

OCTOBER 12, 2008

Mass Intentions

October 12, 8:30 AM: Debbie Medina +
October 12, 10:00 AM: Angelina Lo +
October 12, 11:30 AM: Pedro & Concepcion Delacruz +

Papal Mass Ciboria

The Archdiocese has made available commemorative Ciboria (the vessel that holds the hosts for Consecration) that were used at the Papal Mass at National's Stadium on April 15, 2008. The Ciboria are gold-plated, with the Coat of Arms of both Pope Benedict XVI and the Archdiocese of Washington on the bowl. The cover of the vessel is engraved with the dates of the Papal visit. These are part of our parish and Archdiocesan history and we will be using them during the Masses here at OLHC. If you would like to see the Ciboria, they will be on the offertory table as you enter the Sanctuary for your viewing.

World Mission Sunday/Propagation of the Faith

At Baptism, each of us is given a special responsibility. We are called by the Lord to tell the world the "Good News" of His love and salvation. We are to be his missionaries. World Mission Sunday, celebrated around the world on the weekend of October 18-19, gives us the opportunity to celebrate our missionary vocation and to offer prayers and sacrifices for the missionary task.

When the Society of the Propagation of the Faith collection was first taken up in 1822, two-thirds of the funds were sent to the Church in the U.S., to the mission territories of Louisiana and Bardstown, Kentucky. That assistance helped build schools and churches, educate local priests, and provide for the work of religious communities. This assistance from the faithful in Europe continues until 1908 when a papal decree removed the U.S. from the designation "mission territory".

Now, on the 100th anniversary of that mission independence, we offer our prayers and financial help for the mission areas of today in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and Latin America. Your generosity through the Propagation of the Faith will reach those who await the "Good News" of Jesus, who long to experience His hope and love.

Sincerely in Christ,

Monsignor Barry C. Knestout, Vicar for Administration

Schedules/Workbooks

Eucharistic Ministers are asked to pick up their schedules at the ministry table. Lectors, your 2009 workbooks are available (names labeled) at the ministry table, for use beginning the first Sunday of Advent. Interested in joining Eucharistic Ministry, contact Joan, 301-645-7468; Lectors Ministry, contact Fran, 301-638-2433.

Prayer Requests

For those dealing with illness, especially Lucia Scialpi, John Quirk, Madison Major, Brogan Ruppert, Karen Ebach, Lorrie Ebach and for all of our military and civilians serving in harm's way.

Our condolences to the family and friends of Deborah Weiss and A.J. Myslinski.



Baby Bottle Boomerang

The Catherine Foundation honors the sanctity of human life. Please join us in saving the unborn by donation your spare change. Beginning October 11/12, there will be baby bottles available as you exit Mass. Please take a bottle, fill it with coins, cash, or checks. Return the bottle to church on November 1/2. Your contribution will go towards helping the Catherine Foundation save the unborn and minister to women and babies in crisis. This is a wonderful way a family can work together to put the Gospel into practice.

Annual OLHC Craft Fair

The air is crisp, the leaves are falling... it's time for our Annual Craft Fair! It will be held on Saturday, November 8, 2008, from 8:30 AM-2:30 PM. Table rentals are 25.00. OLHC has been blessed with many talented craftswomen/men in our parish, those of the 'nimble fingers, creative minds' variety; are you willing to donate your hand-crafted items for the church's craft table? If so, call us! We are also looking for volunteers who are willing to work at the fair. It is a day filled with fun, food, and meeting old & new friends! Please contact Jean (301-645-3433) or Marie (301-843-1062) for more information.

The Altar Guild

The Altar Guild is sponsoring a bake sale after all Masses on October 25/26. There will be a sign up sheet in the vestibule if you would like to donate a baked item for the sale. Please mark your donation with content information (chocolate, nuts) and drop off in the church kitchen or at the bake table the weekend of the sale. All donated baked goods are greatly appreciated.

The next meeting of the Altar Guild will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 7:00 PM. Anyone (men & women) interested in joining this group is cordially invited to attend!

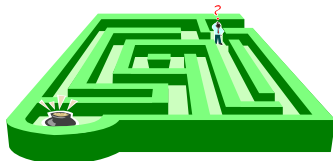
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Just a reminder that we have room in our **Pre-K 4** year old Religious Education class on Sunday mornings. If interested in registering your 4 yr. old, please call the office or stop by on Sunday mornings.



OLHC YOUTH GROUP: **October 12:** Youth Group Meeting; **October 16:** Corn Maze; **October 19:** Youth Group Meeting (Bingo); **October 26:** Youth Group Meeting (St. Joseph's Ghost Walk) Meetings begin at 6:30 PM in the Social Hall, unless otherwise noted.

Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

We ask adults who have a desire to enter the Catholic Church to join our program. Also invited are Baptized Catholics who are in need of their other sacraments and those who would just like to know more about their faith. The first part of the process is the inquiry phase followed by Catholic doctrine. If you would like to join us, please fill out a registration form (located with the Religious Education forms). If you have questions, please call the office. The RCIA group meetings are held on Wednesdays, 7:30 – 9:00 PM. Please join us!

Retrouvaille

Is your marriage in trouble? If your relationship has grown cold and distant, if you are separated or thinking about divorce, Retrouvaille can help. It is a Catholic program designed to help hurting couples mend and heal their brokenness. Our next weekend is Nov. 7-9, 2008. All calls and inquiries are confidential. For more information, please call (301) 468-6764 or (410) 647-0350 or visit our website at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

For The Children

Our parish is in need of people willing to provide a special ministry for our OLHC children. Children's Liturgy Ministers are needed for 8:30, 10:00, and 11:30 AM Masses. This program was established five years ago to help our 3-7 year old children gain more understanding of the Sunday readings. This is a great opportunity to help the parish, especially if you have little ones yourself. Lesson plans and other resources are available. This is an opportunity for a parent(s) of young children to participate in a ministry. Please e-mail Chris Heilmeier at cheilmeier@comcast.net.

Preschool News

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the Social Hall October 20-26, 2008. Watch the bulletin and the Preschool Bulletin Board for more upcoming information. **Volunteers are needed** to work the Book Fair following all Masses on Oct. 25/26. Please call the church office (301) 645-7112, and leave a message for Ms. Billard.

The OLLC Preschool will also hold our first Energizer Battery Sale during the book fair. The sale will be extended through Nov. 9 with a delivery date in time for Christmas toys!

Currently there are openings on the Preschool Board of Directors. This advisory board meets once a month and individual terms are 2 years in duration. If you are interested, please call the church office at (301) 645-7112 and leave your name and number for Fr. Crowley.

Community Bulletin Board

- ◆ St. Mary's Parish, Bryantown, will hold its' annual "All-You-Can-Eat" Fall Dinner Fest Oct. 12, 12 noon – 5 PM in the Parish Hall. Menu items include: crab balls, fried chicken, pulled pork, sliced beef au jour, etc. Adults& Carry-outs- \$20, Children 6-11 yrs- \$6, Children under 6-Free. Fancy, bake, mystery bidding, and money wheel tables. Call 301-870-2220 for more info.
- ◆ St. George Catholic Church, 19197 St. George Church Rd., Valley Lee, MD., will be holding their traditional So. Md. Stuffed Ham & Fried Oyster Dinner on Sunday, October 19, 12 noon to 5 PM. Menu includes: fried oysters, stuffed ham, turkey, & all the trimmings. Adults-\$22; Children 6-12 yrs-\$10; Children under 6-free. Carry-outs-\$22. Call 301-994-0607 for more information.
- ◆ Benefit for Mt. Carmel Monastery & Nuns, held Sunday, Oct. 19th, at the LaPlata American Legion from Noon until 6 PM. Shopping (Christmas Boutique, featuring crafts, jewelry, raffles, items from the Gift Shop at Mt. Carmel and a Bingo (opens at 1 PM, starts at 2 PM) featuring prizes from the collections of Vera Bradley. Noon to 6 PM. Proceeds benefit Mt. Carmel Monastery and the Nuns. Food and drink, baked goodies, too. Contact Chairpersons Mary and Jay Lilly at 301-752-1980 or 301-934-3829 for reservations/information.
- ◆ St. John's Catholic Church, Morning of Recollection, Sat., Nov. 1, 9 AM-12:30 PM. Includes rosary, reflection, Holy Hour, Mass & Confessions. Refreshments. Call 301-373-2281 for further information.