

# FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## July 4, 2010

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS, FOR YOUR PERSONAL PRAYER

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 4</b>	Isaiah 66:10-14	Psalm 66:1-7,16,20	Gal. 6:14-18	Luke 10:12,17-20
<b>Monday</b>	<b>July 5</b>	Hosea 2:16-18,21-22	Psalm 145:2-9		Mt. 9:18-26
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>July 6</b>	Hosea 8:4-7,11-13	Psalm 115:3-10		Mt. 9:32-38
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>July 7</b>	Hosea 10:1-3,7-8,12	Psalm 105:2-7		Mt. 10:1-7
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>July 8</b>	Hosea 11:1-4,8-9	Psalm 80:2-3,15-16		Mt. 10:7-15
<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 9</b>	Hosea 14:2-10	Psalm 51:3-4,8-9,12-17		Mt. 10:16-23
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>July 10</b>	Isaiah 6:1-8	Psalm 93:1-2,5		Mt. 10:24-33
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>July 11</b>	Deut. 30:10-14	Psalm 69:14,17,30-37	Col. 1:15-20	Luke 10:25-37

### *FROM THE ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S DESK*

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus sends out 72 disciples on a mission. His instructions for how they are to travel add up to good advice for all of us as we journey through life. This weekend, I leave St. John's to go to St. Peter the Apostle at Deep Creek Lake (yes, someone had to take the tough tour). This will be my temporary assignment till the Department of the Army places me on Active Duty later this fall, when I'll begin my new journey in ministry, one that will be filled with surprises, good moments, sad moments, and challenges. Jesus reminds us that to follow Him we must be prepared for these moments.

My three years at St. John's were full of memorable experiences. The support and prayers from all of the parishioners and parish staff meant so much to me. Your support when I was away for my Drill Weekends was greatly appreciated. It was a hardship at times to be away during the weekend or for the Annual Training events and Chaplain Conferences, but I deeply appreciate the great support you showed both for my vocation to serve as a priest in the military and for all of our service members.

I wish I had the time and space to thank everyone individually. But I would be remiss if I didn't thank the Liturgy Committee for their support, time, and talents; the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters who do so much for the parish; our very active Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Boy Scouts who proudly serve their parish and community; Sister Margaret and her team of sacristans who made liturgy at the nursing homes beautiful and meaningful; our liturgical ministers who took time to attend training and adjust through all the changes I was asked to implement in the liturgy: Ushers, Cantors, Choir, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and our great team of Altar Servers. Thank you all for your service.

I am humbled by those whose lives I touched individually. Whether at weddings or baptisms, funerals and anointings, hospital calls and nursing home Masses, it was an honor to be a part of the most personal aspects of your lives.

I also would like to thank the parish staff for their patience, support, teaching moments, and humor, all of which made the administrative side of parish life much more tolerable! I will miss the practical jokes, Christmas parties, the gummy bears, and the great personalities. Keep your hands on the plow! Yes, I will also miss His Majesty, Kyrie, as well.

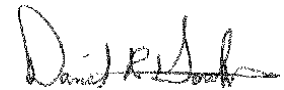
Special thanks go to Monsignor Dick Murphy, Fr. Richard Gray, Deacons Skip Manley and Daniel Roff, and our visiting priests, Monsignor Al Smith and Fr. John Moore, for their advice and encouragement.

I felt deeply humbled by those who attended my farewell luncheon and by the words of those who have made a point to see me individually. I am still reading all the cards, letters, and Mass intentions.

Many have asked where I will be assigned when I leave the Archdiocese for the Army. At this time, I'm not sure, but my address will be published once I find out. After my first year on Active Duty, I will be deployed, most likely to Afghanistan: Jesus will send me out to care for the spiritual needs of our service members in harm's way.

Like the disciples Jesus sends forth in the Gospel today, we are all sent forth to be his hands and faces and eyes and ears. Thank you for allowing me to be Christ for all of you. All of you will remain in my prayers as I go forth on my journey. Please keep me in yours.

Pro Deo et Patria!



### **Questions for Reflection: Next Sunday's Readings** (see box above)

1. In the First Reading, Moses tells the people that the command they are to fulfill is already "something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out." In the Gospel reading, Jesus summarizes this command as "love God and love your neighbors." Can you describe how you are fulfilling this command? What small steps may God be asking you to take to love Him and your neighbors better?
2. The Psalm is a cry for help from one who is "afflicted and in pain." Why is the Psalmist able to respond to this affliction and pain with these words: "I will praise the name of the Lord in song, and I will glorify him with thanksgiving"?
3. In the Second Reading, St. Paul's ancient hymn says that all things are reconciled in Christ. What aspects of your life may require still deeper reconciliation with God or with your neighbor?
4. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the beautiful story of the Good Samaritan in response to the man who wanted to "justify" himself. To which of the characters in the parable do you relate the most? Why?
5. The Good Samaritan's help is often seen as a model of Jesus' care for each of us. How can you relate the Samaritan's care for the victim with how Jesus has cared for you?

**LET US JOIN IN PRAYER THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN EMBRACED BY GOD IN A SPECIAL WAY:**

**In Their Passage to Eternal Life:**

Michael Sahli, nephew of Peggy Sahli  
Donald Norman Muse, PhD

**UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

**ADULT CONFIRMATION:** Are you an adult who has been Baptized, received Communion, and would like to take the last step to full initiation in the Catholic Church? Adult Confirmation classes are forming for the fall. For more information, please contact Amy Spessard, 301-662-8288 x1102 or [amy.spessard@stjohn-frederick.org](mailto:amy.spessard@stjohn-frederick.org).

**ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND Coming to St. John's parish!** An Engaged Encounter marriage preparation weekend will be offered here at St. John's **January 15-16, 2011**. Unlike other such weekends, couples will not be spending the night, because this is a day-only program on Saturday and Sunday. The cost of the program is \$160, which includes lunch and dinner on Saturday, and lunch on Sunday. For more details, please contact Amy Spessard, 301-662-8288 x1102. Registration information for the program can be found at [www.mdcee.org](http://www.mdcee.org).

**DINNER & MOVIE *Italian Style*** will be presented by St. John's Hospitality/Fellowship Team. Take a visual trip to Italy and enjoy a potluck "pranzo italiano" featuring your favorite Italian dishes and one of the best classic Italian flicks of all time, *Roman Holiday*, starring Gregory Peck and Audrey Hepburn. Dinner and the movie will be in the Parish Community Hall, **Friday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM**. Baby-sitting service with a children's film is available. To RSVP and to sign up for dinner, please contact Judi Atwell, 301-473-4931, or [jjatwell@comcast.net](mailto:jjatwell@comcast.net), or Rob McNickle, 240-422-2522, or [sje@robertmcnickle.com](mailto:sje@robertmcnickle.com).

**COMING THIS FALL:** Details about all these events will be published in the bulletin and on our website in time for you to plan ahead!

- **Parish Ministry Fair**, September 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>
- **Men's One Day Retreat**, October 23<sup>rd</sup>
- **Parish Cookbook**, in time for Holiday gift-giving
- **Adult Confirmation**
- **New Scripture Studies**

**MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS**

**THE SECULAR CARMELITE COMMUNITY of the Sacred Heart** will sponsor a Silent Retreat on **July 16-18, 2010**, at Mount St. Mary's Seminary. Fr. Thomas Otang'a, OCD, will be the retreat master. Cost is \$175, which includes meals and lodging. Please contact Michael Alley, 301-695-1187, for more information. To register, call Dawn Walsh, 410-876-0250, or email her at [dwalsh33@gmail.com](mailto:dwalsh33@gmail.com). All are welcome!

**STAND CERTIFICATION FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS:** The Archdiocese of Baltimore and St. John's Parish are committed to providing a safe environment for children at our parish. **All volunteer ministers** who work with or around families and children must be STAND certified. STAND training is available on line. Please visit [www.stjohn-frederick.org](http://www.stjohn-frederick.org) and click on STAND Training. Contact Julie St. Croix, 301-662-8288 x1103 for more info.

**PEACE AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

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*"The economic challenge of today has many parallels with the political challenge that confronted the founders of our nation. In order to create a new form of political democracy they were compelled to develop ways of thinking and political institutions that had never existed before. Their efforts were arduous and their goals imperfectly realized, but they launched an experiment in the protection of civil and political rights that has prospered through the efforts of those who came after them. We believe the time has come for a similar experiment in securing economic rights: the creation of an order that guarantees the minimum conditions of human dignity in the economic sphere for every person. By drawing on the resources of the Catholic moral-religious tradition, we hope to make a contribution through this letter to such a new 'American Experiment': a new venture to secure economic justice for all."* *Economic Justice for All*, Pastoral Letter on Catholic Social Teaching and the U.S. Economy, U.S. Catholic Bishops, 1986.

**SCOUTING:**

**Are You Interested** in having your child in a Catholic Scouting Unit? St. John's has Catholic Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts (Elementary boys), and Boy Scouts (Middle & High School). For more info, contact Julie St. Croix, 301-662-8288 x1103 (Girl Scouts), Bill Desmond, 301-662-4151 (Cub Scouts), or Nelson Spessard, 301-846-4217 (Boy Scouts).

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER:**

**Fixing Health Care, a Legislative Goal of U.S. Bishops:**

In a recent letter to Congress, Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, Chairman of the U.S. Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities, said with PPACA (the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act) was an important step toward ensuring access to health coverage for all Americans but was "profoundly flawed in its treatment of abortion, conscience rights, and fairness to immigrant." . . . "Efforts to ensure that our health care system truly serves the life, health, and conscience of all will be a legislative goal of the Catholic Bishops in the months to come." The U.S. Bishops, through the NCHLA are supporting the message of *Corrective Legislation*. On April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Rep. Joseph Pitts (R-PA) introduced legislation (H.R. 5111) to remedy PPACA's serious problems on abortion. Among others, the bill would prevent PPACA from requiring abortion coverage or paying for abortion. Visit [www.usccb.org/comm/archives/2010/10-103.shtml](http://www.usccb.org/comm/archives/2010/10-103.shtml).

**Are You Pregnant** and in need of help? Call the Gabriel Network, 1-800-ANGEL-OK or Birthright, 301-663-0111.

**FLOWER DONATION:** Our sincere thanks to our Knights of Columbus for their generous donation of the altar flowers this weekend. They remind us that we stand together as "One nation under God" and ask our Gracious God to bless us as a nation and as a parish. Thank you, Knights!

## FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY

**REGISTRATION FORMS FOR 2010-2011:** Faith Formation and Youth Ministry forms have been mailed out. Forms may also be picked up at the Parish Office or downloaded from our website. **Registration is open now through July 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**SUMMER EVENTS:** High School students interested in Steubenville or ND Vision, please contact the Youth Ministry Office. We are working to coordinate a volunteer-chaperoned delegation to either event, or referrals to other parishes in the Archdiocese.

## SPANISH COMMUNITY

**Legion de Maria** Nuestra Señora Reina de la Paz. Junta semanal todos los Miércoles a las 7:00 PM. Necesitamos mas miembros que se quieran unir al grupo. Trabajemos juntos en union a nuestra Madre Maria. Para mas informacion contactar a: Nitza Rivas - 240-409-1998, Myriam Rullan 240-422-1718.

## ST. JOHN REGIONAL SCHOOL

**APPLICATIONS: Thinking of a Catholic education for your child?** Consider St. John's, a 2009 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence! Applications are still being accepted for Pre-K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2010-2011 school year. Forms may be downloaded from the school's website, [www.sjrsc.org](http://www.sjrsc.org). Summer office hours are 8:00 AM-4:00 PM, Monday through Thursday. Please call 301-695-9358 or email [jwright@sjrsc.org](mailto:jwright@sjrsc.org), to make an appointment.

**JOIN US for a Summer Open House, Tuesday, July 13, 9:00 AM-12 Noon,** at the school, 8414 Opossumtown Pike. Tours of the school will be provided for Pre-K through 8. Enrollment materials for 2010-2011 will be available. Please RSVP by calling the school at 301-695-9358, or just stop by during Open House hours.

## BEYOND THE PARISH

**THE NEWMAN SINGERS IN CONCERT:** The Newman Singers of the University of Iowa, directed by Joe Mattingly, will be presenting a free concert in the Parish Center at St. Joseph-on-Carrollton Manor Church, 5843 Manor Woods Rd., Frederick, MD, on **Tuesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM.** For 20 years, the Newman Singers have led audiences across the country in worship, inspired them in concert, and enriched the faith of all who heard them. For more information, please contact Cindy Kindl, [music@stjoesbuckeystown.org](mailto:music@stjoesbuckeystown.org), or 301-663-0907 x3017. A free-will offering will be taken.

**A FRENCH RIVER CRUISE** is being planned by St. Katharine Drexel Parish from October 4-19, 2011. You have the option of 8, 11, or 16 days for cruising and touring. Come to a meeting in the Media Center on Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 PM. An itinerary is available to

those signing up before July 30, 2010. For more details or to RSVP for the meeting, contact Diana Reuling, 301-663-0458, or email, [dreuling@2ytc.com](mailto:dreuling@2ytc.com).

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### STEWARDSHIP/FINANCES 06-27-2010

Envelope Users (460).....	\$16,166.50
Non-Envelope Users .....	\$ 5,450.49
TOTAL Offertory.....	\$18,364.93
<b>Weekly Stewardship Giving Needed.....</b>	<b>\$28,251.00</b>
Second Collection: Maintenance.....	\$ 4,963.25
St. Vincent de Paul Society (Poor Fund).....	\$ 1,126.00
Thank you for your continued generosity!	

**SUMMER FUN IS HERE! THINK ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS FOR OFFERTORY GIFTS.** What a great way not to have to think about Offertory Envelopes in the summer while you're traveling! We have received over 200 registrations for this method of giving. If you need information, please look for the green flyer in the back of the church or on the web – [www.stjohn-frederick.org](http://www.stjohn-frederick.org) - or call the Parish Office.

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS "SP" = Mass in Spanish

Monday July 5	6:30 AM	Special Intention
Tuesday July 6	6:30 AM 8:00 AM	Nenita Villanueva Sloane Catherine Murray (Birthday)
Wednesday July 7	6:30 AM 8:00 AM Northampton 6:30 PM (SP)	John F. Manley Pat Doll Murphy Rev. Paul Marx Cathleen Adeyemo
Thursday July 8	8:00 AM	Ints. Mary Beth Gallagher
Friday July 9	6:30 AM 8:00 AM	Erlanda Velasco Joseph Collins, Sr.
Saturday July 10	8:00 AM 5:00 PM 7:00 PM (SP)	Ints. Msgr. Dick Murphy Eric Grundman Special Intention
Sunday July 11	7:30 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM Ch 11:00 AM H 1:00 PM 5:00 PM (SP)	Ints. Lisa M. Chavez Odette Lopez People of the Parish Mario DiGuiseppe Diana L. Bracone Special Intention

**The following names were submitted for the Father's Day Novena booklet after it was sent for printing:**

Person Remembered  
Herbert Becker  
Brad Baker  
John Lichtfuss  
James Baker

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