

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF ALL SOULS and it's not too late to join our month-long Novena. Extra All Souls Novena envelopes are available in the vestibule. 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 mail slot at the rectory. Masses for those names we received will be offered EVERY DAY during November.

READ AHEAD: Plan to join our monthly Catholic Book Group as we discuss the following: *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens on Tuesday, December 1st, and *In This House of Brede* by Rumer Godden, chapters 1 – 8 on January 5th, and chapter 9 to the end on February 2nd. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the school library.

CONFIRMATION REMINDERS: Check your yellow Confirmation checklist for items due next Sunday, Nov. 15th. The Retreat permission slip is due NOW.

LENDING LIBRARY IS BACK: Thanks to our intrepid Facilities staff, Mr. Don Thompson and Mr. Raul Alfonso, our parish Lending Library cart has been fixed. Look for it again in the school lobby after Sunday Masses.

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY MASS: If you and yours will be attending the 6:30 PM Family Mass on Christmas Eve, please consider signing up your family to carry one of the Nativity Figures in our annual Procession to the Manger, which begins the 6:30 Mass. For more information or to sign up, call Jeanmarie at 301-942-8790. You choose the figure you wish to carry. First come, first served. None have been claimed so far!

CHRISTMAS CARDS will be available after all masses on November 14th and 15th and November 21st and 22nd. Share the joy of Christmas with your family and friends while donating to Right to Life of Montgomery County.



Bible TimeLine: We are presently trying to identify a good time during the week to present the 24 session, 2 hour Bible TimeLine discussion and DVD series with Jeff Cavins. If you are interested in participating please call the Rupperts, 301-933-7646 and let them know the days/hours you are available.

"FAMILIES ARE STRUGGLING. FAITH IS CALLING" is the theme of the 2009 Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). This Second Collection will be held in our parish THIS WEEKEND. For nearly 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development has embodied Catholic social teaching through the pursuit of justice and the upholding of the dignity of the human person. Since 1970, CCHD has funded community groups that create affordable housing, obtain fair wages and provide job training, as well as other organizing projects led by low income individuals to help people and resolve problems in their communities.

The Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Vocation Society invites all to a *Morning of Recollection: Celebrate the Year for Priests*. Held Saturday, November 14, 2009, 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon, at Jesus Divine Word, 885 Cox Road, Huntingtown, MD. The "Bringing Souls to Christ" Reflection will be given by Reverend Dan Leary. Spend a Saturday morning in prayer to **pray for our parish priests**. The day will begin with the celebration of Mass, followed by reflection, Holy Hour for Vocations, and Confessions. This is open to all.

MERCY CONGRESS: The first North American Congress on Mercy will be celebrated Nov. 14-15 at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Doctor Scott Hahn, well-known Catholic author and speaker, will deliver the keynote address. Bishop Lori from Bridgeport CT says the Congress will present practical strategies for incorporating mercy in daily life. In a land reeling from financial and moral crises, where families are struggling, and amid fighting two foreign wars, Bishop Lori has declared the theme for the conference "Mercy: Our Hope." Senior and student discounts are available. To register, call (800) 462-7426 or go to: www.mercycongress.org. A number of Holy Cross parishioners are planning to attend so carpooling can be arranged. Call: Barb at 301-933-7646.

Pope Benedict XVI: Caritas in veritate: In nature, the believer recognizes the wonderful result of God's creative activity, which we may use responsibly to satisfy our legitimate needs, material or otherwise, while respecting the intrinsic balance of creation. If this vision is lost, we end up either considering nature an untouchable taboo or, on the contrary, abusing it. Neither attitude is consonant with the Christian vision of nature as the fruit of God's creation. Nature expresses a design of love and truth. It is prior to us, and it has been given to us by God as the setting for our life. Nature speaks to us of the Creator (cf. Rom 1:20) and his love for humanity. It is destined to be "recapitulated" in Christ at the end of time (cf. Eph 1:9-10; Col 1:19-20). (CV, 48) *Read the Holy Father's encyclical online at www.vatican.va*

HEALING OF "FAMILY TREE" MASS: Everyone is invited to a Healing of Family Tree Mass to be celebrated for families who have had generations of unresolved issues, at the John Paul II Cultural Center on Saturday, November 21, at 10:00 AM. Rev. Fr. Joseph Barr, Pastor of Holy Family Church (Davidsonville, MD) will be the main celebrant and homilist. The Mass will seek to free families of inherited deficiencies and burdens that may have become part of the family history and development. The program is sponsored by the Marian Fathers and Brothers, a religious community that has as one of its primary missions the daily praying for the poor souls in purgatory. There is no admission fee for the event, but pre-registration is required because of limited seating. Please call 202-635-5425 to confirm how many family members are attending. John Paul II Cultural Center is at 3900 Harewood Ave., NE, Washington, DC 20017. Free parking is available. The Center is located near the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and Catholic University. The nearest Metro station is Brookland-CUA on the red line.

Little Sisters of the Poor Bazaar: Saturday - November 21st 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM. Little Sisters of the Poor, Jeanne Jugan Residence, 4200 Harewood Rd. NE, Washington DC, (across from Catholic University) (See Bulletin Board for more information.)

OLNEY LITERARY DAY at Good Counsel High School will be held on Saturday, November 14th from 10 AM to 4 PM. Start your day with a seminar on "How to Get a Book Published"--then meet and greet a collection of authors from former UPI White House Press Correspondent Helen Thomas, to KidsPost writer and author Fred Bowen. Need a gift for Christmas? Have your book purchase personally autographed. Please visit www.olqchs.org for a list of authors, detailed information, directions and registration.

MARINE CORPS MARATHON RUN FOR VOCATIONS:
 A heartfelt thanks to all those who generously provided both moral and financial support over the past few weeks to assist in the success of my participation in the Marine Corps Marathon – Run For Vocations on October 25th. I was able to successfully raise over \$500 for the cause of religious vocations in the Archdiocese of Washington thanks to your help. The much needed donations will go directly to assist in helping to fund education for an increasing number of seminarians in the Archdiocese. May God bless you for all, and for anyone interested, I was able to finish the marathon in 4 hrs 29 min (I certainly have much room for improvement!).
 ~Thomas Grimme

MONTHLY COLLECTIONS*:
OCTOBER 2009 \$ 47,977.19 (4 Sundays)
OCTOBER 2008 \$ 48,573.61 (4 Sundays)
 * Includes First Sunday Collections & Faith Direct

WEEKLY SCHEDULE	
8 SUNDAY 10:15 -- 11:30 AM	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time SOR Classes (school)
9 MONDAY 7:00 -- 8:30 PM	Dedication of Lateran Basilica St. John Bible Study (Quinn Hall)
10 TUESDAY 9:00 AM -- 11:00 PM:	Pope Leo the Great Eucharistic Adoration (Quinn Hall)
11 WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM – 11:00 PM: 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM:	St. Martin of Tours Eucharistic Adoration (Quinn Hall) RCIA
12 THURSDAY 9:00 AM – 11:00 PM:	St. Josaphat Eucharistic Adoration (Quinn Hall)
13 FRIDAY 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM:	St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Confirmation Retreat (Quinn Hall)
14 SATURDAY 9:00 AM:	Confessions
15 SUNDAY	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK			
<u>Monday, November 9, 2009</u>			
6:45 AM	Bob Lauta	8:30 AM	Names on our Altar
<u>Tuesday, November 10, 2009</u>			
6:45 AM	Names on our Altar	8:30 AM	Gunther Eyck
<u>Wednesday, November 11, 2009</u>			
6:45 AM	Edward Duffy	8:30 AM	Names on our Altar
<u>Thursday, November 12, 2009</u>			
6:45 AM	Names on our Altar	8:30 AM	Marianne Joly (Living)
<u>Friday, November 13, 2009</u>			
6:45 AM	Names on our Altar	8:30 AM	Dr. Ralf Coan (Living)
<u>Saturday, November 14, 2009</u>			
8:30 AM	Names on our Altar		
5:00 PM	Anna M. Capozzola	Msgr. Hill	
<u>Sunday, November 15, 2009</u>			
7:30 AM	Marge Fox	Fr. George	
9:00 AM	Names on our Altar		
10:30 AM	People of Holy Cross		
12:00 PM	Mark Sherman	Fr. Yaga	

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Virginia Burch; M. Carrio; Thomas & Young Choi; J. Anthony English; Michael Gouzoulis; Arline Hart; Marianne Joly; Renee Lucas; Anthony Paige; Bonnie Riddenhower; Maxine Saur

COLLECTIONS:	
Offertory 1st Sunday of November 2009.....	\$ 17,498.25
Offertory 1st Sunday of November 2008.....	\$ 10,914.12
FIRST SUNDAY	\$ 4,034.25
POOR BOX Social Concerns.....	\$ 165.06
11/8 Gift of Peace; 11/15 The Gabriel Network	

Schedule for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion to serve 3rd Weekend 11/14/09 & 11/15/09	
5:00 PM	Jim & Colleen Scanlon
7:30 AM	Mario & Myrna Zelaya
9:00 AM	Peter Ramjug; Steve Toomey
10:30 AM	John or Denise Szczur
12 Noon	Ida Sullivan