

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Saturday, October 27th

Life Teen—6:30 to 8:30 PM (2)

Sunday, October 28th

Hospitality—9:15 to 11 AM (2)

Secular Franciscan Fraternity—After Masses (2)

Tuesday, October 30th

Bible Study—10:30 to 12 PM (Rectory)

Wednesday, October 31st

All Saints Day Vigil Mass—5:00 PM

Thursday, November 1st

All Saints Day Masses—6 AM, 8 AM and 7:30 PM

Friday, November 2nd

Holy Hour—8:30 to 9:30 AM

Mass—12 PM

Sunday, November 4th

Knights of Columbus Breakfast—8:30 to 11 AM (2)

Religious Goods Store—9:15 to 11 AM (2)

Healing Mass—3 PM

Legend

Church (1)

Padua Hall (2)

Religious Education (3)

Ewald Center (4)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

OCTOBER 29TH—NOVEMBER 4TH

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| Monday: | 8 am | Joan Ohler (D) r/b Weilmuenster Family |
| Tuesday: | 8 am | Jeff Wagner (D) r/b Jimmy and Gail Carroll |
| Wednesday: | 8am | Patricia Osburn (D) r/b Dillon Family |
| | 5 pm | Patricia Minichiello (D) r/b Weilmuenster Family |
| Thursday: | 6 am | Tom Sydnor (D) r/b Weilmuenster Family |
| | 8 am | Florence Foulk r/b Karen Miller |
| | 7:30 pm | Charlotte Kampia r/b Bryan & Gretchen Rager |

November masses will be offered for the souls of all deceased.

Envelopes for deceased family and loved ones are in the back of the church or in the parish office.

PASTORAL CARE AFTER A MISCARRIAGE

The Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington, working with pastors, are here to care for couples that experience the loss of a child before full-term birth and hope to bury the baby's remains in sacred ground. In most cases interment and commendation are free of charge. For more information contact CCAW Interim President Michael Mazzuca at 301-871-1300.

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

Pope Saint Paul VI

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

Today is a very beautiful, "crisp" autumn day here at the beach. Last week I wrote about Archbishop Romero of El Salvador who was canonized a saint. At the same ceremony in Rome another great figure in the Church was canonized; Pope Paul the Sixth. Paul reigned as Pope from June 1963 to 1978. He was the Pope that I remember as a youth. This was the time of the roaring 60's when everything was being questioned as to its legitimacy and value. It was a hard time to be in the Church with so much change going on. Paul the Sixth stood firm, in my estimation, as one of the greatest shepherds that the Church has ever had.

In 1975 Pope Paul wrote his classical treatment on Evangelization called "Evangelii Nuntiandi". Here he says something very profound and which I have remembered to this day. He says: "The Church itself has a constant need of being evangelized and people today listen more willingly to witness, than to teacher, and if he listens to teacher, it is because they are witnesses."

In a court of law, a witness has immense power to make or break a case. Just ask any trial lawyer on the power of a good witness. They testify to what they heard and saw regarding an event. Or to what they did not see or hear. The power of a witness can make or break a case.

In the 20th chapter of St. Johns Gospel we find the greatest "witness" the Church has ever had; St. Mary Magdalene. In the biblical episode, the disciple came to the empty tomb of Jesus. There was nothing but the burial clothes. Mary Magdalene lingers after everyone else departs and the Lord appears to her. She tells the disciples that the Lord is alive, and they do not believe her. She is such a staunch witness. The Disciples will eventually come to believe, but Mary's great witness and her testimony entitled her to be the "Witness Par Excellence" to the resurrection. That is why the Church now gives her the title "Apostle to the Apostles."

The power of St. Mary Magdalene's witnessing is what the church needs today. A teacher, as Pope Paul would admit is necessary. We need teachers in the Church, and right here at St. Anthony's in our religious education program. But these teachers will only have a minimum of impact if they simply teach the contents of a religion book. If, however, they teach as one who has seen and experienced the Risen Lord in their personal lives, then that makes all the difference.

We pray for the grace to make us witnesses to Jesus, not just in words but in our actions. May the witness of St. Mary Magdalene be for us, strength to not be afraid to stand up and witness in our modern world. It takes a lot of courage to stand up and witness when everyone else is afraid. May Jesus give us a double portion of the gift of fortitude; a gift we received at our Confirmation.

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

FAITH FORMATION

Let the Children Come to Me!

Children's Adoration will be on **Monday, November 5th**, from **6 to 6:30 pm**. We will pray, worship, and adore Jesus for a "Holy Half Hour" during the regularly scheduled Adoration time from 5 to 8 pm. Children of all ages are welcome.

LIFE TEEN

Our next Life Night is November 10th, and we will continue our series on gender identity. We offer clarity to this sensitive topic while inspiring teens to accept and live out their God-given sexual identity, which is rooted in their biological sex. God creates, cultivates, and protects; men and women uniquely reflect these attributes of God in their masculinity and femininity. We begin as usual with 5:30 pm Mass, followed by dinner, our Life Night, and end in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. All high school teens are welcome!

The Archdiocese Youth Rally and Mass for Life at the Capital One Arena in DC will be on Friday, January 18th, 2019. We need to order tickets for our youth at the beginning of November so please respond ASAP if your teen would like to attend this awesome event! After the Mass, we will head to the National Mall for the March For Life to the Supreme Court. (This is an excused absence from school.) Please contact Mary Beth Woodburn to order your tickets -- let's put our "Prayer for the Unborn" into action by attending this annual event! **DEADLINE FOR TICKET ORDERS IS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH!**

We are going to the Metropolitan Family Planning Clinic in Greenbelt to pray for an end to abortion on Saturday morning, November 3rd. We will meet at St. Mary's in Upper Marlboro for Mass then head to the clinic and pray until 11 am. We will return by noon. For more information please go to 40daysforlife.com or contact Mary Beth Woodburn if you would like to attend.

Seven Sisters Apostolate

The Seven sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop. I am seeking at least 6 women to join in starting this beautiful apostolate at St. Anthony's. Each seven sisters prays one holy hour on a specific day of the week each week so that a Holy Hour is prayed every day for our Pastor. 7 sisters, 7 Holy Hours, 7 days a week to cover in prayer. The Holy Hour should be prayed in front of the Blessed Sacrament if at all possible. On days there is no adoration at one of our local churches, the hour can be prayed in a distraction free quiet place. I ask the women of St. Anthony's to read more about this apostolate at www.sevensistersapostolate.org then pray about whether God is calling you to pray for our priest as a sister in this apostolate. If we have more than seven sisters then it is possible some sisters could alternate weeks or add a group. Thank you for praying about this and contact me if you have questions or have discerned to pray with us, Terry Tolentino, **301-404-3669** or tolentino13@gmail.com.

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, , 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, Maude Mangels, 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, Sue White.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: NOVEMBER 4TH

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses commands the people to love and fear God, and always keep the commandments that they were given. He tells them to observe all statutes so that they will continue to grow and prosper, and tells them that they must love God with all their soul and strength.

Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-28

Under the old covenant there were many priests, but Jesus will now remain high priest forever because he will live forever, and always be available to those who want to be saved. He does not need to offer sacrifice every day for the sins of his people, because he offered himself up in payment for their sins.

Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34

One of the scribes asked Jesus which commandment is the first, and he replied that the first is to love and honor the Lord and no one else. Jesus explained that they must love God with all their heart, and love their neighbor. The scribe agreed that loving God completely and loving one's neighbor is better than any sacrifice they could make.

Contributions and Donations

Thank you for your continued support of the parish.

Offertory and Donations— \$7,416.50

**Next weekend there will be a second collection for
Priests of the Archdiocese.**

CARDINAL HICKEY ACADEMY

Is a Catholic Education right for your child? What is the PreK-8th grade advantage? How can tuition become affordable to me? Come to Cardinal Hickey Academy's Information Night on November 19th at 6 PM.

"Casino Night": Cardinal Hickey invites you to their Annual Auction Gala-Casino Night! Receive \$500 in chips to play at 9 gambling tables, enjoy food and drinks, raffles and more. November 10th, 6 pm at Calvert Elks Lodge in Prince Frederick. Tickets available online at CHA2018GALA.WEBLY.COM. Proceeds benefit the Academy.