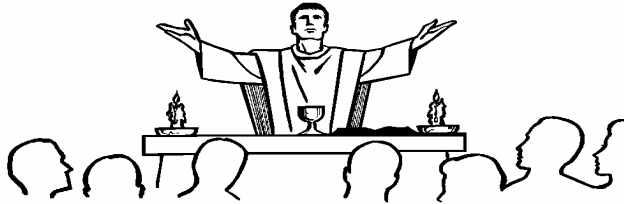


Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 17, 2006



Announced Masses

Sat	9/16/06	4:00 pm	Dorothy Powell/Rosie Sanchirico
Sun	9/17/06	10:30 am	Robert G. Steele, Sr./Ray & Cathy Del Vecchio
		12:00 pm	Open
Mon	9/18/06	8:00 am	Rita Bell/Margaret Hallahan
Tue	9/19/06	8:00 am	Lawrence G. Kernan/Fr. Ken Hallahan & the SJOA Par. Family
Wed	9/20/06	8:00 am	Fay Crane/Wilma Lloyd
Thu	9/21/06	8:00 am	Carl V. Canzanese, Jr./ Mother, Cissie
Fri	9/22/06	8:00 am	Mary Nikituk/Joe Nikituk
Sat	9/23/06	4:00 pm	Elsie Spadafora/Paul Panko, Jr.
Sun	9/24/06	10:30 am	Edward Weirauch/Regina Weirauch
		12:00 pm	Open

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**Entered Eternal Rest
Catherine E. Stoffels**

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The People's Tithe
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$
2nd Collection: Peter's Pence: \$
Thank you for your continued generosity!

A Family Perspective

Does your family "think as God does or as humans do?" Who do people say you are? Do they see you as different or one of the crowd? If you are like everyone else, perhaps you are not "thinking as God does."

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Sick List

Please pray for those who are ill and those who care for them:

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Stewardship Reflection *Repay through Stewardship*

"How can I repay the Lord for all the good done for me."
Psalm 116:12

Stewardship is a way of life, a way of thanking God for all the divine blessings we have received by returning a portion of the time, talent and treasure allowed to us.

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St. Bartholomew Beacon of Hope Revival 2006

Join St. Bartholomew R.C. Church at our annual Revival on September 20, 21 & 22, 2006, beginning at 7:00 pm each evening. "Every Night is for Everybody!" BYOB (Bring your own Bible). Come hear soul-stirring and inspiring words of faith to rejuvenate your mind, body and soul. Refreshments served each evening.

There will be a homecoming luncheon following the 10:30 am liturgy on Sunday, September 24th. Tickets: \$3.00. For tickets/information, please call the church rectory at (856) 365-0573.



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From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Thanks to everyone who helped with the celebration of Our Lady of Charity of Cobre. A team came on Saturday to create the beautiful decorations for the church. The shrine was a fitting tribute to Our Lady, who watches over us and guides us to Jesus.

Thanks to Milagro and Orylis Burgos, Emma Garcia, Esperanza Tolentino and to Elvin, Marina and all of the children who built the shrine and arranged the flowers.

Thanks to everyone who brought food for the luncheon, who served the food, watched the children and cleaned up the school cafeteria when the event was finished.

One of the directives for planning for the future of the diocese is to "Ensure that there is a balance between the efforts in Catholic unity and cultural diversity so that all, especially new immigrants, feel equally welcomed and accepted." Our celebration on Sunday helped to fulfill this goal.

As we begin the process of planning for the future of the parish, the region and the diocese, I ask everyone to spend some time thinking about the bulletin insert of this week.

Please take it home, read it over several times, discuss it with family and friends. We will be holding public meetings to discuss the topics and to plan for the future.

Please think about specific recommendations that you would make to implement a plan that would fulfill the "Core Catholic Values" and the Directives for the Parish Planning Process."

We will have several meetings over the next two years to discuss the topics listed: Sunday liturgy, sharing the faith with future generations, praying for the help of the Holy Spirit, preserving the resources for the future, assisting the poor, the immigrant and the outcast.

We are already doing most of these things. Now is the time to think about how we can do them even better in the future. Our planning will affect the diocesan decisions.

Right now, no decisions have been made. The process will provide the decisions. If everyone enters into the process, and if we continue to welcome our fellow Catholics from other countries, we have a good chance of preserving the parish of St. Joan of Arc.

Pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Peace,
Fr. Hallahan

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A Special Overnight Retreat

"**Spirituality in the Workplace**", a special overnight retreat, Wednesday, September 20, 2006. Arrival 6:00 pm, dinner 6:30 pm, Presentation 7:30 pm, Liturgy 7:00 am, breakfast 7:45 am, back to work! Presented at St. Pius X Spiritual Life Center in Blackwood by Fr. Angelo Maraldo, OSFS. Donations: \$80.00. Reservations required. Call (856) 227-1436.

From the Bishop

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

This weekend, **September 16-17, 2006**, parishes in the Diocese of Camden will take up the annual special collection for **The Catholic University of America**.

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States. Founded in 1887 by the American bishops and chartered by the Vatican, it has a special responsibility to educate future leaders for our church and for our nation. In this sense, The Catholic University of America belongs to all of us in the Church, regardless of where we live.

All of the proceeds from this collection underwrite scholarships to help financially deserving students complete their educations at the university. Through undergraduate, graduate, professional and doctoral programs in more than 50 disciplines, and grounded in the philosophy of the Catholic intellectual tradition, students are well-prepared for success in life and ready to make a difference in today's world.

I encourage you to join me in supporting this most worthwhile educational initiative.

Fraternally,
Most Rev. Joseph A. Gallante
Bishop of Camden

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Parish Boy and Girl Scout Programs



In a recent letter from Bishop Galante, we have been asked to consider establishing Scouting (boys and girls) in our parish. The ideals and values stressed in Scouting are the Christian foundations desperately needed by modern youth—responsibility to God, to family, to neighbor, and to the civic community. Its religious, vocational, and educational aspects, along with a strong commitment to form a Christian conscience in youth are important elements of the program and would be beneficial to both the youth and adults of our parish.

Anyone interested in volunteering for this parish project is asked to call the rectory. A dinner meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 24th, and we need to respond as soon as possible.



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Mass in Honor of St. Gerard

Are you a new mom with a baby who was born in the last year? Are you currently expecting a baby? Come to Mass in honor of St. Gerard, the patron of mothers and children, to give thanks and be given a special blessing on Monday, October 16, 2006 at 7:00 pm at St. Bridget's Parish in Glassboro. Those attending will be able to venerate a relic of St. Gerard and receive a medal touched to the relic. For information/directions, call Mary Ann at (856) 756-7900, ext. 6314 in the Office of Family Life.