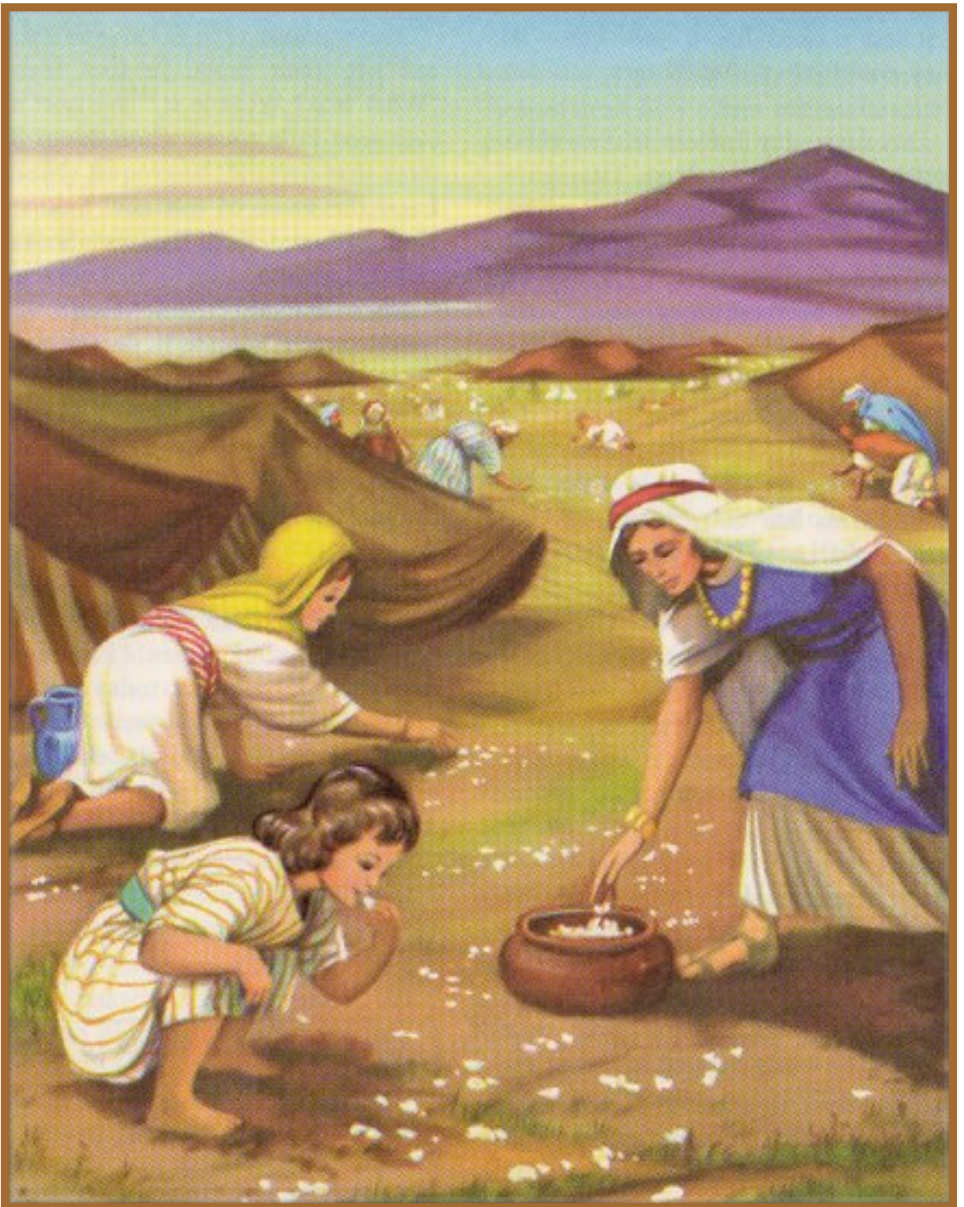


St. Maximilian Kolbe Church
August 2, 2015
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Then the LORD said to Moses,
“I will now rain down bread from heaven for you.
Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion;

In the evening quail came up and covered the camp. In the morning a dew lay all about the camp, and when the dew evaporated, there on the surface of the desert were fine flakes like hoarfrost on the ground. On seeing it, the Israelites asked one another, “What is this?” for they did not know what it was. But Moses told them, “This is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”
—Exodus 16:4, 13-15



REV. MSGR. ROBERT J. CARROLL, Pastor
 REV. MARC F. CAPIZZI, Parochial Vicar
 REV. THOMAS J. GARDNER In Residence
 LAWRENCE BRANDON, Permanent Deacon, Retired
 WILLIAM HICKEY, Permanent Deacon
 ALFRED MAURIELLO, Permanent Deacon
 MONICA MALSEED School Principal
 ROBERTA DANTON, Director of Religious Education
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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday – Vigil Mass – 5:30 PM
 Sunday – 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS IN THE CHAPEL

Monday through Friday – 8:00 AM
 Saturday – 9:00 AM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

VIGIL 5:30 PM
 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 PM or by appointment.

BAPTISM – Celebrated the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 1:00 PM. Please call the Rectory Office 6-8 weeks in advance to make arrangements.

PRE-JORDAN – Expectant and/or new parents are to participate in a class on Baptism. This session is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 1:00 PM. It is necessary to call the Rectory in advance of the class to register.

MARRIAGES – Arrangements should be made at least six months before the date of the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK – In case of serious illness or surgery, please contact one of our parish priests. This Sacrament can also be administered after any weekday Mass. Please see the priest in the Sacristy.

HOME VISITS – Anyone unable to attend Mass regularly due to illness may call the Rectory to make arrangements to receive Communion in their homes.

NEW PARISHIONERS – Register at the Rectory at your earliest convenience or go to www.stmax.org. Please notify the Rectory of any change of address as soon as possible.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER Tuesdays in the Chapel at 7:30 PM

CENTERING PRAYER Fridays in the Chapel at 8:45 AM

RCIA – For those desiring to become Catholic or adults who were not baptized. Contact Fr. Capizzi.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 8:30 AM-5:00 PM
 Friday 8:30 AM-4:00 PM
 Sunday 8:30 AM-1:30 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

EVERY TUESDAY



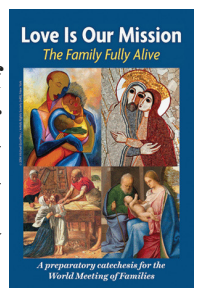
Beginning at 8:30 AM and
 concluding at 7:00 PM
 with the Miraculous
 Medal Novena.

A Holy Hour in celebration
 of St. Max's feast day will be
 held on August 11th
 following

REFLECTION

“When the true nature of marriage is undermined or poorly understood, the family is weakened. When the family is weak, we are all prone to a type of brutal individualism.”

Love is Our Mission, page 86





The Rectory Staff would like to thank all of the volunteers who came in to help set up and take down for our weekend Masses in the gym during the renovation process. Your help was greatly appreciated!!!!!!



CHESTER COUNTY MEN'S GROUP MALVERN RETREAT

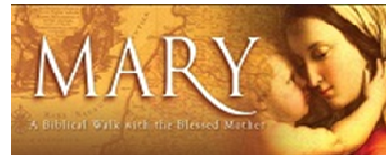
Join other men from our parish and Chester County in a retreat at

Malvern Retreat house on August 7, 8, 9. Refresh yourself with faith while taking a "timeout" from your life. Take the opportunity to take stock of yourself and your spiritual life. This is an excellent opportunity to for family members (you, your sons or grandsons, your father and grandfathers and other male relatives) to prepare for the upcoming World Meeting of Families. The retreat weekend begins with dinner on Friday and concludes with Sunday morning Mass. The cost is an offering commensurate with what your financial situation and your conscience dictates. If you cannot attend the whole weekend, then come and attend part of it. More information is available and reservations can be made by contacting Charlie Carbo at ccarbo@comcast.net or 610- 431 -3686 or you can make reservations directly with Malvern at <http://www.malvernretreat.com/> or phone 610 644-0400. Come and be filled with the Holy Spirit!

ST. MAX SCHOOL UNIFORM EXCHANGE



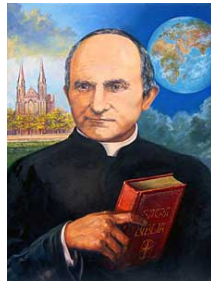
The Uniform Exchange will be open in the MPR the week of 8/10 and 8/17 on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:00 to 3:00. Any questions, please contact Margie Saunders at 610-399-8949 or msaunders07@verizon.net.



FALL BIBLE STUDY

The Monday evening Bible study group will be studying "Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother." This study is an extraordinary pilgrimage that reveals Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom and in our lives. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, This program will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of her earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us even closer to her Divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. Mary will become a part of your daily life and in your daily life, you will become more like Christ.

Come join us starting Monday September 14th at 7 PM in the Kolbe Room for this eight session series. You can register by calling the rectory at 610-399-6936. Please register by August 31st. Cost is \$25 with the check payable to St. Maximilian Kolbe Church. Contact Lidia Manieri 610-399-9488 or lidia@mmanieri.com with any questions.



**DIVINE WORD MISSIONARY
AT ST. MAX NEXT WEEKEND
AUGUST 8-9**

Working in more than 70 countries on every continent except Antarctica, Divine Word Missionaries is one of the largest religious orders in the Roman Catholic Church with over 6,000 members worldwide. Divine Word Missionaries work first and foremost where the Gospel has not been preached at all or where the local Church cannot survive and grow without the help of missionaries. This missionary mandate takes them to some of the poorest and most remote areas in the world. The needs of the local Churches where Divine Word Missionaries serve are vast and diverse. From operating large universities, colleges, and seminaries, to staffing hospitals, clinics and specialized communities to care for lepers, to running trade schools and shelters for street kids, to assisting local communities in building chapels, Divine Word Missionaries serve the poorest parishes in large cities of the developing world and the most remote jungle areas in places like the Amazon or Papua New Guinea.

The Divine Word Missionaries were founded by St. Arnold Janssen in 1875. During a time of Catholic persecution in Germany, especially of the clergy, Fr. Janssen created Divine Word in the hope that it would awaken the German Church to its missionary responsibility. This mission has spread worldwide. We will welcome Fr. Walter Ostrowski, SVD next weekend. Please consider generously supporting this most important work of the Church.

**St. Max's Middle School youth group
begins this September with a new
attitude and direction in
Catholic middle school youth ministry.**

**For more information on EDGE please
contact Katie Sullivan:
484-680-5289 or stmaxedge@gmail.com**

**7th & 8th grade students are invited:
public, private and parish school.**

**the registration form is available @
www.stmax.org/edge.**



ADULT LEADERS NEEDED

**We need you –now more than ever.
Our Middle School youth need men and
women to journey with them in their
discovery of faith.**

**Join the Core Team and help bring the
Catholic Faith to life!**

**Interested adults aged 18 and over, please
contact Katie Sullivan at
STMAXEDGE@GMAIL.COM or
484-680-5289**

**or Roberta Dainton at the Religious
Education Office at 610-399-9642.**



WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES-AUGUST THEME-CHOOSING LIFE

We began this catechesis by explaining that God made us for a reason. The God we meet in Jesus Christ loves us and calls us to love as he does. Marriage is the sacrament that brings human fertility into this mission of love. If we understand that love is our mission in our marriages, families and parishes, then we have learned a basic truth that will shape many other areas of life. For example, if fidelity to the covenant requires restraint and perseverance, if our bodies and the material world can be vessels of divine grace, then we can approach questions of sexuality, ecology, technology and medicine with renewed commitment and insight. We now realize why a catechesis on the family has actually been a catechesis for all of life. If we have learned to think of our families as domestic churches, if we have learned why moral individualism is not the right context for receiving Catholic teaching, then we have adopted a view that will reorient our whole identity. This mission is not reserved for the few or for the extraordinary. Nor does it mean that families somehow have to stop being themselves or seek after some impossible perfection in order to witness to the Gospel. It may mean that we are sometimes minorities in a secular culture that sees life differently. But the Church has wide experience of many different cultural contexts, offering wisdom and advice about spiritual practices to sustain us. Please see the Catechism for more details. Love is our origin and destiny, which is why only the way of love can truly satisfy and that is why Love is our Mission.—Christopher C. Roberts, editor, *Love is Our Mission*

AMERICAN RED CROSS CERTIFICATION COURSE ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE CHURCH

The second session of American Red Cross Babysitter Certification classes will be held here at St. Maximilian Kolbe on **Wednesday, August 12th**. Deadline for registering for the session will be August 5th. Class size is limited—first come first served. Class runs from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM in the Kolbe Room

Cost is \$80 (non-refundable, but substitutes permitted) Those attending must be at least 11 years old. Includes course instruction by a certified American Red Cross instructor, Babysitters Training Handbook, Emergency Reference Guide and a Babysitting Training CD-ROM which includes a client organizer, printable activity booklet, a resume template, interactive exercises to reinforce skills. Be sure to bring with you the following items:

- lunch/beverage/snack
- notebook/writing instrument

Dress comfortably as this class will include lots of floor work.

Please complete the application below and return to

Maryanne Higbee at 17 Kashmir Drive, Thornton PA 19373

Make checks payable to Maryanne Higbee

If you have any questions, please call 610-455-0361 or 610-453-6705



Participant's Name: _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

Parents' Names _____

Parents' E-mail _____

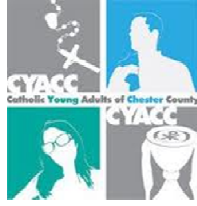
Parents' Contact Phone (on the day of the course) _____

All instructors are background-checked and child abuse cleared.

One parent volunteer is also needed—if there is/are no parent(s), the class will not be held. The day can be split into morning and afternoon if necessary. As a parent volunteer, you are not part of the class, but will be in an adjoining room or nearby outside incase of an emergency. You may bring a book, a lawn chair, etc. Please contact Maryanne Higbee if interested.

CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

If you're a Catholic adult in your 20s or 30s, we want to meet you! Catholic Young Adults of Chester County (CYACC - pronounced "kayak") exists to offer you social, spiritual, and service opportunities.



Join us this Wednesday, **August 5th** for our **monthly Praise & Worship Adoration**. Holy Hour begins at **7:30pm** in the **lower chapel of St. Agnes** in West Chester. Confession will be available. For more info, check us out on Facebook or email us at cyacc1@gmail.com.

**MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE**

The regular monthly collection of **NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS** for the needy of Chester County will take place this weekend, **August 1st and 2nd**. Please leave your donations in the bins in the vestibule. Your generous contributions of food are greatly appreciated.



Altar Flowers

*Altar flowers this weekend
were donated in memory of
John Wasniewski*

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)****HELP!!!**

We are in need of volunteers for the Children's Liturgy of the Word ministry.

Teens are encouraged to help as readers and/or support. If you would like to help bringing the Gospel Message to God's children, contact Lori Miller at the Rectory Office at 610-399-6936 or at saintmax@comcast.net.

**SUPPORT GROUP
FOR THE DIVORCED****Divorce**

This twelve week program sponsored by Corpus Christi Church will bring healing and hope to divorced and separated Catholics. The weekly DVD presentations, offered by expert counselors, author Rose Sweet, and others who have suffered through divorce, guide participants from pain and loneliness to hope and healing. Pre-registration and pre-payment are necessary. Thursdays beginning September 3rd 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM Corpus Christi Parish Center: Conference Rooms B and C; 900 Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale; Cost is \$25.00. Please register at corpuschristiaff@yahoo.com.



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**PRAY
HOPE
AND
Don't
WORRY**

**PRAY, HOPE &
DON'T WORRY RETREAT**

Malvern Retreat House is hosting a summer retreat for men and women who are looking for ways to alleviate worry and find peace in their lives. The Pray, Hope &

Don't Worry Retreat with Retreat Director Gary Zimak will be held August 14-16. Zimak is the author of *A Worrier's Guide to the Bible* and *From Fear to Faith*. His presentation topics will include: "What If Mary Said 'No'?" & "You Can't Walk On Water If You're Sitting In The Boat!" To register, please visit malvernretreat.com/retreats/register or call 610-644-0400 for more information.



CHURCH COLLECTION

JULY 26
\$17,644.50

**THANK YOU FOR
YOUR GENEROSITY!**

“Stewardship is caring for what belongs to God. It is rooted in recognition that everything we have from is from God and everything we have is God’s.”

*—Bernard F. Evans, author
Stewardship: Living a Biblical Call*



TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study will be studying **Matthew: The King and His Kingdom**. This 24 week program will bring the history of Christ to life through Matthew’s Gospel. You will see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who fulfills the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament, establishes the New Law and inaugurates the Kingdom of Heaven.

This group will meet in the Maximilian Room beginning Tuesday, September 15, 2015 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM. (There will be a break around the holidays.) You can register by calling the Rectory at 610-399-6936. The cost of the program is \$30 and check should be made payable to St. Maximilian Kolbe Church. Please register by August 31. For more information, contact Judy Armour at 610-793-2596 or via email at jarmour@verizon.net.

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION:

PREP



**Parish Religious
Education Program**

Preparation for sacraments and ongoing growth in the understanding and practice of our faith is offered for children in grades K-6 through the Tuesday night PREP program. Forms are available on the website: www.stmax.org/prep. Session availability is as follows for each grade:

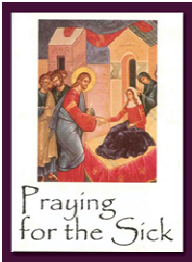
Kindergarten – is available ONLY during the 4:45-6:00 session.

- **1st Grade** – REMEMBER: 1st Grade is required preparation to celebrate the First Penance and First Eucharist sacraments in 2nd Grade.
- **Grades K-3** – registration is open in both the 4:45 and the 6:30 sessions.
- **Grades 4-6** – registration is open ONLY in the 6:30 session.

Volunteers Needed: God wants all children to know of his love and care for them! If you would be willing to help our parish fulfill this mission we have the following opportunities in our Tuesday night programs. Contact the PREP office at 610-399-9642 or stmaxreligious@comcast.net to volunteer.

- **Catechists** – We need a 2nd Grade teacher for the 4:45 session and a 6th Grade teacher for the 6:30 session. Adults who have completed all their sacraments are eligible to be catechists.
- **Classroom Aides** - We need class aides for 1st and 2nd grades in the 4:45 session. Adults or high school students are able to fill this role. *This is great opportunity for students seeking Community Service Hours.*
- **Music leader** - to lead singing for the late session opening from 6:30-6:45. Adults or high school students are able to fill this role.

Carline assistance – to help students safely get out of cars and into the building; early session assistance from 4:30-4:45; late session assistance from 6:30-6:45. Adults or high school students are able to fill this role.



**Please remember to pray for those in need of hope and healing.
Mary, Health of the Sick, pray for them.**

Laura Arena, Deacon Larry Brandon, James Burke, Sr., Donna Burke, Robert Capizzi, Maryann Corrigan, Maria Costello, Susan Dallas-Feeney, Glen Dekutowski, Louis DiGregorio, Frank Donato, David Doty, Denise Doyle, James Dudrick, Hayden Elliot, Angelina Fiorito, Patricia Foster, Mary Garofalo, John Gaydos, Patricia Greist, Garry Hallman, Ron Hauser, Edmund Hayes, Ray Holback, Gary Hunter, Agnes Iacona, Judy Ikena, Sondra Kelly-Richmond, Martha Kerr, Felice McElwaine, John McGowan, Kathleen McGrory, Jeff Melasecca, Sue Mele, Tess Merlini, Paul Morelewicz, Alexandra Morin, Ethan Mullin, Paul Nappi, Marie O'Connor, Barbara Ostapowicz, James Palo, Joe Peta, Chan Prathanaluangxay, Craig Riddell, Edward Robbins, Joseph Robbins, Mary Rossi, Anne Marie Swans, Meghan Tenaglio, Karen Tipka, Bill Verona, Dana Vink, Eveline Walker.



*We welcome the newest member
of St. Maximilian Kolbe
who was recently baptized.
May God bless her and her family.*

Antonella Miri Maguire



FAMILIES IN ACTION

Please continue your generosity over the summer with the laundry detergent. St Max has committed to providing this essential need for our community cupboard twelve months a year.

Other items (new or used) which can be shared with families in our community include: furniture, especially beds and mattresses, bags of any kind, umbrellas, sunglasses and reading glasses, bedding, kitchen items, bathroom accessories, towels, car seats and other baby furniture, clothing (in season) and children's picture books. New men's & women's underwear and socks, baby diapers & wipes, toiletries, over the counter medication, and bus tokens are also needed.

If you have items you no longer need and can share please pass them on while they are still in style, meet current safety guidelines, are in good working order and of use to others! For more information, please call Lisa Bice at 610-659-0825.



ARE YOU REGISTERED?

If you worship with us, we welcome you to St. Maximilian Kolbe! We encourage you to register and become an active member of our parish community. We strive to keep our membership records as updated as possible. There is a constant ebb and flow of people moving in and out of the parish. If you don't receive mail from the parish, it is a good indication that we do not have you enrolled. If you wish to register, please come to the Rectory Office after Mass on Sunday from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM or from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday. The Rectory Office phone number is (610) 399-6936. You may also register online at www.stmax.org.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Summer is a good time to consider how we might enrich our spiritual lives and grow closer to Jesus. We have a great opportunity every Tuesday to spend some time with Jesus in our quiet, air-conditioned chapel during Eucharistic Adoration. We have a wonderful group of people who have each committed to be there for a particular hour between 9 am and 7 pm so Jesus is never left alone. Many others are able to come in for briefer visits. It would be wonderful for students on break to give some of their time to Jesus. Any one of any age is always welcome. Just drop in.

We'd like to have **at least** two people committed to each hour; we also need to compile a list of people who are willing to be called upon as substitutes when the regular adorers are unable to be there. If you would like to participate in this important ministry, let us know. We have a particular need for the 9 to 10 am hour, but additional people are welcome at any hour. To volunteer for a regular hour or to be placed on the sub list, please provide your name and contact information to Anne Chavez at chavezamd@gmail.com or 610-793-2154 or call the rectory to volunteer.

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth." (Mother Teresa)

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF AUGUST 3



MONDAY 8:00 AM	Ken Gincley, Jr.
TUESDAY— 8:00 AM	Joseph R. Burgess
WEDNESDAY—8:00 AM	Most. Rev. Paul Nguyen
THURSDAY—8:00 AM	Donnie Diehl
FRIDAY— 8:00 AM	Rev. Paul Cao
SATURDAY—9:00 AM	Mac McCarty



AUGUST 2, 2015 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday
Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35
Monday
Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday
Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday
Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28
Thursday
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10
First Friday
Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday
Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20