

**30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 25, 2009**

FROM FATHER KUNKEL

Today's Readings

30th Sunday

Jer 31: 7-9
Heb 5: 1-6
Mk 10: 46-52

Readings for 11/1/09

All Saints
Rv 7: 2-4, 9-14
1 Jn 3: 1-3
Mt 5: 1-12

MASS INTENTIONS OCTOBER 26, 2009

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Frances Mank
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Kenneth Trzcinski
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Madeline Hugg
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Esther Kelly
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Tom Murtha
Sunday	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:15 a.m.	Shirley Miller Ernest Gustaitis Joan Quinn

(SI) Special Intentions (B) Birthday (A) Anniversary
(H) Health

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Each week's bulletin will list the names of person's known to be in ill health. Names are included in this listing by contacting the parish office. A name may be continued on the list, simply by calling the office.

Please pray for: Gloria Baronian, Catherine Beyer, Helen Blahus, Jeanette Burcham, Charles Crandall, Jerome Dolivka, Simon Driesen, Bill Duncan, Liz Fournier, Donna Friedman, Tammy Gilpin, Diana Glos, Melissa Griffin, Michelle Hall (Mark), Ellen Heaps, Jo Anne Heaps, Vida Hedrick, Gary & Cindy Hogan, Jessica Hynes, Agnes Kelly, Diana Keys, Tracy Knox, Bonnie LaPausky, Lorraine Heaps Lilley, Genevieve Dawn Lindley, Eddie Lott, Lisa Marroney, Bonnie Marzicola, Doug Mauzy, Richard Miller, Bonnie Morris, Don Ryan, Thomas W Scheiber, David Traskey, James E. Webb, James E. W. Webb, Joseph Weidner, Gary Williamson.

SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF 11/01/09

Ministry	Sat 4 pm	Sun 8 am	Sun 9:30	Sun 11:15
Priest	PH	HK	PH	HK
Lector	D Logan	J Healy	J Edwards	R Oursler
EM	B Mank	J Siegmund	L Payne	P Era
	M Puskar	A Chaney	N Yost	L Windsor
	T Angel	S Muller	K Ayers	J Windsor
	K Dietz	B Weber	D Rogers	G Dumer
Server	A Baliko	A Usselman		M Griswold
	S Dietz	J Blevins	M Mislak	C Fender
	M Dietz	R Blevins	K Dieter	T Oursler
Sacristan	G Angel	M Blevins		E Oursler

Bartimaeus was blind, and in his society that meant he lived on the charity of others. That had been his fate, his role in society. He had to let go of all of that in order to be healed by Jesus. He left behind his cloak, which he had used to beg for alms, and he left his spot beside the road. In response to his faith, Jesus restored his sight.

The story of the blind Bartimaeus, is really a story about each one of us. Is there anyone among us who has not experienced the need to cry out, "Jesus have pity on me?" Is there anyone among us who has not experienced the need for a clearer vision of what this life of ours is all about? Is there anyone among us who has not experienced the need to move out of the dark night of the soul and into the light — the TRUE LIGHT that enlightens us all, as the Apostle John puts it? Which is really another way of asking, "Is there anyone among us who has not experienced the need to focus on the question of who we are and what we ought to do through eyes of faith?"

Bartimaeus' sight having been restored, he followed Jesus, not up a blind alley, but into the light. Ordinary light is a form of energy that stimulates the nerve-endings in our eyes. You can get as complicated as you want to, trying to go further with a description of light, but it really comes back to that simple definition.

How beautiful to think of Christ, the light of the world, in this way. How beautiful to think of Christ as Divine energy, power from Almighty God, stimulating the nerve-endings of our eyes of faith, making it possible for us to take that awesome leap of faith and penetrate the darkness and see more clearly what life is really all about! It is that awesome leap of faith that truly gives us strength to cope, strength to live creatively, strength to love unconditionally!

At the end of the Gospel story about Bartimaeus, we are told very briefly what happened to Bartimaeus. "Immediately his sight returned and he followed Jesus along the road." This is all we really need to know. As we view the world with new sight, let us, like Bartimaeus, truly follow the Lord along the road of our lives!

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to have a loved one either remembered or honored with a donation of flowers please call Sue Dieter at 410-836-1641.



We would like to welcome into St. Mary's Faith Community: Mr. & Mrs. Keith A. Wilson & family.

PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to Your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people.

Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will.

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death". Lead us into a new millennium of Life. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen!

WHAT ARE WE ASKING OUR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST TO DO TO MINIMIZE TRANSMISSION OF THE FLU VIRUS?

We are asking Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist to:

- ❖ Thoroughly wash and dry their hands before Mass
- ❖ Use alcohol based sanitizer immediately before they approach the altar at communion time.
- ❖ Avoid touching face or hands of communicants with Sacred Host.
- ❖ Unfold the Purificator, and carefully wipe the inside and outside of the chalice rim, rotating the chalice for each communicant. (When the cup is offered)

Note: After the chalices have been purified they will be cleaned with soap and warm water.

THE BOOK OF LIFE – IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

The month of November is the time when the Church traditionally remembers in prayer those who have died. During this month, you will notice a special book in the Sanctuary in front of the altar. This book will be titled "The Book of Life" and you are invited to write in the names of deceased family members and friends. These people will be remembered in all Masses during the month of All Souls. Let us pray together for those who have died. If you would like to donate a floral arrangement to be placed in front of the book, please call Sue Dieter @ 410-836-1641.



MASS FOR THE POOR SOULS

A Mass for the Poor Souls will be said on Monday, November 2nd at 9:00 a.m. The names of the recently deceased will be read and after Mass we will have a procession through the cemetery praying for all those who rest there (weather permitting). Please join us in remembering and praying for the souls of your departed loved ones.

"May their souls and all the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace".

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES

Envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church. A Novena of Masses will be said for those intentions beginning on November 2, 2009, the Feast of All Souls, and ending on November 9th.

FINANCIAL REPORT OCT. 18, 2009

Envelopes contributors	7,162.50
EFT Contributors-Monthly	5,697.83
Offertory Loose	653.50
Capital Campaign Pledges	5,799.00
Poor Box	72.71
Envelopes Used	192
EFT Used	59
Attendance	572

J. T. & Fried Chicken Dinner Net Profit—Sept. 12, 2009

Advertising	(384.80)
Assorted Nuts	449.65
Bake Shoppe	1,283.03
Craft Shoppe	194.25
Dinners	8,537.37
Donations	2,285.00
Games	437.75
Outside Vendors	394.02
Program Booklet	1,461.27
Raffle	1,688.06
Refreshment Stand	27.73
Total Net Profit	16,373.33

MILITARY FAMILIES

The following are names of parishioners or their relatives who are currently serving our country in the military. May they feel the support and comfort of the prayers we offer for them.

Aaron Benjamin Leyko	Ensign Karen Twigg Ritchie
PFC James Borchart	Major Randy Staab
Lt. Joseph Healy	MS Rose Leftridge
Michael Rezabek	Capt. Nate Koss
Sgt. Benjamin Yost	PFC Derek Knight
HM3 Christopher Baker	CPO James Fish
Capt. Craig Richters	Colonel William Fowler
James Wheeler	PFC James Hale
CPO Anthony Clavijo	SPC Sam W. Balzanna III
PZ2 Robert Thacker	AC Julia R. Gerick
Capt. Timothy Monaghan	Sgt. Matthew Warne
Private Vance Chapman	Anthony Cirillo
Sgt. Donnie Billin	Private Jason Snyder
Master Sgt. Richard D. Hughes	Daniel Culver
Lt. Scott Hebert	2 nd Lt. Charles Gruver
SGT. Eric Hoopert	PV2 Emril Getscher
MSgt. Larry Goulden	LCPL Joseph M. Wheeler
Major Sean Wilson	Sgt E-5 Harry Patterson
Pv. Samuel Bursell	Zachary Paup
Lt. Col Neil Salkowski	MM2 Michael Nicke
PVT Estee Lawrence	PRAN Richard D. Awalt 3rd
PFC James Raab	2nd Lt. John Regan
Jeff Markowski	

Please remember in your prayers the brave men and women serving in our Armed Services. Pray for them, their families, for their safe return and peace. If you have loved ones serving in the military at this time of crisis, please call the parish office 410-879-4015 ext. 10.



Its that time again to set your clocks back one hour. Next Saturday remember to set your clocks back one hour so that when you wake up on Sunday you won't be late for Church.

MASS VOLUNTEERS

If not already communicated, please send a list of dates you are not available to serve for December, January and February to the rectory, in care of Mary Childress. Work on the next schedule begins November 1st

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

RCIA – If you or some one you know is perhaps interested in becoming Catholic, a new Inquiry Class has begun and will be held every Tuesday. Call Janet Young in the Parish Office for further information, ext. 12.

YOUTH MINISTRY

CPW MASS

Thank you to all of our youth who participated in the CPW Mass at 11:15 a.m. Help is needed for the Nov. 1, 2009 Mass. Please call Ms. Rachel at 717-456-9118 to volunteer as a reader, greeter, usher, or responsorial Psalm cantor.



UPCOMING EVENTS OCTOBER

JAM-Junior High (6-8 Grade)

Drop in Nights (2nd Friday of each month)

Oct 30 –Trunk N Treat 6-8 p.m. Church Parking Lot.

KFC – Senior High (9-12 Grade)

Drop in Nights (3rd Saturday of each month)

SERVICE PROJECT

“Our Daily Bread” soup kitchen in Baltimore on Saturdays. Do you have a desire to serve and help our brothers and sisters in Christ? Come join us on Nov. 7th. We will leave the church parking lot at 8:00 a.m. and return at 2:00 p.m. Give Ms. Rachel a call so I can send you an information sheet and permission form.



We need STAND certified drivers to help.



CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP

The dates are June 20-26, 2010 in Lancaster PA. For those incoming 9th graders (Sept. 2010) – 12th grade, Young Adults, Adults. Your non-refundable deposit of \$100.00 secures your spot. Please turn in a “Dare to Care” reservation form found in the Fall YM Newsletter or in the back of church to the Youth Ministry mailbox. Students will be encouraged to raise the other \$150.00 by using a sponsor letter to ask family, friends, and businesses to help them reach their goal. There is some limited scholarship money available for those with

financial hardships. Please call Ms. Rachel for more info. Please do not let the cost deter your teen from going. God will make a way!!

Adults who would like to journey and serve with us please fill out a reservation form also. More paperwork will follow later in the winter. Let us go make a difference!!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendars for the return of Vacation Bible School, July 26-30, 2010 for children entering Pre-K thru the 6th grade As of Sept. 2010. We will need teachers, adult aides, and 7th-12th grade students to help us in this adventure. So put us on your calendar and we will see you in July.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Need High school youth to help out with the children’s games for Trunk n Treat on Friday, October 30th from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. Call Ms. Rachel at 717-456-9118.

Get those permission slips in for the Amazing Day!!!

PARISH ACTIVITIES

FLU SHOTS

Flu Shots will be available to the general public, ages 12 years and older, Sunday, November 8th from 9:00 – 11 a.m. in the Parish Center. Cost is \$20.00 cash, check or Medicare accepted.

BAKING FOR THE HOLIDAYS??

Shop here for your assorted nuts.
Call Barbara, Ext. 11: All are 1 lb. Bags
Whole Jumbo Cashews \$7.50



ALL GROUPS & ORGANIZATIONS!



It’s that time of year again when we must start thinking about the new calendar year of 2010. All groups and organizations that use the Parish Center (classrooms, hall, and the pit), and the Church must turn in their meeting dates by Nov. 1st. If your committee is planning any events, you must submit your dates as soon as possible to make sure the facilities are available. All dates must be returned in writing to Diana Weidner in the Parish Office. Again, the deadline is November 1st.

TRUNK N TREAT

It’s that time of year again to have some fun with the children in our parish. This is our third year for this event. Come open your car trunks and hearts to our children of St. Mary’s for a Trunk N Treat on the church parking lot on Friday, October 30th from 6-8 p.m. We will also have light refreshments in the hall and the Youth Ministry will have games for the children. This is sponsored by the Belles of St. Mary and the Knights of Columbus and Youth Ministry. If you would like to join us in the fun call Lois Fritz at 410-692-5949 for more information.



THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Monday, October 26, 2009	
6:00 p.m.	Reconciliation Prep
7:30 p.m.	Belles of St. Mary's
7:30 p.m.	Knights of Columbus
Tuesday, October 27, 2009	
5:15 p.m.	Children's Faith Formation
6:30 p.m.	High School FF
7:00 p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday, October 28, 2009	
4:45 p.m.	Children's Faith Formation
6:30 p.m.	Children's Faith Formation
6:30 p.m.	Cont. Music
Thursday, October 29, 2009	
5:30 p.m.	Instruments & Small Group
6:45 p.m.	Cantor Practice
7:30 p.m.	Choir
8:00 p.m.	AA
Friday, October 30, 2009	
6:00 p.m.	Trunk N Treat
Saturday, October 31, 2009	
	Second Collection Holiday Food
	RLM Fundraiser
Sunday, November 1, 2009	
	Second Collection Holiday Food
	Hospitality Sunday
	RLM Fundraiser
11:15 a.m.	CPWM
6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The official 40 Days for Life Campaign, supported and encouraged by the Archdiocese of Baltimore, began on Sept. 23rd and will continue through Nov. 1st. If you have not signed on to either pray, fast, or join others standing vigil in prayerful presence at the abortion mills, you can still join this campaign – praying with thousands of people simultaneously in 215 cities in fervent prayer and fasting for women and their babies who are in danger of abortion, men and women who carry the pain of a past abortion, workers at abortion facilities, and local, state and national leaders who misguidedly support abortion.

For further information and 40 Days for Life prayers, check out www.40daysforlife/Baltimore.

FUNDRAISER FOR BIRTHRIGHT AND GABRIEL NETWORK

St. Mary's Respect Life Ministry are outside church after all Masses this weekend and will also be there next weekend October 31st and November 1st selling pro-family Christmas cards, Veggie Tales and lives of the saints DVD's, pro-Life tee shirts, etc. during its annual fund-raiser for BirthRight Crisis Pregnancy Center and the Gabriel Network. We will be actively requesting donations as well.

Last year's fundraiser netted the least amount for BirthRight and Gabriel of the past five years. Although we acknowledge that this is a hard time financially, all families should be able to donate \$2 or \$3 without incurring a hardship. Therefore we ask that you come to church the weekends of the fundraiser prepared to put this amount –

or more if your circumstances permit – into the Respect Life member's basket as you leave church.

HELP FILL A "BAG OF LOVE"

Times are hard for many people and our cupboard is bare! Please help us fill "bags of love" to be distributed this Thanksgiving to the "Outreach Families". We are in need of the following items:



Toothpaste/floss	Toothbrushes	
Soap	Kleenex/pocket size	
Razors	Deodorant	
Shampoo	Conditioner	Hand cream
Hair Spray	Emory boards	Baby toiletries

The items may be placed in the back of church in the box marked "HEALTH CARE" any time during the month of October and the first weekend of November.

Thanks from all the Outreach families and your Health Care Ministry.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child, a unique project of Christian relief and evangelism, has touched millions of children. Through the organization Samaritan's Purse Project, you and your family have the opportunity to reach out to needy children in desperate situations around the world. Operation Christmas Child is not just about reaching children with shoebox gifts. It's about sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with them through Christian literature distributed with the shoeboxes. To take part in this exciting project, simply follow the instructions in the brochure that will be handed out along with the shoe boxes after all the masses beginning the weekend of October 17th & 18th. The boxes do not need to be gift-wrapped. We will be accepting filled shoe boxes anytime until November 9, 2009. If you have any questions please feel free to call Barbara Judd @ 410-452-5415.



ST MARY'S LUNCHEON BINGO TO BE HELD AT WHITEFORD AMERICAN LEGION



**TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 2, 2009**

Join us for a relaxing day of bingo and lunch. While we are under construction on the Religious Education Building the Whiteford American Legion has been gracious to let us rent their hall for our monthly Bingo. Doors open at 10:00 a.m. and the low price of \$7.00 include admission, lunch and a regular bingo packet of 16 games, 3 cards to a sheet. For a small additional fee special games and extra bingo packets can be purchased. The Menu for November 2nd is:

Turkey, With Gravy, Stuffing, Green Beans
Mashed Potatoes, Cranberry Sauce, Dinner Roll & Pumpkin Pie

We also need help on Monday & Tuesday. If you can give some of your time please call Nancy @ 410-692-6363, Pat @ 410-836-1891 or Cheryl @ 410-557-9157.