

July 23, 2017 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MERCY COMMITTEE

Many of us have been recipients of kindnesses during our time of grief. St. Mary's Mercy (bereavement) Committee was established to support grieving families in their time of need. Our mission is to provide a bereavement luncheon following a loved one's funeral.

If you would like to pay it forward or simply be part of something bigger, contact Linda Field (301-797-6189), Peggy Hurd (301-739-6183) or Judy Kline (301-824-5189) for details about the Mercy Committee. All are welcome to become part of our ministry.

Come beat summer boredom! All summer Summer Madness will meet on 2nd, 4th and 5th Mondays from 7-9pm. This is for 6th to 12th grade students and their friends. We will have games, fellowship and fun as well as pizza. Free will donation for pizza is requested.

Called to Greatness for high school students and their friends meets during the summer from 7-9pm on 1st and 3rd Mondays at the parish. Games, fellowship, pizza and prayer. Free will donation is recommended.

I-serve for high school students is August 3-4. This is to do service work in the Frederick area. Call Todd Anderson for details at 3014914881

MARK YOUR CALENDARS **SAVE THE DATE*** September 24**

The Parish Picnic is fast approaching!!! September 24th at the Regional Park. We are in need of committee members to help with the organization of this great parish family event. Contact Mary McNeil emmbee@look-ma.com or (301) 582-3752



Parish Office Summer Hours Change

The Parish Offices will be closed on Fridays, starting June 16 until August 18. However, the staff will be on the premises and available for the needs of parishioners.

PANGBORN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- ◆ New council website for keeping informed of council news: www.kofc1365.org
- ◆ **Brotherhood Council Meetings 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 8pm** in the Council Hall. Our Trustee for 2016-2017 is Cel Shannon. For information, please contact Cel Shannon at cel_s67@hotmail.com.
- ◆ **Bingo Bingo Bingo.** Every Tuesday at the **Knights of Columbus Hall (20340 Leitersburg Pike, Hagerstown, MD 21742)** Starting at 6:45 pm we conduct 34 bingo games for the public. Please join us and have fun.
- ◆ Every practical Catholic man over the age of 18 should become a Knight. We need your help. Speak with a Knight about joining our order. .
- ◆ The Pavillion or Hall is available for rental. Please contact us at 301-739-9019.

St. Mary Stewardship Blessings

7/16/2017	Attendance	834
Offertory		\$9,656.65
Online Giving		\$3,127.70
Total		\$12,784.35
Amount Needed**		\$15,239
**This is the amount of weekly collection that would allow St. Mary to break even for fiscal year 2017		
Poor Box		\$238.20
School Support		\$120.00

The Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism is God's most beautiful and magnificent gift....

We call it gift, grace, anointing, enlightenment, garment of immortality, bath of rebirth, seal, and most precious gift. It is called *gift* because it is conferred on those who bring nothing of their own; *grace* since it is given even to the guilty; *Baptism* because sin is buried in the water; *anointing* for it is priestly and royal as are those who are anointed; *enlightenment* because it radiates light; *clothing* since it veils our shame; *bath* because it washes; and *seal* as it is our guard and the sign of God's Lordship.

St. Mary's offers the **gift of baptism** on the **second and fourth Saturdays** of each month at **12:30pm**. **Baptism Class** is scheduled the first Sunday of each month in the **Conference Room of the Parish Center from 12:30 to 1:30pm**.

It is very important that babies be baptized as soon as possible and preferably within six weeks of birth. Therefore, Fr. Cibelli is offering this sacrament more often. A good precedence would be, as soon as parents begin to announce their pregnancy, to call and schedule their baptism agenda shortly after.

Please keep in mind, Mass attendance is a requirement for the Sacrament of Baptism to occur.

St. Michael Stewardship Blessings

7/16/2017	Attendance	36
Offertory		\$671.77
Amount Needed** \$749		
**This is the amount of weekly collection that would allow St. Michael to break even for fiscal year 2017		

The second collection today is for
School Support
 Please give generously to the needs of
 St. Mary School.
 Thank you!

Thank you

Legion of Mary

for supplying the Hosts for the
 month of July.



Please pray for

James Monroe Sword, IV,
 husband of Donna;
 and

Bernice Corrine Grandstaff,
 wife of James "Jim".

May they rest in the Peace of Christ!

The flowers on the altar with the angels for the weekend of July 15/16th were in loving memory of Victoria Wollard on the tenth anniversary of her death from her children, Carol Jean, Sue, Diana, Fran, Chris, Carroll, Jim and families.
 We apologize this did not make last week's bulletin.

St. Vincent de Paul— Assistance to the poor and suffering is provided through your donations to the **Poor Box**. Anyone suffering through a hardship is encouraged to contact the **Saint Vincent de Paul Society** for assistance. Phone **301-739-0390 ext 124**.

St. Mary Church Holy Mass Intentions
July 24 —30, 2017

Day	Date	Mass	Intention
Monday	7/24	No 6:30 Mass	Bobby Hoberg (Fr. Cibelli will offer the intention at a Mass celebrated off premises)
		8:30	Pour Souls
Tuesday	7/25	No 6:30 Mass	Immaculate Conception (Fr. Cibelli will offer the intention at a celebrated Mass off premises)
		8:30	Bobby Hoberg
Wednesday	7/26	No 6:30 Mass	Bobby Hoberg (Fr. Cibelli will offer the intention at a celebrated Mass off premises)
		8:30	Harriet Biddle
Thursday	7/27	No 6:30 Mass	Vocations to the Priesthood (Fr. Cibelli will offer the intention at a celebrated Mass off premises)
		8:30	Beverly Squibb
Friday	7/28	6:30	Bobby Hoberg (Fr. Cibelli will offer the intention at a celebrated Mass off premises)
		8:30	Sara and Philip Alencherry
Saturday	7/29	8:30	Bobby Hoberg
		5:15	Jean Jacques
Sunday	7/30	8:00	Special Intentions of Patricia Baker
		9:30	Special Intentions of Aida and Roger Clippinger
		11:00	Jim Shives
		12:50pm	The Deceased Fiorello Family

St. Michael Church **10:30AM** **July 30, 2017**

Parishioners of St. Mary & St. Michael Churches

Readings for July 23—30, 2017

Sunday 7/23	Sunday Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 / Romans 8:26-27 / Matthew 13:24-43
Monday 7/24	Monday Weekday <i>Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest</i> Exodus 14:5-18 / Matthew 12:38-42
Tuesday 7/25	Tuesday <i>USA: Saint James, Apostle</i> 2nd Corinthians 4:7-15 / Matthew 20:20-28
Wednesday 7/26	Wednesday <i>Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15 / Matthew 13:1-9
Thursday 7/27	Thursday Weekday Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b / Matthew 13:10-17
Friday 7/28	Friday Weekday Exodus 20:1-17 / Matthew 13:18-23
Saturday 7/29	Saturday <i>Saint Martha</i> Exodus 24:3-8 / John 11:19-27
Sunday 7/30	Sunday Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st Kings 3:5, 7-12 / Romans 8:28-30 / Matthew 13:44-52

Face The Truth Tour

The 17th annual Face The Truth Tour will begin on Monday, July 24.

As Father Pavone said, “America will not reject abortion until America sees abortion.” The Face The Truth Tour is to show people what abortion really is. From 30 to 100 participants will line up along a major thoroughfare holding 3’X 5’ signs informing people of the results of illegal abortion. The first stop is in Charles Town, WV and it will go from 6:30 to 8AM. We will line up and hold Pro Life signs on Route 340, near The Food Lion store. For those interested, there will be a Mass for us at St. James Church at 49 Crosswinds Drive followed by a get together and snack at the hall. The second stop will be in Hagerstown, MD and it will go from 11:30 to 1PM. We will line up on West Washington Street from Burhans to Potomac Streets. This is basically from St. Mary Church and going East past the abortion clinic at 160 West Washington Street. There will be a talk immediately after at Christ’s Reformed Church, 130 West Franklin Street, about a block North of the abortion clinic. The speaker is Hugh Owen. He is the director of Kolbe Center for the study of creation. The talk will be about the first 11 Chapters of Genesis. True or did we descend from the apes? A lunch will be served. The third stop will be at Frederick, MD and we will line up on Route 40 West between Home Depot and Grand Eagle 4-5:30PM. The Face The Truth Tour will go until Friday and include the Germantown MD – Washington DC area on Tuesday, the Bowie-Columbia area on Wednesday, the Baltimore area on Thursday, and Catonsville area on Friday. For more information please contact Jim Fritz at jamesfritz@aol.com

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH 28TH ANNUAL CRAB FEED

Come and get me!

Friday, August 4 from 6 to 9 PM at St. Joseph Church

17630 Virginia Avenue Hagerstown, MD.

Tickets \$45 in advance, and \$50 at the door.

For more information call 301-797-9445.

I’m going fast!

News from St. Mary Catholic School

Pre-Kindergarten Class has a few openings:

St. Mary Catholic School is excited to announce a Full Day option (8:15 AM – 2:45 PM) will be available for our Pre-K 4 program.

The Half Day option is from 8:15 AM – 11:30 AM. Students must be 4 years old by September 1st. Don't delay because there is a limited number of spaces! Call or email Rachel O'Connor at 301-733-1184 or roconnor@stmarycatholicsschool.org for an information packet and/or a tour.

Still Accepting Applications for the 2017-2018 School Year!

We offer grades Pre-K 4 through 8th grade. Call or email Rachel O'Connor at 301-733-1184 or roconnor@stmarycatholicsschool.org for an information packet and/or a tour.

Please take note **Summer SMCS School Office Hours:** Monday – Thursday from 9 A.M. – 2 P.M.

St. Mary Catholic School Employment Opportunities

Physical Education Teacher

St. Mary Catholic School is seeking a Physical Education Teacher for Grades PreK-8 for the 2017-2018 school year. The ideal candidate will have State of Maryland certification to teach Physical Education and will have some teaching experience. Salary is based on education and experience. Résumés should be sent to the principal, Mrs. Patricia A. McDermott. (pmcdermott@stmarycatholicsschool.org)

After-School Care Attendant

St. Mary Catholic School has openings for after-school care attendants to work shifts Monday through Friday, from 3:00 P.M. to 5:30 P.M., for K-8 grade students. Adults with CPR/First aid and who are in compliance with STAND/Shield the Vulnerable requirements are sought to assist with faith-filled afternoons of homework, snacks, playground, and light housekeeping responsibilities. For more information, please contact Paula Radley, 301-733-1184, or pradley@stmarycatholicsschool.org.

Cafeteria Attendant

SMCS needs a part-time employee to work in the cafeteria. If interested, please send your résumé to Mrs. Brooks, cafeteria@stmarycatholicsschool.org. Great hours! Wonderful students!

BROWN SCAPULAR

Have you ever considered wearing the **Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel**? Wearing the scapular is a great sign of faith, hope, and love and openness to God's will. It stands for commitment to following Jesus like Mary. It expresses our hope that we will meet God in eternal life and not suffer the fires of hell. We will have the opportunity for investiture/enrollment in the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel on the Feast of the Assumption, August 15, our patronal feast day after the 8:30 Mass and at 7:15 before the 7:30 EF High Mass. If you desire to do this, please RSVP for more information to POCs Loretta Carpenter 301-790-1570 or Shirley Spencer 301-790-0247. An ice cream social will follow the 7:30 pm Mass.