

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH **JANUARY 21ST—28TH**

Sunday, January 21st

Taming Technology Session—9:45 AM (2)
Topic: "Video Games & Social Media"
High School "GIFT" Program—6 PM (3)
Parent Meeting—7:15 PM (3)

Monday, January 22nd

Eucharistic Adoration w/ Confessions—5 to 8 PM
Evening Prayer at 7 PM—Benediction at 7:50 PM
**Special Intention: Protection and
Sanctity of Human Life**

Tuesday, January 23rd

Gospel Faith Sharing 11:30 AM (3)

Friday, January 26th

Eighth Grade Retreat—6 to 9 PM
For Students and Parents

Sunday, January 28th

Hospitality—after 8:15 Mass
Taming Technology—9:45 AM (2)
Topic: "Setting Healthy Limits"

Legend

Church (1) Padua Hall (2)
Religious Education (3) Ewald Center (4)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF **JANUARY 22ND—28TH**

Monday: Robert Bevington
r/b Anthony & Kathy Piccirilli

Tuesday: Sue Kuhn
r/b Marty Beyer

Wednesday: John Waak
r/b Barbara Susaraba

Thursday: Fred Burns
r/b Weilmuenster Family

Friday: William Duryee
r/b Cathie & Frank King

Saturday: Charlie Taylor
r/b Weilmuenster Family
Cosmo Quattrone
r/b Danny & Denise Waters

Sunday: Jocelyn Watts Dugue
r/b Deacon Ed & Nora Baker
Parishioners

"AND I WILL GIVE THEM REST"

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all
deceased members and their families.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Please pray for all members of our parish serving
our country both here and overseas.

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

Good Use of a Holiday

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

I hope you enjoyed the time off the other day. It is always good to have time to do something different than the normal. "rush out the door" experience of daily life. It is also good to do something that builds you up. Sometimes we can use available time to do things that are less than constructive. Chock it up to human nature; remember one of the seven deadly sins is Sloth.

On the day that we celebrate the legacy of Doctor Martin Luther King, I always do two things. First, I listen to the speech that Dr. King gave in Washington, DC on August 28th, 1963. It's the "I Have a Dream" speech. I am sure most are familiar with it. The second thing I do is to read the Letter to Fellow clergy from the jail house in Birmingham, Alabama. These two things remind me that this all comes from a fellow believer in Jesus Christ and that there is still much work still to be done in human relationships. Due to the effects of original sin that task is never complete.

Years ago, when I was attempting to keep a Catholic school open in the parish that I was assigned, I had to do some things that were out of the ordinary. I had to come up with a strategy that would attract parents and children to our school; to do something unique that no one else was doing. I gathered parents and stake-holders of the school and we came up with the idea of a "classical model" for learning. We thought of people who benefitted from this type of learning model. One such person was Dr. Martin Luther King.

When you read, "Letter from a Birmingham Jail", you can see the evidence of King's classical education. While the letter is five pages and more, and can't be reproduced, here in my article I will give you a taste of the letter, but would encourage you to read it in its entirety. It's a classic that Dr. King writes:

"There was a time when the Church was very powerful. It was during that period that the early Christians rejoiced when they were deemed worthy to suffer for what they believed. In those days the Church was not merely a thermometer that recorded the ideas and principles of popular opinion; it was that thermostat that transformed the mores of society. Wherever the early Christians entered a town, the power structure got disturbed and immediately sought to convict them of being "disturbers of the peace" and outside agitator. But they went on with the conviction that they were "a colony of heaven" and they had to obey God rather than men. They were small in number but big in commitment. They were God-intoxicated to be astronomically intimidated. They brought an end to such ancient evils as infanticide and gladiatorial contests"....

...."But the judgement of God is upon the Church as never before. If the Church of today does not recapture the sacrificial spirit of the early Church, it will lose its authentic ring, forfeit the loyalty of millions, and be dismissed as an irrelevant social club with no meaning for the twentieth century. I meet young people every day whose disappointment with the Church has risen to outright disgust. I hope the Church will meet the challenge of the decisive hour..."

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

FAITH FORMATION

Taming Technology

Parents are encouraged to attend the final “**Taming Technology**” session on **January 28th**. Come and discover how technology impacts faith and family life.

8th Grade Confirmation Retreat

Our annual 8th Grade retreat will be on **Friday, January 26th from 6 to 9 PM** in Padua Hall. All students and at least one parent are expected to attend. Pizza will be served. Bring a dessert to share.

Confirmation Enrollment

This weekend at the 5:30 Mass on January 20th, our Confirmation students participated in their enrollment ceremony, which signifies the final phase of their preparation to receive the Sacrament in April. As you leave Mass, please take a name of a student from our Confirmation program and pray for this person.

“GIFT”

The next high school “GIFT” meeting will be tonight **Sunday, January 21st at 6 PM with a parent meeting at 7:15**. Contact Deacon Eric with questions. crescent_mn82@yahoo.com or **410-610-3844**
All Are Welcome!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Congratulations to St. Anthony’s parishioner, Isabella Pinto for placing third in the state for grades 3-5 in the Knights of Columbus’ “Keep Christ in Christmas” Poster Contest. Isabella’s poster, which was a silhouette of the birth of Jesus in the manger was one of 2,305 entries received from grades K-8 across the state. Congrats Isabella from Calvert Council #7870!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR LENTEN PARISH MISSION

Tuesday, Feb. 20th through Thursday, Feb. 22nd. Msgr. Charles Pope, pastor at Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian in Washington D.C. Msgr. Pope will be giving talks after the 8 AM Masses Tuesday through Thursday and give talks on **Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at 7 pm**. The theme will be “**Joyful Witnesses-Becoming Better Evangelizers to our Families and Culture**”. Msgr. Pope is a superb writer, speaker and homilist. Everyone is welcome! You can read more about him @ <http://blog.adw.org/author/cpope/>.

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

The next Baptism class for parents registered in the parish will be held on Saturday, February 3rd at 10:00 AM in the Religious Education Center. Call the office by Thursday, February 1st if you plan to attend, 443-646-5721. Godparents are also welcome

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Vicki Baxter, John Bell, Sam “Bo” Bradley, Marlene Bradshaw, Ralph Carrello, Bill Carroll, Helga Cuevas, Luis Cuevas, Jean Davis, Sig Degitz, Luke Engler, Jo Finch, Anthony Fowler, Taylan Fowler, Louise Floren, John P. Flynn, Noah Christopher Haas, Marie Heaton, Maslynn Holmes, Cory Honoker, Roza Ivanac, Kayla Johnston, Shirley Kallal, William Kallal, JoAnn Kery, Rick Kollinger, Brian Lloyd, Donna Lynch, Mark Mann, Walter Matziet, Kelly McCarley, Jennifer Melanab, Margie Edwards Morgan, Joanne Nielsen, Mary Ogle, William Owens, Doris Pettko, Darley Phillips, Payton Phillips, Ray Pyles, Jonathan Rieger, Carolyn Ritch, Joel Rivera, Grayson David Rodriguez, Wayne Romanek, Geri Rosen, Kristy Salek, Bunny Tate, Betty Theurer, Carolyn Vargas, Susan Vilcheck, Pat Waak, Shannon Wink, Richard Walton.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **JANUARY 28TH, 2018**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses explains to the people that a prophet will come from among them, and that they should listen to this prophet’s words, for God has told him of this prophet. God also tells Moses that anyone who pretends to speak in his words, or speaks in the name of other gods shall die.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Paul tells the Corinthians how an unmarried man or woman is able to devote themselves fully to God without concern for the needs of a spouse. Paul explains that God wants to help them promote good and devote themselves more fully to God.

Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

As Jesus was teaching, a man with an unclean spirit came to destroy them. Jesus ordered the spirit out of the man, who shrieked violently as the spirit departed. The people were amazed at the authority he had over the spirit.

GOSPEL QUESTION

What part of your life is Jesus calling you to change right now?

CONTRIBUTIONS

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