

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 4-5, 2006

Sunday Lectionary Readings

This Week's Readings: Job 7: 1-4, 6-7; 1 Corinthians 9: 16-19, 22-23; Mark 1: 29-39
Next Week's Readings: Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1: 40-45

Scripture Reflection

What a wonderful example Jesus gave us! Even in the midst of preaching to crowds and healing many people, he could still find time to get away by himself so that he could pray. He knew that it was especially when things were the most hectic that he needed prayer most, for at such times, only God could help him. He knew that human beings have only so much time, patience, and energy. How about us? Many of us have the habit of believing that when we are busy, we don't have time for prayer, as if prayer is a type of luxury. Far from it! Prayer is a necessity precisely at those times when we are running at full speed, for it is precisely at such times that we run the risk of losing patience, energy, and perspective. Without drinking at the well of prayer, we become dry indeed. So, when was the last time that *you* prayed in the midst of complete craziness all around you?

Let Us Pray For Those in Need of Prayer

Carroll Neale, Kimberly Bohns, Cynthia Moore, Luvinia F. Johnson, Brother Benedict Simmonds, Sister Jane Scanlan, Nick Catania, Mary Alma Lears, John O'Brien, Laurie Comp, Richard McNally, Angela Ryder, Wendy Luttrell, Quacey Jacobs, Frank Styka, Brian Brandon, Sgt. Jayson Shroyer, Jeff Weber, Charelle Barnes, Elizabeth Ann Williams, Thomas Healy, Andrew Bopp, Judy Schaumberg, Colette Danek, John Riffer, Jane Schaberg, Clayton Sweeney, Paul Tiff, Barbara Cheles, Mary Smith, Earl Smith, Eve Seehusen, Ruby Strawberry, Anthony Caserta, Bob Twynham, Marionette Plummer, Edith Beard, John Garvey, Mary Kane, James Kane. (*Names will be listed for 6 weeks. If you would like a name listed for an additional six weeks, please notify the rectory.*)

This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 4, Chin Tran, *deceased*
Sunday, February 5, June Degenhart, *deceased*
Monday, February 6, Thomas O. Wood, *deceased*
Wednesday, February 8, Thomas O. Wood, *deceased*

Friday, February 10, Thomas O. Wood, *deceased*
Saturday, February 11, Thomas O. Wood, *deceased*
Sunday, February 12, Ferdinand J. Konieczny, *deceased*

Collection Update

Last Weekend's Offertory: \$ 4,032.25
Last Weekend's 2nd Collection to benefit our Community Center and outreach ministries: \$ 897.43
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This Week at Corpus Christi

Mon, Feb 6, 7:00 pm	Pastoral Council Meeting	Rectory
Sun, Feb 12, 9:00 am	Sunday School	Rectory & Midtown
Sun, Feb 12, 10:30 am	Children's Liturgy	Church
Sun, Feb 12, 11:30 am	Hospitality Sunday	Church

Coming Up:

Mon, Feb 13, 7:00 pm	Liturgy Committee Meeting	Rectory
Wed, Feb 15, 7:00 pm	Finance Committee Meeting	Rectory

Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council welcomes input from the community both on matters on the council's monthly agendas and new issues that may arise. Council officers are Betsy Leighton (410-366-7059, President; Mike Chovonec (410-243-4870), Vice-President; Avendui Lacovara (410-523-6847) and Whitney York (410-785-4910), Secretaries. Council members wear identification badges to facilitate communication.

CORPUS CHRISTI NEWS

What Are Your Favorite Memories of Corpus Christi?

We are interested in producing a small booklet at the end of this, our 125th year, in which parishioners give their reflections on two questions: 1) What is your favorite memory of Corpus Christi and why? 2) What brought you to Corpus Christi for the first time, and what are your memories of that day? Because we would like to have the booklet available by Corpus Christi Sunday (June 18), we need to have everyone's responses by March 31, in order to retype and produce the booklet. Please consider participating in this project, which will be a legacy for future parishioners as well as a gift for current parishioners. You can respond by writing your reflections on the reverse side of the form in last week's bulletin; you can then either bring or mail your reflections to the rectory (to the attention of Dr. Pat Fosarelli). Alternatively, you can e-mail your responses to cchristi@archbalt.org. Be sure to let us know whether we can use your name in the publication.

Hellos!

Recently registering in our parish are Patrick Bernard; Renard Corbett, Michelle Miles, and Najee Corbett; Thomas Davidson and Allison Meyer; Mary Corrigan Gorman; Karen and Norman Haughey; Gina Holten; Paul, Susan, and Caroline Oberle; David, Ann, Eric, and Maria Sills; Tina Stiltner and Toni Beth Mucciarone; and Margy, Patrick, Dan, and Mickey Stringer. Welcome!

BEYOND CORPUS CHRISTI

Support for Divorced, Separated, Widowed

A small 8-week support group for newly separated or divorced, *Together We Can Make It*, begins Feb. 28, 2006, 7 pm, St. Pius X Church. The group is led by two trained facilitators, covers materials suitable for newly separated or divorced, and has a limited number of participants. \$25 covers book and materials. Contact Myra at 410-724-0073.

Shake Off the Winter Blues! – February 18

The Reservoir Hill Improvement Council is coordinating Shake Off the Winter Blues! with John Eager Howard Elementary School (JEH). RHIC's annual winter event will this year build off of the recent action taken by residents to prevent JEH from closing. Members from the newly formed Parent-Teacher-Community Organization (PTCO) are working with RHIC staff to plan the evening, and attract more parents to the event. Hopefully, this evening will generate more participation in the PTCO. The event will feature a free dinner, local musicians, cultural performances, and a Kids on the Hill documentary. Volunteers are very much needed. Please come out, meet your neighbors, and participate in the celebration of culture and diversity in Reservoir Hill. - 18 February 2006; 4 pm – 8 pm. Project Contact: Frank Patinella, (410) 225-7547, fpatinella@reservoirhill.net.

The Longest Goodbye

The Institute for Christian & Jewish Studies (ICJS) invites you to a free public lecture entitled "The Longest Goodbye—Medical and Religious Responses to Alzheimer's Disease" on Thursday, February 16 (7:30 – 9:00 pm) at Bolton Street Synagogue, 2121 W. Cold Spring Lane. The lecture features Rev. Hank Dunn, author and chaplain to patients at the end of their lives and to their families. Additionally, there will be two follow up sessions May 18 and May 25 (7-9 pm) also at Bolton Street Synagogue. There is a small fee for the May sessions. Call 410-523-7227 or go to www.icjs.org for more info.

Maryland Catholic Conference Lobby Night 2006

On President's Day, Feb. 20th, from 3:00 – 8:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic School, Marian Hall, join Catholics around the state to lobby for our less fortunate brothers and sisters. As Catholics, we are called to 'Faithful Citizenship'! Issues include – Embryonic Stem Cells Research; Parental Notification; Immigrant Health Care; Energy Assistance; Textbooks/Technology/ BOAST Maryland Tax Credits. To pre-register, call Archdiocese of Baltimore, Chris Santo 410-269-1155 or chris@mdcathcon.org. You may become more familiar with these issues by going to www.mdcathcon.org.

Baltimore Choral Arts Society Performance

The Baltimore Choral Arts Society will perform Sunday, February 26, 3PM in the beautifully renovated sanctuary (with it's rare collection of Tiffany stained glass windows) of the Brown Memorial Park Avenue Presbyterian Church at 1316 Park Avenue, in Bolton Hill. Tom Hall will conduct accompanied by Leo Wanenchak on piano and John Walker on organ. Tickets are \$25 and \$20 for seniors and students, and will be available at the door. There is plenty of free parking. Call 410-523-7070 for more information.

Social Ministry Convocation

The 27th annual Archdiocesan Social Ministry Convocation will take place Saturday, March 4, 2006 at Seton Keough High School from 8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m. This year's theme is Economic Justice for All: 20 Years Later. The keynote speaker will be Cardinal Rodriguez Maradiaga of Honduras. Exciting workshops on the topics of worker justice, the economy and faith, social justice education, fair wages, affordable housing, immigration and trade justice. Contact Allison Stone, 410-261-6781 or astone@cc-md.org.

9th Annual Catholic Men's Conference

The Catholic Men's Fellowship of Maryland will hold its 9th Annual Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, March 4, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Archbishop Curley High School, 3701 Sinclair Lane, Baltimore, Maryland. Speakers are: Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Fr. Gerard Francik and Lt. Gov. Michael Steele. There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Holy Mass, presided over by Bishop Mitchell T. Rozanski, will be celebrated at 4 p.m. The \$30 admission includes a Continental Breakfast and Lunch. To register call Gil Hoffman @ 410-252-5737.

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