

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 30, 2009**

~Children's Liturgy of the Word will resume in October. A planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 3rd at 7:30 pm in the Youth Room of the Msgr. McCall Center. We welcome new volunteers to help lead or assist. If interested in learning more, please contact Katie Harmon Kharmaon@comcast.net.

Mass Intentions for the Week – - Aug. 31-Sept.6

Weekday

7:30 AM Monday – Friday - Communion Service

9:00 AM

Monday Primo Paccione
Tuesday Richard Raborg
Wednesday Theresa Franconski
Thursday Mr. Geisendaffer
Friday Gabriel Paccione



Weekend

4:00 PM Bernard J. Loraditch
7:30 AM Ross Conley
9:00 AM Edward Burger
11:00 AM Audrey Schulmeyer



BANNS OF MARRIAGE – 1st Time
Joseph Jackson, Jr. and Sharon Richter of St. Mark



Baptisms – We welcome into our Parish Family of St. Mark through the Sacrament of Baptism: **James Anthony Malena and Eian Patrick Schrader**. Congratulations to

their parents!



Evening Aerobics to begin Sept 14th – Monday & Wednesday 7 pm – 8 pm. It runs for 10 weeks & the cost is still \$30. For information & sign up call Pat (410) 877-3301.

Senior Aerobics which is designed for 55 & over begins on Sept. 15th. It runs for 10 weeks & is on Tues. & Thurs. mornings 9:30 am – 10:30 am. For information & sign up call Kathy (410) 879-3357.



Come One....Come All_ Come two by Two or One by One! St. Mark's Dinner Group is celebrating 28 years of good food and good times! Groups of 4 couples/singles meet 4 times during the upcoming year for fun, food, beverages and fellowship. A great way to get better acquainted with the people we see every weekend and meet some new people. It is simply a great way to be a part of the St. Mark community. Please think about it, talk about it & give it a try! **Contact Lisa Gardner or Paul Harper for more details & to sign up – (410) 877-2974 (H), (410) 882-6330 (W), P3L@aol.com**. Kick off wine & cheese meet and greet will be **Sunday, Sept. 27th 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm in the White Hall at St. Mark's Church.**

Readings for next weekend #1015

Isaiah 35: 4-7a

James 2: 1-5

Mark 7: 31-37

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE REFLECTION
22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8 * James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27
Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. (James 1 21-22)

Adult: Which words of Jesus provide the most inspiration for the Christian work that you do?

Child: How do you welcome the words of Jesus into your heart?

TREASURER'S REPORT AUGUST 23, 2009

357 Envelopes: \$ 8,932.50
Loose: 2,625.11
\$ 11,557.61

Poor Box: \$743.60

PARISH COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Atlantic City Bus Trip – St. Mark's is sponsoring a bus trip to Atlantic City on Tuesday, October 6th – Cost \$28. Casino to be announced. Sign up at the Rectory.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED!!! There are children in our area that need **school supplies** as well as **new or nearly new back packs**. Please bring these school supplies and back packs to the Narthex. **It will be greatly appreciated!**



~EARLY BIRD BULL & OYSTER TICKETS (\$32) ARE AVAILABLE AT THE RECTORY NOW UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30th thereafter the price will be \$34. The Roast is on Sunday, Oct 25th from 2-6 pm

Also, we need donations, i.e., wine, cakes or prizes for the Silent Auction or Wheel – just drop off at the Rectory. Thank you!

R.C.I.A. Who are these classes for?

- * Those who want to become Catholic
- * Catholics who have never made their First Holy Communion or been Confirmed
- * A Catholic who wishes to return to their faith
- * Any Catholic who wishes to become more knowledgeable in their faith

If you are interested in or want more information about R.C.I.A., please call Charlotte (410) 879-8881.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS!

~New email is: reled@saintmarkfallston.org

School is back in session & our Office Hours are Monday through Thursday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.



~The **Faith Formation Committee** of the Pastoral Council is responsible for the planning & execution of all areas of Religious Education for the children, youth & adults of our Parish. We welcome parishioners to attend our first committee meeting on Wednesday, September 2nd at 7 pm in the Youth Room of the Msgr. McCall Center.

Religious Ed Information

Our Religious Education registration deadline is past. Registrations will be accepted for the Family Home Study option through Sept. 3rd. If you need the registration form you may download it from the Parish Website www.saintmarkfallston.org.

~Catechist meetings for Kindergarten through Grade 8 are Monday, August 31st @ 6:45 - 8 pm **or** Wednesday, September 2nd 4:45 - 6 pm. Please RSVP to which meeting you will be attending by calling (410) 879-1706.

Welcome letters will be sent home the week of Sept. 13th with your teacher & room number! Open House for students & parents to come visit the classrooms & check out the building the week of Sept. 20th for the first half hour of the normally scheduled class times.

STAND Training is available for adult volunteers online. Any Parishioner interested in volunteering with children or youth must be trained and screened. Please contact the Office of Faith Formation if you are interested in pursuing this rewarding opportunity to serve our Parish Community.

Religious Ed Class Schedule

~Kindergarten Classes start on Sunday, September 27, 2009

at 10:45 am – Noon

~Grades 6, 7, & 8 start on Monday, September 28, 2009 at

6:45 – 8:00 pm

~Grades 1 thru 5 start on either:

Tuesday, September 29, 2009 at 6:45 – 8:00 pm

Wednesday, September 30, 2009 at 4:45 – 6:00 pm

Thursday, October 1, 2009 at 4:45 – 6:00 pm

*Grades 1 thru 8 begin with prayer and a parent meeting (at least one parent for each child MUST attend this first class)

SACRAMENT PREP NEWS!

Confirmation News!

Confirmation Candidates should have turned in their Sponsor Information Forms & their Confirmation Name Forms. Service Opportunities will be advertised for sign-up during class times. If you have not spent time in prayer & reflection for service, please contact the Office of Faith Formation for assistance & guidance.

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Classes start on either:

~Sunday, September 27th at 9:15 – 10:45 am

~Wednesday, September 30th at 6:45 – 8:15 pm

~Any child in Grade 2 or above who is eligible to prepare for First Reconciliation will be invited to prepare this Fall. A parent orientation meeting for perspective Candidates is scheduled for Tuesday, October 6th at 7:00 pm in the Msgr. McCall Center.

YOUTH NEWS

The Youth Ministry Office can be reached by phone (410) 877-1692 Ext. 22 or you may email the office at youthmin@saintmarkfallston.org.

~We're still looking for interested parents & adults to help design a comprehensive approach to healthy youth ministry for the Parish. Please consider volunteering to be part of a committee to meet & plan – Contact the Office of Faith and Formation to add your name to that list!

~Any confirmed High School Student interested in working with the upcoming Confirmation Group (in class, retreat, small group) should contact the Office to get on the email list. Send Kate an email and she will be in touch! **High School Peer Meeting is Monday, October 5, 2009 at 6:30 pm.**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION



Parish Library – When the library reopens on Sundays in mid-September, we will need volunteers. If you can assist in the library one Sunday a month, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon, please call Diane at (410) 557-7672.

PRAYER FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all Creation

All new beginnings are a sign of your love for us

Bless the school year we are about to begin

Fill each day with your grace, that in our teaching

We may continue to grow in your love,

Keep us safe and secure.

Grant us a wealth of patience, compassion and acceptance for ourselves, our students and for each other.

Help us to remember all that we have learned

That we may not forget how blessed we are.

As the year fills with activities, challenges and difficulties,

Let our learning continue

As we live and celebrate the promise

in our Catholic community. Amen.