

In Our Parish

Don't forget that MOTHER'S DAY is next Sunday. Are you having a brunch or dinner for Mom? Why not use merchandise certificates for all your food shopping? We sell **Grosvenor Market, Giant, Safeway and Shoppers gift cards.** And we still have \$25 **MACY gift cards** for that special gift! You buy these gift cards at face value (\$10, \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations) and the Church earns 3-5% on every sale. It is that easy to support Holy Cross without spending an extra penny!

Are you having a party for your First Holy Communion celebration? Don't forget to buy your gift cards for Grosvenor Market, Giant, Safeway or Shoppers Food from Holy Cross. You can use these cards like cash for any purchase including party platters and all your other party purchases.

THE MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA IS STARTING NEXT WEEK!

If you would like to remember your Mother, Godmother, Grandmother, stepmother or other mothers who are dear to you in the Novena of Masses beginning on Mother's Day, please return the names to us on the novena intention envelopes available at the vestibule of the Church. You can put multiple Mother's names on the back of the envelope. Return the envelopes to the Rectory – you may use the poor box or offertory collection. The names will be placed on the altar for the duration of the novena. Cards are also available for you to send to your mother notifying her that she is being remembered.

MOTHERS' DAY CARNATIONS will be available after all Masses on May 8 and May 9. Honor your mother and donate to Right to Life of Montgomery County at the same time.

On Wednesday, May 5, after the 8:30 AM Mass, transportation will be provided to St. Francis Church in Derwood, where we will make the Mothers' Day corsages. For details, please call Rosanna Dundon at 301-933-8770.

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE: It has long been a custom in the Catholic Church to have a Mass offered for someone who is deceased or for a special intention (i.e., for the recovery of one who is ill, an anniversary or birthday, for a special prayer). The priest then makes it his intention during Mass to remember the particular request made. Each week in our parish bulletin you will see the Mass Requests made for that week. It is presently possible to get a Mass said "almost immediately", because there is a current shortage of Mass intentions. It's a great time to have Masses said for your family and friends! Where you see "*Intention Available*" in the "MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK" section, those Masses are available as of this writing. Simply call the Parish Secretary, Mary Stuart at 301-942-1020 x10 or speak to one of the priests.

FOOD AND CLOTHING DRIVE - MAY 1ST AND 2ND: This weekend we will be collecting Spring/Summer Clothing and non-perishable foods. Merchandise Certificates are gratefully accepted. Small household items may also be donated. Thank you for your continuing support. -- Social Concerns Committee

THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS BACK AT HOLY CROSS THIS WEEKEND! Please visit the school library after the 9, 10:30 and 12:00 Masses on Sunday May 2nd. There is a wide selection of books and gifts to please everyone in the family. Just in time to help with your Mother's Day, First Communion and Graduation shopping. Profits from the book fair will help purchase books and supplies for the school. Thanks for your support!

THE St. JOHN BIBLE STUDY will NOT be in the library this week because of the Book Fair. It will be in Quinn Hall, as usual. We hope to move to the library the following week.

In Our Schools

FIRST COMMUNION 2010 CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 2nd:

- **Music Rehearsal** for all First Communicants; grade 2 classroom, 10:15 – 11:15 AM

- **Retreat #1** for SOR and KAOS students, 11:15 AM – 2:00 PM

MONDAY, MAY 3rd:

- **Retreat #2** for HCS students, 12:30 – 2:45 PM (during school)

TUESDAY, MAY 4th:

- **Confession** for HCS students (during school)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5th:

- **Rehearsal** for all First Communicants, church, 6:00 – 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 8th: FIRST COMMUNION DAY!

- **Drop off students *only* in Lewis Hall at 9:45 AM *sharp***

- **FHC Mass** begins at 10:30 AM in the church

SUNDAY, MAY 9th: Mother's Day

- **9:00 AM Mass:** First Communicants wear their sacramental clothes and go forward after Communion to sing their special song

In Our Archdiocese

Holy Land Peacemaking Pilgrimage : Are you ready for a trip of a lifetime, to literally walk the streets of Bethlehem and Jerusalem in the footsteps of Jesus or take a boat trip on the Sea of Galilee? Are you also open to discover the presence of the risen Christ in the midst of the present struggle for justice, peace and reconciliation in the Holy Land? Then join the Franciscan Peacemaking Pilgrimage to the Holy Land scheduled for June 15-25, 2010. For information, visit St. Camillus parish website (www.stcamilluschurch.org) or contact Fr. Jacek Orzechowski at jacekofm2002@yahoo.com.



PILGRIMAGE FOR WORLD PEACE & REPARATION!

One Day Pilgrimage (**Saturday, May 8, 2010**) to the Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, arriving 11:30 AM for Mass, visits to mini Shrines and gift shop on location. Location is National Center for the World Apostolate of Fatima, USA, Washington, NJ. The Pilgrimage is sponsored by the Washington

Archdiocese Division of World Apostolate of Fatima. Departs from St. Camillus, St. Catherine Laboure, Burtonsville Crossing. Cost \$45. Info; Muriel 301-595-1770 or Richard 1-512-93-4800. Register now. Coach fills up: only 49 seats. See **Bulletin Board** for flyers.

FORWARD IN FAITH was implemented in 2004 to raise money to support many of the ministries and programs that are provided by the Archdiocese of Washington, Catholic Charities and other Catholic agencies. As of March 31, 2010, Forward in Faith has raised more than \$109 million dollars in support of the six priorities that were outlined for the campaign. The fundraising phase of Forward in Faith will conclude in December, 2010. Please visit the Forward in Faith section of the Archdiocese of Washington website at adw.org to learn more about the campaign's educational, pastoral and ministerial objectives.

This spring, Masses will be celebrated throughout the Archdiocese of Washington to acknowledge the work of Forward in Faith and to thank its supporters. Each Mass will be followed by a reception. Nearest Location: St. Jane deChantal, Bethesda, **May 19, 2010**, 8:00 AM, Bishop Francisco González. For additional information about the Forward in Faith Mass and Reception schedule, please contact 301-853-5344.

Are you feeling helpless because you think your MARRIAGE is heading downhill? Don't despair. There is a Catholic Program that can help. Retrouvaille (French for Rediscovery and pronounced Re-tro-vi) is a proven and effective program that is helping hurting couples rebuild their trust and renew their communication. Our next weekend is May 14-16, 2010. All calls and inquiries are confidential. For more information please call (410) 647-0350 or (301) 468-6764. For more information visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com. If you would like to receive information in the mail, email us at: TomnCarol@comcast.net.



Fidelity in marriage is about more than just not having an affair. It means doing those daily acts of thoughtfulness that keep your relationship exciting and "affair proof." www.foryourmarriage.org

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS: Are you looking for opportunities for faith sharing and socializing? Try Post Cana. Post Cana is an organization sponsored by the Office of Family Life of the Archdiocese of Washington for the mutual support of widowed people of all ages. Events include social, educational and spiritual gatherings. For further information or to register please call Joan Mahoney at 301-438-1486.

Separated and Divorced Catholics (SDC) of the Archdiocese of Washington will hold its Memorial Day weekend, May 28-30 at Loyola Retreat House in Faulkner, MD. Our retreat master will be Father Joe Breighner. Total cost for the retreat is \$225. Meals only and Saturday only rates are available. For information, call the Loyola Retreat House at 301-392-0801. The registration form is available at <http://www.rc.net/washington/sdc/Retreat-2010.pdf>.

Bishop McNamara High School would like to invite you to our annual Spring Music Concerts! Choir Spring Concert: *Friday, May 7th, 2010 - 7:00 PM*; String Orchestra & Wind Ensemble Spring Concert: *Friday, May 14th, 2010 - 7:00 PM*; All Concerts are in the Auditorium at Bishop McNamara High School, 6800 Marlboro Pike, Forestville, MD 20747. Tickets are \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door. For more information visit www.bmhs.org or call 301-735-8401.

SUMMER CAMP AT GOOD COUNSEL: The Ultimate Summer experience is awaiting you at Good Counsel! Camps start June 14th. Our outstanding Athletic Camps for ages 4-18 has a reputation for being the best in the area! New this year is our **FALCON DAY CAMP**. For ages 5-12 this camp has something for everyone! From scavenger hunts to tie-dying t-shirts, themed camp days and the ultimate Field Day Friday—our Falcon Day Camp is one you won't want to miss! We also offer our Summer Institute program for fun Enrichment and Academic classes. **Register now** and be part of *Summer at Good Counsel!* Visit www.OLGCHS.org or call 240-283-3359!

ARCHDIOCESAN LEGAL NETWORK SEEKS ATTORNEY

VOLUNTEERS: Calling all MD and DC attorneys! Whether you are working full-time, a sole practitioner, a stay-at-home parent, retired or transitioning back into the workforce, the Archdiocesan Legal Network (ALN) of Catholic Charities is seeking attorney volunteers to take pro bono cases or conduct law-related community seminars on civil law topics. ALN services low-income individuals in the District of Columbia and Maryland who otherwise would not have access to legal representation. We provide assistance in a variety of legal areas, including consumer debts, employment disputes, family law, landlord/tenant and housing, public entitlements and wills/probate. We will provide you with training and mentoring as needed. Spanish-speaking attorneys are welcome. If interested, please contact ALN Senior Program Manager, James D. Bishop at 202-772-1201 or james.bishop@catholiccharitiesdc.org

In Our Area

VOLUNTEER MEDICAL DIRECTOR SEARCH: Mercy Health Clinic is seeking a part-time volunteer Medical Director to replace our current director, Dr. James A. Ronan, who is retiring after 9 years of dedicated service. The Clinic and its volunteer medical staff offer free primary and secondary care to uninsured low-income adults. Located near the MVA in Gaithersburg, the Clinic provided over 6,000 doctor visits last year. Join us in experiencing the joy of helping those most in need in our community. For more information, please contact Alvina Long (301) 758-2635 or alvina.long@verizon.net

Is God calling you to be a friend to women with unexpected pregnancies? Applications are now being accepted for enrollment in the 2010 Spring session of the Rockville Pregnancy Clinic Volunteer Peer Counseling Training Seminar. The Rockville Pregnancy Clinic is dedicated to assisting teens, women, and families dealing with the consequences of an unplanned pregnancy as well as providing STD testing and sonograms in its free medical clinic. Our ministry is dependent upon our peer counselors and **we will fully equip you.** Our 2010 Spring Training will be held at the pregnancy clinic on Tuesday and Thursday evenings beginning June 1. If you feel called to this ministry, please visit the website www.rockvillepregnancycenter.org for an information packet and application, or contact RPC at 301-770-4444. You can make a difference in the lives of women and teens!

FAMILY FIELD DAY TO BENEFIT The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Fighting Blood Cancers; Sunday, **May 23rd**, 3 to 7**.

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus, Rock Creek Council 5417 West Cedar Lane, Bethesda MD 20814

- 3 legged races, hula hoop contests, lacrosse toss & catch and more fun activities for all ages!

- 50-50 raffle (must be present to win) •Hot dogs, chips and juice available

- 2010 Scion tC Raffle tickets for sale!

- Car to be raffled off at the Bobby Mitchell Golf Classic

- For each Scion tC Raffle ticket purchased, receive a free chance to win a football autographed by John Riggins!

For more information or to find out about Volunteering (student service hours approved) call Margaret Norris 301-949-1110.

Rain date Sunday, **June 6th.

MISS A SUNDAY? BULLETIN items are not repeated as frequently as they used to be, because Bulletins are always available on the Parish website www.hcrosschurch.org. Please check it out! **(BULL. DEADLINE: Monday before Sunday)**

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

2 SUNDAY	5th Sunday of Easter
10:15 AM -- 11:30 AM:	SOR Classes (<i>school</i>)
3 MONDAY	Sts. Philip & James, Apostles
7:00 PM -- 8:30 PM:	St. John Bible Study (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
4 TUESDAY	
9:00 AM -- 11:00 PM:	Eucharistic Adoration (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
7:00 PM -- 8:30 PM:	Catholic Book Group (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
5 WEDNESDAY	
9:00 AM -- 11:00 PM:	Eucharistic Adoration (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
7:00 PM -- 8:30 PM:	NO RCIA
6 THURSDAY	
9:00 AM -- 1:00 PM:	Eucharistic Adoration (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
1:15 PM -- 6:00 PM:	Eucharistic Adoration (<i>Church</i>)
6:15 PM -- 11:00 PM:	Eucharistic Adoration (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
12:30 PM -- 2:00 PM:	Bible TimeLine (<i>Quinn Hall</i>)
7 FRIDAY	First Friday
8 SATURDAY	
9:00 AM:	Confessions
9 SUNDAY	6th Sunday of Easter

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 3, 2010

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Tuesday, May 4, 2010

6:45 AM *Intention Available* 8:30 AM *Intention Available*

Wednesday, May 5, 2010

6:45 AM *Intention Available* 8:30 AM Patricia Juriansz

Thursday, May 6, 2010

6:45 AM *Intention Available* 8:30 AM Julie Souza (L)

Friday, May 7, 2010

6:45 AM *Intention Available* 8:30 AM Benedicto Rosa (L)

Saturday, May 8, 2010

8:30 AM *Intention Available*

5:00 PM Nick DeRita Fr. Yaga

Sunday, May 9, 2010

7:30 AM Arcadia Panchame De Quesada Fr. George

9:00 AM People of Holy Cross Fr. Yaga

10:30 AM Marianne Joly Fr. Perkins

12:00 PM Darlene Michalik Fr. Perkins

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Virginia Burch; John DeConcini; Michael Gouzoulis; Msgr. Hill; Anthony Paige; Mary Smith; Bill Quinlan

COLLECTIONS:

Offertory 4th Sunday of April 2010 \$ 5,740.69

Offertory 4th Sunday of April 2009 \$ 6,883.20

POOR BOX Bethesda Cares\$ 170.30

5/2 Social Concerns; 5/9 Father McKenna Center; 5/16 Little Sisters of the Poor

Schedule for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion to serve 2nd Weekend of 5/9/10

5:00 PM	Nancy Gallagher and/or	Yolanda Memmo
7:30 AM	Charlotte King	Mario Zelaya
9:00 AM	Steve Toomey,	Chris Tucker, Peter Ramjug
10:30 AM	Charlene Hubbard	Mary Jo Ibanez
12 Noon	Ida Sullivan and/or	Kathleen Gagnon