

ST. PETER'S PARISH

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 14, 2010

| | | <u>MASSES</u> | |
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| MON | FEB 15 | 7:00pm | FRENCH FAMILY LIVING & DECEASED |
| TUE | FEB 16 | 8:00am | INT OF MARY ELLEN LUKAS |
| WED | FEB 17 | 9:00am | STEPHEN DOWNS |
| | | 7:30pm | INT OF DORIS HOWELL |
| THU | FEB 18 | 8:00am | COMMUNION SERVICE |
| FRI | FEB 19 | 9:00am | SPECIAL INTENTION |
| SAT | FEB 20 | 8:00am | LARRY WELLER |
| | | 5:30pm | INT OF RHOADS FAMILY |
| SUN | FEB 21 | 7:15am | INT OF GLORIA FLEMING |
| | | 9:00am | DOT HAHN |
| | | 11:00am | CHARLES ARNOLD |
| | | 5:45pm | PARISHIONERS |

| | | <u>GOAL COLLECTION & EFT FIG</u> | |
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| | | *COLLECTION | \$18,314.00 \$ 5,022.95 2,493.00 |
| | | *POOR BOX/HAITI | \$ 721.00 \$ 100.00 256.00 |
| | | *CHURCH MORTGAGE MO. | \$ 1,140.00 1,687.00 |

| <u>FEBRUARY 17, 19, 20 & 21</u> | | | |
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| <u>MASS</u> | | <u>ALTAR SERVER</u> | <u>LECTOR</u> |
| ASH WEDNESDAY | | | |
| FEB 17 | 9:00am | C & L MOCHI & SUPROCK | THOMPSON & KLINE |
| | 7:30pm | E & P GILL & HUTCHINSON | LEVASSEUR & GILL |
| <u>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u> | | | |
| FEB 19 | | L & N DIGREGORY & MERKEL | |
| <u>SATURDAY EVENING & SUNDAY MASSES</u> | | | |
| FEB 20 | 5:30pm | J & M & P DuBOYCE | DuBOYCE & OLIVER |
| FEB 21 | 7:15am | P & T RUBELING | BOLGER & SMELLER |
| | 9:00am | HEILAND & C & E GAUDLIP | PUGH & DeNARDIS |
| | 11:00am | EADE & GORDON & SUPROCK | BALLANTINE & THOMPSON |
| | 5:45pm | M & R & S SLATTERY | YOUTH |

ANNUAL SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER at St. Peter's on February 16th in the Parish Center from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. The menu is on a flyer in the bulletin.

ON ASH WEDNESDAY there will be a special collection for Eastern Europe. Please be generous.

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH: Masses are 9:00am and 7:30pm.

HERE ARE THE FASTING AND ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS FOR LENT:

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday (February 25, 2009) and all the Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not apply.
4. **Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from the fast and abstinence prescribed by the Church.**
5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. **Priests, religious and laity are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial** (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), **serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.**

THERE ARE STATIONS OF THE CROSS following the Friday morning Mass during Lent and on Friday evening at 7:30pm.

NO LENTEN MEAL ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH.

FRIDAY LENTEN MEALS will begin on Friday, Feb. 26th from 5:00-7:00pm in the Parish Center.

NEXT WEEKEND the second collection will be for Catholic School Education. Envelopes are in your packets.

ST PETER'S PARISH MISSION is next Sunday and Monday, February 21st and 22nd, at 7:00pm. **"LENTEN EVENINGS OF REFLECTION: THE BEATITUDES"** with Fr. Terry Cramer. Check out the flyer in today's bulletin for more details.

THERE ARE NO SCHEDULED BAPTISMS during Lent, unless it is an emergency.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

JER 17: 5-8; 1 COR 15: 12-20; LK 6: 17-26

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

DT 26: 4-10; ROM 10: 8-13; LK 4: 1-13

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: Ed Sadler, husband of Jo Sadler

PRO-LIFE SPEAKER Chris Slattery, Frontline Pregnancy Centers, NYC, will address How to Save 2000 Babies Each Year+. We will be gathering in St. Peter's Birch Room Library, **Fri., Feb. 19th** at 10am, should be eye-opening. Free will offering will be collected. Please mark your calendars.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY – Central MD Formation Day:

The 12th Annual Central Maryland Formation Day is being held on March 13th from 8:30am - 3:00pm at Mount St. Mary's University. This is a wonderful opportunity to listen to great speakers (among them: Keynote session with Fr. Paul Coutinho entitled How Big is Your God? and prayer led by Bishop Mitchell T. Rozanski) and participate in some excellent workshops. The sessions are designed to educate catechists

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS
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ADULT MINISTRY

Carolyn Nolan: cnolan@archbalt.org

THIS WEEK'S MARRIAGE TIP: Christian marriage is not a 50/50 contract. It's a covenant, which means that each spouse promises to give unreservedly - 100%.

Visit: www.foryourmarriage for you more ideas!

Baptism Prep Classes - meets on Tuesday, March 15 or April 20 from 7 – 9 pm in the lower level of the Parish Office Bldg. 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.) **NOTE: THERE ARE NO BAPTISMS CELEBRATED DURING THE LENTEN SEASON.**

LEARN HOW TO PRAY "EVENING PRAYER" – Each Friday of Lent we will meet in the Daily Mass Chapel at 6:45 pm to learn how to pray Evening Prayer or *Vespers*.

BIBLE STUDY – EPISTLE OF JAMES – see the flier in today's bulletin for details on this exciting study.

ANNULMENTS – If you are interested in beginning the petition for an annulment, call Carolyn at 301-898-5111 for more information.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Anne Mason: amason@archbalt.org

† **Religious Education News:**

FEBRUARY CLASSES:

➤ Mondays: 22nd

➤ Tuesdays: 23rd

Send us your e-mail addresses.

Please work on the scheduled lessons @ home with your children in grades 1-5. A lesson schedule can be found in yours child's folder.

† **Sacramental Prep:**

Reconciliation Family Event: Saturday, February 20, 2010 from 10AM – 12noon. **Bring your complete text with you.**

Reconciliation Family Celebration: Tuesday, February 23, 2010 @ 7PM in the church.

Enrollment Celebration: Saturday, February 27th @ 5:30PM mass. See flyer in last weeks reconciliation retreat mailer for details.

First Communion Celebration: Please call & schedule your child's First Eucharist. The dates are Saturday, May 8th or May 15th @ 10:00AM. There will be NO individual celebrations this year.

Parent Prep:

- ❖ One parent must attend 1 session. There will be no make-ups!
- ❖ March 4, 11 or 18 @ 7PM. Call or e-mail Stacy to RSVP.
- ❖ *Suggestion* – Parents who have had children prepare & celebrate @ St Peter's in the past might choose March 18th.

- † **Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Sundays 9am Mass: Children (**Ages 5 - Grade 5**) are invited to participate in breaking open the Word each week.
- † **Project Haiti:** Save your pennies! We will continue to collect pennies for the earthquake victims in Haiti. A final check will be sent to Catholic Relief Services.
- † **Home Religious Education:** All reflection sheets are due now! Mail them to REC.
- † **VBS:** June 21-25 . . . Join us for "High Seas Expedition" . . . Registration opens in March.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Harry Ford: hford@archbalt.org

There will be 5:45 Mass on Feb. 14th. There is no youth ministry meeting this weekend due to heating problems in the parish center (Jr. SPY and JC's gang) and Mount 2000 (SPY). All youth ministry meets next week.

SPY is going Snow tubing! Friday Feb 19th. Leave from St. Peter's at 6PM return 11:15 PM. Cost is \$18. Approved drivers needed. Adults staying must be STAND certified. See flyer at SPY for more information.

Appalachia Workcamp is July 11th-17th. Cost to be determined. We will have fundraisers to help lower your cost. Check our Facebook page for the latest updates!

SPY adult team meeting rescheduled to Tuesday, Feb 16th at 7PM in Parish Office Building.

SPY Core team meets on Thursday, Feb. 18th at 7pm in the Parish Office Building

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY:

- ✱ If Frederick County Public Schools **are closed** we **do not** have sessions for children or adults.
- ✱ If FCPS **close early** we **do not** have sessions for children or adults.
- ✱ **Youth Ministry** tune into WTTR and WFRE ó decisions will be made as early as possible.
- ✱ Announcements will also be on radio stationsí WTTR and WFRE after 3PM Monday through Friday.



JAMES

Pearls for Wise Living

James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Like the book of Proverbs, it is a book of wisdom, a collection of teachings on issues faced by ordinary Christians in everyday life. These teachings speak loudly to all those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith. This study offers "pearls for wise living" by applying the wisdom of James to the present day. For anyone who has struggled to live a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances.

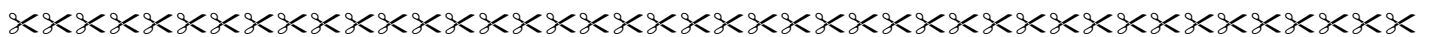
This study of James will help you:

- Find an anchor to hold you steady through the storms of life.*
- Learn how just a few small words can change your entire life—for better or for worse.*
- See how God's wisdom helps us face suffering and temptation.*
- Learn the secret to finding joy in the midst of trials.*
- Find value in suffering.*
- Find reason to trust in God's providence over wealth or position or personal talent.*
- Learn to recognize the source of discord and the way to peace.*

Cost: \$28 per study guide (couples may share a study guide)

**Class Offerings: Tuesdays (March 2 – May 11; 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.) OR
Wednesdays (March 3 – May 12; 7-9 p.m.)**

Classes will be held in Sullivan Hall (Parish Center)



Name: _____

E:Mail: _____

Phone Number: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Select class preference:

TUESDAY CLASSES (9:30-11:30 a.m.)

WEDNESDAY CLASSES (7-9 p.m.)

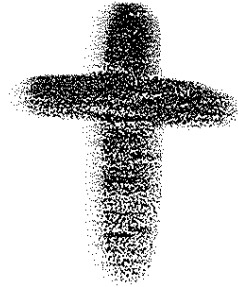
Make checks payable to: St. Peter's Catholic Church
Mail to: Carolyn Nolan, P.O. Box 278, Libertytown, MD 21762

Questions: cnolan@archbalt.org or call 301-898-5111 x 14

Ash Wednesday

With Ash Wednesday Lent begins. During this forty-day time of penance Christians prepare for the great feast of Easter. We try to change things about ourselves so that we can become better people. The Church has traditionally recommended prayer, fasting, and almsgiving as ways to help us repair and improve our lives. The tone of our worship is serious and penitential, and the devotions of Lent focus on the passion and death of Jesus.

Ashes are the most important symbol of Ash Wednesday. They mark us as believers who are setting out on a journey of self-examination and self-improvement. Ashes remind us of the traditional symbols of penance—sackcloth and ashes. And ashes also remind us of what God said just before he drove Adam and Eve out of the Garden of Eden: “...you are dust, and to dust you shall return” (Genesis 3:19).

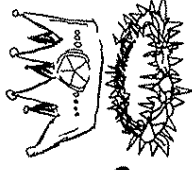
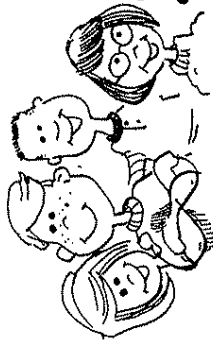


The time leading up to Ash Wednesday is rich with tradition. It is **carnival time** in Europe and in some cities in the United States, with several weeks of lavish parties and entertainment. Yet the word *carnival* itself reminds us of what we’re preparing for. *Carnival* means “farewell to meat,” and during this time we indulge in rich foods because we know we will be giving up at least some of them during Lent.

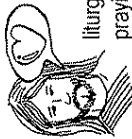


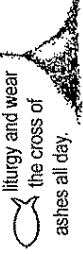


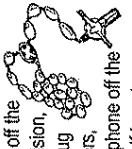














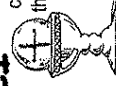






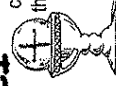
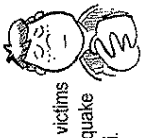

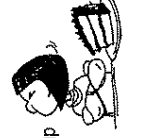






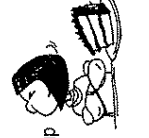



The day before Ash Wednesday has several names. In the United States we know it as **Mardi Gras** (Fat Tuesday) because of the exuberant celebrations in New Orleans. The early settlers of New Orleans were from France, and they brought their carnival festivities with them. The fat in the name referred to the kind of food that was prepared on that day to use up ingredients that would need to be given up for the Lenten fast.

This day is also known as **Pancake Day** for much the same reason. In olden days all animal products, including eggs, milk, and lard, were considered to be meat. Householders used these up by making pancakes on the day before Lent.

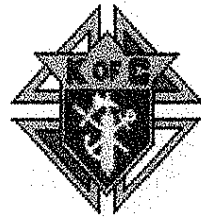
A more religious name for this day is **Shrove Tuesday**. To be shriven means to go through the process of confession, absolution, and penance. Today, celebrating the sacrament of Penance remains an appropriate preparation for the holy season of Lent.



2010 Family Lent Calendar

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 21 After Mass today, explain the Gospel and the homily in terms your children can understand.  | 22 Contact Catholic Relief Services (877-HELP-CRS, www.catholicrelief.org) to see how you can help the earthquake victims in Haiti.  | 23 Invent a new family prayer you can say together each day.  | 17 Take your family to the Ash Wednesday liturgy and wear the cross of ashes all day.  | 18 Tape a drawing of a vase on the fridge and label it, "Lent." Each day draw a flower in the vase and watch Lent blossom.  | 19 Share a meatless family meal. Discuss your Lenten offerings to be sure all are doable and sacrificial.  | 20 Choose a family Lenten offering, such as giving up desserts, attending daily Mass, or praying a family Rosary regularly.  |
| 28 Before Mass today, pick a saint represented in one of the statues in your church and find out more about him or her during Lent.  | 1 Collect stuffed animals or soft pillows in good condition and bring them to a local nursing home. Older folks love soft things to hug.  | 2 Ask each person to share a game, toy, or treat with someone else in your home.  | 3 Plan how each of you can show kindness or compassion to someone else tomorrow.  | 4 Think of someone you don't like and say three nice things about him or her.  | 5 Figure out how much your family saved by not eating meat today, and put that money in the poor box at church.  | 6 At bedtime say, "Let's turn our hearts to God and think of him." Sit in silence together for a few minutes.  |
| 7 Light a candle in church today for someone who passed away or who needs special help.  | 8 Ask each family member to write a letter to Jesus thanking him for his sacrifice on the Cross.  | 9 Make cookies and bring them to a nearby nursing home.  | 10 Encourage each family member to perform an examination of conscience.  | 11 Place a crucifix or picture of Jesus in a central place to keep the focus on him.  | 12 Every time a good deed is done, put a jelly bean in a jar. Share the jelly beans at Easter!  | 13 Ask each person to make a sacrificial offering, such as doing an extra chore without being asked.  |
| 14 Lectare Sunday Have a special meal at home or a restaurant to celebrate the half-way point through Lent.  | 15 Pick a friend or neighbor and perform an anonymous good deed for him or her.  | 16 Encourage all family members to refrain from bickering today.  | 17 Say a short prayer before each cross or crucifix in your home.  | 18 Make up a box for a needy family or homeless shelter. Put canned goods, clothing, toiletries, and gently used toys in it.  | 19 Serve pretzels as a reminder that Catholics used to fast from milk, butter, eggs, cheese, cream, and meat.  | 20 Make simple crosses out of construction paper. Write on them, "He died for me," and post them all over the house.  |
| 21 After Mass, light a candle, and recite the Apostle's Creed as an affirmation of faith.  | 22 Pray for the victims of the earthquake in Haiti.  | 23 Send a card to someone who might need cheering today.  | 24 Give up a favorite toy or treat just for today.  | 25 Visit someone who is sick and can't leave home.  | 26 Place any final donations in the box you set up. Make a family trip to deliver it to its destination.  | 27 Go to Confession or attend a Reconciliation Service. Then go out afterwards to celebrate forgiveness.  |
| 28 Have a Palm Sunday procession around the house and take turns playing Jesus.  | 29 Take a walk outside and look for signs of new life.  | 30 Forgive someone who hurt you today.  | 31 Get up 15 minutes earlier than usual today and pray as a family.  | 1 Wash and dry each other's feet in commemoration of Jesus washing the feet of his Apostles.  | 2 Pray the Stations of the Cross today, and meditate on each one.  | 3 Dress up a doll in a white garment and talk about the Baptismal vows we renew each year.  |

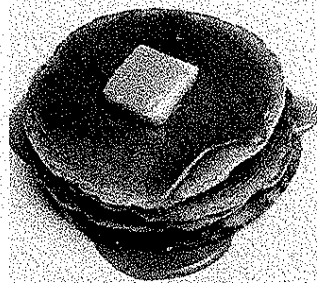
St. Peter the Apostle Parish



“All You Can Eat Shrove Tuesday”

Tuesday, Feb. 16th

BREAKFAST: 5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM



Featuring: Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Pancakes, Home Fries, OJ, Coffee, Tea, Milk, Hot Choc.

Donations: Adults: \$7.00
Children 6-12: \$4.00
Families (Maximum) \$25.00

Fair Trade Coffee Order

Name _____

Phone _____

Circle the Mass you attend :

Sat: 5:30

Sun: 7:15 , 9:00, 11:00, 5:45

| Quantity | Price |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| _____ | Dark whole bean (10.00) |
| _____ | Dark ground (10.00) |
| _____ | Light ground (10.00) |
| _____ | Decaf ground (11.00) |
| _____ | Green tea (4.00) |
| _____ | English Breakfast (4.00) |
| _____ | cocoa (5.50) |
| Chocolate (3.00 per bar) | |
| _____ | dark |
| _____ | dark raspberry |
| _____ | dark fruit & nut |
| _____ | white/strawberry |
| _____ | milk chocolate |
| _____ | dark mints (4.00) |

Total _____

SPY Teens will host a Fair Trade coffee, tea, and chocolate sale to raise money for Catholic Relief Services aid for Haiti. See the insert for the order form and return the form to the collection box on the table near the Ushers' Room.

Orders are due by Sunday 2/28th.

Coffee will be distributed in Sappington Hall on the weekend of March 6th and 7th. Please pay by check or exact cash amount.



and liturgical ministers and to aid them in their ministries. To view the schedule of workshop sessions & to register, please visit <http://www.archbalt.org/> and click on %events+at the top. Then go to the March calendar and click on March 13th. Central MD Formation Day. The cost is \$35 per person if you register by March 4th. Lunch is included. Please consider attending this worthwhile event.

THE EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE is looking for parishioners to join our %Greeter+program. It takes only a few minutes before mass and is a wonderful way to meet and greet new people. We especially encourage families and teens to join us in offering a friendly smile and a few words of welcome as people enter our church. For more information, please call Sandy Gordon at 301-865-0355.

ANNUAL AUCTION...Items are now being accepted for our Auction in August. These are not yard sale items, but items that you would bid on at an auction. Donations can include furniture in excellent condition, antiques, jewelry, china, yard equipment, paintings, etc. We are not accepting T.V.%, outdated computer equipment or exercise equipment. Bids are rare on these latter items and it costs the parish to dispose of them. Thank you in advance for your generosity in your donating. There will be no Yard Sale in June, so please **DO NOT** donate Yard Sale items. Call Laura for any further information.

“A SMOOTH KENTUCKY EVENING” has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 6th at 6:30pm. Your tickets marked, February 6th, will admit you to the newly scheduled event. If you have purchased a ticket for the event, and can not attend on March 6th, you have the option of donating your ticket sale to the church building fund. Tickets will be on sale throughout February after all Masses, if you need to purchase tickets.

FLOWER ON THE ALTAR are in loving memory of Donald Baltzell on the occasion of his birthday.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR- We will be needing flowers on a regular basis to beautify our church. To enable us to do this we are offering opportunities to honor special occasions for the living and deceased for \$80. Please call Lucia Kline 301-865-5243 or Mary Burr 410-861-6206 if you have questions or want to schedule a weekend. **Also**, any donations that one would like to contribute to the Flower Fund will go to the weekly beautification of our Church. All donations are appreciated.

PRAY WITH THE HEART PRAYER GROUP will NOT meet this Wednesday due to the Ash Wednesday observance.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Please consider giving a weekly hour of your time to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, thanking Him for so many blessings, asking for the needs of our nation and the world. We have the 4am early Saturday and an alternating 2:00pm on Thursday. Please call Linda at 301-829-2888 or Diane 301-898-0833 to take an hour. Winter weather is always challenging, we normally follow school weather closings; however, one's own best judgment should always be considered.

FREDERICK COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE (FCRTL) has a dinner fundraiser Friday, Feb. 19th at Dutch's Daughter Restaurant. Gather 6:30pm, dinner at 7:00pm and will be over by 9:00pm, tickets \$25. Two speakers. Barbara Curtis tells her amazing story and Kathy Horst who heads %Mercy's Calling+ in Hagerstown. Music by %Musix+. Call John Miller 301-473-4056. We thank you for your support on what promises to be a fun evening.

DURING THE 40 DAYS OF LENT please keep the pro-life intentions in your daily prayers

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER: Just a reminder that Electronic Funds Transfer, or EFT, is a dependable and easy way to give your weekly donations to St. Peter's. You can set up for once a month giving on the 1st or 15th of each month, or you can choose bi-monthly giving on the 1st and 15th of the month. EFT allows St. Peter's to be more accurate in budgeting monthly expenses. If you are interested in more information, please call Liz at 301-898-5111 ext. 11.

NOTE: When writing an on-line check to St. Peter's, please remember to designate the purpose of the check (envelope #, Building Fund, etc.). Thank you.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 13290: Membership – The council will be holding a membership drive on the weekend of March 6th and 7th. Those interested in learning a 1st degree role, please get in touch with team captain, Jim Conko. Nominations are now being taken for officers and chairmen for the 2010. 11 fraternal year; contact DGK Mike Bir. **Programs**. The knights will be operating the annual Parish Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner on the 16th. The family dance program will continue on Saturday the 20th. The Rumba will be featured. **Meetings** – The council will meet at 8pm in Sappington Hall on the 16th following the pancake dinner. The chapter of Grand Knights meets on the 23rd at Our Lady of the Valley Council in Middletown, 8pm. The 4th degree will meet on the 25th in Sappington Hall (7:30pm). The %Renewal of Promises+will be featured plus a variety of good foods. This is a Tuxedo with Baldric Dress event. (business suit optional). **“We Are Charity First”** Unified in Prayer.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK - Mary Unglesbee, Tom and Mary Ellen McKoy, Deacon Mike Misulia, Ed Sadler, Myrtle Carlin, Sandy McDermott, Judy Churco, Ann Fowler, Baby Hope, Joshua Wade, Marilyn Hall, Jarrett Martin, Heather Chisholm, Anna Heslin, James & Elizabeth Hood, Carmela Kaspersky, Marsha Lawn, Lydia Cook, Bill Leberz, Baby Stack, Shirley Ingraham, Preston Scibek, Bert Morley, Regina Moran, Mary Smith, Dina Strauss, Carla Carlson, Anne Beach, Linda Seifert, Janet Mulvey, Larry D., Ann Wilbur, Bethany Churco, Jack Kurtz, Cheryl & Helen Pohlit, Angie Moriarty, Andrea Ruseski, Patricia Huffer, Teresa Perry, Kim Wivell, Denise Ferguson, Bill Nathan **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.

STORY-TIME TOTS at St. John's Regional Catholic School Monday, Feb. 22nd at 8:45am, 8414 Opossumtown Pike. The program is for 3 and 4 year olds and their parents. Call Jean Wright at 301-695-9358 or jwright@sjrcs.org to reserve a spot.

UPCOMING SERVICES AT THE GROTTO OF LOURDES (Emmitsburg): Ash Wednesday. February 17th, 12 Noon Mass with Imposition of Ashes. Stations of the Cross, Friday at 1pm on Feb. 19, 26, Mar. 5, 12, 19 & 26.

MARRIED COUPLES RETREATS – Join us for a Married Couples Retreat at Priestfield, WV on the weekends of February 26th, March 5th, March 12th, March 19th, March 26th or April 30th. We have been running these retreats for over 35 years and the couples who attend come away feeling spiritually refreshed and enlightened. For more information call Elaine at 410-252-5355 or visit www.marriedcouplesretreat.com.

JOHN DENVER TRIBUTE CONCERT: Enjoy an evening with the music of John Denver performed by the Friends With You Band at the Weinberg Center for the Arts, 20 W. Patrick St., Frederick on May 8th Doors open 6:30pm, show time 8:00pm. Remember, John Denver Concert Tickets make excellent gifts for Valentine's Day, birthdays and other special occasions! Tickets are \$30 and are on sale now at the Weinberg Box Office, call 301-600-2828 or visit www.weinbergcenter.org