

This Week in our Parishes

Saturday, April 16th

10:00 am, First Eucharist Parent/Child Mtg. - SAS 2:30 pm, Sacrament of Reconciliation - OLMC 4:00 pm, Mass – SAS (L&D Parishioners)

Sunday, April 17th Palm Sunday

7:00 am, Mass – SAS (+Mary E. Shields)

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Mary Ellen Fink)

9:15 am, Religious Education Classes – TMS

9:30 am, RCIA Retreat - SAS

9:30 am, Mass – SAS (+Chad Williams)

11:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Becky Topper)

1:00 pm, Secular Franciscan Order - OLMC

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

7:00 pm, ECC Lenten Service – Presbyterian Ch.

Monday, April 18th

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Hilton Kissner)

9:30 am, Mom's Group Mtg. - SASH

2:00 pm, Eucharistic Adoration - OLMC

6:30 pm, Choir Practice - SAS

7:00 pm, AA Meeting - SAS Upper Hall

Tuesday, April 19th

8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Joan Joyner) 6:30 pm, K of C Social Night - OLMC

Wednesday, April 20th

No Morning Mass FRM Casserole Due today 7:00 pm, RCIA – SAS Upper Hall

Thursday, April 21st Holy Thursday

No Morning Mass

7:30 pm, Mass – SAS (L&D Parishioners)

Friday, April 22nd Good Friday

No Morning Mass Parish Offices Closed 3:00 pm, Stations of the Cross – OLMC 7:30 pm, Liturgy – OLMC Parish Center

Saturday, April 23rd

10:00 am, RCIA Preparation Rite - Basilica 12:00 pm, Blessing of Food – OLMC Church 8:00 pm, Easter Vigil – SAS (L&D Parishioners)

Sunday, April 24th Easter Sunday

Second Collection – Easter Offering
7:00 am, Mass – SAS (+Frances Seltzer)
8:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Mildred Smith)
9:30 am, Mass – SAS (+Valentin Rocca)
11:00 am, Mass – OLMC (+Rosemary Niehaus)

Easter Sunday April 23 & 24

Scripture Readings for Mass

First Reading ~ Acts 10:34a,37-43/42
Responsorial ~ Ps. 118:1-2,16-17,22-23
Second Reading ~ Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel ~ John 20:1-9

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:

Frances Bittle Dorothy Burkard
Ethel Fitzgerald Peggy Kauffman
Rita Priest Mary Reckley
Agatha Sicilia Alice Springer

Also, please remember the following parishioners in prayer:

Scott Bush
Kathleen Cekic
Chuck Comer
Grace Crotts
John Fink
DoAnn Cannada
Carol Comer
Dick Cool
Denise Ferguson
John Firor

Jimmy & Doris Glass Jamie Hill Mary Jack Lloydann Kauffman Cate Krietz Jeanette Massena Dolores Munafo Tony Newman Rachel Patrick Ed & Helen Reaver Mary Reckley Jennifer Ruttinger Harley Ruttinger Diane Shockey Francis Smith Margaret Smith Carroll Wivell Robert Smith Lorraine Wivell Al Zienda



For Prayer Requests

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

Rice Bowls for Haiti

Rice Bowls are available to use in your homes during Lent. Donations will be sent to Haiti as part of our commitment to St. Martin dePorres..

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**, **May 15**, **1:00** pm at **Saint Anthony Shrine** in the *church*.

ConnecTeen Catholics (CTC)

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. Questions? Contact Mike Miller (301) 271-9871, Lori Carter (301) 271-4050 or Deacon John Hawkins (301) 271-2194.

Upcoming Workcamp Meetings are scheduled for the following Sundays at 7:00 pm in SAS Schoolhouse: May 15, June 12

SMC! Youth Ministry News

SMAC! Meeting - Friday, May 6, 7:15 - 8:45 pm in the old Schoolhouse at St. Anthony's. All **6**th, **7**th and **8**th grade parishioners are invited. Don't miss the fun, food and friends!

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:

April 17 and May 22
A Pizza social will follow the practices.

Food Bank Needs

Since Christmas donations to the food banks of both Thurmont and Emmitsburg have dropped off but the

need for food has continued to increase. Please consider picking up a few extra items the next time you go to the grocery store and bringing them to church for the

food bank. They are in need of everything except corn or green beans. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Peace & Social Justice Committee

an education and action ministry

April

20th Casseroles for FRM due date

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

Easter Memorials

If you wish to remember your loved ones during the Easter season, donations for our Easter decorations can be made by using the envelopes provided in our packet of offering envelopes. Additional envelopes are available in the back of the church. Please return the envelopes via the offertory collection by Palm Sunday, April 17th. A listing of those remembered will be published in our bulletin on Easter Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.

Divine Mercy Celebration Sunday, May 1, 3:00 pm Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church The Celebration includes:

- † The Divine Mercy Chaplet
- † Divine Mercy Litany
- † Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- † Benediction

All are welcome!



Easter Basket Program

Our parishes have received information from Seton Center on three local families for this year's Easter Basket Program.

Items needed are:

Sweet Potatoes Peas Carrots Salad Dressing Potatoes (5lb bag) Dinner Rolls/Bread Cranberry Sauce Celery **Onions** Fruit Drinks Dressing (stove top) Cake or Pie Canned Pineapple Slices Coffee or Tea Fresh Fruit Creamer and Sugar Nuts Easter Candy

Grocery store gift cards would also be appreciated so families can buy a turkey or ham and other perishable foods for their Easter dinner. Please leave donations in the box in the back of the churches and parish center.

Deadline for donations is Sunday, April 17th.

Foot Washing

We need **12 people** to have their foot washed at the Holy Thursday celebration. Don't be shy! Sign-up sheets are in the back of all churches this weekend.

Confirmation Celebration Sat. 4/30/11, 4:00 pm Mass

Bishop Mitch Rozanski will celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with 26 young members of our parish, their sponsors and families at the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday, April 30. All are welcome to join us for the special celebration.

Note: There will be a larger number than usual in attendance at this Mass. Please make your plans accordingly and thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.



Our next **Blood Drive** will be held on Monday, April 25 in Our Lady of Mt. Carmel's Parish Center from 2:00 - 8:00 pm.

Call Terri Allen at (301) 271-7872 to make an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome.

All-You-Can Eat

Community Country Breakfast Sunday, May 15, 7:30 am to 12:00 noon

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Center Cost: \$6 for adults, \$3 ages 4-10, Free 3 and Under

Mother Seton School Events

2011 2012 Registration Open at Mother Seton School. Pre-K and Kindergarten Interviews and Shadow Days are now being scheduled. Enroll now - Students are accepted in the order in which their application is received. Come experience affordable. faith and family centered education in a vibrant, Christ-centered community that provides academic excellence; affordable tuition with financial options; bus transportation; before & after school care; and individualized attention. For an application and tour (301) 447-3165 or development@mother setonschool.org. Mother Seton School, Creamery Road, Emmitsburg, MD. Cherishing the past, Building the future...One life at a time.

Yard Sale/Flea Market

First and Third Sundays of the SALEmonth from May through October at St. Anthony Shrine.

Set up is \$10 per spot.

For more information, call Leo at (240) 539-2737.

V.I.P. Day

(Vocations in Progress) for Young Men in High School and in College Monday, April 18, 2011

- Ever wonder what it was like to be a priest? - Have you seen the inside of a seminary? - Trying to figure out what you want to do with the rest of your life? - Do you look good In black?

The day will include:

Tours of Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg and Saint Mary's Seminary in Baltimore

- Lunch -

Tour of the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen - Dinner -

Attendance at the Archdiocesan Chrism Mass Personally greet Archbishop O'Brien after Mass

For more information, contact the Vocations Office: (410) 547-5426. vocations@archbalt.org.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekend of April 9 & 10, 2011

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Attendance		229
Envelopes	(88)	2,190.00
Loose		1,651.08
Total		3,841.08
Poor Box		113.82
Catholic Relief Serv	ices	486.80

St Anthony Shrine

St. Anthony	<u>Snrine</u>	
Attendance		354
Envelopes	(73)	2,038.00
Loose		533.05
Total		2,571.05
Poor Box		161.08
Catholic Relief Service	es	695.90

From Barbara . . .

Palm Sunday; the beginning of Holy Week; a time of reflection before the great celebration of the Triduum. Today's Gospel is so rich with the story of Jesus' Passion. It begins with Jesus entering Jerusalem with great fanfare and ends with his death and burial. How did it turn around so quickly? Imagine yourself as a participant in today's gospel. As a member of the crowd hailing Jesus as he enters Jerusalem, your emotions are overflowing as you wave palm and shout "Hosanna." As Judas your fear leads you to betray the one you have followed and loved for several years. But do you really mean for Jesus to die as a result of your betrayal? As one of the Apostles your excitement at celebrating the Passover together in Jerusalem, the holy city, is so powerful that you can't imagine it getting any better than this. Your confusion as Jesus tells you what is to come: "your faith in me will be shaken." Then, walking to the Garden of Gesthemane and being present when Jesus is arrested is very disturbing and frightens you. As Peter, secretly following Jesus after his arrest, you find yourself confronted by others as "one of them" and denying the one who has called you "the rock." As Pilate you are trying to release someone whom you believe to be innocent but, because of your political ambitions, you are not able to deny the crowd what they obviously want, the crucifixion of Imagine the surprise of Barabbas, a notorious prisoner, when he was released; or the slyness of the chief priests plotting to get rid of the obvious troublemaker, because Jesus was criticizing them for their hypocrisy. As Mary, the mother of Jesus, your heart is full of fear, horror, and grief as your son is tortured and killed. As Simon of Cyrene you are forced to help carry the cross and are not only inconvenienced by being interrupted with what you were doing but also afraid that you might get caught up in the frenzy of the crowd. There are so many people that I can identify with in this gospel story and it helps me when I read it to become part of it. Take time this week to reread the Gospel account of the Passion. Pray with it as you journey through this week to Easter.

Please remember to return the CRS rice bowls. All of the money collected from the rice bowls will be sent to our sister parish in Haiti for the school lunch program. It's a great way to reach out to those who need our help.

I hope that you will be able to join us this week for the great celebration of the Triduum on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. Fr. John Lesnick will be presiding on Holy Thursday and at the Vigil. Bishop Rozanski will be leading us in prayer on Good Friday. Please note all the details elsewhere in the bulletin.

May God continue to bless us all, especially during this Holy Week.

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Marriage, Divorce and Annulments from a Catholic Perspective

The Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Baltimore will be giving a presentation in our area concerning divorce and annulment from the Catholic perspective. This presentation will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and any others who may have a vested interested because of family or friends. This session will be held on **Thursday, May 5**, at **7:00 pm** at **St. Katharine Drexel, Frederick, MD** in the Media Center. No prior registration is required. For further information, please call (410) 547-5533.

Saint John's Catholic Prep 889 Butterfly Lane, Frederick, MD

Invites you to their **Spring Open House on Wednesday, May 4, 6:00 – 7:30 pm**. This is a great way to tour the campus, meet the students, faculty, and staff.

- * 100% College Applicant Acceptance
- * AP & Honors Courses
- * 9:1 Student to Teacher Ratio
- * Boys' & Girls' Varsity Athletic Programs/Clubs To learn more about the school, please call (301) 662-4210 or e-mail admissions@saintjohnsprep.org.

Mark Your Calendars

- Apr 17 ECC Lenten Serv. 7 pm Presbyterian
- Apr 19 KofC Social Night 6:30 pm OLMC
- Apr 21 Mass of Lord's Supper 7:30 pm SAS
- Apr 22 Good Friday Stations 3 pm OLMC
- Apr 22 Good Friday Liturgy 7:30 pm OLMC
- Apr 23 Blessing of Food 12 pm OLMC
- **Apr 23 Easter Vigil** 8:00 pm SAS
- Apr 25 Blood Drive 2 pm OLMC
- Apr 26 Finance Committee Mtg. 7 pm SAS
- Apr 30 Confirmation Celebration 4 pm SAS
- May 1 Divine Mercy Celebration 3pm OLMC
- May 2 Eat at Rocky's Day all day
- May 3 Bring Your Own Craft 1 pm SAUH
- May 9 Tuition Assistance Mtg. 7 pm SAUH
- May 10 ECC Meeting 7 pm Trinity UMC
- May 15 Country Breakfast 7:30 am OLMC
- May 15 Flea Market 8 am SAS Pavilion
- May 15 Baptismal Prep 1 pm SAS
- May 17 KofC Social Night 6:30 pm OLMC
- May 24 Pastoral Council Mtg. 7 pm OLMC
- May 25 FRM Casseroles Due
- Jun 4 Volunteer Appreciation Picnic 5pm SAS