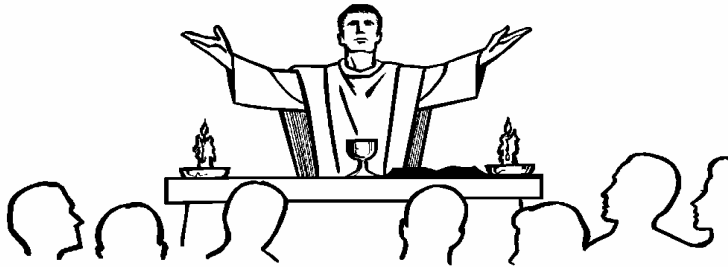


Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2009



Announced Masses

Sat	10/10	4:00 pm	Bill Convery/(6th anniv.)/Wife
Sun	10/11	10:30 am	For the Intentions of the DelVecchio Family/A Friend
		12:00 pm	Open
Mon	10/12	8:00 am	George Shopa/Beverly Alberts
Tue	10/13	8:00 am	Agnes R. Landis/Friends & Family
Wed	10/14	8:00 am	Lena Sikorski/ Rosemarie Sanchirico
Thu	10/15	8:00 am	People of the Parish/Fr/ Ken
Fri	10/16	8:00 am	For the Intentions of Lois Martin/ Fr. Ken Hallahan & the St. Joan of Arc Parish Family
Sat	10/17	4:00 pm	Sarah Morton/Lori
Sun	10/18	10:30 am	Open
		12:00 pm	People of the Parish/Fr/Ken

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The People's Tithe

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$.00

Respect Life Sunday: \$.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

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Stewardship Reflection

Stewardship Responsibility

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (Mark 10:25)

These words of Jesus are so harsh that sometimes we are tempted to ignore our Stewardship responsibility, thinking that He really could not have meant them. Yet when our lives revolve around too many material possessions it is difficult to find the necessary time for God, for salvation and for God's beloved poor.

New Parish Mission Statement

As a sacrifice of praise the people of St. Bartholomew and St. Joan of Arc welcome people of every race, language and way of life around the table of our Lord Jesus Christ in an American African/Hispanic expression of Roman Catholic worship. Sharing our time, talent and treasure in acts of justice, we proclaim the "Gospel of Life" with and for the people of Camden.

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Sick List

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

PLEASE NOTE: If your name or the name of a sick friend and/or family member has been removed from this sick list and you would like it put back on, please notify the rectory. Also, please notify the rectory when you or someone you know no longer needs to be on the sick list.

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A Family Perspective

In our family we are taught to respond to the needs of each other. But it does not stop there. Today's gospel reminds us we have responsibility to our brothers and sisters across the world who are not from our immediate family. Families are designed to be launching pads, not dead ends.

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Volunteer Tutors Needed

St. John of God Community Services is looking for tutors to help with adult education classes. Classes will be held on Tuesdays, beginning October 13th through November 17, 2009, from 6:30-8:30 pm. For more information, call Ms. Jarvis at (856) 848-4700, ext. 1131.

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The Beyond JustFaith Community of

Christ our Light presents

Healthcare: What Would Jesus Do?

Monday, October 26, 2009 - 7:00 pm—Kurylo Hall

(Church basement of former Queen of Heaven Parish, 700 Marlton Pike, Cherry Hill). For more information, call Barbara at (856) 810-0881 or Amy at (856) 428-1104.



From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Thanks to everyone who came to the CCOP meeting with Police Chief Scott Thompson on Monday night. More than 40 people came to hear the Chief talk about crime in our neighborhood and about the relationship of the police to immigrants.

At the end, the Chief promised to meet with us again to work out more details on how to reduce crime in our neighborhood, especially in the area of the Gramercy Apartments, which has been a site of many robberies lately.

The Police Department wants to create more communication and cooperation with neighborhood groups like the CCOP. A particular thanks goes to all those who attended the preparatory sessions and practices for the meeting. I appreciate your time and effort.

Among those who helped were: Margie Nieves, Alberto Carmenate, Lisa Soto, Mariatu Turay, Adriana Juarez, Gladys Tapia and Fr. Gerard. Your efforts are a step towards greater justice in our village.

Thanks to those Transitional Pastoral Team members who met with myself and Fr. Gerard last Sunday. Steve Pipito, Belkys Gonzalez and Lucia Nieves met with the priests for about 90 minutes. They expressed their concerns, and concerns of parishioners, about the merger.

Everyone should know that the Diocese of Camden will bring Fr. Enrico Ducle from Providence, Rhode Island to Camden. The intention of Fr. Odien, Director of Priest Personnel, is to assign Fr. Ducle here to St. Joan of Arc. Fr. Ducle comes from Haiti, he speaks Spanish, English and French.

On October 14, Fr. Gerard and I will meet with Fr. Cavagnaro, pastor of St. Agnes in Blackwood, as well as diocesan leaders of ministry to the Spanish speaking people. We will work out more details of the plan to have Fr. Ducle and myself minister to all of the Latinos who lives along the Black Horse Pike.

We are trying to shift our horizons about ministry. We want to look at this ministry in a new and creative way so that the Church can reach out to many people who are presently not participating in the Church in any way.

Please pray that our efforts will be successful.

Peace,
Fr. Hallahan

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St. Joseph's Prep Open House

St. Joseph's Preparatory School is hosting an Open House for 8th grade boys on Sunday, November 1, 2009 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Interested 8th grade boys should sit for the Scholarship/Entrance Exam on Saturday, November 14, 2009 at 8:30 am. Students must be pre-registered. Academic Scholarships and financial aid grants will be awarded to eligible students. For more information, call (215) 978-1954.

From the Bishop

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

World Mission Sunday, organized by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, is a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. This year, **World Mission Sunday will be celebrated in parishes of the Diocese of Camden on October 17-18.**

In his message for World Mission Sunday, the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, said the Church's missionary mandate is especially urgent in today's time. "The Church wishes to transform the world with the proclamation of the Gospel of love...We pray that the Holy spirit will intensify the Church's passion for the mission to spread the Kingdom of God and to support missionaries and Christian communities involved in mission, in front line, often in situations of hostility and persecution."

Mission dioceses—about 1,100 at this time—receive regular annual assistance from the funds collected for catechetical programs, seminaries, the work of Religious Communities, for communication and transportation needs, and for the building of chapels, churches, orphanages and schools.

This weekend, I invite all Catholics in South Jersey to celebrate their vocation to be missionary. On this day, let us unite ourselves to Catholics around the world as we gather to pray for the Church's worldwide missionary work and lend our financial support to these pressing needs.

May God continue to guide you and bless you.

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

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CAP Phase I & II

Anyone wishing to attend CAP Phase I and/or II during the month of October is asked to call the rectory for a list of locations, dates and times. You must register at least 5 days in advance of the session you would like to attend.

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4th Annual Eucharistic Celebration in the African Traditions

Sunday, November 1, 2009 - Mass begins at 11:00 am
Principle Celebrant: Bishop Joseph A. Galante
St. Bartholomew Church, 751 Kaighns Avenue, Camden
Cultural Fellowship Immediately Following Mass
For more information, call Deacon Vincent Okoro at (856) 520-0953, Carolyn Jenkins at (856) 583-6136 or Jude Ukam at (267) 235-6522

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Spanish Pre-Cana Workshop

The Parish of St. Joseph Pro-Cathedral, located at 2907 Federal Street, Camden, NJ will be providing a Pre-Cana Workshop in Spanish on Saturday, November 14, 2009 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Romero Center. This workshop is available for any couple who is preparing for the sacrament of Marriage. For more info., call Maria at (856) 964-2776, ext. 403.