beans and all the trimmings. All you can eat, served family style. Adults are \$12. Children 12 and under are free in the dining room. All carry-outs are \$12. Country Store, cake wheel, baked goods, crafts and religious items. Candy for the Trick-or-Treaters, face painting & hayrides. Mass will be celebrated at 4 PM in our Shrine Church. For directions or information call 301-972-8660 or go to stmaryonline.com.

NEXT WEEK'S 2nd Collection is for World Missions/ The Propagation of the Faith. Please be as generous as you can.

"Let nothing trouble you. Let nothing make you afraid. All things pass away. God never changes. Patience obtains everything. God alone is enough." – St. Teresa of Avila

UNDER "**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**" the blank spaces represent Mass Intentions that are available. Please call the parish secretary if you are interested.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

11 SUNDAY	10:15 -- 11:30 AM	28th Sunday in Ordinary Time SOR Classes (<i>school</i>)
12 MONDAY	6:45 -- 8:15 PM	Columbus Day NO St. Paul Bible Study (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
13 TUESDAY	9:00 AM -- 11:00 PM:	Eucharistic Adoration (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
14 WEDNESDAY	9:00 AM -- 11:00 PM:	Pope Callistus I Eucharistic Adoration (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
	7:00 PM -- 8:30 PM:	RCIA
15 THURSDAY	9:00 AM -- 11:00 PM:	St. Teresa of Jesus Eucharistic Adoration (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
16 FRIDAY		St. Margaret Mary
17 SATURDAY	9:00 AM:	St. Ignatius of Antioch Confessions
18 SUNDAY		29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 12, 2009			
6:45 AM	Pat Obrimski	8:30 AM	Vitalicio Zelaya
Tuesday, October 13, 2009			
6:45 AM		8:30 AM	Marianne Jean-Baptiste
Wednesday, October 14, 2009			
6:45 AM	Adelaide Ervin	8:30 AM	
Thursday, October 15, 2009			
6:45 AM		8:30 AM	
Friday, October 16, 2009			
6:45 AM	Edward T. O'Donnell	8:30 AM	
Saturday, October 17, 2009			
8:30 AM	Francisco Quesada De Diego		
5:00 PM	Nick DeRita		Fr. Perkins
Sunday, October 18, 2009			
7:30 AM	People of Holy Cross		Fr. George
9:00 AM	Paul Moyer		Fr. Yaga
10:30 AM	Victor J. Articola		Msgr. Hill
12:00 PM	Virginia Homan		Fr. Perkins

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Virginia Burch; M. Carrio; Michael Gouzoulis; Arline Hart; Renee Lucas; Anthony Paige; Bonnie Riddenhower; Maxine Saur; Thomas Schmitt

COLLECTIONS:

Offertory 1st Sunday of October 2009	\$ 11,322.15
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FIRST SUNDAY	\$ 4,450.52
POOR BOX Social Concerns	\$ 111.77
10/11 Father McKenna Center; 10/18 Respect for Life Committee	

Schedule for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion to serve 3rd Weekend 10/17/09 & 10/18/09

5:00 PM	John DePalma; Jan St John
7:30 AM	Mario & Myrna Zelaya
9:00 AM	Paul Whelan; Ellen or Rob Kennedy
10:30 AM	Patrick or Millie Durbin
12 Noon	Ida Sullivan; Virginia Pedone