

# Mass Intentions

## February 6 - February 12

<b>Monday, 2/6</b>	9:00 a.m. Helen Mooney
<b>Tuesday, 2/7</b>	9:00 a.m. Brian Rindos (L)
<b>Wednesday, 2/8</b>	9:00 a.m. James Galvin 7:30 p.m. Yildiz Agnello (L)
<b>Thursday, 2/9</b>	9:00 a.m. Sr. Bernadette Brennan (L)
<b>Friday, 2/10</b>	9:00 a.m. Elenoar Kearns
<b>Saturday, 2/11</b>	9:00 a.m. Alan Stokely 5:00 p.m. James Bussard, Sr.
<b>Sunday, 2/12</b>	8:00 a.m. <i>Pro populo</i> 9:30 a.m. Marian Rindos (L) 11:15 a.m. Donald Phillips 1:00 p.m. Roderic O'Connor & Fernando Silva 5:00 p.m. Alice Gannon

**Please pray for the sick....**John McCormick, Rev. William C. Newman, Deacon Wil Pinder, Vincent Price, Alb Alfred, Aisha Dossen, Carla Cosman, Yildiz Agnello, Bob Coyne, Jeni Stepanek, Robert Dax. *(Names will remain on this list for four consecutive weeks, but can be repeated by calling the Office.)*

### + In Memoriam Aeternam +

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Steve Alogna, father-in-law of Peter Finn.

## Readings for the Week of February 5, 2017

<b>Sunday:</b>	Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
<b>Monday:</b>	Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35/ Mk 6:53-56
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Gn 1:20--2:4/Ps 8:4-9/Mk 7:1-13
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2, 27-28, 29-30/ Mk 7:14-23
<b>Thursday:</b>	Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-5/Mk 7:24-30
<b>Friday:</b>	Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5-7/Mk 7:31-37
<b>Saturday:</b>	Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37, 27-28, 33-34, 37

## Altar Servers Schedule

### Saturday, February 11

5:00 p.m. A. Potter, Z. Potter

### Sunday, February 12

8:00 a.m. N. Jayner, M. Kimball

9:30 a.m. Z. Marquez, B. Martin

11:15 a.m. B. Bell, K. Phillips

1:00 p.m. M. Pease

5:00 p.m. M. Jones, R. Sui

*It is the responsibility of the Altar Server to get a replacement if you cannot serve at your scheduled time.*

## Scripture Corner

### LOVE OF NEIGHBOR

In today's gospel (Matthew 5:13-16) Jesus insists, "Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." (Matthew 5:16) The most basic good deeds for all followers of Christ are love of God and love of neighbor. The first commandment in the Old Testament is love of God. "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me." (Exodus 20:2) Love of neighbor is also stressed in the period before Jesus. "You shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the Lord." (Leviticus 19:18)

In today's first reading (Isaiah 58:7-10) the prophet gives examples of true love for neighbor, "Is this not, rather, the fast that I choose: releasing those bound unjustly, untying the thongs of the yoke; setting free the oppressed, breaking off every yoke? Is it not sharing your bread with the hungry, bringing the afflicted and the homeless into your house?" (Isaiah 58:6-7)

Both Jesus and Isaiah stress the light of God as a result of good deeds for one's neighbors. The prophet, for instance says, "If you lavish your food on the hungry and satisfy the afflicted; then your light shall rise in the darkness." (Isaiah 58:10) Jesus informs us in today's Gospel, "Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father" (Matthew 5:16)

At the beginning of the next chapter Christ says, "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them." (Matthew 6:1) This is not a conflict with today's gospel. Jesus expects people to see our good deeds, but they must be done for God and not to win the praise of neighbor.

Personally, I believe that most converts are won for Jesus by the good example of lay persons. I recall an example of a family being impressed by watching their neighbors going faithfully to Sunday Mass. Then they came to the church for further information. Our present practice of having classes for potential converts works very well.

~ Fr. Ralph

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER DANCE

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11**  
**6:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.**

**RSVP DEADLINE**  
**Monday, February 6!**

## **The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

*How can my discipleship contribute some aspect of gospel truth unobtrusively, like salt, to the worlds in which I move? Is there another situation that calls for my baptismal witness to shine more obviously, like a light on a lamp stand?*

### **WELCOME to the Family of Christ!**

The following individuals and their families recently joined our St. Francis faith community during the month of January:

Marvin & Frances Arias  
Michael & Ayrah Bermudo  
Michael Holohan  
Suranga & Maheshi Leitan  
Jacqueline & Jonathan Mellonas

The following children were baptized during the month of January:

Julianna Lang Cocchiaro  
Declan Patrick Egan  
Elowen Marie Egan  
Aiden Jacob Phan

### **CARPOOL TO CATHOLICS IN ANNAPOLIS**

**Wednesday, February 15**

"Catholics in Annapolis" is Wednesday, February 15 from 3-8 p.m. This annual lobbying opportunity organized by the Maryland Catholic Conference is for Catholics to meet with our State Delegates and Senator to discuss issues of importance to Catholics and the Church in Maryland. This year our main legislative issues are likely to be: 1) opposition to Physician Assisted Suicide, 2) support for scholarship assistance to needy students to attend a nonpublic school in Maryland (BOOST), and 3) support for expanded sick leave for low-income workers. All are welcome, but you must register to attend. For more information and to register [www.MdCatholic.org/LobbyNight](http://www.MdCatholic.org/LobbyNight) If you would like to carpool, call Tony Bosnick at 301-840-1407, Ext. 11.

### **THE MUSINGS OF THE PASTOR (continued)**

#### **ORGANIZATION**

The Teams of Our Lady are structured on a collegial basis. The International Team has overall responsibility for the movement, and comprises married couples from different countries assisted by a Spiritual Counselor. Each of the member Teams is composed of between five and seven couples and a Spiritual Counselor, and they remain in contact with each other through a liaison couple. Teams in the same town (or geographical area) make up one or more sectors, and the sectors make up regions. The live of the movement depends entirely upon the voluntary offering of time, effort and resources by the couples themselves. They work to develop the Teams movement particularly in the geographical areas where large distances and low incomes are likely to cause a serious obstacle.

#### **LOCALLY**

I have been involved with Teams of Our Lady for years now and am currently the Spiritual Counselor for two different local Teams. Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions or if you want more information about Teams of Our Lady. Please email me at [jdillon@sfadw.org](mailto:jdillon@sfadw.org) or telephone me at 301-840-1407.

Until next week,

**Fr. John Dillon, Pastor**

### **THE MUSINGS OF THE PASTOR**

This week I am continuing a series of columns in which I am highlighting several international associations of the faithful of Pontifical Right that are present in this parish. Today I am featuring the Teams of Our Lady (Équipes Notre-Dame). Once again I am making use of information available on the website for the Pontifical Council for the Laity listing and describing approved Associations of the Faithful. I have changed spelling to reflect American usage.

#### **HISTORY**

The Teams of Our Lady movement came into being at the end of the 1930's through a number of married couples who began to meet every month under the guidance of Fr. Henri Caffarel. Their purpose was to explore the sacrament of marriage in depth, to hold it up against their own experiences, and then try to work together to live coherently within society as Christian families and couples. As more couples sought to join them, the movement was formally established with the promulgation on December 8, 1947 of the Équipes Notre-Dame Charter. The movement was created to meet a need felt by couples who realized their experience in light of the Word of God by reading the signs of the times, and by reflecting constantly on ways and means of implementing the founding charism in different circumstances of history. On April 19, 1992, the Pontifical Council for the Laity decreed recognition of the Équipes Notre-Dame as an international association of the faithful of Pontifical Right.

#### **IDENTITY**

As a movement of spirituality for married couples, the Teams comprise groups of married couples who wish to achieve holiness in and through marriage, gathered around Christ to help one another to progress in the love of God, to build themselves up in Christ and to place their love at the service of the Kingdom. The members follow the course of study that includes Scripture, the truths of the faith, and an "apprenticeship in prayer." This pathway, which is a means of verifying their fidelity to the Lord, requires them to take a dynamic view of Christian life, and introduces them into a dimension of ongoing conversion through mutual spiritual assistance, group sharing, frequent attendance at Mass, family prayers, the Christian education of their children, the spirit of outreach and welcome, and giving testimony to the love of Christ. The Teams method is based on the rule of life, which accompanies the path of ongoing conversion through a sequence of specific goals to be achieved: the two-day annual spiritual retreat which the married couples make to ask for the help of the Spirit to discern and draw up new life projects; the duty to "sit down" once a month, to enable the couple to speak to one another "before God," as a special vocation to view each other through the eyes of the Father, and to allow themselves to be converted by what the Lord is asking of them through their spouse. The members of the Teams are actively committed to family apostolate pastoral programs in the local Church, where they also cooperate with other ecclesial movements.

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**February 5, 2017**

**LAMB OF GOD PRAYER MEETING** Join the Lamb of God Prayer Group for worship and the study of Scripture on Tuesday, February 7, 7:30 p.m., St. Clare's Chapel in the Rectory. For details, please call Louise, (301) 977-5217.

**POOR BOX DONATION** – The donations for next weekend will go to the Shady Grove Pregnancy Center. *Thank you for your generosity.*

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI PRAYER CHAIN** If you have a prayer request, please contact Marianne Bullen, (301) 963-3420 or [mariannebu@comcast.net](mailto:mariannebu@comcast.net) with your requests.

### **ROSARY FOR PRIESTS**

Every Wednesday evening at 6:45 p.m. we pray the rosary for our priests before the 7:30 p.m. Mass.

**ROSARY CENACLE OF OUR LADY, QUEEN OF PEACE**  
Cenacle of Our Lady, Queen of Peace to pray for priests and vocations, 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the St. Clare's Chapel (Rectory) every Sunday. Please join us.

### **HOLY HOUR FOR THE DYING**

On Thursday evenings in the St. Clare Chapel in the Rectory a prayer group meets at 7:00 p.m. to pray for the dying. This is a Holy Hour Devotion for the Dying. As a central work of our Catholic faith, we are called to pray for the dying, especially for those who may die suddenly, unprepared to face God. For additional information, please call the Parish Office, (301) 840-1407.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - COUNCIL 2323**

The Knights of Columbus are actively pursuing new members. Our council incorporates members from St. Francis, St. Mary's and St. Martin's. Though best known for our many charitable projects, we also have a lot of fun with dinners, fund raisers, family nights and many other fraternal social occasions. If interested in learning more, please contact Gary Palmer, (301) 412-1237 or e-mail [gtdbpalmer@verizon.net](mailto:gtdbpalmer@verizon.net).

### **A MYSTICAL MEANING . . .**

#### **in a poor person's face" (Pope Francis).**

Is God calling you to help the needy through the St. Vincent de Paul Society? The Society at St. Francis parish needs new members. We focus on the needs of the struggling and poor in the Derwood area, and we are sometimes asked to help in nearby areas of Montgomery County as well. Pope Francis tells us that "The universe unfolds in God, who fills it completely. Hence, there is a mystical meaning to be found . . . in a poor person's face" (*Laudato Si*, 233). See what this "mystical meaning" is as you look into the face of the poor with the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Come see if you are called to the ministry of the Society. We meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 7:00 in the rectory Assisi Room. **Our next meetings are Thursday, February 9 and February 23.** For more information, call Tony Bosnick at 301-840-1407, Ext 11.

### **HONORING THE DIGNITY OF LIFE IN SICKNESS & DEATH SEMINAR**

An initiative of the SFA Health Ministry & Respect Life Ministry

**DATE:** Saturday, February 11, 2017  
(\*Snow Date: Saturday, February 25, 2017)  
**TIME:** 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon  
**PLACE:** The Knights of Columbus Father Cuddy Hall  
17001 Overhill Road, Derwood MD 20855

*Mapping out your health care decisions need not be a difficult journey.* Come to this enlightening seminar to understand Church teachings regarding care during times of serious illness and at the end of life. Learn how to make healthcare decisions that honor the dignity of life in all its stages. Be informed about how to protect the elderly and other vulnerable adults from abuse and neglect especially during illness and infirmity. *Continental breakfast and take home literature provided.*

#### **PRESENTERS:**

**Father J. Daniel Mindling**, OFM Cap., Consultant to the USCC Bishops Committee for Pro-Life Activities and general editor of Comfort and Consolation, Care of the Sick and Dying.

**Maria Shumar**, Victim Specialist Consultant, Trainer for Elder Abuse Prevention Programs. Board member of Elder Safe, Charles E. Smith Life Communities

**REGISTRATION: 301-412-1909** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/honoring-the-dignity-of-life-seminar-tickets-31112011865>

*\*For notice of inclement weather cancellation,  
call 301 412-1909 on February 11*

### **BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING**

Please stop by the St. Clare Room after Mass next weekend to have your blood pressure checked. (Saturday, 5:00 p.m., Sunday, 8:00, 9:30, 11:15 a.m. Masses)

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP PROVIDE MEALS FOR THE SOPHIA HOUSE SHELTER**

Sophia House is a community based women's shelter in Montgomery County under Interfaith Works. The shelter is a congregation and community-supported program of rehabilitative services for the homeless. Because the shelter does not have a cooking kitchen, we prepare a meal for them on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month. Three ladies each prepare a meal for 14 and bring it to the coordinator's house and then it's taken to the shelter where the meal is served to the ladies. We also provide breakfast items for the shelter. Each volunteer is usually called upon every 3 months or so. If you are interested in serving in this ministry please email Pat Badolato at [pattibad@verizon.net](mailto:pattibad@verizon.net) or telephone her at 301-963-9196.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS/EVENTS

### FIRST EUCHARIST PARENT MEETING

A reminder to families of children preparing to celebrate First Eucharist this year: there will be a First Eucharist Parent Meeting this Wednesday, February 8 from 7:30-8:45 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you have questions, please call the Religious Education Office, 301-258-9193.

### CATECHESIS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Our parish offers monthly catechetical sessions specifically designed for children and youth with special needs and their families. Our next session will be on Sunday, February 12 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the St. Clare Room. If you would like to learn more about these sessions, or if you are interested in serving as a catechist or aide for children with special needs, please call Susan Anderson, Director of Religious Education, at 301-258-9193.

### CATECHISTS AND AIDES NEEDED

Additional volunteers are welcome! Please consider whether you can serve as a catechist or classroom aide for our children and young people. We especially need catechists for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade on Monday and Tuesday evenings, from 6:45-8:00 pm. If you would like to learn more about this important ministry, please contact Susan Anderson, Director of Religious Education, at 301-258-9193.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SNOW CANCELLATION POLICY

If Montgomery County Public Schools are closed, and if schools are dismissed early, Religious Education classes, including FRED, are also cancelled. This applies to Sunday classes as well if Montgomery County Public Schools announces cancellation of weekend school activities.

Cancellation announcements will be recorded on the Religious Education Office phone (301-258-9193) and posted on the St. Francis Parish Facebook page ("St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church").

Whenever in doubt, please use your own judgment about local weather and driving conditions, and err on the side of safety when making decisions about bringing your child to class.

### MORNING OF REFLECTION

The Mother Teresa Vocation Society (MTVS) of the Archdiocese of Washington is offering a free "Morning of Reflection" on Saturday, February 25, 2017, at St. Peter's Church, located at 2900 Olney-Sandy Spring Rd. Father Pawel Sass, a gifted homilist, will speak on the topic of "Great Polish Saints". All are welcome! You do not need to be a member of MTVS to attend. The day's activities will include light refreshments (9:15-9:45 a.m.), followed by Father's talk (9:45-10:30 a.m.), and ending with Adoration and Confession (10:30-11:30 a.m.). Morning Mass is offered at 8:30 a.m. for those who would like to attend. For more information on how to become a member of MTVS, please visit [www.DCPriest.org](http://www.DCPriest.org) or contact Maris Moriarty at 202-636-9020 or [moriartym@adw.org](mailto:moriartym@adw.org). MTVS prayerfully supports vocations to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Washington.

## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS/EVENTS

### ST. FRANCIS YOUTH MINISTRY

#### Upcoming Events

#### FRED

#### FEBRUARY - High School

- 5 Souperbowl of Caring  
FRED-Super Bowl Party
- 11/12 Youth Bake Sale
- 12 FRED
- 16 Service @ Our Lord's Table
- 19 FRED
- 26 FRED
- 28 Pancake Supper

#### FRED JR.

#### FEBRUARY - Middle School

- 5 Souperbowl of Caring  
FRED-Super Bowl Party
- 11/12 Youth Bake Sale
- 16 Service @ Our Lord's Table
- 27/28 FRED Jr.
- 28 Pancake Supper

#### GET SOCIAL

*\*Instagram "SFASusie"*

*\*FRED group on FACEBOOK: friend "Susan FRED Lea"*  
*\*"St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church" page on Facebook*

### 2017 PARISH MISSION & SMALL GROUPS

**Mark your calendars for our 2017 Lenten Parish Mission.** On the evening of Friday, March 24, and the following morning, Dr. Ralph Martin will be delivering several engaging talks at St. Francis of Assisi to help attendees reflect on our solemn season of Lent. Dr. Martin is president of Renewal Ministries and a professor and Director of Graduate Theology Programs in New Evangelization at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in the Archdiocese of Detroit.

His talks will focus on the following topics:

- The Times We Live In
- Called to be Witnesses: The Mission of Catholic Lay People
- Called to Holiness: Me Be a Saint

**Participate in a Small Group this Lent.** This Lent, St. Francis is assembling small groups of parishioners to discuss the book, *Rediscover Jesus*, by Matthew Kelly. **We need hosts and facilitators for the small groups, so if leading a discussion comes naturally for you, then please consider this.** Meetings will be held at the church and in parishioners' homes. For more information or to volunteer to host or facilitate a small group, please contact Social Concerns Minister Anthony Bosnick at [abosnick@sfadw.org](mailto:abosnick@sfadw.org).

We are looking forward to a great Lent this year! Won't you be part of it . . . for yourself, your family, the parish community and beyond?  
~ Fr. John



## YOUNG ADULTS

### Upcoming Events

**FEBRUARY:** *Theology on Tap* - 270Catholic presents Theology on Tap at The Barking Dog in Bethesda (4723 Elm Street, Bethesda, MD 20814). All young adults (20s and 30s) are invited for Happy Hour from 6-7 p.m. with a dynamic talk and Q/A to follow from 7-8 p.m..

**APRIL:** *Rebuilding Together* - program in which parishioners help restore homes of those in need in Montgomery County  
April 8: **7 Church Walk in DC** - DCCatholic invites all young adults to the 14th Annual 7 Church Walk! Join young adults (20s and 30s) for our annual Lenten pilgrimage as we continue a Roman tradition in DC! Come on pilgrimage without leaving the city as we will visit seven churches in downtown DC, praying together at each station. Look for the Facebook Event.

#### Find out more!

On Facebook Like St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 270Catholic, DCCatholic. E-mail Deela Dicello at [Deela@270Catholic.org](mailto:Deela@270Catholic.org)

#### 33 Days Event

St. Francis Young Adults - Deepen your relationship with God by Spending your Lent with Mary. Join is in a Young adult small group for an extraordinary 33-day journey to Marian consecration. Meetings are on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. starting on February 22, 2017@ St Francis of Assisi Parish, Derwood. Cost \$25 Please Register by contacting Susan Lea @ [SFAYouth@sfaw.org](mailto:SFAYouth@sfaw.org) or 301-948-9167.

## ROCKVILLE CATHOLIC SUMMER PROGRAM

June 19 - August 4

Looking for a fun and faith-filled summer camp experience? Then sign up for the Rockville Catholic Summer Program, a Catholic summer camp for ages 4-14, located at St. Patrick Catholic Church on Norbeck Road. Sports, technology, drama, art, baking and more all in a Christ-centered, positive environment run by youth ministers, Mike and Annie McHugh and a phenomenal college and high school age staff! Our rates are the lowest in the area with before care and after care available. Visit [www.rockvillecatholicsummer.com](http://www.rockvillecatholicsummer.com) for more details & to register.

## GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Have you lost a parent, child, spouse, or close friend and think you might benefit from group support as you grieve? St. Patrick's will offer a grief support group in February. The group will be small in size and will provide a safe, compassionate, and prayerful environment for you to discuss your loss with others who share your experiences. The group will meet for 7 weekly sessions starting Thursday, February 9, 2017, from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Center. There is no fee, but registration is required. For more information and to register, please call Diane Salem at 301-924-4958.

## Spotlight on St. Jude Regional Catholic School

### Catch our Spirit

[www.StJudeRockville.org](http://www.StJudeRockville.org)

<http://www.facebook.com/stjuderockvillemd>

### RE-ENROLLMENT FOR 2017-2018

If you have not already re-enrolled your child(ren) for the next school year, please do so as soon as possible. The early re-enrollment is crucial to enabling the school to set a reasonable budget and hire qualified staff. The deadline for priority status is 2/11/2017. To re-enroll, please go to [www.stjuderockville.org](http://www.stjuderockville.org), click on Admissions, click on **Enrollment: TADS: Online Registration and Enrollment**. If you have any questions, please contact the Main Office 301-946-7888. Thank you for entrusting St. Jude with the education of your children!

### The Fourth Annual Elementary School Principals' Association Job Fair

Teachers, teaching assistants, counselors, office staff, nurses, bring your resumes and join us on Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Academy of the Holy Cross. Representatives from elementary schools across the Archdiocese of Washington will be present to discuss openings in their schools and to accept resumes. The Academy of the Holy Cross is located at 4920 Strathmore Avenue, Kensington, MD adjacent to the Grosvenor Metro station. Please contact Patricia McGann at [301-654-5376](tel:301-654-5376) with questions.

**SAVE THE DATE** for the 1st Annual Sham Rock'n Roll on March 17<sup>th</sup>! This is an adult only event. More information on registration will be posted in the next few weeks.

## MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Do you know someone who can't get to Mass? Please tell them about the Sunday TV Mass, which is produced by the Archdiocese of Washington and taped in the Crypt Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. It is a wonderful ministry for those members of our Catholic family who are unable to be physically present with a local worshipping community for the Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy. The Mass airs every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. on WDCW-50:

- No cable; Dish or Direct TV subscribers: Ch. 50.
- Comcast: Ch. 23 in Washington, DC & Montgomery County; Ch. 3 in Prince George's County and Southern Maryland
- RCN: Ch. 15
- Verizon: Ch. 3

## BENEFIT DINNER HONORING MEMORY OF FR. DONALD P. WORCH

Father Don was a long-time board member and supporter of Potomac Community Resources, Inc. (PCR), an award-winning non-profit organization that encourages and supports full inclusion of persons with intellectual and development differences into all aspects of community life. PCR's primary funding mechanism is its annual benefit dinner. In honor of his memory and life of service to the community, PCR will award Father Don, posthumously, the Patricia Sullivan Leadership Award, and has designated the "Friends of Father Don" as honorary benefit chairs for this year's dinner, which will be held on April 1, 2017 at the Bethesda North Marriott Hotel. Information on tickets or making donations in Father Don's memory, can be obtained at PCR's website, [www.pcr-inc.org](http://www.pcr-inc.org).