WEEKLY SCHEDULE

| Weekday Mass | Mon - Sat / 8:00 AM | Sun., Oct 6th | 8 AM Mass / 11 A |
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| Vigil Mass | Sat / 4:00 PM | Sun., Oct oth | Time |
| Sunday Mass | 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM | Mon., Oct 7th | 8 AM Mass / AA |
| Miraculous Medal Novena | Mon after 8:00 AM Mass | Wion., Oct 7th | O THVI TVIASS / TH |
| Holy Day of Obligation | Vigil / 7:00 PM | | 8 AM Mass / 9AM 10 AM Breathe Y |
| | Holy Day / 8:00 AM & 7:00 PM | Tue., Oct 8th | |
| Sacrament of Reconciliation | Sat / 3:00 PM - 3:45PM | | |
| | | " | 8 AM Mass / Dia |

Baptism: Contact the Rectory to make arrangements for preparation classes.

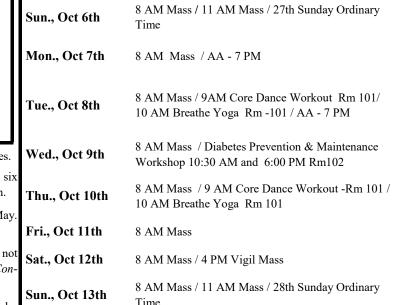
SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Marriages: Arrangements for preparation classes must be made at least six months before the wedding date. Contact the Rectory for more information.

Youth Christian Formation: Sessions are held September through May Contact the Rectory for more information.

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA): Contact the Rectory if you have not yet received all Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Eucharist, and Con

Sacrament of the Sick: Contact the Rectory concerning Parishioners wh





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EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, LECTORS, AND ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

OCT 12-13, 2019 **Weekend Mass Eucharistic Ministers** Lectors **Altar Servers** 4:00 PM Patty Pflieger + Bruce Hansford / Michael Hansford Lynn Young / Dorothy Carter 8:00 AM +Karlena Somerville / Keith Somerville Jr. Evelyn Poole / Verginia Richardson Kylie Amiger / Chloe Amiger 11:00 AM Pam Pearson / Raquel Gordon Vanessa Holley + Victoria Selden Bernice Selden / Maria Angel (+ cross bearer)

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27th Week Ordinary Time

| | Exodus 20, 1-17 | Deuteronomy 5, 6-21 |
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| VII. | You shall not steal | VII. You shall not steal |

Today we will seek information from the 1983 Code of Canon Law and from the Decree on Mass Stipends from the Congregation for the Clergy (1991). We will see a new word, 'simony': the selling of sacred or of spiritual things. We ended last week by wondering about the amount of a Mass Offering. Because the Mass Offering is from the heart of the faithful, (when done with the proper intention), the amount of the offering cannot be stipulated. For some people no monetary offering is possible. For others, a small offering represents a huge act of self-denial. Likewise, a large Mass Offering may fulfill the wishes of the heart of a devout Christian. The Code of Canon Law has 14 canons (or laws) regarding Mass Offerings. These fourteen canons remind us of the beauty of the fruits of the Mass. Anyone can request that an intention be remembered at Mass - anyone: Atheist, Buddhist, non-Catholic Christians, poor, rich, child, or adult, simply anyone! The priest recognizes the greatness of the grace of God in the Eucharist for all creation. The priest does not distinguish between a large and a small offering, between a child or an adult, etc. But the Church does set a limit on how much of a Mass Offering a priest may keep for himself. The Archdiocese of Washington substantially provides for the priests through a salary that comes from the offertory. No priest in this Archdiocese needs additional money to provide for personal needs. For this reason I refuse to accept Mass Offerings or any sacramental offering. The Decree on Mass Stipends from the Congregation for the Clergy (1991) writes, "The Holy See has always followed...this pious tradition with attention and with opportune interventions...in order to prevent or correct any eventual abuses." According to Canon 952 of the Code of Canon Law the bishops of a province are to decide the amount acceptable for "the offering to be given for the celebration...of Mass, and a priest is not permitted to seek a larger sum." When the offering is larger than the acceptable amount then the priest must send the difference to the bishop of the diocese. (See Canon 951) The Decree on Mass Stipends from the Congregation for the Clergy (1991) writes: "To diocesan bishops in particular falls the duty of promptly and clearly making known these norms....That the faithful should also be instructed in this matter through specific catechesis is also necessary." The Decree identifies four "main points" of this matter: 1) "the deep theological meaning of the offering", 2) "the goal to prevent the danger of scandal through the appearance of buying and selling the sacred", 3) "the ascetical importance of almsgiving", and 4) "the sharing of goods which...contribute to the support of the ministers and the fulfillment of the Church's apostolic activity." A final sentence from the Decree will end our discussion: "Because the matter [of Mass Offerings] directly affects the Most Blessed Sacrament, even the slightest appearance of profit or simony would cause a scandal."

INVITATION TO INITIATION

Are you fully initiated into the church? Have you received all the Sacraments of Initiation— BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST? For further information, please contact the rectory at 301-336-3344 or any RCIA team member.

| Earl Adams | Vincent Bruzzeze | Willie Jacobs | Michael A. Lucas | John A. Swann | Alice Wilson |
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Please help us keep our records updated by contacting the Rectory concerning parishioners who are hospitalized, ill at home or would like to have Sacrament of the Sick or the Eucharist brought to their home.

FINANCE REPORT

WEEKLY COLLECTION: September 29,2019

| Offertory | \$ 2,800.31 |
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| Building & Maintenance | \$ 41.00 |
| All Souls | \$ 25.00 |
| All Saints | \$ 5.00 |
| Catholic University | \$ 20.00 |
| World Mission | \$ 5.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 2,896.31 |

COUNTERS' SCHEDULE

October 13, 2019 So Team 4
Please contact Jackie Harris for more information.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The fundraising committee will meet on Monday, October 14, 2019 at 7 PM in the rectory.

MENTOR RECRUITMENT

On October 19th and 20th Felicia McLean the Reentry Coordinator for the Archdiocese of Washington will be addressing the congregation. She is seeking mentors for those individuals seeking reentry into society.

DAILY READINGS

For the week of October 6, 2019

| Sun. | Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 / Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 / 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 / Luke 17:5-10 |
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| Mon. | Jonah 1:1-2:2,11 / Response Jonah 2:3, 4, 5, 8 / Luke 10:25-37 or Acts 1:13-14 / Response Luke 1:46-47, 48-49, 50-51, 52-53, 54-55 / Luke 1:26-38 |
| Tues. | Jonah 3:1-10 / Psalm 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8 / Luke 10:38-42 |
| Wed. | Jonah 4:1-11 / Psalm 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10 / Luke 11:1-4 or 2 Corinthians 6:4-10 / Psalm 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 / Matthew 5:13-16 or 2 Corinthians 4:1-2, 5-7 / Psalm 96:1 -2, 2-3, 7-8, 10 / Luke 5:1-11 |
| Thurs. | Malachi 3:13-20b / Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6 / Luke 11:5-13 |
| Fri. | Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2 / Psalm 9:2-3, 6 & 16, 8-9 / Luke 11:15-26 or Ezekiel 34:11-16 / Psalm 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 / John 21:15-17 |
| Sat. | Joel 4:12-21 / Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 / Luke 11:27-28 |
| Sun. | 2 Kings 5:14-17 / Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 / 2 Timothy 2:8-13 / Luke 17:11-19 |

MASS INTENTIONS

11 AM Nicole Darby White

Attention Parish Organization chairpersons: Please submit your events/activities dates and request for Omega Room/classrooms for September 2019 through August 2020 to the rectory office. Thank you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Gospel Reading: Like 17:5-10

Jesus teaches the apostles the importance of faith and service to God. (Loyola Press)

Our participation in God's plans is God's grace to us—nothing more, nothing less. When we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards. And yet, our faith enables us to believe that what we have offered in service to God, as his servants, can be made to produce a hundred fold.

Saint Ignatius of Loyola Prayer of Generosity

Eternal Word, only begotten Son of God,

Teach me true generosity.

Teach me to serve you as you deserve.

To give without counting the cost,

To fight heedless of wounds,

To labor without seeking rest,

To sacrifice myself without thought of any reward Save the knowledge that I have done your will.

Amen

St. Margaret's Achievers Toastmasters—Youth Leadership Program

The St. Margaret's Achievers (SMA) Toastmasters Club will host its annual Youth Leadership Program (YLP) at St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church. This program is a great opportunity for children 11-17 years old to improve their communication skills, and will give them more confidence in communicating with their peers and in speaking before an audience. There will be eight (8) consecutive sessions beginning on Friday, October 11, 2019 to Friday, December 6, 2019 from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm (October 11, 18, 25; November 8, 15, 22 December 6. The Graduation Banquet will take place on Saturday, December 7, 2019 from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm.

For more information please contact Portia Morris at 240–463-5697 or Pierrette Michel at 301-257-9022

HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Children of the Knights of Columbus members of Maryland Councils are eligible to apply to both the Grossman and O'Brien Scholarships. All other Catholic students are eligi-

ble to apply for he O'Brien Scholarship. Go to www.kofc.md.org, select programs, then High School Scholarship Program. Application period is from October 1, 2019 to February 1, 2020.



FROM THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Council gives a special thank you to Sonia Dockery and her Committee for putting together a wonderful parish picnic on Sunday September 29, 2019. Your effort, organization, and thoroughness were outstanding in providing this occasion for our parishioners. We also acknowledge and thank everyone who contributed in some manner to make our parish picnic a very enjoyable success

WWW. WELL WOMEN WITNESS RETREAT

WWW: Well Women Witness is a full blown women's retreat conducted by Sr. Dr. Oralisa Martin and a team of Catholic women. WWW is based on "The Samaritan Woman at the Well" (John 4:1-40). Over 500 women have encountered Jesus Christ at the Well. Many have returned to WWW 3Xs, 5Xs, some 10Xs. Comments from recent surveys say: "This is my 7th time! Each time I get higher and high-

er!" Sr. Oralisa, you dealt with issues I was struggling with. I am asking Jesus to continue this ministry, and bring others as my friend invited me." "I had to be here!" "I could have lost it!!" "Thank God!"



Date: Sat., October 26th 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Mass

Cost: <u>\$65</u> (Fr. Damian apologizes for not announcing the fee at mass. If you are unable to pay the fee, you can withdraw your registration.)

Place: St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church 410 Addison Road S. Capitol Heights, MD 20743.