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CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

8:30 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon,
7:00 PM

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office ext. 221

Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:30 am to 11:30 am
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Wednesday mornings closed.

Sunday: 9:30 am to 1:00 pm
6:30 to 8:30 pm

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Please call Fr. Dan Callahan,
ext. 226, for more information.

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
See CWL Bulletin Board for Details
Children's Liturgy

10:00 AM Mass

Sunday School

10:00 AM Mass

Weekly Sacramental Preparation
Development & Peace

www.devpo.org

3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Meditation Group

Mondays, 7:15 PM

Merry Makers

3rd Tuesday, 12:15 PM

Prayer Group

Wednesdays after mass

Parish Council

Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society

2nd Wednesday, 7:30 PM

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers

Call the office

Eucharistic Ministers

Andrew O'Handley

Lectors:

Maryanne Chard

10:00AM Choir

Susan McElcheran

Rehearsal: Thursday 7:00 PM

12:00 Noon Choir

Chris McConnell

Rehearsal: Tuesdays 7:00 PM

Ushers:

George Ramirez

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the
Religious Education office. Couples
expecting a child are encouraged to
contact the office before the child is
born. Please call Ms. Sheila Malloch,
ext. 222, for more information.

MARRIAGE

Please call Fr. Dan at least one year
prior to the planned wedding date.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 28

Hebrews 9:15, 24-28 Psalm 98

Mark 3:22-30

5:30 pm Anna & Joe Jacina +

Tuesday, January 29

Hebrews 10:1-10 Psalm 40

Mark 3:31-35

5:30 pm A Special Intention

Wednesday, January 30

Hebrews 10:11-18 Psalm 110

Mark 4:1-20

5:30 pm Deceased of the Parish

Thursday January 31

Hebrews 10:19-25 Psalm 24

Mark 4:21-25

5:30 pm Int. of Fr. Dan

Friday, February 1

Hebrews 10:32-39 Psalm 37

Mark 4:26-34

5:30 pm Zena Mandsia +

Saturday, February 2

Malachi 3:1-4 Psalm 24

Luke 2:22-40

5:30 pm Walter Shymchak+

Sunday, February 3

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19 Psalm 71

1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Luke 4:21-30

8:30 am Our First Communion Class

10:00 am The Parish Community

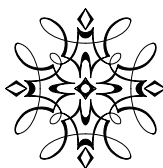
12:00 noon Deceased Friars

7:00 pm Our Confirmation Class

Monthly Comparison for: December

Offertory	2011	2012
Envelopes	\$16,260	\$22,947
Loose	\$7,429	\$5,829
PAG*	\$7,780	\$7,694
Total	\$31,469	\$36,470

* Pre-Authorized Giving
Contributions for the Building
Maintenance Fund were 4,237.00
Christmas Collection total: \$20,003.00



THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Peace and Goodness to all!

**IN PLACE OF THE ORDINARY PASTOR'S CORNER,
I WOULD LIKE TO ADDRESS AN IMPORTANT ISSUE.**

In the past several months, I have experienced a shift in the relationships between funeral directors and the Church. This has involved families talking with funeral director companies for such things as pre-arranged funerals, and services to be held at the funeral parlor chapels. It ends with the funeral directors telephoning me after the arrangements are set with the expectation that I will preside over a funeral at the funeral home at a time that I had not known about, and when I had prior commitments. It is also not permitted to celebrate the Mass of Christian Burial in a funeral parlor chapel. This has been quite disturbing because a family funeral is always something for which I attempt to change every scheduled appointment to meet the needs of a family who is dealing with the grief at the death of a loved one. This is not possible when the arrangements are set without my being a part of the discussion.

At times I have met with families in the hospitals and anointed the sick to assure them that we will be happy to do the mass of Christian burial, only to have the funeral home make other arrangements which do not include the Church directly in the funeral arrangements. I do not know what happened in these situations except to realize that if the mass of Christian burial happens at all, it is only after the fact and in a way that is not appropriate. For this reason, I am addressing the issues that are important for you and the parish. It is an important witness to our family members and friends that our faith is central to our lives. The Mass expresses this beautifully. Parishioners with whom we worship weekly or daily usually attend the funerals of parishioners who have died, because we are members of the Body of Christ as a worship community. To be able to celebrate closure and appreciation for our lives in Christ is a gift that the Mass of Christian Burial brings to the whole community as well as our families.

If you wish to have the mass of Christian Burial for yourself or family members, please call me before you call a funeral director, so we can discuss the regular protocols for the Church and the Mass of Christian Burial. This will help you to inform the funeral director of your wishes as the funeral procedures are set in place. Not all funeral directors are familiar with Catholic ritual procedures. It is also important that you talk with your family members about your wishes and that you make them known, perhaps in your will, that you want to have a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated after death. Sometimes our family members or friends are not aware of how important our faith is to us. The Mass of Christian Burial gives an opportunity to celebrate life as it is eternally granted to all who participate in the life of the Eucharist that is the source and summit of our life in the Church.

Many will presume that these wishes will be known by the family or close friends, yet it is my experience that in these times, such is not always the case. The ordinary manner to proceed is that when someone is close to death, the parish is informed so that we can go to administer the sacraments, and we can discuss the arrangements. When someone dies unexpectedly, it is best to call the parish office or myself directly and I will drop everything to attend to your needs.

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Pastor's Corner Continued.

The funeral arrangements usually entail my going to the funeral parlor for the viewing to say prayers and meet the family to arrange the mass of Christian Burial. The body is then brought to the Church for the Mass, and either brought to the cemetery for burial or brought to the crematorium and the ashes are then buried at a later time. Sometimes the body is cremated after the viewing and then the Mass of Christian Burial is celebrated with the ashes present at a later time, and then the cremains are brought to a cemetery or columbarium. Having the body present is preferable for the symbolic value, but either is acceptable in the Catholic rituals.

What is most important is that the Mass of Christian Burial is celebrated for deceased Catholics to honour the life of faith and the Sacramental Life of all individuals who are incorporated into the Body of Christ through Baptism and the Eucharist. This participation in the life death and Resurrection of Christ is the most important part of our lives as Christians. It is only fitting that this be remembered in the Mass of Christian Burial to celebrate life in Christ for all eternity.

I pray this will help us all to consider these important matters, and let you know that we are here to serve all from birth and baptism through the sacramental life of Eucharist, Confirmation, Marriage, Professed Religious life or Ordination through death in Christ who is the Resurrection and the Life of All.

In the Love and Joy of Christ.

Fr. Dan

Taize Prayer

The Presentation Brothers are hosting a Taize Prayer Session at the Friary at 15 Laxton Ave., (Queen & Lansdowne) Wed. Jan 30, 2013 at 6:30 pm. ***Can you not watch and pray with me for one Hour?*** As the Friary has limited space we ask that you contact Br. Francis at 415 537-0327 if you are attending.

World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

Sat Feb. 2, the Church celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. The purpose of this day is "to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels" as well as "to be a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervor which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord"- Pope John Paul II. In our Archdiocese we are blessed to have living and serving among us over that 1000 religious men and women of over 100 religious congregations. This World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brother and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsel of poverty, chastity and obedience. There will be a special Mass next Sun. Feb. 3 at 3:00pm at St. Paul's Basilica, in celebration of the vocation and witness to these special men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome to attend.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, January 29

Religious Education

7:30 pm Parish Council Mini AGM

Wednesday, January 30

Staff Meeting

Bible Saturday/ RCIA

Thursday, January 31

7:00 pm Marriage Prep Class

Please pray for:

The Deceased: Jim Gregoire,
Ivan Dudzinski, Theresa Burke

Future Dates to Remember

Tuesday, February 5

7:15 pm Building Committee

**Development and Peace Action
Campaign -2013**

Did you know that the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) has drastically cut funding to D and P as well as several other Canadian development organizations such as the Mennonite Central Committee and KAIROS, impeding the ability of these organizations to work in solidarity with the poor?

Old School Social!

We are looking to gather parish members who remember 8-tracks and cassette tapes (think born in the 70's or 80's) to join us at these upcoming socials.

1) Wine & Cheese, Friday, Feb.
15th 7pm-9 pm Church Hall

2) Continental Brunch, Sunday
Feb. 17th, 11:30am-1:30 pm in the
Church Hall

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