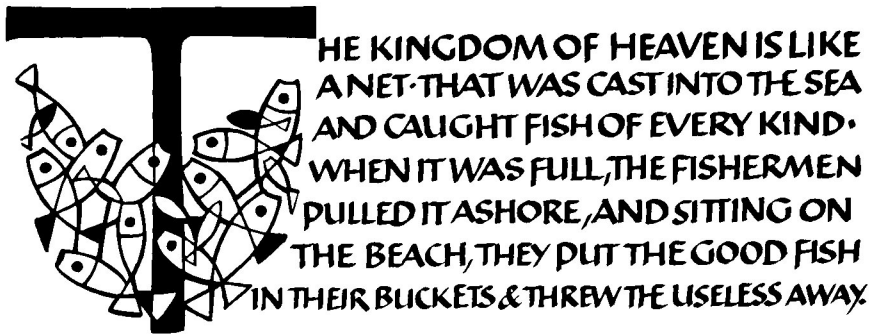


# 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time C

February 7, 2010



## Readings for February 14

Jeremiah 17:5-8 / 1 Corinthians 12, 16-20 /  
Luke 6:17, 20-26

## Welcome to new parishioners

Helen & Roxton (Rocky) Hundley

## Hospitalized

The following member of our parish was in the hospital this week. Please remember her with a prayer, card or visit. Janet Fox was in GBMC.

**Please note:** If you or a family member is going to or is already in the hospital, please call the rectory office so we can visit and add the name to our prayer list. Hospitals do not inform us when a parishioner is admitted.

### *Meditation*

Today's readings all concern God's call to service. After Isaiah is cleansed of his sins, he answers God's call saying, "Send me." Through God's mercy, Paul was forgiven his persecution of the Church and called to be an apostle. Peter, James and John accept the call to service after having their fishing nets filled through Jesus' intervention. In each event, God's call comes in the midst of daily life. Let us ask the Lord to open our hearts so that we too will be ready and willing to answer his call.

*Join us to welcome Fr. Raymond Harris,  
Our New Parishioners and Sacramental Families*

Sunday, February 14  
10 a.m. Mass in church

Followed by brunch in the hall  
featuring  
juice, pancakes, sausage, fruit, coffee, tea, hot chocolate

*A free will offering will be gratefully accepted.*

# This Week at St. Mary

## Sunday, February 7

PREP - 9 a.m. - Hall

## Monday, February 8

Welcoming Committee Meeting - 6:30 p.m. - Dining Room

## Wednesday, February 10

Development Committee Meeting - 6:30 p.m. - Dining Room

## Thursday, February 11

Choir Rehearsal - 7:30 p.m. - Church

## Friday, February 12

Boy Scouts - 7:30 p.m. - Hall

## Sunday, February 14

New Parishioners/Sacramental Families Mass - 10 a.m. - Church

Pancake Breakfast following - Hall

## Finances for the week of January 31

Offertory collection	\$3,528.50
Miscellaneous	114.70
Envelope cost donation	5.00
Parish Development	5.00
Total income for the week	\$3,653.20
Catholic Relief Services	15.00

**Thank you for your generous support of the parish. Please remember that our Offertory collection must be at least \$8,213 each week to meet our budget. The second collection this weekend is for Parish Development.**

Mass attendance: 4:30 pm - 27, 8:00 am - 30, 10:00 am - 97, 12 pm - 90; Total 234

## Mass Intentions - February 8-14

Monday	Pauline Allison (living)	Saturday, 12 pm	Kitty Beck (living)
Tuesday	Betty Ruth (living)	Saturday, 4:30 pm	Joan Morrison (living)
Wednesday	Betty Ruth (living)	Sunday, 8 am	
Thursday	Rene Holder (living)	Sunday, 10 am	Raymond Obot
Friday	Pauline Allison (living)	Sunday, 12 pm	

## 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time C February 6-7

## 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time C February 13-14

### Clergy Schedule

**Saturday**  
4:30 PM — Fr Raymond

**Sunday**  
8:00 AM — Fr Raymond

10:00 AM — Fr Raymond

12:00 PM — Fr. Raymond

**Saturday**  
4:30 PM — TBA

**Sunday**  
8:00 AM — TBA  
10:00 AM — TBA

12:00 PM — TBA

Daily Mass

Every Day - 12 noon

### Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers		Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
4:30 PM	Dianne McHale	*Marge Ayd Darlene Fields Marilyn Murray	4:30 PM	Katy Chasney Betty Howard	Donna Blackwell Rosemary Grace *Dianne McHale
8:00 AM	Milton Dugger Barbara Dugger	Elizabeth Graf JoAnn Morton *Tom Morton	8:00 AM	John Petrik Helene Perry	Barbara Dugger Milton Dugger *Margaret Isaacs
10:00 AM	Vicky Smith Jim Morris	Linda Butt John Butt Heather Franklin *Mark McGlone Connor McDade	10:00 AM	Ron McDade Linda Kohler	Linda Butt Heather Franklin Janie Harris *Maggie Madden Allen Stith
12:00 PM	Ellen Young	*Pam Goldman Mary Ann Rodavitch Betty Nell Wagner	12:00 PM	Ellen Young	*Joan Muth Betty Nell Wagner La'Nae Whitfield

The van driver for Sunday, February 14 is Jeff Briscoe.

## PASTOR'S COLUMN

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always. My first pastor's column will be a series of notes.

**Thank you** - I am very grateful for your hospitality since my appointment as your next pastor. I extend my profound gratitude to the Pastoral Staff and the support staff for their work, especially during the transition period that began last September. I include in these thanks: Fathers Jim Kiesel, Patrick Besel, Rochus Hoat, and John Junamoy for assisting our parish with the celebration of the Eucharist. I am most grateful to Father Jim, the Temporary Administrator of the Parish, for his assistance during the transition period. The very hard work of our lay leadership, beginning with the Pastoral Council is very much appreciated.

**Moving** - I have moved most of my belongings into the rectory. The experience has served as an occasion to simply my life. Maybe I will have a yard sale very soon or join it to the next parish yard sale. I am very grateful to the lay leadership who coordinated the renovation of my suite. It looks great. There is some work to do in my first floor office. I appreciate your patience in advance

**Activities in the parish** - During these first weeks in the parish, I will be getting familiar with procedures and policies. I will meet with some of our committees, including the Pastoral Council. I will also meet with leaders of community organizations, such as GEDCO.

My weekly "day-off" will usually occur on Fridays. I am sure that you can appreciate the need for priests to take their "day-off" as one of the means to prevent the occurrence of "burnout."

**Telephone System & Emergencies** - We are working on the telephone system. It is my hope that the voice mail is revised by the time you are reading this bulletin. It is also my hope that we have settled on a procedure for emergencies after office hours with a dedicated phone for that purpose.

**Pastor's Column** - This weekly column will be one of the ways that I will communicate with you about parish matters. I will also write a catechetical series on some topic (e.g., Lent, Catholic Social Teaching, Sacraments) for this column. The next column will

## Cemetery Sales

We are now selling columbarium niches for cremains (ashes of the deceased). Prices are \$2,300 for the bottom row and \$2,500 for all other rows. Please contact the rectory at 410-435-5900 if you are interested. We will be glad to give you an appointment to view the columbaria on site. We also have a limited number of in-ground lots available at \$2,500 each.

be a narrative autobiography that fills in the outline of my Curriculum Vitae.

**Canon Law** - I passed my comprehensive exam. Many thanks for praying for me. However, I have to complete my thesis (60 - 80 pages) to finish the requirements for the licentiate in canon law (J.C.L.). A licentiate is an ecclesiastical degree, somewhat akin to a master's degree. In addition to serving as your pastor, I will be using the degree to serve in the Archdiocesan Tribunal part-time (i.e., several hours on a particular day of the week). I will be using those part-time hours in February and March to finish my thesis. God willing, I will graduate from The Catholic University of America in May.

**Archbishop's Appeal** - Next weekend is Commitment Sunday. While most parishes are holding it this weekend, I did not want to begin my first weekend with you with the words, "I am your new pastor. Now, pass the commitment cards down the pew. . . ." While this is a time of major economic difficulty, please prayerfully consider if you can pledge an amount for the benefit of designated ministries in our archdiocese and beyond. A portion of your contribution will be given back to our parish.

**Concluding words** - Let us pray for one another as we strive to live joyfully as servants of God according to the Word of God with the help of the grace of God.

**Father Raymond Harris**

## Our Daily Bread

Macaroni and Cheese casseroles are due next weekend. Please bring to the rectory Sunday before 12 p.m. Please label your casseroles, and if possible, freeze them before bringing them to the rectory. Thanks.

## Please Remember the Poor Box This Month.

Our Poor Box donations go to **Harford House & Mica House**, our residences and job training center for formerly homeless men and women.

Many thanks for your contributions.

### **Please pray for all the sick of the parish:**

Enoch, Espinosa, Matricini & Sainz families, Nelson Arnold, Catherine Andrews, Bob and Marge Ayd, Lucile Baudot, Mary Baumgartner, Kathy Besel, Shirley Cantelaupo, Paul Coleman, Bob Danner, Martha DeVoe, Mary Patricia Donohue, Sue Francis, Teresa Henson, Phyllis James, Elaine Kloid, Stephen Long, Jack and Dana Lowe, Paul Lyon, Sarah McCardell, Cathy and Jack Nolan, Deborah Randall, Daniel Seynuk, John Skipper, Emma Staedler, Ella Stewart, Phil Townes, Margaret Walsh, Kyla Zeilinger

### **Troop 133 news**

Last weekend was one of the more memorable 133 camping adventures finding Troop 133 up at Camp Puh'tok in the middle of a snow storm.

Saturday began with the troop flag raising ceremony at 8 a.m. followed by each patrol cooking breakfast outdoors. The rest of the morning involved teaching scouts skills (i.e., hypothermia, etc.) with a football game commencing around 11:15. As the game began so did the snow!

After building a nice fire and enjoying lunch outdoors, 133 hiked up to the Camp Puh'tok horse corral. With a heavy snow falling, our scouts fed and watered the horses. After taking care of the horses we hiked around the rest of the camp enjoying snowball fights and the scenery. At the end of the day we lowered the flag and headed back to our site. Along the way a serious snowball battle erupted. Brendan Findley fired a snowball that nailed the scoutmaster in the back of the head. Zach Thomas took three direct hits to the face but later took revenge out on Liam Kelly. Dinner featured hotdogs and tacos. Saturday night dissolved into a vicious Monopoly game. You wouldn't believe the cunning, the deal making, the cursing and crying that occurs during a Troop 133 Monopoly game!

Sunday morning we cleaned up, packed our packs, and loaded up the cars. Our final activity before leaving Puh'tok was to hold a scout interfaith religious service. Back to good ole St. Mary's!

Know anyone who would benefit from scouting? Call John Davis, 410-615-6718.

### **Pancake Breakfast**

We are looking for a few good men and women to help with the breakfast on Sunday, February 14 anytime before, during or after the 10 a.m. Mass. We are also requesting donations of cut-up fruit — apples, pineapple, oranges, grapefruit, grapes, etc. If you can volunteer and/or donate, please call Peggy Egan at 410-532-6579.

## *Religious Education & other notes*

This weekend we are having PREP in the hall for the first time this year. With the school closure and its renovation, we are holding our PREP classes once a month in the hall, with the same teachers, of course!

Some of you might not have had a chance to donate to any Haitian collection so we'd like to give you that opportunity next weekend, February 13/14 when there will be a loose change collection after all Masses, taken by the PREP children and families. So now is the time to empty that "dirt jar" as we call it in Dublin! We will be donating our collection to Catholic Relief Services, who have done wonders with NO discernible headquarters since the earthquake and who have very long-term and well-honed connections. The money will be used wisely by them in the coming months.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will take place EVERY Sunday from now on so come downstairs and don't hold back! Family Mass Drama will happen at the 10 a.m. Mass once a month too, so lots of ways to be involved. (*Isn't there always some sort of family drama?*)

All those who are in grade 8 or higher and who have NOT registered with me for Confirmation are invited to do so before FEBRUARY 17. There is an introductory meeting for all Confirmation parents on Sunday, February 21 at 6 p.m. at St. Thomas More, and first class for students is on Saturday, March 20, for an all day retreat. Information and schedule have been sent to already known families — let me know if you are still interested. Confirmation this year will be at Blessed Sacrament, November 21.

Lastly, thanks to all families and children for stepping up to the plate over the past few months of this time of transition and change. The dust is settling, and we say a special WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S to Father Raymond this week. We will all get a chance to really say hello next week at the pancake breakfast. So, don't be shy and come on down!

Peace, Lisa

### **Spaghetti Dinner**

A special Thank You to all the volunteers and Parish Council members who helped make the dinner an enjoyable event for one and all. Thanks to our sponsors: Cafe Hon/Denise Whiting, Nelson-Coleman Jewelers and Well's Discount Liquors for their generous donations. Thanks to Jerry Browning of St. Francis of Assisi Parish for sharing his time and sauce recipe for the second year in a row.

Thanks to all of you for showing your continued support in the parish's fun/fund-raising efforts.

Cheers!

Rita Hartman  
Parish Council