

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 3, 2008

Sunday, February 3

7:30 am
9:00 am Gerardo Agoo
10:30 am Aloysius T. Genau
12:00 N Pablo Morales

Monday, February 4

7:15 am Special Intention
12:00 N Charles Tasnadi

Tuesday, February 5, St. Agatha

7:15 am
12:00 N Juditha de Castro

Wednesday, February 6, Ash Wednesday

7:15 am Special Intention
9:00 am

12:00 N Rosalia Ramirez

6:45 pm

Thursday, February 7

7:15 am Special Intention
12:00 N

Friday, February 8, St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine Bakhita

7:15 am

12:00 N

Saturday, February 9

7:15 am
5:00 pm Edward F. Moeller

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Leta Cavalea, Jane Glick, Jane Lydon, Willie Leftwich, 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.

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 began in **September** 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.

St. Ann's Spiritual Life Institute: Will have a four-week program on **The Journey to Peace: Way of the Cross With Joseph Cardinal Bernardin** on Tuesday, February 5th at 10:00 am and at 7:30 pm; on Friday, February 8th at 10:00 am. Please call Sister Mary Madden at (202) 966-6288, ext. 15, for further information.

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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekend of Jan. 26/27, 2008..... \$7,589.39
Last year this date \$7,069.54

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.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February

General: That the mentally handicapped may not be marginalized, but respected and lovingly helped to live in a way worthy of their physical and social condition.

Missionary: That the Institutes of Consecrated Life, which are so flourishing in mission countries, may rediscover the missionary dimension and, faithful to the radical choice of the evangelical counsels, be generous in bearing witness to and announcing Christ to the ends of the earth.

Stations Of The Cross: The Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday evening during Lent, beginning Friday, February 8th at 7:00 pm, through March 14th. Please plan on joining us as we contemplate Our Lord's Passion in preparation for Easter.

"**The Light Is On For You**" is an archdiocesan initiative to allow all Catholics to avail themselves of the sacrament of reconciliation. Confession is a wonderful opportunity to set aside our sinful ways and to draw closer to our Lord. Confessions will be held every Wednesday during Lent from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in every Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Washington.

Saint Ann's Youth Group will hold its Third Annual Lenten Retreat: On Sunday, February 10, 2008 from 1:00 to 6:00 pm in the Undercroft - Dinner included! We will welcome back our dynamic Retreat Leader, Ann Marie Cribbin. The theme will be "Christ is the Center of our Lives". Please join us and don't forget to invite your friends! For further information, or to RSVP, please contact Susie and Ted Hirt at (202) 244-4739.

Sing Out for Shelter Concert. The 16th annual "Sing Out for Shelter" Concert, hosted by the Augmented Eight, will be held at the Metropolitan Memorial United Methodist Church, 3401 Nebraska Ave., N.W., on Saturday, February 9th, at 8:00 pm. This concert will benefit Community Council for the Homeless at Friendship Place, Christ House, and Metropolitan House. Tickets start at \$15 (children under 12 are free); for more information and tickets, please contact Julie Butner at CCHFP: (202) 364-1419, ext.19.

Open Wide the Doors to Christ! Enroll in EPS for a deeper understanding of your faith through courses integrating Scripture, theology and practical application, and opportunities for liturgy and spiritual growth. **Jesus, Our Lord and Redeemer**, an introduction to the mission of Jesus through the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, will be presented from 9:30 am– 2:15 p.m., Tuesdays, February 12th - April 8th. Time for Mass and lunch is included. **Speaking God's Word**, an examination of the Prophetic literature of the Old Testament and how it shaped God's covenant with his people, will be presented from 7 – 9:15 p.m., Tuesdays, February 5th – 26th. Both courses are offered on the campus of Trinity (Washington) University, 125 Michigan Ave., NE. Prayer begins at 6:40 pm. Please contact Ann Kitterman at (202) 884-9030 or kittermana@trinitydc.edu.

Catholic Alumni Club of Washington, DC: CAC invites single Catholic, ages 21 and over, who are free to marry in the Church, to a Valentine's Day Dance on Saturday, February 9th from 8:30 pm to 12:30 am at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 9707 Rosensteel Avenue, Silver Spring, MD. Admission for the dance is \$15 for nonmembers and \$10 for members. For more details about the dance, please contact George McCabe at (703) 768-4243 (georgemccabe@usa.net) and for more information about CAC go to <http://www.dcsinglecatholicpro.org>.

Saint Ann's 2008 Easter Drive: St. Ann's Parish is pleased to offer delicious gourmet chocolates, Easter Eggs and Bunnies from Helen Grace Chocolates. Just in time to fill your Easter Baskets! Individual assorted chocolates are also available, for just a \$1.00 each! You may purchase your Easter Eggs and Bunnies for yourself or if you wish, to share with your family and friends. Please contact the Parish Office to request an order form. Forms may also be picked up in the church. Please don't forget to attach payment with your order form and have checks made payable to St. Ann's Parish. There will be a box available in the main entrance of the church for order drop-offs; orders may also be dropped at the Parish Office. The last day to have your order processed will be February 10th. Your Easter Chocolates will be ready for pick up at the rectory beginning March 7th or after Sunday Masses, thereafter upon request. This purchase is Tax-Free and all participants will be entered in a drawing for a gift basket from Innisbrook Wraps, valued at \$150.00! St. Ann's Church earns 50% profit on each item. The proceeds of all sales will benefit the Monsignor Awalt Scholarship Fund to assist students who attend/would like to attend St. Ann's Academy. Your support is greatly appreciated and will make a difference in a child's life! Please contact Ruth Chavez at the Parish Office at (202) 966-6288, ext. 10 for any questions.

The 2008 St. Ann's Academy Gala Celebration will be held Saturday, March 8, 2008 at Columbia Country Club in Chevy Chase, MD. Please visit www.stannacademy.org for updates or to purchase tickets on our [Gala](#) page! Also you may purchase your ticket in advance, by contacting the Gala Committee at (202) 363-4460 Ext. 523. Admission ticket price is \$100 and raffle tickets are also \$100.00. All proceeds will go to the programs and activities of St. Ann's Academy. The drawing for this raffle will take place at the Gala. You need not be present to win. Odds in Winning: 1 in 300.

Saint Ann's Academy

We continued the long-standing tradition of celebrating Catholic Schools Week, which was from Sunday, January 27th through February 1st. The theme this year was "Catholic Schools Light the Way." There is a world of good to recognize in our Catholic school students. At St. Ann's Academy we provide the opportunity for our students to be formed totally: spiritually, intellectually, physically, and emotionally. Centered in Jesus Christ, life is viewed as a moral and spiritual journey. The CYO Basketball Teams embody the spirit of St. Ann's. Congratulations to our CYO Basketball Teams who played in the 2008 Georgetown Prep Tournament. Our Varsity Team, seventh and eighth grade boys, placed eighth out of thirty-two schools. They are coached by Charles Howard and Joel Espinoza. The Junior Varsity, our sixth grade boys, placed fourth and won the Consolation Trophy. They also won the Sportsmanship Award out of the sixteen schools in the Junior Varsity Division. They are coached by Brian Stover and Charles Howard. A special award was given to Brandon Peel, an eighth grade student. Brandon was given the All Tournament Award. This is given to the player who shows skills and sportsmanship that are a credit to the team. Brandon was selected from among 320 players. We are very proud of our student basketball players and the coaches for exhibiting the skills, sportsmanship, and desire to do their best. We also are very appreciative of the coaches who help us guide and teach our children. Several activities were planned during Catholic Schools Week. On Sunday the St. Ann's Academy choir sang for the 9:00 am Liturgy and the children handed out thank you notes to you. Your support and love of St. Ann's Academy is very appreciated by all of the students and their parents. On Monday and Tuesday we held two open houses for prospective parents. They were well attended and as of now we have over 25 new applications for next year. On Wednesday several eighth grade students together with two teachers and one parent chaperone participated in an NCEA-sponsored activity on Capitol Hill. The day provided a unique opportunity for our students to speak with members of Congress and their staffs about the values of Catholic education. The rest of the student body played bingo in the afternoon and we had great fun. On Thursday the fourth grade students performed the "Wax Museum" for their parents. The children selected a famous person in history and gave an oral presentation on their life and accomplishments. After the performance, refreshments were served to the audience. Parents also helped to celebrate the devoted, talented faculty and staff at St. Ann's Academy with a Teacher Appreciation Luncheon. The parents provided room coverage so that the teachers could eat together. In the afternoon we had two assemblies. Diane Macklin, a storyteller of traditional tales, performed "The Journey: tales of Africa and America." Friday was a wonderful day. In honor of St. Ann, the Grandmother of Jesus, we honored our grandmothers. The tea was held in the gym and grandmothers, grandfathers, and any special person in the student's life may visit their classes. One grandmother's birthday was recognized when she turned 85.

Thank you for your continued support and please continue to collect Box Tops for Kids and Campbell Soup Labels. For further information, please contact the school office at (202) 363-4460, ext. 1.

If you are not currently receiving envelopes but now wish to receive them, or if you wish to receive a year-end receipt for your contributions, please call Ruth Chavez in the Rectory Office at (202) 966-6288, ext. 10. These statements are now available. Thank you for your ongoing support of your parish.