

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 31, 2009

THIS WEEK'S READINGS, FOR YOUR PERSONAL PRAYER

Sunday	May 31	Acts 2:1-11	1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13	John 20:19-23
Monday	June 1	Tobit 1:3, 2:1-8		Mark 12:1-12
Tuesday	June 2	Tobit 2:9-14		Mark 12:13-17
Wednesday	June 3	Tobit 3:1-11, 16-17		Mark 12:18-27
Thursday	June 4	Tobit 6:10-11, 7:1, 9-17, 8:4-9		Mark 12:28-34
Friday	June 5	Tobit 11:5-17		Mark 12:35-37
Saturday	June 6	Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20		Mark 12:38-44
Sunday	June 7	Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40	Romans 8:14-17	Matthew 28:16-20

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends,

I am happy to announce that as of July 1, 2009, Fr. Richard A. Gray, M.S.A., will be assigned to our parish as a full-time Associate. Fr. Rick, as he likes to be called, is bilingual and will be serving both the Spanish- and English-speaking members of our parish. The initials behind Fr. Rick's name indicate that he is a member of the Missionaries of the Holy Apostles, whose major charism as a religious order is to foster vocations.

Before entering Holy Apostle Seminary in 1996, Rick taught special education students for seven years. After completing his seminary formation, Fr. Rick was ordained on November 22, 2003. Since ordination, Fr. Rick has ministered to Hispanic Catholics at St. Margaret Parish in Bel Air and St. Francis de Sales Parish in Abingdon. He has also served as chaplain to the Catholic students at the University of Maryland Baltimore County Campus. As you can easily see, Fr. Rick will bring a wealth of talent and diverse experience to his ministry here.

In addition to his academic and pastoral history, Fr. Rick was a member of choruses and choirs for many years before ordination and he retains an interest in music and singing. He tells me he also enjoys cooking occasionally, walking, traveling, and doing genealogies. But most importantly, he enjoys being with people. I know that you'll give him a warm welcome to St. Johns.

Sincerely,
Fr. Dick

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

Adult Confirmation:

Congratulations to the adults from St. John's who will be Confirmed this weekend:
Tracy Malinowski, Ursula Ramos, and Miguel Torres Varion

In Marriage:

Michelle Leggiere & David Lane

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

PRIEST APPRECIATION WEEKEND: Next weekend, **June 6-7**, is Priest Appreciation Weekend, sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Please keep our priests in your prayers, asking God's blessings upon them for continued strength, wisdom, and inspiration. Let us also show appreciation and gratitude to our Deacons for all the good they do for our parish. We thank the Lord for the gift He has given us in our clergy.

CUB SCOUT RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS: Information and Registration will be **Wednesday, June 3rd, 7:00 PM**, in Room 7 at the Community Center. These emblems are rank specific and reflect the Scout's rank as of September. The *Light of Christ* Emblem is for Wolf Scouts, and the *Parvuli Dei* Emblem is designed for Bears and Webleo Scouts. Please contact Amy Spessard for more info, 301-662-8288 x1102 or email, amy.spessard@stjohn-frederick.org.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, June 29th to July 3rd. **Registration Deadline is June 5th!** Register now by picking up a form at the Parish Office or download the form from our website. Volunteers should contact Julie St. Croix at 301-662-8288 x1103. There will be a **training session** for all youth entering 6th grade or above who want to help with VBS on **Thursday, June 18th, 6:00-9:00 PM**.

AGAPE MEAL & LECTURE: All parishioners are invited to join us **Monday, June 29th, 6:00 PM**, in the Community Center Hall for a covered dish dinner. Guest speaker for the evening is Fr. Jude Winkler, OFM, Conv.

Fr. Jude will wrap up our Year of Paul. During the lecture there will be a program for elementary-aged children, and childcare will also be available for those under 5. RSVP to Amy Spessard, 301-662-8288 x1102 or amy.spessard@stjohn-frederick.org.

YOU ARE INVITED to a Wine and Cheese Party, **Sunday, May 31st, 6:00-9:00 PM**, at the home of Judi and Rod Atwell. All parishioners are welcome. These socials provide a wonderful opportunity for some great fun, food, and fellowship. Please bring your favorite appetizer and beverage to share. Call Judi at 301-473-4931 for directions.

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT PANCAKES: The Knights of Columbus, Bishop McNamara Council #1622, are cooking breakfast on **Sunday, June 7th, from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM**, in the Cafeteria at the Community Center. All-you-can-eat pancakes, two sausage links, coffee, milk, OJ, and fixings. Cost is \$6 for ages 13 and older, \$4 for children age 6-12, and children age 5 and under are FREE. Proceeds to benefit the High School Youth Ministry here at St. John's. See insert in today's bulletin.

A STARRY, STARRY NIGHT, a parish party of fun, food, and fellowship, will be held, rain or shine, on **Friday, June 19th, 7:00-10:00 PM**. This is a night for adults to gather under the stars outside the Cafeteria and Hospitality Room to enjoy a summer evening together. BYOB and your favorite dish to share. For more info, call Judi, 301-473-4931.

MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

NURSERY: If you are interested in helping out or using the Nursery, please contact Julie St. Croix, 301-662-8288 x1103 or email julie.stcroix@stjohn-frederick.org. Please make sure to include your name, telephone number, and email address.

PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

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"All economic life should be shaped by moral principles. Economic choices and institutions must be judged by how they protect or undermine the life and dignity of the human person, support the family, and serve the common good."

(A Catholic Framework for Economic Life, US Catholic Conference, 1996)

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 offered on the second Wednesday of the month from 7 – 9 PM in the Notre Dame Room. Contact Erica to register at 301-662-8288 x1100. Next STAND training, **June 10th**. STAND training is also available on line. Please visit www.stjohn-frederick.org.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:

Pregnant, Need help? Call the Gabriel network, 1-800-ANGEL-OK or **Birthingright**, 301-663-0111

Suffering Past-Abortion Syndrome? Call Project Rachel, 1-800-286-4224

SCOUTING:

Troop 1274: If you are interested in visiting the Troop or learn more about the Boy Scouts, please contact Nelson Spessard, 301-846-4217.

RESULTS of the Parish Day of Reflection, held in April, are included in today's insert titled *Parish Engagement Process*. The list of action strategies suggested at that gathering are being mailed to all participants. We look forward to the implementation phase of this process, that will depend in large measure on the participation of many members of our faith community.

EXODUS PROJECT: St. Vincent de Paul Society is responsible for volunteer coverage for the Exodus Project at the Shelter during the month of July. If you are willing to volunteer and did not attend the training session on May 23rd, there will be another session on **June 17th, 7:00 PM**, at the Shelter. Please register by calling 301-631-2670 x112. For more info, contact Martha Matlick, 301-662-7131.

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

REGISTRATIONS for Elementary Faith Formation and Youth Ministry (Middle and High School) are being accepted for the 2009-2010 year. You can also register your children if they are to be prepared for First Reconciliation/First Eucharist or Confirmation (High School). Forms are available from the website at www.stjohn-frederick.org, or at the Parish Office. Please note there are separate forms this year for Elementary Faith Formation and Middle/High School Youth Ministry. For questions, contact Julie St. Croix (ext. 1103) for the Elementary program, or Joe Mele (ext. 1104), for the Youth Ministry program.

SUMMER YOUTH CONFERENCES:

Above All, June 19-21, 2009, at Franciscan University, Steubenville, OH. Join 1,000+ high school students for a weekend of amazing talks, great music, and awesomeness. Visit www.franciscanyouth.com. Space is limited! For permission forms, visit www.stjohne.com.

ND Vision, July 6-10, 2009, at the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, IN, **July 6-10**. Meet teens from our own Archdiocese and the country. Spend 5 days on the campus of the Fighting Irish, living in the dorms with other high school students from your grade! Throughout the week you will hear amazing talks and share in your small group how your gifts and talents will change the world! Check out their website at www.vision.nd.edu. Get your permission form from www.stjohne.com.

ST. JOHN REGIONAL SCHOOL

APPLICATIONS are currently being accepted for Pre-K through 8th grade for the 2009-2010 school year. Please visit our website, www.sjracs.org, to download registration forms. The next testing date is **May 20th**. Contact Jean Wright, Admissions Director at 301-695-9358.

19TH ANNUAL SJRCS SPRING FAIR is being held this weekend, **May 30th & 31st**. Bring your family to the school, at 8414 Opossumtown Pike, and enjoy games, food, live entertainment, basket raffles, and more. Hours are: **Saturday, 11:00 AM-8:00 PM; Sunday, 12 Noon-6:00 PM. The Live Auction begins Sunday at 4:00 PM, followed by the \$10,000 Raffle.**

BARNES & NOBLE Book Fair benefiting SJRCS will be held Saturday, June 6th, at the store located at FSK Mall. Start your child's summer reading and help support SJRCS during this school fundraiser.

HELP WANTED

RIDE NEEDED TO CHURCH: We are looking for a volunteer to bring a handicapped person to Sunday Mass occasionally. This person lives in the apartments off 7th Street, near Safeway on Fairview Ave. If you can assist, please call the Parish Office at 301-662-8288.

LIKE TO MOW GRASS? One of our elderly parishioners needs help with lawn mowing. She lives on Mary Street here in Frederick. If you are willing to help, please call her daughter, Karen Waters, 301-898-5522.

WE NEED Singers, Guitarists, and Keyboard Players who can occasionally substitute for the regular **11:00 AM Hall Mass players.** Please contact Elizabeth Krouse, 301-662-8288 x1015.

BEYOND THE PARISH

THE SISTERS OF BON SECOURS invite all young women of the parish to a ***Come and See Vocation Weekend***, June 26-28, 2009, in Marriottsville, MD. For more info, call toll-free, 1-877-742-0277 or visit their website, www.bonsecoursvocations.org.

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCES: 05-17-2009	
Envelope Users (486).....	\$16,716.00
Non-Envelope Users	\$ 3,886.80
TOTAL Offertory	\$20,602.80
Weekly Stewardship Giving Needed	\$28,700.00
Second Collection: Debt Reduction.....	\$ 4,984.86
Total Debt Payment Due May 2009	\$ 9,005.46
St. Vincent de Paul Society (Poor Fund).\$	2,327.48
Thank you for your continued generosity!	

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCES: 05-24-2009	
Envelope Users (507).....	\$16,177.63
Non-Envelope Users	\$ 3,936.36
EFT Giving 05-20-2009	\$ 8,156.50
TOTAL Offertory	\$28,270.49
Weekly Stewardship Giving Needed	\$28,700.00
Second Collection: None	\$ 0.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society (Poor Fund).\$	1,448.00
Thank you for your continued generosity!	

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS		
"SP" = Mass in Spanish		
Monday June 1	6:30 AM 8:00 AM	Special Intention Fr. Wayne G. Funk
Tuesday June 2	6:30 AM 8:00 AM	J. Harry Grove John Harwood
Wednesday June 3	6:30 AM 8:00 AM Northampton 6:30 PM (SP)	Richard Sohm Lillian Satterella Noreen Grove Ken Young
Thursday June 4	6:30 AM 8:00 AM	James Arthur Ints. Kevin Gallagher & Family
Friday June 5	6:30 AM 8:00 AM	Anna F. Grove Paul LaPointe
Saturday June 6	8:00 AM 5:00 PM 6:00 PM (SP) 7:00 PM	Msgr. Edward V. Echle Noella Pontbriand Gene Burke (Anniv.) Thelma Miller
Sunday June 7	7:30 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM Church 11:00 AM Hall 1:00 PM 5:00 PM (SP)	People of the Parish Jack Nelson (Anniv.) Ints. Fr. Leo Tittler (Ordination Anniv.) James Francis Windsor M. J. Grove Dona McTavish

MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA

Our sincere apologies for omitting these names, submitted by Don & Bonnie Rohr, from the Mother's Day Novena Booklet:

- Rose G. Rohr
- Carvilla M. Rohr
- Mary A. Black
- Patricia V. Blasco
- Mary Blasco
- Inez May

FATHER'S DAY NOVENA OF MASSES will be offered

beginning on **Father's Day, June 21st**, for 9 consecutive days for those fathers whom you wish to remember in this special way. Please fill out the form below and return it either through the collection basket or directly to the Parish Center by **Monday, June 22nd**. A list of those being remembered and of the donors will be published in the bulletin shortly after Father's Day.

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

Donor's Name _____

People Remembered _____
