



ST. LOUIS CHURCH
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
March 21, 2010



Daily Mass Readings

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Next Sunday
Isaiah 43:16-21	Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62	Numbers 21:4-9	Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95	Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10	Jeremiah 20:10-13	Ezekiel 37:21-28	Isaiah 50:4-7
Psalms 126:1-6	Psalms 23:1-6	Psalms 102:2-3, 16-21	Daniel 3:52-56	Psalms 40:7-11	Psalms 18:2-7	Jeremiah 31:10-13	Psalms 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24
Philippians 3:8-14				Hebrews 10:4-10			Philippians 2:6-11
John 8:1-11	John 8:12-20	John 8:21-30	John 8:31-42	Luke 1:26-38	John 10:31-42	John 11:45-56	Luke 22:14-23:56

What is Lectio Divina?

While reading sacred scripture, read the words with a love and sense of discovery until something seems to strike home. Sit with the passage as one would with a good friend- not just thinking or analyzing, but instead remaining in a quiet, listening spirit, so the word can nurture and challenge you.

Call to Prayer

"Let us take a moment in the midst of all our activity to prepare ourselves for prayer."

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The Word of God

Choose one of next Sunday's readings. One person reads the scripture aloud as others are attentive to a word, phrase, or theme that is meaningful to them. Allow for a minute of silent reflection. Have another person read the same scripture a second time.

Faith Sharing

Begin with an open ended question such as "What strikes you from this reading?" and/or you can use the "Reflection Question" found on our website or bulletin. Allow time for reflection & sharing.

Closing Prayer

At the end of the faith sharing, invite participants to pray aloud for any particular petitions or praises they may have. Feel free to close with: The Lord's Prayer or Spontaneous prayers or a faith-based song.

Reflection Question for Next Sunday, March 28, 2010

Listen with your heart as we pray through Luke's account of the Passion and Death of Jesus. Does any image recur in your memory? Maybe Peter, so brave, declaring he would face prison and death for Jesus, then too afraid to admit to a curious servant girl that he even knew him. He weeps in grief at his betrayal. Do you ever feel like you disappoint Jesus?
 Remember: there is nothing you can do that will make him love you less.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public notice has been posted on the property next to the Priests Residence on Route 108 concerning a hearing to permit a funeral home to be built on that property. Given the present level of heavy traffic and congestion on Route 108, this development could cause even greater traffic problems.

The hearing is scheduled for March 29, 2010 at 6pm at 8930 Stanford Blvd. in Columbia. Case# H32 BA10-001C.

The public is invited to attend and state their opinion.

www.howardcountymd.gov/planning 410-313-2350



Dear Parishioners:

Please note the insert in today's bulletin concerning the petition for "conditional use" to build a funeral home next door to the priest residence on Route 108.

This petition is a very important issue for our parish and for the community at large since it will have a major impact on traffic along an already heavily used Route 108 and more congestion at the intersection of 108 and Ten Oaks road—which is already a disaster. It will also impact parking on our property and the tranquil setting we have tried to create for our campus and will directly impact the priests' residence which will be literally footsteps away from a huge 23,500 square foot building. For these and many other reasons the parish will be opposing this petition at a public hearing on Monday, March 29th.

Please read my enclosed letter and consider supporting our efforts. Anything you can do to help would be greatly appreciated. Thanks so much.

Msgr. Luca

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The opportunity for brotherhood presents itself every time you meet a human being.

GOOD DEEDS OF THE CHILDREN: Carolina collected bags with her sister and mom to give food to the poor; Lexi gave to the poor; Rebecca helped with the Italian Dinner; Melanie said she was sorry to her family; Mary picked up the ball; Trevor prayed for the poor, the dying, and the sick; Emma put the money her Gram gave her in the Lent rice bowl; Becca stayed on task; Brenna helped her mom and dad measure the basement; Tori opened the dog food to help Charlie lean to eat since his surgery; Bella Rose picked up the shoe the baby threw; Michayla went on a trip to Washington D.C. and got her family beautiful gifts; Samantha helped her sister.

CD TITLE OF THE WEEK: Glimpses Along the Way of the Cross - Fr. James P. Shea: In these beautiful talks, Fr. Shea guides us along the Stations of the Cross, teaching us how to better open our hearts to the suffering and loneliness of Jesus on His way to Calvary. These powerful meditations take us into the depths of Christ's agony, and back out again into the relief and joy of what His sacrifice means for us.

CHURCH LINENS: Altar linens are to be picked up this week by Ms. Ballard and next week by Ms. Coffey.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

New Parishioner Welcome	Sunday, March 21, 2010	Social Hall	12:30 PM
Pre-Cana	Sunday, March 21, 2010	Social Hall	4:00 PM
discovering Christ	Monday, March 22, 2010	Social Hall	6:45 PM
ACTS Men's Small Group	Monday, March 22, 2010	Room 303	7:00 PM
Novena	Monday, March 22, 2010	Chapel	7:30 PM
Women's Bible Study	Tuesday, March 23, 2010	Room 301	9:30 AM
Picnic Raffle Committee	Tuesday, March 23, 2010	Room 304	6:30 PM
Respect Life Committee	Tuesday, March 23, 2010	Room 303	7:00 PM
Catechism Study	Tuesday, March 23, 2010	Room 301	7:00 PM
Picnic Executive Committee	Tuesday, March 23, 2010	Room 305	7:00 PM
Playgroup	Wednesday, March 24, 2010	Room 301	9:30 AM
Picnic Raffle Committee	Wednesday, March 24, 2010	Room 304	6:30 PM
RCIA	Wednesday, March 24, 2010	Room 301	7:00 PM
Confessions-- The Light Is On	Wednesday, March 24, 2010	Church	7:00 PM
Young Adult Bible Study	Wednesday, March 24, 2010	Room 303	7:30 PM
Charismatic Prayer Group	Wednesday, March 24, 2010	Room 306	8:00 PM
Picnic Raffle Committee	Thursday, March 25, 2010	Room 304	6:30 PM
Haiti Committee	Thursday, March 25, 2010	Room 303	8:00 PM
Picnic Raffle Committee	Friday, March 26, 2010	Room 304	6:30 PM
Stations of the Cross	Friday, March 26, 2010	Church	7:00 PM

WORSHIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Next Saturday, March 27, by Monsignor Luca and Father Peridans.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES: Cpl. Dan Haack, Cpt. Joseph McDonald, Cpt. Brendan Gallagher, PFC Joseph Henry, Lt. John Ryan, Lt. Denise Reccardi, USNR, Major Chaplain Father Tyson Wood, Cpt. Brian Green, PFC Patrick Bacon, LCP Daniel Smith, LCP Larry Draughn, Ensign Kelly McLin, CH (Captain) Arek Ochalek, CPL James Parquette, Cpt. Steven Cooper, LCpl Dane Joyce, LC Christopher Holly, Major Will Fenwick; Cmdr. J. Patrick Madden, PFC Patrick Steckman, 1st LT Vincent Paul Rubbo, SN Mark E. Mangus, Jr, 2nd LT Gina Horn, T Sgt. Christopher Lozzi.

PLANNING YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM? The next Baptism Preparation Session will be held on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 in Room 301 of the Pastoral Center from 7:15 PM to 9:00 PM. Please call the Parish Office at 410-531-6040 to register.

Welcome the newly baptized:

Leonardo Thornton Romano
Child of Antonio & Lisa (Vallario) Romano

PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

Bruce McDade, brother of Gary McDade and uncle of Luke, Jacob, and Nick.

Anthony Holmead, father of Beverly Gerhardt.

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU! Confessional lights will be on for Catholics in the Archdiocese of Baltimore again this Lent as part of the Archdiocese's campaign to promote the Sacrament of Reconciliation. At St Louis the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered on each of the Wednesday evenings of Lent from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in the church—except the Wednesday of Holy Week. And of course the Sacrament is available at the regular times on Saturdays from 3:00 pm to 3:55pm and from 5:00pm to 5:25pm. Lent is the ideal time to celebrate this great Sacrament. If you have been away from Confession, now is the time to turn back to the Lord. Remember **the light is on for you.**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF MARCH 21, 2010

Sunday	6:45am	Marie Schmidt
	8:00am	Jane Gossage and Lucia R. Falcone
	9:30am	William Thureau and Seka Marcelin Alle
	11:15am	Donald Freiert, Sr. and Robert Harris
	12:45pm	Maria Bochniewicz and Visitacion Marquez
Monday	7:00am	Margaret L. Murray
Tuesday	7:00am	Dorothy O'Connor and Fred Mauser (SI)
	9:30am	Parishioners
Wednesday	7:00am	Spurgeon Terry (SI)
Thursday	7:00am	Anna and Andrew Jonas
Friday	7:00am	Virginia Kubilus (SI)
Saturday	8:00am	Emil Hatrock
	4:00pm	John Schineller and Audrey Wick
	5:30pm	Lori Tolland (SI) and Anne Ardoin

SICK LIST: If you would like to have a name put on our Sick List, please call the parish office at 410-531-6040. Names on the Sick List will be included for three months. If you would like your name to be listed after the three month period, please call the Parish Office at that time. Thank you.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK, ESPECIALLY:

Phillip Albert, Jr.	Shirley Ingraham	Emanuel Picek
Elliana Marie Barber	Wilson John	Mary Frances Schuyler
Mary Collins	Eileen Koubek	Stephan Schecter
Pat Dunlap	Martha Murphy	Evelyn Scroder
Ben Feaga	Mona Musgrave	Bill Steckman
Elizabeth Ferrick	David Olenski	Beth Tylicki
Eleanor Fidler	Luke Peninger	LeRoy Zwier
Jim Haig	Kelli Penn	

LENT AND EASTER SERVICES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS *(with Benediction)*
Fridays during Lent at 7:00 pm in the Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00 - 4:00 pm; 5:00 - 5:30 pm and by appointment
The Light Is On. Wednesdays of Lent, 7:00 - 8:30 pm (except the Wednesday in Holy Week)

PALM SUNDAY – March 28

HOLY THURSDAY – April 1

8:00 am – Morning Prayer in the Chapel
7:30 pm – **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight

GOOD FRIDAY – April 2

8:00 am – Morning Prayer in the Chapel
3:00 pm – **LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion
7:30 pm – Stations of the Cross in tableau form, followed by Veneration of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY – April 3

(No 8:00 am, 4:00 pm, or 5:30 pm Masses & no afternoon confessions)

8:00 am – Morning Prayer in the Chapel with RCIA
1:00 pm – Blessing of Easter Foods in the Church
7:30 pm – **THE EASTER VIGIL**

EASTER SUNDAY – April 4 *(No Eucharistic Adoration)*

Church: 6:30 am, 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am; 12:45 pm
Auditorium: 9:30 am, 11:15am (Children's Mass)



FELLOWSHIP

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OPEN MEETING: Fr Jude Winkler presenting "The Passion Narratives". All are welcome to this presentation to be given in the Pastoral Center Social Hall on Tuesday, March 30, at 7:30pm. Fr Jude is a Conventual Franciscan Friar who has published numerous books and articles, mainly in the area of biblical theology. He is also a preacher of many parish and group retreats around the world. Light refreshments will be provided. This event is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. For more information please contact Leo Mortimer at 410-730-4844.

EDUCATION



Whew! We made it to spring...more sunshine in everyday... hooray! This week we began a new marking period and had fun celebrating the Irish in all of us. We hope you did, too!

Great news from our 2008 graduates...Congratulations to **Jessica Holt** for becoming a member of La Sociedad Honoraria de Hispanica. To receive this honor, she had to maintain an A average for at least six straight quarters in an upper level Language class. Keep up the hard work, Jessica!

Congratulations to **Kiera Muckenhirn** for her performance in Good Counsel's production of *Into the Woods* last weekend at the Olney Theatre. Kiera did a fantastic job as one of the leads in the ensemble cast. Kudos to another 2008 graduate, **Venezia Ferraro-Shiblie** for her outstanding work in the production staff. Great job, girls!

Two of our students, Jordan and Christian Woo recently took 3rd place in the HCMTA (Howard County Music Teacher Association) Piano Ensemble Competition for their duet, The French Waltz by Eugenie Rocherolle.

Please stop by **Subway**, in Highland or Clarksville, on Wednesday, March 24th and pick-up lunch or dinner. Subway will donate a portion of their proceeds back to the school! Fliers are located in the tower in the Narthex. Thanks for your support!

Don't forget to pick up your gift cards! Do you have some spring cleaning to do? Plants and bushes that need replacing? Home improvements and a fix-it list? Our volunteers in the Narthex have a gift card for every item on that Honey-Do list! From Home Depot to JoAnn Fabrics, and everything in between, we can get you on your way to a productive spring! Don't forget to pick up a gift card for all of your Easter shopping...or to tuck away as a surprise from the Easter Bunny!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

IMPORTANT DATES FROM THE OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- March 24: First Communion Enhancement Class 5:00pm or 7:00pm
- March 27: Saturday Religion Classes 9:00a.m.
- March 27: Coffee & Conversation with Fr. Dominique 9:00a.m.
- March 29: VBS registration begins!
- April 3: No Saturday Morning Religion Classes
- April 10: No Saturday Morning Religion Classes

Our 2nd First Communion Enhancement Opportunity will be held on Wednesday, March 24th at 5:00pm OR 7:00pm in the Howard Bishop Meeting Rooms. Our topic will be "Remembering, Reverence and Receiving the Blessed Sacrament" We ask that at least one parent attend with their child. If you have any questions, please call the Religious Education Office at (410) 531-6688.



The Last "Saturday Morning Coffee and Conversation" with Fr. Dominique for this school year will be held on March 27th ~ St. Paul said "we do not know how to pray" (Romans 8:26). So, what should we do? All are welcome to gather in the Howard Bishop Meeting Rooms at 9:00a.m. for this informal opportunity to discuss this topic and share coffee. We are already thinking about next year's schedule. Do you have any suggestions for discussion topics? If so, please call Vickie Yozwiak at (410) 531-6688 and we'll add it to our list.

Rosary for First Communion: In an effort to increase devotion to our Blessed Mother, and the praying of the rosary within our families, this year's First Communion class will be distributing rosaries after some of the Masses this Sunday, March 21st. If you/your family will commit to praying the rosary for them and the children of our sister parish in Haiti, please take home a rosary next Sunday. Our hope is that the rosary you pray with will become a very special Sacramental for one of our First Communicants, or a student in Haiti. With this hope in mind, we will ask you to return the rosary on the weekend of April 17-18th. There will be baskets in the narthex of the church. Each First Communicant will receive one on the day of his/her First Communion and the rest will be given to our Haiti Committee to share with the students in Gonaives. We thank you for your prayers!



Introducing the **St. Louis Vacation Bible School** for this summer: Our theme this year is **The Rainforest!** Join us as we travel upriver into a beautiful forest with 5 amazing animals. We will listen to fun music, hear 5 interesting Bible stories, make unique crafts, eat crazy snacks, and play original games. The cost of \$50 for the week includes a T-shirt, snack, and all the activities. Children from pre-school to 5th grade are invited to join us on **July 12-16 from 8:30-noon**. The registration deadline is **May 31st**. We need many volunteers. If you are a teen, we welcome your help! Look for the "Youth Volunteer" form. If you are an adult, you are also needed very much! Your form is on the back of the children's registration. As a thank you for **FULL TIME** adult volunteers, your children can come to our camp for half price! **Beginning March 29th**, you can download a registration/volunteer form from the religious ed. web site, pick one up in the religious ed. office, or in the narthex after Masses. For more info email vbs@stlouispish.org or call Linda Jennings at (301) 854-9724.

YOUTH MINISTRY

I cannot give you the stats on the 29th Annual Italian Dinner right now (it would help if it actually happened before I write this!) but I can tell you this...it looks like we served over 150 more meals than last year and made almost \$2,000 more gross than last year. Great people came to serve this weekend and great customers came to eat award winning homemade food (my personal award) and experience the young church of St. Louis! (and some pretty incredible adults as well!) I will fill you in concerning details in a later column... Those who have called about the dinner from far and wide are yearning, hungering for the dinner and can't wait to be here! And I can smell the sauce even before it is made!

Wouldn't it be awesome if we all experienced a great yearning and hunger for community, particularly around the table of the Eucharist? Wouldn't it be just awesome if our need for and love of Jesus would totally consume us and change us? I'LL BE PRAYING FOR YOU!

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY:

- March 21: Lunches to the Homeless
Deeper Waters 6-8pm
- March 23 & 25: Confirmation Sponsor Meetings 7pm
- March 27: Archdiocesan Pilgrimage
- March 28: Youth Mass 9:30 am
- April 4: Happy and Holy Easter!!!
- April 9-11: HS CYM Summit Lake Retreat
- April 13: MS CYM Youth Council 6-7pm
- April 16: MS Dance - Tickets good from February Dance
- April 18: HS CYM BRUNCH at Grassroots Shelter,
Patrick Brady on "Spiritually Surviving The
Economic Crisis" Pastoral Center Social
Hall 2-3:30 pm
- April 23: MS CYM Mystery Night
- April 24: Worthy of the Call STAND training for Youth
11am
- April 25: Youth Mass 9:30 am
- April 26: National Speakers/Musicians "Popple" at Gym
7-8:30pm ALL INVITED!!!

ADULT ENRICHMENT



RCIA: For those being baptized especially, and also for those coming into full communion with the Catholic Church, the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Sundays of Lent are important Rites called "The Scrutinies." After the homily, there are special prayers over them, a special Prayer of the Faithful, then they leave Mass with the catechists. While the Liturgy of the Eucharist continues in the church, they will 'feed' on the Word, using the readings the Church has selected for this purpose, highlighting the conversion process.

We have the Scrutiny Rites at different times each of the 3 weeks because we want to make sure that as many as possible participate, both those on the RCIA journey and the "Cradle Catholics" who might find their own hearts enflamed with an appreciation for their relationship with Jesus. For more information on The Scrutinies, re-read the Little Black Book, (left side) for March 7!

The Scrutinies

5th Sunday of Lent, March 21 at the 12:45pm Mass

STEWARDSHIP

SECOND COLLECTIONS

March 27/28 Building Fund

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

In today's second reading, St. Paul says, "For His sake I have forfeited everything; I have accounted all else rubbish so that Christ may be my wealth." Does my stewardship suggest that I could say the same?

PLANNED GIVING

As parishioners of Saint Louis Church, old or new, we are all beneficiaries of more than 150 years of service and parishioner generosity. A planned gift to Saint Louis Church, will sustain this good work for generations to come. For more information on making a planned gift to Saint Louis Church, contact Mary Helfrich, Parish Development Director at 410-531-6040 or MHelfrich@stlouisparish.org.

Preserving our Treasured Legacy Campaign:

Parish Mortgage:

As of April 1, 2007.....	\$ 3 million
As of April 1, 2008.....	\$ 1,478,322
As of October 1, 2009.....	\$ 791,735
Balance of Ten Oaks Property....	\$ 452,708
New mortgage.....	\$ 1,244,443

As of March 1, 2010\$ 1,128,206
(Our monthly mortgage payment will be \$27,342 for 44 months)

Please consider making a sacrificial pledge to this campaign that will enable us to bring down the mortgage of our new Church and Pastoral Center.

1. If you gave to the Heritage of Hope Campaign, which ended in 2001, consider making a pledge to the Legacy Campaign. Or...
2. If you are nearing the end of your payment to the Legacy Campaign, consider extended your pledge for another year or two. Or...
3. If you are new to the parish or were unable to make a pledge in the past, consider doing your part now by making a pledge now.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to support and participate in this important time in the life of our parish. For additional information contact the parish office at 410-531-6040. Thanks sincerely to all who have been supportive.

OUTREACH

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP SEW BAPTISMAL BIBS?

St. Louis has a team of wonderful volunteers who share their time and talent sewing Baptismal Bibs for the babies and children who are baptized. The bibs represent the white garment put on when they become a new creation in Christ. It is an outward sign of our Christian dignity. If you would like to help sew bibs call Julie Farmer at 301-854-1223 or email farmertakesawife@aol.com. Directions and materials are provided.

MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Meals on Wheels in Howard County has a variety of volunteer positions available. If you would like to volunteer, please call the Howard County office at 410-730-9476.

COMMUNITY

SHRINE OF ST. ANTHONY

RECURRING EVENTS:

- Daily Mass, Monday thru Friday, 12 noon
(Tuesday Mass includes the Novena to St. Anthony)
- First Friday Healing Mass, 7:30 PM
- Third Sunday & Last Sunday Healing Mass, 3 PM
- Confession, Wednesday, 4 PM-5 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS after the Noon Mass in the Shrine Chapel: March 23: Everyone's Way of the Cross; March 30: Way of the Cross for Priestly Vocations; April 6: Stations of the Resurrection.

SEDER MEAL : You are invited to celebrate the Seder Meal, March 25, 2010 from 6 to 8:30 pm...a Christian Adaptation, recalling the Exodus of the Jewish people to the promised land. The aim of the Seder on this night is to bring the events and miracles of the past deliverance from Egypt into the present. We are asked to bear witness to God's redeeming action in the past, to act in conformity with His will in the present, and to renew our hope in future redemption. Cost: \$40 per person. Please RSVP by Monday, March 22nd. For further information please call the Shrine office at 410-531-2800.

TRAVELERS LOOKING FOR MASS TIMES:

To find church locations and Mass schedules nationwide, call 1-410-676-6000 or go to www.MassTimes.org.

THE 2010 CENSUS: Your Responses Are Safe: You have likely received your 2010 Census form. One of the shortest census forms in history, the 2010 Census form asks 10 questions and takes about 10 minutes to complete. It's easy, important and safe, and your participation is vital. By law, the U.S. Census Bureau cannot share an individual's personal information with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities. Please complete and mail back your form and encourage your family, friends and neighbors to do the same. For more information, visit 2010census.gov.