

ST. PETER'S PARISH

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

MARCH 16, 2008

		<u>MASSES</u>		
MON	MAR 17 7:00pm	NEIL PETROSKI		
TUE	MAR 18 8:00am	VIRGINIA SWEITZER		
WED	MAR 19 8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE		
THU	MAR 20 7:30pm	INT OF MARY ELLEN LUKAS		
FRI	MAR 21 3:00pm	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE		
	7:30pm	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE		
SAT	MAR 22 8:00pm	PARISHIONERS	GOAL	COLLECTION & EFT FIG.
SUN	MAR 23 7:00am	JOHN & CECELIA ROCHE	*COLLECTION	\$15,480.00 \$15,222.50 1,895.67
	8:15am	CONRAD WEIGH	*POOR BOX	\$ 673.00 \$ 354.05 171.00
	9:00am (LHS)	FLOWER MEMORIAL	*BUILDING FUND MO. Total	\$ 8,532.45 266.25
	9:30am	KEN SPIELMAN	(Sappington Hall)	
	10:30am (LHS)	FRANCIS DIETZENBACH	* EASTERN EUROPE COLLECTION \$1,900.50	
	11:00am	JOE CARLIN		
	12:15pm	ROBERT E. ZEIER		
	5:45pm	NO EVENING MASS		

MARCH 20, 21, 22 & 23				
<u>MASS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVER</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER</u>	
HOLY THURSDAY				
MAR 20 7:30pm	P & T RUBELING	LAWRENCE & LEVASSEUR	DEACON MIKE/J&E SADLER/RUSSO SCHABDACH	
MAR 21 3:00pm	J & M RUBELING	MOXLEY (N) & SIMONS	SIMONS/PALMISANO	
7:30pm	E & P GILL	WAGNER (N) & MYLES	SCHABDACH/POLLAK	
MAR 22 8:00pm	J & S SLATTERY	LAWRENCE/MILLER/GETSINGER	DEA MIKE/LEVASSEUR/MASON/NOLAN	
MAR 23 7:00am	L & M MOCHI	GRIKEN/KINZE	J & E SADLER	
8:15am	A & K RILEY	KUTLIK	MEUSE/SMELLER/VAUGHAN	
9:00am (LHS)	E & P GILL	POSKA	GRABENSTEIN/POLLOCK/POTOTSCHNIK	
9:30am	J & T RUBELING	GILL	B & D WADE	
10:30am (LHS)	M & P DuBOYCE	SIMONS & KLINE	GRANT/KRUG/GRUODIS	
11:00am	POLLAK & HEILALND	PUGH	BISHOP/SIMONS/D&S WILKS/NAPLES	
12:15pm	C & Z RATCHFORD	BALLANTINE	BAER/DOUDS/JONES/RUSSO/PUGH	
		KINZE & GETSINGER	PALMISANO/BALLANTINE/KOEHLER/MOXLEY	
			GRIMES	
			MARLEY/POOLE/SIMON	

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Mon: Chrism Mass- Cathedral of Mary Queen 7:30pm
Communion Service- 7:00pm at St. Peter's

Tues: Mass- 8:00am
Confession- 8:30-10:00am Sappington Hall

Wed: Communion Service- 8:00am

Thurs: No Morning Service
Holy Thursday – Lord's Last Supper 7:30pm
Adoration in Sappington Hall until 11:00pm

Fri: No Morning Service
Divine Mercy Chaplet- 2:40pm
Good Friday Service- 3:00pm and 7:30pm

Sat. No Morning Service, No Confessions, No 5:30pm Mass
Blessing of Food- 1:00pm
Easter Vigil- 8:00pm
This is the main Liturgical Event of the year. There are always plenty of seats available. Please give consideration to attend the most important service of the year.

Sun. Easter Sunday – Liganore - 9:00 & 10:30am
Parish Center – Regular Schedule (no 5:45pm Mass)

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION is for the Holy Land Shrines.

OFFICES CLOSED on Good Friday.

EASTER EGG HUNT 10:00am on Holy Saturday.

RICE BOWLS: Bring your Rice Bowls back on Sunday, March 30th.

ST. PETER'S FOOD PANTRY will be giving out "Easter Dinners" to those in need. As in the past, we ask your support by donating \$25.00 for a dinner, payable to St. Peter's and dropped in the poor box. Thank you!

OUR ANNUAL DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION IS MARCH 30TH AT 12:15PM MASS with outdoor procession (weather permitting) and confession. If you have recently gone to Confession and are not in the state of mortal sin it is not necessary to go to confession on Divine Mercy Sunday; you will still receive the same graces promised by Our Lord by attending the celebration. Refreshments will be served in Sappington Hall. Divine Mercy Novena Pamphlet is in today's bulletin. Novena begins Good Friday and ends Holy Saturday.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS
IS 50: 4-7; PHIL 2: 6-11; MT 26: 14-27:66

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS
ACTS 10: 34a-43; COL 3:1-4; JN 20: 1-9

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: Colleen Dean, daughter of Larry & Beverly Dean; Charles Main, uncle of Lova Smith

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS are due back March 16th.

THE ADORATION CHAPEL will be closed at 7:00pm Holy Thursday, before Mass (Adoration will continue after Mass until 11:00pm in the Parish Center) and the Chapel will remain closed Good Friday and Holy Saturday, to re-open after the Easter Vigil Mass around 10:30pm Saturday. Those needing subs for Easter may sign-up in the Chapel for volunteers. A Happy and Blessed Easter to all our Adorers and Families.

MUSIC MINISTERS: IMPORTANT INFORMATION – DEDICATION MASS: We are now forming the choir that will sing for the New Church Dedication Mass to be held at 3:00pm on Sunday, Sept. 7th. If you have not already done so, ***you must contact Sherri in the office or at 410-635-2496 if you would like to sing in the choir for the dedication Mass.*** Rehearsals will be held primarily in August. Schedule to be determined at a later date.

THE NURSERY IS CLOSING on March 30th. This will be the last Sunday that the Nursery will be available for babysitting, until the Nursery is ready to open in the new church. We are very low on volunteers, so in order to open the new Nursery, we will need sitters to volunteer the 7:15am, 9:00am and 11:00am masses. For more information or to volunteer, call Laura at the Parish Office 301-898-5111 ext. 13..

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: We have need of someone who can take midnight Friday into Saturday on alternate weeks and a long term sub for Tuesdays at noon. Please call Linda at 301-829-2888 or Diane at 301-898-0833. Thank You!

MOTHER'S DAY AD: We will be doing a Mother's Day Ad for the Frederick News-Post in appreciation for our moms – with Frederick County Right to Life donations per line for family name/individual will be \$10 to defray ad's cost. We will be in the Fr. Gene Room in the Parish Center the first two weekends in April after all Masses and we know we will have your generous response.

URGENT: A Bill-SB689 – before the Judicial Proceedings committee would delete the word "marriage" in law, and in its place create "domestic partnerships" for all couples, including heterosexual couples already married. It will be voted on early this week in Committee. Please take action and urge rejection of SB689. Sen Brian Frosh is Chariman, e-mail: brian.frosh@senate.state.md.us. The switchboard phone 1-800-492-7122. Vice-Chairman Lisa Gladden (41st), other committee members to call: Rep. Larry Haines (5th), Sen. Alex Mooney (3rd), Sen. Norman Stone, Jr. (6th), Sen. Nancy Jacobs (34th), Sen. James Brochin (42nd), Sen. Jennie Forehand (17th), Sen. C. Anthony Mose (26th); Sen. Jamie Raskin (20th), Sen. Bryan Simonaire (31st).

PRO-LIFE ACTION – THE PREGNANT WOMEN'S SUPPORT ACT – will help more than 1,500 MD women in crisis pregnancies who want to keep their babies. It is a proven, award-winning program from PA, sponsored by Real Alternatives, Inc. which empowers women with the much-needed supports of providers and services through her pregnancy, her baby's birth and first 12 months. You may wish to let 4A Delegates Paul Stull (ex. 3288) and Joe Bartlett (ex. 3680) at 1-800-492-7122 know that you support this Bill.

PRAY WITH THE HEART PRAYER GROUP will NOT meet this Wednesday due to the Holy Week.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Council Business Meeting this Tuesday the 18th at 7:30pm, SH. ...Our council will sponsor the Parish Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday the 22nd at 10:00am. Youth should gather in front of the parish center prior to 10:00am. See the flyer in today's bulletin. ...First Degree on Monday the 17th at 7:30pm at St. Ignatius. ...Council officer nominations will be held at next month business meeting on April 15th. ...The Exemplification of the Fourth Degree will be held this April 5th in Frederick, MD at the Holiday Inn. All Sir Knights are welcome to attend and socialize at our assembly's hospitality room. ...Want to become a member? For information, visit our mini kiosk in the Parish Center Foyer for reading materials and an application. Also visit us at st.peterskofc.home.att.net/.

ADULT CHURCH SOFTBALL TEAM: St. Peter's will again field a team in the Frederick County Church Softball League, as we have for over 25 years. This is a slow-pitch league which plays games on Sunday afternoons from April till August. Anyone interested in joining the team this year should contact Ivan Palkovic 301-845-4675 or Palkovic@olgchs.org.

THANKS TO ALL who came out to donate Blood 47 at our drive and all who helped in this worthy work! God Bless!

THANK YOU ST. PETER'S TEENS – The Ladies Club would like to thank the teens that helped us by serving food at the Lenten Dinners. (mom) Brenda & Amy Bishop, Gretta Curley, Ben Denning, Matt Dolan, David Feuz, Megan Pell and friend, (mom) Courtney, McKenzie & Tanner Ridgely and Jennifer and Kathleen.

THANK YOU for your continued support of the Annual Collection for retired and infirm religious. Your gift of \$4,060 will help their congregations in caring for them. May you know the blessing of God through the gift that you have shared.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK- Tom McKoy, Colleen Dean, Andrew Illig, Connor & Ciena Rutledge, Natalie Mills, Helen & Stan Pohlit, Timmy Kurak, Katherine Schultz, Jason Loch, Christina DiGregory, Gail Zigafoose, Mary Hunt, Jamme Ray, Michele Gray, Donald Fischer, Kathy Martin, Tim Stillwater **Names will be kept on the prayer list for 1 month** from the time they are requested. At the end of that time, you may renew your prayer request by calling the Parish Office. Anyone wishing to receive Communion and/or the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the Parish Office.

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH: For the safety of the construction workers working on the church.

ST. JOHN REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL: Applications for 2008-09 are currently being accepted for Pre-K - grade 8. Download forms at www.sjrccs.org.

The 11th Annual Msgr. Echle Memorial Golf Tournament to benefit SJRCS will be held Monday, May 12th at Musket Ridge Golf Club. Player registration forms are available at www.sjrccs.org.

SJRCS Summer Camp – July 7th – August 1st. for any student entering Kindergarten through 4th grade. Hours are 8am - 12noon daily, weekly fee \$135 or \$475 for all four weeks. Registration forms and information available on school website www.sjrccs.org or call Paul Fer 301-662-6722 x 2204.

FRIENDS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION scholarship applications for 2008-09 are now available to students who are enrolled/accepted in a Frederick County Catholic School and meet the scholarship eligibility requirements. Information and application may be obtained directly from the school's office. For more information, please call 301-846-7804. Applications must be received by March 31st, 2008.

JOHN DENVER TRIBUTE CONCERT: St. Timothy Catholic Church presents the "Friends with You" band in a tribute to John Denver on April 5th at 7:30pm at the Lynfield Event Complex Building No. 5, 10142 Hansonville Rd., Frederick, tickets are \$20 in advance, at the door \$25, call Charlie Abell 301-473-5805 or John Dilley 301-606-5522.

14th ANNUAL CHARITIES CHALLENGE GOLF CLASSIC – Join Villa Maria of Frederick County, a division of Catholic Charities on Mon., May 12th at the MD National Golf Club in Middletown, MD. Registration is at 11am, shotgun starts 1pm, entry fee \$150.. Villa Maria of Frederick County is dedicated to serving children, adults and families of the area regardless of financial barriers, race or religious beliefs. For more information or a registration packet, call 301-898-7900.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS
MARCH 16, 2008

ADULT MINISTRY

- **BAPTISM PREP CLASSES** - For parents meets on Tuesday, Tuesday, March 25th or April 15th from 7 – 9 PM in the Birch Library. You need only one godparent and this person must be Catholic; to have celebrated Confirmation; is at least 16 years of age, and is practicing the faith (attending mass each week and celebrating the sacraments). **Reminder that no Baptisms are celebrated during Lent.**
- **FOR YOUR MARRIAGE** - Visit the website sponsored by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops at: <http://www.foryourmarriage.org/>

Marriage Tip of the Week: Be deliberate about saying "no" to some things so you can open up time for a regular date night.

- **New Horizons** – Join us March 20th for good food & fun @ our St Patrick's lunch at the Shamrock Restaurant above Thurmont. It will be an open menu with individual checks.
- **ANNULMENTS** –If you would like information on annulments, contact Carolyn at 301-898-5111 x 14.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DATES:**
 - ✠ **March Sessions:**
 - March 16 (Pre-School – Grade 2)
 - March 17 (Grades 3-5)
 - 2008 – 2009 Religious Education Registration will be available online & in the bulletin after Easter.
- **SACRAMENTAL PREP**
 - ✱ *Babysitting will be available on April 12th for the retreat & March 4 & 11 @ the parent meetings. Please call & register 301-898-5111 ext. 17.*

March 31st @ 7PM
Scripture Study
"How Catholics Teach the Bible"
See flyer in today's bulletin for details.

✱ **FIRST EUCHARIST INFORMATION:**

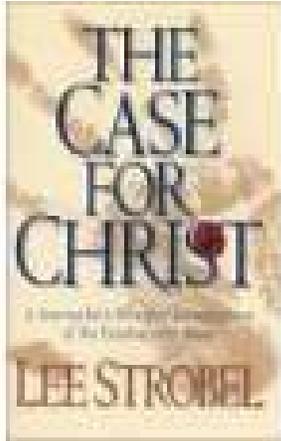
- ✠ St. Peter's Catholic Community will celebrate First Eucharist on May 10th & 17th. Call Stacy (301-898-5111 ext. 18) to reserve your dates. **Saturday, May 10th is now full.**
- ✠ Family Day: April 12 from 9AM – 12Noon.

YOUTH MINISTRY

- **ALL YOUTH MINISTRY MEETS TONIGHT!** St. Peter's Youth Group has be honored by the Knights of Columbus by being named the Knights of Columbus Maryland Youth Group of the Year for 2007-2008. This award recognizes the hours of work put into our youth projects by so many teens and adults over the past several years. We will strive hard to live up to this great honor!
 - **PARENTS:** Save time & gas – feel free to stay in the Birch Library during Youth Ministry.
 - **CONFIRMATION – Sponsor Forms/Confirmation Name:** Please remember to turn your sponsor forms into to the office by April 4th. Don't forget about choosing your Confirmation name – please tell your small group leader no later than April 4th.
 - **STEUBENVILLE IS JUNE 20TH – 22ND / APPALACHIA IS JULY 13TH – 18TH.** Details & cost for both to follow.
- SPY Teens are reminded of the Lenten Challenge for each teen to donate one weeks worth of CDs or iPod downloads to help Maggie Alspaugh & Kevin Lawrence in their missionary work. Money will be collected at SPY on Sunday night March 9th and 16th.**

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

- ✱ Check the main page of our web-site www.stpeter-libertytown.org
- ✱ If Frederick County Public Schools **are closed**...we do not have sessions for children, parents, or Adult Ed.
- ✱ If FCPS **close early**...we do not have sessions for children, parents, or Adult Ed.
- ✱ **Saturday & Sunday Programs**...tune into WTTR and WFRE – decisions will be made early in the morning **for Pre-school through Grade 5 & by 2PM for Grades 6-12.**
- ✱ Announcements will also be on radio stations...WTTR and WFRE after 3PM Monday through Friday.
- ✱ Weekend Mass will take place as usual unless otherwise noted.



The *New York Times* ran an article in January entitled, “Jesus ‘Tomb’ Controversy Reopened.” It appears as if someone has found what is believed to be the burial tomb of Jesus’ family...again.

As Christians, we know they are not going to find the bones of Jesus buried anywhere. The question remains: Can you provide incontrovertible evidence proving Christianity’s claim? Do you have family members who may have stopped practicing their Christian faith or perhaps do not believe in Christ?

You are invited to join us in the study of ***The Case for Christ***. The author, Lee Strobel, was an atheist, an attorney and the legal affairs editor of the *Chicago Tribune*. His wife became a Christian and he then launched an all-out investigation into the facts surround the case for Christianity. Lee posed questions to experts in the fields of history, archeology, ancient literature, and the Scriptures and challenged them with the objections he had as a skeptic.

Here are some of the topics we will be investigating:

- Can the biographies of Jesus be trusted and do they stand up to scrutiny? Have they been reliably preserved for us?
- What does history and archeology say about Jesus?
- Was Jesus really convinced that he was the Son of God or was he just crazy?
- Did Jesus fulfill the attributes of God? Did he match the identity of the Messiah?
- Was Jesus’ death a sham and his resurrection a hoax?
- Was his body really absent from the tomb? Was he seen alive after his death?
- Are there any supporting facts that point to the resurrection?

You be the jury. After studying and investigating this book and researching the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, the evidence is overwhelming for the ***Case for Christ!!***



Register me for *the Case for Christ class!!*

Select One: Mondays, 9:15 -11:15 a.m. (April 7, – May 27, 2008)
 Wednesdays 7 - 9 p.m. (April 9 – May 28, 2008)

Name: _____ E-Mail: _____

Class Fee: \$10/person Make checks payable to: St. Peter’s Church
Mail to: Carolyn Nolan, P.O. Box 278, Libertytown, MD 21762

If you have any questions, contact Carolyn at 301-898-5111 x 14 or via E-Mail at nolanck@hotmail.com.

How Do Catholics



For:
catechists
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parents
YOU!

Teach the Bible?

with Sr. Mary Kate Birge, SSJ, Ph.D.

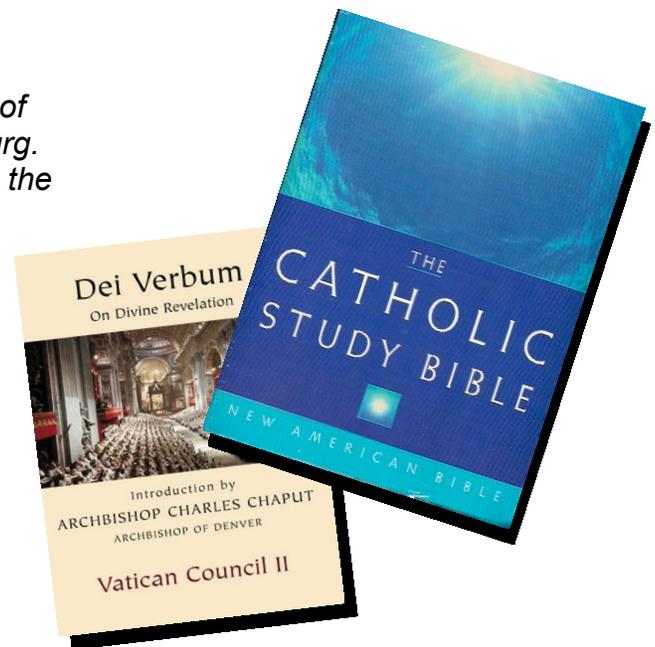
As adults we can read the Bible with a grown up set of eyes, and ask questions that we wouldn't have even imagined as children. What tools does the Church give us to read the Bible? How do we pass this on to learners as they mature?

BRING YOUR BIBLE!

Clock hours — Area C

Sr. Mary Kate Birge is a sister of St. Joseph from Springfield, Massachusetts, and Assistant Professor of Theology at Mount St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg. She is a member of the Catholic Biblical Association, the Society of Biblical Literature, the College Theology Society and the Catholic Biblical Federation. Sr. Mary Kate is a frequent presenter at local parishes on biblical topics.

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See reverse side for registration and driving directions...

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St. Peter the Apostle Church is located approximately 50 minutes west of Baltimore (exit 62 from I-70 take Rt.75 north), or 50 minutes north west of D.C. via I-270 (exit Rt. 26 Libertytown on north edge of Frederick).

The workshop will take place in Sullivan Hall, off the main parking lot.

How Do Catholics Teach the Bible? — March 31, 2008

Return registration form with payment, \$10/person, Member facility; \$20/person, non-Member, payable to: Catholic Education Ministries, ATTN: Judy Williams, 16300 Old Emmitsburg Road, Emmitsburg, MD 21727

NAME: _____

HOME PHONE: _____

Please register me for the workshop.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____ \$10 Member Fee** _____ \$20 non-Member fee

**member facilities include Catholic Parishes and Schools of Carroll, Frederick & Washington County, with the exceptions of St. Joseph, Emmitsburg, St. John, Westminster, and St. Thomas More Academy.

Special Needs: ASL Interpreter Other: _____

Please place me on your (circle one) postal/email list for monthly calendar updates:

email address: _____

postal address: _____

Registration deadline: **March 24, 2008**. Please remit payment with registration form.