

# Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 15, 2008



## Announced Masses

- Sat 06/14 4:00 pm Bill Convery/Wife, Olga
- Sun 06/15 10:30 am Gina Spinelli Geib/Carroll Family
- 12:00 pm Open
- Mon 06/16 8:00 am George Shopa/Beverly Alberts
- Tue 06/17 8:00 am Mildred DiFante/Husband & Niece
- Wed 06/18 8:00 am Carl Canzanese (7th Anniv.)/Mother
- Thu 06/19 8:00 am Msgr. Rocco A. Continello/(1st anniv.)/Fr. Ken Hallahan & the SJOA Parish Family
- Fri 06/20 8:00 am Holy Souls in Purgatory/Ernest & Helen Butler
- Sat 06/21 4:00 pm Msgr. James Gaffney/  
Anne Rocanella
- Sun 06/22 10:30 am Horace J. Banks/Joyce Fletcher
- 12:00 pm Open

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### The People's Tithe

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$.00

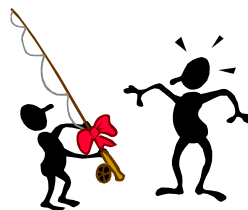
2nd Collection: \$

*Thank you for your continued generosity!*

## Sick List

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

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*Wishing all our  
Fathers a very Happy  
Father's Day!*

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## What's Happening Around SJOA

### Monday, 6/9/08:

Youth Group Meeting 6-8:00 pm Rectory

### An Invitation to Our Friends at St. Joan of Arc

Epiphany Council Knights of Columbus will be leaving soon, and we would like to show our appreciation for all your support through the years. **We would like to invite everyone to breakfast next Sunday, June 22nd, from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon in the Knights of Columbus hall.** Please join us!

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### Attention 2008 Graduates!

All St. Joan of Arc parishioners who are graduating from high school or college this year are asked to sign the information form in the vestibule. We'll show our graduates that we are proud of their accomplishments by honoring them at Mass during the weekend of June 28-29.





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## From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Thanks to everyone who helped with the 50th anniversary celebration of the Class of 1958, especially Damariz Perez, Margarita Nieves and Debbie Carroll. They arranged breakfast for the visitors and prepared a gift package of memorabilia from the parish.

The anniversary visitors made some generous donations to the parish and also sent me thank you notes by email in appreciation of the hospitality of Damariz and Margarita. Many thanks to them on behalf of the whole parish.

Last week, I attended a convention of the Catholic Theological Society of America [CTSA]. Most of the CTSA members are college professors who teach theology to the next generation of Catholics.

The theme of the conference, in fact, was "generations." The first speaker was a sociologist of religion who gave us a lot of statistics and other information about four generations of Catholics in America, based on the time of their formative years, from ages 15-25.

The four generations would be the pre-Vatican II, the Vatican II, the post-Vatican II and the Millennial Catholics. The first group reached maturity under Pope Pius XII when the Sunday Mass was still recited in Latin. The Second group witnessed Pope John XXIII and Paul VI and experienced all of the changes from Latin to English and all the rest that resulted from the Second Vatican Council [1962-1965].

The third group reached their formative years under the leadership of Pope John Paul II, who was the only pope many of them had ever known. They experienced the declining attendance by Catholics, the increase of Catholic college attendance and the increased activity of Catholics in the political arena.

The final group has experienced the transition to Pope Benedict XVI. They are much more attuned to the culture and the electronic media than they are to the church. They attribute much more authority to the culture, to professional expertise and to their own experience than to Church officials.

All generations have a firm belief in the Trinity, the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and the obligation of the Church to care for the poor. There are differences among the generations about what it means to be a Catholic, the locus of authority and the necessity of participation in the parish.

At the convention, theologians of the first three generations were present and active. The fourth generation is too young to have become college professors! It was very interesting to me to hear the opinions of theologians from the three generations. I'll tell you more about it in future letters.

Peace,  
Fr. Hallahan

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## House of Charity Update

For the first time in many years, we are having difficulty meeting our House of Charity goal. This year's goal is \$12,000.00! We are lagging way behind! If you haven't yet made your pledge or outright gift, please do so as soon as possible. We need your support!

## A Family Perspective

**There are many "troubled and abandoned" children needing guidance. They are "sheep without a shepherd." Today on Father's Day, let our "hearts be moved to pity for these children." Jesus reminds all men, "the harvest is abundant but the laborers are few. Without cost you received, without cost you must give. Go to the lost sheep."**

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## Summer Clerical Jobs Available

Two part-time office clerk/receptionist positions available for the months of July and August. Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Duties include answering telephones, greeting visitors, making copies, and other light office duties. Bi-lingual a plus! Perfect summer job for the college student! (Must be 18 or older to apply.) Please call (856) 962-8642 for more information.

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## Monthly Prayer Requests for Priests

Will you pray for a priest in the Camden Diocese each day?



The Monthly Prayer Request for Priests (MPRP) Apostolate is an international apostolate founded in 1990 to encourage people to support Catholic priests through their prayers and spiritual sacrifices. It is active in over seventy dioceses in the United States and has recently begun in the Camden Diocese.

Each priest in the Camden Diocese is assigned a day on the online calendar, at random, in which everyone will be praying specifically for him, the "priest of the day." Dates on the calendar are assigned at random for each priest.

Two calendar months are available on the website, [www.camdenpriests.org](http://www.camdenpriests.org), and can be downloaded in a printable format. Special dates on the Monthly Prayer Calendar are also reserved for remembering Pope Benedict XVI, Bishop Galante, the newly ordained, our recently deceased priests and all priests in the world (Holy Thursday and Christmas Day).

Religious Order priests active in the diocese are remembered on a date of special significance to their order. Special dates are also reserved to pray for vocations.

For those who don't have access to a computer, there are copies of the calendar for the months of June and July, 2008 in the vestibule.

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## Stewardship Reflection

### *Stewards Are Distribution Point*

**"But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money." (Matthew 25:18)**

**Stewardship teaches us through Scripture that when we are blessed with the gift of earning, we are given a holy appointment to be a distribution point for material resources for God's work. It is not an appointment to hoard God's blessings.**