

# April 6, 2008 ~ Third Sunday of Easter

- From the Pastoral Associate -

*Their eyes were opened and they recognized Him.*

Suppose you and I are chatting after Mass and a stranger strolling down Church Lane stops to join us. "What are you discussing?" he asks. We stop. We are obviously dejected. One of us, maybe you, says to him, "Are you the only one who does not know what things have happened during these years and these centuries?" He replies, "What sort of things?"

You say, "We had promised to continue Christ's works, to revere his presence, to preserve his love so it could overflow through us to everyone. But the Church is fragmented. So much is happening, including betrayal of the Church's mission."

"Yes, a number of our own priests and even bishops have gone against the very mission they were sent to preach. Churches are being closed, parishes are understaffed and dioceses have even declared bankruptcy! So few are entering the priesthood now—how are we even going to have sacraments?"

I gesture to you to calm down, but you go right on talking, "We have crucified Christ all over again! Oh, we were hoping that he would make the whole world come right! What are we to do?"

Jesus says quietly, "How slow of heart you are to believe all that the prophets spoke. Is it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and so bring the world into his glory?" You stutter out a reply. "What do you mean—why should he suffer again? And worse, why would he let all these horrors happen in Darfur and Iraq and Afghanistan and..."

He raises his hand. He begins to tell us all that referred to him in scripture, beginning with Moses and all the prophets. He shows how God had endlessly sought a loving relationship with his people, and how for a while they would enter into it but then would turn their backs on him and run away.

He tells us that there is a way the human heart can say 'Yes' to God and mean it. "One human being has to do it on behalf of us all," he says, "one who is human to the core and yet who will not stop trusting God—even when trapped in mindless suffering and death. As often as you and others like you join with God in this human being's faithfulness and love, the world will be changed." He accompanies us some more and stays with us. He walks with human beings still, with a love so gently strong that we can always count on it, even if we are sinners. It sends us out to others. It is God's love and it is stronger than death.

Maybe the resurrection did happen, you whisper so that the stranger cannot hear. We both nod. We have recognized him. May all of our eyes be open to His presence, accompanying us on our journey(s).

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP



### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Two disciples walk to Emmaus talking about all that has happened, and they meet the risen Lord. Today's passage from Luke is the earliest description of the Mass format. We meet the Lord on our way, he explains the Scriptures and we recognize him in the breaking of the bread. Do our hearts burn within us as he talks to us and explains the Scriptures? Shall we, then, follow him on his way—proclaiming our witness to the risen Lord as the Apostles did? God help us! *Text, Philip J. Sandstrom, STD © 2001, OCP. All rights reserved. Illustration © 2001 S. Erspamer*

### SCHEDULE OF PRESIDERS

Date	Time	Presider	Mass Intention
Apr 5	7:30p	Fr. Ray	Sr. Connie and the People of the Parish
Apr 6	8:00a	Fr. Ray	Patrick/Marian McGinn
Apr 6	10:15a	Fr. Donellan	Sean Walsh
Apr 6	12:00p	Fr. Donellan	Sandra Starr
Apr 7	7:30a	Fr. Ray	Linda Watkins' Intent.
Apr 8	7:30a	Fr. Ray	Micah Grace Resti
Apr 9	7:30a	Fr. Ray	Raymond/Mary Finney
Apr 10	7:30a	Fr. Ray	John Smith
Apr 11	7:30a	Fr. Ray	Sandra Starr
Apr 12	5:00p	Fr. Ray	Tanavage/Bruckey Fam.
Apr 13	8:00a	Fr. Donellan	George Kroen
Apr 13	10:15p	Fr. Ray	People of the Parish
Apr 13	12:00p	Fr. Ray	Sandra Starr

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

*Many people have found it a blessing to pray and reflect on God's Word each week. Here are the readings for this weekend and for next weekend.*

#### Readings for Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

*Acts 2: 14, 22-23 | 1 Pt 1: 17-21 | Lk 24: 13-35*

#### Readings for Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>

*Acts 2: 14a, 36-41 | 1 Pt 2: 20b-25 | Jn 10: 1-10*

### REMINDER: CHURCH SANCTUARY

We remind everyone that the main altar and side altars are to be revered by a simple bow or genuflection—only the priest celebrant is to kiss the altar and all liturgical ministers should take care to avoid soiling the altar linens. Thank you.

## LET US PRAY WITH OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

*"To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven."*

- Ecclesiastes 3:1

### ...a time to heal

Bill Cooke; Debbie Crouch; Leo McGinn; Matt Rudert, Ann Cooper, Fran Contrino, Pauline Lee; Julie Caplan; Israel Caplan; Nick DeLeonardis; Peggy Moan; Rose McNally; Pat East; Edwin Sinnott; Cas Raszewski; Ann Marie Goddard; Ed Wheatley; John Shipley; Kathy Spiegel; Peter Haag; Rebecca Schmedes; Robert Wellbrock; June Roach; Ed Schmedes; Charles Beck, Sr.; Harry Dill; Vivian Pena; Ramon Fonseca; James Young; Helen Gross; Bea Shaw; Dorothy Cremen; Frank Feeser; Claude Williams;; Pat DeSantis; James Shanklin, Sr.; Donald Crouch; Sumner T. Whillier; Yolanda Groves; Dina Strauss; Andrea Summers; Jenelle Christy; Brenda Peterson; Ernie Goodman; Bill Wells; Connie Moreland; Norberta Winborne; Irene Perez; James Hall, Jr.; Catherine Lewis; Fran Murray; Andre Thompson; Ruby & Edward McCarthy; John Kammer; Fr. Frank McGauley; Josephine Milovitz; Roman Zabicki; Pat Brum; Janice Whittaker; Joseph Laffin; Carmella DeSantis; Janice Skipman; Mildred Laychak; Jamie Lease; Butch Umegbolu; Robert Gibbs; Curtis Lambdin; Henry (Don) Dutton; Ernie Muhlmatt; Joe & Rose Mettle; Jerome Hisley; Ralph & Paul Thompson; James Hall; Kim Murray; Alesia Wegrzyn; Guido Bortot; Dorothy Schuster; Dorothy Smith; Mary Jane Pahl; Matthew Rudert; Emma Amato; Margaret Tanavage; William Gerald; Nancy Tillson; Rose Campagna; Mark Tillson; Charles Murray; Marta Williams; Len Zgorski; Margaret Nossel

### ...a time to die

Alfonso DeLeonardis  
Alex Gilpin  
Richard Higgins  
Mercedes Pope

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.*

### **PLEASE NOTE**

Each week, we are blessed to pray for community members, friends, and family who are ill or in distress. We usually include names of people in the bulletin for a period of five weeks. If you would like a name to remain on the list longer—or would like to be on for a shorter length of time—please let us know when you call the Parish Office between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm. Thank you.

## FAITH FORMATION & EVANGELIZATION

### FIRST COMMUNION

CONGRATULATIONS to Rosemary Mezu on making her First Communion at the 10:15am Mass this weekend. May we all rejoice as One Body of Christ in her sharing in the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.

### CONFIRMATION

The final preparation session is this **Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**, at 6:00pm in the rectory basement meeting room. Please bring your growth plans from your *Have Faith* books. We will also discuss letters, interviews and Confirmation names.



### B.A.S.I.C.

**Brothers And Sisters In Christ** is our parish's Youth Ministry program for high school teens.

We will resume our program on Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup> with Fr. Ray Chase as our guest presenter.

To see photos, reflections, and more from last weekend's annual Archdiocesan Pilgrimage for Youth, go to: [www.catholicYMblog.com](http://www.catholicYMblog.com)

### SPRING YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

**"UNPLUG AND LIVE"**

Fr. Erik Arnold, Fr. Brian Nolan, Fr. Michael DeAscanis, and Fr. Jim Sorra invite young adults (18–35 years old) to get **"UNPLUGGED from the distraction of the world and LIVE with your relationship with God"** at Camp Maria Retreat Center in Leonardtown, MD from **Friday April 18<sup>th</sup> – Sunday April 20<sup>th</sup>**. The cost is \$125—including lodging and food. For more info, contact Melissa Serafin at 410-255-4646 or [mserafin@stjane.org](mailto:mserafin@stjane.org)

### CLI: CHURCH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

**Are you active in a parish ministry?  
Would you like to develop your ministry and leadership skills?**

CLI is the archdiocesan ministry formation program for those active in parish ministry. CLI provides a basic foundation and formation in theology, spirituality, and ministry specific leadership skills. If you want to become more competent in your current ministry—or are just interested in enhancing your ministerial skills—then CLI is for you. Contact the Division of Ministry Formation and Development at 410-547-5470 or [cli@archbalt.org](mailto:cli@archbalt.org)



**Our Parish's Inter  
Generational Faith  
Formation Program!**

**Theme:**

**SOLIDARITY WITH ALL GOD'S PEOPLE**

"Those who are more influential, because they have a greater share of goods and common services, should feel responsible for the weaker and be ready to share with them all they possess...the Church feels called to take her stand beside the poor, to discern the justice of their requests, and to help satisfy them, without losing sight of the good of groups in the context of the common good." [#39]

- Pope John Paul II  
*On Social Concern* (1987)

"In our service of charity, we must be inspired and distinguished by a specific attitude: we must care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to become neighbors to everyone (cf. Luke 10:29-37) and to show special favor to those who are poorest, most alone and most in need. In helping the hungry, the thirsty, the foreigner, the naked, the sick, the imprisoned—as well as the child in the womb and the old person who is suffering or near death—we have the opportunity to serve Jesus. He himself said: 'As you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me' (Matthew 25:40)." [#87]

- Pope John Paul II  
*The Gospel of Life* (1996)

**You can learn more by using the GOF materials in the church vestibule, or check out the GOF page on the parish website at:**

[www.ourstcharles.org/pages/gof](http://www.ourstcharles.org/pages/gof)

**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND THIS MONTH'S  
GOF SESSION ON CARE FOR GOD'S  
CREATION ON SUNDAY APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>  
AT 11:30AM IN THE PARISH CENTER.**

**ADULTS:** Our next adult-oriented Friday evening GOF session on our bishops' statement, "**Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship**," will be held on **Friday April 18<sup>th</sup>** (NOT the 11<sup>th</sup> as was erroneously published in the monthly calendar insert) at **7:00pm** in the rectory, and will include prayer, learning, faith sharing and a light meal. Cost is \$5. Contact Chris at 410-486-5400 for more information. Find the document online at: [www.usccb.org/bishops/FCStatement.pdf](http://www.usccb.org/bishops/FCStatement.pdf)

**STEWARDSHIP**

**- What I Do With What I Have Been Given  
When I Believe in God -**

**The Christian Community of St. Charles needs every member to own its mission and work to accomplish it.**

Thank you to all who made pledges to the Lenten Appeal. As members of the Body of Christ and this faith community each of us has a part in the work of evangelization and catechesis. We also share in the life and work of the Archdiocese of Baltimore. We are many people but one Church, one family. If you have not had a chance to make your pledge or gift to the Archbishop's Lenten Appeal, please do so today. This Appeal is an opportunity to reach out and help provide the ministries and services by which our Archdiocese does the work of Christ—in our community and beyond. Thank you for your support of this important appeal and may God Bless you for your generosity.

	<b>Week</b>	<b>Month</b>
Envelopes	\$4,063	\$22,629
Loose	\$884	\$5,025
Maintenance, A/C & Fuel	\$840	\$5,339
Over (-Under) Budgeted expenses of \$7600/week	-\$1,813	-\$4,762
Catholic Relief Services		\$96
Easter Offering	\$525	\$7,981
Lenten Offering	\$30	\$2,226
Good Friday		\$1,535
Poor Box	\$51	\$468
Attendance		
Holy Thursday		125
Good Friday		246
Weekend	467	2,702

**127 Envelopes Used - 493 Envelopes Sent**

**MAY GOD'S CONTINUED BLESSINGS BE YOURS.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER ST. CHARLES  
BORROMEO PARISH IN YOUR WILL.**

Because of the generous contribution of a former parishioner we were able to purchase a much needed **food warmer for the parish center kitchen** which will be used during parish dinners and other functions. If you are able to make a donation toward other needed kitchen equipment, please contact the Parish Office.

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR OPERATION RICE BOWL  
DONATION BOWLS TO THE COLLECTION BIN IN  
THE CHURCH VESTIBULE. THANK YOU.**

## PARISH EVENTS CALENDAR

Date	Time	Place	Event
Apr 6	9:00am	Rectory	RCIA Inquiry
Apr 6	6:00pm	Rectory Basement	Confirmation Meeting
Apr 7	10:30am	Rectory	Scripture Study
Apr 7	8:00pm	Parish Center	Band
Apr 7	8:00pm	Rectory Basement	Nar-a-non
Apr 8	8:00am - 9:00am	Church	Eucharistic Adoration
Apr 8	1:30pm	Rectory Basement	Quilters
Apr 8	7:15pm	Parish Center	BASIC
Apr 9	11:00am	Church/ Rectory	Silverliners
Apr 9	8:00-9:30pm	Rectory Basement	A. A.
Apr 10	7:00pm	Church	Contemporary Choir

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Our annual Italian Dinner will take place on **Saturday April 19<sup>th</sup>**. There will be a delicious new menu. Adults are \$13; Children under 12 years are \$5; and those 5 years and under are FREE. Reservations are necessary so make yours early. Call the Parish Office at 410-486-5400 for ticket information.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS is returning to St. Charles Borromeo this June. Get ready to explore the **"Rainforest Adventure"** from 6:00pm – 8:30pm on **Monday 6/23 thru Friday 6/27.**

### JOHN ANGOTTI: IN CONCERT

Internationally recognized award-winning composer and recording artist John Angotti will be performing on **Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm** at The Church of the Resurrection in Ellicott City (3175 Paulskirk Drive, 21042). Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for youth (17 & under). For more information or tickets call 410-461-9111 X 204.

### Super 100

Tickets for the new round are now on sale. You can get yours after Mass or at the rectory (Mon–Fri, 9am–5pm). Please help support this important parish fundraiser.

## SERVICE AND OUTREACH

– *Seeing Christ in Those Whom I Serve* –

### PASTORAL VISITORS

#### **2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL MASS OF RECOGNITION**

On **Sunday April 27<sup>th</sup>**, Archbishop O'Brien will celebrate a special Mass of recognition for all Archdiocesan Pastoral Visitors to the Sick & Homebound at 9:30am at St. Ignatius Church (740 N. Calvert Street, 21202). This mass will be broadcast live on WBAL 1090AM for Radio Mass of Baltimore. A reception for the ministers who serve the spiritual needs of the sick, homebound, hospitalized, and elderly will follow. If you are currently a pastoral visitor and would like to attend, please RSVP to Chris at the office: 410-486-5400.

### From Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Emekuku, Imo State, Nigeria

We write to acknowledge the donation of \$990 given to us through Dr. Sebastian & Dr. Rose Mezu for the welfare and care of the needy in our midst. We appreciate very much your concern and care, and thank you immensely for identifying with our needy brothers and sisters. May the good Lord reward you [and] the beloved members of Saint Charles Borromeo parish in Pikesville abundantly.

- Fr. Anthony Eke

### SILVERLINERS

The next gathering will be on Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup> in the Rectory Basement for a Hot Dogs & Baked Beans lunch after a Prayer Service in the church at 11:00am. The cost is \$2 per person. A business meeting will follow.

### WOMEN'S SEDER: A CELEBRATION OF WOMEN

All are welcome—women and men, teens to seniors, all faiths and backgrounds—to a totally hip, all inclusive Seder led by Rabbi Elissa Sachs-Kohen and Cantor Ann Sacks in celebration of women at Baltimore Hebrew Congregation on Tuesday April 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. The cost is \$18 pp and includes dinner. For more info, call Lisa Hirsh at 443-831-8938 or e-mail [ls.hirsh@verizon.net](mailto:ls.hirsh@verizon.net)

### PARISH CONSULTATION

Thanks to all who participated in the 'Listening Session' on April 1<sup>st</sup>. Anyone who was unable to attend, but who would like to offer feedback to the Priest Personnel Board's placement committee may contact the Chair, Fr. Kevin Schenning, at: [kschenning@stjoefullerton.org](mailto:kschenning@stjoefullerton.org)