

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 16, 2007

Sunday, September 16

7:30 am Maria de Castro
9:00 am Ely Vargas
10:30 am Demetiro & Delfin Garcia
12:00 N Maria Divoff

Monday, September 17, St. Robert Bellarmine

7:15 am
12:00 N Eloisa Salas & Fernando

Tuesday, September 18

7:15 am
12:00 N Robert Awalt

Wednesday, September 19, St. Januarius

7:15 am Burke Family
12:00 N Margaret Mary Missar

Thursday, September 20, Andrew Kim and Companions

7:15 am
12:00 N Charles Sudro

Friday, September 21, St. Matthew

7:15 am Micahel Kitun
12:00 N Genaro & Daniel Garcia

Saturday, September 22

7:15 am Dorothy Seuling
5:00 pm Dolores Granados (L)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Mary Ellen Trimble, Richard Cernak, Virginia Batte, James Blake, Josephine Moran, Eve Atkinson, Robin Moriyah Colaine, Barbara Spillinger, Doris Arnold, Bertha Glotzbach, Michael Kiley, Eleanor Levy, Alice Mague, Catherine Poore, Mary Yancey, Elizabeth Schumacher and all who are ill and confined to hospitals and homes.

SICK CALLS: Please notify the rectory of any sick, homebound or those hospitalized so that we may arrange to bring them the Eucharist or the Sacrament of the Sick.

NEW PARISHIONERS: If you are new in the area, you are encouraged to register with the parish. Registration forms are available at all the entrances of the Church or from the Rectory Office. Completed forms may be returned by dropping them in the Sunday collection basket, mailed, or brought to the Rectory. Please let us know if you are relocating or moving away by dropping a note or calling the Rectory Office.

CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY PROGRAM: Deacon Robert Whitaker continues the weekly Bible study program on Monday evenings at 7:30 pm in the Library. This is for Catholics and non-Catholics who want to deepen their faith and/or learn more about the teaching and tradition of the Church. All are welcome. Bring your Bible with you.

INSTRUCTION IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH: Instruction classes begin on **Sunday, September 16** and will continue on a weekly basis until **Easter**. Class will be held on **Sunday morning**. These classes are for **unbaptized adults** and **baptized non-Catholics** who wish to inquire concerning the Catholic Church. **Baptized Catholics** who have **not received first communion**, who have **not been confirmed** or who have **not been to confession** in a long time are also urged to attend. **Fully initiated Catholics** who wish to **renew** and **deepen** their faith are cordially invited as well.

Please contact Deacon Whitaker, at (202) 966-6288 ext. 13, if you have questions or wish to register.

THE MOTHERS' GROUP: at St. Ann's Parish is for all moms and moms-to-be. Make new friends. Discuss experiences. Provide mutual support. Meetings are held **every Tuesday** at 10:30 am in the Collins Room. Children are welcome! If you want more information about the Mothers' Group, please call Deacon Whitaker, (202) 966-6288, ext. 13.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS, on the second Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the parish library. These classes can be taken before the birth of the child.

FAMILIES GROUP OF ST. ANN'S: Interested in building a stronger community of families with children at St. Ann's? Please join us. Activities include the 9:00 am Family Mass and Children's Choir every Sunday; a Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9:00 am Mass on the first Sunday every month, followed by coffee and donuts in the gym; family movie nights; spaghetti dinners; and outreach to those in need in our community. Please contact Ray Boshara or Lora Iannotti at 202-237-8053 or boshara@newamerica.net to join or for more information.

St. Ann's Spiritual Life Institute: Will be offering a four-week program on **Our True Life in Christ with Henri Nouwen and Vincent Van Gogh** on Tuesday, September 18, 25 and October 2 at 10:00 am and at 7:30 pm on Friday, September 21, 28 and October 5 at 10:00 am. Please call Sister Mary Madden at (202) 966-6288, ext. 15, for further information.

It has just become easier to make contributions to St. Ann's Church. Parishioners may now contribute on our website at www.stanndc.org using Paypal or may authorize St. Ann's to debit your bank account simply by requesting our "Monthly Offering Direct Debit Authorization Form". Please call the Parish Office at (202) 966-6288 to request this authorization form or if you have any questions regarding this procedure.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekend of Sept. 08/09, 2007.....	\$7,768.52
Last year this date.....	\$9,419.00

Support the Church in Africa: Next weekend September 22-23, our parish will take up a special collection for the Church in Africa-the fastest growing and poorest part of our family of faith. The Church in Africa needs our support to strengthen pastoral outreach, catechetical programs, Catholic school, evangelization, and education of seminarians and clergy. Please be generous with this special collection for the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa.

ST. ANN'S PSR BEGINS: St. Ann's Parish School of Religion (PSR) begins this Sunday from 10:10 - 11:10 am at the Academy. We welcome all of our new and returning students and catechists for another great year. Please keep our PSR community in your prayers this year as they strive to learn more about the truth and beauty of our Catholic faith. If you would like to enroll your child in St. Ann's PSR program this year, please contact the DRE.

Dear C.S. Lewis Aficionados: This year St. Ann's would like to host a C.S. Lewis study group on Sunday mornings in the Awalt Room between Masses. We are currently looking for volunteers to lead these 5-6 week book discussions. The schedule is as follows: The Screwtape Letters in the fall (10/14-11/11), The Great Divorce this winter (1/6-2/10) and Mere Christianity in the spring (4/6-5/11). Please contact Dori Belmonte at dre@stanndc.org or (202) 966-6288 ext. 16 if you are interested in leading one of these study groups.

Victims of the Darfur Crisis: Parishioners, who wish to help relieve the suffering of the victims of the Darfur crisis, may find out how to do so on the U.S. Bishops' website, www.usccb.org/sdwp/sudancrisis.shtml.

Day Program – Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Wednesday, September 19th: This program will be directed by Fr. Thomas Ferguson. **Day Program – The Transformative Power of Centering Prayer, Friday, September 21st, from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm.** This program will be directed by Father Bill Sheehan, OMI. For more information, please call Dominican Retreat at (703) 356-4243 or go to www.dominicanretreat.org.

Family Planning Class for September 2007: Introductory class on the Billings Ovulation Method of Natural Family Planning will be offered on **Tuesday, September 25** at 8 PM at the Natural Family Planning Center, 8514 Bradmoor Drive, Bethesda, MD. Reservations are required. Phone 301-897-9323. Instruction is free, but a donation of \$25.00 for materials and follow-up is requested if possible.

Live-in Experience Vocational Retreats: Attention prayerful Men! The following religious communities are offering free Live-in Vocational retreats. Learn about these exciting vocations firsthand. These retreats are very popular so make your reservations soon. There is no cost but space is limited.

- Dominican Washington, DC, Nov. 19-21
- St. Anselm Abbey Washington, DC, Oct. 19-21
- Capuchins of St. Augustine Philadelphia, PA, Sept. 28-30 & Nov. 2-4
- Conventional Franciscans Baltimore, MD, Oct. 11-14 and Nov. 15-18
- Fathers of Mercy South Union, KY, Oct. 19-22
- Gethsemani Abbey Trappist, KY, Oct 1-8 & Oct. 12-14

For more dates and information, call toll free 1-800-221-1807.

Open Wide the Doors to Christ! How can you do it? Enroll in EPS for a deeper understanding of your faith. EPS, located on the campus of Trinity (Washington) University, offers courses that integrate Scripture, theology and practical application of the faith, as well as opportunities for liturgy and spiritual growth. The day program presents **God's People: Covenant and Community**, an introduction to Catholic interpretation of Scripture focusing on the Old Testament, Tuesdays, thru October 30th, from 9:30 am-2:15 pm. Mass and lunch are included. The evening program will present **Liturgy: The Heart of Catholic Evangelization**, a history of Catholic liturgy and principles of liturgical planning and practice, Tuesdays, thru October 16th, from 7-9:15 pm. Optional evening prayer begins at 6:40 pm. EPS practices Gospel economics and relies solely on donations. For more information, contact Ann Kitterman at (202) 884-9030 or kittermana@trinitydc.edu.

Medical Ethics Lecture: Edmund D. Pellegrino, M.D., chair of the President's Council on Bioethics, will deliver a free lecture entitled, "From Covenant to Contract: The Erosion of Medical Ethics," Tuesday, September 18th, at 6:30 pm, at the National Press Club, 529 14th St., NW, Washington, DC (Metro: Metro Center, 13th and F Streets exit). Dr. Pellegrino is a professor of

medicine and adjunct professor of philosophy at Georgetown University. He has served as president of The Catholic University of America, director of the Center for Clinical Bioethics, head of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics and director of the Center for the Advanced Study of Ethics at Georgetown. Sponsored by the John Carroll Society. For more information, call (301) 229-1171.

All Irish Need Apply Ladies AOH: The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians will start its meeting season! If you are interested in your Irish heritage, culture and Catholic faith contact Peggy Dee at (301) 927-0690 for more information. The Ladies of DC Division 5 meet at Holy Family Church in Mitchellville and Ladies DC Division 9 meets at St. Raphael's in Rockville, MD. For more information on the AOH (men) contact George Rogers at (301) 805-1775.

Enthusiastic Pro-Life Volunteers needed to work in the Gabriel Office! Join the Gabriel Network on Thursday, October 4, 2007 for a GN Orientation Night. We are seeking individuals who have heart for helping women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy. In this session you will learn about the Gabriel Network and how you can be instrumental in the accomplishment of our mission. A light dinner will be served at 6:30 pm, followed by an orientation session from 7:15 to 8:30 pm. Please to RSVP at (301) 262-9011 no later than Friday, September 28th to reserve your seat.

El Pregonero, the Archdiocese of Washington's Spanish-language newspaper, will hold a Job Fair on October 13th, from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm, at St. Camillus, 1600 St. Camillus Drive, Silver Spring, MD. This is a great opportunity to find a job as well as an ideal occasion for companies to promote their services to the public. Sponsorship and booth opportunities are available. For additional information, please contact Steve Stedman at (202) 281-2424, Irieska Gutierrez at (202) 281-2406 or Laurie Enceneat at (202) 281-2409.

Families of 8th graders: Fall is the time to apply to a Catholic High School. Catholic High Schools emphasize strong academics, faith, values and service and offer enriching activities such as athletics, art, music and cultural events. Please see your principal or parish catechetical leader in September to obtain a directory profiling the various schools. You may also visit www.catholicsschoolswork.org for a schedule of open houses, links to high schools' websites and other information.

St. Ann's Academy

The new school year has begun! This year we have an enrollment of 223 students with over 50 new families. The diversity of the student body is reflective of the Washington, DC, metropolitan area. We have families from Kenya, Spain, Portugal, Peru, Brazil, Viet Nam, China, as well as from California, Virginia, and Maryland. St. Ann's traditional education and excellent reputation attract families from many different areas. Several new teachers have joined the staff. During the next few weeks the parish will be introduced to them with a brief biography.

Thank you for your interest and continued support.

Please remember to save your Box Top Labels and Campbell Soup Labels.

For more information, please visit www.stannsacademy.org or call the office at (202) 363-4460, ext. 1.