THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH JULY 2ND—8TH

Monday, July 2nd

Adoration and Confessions-5 to 8 pm

Wednesday, July 4th

Mass at 10:00 am Holiday—Office Closed

Legend

Church (1) Religious Education (3) Padua Hall (2) Ewald Center (4)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK JULY 2ND—8TH

Monday: Jenny Elliott

r/b Jean Elliott

Tuesday: Michael Martin

r/b Nina Teti

Wednesday: Judy Harger

r/b Judith McCarthy

Thursday: Kevin Stavely

Friday: Margaret Alexander

r/b Marie Darza

Saturday: Jerome Louison

r/b Marie Darza

Parishioners

Sunday: Norm Divver

r/b Irene O'Brien **Joe and Marie Tayman** r/b Tayman Family

"AND I WILL GIVE THEM REST"

Please 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 serving our country both here and overseas.

THE CATHOLIC FAITH, THE SACRAMENTS & CONVERSION

Anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, converting to the Catholic faith or any Catholic wishing to complete the sacraments are invited to the RCIA sessions. Call Deacon Ed or Nora Baker at 410-257-0347 for more details.

RCIA meets on Sundays beginning in September after the 8:15 Mass.

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

The Four Marks of the Church

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

As we begin our summer months here at North Beach I am happy to see some of the neighbors on my block return from their "Real Home" to the place or cottage at the beach. However, due to the popularity that has become North Beach the cottages have given way to some very nice homes that populate the surrounding neighborhood. Summer is a good time to catch up on some reading that we have been putting off or other task that we just haven't had the time to get around to.

If you have been following the news, the Catholic Church has once again been in the headlines. I will not go into the whole thing here in my article; you can follow that story on your own. I would just ask for prayer for all involved. Instead, I would like to remind everyone of the essential nature of Holy Mother the Church. An institution which is both Divine and Human. The Catechism of the Catholic Church in paragraphs 737 and following; describe the essential nature of this Divinely inspired institution. It is a good read and a reminder that the Church is also made up of human members and that being human we are susceptible to great virtue but also great sin. It is the history of God's people as it has travelled down through history. Our story is recorded in the sacred scriptures and there are heroes and heroes and thieves and sinners. Our time in the church and at this point in history is no different.

The four marks of the Church are that the church is 1) One 2) Holy 3) Catholic and 4) Apostolic. These four marks are also known as attributes of the Church and describe the essential nature of the beautiful gift the Jesus Christ gave to his people. We know from the Gospel of John that the desire of Jesus was that we all be one. Jesus prays (Jn. 17, 21) "I pray for all who will believe in me through their words that we may all be one, as you, Father and in me and I am in you."

The essential mark of Holiness is taken from the same Gospel where Jesus says: "As the Father has loved me so I love you. Live on in my love." (Jn. 15,9) to be in the love of Jesus is the mark of Holiness.

The Mark of "Catholic" is drawn from the end of Mark's Gospel (16,15) "Go into the world and proclaim the Good News to all creatures." Catholic meaning universal.

And "Apostolic" meaning that we draw our faith from those first follows of Jesus. The apostolic band listed in Acts of the Apostles (1,13).

I have considered it the greatest blessing of my life to be a part of the Catholic Church despite the times its humanness hits the press. We need to remember that we are all sinners in need of redemption Pray, Pray, pray is the way we respond to the latest news.

May the Lord bless you and keep you during these summer months of vacation and relaxation.

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation & "GIFT" Registration

If you have not yet re-registered your children for Faith Formation classes, please do so as soon as possible for planning purposes during the summer. Contact the Religious Education office at 443-646-5724 if you have any further questions or concerns.

New Students

Parents can register **new students** for 2018-2019 school year by contacting the Religious Education office at your earliest convenience, 443-646-5724 for an appointment. Children entering Pre-K must be 4 years old by September 1st, 2019 Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate (if not baptized at St. Anthony's) and tuition fees.

- 1 child \$120.00
- 2 children \$180.00
- 3 or more children \$230.00

Financial assistance is available for those in need.

Message from Sister Ann

I want to express my gratitude for the wonderful gift of community that Sr. Carol, Sr. Eileen and I experienced at our farewell reception after the Masses this past weekend. Our thoughts are shared by other IHM Sisters who have been present at St. Anthony's over the years.

The Ladies of Charity and members of the Hospitality Committee are to be commended for their welcoming and creative display of food, decorations and spirit of joyful presence.

I feel so blessed to have had the opportunity to be part of your spiritual life and educational growth in this parish for so many years. Your expression of gratitude that you shared with me in those touching Spiritual Bouquets, your heart-warming messages in cards and letters and your generosity touched me deeply. Even the gift statue of St. Anthony reflected my efforts to share Jesus and his message with you in so many ways.

I may not be scurrying around physically in your midst, but I will be present in prayer, spirit, and lighted candles as I remember all of you. I hope that you will continue to cherish and promote the spirit of a faith-filled community that is life-giving for one another. Keep discovering ways to grow in holiness and in your relationship with Jesus as his disciples. Thank you for coming and sharing your presence with us.

God Bless You All!

Sister Ann

Cardinal Hickey Academy has an immediate opening for a part-time school bookkeeper. Complete details can be found at www.adw.org. Click on About Us, then Employment.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Charles Basiliko, Chrissy Baxter, Vicki Baxter, JB, John Bell, Sam "Bo" Bradley, Florence, Marllene Bradshaw, Jack Bragger, Jeff Carr, Ralph Carrello, Bill Carroll, Jimmy Carroll, Helga Cuevas, Luis Cuevas, Jean Davis, Sig Degitz, Luke Engler, Jo Finch, Linda Foresta, Anthony Fowler, Taylan Fowler, John P. Flynn, Noah Christopher Haas, Marie Heaton, Maslynn Holmes, Cory Honoker, Roza Ivanac, Kayla Johnston, Shirley Kallal, William Kallal, JoAnn Kery, Rick Kollinger, Brian Lloyd, Donna Lynch, Mark Mann, Walter Matziet, Kelly McCarley, Jennifer Melanab, Margie Edwards Morgan, Doris Darley Phillips, Payton Phillips, Ray Pyles, Babies Ace and Troy Remer, Jonathan Rieger, Carolyn Ritch, Joel Rivera, Grayson David Rodriquez, Wayne Romanek, Geri Rosen, Kristy Salek, Bunny Tate, Betty Theurer, Carolyn Vargas, Susan Vilcheck, Pat Waak, Shannon Wink, Richard Walton, Sue White.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JULY 8TH, 2018

First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5

Ezekiel is moved to respond to the call of God and to accentuate his teaching with a direct reference to the Word of God.

Second Reading: II Corinthians 12:7-10

Paul had questioned the value of his suffering, and God replied, "My grace is enough for you, for strength is made perfect in weakness." Paul then realized that although he was weak against persecution, he was strong in faith.

Gospel: Mark 6:1-6a

Jesus could do little for those in his own part of the country, for their lack of faith in him was so great. Therefore, he spent much of his time teaching in neighboring villages instead.

GOSPEL QUESTION

When have you felt enriched by a sacrifice you made for another?

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