

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sunday, May 13th

May Crowning—After 8:15 Mass

Tuesday, May 8th

Gospel Faith Sharing— 11:30 PM (3)

Healing Mass—7:00 PM

Legend

Church (1) Padua Hall (2)
Religious Education (3) Ewald Center (4)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

MAY 14TH—20TH

Monday: June Bradley (birthday)
r/b The Families

Tuesday: Thomas J. Garrett
r/b Gracie Rymer

Wednesday: James Deiso, II
r/b Dorothy Deiso Benya

Thursday: Marsha Aranda (L)
r/b Waters Family

Friday: Kenneth Foulk
r/b Karen Miller

Saturday: Thomas A. Rymer Sr.
r/b Gracie Rymer
Butch Neaney
r/b Pat Friel

Sunday: Parishioners
Justin Hileman
r/b Phil & Carol Constantino

“AND I WILL GIVE THEM REST”

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all deceased members and their families.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Please pray for all members of our parish serving our country both here and overseas.

CALVERT CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY IN CALVERT COUNTY

Calvert Catholic seeks to connect Catholics in their 20's and 30's so we can encounter Christ in community. Join us for a meal, discussion, retreats, or service. We are always looking for new members and new ideas! We meet the second Saturday of the month in one of our homes for good food, prayer and discussion. Daycare always provided. Meet us on Facebook, Instagram, or by email to learn more!

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FROM THE PASTORS DESK

The Ascension of the Lord

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

This Sunday, as we ritually re-enact the death and resurrection of our Lord at Holy Mass, we are celebrating the biblical event of the Ascension of our Lord into heaven. As we say in the Creed; “He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.” In the opening chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, we are given the biblical account of our Lord's Ascension. Because this event is straight from the Bible, I have always thought the Church should have kept the feast of our Lord's Ascension on Thursday of the sixth week of Easter. In the Acts of the Apostles we read; “In the time after his suffering he showed them in many convincing ways that he was alive, appearing to them over the course of forty days and speaking to them about the reign of God.” Jesus said to them, “you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes down on you. No sooner had he said this than He was lifted up before their eyes in the cloud which took him from their sight.” (Acts 1:1-9).

The Feast of the Ascension has always been dear to me. It was on this day back in 1985 that I was ordained a “transitional” deacon. I really enjoyed my time as a deacon of the Church. I was assigned to Sacred Heart parish in Bowie, MD. It was a great assignment and I was under the direction of Msgr. John Hogan who was a great teacher and mentor. Monsignor was from the “Old School” and cherished the liturgy done properly and was faithful to the teachings of the Church. Like someone told me before I arrived at the parish; “There is no funny business with Monsignor Hogan.” They were right!!!

The instructions that Jesus gave his disciples that day are worth contemplating in our own lives. Jesus basically told them that they cannot start the proclamation of the Gospel and the spreading of the Good News by themselves; if they tried it by themselves, the result would be disastrous. They were to wait in Jerusalem for the Holy Spirit to empower them and to arm them with the right tools to continue the work of Jesus. How often do we try to do something ourselves and fall flat on our faces? Like those first disciples, we need the power of the Holy Spirit to assist us in our family decisions and our daily work. Jesus instructed those first apostles to stay in Jerusalem and to pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It was the Church's first novena. They gathered in the upper room; the same room where Jesus gave them the Eucharist and waited and prayed. The Eucharist and the Holy Spirit are intimately connected. The Eucharist leads us to the Holy Spirit and the Spirit lead us to the Eucharist.

Filled with the Spirit, and only then, could the Apostles have ever re-created the face of the earth, as we pray in the “Come Holy Spirit” prayer.

Next Sunday we will celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, which of course is the birthday of the Church. More on this to follow.

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

FAITH FORMATION

Last class

Textbooks, Progress Reports and May Newsletters for students who did not attend the last Faith Formation class can be picked up on the table in the foyer of Padua Hall. Mementos for Confirmation class are also available.

Faith Formation & "GIFT" Registration

Re-registration forms for the 2018-2019 school year are due by June 3rd for Early Bird Special Fees. It would be helpful to re-register by the due date for planning purposes. If you did not receive this information, please contact Sister Ann at 443-646-5724.

New Students

Parents can register **new students** for 2018-2019 school year by contacting Sister Ann at your earliest convenience, 443-646-5724 for an appointment. Children entering Pre-K must be 4 years old by September 1st, 2019. Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate (if not baptized at St. Anthony's) and tuition fees.

Early Bird Special until June 3rd

- 1 child \$90.00
- 2 children \$150.00
- 3 or more children \$200.00

After June 3rd all fees go up \$30.

Financial assistance is available for those in need.

Request for Catechists

At this time, volunteer catechists for the upcoming year are needed for Grades 7 & 8. Some assistants are also needed. Contact Sister Ann (443-646-5724) for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Congratulations to Calvert Council #7870 for being honored at the Maryland Knights of Columbus's State Convention last week in Ocean City in categories of Youth, Family, Church, Community, Membership and General Excellence. All total, Calvert received (2) Third Place, (5) Second Place, and (1) First Place awards in Division B. Grand Knight Bryan Rager wishes to thank ALL Council members and their families, as well as St. Anthony's parish community for their your-long support and dedication of our many activities in once again elevating #7870 to be among the top Council's in the State!

NEW ST. ANTHONY'S WEBSITE

Check out St. Anthony's new website. We hope this will help you stay up to date with parish events, find information about the parish and volunteer opportunities that may be of interest to you. Feedback is welcome.

www.stanthonycal.com

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Charles Basiliko, Chrissy Baxter, Vicki Baxter, JB, John Bell, Sam "Bo" Bradley, Florence, Marlene Bradshaw, Jack Bragger, Ralph Carrello, Bill Carroll, Jimmy Carroll, Helga Cuevas, Luis Cuevas, Jean Davis, Sig Degitz, Luke Engler, Jo Finch, Linda Foresta, Anthony Fowler, Taylan Fowler, John P. Flynn, Noah Christopher Haas, Marie Heaton, Maslynn Holmes, Cory Honoker, Roza Ivanac, Kayla Johnston, Shirley Kallal, William Kallal, JoAnn Kery, Rick Kollinger, Brian Lloyd, Donna Lynch, Mark Mann, Walter Matziet, Kelly McCarley, Jennifer Melanab, Margie Edwards Morgan, Joanne Nielsen, Doris Pettko, Darley Phillips, Payton Phillips, Ray Pyles, Babies Ace and Troy Remer, Jonathan Rieger, Carolyn Ritch, Joel Rivera, Grayson David Rodriguez, Wayne Romanek, Geri Rosen, Kristy Salek, Bunny Tate, Betty Theurer, Carolyn Vargas, Susan Vilcheck, Pat Waak, Shannon Wink, Richard Walton, Sue White.

PENTECOST SUNDAY **MAY 20TH, 2018**

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

During the Feast of Pentecost, tongues of fire came to rest on the heads of the disciples and they were filled with the Holy Spirit. Each disciple began speaking in a different language, and were understood by people from many different regions who were amazed at what they had witnessed.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Paul explains that we are all members of one body. We have all been baptized in one Spirit and although numerous, we are one through Christ.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

John describes Jesus' first visit to the disciples after his resurrection. He gave them the Holy Spirit and the power to forgive other people or hold them responsible for their actions.

GOSPEL QUESTION

What signs accompany you as you profess your faith in the Lord?

CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

Offertory May 5th & 6th — \$8,729.40
Faith Direct for April—\$12,025.00

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St. Anthony's now has electronic fund transfer for your weekly donations. Visit www.faithdirect.net to enroll, or pick up a form in the back of the church.

Our parish code is MD768.