

HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH – APRIL 20, 2008

OFFERTORY: \$ 3,943.79

POOR BOX: \$ 122.91

BIKE-A-THON: TODAY, 1 PM.

If you want to sponsor someone, Fr. Simmons' sponsor sheet is in the Church lobby. Volunteers always welcome.

Each year the Archdiocese requests that all parishes take a count of all persons attending Mass to help determine trends in the number of Catholics who attend Mass. The information is used to guide the Archdiocese & parishes in planning & in ministry. This year's **ARCHDIOCESAN MASS COUNT** will be **NEXT WEEKEND, APR. 26-27.**

JOHN CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL IRISH BENEFIT CONCERT: TODAY, 3:00 PM, \$10 per person for St. Patrick's (Pilottown, MD) Chapel Restoration. Call 410-679-0882 or 410-658-4378 for information or tickets.

A SPECIAL THANKS to the committee for making our 2nd Family Dinner Dance such a success: **Danny Jahn (DJ), Montze Venas, Kim Barnum, Lurine Kunschman, Gail Wilson, Jack Urbanski & his set/clean up team, Beth Capacio, Mary Dailey, Kristen Whipp, Heather Pemberton, Alexzondrea Mclean, all the husbands, wives & children of the committee who gave a helping hand, & of course anyone I missed to mention.**
THANKS to our donators and/or discounters: **Friendly's, Olive Garden, Our DJ (Danny Jahn), Rite Aid, Jenny Peterson, Mike Perrone, Gene's Evergreen's, Religious Ed families, Iris Kimmel, & Sapore Di Mare .**

THANK YOU to anyone who contributed to the blood drive at Good Shepherd Presbyterian on Monday the 14th.

MASS INTENTIONS

Apr. 20 - Isabelle & Eugenio Leon Apr. 21 - Francis Flynn - **8:30 AM Mass**

ARCHBISHOP'S LENTEN APPEAL: We have attained our quota! Thank you for your generosity!! If you have yet to respond, please do so. Don't forget to keep up your pledges.

Anyone who still has a **RICE BOWL** to turn in, please do so by **APR. 27.** Thank You.

PICTORAL DIRECTORIES ARE HERE! If you are in the book, there is one for you in the Church lobby.

PLANT/BAKE SALE: Friday, **MAY 2, 4 - 8 PM** & Saturday, **MAY 3, 8 AM – 3 PM.**

LOOKING TO THIN YOUR GARDEN THIS SPRING? We are looking for donations of plants for our sale. If you need pots or have questions call Mary Smith at 410-679-9175. Thank you!

BAKED GOODS WANTED for our annual Plant/Bake Sale. Your donations may be dropped off at the Parish Center on either Friday, May. 2 or Saturday morning by 11 AM, May, 3.

MOTHER'S DAY MASS CARDS are available in the lobby of the Church for whatever offering you choose. Masses will be offered the weekend of **May 3/4** (*the week before Mother's Day*).

WOMEN'S SOCIAL/POT LUCK DINNER: First Monday of the month. Contact Nancy Young at 410-676-2010.

REDNER'S WAREHOUSE MARKETS FUNDRAISER: 1% SAVE-A-TAPE PROGRAM. Remember to bring in your register tapes! Pick up a Save-A-Tape card in the Church Lobby or at Redner's Customer Service Area.

"We are knee deep in a culture of death... Our moment in history is marked by a mortal conflict between a culture of life & a culture of death. God put us in the world to do noble things, to love & cherish our fellow human beings, not to destroy them." The late Rep. Henry Hyde, eloquent defender of the unborn.

"We get the public officials we deserve. Their virtue – or lack thereof – is a judgment not only on them, but on us. Because of this, we urge our fellow citizens to see beyond party politics, to analyze campaign rhetoric critically, & to choose their political leaders according to principle, not party affiliation or mere self-interest.."
(US Bishops, *Living the Gospel of Life*, 1998, n.34)

Pregnant, Need Help? Call the Gabriel Network - 1-800-ANGEL-OK
Suffering Post-Abortion Syndrome? Call Project Rachel - 1-800-286-4224

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please be sure to sign the book each week you attend Mass!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION for 2007-2008 has begun. Forms in the Church lobby.

END OF YEAR CELEBRATION: APR. 27, 1-4 PM in the Parish Center – sign up

FIRST COMMUNION:

Student Interviews: APR. 21, 3:45 – 5:30 PM, sign up in the Parish Center

Rehearsal – Friday, APR. 25 at 6:15 PM in the Church.

FIRST COMMUNION - Saturday, APR. 26, 10 AM in the Church. Please arrive by 9:15 AM. EVERYONE WELCOME.

MARCH MASS PERFECT ATTENDANCE:

Josh & Nick Bulavko, Serena Dushel, Brie & Tyler Ferrara, Thomas Hyson, Rebecca Kinghorn, Marina Schmidt, Mallory Schonk, Amanda Stefan, Catherine & Victoria Urbanski, Madison Utterback & Julia Williams

Hope to see your name on this list for April!!

CAMP ST. CHARLES – Boys & Girls Catholic Over-night Summer Camp – OPEN HOUSE – APR. 20 & MAY 4. 11 AM to 4 PM. www.campstcharles.com or 301-934-8799

APR. 22, 7 PM at the Basilica: Archbishop Timothy Dolan (“Right from the Start”—John Carroll, our first bishop). Free and open to the public. Parking is available at the nearby Franklin St. Garage. Log onto www.archbalt.org/bicentennial.

HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE: APR. 23, 7:30 PM, St. Mary’s Seminary. Speaker: Edith Mayer Cord – Holocaust Survivor. 410-864-4000

WIN \$10,000 First Prize in the Msgr. O’Dwyer Retreat House Raffle. \$2,000 2nd Prize, \$1,500 3rd Prize, and two \$1,000 Prizes. Only 600 tickets will be sold. Tickets are \$125 each & may be group purchased (i.e. 5 people @ \$25.00). See Father. The drawing will be held **JUN. 6.**

PALLIUM CEREMONY: Saint Peter’s Rome – Archbishop Edwin O’Brien of Baltimore. June 25-July 3, Rome/Vatican City, 7/9 days, Land/Air from \$2880.00. 1-800-908-BEST (2378)

The Parish Council of Holy Spirit Church is a consultative and oversight body which collaborates with and assists the Pastor and Staff in striving to help our Parish be a worshipping, learning, witnessing and serving community, according to the Parish mission statement.

The Council consists of the officers & members listed here & the Staff of the Parish. These include:

President – Mary Daily

Vice-President – Veronica Hernandez-Shepard

Secretary – Veronica Hernandez-Shepard

Members – Kim Barnum, Denise Brown, Peggy Doty, Dave Dubyoski, Anne O’Connor, Mike Perrone, Larry Shepard, & Jack Urbanski

Election for new members will take place next month. Our nominating committee is now actively seeking potential candidates. If you believe that you are called to serve your parish in this way, please contact one of us, or the rectory. If a council member should approach you about becoming a part to our Parish Council, please take time to give it some careful and prayerful consideration. We are always looking for new ideas and fresh input.

NOTE: We’d like to give credit to The Pastoral Council of Church of St. Mark in Fallston, Maryland for the thoughts in this announcement.