

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISH**

### **Monday, January 27th**

Adoration & Confessions—6 to 8 pm

### **Saturday, February 1st**

Men's Group—7:30 am

1st Reconciliation Retreat—9 to 12:30 pm

### **Sunday, February 2nd**

Knights of Columbus breakfast—8:30 to 11 am

Religious Goods Store—9:15 to 11 am

Healing Mass—3 pm

### **Monday, February 3rd**

Adoration —6 to 8 pm (no confessions)

### **Wednesday, February 5th**

Young Families Bible Study—5:30 pm (REC)

## **MASS INTENTIONS JANUARY 27—FEBRUARY 2**

1/27	8:00 am	<b>Debbie Adams (L)</b> r/b Mary Ullrich
1/28	8:00 am	<b>Jo Finch (D)</b> r/b Marty Beyer
1/29	8:00 am	<b>Carey Lively (D)</b> r/b Cleary Family
1/30	8:00 am	<b>Nathan Cortes-Peck (D)</b> r/b Annie Blackwell
1/31	8:00 am	<b>Barbara Buffington (D)</b> r/b Mary Ullrich
2/01	9:00 am	<b>Deceased members of Nerl And Duesing Families</b> r/b Doris Pettko
	4:30 pm	<b>Jo Finch (D)</b> r/b Pat Waak
2/02	8:15 am	<b>Diana Fitzmaurice (D)</b> r/b Joanie & Buddy Cook
	11:15 am	<b>Parishioners</b>

### **"AND I WILL GIVE THEM REST"**

Pray for the repose of the souls of all deceased members and their families.

### **PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

Please pray for all members of our parish community serving our country both here and overseas.

## **Birthright of Prince Frederick is in great need of volunteers**

to provide life counseling to women facing an unplanned pregnancy. Experience in counseling is not necessary; just a heart for women and a desire to be a compassionate witness to the life of the unborn. If you are interested in donating three hours a week to counseling our clients, please contact **Birthright at 410-257-1402** for an information/application packet. Your application and two references need to be received by Feb. 5. **A full day of training will be held on February 15, 2020.**

We also have non counseling positions available with a 1-2 hour weekly commitment (folding clothes etc.)

Thank you for considering helping!

## **FROM THE PASTORS DESK**

### **The March for Life and Dr. King**

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

January, the coldest month of the winter. However, it is the month that we celebrate people who have the God-given drive to work for justice and to fight for the rights of all individuals. It is the month of Pro-Life and the remembrance of Dr. Martin Luther King. Even though their causes took different paths, I think there is more commonality than difference.

First, my reflections on the "March for Life." I go every year. It is something that I look forward to. While my reasons might be tainted with self-enjoyment, I think it is essential to take a stand for life. I look forward to being a part of something that I think is essential to being a Catholic-Christian. Our philosophy of life is part of the Christian message that all human beings are uniquely created by God Himself and have dignity and rights afforded to them as it says in our constitution: "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

What I like about the March is the fact that it seems to get bigger and bigger; younger and younger. With all the scientific facts that modern science has assembled, only someone who is totally out of touch with reality, would deny that life begins at conception. One of the objects that I have in my office and that I carry in my pocket on the day of the March is a figure of a little baby at 11 weeks. All the sonogram pictures that we view make the case that what is being seen is a human being. Only someone out of touch with reality would deny this.

On Monday we celebrated the life of the civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King. One thing that I have always done on the day we honor King is to read his classic piece: "Letter from a Birmingham Jail." Like the people who stood up for the right to life, Dr. King took a stand for those being discriminated against because of the color of their skin. He himself said that one should be judged not upon the color of their skin but on the content of their character. Dr. King was classically trained. Years ago, when I was trying to save a Catholic school that was perishing and close to being closed, I was helped by some wonderful lay people and a great principal, who was not afraid to do something different. We embarked upon changing the schools' direction, from a standard K-8 program to a more classical approach to education. Dr. King was one who came to mind, since he himself benefited from a classical education.

One of the great benefits of the classical approach was the emphasis on the development of the human person. The goal of education is not necessarily to help you get a job. Rather the goal of education is to form you in a life of virtue that enables you to be the best person God calls you to be. Interestingly, people in the hiring department at major organizations look for people classically trained. That classical education teaching of "How to be" and secondly "How to do" is essential. Dr. King understood that very acutely. "Being" is more important than "doing". Interestingly enough, that's what distinguishes us from the communistic governments.

May God bless you on this day. It is truly a blessing to be alive.

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

## **FAITH FORMATION**

Next Saturday, February 1st, we have our First Reconciliation Retreat for our 2nd graders. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for this powerful, life-saving sacrament.

Elizabeth Bishop	Miguel Lambo
Alaya Brandts	Olivia Mooney
Richard Buzzella	Meredith Neidert
Tyler Dolan	Kennedy O'Connor
Nathan Dolina	Aviendha Pagan
Ava Farnsworth	Sophia Sanders
Lucy Hayden	Waverly Stone
Nina Jacobs	Abigail Thompson
Clara Kozlowski	Nicholas Wilharm

**Our next Children's Adoration is on Monday, February 3rd, from 6:00 to 6:30 pm.** What a wonderful opportunity to bring your children, and worship together, placing all of your joys and sufferings at the feet of Our Lord. Our Adoration leader always provides powerful prayers and beautiful songs to strengthen our intimacy with God.

## **LIFE TEEN**

Our next Life Night is on Saturday, February 8th titled "I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For".... We will meet after 4:30 Mass, have dinner, play a fun icebreaker, and explore the desires of our hearts! We will end with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the King of all our hearts!

**Thank you so much for your generosity!** We collected \$1,787.00 to welcome our Pro Life March Michigan guests with food, fun, and games. After their long 12-13 hour bus ride and marching all day for the unborn, they came back to Padua Hall where we fed them a delicious Mama Lucia's dinner and breakfast before they embarked on their long trip north. Because of your generosity, Fr. Stack approved the purchase of a popcorn machine for use by Life Teen and other parish events.

## **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**

Marriage Encounter is a weekend where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. If you'd like greater depth, growth, and enrichment in your relationship, you'll like the difference a Worldwide Marriage Encounter can make. Upcoming weekends are **February 28-March 1** (apply by January 25th) and **September 11-13** (apply by August 8) both in College Park, MD. Weekends fill quickly. For information or to apply online go to:

<http://moments4marriage.org> or call 301-541-7007

**St. Anthony's has teams of parishioners that provide meals for Project Echo, the homeless shelter in Prince Frederick.** We are in need of team members to help provide these meals. Your commitment would only be a few times a year and they are in great need of help. If you are able to volunteer or have questions please contact **Patty Hanko** at 410-535-0135 or email [phanko76@hotmail.com](mailto:phanko76@hotmail.com).

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Vicki Baxter, John Bell, Sam "Bo" Bradley, Florence, Dominic Brady, Jack Bragger, Jeff Carr, Jane Carrello, Bill Carroll, Gail Carroll, Mary Chin, Helga Cuevas, Luis Cuevas, Elaine Cunnane, Jean Davis, Sig Degitz, Gavin DiBitetto, Dominic Di Iorio, Anthony Fowler, Jace Fowler, Taylan Fowler, Aaron Fortney, 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, Jim Kleinheinz, Richard Knupp, Brian Lloyd, Donna Lynch, Anne Marie Mako, 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, David Thacker, Marc Timms, Carolyn Vargas, Susan Vilcheck, Pat Waak, Chelsea Whittington, Shannon Wink, Sue White.

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## **ST. JOHN VIANNEY CHURCH PRESENTS:**

**The Fabulous Hubcaps!** All are invited on Saturday, **March 14th**. Doors open at 6 pm, dinner at 6:30 and show time is 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased by visiting [www.sjvchurch.net](http://www.sjvchurch.net). For more information email [flc@sjvchurch.net](mailto:flc@sjvchurch.net) or call 410-414-9099.

## **Next Weeks Readings**

### **The Presentation of the Lord: February 2nd**

**First Reading: Malachi 3:1-4**

**Second Reading: Hebrews 2:14-18**

**Gospel: Luke 2:22-40**

## **Offertory and Donations**

*January 18 / 19—\$6,429.96*

**Offertory envelopes for 2020 are available outside of Padua Hall for those who receive them.**



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ACADEMY**



**Please Join Us For Our  
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**STEM EXPO on Sunday, January 26, 2020**

**12:30—2:30 PM**

**Kindergarten to Grade 8**

**Catholic Montessori Preschool (Ages 3-4)**

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