

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF AUGUST 7 AND AUGUST 8**

**LECTORS**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

5:15	Alexandra Zekanis	Rosemarie Fisher, Thomas Kuchler, Eileen Nicholson, Peter Mastrobuono, Edward McGarry
8:30	John Lynch	Andrea Martin-Perry, Arlene Hudson, Mary Alice Windish, Patricia and Robert Cimorelli
11:30	Paul Corbett	Anne Eckert, Annie Byrne, Luis Gonzalez, Eileen and James Moran

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Sunday, August 1, 2010**

7:30 Cyrenian Society

**Monday, August 2, 2010**

6:30

10:00 Mass at St. Joseph's

**Tuesday, August 3, 2010**

6:30

10:00 Madison Jane Ritts

**Wednesday, August 4, 2010**

6:30

10:00 Mass at St. Joseph's

**Thursday, August 5, 2010**

6:30

10:00

**Friday, August 6, 2010**

6:30 Patrick Brooks

10:00 Mass at St. Joseph's

**Saturday, August 7, 2010**

8:00 Sisters of Saint Joseph

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

July 25, 2010 \$ 6,298

July 26, 2009 \$ 7,310

**THE MINISTRY OF LECTOR**

If there is any parishioner who would be interested in becoming a lector, please call Sister Joan 215 379-1364. Your service would be appreciated.

**PRAYER**

“**God speaks** in the silence of the heart, and **we listen**. And then **we speak** to God from the fullness of our heart, and **God listens**. And this listening and this speaking is what prayer is meant to be.”  
(Mother Theresa)

**REMEMBER OUR SICK**

Please keep in your daily prayers, those who are sick and in need of God's healing touch: Thomas Smith Sr., Stanley Grey, Ellen McFadden, Fred Henderson, Lucretia Shawcross, Rita Marie Smith, Theresa Noraka, Anne Thomas, Eleanor Gandolfo, Ann Schlimer, Joanna DeNofa, Matthew Balent, Donna McGonigle, Peggy Fairchild, Elizabeth Mook, Ethel Thomas, Fran Windish, Joseph Whittner, Mary Madden, Jennifer Osborn, Frank Carr, Mary Callan, Rose Eckert, Joey Lanzi, Jean Britt, Anna Kurek, Anna Mandl, Florence Holland, Mike Johnson, Mike Krammer, Hildergard Jakaitis, Bryn McMahan, James Donnelly, Emily Telford Marx, Elizabeth Eberwine, Cecile Drach, Brian Hinchey, Joe and Sissy Camp, Bob Gottschalk, Patricia Wilbert, Ray Rauscher, Ann Dunzweiler, Marie Verna.

**MISSION CO-OP**

Sister Patricia Kelly, MSBT is looking forward to her visit to our parish and the opportunity to share “her mission story.” Sister Patricia will be at our parish the weekend of August 14 and 15. The Missionary Servants of the Blessed Trinity minister among immigrant populations who are in desperate need of help: USA, Puerto Rica, Jamaica and Mexico. Any prayerful and monetary support you can offer to this appeal will be greatly appreciated.

**PRESENTATION BVM PARISH PICNIC**

You are invited! The Parish's Eighth Annual Picnic will be held on **Sunday, October 10**, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass at the Cheltenham A.A. Fields. The picnic will conclude at 4:30 p.m. This year,

we are asking the **boy scouts and cub scouts** to be responsible for providing either a salad or a dessert for this gathering. Whatever you can bake, buy or share with us will be appreciated. Also, if there is any parishioner who wishes to delight us with his or her culinary skills, that would be wonderful.



## PRESENTATION JACKPOT

**Jackpot for Monday, September 13 \$ 8,000**

June 14 -- last drawing until September 13<sup>th</sup>

### SHARING INFORMATION

As a parish staff, we did not know whether you were aware of the following information? Jeanes Hospital and Fox Chase Hospitals have different priest chaplains for each day. **Presentation Parish provides pastoral service on Monday, beginning at 9 a.m. and concluding at 9 a.m. on Tuesday.** In the event that any member of your family would have a hospitalization at either of these hospitals, we would like to know. Please call the rectory 215 379-1364. Also, all of the other hospitals have chaplains connected with their neighboring parishes. If any of your family members are admitted to a hospital other than Jeanes or Fox Chase, it would be good to be in touch with the Pastoral Department of that hospital. All you would need to do is to share the information, connected with your family member. The chaplain would then be aware of your family member who was admitted to the hospital.

### R.C.I.A.

The new RCIA sessions will begin in September, but now is the time to invite someone to explore the Catholic religion. The RCIA is tailored toward the unbaptized, those baptized in another religion, but not active in it, and Catholics who need either Confirmation or Eucharist. For more information, call Sister Joan.

### WELCOME--NON-PRACTICING CATHOLICS

This program is an attempt to welcome back Catholics who have fallen away from the church. There are many reasons for this; our purpose is not to judge or reprimand anyone, but to offer our time and a forum to let people know that we are concerned about them. "Landings" is a chance to explore our faith and what it means in our lives. For further details, call Sister Joan for an appointment 215 379-1364. Also, if there is any parishioner who knows a neighbor who may be interested in learning about this program, please share this information.

### WALKING PILGRIMAGE

The Youth Group will be attending a Walking Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa on **August 14th and 15th.** If anyone is interested in joining us, please contact Cathy Champion at 215-342-0170 for details. The cost is \$25 for students and \$50 for adults. Need to be registered by August 1st.

### CROSSROADS

Crossroads is a pro-life organization that sponsors four simultaneous **cross-country pro-life walks** each summer that start on the West Coast and end in Washington DC. The mission of the walks is to peacefully take the pro-life message to the streets through prayer and peaceful pro-life witness. Participants in the Northern Walk route that started in Seattle will be stopping at the parish next weekend, **August 7-8**, to share information about their walk. For additional info about Crossroads please visit their website at [www.crossroadswalk.org](http://www.crossroadswalk.org).

### THE FIRST ANNUAL PHILLIES

All the tickets for the First Annual Phillies with Father McFadden at Citizens Park on **Monday, August 23—SOLD OUT.** However, it's not too late to sign up for the picnic at the CAA fields. Burgers, hotdogs, chicken and French Fries will be available along with soft drinks from 4 PM until the bus leaves at 5:30 PM. If you would like to attend the picnic on August 23, the cost will be \$5.00. **This envelope may be dropped off at the rectory or in the collection basket. Mark the envelope Sister Joan.** In the envelope, **enclose your name, phone number and the \$5.00.** No registrations at the picnic. Thank you.

### CONGRATULATIONS (CONTINUED)

The following Seniors have received scholarships and grants:

#### ARCHBISHOP RYAN

**Bridget Callahan:** Holy Family University; LaSalle University.

**Robert Levins:** Holy Family University.

**Una O'Neill:** Maine College of Art; University of the Arts.

**Paul Sciulli:** LaSalle University.

#### LITTLE FLOWER

**Angieanna Delgadillo:** Holy Family University Presidential Merit Scholarship; Temple University Scholar Award.

**Elizabeth Potens:** City of Philadelphia Mayor's Scholarship-University of Pennsylvania; LaSalle University Founders Scholarship; Saint Joseph's University Presidential Scholarship.

**Victoria Reuscher:** Gwynedd-Mercy College Activities Grant; the Gwynedd-Mercy College Catholic Education Grant; Holy Family University Presidential Merit Scholarship.

#### MOUNT ST. JOSEPH ACADEMY

**Outstanding Academic Achievement: Class of '13-**  
Gina Nicoletti

<b>NEW MASS SCHEDULE—AS OF JUNE 26, 2010</b>		
<b>Presentation BVM</b>	<b>Weekdays:</b>	6:30 AM Monday through Friday 10:00 AM Tuesday, Thursday 8:00 AM Saturday
<b>Saint Joseph</b>	<b>Weekdays:</b>	10:00 AM Monday, Wednesday, Friday
<b>Weekends</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	5:15 PM (no vigil at St. Joseph)
	<b>Sunday</b>	8:30AM and 11:30 AM (10 AM at St. Joseph)

#### **174. Marriage: Humans Only...One of Each**

The bonding of men and women in committed relationship is as old as recorded history, and - no doubt - for a huge part of our pre-history. It goes with the territory. It is essential to human nature that a dedication in love that goes beyond reason and logic is necessary to any definition of what makes us human.

There is no doubt as well that the patterns of this bonding have varied from culture to culture and that what we understand and call ‘marriage’ is specific to our Judeo-Christian heritage. It’s the culture we know. It’s the cultural perception we are comfortable with and which we have no hesitation recommending to any other of the world cultures because it ‘works.’ The faithful dedication of one man and one woman to each other in mutual respect and love strikes the perfect chord in terms of what human dignity demands and what affects the best circumstances for the creation of the next generation of humans.

Cohabitation and the resulting core group of individuals known as a ‘family’ are demonstrably “human.” Animals, even primates, do travel in herds- packs- mating pairs and offspring for all sorts of reasons. Only humans attach the dimension of dedicated and committed affection – love – to the picture because only humans are capable of this highest order of relationship. The reason is simple and can be associated with survival: human offspring take years and years to develop and need adult care and protection for far longer than any other species on the planet. Puppies, kittens, colts, cubs...all grow quickly to adult status and capacity and are on their own. Only humans require time, lots of time. And guidance, education, mentoring. Or, they simply will not make it. Humans also mate in a totally unique way...unlike any other animal, even primates. For the rest of the animal world, nature determines both fertility and the time to mate. Humans, on the other hand, decide. It is not just instinct, or ‘that time.’ And the decision has a great deal to do with feelings and needs far beyond the physical. And, we perceive instinctively that couple bonding is not a purely personal matter. The greater group has a true stake in how well the bonding works, again for the sake of the group. Rituals and ceremonies of creating the bond in the presence of the others are revealed in our most ancient human records. What would come to be known as ‘marriage’ has a foundation in the intertwined aspects of human life: private and communal.

**[Next: Marriage in Ancient Israel]**

#### **YOU ARE INVITED**

**You are invited to join the members of the Spirituality Committee** on Tuesday evenings from 8-9 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel as they come together in selfless intercessory prayer to pray for the needs of our parish.