

Dear Parishioners,

March 29, 2009

It is hard to believe Lent is drawing to a close. Next weekend is Palm Sunday and then it is Holy Week and Easter. We've ordered the Palm and the Easter flowers. We are almost ready for Easter and we hope you are too. If you haven't done anything to make Lent special, there are still two weeks to start now.

Palm Sunday Masses are our usual Sunday schedule. Palms will be blessed at each Mass. For the triduum remember the 737: Holy Thursday at 7:00 PM, Good Friday at 3:00 PM, and Easter Vigil at 7:00 PM.

On the Monday following Palm Sunday the Archbishop will bless the holy oils for the coming year.

This celebration happens at the Cathedral's Chrism Mass at 7:30 at 7:30 PM.

Many of the young people of our parish received communion for the first time. We want to congratulate them and invite them to all the Easter celebrations:

Jordan Barnhill, John Braland, Matthew Colie, Carly Devine, Lacey Etzel, Madeline Evans, Catherine Fuhrer, Garrett Goudreau, Daniel Gulden, Olivia Herman, Kelly Hynes, Alyssa Johnston, Erica Johnston, Adam Larsen, Stephanie Leitner, Nicole Lynskey, Catherine Mahon, Allyce Miano, Olivia Mona, Carmelita Montes, Blake Prout, Ryan Ross, Robert Tull, Emma Wanner, Madison Wincek, and Molly Youmans,

*God Bless,
Fr. Mark*

Bulletin & Announcements

Please have any bulletin requests to Dee (deew@olos.us) by 10:00 am on Tuesday mornings (our printer's cut-off). Pulpit Announcements are prepared first thing Friday mornings. Please keep announcements VERY brief. Sorry, but we may not be able to accommodate your request until the following weekend if these deadlines are not met. Thank you.

Please pray for our sick; especially: Vincent Austin, Nikki Bahen, Barbara Bardak, William Barry, Priscilla Bauer, Steve Bernard, Jr., Kathy Bigelow, Michelle Birdsall, Linda Brandaleone, Curtis Briggs, Charlotte Brown, Cheryl Butler, Jim Byrnes, Louise Carhart, Boots Carr, Melanie Chojnowski, George Christman, Anthony Conte, Esther Conte, Dorie Christie, Jackie Crawford, Dcn Raymond Crawford, Connie Dawson, Anthony DeCesaris, Michael DeNardo, Ed Denning, Kathy Derricott, Pat Durner, Jean Evanoff, Ed Eichelman, John Dempsey, Russell Fair, Bill Falkenhan, Jane Fanning, Richard Felesky, Marco Ferrante, Sr., Jim Ficker, Shelly Fitzsimmons, Eileen Flaherty, Carol Flinn, James Freeman, Jim Fuss, Betty Gabriele, Cathy Gibson, Deborah Gibson, Elmer Gibson, Leo Gibson, Bertha Gicker, Adam Gill, Mary Ellen Gormley, Andrew Grey, Jamie Grimes, Robert James Hallenberg, Elizabeth Haller, Agnes Hartge, Jenna Heck, George Heimback, Margaret Higgs, Rose Hinkemeyer, Terri Howes, Dan Hysan, Doris Hysan, Mary Lou Irving, Matthew Janisko, Matthew Johnson, Pauline Jones, Thomas Jones, Larry Katz, Kathryn Kent, Bob Kidd, Andrew Kilby, Tommy Kilby, David Krehbiel, Emil Krygier, David Lambert, Jackie Lauer, Cheryl Lawrence, Marie Lee, Deeder Leitch, Jimbo Leitch, Joe Lewczak, Fr Mark Logue, Jamie Lutz, Lilly Lutz, Jean Lyles, Paul Lyles, Nancy Gocke Lyons, Audrey Mac Williams, Susan Martell, Dennis Martin, Keith Martin, Betty Mazur, Frances McCarthy, Alma McChesney, Beth McIntyre, Ronald Merson, Carol Mikules, Patricia Cosgrove Miller, Sharon Moesel, Bill Moore, Bobbie Moore, Gregg Moore, June Moore, Francis R. Moreland, Sarah Morgan, Claudia Mullins, Beverly Murphy, Doris Murray, John Murray, Joseph Murray, Carole Nutwell, JoLynn Poppe, Kathleen Rahn, Jean Reeves, Pat Renno, Janna Rood, Bill Reese, Bob Richards, Gregory Rogan, Betty & Carter Ruefly, David Russell, John Sanders, Chester Santoiemma, Kristina Schwaninger, Reginald Scott, Miss Myrt Simoni, Sierra Singlier, Grafton Smith, Joe Snyder, Mary Stakem, Vilma Stockton, Theresa Strawbridge, Eddie Tobin, Laura Tobin, Jan Tugwell, Ralph Turner Jr., Margaret Ullrich, Rev. Raymond Valtierra, Jeff Walker, Carol Weisman, Barry Wildoner, Doris Wright, Susan Wright, Edwin H. Yetton, Hilda Zehner, & James Zell.

Scripture Reflection: Seeing Jesus with New Eyes - "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." So often in our lives, pain, fear, and suffering causes the need for Jesus to rise up in our hearts. But like the Greek men who came to see Jesus, this requires more from us than merely looking at Jesus' miracles and power. Jesus said he must be "lifted up," as on the cross, crucified, in order to be seen, really seen, with the eyes of faith.

Today Jesus announces the destruction of Satan, that false "ruler of this world." But it is Jesus' own crucifixion that looks like destruction. Poets and artists still try to describe this profound paradox of how Jesus' death leads to our eternal life.

Jesus transforms the entire meaning of death. No longer do animals, plants, and people die, disintegrate, disappear forever. Death now means a rising back up from the ground—transformed and re-joined into a renewed community of life in Christ.

But if we wish to be Christ to others while we live on earth, we must let go of the life and the individual identity we may love too much, in order to die to self-interest and comfort. If we die to self now to create a community of hope and love, we will keep our lives into eternity. By letting go of ourselves, Jesus promises we will really see him.

Go forth to love and serve our God!

SINGING IS TWICE PRAYING

This is the time of the year when many of us think about "Easter Duty" The Sacrament of Reconciliation is not just a "duty" but a special blessing we have as Catholics. Remember that the church will be open and the "light on" this Wednesday for anyone who would like to take advantage of this sacrament. Look over hymns #657 to #674 for help to examine your conscience and to ask for healing and forgiveness.



Confessions will be held every Wednesday during Lent from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM & every Saturday, from 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM (Excluding Holy Week)

Stations, Mass & Supper will be celebrated every Friday during Lent at 6:00 pm. (Note: No Morning 8:00 AM Mass).

(Please sign up at the church entrances if you plan to stay for supper so that we can plan for food & seating arrangements.) Thank you.



Rebuilding Together Blitz Day is Saturday, April 25th.

Please sign up to help us help our neighbors in this one-day house rehab project. Check out the OLOS website for pictures from last year's Rebuilding Together project.

For more info, contact one of the following:

Walt Hayes (410-867-3569)
Angie Hunter (410-867-2066)
Fred Weis (410-741-1960)

Sign-up sheets will be at the church entrances. Details on the house project will be forthcoming.

Women's Guild Annual Family Bingo April 18th

Prizes for all ages
Advance Tickets \$10.00
Adult - \$5.00/Child (5-12)

Adult Admission includes 6 cards for each of 20 Regular Games

Child Admission includes 3 cards for each of 20 Regular Games

Advance Tickets: Call Ann @ 410-741-9370 or Jackie at 301-855-5362.

Doors & Snack Bar Open at 6:00 p.m.
Games Start at 7:00 p.m.

C.S.A.C. (The Catholic Single Again Council of Baltimore, Inc.)

Annual Single Again Conference in Columbia "How Do You Find Joy ... Changing Crisis to Opportunity", a day long conference for those who are separated, divorced, widowed or remarried will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2009 at Loyola College Graduate Center in Columbia, MD.

Workshops covering grief recovery, spirituality, relationships, intimacy and communications skills as well as complimentary holistic services will be offered.

Lynn Cassella-Kapusinski, a published author of children and divorce books, is available for

complimentary individual private time.

Visit www.singleagain.itgo.com,

Call 410-485-8313,

Email: SingleAgainCouncil@yahoo.com

Cost: \$40 early bird by April 9th; \$45 at door

Contact: Myra Fecteau (410-724-0073)

Mary Ann Leard (410-485-8313)

OLOS had 15 parishioners attend the Annapolis "March for Life" on Monday, March 9th. We are hopeful that the participation will increase each year, especially among the youth of our parish, in both the DC and Annapolis Marches for Life. Thanks to all who attended: Charlie Fink, Maria Luna, Noreen Hynes, Kathleen Hynes, Kelly Hynes, Pat Krautman, Gillian Krautman, Nolan Krautman, Kristin Couvillion, Amanda Galloway, Sarah Leitch, Victoria McDermott, Emily Thompson, Maria Lovechio and Trisha Mandrich.

Respect Life Committee

Red Envelope Project: The Baltimore Diocese has approved and is endorsing an effort that some of you may have heard of called the "Red Envelope Project". The project calls on people to mail out **on March 31st** red envelopes to the President Obama. The envelopes are empty, but on the back the envelopes is written the following words: *"This envelope represents one child who died in abortion. It is empty because that life was unable to offer anything to the world. Responsibility begins with conception."*

You'll find these envelopes at the end of your pews. Please take one home and **Put it in the mail on March 31st – The originator of this project adds:** "The hope is that millions of these envelopes will be sent to the White House. I wish we could send 50 million red envelopes, one for every child who died before having had a chance to live. Maybe it will change the heart of the president."
Warmly, Christ Otto

For more information on this project visit <http://www.redenvelopeproject.org>

Please continue to keep Dr Ferrar and the other abortionists in AA County in your prayers, and get them on any prayer lists that you have access to.



***Do you know someone hurting from
abortion...mother, father, sister, or friend?
Help save a life!***

***Rachel's Vineyard©
Healing the trauma of abortion
One weekend at a time***

Retreat Dates: May 1-3, 2009

Costs: \$150.00-\$200.00 per person (scholarship assistance is available)

**For more information,
visit www.project-rachel.net or call 1-800-286-4224.**

**National Rachel's Vineyard hotline is
1-877-HOPE-4-ME or visit
www.rachelsvineyard.org.**



Sister Mary Juliana O.P., principal of Cardinal Hickey Academy, is currently interviewing applicants for a part-time Spanish teacher for grades K-4.

For additional information, please contact the school office - phone: 410-286-0404 or 301-812-0404,
e-mail: chaadminassistant@comcast.net;
mail: Cardinal Hickey Academy, 1601 W. Mt. Harmony Rd, Owings, MD 20736.

What will your Response Be?

Are you a senior looking for your next step?
Are you an underclassman looking for summer opportunities?
Do you want to work for social justice?
You may now order your free copy/copies of Response 2009, a directory of full-time faith-based volunteer opportunities.
Contact Catholic Network of Volunteer Service (CNVS) to receive your free copy. Call toll-free at 1-800-543-5046 or email cnvsinfo@cnvs.org. Visit www.cnvs.org

Archbishop Spalding High School's Spalding Spring Sensation Auction & Dinner "Spalding Spirit—A Celebration of Red & White" April 4th, 2009 6:00 PM in their Athletic Center

Reservations are \$75 per person (includes Open Bar & Dinner)
Silent/Live Auction, Raffles & Games
Proceeds benefit Arts, Technology & Athletics
Preview their items at www.archbishopspalding.maestroweb.com
Attire: Casual, Red White



**Cardinal Hickey Academy's Shepherd's
Flock Preschool** is currently accepting registration applications for its 3 and 4-year-old programs beginning in September.

For additional information, please contact the school office – phone: 410-286-0404 or 301-812-0404,

e-mail: chaadminassistant@comcast.net;
fax: 410-286-6334;

mail: Cardinal Hickey Academy, 1601 W. Mt. Harmony Rd, Owings, MD 20736.

Catholic schools need your help! In an effort to provide a quality Catholic education to more than 300 students at the least possible cost, Cardinal Hickey Academy (the Catholic School affiliated with OLOS located in Owings, MD) is seek funds from outside sources.

Would you consider assisting with this effort by participating in our **Box Tops for Education Collection**, **Campbell's Labels for Education Collection**, **Escrip Recycling Program** or designating

Cardinal Hickey Academy (#50461) for your **United Way/Combined Federal Campaign** contribution.



You can find **Box Tops** on boxes of Betty Crocker products, General Mills, Kleenex, Ziploc Brand Bags, and many more items.



Campbell's Labels for Education-Clip the UPC

Have you been wondering what to do with those used printer cartridges, cell phones, laptops, and iPods? Each item brings much needed dollars to our school through the **eScrip program**.
Your pastor has been generous enough to allow Cardinal Hickey Academy to place a collection box for these items in the vestibule. You may bring any/all of your items to church and we will collect them each week. Thank you for your generous support of Catholic education!

Parish News

Religious Education News
 (Office # 410-867-1941 ext. 13)
 mchains@olos.us



FIRST COMMUNION NEWS: Practice is on Thursday April 2nd at 6:30 PM in the Church. First Communion is on April 4th at 10:00 AM. Children arrive at 9:00 AM. Please pray for the children and their families.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: Confirmation candidates will attend 9:00 AM Mass next Sunday, April 5th with their sponsors. After Mass they will make their stoles for Confirmation. Please pray for them also.

Anyone in grade 3 or above who would like to be an **altar server**, please attend the training on Tuesday, March 31st at 7:00 PM in the church. Email or call Mary Catherine Haines if you are planning to attend.

Plans are being made for **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** August 3-7. Many volunteers of all ages are needed. The first organizational meeting will be Sunday, April 19th at 11:30 AM in the hall. You can bring your children with you. Call or email Mary Catherine Haines for information or to sign up.

If your child will be entering Grades 6-8 in September and you are interested in a summer option for Religious Education, please call or email our office. The classes will be during the day in July. More information will depend on the interest.

A message from our Sister Parish, Transfiguration Catholic Community

Dear Fr. Mark & Community:

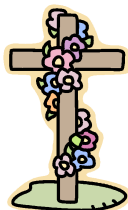
Your generous gift of over \$700 arrived here yesterday afternoon! I thank you for your thoughtfulness, concern, and support of our faith community here. We were three parishes that are attempting to come together as one faith community called Transfiguration. We are in the process of upgrading some of the facilities so the older parishioners can handle stairs and the like.

Your gift is most helpful.

Blessings on your ministry Father and may your shepherding be especially fruitful in this graced season.

Peace & Blessings, Fr. Roger White OFM Cap

Rest in Peace



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, benefactors, relatives, friends, members of the Armed Forces, for those who are most forgotten and for those who recently died; especially:

Helen Greenwell Cornwell

Soledé Frustuck (Mother of Nico Miano)

Olvina Merton (Wife of Adrian)

Benjamin Petska (Husband of the late Johanna Petska)

Last Week's Offertory: Attendance: 655
 Envelopes: \$4,631.00 Loose: \$1,874.25
 Poor Box: \$ 407.47 Easter Flowers: \$810.00
 March Parish Pay: \$7,560.33
 Building Fund: \$1,938.33
 Cemetery: \$ 50.00
 March EFT: \$2,500.50
 Building Fund: \$3,575.33
 Cemetery: \$ 100.00

FY 2008 Offertory (at this same time last year)
Goal: \$500,000



FY 2009 Offertory Progress to Date (Goal: \$550,000)



Ministry Schedules

Saturday
 (Palm Sunday)

L—S. Herndon
 S—B. Mead
 S—J. Mead



Palm Sunday, Apr 5,
 7:30 A.M.

L—E. Hollen
 S—E. Hook
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M—L. Giglio
 M—A. Hook
 M—E. Prout

Apr 4, 5:00 P.M.

M—J. Lyles
 M—J. McMillan
 M—Amy O'Regan
 M—Andy O'Regan

Adoration Every
 Tuesday 9 AM to 3 PM

Palm Sunday, Apr 5,
 9:00 A.M.

L—Teen Lectors
 S—C. Curtin
 S—J. Gillespie

M—P. Piluk
 M—R. Piluk
 M—B. Ruefley
 M—Mike Thompson

Pray the Rosary

*With Us After
 Daily Masses*



Palm Sunday, Apr 5,
 11:00 A.M.

L—Youth Lectors
 S—R. Mikules
 S—Jessica Thompson

M—C. Fink
 M—K. Sanders
 M—Eileen Thompson
 M—F. Weis

Mass Intentions

Mon, Mar 30, 8:00 A.M.: Special Intention
Tues, Mar 31, 10:30 A.M.: Mary Elizabeth Ogle †
Wed, Apr 1, 8:00 A.M.: Special Intention
Thurs, Apr 2, 10:30 A.M.: First Communion Candidates

Fri. Stations, Mass & Supper:
Apr 3, 6:00 P.M.: Special Intention

Sat (Palm Sunday),
Apr 4, 8:00 A.M.: Mark Deyette †
 5:00 P.M.: Francis Tiernan & Pete Simoni †

Palm Sunday,
Apr 5, 7:30 A.M.: Msgr. Smith † & Special Intention
 9:00 A.M.: Betty Hayes †
 11:00 A.M.: Mary Ellen O'Connor, Raymond Procopio & Mattie Doney †
 5:30 P.M.: Religious Education Students (SI)

Weekly Mass Intentions: Do you have someone you wish to remember with a Mass in their honor? Do you have a special intention you are praying for? Please call the parish office with your prayer petitions.