

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 25, 2010

THIS WEEK'S READINGS, FOR YOUR PERSONAL PRAYER

Sunday	Apr. 25	Acts 13:14,43-52	Psalm 100:1-5	Rv. 7:9,14-17	John 10:27-30
Monday	Apr. 26	Acts 11:1-18	Psalm 42:2-3,43:3-4		John 10:1-10
Tuesday	Apr. 27	Acts 11:19-26	Psalm 87:1-7		John 10:22-30
Wednesday	Apr. 28	Acts 12:24-13:5	Psalm 67:2-8		John 12:44-50
Thursday	Apr. 29	Acts 13:13-25	Psalm 89:2-3,21-27		John 13:16-20
Friday	Apr. 30	Acts 13:26-33	Psalm 2:6-11		John 14:1-6
Saturday	May 1	Acts 13:44-52	Psalm 98:1-4		John 14:7-14
Sunday	May 2	Acts 14:21-27	Psalm 145:8-13	Rv. 21:1-5	John 13:31-35

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Archbishop O'Brien informed us all that Archbishop Borders died Sunday, April 19, 2010, around 10:00 AM, at the age of 96. Archbishop Borders was installed as the 13th Ordinary of the Archdiocese on June 26, 1974. To get to know the priests and people of the Archdiocese, he went to each Region of the Archdiocese to celebrate Mass with them, and stayed to meet personally all who wished to introduce themselves. This introduction to the Archdiocese exemplified his motto, "*ascultabo ut serviam*" (I will later listen so that I may serve). Archbishop Borders allowed himself more time for pastoral ministry and facilitated communication by dividing the Archdiocese into three vicariates with a vicar bishop over each. He also reorganized Central Services, naming cabinet secretaries to oversee administrative work; clarified and strengthened the role of the Archdiocese Council; and combined the Board of Consultors and the Senate of Priests to form the Priests' Council to advise him on priestly and pastoral matters.

The Archbishop was always concerned about his priests and people. Often he would call a parish to say he would come that weekend to take a Mass and meet the people. He even "filled in" for me by saying weekend Masses so I could go on vacation when he heard I could not find any priest who was free to help.

As Archbishop O'Brien said, Archbishop Borders' "gentle demeanor, indefatigable spirit and steadfast faith" make it easy to see why was so beloved and respected. Bishop Malooly also described Archbishop Borders very well, saying, "No matter what difficulties he would face, he was always happy, upbeat, and optimistic. His faith was so strong nothing would get him down. He was always joyful."

I invite you to go to the Archdiocesan website, www.archbalt.org, to view the video and see some of the Archbishop's writings.



Questions for Reflection: Next Sunday's Readings

1. In the 1st Reading, Paul and Barnabas prayed and fasted for leaders in the Church. Are you willing to pray and fast for the leaders of the Church and your parish? What concrete steps can you take to support your pastor and his work?
2. The Psalm sings of the graciousness, mercy, and kindness

of God. Share the ways in which you have personally experienced these graces. How can you show your appreciation for God's graciousness, mercy, and kindness?

3. In the 2nd Reading, we hear that the "old order has passed away" and God is making "all things new." What old patterns of behavior are you holding on to? What steps can you take to allow God to replace them with "new" patterns?

4. In the Gospel, we are told that "all will know you are my disciples, if you have love one for another." What do you think these words mean? Why is "love" the identifying characteristic of a Christian? For whom in your parish, or at your workplace, should you show more love?

LET US JOIN IN PRAYER THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN EMBRACED BY GOD IN A SPECIAL WAY:

In Baptism:

Isabella Carmella-Maleit Cross, Child of Michael & Ning Cross

Charles Francis Xavier Higgins, Child of John & Courtney Higgins

Katherine Anne Miner, Child of Alan & Jennifer Miner

Sidney Caroline Sipes, Child of David & Helen Sipes

Morgan Marie Speak, Child of Byron & Anna Speak

Eve McKennah Stanley, Child of Robert Stanley & Amber Stanley

Moira Jade Taylor, Child of Lyle & Lynn Taylor

In First Communion:

Molly Carroll, Ashley Mayton, Ethan Wanderi, Alex Cruz, Gabriella Cruz, Kimberly Cooper, Madeline Christopherson, and Ailee Miner

In Their Passage to Eternal Life:

Edwin Harbin & Mary Jane Bradley, Aunt & Uncle of Mary Beth Harbin

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

YOUNG ADULT SOCIAL NIGHT: All parishioners 21 to 35 years old are invited to join the newly formed Young Adult Group for a Social Night, **Thursday, April 29th, 7:30 PM**, in the Community Center cafeteria. For more details, please contact Fr. Rich Gray or Amy Spessard at the Parish Office.

VIRTUOUS FAMILY FAIRY TALES: Our last session on *Love* will be held on **Sunday, May 16th, 2:00-4:00 PM**, in the Community Center Hall. All families are welcome!

“LIVING THE TRUTH IN LOVE: Catholic Social Thought in an Era of Political Division” is the final presentation in the 2009-2010 series, *Social Teachings of the Church – What We Believe and How We Live It!* **Thursday, May 13th, 7:00 PM**, in the Community Center Hall. Don't miss this opportunity to understand the Church's teaching in light of the economic crisis gripping much of the world, reflected in Pope Benedict XVI's latest encyclical, *Caritas in Veritate*. Guest speaker will be Msgr. Stuart W. Swetland, S.T.D., who holds the Archbishop Harry Flynn Chair of Christian Ethics and is Director of Pre-Theology, Mount St. Mary's University. For more details, see the insert in today's bulletin.

THE POPE PIUS XII Boy Scout Religious Emblem is for Boy Scouts and Venture Scouts who are in high school. An organizational meeting will be held **April 26th, 8:00-9:00 PM**, in Room 17 at the Community Center. Contact Amy Spessard for details, ext. 1102.

MOM'S GROUP will meet Wednesday, April 28th, 9:00 AM, at the Third Street Park. In case of rain, we will meet at the Nursery. Please RSVP to Lynn at 240-285-2036 or crocsclan@comcast.net. All ages welcome!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Save the dates for a wonderful trip to Egypt, **June 28th – July 2nd**! Adult and teen volunteers are invited to contact Julie St. Croix, 301-662-8288 x1103.

MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

STAND CERTIFICATION FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS: The Archdiocese of Baltimore and St. John's Parish are committed to providing a safe environment for children at our parish. **All volunteer ministers** who work with or around families and children must be STAND certified. STAND training is available on line. Please visit www.stjohn-frederick.org and click on STAND Training. Contact Julie St. Croix, 301-662-8288 x1103 for more info.

PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

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“To wage war on misery and to struggle against injustice is to promote, along with improved conditions, the human and spiritual progress of all men, and therefore the common good of humanity. Peace cannot be limited to a mere absence of war, the result of an ever precarious balance of forces. No, peace is something that is built up day after day, in the pursuit of an order intended by God, which implies a more perfect form of justice among men.” On the Development of Peoples, Encyclical Letter of Pope Paul VI, March 26, 1967.

SCOUTING:

Catholic Religious Emblems Program for Scouting allows boys and girls to grow in their faith. There will be a parent meeting, **April 26th, 7:00-7:30 PM**, for the Girl Scout Emblems, *I Live My Faith* (grades 3-5) and the *Marian Medal* (grades 6-8). The Cub Scout Emblems program will meet 7:30-8:00 PM for the *Light of Christ* and *Parvuli Dei*. Please contact Amy Spessard if you have questions, amy.spessard@stjohn-frederick.org, or 301-662-8288 x1102.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:

Are You Pregnant and in need of help? Call the Gabriel Network, 1-800-ANGEL-OK or Birthright, 301-663-0111.

THE SCOUTS NEED YOUR HELP! The Catholic Committee on Scouting is looking for donations of sample (“hotel”) sized personal care items for an Archdiocesan Scouting event. The Scouts will be assembling care packages for homeless shelters, and the demand has far exceeded our supplies. If you can make a donation this week, please leave items in the Parish Office for Amy Spessard. Thank you in advance for your generous support.

SPRING FLOWER SALE: Boy Scout Troop 1274 will hold their annual Spring Flower Sale after all Masses on the **weekend of May 8th & 9th**. Contact is Amy Spessard, 301-846-4217.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY'S regular monthly meeting will be held Monday, April 26th, 7:00 PM, in the Notre Dame Room at the Parish Center. We urge all members to attend.

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

PEER MINISTRY RETREAT will be on **June 19th, 9:00 AM-7:00 PM**, here at St. John's. Mass is at 5:00 PM and a potluck dinner follows in the Community Center. New permission slips have been emailed to students who have applied and new applicants may get an application/permission slip online at the parish website or by seeing Erica May in the Youth Ministry Office.

YOUTH MINISTRY LIFE NIGHTS: *WII LOVE JESUS*

HSYM: this Sunday, April 25th, 6:30-8:00 PM

MYSM: this Monday, April 26th, 6:30-8:00 PM

On these social nights for building community, we'll have video games, card games, and snacks. Please contact Joe in the Youth Ministry Office if you're willing to donate video game systems for Sunday and Monday. Everyone, please bring something to share: Guys, a 2-liter bottled beverage and Girls, a bagged snack.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS: Middle School Youth Rally, Friday April 23rd, 7:30-10:00 PM, at St. Timothy's in Walkersville, featuring APEX Ministry.

Middle School Fun Night, Friday May 7th, 7:00-9:00 PM, at Mount St. Mary's University in Knott Arena. More details and permission slips will be emailed soon. Contact the Youth Ministry Office for more details.

SUMMER EVENTS: High School students interested in Steubenville or ND Vision, please contact the Youth Ministry Office. We are working to coordinate a volunteer-chaperoned delegation to either event, or referrals to other parishes in the Archdiocese.

SPANISH COMMUNITY

Legion de Maria Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz. Junta semanal todos los Jueves a las 7:00 PM. Necesitamos mas miembros que se quieran unir al grupo. Trabajemos juntos en union a nuestra Madre

Maria. Para mas informacion contactar a: Nitza Rivas - 240-409-1998, Myriam Rullan 240-422-1718.

ST. JOHN REGIONAL SCHOOL

SJRCS and St. Katharine Drexel Parish will provide electronics recycling and paper shredding on Saturday, May 1st, 9:00 AM-12 Noon, in the school's parking lot at 8414 Opossumtown Pike. Old electronic equipment will be properly recycled by e-End (nominal donation per item requested). A portion of donations will benefit the school's technology needs. Document shredding will be provided 9:00-11:00 by First Secure Shred. (Place documents for shredding in standard copier boxes.) Donations for shredding will be applied to the SKD Building Fund. A trunk/yard sale will also be held.

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| WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS |                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                          |
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| "SP" = Mass in Spanish |                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                          |
| Monday<br>April 26     | 6:30 AM<br>8:00 AM                                                         | Special Intention<br>For St. John's Parishioners<br>on Anniv. of Consecration<br>of St. John's Church                                                    |
| Tuesday<br>April 27    | 6:30 AM<br>8:00 AM<br>CountryMeadows                                       | Thelma Miller<br>Miguel A. Canario (Anniv.)<br>Laura Veliz                                                                                               |
| Wednesday<br>April 28  | 6:30 AM<br>8:00 AM<br>Edenton<br><br>6:30 PM (SP)                          | Ralph L. Baltzell<br>M. J. & Noreen Grove<br>Ints. J. Sebastian<br>Grabenstein<br>Ints. John McGowen &<br>Family                                         |
| Thursday<br>April 29   | 6:30 AM<br>8:00 AM                                                         | James Grove<br>Charles Marshall                                                                                                                          |
| Friday<br>April 30     | 6:30 AM<br>8:00 AM                                                         | Guy J. Topper<br>Ints. Tom Henwood                                                                                                                       |
| Saturday<br>May 1      | 8:00 AM<br>5:00 PM<br>6:00 PM (SP)<br>7:00 PM                              | Jane Schnell<br>Bob Wittlinger<br>Arthur Cornwell<br>Willard Van Sant                                                                                    |
| Sunday<br>May 2        | 7:30 AM<br>9:00 AM<br>11:00 AM Ch<br>11:00 AM H<br>1:00 PM<br>5:00 PM (SP) | William Ballantyne<br>Odette Lopez<br>John W. Brennan<br>People of the Parish<br>Bettie Marie Carroll<br>Ints. Catalina Ezpinoza &<br>M. Teresa Ezpinoza |

| STEWARDSHIP/FINANCES                          |                    |
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| 04-18-2010                                    |                    |
| Envelope Users (540).....                     | \$16,983.00        |
| Non-Envelope Users .....                      | \$ 3,911.21        |
| TOTAL Offertory .....                         | \$20,894.21        |
| <b>Weekly Stewardship Giving Needed.....</b>  | <b>\$28,251.00</b> |
| Second Collection: None .....                 | \$ 0.00            |
| St. Vincent de Paul Society (Poor Fund) ..... | \$ 1,640.00        |
| Thank you for your continued generosity!      |                    |

**MOTHERS' DAY NOVENA OF MASSES** will be offered beginning on **Mother's Day, May 9<sup>th</sup>**, for those you wish to remember in this special way. Please fill out the form below and return it in the collection basket or directly to the Parish Center by **Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**. A list of those being remembered and of the donors will be published in the bulletin shortly after Mother's Day.

**I wish the following to be remembered in the Mother's Day Novena of Masses. PLEASE PRINT.**

Donor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

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**HELP WANTED**

**MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST for St. John's Parish.** Position includes playing 4 Masses each weekend and accompanying Holy Day liturgies. The Music Director/Organist will direct the Handbell Choir and accompany the Adult and Youth Choirs in rehearsals and Masses. Among other responsibilities, duties include training cantors, choosing music for all liturgies, scheduling cantors and organists for services, and playing for First Communion and Confirmation. Position available May 1, 2010. Excellent salary and benefits. Résumés and inquiries may be sent to [parish@stjohn-frederick.org](mailto:parish@stjohn-frederick.org).

**DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY for St. John's Parish.** We are seeking a full-time, dynamic, focused, and energetic person to be responsible for all aspects of our Youth Ministry programs for middle- and high-school youth, including Confirmation. Must be a practicing Catholic with a BA in Theology, Religious Ed, or related field; experience with Life Team helpful. Must have good communication and interpersonal skills. Excellent salary and benefits. Fax résumé to Youth Ministry Search Committee at 301-698-1832, or email to [parish@stjohn-frederick.org](mailto:parish@stjohn-frederick.org).

**EXTRA OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Our Parish Office needs more volunteer receptionists to help answer phones and other light duties on Friday mornings and Tuesday afternoons. If you are interested, please call 301-662-8288 x0.



# **Archdiocese of Baltimore and St. John the Evangelist Church**

**Annulment Workshop  
Wednesday, April 28, 2010**

**7:00 to 9:00 p.m.**

**Speaker: Rev. Gilbert Seitz, J.C.L.**

**This is open to couples, families, DRE's  
Sponsor Couples, Pre-Cana Presenters,  
Priests, and all who might be interested.**

**RSVP (301) 662-8288 x 0**



St. John the Evangelist  
Hospitality and Fellowship  
Team Presents  
Summer Sensations 2010

**Wine and Cheese Social May 23<sup>rd</sup> 6pm.** Enjoy the beverage of your choice, fun, food, and fellowship in an intimate setting.

**Starry Starry Nite June 25<sup>th</sup> 7pm.** Join us as the back parking lot of the church is transformed into an outside garden of food, music, and enjoyment.

**Dinner and a Movie in Italy July 30<sup>th</sup> 7pm.** Travel to Italy and enjoy a pot luck dinner featuring your favorite Italian dishes and one of the best all time Italian flicks. In the Parish Hall. Baby sitting service available.

**Family Movie Nite August 20<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm.** Once again, the back lot becomes a dramatic movie showcase featuring cartoons and a film for the whole family on a giant screen.

Save the Dates

All are Welcome

Visit our Website for More Info

[www.stjohn-frederick.org](http://www.stjohn-frederick.org)