

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 11, 2009 ~ Cycle B

From the Pastor, Msgr. Rick Cramblitt...

I noticed the oddest thing in my desk calendar. My calendar is a liturgical desk calendar that lists all the feasts and seasons of the Church. It's invaluable to me! It's the tool I use to keep on top of parish planning for upcoming seasons, and every week I check to see what feasts are occurring.

The odd thing I noticed is that my calendar lists two feast days for the same saint. October 1 is indicated as the feast of St. Therese of the Child Jesus and October 15 is listed for St. Therese of the Child Jesus. It's an error, of course. October is the month of the two Theresas. October 15 should have been listed as the feast of St. Teresa of Avila. Both are among the most remarkable women in the entire history of the Church.

Teresa of Avila lived in the 1500's and was a Carmelite nun in Spain. She was the great reformer of the Carmelites, a mystic, the author of great spiritual classics and the founder of many convents. Therese of the Child Jesus, known as the "Little Flower," was also a Carmelite nun. She lived in France in the 1800's and also wrote a spiritual classic that is read to this day and is beloved by many. People serious about the spiritual journey try to follow Therese's "little way." You will see a statue of St. Therese in our church in the niche to the left of the Blessed Mother altar.

Two nuns named Theresa; both Carmelites, both teachers of the spiritual journey, and both saints: the Church honors them this month even as we ourselves try to shape a sound and effective spiritual life for ourselves in this current moment of time. The spiritual journey is not easy for 21st century Christian people. Now is the time of the triumph of secular materialism. Pope Benedict, speaking to the Bishops of Africa last week, called the empty materialism of our time "toxic, spiritual garbage," and begged the bishops to resist it. During his time as Pope he has repeatedly tried to teach us that life without reference to God is empty and lacking in the full understanding of ourselves as human beings; lacking in any understanding of our true final destiny.

I hope that the feasts of the two Theresas will prompt you to step apart from your busy routine and think about your own spiritual life. Have you bought into the secularism of our age? Or have you been able to keep a rich sense of the presence of God with you, of your destiny as a citizen of heaven, as a child beloved by God, your Father?

Join Us In Worship

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW) will be offered during the 9AM Mass on October 25.

Whole Community Catechesis for Faith Sharing

Question for Adults

How hard is it for you to part with things you treasure? Do your possessions ever stand in the way of having deeper communion with God?

Question for Youth

What is your most important possession? How hard would it be for you to give it up?

Question for Children

How difficult would it be for you to give something you treasure to someone else who needed it more than you do?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 12 ~ Weekday

Rom 1:1-7; Lk: 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 13 ~ Weekday

Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 14 ~ Weekday

Callistus I, pope & martyr

Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday, October 15 ~ Teresa of Avila, virgin & doctor

Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

Friday, October 16 ~ Weekday

Hedwig, religious; Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin

Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday, October 17

Ignatius of Antioch, bishop & martyr

Rom 4:13,16-18; Lk 12:8-12

Sunday, October 18 ~ 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

SCHOOL NEWS

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Sat, Oct 10 | 5:00 p.m. | For the People of SSH |
| Sun, Oct 11 | 7:30 a.m. | +Evelyn Welsh Sollenberger |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Our Mothers, Mary Anne Harris & Adele Consoli |
| | 11:30 a.m. | +Jack Shannon |
| Mon, Oct 12 | 7:00 a.m. | +Dr. Jack Hyson |
| Tue, Oct 13 | 7:00 a.m. | +Ed Rostek |
| Wed, Oct 14 | 7:00 a.m. | +George Lloyd Bunting, Sr. |
| Thu, Oct 15 | 7:00 a.m. | +Ann Peters |

"SHOP FOR A CAUSE" at Macy's, Saturday, October 17 - ALL DAY! Macy's is supporting the Shrine School with their Fundraising efforts this Fall by allowing you to purchase directly from the School a Shopping Pass for special discounts on 10/17! The cost of the PASS is \$5.00, and all money will go directly to the School. To purchase a ticket, or for additional information please call the school office at 410-542-7406! We appreciate your support!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! School Open House on Tuesday, November 17, from 8:30 to 11:30AM.

PRESIDER SCHEDULE ~ OCTOBER 17 - 18

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| 5:00 PM | Msgr. Richard Woy |
| 7:30 AM | Msgr. Richard Woy |
| 9:00 AM | Msgr. Richard Woy |
| 11:30 AM | Msgr. Richard Woy |

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE MID-EAST is offered by the faith communities of Maryland every 22nd of the month at 7:30PM. Please join this interfaith effort of prayer! We hope you will join us to pray for peace, 7:30PM on Thursday, October 22, at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church, 1609 Kurtz Avenue, Lutherville, MD. **For further information contact: Charles Cloughen, Jr., frcharles@verizon.net.**

Join Us In Learning

ADULTS

COMMUNION AND LIBERATION

Can anyone live without faith? In our everyday life, we constantly put our faith in the words of others. Without this faith, culture would shrivel, and science would become paralyzed; our friendships would end, and we would starve for lack of trust in those who prepared our food. Faith is a form of knowledge--a knowledge that comes through the mediation of a witness. In this method of knowledge one has to be fully engaged in order to trust the witness. Would you like to learn more about faith? If so, then come to the discussions held by Communion and Liberation at the Shrine on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the undercroft. For more information, you can call Tim Coll at 717 683-6086 or Leo White at 410 828-6118.

Join Us In Service

CALLED TO MINISTRY

Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord: A Statement of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops....Ministry in the Church continues the ministry of Jesus through the ages and throughout the world. Continually, the Spirit calls forth new ministries and new ministers to serve evolving needs.

OCTOBER POOR BOX: MARIAN HOUSE: A transitional and supportive housing program, Marian House is located in the Better Waverly neighborhood of Baltimore City. Marian House serves homeless women who have suffered through poverty, addiction, abuse, mental illness or incarceration. Marian House provides a safe, loving environment that challenges women to respect and love themselves, confront emotional and socio-economic barriers, and build stable and productive lives.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH ESPECIALLY: *Larry Preller, Gloria Marble, Debby Gerber, Valerie Gutberlet, Carroll Celentano, Sam Goldberg and Donald White.*



Your faithful generosity to our parish enables our parish outreach and ministry to people in our community and beyond. To all of our parishioners who have already *Given the Gift of Treasure*, thank you. If you have not already done so, please return your response cards this week.

First Annual Crab Feast and Silent Auction

- What:** A special celebration and fundraising event to benefit our friends in Belize, Central America.
- When:** Saturday, October 24, at 5PM we will begin the evening with a Festival Homecoming Mass. Following Mass, we invite you to join us in Taylor Hall for our First Annual Crab Feast and Silent Auction.
- How:** Tickets are only \$50 per person for All-You-Can-Eat fresh steamed crabs, pit beef, turkey and ham, corn, beer and great desserts.

Great items are already on the block for our silent auction including a vacation, artwork, gift baskets and much more!

Tickets will be on sale following Masses this weekend.

IN MEMORIAM: Please remember in your prayers all the faithfully departed especially Michael Goggins, Sr., father of parishioners, Michael and Bernadette Goggins.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER? We need girls and boys (adults too!) to be altar servers, helping at weekend and holiday Masses. Please consider serving, it is a wonderful ministry where young folks not only serve God and the gathered community, but also participate more fully in the Sacred Liturgy. All girls and boys who are in the 4th grade or higher, and who have received first communion are eligible to serve. Training sessions for new servers are Saturday, October 17, at 10AM in the Church. Questions? Call Deacon Mark (410-466-6884 x 13).

ST. AMBROSE BROWN BAG COLLECTION: Next weekend, October 17/18, is our monthly collection for the St. Ambrose Food Pantry. Please remember to pick up an extra bag of non-perishable food items this week and bring it to church next weekend. Most needed items are: peanut butter, jelly, pasta, tuna fish, soup, rice, cereal and canned vegetables.

WE'RE ALL MISSIONARIES: Do you know the date of your Baptism? Well, on that day, you became a missionary, called by our Lord to share your faith with those around you—and to be part of the Church's mission to the world. Jesus Himself directed His followers to go into the whole world and proclaim His Gospel—the "Good News" of His love for us—to all peoples (see Mark 16:15). That mission is now directed to each one of us.

On World Mission Sunday, October 17/18, we have the opportunity to be part of the Church's missionary work in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands through our prayers and support offered to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Envelopes for this collection are in your packets.

OUR DAILY BREAD CASSEROLES: The Shrine received words of thanks from ODB for 35 casseroles donated in September. Please continue your generosity in preparing casseroles for the hungry. If you have not yet participated in this outreach, please consider making a casserole for **December 26/27**—during these dire economic times, ODB daily is serving an increased number of needy clients. The Shrine has a turn to provide casseroles only during months with five Tuesdays. The parish makes pans and recipes available for your use after Masses prior to the collection weekends. Then, on designated dates, parishioners bring frozen casseroles to the church kitchen. Plan ahead! Mark your 2009 calendar "ODB Casserole" for **December 26/27**.

Join Us In Community

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

HAUNTED HAYRIDE FOR MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

- When:** Saturday, October 17
Where: Lineboro, MD
Cost: \$12 plus money to buy dinner
Time: 4PM ~ leave from Church parking lot
9:30PM ~ return
Why: To have fun and to celebrate being alive!

For information, please call Bernetta at 410-466-6884 x14 or email bernetta@theshrine.org by October 16.



THIS WEEK AT THE SHRINE

Meeting Rooms: Gathering Rooms I, II, III (GRI, GRII, GRIII) and the Choir Room (CR) are located in the Undercroft of the Church. Taylor Conference Room (TCR) and Mullen Library (ML) are located in the Rectory. School Library (SL), Taylor Hall (TH) are in the school.

Monday, October 12 ~ Columbus Day

7PM RCIA (GRIII)

School Closed

Tuesday, October 13

7:30PM Communion & Liberation (GRIII)

Thursday, October 15

9AM Staff Meeting (TCR)

7PM Choir (CR)

7PM Knights of Columbus (GRI)

Friday, October 16

8:30AM Deacon's Emmaus Group (GRIII)

1PM Parish Office Closes

Saturday, October 17

10AM Altar Server Training (Church)

2:30PM 50th Anniversary Mass

3PM Baptism Preparation (GRIII)

6PM Couples for Christ (GRI, II, III)

Sunday, October 18

10:15 Elementary Faith Formation

6PM Confirmation Class (GRII)

Mission Sunday Collection

St. Ambrose Food Pantry Collection

IMPORTANT! ALERT! On Friday, October 16, 23 and 30 the parish secretary **WILL NOT BE IN THE OFFICE AFTER 1PM**. If you need to see a staff person after 1PM on those Fridays, please make arrangements with that staff person. Thank you.

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME: Our parish family extends a warm welcome to all that are joining us for worship. If you are new to the area we invite you to register and make The Shrine of the Sacred Heart your parish. Call the office to register (410-466-6884, x10).

CATHEDRAL OF MARY OUR QUEEN 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION PARISH AND NEIGHBOR TOUR: You are invited to participate in the tour of the Cathedral on Sunday, October 18, from 2 to 4PM. A reception follows the tour. Reservations are needed. Please call 410-323-8526 or email sheila.peter@verizon.net to make your reservation.

MARRIAGE, DIVORCE AND ANNULMENTS FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE: The Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Baltimore will be giving a presentation in our area concerning divorce and annulment from the Catholic perspective. This presentation will be helpful for divorced Catholics, those divorced who wish to marry Catholics, those

parish leaders involved in the RCIA process and any others who may have a vested interest because of family or friends. This session will be held on Thursday, October 29, at 7PM at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church. No prior registration is required. For further information, please call 410-547-5533.

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE HURTING FROM THE TRAUMA OF ABORTION? A Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat for spiritual and emotional healing after abortion will be held in Sparks, MD, October 30-November 1, 2009. The retreat is a confidential and emotionally safe environment for those struggling after abortion. Contact Project Rachel at 1-800-286-4224 or email projectrachel@archbalt.org. Please visit www.project-rachel.net and www.rachelsvineyard.org or call the toll-free national hotline, 1-877-HOPE-4-ME.

ATTENTION MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER COUPLES & FAMILIES: The First Annual Archdiocese of Baltimore Worldwide Marriage Encounter Family Fall Picnic will be held on October 17, from 12noon until 5PM at Patapsco Valley State Park, Orange Grove Shelter #106. Available park activities include hiking, biking, tubing, canoeing and fishing. A large playground is about 1.5 miles from the shelter. ME will provide hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a covered dish to share with 10—12 other hungry people, and your own drinks. (No alcohol please, MD State Park regulations). To RSVP or for more info please call 410-987-8407 or e-mail terrybitsy@verizon.net Please include number attending. More info is also available at <http://wwme.net/community.html>.

BASILICA GIFT SHOP SEEKING PART TIME CASHIER: The Baltimore Basilica Gift Shop is looking for a part time cashier, 10 hours per week. Retail experience helpful, but not necessary. For more details, please contact Mark Potter at 410-727-3565 x12 or email potter@baltimorebasilica.org.

POSADA: A NIGHT TO CROSS ALL BORDERS: October 21, 2009 7–9PM at St. John the Evangelist Interfaith Center, Wilde Lake, 10431 Twin Rivers Road, Columbia, MD 21044. Come to a presentation and discussion of the film, POSADA: a Night to Cross all Borders and Director and Producer, Fr. Mark McGregor, S.J. of Gonzaga University in Spokane, WA. and Dr. Arturo Chavez, President of the Mexican American Catholic College, and appointed member of the White House Commission on Faith Based and Community Partnerships. POSADA will give us an insight of why there is need for IMMIGRATION REFORM. POSADA was the winner of Best Short Documentary - 2008 Orlando Hispanic Film Festival and was awarded the Human Rights & Religion Prize - 2007 Religion Today International Film Festival. Presentation sponsored by the Immigration Coalition of the Archdiocese of Baltimore. For more information visit www.archbalt.org/hispanicministry or call 410-547-5423.