

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 20, 2008

Sunday, January 20

7:30 am Adi Lapornik
9:00 am Bernice Blackburn
10:30 am
12:00 N Janet Mencher

Monday, January 21, St. Agnes

7:15 am
12:00 N Charles Tasnadi

Tuesday, January 22

7:15 am Special Intention
12:00 N Thomas and Emily Brewer

Wednesday, January 23

7:15 am Special Intention
12:00 N Berta Salas & Family

Thursday, January 24, St. Francis de Sales

7:15 am Special Intention
12:00 N

Friday, January 25, Conversion of St. Paul

7:15 am
12:00 N

Saturday, January 26, St. Timothy and St. Titus

7:15 am
5:00 pm

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK, especially, Jane Lydon, Willie Leftwich, Jessie Cowles, 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 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.

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 have a four-week program on **The Journey to Peace: Way of the Cross With Joseph Cardinal Bernardin** on Tuesday, January 22nd, 29th, and February 5th at 10:00 am and at 7:30 pm; on Friday, January 18th, 25th, February 1st and 8th at 10:00 am. Please call Sister Mary Madden at (202) 966-6288, ext. 15, for further information.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekend of Jan. 12/13, 2008..... \$7,810.01
Last year this date \$6,607.80

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.

PSR Back To Basics Test #2: The second PSR Back to Basics Test of the year will be on Sunday, January 27th during St. Ann's PSR classes. If you need a study sheet for a particular grade level, please contact the DRE at (202) 966-6288, ext. 16.

St. Ann's Mass Class: There will be a class on the traditions and articles used in the holy sacrifice of the Mass on Saturday, January 26th at 9:30 am in the Church. The priest will explain to adults and children the reasons behind why we do what we do at the Mass. All are welcome and encouraged to attend and learn more about the practice of their Catholic faith.

Coffee with C.S. Lewis: This winter we will read **The Great Divorce**. This is one of Lewis' best! Its' about heaven, hell and purgatory and why human beings might not choose heaven when given the chance. We will meet for 5 Sunday mornings January 27th, February 3rd and 10th from 10:10-11:10 am in the Msgr. Awalt Room at St. Ann's Academy. Just bring the book, and read the first 3 chapters for the first class. Pick up a flyer for more details or contact the DRE at dre@stanndc.org or call (202) 966-6288, ext. 16 if you have any questions. All are welcome!

Youth Group Retreat: The Youth Group will hold its third annual Lenten Retreat on Sunday afternoon, February 10th, in the

Undercroft. We will welcome back our Retreat Leader, Ann Marie Cribbin. Please save the date - more details in the next bulletin.

Souper Bowl of Caring. The Youth Group will be raising money, as in the past, during this annual national charitable event, to occur after the Masses the weekend of February 2nd and 3rd. We hope parishioners will contribute \$1 (or more!) for the benefit of So Others Might Eat, which feeds the hungry in our city.

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.

Separated and Divorced Catholics (SDC) of the Archdiocese of Washington will hold a meeting in Rockville, MD at 7:30 pm on Sunday, January 27th at St. Elizabeth's Church. For additional information, please contact Jackie at (301) 515-3273 or go to www.rc.net/washington/sdc.

January – Poverty Awareness Month: Almost one-third of the children, who live in our nation's capital, live in poverty. Within the District of Columbia, 32.6% of the children live beneath the poverty guidelines. Throughout the area served by the Archdiocese of Washington, some 73,625 of children below 18 live in poverty. To learn more, visit www.PovertyUSA.org – sponsored by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, 301-853-5341.

On behalf of the Spanish Catholic Center and the participants of our Food Program, we would like to express our sincere appreciation for the very generous donation of food from St. Ann's Parish and St. Ann's Academy Families during the Christmas Season. The Food Program at the Spanish Catholic Center provides supplementary food assistance to approximately 60 families each week, as well as emergency food assistance on a case-by-case basis. Your generosity directly affects the lives of families who cannot regularly afford wholesome and nutritious food. We look forward to working with the parishioners of St. Ann as spring approaches and our food pantry begins to run low. Thank you for helping us to continue this ministry of service to the poor.

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 and for your convenience orders will additionally be taken after the 9:00 am Mass on Social Sunday, February 3rd. 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.

Saint Ann's Academy

St. Ann's Academy recognizes the importance of parental involvement in all school activities. Our Home and School Association's primary purpose is to provide support and enrichment to St. Ann's by sponsoring, organizing and volunteering for various school-wide educational, social and community activities and events for our children. Within the HSA, is the Room Parents Group. Each grade from preschool through eighth has a room parent. These room parents are invaluable to the success of St. Ann's. They work with the teachers in all aspects of our school activities. These activities include a fantastic Halloween Party, two junior high dances, bingo night, the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, Grandmother's Tea, International Day, First Communion, Spring Fling, and the kindergarten and eighth grade graduations. Our parents give their time and energy to support their children and our wonderful school.

SAVE THE DATE!

The 2008 St. Ann's Academy Gala 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.

Through your generous effort and kind support, we are able to provide a faith-driven education. Thank you and may God continue to bless you!! For additional information, please contact the school office at (202) 363-4460, ext. 1.

All Gifts That You Itemize As A Tax Deduction Must Be Supported By A Check Or A Receipt: New tax rules that became law on August 17, 2006, require that for any taxpayer who wishes to itemize his or her charitable deductions, a deduction may be taken only if the taxpayer has a "bank record" (usually a check) or written communication from the donee organization, showing the name of the organization and the date and month of the contribution. For donors who itemize their deductions, these rules should be taken into account immediately. Our parish records all gifts made through our envelope system. We can provide each parishioner who uses envelopes with a complete record of his or her donations after the end of the calendar year. In order for the parish to provide you with this record, you must give by check or by using envelopes. If you wish to give cash but have forgotten your envelope, clearly print your name and address on an envelope so that we can give you credit for your gift. **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.**

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JANUARY 21ST IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN LUTHER KING'S BIRTHDAY. HAVE A NICE AND SAFE HOLIDAY!!!