

ST. PETER'S PARISH

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 2, 2009

			MASSES			
MON	AUG 3	7:00pm	COMMUNION SERVICE			
TUE	AUG 4	8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE			
WED	AUG 5	8:00am	DENNIS ROOS, SR			
THU	AUG 6	8:00am	COMMUNION SERVICE			
FRI	AUG 7	9:00am	INT OF PRO-LIFE			
SAT	AUG 8	8:00am	INT OF ED SADLER			
		5:30pm	THOMAS SAPPINGTON			
SUN	AUG 9	7:15am	PARISHIONERS	*COLLECTION	\$18,314.00	\$ 11,544.89 2,493.00
		9:00am	MARGARET HICKS	*POOR BOX	\$ 721.00	\$ 235.50 256.00
		11:00am	LOUISE KOOSER	*CHURCH MORTGAGE MO.	\$	6,852.00 1,687.00

AUGUST 8 & 9

		MASS	ALTAR SERVER	LECTOR
AUG 8	5:30pm		GREGORY & C & Z RATCHFORD	SCHIEBER & FORD
AUG 9	7:15am		HUTCHISON & A & K RILEY	KUTLIK & SMELLER
	9:00am		GAUDILIP & HEILAND & WROTEN	WAGNER & DeNARDIS
	11:00am		J & L & T MOXLEY	GILL & KINZE

MY NEW FRIENDS,

Just think, in one month our faith journey together will finally begin and it only took five years. I cannot help but think how much I have grown in that time, and I am thankful to God for all He has brought my way.

Although I had no idea that my future would lead me to Saint Peter's again, I did keep an eye on your community as well as keeping you all in my prayers. Leaving a church to find is a powerful thing in one's life. But, I kept up on the news from Saint Peter's by way of the bulletin and other sources of information, I knew you were doing well and that you were growing stronger as a parish family. It is ironic how God works! And, I am thrilled that He has brought me once again to Libertytown!

I have shared a lot with you all already, and I am sure many of you have questions. What is the new pastor like? Is he a nice guy, or mean guy. How does he do things, etc., etc. Even though you will need to draw your own conclusions, I would like to think of myself as a good person. I like people to feel welcome and wanted. But, should you have any particular questions, please feel free to e-mail me at JWorley@Archbalt.org (please no forwards or junk mail).

Until next week, God Bless,
Fr. Jason

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND will be for Catholic Communications/Catholic Universities. Envelopes are in your packets.

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

EX 16: 2-15; EPH 4: 17-24; JN 6: 24-35

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1 KGS 19: 4-8; EPH 4: 30 . 5: 2; JN 6: 41-51

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: Marilyn Gruentzel, mother of Tom Gruentzel

THIS FRIDAY is First Friday. All are invited to the Mass and Holy Hour in this special devotion requested by the Sacred Heart.

LADIES CLUB MEETING will be held on Friday, Aug. 7th at 10:00am. The meeting and picnic will be held in Sappington Hall.

THE KNIGHTS ARE SPONSORING "Knight at the Movies" in Sappington Hall on Sat. night, Aug 8th at 8:45pm. This is a free movie showing of "Bedtime Stories" along with complimentary sodas and popcorn.

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.

THE PARISH SPONSORED TRIP TO SPAIN & PORTUGAL NEXT APRIL has 18 seats left to fill. We are only taking 48 people. The trip will soon be offered to other Archdiocesan churches in our area, so if you are interested in the trip, please call Laura at 301-898-5111 ext. 13, to get your name on the list. Brochures can be found in the foyer of the church.

MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE MEETING - The final planning meeting for the cruise will take place on **Sunday, August 9th at 4:00pm** at St. Katharine's Media Center. We will be discussing the land tours available for our group. Please call Diana Reuling 301-63-0495 to RSVP.

DONATIONS FOR OUR ANNUAL AUCTION SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH are not coming in as readily as we would like. We understand that we are in lesser economic times, but if you could search your heart, your homes, and your belongs, for items that you really no longer need or use, this fundraiser to support our church mortgage, can really use your help. Furniture, jewelry, antiques, and yes, even cars and boats are all very auctionable items. To donate, call Laura at the Parish Office. All donations are tax deductible.

THANKS TO THE DEAR LADIES' CLUB for the meal and to all who participated in Face The Truth Tour.

GABRIEL NETWORK NEEDS: Baby girl clothes, bouncy seat and an infant swing for a young pregnant m.om. Please call Catharine Martin 301-865-9089.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: This is a wonderful opportunity to spend prayerful, quiet time with the Lord! There are hours available for a new adorer. **3:00pm on Tuesdays.** Also, if you would like to sub please call Linda 301-829-2888 or Diane 301-898-0833 to take an hour. Thank you so much.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION - Please continue to pray for your preborn child and an end to abortion.

URGENT - More action and info. on the Health Care Reform+ legislation see <http://nchla.org/actiondisplay.asp?ID=276>

website also allows messages to Sens. Mikulski and Cardin and Rep. Bartlett. Message is %fair and just health care reform bill must exclude mandated coverage for abortion, and uphold long standing laws that restrict abortion funding and protect conscience rights+. At the moment, 4 of the 5 bills considered by the House and Senate call for government involvement in health care. Abortion is mandated as a reproductive %service+, tax-funded, and the conscience clause is gone. There is concern with rationed health care for seniors, Sen. Mikulski put the abortion mandate in the Senate version and we can indicate our disapproval. You may call Sen. Mikulski at 202-224-4654 or 410-263-1805, Sen. Cardin 202-224-4524 or through the Capital switchboard at 202-224-3121. Congressman Bartlett supports our position and does not consider %reproductive health care+ as a basic right. Please call his local office at 301-694-3030 and thank him for his pro-life support and ask his help to keep abortion and government out of health care.

PRAY WITH THE HEART PRAYER GROUP will meet this Wednesday, August 5th, 7:30pm for Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary and Prayer in the Adoration Chapel.

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.

LOST & FOUND: There are many items in our lost and found box at the main entrance of our Church, jackets, glasses, children's books and toys. Please see if any of these items are yours. Any items not picked up will be donated to the Thrift Shop on August 12th.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 13290: Council social meeting this Tuesday the 4th at 7:30pm. Bring a friend or a fellow parishioner. • **The council is now selling "SIX DRAW RAFFLE" tickets \$20 each after all Masses. The proceeds go to our parish building fund.** • Programs. Coming soon will be our annual Tootsie Roll Drive in support of ARC, Frederick County Special Olympics, and The Therapeutic Riding Center and our annual State Care Raffle for the financial support of those needing a financial bridge as they make their way through a tough set of circumstances. The winner wins a FORD MUSTANG. The council will need a lot of membership support for these worthy causes. • Awards. Our Family of the month of July is Albertus-Hugo Van den Bogaard and our Knight of the Month is Deacon John Martin. • **Membership** applications are being accepted for our September 6th, 1st degree. **What We Do.** FEED THE HUNGRY. Our council supports our parish food pantry and the Little Sisters of the Poor, as a State Council we hold a Can Food Drive during the weeks before Christmas. Join us as we work to better our parish and our community. **NAME BADGE SUNDAY next week August 8th & 9th.** %We Are Called to Serve+

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK - Mary Unglesbee, Tom and Mary Ellen McKoy, Deacon Mike Misulia, Ed Sadler, Myrtle Carlin, Judy Churco, Ann Fowler, Baby Hope, Joshua Wade, Pearl Gallagher, Marilyn Hall, Ginny Abel, Emma Pagano, Donna Pollock, Bob Bassler, Mary Naill, Connie Bachman, Paul Reinhart, Pat Wallace, Paul Zavage, Kathy King, Bill Gussio, Cheryl & Helen Pohlit, Kathy Beins, Meta Downes, Robert Mays, Doris Cottingham, Kyla Zeilinger, Jeremy Picarella, Ruth Gruodis, Mary Smith, Alan Thornton, Linda Sauls

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.

CONSIDERING A CATHOLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION FOR YOUR CHILD? St. John Regional is an Archdiocese of Baltimore Catholic School. We are your parish school and offer a parishioner tuition rate. Applications are currently being accepted for pre-K through 8th grade for the 2009-10 school year. Please visit our website to download registration forms. Please contact Jean Wright, Admissions Director at 301-695-9358 or jwright@sjrcs.org for more information. Summer office hours are Monday-Thursday, 8am-4pm.

OPEN HOUSE: MOTHER SETON SCHOOL, Emmitsburg will hold Open Houses on Tuesday, August 11th from 7-8pm, and Wednesday, August 12th from 10am-1:30pm. Have a tour of the school, receive school information and get your questions answered. Mother Seton School. newly designated 2009 Maryland Green School. offers affordable, quality Catholic education for Pre-K through 8th grade. Bus transportation and before and after care are available. For more information. visit www.mothersetonschool.org or call 301-447-3161.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND - is a blessing for married couples who desire a deeper love for each other, who want to explore the dreams they have for their marriage, who have been together for a short time or for a lifetime. Next Baltimore Area Marriage Encounter Weekends are August 14-16, 2009 and November 6-8, 2009. For more information or to register call toll free 1-877-558-5683 or visit our Web site at <http://www.me.net>.

2009 EVANGELIZATION CONFERENCE, SAT., AUG. 22ND, 8:30AM-1:30PM, Resurrection Parish, Ellicott City. Featuring, Rev. Joseph Muth, Pastor of St. Matthew Parish, Baltimore City. Fr. Muth has a dynamic presentation style and great insights for creating an evangelizing culture amid parish life. you won't want to miss it! To register or for more info visit <http://www.archbalt.org/evangelization-catechesis/conference/>

RESPECT LIFE CORNER-EUTHANASIA: Euthanasia literally translated from Greek means %good death+. Some who promote euthanasia call it %mercy killing+ death by euthanasia is neither good nor merciful. Therefore, a more accurate term would be %imposed death+. • You may ask: Why should I be concerned? Because the whole human race has a stake in the answer to the question, %Should imposed death be permitted and regulated by law?+ History teaches us that a society which does not respect and protect all human life will ultimately bring about its own destruction. Allowing certain people to be killed because their lives are viewed as %not worth living+ or %burdensome+ has profound repercussions for all of us. Devaluing one human life devalues all human life. - Imposed Death by the HLA (Human Life Alliance)

ARE YOU SINGLE? Interested in meeting people and developing friendship? The Catholic Alumni Club, a social organization of professional single Catholics is looking for you. Our monthly activities include dinners, movies, cultural, picnics, dances, sports, religious, and charitable activities. For information call 410-580-1250 or info@cacbaltime.org. Please check our website at www.cacbaltime.org.

A RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKEND RETREAT for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Faulkner, MD Sept. 2-4, 2009 and Sparks, MD Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009. The retreat is a confidential and emotionally safe environment for those struggling after abortion. Contact Project Rachel 1-800-286-4224 or email projectrachel@archbalt.org. Please visit www.project-rachel.net and www.rachelsvineyard.org or call the toll-free national hotline, 1-877-HOPE-4-ME.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS
AUGUST 2, 2009

ADULT MINISTRY

Carolyn Nolan: cnolan@archbalt.org

Marriage Tip of the Week: All married couples disagree at one time or another. Remember this rule for 'fighting fair': Feelings are neither right nor wrong, they merely are. (Marriage Encounter) Accept your spouse's feelings even if you don't share them. Visit: www.foryourmarriage.org for great relationship ideas!

- **Baptism Prep Classes** - meets on Tuesday, Aug. 18 or Sept. 15 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.)
- **Annulments**—If you would like information on annulments, contact Carolyn at 301-898-5111 x 14.
- **THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is holding once-a-month informal inquiry sessions for those 18 years or older who are considering the Catholic faith. Join us on August 11 at 7 p.m. in the Birch Library with any questions you may have about the Catholic way of life. Call Carolyn (see number above) for more info.

ADULT CLASSES

- **CHURCH HISTORY & CATHOLIC 201** visit St. Peter's on-line for registration & information. Links are http://www.stpeter-libertytown.org/pdf_forms/EPIC-Flier-Form.pdf for Church History (Epic) & http://www.stpeter-libertytown.org/pdf_forms/Catholic201-Form.pdf for Catholic 201. Come and join us for these exciting adult education sessions.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Anne Mason: amason@archbalt.org

Religious Education News:

✠ Important Dates:

- **August 31st** "New" Catechist & Aide meeting @ 7PM – location TBA. Come join us in late August to get you started in your new ministry. RSVP to Stacy @ sjohnston@archbalt.org or 301-898-5111 ext 18.
- **September 14th** Catechist Meeting @ 7PM in Sullivan Hall. This meeting is for all volunteers in the religious education program.
- **September 15th** Parent Meeting @ 7PM in Sullivan Hall. Review of the 2009-2010 schedule & program. Please RSVP to Stacy Johnston @ sjohnston@archbalt.org or 301-898-5111 ext. 18.
- **September 20th** Catechetical Sunday – Rededication & Commissioning for all catechists & youth ministers.
- **September 22nd** Pre-school to Grade 5 begin class.

- **October 1st** Sacramental Prep orientation @ 7PM. This is for parents of children who plan to celebrate Reconciliation & Holy Eucharist.

Wish List for Religious Education: www.rugheaven.com – Kist of 20 rounds for our classroom floors. What a great surprise for our little ones!

Religious Education Volunteers 2009 – 2010 needed
What is an aide? An adult assisting with attendance , snack & crafts.

Monday @ 5PM

Grade 1 – Catechist

Grade 3 – Aide

Grade 5 – Catechist & Aide

Monday 6:45PM

Grade 2 – Aide

Grade 3 – Aide

Grade 4 – Aide

Tuesday 6:15PM

Grade 5 – Aide

Call Anne Mason if you have a willingness to work with our parish children this year.

301-898-5111 ext. 17 or amason@archbalt.org

Home Program 2009-2010 News: Families registering for the Home Program should be aware that beginning in September we begin a new program with "Family Sessions". They will consist of 5 meetings for the entire family on designated Saturday afternoons from 3pm-5pm. Following the session families will be encouraged to celebrate Mass together at 5:30pm in the church. Family Orientation (Session 1) will be in September TBA. (All families participating in the Home Program are expected to be present at the family sessions.)

YOUTH MINISTRY

Harry Ford: hford@archbalt.org

Confirmation 2010: Please mark your calendars for Friday, May 14th at 7:30PM for the Rite of Confirmation.

Important Youth Ministry Dates For 2009-2010:

Parent Only Orientation: Sept 20th @ 7PM

Opening night of Youth Ministry & 5:45PM Mass- September 27th

JR Spy Retreat October 9th – 11th

Spy Retreat – November 6th – 8th

Confirmation Retreat – March 19th – 21st

We are still looking for several adults to help with the youth ministry program next year. All adults who have worked with the program have found it very rewarding. We have many new ideas, but need several more adults to make these happen!

More News

Pro-Life Education Needed Because Many Still Don't Know the Facts!

Recently Maria Vitale of the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation shared that a woman called her to find out what exactly happens in an abortion--that despite being a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother she still didn't know what an abortion really is. Vitale reflected that news articles on abortion contain no definitions of terms. Pro-abortion organizations do not talk about the specifics and give the impression that pregnancy is some abstract medical condition that can

be made magically to disappear. The result is that many people still do not realize that it is the taking of an innocent human life and that babies already well developed are torn limb from limb inside their mother's body and their body parts sucked out.

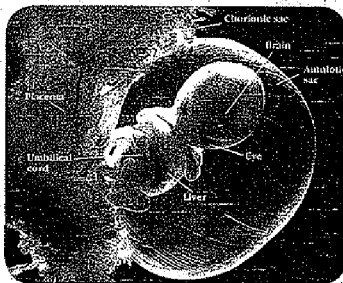
So study the information below and be ready to tell others who say they are "pro-choice" what happens to an unborn child in an abortion. We cannot continue to be silent about these horrors occurring in our country.

First Trimester

Development*

Week 10

The most critical part of the development is complete. Now a period of rapid growth is beginning. The head is now about half its length - Soon the rest of the body's growth will catch up. Eyelids fuse shut and irises begin to develop. Eye color is also determined by this point.



Week Eleven

These little human feet are perfectly shaped. At this point, the baby has eyelids, fingernails, and fingerprints, and can even grasp an object placed in the hand. The kidneys begin to form urine and the baby begins to mimic the movements of breathing.

From this point on, there is only growth in the size and maturation of the organs already present. All body systems are in place and active. The baby has a skeletal structure, nerves and circulation.



Abortion Procedures*

Suction Aspiration

Suction aspiration, or "vacuum curettage," is the abortion technique used in most first trimester abortions. A powerful suction tube with a sharp cutting edge is inserted into the womb through the dilated cervix. The suction dismembers the body of the developing baby and tears the placenta from the wall of the uterus, sucking blood, amniotic fluid, placental tissue, and fetal parts into a collection bottle.

Great care must be taken to prevent the uterus from being punctured during this procedure, which may cause hemorrhage and necessitate further surgery. Also, infection can easily develop if any fetal or placental tissue is left behind in the uterus. This is the most frequent post-abortion complication.

Dilatation (Dilation) and Curettage (D&C)

In this technique, the cervix is dilated or stretched to permit the insertion of a loop shaped steel knife. The body of the baby is cut into pieces and removed and the placenta is scraped off the uterine wall. Blood loss from D & C, or "mechanical" curettage is greater than for suction aspiration, as is the likelihood of uterine perforation and infection.

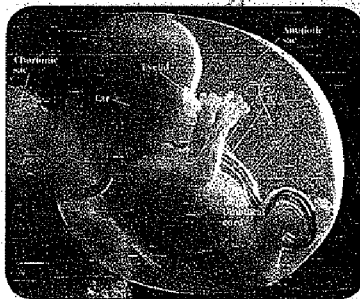
This method should not be confused with routine D&C's done for reasons other than undesired pregnancy (to treat abnormal uterine bleeding, dysmenorrhea, etc.).

Second Trimester

Week Sixteen

Around the 16th week, the baby becomes large enough and active enough for the mother to feel the child's movement. What first feels like a flutter eventually manifests itself in turns, kicks, somersaults and other movements that at some point even become visible to the outside.

Other more delicate movements, missed by the mother, have been recorded during this time frame. In the fourth month, researchers looking at the child have seen the child making fine finger movements, wiggling his or her toes, and even making a fist.



Dilatation (Dilation) and Evacuation (D&E)

Used to abort unborn children as old as 24 weeks, this method is similar to the D&C. The difference is that forceps with sharp metal jaws are used to grasp parts of the developing baby, which are then twisted and torn away. This continues until the child's entire body is removed from the womb. Because the baby's skull has often hardened to bone by this time, the skull must sometimes be compressed or crushed to facilitate removal. If not carefully removed, sharp edges of the bones may cause cervical laceration. Bleeding from the procedure may be profuse.

Salt Poisoning

Otherwise known as "saline amniocentesis," "salting out," or a "hypertonic saline" abortion, this technique is used after 16 weeks of pregnancy, when enough fluid has accumulated in the amniotic fluid sac surrounding the baby. A needle is inserted through the mother's abdomen and 50-250 ml (as much as a cup) of amniotic fluid is withdrawn and replaced with a solution of concentrated salt. The baby breathes in, swallowing the salt, and is poisoned. The chemical solution also causes painful burning and deterioration of the baby's skin. Usually, after about an hour, the child dies. The mother goes into labor about 33 to 35 hours after instillation and delivers a dead, burned, and shriveled baby. About 97% of mothers deliver their dead babies within 72 hours.

*This information is from www.nrlc.org/abortion

*Text from *A baby's first months*, National Right to Life Educational Trust Fund (available for .45 at 202-626-8829; photos from, *Embryonic/Fetal Development*, Dr. David Prentice, CUA, 2008