

SAINT MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH
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Thursday, January 13, 2011

There are 102 members of the listserve. Welcome to the *Connection*.

The weekly bulletin & other info can be found here: <http://www.stmaryoftheassumption.org>

1. PARISH TRANSITION

This attachment will be available in this weekend's bulletin. **Our parish is a strong parish:** a great sense of community, regularly receiving new parishioners; a multicultural community that draws people from our surrounding communities and the metropolitan Baltimore area; the impact that we have in our communities, including the promotion of peace and justice; among other qualities. **Our parish will continue to be an important part of promoting "Gospel growth" in our city.**



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The listserve will be entrusted to the Parish Office Manager, who will issue Parish Bereavement Notices as necessary. Then my successor will determine the parameters in which other announcements are broadcast. This email address (stmarypastor@gmail.com) will be closed on Wednesday, January 26th. Any correspondents can use rharris@archbalt.org in the future.

2. PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE MONTHLY "FAMILY LITURGY" ON SUNDAY

It will be celebrated on Sunday at 10 AM. Our children will be participating by reading the Word of God, leading us in intercessory prayer, among other things. All are welcome.

3. BERMUDA CRUISE RAFFLE – WINNING TICKET DRAWN ON JANUARY 22

Royal Caribbean Enchantment of the Seas from September 3-8, 2011 in a balcony cabin for two. **Raffle Ticket for \$20.** Winning ticket will be drawn during the Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, January 22. Winner need not be present to attend. **NOTE: A minimum of 200 tickets must be sold before we can determine a winner. Otherwise your tickets are a donation and are non-refundable.** (Package value is \$2000) Travel arrangements by Far Corners Travel, 740 Dulaney Valley Road, Towson, MD 21204 (410.337.7700). Tickets will be available after most Sunday Masses this weekend.

4. ANNUAL PARISH SPAGHETTI DINNER – SATURDAY, JANUARY 22 (5 PM – 9 PM)

The dinner will be held in the parish hall. Tickets are: \$10 (*General Admission*); \$5 (*Children aged 6-10*); and FREE (*Children 5 years and younger*). It includes a plate of pasta with meatballs, salad, & a soft drink. Carry-out prices are \$10. Dessert is \$2. Beer and wine: \$4/glass. Can you help our parish by volunteering during the dinner? Sign-ups will be available in the Gathering Space after the Sunday Masses this weekend. Or you can send your name to Lisa O'Reilly (lisastmary@aol.com).

5. HANDEL CHOIR OF BALTIMORE CONCERT – SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

Once again, our parish is hosting this concert sponsored by The P. Francis Murphy Initiative on **Sunday, January 30 at 4 PM in the church.** Tickets: via the internet at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/124794 or contact the Murphy Initiative at 410.823.8585 ext. 250. Cost is \$25 (*General Admission*) or \$15 (*Student*).

**Let us continue to live joyfully as servants of God, according to the Word of God,
in cooperation with the grace of God (cf. Luke 1:38).**

Father Raymond Harris, *Pastor*