



MassSchedule

MONDAY, JULY 10

6:30 AM Mary Lou Fitzpatrick
8:00 AM Norman J. Sutton
12:10 PM Maurice Dougherty

TUESDAY, JULY 11

6:30 AM Special Intention: Susan Richardson
8:00 AM Florence Leahy
12:10 PM Benjamin H. Stansbury

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

6:30 AM Special Intention: Stephen Jessey
8:00 AM Special Intention: Pat Howington
12:10 PM J. Michael Sutton

THURSDAY, JULY 13

6:30 AM Rose Mary Marchese
8:00 AM Donna Keys
12:10 PM John Smallwood, Sr.

FRIDAY, JULY 14

6:30 AM Special Intention: Helene Zaluski
8:00 AM Mrs. Soto
12:10 PM Benjamin Hernandez

SATURDAY, JULY 15

8:00 AM Joseph Davoren
5:00 PM Joseph Davoren

SUNDAY, JULY 16

7:00 AM John J. Lewis
8:30 AM Stephen J. Kulenguski
10:00 AM Betty Switzler
11:30 AM Burt Ryan
1:00 PM Candace Kimball
5:00 PM Parishioners



Baptisms

We welcome through the Sacrament of Baptism

Erik Thor Gunderson

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection benefiting the Holy Cross Sisters' Missionary Cooperative Plan next weekend, July 15th & 16th. Please make checks payable to the parish. Thank you for your generosity!

"ST. MARY'S: 200 YEARS FOR CHRIST" If you are interested in learning more about the history of St. Mary's parish, "St. Mary's: 200 Years for Christ" history books are available for \$10 each at the rectory located at 310 Duke St.

FROM GREEN TO GOLD

It was just two weeks ago I wrote here how generous many of you have been to the diocese and the parish as well as with other special requests such as the Katrina efforts. St. Mary's is truly blessed to have so many caring parishioners. We priests try to make available as much as possible numerous opportunities to participate in the spiritual and cultural aspects of our beloved Faith. I spoke of them last week. We also try to make available opportunities for charity. We have adopted St. Paul's Church in Pass Christian, MS, but have only helped them with financial resources. Below is a letter from two parishioners who are proposing an opportunity worthy of our serious consideration. Please read on:

"We are blessed with a parish community that has consistently responded generously when called upon to help those in need as a result of natural disasters. Your prayers and financial contributions have made a huge difference in helping countless people moving forward with hope and confidence. But on one particular front we have an opportunity to make an even larger difference by joining an ongoing effort to help rebuild a small portion of the Gulf Coast devastated by Katrina in Biloxi, Mississippi. Two of St. Mary's own parishioners have been part of a growing team of volunteers from Northern Virginia who have descended on Biloxi to help rebuild the community. Following is their story:

"As one of the early responders to Katrina, Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia and members of a number of churches in Northern Virginia led a relief team south on September 8, 2005 loaded with donated food, water, medical supplies, and chain saws, choosing Biloxi almost at random because it was easier to reach. They began by "mucking" devastated houses; shoveling out the mud, animal remains and entire home contents. On subsequent trips a growing army of volunteers from an expanded number of churches with increasing donations has been continuing to bring concrete results and real hope to these stricken neighborhoods. Teams of volunteers go down every other month, staying one to four weeks at a time. Thus far the Northern Virginia team has restored ten homes, has six underway and has accomplished major improvements on another five.

"Hundreds of homes remain in urgent need of repair in this small area of Biloxi. Fr. Kleinmann has declared his intent that St. Mary's be a sponsor (maybe one or more homes each year) with the first special collection sometime in August. Equally important we need volunteers from our parish to help us in Biloxi. If you have construction experience, or if you are willing to learn, you can help us make a difference.

"We have participated in a number of these trips and can speak first-hand of how moving it is to help a neighbor in need. We hope a large number of our fellow parishioners will join us and will find, as we did, that in many ways you will benefit as much or even more than those who are being helped!!! Please give one of us a call to find out how you can share in these experiences. Thank you and God Bless. Al Conte (703.360.6363) & Carl Santillo (703.519.4794)."

In Christ,
Fr. Kleinmann

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? Know anyone who is? St. Mary's RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) begins Monday, August 21st, from 7:30-9pm in the Lyceum. RCIA is for all who wish to inquire into the Catholic faith or join the Catholic Church. ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO SIT IN, LEARN, AND GROW! For more information or to sign-up, please contact any of the priests or Luis Brown, DRE, at (703) 836-5450 or brownluis@hotmail.com. RCIA Application form and information also available on the St. Mary's website.

ARE YOU AN ADULT CATHOLIC AND NOT CONFIRMED?- Adult Confirmation is incorporated into our RCIA process here at St. Mary's. Classes from December-February on Mondays at 7:30-9pm are required as preparation for Adult Confirmation either in February of 2007 or in May of 2007. Please contact the Religious Ed Office at (703) 836-5450 or brownluis@hotmail.com this summer or early fall.

ST. MARY'S FOLK GROUP: All are welcome! St. Mary's Contemporary Folk Group is looking for all ranges of singers and instrumentalists (especially guitars, woodwinds, strings) to join us in providing music for the 8:30 AM Mass. Practice is usually Wednesday from 8:00 - 9:00 PM in the Church. Interested? Please contact Cindy Kulenguski at 703-690-0001 or at stephen.kulenguski@verizon.net.




ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

What a truly special way Jesus has chosen to stay with us. His is literally present on earth in the Eucharist, the Blessed Sacrament, which is the "Living Heart" of our Catholic Faith. As with all that we love

and treasure our love can continue to grow. We have a personal invitation from Jesus, our best friend, to visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament, where we have a chance to know and love Him better. If we see Jesus in the Host we can begin to see Him in all other human beings! Think of spending just one hour per week with Our Lord. Sign up sheets for a new session running from August through October are in the back of the church. Adoration is on Thursdays from 12:30 – 7:30 PM, concluding with Holy Hour. Please call Mary Stier at 703-768-7167 with any questions.

YOUNG ADULT APOLOGETICS: Young adults, ages 18-35 are invited to the first young adults Catholic Apologetics meeting. It will be held directly after the 5 PM Mass on July 9th in the rectory conference room at the Cathedral of St. Thomas More. The group will meet the 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th and August 6th and depending on interest will continue meeting throughout the year. Apologetics is the branch of theology concerned with the intelligent presentation and defense of the Christian faith. We will discuss many modern day difficult questions. Please contact Deacon Christopher Vaccaro at 703-525-1300 with questions or to give a suggestion of some topics to discuss.

Pro-Life 

We live in a society that wants to wipe out human imperfection. We attempt to control every aspect of our lives. This attitude has led to increased pressure on parents to abort "imperfect" children, with doctors suggesting to parents that it would be selfish to give birth to such children. ~Theresa Bonoparis, *Partners for Life* newsletter (Good Counsel publication) 11/05.

COME PRAY THE ROSARY every third Saturday following the 8:00 AM Mass in front of the Annandale Women's Clinic, 2839 Duke St. (near Bishop Ireton H.S.), with other St. Mary's parishioners. Our next gathering to pray for pregnant mothers and their unborn children will be July 15th.

CALLING ALL PRO-LIFE SUPPORTERS: Learn how to put your Christian faith into pro-life action! Please join us Saturday, July 22 at 2:00pm* at St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish (Caulfield Room at 9701 Old Georgetown Road) in Bethesda, MD, one block south of the beltway interchange. Refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Capital Area Pro-life Coalition (CAPC). For more information, contact Ruby Nicado at 703-591-1327. *Correction: There was an error in last week's bulletin. The event will take place on July 22nd at 2:00 PM, NOT 12:00 PM as was listed last weekend.

HELP BABIES & THEIR FAMILIES- Now that it's summer and donations are running low at the Mariah Center, St. Mary's will be collecting **unwrapped** baby items to help support the efforts of our local resource for needy babies and their families. Donations of new baby clothing up to age 2, disposable diapers, diaper wipes, baby toiletries, blankets, etc. may be placed in the playpen at the back of the church. The collection will run throughout the entire month of July to help replenish supplies. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

FACE THE TRUTH TOUR: Come join Fr. Tom Euteneuer (HLI) & other pro-life heroes for the 6th Annual Maryland Face the Truth Tour, as we show Americans the hard truth about abortion yet to be seen on ABC, CBS, NBC & CNN. Wash. DC Stops: Tuesday, July 18th from 11:30 AM- 1:00 PM at the Naval Observatory (Massachusetts Ave. & 34th St.) and from 4:00 PM- 6:00 PM at the Holocaust Museum (14th St. and Independence Ave. SW). For more information, call Ruby Nicado at 703-591-1327.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP SAVE LIVES: A Women's Choice Crisis Pregnancy Center in Falls Church is in need of volunteers. The only requirement is that one is morally supportive of all aspects of the Pro-Life Movement and can give 3 – 4 hours of time each week. We have positions available for Counselors, Receptionists, Translators and Drivers willing to pick up and deliver cribs. For more information, please call Dolores Wisecarver @ 703-538-4305.



TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (Ezekiel 2:2-5).

Psalm — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (Psalm 123).

Second Reading — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (2 Corinthians 12:7-10).

Gospel — The people said: "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?"

(Mark 6:1-6).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26
 Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38
 Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7
 Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Mt 10:7-15
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23
 Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33
 Sunday: Am 7:12-15; Ps 85; Eph 1:3-14 [1:3-10]; Mk 6:7-13

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Tuesday: St. Benedict
 Thursday: St. Henry
 Friday: Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha
 Saturday: St. Bonaventure

Please pray for all those who are ill, including:

David Charles Allen	Myrna Garris	Donna May
Marilyn Bahret	Umberto Giannori	Alice Ann Murphy
Sylvia Baldwin	Garrett Golubin	Larry Perkl
Joe Barbano	Paul Gravel	Mary Ralston
Julie Biegun	Anna Guam	Jack Rattigan
Warren Bishop	Wilson Gutierrez	Susan Richardson
Virginia Boschi	Sean Harvey	Paul Rodriguez
Glenn Breining	Joseph Hilselberger	Margaret Sajko
Louis Buehler	Pat Howington	John Soos
Rosa Carrillo	Alva Jacobs	Elijah Spoon
Patty Carroll	Barbara Juszczuk	Carrie Spruiell
Ann Ceruzzi	Bridget Kaufman	George Stelluto
Terri Clark	William Kenny	Todd Tisdale
Wallace P. Cooney	Edward King	Kathy Trimper
Skip Davidson	Randy Kinsley	Hank Verine
Sr Mariann DeBuck	Joan Larsen	Jim Watkins
Marjorie Dunn	Thomas Lovely	Tillie Wolfe
Jack Garris	Betty McLaughlin	Julia Yablonsky
	Robert Marshall	

Baby Mary Patrice "Hope" Kaufmann, Baby Tyler Marten, Baby Joseph Campione, and Romila Flores de Rojas

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who have died, including:

Nancy Alfrey

VOCATIONS: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." If you think you may be called to serve Jesus as a priest or consecrated religious, consider the power of His grace at work in you. Call Fr. Brian Bashista at 703-841-2514, or write: b.bashista@arlingtondiocese.org.

LOST & FOUND: Items left in the church are placed in a lost and found container at St. Mary's rectory located at 310 Duke Street. If you believe you have left something in the church recently, please visit the rectory weekdays between the hours of 9 AM and 4 PM to claim your lost items. After thirty days, the unclaimed items will be given to a charitable organization.



BIBLE STUDY: You are invited to join members of the Sts. Joachim and Anne Senior Society (Spirituality Community) in our annual Bible Study the 1st Thursday of each month, beginning September 7, 2006, in St. Joseph's room of the Lyceum. This year's study can be purchased at the Pauline Book Store on King St. in Old Town Alexandria. Ask for "The Gospel of John," a Catholic Study Bible, Revised Standard Version, 2nd Catholic Edition by Ignatius Press. Price is \$10.00. Fr. Dennis Kleinmann will mentor the study. Questions? Call 703-549-2865.

SENIOR SOCIETY PLANNING SESSION: Members of the Board of Sts. Joachim and Anne Senior Society will hold the annual planning session on Tuesday, July 11, 2006 at 2:00 PM in the St. Anne's room of the Lyceum on Duke St.

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY AT GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY:

All college age folks are welcome to attend Thursday night gatherings at George Mason University from 7:00 - 8:30 PM at the Bellarmine Chapel located at 4515 Roberts Road, Fairfax. This Thursday (7/13) John More, Associate Campus Minister at GMU, will be speaking on thinking critically in an Oprah Winfrey culture. Contact (703)-425-0022 or choran1@gmu.edu with any questions.

FR. KREMPA SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Father Stanley J. Krempa, pastor from 1990-1999, believed strongly in the merits of Catholic education, and wished to make it available to families struggling economically and for children with possible academic issues. In 1999, the Father Krempa Scholarship Fund was established to further his dream. Monies from the Fund directly support the St. Mary's School Learning Center that currently serves the needs of approximately seventy students who are experiencing learning difficulties. The funds support a tuition scholarship for selected students with learning problems. Please consider contributing to this worthwhile fund. Contributions may be made to the Father Krempa Scholarship Fund and directed to St. Mary's Rectory.