

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH**

### **Monday, October 1st**

Adoration and Confessions—5 to 8 PM  
Ladies of Charity Plaza Mexico Restaurant Night-  
4:30 to 10 PM

### **Friday, October 5th**

Holy Hour—8:30 to 9:30 AM (1)  
First Friday Mass—12 PM

### **Sunday, October 7th**

Knights of Columbus Breakfast—8:30 to 11 AM  
Religious Goods Store—8:30 to 11 AM (2)  
Healing Mass—3 PM

### **Saturday & Sunday, October 6th and 7th**

Ladies of Charity Bake Sale after all Masses (2)

### **Monday, October 8th**

Columbus Day—Parish Offices Closed  
Daily Mass—10 AM

### **Legend**

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

## **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

### **OCTOBER 1ST—7TH**

**Monday:** John Davis  
**Tuesday:** Donna Lynch (L)  
r/b Gail and Jimmy Carroll  
**Wed.** Tony O'Connor  
r/b Marty Beyer  
**Thursday:** Charlie Rohan  
r/b The Family  
**Friday:** Burt Brinkerhoff  
**Saturday:** Sam Bradley Sr.  
r/b The Family  
Joseph Santaiti  
r/b Judith McCarthy  
**Sunday:** Paul Baxter  
r/b Geri Size  
Parishioners

### **PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

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

## **CALLING ALL MUSIC LOVING TEENS**

Can you play piano, guitar, violin, flute or another instrument? Do you like to sing? We are seeking teens ages 13-18 to be a part of a new Teen Music Group at St. Anthony's. We'll be singing current songs from WGTS like Your Grace is Enough, Here I Am to Worship and others. If interested contact:  
Jenn Colosi at colosi.home@gmail.com or  
Kevin McAndrews at kevin\_mcandrews@msn.com  
or text 301-502-3517

Our first meeting will be in Padua Hall on  
October 13th at 4 pm

## **FROM THE PASTORS DESK**

### **Light Shining in the Darkness**

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

As we continue to move through the Church year and as the season of Autumn is upon us, we are called not only by the Church to think about the "end of time" but by nature herself. I love the four seasons that nature gives us, for each season has it's own story to tell and its own wisdom to bestow. The Church in her liturgical year chimes in on the various movements that each season of nature presents to us.

In this season of Autumn we think of the end of time and of our being poured out like a libation, to borrow a phrase from the apostle Paul (2 Timothy 4,6). Paul, the servant of Jesus, ended his life on a positive note. Thus, he will be forever remembered, not as a persecutor of the Church (which he certainly was) but as a dedicated Apostle of Jesus Christ. Paul even boasts about his apostolic accomplishment in 2 Corinthians; that's a whole other bulletin article.

In the Autumn, the signs of nature point to death and decay. The light of the long summer days yield to the darkness of chilly nights. The days grow shorter and the winter is not far away. It is not by coincidence that we celebrate the light who is Jesus Christ on the darkest time of the year (December 21-30) Christmas, of course, being December 25th.

In a few places in the Gospels, Jesus speaks very profoundly about the light. First in Matthew 5 after the sermon on the mount, Jesus tells his disciples that they are the "Light of the World". The Christian man and woman are called to be a light to the world and even more so, the man called into the holy priesthood. In the ordination ceremony we become "Alter Christos", that is, another Christ. After ordination we are sent into the world to be that light of Christ and to bring people into that light which is Jesus. The Lord also talks about the light in another passage of scripture that I have always thought to be rather haunting. In Matthews Gospel (chapter 6:22) while Jesus is talking about the purity of our intentions we find these chilling words. Jesus says: "The eye is the body's lamp. If your eyes are good, the body will be filled with light; if your eyes are bad, your body will be in darkness. And if your light is darkness, how deep will the darkness be."

In the face of the crisis in the Church, I am afraid this has happened to certain individuals. However, it is time for all to reject the darkness and live ever more in the light who is Jesus.

Years ago, I was struck by the theme of light in my own life. After the millennium year of 2000 which, for me, was a difficult year of great darkness and tremendous trauma, God started sending me messages of light. It was out of this light that my healing ministry was born. The gift of God's light can only come when darkness seems to envelope us.

May God bless you and your family during these trying times. Stand firm in the faith and in the Eucharist. Jesus gave us His body and blood to be an abiding presence from now until the end of time.

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

## **FAITH FORMATION**

Today is the “Parent Mixer” for parents of children in grades K through 2nd from 9:30 to 10:30 am in Padua Hall. Please come and get to know each other and dive into great theological Truths with a presentation taken from the book “7 Secrets of the Eucharist” by Vinny Flynn. Everyone is welcome to attend! Parents of 6th—8th graders will meet on Sunday, October 14th, and parents of 3rd-5th graders will meet on Sunday, October 21st. Please mark your calendars now!

**ALL PARENTS** are invited to attend a Parish wide prayer service with your children that will take place at **10:15 am** in the church on **Sunday, October 7th, the Feast of the Holy Rosary!** This feast took its origin from the great victory of the Catholic forces over the Mohammedans at the **Battle of Lepanto on October 7th, 1571.**

## **LIFE TEEN**

Our next Life Teen meeting will be “off-site” on **Saturday, October 13th**, at the Tolentino’s home (2531 Redbud Lane, Owings) for a Barn Dance and Bonfire! Most of us will still attend the 5:30 pm Mass, but then we will all carpool over to the Tolentino’s home and begin there at 7 pm. (Sorry, no adoration that evening). We have a professional Swing Dance instructor coming to teach our youth this social style of dancing—whether it is East coast, West, coast or Lindy Hop style, it is all swing dancing and all fun! We will end our evening with some fascinating Saint stories around the bonfire—you won’t want to miss it! Pick up will be at 9:30 pm.

Check out our website for [stanthonycal.com](http://stanthonycal.com) relevant Life Teen blogs and videos.

## **TAKING A JOURNEY WITH ST. PAUL BIBLE STUDY**

Father Stack will be offering a Bible Study class on St. Paul beginning **Tuesday, October 16th**. This will be held at the rectory from 10:30 to 12 pm. All are welcome!

## **LADIES OF CHARITY**

The Ladies of Charity are having the Fall Bake Sale in the foyer of Padua Hall after all Masses on the weekend of **Oct. 6th and 7th**. Donations of baked goods are most welcome. Please stop by our table and see what we can tempt you with! Proceeds go to the Food Pantry.

## **SPIRITUAL ADOPTION BABY SHOWER**

The Social Concerns Committee will be holding their annual baby shower to collect needed clothing and infant essentials to benefit Birthright in Prince Frederick. You may bring donations the weekend of **October 13th and 14th**. Thank you for your generosity!

## **PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE**

Come out and pray the rosary at the North Beach Boardwalk Pavilion on **Saturday, October 13th at 12 noon**. For more information contact Dolores Simonds @ 410-741-5451.

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Chrissy Baxter, Vicki Baxter, JB, John Bell, Sam “Bo” Bradley, Florence, Marlene Bradshaw, Jack Bragger, Jeff Carr, Ralph Carrello, Bill Carroll, Jimmy Carroll, Helga Cuevas, Luis Cuevas, James Curtin, 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, Richard Knupp, Rick Kollinger, Brian Lloyd, Donna Lynch, Mark Mann, Walter Matziet, Kelly McCarley, Jennifer Melanab, Margie Edwards Morgan, Sarah Olsen, 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.

## **TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: OCTOBER 7TH**

### **First Reading: Genesis 2:18-24**

God created many different animals in an attempt to make a suitable partner for the first man. Then he took a rib from the man as he slept and built it up into a woman. At last God had created someone who equaled the man, as she was “bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh” and they proved to be suitable partners for each other.

### **Second Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11**

This passage describes how Jesus will become perfect through his suffering. It also reminds us that Jesus’ Father is our Father as well, making him unashamed to call us his brothers and sisters.

### **Gospel: Mark 10:2-16**

The people began to ask Jesus if it was acceptable for a man to divorce his wife. Jesus tells them that two people who have been joined together by God should not be separated. People began bringing their children to Jesus, but the disciples tried to send them away. Jesus grew angry and told him disciples to allow the children to come to him.

## **GOSPEL QUESTION**

Who has shown you the love “joined by God” that Jesus calls us to, and how?

## **CONTRIBUTIONS**

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