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## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, July 18

8:00 a.m.	Agnes Maguire †
10:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
12:00 noon	Reverend John Zwack †

### Monday, July 19

9:00 a.m.	Christa Drummond †
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### Tuesday, July 20

9:00 a.m.	Christa Drummond †
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### Wednesday, July 21

9:00 a.m.	Christa Drummond †
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### Thursday, July 22

9:00 a.m.	Oliver Hedge †
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### Friday, July 23

9:00 a.m.	Special Intention
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### Saturday, July 24

9:00 a.m.	Olive Leissner †
5:30 p.m.	Patricia Smart †

## READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18: 1-10a, Ps 15, Col 1: 24-28, Lk 10: 38-42

### Monday, Weekday in Ordinary Time

Mi 6: 1-4, 6-8, Ps 50, Mt 12: 38-42

### Tuesday, Weekday in Ordinary Time

Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20, Ps 85, Mt 12: 46-50

### Wednesday, Weekday in Ordinary Time

Jer 1: 1, 4-10, Ps 71, Mt 13: 1-9

### Thursday, St. Mary Magdalene

Jer 2: 1-3, 7-8, 12-13, Ps 36, Jn 20: 1-2, 11-18

### Friday, Weekday in Ordinary Time

Jer 3: 14-17, (Ps) Jer 31, Mt 13: 18-23

### Saturday, Blessed Virgin Mary

Jer 7: 1-11, Ps 84, Mt 13: 24-30

## Parish Stewardship

Thank you for your generous offerings of July 3/4. The regular collection brought in \$14,153 and the Poor Box yielded \$218. Also, thank you for your generous offerings of July 10/11. The regular collection brought in \$12,175 and the Poor Box yielded \$367. The Poor Box offerings for the month of June will go to benefit the Holy Family Food Bank.

## Faith Direct Contributions

Contributions for the month of July are \$15,903. Those interested in contributing automatically through Faith Direct please go to [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) St. Catherine CODE is VA129.



## Pray for the Sick and Homebound of our Parish

Joshua Basile, Ed Bubbosh, Dianne Burrell, Tom Case, Bryan Cox, Dona Curry, Flora DeLeon, Betsabe deSoto, Marjorie Dolak, Antonia Iglic-Dolenc, Eileen Drennan, Jim Drennan, Marilyn Flynn, Gerald Green, Brian Hack, Michael Keran, Ed Kondracki, John Larounis, Carol McCarty, Susan McQuade, Peter Michalski, Peggy Selton, K.L. Sypal, Chick Wilson, Anthony Yantiss

## Pray for Those Who have Fallen Asleep in Christ

James Anthony, Maryann Barron, Peter Choo, John Connor, Moira Connor, Bill Corr, Joseph DiFerdinando, Jean Driggers, Christa Drummond, Br. David Eddy, George Gibson, Eddie Guerrero, Francois Haeringer, Carol Jones, Mary Elizabeth Jones, Joan Keller, Rector Craig Merkel, Jan Wouters

## Pray for our Armed Forces Personnel

Patrick Bouchoux, Brendan Dunne, Mark Falcon, Christopher Frediani, Brian Horn, Kathleen Mahoney, Josh Moore, Matthew O'Neil, Mathew Rowell, Justin Smallwood

## The Blessed Sacrament

### THIS IS MY BODY – THIS IS MY BLOOD

## Eucharistic Adoration and Holy Hour

A Holy Hour is simply an hour set-aside totally for the Lord; an hour consecrated to God. It is a time to recollect our mind, heart and spirit in order to focus them on God and more specifically our Eucharistic Lord. The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic worship. Jesus waits for us in this sacrament of love. Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith, and ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease.

**24 hour Eucharistic Adoration** begins after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesday and ends with reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:55 a.m. on Thursday.

**24 hour Eucharistic Adoration** also begins after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on every First Friday of the month and ends with reposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 8:55 a.m. on Saturday.

**Holy Hour** is every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m.

## An Open Invitation From the Lord - We Need You!

Adoration has two openings that need to be filled immediately: *one from 11:00 a.m. – Noon and one from 11: p.m. – 12:00 a.m.* on Wednesdays. In addition, most of the hours of First Fridays have only one adorer. We would like at least two people. If you have considered attending adoration, consider this God's personal invitation. If you cannot commit to an hour every week, share the time with friends or family. For question and/or to sign up please contact Diane Cieslak 703-678-3919.

### Communion and Blessings

A very common liturgical abuse of our times happens during the reception of Holy Communion when persons who cannot receive Communion nevertheless line up with their arms crossed over their chest, as a "message" to the priest that they want a blessing instead of Communion. This is liturgically incorrect on a number of levels. First and foremost, the time for Communion is the *time for Communion*. The Communion line is not, and should not be, the blessing line. Secondly, the liturgical actions of the priest during Mass are highly regulated, and quite specific of what to do and when to do it. The actions of a good liturgist may seem spontaneous, but they are not *and should not be*.

Unfortunately, owing to the confused time in which we live, some people are instructed to present themselves, arms crossed, before the priest at Communion time for a blessing. To make things even more confused, some people present themselves with crossed arms as a sign that they wish to receive on the tongue! Children who have not yet made their first Communion may come up with their parents who are receiving, but should not present themselves individually for a blessing. Others, who cannot receive, for whatever reason, should remain seated. The proper time for the blessing follows the prayer after Communion, which blessing all receive together.

### Summer Parish Financial Needs

The Summer months always present a challenge for the parish budget because of fluctuating attendance at Sunday Mass. Although it's great to get away on vacation, don't forget the needs of St. Catherine's while you are on holiday. Why not consider giving electronically? The donation is made automatically and you do not need to worry about the details. *Faith Direct* is a great opportunity that enables your family to make your parish contributions through either direct debit to your checking account or through your Visa, Master Card, American Express or Discover credit cards. With *Faith Direct*, St. Catherine will gain predictable cash flow that will help us with planning our parish needs and programs. *Faith Direct* also offers you personalized offertory cards to replace your envelopes. Enrollment is voluntary, but many parishes and their members around the country have experienced a win-win partnership with *Faith Direct*. If you find this program to be appropriate for your family, please visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) to enroll securely on-line. Our parish code is **VA129**.

### Choir Benefit Concert.



Our Second Annual Choir Benefit Concert raised \$21,778.00. Thank you so much for your generosity. We are hoping to raise an addition \$3,222.00 for a grand total of \$25K. If you have not yet donated, you may do so by sending your donations to the church to the attention of the music program or you may pre-order a compact-disc

recording of the concert. Thank you so much, Dr. Kimberly Hess, Director of Music.

### Office of Religious Education

Please Note: *The Office of Religious Education is closed on Thursdays and Fridays.* Email the office at [reoffice@SaintCatherinesChurch.org](mailto:reoffice@SaintCatherinesChurch.org) for any information.



### Catechist Corner

#### Confraternity of Christian Doctrine

*Registration forms are now available for the 2010-2011 CCD classes. The forms are located on the bulletin board in- between the two RE offices. Deadline: August*

CCD Classes resume on *Monday, September 13, 2010*

#### CCD Needs Your Help for the 2010-2011 School Year

#### **We need Teachers and Assistants for the following:**

**Mondays**, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Teacher and Assistants needed for grades 1,3,4,5 & 6  
Teachers *only* needed for grade 2

**Mondays**, 6:45 – 7:45 p.m.

Assistants *only* needed for grades 3, 6, & 7  
Teacher and Assistant needed for grade 5

**Tuesdays**, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Assistants *only* needed for grades 1, 3, 5, & 6  
Teacher and assistant needed for grade 4

**Please consider giving some time to the children of our parish. It is truly a rewarding experience!**

#### Confirmation

##### September

7, 14, 21 Final classes from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
(Please note: changes in dates for these classes).  
Dinner will be served to all students.

17 Rehearsal *with sponsors*, 6:30 p.m.

24 Confirmation Mass

Bishop Loverde! Presiding at 7:30 p.m.

#### Book Corner News

In honor of the feast of Saints Peter and Paul (June 29th), the patron's of Rome, you will see the Book Corner has several books written by our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI. You will also find several books by Luigi Guissani, the founder of Communion and Liberation. Please take a moment to review our book corner—we've tried to put together a nice selection of interesting books for spiritual reading, etc.

The **big news** is that the book corner is now accepting credit cards!!!! We accept Visa, MasterCard, and American Express. The payment slips are in the basket with the envelopes. Complete the charge slip put it in the envelope and slips it under the RE office door when we are not in the RE office.



## Over 50 Club

◆ *September 8 -9*

### **Atlantic City**

Overnight at the Tropicana Casino. Include a buffet dinner, breakfast and a bonus package, plus a show if one is scheduled. The 9<sup>th</sup> is the Resorts Casino with another bonus. *The date might be changed to fit the show schedule.* \$149/dbl - 199/single.

◆ *September 11*

### **The Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre**

In Lancaster, PA. The show is GEORGE M. with wonderful music and a professional cast. \$98.

◆ *September 20-24*

### **Fall Foliage Rocking Horse Ranch**

In the Catskill Mountains. Staying at the Rocking Horse Ranch with all sit-down meals from the menu. Day and evening activities including side trips. Everything is located on one floor (great for seniors). \$623.

◆ *September 27-30*

### **Wildwood Seafood Feast**

Includes: 3 nights accommodations, 3 full breakfasts and dinners that include a deluxe seafood buffet with an assortment of seafood and roast beef, a trip to Cape May, one day at the Tropicana Casino with bonus package, a visit to the Smithville Village, Washington Street Mall and more.\$329.

◆ *October 3*

### **Riverside Dinner Theatre**

In Fredericksburg, VA. This beautiful theatre will present the show CHICAGO. A sit-down luncheon is included. \$89.

◆ *December 1*

### **Voices of Christmas**

At the Living Water Theatre in Lancaster, PA. This is the final performance for this wonderful show, an exhilarating journey through the treasured traditions of Christmas. \$76.

◆ *December*

### **White House Tour**

No date set yet.

Membership in the Club is not required to travel with us! Please call the following for more information and/or registration. Mary Ann at 703-404-8677 or Connie at 703-759-2939.

## **A Ministry to Traveling Catholics**

To locate a Catholic Church while traveling at home or abroad visit [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org). You will find information/directions to the closest Catholic Church to your destination, along with Mass and Confession times. This Website also offers links to an on-line reference library of: The Day's Readings, Bible, U.S. Bishops & Diocese, Saint of the Day, Daily Prayers, etc. Vatican Website, Vatican Library, Vatican Museums and Catholic News.



## **The Women's Association News**

All women of the parish are cordially invited to join and participate in our monthly activities and fellowship. We have great camaraderie and encourage you to come and be a part of our community. The Women's Association is looking for new members to enjoy the company of like-minded women by serving St. Catherine's of Siena Church in various ways. So, give it some thought and if you are interested in a break from your everyday routine or would like more information please contact Lynn at [ghanlon@cox.net](mailto:ghanlon@cox.net).



## **The Knights of Columbus News**

### **Consider This Opportunity to Serve!**

The Knights of Columbus are the largest Catholic Men's fraternal organization – are you a Knight? For information please contact Kevin Trissell at 703-464-8393 or [trissellkofc@verizon.net](mailto:trissellkofc@verizon.net).



## **Siena Academy News**

### **Mission Statement**

Siena Academy is the parish school at St. Catherine of Siena. Its mission is to give glory to God and to assist parents in the role as primary educators of their children by offering specially prepared environments founded upon the principles and discoveries made by Dr. Maria Montessori in regard to the unique spiritual and developmental needs of the child from birth to adulthood.

### **Christ House Food Donation Drive**

Please help St. Catherine's support the work of Catholic Charities. Please be so kind as to limit contributions to the following and to check the expiration dates. *canned items: meats (corned beef, spam, chicken, tuna, fruit and vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, pasta, instant potatoes, macaroni & cheese kits.* Labeled bins are placed in the Narthex of the Church. Gift cards from Giant or Safeway are another option that you might find more convenient. Please place gift cards in an envelope marked "Christ House" and place in the collection basket at Mass or drop off at the Parish Office.

### **St. Catherine of Siena Website**

For everything you ever wanted to know about St. Catherine of Siena Parish, but forgot to ask during office hours, you may visit the parish Website at [www.saintcatherineschurch.org](http://www.saintcatherineschurch.org).



## In the Diocese & Other Events

Website: [www.arlingtondiocese.org](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org)

» *white-collar jobs are more challenging than others*

### The World Apostolate of Fatima

When: Sunday, July 25 from 3-4 p.m.

Where: St. Thomas à Becket Catholic Church  
1421 Wiehle Avenue, Reston

At Fatima, Our Lady asked for prayer and sacrifice for the conversion of sinners, peace in the world, and an increase in vocations. We hope you will join us in prayer.

### Annual Diocesan Altar Server Picnic

August 12 - Save the date!

The 2010 Annual Picnic for Altar Servers will be held at Lake Fairfax Park on Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Volunteers Needed to Help Save Lives

A Woman's Choice Crisis Pregnancy Center in Falls Church is in need of volunteers, English speaking and Bilingual. The only requirement is that one is morally supportive of Humana Vitae and can give 3 to 4 hours of time each week. We have positions available for Counselors, Receptionists, & Translators. Training is provided. The rewards are priceless. We are also looking for people who can help with storage & sorting of off-season clothing. This can be done at your home. For more information, please call Jennifer Richards @ 703-538-4305 or email: [awclife@vacoxmail.com](mailto:awclife@vacoxmail.com).

### Guadalupe Radio Network

The Guadalupe Radio Network operates 14 Catholic Radio stations across Texas and part of New Mexico. Now you will be able to hear the most inspiring Catholic programming on our newest station, WMET 1160 AM covering Washington D.C., Northern Virginia, Western Maryland and beyond! WMET 1160 AM is a 50,000 watt station reaching a population of 5,000,000 people from sunrise to sunset with Radio For Your Soul! There is a lot to do for this large market to be successful. We need prayers, donations, advertisers and volunteers to help this mighty work of evangelization through the media of radio possible. If you would like to help, please contact us at our toll free number 1-(877)-636-1160 and speak to Jessica Lanza, Director of Community Relations or visit our website at [www.grnonline.com](http://www.grnonline.com).

### Mount Saint Mary's University

Dates: August 5 - 7

The American Chesterton Society invites you to join us for our 29th annual conference.

Our theme this year is *"What's Wrong with the World"*.

This will be our first conference held east of the Mississippi in near-by Emmitsburg, MD.

Join us for a talk, a day or the entire weekend.

Great Location! Great Talks!

Great Arguments! Great Fun!

[www.chesterton.org](http://www.chesterton.org) or 1-952-831-3096

## St. Mary Magdalene Feast – July 22<sup>nd</sup>



Mary Magdalene was so called either from Magdala near Tiberias, on the west shore of Galilee, or possibly from a Talmudic expression meaning "curling women's hair," which the Talmud explains as of an adulteress.

In the New Testament she is mentioned among the women who accompanied Christ and ministered to Him (Luke 8: 2-3), where it is also said that seven devils had been cast out of her (Mark 16: 9). She is next named as standing at the foot of the cross (Mark 15: 40; Matthew 27:56; John 19: 25; Luke 23: 49). She saw Christ laid in the tomb, and she was the first recorded witness of the Resurrection.

#### Luke 7: 36-50

[36] Now one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, so he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. The guests at the table were reclining, in accordance with the custom first introduced from the Persians. They rested on their left arm, their unsandalled feet being concealed behind the triclinium. [37] When a woman who had lived a sinful life in that town learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster jar of perfume, [38] and as she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them. [39] When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is -- that she is a sinner." [40] Jesus answered him, "Simon, I have something to tell you." "Tell me, teacher," he said. [41] "Two men owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. [42] Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he canceled the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?" [43] Simon replied, "I suppose the one who had the bigger debt canceled." "You have judged correctly," Jesus said. [44] Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. [45] You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. [46] You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet. [47] Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven -- for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little." [48] Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." [49] The other guests began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" [50] Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."



## The Chair of St. Peter St. Peter's Basilica, Rome

*Continued from bulletin of July 11 - Part 3*

### SAFETY OF PETER

It is at the Ostrian Villa, moreover, that the neighboring Goat's Marsh would provide opportunity for Baptism by immersion. Tradition affirms this region to have been "St. Peter's waters, where he baptized" (Acts of Pseudo-Marcellus). Here also was St. Peter's first chair, venerated by pilgrims as late as the sixth century (DeRossi, Roma Soteranea, 176).

It is at this point that it is appropriate to introduce two remarks of the African Christian controversialist Tertullian about 200 A.D. He claimed: "There is no difference (in grace) between those whom John baptized in the Jordan and those whom Peter baptized in the Tiber" (On Baptism, 4). Again he says: "Recall the various churches in which the actual chairs of the Apostles are still standing in their places, in which their own authentic letters are read, repeating the voice and calling up the face of each of them severally . . . If you are near Italy, you have Rome, whence also our authority is derived close at hand. How happy is that church on which the Apostles poured forth all their teaching together with their blood; where Peter endured a passion like his Lord's..." (Prescriptions Against Heretics, 32, 36, by Tertullian).

This first chair of St. Peter no longer exists, but in one of the crypts of the Ostrian Cemetery one may still see a chair cut out of the solid tufa in ancient times to represent the original. It probably occupies the same position as the original, and by the fifth century a lamp was kept burning before it (Barnes, St. Peter in Rome, 36). Early Roman martyrologies record under date of January 18: "The chair of St. Peter on which he first sat at Rome."

The Acilian family numbered St. Priscilla, Marcus Acilius Glabrio, and others among Christian converts. They, along with Prisca and Aquila, are buried in the Ostrian Cemetery. Another prominent person who was probably St. Peter's convert was Pomponia Graecina. Tacitus mentions (Annales, 32) that she was accused of "superstition" before a family council about 58 A.D., but acquitted through the influence of her husband, General Plautius. This hypothesis is strengthened by the discovery of a tombstone in the Christian Cemetery of St. Calixtus bearing the name of Pomponius Graecinus, probably a grandson or grandnephew. Senator Pudens, mentioned by St. Paul (2 Tim. 4:21), is also traditionally held as a convert of St. Peter, who is said to have later resided in his house.

Presumably most of the Christians saluted by St. Paul (Rom. 16) were St. Peter's converts, and these included Sts. Linus, Cletus, and Clement, who were first St. Peter's auxiliaries and later succeeded him in the Roman episcopate. The greater number of the converts must have been from the poorer classes, but the few wealthier converts placed their villas and cemeteries at the disposal of their brethren. Here groups of Christians could gather without exciting suspicion, for all Roman patricians received daily homage from troops of clients.

In 49 A.D., as already noted, the imperial government ordered expulsion of the Jews. Dio Cassius leads us to believe that the decree was but partially carried out, so that probably only the leaders of the factions would be deported (Dio Cassius, History, IX, 6). Certainly St. Peter would be regarded as a leader, and he probably deemed it prudent to absent himself from Rome for a time. He took the opportunity to revisit Palestine and the East, for in 49 or 50 we find him presiding over the Apostolic Council of Jerusalem (Acts 15), dealing with the Judaizing crisis. Probably shortly afterwards he met St. Paul at Antioch (Gal. 2: 11). He may also have revisited the missions which he salutes at the opening of his first Epistle. At some time before 57 also, he was at Corinth (1 Cor. 1:12; Eusebius, History, II, 25).

### PETER RETURNS TO ROME

Probably St. Peter was back in Rome by 60 A.D., for St. Mark's Gospel was composed about that time. For, of this Gospel, Clement of Alexandria says: "When Peter was preaching the word publicly at Rome and proclaiming the Gospel in the Spirit, his hearers, who were many, urged upon Mark, who had long been his follower and remembered his sayings, to write them down and Mark did so and gave his Gospel to those who had asked for it. When Peter heard of it, he neither directly forbade nor encouraged it" (Hypotyposes, cited by Eusebius, History, VI, 14). This merely means that Peter was more a man of action than a scholar, and was content that his secretary Mark record his oral catechesis in writing.

*This article will be continued*