

UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISH

Saturday & Sunday, October 5th & 6th

Ministry Sign-up Weekend—Padua Hall

Sunday, October 6th

Knights of Columbus Breakfast—8:30 to 11 am

Religious Goods Store—8:30 to 11 am

Healing Mass—3 pm

Monday, October 7th

Adoration & Confessions—5 to 8 pm

Tuesday, October 8th

Bible Study—10:30 am (rectory)

Wednesday, October 9th

Young Adult Bible Study—5:30 pm (Religious Ed Center)

Friday, October 11th

Middle School Youth Group—6:30 to 8:30 pm (Padua Hall)

**MASS INTENTIONS
SEPTEMBER 30 — OCTOBER 6**

9/30	8:00 am	Robert Ciesielski (D) r/b Peter & Beverly Maccari
10/1	8:00 am	Brian & Levy Naley (L) r/b Hetmansky Family
10/2	8:00 am	Florence Waldron (D)
10/3	8:00 am	June Kretzing (L)
10/4	8:00 am	Charlie Rohan (D) r/b The Family
	11:00 am	Eleanor Teti (D) r/b Nina Teti
10/5	9:00 am	All Souls r/b Hon Wimbush
	4:30 pm	Parishioners
10/6	8:15 am	David Searles (D) r/b Hetmansky Family
	11:15 am	Mr. & Mrs. Arnold Felix (L) r/b DJ Callendar

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy changing world. Our local council, **Calvert Council #7870 will be holding a membership drive at all Masses on October 5 & 6, 2019.** Whether you become an individual member or a member of our council you will find that Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. If you would like to join today simply go to KofC.org/joinus and enter our council #7870 for local information.

The Importance of Passing on the Faith

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

Just the other day I received a letter containing some very important information concerning our parish and its religious education program. As I have repeatedly said, the most important ministry of our parish is to tender the Sacraments to the people of God who reside in North Beach and the surrounding area. The schedule of Masses and confessions is integral to the life of any parish. This is where the faithful are fed and nourished as they journey through this world to the heavenly Kingdom. To be strengthened by the Eucharistic and to have their sins forgiven enables the faithful Christian to continue treading the long and arduous way to their heavenly homeland. Both baptismal and marriage preparation also take place when the time arises to prepare individuals for these beautiful sacraments.

So, the sacramental life of the parish and the Church in general will always take a pre-eminent place in the life of St. Anthony's parish. Following upon the essential nature of the sacramental life is the carrying out of the teachings of Jesus. Catechesis, that is the passing on of the life of faith to our young children and our teens, is also a top priority of my work as the pastor of St. Anthony's. It is essential that the faith is passed on in its integrity. It grieves me when I see certain generations who are left out and the faith is not passed on to them. There are many reasons this occurs, but the influence of secularism is by far one of the greatest reasons. Our challenge today is to combat this "Dictatorship of Relativism" as Pope Benedict called it, and pass on the faith that has the power to save one from eternal death.

The letter I received was refreshing news that our religious education program is doing a great job in preparing our children to live in the world with their eyes fixed on the Kingdom of Heaven. The assessment called "Forming Disciples for the New Evangelization" was a test of knowledge given to our religious education students that covered a variety of topics. Some of these topics were: Basic knowledge of the faith, Liturgy and Sacraments, Morality, Prayer, Christian living, Evangelization and Apostolic life. While there is always room for improvement, I am happy to say they the children at St. Anthony's scored higher than the average in the Archdiocese. This was good news for all who work here at the parish.

I must give credit not only to the people who work so hard to make this happen, but also to those who in the past worked to build a wonderful program of religious education.

I am very grateful to the teachers who volunteer their time and energy to make our program a success. As pastor, it is my responsibility to ensure that our children receive the teachings of Jesus and are formed as disciples of Jesus. I certainly cannot do this alone. I would be lost if it were not for the many volunteers and the staff persons that assist me in the teaching as Jesus did.

Finally, we are always in need of help. If you would like to lend a helping hand and do something that is of true and great importance, call us and we can always put you to work.

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

FAITH FORMATION

Keeping Our Children Safe

PLEASE ONLY CROSS AT THE CROSSWALK with the crossing guard when you are bringing or picking up your children from Faith Formation. Too many people have been crossing near the Dairy Freeze and this is very dangerous. Thank you to Ken Maloit and Henry Mendoza for volunteering to be our CROSSING GUARDS!

Middle School Youth Group

All Middle School children (grades 6-8) are invited to the first MSYG of the year on **Friday, October 11th**, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in Padua Hall. Ms. Jenn Matthews, our MSYG Coordinator, always has a great evening planned....come, step into Fall, step into Fun, step into Faith!

Life Teen

Our next Life Night is **Saturday, October 12th**, after the 4:30 Mass, and is titled, "Toward the Broken: Causes of Injustice." Mark your calendars now, and we look forward to seeing all of our high school youth in 2 weeks!

All parents should have received a link to **Sign-up Genius** so that you can help feed our youth and pray for us during our Life Nights. Please contact Mary Beth at 301-646-5724 if you need help signing up, and thank you in advance for your support!

On **Friday, October 18th**, we will be joining some neighboring parishes and their youth to travel to the Seton Shrine in Emmitsburg for the "Back From The Dead Cemetery Walk." We will leave around 3:15 and return about 10 pm. Cost will be \$20 to cover ticket and transportation expense. Please go to the link below for more information.

<https://setonshrine.org/back-from-the-dead-cemetery-walks/>

Does your child like to sing? If so, please bring them to our first Children's Choir practice on **Thursday, October 10th from 7:00 to 8:00 pm** in the church. This group is for all Kindergarten through 8th grade children and will meet each Thursday to prepare to sing at one Mass in Advent and one Mass at Christmas. Please encourage your child(ren) to participate!

Monday, October 7th is our first Children's Adoration for this school year. This is the Feast Day of the Holy Rosary! No better time for our children to give their "FIAT"! Please bring your children to the church from 6:00 to 6:30 pm for a holy half hour of directed prayer time. Celebrate this special Feast Day with your children, Our Blessed Mother and Our Lord!

Public Square Rosary Crusade: October 12th at 12 noon at the North Beach Boardwalk Pavilion. Everyone is welcome. For more information contact Dolores Simonds at 410-741-5451.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Vicki Baxter, John Bell, Sam "Bo" Bradley, Florence, Dominic Brady, Jack Bragger, Jeff Carr, Jane Carrello, Bill Carroll, Mary Chin, Helga Cuevas, Luis Cuevas, Elaine Cunnane, Jean Davis, Sig Degitz, Gavin DiBitetto, Dominic Dilorio, Jo Finch, Anthony Fowler, Taylan Fowler, Aaron Fortney, John P. Flynn, Cathy Giancoli, Noah Christopher Haas, Anna Halterman, Marie Heaton, Maslynn Holmes, Cory Honoker, Carolyn Humerick, Roza Ivanac, Lindsey Jay, Kayla Johnston, Shirley Kallal, William Kallal, Richard Knupp, Brian Lloyd, Donna Lynch, Anne Marie Mako, Maude Mangels, Ruth Marks, Josephine Martin, Mark Mann, Kelly McCarley, Josephine McWhorter, Jennifer Melanab, Margie Edwards Morgan, Sarah Olsen, Doris Pettko, Darley Phillips, Payton Phillips, Babies Ace and Troy Remer, Jonathan Rieger, Carolyn Ritch, Grayson David Rodriguez, Wayne Romanek, Geri Rosen, Kristy Salek, Infant Brandon Simonds, Jr., Richard Swann, Bunny Tate, Marc Timms, Carolyn Vargas, Susan Vilcheck, Pat Waak, Chelsea Whittington, Shannon Wink, Sue White, Tina.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION BABY SHOWER

Please join us the weekend of **October 26-27** after all Masses in Padua Hall for the Spiritual Adoption Baby Shower as we commemorate another nine month commitment of praying for an unborn baby. Refreshments will be served. All donations will benefit the clients of Birthright of Prince Frederick, the crisis pregnancy center serving our community. Birthright is in need of infant clothing, diapers up to size 5, wipes, crib sheets, formula and baby bottles.

The Ladies of Charity would like to invite all women of the parish to join us at St. Anthony's Church for our Annual Retreat scheduled for **Saturday, October 19th** beginning with Mass at 9 am and ending at 1:30 pm. The theme is "**The Joy of Giving.**" Retreat Facilitator: Deacon John White. There is a \$5 fee to cover the cost of snacks and lunch. Please register with Marty Beyer at martybyr@comcast.net or **301-855-4042**. Make check payable to the Ladies of Charity, P.O. Box 334, North Beach, MD 20714. Please join us for prayer and fellowship.



Join **St. Katherine Drexel Conference** for a 5k cross-country walk/run for the poor fundraiser to support those in need in Calvert County. **Saturday, October 5th** from 8 to 10 am at Calverton School Athletic Field, 300 Calverton Rd. Huntingtown, MD. 100% of proceeds directly support Calver County Residents in need. Entry fee is a donation of only \$25 per participant, kids 10 and under are free! To register, sponsor, donate or for more information visit our website at fotp.doodlekit.com.

Weekly Offerings and Donations September 21 / 22

Offertory and donations—\$8,098.87