

# Second Sunday of Advent

December 4 & 5, 2010

# This Week in our Parishes

## Saturday, December 4th

2:30 pm, Sacrament of Reconciliation - SAS 4:00 pm, Y.M. Mass - SAS (+Mark, John & Johnny Carson)

5:00 pm, CTC Night - SASH

# Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>

Advent 2 Second Collection – Buildings & Grounds

7:00 am, Mass – SAS (+Andrew Zienda)

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 (+Chad Williams)

11:00 am, Mass – OLMC (L&D Thomas & Sprecher Families)

#### Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup> Eat at Rocky's Day

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Frances Seltzer)

9:00 am, Mom's Group Mtg. - SASH

2:00 pm, Eucharistic Adoration – OLMC

7:00 pm, AA Meeting – SAS Upper Hall

#### Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Elfriede Ridenour)

8:30 am, Thurmont Ministerium Meeting

1:00 pm, Bring Your Own Craft - SAUH

7:30 pm, KofC Meeting - OLMC

## Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> Immaculate Concept.

8:00 am, Mass - OLMC (L&D Parishioners)

6:30 pm, Handbell Practice - OLMC

7:00 pm, RCIA - SAS Upper Hall

7:00 pm, Mass – SAS (L&D Mbrs of Bob & Dot

Maze Family & Katherine Beard)

8:00 pm, Choir Practice - SAS

#### Thursday, December 9th

8:00 am, Mass - OLMC (+Mary Gladys & Morris Berstler)

6:30 pm, Choir Practice - SAS

6:30 pm, YOGA – SAS Upper Hall

#### Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

7:30 am, Morning Prayer - OLMC

#### Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup> Continued

8:00 am, Mass - OLMC (+Carrie, Clayton & Will Creager)

7:00 pm, SMAC! Praise & Worship – SAS Church

### Saturday, December 11th

10:00 am, First Reconciliation Mtg. - OLMC 4:00 pm, Mass - SAS (+George & Ruth Martins)

#### Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup> **Advent 3**

Second Collection – Retired Religious

7:00 am, Mass – SAS (+Sally Shields)

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 (L&D McLoughlin/Williams Families)

11:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Carroll Little)

1:00 pm, Secular Franciscan Order - OLMC

3:00 pm, Boy Scouts (Tigers) - SASH

6:30 pm, Y.M. Music Practice - OLMC

#### **Third Sunday of Advent December 11 & 12**

#### **Scripture Readings for Mass**

First Reading ~ Isaiah 35:1-6a,10/7 **Responsorial**  $\sim 146:6-7.8-9.9-10$ Second Reading ~ James 5:7-10 Gospel ~ Matthew 11:2-11

# 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.

Also, please remember the following parishioners in prayer:

Betty Burdick JoAnn Cannada Linda Cavey Kathleen Cekic Kathy Cogan Dick Cool

Grace Crotts Denise Ferguson John Fink Jimmy Glass Doris Glass Jamie Hill

Mary Jack Lloydann Kauffman Jeanette Massena Rosemary McDermott

Tony Newman Dolores Munafo Ed & Helen Reaver Mary Reckley Francis Smith Diane Shockey Margaret Smith Robert Smith Carroll Wivell Joe Wivell, Sr. Lorraine Wivell Al Zienda



# For Prayer Requests

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

# ConnecTeen Catholics (CTC)

CTC Night - Saturday, December 4, 5 to 8 pm Join us at SAS Schoolhouse after 4:00 Mass for Food, Fun, Faith and Friends! Girls bring desserts, guys bring drinks.

For information on High School Youth Ministry
Events or to volunteer contact:

Lori Carter (301) 271-4050 kpltcarter@comcast.net.

# Workcamp 2011

Workcamp is a week-long service trip where parish teens will join other high school students to repair the homes of

the poor and needy. **Workcamp** will be held in **Winchester, VA** from **June 25** to **July 1, 2011**. Deposits are needed ASAP. Available slots will fill up soon. Questions? Contact Mike Miller (301) 271-9871, Lori Carter (301) 271-4050 or Deacon John Hawkins (301) 271-2194.

# S A ! Youth Ministry News

**Praise & Worship – Friday, Dec 10, 7-8 pm** SAS All middle school students are invited to SMAC's Praise and Worship. Come celebrate Advent, enjoy some beautiful songs and praise God!

For information call Mike Miller at (301) 271-9871

# 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:

December 12 & 19

A Pizza social will follow the practices.

# Saint John's Catholic Prep High School Placement Test (HSPT) Saint John's Catholic Prep Saturday, December 11, 2010 8:30 AM Registration / 9:00 AM Testing \$30 Testing Fee

Catholic Prep is Saint John's а Catholic. coeducational college preparatory high school located at 889 Butterfly Lane in Frederick, Maryland. Students currently enrolled in an Archdiocese of Arlington or Washington school take the high school placement test at their middle school; students do not need to take both tests. All other interested 8th grade students are required to take this placement test. Prospective students can also visit Saint John's online at www.saintjohnsprep.org or call the school at 301-662-4210 for more information.

# **Peace & Social Justice Committee**

an education and action ministry

#### December

22<sup>nd</sup> Casseroles for FRM due date

To volunteer or participate in any activities, please contact Deacon John Hawkins at (301) 271-2194 or <a href="mailto:JHawkins@archbalt.org">JHawkins@archbalt.org</a>.

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



# **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, January 9, at 1 pm** at **Saint Anthony Shrine** 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.

# Grotto of Lourdes

**Emmitsburg, MD** 

Everyone welcome to:

**December 8, 12:30 pm** Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception

**December 19, 3:30 pm** Advent/Christmas Music and Sing-along, Recitation of the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary and Blessing of the Nativity Scene

# **Mark Your Calendars**

- Dec 6 Eat at Rocky's Day
- Dec 7 Bring Your Own Craft 1 pm SAUH
- Dec 8 I.C. Feast Day Mass 8 am OLMC
- Dec 8 I.C. Feast Day Mass 7 pm SAS
- Dec 14 Parish Penance Service 7 pm SAS
- Dec 19 Live Nativity 5 pm OLMC
- Dec 21 KofC Christmas Dinner
- Dec 22 FRM Casseroles Due
- Dec 24 Christmas Eve Mass 4 pm SAS
- Dec 24 Christmas Eve Mass 4:15 pm OLMC
- Dec 24 Christmas Eve Mass 9:30 pm SAS
- Dec 25 Christmas Day Mass 9:30 am OLMC
- Dec 31 Solemnity of Mary Mass 5 pm SAS
- Jan 3 Eat at Rocky's Day
- Jan 4 Bring Your Own Craft 1 pm SAUH
- Jan 8 Christmas Concert/Potluck 5 pm SAS

# Adopt-A-Family

This season is time when we are more conscious of those who are not as fortunate as we are. Seton Center has provided us with 4 families for this year's Adopt-a-Family program. You can help us reach out to some of our needy families by taking one or more of the ornaments in the back of St. Anthony Shrine and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church and Parish Center. They have family needs listed on them as well as a family code #. Be sure to take the ornaments with you in order to avoid duplicates. Return your gifts with boxes, wrapping paper, and receipts (for returns, if necessary). Also, please return the information ornament with the package.

# All gifts should be returned by Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>

If you have any questions, please call (301) 271-4099.

# Advent Penance Service Tuesday, December 14, 7:00 pm St. Anthony Shrine



#### **Christmas Memorials**

If you wish to remember your loved ones during the Christmas season, donations for our Christmas

decorations can be made by using the envelope provided in our packet of offering envelopes. Additional envelopes are in the back of the church. Please return the envelopes via the offertory collection by **Sunday**, **December 19**<sup>th</sup>. A listing of those remembered will be published in our bulletin for December 25 & 26. Thank you.



# **Decorating for Christmas**

Many are needed and invited to help decorate our churches for Christmas. Watch for dates and times in upcoming bulletins and plan to join with fellow parishioners in preparing our worship spaces for this holy season.



# Live Nativity

All are invited to our **Live Nativity** at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel on **Sunday**, **December 19 at 5:00 pm** on OLMC front lawn. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served afterwards.

#### Volunteer Needed

to do the linens at St. Anthony's one time every four weeks. If you are interested or for more info, please call the parish office at (301) 447-2367.



# Free Food Pickup

Everyone welcome – for all in need

Monday, December 6, 10:00 am–4:30 pm

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

Thurmont, MD

# **Adult Faith Formation**

# Total Consecration to Mary

Fr. Frederick Miller and the Legion of Mary at Mount St. Mary's Seminary will be giving a series of talks about the Blessed Mother. They will also provide the necessary instruction to those interested in preparing for the Total Consecration to Mary according to St. Louis Marie de Montfort. Wednesday, Dec. 8 - Total Consecration to Mary at MSM's Seminary chapel.

#### **November's Poor Box Allocations**

The following charities received contributions from our poor boxes this month:

Seton Center	\$400.00
Catholic Charities	\$100.00
Interfaith Housing of	\$550.00
Western Maryland	
Total Donations for November	\$1,050.00

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

#### Weekend of November 27 & 28, 2010

# Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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Attendance		207	
Envelopes	(65)	1,431.00	
Loose		478.00	
Total		1,909.00	
Poor Box		27.70	
November Bldgs & Gro	ounds	998.50	
Thanksgiving		246.00	
St. Anthony	Shrine		
Attendance	<u> </u>	396	

# Attendance 396 Envelopes (74) 2,165.00 Loose 833.85 Total 2,998.85 Poor Box 174.82 November Bldgs & Grounds 1,533.01

411.00

Thanksgiving

# From Barbara...

Sometimes we have to be shocking to get our point across. The best communicators have a "hook" to capture people's attention. John the Baptizer was a shocking character. He lived in the desert, ate strange things, and shouted about the coming of the Holy One. He was preparing the people for the coming of the Messiah. He was wholly committed to this endeavor and knew that he needed to live what he proclaimed. "Prepare ye the way of the Lord." Take time this week to be aware of how you are preparing the way of the Lord and how you are helping others along the same path.

This week we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. This great feast celebrates the conception of Mary without original sin. Mary under the title of the Immaculate Conception is the patron of our country. I hope that you will join us for Mass as we honor the Blessed Mother.

Join us at Rocky's on Monday for dinner or any time to help our parishes. Tony & Tina have generously agreed to give us 15% of sales with the coupon that's in today's bulletin. There's a group that meets at 6 pm to have dinner but the food is good at Rocky's all the time. This is an easy way to make a contribution to our parishes and to have a great time.

May God continue to bless us all.



Mount St. Mary's Seminary invites you to an **Open House** on Sunday, Dec. 5 from 2 to 4 pm. Tours every 20 minutes.

Refreshments and holiday cheer for all ages!

Also join us for Holy Hour from 4 to 5 pm in The Chapel of the Immaculate Conception with Advent Lessons and Carols from 5 to 5:30 pm.

We hope you can join us for this festive afternoon.

There is no cost to attend.

Please RSVP: Mary Anne Shields at shields@msmary.edu or 301-447-5017

Emmitsburg Council of Churches
Representatives Needed
The Emmitsburg Council of Churches is an organization that provides an opportunity for the churches in the Emmitsburg area to work together to provide various opportunities for the local community. The membership is made up of the pastoral leader and 2 representatives from the parish who meet 6 times a year for approximately 2 hours. St. Anthony Shrine needs 2 new representatives. The current reps have served for over 5 years. If

you are interested or have questions, please call

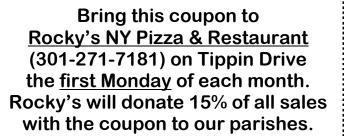


Barbara at the parish office.

Do you have any pictures of the interior of St. Anthony Church? We are looking for any pictures of the interior of St. Anthony's church. If you

have pictures from weddings, baptisms, first communions, Easter, Christmas, or any pictures please bring a copy to the parish office. If you don't have a copy, we can scan it into our computer and return the picture to you. If you leave the picture please make sure there is information for us to be able to return it to you. Also if you can date the picture as to when it was taken it would be helpful. Please bring all pictures to the parish office. Thanks for looking through those old boxes of pictures for what treasures you might have.

Support
Saint Anthony Shrine &
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Parishes by eating at Rocky's!



Eat at the restaurant, carry-out, or have it delivered.

Have fun & support the parish!