

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Called to Discipleship – July 12, 2009

Reading 1: Amos 7:12-15 Prophecy to My People

Reading II: Ephesians 1:3-14 We Were Chosen

Gospel: Mark 6:7-13 Sending Forth

Gospel Summary - We hear how the early Church began in today's gospel, with the disciples being sent out two by two to continue the work begun by Jesus. Jesus explained to the new missionaries that not all people would be ready to hear what they had to say, but they should not linger with those people. Those who rejected the message would be to face God's judgment. Community was important as Jesus established his Church on earth and continues to be the essence of the Church today. Two by two, the disciples needed one another. We need one another as well.

Reflection for Families - In our busy world of commitments, we often have responsibilities that reach far beyond our own families. Then, we may try to convince ourselves that we can make up the time we don't spend with one another by supplying material gifts and opportunities. While there is nothing wrong with remembering someone in a special way from time to time, we know deep down that "things" cannot replace the actual time we spend together as a family. Remember how much our children depend on us for a very short period of time and consider making some adjustments as needed to your lifestyle to ensure that they have plenty of quality time with you during these few precious years. **Bringing the Gospel into Your Family** – "Simplicity" is a key word for many families. "Getting back to the basics" has become a goal. Have each person think about the things he/she does that burden or take away from other members of the family. What adjustments can you make to travel light, as Jesus' disciples did, and reach out to one another and those in your community who might also benefit by your sharing the Good News of Jesus?

HOPE MEAL & RIDE PROGRAM

Hope will be on summer respite starting 6/28 and will return with the schedule starting on 9/6. Thank You!

LEGION OF MARY

COME AND PRAY FOR OUR BLESSED MOTHER TO GRANT YOU THE PEACE OF JESUS IN YOUR HEARTS AND HOME

We meet Mondays, 7:00PM, Parish conference room. St. Mary Magdalen's Church, Media, Pa. Info: Call **Karen Kelly 610-565-6539**. Our Lady is calling you to this great work! **Events scheduled: Mass in celebration of St. Mary Magdalen's Legion of Mary's patron – Our Lady "Rosa Mystica" Monday, July 13, 2009, 7:00PM** at St. Mary Magdalen Church. Rosa Mystica encourages everyone to intercede with prayers for all our religious & priests.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, July 11

8:30AM Maria & Constantino Martini

5:30PM Michael J. Doyle, Sr.

SUNDAY, July 12

7:30AM Gary Papa

10:00AM Anthony D'Angelo

11:30AM William Casey

5:30PM Ints. of the Brennan Family

MONDAY, July 13

6:30AM Edward Feuerstein

8:30AM Kathleen Finnegan

TUESDAY, July 14

6:30AM Edward Feuerstein

8:30AM Elizabeth Zeller

WEDNESDAY, July 15

6:30AM Sick of the Parish

8:30AM Marge Grajek

THURSDAY, July 16

6:30AM Carol Jenkins

8:30AM Francis J. Dieter

FRIDAY, July 17

6:30AM Vocations to the priesthood

8:30AM Patrick Kean

SATURDAY, July 18

8:30AM Louis & Elvira Martini

5:30PM Dr. Francis C. Lazorik

SUNDAY, July 19

7:30AM Ints of the Felton Family

10:00AM Ann Tavino

11:30AM Ryan Smith

5:30PM 25th Anniv. Of Denise and David Jordan

We need lectors for 5:30 SUNDAY MASS

Welcome FR. BILL CHIRIACO, our resident.

**Bread, Wine and Candle
In memory of Anthony D'Angelo**

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The second collection this weekend is for the Campaign for Human Development. Please be generous.



From Mrs. Burke's Desk...

Have a peace-filled and restful summer. We will see you in September! Registration information: 610-565-1822. Celebrate our vision for learning...moral awareness, academic excellence, responsible citizenship and cultural development.

**SMM SCHOOL STUDENTS AND FACULTY
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR
PRAYERS AND SUPPORT**

We invite you to enjoy the blessings of a Catholic formation of your children by visiting our school. Contact Miss Miniszak at 610-566-8821 ext. 122 or Ext. 100. Our class size is no more than 20 students per class for Kindergarten, 25 for first to third grades, and no more than 27 for fourth through eighth. Presently, we have 397 registered for the 2009-2010 school year. If you need information, please call us and we will be happy to give a tour of our school. Celebrate our vision for learning...moral awareness, academic excellence, responsible citizenship and cultural development. **We are passionately Catholic and Academically Challenging!**

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ALUMNI WHO CONTINUE TO EXCEL

Evan Barr achieved first honors at Bishop Shanahan High School.

Cardinal O'Hara: First Honors: Robert Belak, Bernadette Grandieri, Jenna Grassano, Luke Westby, Daniel Fratoni, Emily Matthias, Christian Canavarro, Drew Formica, Catherine McBreen, Thomas Pastor, Courtney Rowe, Alexandra Westby, and Nicole McAlee.

Second Honors: Jeffery Andrews, Brianna Humphreys, Michael McBreen, Corinne O'Kane, Owen Pelesh, Kelly Protesto, Leo Stahl, Brendan Collins, Andrew Feuerstein, Julie Joyce, Candace Juliana, Ross Lebrun, Julie McLaughlin, Michael Belczyk, Stephanie Fratoni, Katelyn Killeen, Marisa Muavero, Courtney O'Kane, Kelsey O'Kane, Colleen Goldhorn, Madeline Jacob, and Jessie West.

TUITION

Anyone who has not paid the 1st tuition payment (due May 8th) please forward immediately to the **Parish Offices**. A late fee of \$25 is also due. Call Mary Lou with any questions.

SPONSOR A STUDENT

We would be very grateful to anyone who can help a needy student attend our parish school. Donations to our "Sponsor a Student Program" allow us to help those who otherwise could not take advantage of our wonderful school. Please forward your donation to the parish office attention Mary Lou.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: HE IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

It has been said that if we truly believed in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, we would be crawling on our hands and knees to Church to visit with Him and

to be near Him. As it is, the Lord of the Universe has one or two adoring Him most hours. Consider the blessing we have here at SMM to have the Risen Jesus present in our Monstrance just waiting for a visit from YOU. We need an adorer for Saturday, 1-2 AM and there are many hours with only one adorer where two are preferable. Won't you prayerfully consider spending one hour per week or even every other week with the Lord who has done so much for YOU? Call Monica 891-9483 or Shelly 353-7739.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

We welcome **Karen and John Hoey** as our Youth Ministers. They will lead the music for 5:30 Sunday Mass. Karen will lead the Junior Youth (6-8th) and John will minister to the High School. We need musicians and singers for the Sunday 5:30 PM Mass. Please see Karen or John.

THE ROSARY

Join us every Tuesday in the chapel at 7:15PM to pray the Rosary. Benediction will resume in September.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The Bereavement Ministry would appreciate help in sending cards a few times a year to those who have lost a loved one. These cards reinforce the concept that we are a caring parish. They mean a lot to those who are grieving. If interested please contact **Dottie Donohue** at ddonohue@cohs.com.

LAUGH WITH THE PASTOR

A Vacation Bible School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. One child replied, "They couldn't get a baby-sitter."

THANK YOU FROM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School rocked with joyful activities and spirit filled children praising Jesus:

N. Crouse, J. Breen, C. Toggia, J. Ghaul, A. Verna, P. Caruso, R. Cahill, J. Aman, S. Wilson, N. Khoury, Z. Morgans, RJ Carlucci, E. Hussey, M. Ferry, M. Procaccini, J. Scholtz, J. Czachor, A. Sarne, A. Currie, C. Palomba, L. Stewart, N. Szipsky, R. Higgins, N. Wilson, Z. Sharkey, J. Farhat, B. Khoury, I. Carlucci, E. McCauley, M. Pahides, O. Kelly, S. Rizzo, A. DiCancilo, M. Lairdieson, E. Ghaul, S. Verna, V. Caruso, A. Ferry, J. Boyle, K. Goldhorn, A. Collins, G. Lairdieson, M. Giannini, S. Ghaul, C. Verna, J. Johnstone, C. Pazulski, B. Pazulski, C. Croquette, C. Fulmer, L. Khoury, J. Fuessinger, E. Pahides, C. Boyle, T. Le, M. Patt, J. Britt, T. Stefano and Z. Collins.

To be baptized: John Charles Martin

BAPTISMAL PREP CLASSES: Call **Peter or Mary Zurbach** to sign up for class at **610-565-5736**. Sponsor Eligibility Letters from the parishes are needed three weeks before the Baptism. Next Pre Jordan **will be in September**. We ask you to come for instructions before you give birth so that you can be prepared in choosing your date and sponsors. We remind all parents and Godparents that they must be registered and practicing Catholics. Godparents must be 16 years of age and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.

A time to die, pray for the members of our SMM Faith Community who have died, **Jean Quarto, Mary Morris (mother of Tom Morris) Frances Dougherty, Joan Andersen, Martin Joyce, Msgr. James Meehan** all victims of war, hurricanes, and the 4,100 daily abortions.

A time to heal...PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & OUR SOLDIERS in harm's way: Our Children: Joan Anderson, Constance Ashbach, Fred Cambio, John Cammorato, Giana Campbell, Chick Carman, Rosemary Casey, Daniel Casullo, Lily Ciocca, Dave Clark, Nancy Clay, Christina Connors, Sean Cosden, Regis Cronin, Gennela D'Orazio, Ann DiDonato, Marcella DiMaggio, Erin DiMartino, Eleanor DiPangrazio, Carla Donato, Sr. Michael Marie Donnelly, RSM, Frances Dougherty, Robert Franklin, Vincent Grasso, Margaret Greto, Dorothy Greenwald, John & Helen Hartman, Rev. James Hughes, Elliott Johnson, Henry Johnson, Rose Kenny, Richard Leighton, Richard Lucente, Joseph Manion, Michael Manganiello, Joe MacDonald, Theresa MacCombie, Debra Marcoux, II, Peggy Matthews, Joe McCarthy, Mary McDevitt, William O'Brien, Fran Okon, Timothy Poole, James Ranieri, Sr, Bobby Ruggieri, Carolyn Rock, Louise Saar, John and Phyllis Scott, John Shea, Dan Shillington, Betty Tedesco, George Tyson, Samantha Johnston-Twining, Louise Veit, Catherine Walsh, Lindy Zwahlen

WEDDINGS need to be arranged 6 months ahead.

Please call the rectory if you are sick or want a priest to visit you in the hospital or at home. Please pray and visit the sick & bring them consolation and companionship. You can contact Deacon James or Anita Morro also to provide Communion.

WELCOME OUR NEW FAMILIES

Robert Kelly, Steven & Jennifer Lundeen & Family, Norman Kleinberg, Kathleen & Patrick Kelly & Family, and George & Amy Spaeder & Family. See Fr. Chieffo for a Registration Form after Mass. If you would like your family and home to be blessed,

please call the parish office. If you are interested in visiting our new families to share about our parish activities, please contact **Joanne Hinkle at 610-892-3998**.

BEREAVEMENT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on July 13th at 7PM in the Parish Meeting Area.

LITTLE CHURCH SCHOOL

Parents are reminded that **Little Church School** takes place most Sundays during the 10:00A.M. Mass. **Little Church School** is for children from ages 4 to 5. Parents bring children to the Gathering room in the church opposite the restrooms. Children learn about God through stories and arts and crafts while parents are attending the 10:00A.M. Mass. **A special request goes out to anyone who can be a leader for Little Church School starting next year in September.** Anyone who has experience with Little Church School and can act as leader, please call Deacon James DiFerdinand 610-565-5782.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY: Angel Visits

Our parish needs individuals who can visit private homes and Nursing Homes with Holy Communion and good cheer for those who are sick or can't come to Sunday Mass. Visits can be made on any day of the week. Some of these visits will be once each week, others may be for a short term only. If you can help us bring God to those in need, please call **Anita Morro and Deacon James** in a ministry that lets you bring spiritual aid and comfort to those in need.

REACH OUT WITH THE COMPASSION OF JESUS AND HE WILL BLESS YOU

Need a Huge Return on Your Investment?

Our small Faith Sharing group is more a discussion group with your fellow parishioners using the current Sunday Mass readings as a kick-off point. The time you invest, especially will return to you a hundredfold in a deeper awareness of your own spirituality and that of your neighbors. Meetings are kept to an hour and a half and are in a relaxed, sociable setting. Facilitators and times of meetings are listed below. Please call **Bonnie Clark (353-7930)** or one of the facilitators.

Mondays 2 PM: Betty Mulhern 610-353-5035.

Twice monthly: Sue Mita 610-566-4819

Tuesday 7:30PM (monthly): Mary Ann Foster 610-566-1399.

Men's Group: Jim Dooley (1st & 3rd Tuesdays) 610-892-9684 at 7:30PM.

Wednesday 7AM Men's Group: Don Saleski (610-566-3492) in Church Gathering Room.

Monthly, 9:30AM, toddler's welcome: Jeanne Barker 610-627-1009.

Weekly, 3 PM: Eleanor O'Rourke, White Horse Village 610-558-9128.

Thurs 7:30PM: Bonnie Clark (2nd & 4th wks) 610-353-7930. If you would like to start a group, call Father.

RELIGIOUS BOOK STUDY GROUP

Celebrate the year of St. Paul by joining the religious book study on **St. Paul & His Epistles**. The group meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday evening of the month from 7:35PM-9PM in our library. Please contact Gina Mesko at 610-872-0876 or gtagm2002@comcast.net

BETHESDA (My Brother's House)

Parishioners prepare casseroles to serve 8-10 homeless men. Tins, lids, and recipes are provided in the school cafeteria. Prepared casseroles are placed in a labeled freezer in the school kitchen during school hours to be delivered to My Brother's House as the freezer is filled. Your generosity feeds our needy. Call Mary Ann Schriver 610-356-9870.

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY

If you would like to make a donation to the IHN Program, you can send a check to: Delco IHN, PO Box 2384, Aston, PA 19014. Funds are desperately needed.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

The next couples experience will be Aug 7 - 9, 2009. For more info, call 1 800 456 8330.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday - July 18

5:30PM - L. Croquette, K. Cardamone

Sunday - July 19

7:30AM - B. Rennie, B. Byrnes

10:00AM - M. Campbell, D. Grandieri

11:30AM - A. & J. Lombardi

5:30PM - W. Patane, J. Fratoni

STEWARDSHIP AND TITHING

It is truly more blessed to give than to receive.

May God bless your family-team spirit for providing for our material and spiritual needs. I am especially grateful to all who volunteer their time and talents to make Jesus live and love our parish family and friends.

Jesus loves you and so do I, Fr Ralph

July 5th- \$13,851.00

Last Year - \$20,419.00

Please consider using Electronic Funds Transfer for your Sunday donation. Forms are available in the narthex or call the Parish office.

MISSION APPEAL

On July 25 and 26 the Congregation of Daughters of Mary, St. Joseph's Province, Marthandam, India will come to make the mission appeal through the Propagation of Faith. They will speak at all the Masses and take up a second collection. Thank you for your generosity and spiritual support.

SMM ALUMNI NEWS

We would love to hear what our graduates are doing. Please e-mail any alumni update to presidentsmm@comcast.net. Thank you again for the information for our alumni database. Our all class reunion for the classes from first graduating class to the class of 2005 is planned for Saturday, November 28, 2009. In the spring we will have a reunion for all of our high school students. *In many different areas our graduates are continuing to make a difference.*

ARE YOU READY FOR SPIRITUAL WARFARE?

Christianity is losing the Spiritual Warfare to the secular world. We are approaching the Final Confrontation when Jesus will come again as the Divine Mercy to confront and conquer Satan. We need more apostles to spread the Divine Mercy message. For more information on how you can help in this battle, please call George Hudson at 610-565-8098.

HUNGER NEVER TAKES A VACATION

Please remember those less fortunate this summer by bringing a bag or two of non-perishables with you to church. Drop off anytime in the wood container on the side of the Narthex. There are many families out there who are struggling to make ends meet. Daily newscasts remind us of the constant job layoffs happening around us. Can we meet the challenge? Scrip donations welcome. Sue Fromhold 610-356-3626.

MALVERN MID-WEEK MEN'S RETREAT

For those interested in experiencing the faith experience of a Retreat but who have family obligations over most weekends, there is a mid-week retreat group - Pope John XXIII - that will meet 6PM Tuesday, October 6th and ends after breakfast on Thursday, October 8th. Mid-week retreats are an excellent way for family men to refresh their souls while not disrupting their family. For further info call Chris Sowa at 610-891-8971 or Bill Cotter @ 610-675-8003, or www.malvernretreat.com.

THE SPIRIT OF JESUS IS IN OUR HEARTS BUT ALSO IN BETWEEN US IN ALL OUR RELATIONSHIPS AS WE SERVE EVERYONE