

ST. JEROMES, HYATTSVILLE



Please remember in your prayers, the sick and the shut-ins of our parish community, especially...Muriel Adams, Sheila Armentrout, Johnnie Aquilino, Daniel Birch, Liz Burdick, Betty Cahill, Esther Carboni, Carol Colliere, Margaret

*Crandall, James Howard Currie, Frances DeStefano, Linda Duggin, Paul Emmons, Martha Farnie, Margaret Federighi, Ruth Frazier, Frances Gray, Tony Green, Eileen Harrington, Anne Heidenberg, Charlotte Houston, Elinor Jackson David Kadan, Rita Kline, Joseph Lipovsky, Larry Lorditch, Linda Lorditch, Ellen Lawrence McGowan, James McMahan, Alice Moran, Nita Mullins, Chris Needham, Marie Needham, Wilbert Noel, Maria Olquin, William O'Dea, Carla O'Mara, Tom Paul, Sarah Proctor, Peter Randall, Maryanne Rice, Alan Richwald, GERALYN Lawrence Roberson, Brandon Joseph Romaine, Susan Schmidt, Robert Schultz, Al Smith, Jenny Stepanek, Rev. Msgr. Joseph L. Teletchea, Brooke Wanex, Vickie Whalen-Romaine and family, Tony Zangla, and those known to you alone, those confined to hospitals and nursing homes, those suffering with cancer or depression, that they may know the Father's love through other's care and prayer. **If you wish to be included on this prayer list, please call the Rectory (301/927-6684). To remove your name from this prayer list once you are on the mend, call the Rectory with the Good News!***

Mass  for the Intentions  Week

WEEK OF July 16 – 22, 2007

- MONDAY:**
8:00 A.M. Josephine Romano
12:00 p.m.
- TUESDAY:**
8:00 A.M. Mary Anna St.Clair
12:00 p.m.
- WEDNESDAY:**
8:00 A.M. William Rice
12:00 p.m.
- THURSDAY:**
8:00 A.M. Raymond Chick
12:00 p.m.
- FRIDAY:**
8:00 A.M. Mary Silva
12:00 p.m.
- SATURDAY:**
8:00 A.M. Martin J. Hannon
4:30 P.M. Kevin Stavely
- SUNDAY:**
7:30 A.M. Elizabeth Stavely
9:30 A.M. For the People of St. Jerome
11:30 A.M. Ann Paul

Readings for the Week of July 15, 2007	
Sunday:	Dt 30:10-14/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37
Monday:	Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday:	Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday:	Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday:	Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30
Friday:	Ex 11:10-12:14/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday:	Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21
Next Sunday:	Gn 18:1-10a/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

CELEBRANT'S SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, July 21, 2007

4:30 P.M. Music Ministry Father Mark Raphael

SUNDAY, July 22, 2007

7:30 A.M. Father Mark Raphael

9:30 A.M. Folk Group Father Frank Foley

11:30 A.M. Choir Father Frank Foley



"But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn and cared for him." - Lk 10:33-34

Problems? Worries? Concerns?

Bring them to Jesus and Leave them at St. Jerome's Church – open all day for Eucharistic Adoration every Friday until 4:30 p.m. Stop in for a visit to the God of Power and might and bring your children too. There is the 8:00 morning Mass followed by a Holy Hour of Prayer. The day ends with Evening Prayer and Benediction at 4:30 p.m. You can stop for a short visit or longer. Teach your children the greatest power on earth – the power of Prayer

NEW FRIDAY ADORATION SCHEDULE

St. Jerome's has Eucharistic Adoration every Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Beginning in June we will have a permanent signup sheet (replacing the week-by-week signup) for people to commit to spending the same hour every Friday with Our Lord. The new schedule will go into effect on Friday, June 8th. **This is a great opportunity to serve!** Many new people will need to sign up (for a weekly commitment or as a substitute) in order to complete the schedule. This will ensure that the exposed Blessed Sacrament is not left alone, and also that Adoration can continue throughout the day for everyone who wants to make a visit to Jesus. Please prayerfully consider making this commitment. Spend an hour with Our Lord to return His love for you, and to draw spiritual strength and nourishment. Jesus is waiting there for you!

Bread for Our Brothers. The Knights of Columbus, P.G. Council 2809, is looking for volunteers able to devote three hours of time once or twice per month to pick up surplus bread at a Rockville bakery and deliver it to a local charity. If questions or interest, please call Dennis O'Malley at 301-937-4830.

WELCOME VISITORS

Help to make the parish a more evangelizing community of faith! Welcoming newcomers is important if we are to help people feel at home in our parishes. Greet those around you and introduce yourself to someone you haven't met before. Tell them you look forward to seeing them again next week and that you will be looking for them – and do it! Make someone feel at home! Chances are they will want to come back!

July
Month of
The Precious
Blood





Responsible Parents are Open to Life

By: Most Rev. J. Peter Sartain
Bishop of Little Rock

In an often-quoted and often-misunderstood section of the letter to the Ephesians, St. Paul begins a passage about wives and husbands with these words: Be subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ. (Eph 5:21ff)

In the late fourth century, St. John Chrysostom suggested that young husbands should say to their wives: "I have taken you in my arms, and I love you, and I prefer you to my life itself. For the present life is nothing, and my most ardent dream is to spend it with you in such a way that we may be assured of not being separated in the life reserved for us... I place your love above all things, and nothing would be more bitter or painful to me than to be of a different mind than you." (Homily on Ephesians 20,8)

John captured well Paul's teaching that wives and husbands are to be subordinate to one another – in other words, they are to consider the others good as of greatest importance, they are to sacrifice for one another as Christ himself has done, and as a couple they are to see themselves as subject to Christ. The concept of mutual subordination is a way of expressing the particular kind of love which characterizes Christian marriage, which is a union of loves so complete that the two become one.

In the Roman Catholic Church, it is ordinarily understood that husband and wife are ministers of God's grace and confer on one another the sacrament of matrimony by declaring their consent before the Church. They are chosen instruments of God in one another's lives – and not just the day of the wedding, but until death do us part. They are literally to help one another get to heaven! Moreover, their vocation entails not only being one in love for each other, but also being God's instruments as a couple, most especially instruments of his creative power in giving life to children. Their love looks beyond itself and seeks to raise up new lives.

These two meanings or values of Christian marriage – the unitive and procreative – are intimately, inseparable linked; they cannot be divided without affecting the couples spiritual life and compromising their marriage and the future of their family. In fact, if a person enters marriage with the deliberate intention to exclude children from the marriage, the consent is invalid. Just as the persons of the Trinity are fruitful in love for one another and in creation, so the love of husband and wife is intended to be fruitful in love and offspring. Married couples are cooperators in the love of God the creator and are, in a certain sense, its interpreters.

Being cooperators and interpreters of the creative love of God carries both extraordinary joys and extraordinary responsibilities. An especially intimate and personal responsibility of every couple is making decisions about the regulation of births. Just as the crown of creation was human life, so the supreme gift of marriage is a human person, and the vocation of husband and wife entails honoring this capacity of their love with special care.

The Church does not teach that couples should have a certain number of children, but it does offer teaching about responsible parenthood, which can be summarized in these five points:

1. Husbands and wives have a responsibility to understand and honor the wisdom of the body, including its biological processes.

2. Humans share certain instincts and passions, and Christians are to guard and control them through reason and will.
3. Taking into consideration the physical, economic, psychological and social conditions of their marriage, couples exercise responsible parenthood by a prudent and generous decision to raise a large family, or by a decision (for serious reasons and made according to the moral law) to avoid a new birth for the time being, or even for an indefinite period.
4. Responsible parenthood has its roots in the truth about right and wrong established by God, and spouses have a duty toward God, themselves, their family and society, and are called to maintain a proper set of priorities.
5. Offering their marriage in discipleship to the Lord Jesus, couples do not make purely arbitrary or subjective decisions regarding becoming parents but use the wisdom of God as their guide. As in every other aspect of their lives, Christian couples always remain open to God's wisdom and proficence regarding family life, including the size of their particular family. Since God brought them together and share his love with them, he will always guide them along paths that are best for them.

Interwoven among these aspects of responsible parenthood is the understanding that the two great meanings or values of marriage – the unitive and procreative – are never separated. A love that is complete and faithful, a love which holds nothing back from the other, will remain open to God's creative plan. After all, it is God's love in the first place.

NATIONAL NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING WEEK July 22 – 28, 2007

Lord God of all creation, you willed "the desire and ability of a man and a woman to form a lasting bond of love and life in marriage are written into their nature." Help us to honor your design by enabling us to live the virtue of chastity throughout our lives...

Choose Life ☺

Columnist David Brooks in a *New York Times* column "Postures in Public, Facts in the Womb," writes that "the abortion rights forces" cannot "even look (the issue of when life begins) in the face...." They are terrified of having an honest discussion about human life, so they have built this lofty etiquette of evasion that treats abortion as the moral equivalent of a tonsillectomy." (*New York Times*, 4/22/07)

We pray That the Holy Spirit inspire in each of us the courage to defend the right to life in whatever situation we find ourselves...



The following items are needed to help replenish the pantry for our St. Jerome's Café: heavy duty/foam lunch plates (9"), 18 oz iced tea cups, spaghetti sauce in jars, parmesan cheese, black pepper, small

containers fruit juice, large bottles fruit juice. **SUMMERTIME REMINDER** The St. Jerome's Café operates year-round. We need temporary servers to help staff the café during the summer vacation months. If you can help once or twice or more, please sign up at the Outreach Table. If you are interested in joining a permanent Café Team (once every five weeks) please let us know! We also need bagged lunches in the summertime!

The kingdom of heaven is at hand...heal the sick.”

Matthew 10:7

Healing Mass

Sunday, August 5th at 4:00 p.m. St. Jerome’s Church

Father Jim Stack, Celebrant

Levels of Healing – Physical, Spiritual, Emotional, Psychological, Relational. In addition to the regular Sunday Liturgy, there will be laying on of hands and anointing after Communion.

“...only say the word and I shall be healed.”

I have made the statement over the years that I will be available after Mass for anyone who would like to be prayed over for inner healing or prayer of any type. I have asked that you call on me if you need God’s healing presence in your life. As the Mass takes place at St. Jerome’s, I will need the support of your prayers so the Holy Spirit will work through my hands and bring His healing graces to us all. –Father Jim

Anointing the Sick

Please remember anyone who is in need of the Anointing of the Sick should not hesitate to contact the Rectory. It is recommended that you come in for this sacrament prior to hospital admission. The hospital chaplain may not always be able to anoint you prior to surgery. This sacrament is meant to strengthen the members of the church and to find the deeper meaning in the sufferings and pain that comes to all in this life. “The most beautiful moment in a priest’s life is in the administering of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.”

ST. JEROME’S SCHOOL NEWS

REMINDER: School accounts must be kept current in order for us to maintain our budget! Tuition accounts are due on the first of each month and payable in the Rectory office (across the street from the school).

(NOTE: Letters have been sent to all families who have registered for the 2007-2008 school year. If you have not received your letter, please call the Rectory Office weekdays between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.)

ACTIVITIES FOR THE SUMMER

Summer Program is in full swing! A great way for your children to keep safe and have fun during the crazy days of summer!

There are some openings in the school for the 2007-2008 school year. Call 301-277-4568 for details. The beginning of the new school year is Tuesday, September 4th.

Child Protection in the Archdiocese of Washington

Child protection is a priority of the Archdiocese of Washington, which has the most comprehensive child protection policies in the nation. This policy calls for prevention, quick response, and pastoral care. **All employees and volunteers who have substantial contact with children must attend child protection workshops and undergo a criminal background check, and those who suspect child abuse must report it to the authorities.** The policy (in English and Spanish), workshop schedules and reporting, fingerprinting and other information are available online at www.adw.org. (click on “Protecting Our Children”), and from your parish office and parish school principal. Anyone who has experienced harm from a person working or volunteering for a Church entity is encouraged to report this to the authorities and to contact the Archdiocesan Director of Child Protection Services, Ms. Marcia Zvara, 301-853-5328, so we may provide assistance.

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