

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings for next weekend #911

Exodus 3: 1-8a, 13-15

FEBRUARY 28, 2010

1 Corinthians 10: 1-6, 10-12

Luke 13: 1-9

~Stations of the Cross 7 pm every Friday in the Chapel during Lent

~"The Light is On" every Wednesday in the Chapel from 7-8 pm (except Wednesday of Holy Week)

~We welcome & encourage everyone to grow in their experience of prayer this Lent. Please include your children in your Lenten prayers through Disciples in Mission, Stations of the Cross, fasting & almsgiving.

~This week you should have received a **Parish Survey** in the mail. If you did not receive the survey, copies are available in the Narthex. We encourage you to respond by March 7th. You may place your completed Survey in the specified boxes in the Narthex. Thank you on behalf of the Strategic Planning Committee!

Mass Intentions for the Week – March 1st – 7th Weekday

7:30 AM Monday – Friday - Communion Service

9:00 AM

Monday Elizabeth Gendimenico

Tuesday Henry Krings, Jr.

Wednesday Fr. Ed Hemler (L)

Thursday Vito A. Perriello, Jr.

Friday William Orndorff


Weekend

4:00 PM Miriam Fitzsimmons

7:30 AM Joseph & Elizabeth Cavalli


9:00 AM Miriam Fitzsimmons

11:00 AM Mary & Ken Sanders

 **Bad Weather Policy** - If the Harford Co. School System, due to snow or ice, announces full closure or a 2 hour delay of school openings, there will on that given day be **NO** worship services at St. Mark (7:30/9:00 am), including Friday Adoration. **For weekend Mass cancellations, please visit our website: www.saintmarkfallston.org.**

~The Pastoral Council is seeking candidates for election of Members-at-Large in May. Please reflect on whether you are called to serve your Parish in this way. Contact the Rectory or Diane Siemek (410) 557-7672.

PARISH VOCATION CROSS

 ~Luke 10: 1-3 After this, Jesus appointed seventy-two others & sent them ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them: "The harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few; pray, therefore, the Master of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

~**DISCUSSION QUESTION: Jesus sent the 72 others ahead of Him two by two, He sent them to the places he would visit later. Why do you think He did that?**

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

The reign of God is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in the garden; it grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air made nests in its branches.

(Luke 13: 19b)

Adult: **What important work could bear fruit in your life right now if you have more confidence in God's loving care?**

Child: **What great work would you like to do as you grow older? What can you do to begin now?**



CLOW News – Children's Liturgy of the Word is celebrated on the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at the 9 am Mass & on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month at the 11 am Mass.

TREASURER'S REPORT FEBRUARY 21, 2010

443	Envelopes:	\$ 11,077.00
	Loose:	<u>2,678.00</u>
		\$ 13,755.00

Poor Box: \$1,009.50

PARISH COMMUNITY OUTREACH



THINK SPRING! Atlantic City Bus Trip – St. Mark's is sponsoring a bus trip to Atlantic City on **Tuesday, May 18th** – Cost \$30. Casino to be announced - - sign up at the Rectory.



ST. MARK'S FOOD PANTRY: We will be making Easter Baskets for the needy. (Easter is April 4th.) The Pantry is in need of the following: **HAMS, HAMS, HAMS**, instant potatoes, canned pineapple, sugar, juice, Easter candy, cleaning supplies and personal care items. Items may be left in the Church Narthex, Msgr. McCall Center & on Wed. & Fri. from 12 noon to 2 pm in the Church Convent. **Bless all who support this Outreach Project!!**

GABRIEL NETWORK: Looking for donations of cribs, pac'n plays & infant activity chairs. Questions call Margaret Daniel (410) 877-7329. Items may be brought to convent on Wed. & Fri. from noon to 2 pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: St. Mark's Blood Drive will be held on Sunday, March 14th from 7:30 am – 1:30 pm in the Msgr. McCall Center.

FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

RELIGIOUS ED

E-mail reled@saintmarkfallston.org

Normal office hours are Monday through Thursday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. We suggest you call before stopping in to be sure that the person you need to speak with is available that day.

Our Religious Education snow policy follows Harford Co. Public Schools for Monday through Friday classes & activities. Our Sunday classes & gatherings are independent of the school system policy. Please be sure to check the website for updates in schedules. Usually a phone chain will be put in place to announce any changes or cancelations.

Religious Ed Class Schedule K-5

~Kindergarten Classes are Sundays: Feb. 28; March 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 10:45 am – Noon

~Grades 1 thru 5 are either:

Tuesdays: Feb. 23, March 2, 9, 16, & 23
from 6:45-8:00 pm

Wednesdays: March 3, 10, 17 & 24
from 4:45 – 6:00 pm

Classes canceled due to snow will not be made up. Parents are reminded to use the syllabus to work through the missed material with your child/children.

Children will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation during class time on March 2nd & 3rd, any family enrolled in the Home Study option is welcome to join us at those times.

PARISH LENTEN TIME OF ADORATION & FAMILY HOME STUDY – SUNDAY, MARCH 21ST AT 6:00 PM

FIRST EUCHARIST NEWS!

Don't forget to sign-in the First Eucharist Booklet. First Eucharist Workshop Day is Saturday, March 20th from 10 am to noon! We ask that any parent interested in helping to please contact the office to sign up!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Kate & Jacob can be reached by calling (410) 877-1692 Ext. 22 or by email at: youthmin@saintmarkfallston.org.

Religious Ed Class Schedule Grades 6 through 8

- Monday, March 1 @ 6:45-8 pm
- Monday, March 8 @ 6:45-8 pm
- Monday, March 15 @ 6:45-8 pm
- Monday, March 22 @ 6:45-8 pm

CONFIRMATION NEWS!

Schedule of Classes: Either:

- Sunday, March 7 @ 9:15-10:45 am or
Wednesday, March 10 @ 6:45-8:15 pm
(Last Session Exit Interviews)

Letters to the Bishop: Letters to the Bishop are OVERDUE. Turn them in ASAP!

~**Adoration:** Any youth interested in learning more about opportunities to experience Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament should call, e-mail, or facebook Jacob or stop in the Youth Ministry Office. There are many opportunities here in our area to be able to participate in this wonderful & unique form of prayer.

Archbishops Youth Pilgrimage: The Annual Archbishops Youth Pilgrimage will be held on March 27, 2010 this year. Anyone interested in going should sign up in the Youth Ministry Office as soon as possible. Check out the EVENT PAGE on facebook & watch the video! It's going to be AMAZING! **Registration ends Feb. 28th, 2010.**

Disciples in Mission Youth Group: Attention All High School Youth! It is NOT too late to sign up for Disciples in Mission Youth Group. St. Mark's Youth Ministry will be hosting *Disciples in Mission* geared specifically for High School Youth! If you are interested in hanging out with your peers in an environment of Faith and diving deeper into Catholicism & the Holy Scriptures then fill out a Disciples in Mission registration card found in the Narthex or call the Office of Youth Ministry & speak with Jacob.



Ski Trip: St. Marks Youth Ministry will be sponsoring a Ski Trip on March 13, 2010. We will be leaving St. Marks at 10 am & returning at 12 midnight. The cost for the trip is \$85 & covers transportation/ski/snowboard rental, lesson at your choice of level, & lift ticket. Call, e-mail, or stop by the Office of Youth Ministry for more information or to sign up ASAP. Hurry space is limited & registration closes THIS SUNDAY, February 28th.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION NEWS!

“CURSILLO ULTREYA: St. Mark will host an Ultreya for the Harford Area on Friday, March 5th, beginning at 7 pm in the basement meeting room of the Rectory. Our plan is to host a monthly Ultreya on 1st Fridays. Call Deacon Chuck (410) 879-2496 for details.

FAITH SPEAKS OUT! Our 2nd Parish-wide meeting will be held on Thursday, March 11th at 7 pm in the White Hall. Plan to be there – bring a friend!



The **Parish Library Book of the Month:** Born Fundamentalist, born Again Catholic, by David Currie. Currie was raised in a devout Fundamentalist Christian family, & studied in the Masters of Divinity Program at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. This book is an explanation of why he chose to embrace Catholicism. He explores the common ground between Fundamentalism & Catholicism, & what separates them. Copies are available to borrow from the Parish Library.

Disciples In Mission News

Year II has begun! We are excited to have the entire parish working together as we dive deeper into scripture & prayer this Lent to grow in faith together as a community. If you are interested in participating but missed the sign up, please contact the Office of Faith Formation & we can help you get materials to aid your Lenten journey!