



January 16-17, 2010
2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

John's Gospel describes seven signs that indicate Jesus' identity to his disciples. John never speaks of these signs as miracles because their importance is not in the deed that Jesus performs but in what these deeds indicate about Jesus' identity. Here, as when John

describes the other signs, the disciples are said to begin to believe, but no mention is made as to whether the other wedding guests are even aware of what has happened.

Marriage and wedding feasts are metaphors used in Scripture to describe God's salvation and the Kingdom of God. Here at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, John's Gospel seeks to establish that Jesus is going to re-interpret and fulfill Yahweh's promise to Israel. Jesus establishes the New Covenant. A hint about what this New Covenant will be like is made evident in the deed that Jesus performs. Asked to do something to address the awkward situation that the absence of wine at a wedding feast would create, Jesus' miracle produces vast quantities of wine—six jars holding thirty gallons each are filled to overflowing with choice wine.

Weddings are wonderful family celebrations. We go out of our way to make the occasion festive and extraordinary. People work hard to please one another. What better image of the Kingdom of God! Not every day is a wedding celebration, but we can anticipate the Kingdom of God each day in our attentiveness to one another's needs.



The next Bereavement Support Session will be held on Thursday, January 21, 2010 at 10 am in the lower level of the parish center. Join our leader, Brenda

Rathgeb, as she guides a prayer and support session for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Come together for the support that we can share with one another.

Parish Gift Shop! Shop AFTER Mass in the church basement and at the Lake Center. Many beautiful medals, statues and handmade rosaries!

Homebound Prayer Intention for January:

That the poor and downtrodden may have enough heat and food through this winter season.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January:

That every believer in Christ may be conscious that unity among all Christians is a condition for more effective proclamation of the Gospel.



Weekday Mass...Bad Weather Policy

If school is delayed or closed, **no** Mass at 8:15am.

If school is closed or dismissed early, **no** Mass at 6:30pm.

If school is closed or dismissed before lunch, **no** Mass at 12 noon.

MINISTERS of the MASS: Jan. 23-24, 2010

4:00pm-Saturday, Jan. 23

Read: Boehm

Euch. Ministers: Baughman, Vincent, Perez

5:45pm-Saturday, Jan. 23

Read: Sipes

Euch. Ministers: Reams, Hughes, Kealy

9:00 am-Sunday, Jan. 24

Read: Burner

Euch. Ministers: Matthews, Tomlin, Eaton

Altar Server Team: #4-Baker, McCleans



Our RCIA classes will meet from 5:30 to 7 PM on Monday evenings. The next class will be January 18, 2010. The topic this week will be

Prayer. Meetings will take place in the lower parish hall by the church office. If you have any interest, you may attend any of the R.C.I.A. gatherings. For more information, please call Patti Battista at 301-387-7975.

Married 25 years or more? Any couple planning to attend the Mass who are married 25 years or more may register to receive a Certificate of Congratulations by **registering on the website at www.wwme.net/registration_wmd.html or call 410-987-8407 by February 3.** You make the contact.

St. Peter at the Lake Fund Update:

Total needed for construction:	\$1,400,000.
Previous amount collected:	981,169.
<u>12/27/09collected:</u>	<u>1539.</u>
Total to date:	982,708.
Needed:	\$417,292.



Bell Choir Organizational Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 5:30pm in the church downstairs prayer area. If you would like to join this group of

“ringers”, please attend. The group provides seasonal and special music throughout the liturgical year. **NO NEED TO READ MUSIC! IF YOU CAN COUNT, YOU CAN JOIN!** The Bell Choir adds another, “special touch” dimension to our liturgies.



HINI vaccinations available after all the Masses this weekend, January 16-17, 2010.

This week in our parish...Jan. 16-24, 2010

(Mass Intentions and other activities)

Sat.	Bernie Gillespie (D)	4:00pm
	Shirley Stem (D)	5:45pm
Sun.	Parishioners	9:00am
	CDA COFFEE SOCIAL-after Mass Dr Martin Luther King Jr. Weekend NO SUNDAY SCHOOL	
Mon.	Margaret Marucci (D)	8:15am
	RCIA Meeting-parish center	5:30pm
	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day OFFICE CLOSED	
Tues.	George Baldauf (D)	6:30pm
	CDA meeting	7:00pm
Wed.	Carroll Miller (D)	12:00pm
	BINGO-doors open at 5:30pm	
Thurs.	Communion Service	8:15am
Fri.	Jessie Tynan (D)	8:15am
Sat.	Gary Yoder (D)	4:00pm
	Parishioners	5:45pm
Sun.	Carroll Miller (D)	9:00am

Remember! Church Office Hours:

Monday through Thursday---8am to 4pm
Fridays---8am to 12 Noon

CALCULATORS SCHEDULE:

Jan. 17, 2010

Church: Team #-5- Holts, McAndrew, Reams, Ammann
Center: Team #6- Gloeckl, Boehms

Jan. 24, 2010

Church: Team #1- Pentz, Kelly
Center: Team #7- Ward, Mitchell

PRAYER LIST FOR January...we pray for: John

Devlin, Tillie Lucas, Mary Jane Hall, Buddy & JoeAnne
Sunny, The Bowling Family, Christina Arthur, Ann
Martin, Mary Helen Spear, Joanne Kozier, Andrea
Sereno, Jacob Anderson, Richann and Alexis Annarelli,
George Miller, Michael Schemering, Diane Sereno,
Ronin Christy, Cynthia Wilson, and Kadan Sharpless.

Names are changed at the beginning of each month.

Call the church office if you wish to add a name.



To access Father Paul's blog, you may go to
halfhermit.blogspot.com

for a contemplative, spiritual and uplifting
interchange of thoughts.

©LOOKING FORWARD TO SPRING? In

conjunction with Olan Mills Studios, we are planning for
a new parish directory! Photography dates are set for
April 6, 7 & 8, 2010. Help is needed with sign-ups and
telephone calls during the last week of March. To lend a
hand, please contact Jeanne Lynch, our directory
coordinator, at 301-387-6356.



**Annulment Myth #7: If Children were Born
in the Marriage, It Can't be Annulled**

The truth is that the Catholic Church
considers an openness to children to be a natural and
essential part of the sacramental marriage, but whether
any children were actually born or not has no bearing on
the possibility of an annulment. If children were born, it
is important that both parents live up to their natural and
legal obligations to their children. It is a myth, however,
that this marriage can't be annulled.

**Archbishop O'Brien will be with us Saturday,
January 23, 2010 to celebrate the 4pm Mass at the
Lake Center.** Mark your calendar and be there for the
blessing of the stained glass window at the Center.

A thought for you from St. John Bosco: "It is most
important that you choose your career with care, so that
you may really follow the vocation that God has
destined for you. No day should pass without some
prayer to this end. Often repeat with St Paul: 'Lord, what
will You have me do?'"

Church Offices are Closed on Monday, 1/18, in
observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Day.

Communion Cloth Ministry:

Jan. 17...Linda Goodman Jan. 24... Nancy Boehm

When I called, you answered me... (Psalm 138:3)

**The Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now
underway.** Many of our parishioners have received a
mailing from Archbishop O'Brien. He has asked that
you make a pledge to the 2010 Annual Appeal.

The Appeal not only funds the operations of the
Archdiocese, it funds services that are of great help to
the ministries here in our parish. AAA funds support of
our Sister Parish in Mandeville, Jamaica and has helped
with Youth Group Activities in our parish.

The theme of the Appeal is, "When I called, you
answered me." Our contributions to our parish and our
Archdiocese serve as a sign of our gratitude not only for
God's answers to our prayers but also as a sign of our
recognition that all that we are and all that we have are
gifts given to us by God.

Your gift will enable support and service that touch
thousands of lives not only in our Archdiocese but
throughout the world. Our parish receives 25% of each
dollar contributed up to our goal of \$29,000. Then, we
receive 50% of the additional funds received. Again,
this year, we will commit our parish rebates to Fr.
Baylon and his work in Mandeville and to our Parish
youth activities. From last year's appeal we received a
grant to replace the front steps of our church. This work
will be completed after the spring thaw. ☺ Thank you
for your support of this archdiocesan effort.