6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 14 & 15, 2009

This Week in our Parishes

Saturday, February 14th

3:00 pm, Cash Bash - OLMC 4:00 pm, Mass - SAS (+Robert Wolford)

Sunday, February 15th

Archbishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend 7:00 am, Mass - SAS (+Harvey Michael) 8:00 am, Mass - OLMC (+Robert & Roland Albert) 9:15 am, Religious Education Classes - TMS 9:30 am, Mass - SAS (+Bob Ridenour) 11:00 am, Mass - OLMC (L&D Parishioners) 1:00 pm, Secular Franciscan Order - OLMC 6:30 pm, Y.M. Music Practice - OLMC

Monday, February 16th

8:00 am, Mass –OLMC (+Dorothy Spittler) 9:00 am, Mom's Group Meeting – SASH 2:30 pm, Ballet Practice – SAS Upper Hall 3:00 pm, Eucharistic Adoration – OLMC 6:30 pm, Girl Scouts Meeting – SASH 7:00 pm, Liturgical Ministers Mtg. – SAS Church

Tuesday, February 17th

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+M/M William Ayre) 7:00 pm, Building/Grounds Co. Mtg. - OLMC 7:30 pm, KofC Family Social Night - OLMC

Wednesday, February 18th

No Morning Mass 6:30 pm, Handbell Practice – SAS 7:00 pm, RCIA – SAS Upper Hall

Thursday, February 19th

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Gail Turnbow) 6:30 pm, Choir Practice – SAS Church 6:30 pm, YOGA – SAS Upper Hall

Friday, February 20th

7:30 pm, Morning Prayers - OLMC 8:00 am, Mass-OLMC (+Sr. Peter Maria SSJ) 7:15 pm, SMAC! Meeting - SAS Schoolhouse

Saturday, February 21st

2:30 pm, Sacrament of Reconciliation - OLMC 4:00 pm, Mass – SAS (+Frances Seltzer)

Sunday, February 22nd

Archbishop's Annual Appeal Follow-Up Weekend 7:00 am, Mass - SAS (+Grace Leibold) 8:00 am, Mass - OLMC (L&D Parishioners) 9:15 am, Religious Education Classes - TMS 9:15 am, Confirmation Class - TMS 9:30 am, Mass - SAS (+Robert Seidel, Sr.) 11:00 am, Mass - OLMC (+Samuel Russo) 6:30 pm, Y.M. Music Practice - OLMC

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 21 & 22 Scripture Readings for Mass

First Reading ~ Isaiah 43:18-19,21-22,24b-25/80
Second Reading ~ 2 Cor 1:18-22
Gospel ~ Mark 2:1-12

Our Ministry of Prayer

Please remember in prayer the intentions written in our Book of Prayer located in each Church and the Parish Center entrance area. We also remember those persons who have requested prayers through the prayer chain.

Please remember in prayer the following parishioners who are homebound:

Marie Kreps Agatha Sicilia Alice Springer

Also, please remember the following parishioners in prayer:

Francis Bittle Dorothy Burkard Dick Cool Margaret Cornejo Jack Dillon Joan Fink Darrell Fitzgerald Ethel Fitzgerald Doris Glass Peggy Kauffman Veronica Kovalchek Jeanette Massena Rosemary McDermott Dolores Munafo Tony Newman Leslie Persse Rita Priest Charles Putman Mary Reckley Elfriede Ridenour Margaret Smith Mildred Smith Robert Smith Maddie Toth James Wivell, Sr.

For Prayer Requests

please call the Parish Office at (301) 447-2367 or Linda McCauley at (301) 271-7561.

Snow Policy for Weekday Masses

If schools are late or closed due to inclement weather, there will not be daily Mass that day.

Parishes 2009-2010 Catholic School **Tuition Assistance**

For parent/s and legal guardian/s requesting financial assistance, please contact the Parish Office (301) 447-2367 for specific information and the Tuition Assistance Application. considered, the fully completed Tuition Assistance Application must be received in the Office no later than April 15. Necessarily, the overall determining factors of awards are the level of funding, number of applications received, and the varying degrees of need.

General Eligibility Requirements for Assistance:

- a. Officially registered member of parish.
- Parent/s or legal guardian/s of child/ children are contributing, supporting and active members of Parish.
- c. Parent/s or legal guardian/s receive and use on a regular basis Church Offering Envelopes.

High School Youth Ministry Events

- Feb 13-15 Mount 2009!
- March 1 Youth Mass & HSYM Meeting 9:30 am SAS. Celebrate Mass with your friends and join us in the Red Schoolhouse after Mass for a High School Ministry Meeting. Food, fun & Friends until 1:30 pm.
- March 27 Living Stations OLMC Come and share your talents. We need readers,

actors, musicians and behind the scenes people. Join us at the Fish Fry in the Parish Center after stations.

Contact Lori Carter at 301-271-4050 or kpltcarter@comcast.net for more info.

Youth Ministry Music Practices

for students in grades 6 - 12 are held Sunday evenings 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the OLMC Parish Center.

Upcoming practices are scheduled for:

February 15 & 22, March 22 & 29 A Pizza social will follow the practices.

Peace & Social Justice Committee

an education and action ministry

To volunteer or participate in any activities, please contact Deacon John Hawkins at (301) 271-2194 or JHawkins@archbalt.org.

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you." John 15:12

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who supported St. Jude Research Hospital Children's by purchasing carnations January 31st and February 1st. We raised \$155 in one weekend for the hospital!

Carrie Ruppert

Mother Seton School Upcoming Event

Saturday, February 21

Mardi Gras Casino Night - 7:00 to 11:00 pm Mother Seton School Gym

Tickets \$25/person in advance or \$35 at the door Table sponsorships are available for \$250. Donations of merchandise, gift certificates or services are greatly appreciated. Games include:

> Black Jack, Roulette, Texas Hold'Em, Music, Refreshments, Prizes.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 301.447.3161 or visit

www.mothersetonschool.org.

Please Join Us

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 $^{S}_{M}\,^{A}_{C}\,Youth\,\,Ministry\,\,News$ All 6th, 7th and 8th grade parishioners are invited to the next SMAC meeting on Friday, February 20th from 7:15 to 8:45 pm in the old Schoolhouse at St. Don't miss the fun, food and friends! Anthony's. For information call Mike Miller at (301) 271-9871.

S_MA_C! Calendar of Events

- **Feb 20 SMAC Meeting** 7:15 pm SASH
- Feb 27 Praise & Worship–7:15pm SAChurch
- Mar 13 SMAC Meeting 7:15 pm SASH
- Mar 20 Ice Skating 8 pm Skate Frederick
- Mar 27 Living Stations 7 pm OLMC

Welcome to our Newest Member

Tanner Eugene Shorb, son of D.J. & Sarah Shorb, Baptized February 15.

Baptismal Preparation Classes

Congratulations to all new parents.

If you are planning to have your baby baptized, please contact the parish office to register for the baptismal preparation class. Parents and godparents are invited to attend. The next class will be **Sunday, March 8, at 1:00 pm** at **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel** in the *church*. The class is expected to last about one hour. If you have any questions, please call Barbara at the parish office (301) 447-2367.

Liturgical Ministers Meeting Monday, February 16, 2009 7:00 pm St. Anthony Shrine

All liturgical ministers are invited to a meeting regarding updates to liturgical procedures and a refresher training. Altar servers need not attend. Music ministers will not be directly impacted but are invited to attend if they wish. If you have any questions call Barbara.

Attention catechists, youth ministers, liturgical ministers, parents/guardians!

Worthy of the Call 11th Annual Central Maryland Formation Day

Saturday, March 14, 7:45 am - 3:30 pm Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg.

Keynote, prayer and workshops and, new this year, Capstone session with Bishop Rozanski Walk-Ins Welcome!

www.centralmdcatholic.org/formationday

Treat yourself to a day of spiritual renewal at the Mount!

Mark Your Calendars

- Feb 16 Liturgical Min. Training 7 pm SAS
- Feb 17 KofC Social Night 7:00 pm OLMC
- Feb 24 Shrove Tuesday Supper–5pm OLMC
- Feb 25 Ash Wednesday Masses 8:00 am OLMC and 7:00 pm SAS
- Mar 3 Bring Your Own Craft–1 pm SASH
- Mar 8 Baptismal Preparation 1 pm OLMC
- Mar 24 Parish Penance Service 7 pm SAS

New Emergency Number *for our parishes* If the parish office is closed and you have an emergency that requires you to contact someone immediately, please call Barbara at (301) 875-4957.

Why Catholic? 3rd Year with Continuing Focus on Commandments and Beatitudes

Sign up at all Masses on February 21/22. Decide now to participate in the second half of the 3rd year of the WC Program focusing on the Commandments and the Beatitudes. This Lent we will continue exploring the Ten Commandments (and the Beatitudes) as sources for moral wisdom and as blueprints for living the Christian life. Contact your Group Leader if you are returning.

At whatever level of your understanding the Commandments and the Beatitudes it is worthwhile for you to participate in our Small Group Sessions! The Tri-fold 'Why Catholic' Brochure located near the entrance to Church explains the Program in greater detail. Contact anyone listed on the Brochure or Skip Bush at (301) 271-4762 to answer your questions. Please commit to this six-week Lenten Phase by filling out a Sign-up sheet and placing it in a collection basket or dropping it off at the office if you are new to the Program.

Note: The Why Catholic 3rd Year Text provides all the guidance necessary.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekend of Feburary 7 & 8, 2009		
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel		
Attendance		219
Envelopes	(94)	2,349.00
Loose		675.00
Total		3,024.00
Poor Box		36.20
Catholic Relief Services		533.00
St. Anthony Shrine		
Attendance	-	376
Envelopes	(72)	1,668.00
Loose		548.56
Total		2,216.56
Poor Box		233.18
Catholic Relief Services		458.01

From Barbara...

"Do everything for the glory of God." That's what we hear in today's second reading and certainly it's what Jesus' whole life was about. What is your whole life about? Do you do everything for the glory of God? I wish I could answer yes to this question for myself but I know that I often slip and don't even think about God in some of my actions. Take time this week to focus on what you do and how it contributes to building up the kingdom for God's glory.

"Do everything for the glory of God." This is also the main focus of the Archbishop's homily that we all heard today and the theme for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. We have the opportunity to participate in the appeal making whatever contribution we can to join with those of the whole archdiocese. Even a small gift will make a difference. Giving to the appeal helps support Archdiocesan and parish programs. We benefit from these programs in many ways. I hope you will consider giving whatever you can to help.

"Do everything for the glory of God." We have many adults, teenagers, and children who are preparing to be confirmed, receive their first communion or be fully initiated into the Catholic Church. Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they come to the last few weeks of their preparation. We will have many celebrations during the Easter Season.

May God continue to bless us all.

Mount Group Seeking Items for Trip to Belize. In May, the Mount St. Mary's University Outdoor Adventure Group, with the Mount's Office of Community Service, is traveling to Belize to build churches in the Mayan Highlands. They are collecting First Communion outfits (dresses and pants etc.) to give to the children in the villages where they will be working. To donate, please contact Linda Sherman at 301 447-5366 or Isherman@msmary.edu

Annual Catholic Appeal 2009 A Time for Reflection

This week, you are asked to review the Archbishop's Annual Appeal (formerly, Archbishop's Lenten Appeal) tabloid that you received last week with your bulletin. The theme of the campaign is: "Do everything for the glory of God... (1 Cor. 10:31-11:1)

The Annual Appeal campaign is much different than a onetime special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift, payable over ten months.

A significant gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. The Annual Appeal provides an important portion of the budget of the Archdiocese of Baltimore. Most dioceses in the country conduct an appeal, once a year, to help with the costs of providing services and programs to their parishes and people. The Archdiocese of Baltimore is no exception.

As you review the work enabled by your contribution to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to our parishes, to the Archdiocese, and to the work of the Church throughout the world should be given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our Archdiocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Archdiocese to deliver needed ministry and services. Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our Archdiocese.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses this weekend and the following weekend.

Our parishes receive 25% of each dollar raised until we reach our goal for St. Anthony is \$18,472 and Our Lady of Mount Carmel is \$14,649. Then, we receive 50% of the additional funds received. As we have in the past, this year, we will commit our parish rebates to our sister parish in Haiti.